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Active and Inactive Motions in the Streamwise Reynolds Stress of Boundary Layers. RONALD PANTON, University of Texas, ROBERT MCKEE, Southwest Research Institute — The streamwise normal Reynolds stress $\langle uu \rangle(y, Re)$ in wall layers does not scale simply with the friction velocity u_* as many researchers have shown recently. For example, Degraaff and Eaton (JFM, **422**, p 319) and Metzger and Klewicki (P of F, **13**, p 692) propose the scaling $\langle uu \rangle / (U_0/u_*)$. In this talk we adopt Townsend's idea that the streamwise fluctuations consist of active motions, which produce the Reynolds shear stress $\langle uv \rangle$ and inactive motions, which do not contribute to the Reynolds shear stress $\langle uv \rangle$. It has been proposed, Panton (Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A (2007) **365**, p733) that these motions scale differently. It is assumed that the inactive correlation scales as $\langle u_I u_I \rangle / (U_0/u_*)$ while all other parts of $\langle uu \rangle$, which in concept are related to the Reynolds shear stress $\langle uv \rangle$, scale with u_*^2 . Data for zero-pressure-gradient boundary layer flows is analyzed from this viewpoint. In order to extract the inactive correlation $\langle u_I u_I \rangle$ it is assumed that the other motions are some constant fraction of the Reynolds shear stress $\langle uv \rangle$. Fitted equations to the inner and outer regions allow a composite expansion to predict the streamwise Reynolds stress as a function of y and Re_* .

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