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The cause and resolution of log-layer mismatch in wall-modeled LES: a new perspective and its implication in complex $flows^1$ GEORGE PARK, XIANG YANG, PARVIZ MOIN, Stanford University - Log-layer mismatch (LLM) refers to the erroneous shifts of the mean velocity profile in the log-law region when wall models are coupled to the LES solution at the first off-wall grid points. It is often believed that the discretization error and subgrid-scale modeling error in the highly under resolved near-wall region contaminates the first off-wall LES solution, thereby providing inaccurate input to wall models resulting in inaccurate wall shear stress. Placing the LES/wall-model interface a couple of cells away from the wall has been recommended to avoid LLM(Kawai and Larsson, Phys. Fluids 24, 015105 (2012)). However, its non-local nature render this method impractical for flows involving complex geometry, by incurring significant overhead in LES mesh preparation and wall-model implementation. We propose an alternative remedy for LLM which warrants the removal of LLM while utilizing the first off-wall LES data. The method is based on filtering the wall-model input either in space or in time. It is simple, easy to implement, and would be particularly well suited for unstructuredgrid LES involving complex geometries. We also demonstrate that LLM is caused by excessive correlation between the wall-model input and its wall shear stress output.

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