

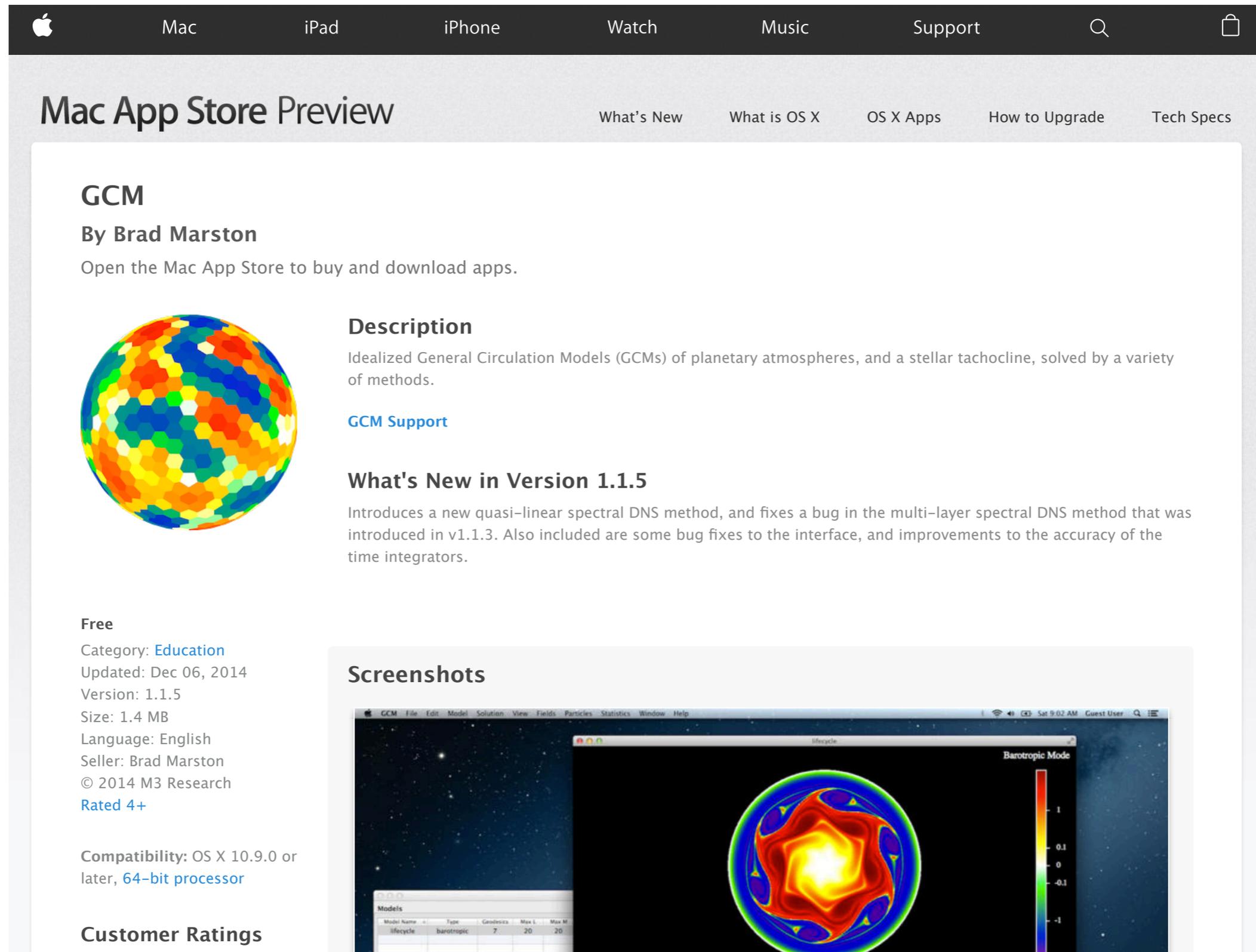
Quasi-Linearization of Anisotropic & Inhomogeneous Turbulent Flows

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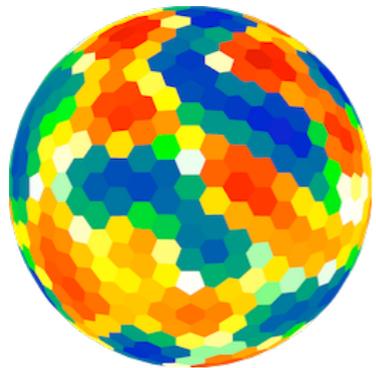
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GCM

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Description

Idealized General Circulation Models (GCMs) of planetary atmospheres, and a stellar tachocline, solved by a variety of methods.

[GCM Support](#)

What's New in Version 1.1.5

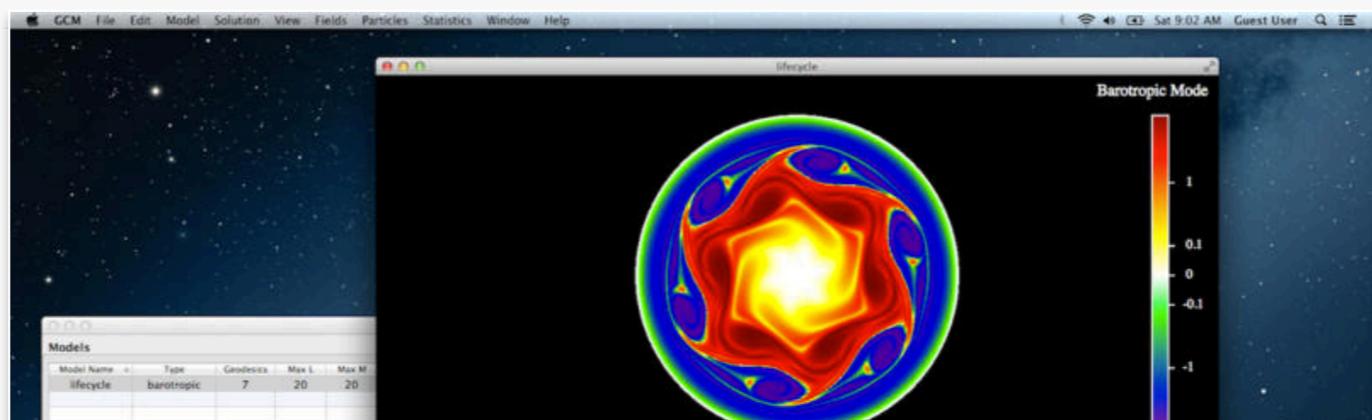
Introduces a new quasi-linear spectral DNS method, and fixes a bug in the multi-layer spectral DNS method that was introduced in v1.1.3. Also included are some bug fixes to the interface, and improvements to the accuracy of the time integrators.

Free
Category: [Education](#)
Updated: Dec 06, 2014
Version: 1.1.5
Size: 1.4 MB
Language: English
Seller: Brad Marston
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Compatibility: OS X 10.9.0 or later, [64-bit processor](#)

Customer Ratings

Screenshots



Model Name	Type	Geodesics	Max L	Max M
lifecycle	barotropic	7	20	20

- Introduction to Quasi-Linearization
 - Reynolds decomposition
 - Triadic interactions
 - Numerical Experiments with an Unstable Point Jet
- Direct Statistical Simulation (DSS)
 - Cumulant Expansions
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- Generalized Quasi-Linear Approximation (GQL)
 - Wall-Bounded Rotating Couette Flow

Quasi-Linearization

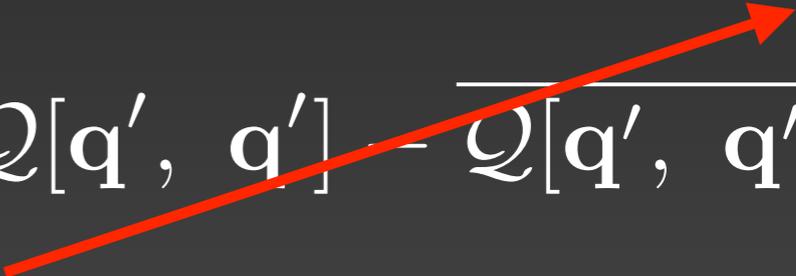
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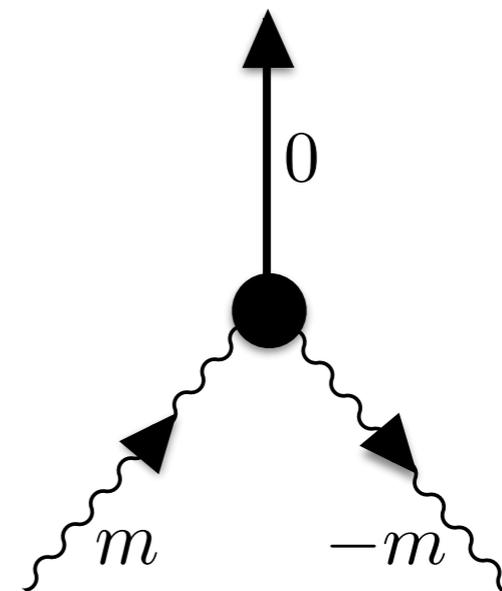
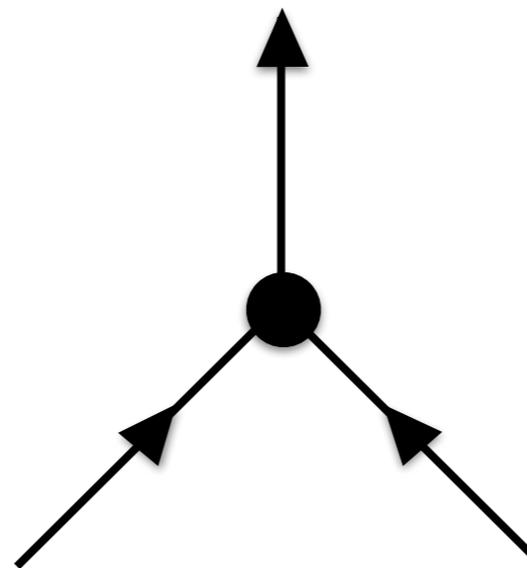
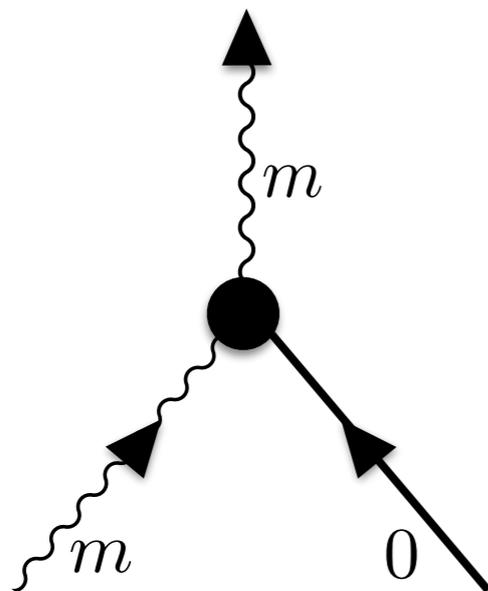
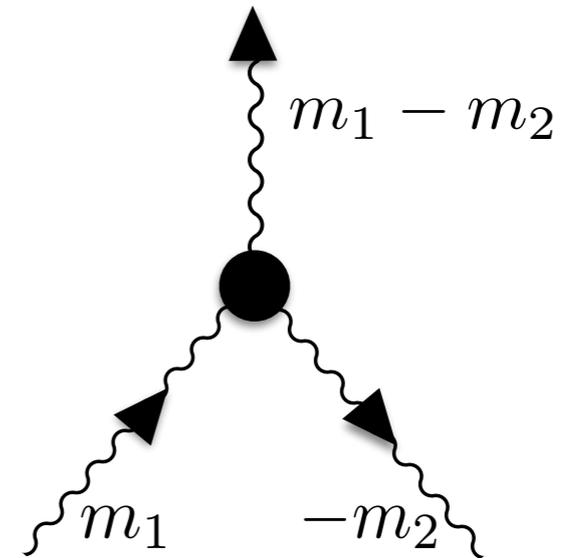
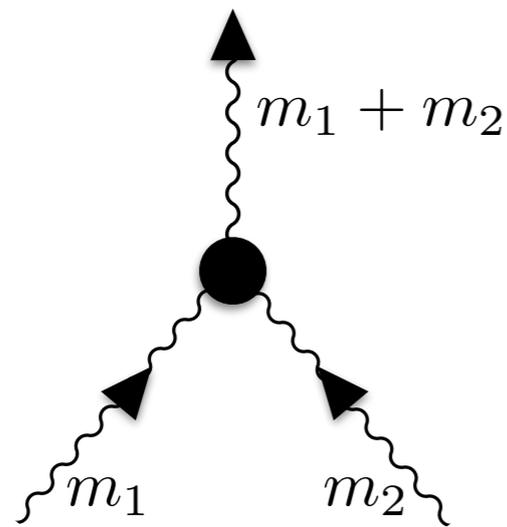
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Drop eddy + eddy \rightarrow eddy scattering

Systems with Zonal Symmetry: Zonal Averaging

$$\mathbf{q}(\theta, \phi) = \bar{\mathbf{q}}(\theta) + \mathbf{q}'(\theta, \phi)$$



QL is a conservative approximation obtained by triad decimation

Why Might This Work?

- Quasi-2D: Energy flows upscale
- Heterogeneous shear softens nonlinearities
- Time-scale separation between mean flow and eddies

Herring (1963); O’Gorman and Schneider (2007)

Numerical Experiment: Unstable Barotropic Point Jet

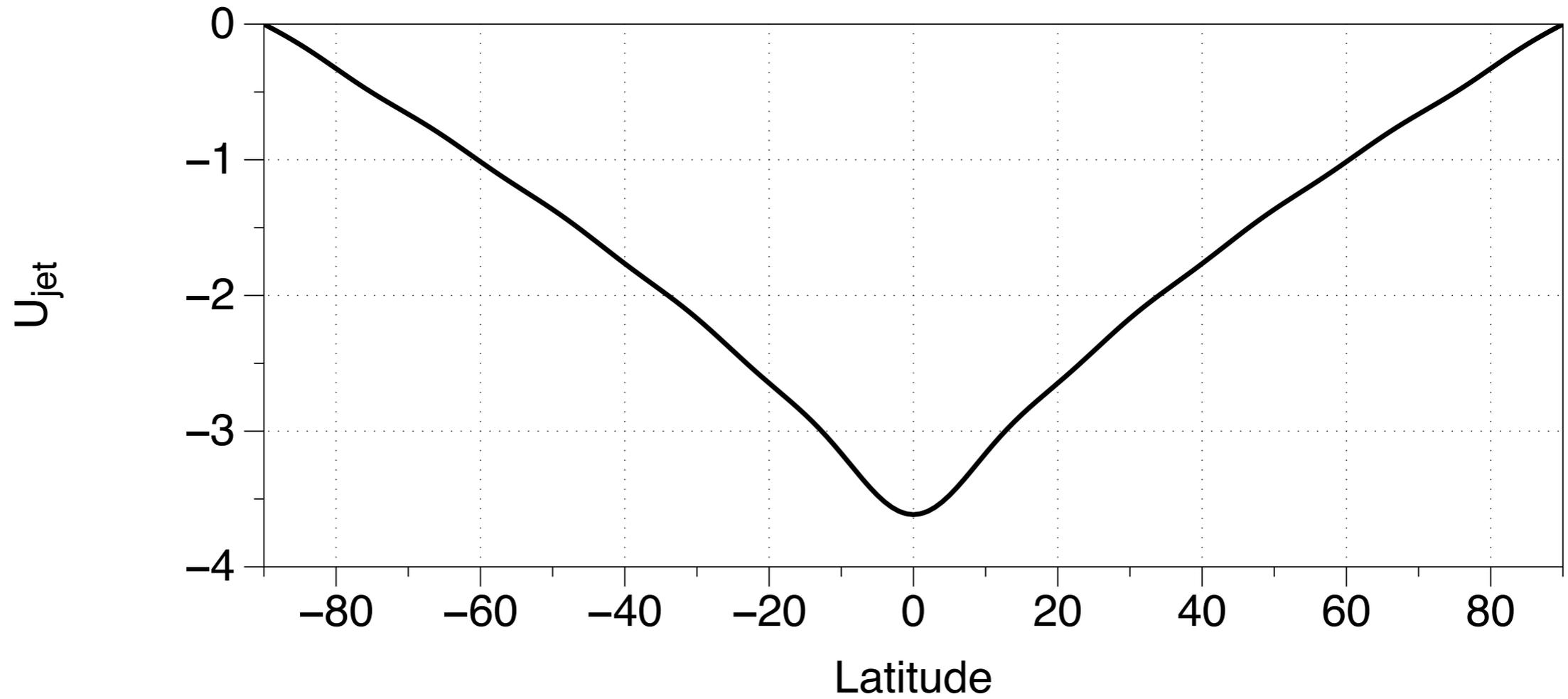
$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} q = \frac{q_{jet} - q}{\tau}$$

$$q = \omega + f \quad f(\theta) = 2\Omega \cos \theta$$

$$\omega = \hat{r} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v} = \nabla^2 \psi$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \omega = J[\psi, \omega] \quad J[a, b] \equiv \hat{r} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} a \times \vec{\nabla} b)$$

Retrograde Point Jet



"More than any other theoretical procedure, numerical integration is also subject to the criticism that it yields little insight into the problem. The computed numbers are not only processed like data but they look like data, and a study of them may be no more enlightening than a study of real meteorological observations. An alternative procedure which does not suffer this disadvantage consists of deriving a new system of equations whose unknowns are the statistics themselves...."

Edward Lorenz, The Nature and Theory of the General Circulation of the Atmosphere (1967)

“Direct Statistical Simulation” (DSS)

Direct Statistical Simulation (DSS)

vs.

Direct Numerical Simulation (DNS)

Low-order statistics are smoother in space than the instantaneous flow.

Statistics evolve slowly in time, or not at all, and hence may be described by a fixed point, or at least a slow manifold.

Correlations are *non-local* and highly anisotropic and inhomogeneous.

Statistical formulations should respect this.

DSS by Expansion in Equal-Time Cumulants

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$$\bar{\mathbf{q}}(\vec{r}) = c_1(\theta)$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_1)\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_2)} = c_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = c_2(\theta_1, \theta_2, \phi_1 - \phi_2)$$

$$\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}) = \int d\vec{r}' \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}')$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{Q}[\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}), \mathbf{q}'(\vec{r})]} = \int d\vec{r}' \mathcal{Q}[\delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}'), c_2(\vec{r}', \vec{r})]$$

"....This procedure can be very effective for problems where the original equations are linear, but, in the case of non-linear equations, the new system will inevitably contain more unknowns than equations, and can therefore not be solved, unless additional postulates are introduced."

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$$\dot{c}_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = 2\{\mathcal{L}_1[c_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2)] + \mathcal{Q}_1[c_1(\vec{r}_1), c_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2)] + \mathcal{Q}_1[c_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2), c_1(\vec{r}_1)]\}$$

(a self-consistent Lyapunov equation)

A realizable closure: QL decouples 2nd cumulant from 3rd

$$\overline{\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_1)\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_2)\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_3)} = c_3(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_3)$$

Investigation of Problems in Thermal Convection

J. R. HERRING

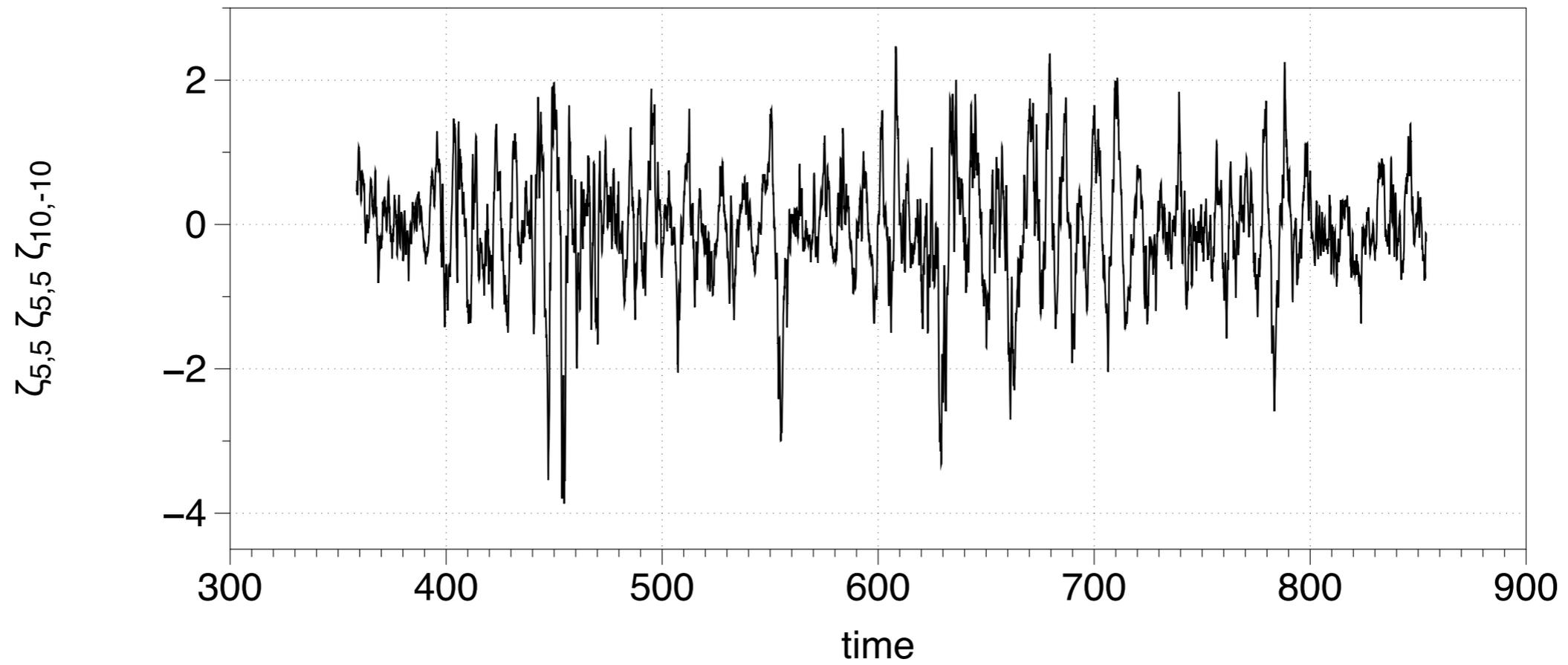
Goddard Institute for Space Studies, New York, N. Y.

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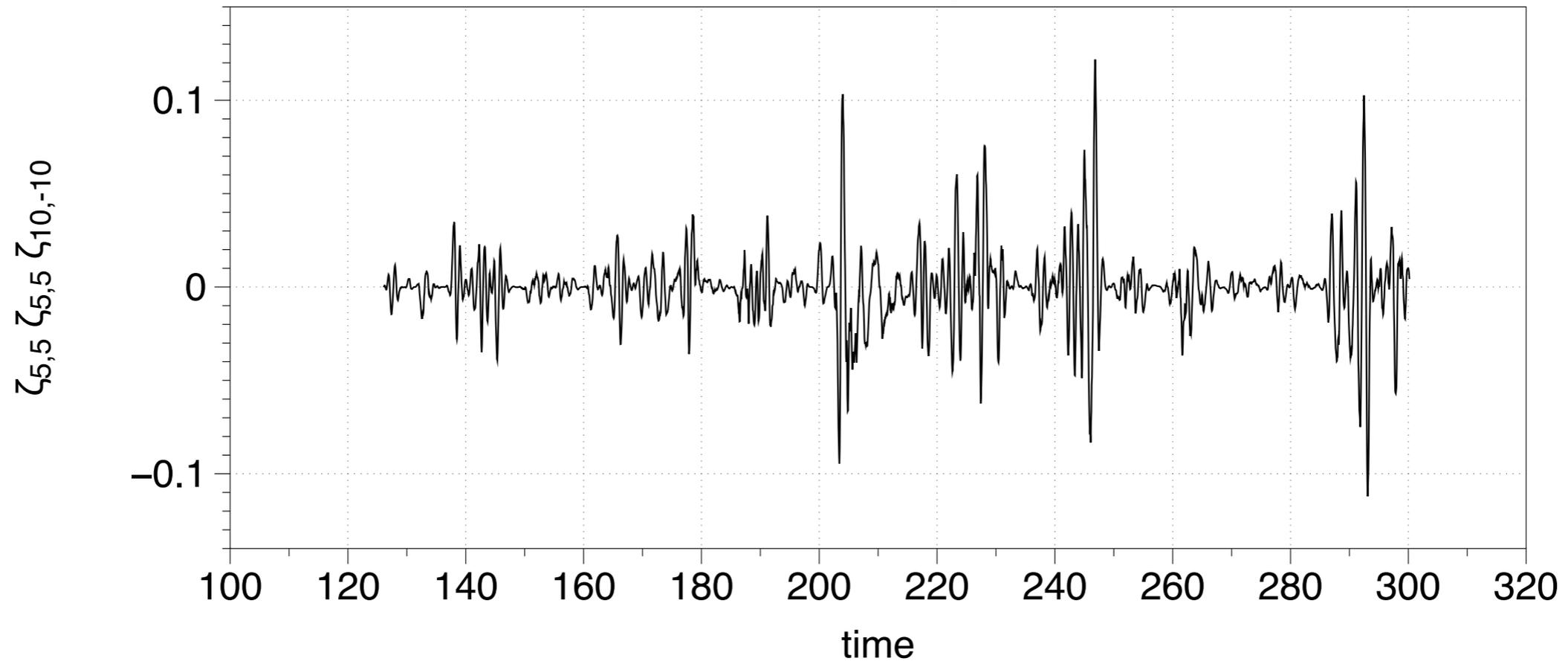
Since the system contains a non-vanishing first-order moment, ψ , the transfer terms contain both correlated third-order moments (cumulants) and products of first order moments with second-order moments. The discarding of the fluctuating self-interaction then corresponds to closing the system of moment equations by discarding the third order cumulants.² In the absence of mean fields this procedure would be empty.

² Discarding third order cumulants is quite different from discarding third order *moments*. The latter procedure has as a consequence that no steady state nontrivial amplitudes exist. For an investigation of the dynamics of decay for zero third-order moments see Deissler (1962).

Third Cumulant



Third Cumulant (Fully Nonlinear)



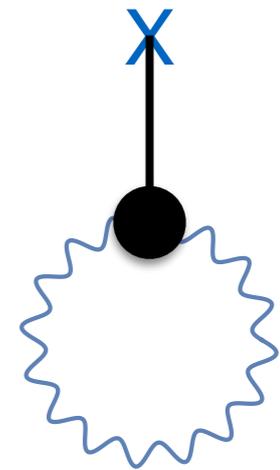
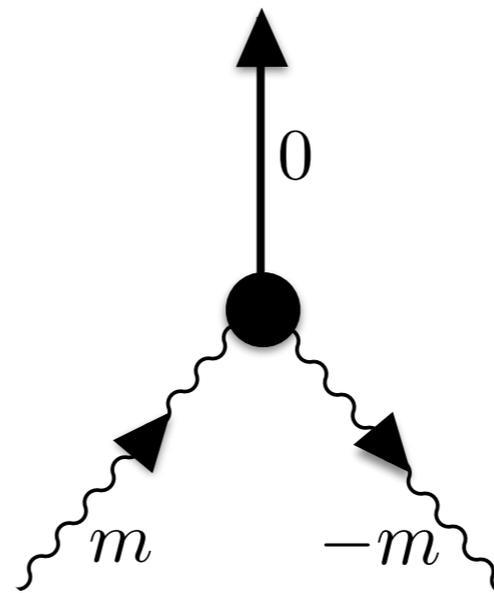
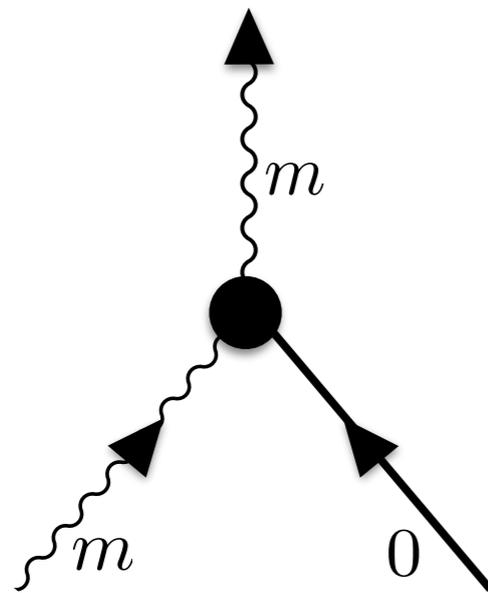
(Short) Time Average for Stochastic PDE

$$\dot{q} = \mathcal{L}[q] + \mathcal{Q}[q, q] + \eta$$

$$\langle \eta(\vec{r}_1, t_1) \eta(\vec{r}_2, t_2) \rangle = \Gamma(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) \delta(t_1 - t_2)$$

$$c_2(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = \dots + \Gamma(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2)$$

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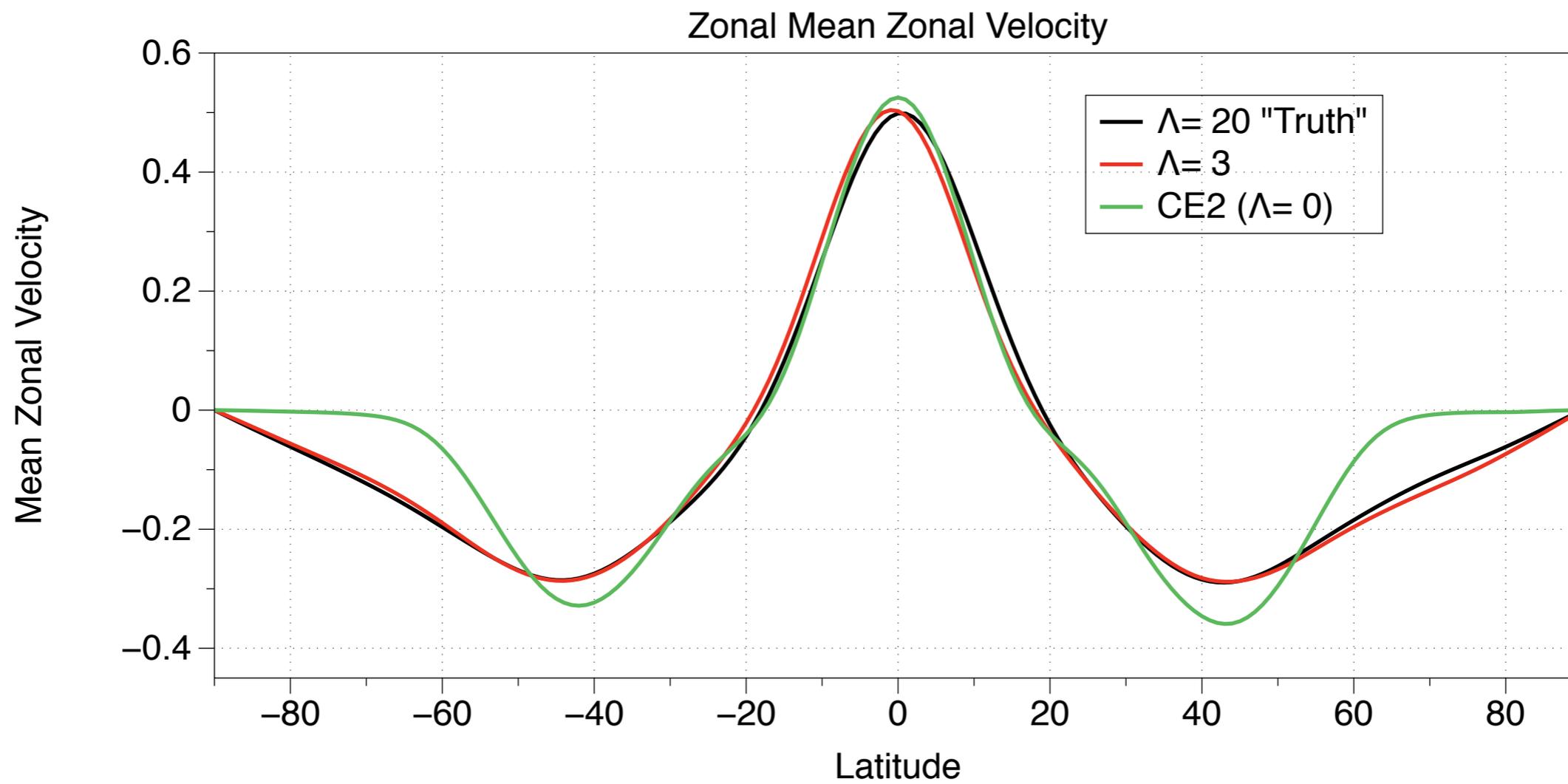
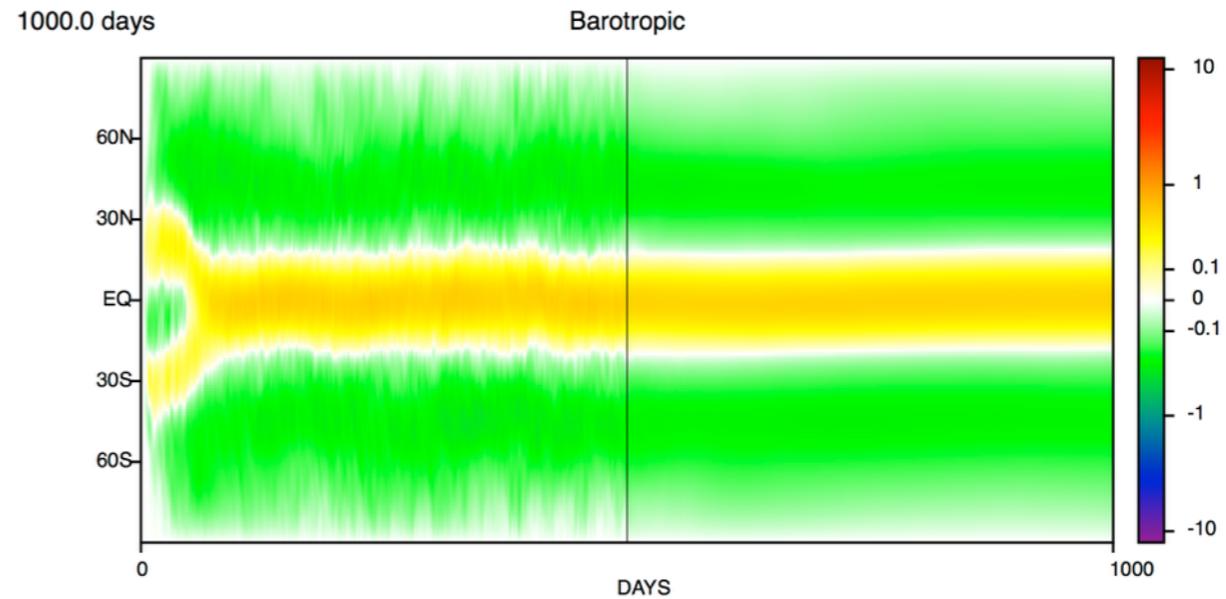
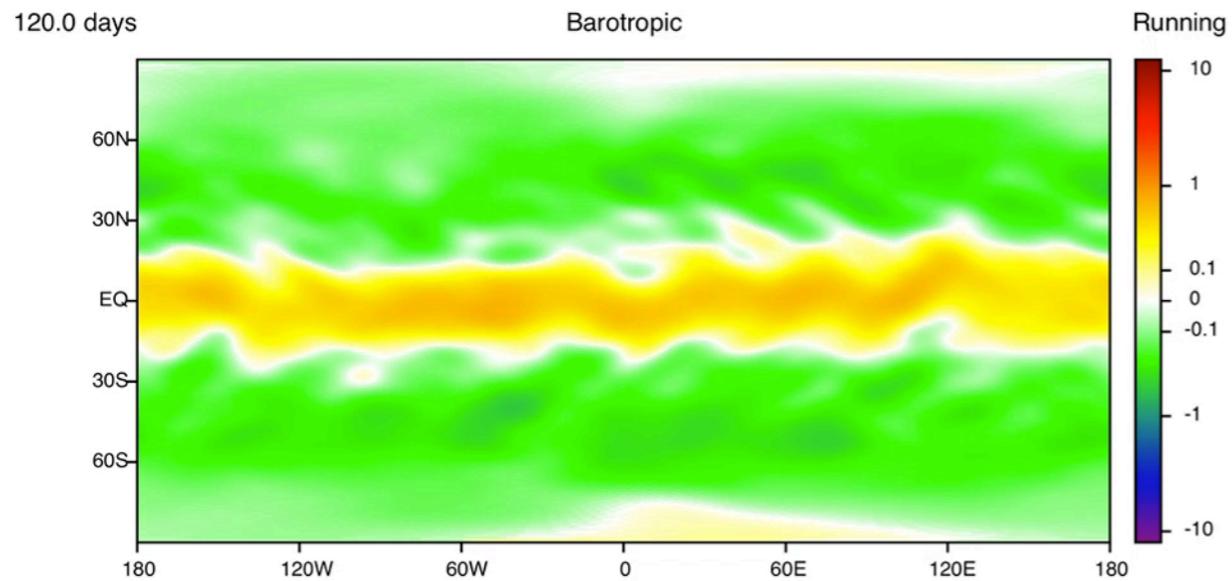


Farrell & Ioannou (2007); JBM, Conover, & Schneider (2008); Bakas & Ioannou (2011); Srinivasan & Young (2012); Parker & Krommes (2013).

JBM, W. Qi, and S. M. Tobias, "Direct Statistical Simulation of a Jet" arXiv:1412.0381 (CE2, CE2.5 and CE3).

Numerical Experiment: Stochastically-Driven Jet

$$\partial_t \zeta + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} (\zeta + f) = -\kappa \zeta - \nu_2 \nabla^4 \zeta + \eta$$

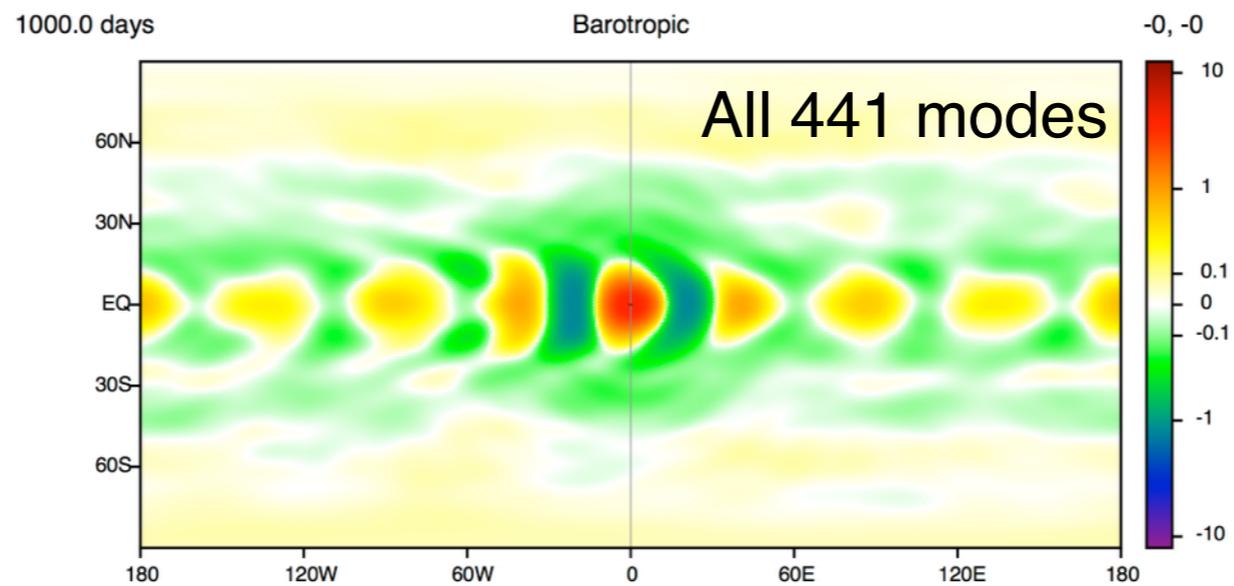
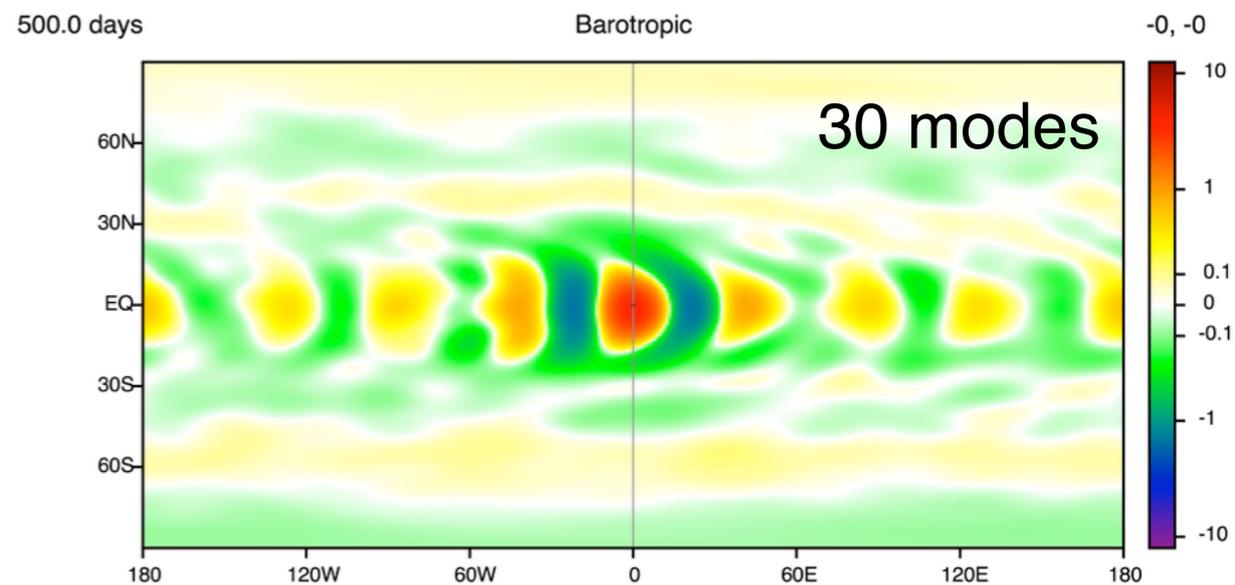
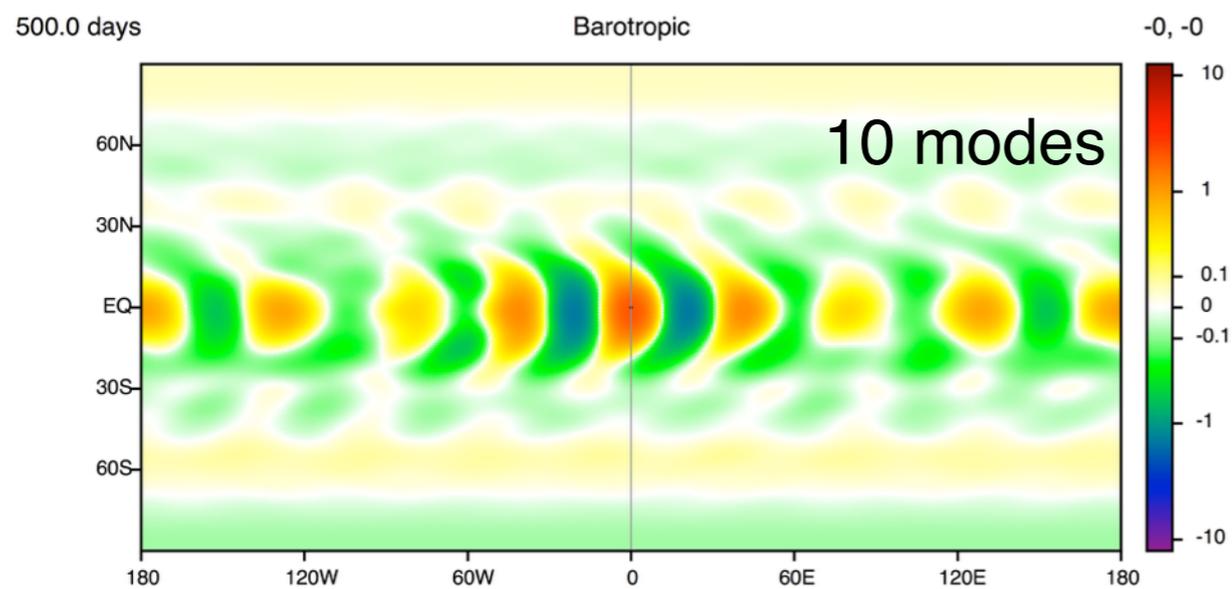
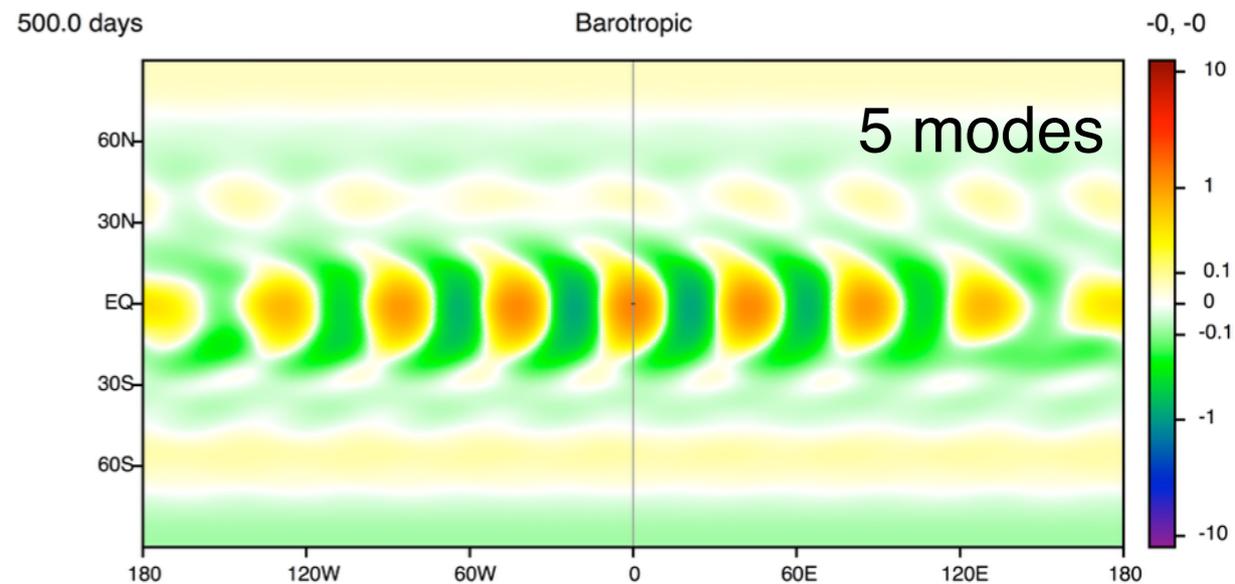
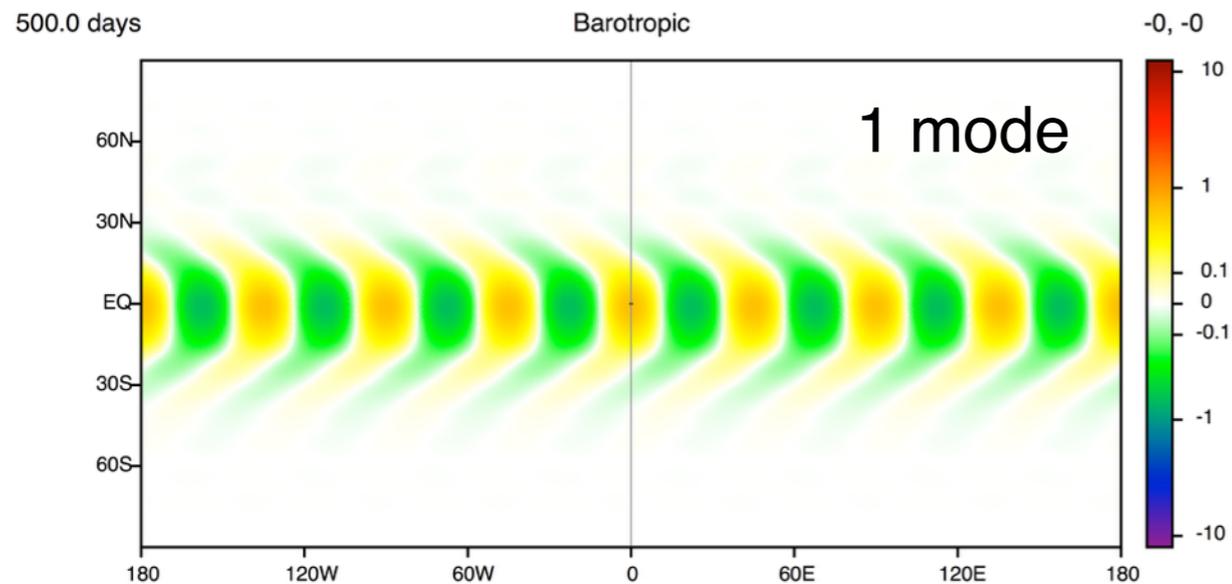


The “Curse of Dimensionality” — How to Address?

Schmidt decomposition

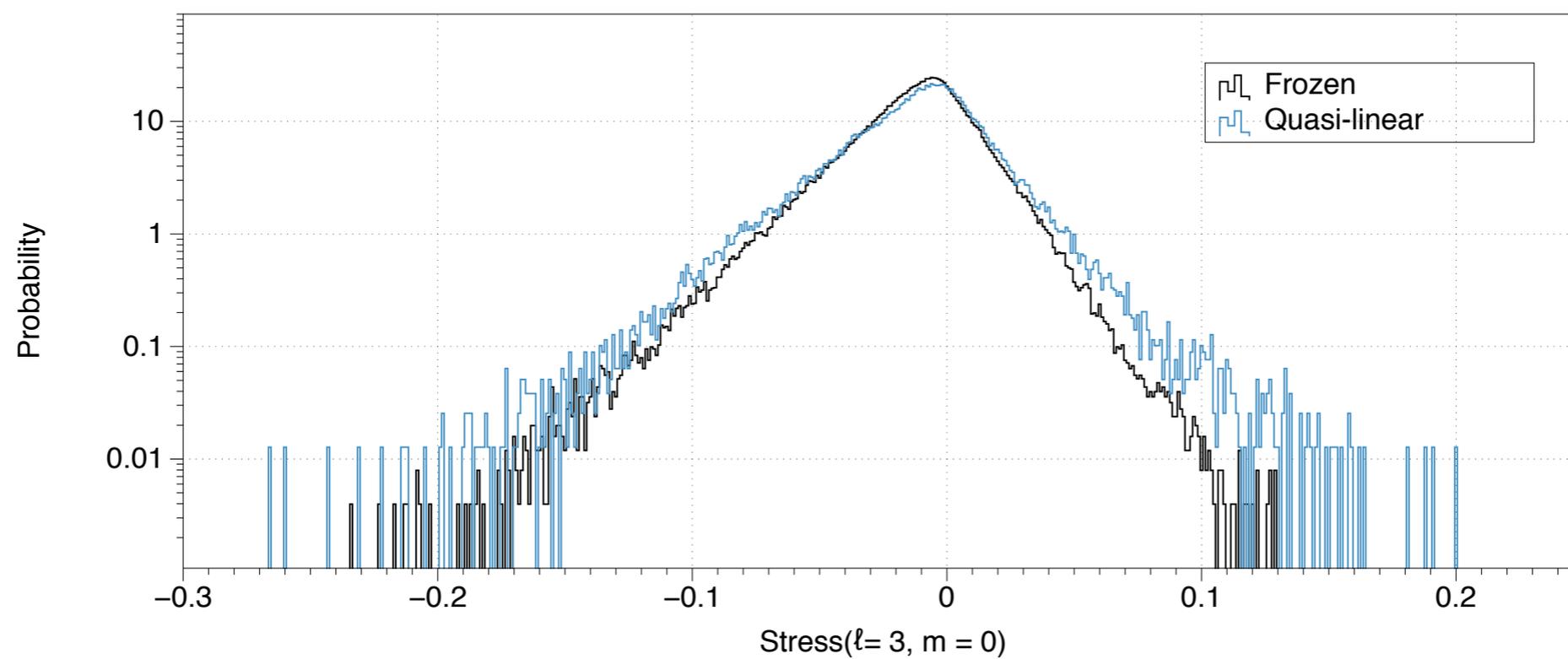
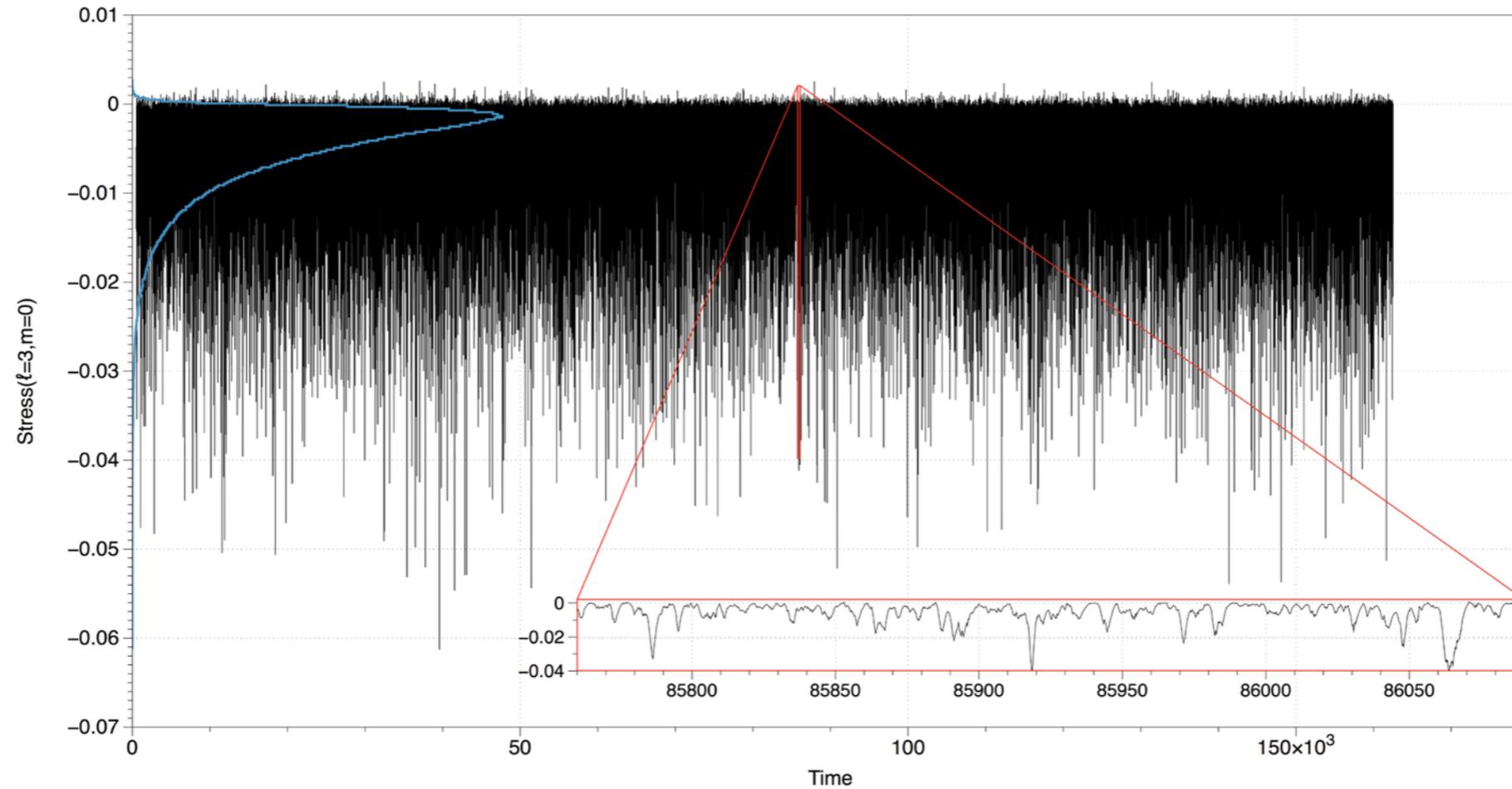
$$\overline{\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_1)\mathbf{q}'(\vec{r}_2)} = \sum_i \lambda_i \varphi_i(\vec{r}_1) \varphi_i(\vec{r}_2); \quad \lambda_i \geq 0$$
$$\approx \sum_{\lambda_i > \lambda_c} \lambda_i \varphi_i(\vec{r}_1) \varphi_i(\vec{r}_2)$$

Entanglement:
More than one non-zero eigenvalue



Large Deviation Theory

(with Tomás Tangerife and Freddy Bouchet)



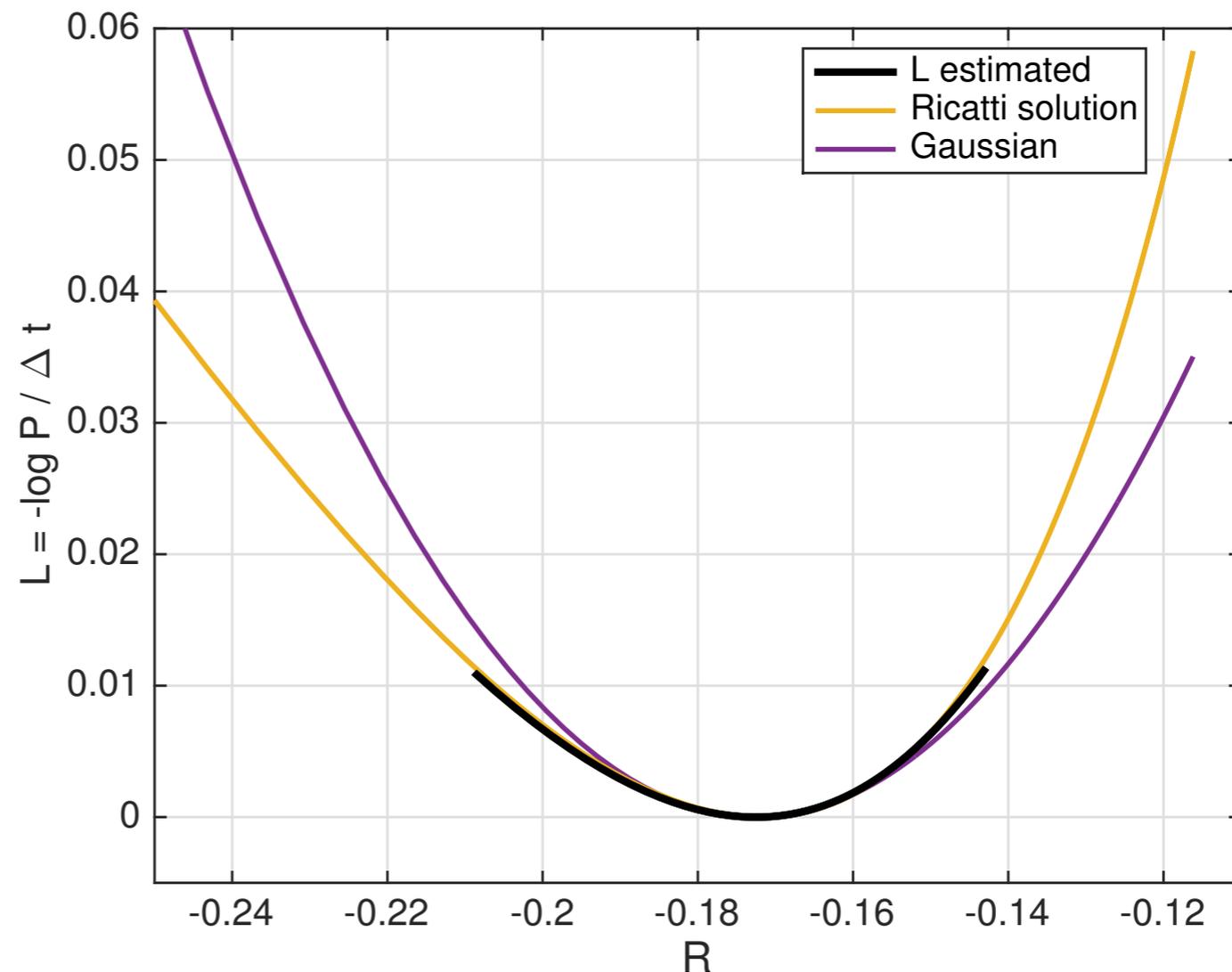
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$$H_m[\theta] = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \log \mathbb{E}_U \exp \left[\int_0^{\Delta t} d\phi \cos \phi \theta(\phi) \int_0^{\Delta t} R_m(\phi, u) du \right]$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} + NL_x + L_x^T N = 2NCN + \theta \mathcal{M} \quad \text{“Ricatti Equation”}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \left[\frac{\Delta \omega_z}{\Delta t} \right] = \sup_{\theta} \left\{ \theta \cdot \frac{\Delta \omega_z}{\Delta t} - H[\theta] \right\}$$



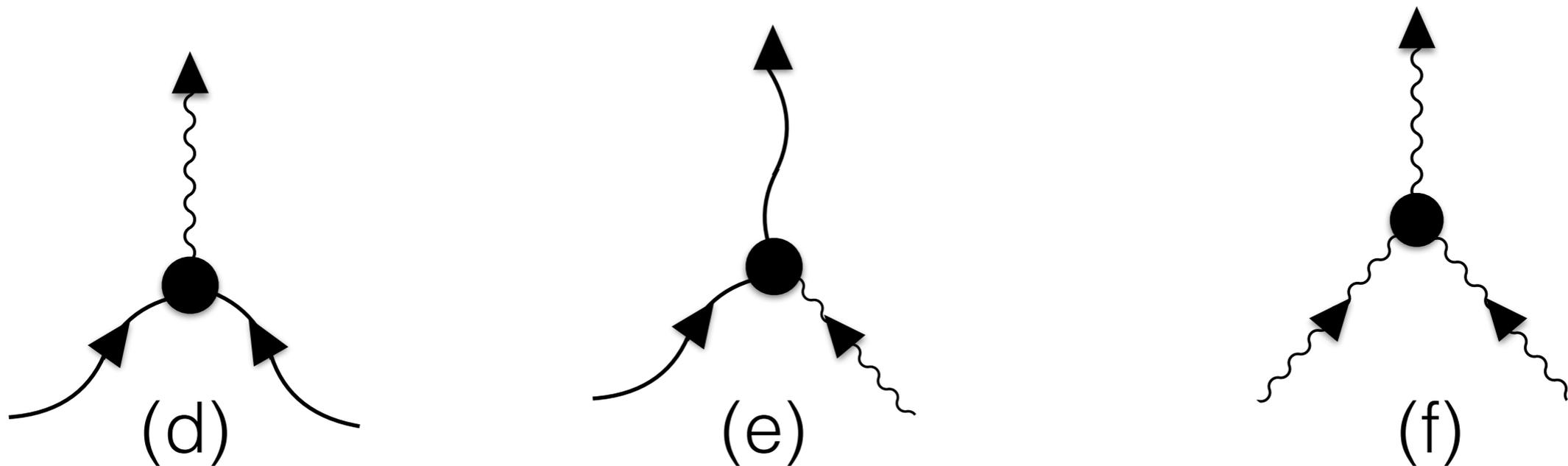
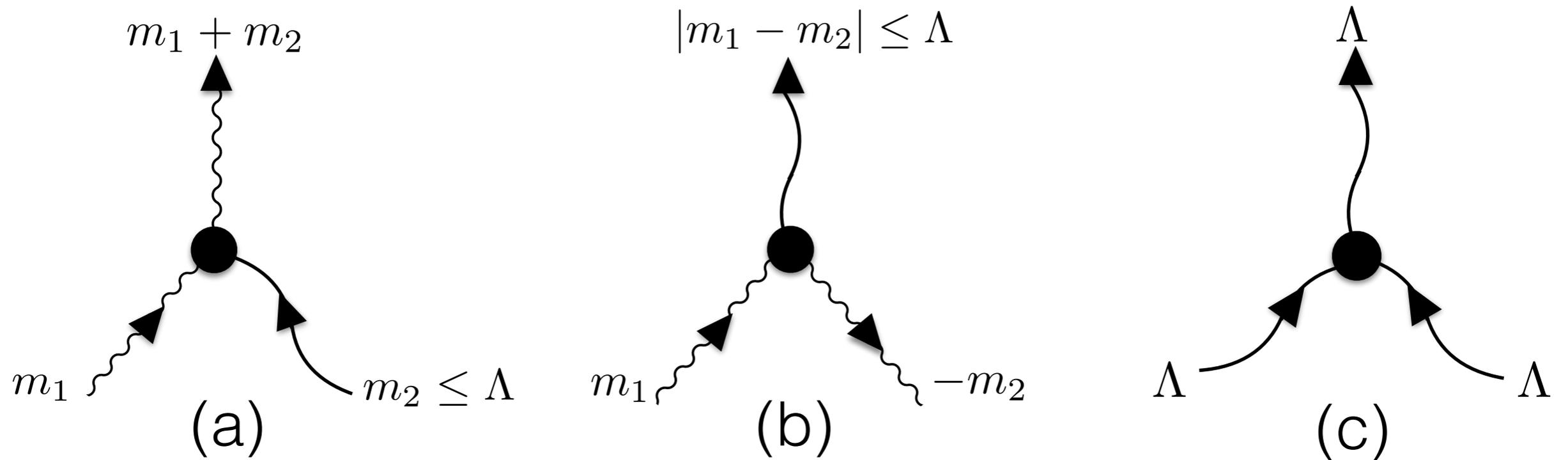
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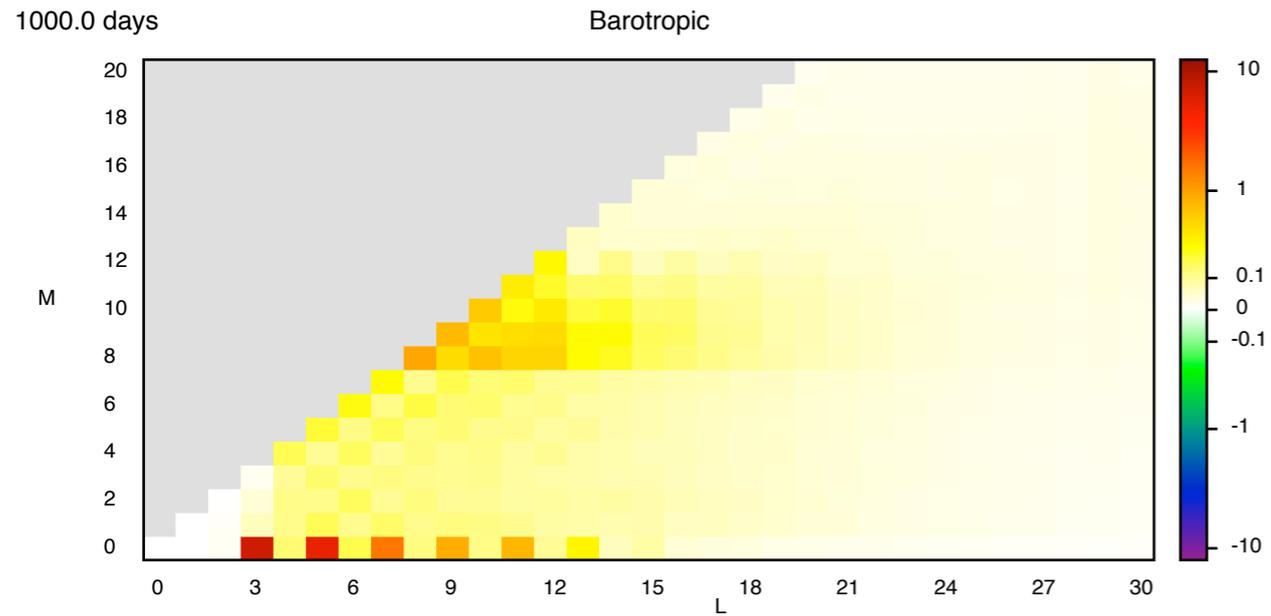
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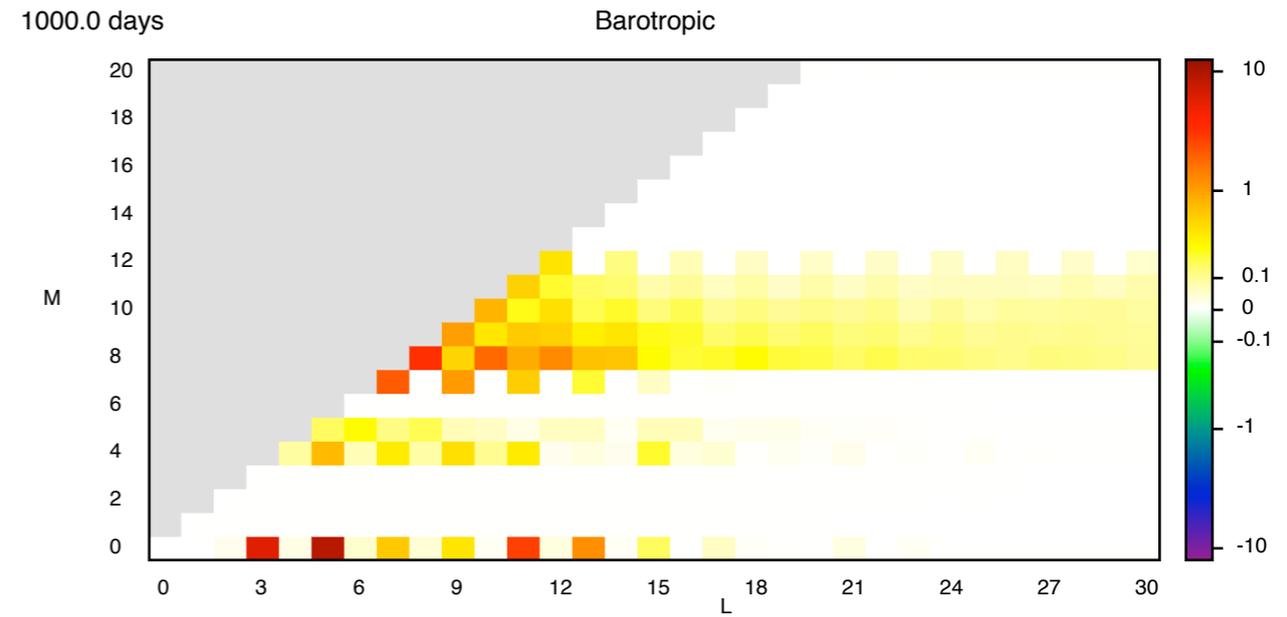
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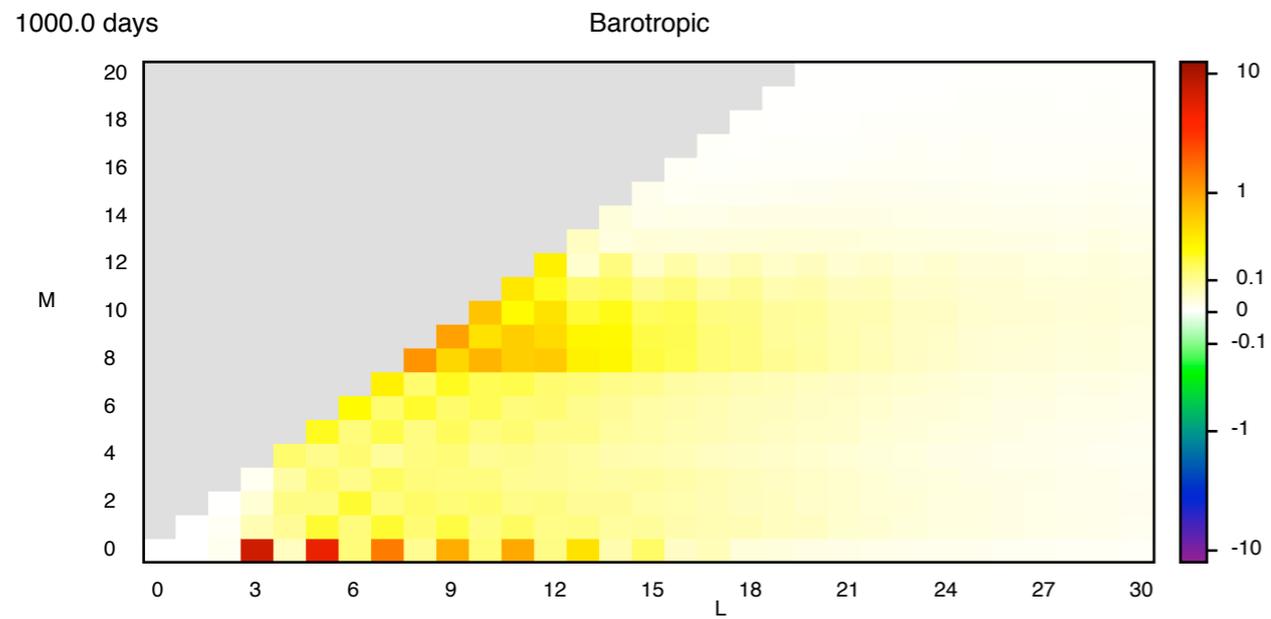
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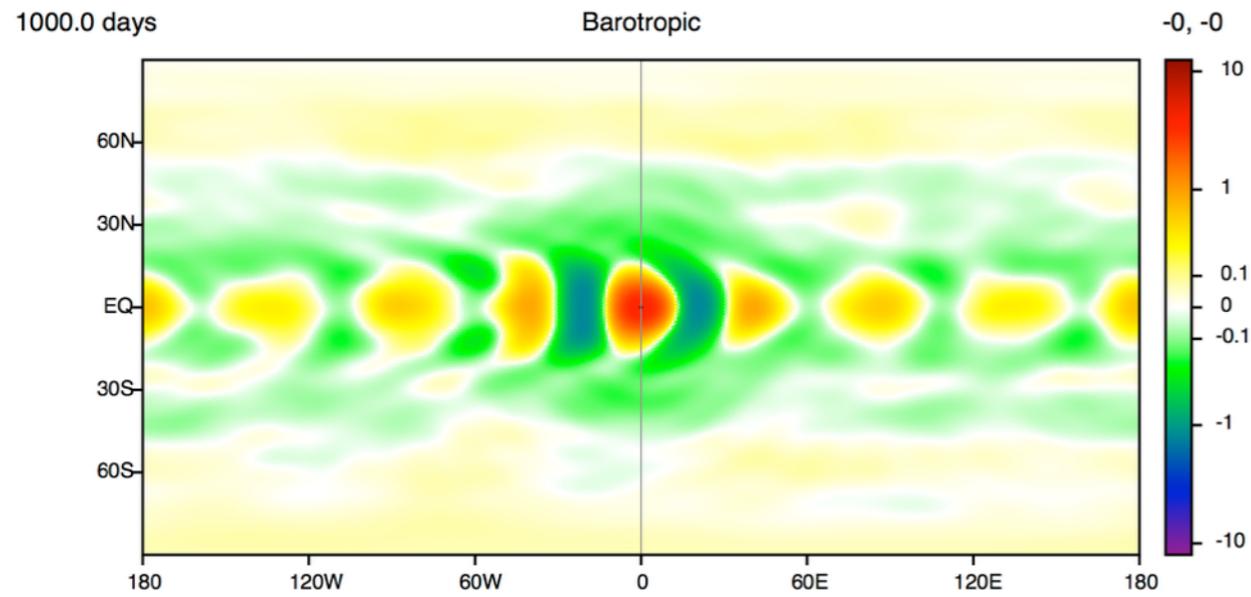
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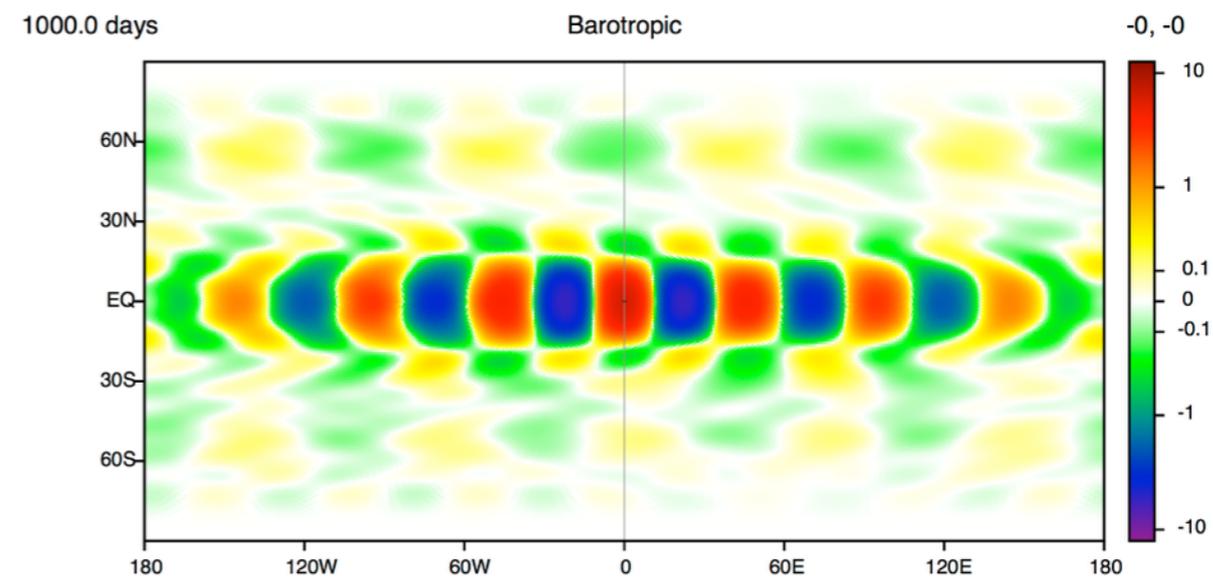
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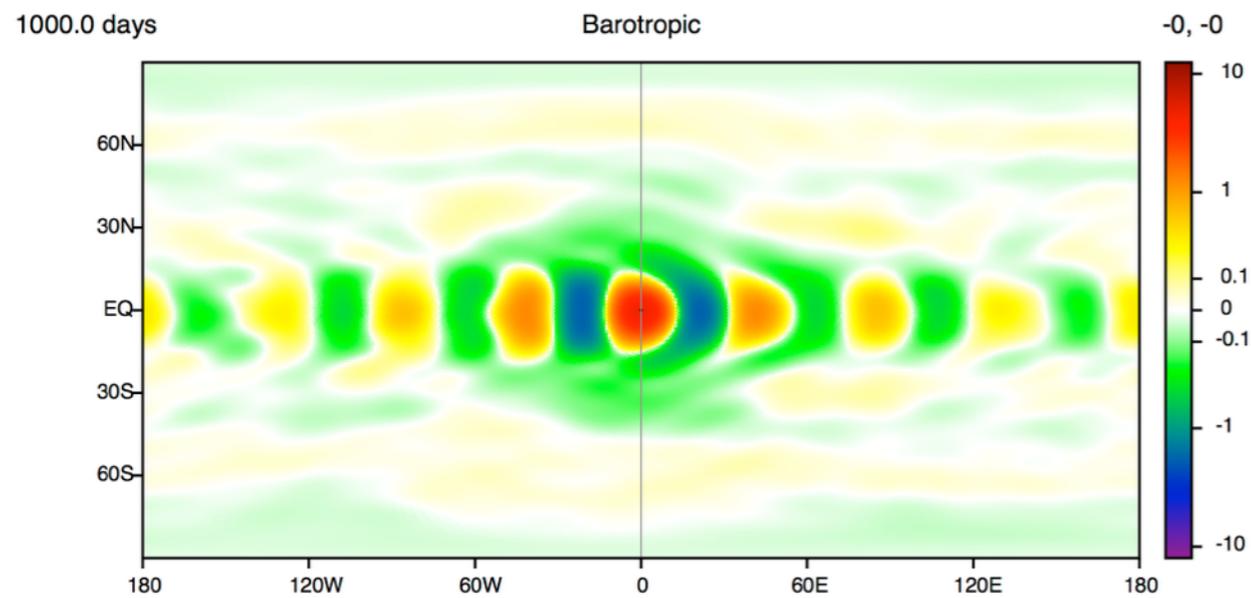
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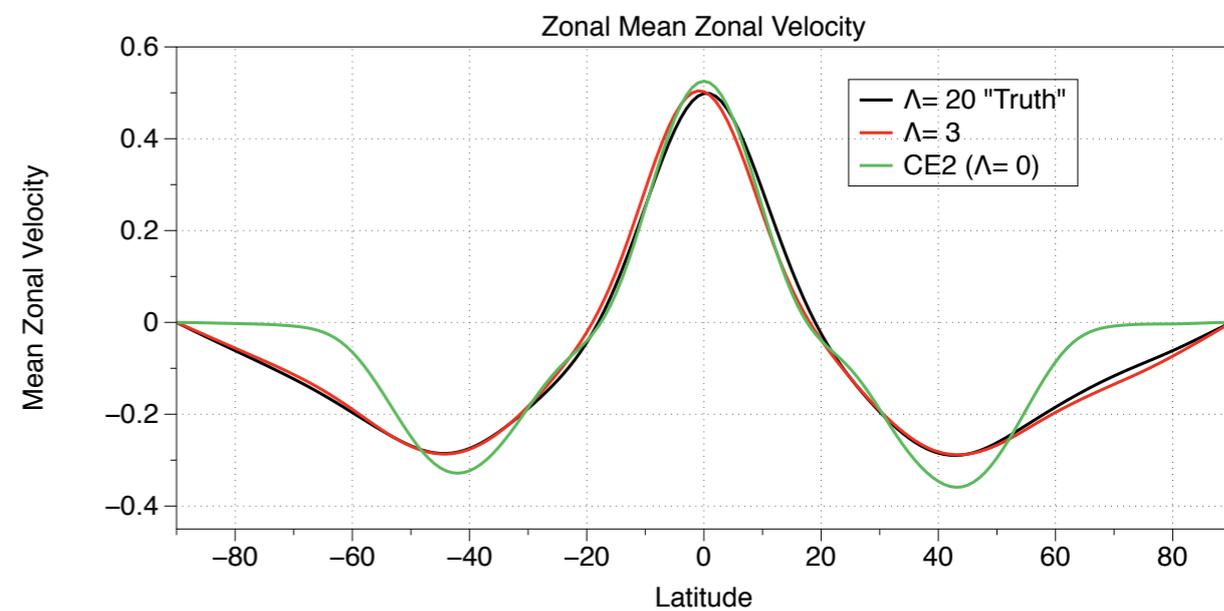
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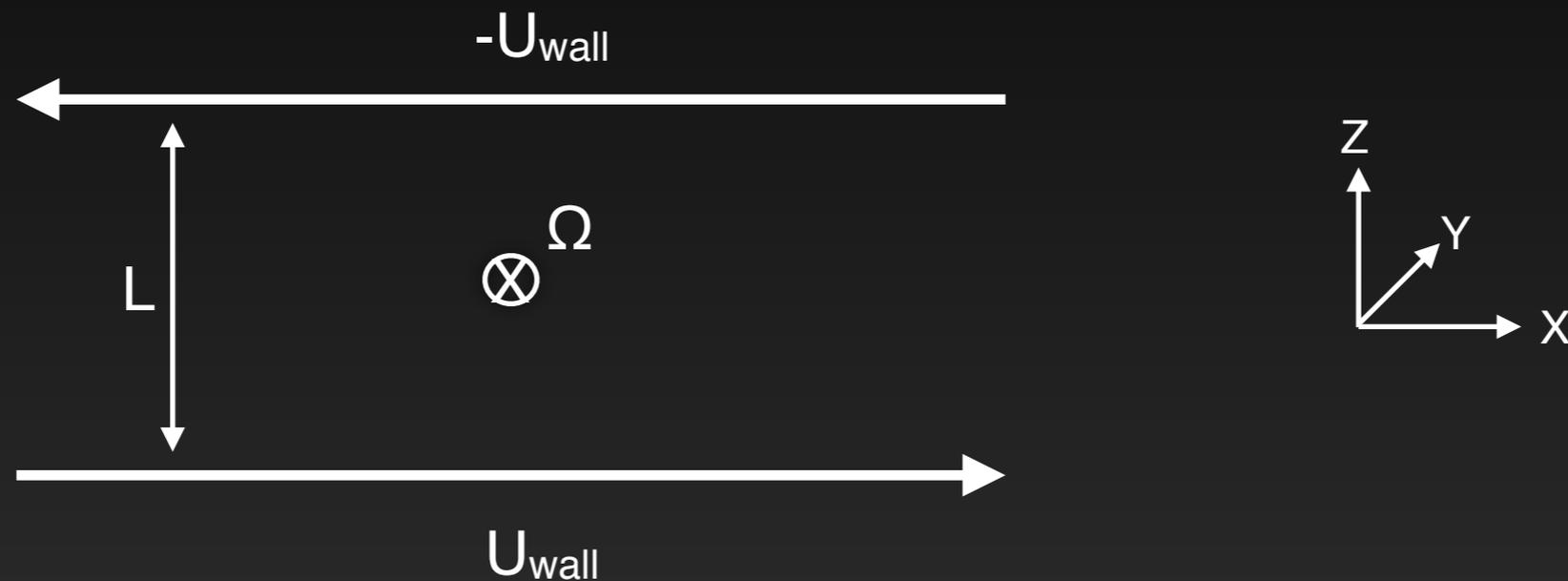


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Rotating Planar Couette Flow

Bech & Andersson (1996)

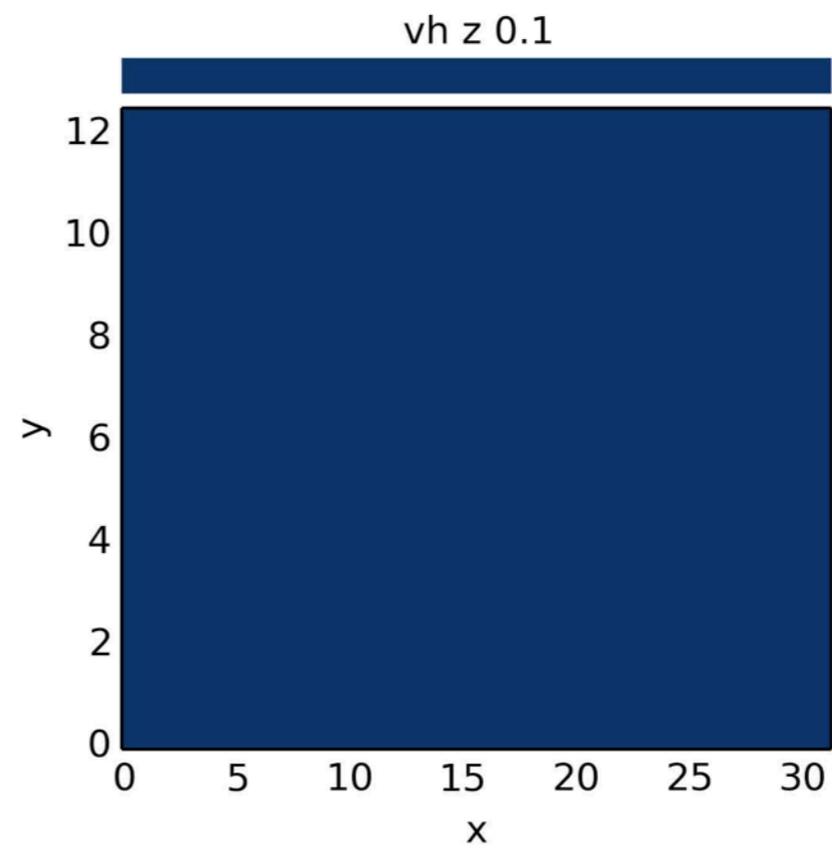
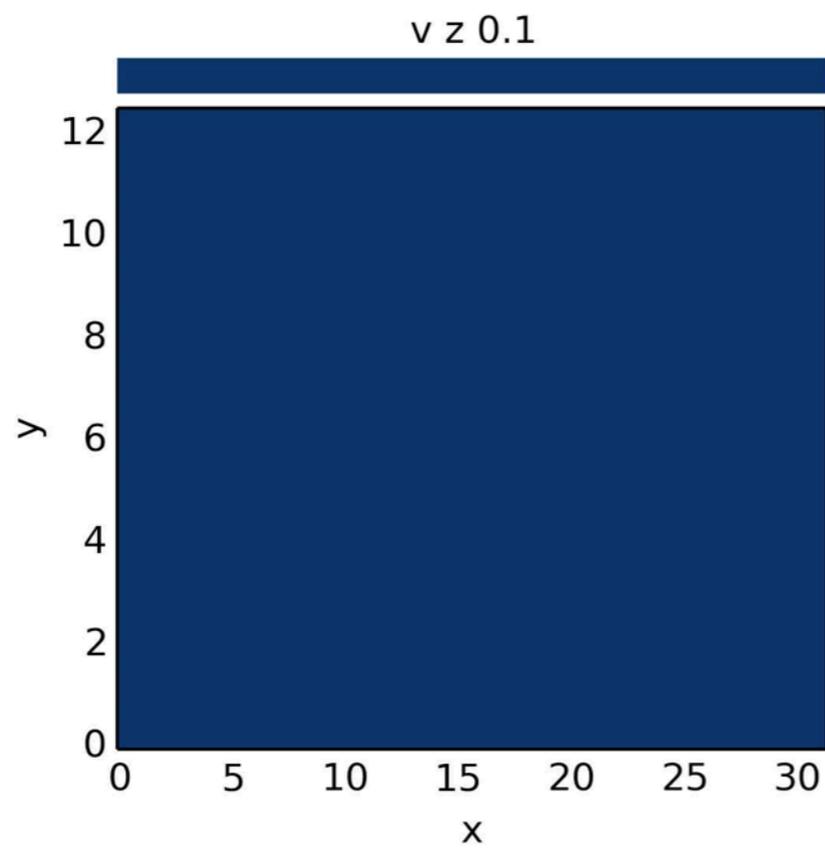
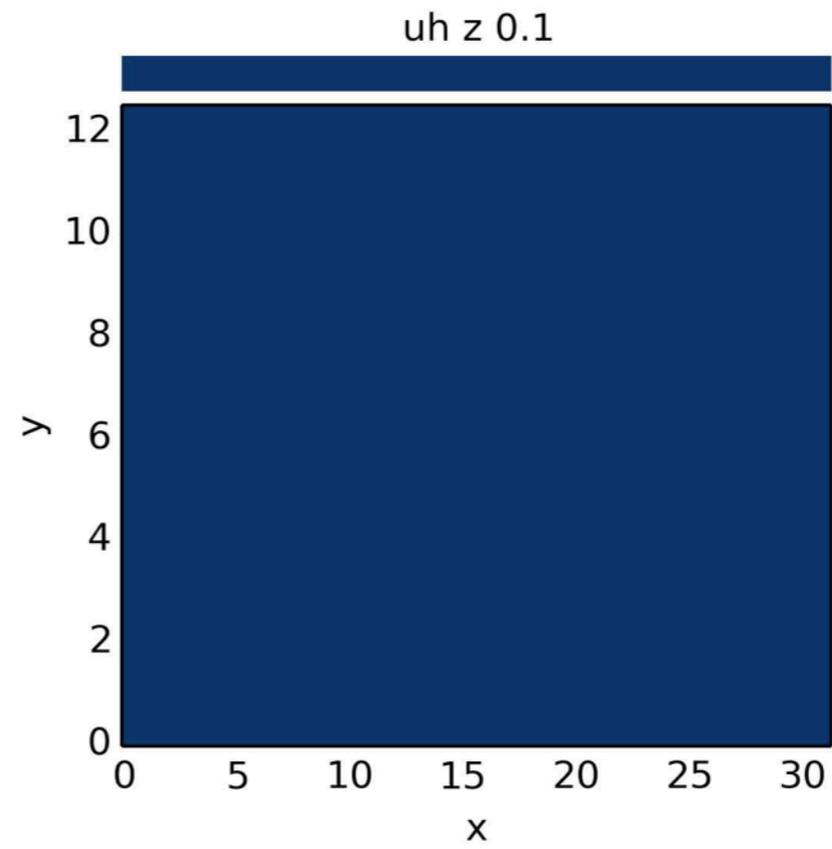
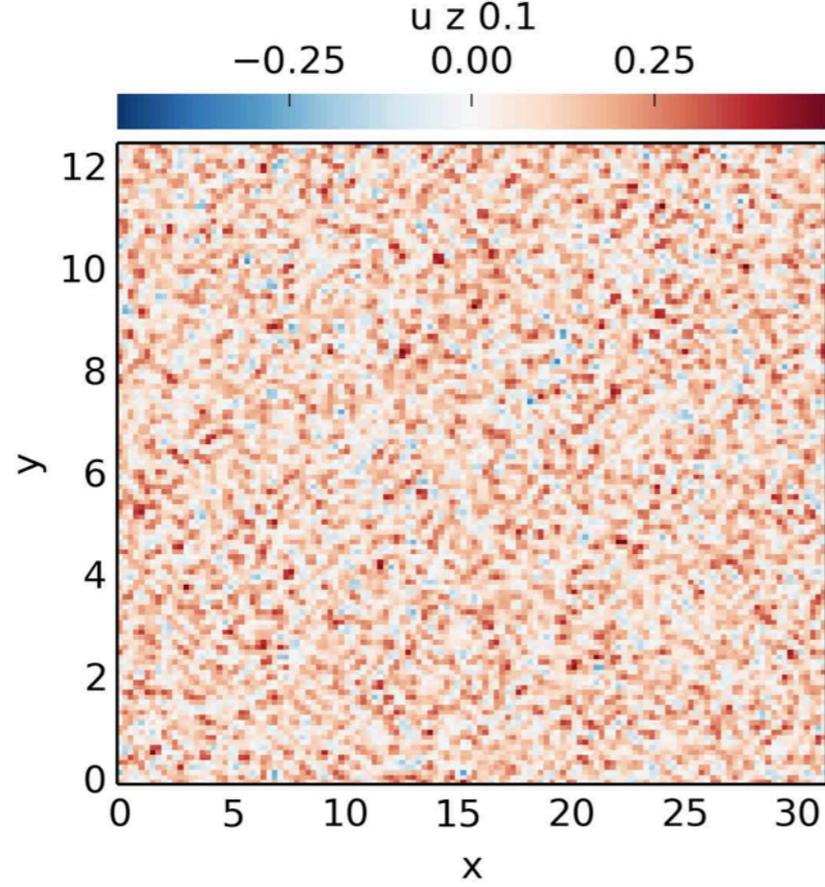


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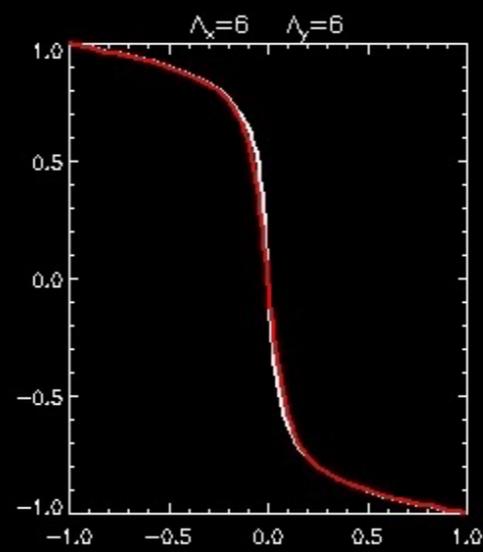
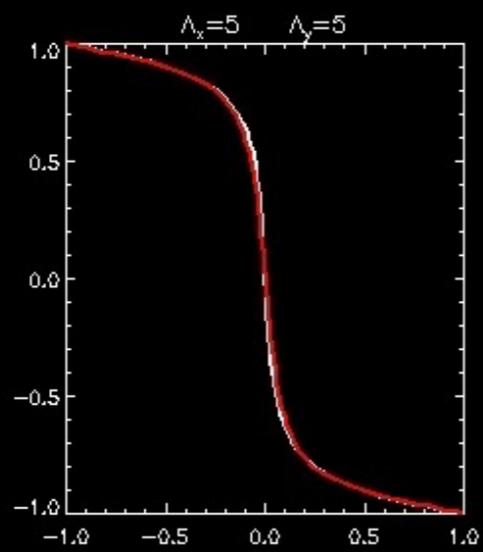
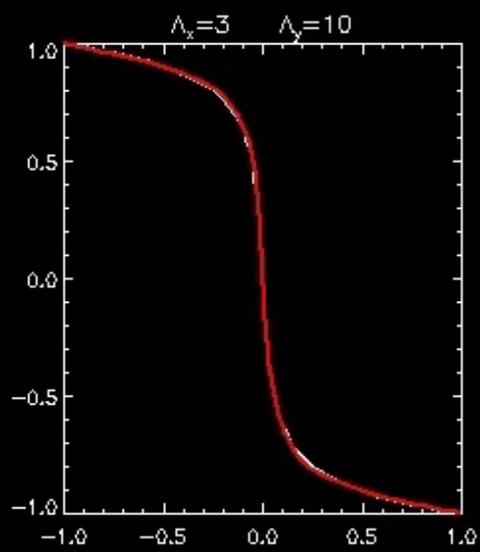
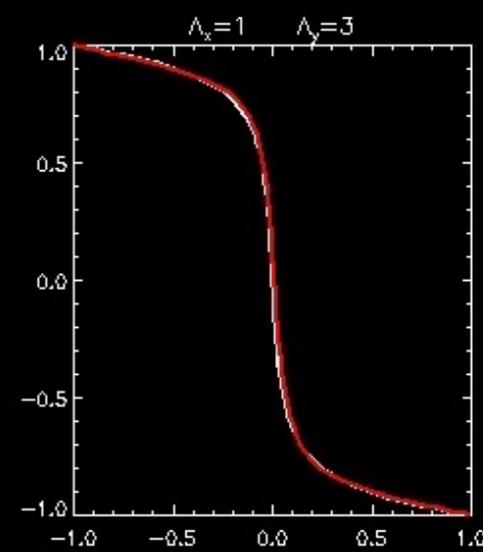
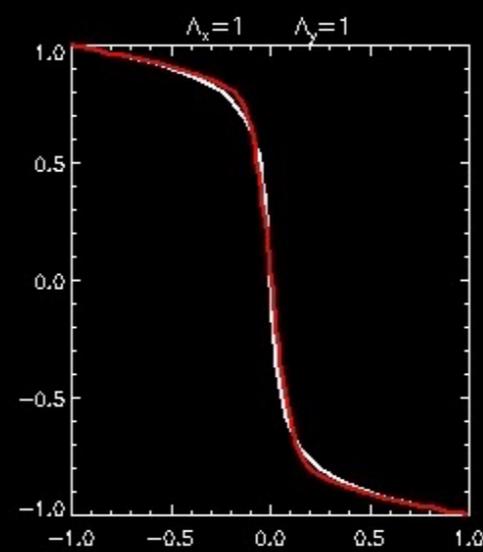
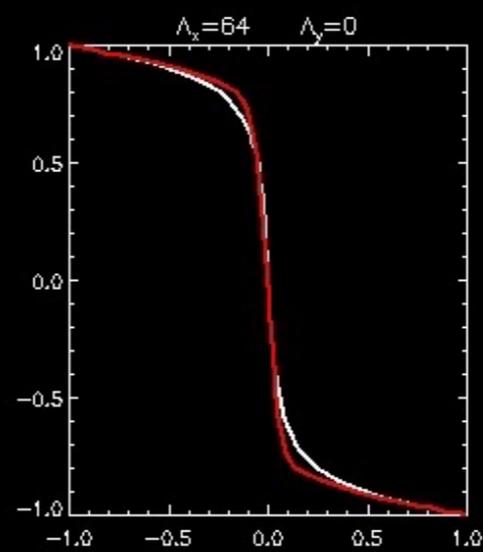
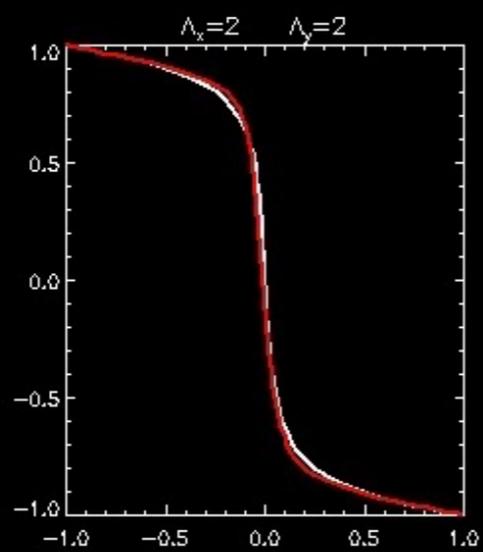
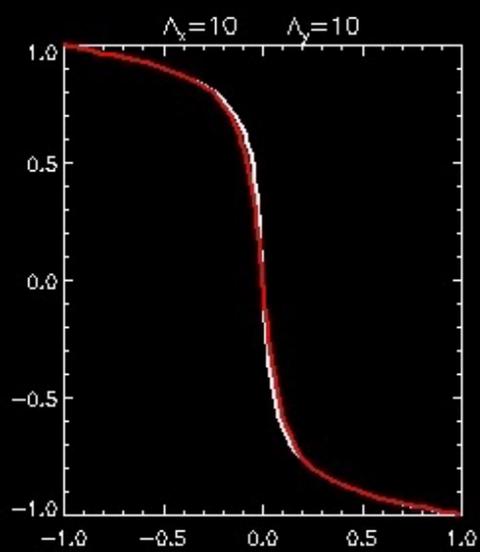
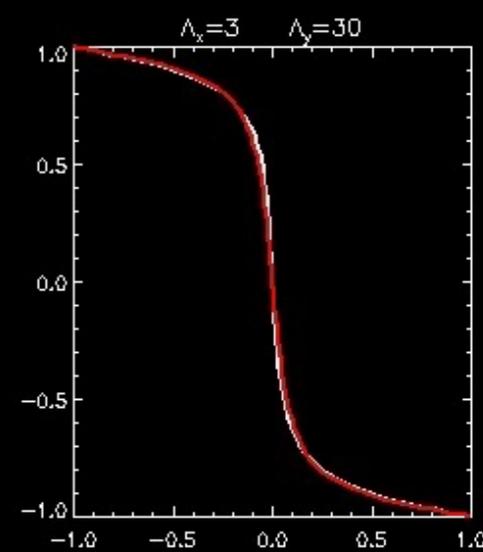
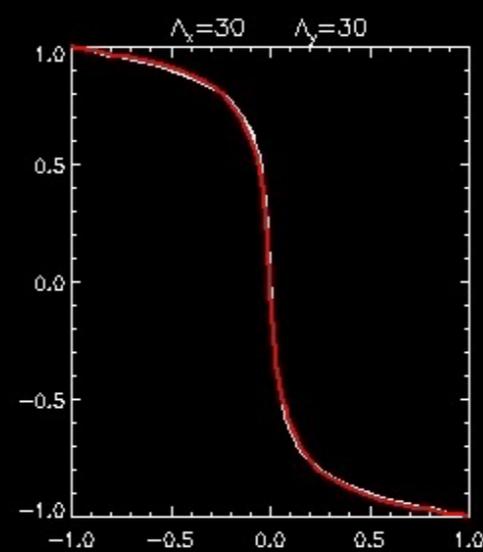
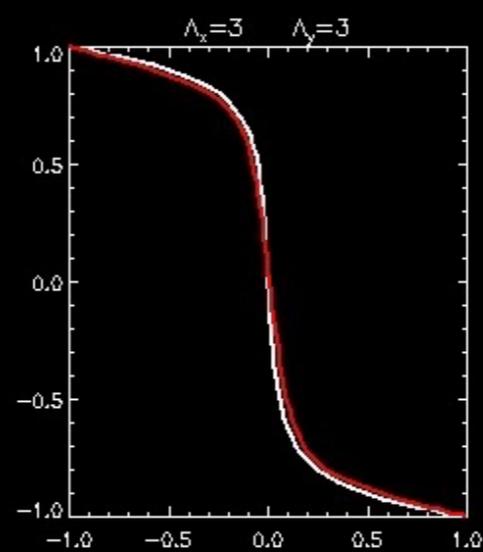
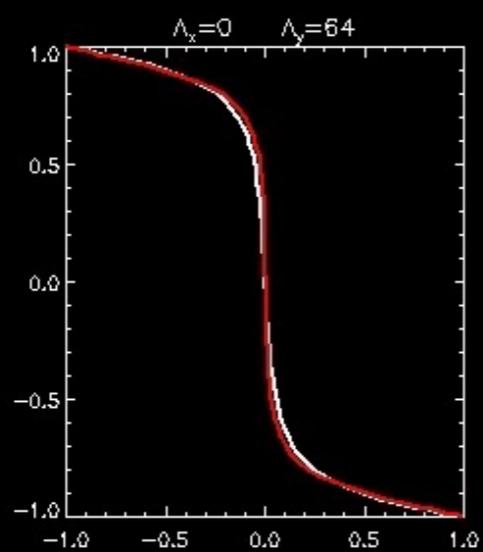
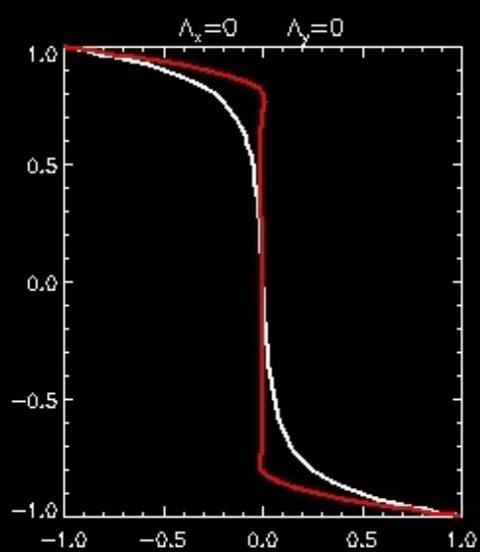
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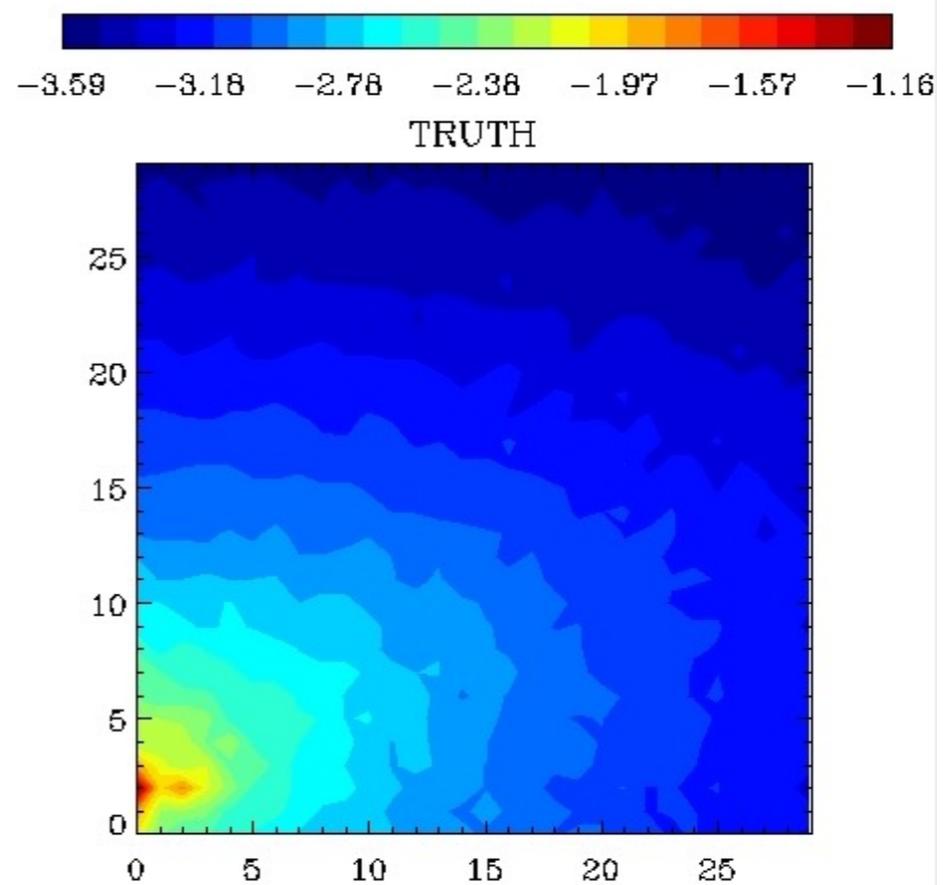
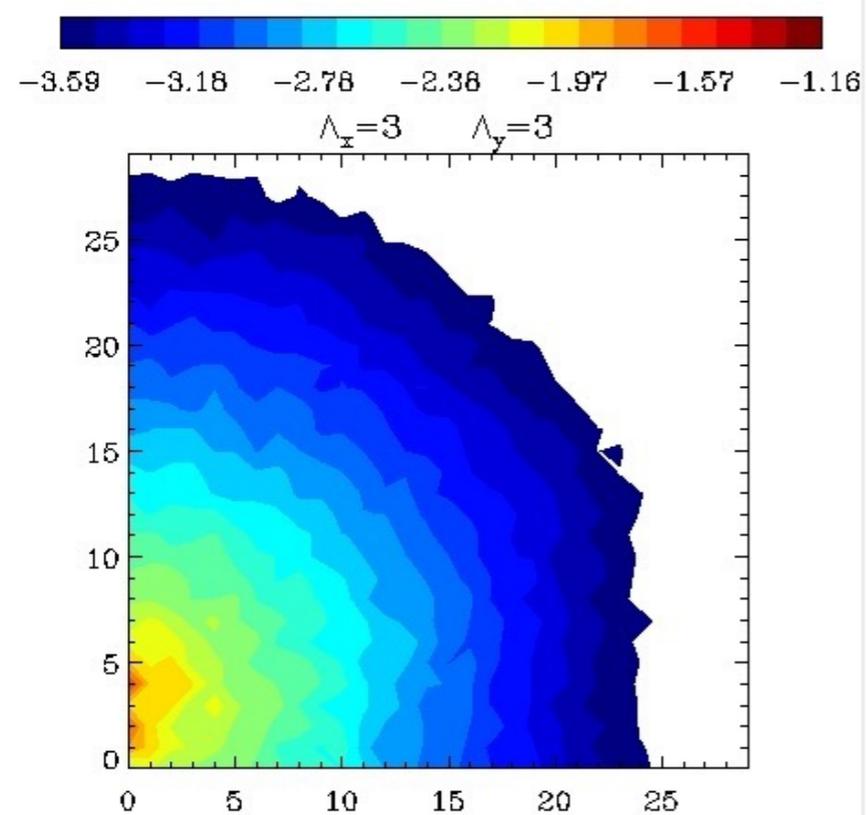
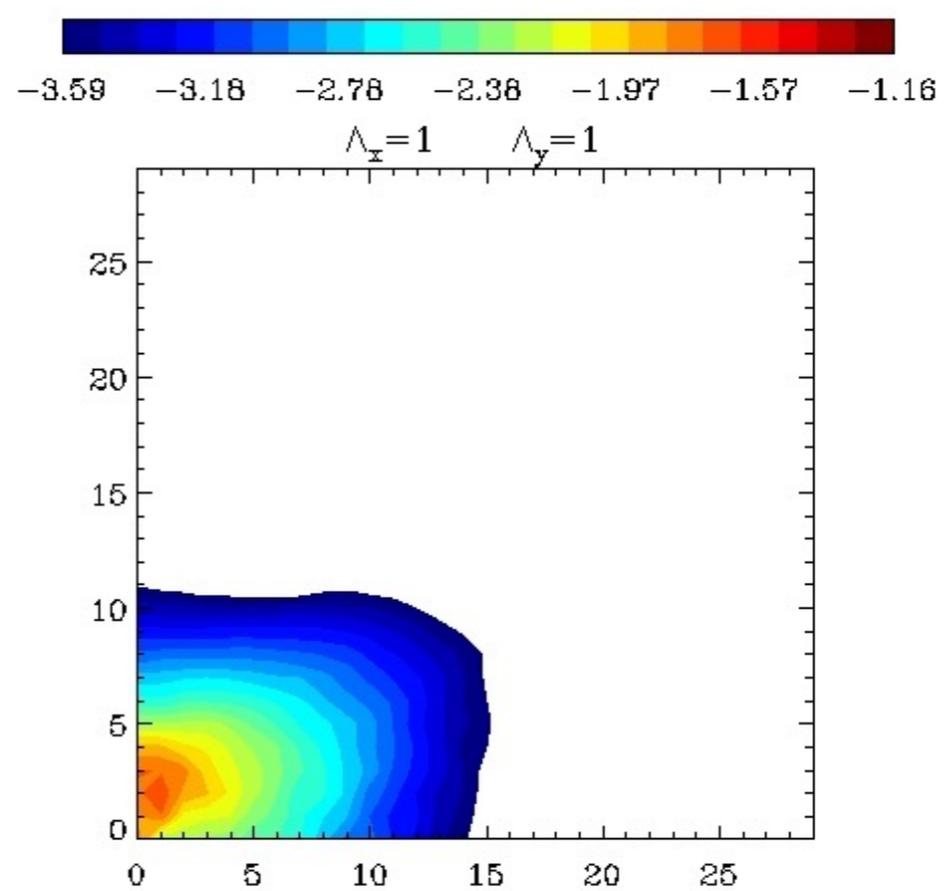
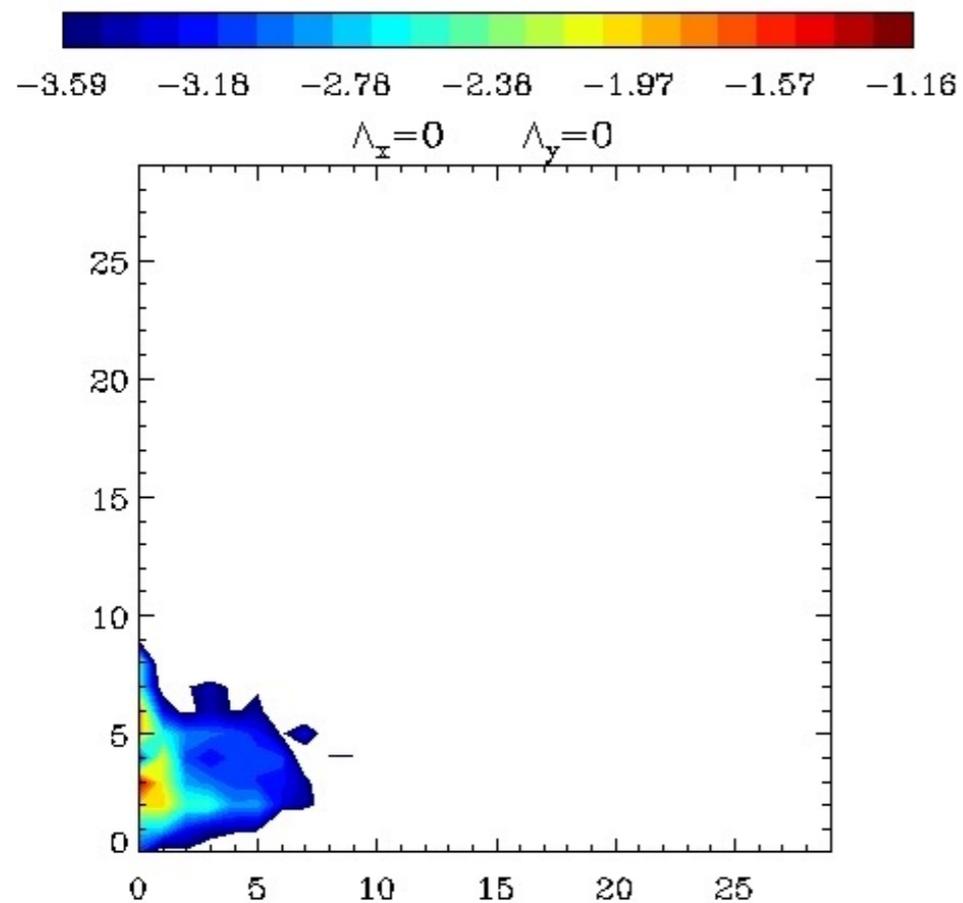
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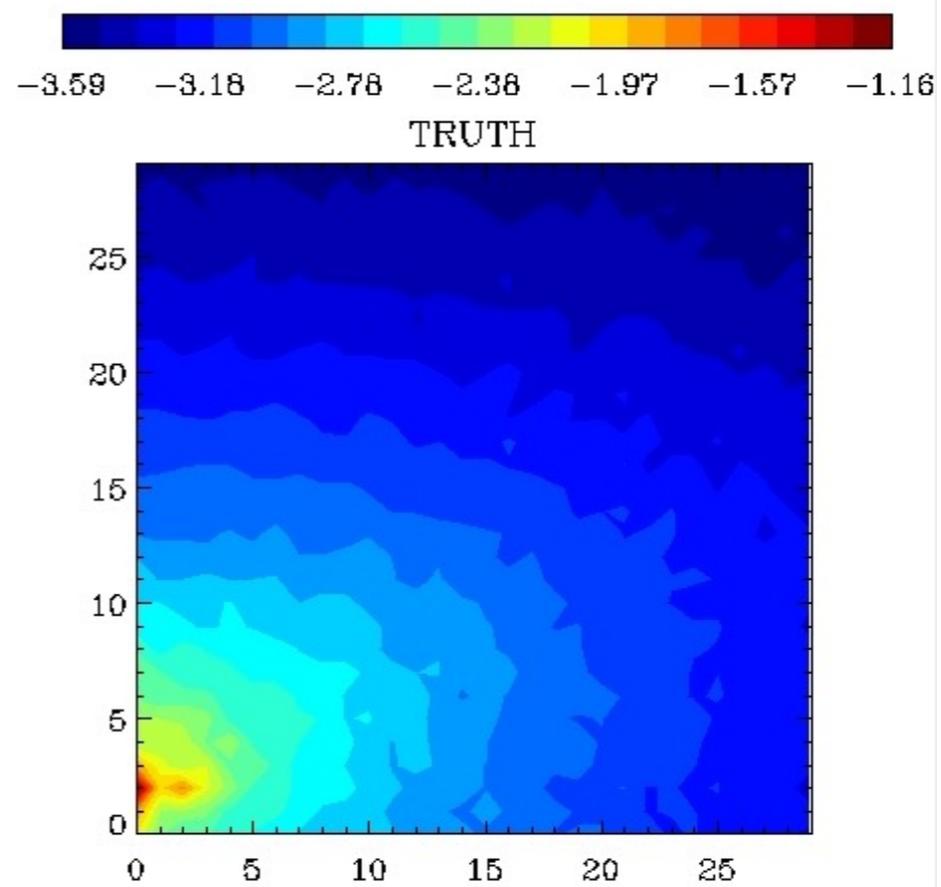
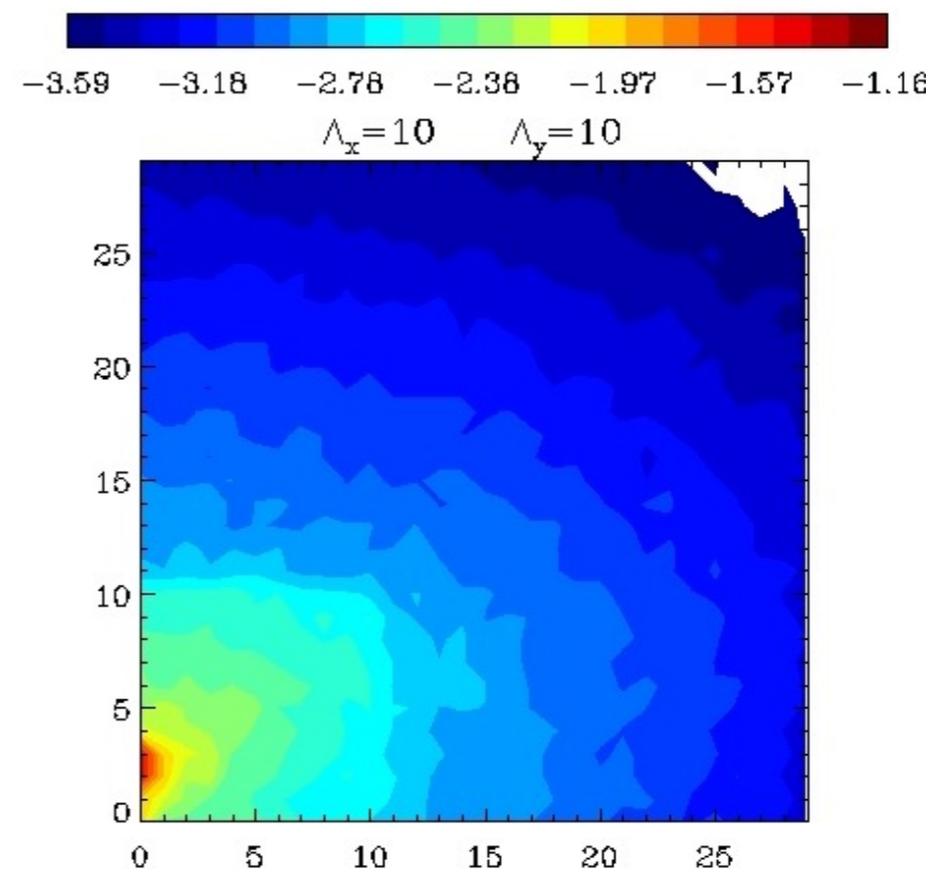
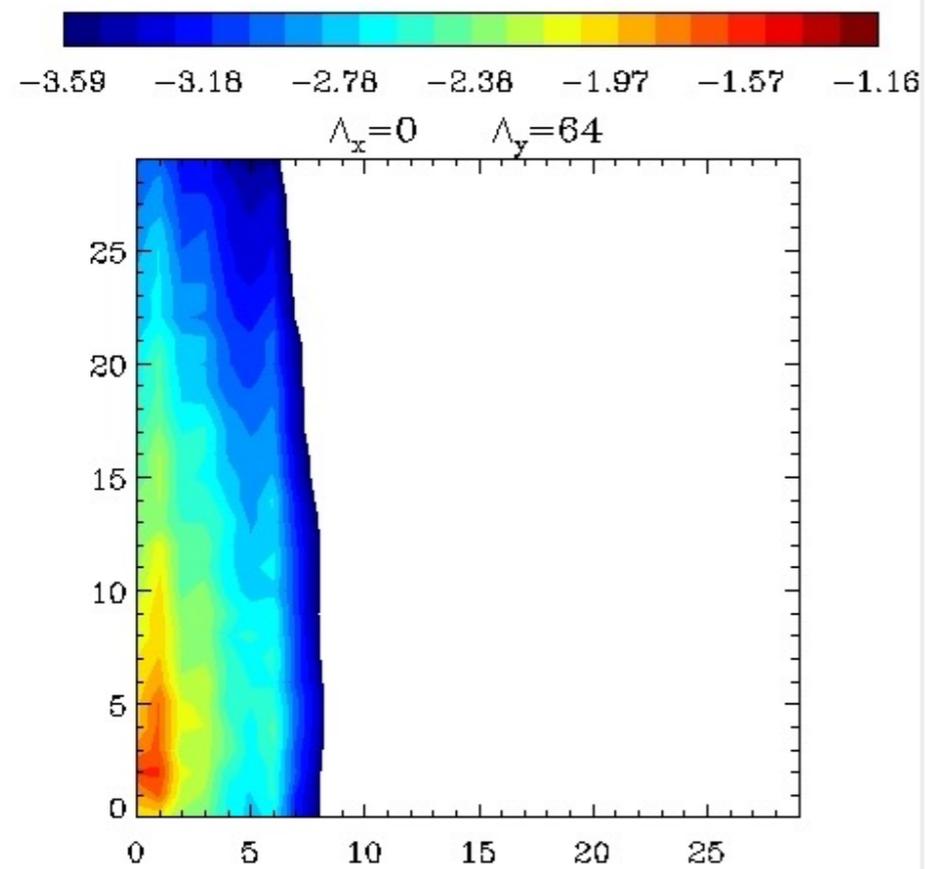
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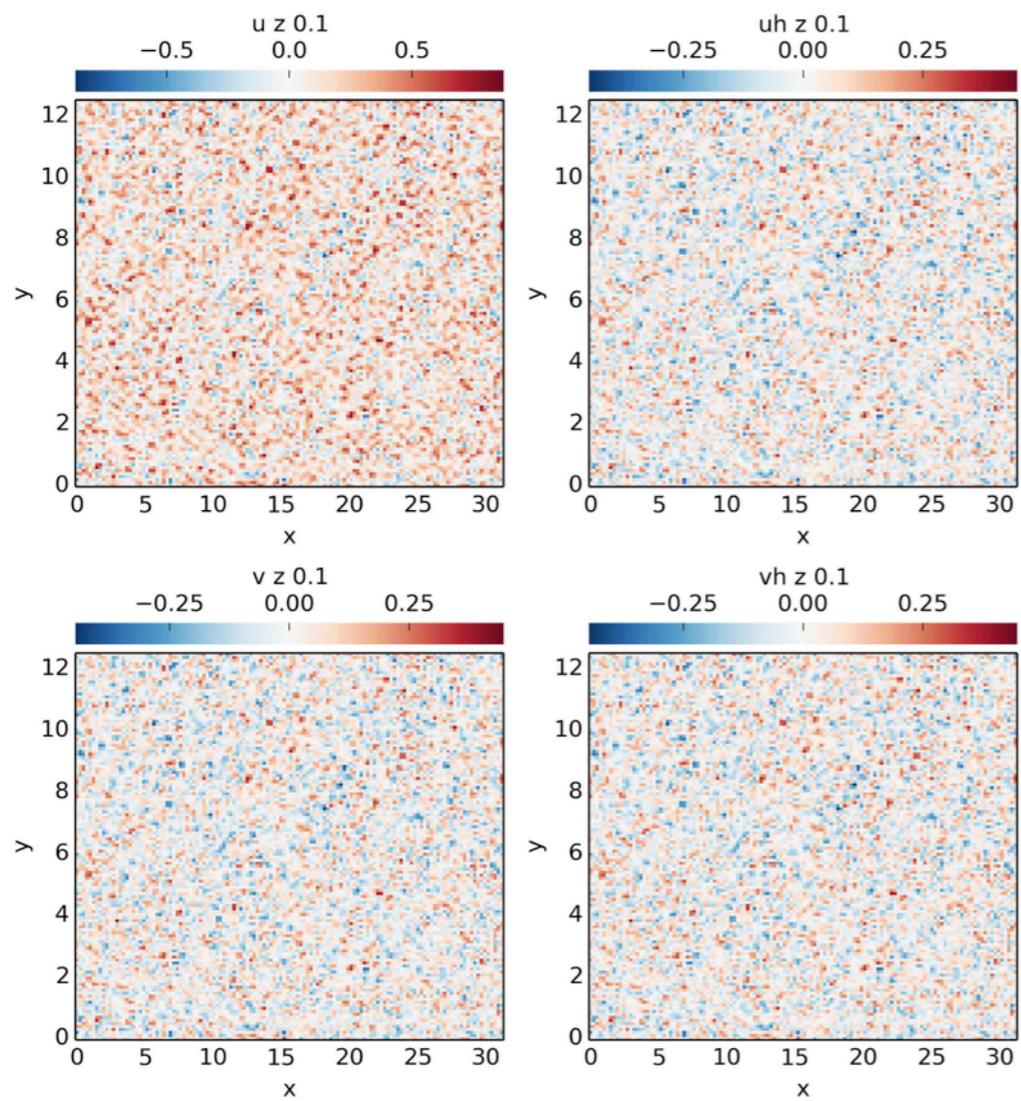
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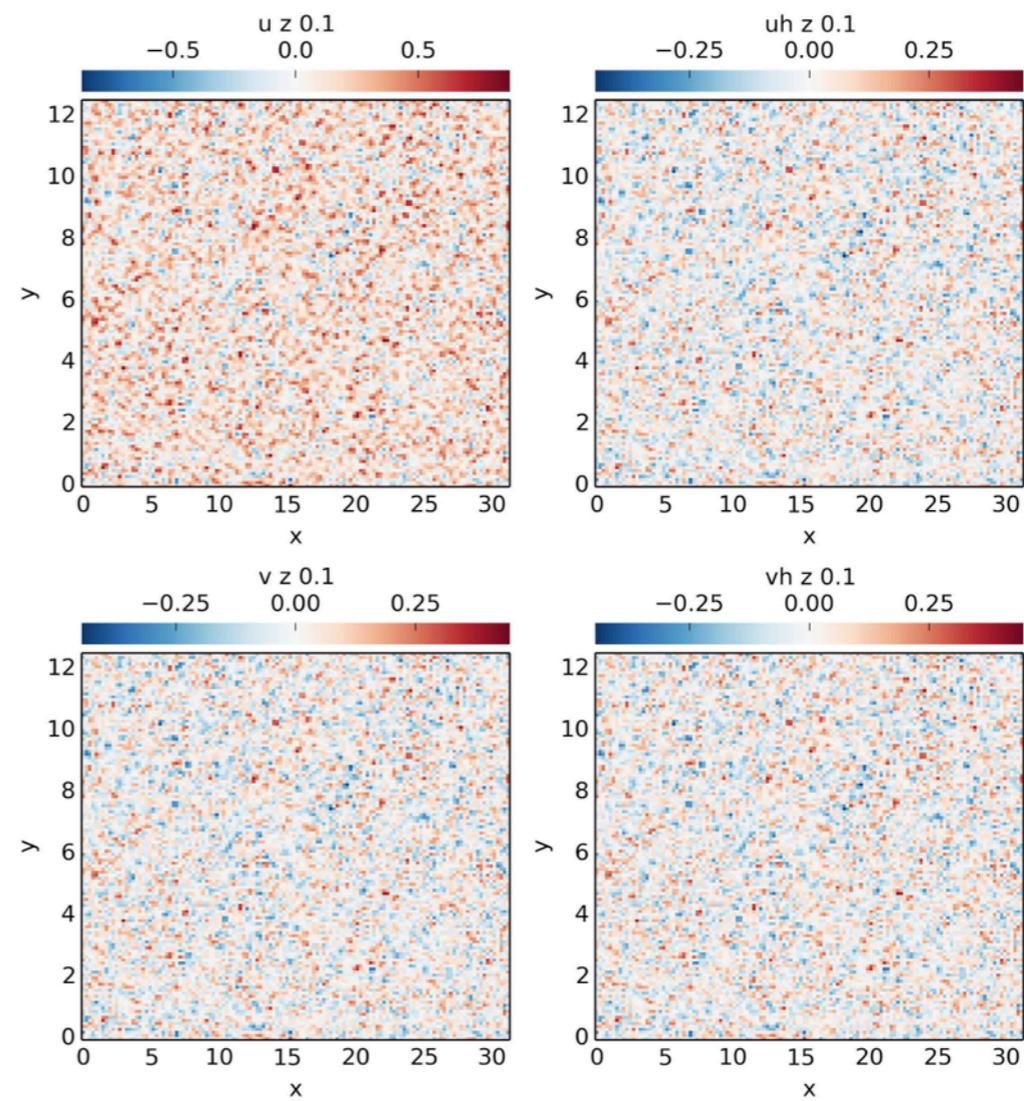


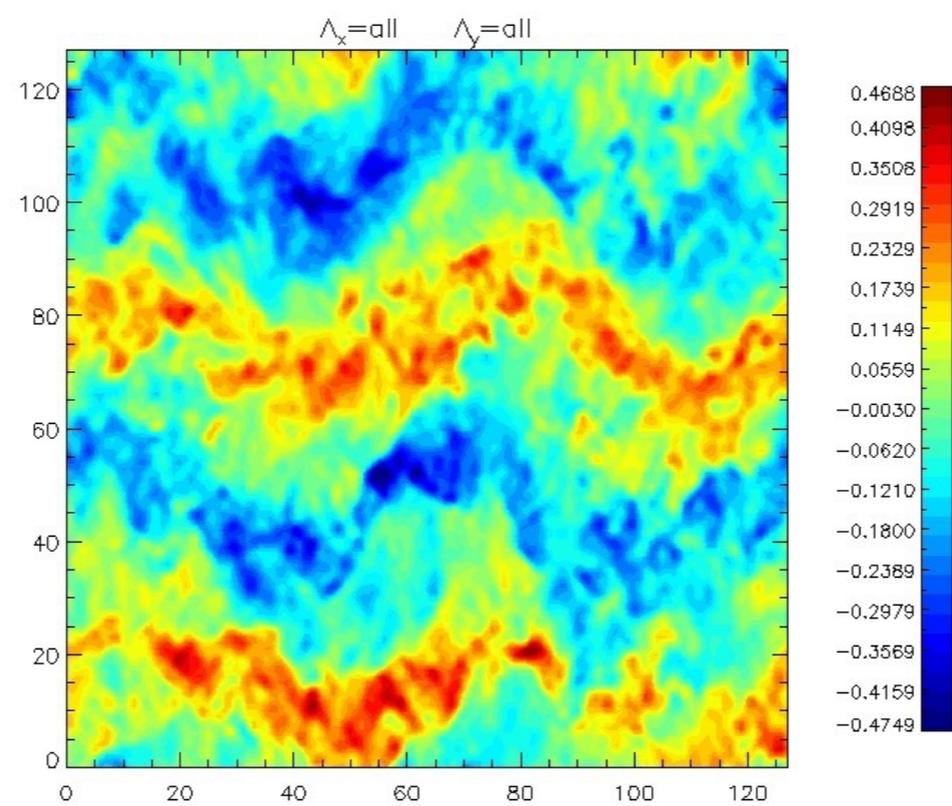
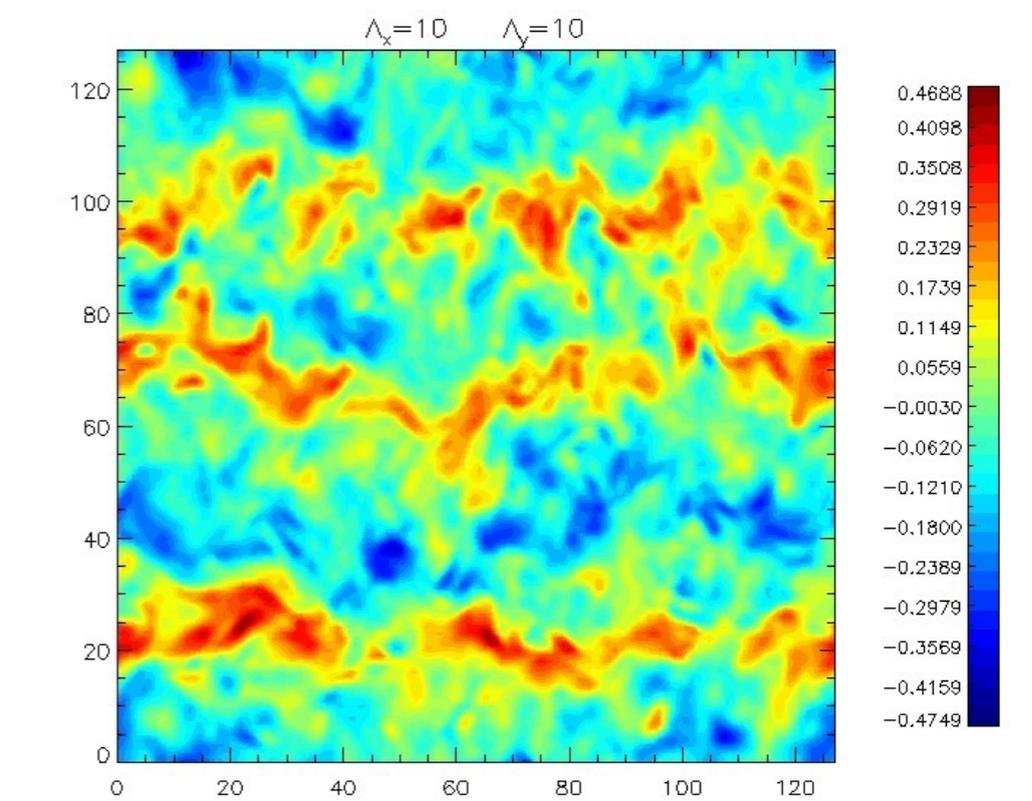
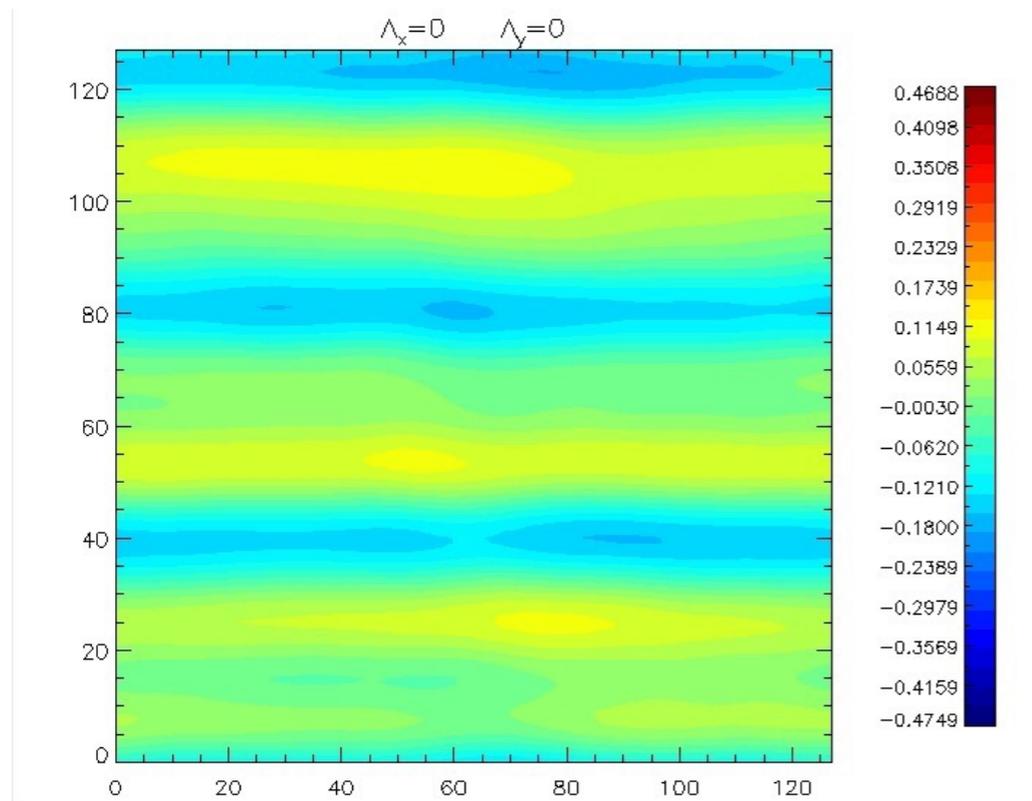


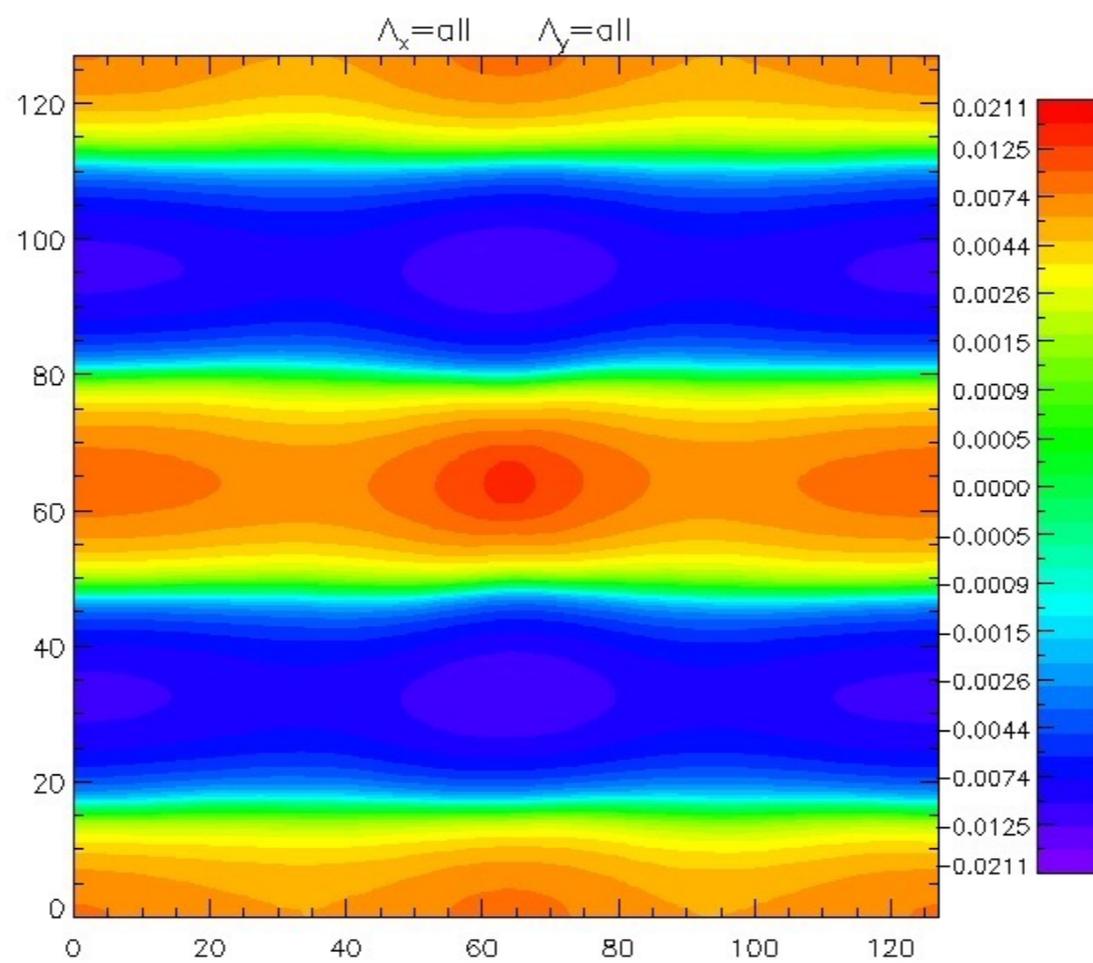
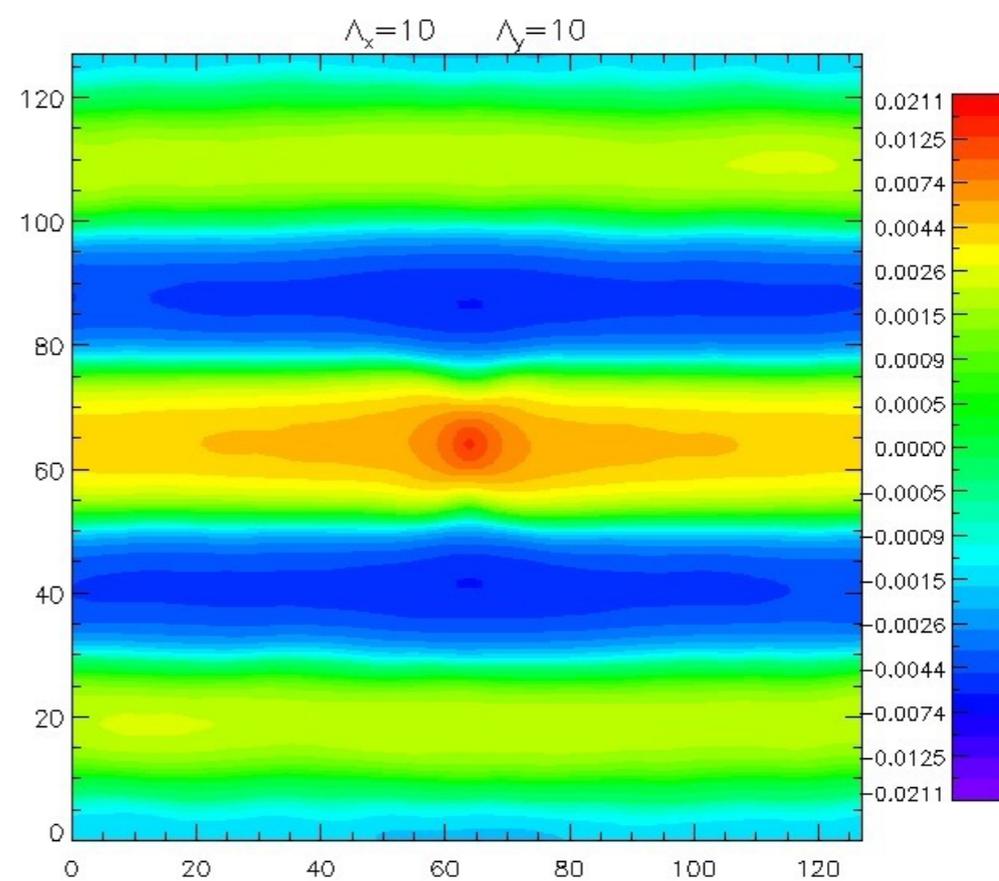
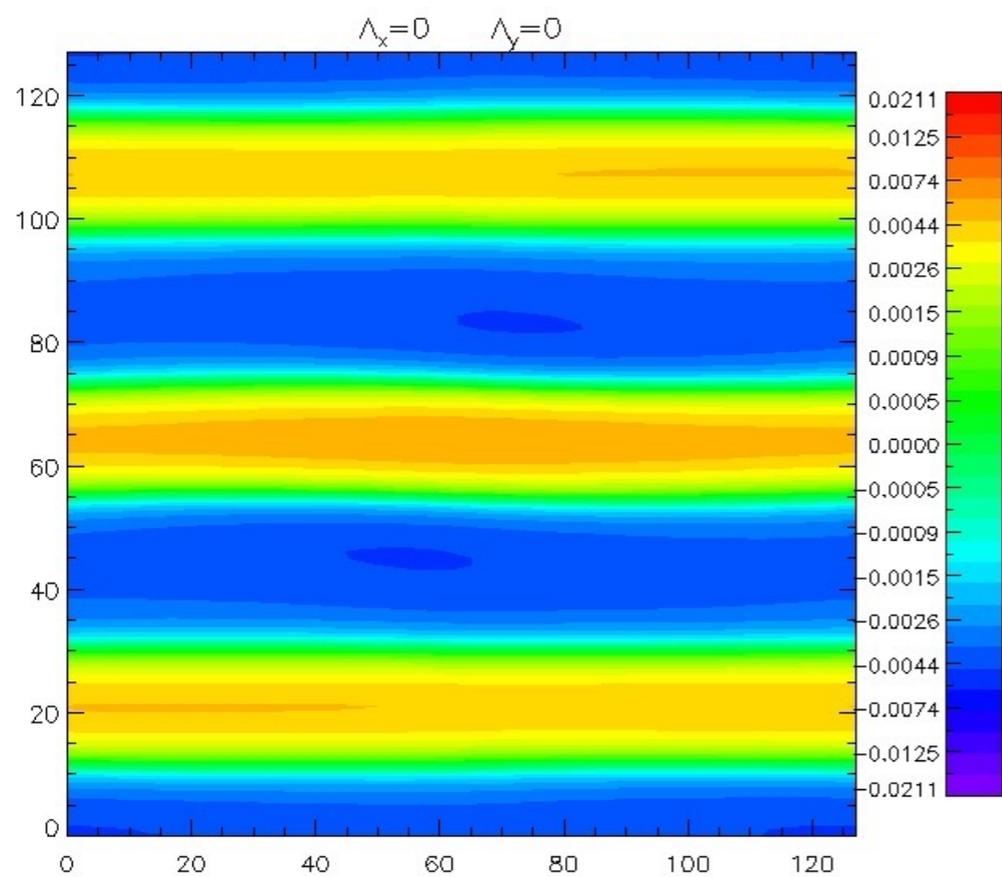
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Generalized 2nd Order Cumulant Expansion (GCE2)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} q = L[q] + Q[q, q]$$

$$q = \ell + h$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ell = Q[\ell, \ell] + Q[(h, h)] \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h = Q[\ell, h]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (h h) = 2Q[\ell, (h) h] \quad \text{Closure}$$

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