Triggering turbulence in pipe and other linearly stable flows TO-
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In pipe flow and some other shear flows the laminar profile is linearly stable and
turbulence may only be achieved through finite amplitude perturbations. Regions
of laminar and turbulent dynamics in the state space of the system are separated by
the *edge of chaos*. Using an iterated bracketing technique we can numerically trace
the dynamics in this edge of chaos and determine the invariant relative attractors.
We will show results for plane Couette flow, pipe flow in the full space and in a sym-
metry reduced subspace to illustrate the variety of relative invariant attractors that
can occur. The significance of these states lies in their governing role for triggering
turbulence as well as for relaminarization.

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