Low-dimensional models for compressible temporally developing shear layers

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A methodology to achieve extremely-low-dimensional models for temporally developing shear layers is extended from incompressible flows to weakly compressible flows. The key idea is to first remove the slow variation (i.e. viscous growth of shear layers) through symmetry reduction, so that the model reduction using proper orthogonal decomposition (POD)-Galerkin projection in the symmetry-reduced space becomes more efficient. However, for the approach to work for compressible flows, thermodynamic variables need to be retained. We choose the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations for the simplicity and the availability of a well-defined inner product for total energy. To capture basic dynamics, the compressible low-dimensional model requires only two POD modes for each frequency. Thus, a two-mode model is capable of representing single-frequency dynamics such as vortex roll-up, and a four-mode model is capable of representing the nonlinear dynamics involving a fundamental frequency and its subharmonic, such as vortex pairing and merging. The compressible model shows similar behaviour and accuracy as the incompressible model. However, because of the consistency of the inner product defined for POD and for projection in the current compressible model, the orthogonality is kept and it results in simple formulation. More importantly, the inclusion of compressibility opens an entirely new avenue for the discussion of compressibility effect and possible description of aeroacoustics and thermodynamics. Finally, the model is extended to different flow parameters without additional numerical simulation. The extension of the compressible four-mode model includes different Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers. We can clearly observe the change in the nonlinear interaction of modes at two frequencies and the associated promotion or delay of vortex pairing by varying compressibility and viscosity. The dynamic response of the low-dimensional model to different flow parameters is consistent with the vortex dynamics observed in experiments and numerical simulation.

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1. Introduction

Free shear layers have historically been benchmark cases before further study of more complex fluid flows (Bradshaw 1977; Saffman & Baker 1979; Ho & Huerre 1984; Chomaz 2005). Lock (1951) derived Blasius-type self-similar solution for a free shear layer between two different parallel streams, and Potter (1957) studied

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the interface between two parallel streams and derived an approximate solution at the sixth order. Brown & Roshko (1974) and Winant & Browand (1974) studied experimentally plane turbulent mixing layers formed in the downstream of a splitter plate. The experiments showed clearly the large coherent vortex structures in mixing layers. Winant and Browand described vortex pairing as a process of large vortices forming downstream with the growth of shear layer thickness. Brown and Roshko defined the vortex merging process as a new generation of large vortices being generated from a former generation of smaller vortices. Saffman & Baker (1979) and Aref (1983) focused their studies on vortex motions and depicted the evolution of shear layers as different formations and arrangements of vortices. Free shear layers are often categorized into temporally developing (TD) shear layers and spatially developing (SD) shear layers (Ho & Huerre 1984). Although there is similarity in many aspects of these two categories, Aref & Siggia (1980) pointed out that it is not possible to switch from one to the other by a Galilean transformation. Detailed numerical study of three-dimensional incompressible TD shear layers (Rogers & Moser 1992; Moser & Rogers 1993) showed strong nonlinearity in the shear layer and its role in the transition to turbulence. Compressible shear layers have also been studied extensively in the literature (Bradshaw 1977; Elliott, Samimy & Arnette 1995; Urban & Mungal 2001; Thurow, Samimy & Lempert 2003). Elliott et al. (1995) showed that large-scale structures appearing at low Mach number are similar to those observed in incompressible flows. Urban & Mungal (2001) experimentally studied the compressible mixing layer over a range of convective Mach numbers (0.25–0.76) and found that flows at low compressibility have roller-braid structures and flows at high compressibility have instead more diffused and random structures.

Model reduction of shear layers and other more complex flow systems helps in both physical understanding and dynamical control. Proper orthogonal decomposition (POD)-Galerkin projection, as a classic approach, has been successful in many cases (Noack & Eckelmann 1994; Holmes, Lumley & Berkooz 1996; Noack et al. 2003; Rowley, Colonius & Murray 2004). Recently, Wei & Rowley (2009) used a modified POD-Galerkin approach to model an incompressible TD shear layer by only two modes for each characteristic frequency. The key idea was to factor out the thickness growth first and then apply POD-Galerkin projection more efficiently in the new symmetry-reduced space, which is related to the technique used for travelling solutions by Rowley & Marsden (2000), and self-similar solutions by Rowley et al. (2003). It is emphasized that the thickness growth is not assumed or precomputed in these works. Instead, there is a separate dynamic equation to control the growth rate and is computed simultaneously with other equations from Galerkin projection. A similar idea has then been applied on incompressible SD shear layers by Wei et al. (2012). In the current work, we extend the idea to compressible flows for the first time. The major step in the extension to compressible flows is to include the thermodynamic variables and equation. With the assumption of weak compressibility, we choose the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations (Batchelor 2000) for its simplicity. This choice also allows a rigourously defined inner product to represent total energy including both kinetic energy and thermal energy, which therefore defines POD modes and Galerkin projection in a consistent manner for compressible flows (Rowley et al. 2004). It is worthwhile to mention that the concept of including the mean flow variation to improve model efficiency has also been used in the method of shift modes proposed by Noack et al. (2003), which has recently been extended to a more general scenario (Tadmor et al. 2010).
We then take the study further by applying the model to flow parameters (e.g. Mach number and Reynolds number) different from those used in original numerical simulation. It is emphasized that such an extension of models requires no additional numerical simulation. The extension of models to new Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers is a challenge to the model robustness and even model reduction methodology. Essentially, to adapt the model for new parameters is a key step leading the methodology to a practical level (Deane et al. 1991; Lieu & Lesoinne 2004; Schmidt & Glauser 2004; Lieu & Farhat 2007; Amsallem & Farhat 2008).

The rest of the paper is arranged in the following manner. The governing equations are given in § 2, and numerical simulation details are given in § 3. Then, we present the scaling technique and low-dimensional modelling in § 4. In § 5, we compare the low-order models with the analytical solution and numerical simulation, and further extend the model to ‘off-design’ Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers. The final conclusions are in § 6.

2. Governing equations for modelling

The flow considered here is described by non-dimensional isentropic Navier–Stokes equations, which assume cold flow and moderate Mach number (Zank & Matthaeus 1991; Rowley et al. 2004). Therefore, viscous dissipation and heat conduction can be neglected in the energy equation, and density gradients are small and dominated by pressure. The temperature gradients are also considered small. Constant viscosity is assumed in the momentum equation. The detailed derivation from the complete compressible Navier–Stokes equations to the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations is given in appendix A. The final governing equations in non-dimensional form are

\[\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{2}{\gamma - 1} a \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} &= \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) \\
\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{2}{\gamma - 1} a \frac{\partial a}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right) \\
\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial a}{\partial y} + \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma - 2} a \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) &= 0,
\end{align*}\]

where \(a\), \(u\) and \(v\) are the speed of sound, the velocity along the streamwise direction \(x\) and the velocity along the normal direction \(y\), respectively, \(\gamma\) is the specific heat ratio, \(Re\) is the Reynolds number defined by the free-stream sound speed \(a_\infty\) and the initial vorticity thickness \(\delta_\omega(0)\) at \(t = 0\). A well-accepted definition for the vortex thickness of shear layers is used (Monkewitz & Huerre 1982; Colonius, Lele & Moin 1997):

\[\delta_\omega = \frac{U_2 - U_1}{|du/\partial y|_{\max}},\]

with \(U_1\) and \(U_2\) being the free-stream velocities at \(y = -\infty\) and \(y = +\infty\) (figure 1).

3. Numerical simulation

Although modelling is based on the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations, it is critical for the numerical simulation to be based on the compressible Navier–Stokes equations in their full formulation (Rowley et al. 2004). The simulation code has been extensively validated and used in our previous work in both SD shear layers (Wei & Freund 2006; Wei et al. 2012) and TD shear layers (Wei & Rowley 2009).
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As also shown in figure 1, a two-dimensional shear layer is simulated in a rectangular computational domain of $0 < x < 5\pi$ and $-50 < y < 50$ with $128 \times 800$ mesh points along $x$ and $y$ directions. Periodic boundary condition is applied along $x$. Along $y$, the physical domain has only $-30 < y < 30$ with the rest being buffer zones commonly used to mimic non-reflecting boundary conditions (Colonius, Lele & Moin 1993; Colonius et al. 1997; Freund 1997). The compressibility is characterized typically by convective Mach number (Bogdanoff 1983; Papamoschou & Roshko 1988)

$$M_c = \frac{U_2 - U_1}{2a_\infty}. \quad (3.1)$$

There is a total of five numerical simulations. The base case runs at Reynolds number $Re = 500$ and Mach number $M_c = 0.2$, and it provides the simulation data for most of the modelling effort. Then, there are four benchmark cases running at $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4 for the same $Re = 500$, and $Re = 300$ and 1000 for the same $M_c = 0.2$. These benchmark cases are only used in § 5.4 to validate the model robustness and the ability to extend the model to ‘off-design’ Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers.

For initial velocity profile, we choose an incompressible self-similar solution similar to that derived by Schlichting & Gersten (2000):

$$u_s(\eta) = U_1 + \frac{U_2 - U_1}{2} \text{erfc}(-\eta), \quad v_s(\eta) = 0, \quad (3.2)$$

where the similarity variable $\eta$ is given by

$$\eta = y \left( \frac{Re}{4(t - t_0)} \right)^{1/2}. \quad (3.3)$$

If the singularity time $t_0$ is set to $(-Re/4)$, there is $\eta = y$ at $t = 0$. If $U_1 = 0$ and $U_2 = 1$ are chosen, the initial velocity field for simulation is simply

$$u_0(y) = \frac{1}{2} \text{erfc}(-y), \quad v_0 = 0, \quad a_0 = 1. \quad (3.4)$$
There are two reasons for this choice of initial velocity profile: (i) it is an exact solution of incompressible Navier–Stokes equations; (ii) starting with the profile, an analytical solution (self-similar solution) exists for the viscous-damping-only case, which we can use to validate our low-dimensional model. However, the derivation of all model equations below including the evolution of the scaling variable has no prior knowledge of self-similarity, which preserves the generality of the current modelling effort. The initial profile is also used as a template function to evolve the scaling parameter dynamically, which will be discussed later in § 4.1.

To introduce the instability required for vortex roll-up and pairing, small perturbations with two streamwise wavenumbers (at $k = 1$ and $k = 2$) are added to the initial profile as

$$u = u_0 + A_f \text{Re}[\hat{u}_f \exp(-i\alpha_f x)] + A_s \text{Re}[\hat{u}_s \exp(-i\alpha_s x)]$$

and

$$v = v_0 + A_f \text{Re}[\hat{v}_f \exp(-i\alpha_f x)] + A_s \text{Re}[\hat{v}_s \exp(-i\alpha_s x)],$$

where the subscripts ‘$f$’ and ‘$s$’ stand for the fundamental ($k = 2$) and subharmonic ($k = 1$) spatial frequencies, $A$ is the small forcing amplitude for each frequency, $\hat{u}$ and $\hat{v}$ are the $x$- and $y$-direction components of the corresponding eigenfunctions computed from linear instability theory (Schmid & Henningson 2001; Drazin & Reid 2004), and $\alpha = 2\pi k/L$ corresponds to different spatial frequencies.

4. Low-dimensional models

4.1. Mode decomposition

POD has been widely used to provide bases for a new subspace to build models at lower dimension (Holmes et al. 1996). Later, modifications were introduced for special situations to improve the model efficiency in terms of the number of required POD modes to obtain similar or better model behaviour. Noack et al. (2003) added shift mode counting for the mean flow shifting. Rowley & Marsden (2000) applied the idea of symmetry reduction from geometric mechanics to factor out the slow travelling solution, which was generalized to other symmetry groups later (Rowley et al. 2003). For shear flows, it has been shown in our previous work on incompressible flows (Wei & Rowley 2009; Wei et al. 2012) that more efficient models can be achieved in a new space where the viscous growth of shear layers is removed through symmetry reduction. Here, a similar idea of constructing POD modes on a symmetry-reduced space is applied on compressible flows.

Knowing that the thickness of TD shear layers is spreading in time, we first scale all flow variables dynamically in the $y$ direction as the shear layer evolving in time. With a vector of variable defined by $q = (u, v, a)$ and a scaling factor $g(t) > 0$, we can define a new variable $\tilde{q} = (\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}, \tilde{a})$ in the scaled space as

$$\tilde{q}(x, g(t)y, t) = q(x, y, t).$$

The scaling factor $g(t)$ is chosen to fit the flow the best with a preselected template function (Rowley et al. 2003). It is worth noting that the current definition of scaled variable is simpler than that used in the incompressible model (Wei & Rowley 2009), where a special coefficient matrix was added to re-enforce the divergence free condition for incompressibility. Choosing the initial velocity profile $q_0 = (u_0, v_0, a_0)$ as
the template, we define \( g(t) \) by
\[
g(t) = \arg \min_g \left[ \left\| u \left( x, y, \frac{\gamma}{g}, t \right) - u_0 \right\|^2 + \left\| v \left( x, y, \frac{\gamma}{g}, t \right) - v_0 \right\|^2 + \beta \left\| a \left( x, y, \frac{\gamma}{g}, t \right) - a_0 \right\|^2 \right], \tag{4.2}
\]
where \( \beta = 2 / \gamma (\gamma - 1) \) to match the current definition of total energy. \( L^2 \) norm is defined by an integration over space domain \( \Omega \) with all \( y \) and the whole period \( 5\pi \) along \( x \),
\[
\| \cdot \|^2 = \int_\Omega (\cdot)^2 \, dx \, dy. \tag{4.3}
\]
The scaling, with the purpose to remove the thickness growth, naturally define a new thickness \( \delta_g \) as
\[
\delta_g = 1 / g(t). \tag{4.4}
\]
Although they are mathematically different, \( \delta_g \) is practically very close to the vorticity thickness \( \delta_\omega \) in all cases studied here, so that the use of \( \delta_g \) and \( \delta_\omega \) is interchangeable for all of the qualitative discussion in this paper.

In the scaled space, the initial profile \( \tilde{q}_0 = (u_0, v_0, a_0) \) is almost identical to the time mean profile of \( \tilde{q} \). For convenience, let \( \tilde{q}_0 = q_0 \), so that the initial profile also plays the role of zero mode in the expansion of \( \tilde{q} \),
\[
\tilde{q}(x, y, t) = \tilde{q}_0(y) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j(t) \tilde{\Phi}_j(x, y), \tag{4.5}
\]
where \( \tilde{\Phi}_j \) are basis and \( a_j \) are the corresponding time coefficients. Applying the periodicity along \( x \), we can further decouple the bases to Fourier modes in \( x \) and POD modes (in scaled space) in \( y \). Thus, the expansion (4.5) becomes
\[
\tilde{q}(x, y, t) = \tilde{q}_0(y) + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{k,n}(t) \tilde{\Phi}_{k,n}(x, y), \tag{4.6}
\]
with
\[
\tilde{\Phi}_{k,n}(x, y) = e^{2\pi i k x / L} \tilde{\Phi}_{k,n}(y), \tag{4.7}
\]
where \( k \) is the wavenumber index, \( L \) is the periodic domain length along \( x \) and \( \phi_{k,n}(y) = (\hat{u}_{k,n}, \hat{v}_{k,n}, \hat{a}_{k,n}) \) is the \( n \)th POD mode for the \( k \)th wavenumber. To ensure that \( \tilde{q} \) is real, there is a constraint
\[
\sum_{k=1}^{+M} \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_{k,n}(t) \tilde{\Phi}_{k,n}(x, y) = \sum_{k=-M}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N} a^*_{k,n}(t) \tilde{\Phi}^*_{k,n}(x, y), \tag{4.8}
\]
which will be applied later to simplify the model. The inner product used to define POD is now representing the total energy for compressible flows instead of kinetic energy only in traditional POD for incompressible flows:
\[
\langle \tilde{q}_1, \tilde{q}_2 \rangle = \int_\Omega (\tilde{u}_1 \tilde{u}_2 + \tilde{v}_1 \tilde{v}_2 + \beta \tilde{a}_1 \tilde{a}_2) \, dx \, dy, \tag{4.9}
\]
where \( \tilde{\cdot} \) denotes the definition in scaled space, and the \( x \) integration is actually absorbed by orthogonality during the computation after each individual Fourier mode.
is substituted in. The energy of each POD mode \((k, n)\) is quantified by

\[
\lambda_{k,n} = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{q}} - \tilde{\mathbf{q}}_0, \Phi_{k,n} \rangle^2 = a_{k,n}^2,
\]

where \(\tilde{\cdot}\) denotes a time average. We need to point out that the inner product used here to compute POD modes is the same as that used later in Galerkin projection, unlike the case of the incompressible flow where two different inner products were used (Wei & Rowley 2009). So, the orthogonality of POD modes is now preserved when flow equations are projected onto these bases.

4.2. Galerkin projection

A general dynamical system is used at the beginning of our derivation, which is similar to the derivation used in the previous work on incompressible flows (Wei & Rowley 2009). However, the current scaling in (4.1) does not require any extra constraint on incompressibility. This change considerably simplifies the derivation and the final model equation. The dynamical system evolves on a function space \(H\) with the flow variable \(\mathbf{q}\) at all points \((x, y)\) in our spatial domain. The governing equation is

\[
\frac{\partial \mathbf{q}(t)}{\partial t} = f(\mathbf{q}(t)),
\]

where \(\mathbf{q}(t) \in H\) is a snapshot of the entire flow at time \(t\), \(f\) is a differential operator on \(H\) (e.g. all terms except the temporal term in the Navier–Stokes equations). If the scaling is noted by an operator \(S_g : H \rightarrow H\), defined by

\[
S_g[\mathbf{q}](x, y) = \mathbf{q}(x, gy), \quad \forall g \in \mathbb{R}^+,
\]

the scaling (4.1) can be rewritten as \(\mathbf{q}(t) = S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}(t)]\), and the governing equation in terms of the scaled variable becomes

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}(t)] = f(S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}(t)]).
\]

We manage to move the operator \(S_g\) outside of the time derivative as

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}(t)](x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\mathbf{q}}(x, g(t)y, t) = \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial t}(x, gy, t) + \dot{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial y}(x, gy, t) = S_g \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial t} \right](x, y) + \frac{\dot{g}}{g} S_g \left[ y \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial y} \right](x, y),
\]

then, equation (4.13) becomes

\[
S_g \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial t} \right] = f(S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}]) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} S_g \left[ y \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial y} \right].
\]

Applying a reverse scaling operator \(S_{1/g}\) on both sides of (4.15), we cancel some scaling operators and achieve

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial t} = f_g(\tilde{\mathbf{q}}) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{q}}}{\partial y},
\]

where \(f_g(\tilde{\mathbf{q}}) = S_{1/g}f(S_g[\tilde{\mathbf{q}}])\). The new dynamic equation using the scaled variable \(\tilde{\mathbf{q}}\) is similar to the original equation (4.11), with \(f\) being replaced by \(f_g\), and with one additional term related to the scaling factor \(g(t)\) and its rate of change.
Applying the above derivation to the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations in (2.1), where the function \( f(q) \) is defined by

\[
f(q) = C(q, q) + \frac{1}{Re} V(q),
\]

with

\[
C(q, q) = \begin{pmatrix}
    -u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \beta \gamma a \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} \\
    -u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - \beta \gamma a \frac{\partial a}{\partial y} \\
    -u \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial a}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{\beta \gamma} a \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)
\end{pmatrix}
\]

and

\[
V(q) = \begin{pmatrix}
    \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \\
    \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2}
\end{pmatrix},
\]

we can easily obtain \( f_g(\tilde{q}) \) as

\[
f_g(\tilde{q}) = C_g(\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}) + \frac{1}{Re} V_g(\tilde{q}),
\]

with

\[
C_g(\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}) = \begin{pmatrix}
    -\tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial x} - g \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y} - \beta \gamma \tilde{a} \frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial x} \\
    -\tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial x} - g \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial y} - \beta \gamma g \tilde{a} \frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial y} \\
    -\tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial x} - g \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{\beta \gamma} \tilde{a} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial x} + g \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial y} \right)
\end{pmatrix}
\]

and

\[
V_g(\tilde{q}) = \begin{pmatrix}
    \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{u}}{\partial x^2} + g^2 \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{u}}{\partial y^2} \\
    \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{v}}{\partial x^2} + g^2 \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{v}}{\partial y^2}
\end{pmatrix}.
\]

Then, there is the same dynamic equation (4.16) for isentropic Navier–Stokes equations with above defined operators.

Starting with a simple model, we use only \( k = \pm 1 \), and the first two POD modes \( n = 1 \) and \( n = 2 \) for each wavenumber in the expansion of \( \tilde{q} \) in (4.6). With the constraint of (4.8), essentially, there are only two independent modes \( \Phi_{1,1} \) and \( \Phi_{1,2} \). Then, the summation becomes a finite truncation from the original \( \tilde{q} \). However, for simplicity, the notation \( \tilde{q} \) remains the same for the finite summation with no confusion. Using the same definition of inner product in the scaled space, we project (4.16) onto
the basis functions as
\[
\langle \frac{\partial \tilde{q}}{\partial t}, \Phi_{k,n} \rangle = \langle C_g(\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}), \Phi_{k,n} \rangle + \frac{1}{Re} \langle V_g(\tilde{q}), \Phi_{k,n} \rangle + \left\langle -\frac{\hat{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{q}}{\partial y}, \Phi_{k,n} \right\rangle. \tag{4.21}
\]

Substituting the orthogonal modes \( \Phi_{1,1} \) and \( \Phi_{1,2} \) in above equation, we get the final dynamic equation for the coefficient vector \( a = (a_{1,1}, a_{1,2})^T \):
\[
\hat{a} = \left( B + \frac{1}{Re} D + \frac{\hat{g}}{g} E \right) a, \tag{4.22}
\]
where matrices \( B, D \) and \( E \) are defined by
\[
B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} + gc_{11} & b_{12} + gc_{12} \\ b_{21} + gc_{21} & b_{22} + gc_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{4.23a}
\]
\[
D = \begin{bmatrix} -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{11}) + g^2d_{11} & -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{12}) + g^2d_{12} \\ -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{21}) + g^2d_{21} & -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{22}) + g^2d_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{4.23b}
\]
\[
E = \begin{bmatrix} e_{11} & e_{12} \\ e_{21} & e_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{4.23c}
\]
with constant coefficients, which depend only on basis functions and are defined in appendix B. In comparison with the previous work on an incompressible model (Wei & Rowley 2009), the current compressible model is in a much simpler form because of two major advantages: (i) simple scaling operation; and (ii) consistent definition of the inner product for POD and Galerkin projection.

4.3. Equations of motion for the thickness

Since there is no prior knowledge of the scaling, we need one more dynamic equation for the scaling variable \( g(t) \) to close the system. Following (4.2), the condition that \( \tilde{q} \) be scaled so that it most closely matches \( q_0 \) may be written as
\[
\left. \frac{d}{ds} \right|_{s=0} \| \tilde{u}(x, y, t) - u_0(h(s)y) \|^2 + \| \tilde{v}(x, y, t) - v_0(h(s)y) \|^2 \\
+ \beta \| \tilde{a}(x, y, t) - a_0(h(s)y) \|^2 = 0, \tag{4.24}
\]
where \( h(s) \) is any curve in \( \mathbb{R}^+ \) with \( h(0) = 1 \), and \( \| \cdot \|^2 \) is the same norm as before on the space of functions of \( (x, y) \): that is, \( h = 1 \) is a local minimum of the error norm above. We have then
\[
-2 \left. \frac{d}{ds} \right|_{s=0} u_0(h(s)y), \tilde{u}(x, y, t) - u_0(y) \right\rangle - 2 \left. \frac{d}{ds} \right|_{s=0} v_0(h(s)y), \tilde{v}(x, y, t) - v_0(y) \right\rangle \\
- 2\beta \left. \frac{d}{ds} \right|_{s=0} a_0(h(s)y), \tilde{a}(x, y, t) - a_0(y) \right\rangle = 0, \tag{4.25}
\]
which becomes
\[
\left\langle y \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, \tilde{u} - u_0 \right\rangle + \left\langle y \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial y}, \tilde{v} - v_0 \right\rangle + \beta \left\langle y \frac{\partial a_0}{\partial y}, \tilde{a} - a_0 \right\rangle = 0. \tag{4.26}
\]
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Since \( v_0, \partial v_0/\partial y \) and \( \partial a_0/\partial y \) are all zeros for the chosen template, the above equation is simplified to

\[
\left\langle y \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, \tilde{u} - u_0 \right\rangle = 0,
\]

(4.27)

where a simple inner product for the scalar is used as

\[
\langle a, b \rangle = \int_\Omega (ab) \, dx \, dy.
\]

(4.28)

A time differentiation of (4.27) leads to

\[
\left\langle y \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial t} \right\rangle = 0.
\]

(4.29)

If (4.16) is written separately in \( \tilde{u}, \tilde{v} \) and \( \tilde{a} \) as

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial t} = f_1^g(\tilde{u}) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y},
\]

(4.30a)

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial t} = f_2^g(\tilde{v}) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial y},
\]

(4.30b)

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial t} = f_3^g(\tilde{a}) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{a}}{\partial y},
\]

(4.30c)

using the first equation of (4.30a), we have

\[
\left\langle y \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, f_1^g(\tilde{u}) - \frac{\dot{g}}{g} y \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y} \right\rangle = 0,
\]

(4.31)

and, then,

\[
\frac{\dot{g}}{g} = \frac{\langle f_1^g(\tilde{u}), y \partial_y u_0 \rangle}{\langle y \partial_y \tilde{u}, y \partial_y u_0 \rangle}.
\]

(4.32)

Applying the equation on two modes \( \Phi_{1,1} \) and \( \Phi_{1,2} \) for a finite truncation of \( \tilde{u} \), we get the evolution equation of scaling variable \( g \) for single-frequency (two-mode) model:

\[
\dot{g} = \frac{r_{11}}{n_0} a_{1,1} a_{1,1}^* g + \frac{r_{22}}{n_0} a_{1,2} a_{1,2}^* g + \frac{r_{21}}{n_0} a_{1,1} a_{1,2}^* g + \frac{r_{12}}{n_0} a_{1,2} a_{1,1}^* g + \frac{1}{Re} \frac{d_0}{n_0} g^3,
\]

(4.33)

where all constant coefficients are defined in appendix B.

If we add two more modes \( n = 1 \) and \( n = 2 \) for wavenumber index \( k = 2 \), the same derivation yields the equations for \( g, a_{1,1}, a_{1,2}, a_{2,1} \) and \( a_{2,2} \) to describe more complex physics. The resulting equations are lengthy, however, and are listed in appendix C.

5. Results and discussion

We choose the case with convective Mach number \( M_c = 0.2 \) and Reynolds number \( Re = 500 \) as a base case to compare the compressible low-dimensional model proposed in this paper to the previous incompressible model (Wei & Rowley 2009) and the direct numerical simulation. Then, the model derived from the base-case database is challenged by ‘off-design’ parameters: (i) different Mach numbers at \( M_c = 0.3 \) and 0.4; and (ii) different Reynolds numbers at 300 and 1000.
5.1. Flow without perturbation

For the flow with the velocity profile defined in (3.4) with no perturbations added, at the incompressible limit, the dynamics should follow the self-similar solution

\[ u(y, t) = u_0(\eta(y, t)), \quad v = 0, \]  

(5.1)

with \( \eta(y, t) \) given by (3.3) with \( t_0 = -Re/4 \). The same solution can be recovered by our compressible model with no self-similarity being assumed.

Without initial perturbation, all POD coefficients in ‘a’ remain zero, and there left only one equation (4.33), which is simplified to

\[ \dot{g} = \frac{1}{Re} \frac{d_0}{n_0} g^3. \]  

(5.2)

Substituting \( u_0 \) from (3.4) into the equations for \( n_0 \) and \( d_0 \) in appendix B, we have

\[ n_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int y^2 \exp(-2y^2) \, dy, \]  

(5.3a)

\[ d_0 = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int y^2 \exp(-2y^2) \, dy, \]  

(5.3b)

and (5.2) therefore reduces to

\[ \dot{g} = -\frac{2}{Re} g^3. \]  

(5.4)

Solving (5.4) with initial condition \( g(0) = 1 \) gives

\[ g(t) = \left( \frac{Re}{4t + Re} \right)^{1/2}. \]  

(5.5)

Compared with the definition of \( \eta(y, t) \) in (3.3), we can easily observe the following relation

\[ g(t) = \frac{\eta(t)}{y}. \]  

(5.6)

With no perturbation, equations (4.1) and (4.6) indicate a solution

\[ u(x, y, t) = u_0(g(t)y), \quad v = 0, \]  

(5.7)

which is identical to the analytical solution in (5.1) by substituting the relation (5.6). It is no surprise that there is the same conclusion for the no-perturbation incompressible solution derived by Wei & Rowley (2009). When the initial profile has only \( u_0 \) being non-zero and there is no initial perturbation, the compressible and incompressible models reduce to the same (5.4) for \( g \).

5.2. Flow with a single wavenumber: \( k = 1 \) perturbation

Then, the initial perturbation with only a single wavenumber, \( k = 1 \), is considered for the flow and model. Figure 2 shows the y component of the corresponding eigenfunction of \( k = 1 \), which is directly computed from the Orr–Sommerfeld equation (Schmid & Henningson 2001). However, both \( \hat{v} \) and \( \hat{u} \) (from the continuity equation) are seeded with very small amplitude (\( \sim 0.008\alpha_{\infty} \)) to initiate the instability.

The time evolution of the shear layer vorticity thickness computed by numerical simulation is shown in figure 3, where three developing stages are identified: (1) the
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Figure 2. Plot of $\hat{v}$ of the most unstable mode for $k = 1$. The thin solid line represents the real value, the thin dashed line represents the imaginary value and the thick solid line represents the absolute value.

Figure 3. Vorticity thickness $\delta_\omega$ (from numerical simulation) for flow with $k = 1$ perturbation for $M_c = 0.2$ case: three developing stages are marked, corresponding to (1) the growth of instability, (2) nonlinear saturation and (3) pure viscous dissipation.

POD applied in the scaled space shows an obvious advantage in energy capture, which is shown in table 1. Throughout the paper, each Fourier-POD mode is referred to as mode $(k, n)$ (e.g. mode $(1, 2)$ for the $n = 2$ POD mode of wavenumber $k = 1$). It is shown that mode $(1, 1)$ contains most of the energy (92.8%) while modes $(1, 2)$ and $(2, 1)$ share most of the rest. All POD modes of $k = 0$ contribute to only 0.8%, which benefits from the successful scaling of mean flow to remove its spreading in time. Although modes $(1, 2)$ and $(2, 1)$ have similar energy levels, in practice, mode

rapid thickness growth by the roll-up of vortices at wavenumber $k = 1$; (2) the stabilization and transition by nonlinear saturation and viscous dissipation; (3) pure viscous dissipation.
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TABLE 1. Energy contained in different Fourier-POD modes for the flow with initial perturbation at $k = 1$.

Figure 4. Plot of $\hat{v}$ of POD modes (a) $(k, n) = (1, 1)$ and (b) $(k, n) = (1, 2)$. The thin solid line represents the real value, the thin dashed line represents the imaginary value and the thick solid line represents the absolute value.

(1, 2) is dynamically important and kept, and mode (2, 1) has a negligible impact on the overall dynamics and therefore is ignored in the single-frequency model. The importance of POD mode $(1, 2)$ may be indicated by its shape as shown in figure 4. In a comparison with the instability mode at $k = 1$ (figure 2), we argue that the dip at the centre of mode $(1, 2)$ is critical in creating the overall shape of the instability mode (also with a dip at the centre) which helps to sustain proper instability. This hypothesis is meant to be qualitative because of the obvious difference in definition and assumption between POD modes and instability modes. Similar POD modes and energy budgets have been observed in the incompressible model by Wei & Rowley (2009), although the definitions of both inner product and scaling are different in the current paper.

With the POD modes being substituted in (4.22) and (4.33), which have coefficients defined in (4.23) and the detailed equations in appendix B, the model results are shown in figure 5. Figure 5(a), which is considered exact, shows the history of coefficients $a_{11}$ and $a_{12}$ calculated by a direct projection from the simulation data. Here and for the rest of the paper, only the real part of complex coefficients $a_{k,n}$ is plotted; the imaginary part behaves similarly. The thickness $\delta_g$ is also calculated directly from the simulation data as defined by (4.2) and (4.4). Figure 5(b) is the model result, which predicts well the history of both coefficients and thickness growth. All three dynamic stages (i.e. roll-up, transition and viscous damping) are clearly predicted while the thickness is somewhat overestimated at the end of roll-up. For
5.3. Flow with double wavenumbers: $k = 1$ and $k = 2$ perturbations

The introduction of both $k = 1$ and $k = 2$ allows more complex dynamics such as vortex pairing/merging and mode competition between the fundamental and the subharmonic frequencies. To introduce the instability, only a small perturbation ($\sim 0.008a_\infty$) with the fundamental wavenumber $k = 2$ is seeded. The instability mode at $k = 2$ (figure 6) is used to define the perturbation. The current subharmonic $k = 1$ is started by numerical noise, then takes off through nonlinear interaction with the fundamental and as it becomes more unstable at larger shear layer thickness.
Reasonably, we expect a four-mode model with two POD modes for each wavenumber to capture the more complex dynamics, which is depicted as five stages in figure 7: (1) the rapid thickness growth by the roll-up of vortices at the fundamental wavenumber \( k = 2 \); (2) the stabilization of the fundamental; (3) the rapid thickness growth by the pairing of vortices as the subharmonic wavenumber \( k = 1 \) takes over to be the most unstable mode; (4) the stabilization and transition by nonlinear saturation and viscous dissipation; (5) pure viscous dissipation.

The superior energy captured by POD modes in the scaled space remains, and this time, it is shared between the first POD modes of \( k = 1 \) (67.4\%) and \( k = 2 \) (27.4\%) as shown in table 2. The individual POD modes are shown in figure 8. For the same
FIGURE 8. Plots of $\hat{v}$ of POD modes (a) $(k, n) = (1, 1)$, (b) $(k, n) = (1, 2)$, (c) $(k, n) = (2, 1)$ and (d) $(k, n) = (2, 2)$. The thin solid lines represent the real value, the thin dashed lines represent the imaginary value and the thick solid lines represent the absolute value.

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TABLE 2. Energy contained in different Fourier-POD modes for the flow with both the fundamental $(k = 2)$ and the subharmonic $(k = 1)$.

Reason mentioned earlier, the second POD modes at both wavenumbers need to be kept to sustain proper instability, although their energy contributions are small.

Substituting these four POD modes into the model equations and coefficients in appendix C, we compare the model results with the exact solution from numerical simulation and the previous incompressible model (Wei & Rowley 2009) in figure 9. The direct projection from the simulation data (figure 9a) shows that the coefficients
at the fundamental $k = 2$ and the subharmonic $k = 1$ change the dominant role as the shear layer thickness grows. The switch between the modes aligns with the switch of the most unstable modes as the shear layer gets thicker. The role of ‘base flow’ in such a switch of the dominant frequency has also been reported in the low-dimensional model of a high-lift configuration by Luchtenburg et al. (2009) in a different scenario. As vortex dynamics is concerned, the behaviour of mode coefficients and thickness marks the vortex roll-up (i.e. the appearance of $k = 2$), vortex pairing/marging (i.e. the transition from $k = 2$ to $k = 1$) and the saturation and dissipation. The current compressible model successfully reproduces the behaviour of all four modes and the change of shear layer thickness in all five developing stages (figure 9b). Again, the performance of the compressible model is comparable with the incompressible model (figure 9c) and they both reproduce the simulation result well (figure 9d). It is worth noting that with comparable accuracy the current compressible model is simpler (by keeping the orthogonality) and allows the consideration of the compressibility (e.g. Mach number effect).
5.4. Model robustness and adaptation

The robustness of the compressible model is challenged by varying the Mach number and Reynolds number as parameters of the model built from the base case ($M_c = 0.2$ and $Re = 500$) and comparing the results against the numerical simulations at new parameters and the models based on new simulation data. Below, we first consider different Mach numbers $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4 (with the same $Re = 500$), then different Reynolds numbers $Re = 300$ and 1000 (with the same $M_c = 0.2$). The practice of extending reduced-order models to new parametric space from the original simulation is also known as model adaptation (Amsallem & Farhat 2008).

5.4.1. Extension in Mach number

Using $a_\infty$ as a universal characteristic speed prevents the Mach number $M_c$ from appearing directly in the governing equation (2.1) and the derived model equations. Instead, different $M_c$ of the shear flow is achieved through the implementation of a different mean flow with $U_1$ and $U_2$ which define the Mach number in (3.1). Using the mean flow and POD modes from the base case ($M_c = 0.2$ and $Re = 500$), we obtain a native model for $M_c = 0.2$. Simply stretching the mean flow proportionally to reach $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4 and still using old POD modes of $M_c = 0.2$, we can recalculate model coefficients and adapt the model for the new Mach numbers without additional numerical simulation at the new parameters. The adapted models at $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4 are plotted in figure 10. The models remain stable when they are extended to these Mach numbers. For benchmarking purposes, in parallel, we run numerical simulations at $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4 and obtain native models (i.e. new mean flow and new POD modes from the corresponding simulations) at these Mach numbers. The template for native models is chosen in the same way, where the initial flow being stretched respectively for each Mach number is used. The native models are also plotted in figure 10. In this comparison, the difference between the adapted model and the native model is very subtle for both new Mach numbers. The thickness growth predicted by both native and adapted models matches well with the result from direct numerical simulation data marked by a thick solid line in the same figure.

Furthermore, as shown in figure 11, different developing histories of the shear layer thickness at different Mach numbers are compared to show the compressibility effects, in the same way as in the work by Sandham & Reynolds (1990). More importantly, the current comparison includes the results from direct numerical simulation (figure 11a), the native models (figure 11b) and the adapted models (figure 11c). Using the time scale based on the speed of sound, we clearly see that the increase in Mach number promotes the appearance of both the vortex roll-up (i.e. the first peak of thickness in the figure) and pairing/merging (i.e. the second peak). Such trend is consistently captured by both native and adapted models. This observation does not contradict with the results of Sandham & Reynolds (1990) and Sandham (1994) for temporal developing shear layers and Day, Mansour & Reynolds (2001) for spatial developing shear layers, where they showed instead a delay of the appearance of the vortex roll-up by the increase of convective Mach number. In their results, the time is scaled by shear layer velocity instead of the sound speed. In figure 12, we plot our current results in the same non-dimensional time as the references, the peak of vortex roll-up, in fact, appears as being delayed at higher Mach number. Again, the same trend is successfully captured by both native and adapted models.

5.4.2. Extension in Reynolds number

The extension in Reynolds number is more straightforward as it appears explicitly in the governing equations and models. Using the model of the base case ($M_c = 0.2$
Figure 10. Comparison of native models and adapted models for the extension of Mach number from $M_c = 0.2$ to $M_c = 0.3$ and 0.4. Here: ——, time coefficients $a_{11}(t)$ and $a_{21}(t)$; −−−−, time coefficients $a_{12}(t)$ and $a_{22}(t)$; and −·−·−, the shear layer thickness $\delta_g$ (for comparison, — is marked for the thickness computed from direct numerical simulation data at corresponding Mach numbers). The same scale is used for coefficients $a$ in the comparison.

For benchmarking purposes, we also run two simulations at $Re = 300$ and $Re = 1000$ and build native models using new simulation data. It is worth mentioning that the new simulations have the same initial flow which...
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Figure 11. Developing history of the shear layer thickness $\delta_g$ at different convective Mach numbers $M_c$: (a) by direct numerical simulation; (b) by native models; (c) by adapted models using the same database at $M_c = 0.2$. Here: ———, $M_c = 0.2$; −−−−, $M_c = 0.3$; and −·−·−, $M_c = 0.4$.

implies the same mean flow in the scaled space and the same template for building native models under different Reynolds numbers.

As shown in figure 13, the models remain stable for ‘off-design’ Reynolds numbers, and the adapted models without new simulation match surprisingly well with the simulation and native models. The Reynolds number effect shown by all models is consistent with experimental and numerical observations: at low Reynolds number, perturbations are largely suppressed by viscosity and the main character of shear layer is viscous dissipation; at high Reynolds number, perturbations are promoted at both frequencies and result in stronger nonlinear interaction. For comparison, the thickness growth computed from direct simulation data is marked by thick solid lines in the same figure. Both native and adapted models successfully predict the thickness growth and fluctuation over the entire range from low to high Reynolds numbers.

The extension to ‘off-design’ Reynolds number has previously been discussed by Deane et al. (1991) in their low-dimensional models of grooved channel flow and circular cylinder flow. Their models were based on traditional POD-Galerkin projection and could not be extended to other Reynolds number directly. However, they made the
Figure 12. Developing history of the shear layer thickness $\delta_g$ with new time scale at different convective Mach numbers $M_c$: (a) by direct numerical simulation; (b) by native models; (c) by adapted models using the same database at $M_c = 0.2$. Here: ——, $M_c = 0.2$; ——, $M_c = 0.3$; and ····, $M_c = 0.4$.

model extension work by tuning empirically the mean-flow thickness in the model to match the simulation data at the new Reynolds number. Our current models, on the other hand, do not require any empirical modification to work on ‘off-design’ Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers. This difference can be explained by the inclusion of a separate dynamic equation for the scaling variable $g(t)$, which is capable of automatic adjustment of the mean-flow thickness with respect to new flow parameters and the corresponding dynamics of base modes. Thus, it suggests that the current model may work at other ‘off-design’ parameters if the effects of those parameters are mainly through the change of mean flow.

6. Conclusions

The modelling is based on the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations, which are adopted as an approximation of the compressible Navier–Stokes equations used in the simulation of TD compressible shear layers. This choice provides a well-defined inner product to represent the total energy of weakly compressible flows. Then, for
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Figure 13. Comparison of native models and adapted models for the extension of Reynolds number from $Re = 500$ to $Re = 300$ and 1000. Here: ——, time coefficients $a_{11}(t)$ and $a_{21}(t)$; -- -- --, time coefficients $a_{12}(t)$ and $a_{22}(t)$; and - - - - , the shear layer thickness $\delta_g$ (for comparison, --- is marked for the thickness computed from direct numerical simulation data at corresponding Reynolds numbers). The same scale is used for coefficients $a$ in the comparison.

A compressible TD shear layer with its thickness varying in time, we introduced a scaling variable and its own dynamic equation to scale the space and applied POD-Galerkin projection on the scaled space for a much more efficient model in terms of the number of base modes. The modified POD-Galerkin projection results in models
at very low dimension with only a couple of Fourier-POD modes required in the
description of compressible TD shear layers. The efficiency of the models is also
marked by the energy efficiency of POD modes in the scaled space. The first POD
modes of both spatial wavenumbers at \( k = 1 \) and \( k = 2 \) capture most of the energy
while the second POD modes remain dynamically important despite their small energy
contributions.

To capture basic dynamics, the compressible low-dimensional model requires only
two POD modes for each wavenumber. Hence, a two-mode model is constructed by
the projection of equations onto the first two POD modes of wavenumber \( k = 1 \).
The two-mode model is able to capture single-wavenumber dynamics such as vortex
roll-up. Similarly, a four-mode model is constructed by the projection of equations
onto the first two POD modes of wavenumbers \( k = 1 \) and \( k = 2 \). The four-mode model
is then able to capture the nonlinear interactions involving a fundamental wavenumber
and its subharmonic, such as vortex pairing and merging.

Moreover, in comparison with the previous incompressible model by Wei & Rowley
(2009), the compressible model provides a simpler mathematical model that guarantees
the mass conservation without the need for a special coefficient matrix or special
mapping (as used in the incompressible case). The compressible model uses the
same inner product to define both POD modes and Galerkin projection, thus, the
orthogonality is preserved in the process and leads to simple equations at the end.
The compressible model includes the equation for thermodynamics, while the thermo-
energy is also included in the energy-based norm. Although the compressible model
does not increase the accuracy of the specific problem, it stands out by two obvious
advantages: (i) simpler model equations (as a result of consistent orthogonality and
simple scaling); and (ii) the inclusion of compressibility and thermodynamics.

Finally, as a step towards a more practical level, the model has been extended
to apply to new Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers different from its original
simulation parameters without additional numerical simulations. The adapted model
shows robustness in both extensions and the model results match well with the
benchmark simulations. In particular, we compared the results from adapted models,
native models and the direct numerical simulations at different Mach numbers 0.2, 0.3
and 0.4 (for the same Reynolds number 500) and at different Reynolds numbers 300,
500 and 1000 (for the same Mach number 0.2). The adapted models provide results as
good as those from native models and they are qualitatively correct in comparison with
direct numerical simulations.

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Appendix A. Isentropic Navier–Stokes equations

Here, we review the derivation of isentropic Navier–Stokes equations from
compressible Navier–Stokes equations in full formulation (Zank & Matthaeus 1991;
Batchelor 2000), which are

\[
\frac{D \rho}{Dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0
\]  

(A 1)
\[ \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \mathbb{T} \]  
(A 2)

\[ T \frac{DS}{Dt} = \rho c_p \frac{DT}{Dt} - \beta_T T \frac{Dp}{Dt} = \Phi + k \nabla^2 T, \]  
(A 3)

where

\[ \mathbb{T} = 2\mu (e_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) \]  
(A 4)

is the deviatoric stress tensor,

\[ e_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \]  
(A 5)

is the rate of strain tensor,

\[ \beta_T = -\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial T} \right)_p \]  
(A 6)

is the thermal expansion coefficient,

\[ \Phi = 2\mu (e_{ij} e_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})^2) \]  
(A 7)

is the viscous dissipation, \( s \) is the entropy, \( T \) is the temperature, \( c_p \) is the specific heat under constant pressure and \( k \) is the thermal conductivity of the fluid.

For isentropic flow, we assume that \( DS/Dt = 0 \), which is equivalent to neglecting the viscous dissipation \( \Phi \) and the heat conduction \( k \nabla^2 T \). The energy equation reduces to

\[ \rho c_p \frac{DT}{Dt} = \beta_T \frac{Dp}{Dt}. \]  
(A 8)

Recall the equation of state \( p = R\rho T \), where \( R = c_p - c_v \) is the gas constant, \( c_v \) is the specific heat under constant volume. From the definition of \( \beta_T \), one can get \( \beta_T T = 1 \). Substitute \( p \) from the equation of state, then the energy equation becomes

\[ \rho \frac{DT}{Dt} = \frac{(c_p - c_v)}{c_p} \frac{D}{Dt}(\rho T). \]  
(A 9)

Using the ratio of specific heat \( \gamma = c_p/c_v \) instead, we have

\[ \rho \frac{DT}{Dt} = \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{\gamma} \left[ \rho \frac{DT}{Dt} + T \frac{D\rho}{Dt} \right]. \]  
(A 10)

Substitute \( D\rho/Dt \) and rearrange the equation to obtain

\[ \frac{DT}{Dt} + (\gamma - 1)T(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = 0. \]  
(A 11)

Substitute \( T \) from the equation of state to obtain

\[ \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{Dp}{Dt} - \frac{p}{\rho^2} \frac{Dp}{Dt} + \frac{\gamma p}{\rho} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) - \frac{p}{\rho} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = 0, \]  
(A 12)

and then

\[ \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{Dp}{Dt} + \frac{\gamma p}{\rho} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = 0, \]  
(A 13)
with the continuity equation applied. Recall the first law of thermodynamics and Gibbs free energy equation \( dh = T \, rmds + dp/\rho \), where \( h \) is the enthalpy, and \( ds = 0 \) for isentropic flow. Applying the equation of state again

\[
\frac{\gamma p}{\rho} = \gamma RT = c_p(\gamma - 1)T
\]  

(A 14)

and \( c_p T = h \) for constant pressure process, the energy equation becomes

\[
\frac{Dh}{Dt} + (\gamma - 1)h(\nabla \cdot u) = 0.
\]  

(A 15)

Introducing the speed of sound \( 'a' \) by

\[
a^2 = \frac{\gamma p}{\rho} = (\gamma - 1)h, \text{ we have}
\]

\[
2a \frac{Da}{Dt} = (\gamma - 1) \frac{Dh}{Dt}.
\]  

(A 16)

The energy equation is then described by \( a \) as

\[
\frac{Da}{Dt} + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} a (\nabla \cdot u) = 0.
\]  

(A 17)

The relations between enthalpy, pressure and the speed of sound imply

\[
\nabla p = \rho \nabla h = \frac{2\rho a}{\gamma - 1} \nabla a.
\]  

(A 18)

So, the momentum equation becomes

\[
\frac{Du}{Dt} = -\frac{2a}{\gamma - 1} \nabla a + v \nabla^2 u,
\]  

(A 19)

where \( v = \mu/\rho \). Finally, the isentropic Navier–Stokes equations are

\[
\frac{Du}{Dt} + \frac{2a}{\gamma - 1} \nabla a = v \nabla^2 u
\]  

(A 20)

\[
\frac{Da}{Dt} + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} a (\nabla \cdot u) = 0.
\]  

(A 21)

We should keep in mind that the continuity equation is implied and already satisfied.

**Appendix B. Equations and the coefficients in the two-mode model**

The dynamic equations for the scaling variable \( g \) and coefficient vector \( a = (a_{1,1}a_{1,2})^T \) for the two-mode model of temporal shear layer flow are

\[
\dot{g} = \sum_{i,m=1}^{2} \frac{r_{im}}{n_0} a_{1,m} a_{1,i}^* g + \frac{1}{Re} \frac{d_0}{n_0} g^3,
\]  

(B 1)

and

\[
\dot{a} = \left( B + \frac{1}{Re} D + \frac{\dot{g}}{g} E \right) a,
\]  

(B 2)

where matrices \( B, D \) and \( E \) are defined by

\[
B = \begin{bmatrix}
b_{11} + gc_{11} & b_{12} + gc_{12} \\
b_{21} + gc_{21} & b_{22} + gc_{22}
\end{bmatrix},
\]  

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\[ D = \begin{bmatrix} -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{11}) + g^2d_{11} & -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{12}) + g^2d_{12} \\ -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{21}) + g^2d_{21} & -(2\pi/L)^2(n_{22}) + g^2d_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \]  
\[ E = \begin{bmatrix} e_{11} & e_{12} \\ e_{21} & e_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \]  

with all coefficients defined by

\[ n_0 = \int \left( y \frac{du_0}{dy} \right)^2 dy, \quad d_0 = \int \frac{d^2u_0}{dy^2} y \frac{du_0}{dy} dy, \]  
\[ r_{lm} = - \int \left( \hat{v}_{1,m} \frac{d\hat{u}_{1,l}^*}{dy} + \hat{v}_{1,m}^* \frac{d\hat{u}_{1,l}}{dy} \right) y \frac{du_0}{dy} dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  
\[ b_{lm} = - \frac{2\pi}{L} i \int \left( u_0 \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + u_0 \hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \beta u_0 \hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right. \]  
\[ \left. + \beta \gamma a_0 \hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  
\[ c_{lm} = - \int \left( \hat{v}_{1,m} \frac{du_0}{dy} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \beta \gamma a_0 \frac{d\hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^*}{dy} + \frac{1}{\gamma} a_0 \frac{d\hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^*}{dy} + \frac{1}{\gamma} a_0 \frac{d\hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^*}{dy} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  
\[ n_{lm} = \int \left( \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  
\[ d_{lm} = \int \left( \frac{d^2\hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^*}{dy^2} + \frac{d^2\hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^*}{dy^2} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  
\[ e_{lm} = - \int \left( \frac{d\hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^*}{dy} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \frac{d\hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^*}{dy} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \beta \frac{d\hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^*}{dy} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

Appendix C. Equations and the coefficients in the four-mode model

For the four-mode model, the dynamic equations for the scaling variable \( g \) and coefficient vector \( a = (a_{1,1}a_{1,2}a_{2,1}a_{2,2})^T \) are

\[ \dot{g} = \sum_{l,m=1}^{2} \left( \frac{r_{1,lm}}{n_0} a_{1,m} a_{1,l}^* g + \frac{r_{2,lm}}{n_0} a_{2,m} a_{2,l}^* g \right) + \frac{1}{Re n_0} g^3, \]  

and

\[ \dot{a} = \left( B + \frac{1}{Re} D + \frac{\dot{g}}{g} E \right) a + N. \]  

Matrices \( B, D \) and \( E \) are linear terms of \( a_{k,n} \) and have blocks of zeros as

\[ B = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 & 0 \\ 0 & E_2 \end{bmatrix}, \]  

with submatrices defined by

\[ B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,11} + gc_{1,11} & b_{1,12} + gc_{1,12} \\ b_{1,21} + gc_{1,21} & b_{1,22} + gc_{1,22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b_{2,11} + gc_{2,11} & b_{2,12} + gc_{2,12} \\ b_{2,21} + gc_{2,21} & b_{2,22} + gc_{2,22} \end{bmatrix}, \]  
\[ D_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -(2\pi/L)^2n_{1,11} + g^2d_{1,11} & -(2\pi/L)^2n_{1,12} + g^2d_{1,12} \\ -(2\pi/L)^2n_{1,21} + g^2d_{1,21} & -(2\pi/L)^2n_{1,22} + g^2d_{1,22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b_{2,11} + gc_{2,11} & b_{2,12} + gc_{2,12} \\ b_{2,21} + gc_{2,21} & b_{2,22} + gc_{2,22} \end{bmatrix}. \]
where nonlinear coefficients are defined as

\[ D_2 = \begin{bmatrix}
-(4\pi/L)^2 n_{2,11} + g^2 d_{2,11} & -(4\pi/L)^2 n_{2,12} + g^2 d_{2,12} \\
-(4\pi/L)^2 n_{2,21} + g^2 d_{2,21} & -(4\pi/L)^2 n_{2,22} + g^2 d_{2,22}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad (C 4c) \]

\[ E_1 = \begin{bmatrix}
e_{1,11} & e_{1,12} \\
e_{1,21} & e_{1,22}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad E_2 = \begin{bmatrix}
e_{2,11} & e_{2,12} \\
e_{2,21} & e_{2,22}
\end{bmatrix}. \quad (C 4d) \]

The vector \( N \) includes all nonlinear terms of \( a_{k,n} \) as

\[ N = \begin{bmatrix}
N_{1,1}a_{1,1}^* a_{2,1} + N_{1,2}a_{1,1}^* a_{2,2} + N_{1,3}a_{1,2}^* a_{2,1} + N_{1,4}a_{1,2}^* a_{2,2} \\
N_{2,1}a_{1,1}^* a_{2,1} + N_{2,2}a_{1,1}^* a_{2,2} + N_{2,3}a_{1,2}^* a_{2,1} + N_{2,4}a_{1,2}^* a_{2,2} \\
N_{3,1}a_{1,1} a_{1,1} + N_{3,2}a_{1,1} a_{1,2} + N_{3,3}a_{1,2} a_{1,1} + N_{3,4}a_{1,2} a_{1,2} \\
N_{4,1}a_{1,1} a_{1,1} + N_{4,2}a_{1,1} a_{1,2} + N_{4,3}a_{1,2} a_{1,1} + N_{4,4}a_{1,2} a_{1,2}
\end{bmatrix}, \quad (C 5) \]

where nonlinear coefficients are defined as

\[ N_{1,1} = b_{1,111} + gc_{1,111}, \quad N_{2,1} = b_{1,211} + gc_{1,211}, \]
\[ N_{1,2} = b_{1,112} + gc_{1,112}, \quad N_{2,2} = b_{1,212} + gc_{1,212}, \]
\[ N_{1,3} = b_{1,121} + gc_{1,121}, \quad N_{2,3} = b_{1,221} + gc_{1,221}, \]
\[ N_{1,4} = b_{1,122} + gc_{1,122}, \quad N_{2,4} = b_{1,222} + gc_{1,222}, \]
\[ N_{3,1} = b_{2,111} + gc_{2,111}, \quad N_{4,1} = b_{2,211} + gc_{2,211}, \]
\[ N_{3,2} = b_{2,112} + gc_{2,112}, \quad N_{4,2} = b_{2,212} + gc_{2,212}, \]
\[ N_{3,3} = b_{2,121} + gc_{2,121}, \quad N_{4,3} = b_{2,221} + gc_{2,221}, \]
\[ N_{3,4} = b_{2,122} + gc_{2,122}, \quad N_{4,4} = b_{2,222} + gc_{2,222}. \]

The coefficients are each defined in indicial notation as

\[ n_0 = \int \left( y \frac{du_0}{dy} \right)^2 dy, \quad d_0 = \int \frac{d^2 u_0}{dy^2} y \frac{du_0}{dy} dy, \quad (C 7a) \]
\[ r_{1,lm} = -\int \left( \hat{v}_{1,m} \frac{d \hat{u}_{1,l}}{dy} + \hat{v}_{1,l} \frac{d \hat{u}_{1,m}}{dy} \right) y \frac{du_0}{dy} dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ r_{2,lm} = -\int \left( \hat{v}_{2,m} \frac{d \hat{u}_{2,l}}{dy} + \hat{v}_{2,l} \frac{d \hat{u}_{2,m}}{dy} \right) y \frac{du_0}{dy} dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ b_{1,lm} = \left( -\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^l \int \left( u_0 \hat{u}_{1,1} + u_0 \hat{v}_{1,1} + \beta \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} a_0 \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ c_{1,lm} = \left( -\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^l \int \left( \frac{du_0}{dy} \hat{u}_{1,1} + \beta \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} a_0 \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ c_{2,lm} = \left( -\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^l \int \left( \frac{du_0}{dy} \hat{u}_{1,1} + \beta \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} a_0 \hat{u}_{1,1} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ n_{1,lm} = \int \left( \hat{u}_{1,1} \hat{v}_{1,1} + \hat{v}_{1,1} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ n_{2,lm} = \int \left( \hat{u}_{1,1} \hat{v}_{1,1} + \hat{v}_{1,1} \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]
\[ n_{2,lm} = \int ( \hat{u}_{2,m} \hat{u}_{2,l}^* + \hat{v}_{2,m} \hat{v}_{2,l}^*) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

\[ d_{1,lm} = \int \left( \frac{d^2 \hat{u}_{1,m}}{dy^2} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \frac{d^2 \hat{v}_{1,m}}{dy^2} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

\[ d_{2,lm} = \int \left( \frac{d^2 \hat{u}_{2,m}}{dy^2} \hat{u}_{2,l}^* + \frac{d^2 \hat{v}_{2,m}}{dy^2} \hat{v}_{2,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

\[ e_{1,lm} = - \int \left( y \frac{d \hat{u}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + y \frac{d \hat{v}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \beta y \frac{d \hat{a}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

\[ e_{2,lm} = - \int \left( y \frac{d \hat{u}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{u}_{2,l}^* + y \frac{d \hat{v}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{v}_{2,l}^* + \beta y \frac{d \hat{a}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{a}_{2,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m = 1, 2. \]  

\[ b_{1,lmj} = - \frac{4\pi}{L} i \int \left( \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \beta \hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* + \beta \gamma \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m, j = 1, 2. \]  

\[ b_{2,lmj} = - \frac{2\pi}{L} i \int \left( \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \hat{v}_{1,m} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \beta \hat{a}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* + \beta \gamma \hat{u}_{1,m} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m, j = 1, 2. \]  

\[ c_{1,lmj} = - \int \left( \frac{d \hat{u}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{u}_{2,l}^* + \frac{d \hat{v}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{v}_{2,l}^* + \frac{d \hat{a}_{2,m}}{dy} \hat{a}_{2,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m, j = 1, 2. \]  

\[ c_{2,lmj} = - \int \left( \frac{d \hat{u}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{u}_{1,l}^* + \frac{d \hat{v}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{v}_{1,l}^* + \frac{d \hat{a}_{1,m}}{dy} \hat{a}_{1,l}^* \right) dy, \quad l, m, j = 1, 2. \]  

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