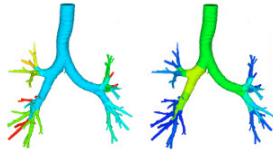


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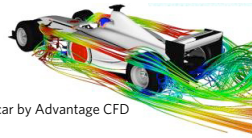
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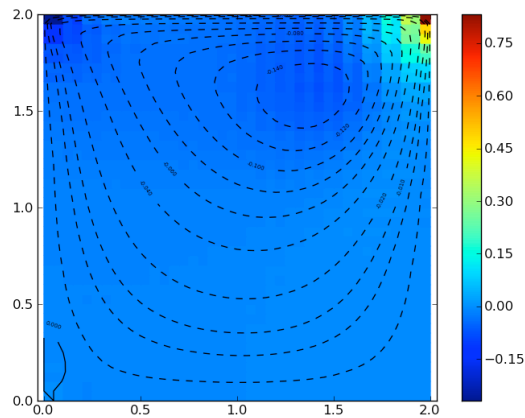
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Navier-Stokes Cavity Flow

► Run your code with:

- a 41 x 41 mesh,
dx = dy = 0.05
- viscosity = 0.01
(giving Re=200)
- high-frequency
oscillations on the
pressure!



Navier-Stokes Discretized 1D Equations

► continuity

$$\frac{u_{i+1}^{n+1} - u_{i-1}^{n+1}}{2\Delta x} = 0$$

► momentum

$$\frac{u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n}{\Delta t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(u_{i+1}^n)^2 - (u_{i-1}^n)^2}{2\Delta x} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}}{2\Delta x} + \nu \frac{u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2}$$

► pressure correction:

- step 1
$$\frac{u_i^* - u_i^n}{\Delta t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(u_{i+1}^n)^2 - (u_{i-1}^n)^2}{2\Delta x} = \nu \frac{u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2}$$

- step 2
$$\frac{u_i^{n+1} - u_i^*}{\Delta t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}}{2\Delta x}$$

Navier-Stokes **Pressure Equation**

► step 2 gives:

$$u_i^{n+1} = -\frac{\Delta t}{\rho} \frac{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}}{2\Delta x} + u_i^*$$

► use this expression in the discretized continuity equation:

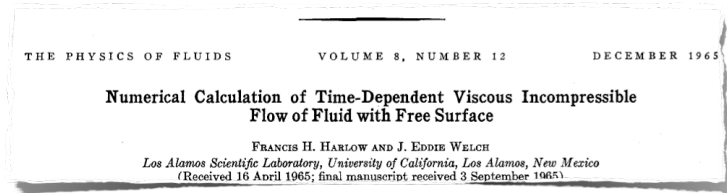
$$\frac{1}{2\Delta x} \left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\rho} \frac{p_{i+2} - p_i}{2\Delta x} + u_{i+1}^* + \frac{\Delta t}{\rho} \frac{p_i - p_{i-2}}{2\Delta x} + u_{i-1}^* \right) = 0$$

- rewrite

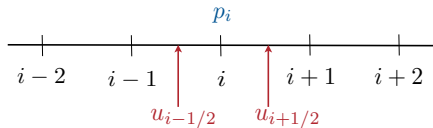
$$\frac{p_{i+2} - 2p_i + p_{i-2}}{4\Delta x^2} = \frac{\rho}{\Delta t} \frac{u_{i+1}^* - u_{i-1}^*}{2\Delta x} = 0$$

Navier-Stokes **Solution to the problem**

► "staggered grid" $\Rightarrow$ due to Harlow & Welch (1965)



3335 citations on Google scholar, checked 8 Mar.'12



Navier-Stokes **Staggered-grid equations**

► continuity $\frac{u_{i+1/2}^{n+1} - u_{i-1/2}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} = 0$

► with a fractional step, we have $\frac{u_{i+1/2}^{n+1} - u_{i+1/2}^*}{\Delta t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{p_{i+1} - p_i}{\Delta x}$

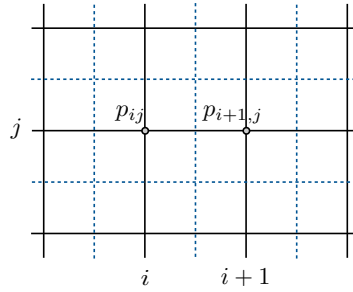
► leading to the Poisson equation:

$$\frac{p_{i+1} - 2p_i + p_{i-1}}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{\rho}{\Delta t} = \frac{u_{i+1/2}^* - u_{i-1/2}^*}{\Delta x}$$

This completely eliminates the problem of small-scale oscillations!

Navier-Stokes in 2D

► 2D staggered grid



► Write “staggered-grid” finite difference approximations for:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial u^2}{\partial t} \rightarrow$$

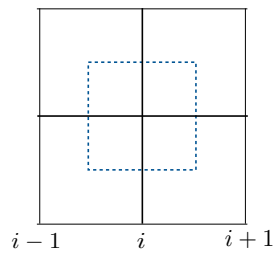
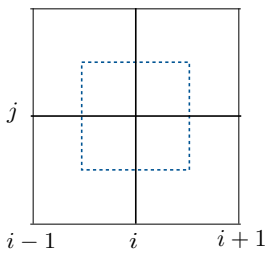
$$\frac{\partial uv}{\partial y} \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \rightarrow$$

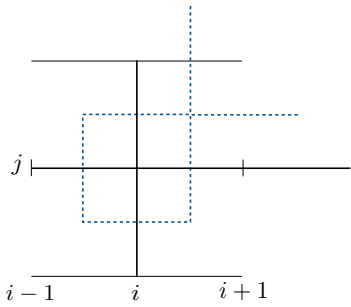
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \rightarrow$$

► horizontal velocity located at the mid-points of the vertical “cell edges” and vertical velocity at the midpoints of the horizontal cell edges.



► to get, e.g., convection terms

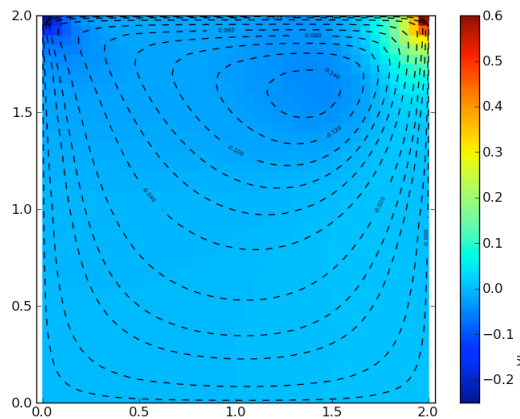


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Navier-Stokes Collocated vs. Staggered grid

► Cavity flow:

Step 11
41x41 mesh
 $dx=dy=0.05$
 $\nu=0.01$ giving
 $Re=200$

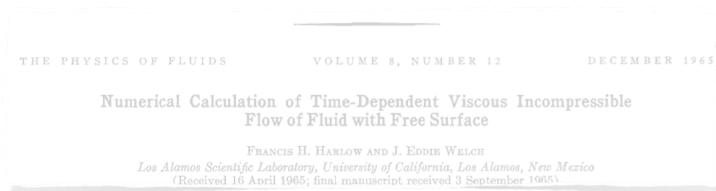


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historical notes

- HW'65 introduced "marker and cell method"
- included a set of marker particles to follow free surfaces (now obsolete)
- current usage of "MAC method"
- projection method using a staggered grid



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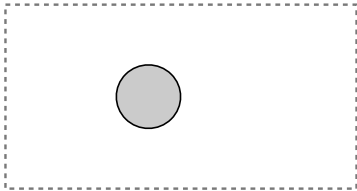
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Navier-Stokes **Boundary Conditions**

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} = -\nabla p + \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \nabla^2 \vec{u}$$

► in practice, B.C.s are stipulated separately for the different types:



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- ▶ “fractional step method” or “projection method”

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- ▶ the projector is not identical with the pressure

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$$\frac{u_i^{n+1} - \hat{u}_i}{\Delta t} = -G(\phi^{n+1}),$$

overall accuracy of the splitting method is still second order. Note that ϕ is different from the original pressure: in fact, $p = \phi + (\Delta t/2 \text{ Re}) \nabla^2 \phi$. All the spatial derivatives

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- ▶ equation for $\tilde{p}$

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and

$$(\partial \mathbf{u} / \partial t) + \nabla P = \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \equiv \mathbf{f}$$

these imply

$$\nabla \cdot (\partial \mathbf{u} / \partial t) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega;$$

also

$$\nabla^2 P = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega;$$

$$\partial P / \partial n = \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{f} - (\partial \mathbf{u} / \partial t)) \quad \text{on } \Gamma.$$

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cal example below, it is illegal to write down the momentum equation (1) taken at the boundary and derive a pressure boundary condition from it by simply projecting the result on the wall-normal coordinate η .

Despite the progress in understanding that had been achieved by the contributions mentioned above, in 1987 Gresho and Sani perpetuated and greatly contributed to the confusion in this area

situation any more settled now? Unfortunately, the answer to that question is negative: Improper pressure boundary conditions were still presented in review articles in the 1990s [12,60], and they found their way into some of the newest textbooks on computational fluid mechanics [13,61].

► Final note ...

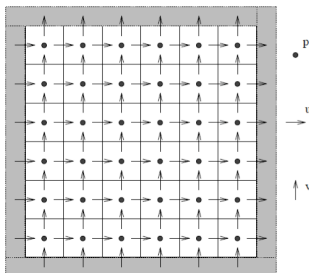
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equations are evaluated at velocity nodes, and the continuity equation is enforced for each cell. One important advantage of using the staggered mesh for incompressible flows is that ad hoc pressure boundary conditions are not required.



Numerical Calculation of Time-Dependent Viscous Incompressible Flow of Fluid with Free Surface

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wall as shown in Fig. 4. The vertical velocities are simply reversed across the wall. Since $D = 0$ in the fluid cell, it follows that the vanishing of D' is accomplished only if $u' = +u_1$, in contrast to the requirement for u' for a free-slip wall.

In summary: (a) for a free-slip wall normal velocity reverses while tangential velocity remains the same; (b) for a no-slip wall normal velocity remains the same, while tangential velocity reverses.

For case (a) the pressure condition has been derived and has a simple form. For case (b) the no-slip wall, if vertical

$$\phi' = \phi_1 \pm g_x \delta x \pm (2\nu u_1 / \delta x). \quad (11)$$

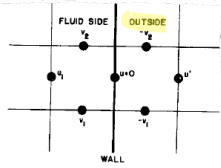
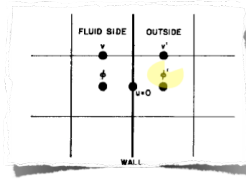


Fig. 4. Reflection of field variables near a wall.