

# The Stochastic Primitive Equations with Transport Noise and Turbulent Pressure

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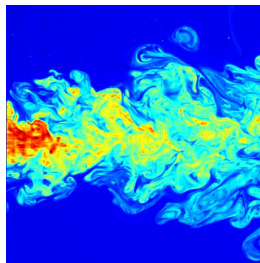
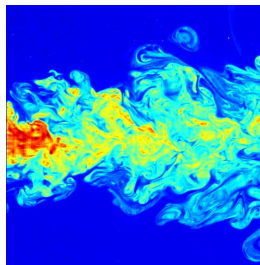


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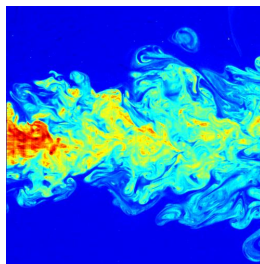
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The **formal** limit as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  in (4) yields the **Hydrostatic approximation** by replacing (4) by

$$\partial_3 P_\varepsilon = 0 \quad \implies \quad P_\varepsilon(x_H, x_3) = p_\varepsilon(x_H).$$

The unknown  $p_\varepsilon$  is usually called **surface pressure**.

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# Differences between Navier-Stokes and Primitive equations

<b>Navier-Stokes</b>	<b>Primitive equations</b>
Evolution equation for $w$	Constraint for the pressure
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All directions are equivalent	Anisotropic behavior
Full pressure $p(x, y, z)$	Surface pressure $p(x, y)$
$\operatorname{div} u = 0$ (full divergence)	$\operatorname{div}_H \bar{v} = 0$ (horizontally divergence)
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