



KEB-45250

Numerical Techniques for Process Modeling

Spring 2018

Lecture 3

Introduction to Computational Fluid Dynamics

Last lecture

- Review of relevant subjects
- Math
 - Equation types, matrices
- Physics
 - Advection, Convection, Diffusion, Navier-Stokes
 - Dimensionless numbers
- Chemistry
 - Arrhenius equation

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Linear systems	Lecture topic
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Non-linear systems	Lecture topic
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This lecture

- Introduction Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
- What is CFD?
- Relevant math
- Preprocessing

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Near future

- ANSYS intensive course next week
 - **Tuesday** 9-16 SB202
 - **Wednesday** 9-15 RG100C
 - NOTE THE NONSTANDARD DAYS

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Computational Fluid Dynamics

- Fluid flow calculation is the basis of all CFD simulations
- Other physics and chemistry can be included
- Navier-Stokes equations govern fluid flow phenomena



Navier-Stokes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqKVxOWpi9U>

- Incompressible flow, x-direction

$$-\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

- All directions

$$-\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

- Today, we only discuss the equations in a general sense, details come later

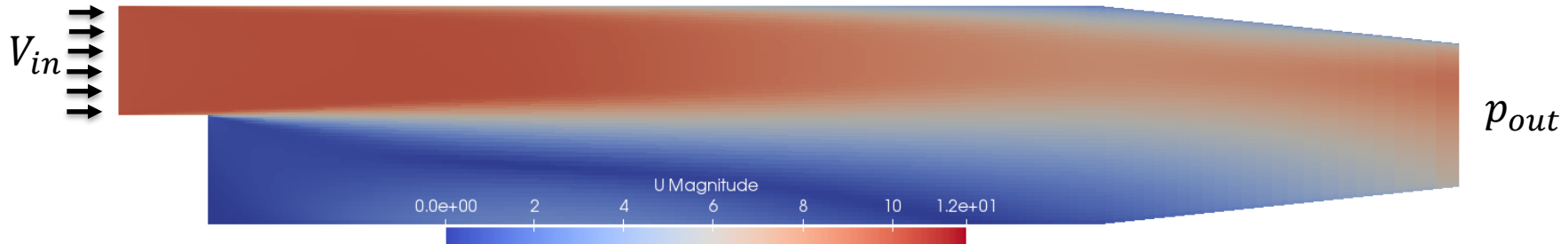


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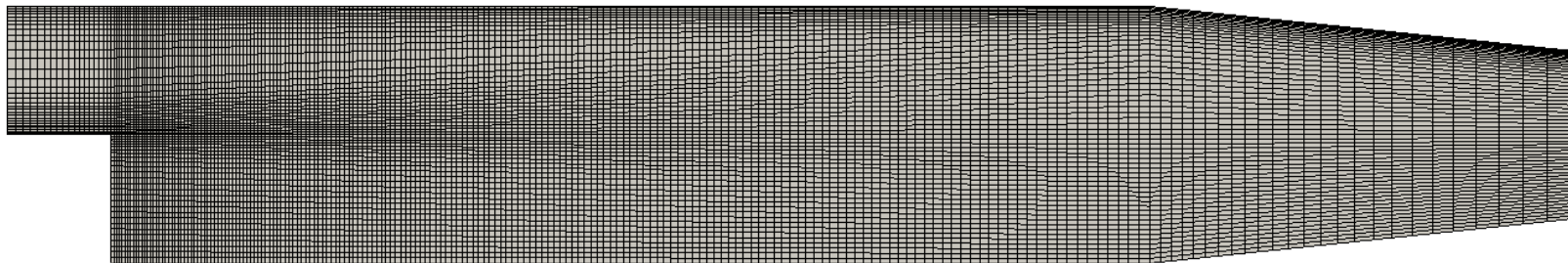
- Solution of NS is [difficult](#)
- We will **not** program our own NS solver on this course
 - Unless you want to learn deeper understanding of CFD and program your own solver as the CFD assignment
 - The case is chosen so that is relatively easy to solve
- We will program our own solver for simpler cases (heat conduction etc.)
- We will use ANSYS for NS
 - You still need to understand the basics
 - You can do the CFD assignment with ANSYS

Example case

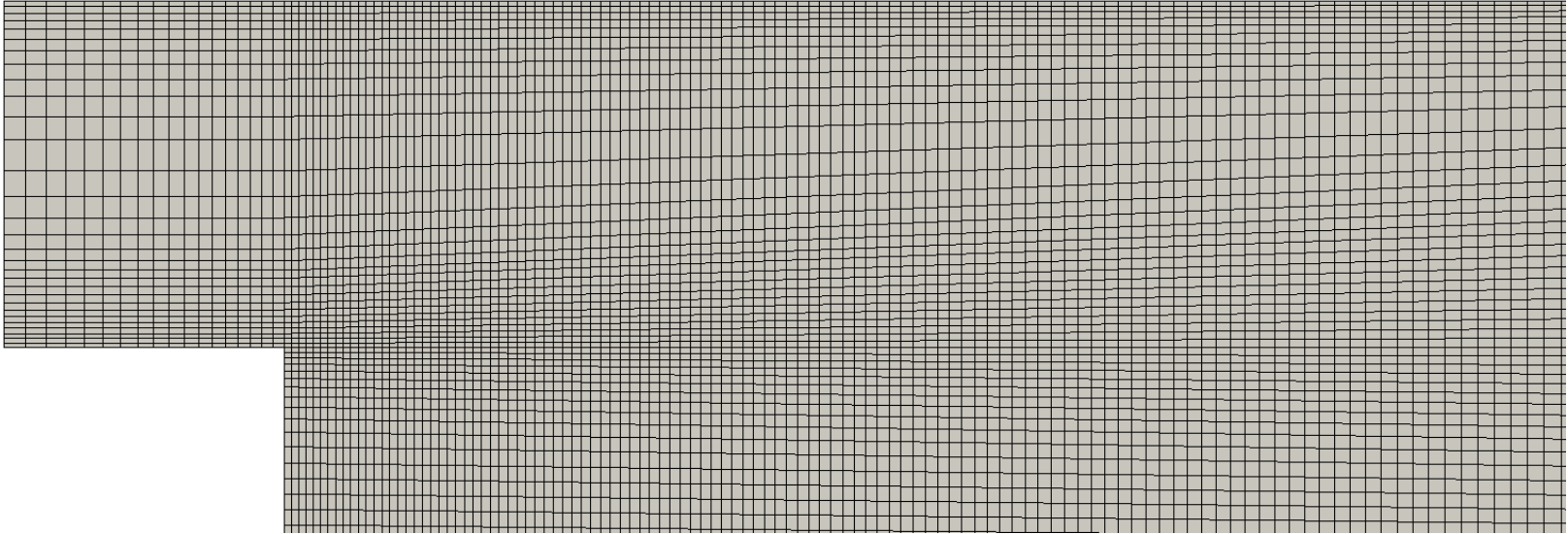
- Classical test case by Pitz and Daily (1981)



Mesh



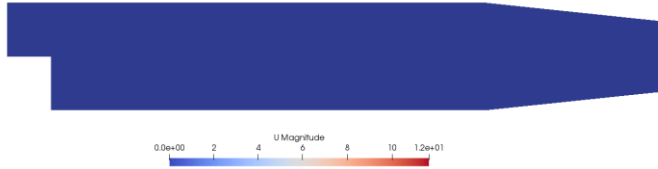
Mesh close up



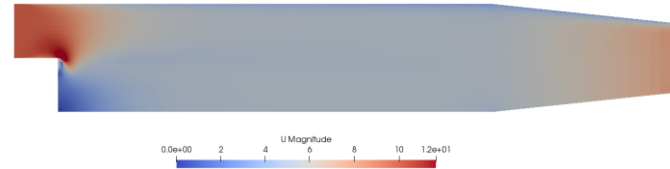
Unsteady

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

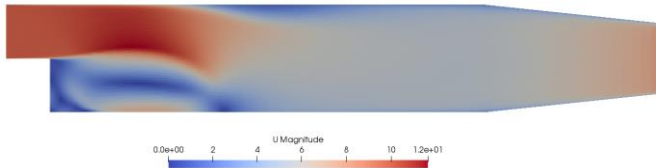
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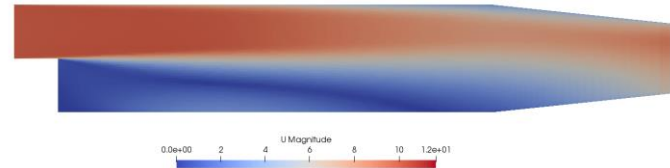
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$t = 0.03s$



$t = 0.3s$



Steady state

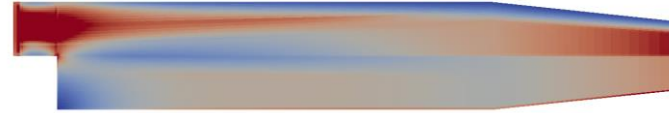
$$\cancel{\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t}} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

k is iteration step

$k = 0$



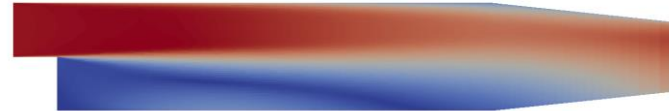
$k = 1$



$k = 70$



$k = 287$





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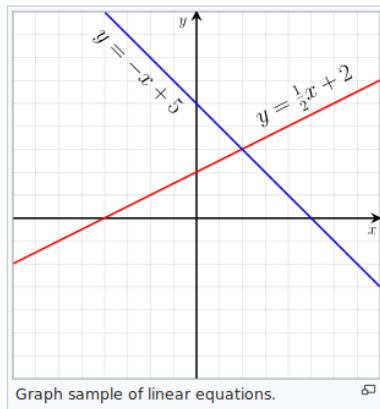
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A **linear equation** is an algebraic equation in which each term is either a constant or the product of a constant and (the first power of) a single variable (however, different variables may occur in different terms). A simple example of a linear equation with only one variable, x , may be written in the form: $ax + b = 0$, where a and b are constants and $a \neq 0$. The constants may be [numbers](#), [parameters](#), or even non-linear [functions](#) of parameters, and the distinction between variables and parameters may depend on the problem (for an example, see [linear regression](#)).

Linear equations can have one or more variables. An example of a linear equation with three variables, x , y , and z , is given by: $ax + by + cz + d = 0$, where a , b , c , and d are constants and a , b , and c are non-zero. Linear equations occur frequently in most subareas of [mathematics](#) and especially in [applied mathematics](#). While they arise quite naturally when modeling many phenomena, they are particularly useful since many [non-linear equations](#) may be reduced to linear equations by assuming that quantities of interest vary to only a small extent from some "background" state. An equation is linear if the sum of the exponents of the variables of each term is one.

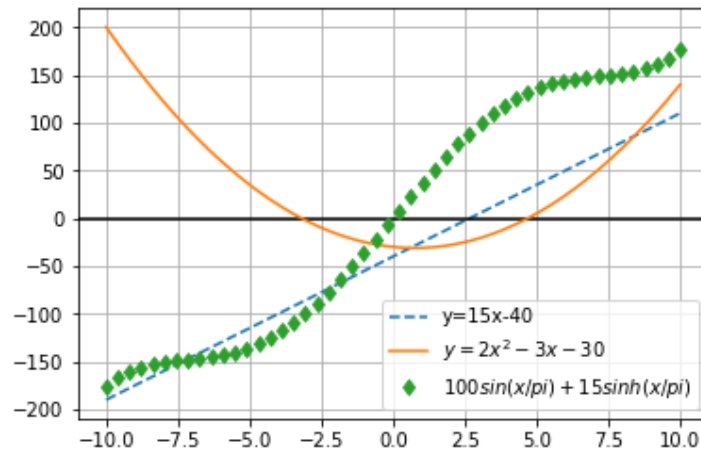
Equations with exponents greater than one are non-linear. An example of a non-linear equation of two variables is $axy + b = 0$, where a and b are constants and $a \neq 0$. It has two variables, x and y , and is non-linear because the sum of the exponents of the variables in the first term, axy , is two.

This article considers the case of a single equation for which one searches the [real](#) solutions. All its content applies for [complex](#) solutions and, more generally for linear equations with [coefficients](#) and solutions in any [field](#).



Linear vs. nonlinear

- ...all else is nonlinear
- Nonlinear equations don't always have analytical solutions
- May be difficult to solve numerically
- The same ideas can be extended to systems of equations





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System of linear equations

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In **mathematics**, a **system of linear equations** (or **linear system**) is a collection of two or more **linear equations** involving the same set of **variables**.^[1] For example,

$$3x + 2y - z = 1$$

$$2x - 2y + 4z = -2$$

$$-x + \frac{1}{2}y - z = 0$$

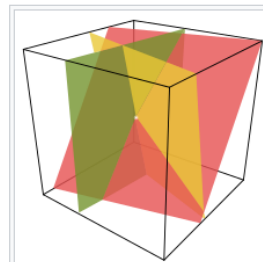
is a system of three equations in the three variables x , y , z . A **solution** to a linear system is an assignment of values to the variables such that all the equations are simultaneously satisfied. A **solution** to the system above is given by

$$x = 1$$

$$y = -2$$

$$z = -2$$

since it makes all three equations valid. The word "*system*" indicates that the equations are to be considered collectively, rather than individually.



A linear system in three variables determines a collection of **planes**. The intersection point is the **solution**.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 1/2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Why are we talking about matrices?

- The governing equations of fluid flow can be approximated with systems of algebraic equations
- Linear matrix systems are easily solved with computer algorithms
- Understanding the methods of how to do this is understanding CFD



Nonlinear system

$$3xz + 2y - z = 1$$

$$2x - 2y - 4 = -2$$

$$-x + 0.5y - z = 0$$

Or in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3z & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0.5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Iterative solution

- Example non-linear equation

$$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -2 \log_{10} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{3.7d_h} + \frac{2.51}{Re\sqrt{f}} \right)$$

- A naive iteration example on the right
- In CFD we use case specific methods

```
45 Re = 10000
46 d = 1e-2
47 eps = 0
48
49 f = 1e-2
50 n = 10
51 for k in range(n):
52     print(f)
53     f = (-2*sp.log10(eps/3.7/d
54             +2.51/Re*f**0.5)
55           )**-2
```

Out:

```
0.01
0.0118130689375
0.0120011028994
0.0120191569871
0.0120208776662
0.0120210415431
0.0120210571496
0.0120210586359
0.0120210587774
0.0120210587909
```



Nonlinear system solution

- Naive iteration for matrix system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3z & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 0.5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Gives $x = [1 \ 4 \ 1]$
- Error
 $Ax - b = [0 \ 0 \ -2e-16]$

```
70 b = sp.array([1,-2,0])
71 x = sp.array([2,1,1])
72
73 n = 100
74 for k in range(n):
75     A = sp.array([[3*x[2],2,-1],
76                  [2,-2,4],
77                  [-1,0.5,-1],
78                  ])
79     x = linalg.solve(A,b)
80
81 # Print solution
82 print(x)
83 # Test solution, @ is matrix multiplication
84 print(A@x-b)
```



Disclaimer

- It might be difficult to find the answer
- Better methods for general nonlinear equations can be found from nearly any programming language
- The naive method is used here for simplicity
- In CFD, case special methods are used

Nonlinear PDE

- In CFD, we mostly deal with nonlinear partial differential equations
- Steady state incompressible flow N-S, x-direction

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

- All directions

$$u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$



Solution strategy

- Linearize the PDE
- Approximate PDE with a system of algebraic equations
- Solve iteratively



Simple linearization

- Original equation

$$u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

- Linearized equation

$$u_j^* \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

where u_j^* is velocity from previous iteration

Iterative solution of NS

$$u_j^* \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

- The above equation is approximated using a system of algebraic equations

$$A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

using methods we will learn later on this course. The system is solved iteratively

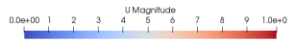


Iterations

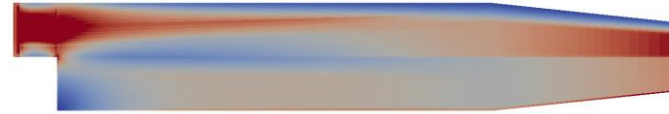
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k is iteration step

$k = 0$



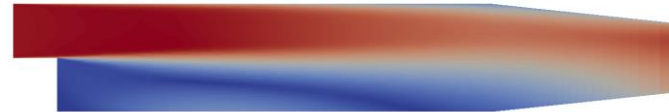
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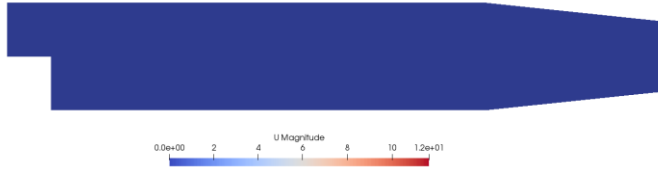


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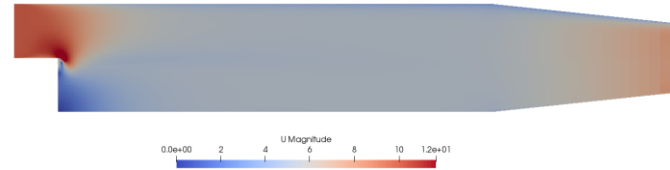


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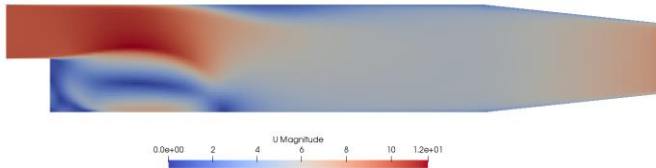
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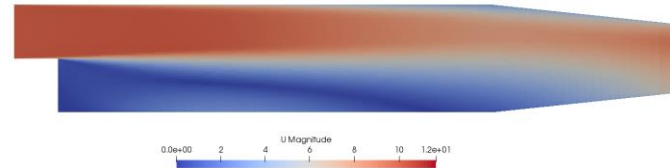
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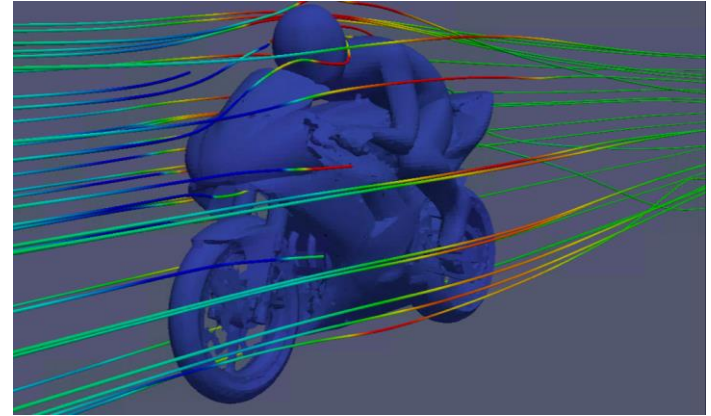
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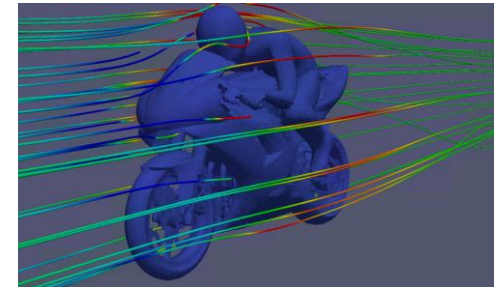
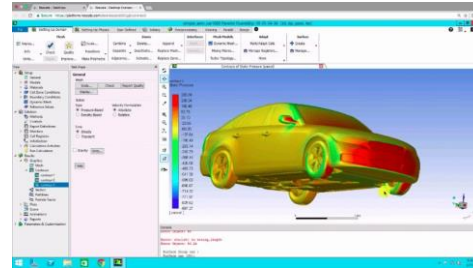
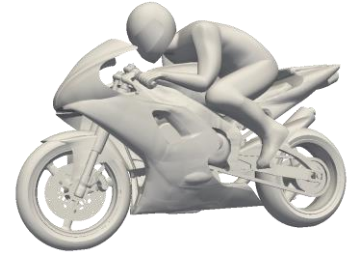


Steps of CFD solution

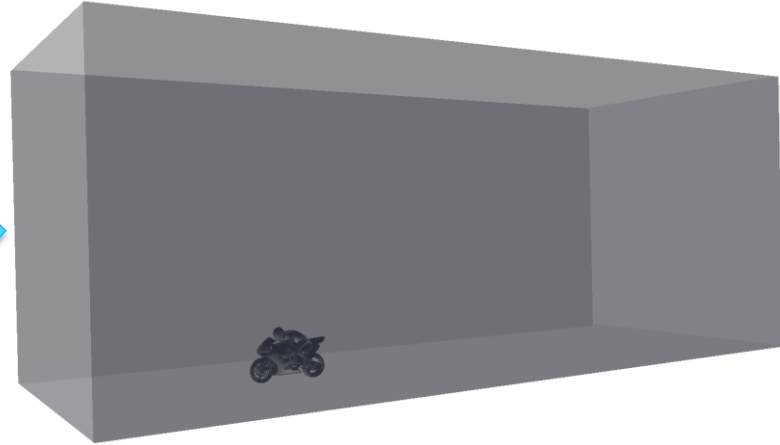


Steps of CFD solution

1. Preprocessing
2. Solver
3. Post processing



Preprocessing

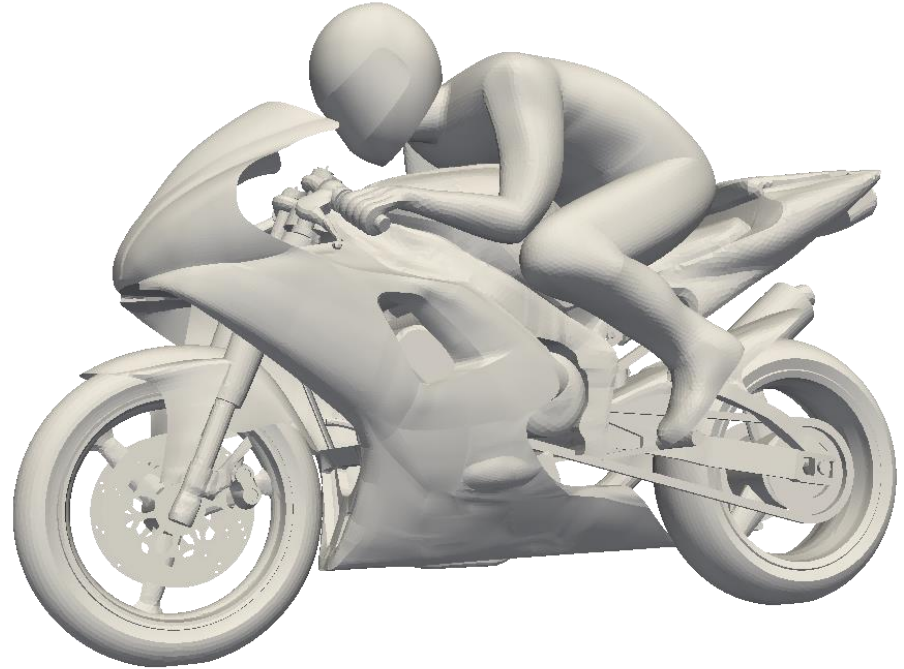


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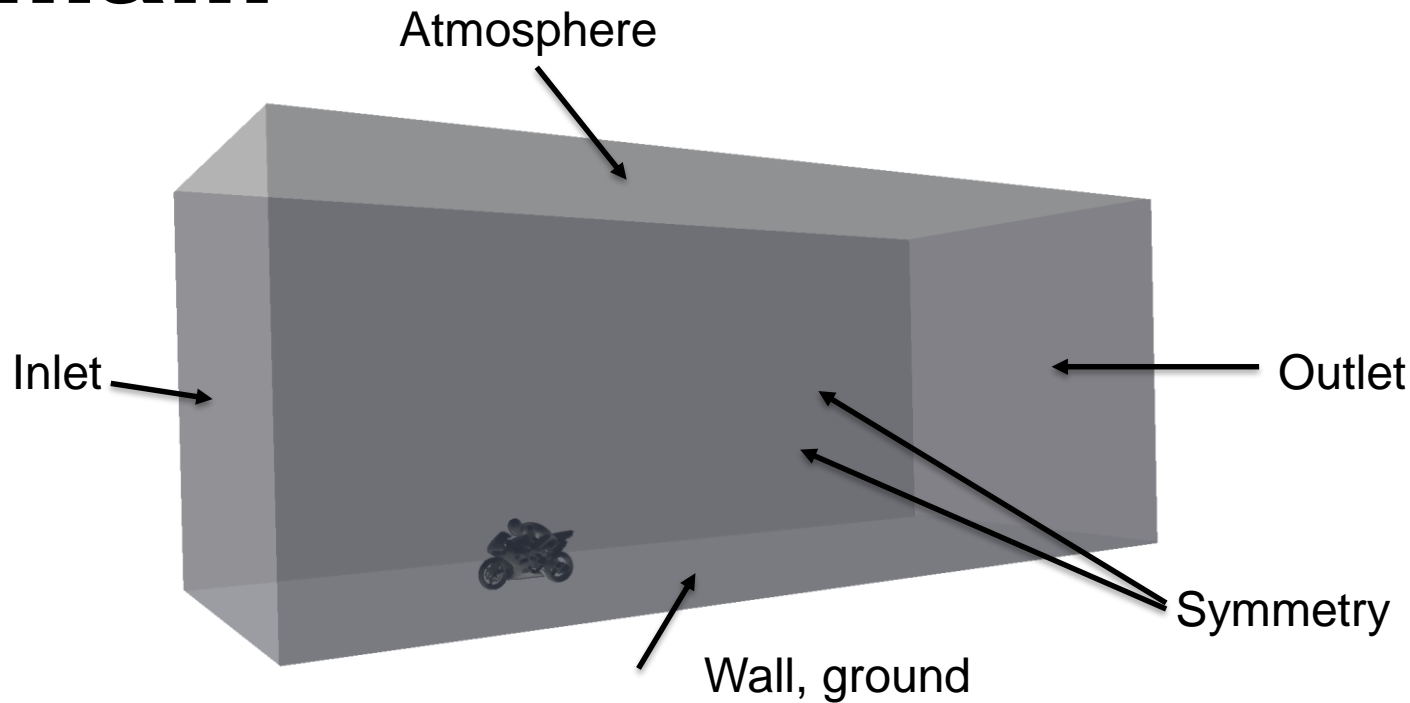
- CAD
 - Geometry with suitable detail
 - Draw by yourself or prepare existing CAD for CFD
- Meshing
 - Creating the mesh for CFD solution
 - Often the most time consuming part



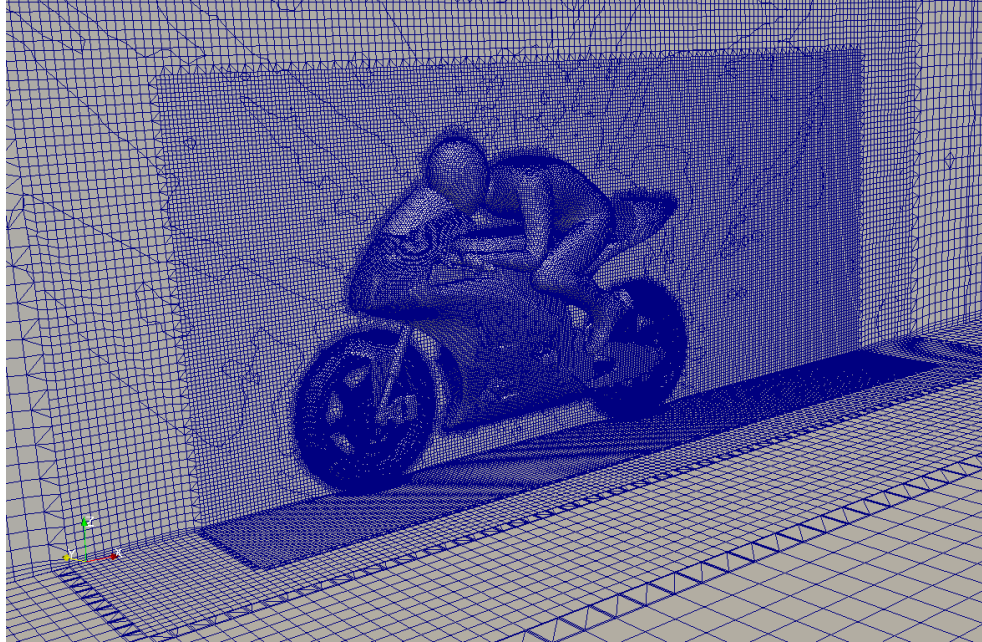
Suitable level of detail



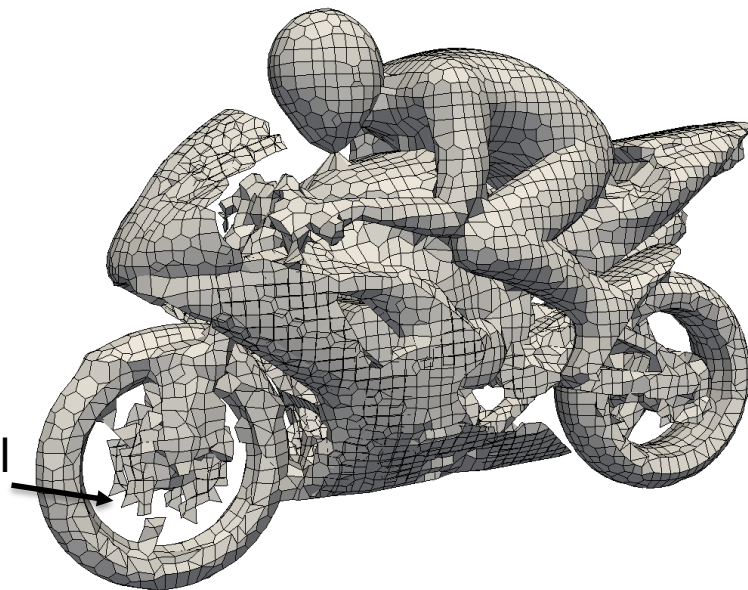
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Meshing

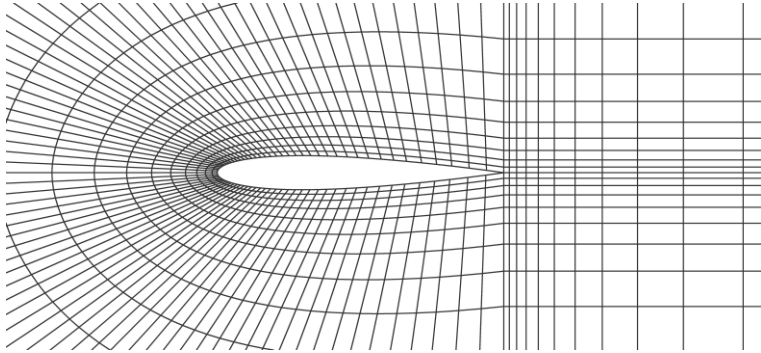


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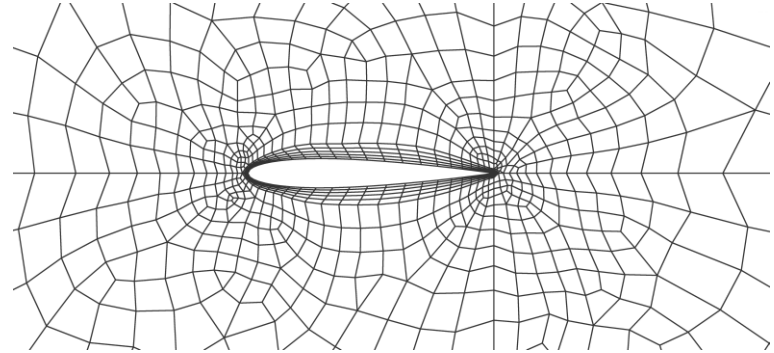


Insufficient level of detail

Mesh types



Structured mesh



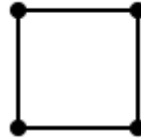
Unstructured mesh

Cell types

2D Cell types

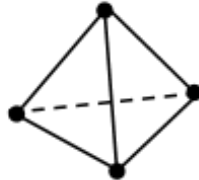


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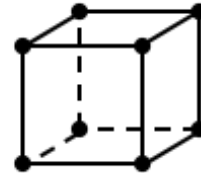


Rectangle

3D Cell types



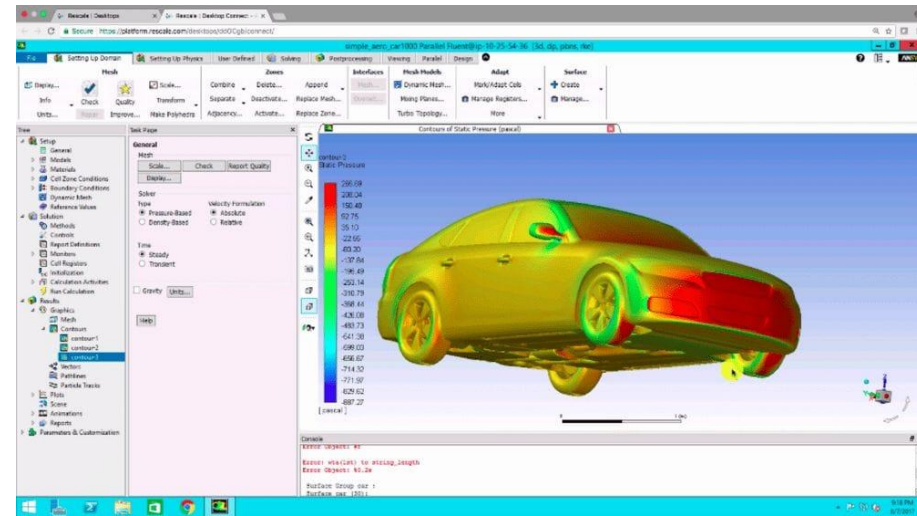
Tetrahedron



Hexahedron

Solver

- Governing equations
- Boundary conditions
- Numerical methods
- Turbulence model
- Material properties
- Saving of results



Post processing

- Is the result reasonable?
- Is the solution converged?
- Is the solution grid independent?
- How to present the results
 - Mean heat transfer coefficient vs. video



Time derivative term

$$\left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} \right) + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

Explicit time stepping

- From Taylor expansion

$$\underbrace{f(t_0 + \Delta t) = f(t_0) + \Delta t f'(t_0)}_{\text{Explicit Euler}} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t^2 \cancel{f''(t_0)} + \dots$$

small

- Simple to implement but rarely used
- Easily becomes unstable

Implicit time stepping

- The function values are taken “from the future”

$$f(t_0 + \Delta t) = f(t_0) + \Delta t f'(t_0 + \Delta t)$$

- Might require iteration because of $f'(t_0 + \Delta t)$
- Commonly used in CFD
- Stable and simple to implement but inaccurate
- If possible, use Runge-Kutta. Rarely used in CFD.



Turbulence



More physics and chemistry



Algebraic equations

- These are the most common equations we usually deal with (analytical solutions for specific problems in our course context)
- The value of the variable we want to solve can be determined directly from a specific equation using for example a calculator
- Some examples:

$$\Delta p = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 \xi \frac{L}{D}$$

$$Nu_x = 0.332 Re_x^{1/2} Pr^{1/3}$$



Linear system of equations

- The solution for the system can be obtained with the inverse of matrix A :

$$\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}, \text{ where}$$

A^{-1} is the inverse of the coefficient matrix A

Advection and diffusion terms in PDEs

Momentum conservation of fluid in x-direction

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \overbrace{u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}}^{\text{Advection terms}} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \overbrace{v \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)}^{\text{Diffusion terms}}$$

Heat conduction in solids

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \overbrace{\alpha \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right)}^{\text{Diffusion terms}}$$



Fluid flow equations

- Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} &= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} &= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} &= -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

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- NS with tensor notation:

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j^2} \right)$$

- NS in vector form:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{V}$$