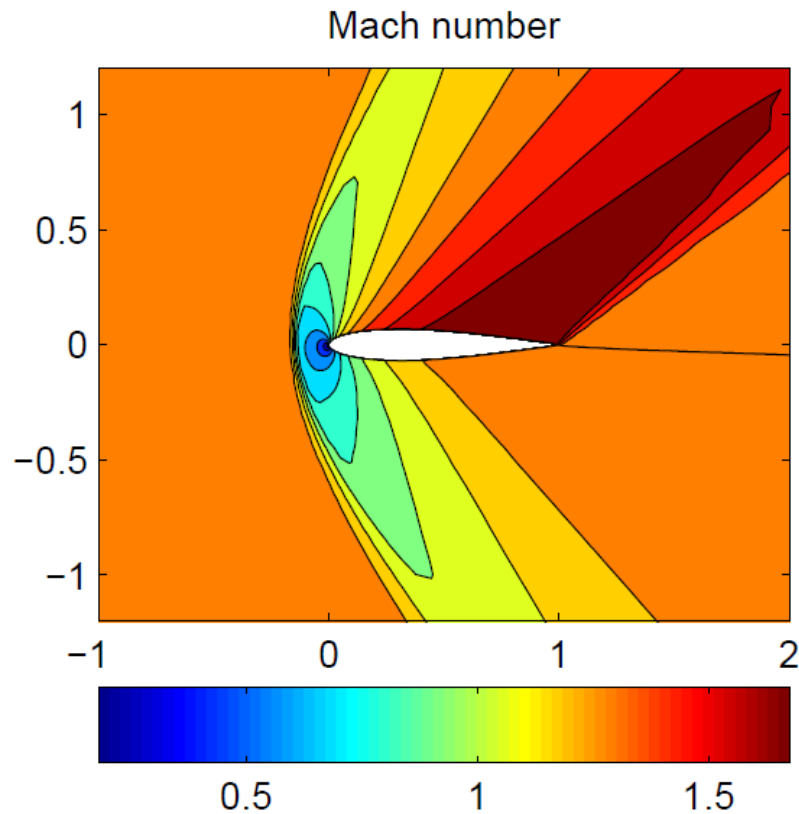


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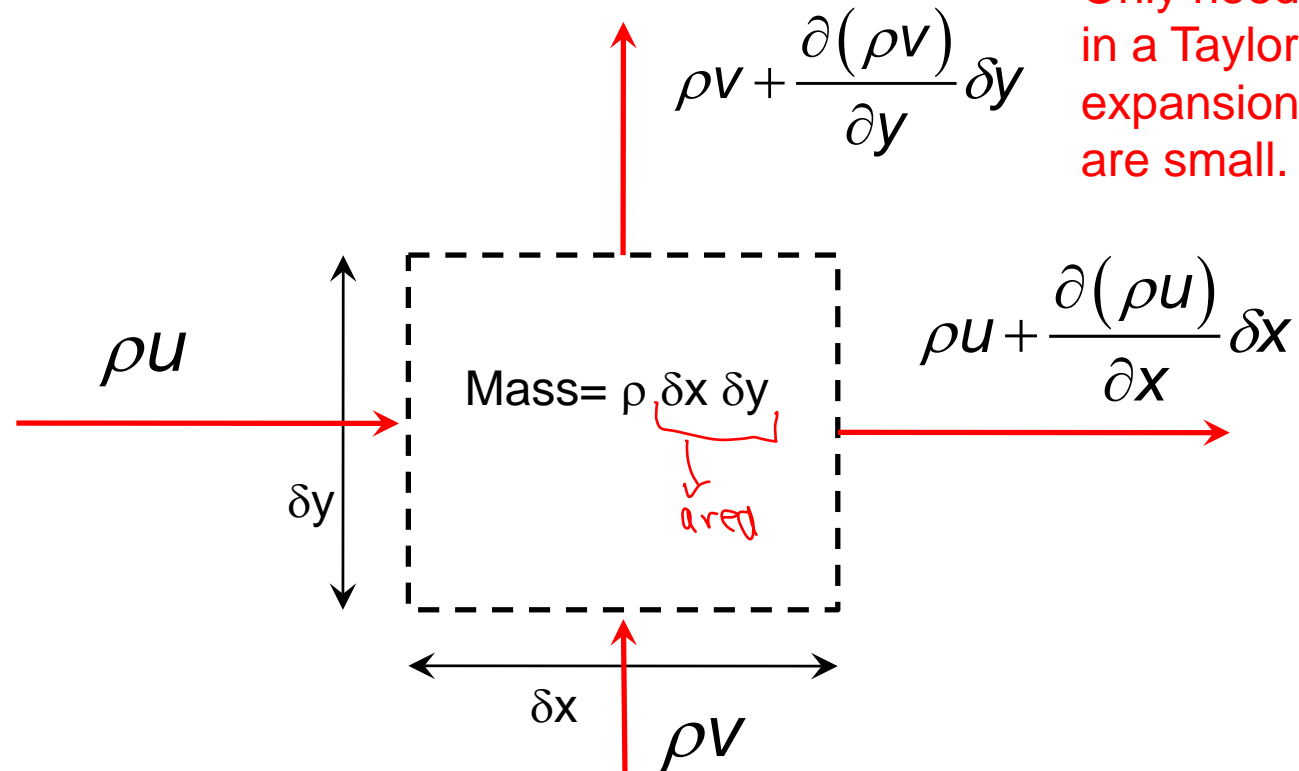


Euler equations in
Cartesian co-ordinates
for compressible flow -
the basis of CFD

Objective

- Introduce the Euler equations
 - Widely used in CFD, sometimes in combination with a boundary-layer model
 - Capable of capturing shock waves, expansion fans etc.
 - We will derive in 2D Cartesian co-ordinates for steady flow

Control volume for mass conservation



Only need first terms in a Taylor series expansion, since δx δy are small.

rate of increase of mass in CV = mass flow rate in - mass flow rate out

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \delta x \delta y)}_{= \dot{m}} = \rho u \delta y + \rho v \delta x - \left(\rho u + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \delta x \right) \delta y - \left(\rho v + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} \delta y \right) \delta x$$

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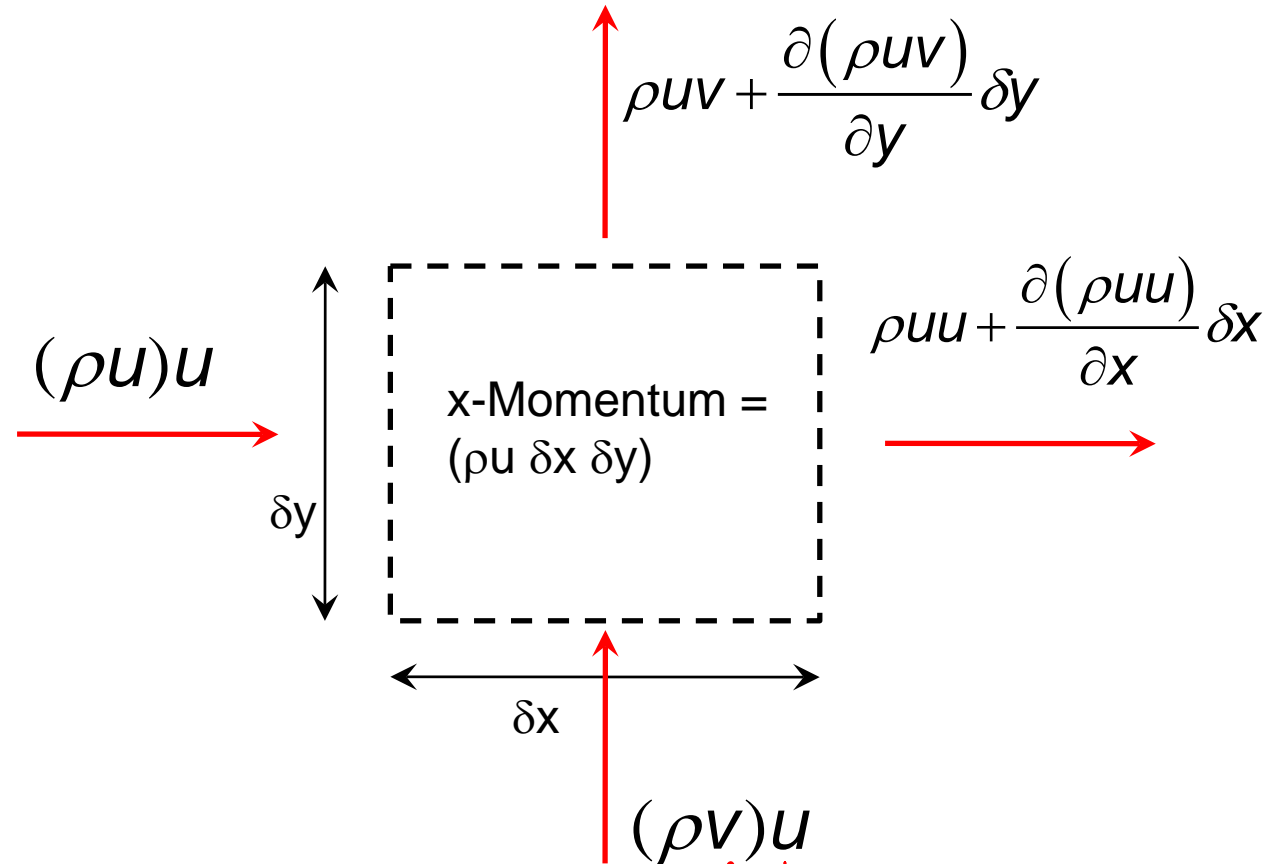
↓ $\div (\delta x \delta y)$

Cancel terms and divide by $\delta x \delta y$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} = 0$$

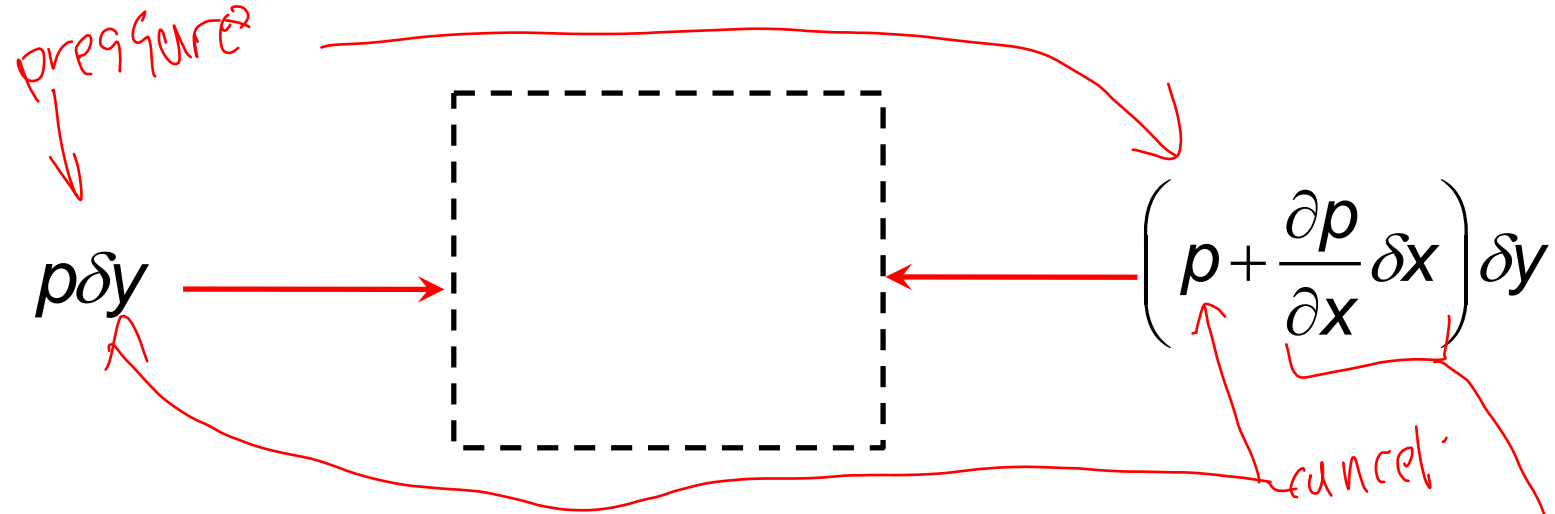
Mass conservation equation for compressible flow

Rate of change of x-momentum



has both
direction contributions

Forces in x direction



Rate of change of x-momentum = sum of forces applied in x-direction

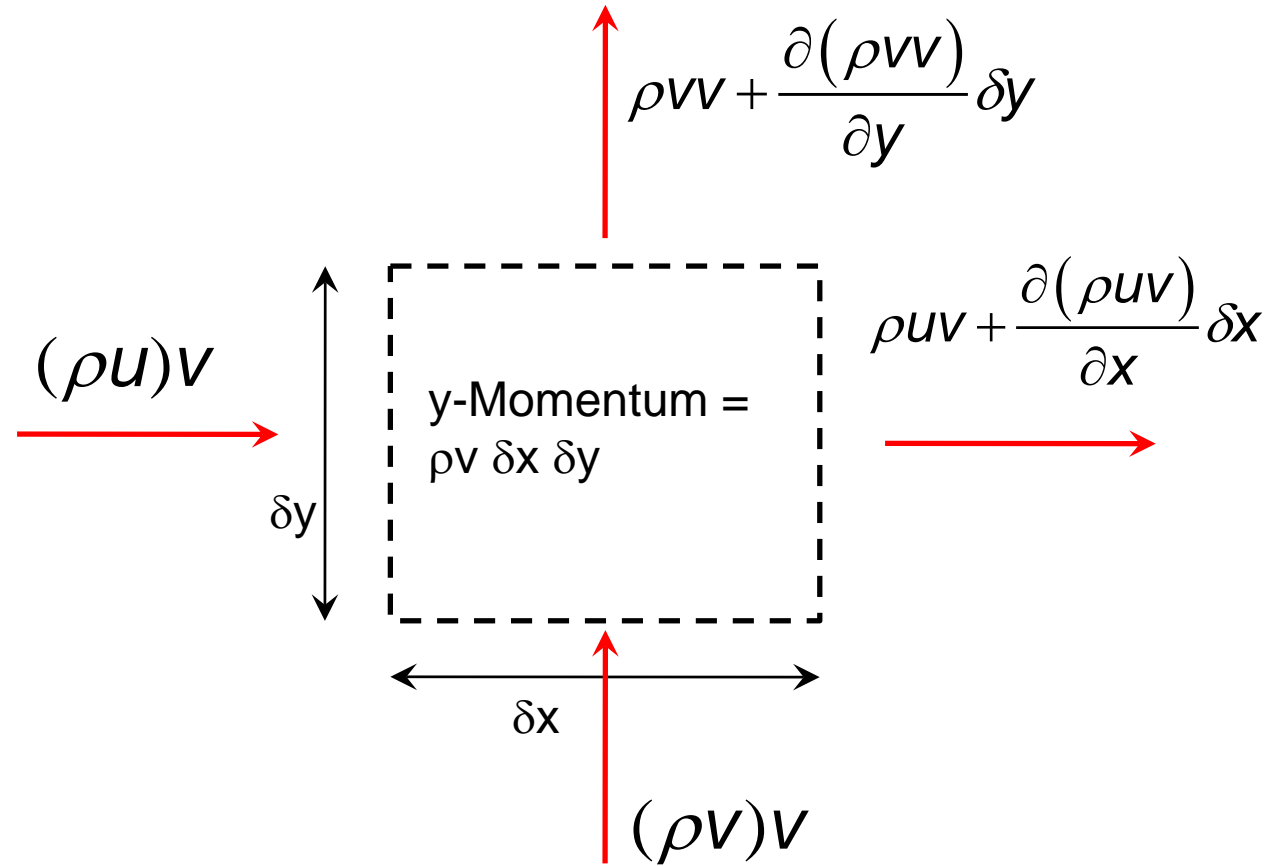
$$\frac{\partial(\rho u \delta x \delta y)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u u)}{\partial x} \delta x \delta y + \frac{\partial(\rho u v)}{\partial y} \delta y \delta x = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \delta x \delta y$$

$\downarrow \div \delta x \delta y$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u^2)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho u v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0}$$

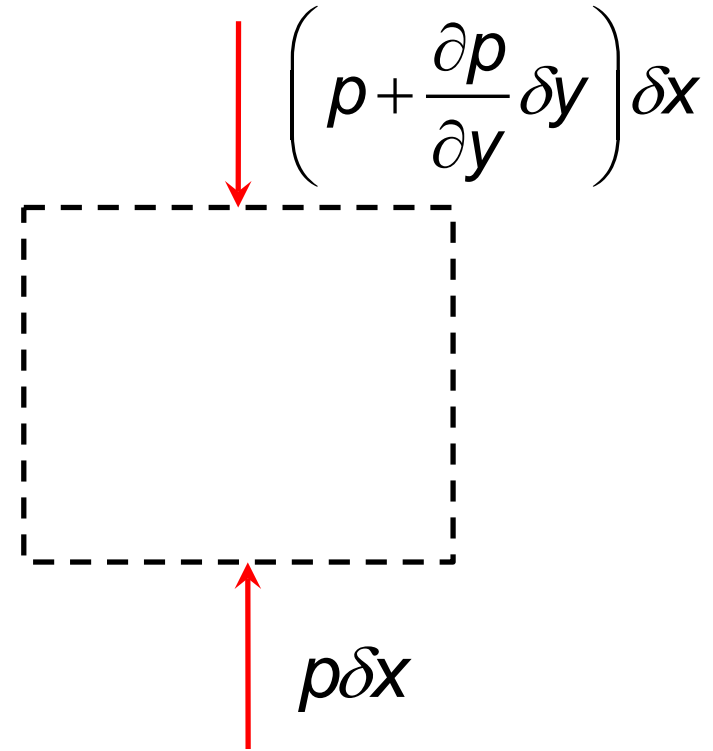
x-momentum
equation

Rate of change of y-momentum



Forces in y direction

Rate of change of y-momentum =
sum of forces applied in y-direction



$$\frac{\partial(\rho v \delta x \delta y)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u v)}{\partial x} \delta x \delta y + \frac{\partial(\rho v^2)}{\partial y} \delta y \delta x = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \delta x \delta y$$

$$\frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u v)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v^2)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0$$

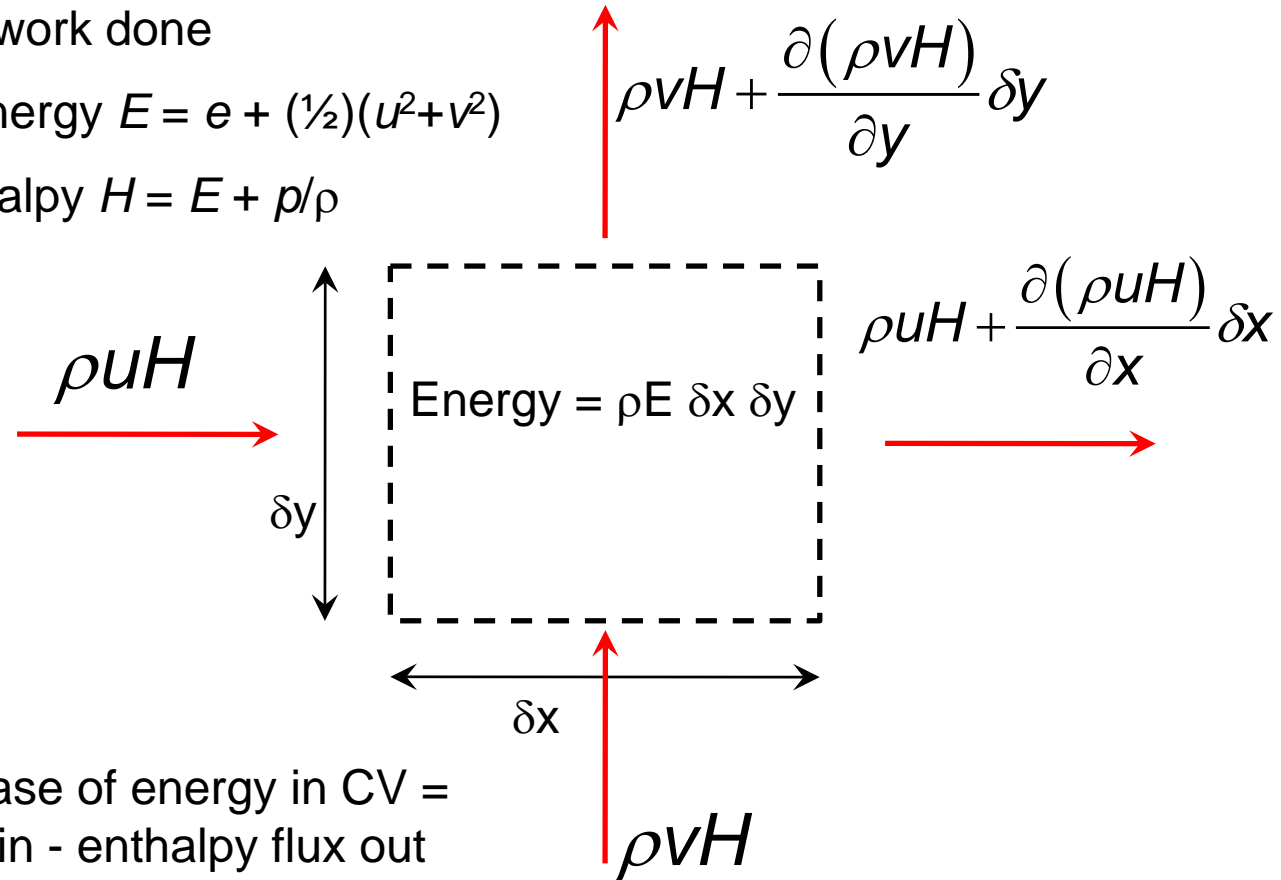
y-momentum
equation

Energy conservation

Adiabatic, no work done

Define total energy $E = e + (\frac{1}{2})(u^2 + v^2)$

Use total enthalpy $H = E + p/\rho$



Rate of increase of energy in CV =
enthalpy flux in - enthalpy flux out

$$\frac{\partial(\rho E)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u H)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v H)}{\partial y} = 0$$

Energy
conservation

Takeaway: the Euler equations ready for CFD

With time derivative for completeness

4 variables and 4 unknowns

conservation equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho v \\ \rho E \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 + p \\ \rho uv \\ \rho uH \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \begin{pmatrix} \rho v \\ \rho uv \\ \rho v^2 + p \\ \rho vH \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

no analytical solution 😊

'Euler solver' in CFD solves these equations (adapted for generalised co-ordinates)

Vector of 'conservative' variables

Flux vectors

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{F}_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \bar{F}_y}{\partial y} = 0$$

vector form