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# **Py4Incompact3D Documentation**

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## INTRODUCTION

*Py4Incompact3D* is a library for postprocessing data produced by Xcompact3D simulations. The aim of this project is to facilitate automated postprocessing of Xcompact3D simulations by providing, at first:

- Mesh class: this stores the domain data for the simulation
- Case class: this stores the information of the case: boundary conditions, fields etc.

With these building blocks, complex postprocessing tools may be built - for example, derivative calculators to compute the vorticity and Q-criterion given the velocity field.

## Installation

- Clone the git repository to a location on your  $\${PYTHONPATH}$
- Test module can be imported by python interpreter: `import Py4Incompact3D`

## Documentation

Documentation of functions can be found under *doc/build/latex/*.

To regenerate documentation, from the project root type `make -C doc/ latexpdf` (requires sphinx).

## Contributing

It is hoped that users of Xcompact3D will find this library useful and contribute to its development, for instance by adding additional functionality.



## Postprocess

**class** `Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.postprocess.Postprocess(input_file)`

Postprocess is the highest level class of the Py4Incompact3D package. Import this class and instantiate it with a path to an input file to begin running Py4Incompact3D. Use the “fields” attribute to access other objects within the model.

**inputs:** `input_file`: str - path to the nml input file

**outputs:** `self`: post - an instantiated post object

## Mesh

**class** `Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh(instance_dictionary)`

Mesh is a model object representing

**compute\_derivvars()**

Compute variables required by derivative functions.

## Derivatives

`Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.compute_deriv(rhs, bc)`

Compute the derivative by calling to TDMA.

### Parameters

- **rhs** (`numpy.ndarray`) – The rhs vector.
- **bc** (`int`) – The boundary condition for the axis.

**Returns** The derivative

**Return type** `numpy.ndarray`

`Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.compute_rhs(mesh, field, axis)`

Compute the rhs for the derivative.

### Parameters

- **mesh** (`Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh`) – The mesh on which derivatives are taken.
- **field** – The field for the variable whose derivative we want.

- **axis** (*int*) – A number indicating direction in which to take derivative: 0=x; 1=y; 2=z.

**Returns** rhs – the right-hand side vector.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.**compute\_rhs\_0** (*mesh, field, axis*)

Compute the rhs for the derivative for periodic BCs.

**Parameters**

- **mesh** (Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh) – The mesh on which derivatives are taken.
- **field** – The field for the variable whose derivative we want.
- **axis** (*int*) – A number indicating direction in which to take derivative: 0=x; 1=y; 2=z.

**Returns** rhs – the right-hand side vector.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.**compute\_rhs\_1** (*mesh, field, axis*)

Compute the rhs for the derivative for free slip BCs.

**Parameters**

- **mesh** (Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh) – The mesh on which derivatives are taken.
- **field** – The field for the variable whose derivative we want.
- **axis** (*int*) – A number indicating direction in which to take derivative: 0=x; 1=y; 2=z.

**Returns** rhs – the right-hand side vector.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.**compute\_rhs\_2** (*mesh, field, axis*)

Compute the rhs for the derivative for Dirichlet BCs.

**Parameters**

- **mesh** (Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh) – The mesh on which derivatives are taken.
- **field** – The field for the variable whose derivative we want.
- **axis** (*int*) – A number indicating direction in which to take derivative: 0=x; 1=y; 2=z.

**Returns** rhs – the right-hand side vector.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.**deriv** (*postproc, mesh, phi, axis*)

Take the derivative of field 'phi' along axis.

**Parameters**

- **postproc** (Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.postprocess.Postprocess) – The basic Postprocess object.
- **mesh** (Py4Incompact3D.postprocess.mesh.Mesh) – The mesh on which derivatives are taken.
- **phi** (*str*) – The name of the variable whose derivative we want.
- **axis** (*int*) – A number indicating direction in which to take derivative: 0=x; 1=y; 2=z.



**Returns** dphidx – the derivative

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.tdma(*a*, *b*, *c*, *rhs*)

The Tri-Diagonal Matrix Algorithm.

Solves tri-diagonal matrices using TDMA where the matrices are of the form [b0 c0

a1 b1 c1 a2 b2 c2

an-2 bn-2 cn-1 an-1 bn-1]

**Parameters**

- **a** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The ‘left’ coefficients.
- **b** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The diagonal coefficients. (All ones?)
- **c** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The ‘right’ coefficients.
- **rhs** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The right-hand side vector.

**Returns** rhs – the rhs vector overwritten with derivatives.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray

Py4Incompact3D.deriv.deriv.tdma\_periodic(*a*, *b*, *c*, *rhs*)

Periodic form of Tri-Diagonal Matrix Algorithm.

Solves periodic tri-diagonal matrices using TDMA where the matrices are of the form [b0 c0 c1

a1 b1 c1 a2 b2 c2

an-2 bn-2 cn-2

cn-1 an-1 bn-1]

**Parameters**

- **a** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The ‘left’ coefficients.
- **b** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The diagonal coefficients. (All ones?)
- **c** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The ‘right’ coefficients.
- **rhs** (*numpy.ndarray*) – The right-hand side vector.

**Returns** rhs – the rhs vector overwritten with derivatives.

**Return type** numpy.ndarray



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