Differential Reynolds Stress Modeling for Separating Flows in Industrial Applications



Abstract

Differential Reynolds stress modeling (DRSM) is a powerful turbulence modeling approach that has been successfully used to predict the behavior

of complex turbulent flows, including separating flows. This book provides a comprehensive overview of DRSM, from its theoretical foundations to its practical applications in industrial settings.



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Turbulence is a fundamental aspect of fluid flow, and it plays a significant role in a wide range of engineering applications. Predicting the behavior of turbulent flows is essential for the design and optimization of many industrial processes, such as combustion, heat transfer, and fluid machinery.

Traditional turbulence models, such as the k-ε model, are based on the Boussinesq approximation, which assumes that the Reynolds stresses are proportional to the mean velocity gradients. This assumption is often inadequate for flows with complex geometries or flow separations, where the Reynolds stresses can be highly anisotropic and non-linear.

DRSM is a more advanced turbulence modeling approach that relaxes the Boussinesq approximation and directly solves transport equations for the Reynolds stresses. This allows DRSM to capture the anisotropic and nonlinear behavior of the Reynolds stresses, which leads to more accurate predictions of flow behavior.

Development of DRSM

The development of DRSM began in the 1970s, with the pioneering work of Launder, Reece, and Rodi. Since then, DRSM has been the subject of extensive research and development, and a number of different DRSM models have been proposed.

The most popular DRSM models are based on the transport equation for the Reynolds stress tensor, which is derived from the Navier-Stokes equations. These models include the Launder-Reece-Rodi (LRR) model, the Speziale-Sarkar-Gatski (SSG) model, and the Quadratic Constitutive Relation (QCR) model.

In addition to the transport equation models, there are also algebraic DRSM models, which are based on algebraic closures for the Reynolds stresses. These models are less computationally expensive than the transport equation models, but they are also less accurate.

Applications of DRSM

DRSM has been successfully used to predict the behavior of a wide range of turbulent flows, including separating flows, jets, and wakes. DRSM has also been used to simulate complex flows in industrial applications, such as combustion, heat transfer, and fluid machinery.

One of the most important applications of DRSM is the prediction of flow separation. Flow separation occurs when the boundary layer detaches from

a surface, and it can lead to significant changes in the flow behavior. DRSM is able to accurately predict the onset and location of flow separation, which is essential for the design of many industrial components, such as airfoils and turbine blades.

DRSM has also been used to simulate heat transfer in turbulent flows. Heat transfer is an important consideration in many industrial applications, such as the design of heat exchangers and cooling systems. DRSM is able to accurately predict heat transfer rates, even in complex flows with flow separation.

Advantages of DRSM

DRSM offers a number of advantages over traditional turbulence models, including:

- Improved accuracy for complex flows, including flows with separation
- Ability to capture the anisotropic and non-linear behavior of the Reynolds stresses
- Reduced sensitivity to grid size and mesh quality

Challenges of DRSM

Despite its advantages, DRSM also has some challenges, including:

- Computational cost
- Sensitivity to model parameters
- Difficulty in implementing DRSM in commercial CFD codes

Future of DRSM

DRSM is a rapidly developing field, and a number of new DRSM models and techniques are being developed. These developments are expected to make DRSM more accurate, efficient, and easier to use.

In the future, DRSM is expected to play an increasingly important role in the design and optimization of industrial processes. DRSM will be used to predict the behavior of complex turbulent flows, including flows with separation, heat transfer, and chemical reactions.

This book provides a comprehensive overview of differential Reynolds stress modeling (DRSM) for simulating complex turbulent flows, with a particular focus on separating flows in industrial applications. It includes the latest developments in DRSM, as well as practical examples of its use in predicting flow behavior in a variety of engineering settings.

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