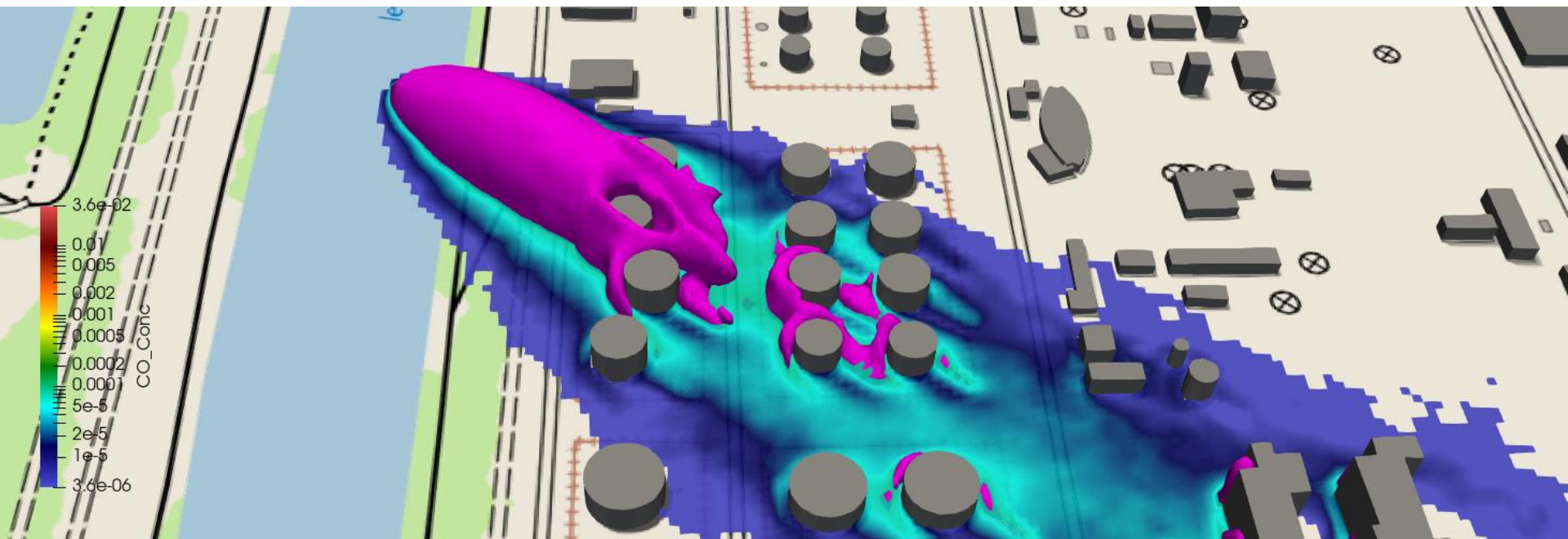
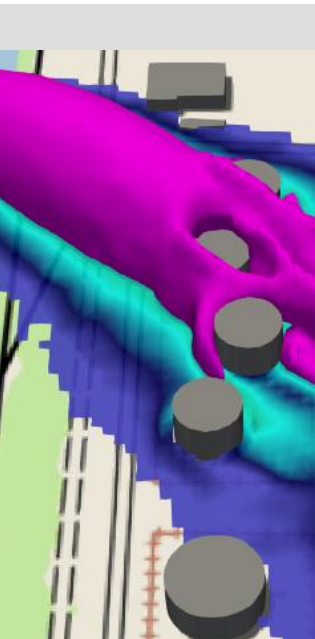


Development of BUILD (Building Urban and Industrial Lagrangian Dispersion), a new operational dispersion model

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1. – Introduction



Atmospheric dispersion modelling for emergency response

- Accidental or deliberate releases of NRBC material
- In complex built-up areas like urban or industrial sites
- First responders and decision makers need fast and relatively precise estimates of the contaminated and dangerous area

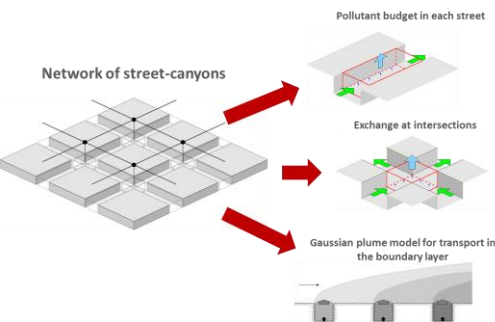
Operational modelling approaches for built-up and urban areas



- Simple Gaussian plume or puff models (ALOA, PHAST, etc.)
- Diagnostic wind flow models coupled with Eulerian or Lagrangian dispersion models (PMSS, QUIC-URB, etc.)
- CFD based models (RANS or LES Navier-Stokes, Lattice-Boltzmann)

Network of streets models

- SIRANE : box canopy + Gaussian plume steady model (Soulhac et al., 2011, 2012)
- SIRANERISK : box canopy + Gaussian puff unsteady model (Soulhac et al., 2016)



1. – Introduction



Advantages and limitations of the SIRANERISK approach

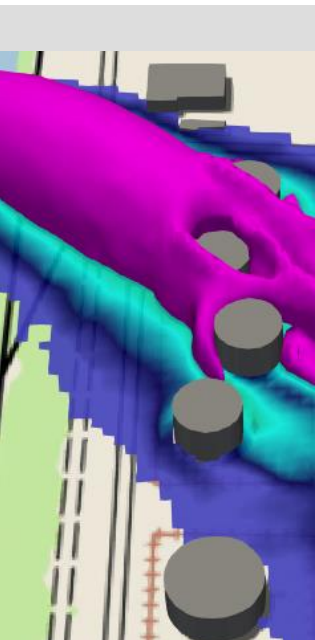
- Fast model, well adapted for regular network of streets urban configurations
- Limitation of the Gaussian approach to deal with non regular urban patterns, suburban or industrial geometry (group of obstacles)

Development of a new atmospheric dispersion model

- To overcome the previous limitations and extend the range of possible applications, keeping the constraint of a low computation time

→ BUILD – Building Urban and Industrial Lagrangian Dispersion model

- Main characteristics of the model
 - Diagnostic parametrizations of the flow
 - Urban dense Canopy : “SIRANE-like” flow description with improvements for the flow and turbulence field inside streets
 - Obstacles : wake recirculation model
 - Particles stochastic Lagrangian dispersion model to allow a continuous description of the concentration field





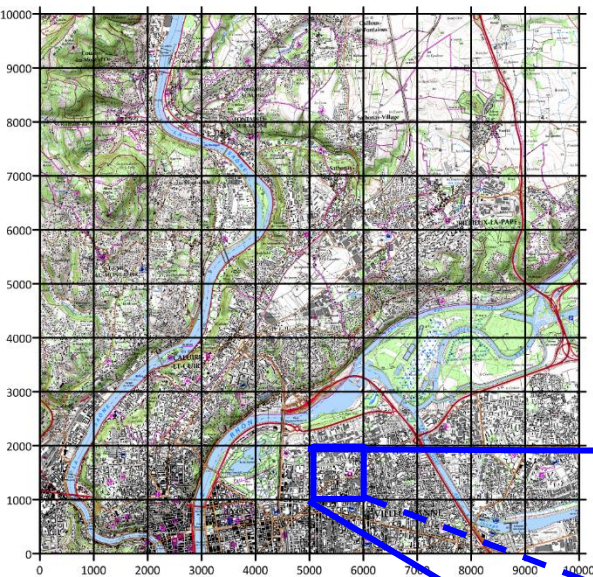
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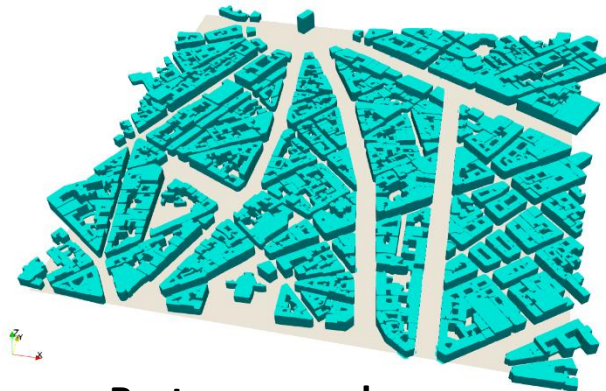


Gridding of the domain with 1km x 1km tiles, with 1m resolution

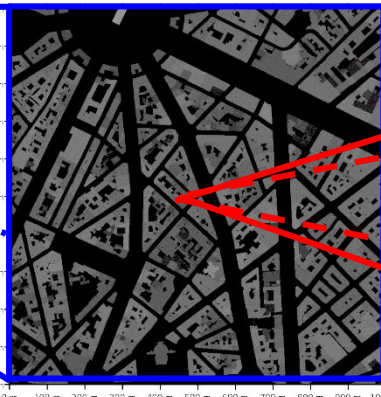
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Building geometry input data

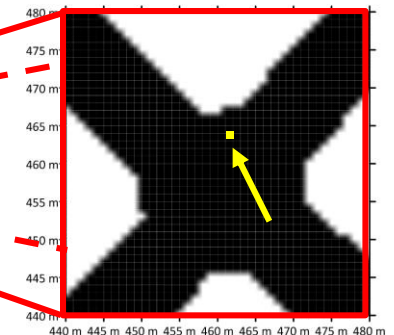


Raster grayscale representation of the buildings geometry and height



Typical pixel size of 1 meter:

- Good description of the details
- Efficient localization in the grid





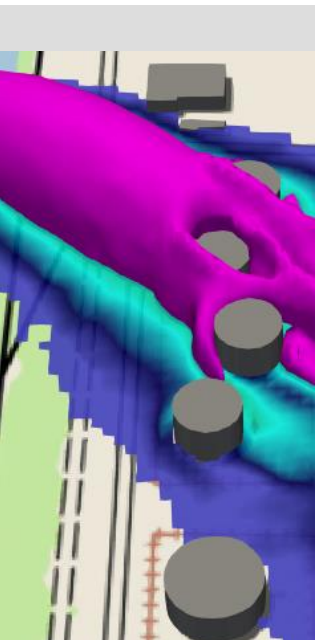
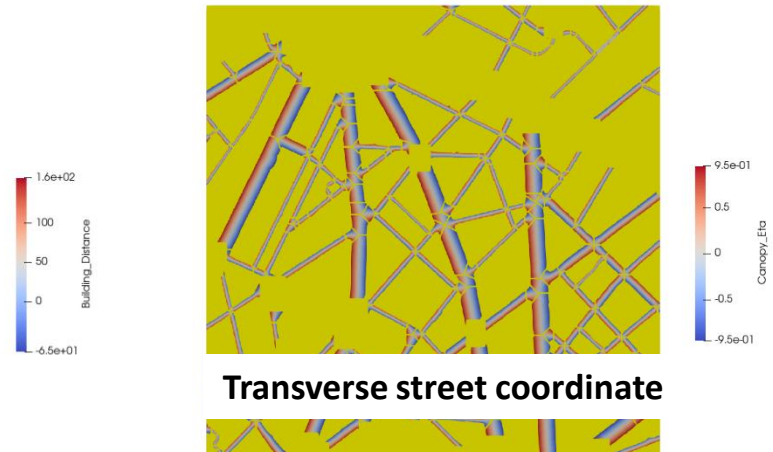
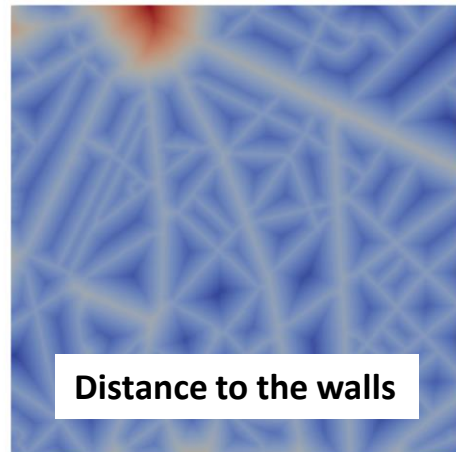
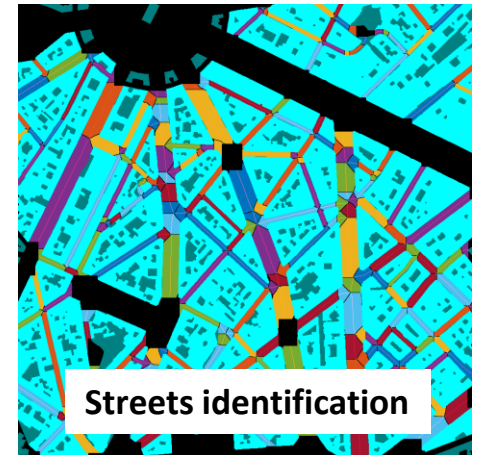
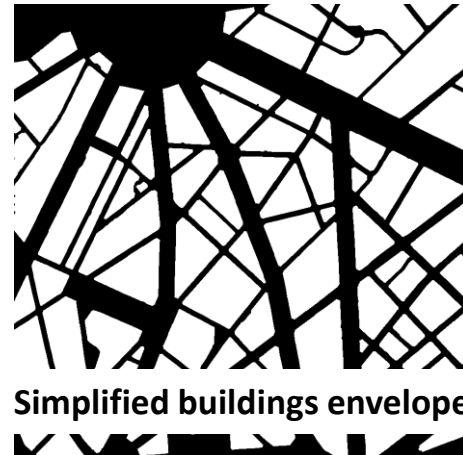
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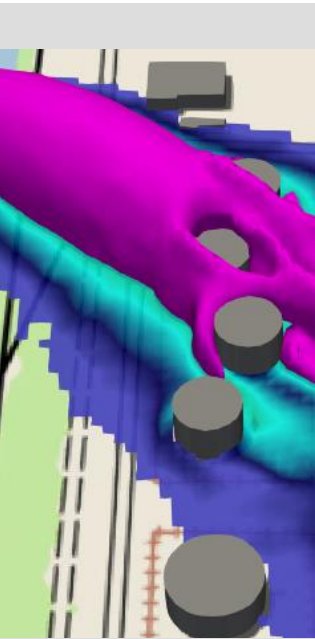


Urban buildings image processing





- Image processing toolbox to analyze the building height raster images

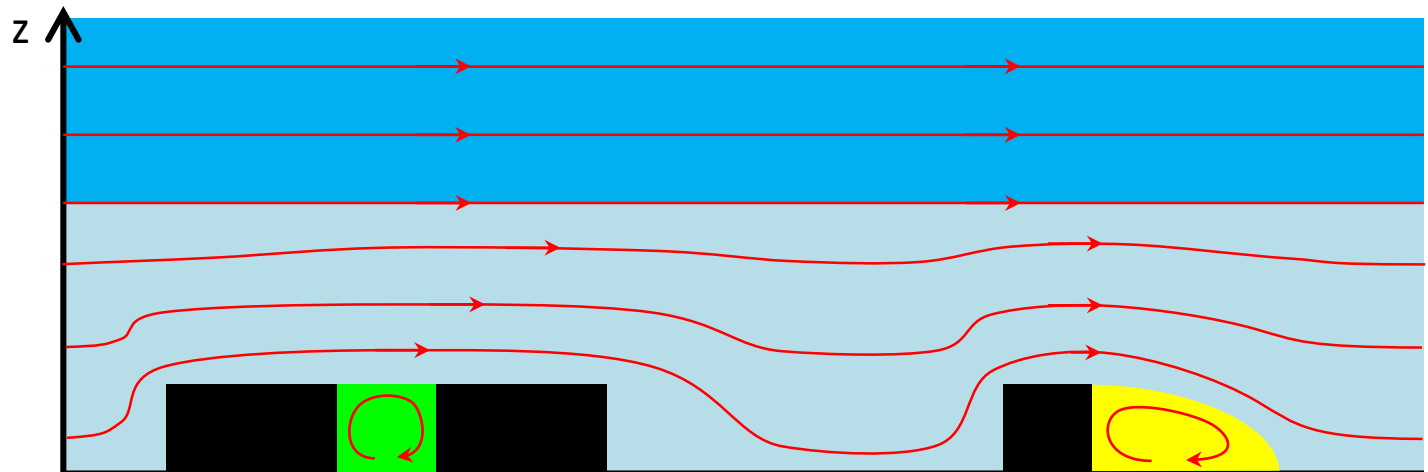


3. – Parameterized flow models



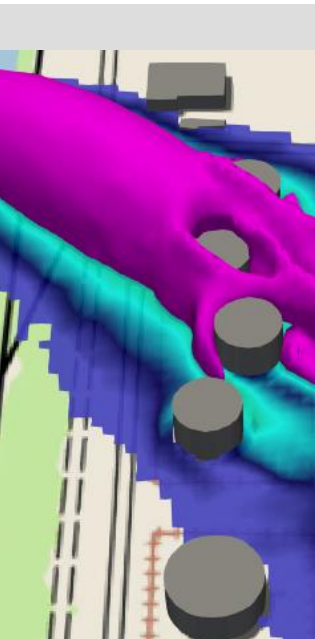
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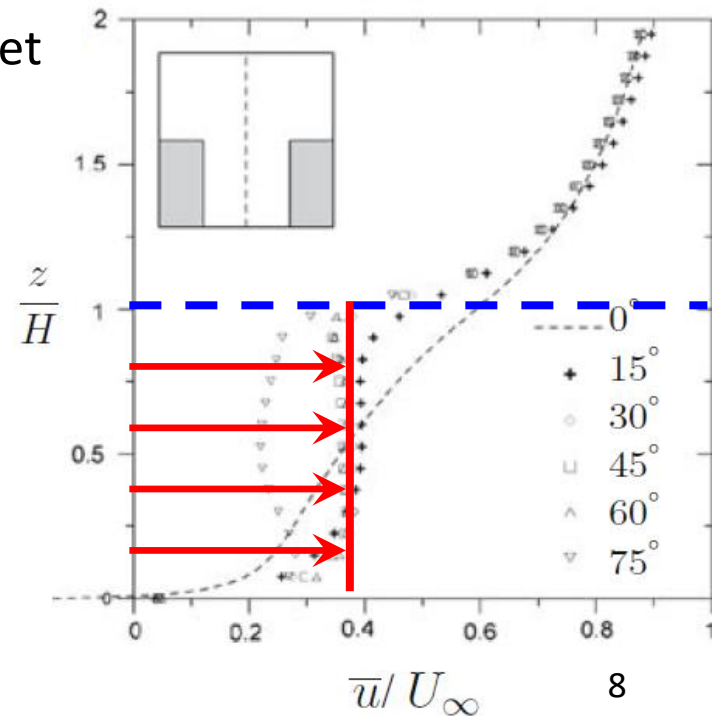
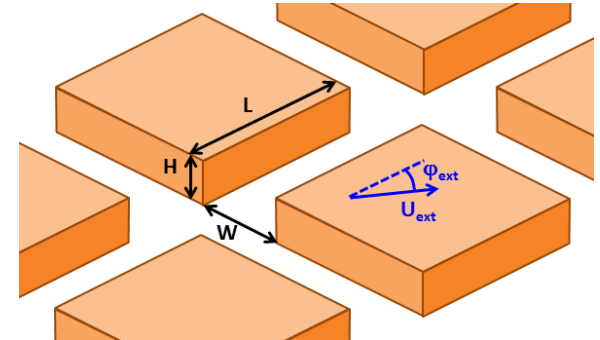


Uniform longitudinal mean velocity

- The longitudinal velocity is quite uniform in the street, only dependent on the component of the flow parallel to the street

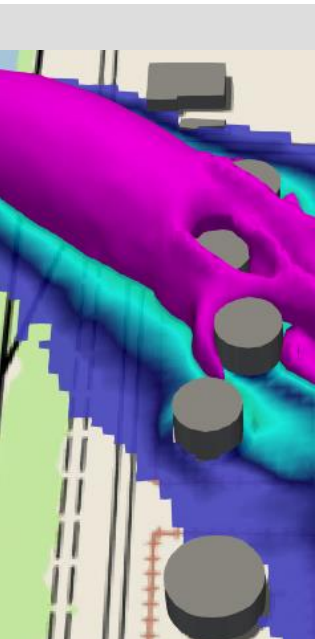
$$\bar{u}(y,z) = u_{\text{street}} = K_m K_H u_* \cos(\varphi_{\text{ext}})$$

- K_m and K_H are parameterized according to the analytical model of Soulhac et al. (2008)



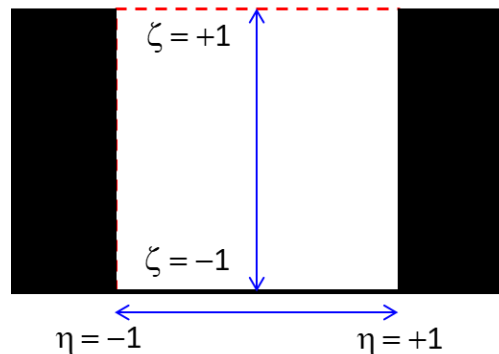
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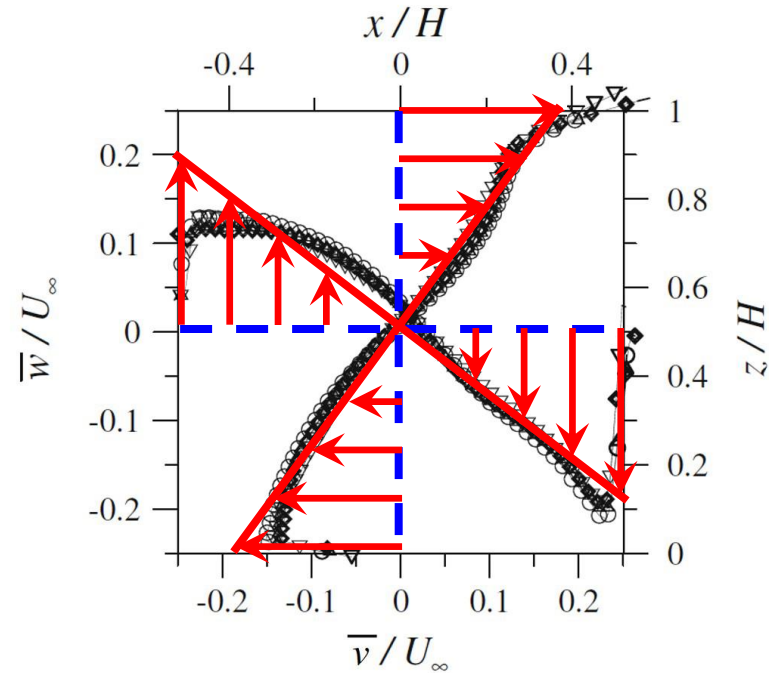
Transverse mean velocity field

- Linear model for the flow
- Street coordinates



- Assumption of separated variables

$$\begin{cases} \bar{v}(y,z) = v_{\text{street}} f_v(\eta) g_v(\zeta) \\ \bar{w}(y,z) = -w_{\text{street}} f_w(\eta) g_w(\zeta) \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} f_{v,\text{lin}}(\eta) = 1 - \eta^2 \\ g_{v,\text{lin}}(\zeta) = \zeta \\ f_{w,\text{lin}}(\eta) = \eta \\ g_{w,\text{lin}}(\zeta) = 1 - \zeta^2 \end{cases}$$



Wind tunnel experiments of Salizzoni et al. (2011)

Velocity scale v_{street}

$$v_{\text{street}} = K_m K_H u_* \sin(\varphi_{\text{ext}})$$

Continuity equation

$$\frac{v_{\text{street}}}{W} = \frac{w_{\text{street}}}{H}$$



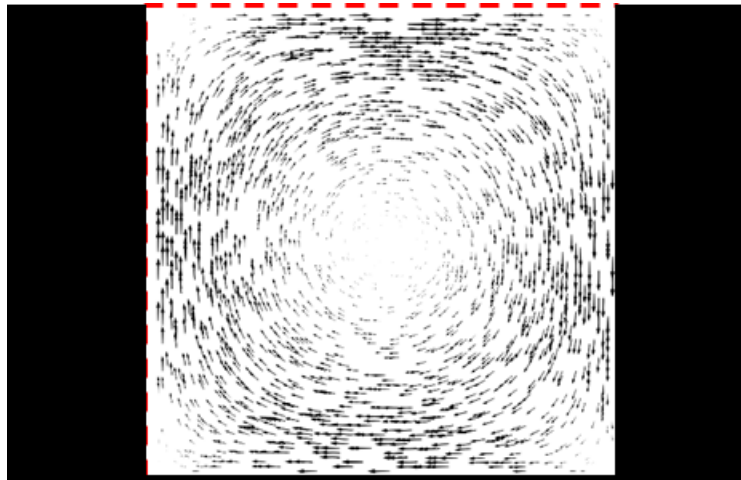
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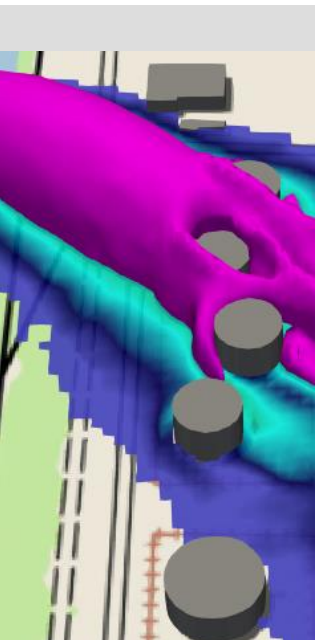
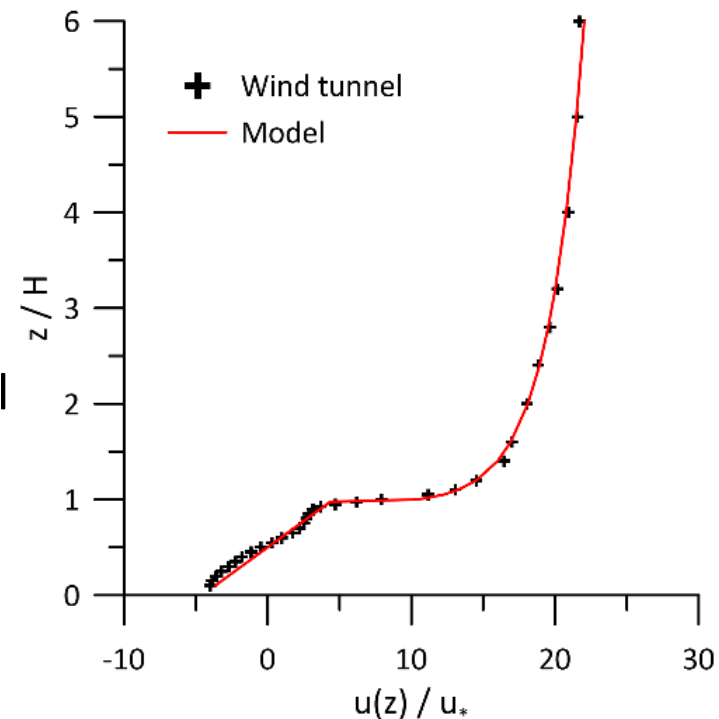


Transverse mean velocity field

- Vector field



- Validation against wind tunnel experiments



3. – Parameterized flow models

3.1. – Dense canopy and street-canyons



Parametrization of turbulence parameters

- Uniform values for k and ε , scaled on u_*
- For example, turbulent kinetic energy k is modelled with:

$$\frac{k_{\text{street}}}{u_*^2} \approx 0.5$$

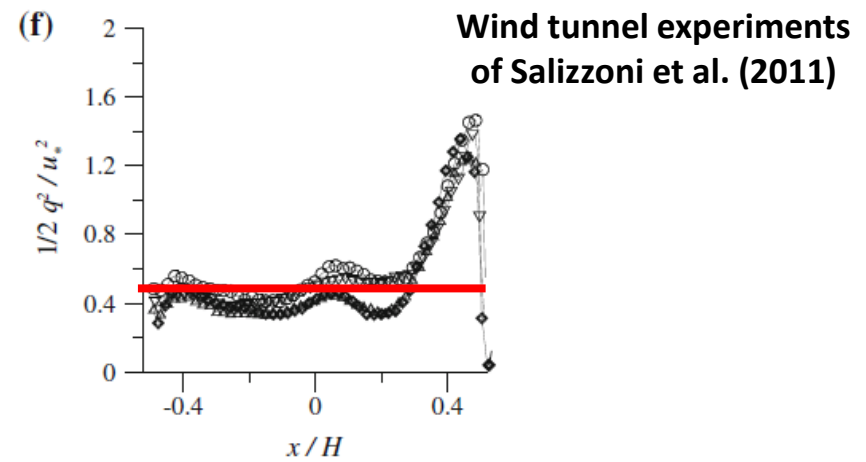
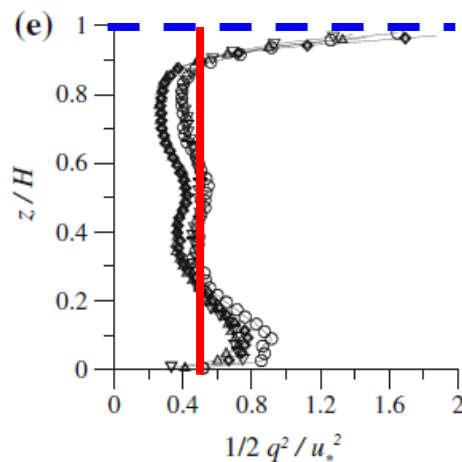
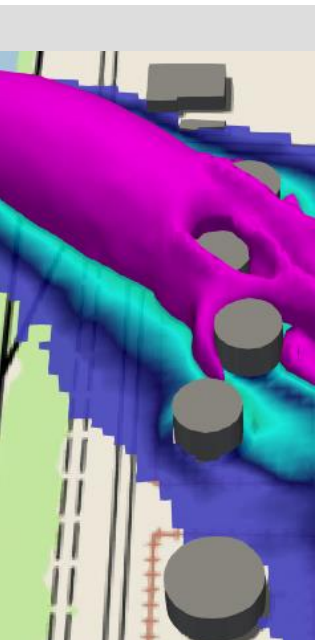


Fig. 11 Vertical and horizontal profiles of t.k.e. profiles within the cavity normalized with U_∞ (a and b), ΔU (c and d) and u_* (e and f). Same symbols as in Fig. 10

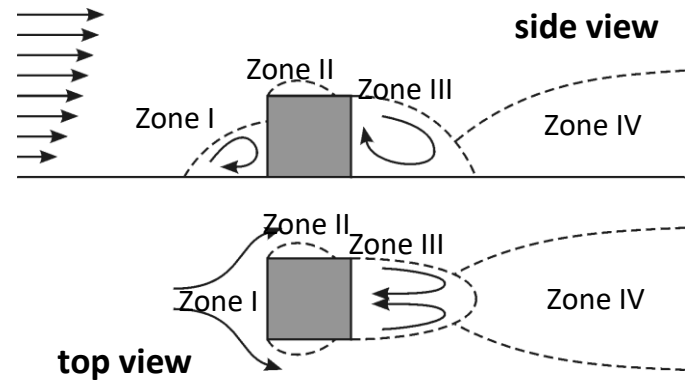
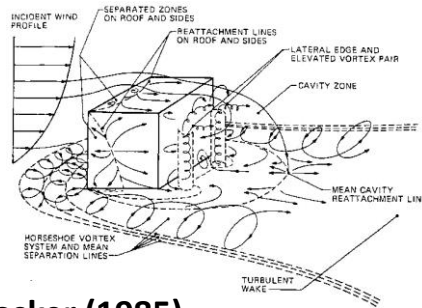


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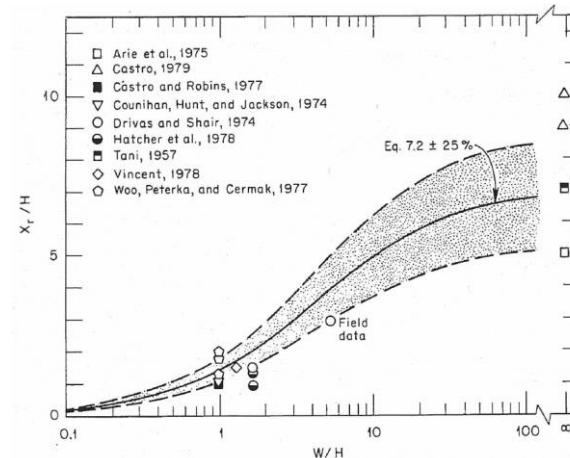
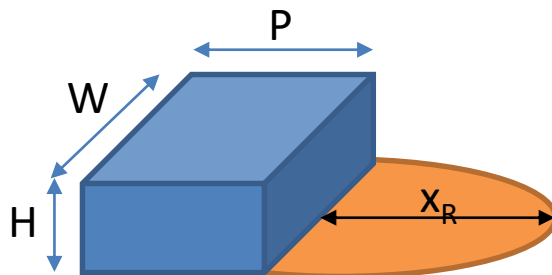
Recirculation in the wake of an isolated obstacle

- Flow around an obstacle

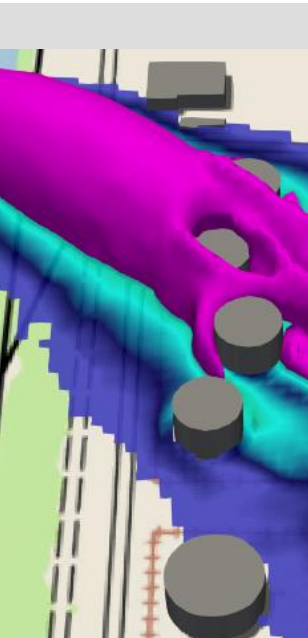


From Hosker (1985)

- Recirculation length



From Hosker (1985)



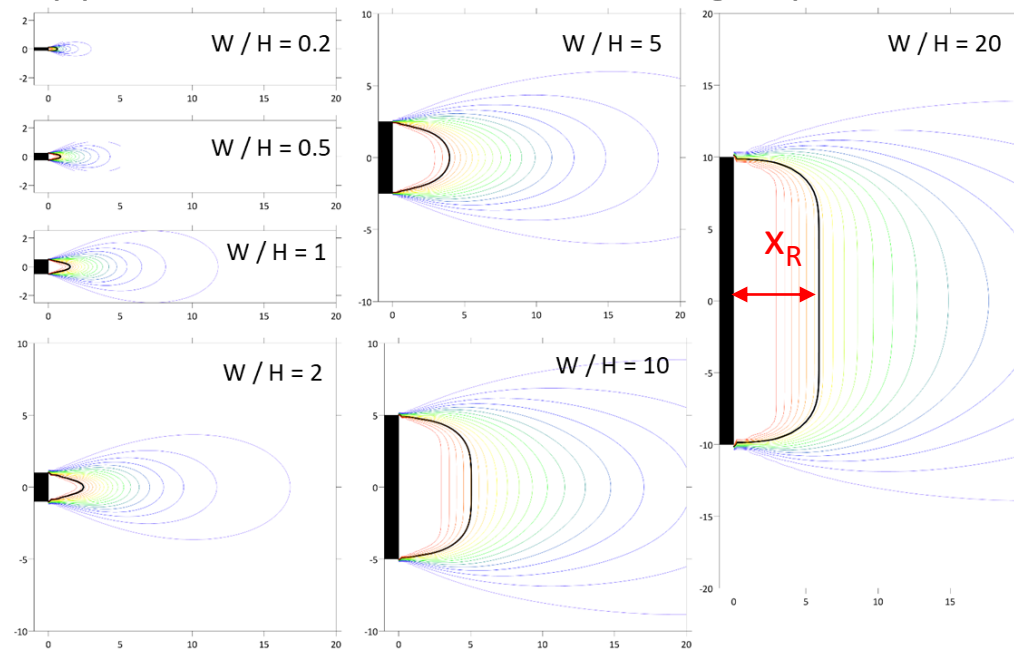
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Analytical model of advection-diffusion of the velocity defect in the wake of a rectangular building

$$\frac{\Delta U}{U_0} = \frac{1}{4} \left[\operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{y + W/2}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y} \right) - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{y - W/2}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_y} \right) \right] \left[\operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{z + H}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_z} \right) - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{z - H}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_z} \right) \right]$$

- Application for different building aspect ratios

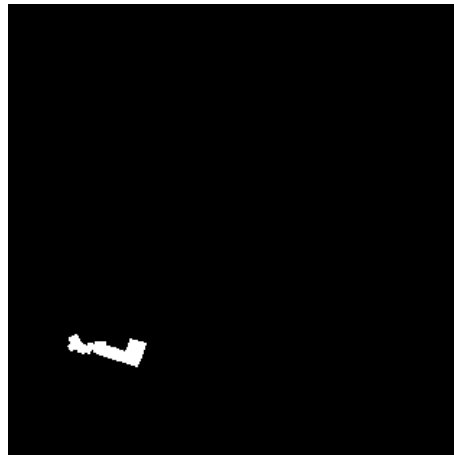


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Generalization for a building of any shape

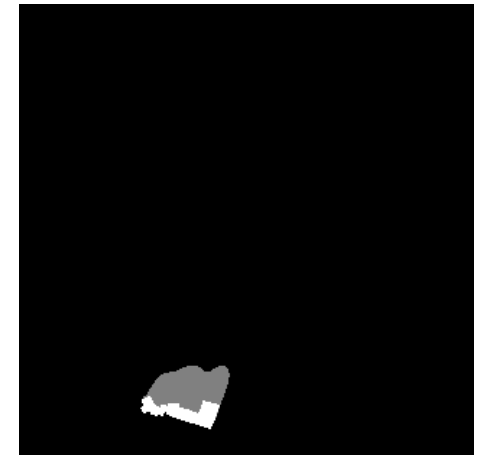
- Based on the image of the building, advection-diffusion process of the velocity defect is emulated by translation-blurring of the image
- The recirculation area is defined by thresholding the grayscale velocity defect field



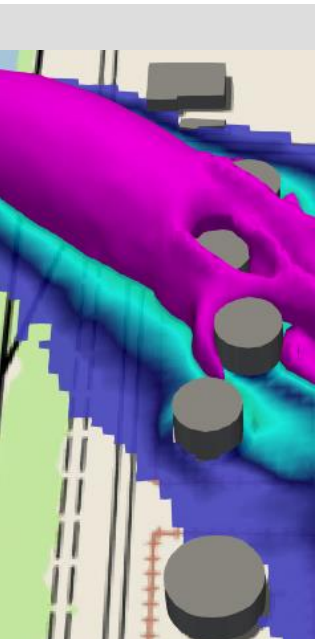
B&W image of a building



Grayscale velocity defect field



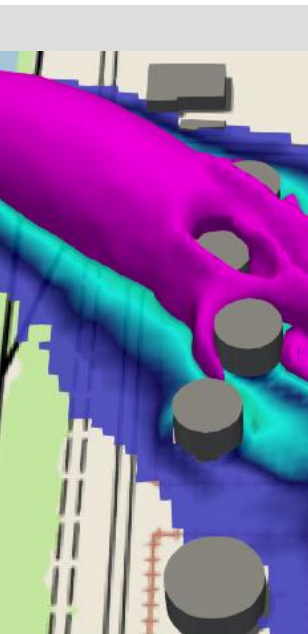
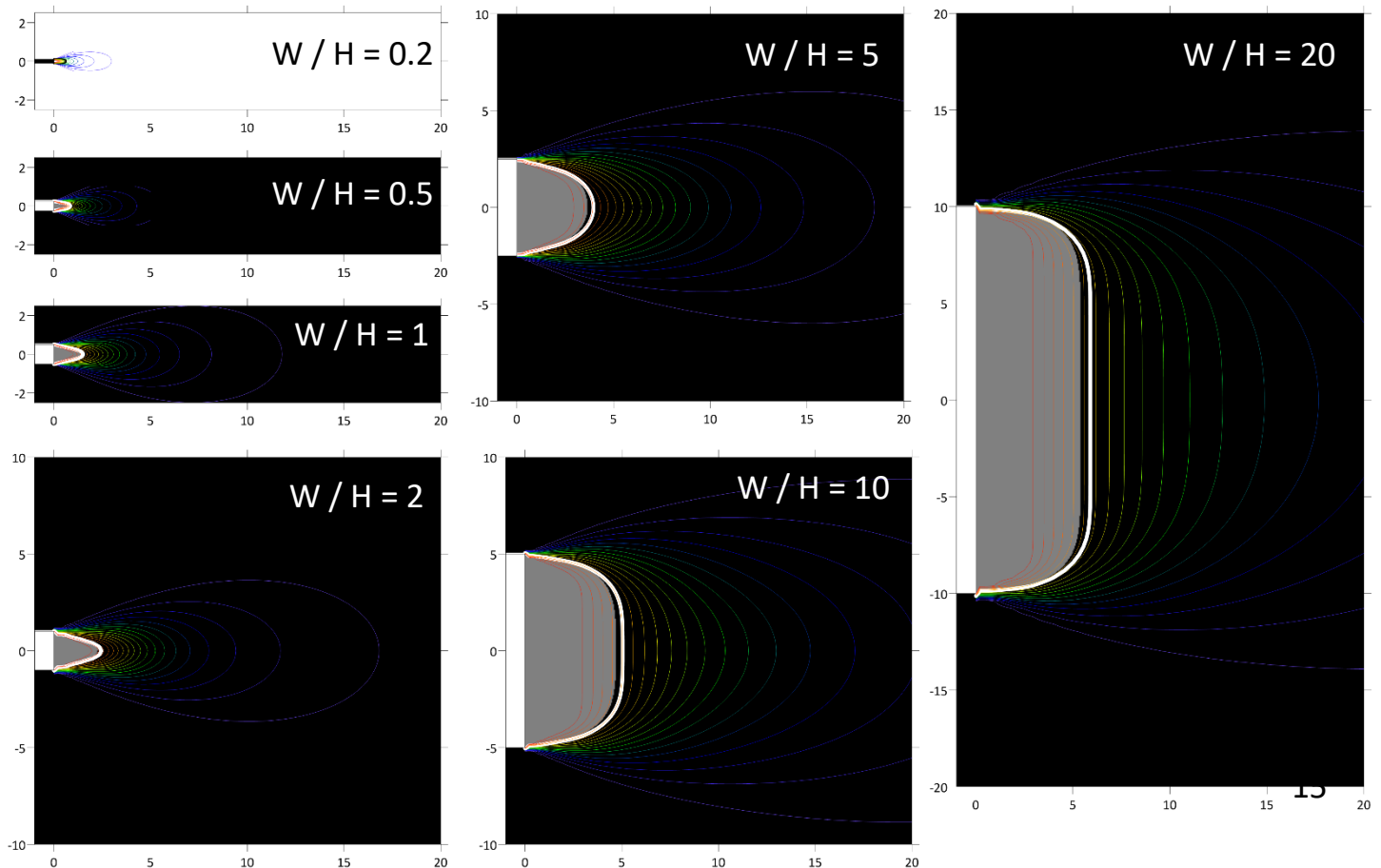
Recirculation area 14



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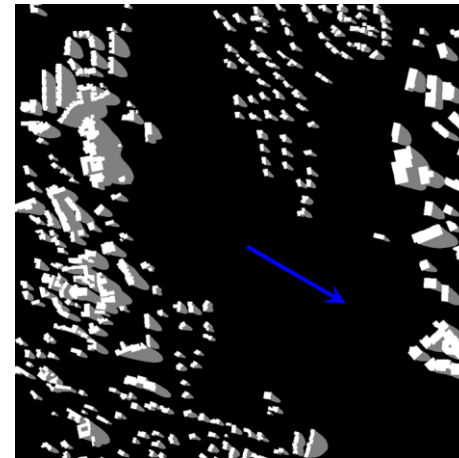
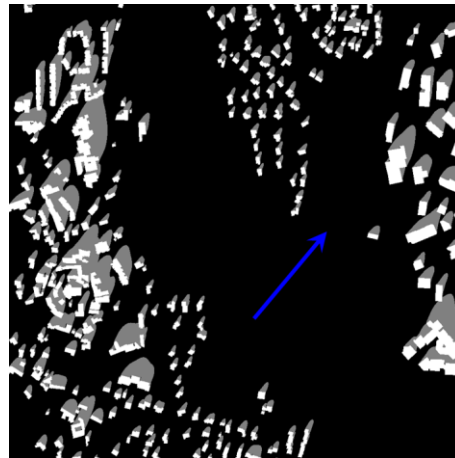
Validation against analytical solution for a rectangular building



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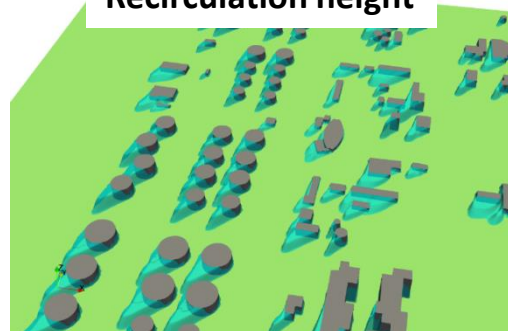
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Application on a 1km x 1km tile for 2 wind directions

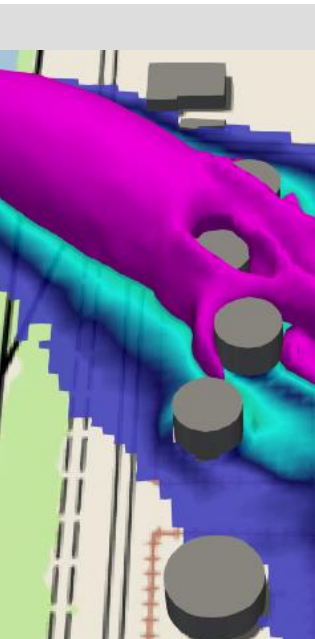


- From the same algorithm, we can also evaluate

Recirculation height



Coordinate η inside the recirculation

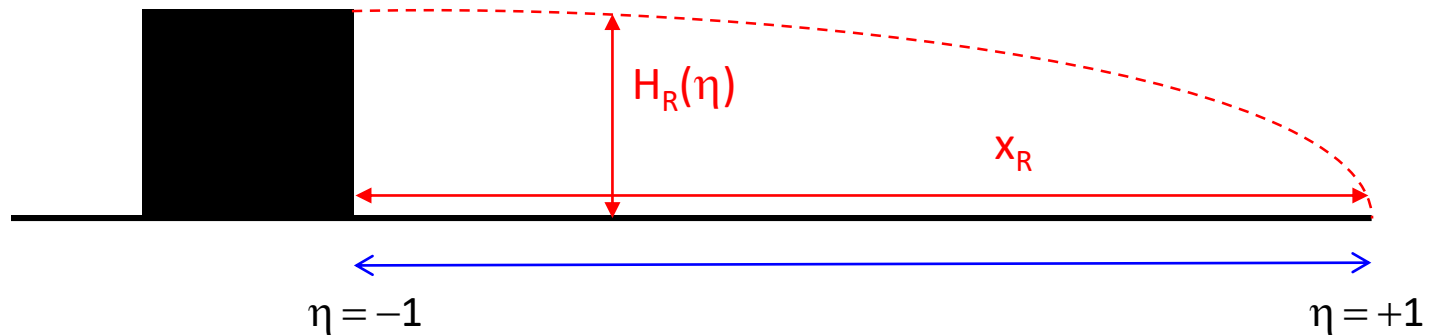


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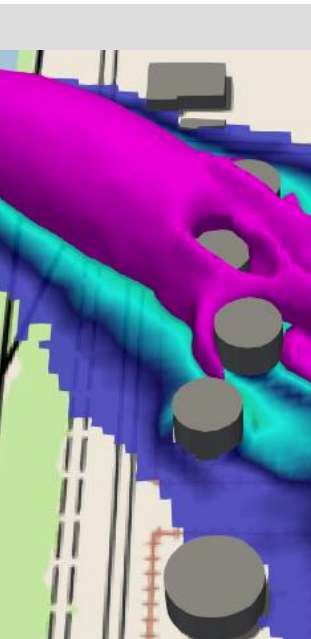
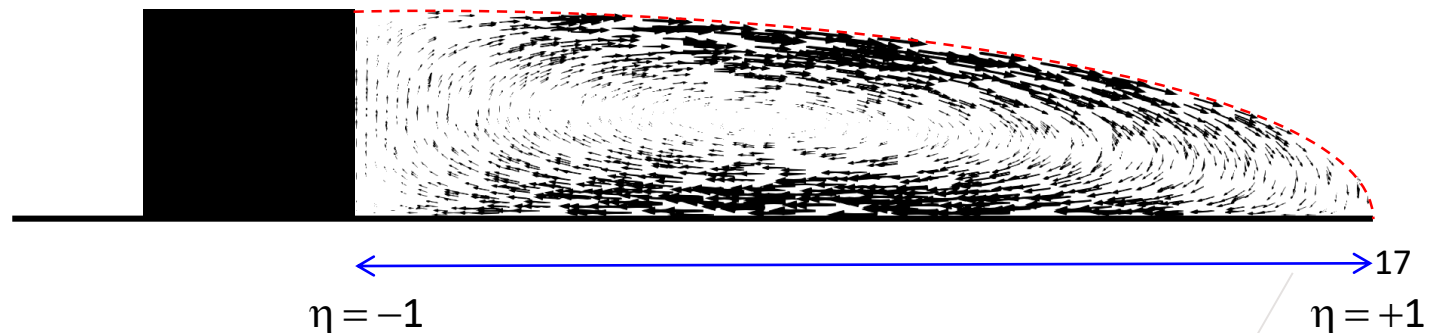
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Mean velocity field inside the recirculation zone

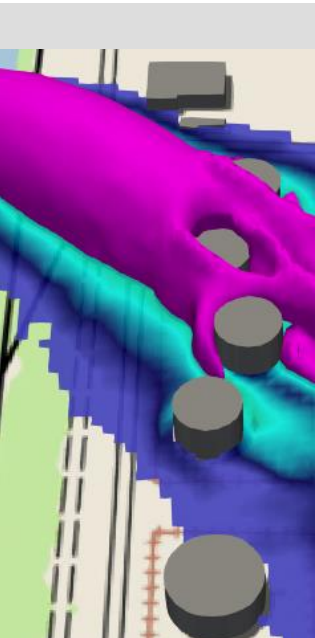
- Recirculation shape defined by length and local height







- By analogy with the linear recirculation flow model in street

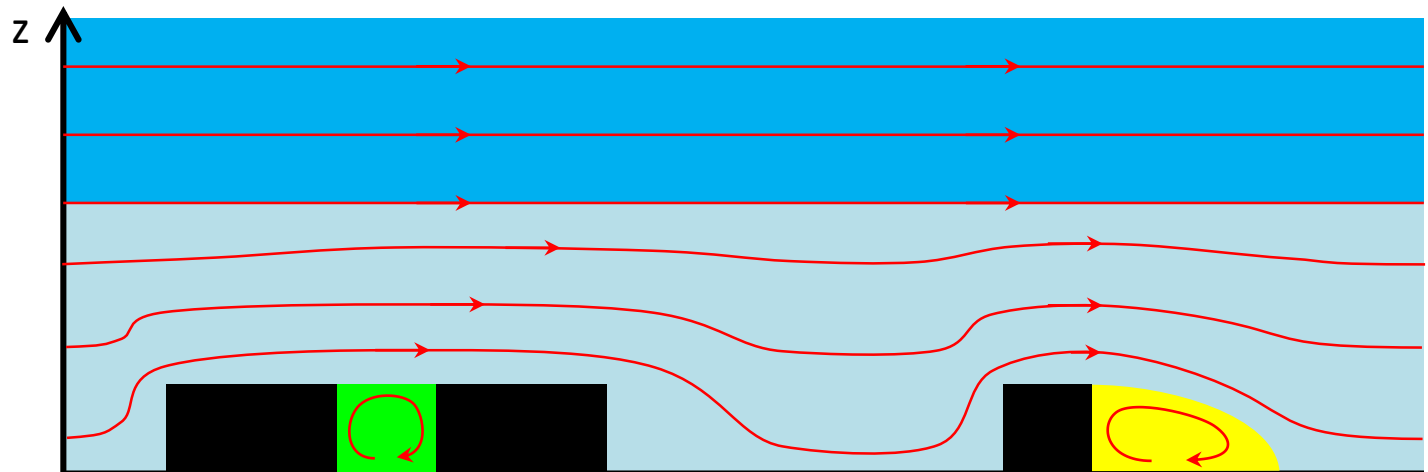


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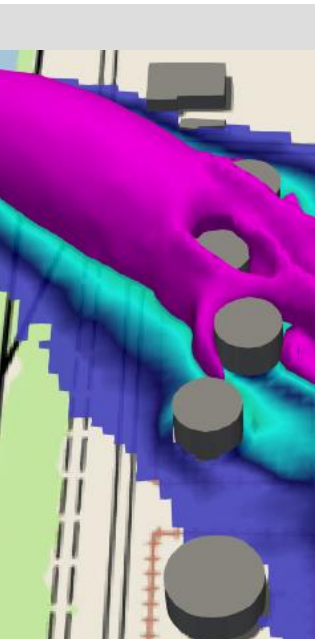


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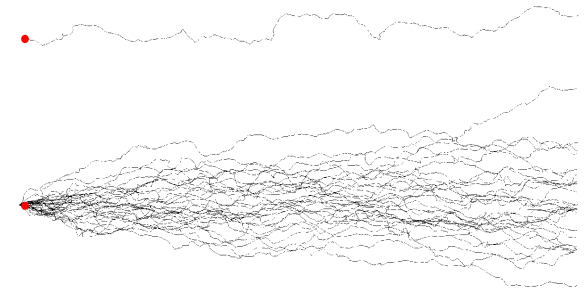
Particles stochastic Lagrangian dispersion model

- Advection of particles

$$X_i(t + dt) = X_i(t) + U_i(t) dt$$

$$U_i(t) = \bar{U}_i(t) + U'_i(t)$$

$$U'_i(t + dt) = U'_i(t) + dU'_i$$



- Stochastic differential equation

$$dU'_i = a_i(\bar{X}, \bar{U}', t) + \sum_j b_{ij}(\bar{X}, \bar{U}', t) d\xi_j$$

$$\text{with } \begin{cases} a_i = -\frac{U'_i}{T_{Li}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \sigma_{ui}^2}{\partial x_i} + \frac{U'_i}{2\sigma_{ui}^2} \left(\bar{U}_j \frac{\partial \sigma_{ui}^2}{\partial x_j} \right) \\ b_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \sqrt{C_0 \varepsilon} \end{cases}$$

$$T_{Li} = \frac{2\sigma_{ui}^2}{C_0 \varepsilon}$$

C_0 is the Kolmogorov constant

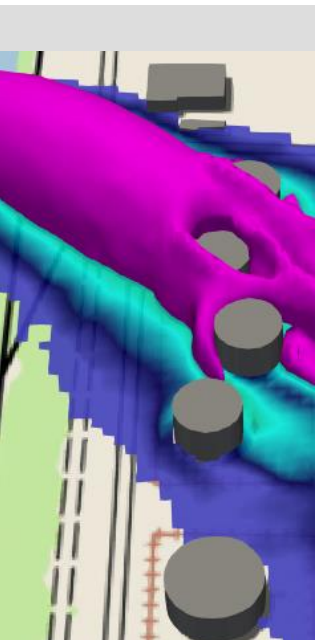
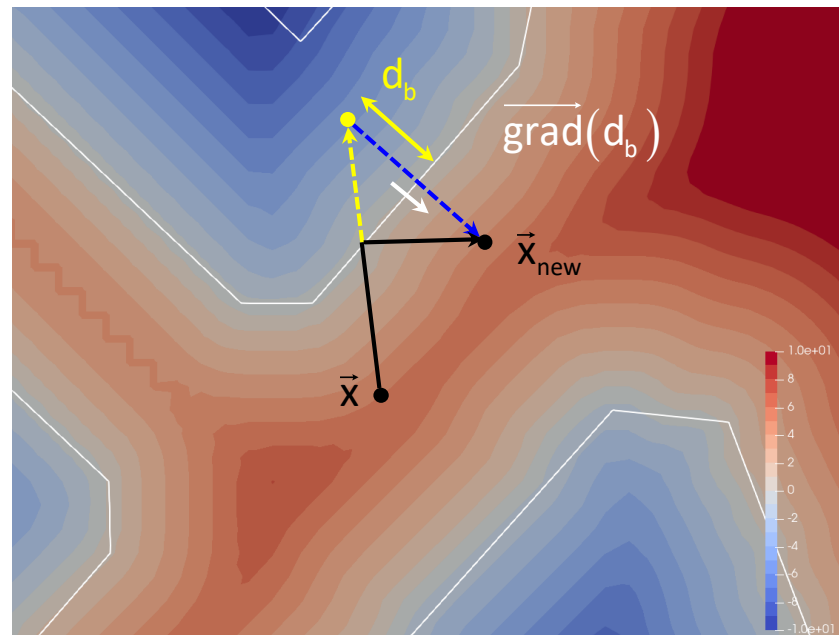
4. – Lagrangian dispersion model



Wall treatment

- Elastic reflection on solid walls
- Calculation of the reflection on vertical walls using the gradient of the building distance field:

$$\vec{x}_{\text{new}} = \vec{x} + 2|d_b| \overrightarrow{\text{grad}}(d_b)$$



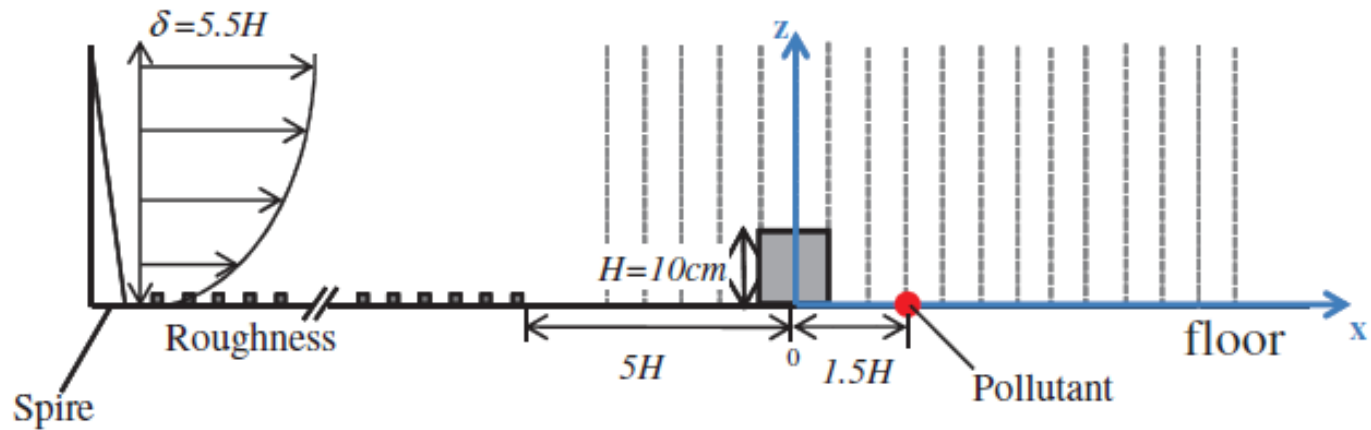
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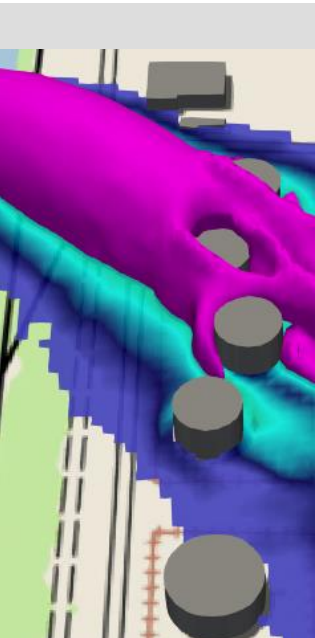
See the more detailed presentation of Slimani et al. (H20-012)

Experimental set-up

- Wind tunnel experiment of Gamel PhD thesis (2015)



- 2D surface mounted obstacle, perp. to the wind
- Boundary layer flow over a rough wall
- Line source at $1,5H$ downstream of the obstacle

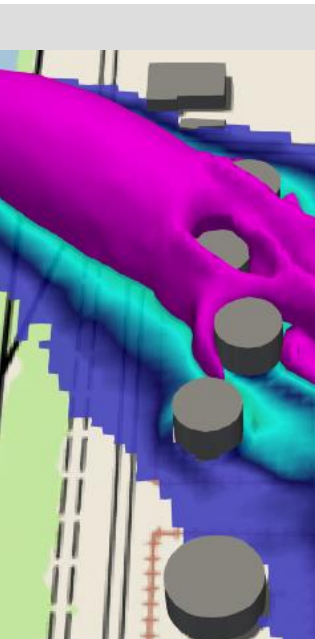
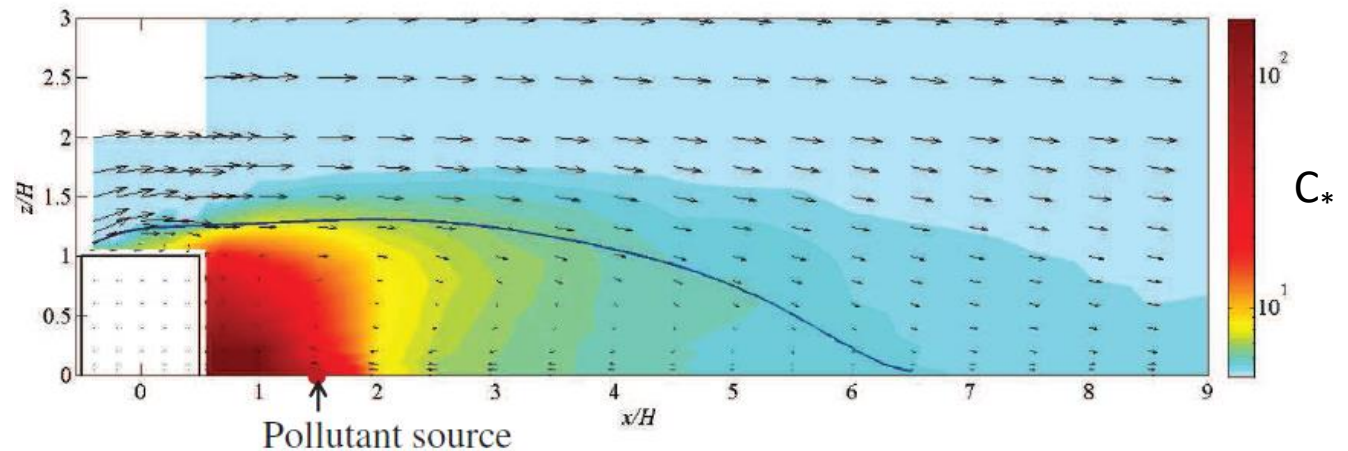
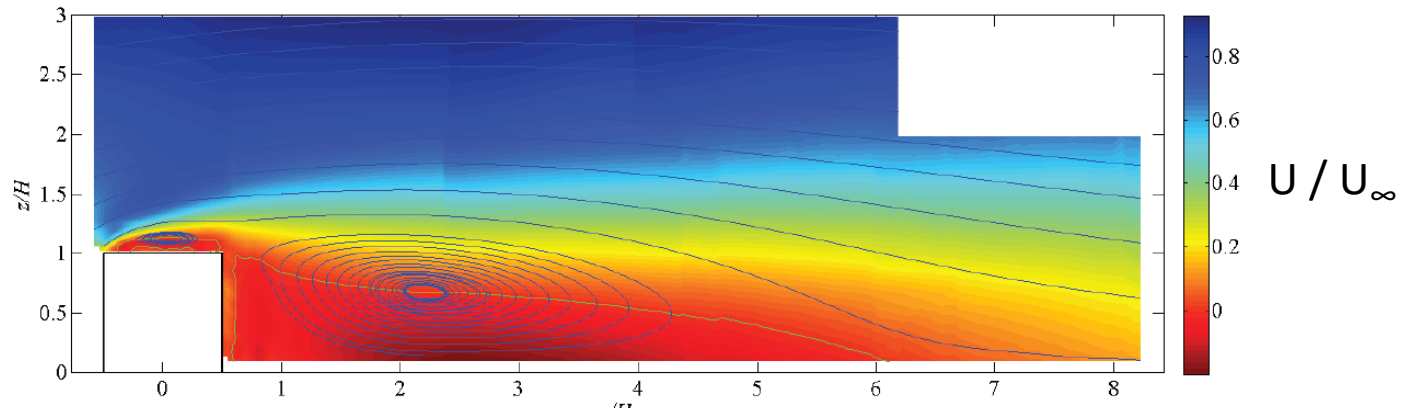


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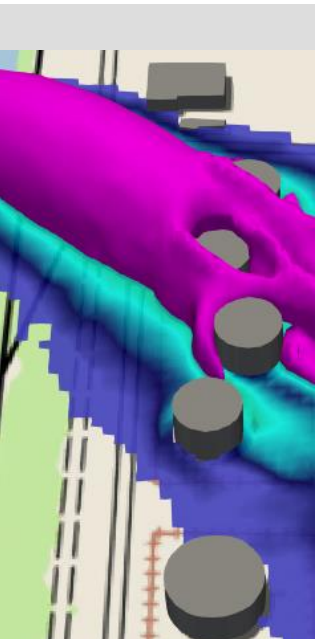
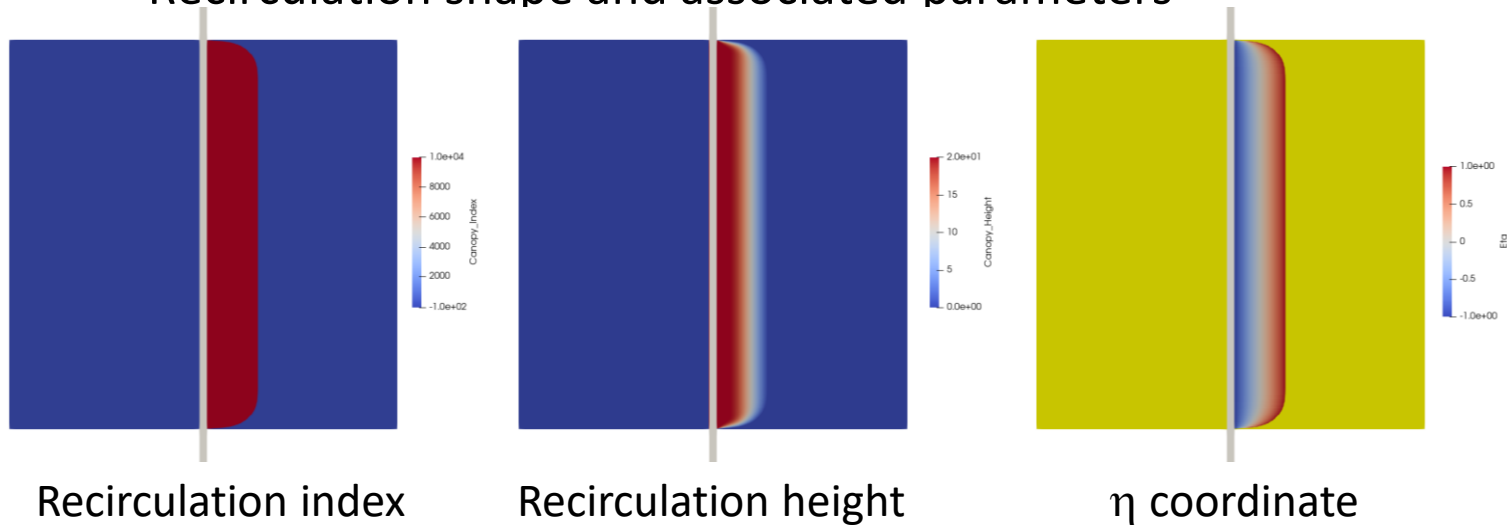
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Application of the URBAN geometrical preprocessor

- Computational time for 1 direction = 1.5 sec
(Dell Precision Mobile 7530)

- Recirculation shape and associated parameters

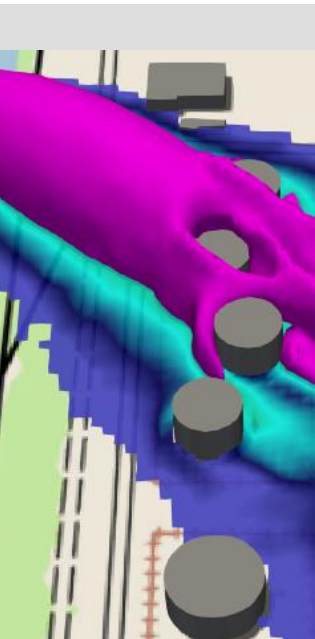
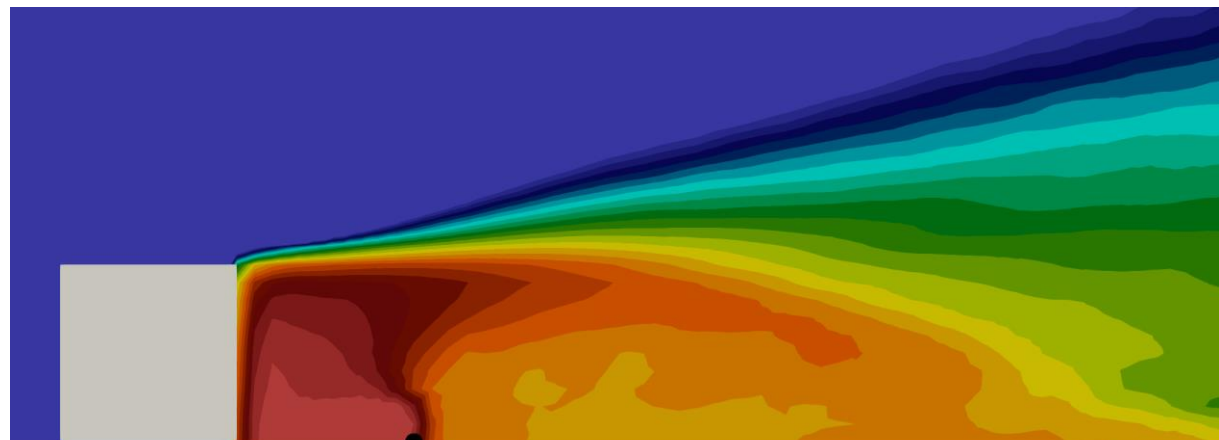
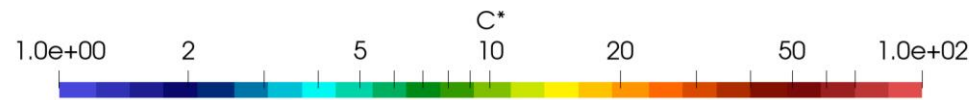
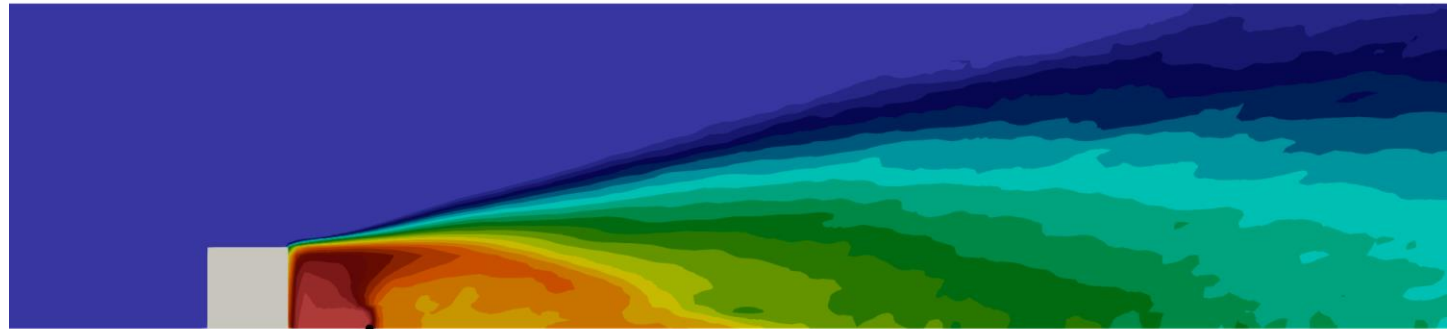


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BUILD concentration field

- Computational time = 11.1 sec

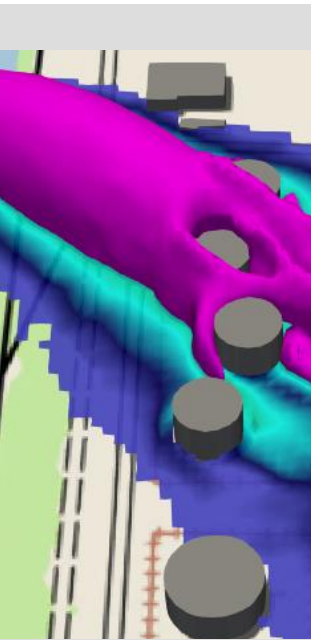
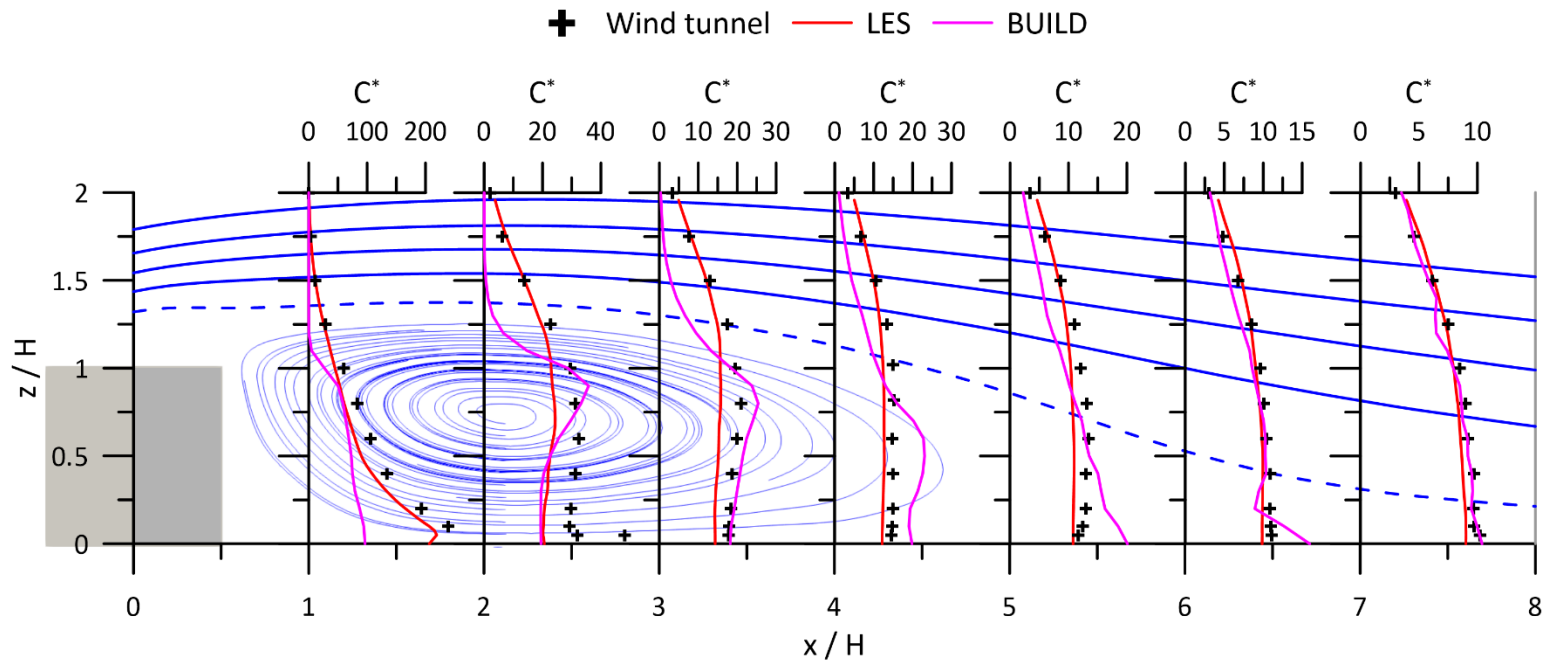


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Comparison with wind tunnel and LES data

- Dimensionless concentration field

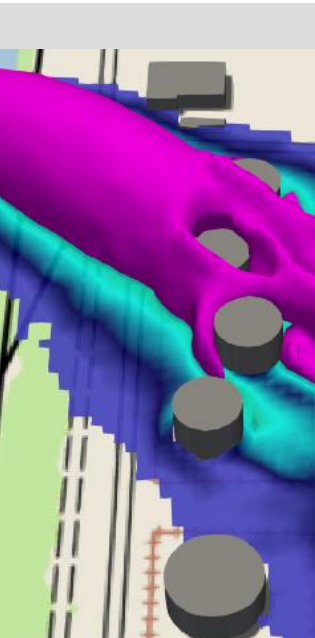
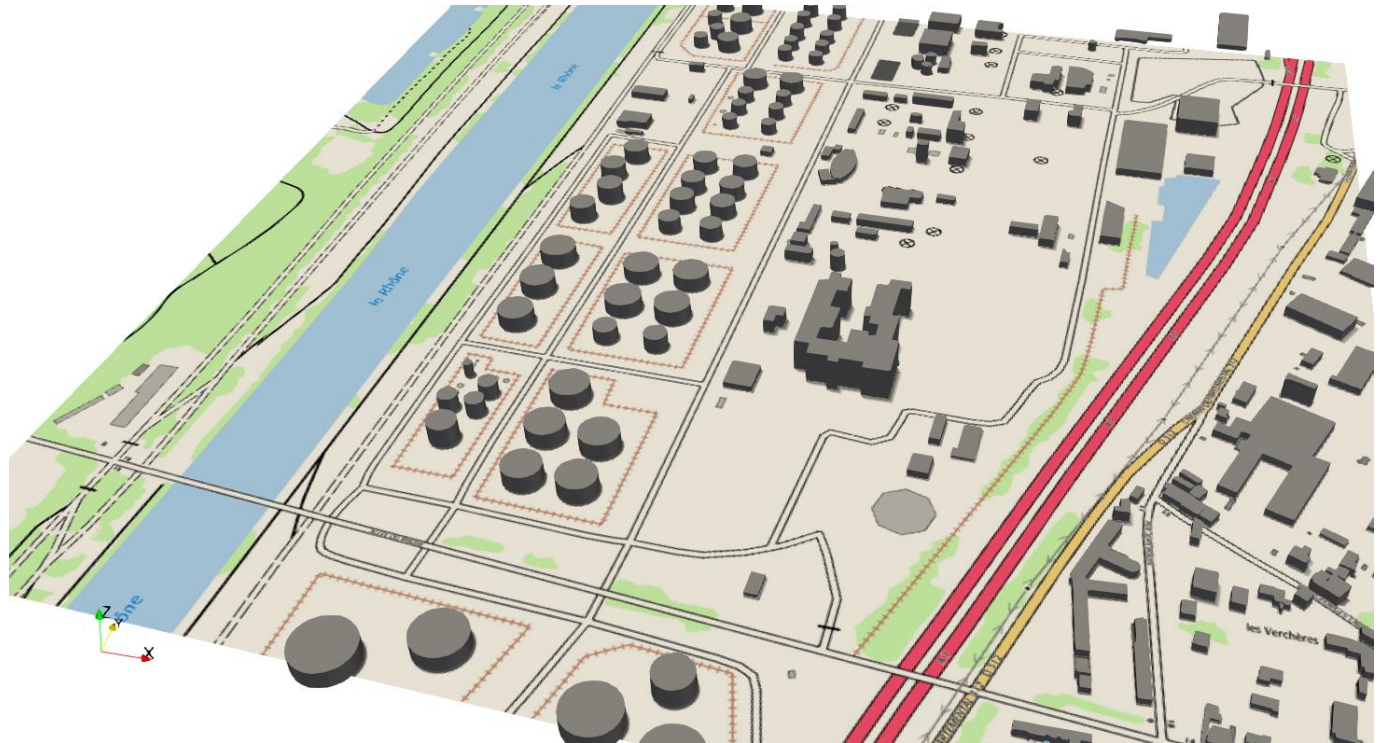


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Real industrial site with 215 obstacles in the domain

- Feyzin refinery
- Canopy with intermediate density of buildings



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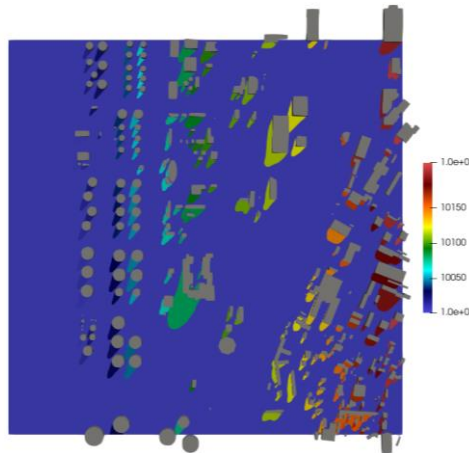
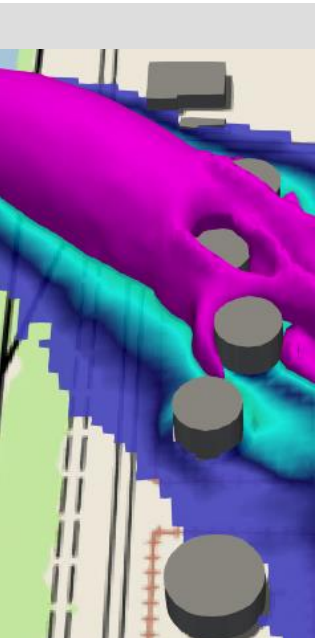
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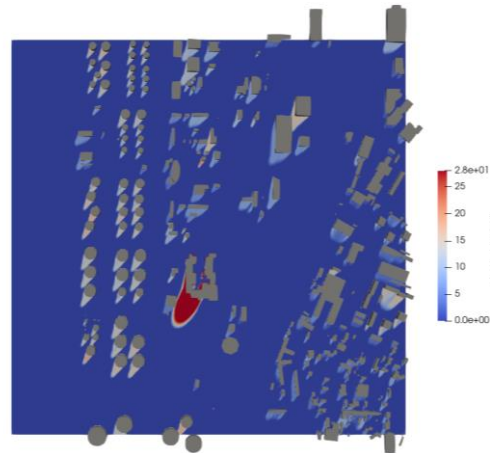


Application of the URBAN geometrical preprocessor

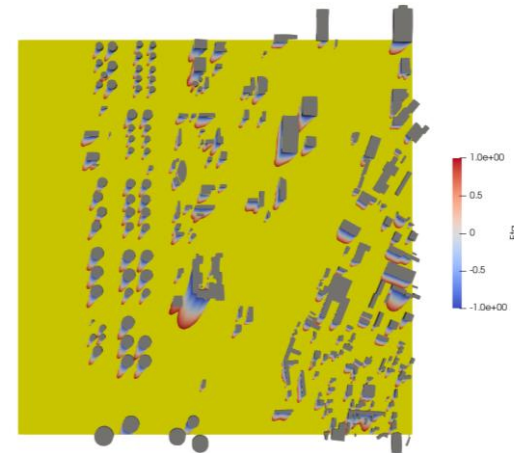
- Computational time for 1 direction = 31 sec
(Dell Precision Mobile 7530)
- Recirculations shapes and associated parameters



Recirculation index



Recirculation height



η coordinate



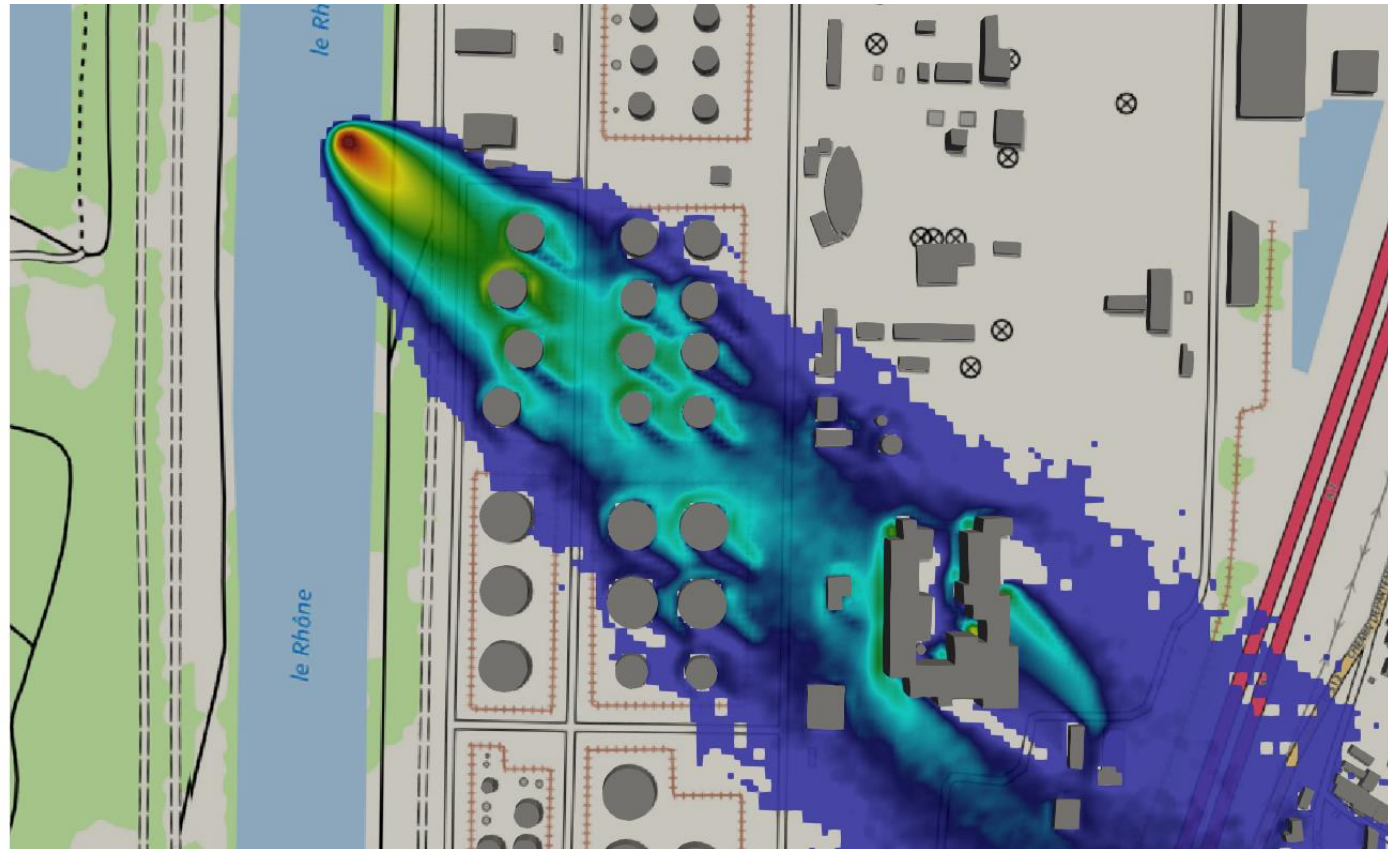
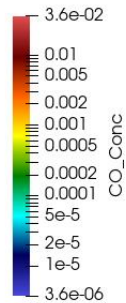
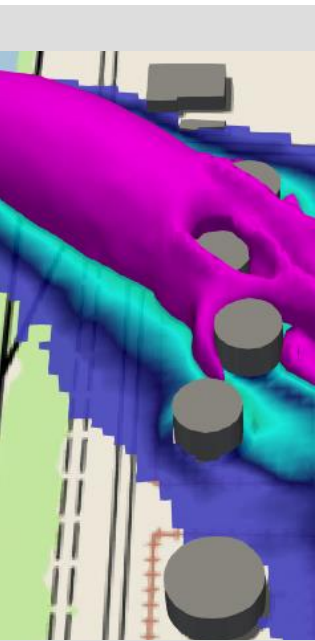
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BUILD concentration field

- Computational time = 19.52 sec (100 000 particles)



- A new operational model is developed for atmospheric dispersion of accidental or deliberate releases in built-up areas
- Based on
 - Enhanced network of streets parameterization of the flow in dense canopy
 - New building wake recirculation model
 - Roughness and surface boundary layer model
- First validations and applications have shown encouraging results and numerical performances
- Work in progress...

