Project 8: Rotating Fluid in a cylinder

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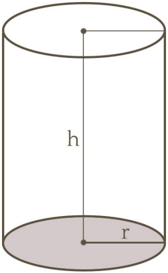
Problem description

- Rotating cylinder filled with water is stopped at $t = 0$. Navier-Stokes equation in cylindrical coordinates
- Only angular component of the velocity
- Symmetry of the domain $\rightarrow$ we consider a rectangular slice



Problem description

Equation for $t > 0$:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu\Big(\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r\frac{\partial u}{\partial r}) - \frac{u}{r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}\Big) \text{ for } 0 < r < R \text{ and } 0 < z < H.$$

Initial condition :

$$u = \omega r \text{ for } 0 \leq r \leq R$$

Boundary conditions : speed is zero on the boundary

$$u(r = 0) = u(r = R) = 0$$

$$u(z = 0) = u(z = H) = 0$$

High cylinder approximation

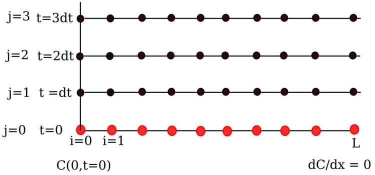
- u is assumed independent of z
- Equation becomes :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f(u) = \nu\Big(\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} - \frac{u}{r^2}\Big)$$

- Parabolic equation that requires implicit time-scheme $\rightarrow$ Crank-Nicholson

High cylinder approximation

- Discretization of the domain with one spatial dimension



- Discrete equation with 2nd order central finite difference

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\begin{aligned}
f(U_i) &= \frac{\nu}{r_i}\frac{(U_{i+1}-U_{i-1})}{2h_x} + \nu\frac{U_{i+1}-2U_i+U_{i-1}}{h_x^2} - \frac{\nu}{r_i^2}U_i \\
&= \frac{\nu}{h}\Big(\frac{1}{h}-\frac{1}{2r_i}\Big)U_{i-1} - \nu\Big(\frac{2}{h^2}+\frac{1}{r_i^2}\Big)U_i + \frac{\nu}{h}\Big(\frac{1}{h}+\frac{1}{2r_i}\Big)U_{i+1}
\end{aligned}
$$

High cylinder approximation

- $\rightarrow$ tridiagonal matrix $f(U) = AU + b^t$ with b^t for boundary conditions
- $b^t = 0$ for $t > 0$ and $b^0 = [0 \cdots 0 \ *]^T$ accounts for non zero initial condition at $r = R$.

High cylinder approximation

- Crank-Nicholson method is of 2nd order

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\begin{aligned}
U^{t+1} &= U^t + 0.5 * h_t\Big(f(U^t) + f(U^{t+1})\Big) \\
&= U^t + 0.5 * h_t\Big(A * U^t + b^t + A * U^{t+1} + b^{t+1}\Big)
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore,

$$
\Big(Id - 0.5 * h_t * A\Big)U^{t+1} = (Id + 0.5 * h_t * A)U^t + b^t
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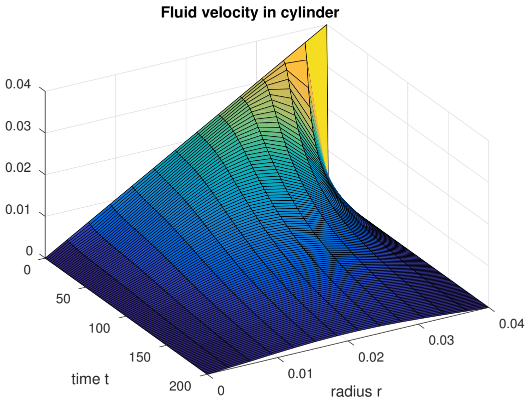
- Linear system that can easily be solved for U^{t+1} with sparse solver in Matlab

- Solution animation in Matlab



High cylinder approximation : stability analysis

Consider any perturbation of the form $U_i^t = U^t e^{jkr_i}$. Define the constants $a_i = \frac{\nu}{h^2}\left(1 - \frac{1}{2i}\right)$, $b_i = \frac{-\nu}{h^2}\left(2 + \frac{1}{i^2}\right)$ and $c_i = \frac{\nu}{h^2}\left(1 + \frac{1}{2i}\right)$. The scheme is

$$\frac{U_i^{t+1} - U_i^t}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{2}\left(a_i U_{i-1}^t + b_i U_i^t + c_i U_{i+1}^t + a_i U_{i-1}^{t+1} + b_i U_i^{t+1} + c_i U_{i+1}^{t+1}\right).$$

Plugging the ansatz gives

$$\left(\frac{1}{\Delta t} - \frac{a_i}{2} e^{-jkh} - \frac{b_i}{2} - \frac{c_i}{2} e^{jkh}\right) U^{t+1} = \left(\frac{1}{\Delta t} + \frac{a_i}{2} e^{-jkh} + \frac{b_i}{2} + \frac{c_i}{2} e^{jkh}\right) U^t.$$

We get a stable scheme when the factor that amplifies perturbations has a complex module smaller than 1

$$\frac{|U^{t+1}|}{|U^t|} \leq 1$$

High cylinder approximation : stability analysis

Let $\beta = \dfrac{a_i e^{-jkh} + b_i + c_i e^{jkh}}{2}$,

$$\frac{|1+\Delta t\beta|}{|1-\Delta t\beta|} \leq 1$$

$$\frac{Re\{1+\Delta t\beta\}^2 + Im\{1+\Delta t\beta\}^2}{Re\{1-\Delta t\beta\}^2 + Im\{1-\Delta t\beta\}^2} \leq 1$$

Developments show that this will be satisfied when

$$a_i \cos(kh) + b_i + c_i \cos(kh) \leq 0.$$

This is indeed true because $a_i, c_i > 0$ and

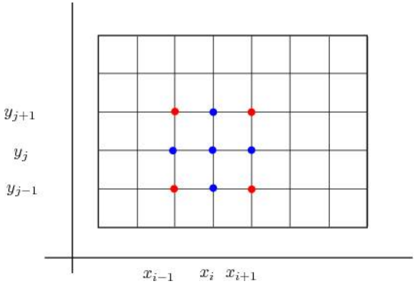
$$a_i \cos(kh) + b_i + c_i \cos(kh) \leq a_i + b_i + c_i = \frac{-\nu}{(ih)^2} < 0.$$

2 dimensional problem

- Solution u now depends on z, this gives 2 dimensions for the space grid

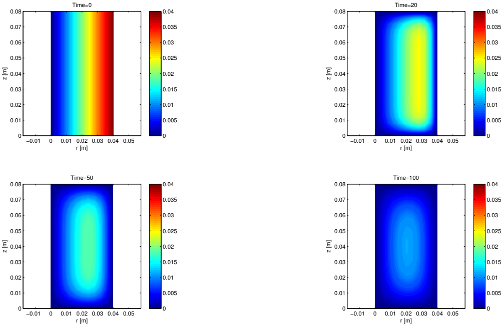
2 dimensional problem

Straightforward generalization of 1D case for domain and equation



$$\frac{dU_{i,j}}{dt} = \frac{\nu}{r_i}\frac{(U_{i+1,j} - U_{i-1,j})}{2h} + \nu\frac{U_{i+1,j} - 2U_{i,j} + U_{i-1,j}}{h^2}$$
$$- \frac{\nu}{r_i^2}U_{i,j} + \frac{U_{i,j+1} - 2U_{i,j} + U_{i,j-1}}{h^2}$$

2 dimensional problem : solution



Comparison of the 2 solutions

- We want to discuss the decision to consider z-dependency