

# Verification & Validation (Part II)

or

How can I trust my CFD results?

or

Can I quantify the error/uncertainty of a  
CFD simulation?

## Definition of Terms:

- **Error**

*“A **recognizable** deficiency in any phase or activity of modeling and simulation that is **not** due to lack of knowledge.” (AIAA G-077-1998)*

→ **Acknowledged errors** are errors that can be estimated, bounded, or ordered

- ✓ Finite precision arithmetic in a digital computer
- ✓ Insufficient spatial discretization
- ✓ Insufficient temporal discretization
- ✓ Insufficient iterative convergence

→ **Unacknowledged errors** are mistakes or blunders

- ✓ Computer programming errors (source code or compiler)
- ✓ Use of incorrect input files (geometry, material properties)

The following slides rely/copy heavily on the following tutorial/talk:



## Verification and Validation in Computational Simulation

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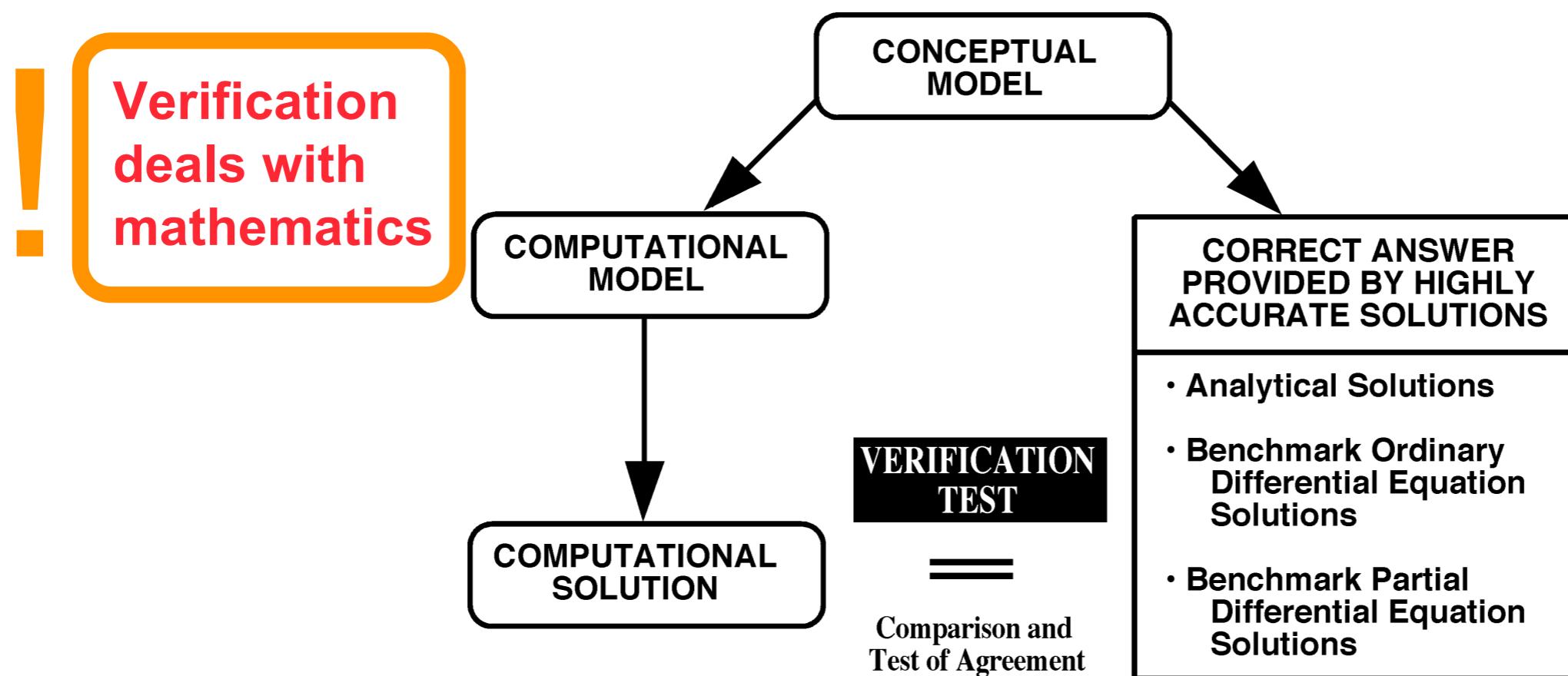




## Terminology: Verification

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Committee on Standards in Computational Fluid Dynamics definition (1998):

**Verification:** The process of determining that a model implementation accurately represents the developer's conceptual description of the model and the solution to the model





## Two Types of Verification

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- **Code Verification:** Verification activities directed toward:
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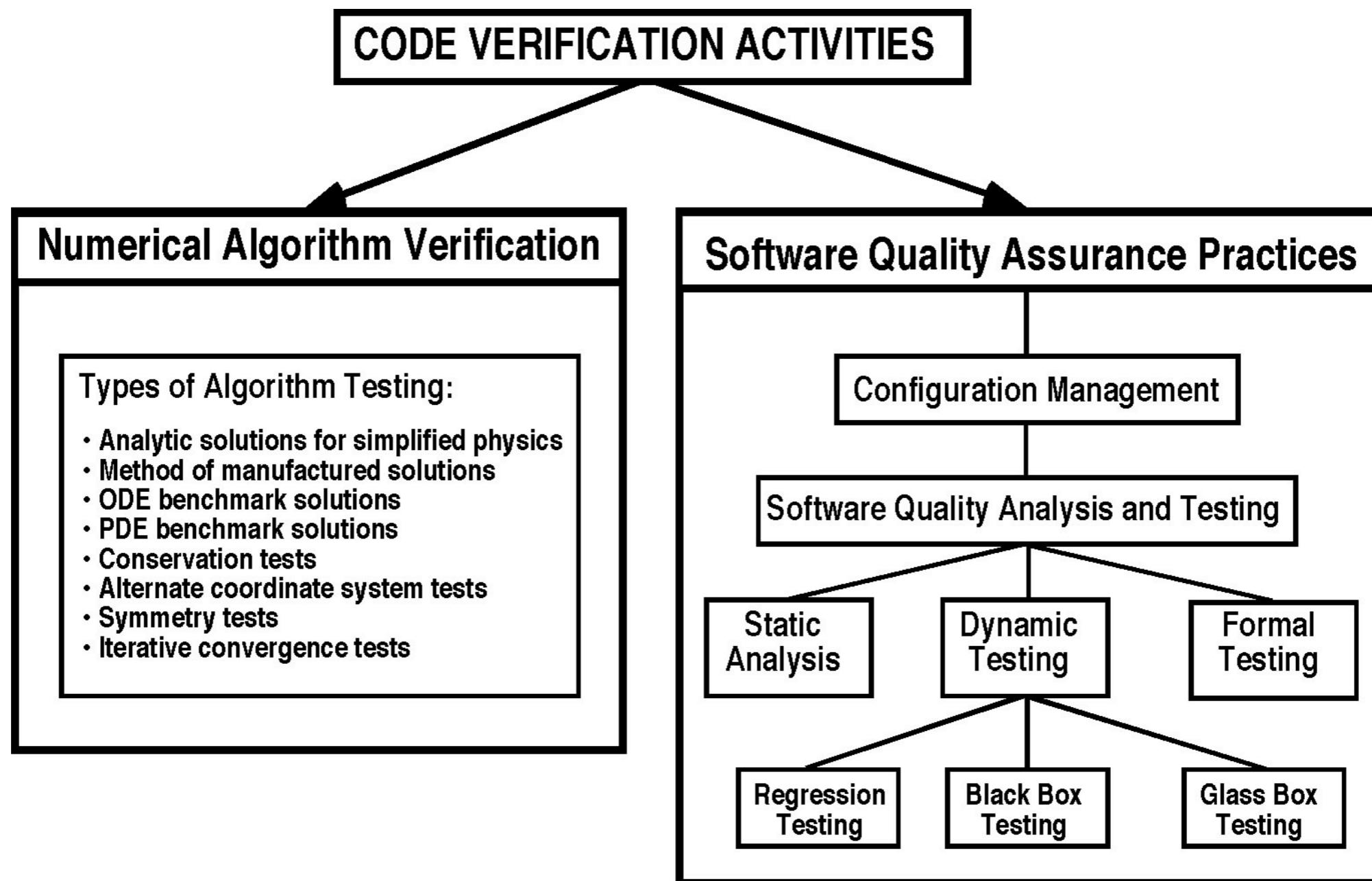
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# Code Verification





## Numerical Algorithm Verification

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- **Formal order of accuracy of a numerical method is determined by:**
  - Taylor series analysis for finite-difference and finite volume methods
  - Interpolation theory for finite-element methods
- Consider the 1-D unsteady heat conduction equation:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

- Using a forward difference in time and a centered difference in space, the Taylor series analysis results in:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} = \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial t^2} \right] \Delta t + \left[ \frac{\alpha}{12} \frac{\partial^4 T}{\partial x^4} \right] (\Delta x)^2 + O(\Delta t^2) + O(\Delta x^4)$$



## Observed Order of Accuracy

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- Computed solutions do not typically reproduce the formal order of accuracy
- Factors that can degrade the formal order of accuracy include:
  - Mistakes in the computer code, i.e., programming errors
  - $\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z, \Delta t$  are not sufficiently small for the solution to be in the asymptotic convergence region, i.e., truncation errors
  - Singularities or discontinuities in the solution domain and on the boundaries
  - Insufficient iterative convergence for solving nonlinear equations
  - Round-off error due to finite word length in the computer
- We use the term "observed" order of accuracy for the actual accuracy determined from computed solutions

## What's needed?

- We need the **exact solution** to compare our numerical solution to
- Ideally we would have an **analytical exact solution!**



## Methods for Determining the Observed Order of Accuracy

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- **Method of Exact Solutions (MES):**
  - MES involves the comparison of a numerical solution to the exact solution to the governing PDEs
  - MES is the traditional method for code verification testing
  - Number and variety of exact solutions is extremely small
- **Method of Manufactured Solutions (MMS):**
  - MMS is a more general and more powerful approach for code verification
  - Rather than trying to find an exact solution to a PDE, we “manufacture” an exact solution *a priori*
  - It is not required that the manufactured solution be physically real
  - Use the PDE operator to analytically generate source terms in a new PDE
  - The manufactured solution is the exact solution to a new (modified) equation: original PDE + source terms
  - MMS involves solving the **backward problem**: given an original PDE and a chosen solution, find a modified PDE which that chosen solution will satisfy
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## Method of Manufactured Solutions (MMS) Example:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}(u) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}(u) = 0$$

Idea: Modify PDE to:  $\mathcal{L}(u) = Q(x, t)$

1. Select/define/**make up** an **exact** solution to the modified PDE

for example:  $U(x, t) = A + \sin(x + Ct)$

2. Find  $Q(x, t)$  such that  $U(x, t)$  is the exact solution!

How? substitute  $U(x, t)$  into the modified PDE:  $Q(x, t) = \mathcal{L}(U) = \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} - \nu \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2}$

$$Q(x, t) = C \cos(x + Ct) + [A + \sin(x + Ct)] \cos(x + Ct) + \nu \sin(x + Ct)$$

3. Add  $Q(x, t)$  as a source term to the CFD code

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + Q(x, t)$$

4. Use exact solution as boundary conditions

- Dirichlet:  $u(0, t) = U(0, t) = A + \sin(Ct)$        $u(1, t) = U(1, t) = A + \sin(1 + Ct)$
- Neuman:  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) = \cos(1 + Ct)$       etc.

Important: • chosen solution need not be physical! example:  $U(x, t) = \sin(t)e^x$

- chosen solution must involve all terms of the PDE! ( $\sin, \cos, \tanh, \exp, \dots$ )

# Method of Manufactured Solutions

the following are examples from P. Brady & M. Herrmann, J. Comput. Phys. (2012).

- Finite volume temperature equation for multiphase flows

$$L(T) = \frac{1}{V_{cv}} \left[ \int_{cv} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV + \mathbf{u} \cdot \int_{cv} \nabla T dV - \frac{1}{(\rho c_p)_{cv}} \int_{cv} \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) dV \right] = 0$$

with

$$(\rho c_p)_{cv} = \psi_{cv}(\rho c_p)_l + (1 - \psi_{cv})(\rho c_p)_g \quad k = k_g + (k_l - k_g)H(G)$$

- Source term for MMS is thus

$$\begin{aligned} L(T) = & \frac{1}{V_{cv}} \left[ \int_{cv} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV + \mathbf{u} \cdot \int_{cv} \nabla T dV - \frac{1}{(\rho c_p)_{cv}} \left( \int_{cv, G=0} (k_l - k_g) \nabla G \cdot \nabla T dS \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \int_{cv, G>0} k_l \nabla^2 T dV + \int_{cv, G<0} k_g \nabla^2 T dV \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- solve source term analytically, or with AMR marching tets

# Example 1: 3D Unsteady Single Phase

- Material properties:

$$k_+ = k_- = 0.5, \quad c_{p+} = c_{p-} = 10.0, \quad \rho_+ = \rho_- = 5.0 + 1.5T$$

- Velocity field

$$(U, V, W) = (\cos(\pi x), \cos(\pi y), \cos(\pi z))/75$$

- Manufactured solution:

$$T_2(\mathbf{x}) = 10^{-4} \exp(2x) \cos(y) z^3 \sin(t) + 10 \cos^2(t)$$

- Analytical source term:

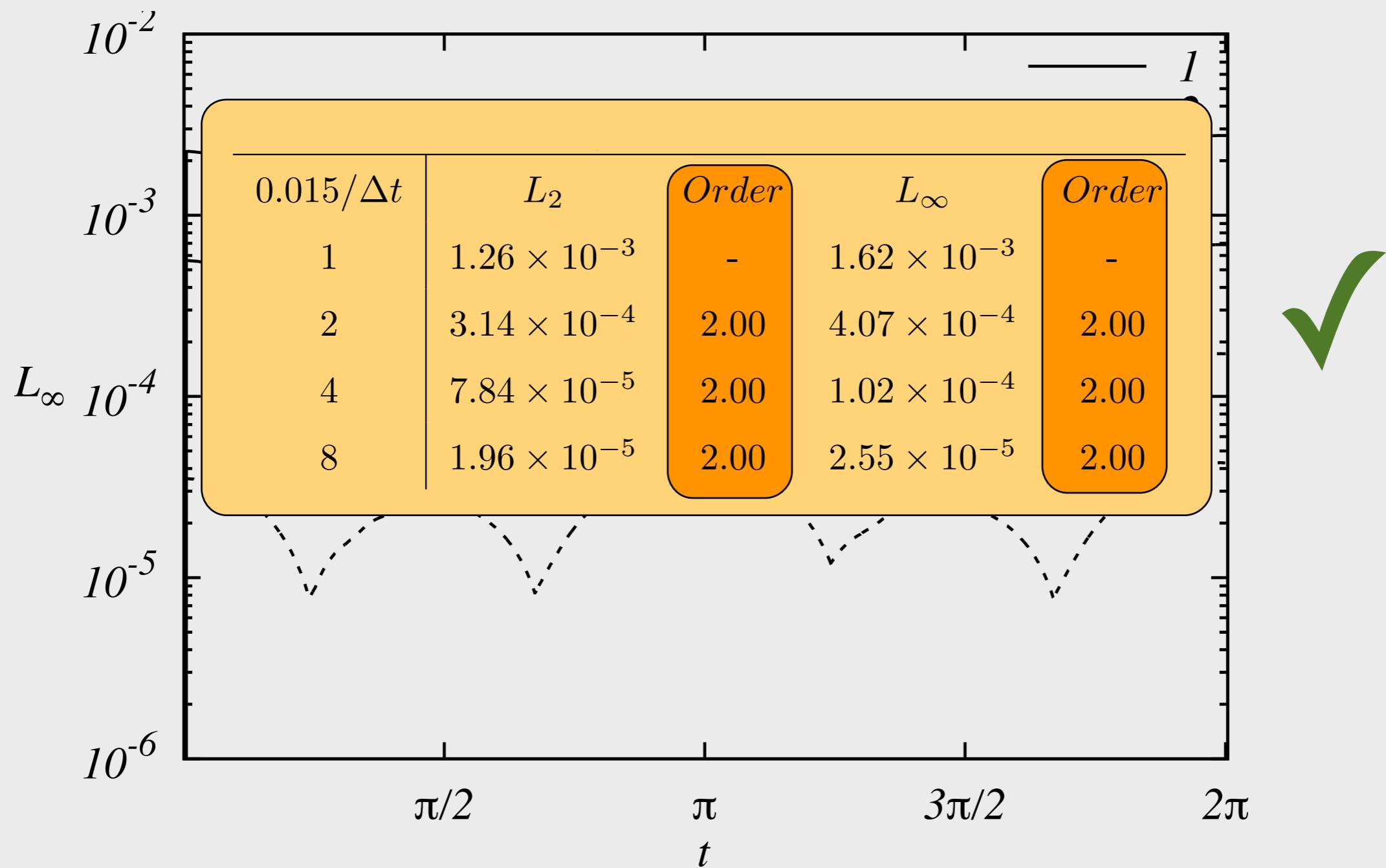
$$L_t = \int_{cv} \frac{\partial T_2}{\partial t} dV = 10^{-4} \frac{\exp(2x_2) - \exp(2x_1)}{2} (\sin(y_2) - \sin(y_1)) \frac{z_2^4 - z_1^4}{4} \cos(t) - 20 \cos(t) \sin(t) V_{cv}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_c = \mathbf{u} \cdot \int_{cv} \nabla T_2 dV &= 10^{-4} \frac{\exp(2x_2) - \exp(2x_1)}{2} \sin(t) \left[ U(\sin(y_2) - \sin(y_1)) \frac{z_2^4 - z_1^4}{2} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. V(\cos(y_2) - \cos(y_1)) \frac{z_2^4 - z_1^4}{4} + W(\sin(y_2) - \sin(y_1))(z_2^3 - z_1^3) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$L_{p/m} = \int_{cv} k_{+/-} \nabla^2 T_2 dV = 0.75 \times 10^{-4} k_+ \sin(t) [\exp(2x_2) - \exp(2x_1)] [\sin(y_2) - \sin(y_1)] [\tilde{z}_2^2 - z_1^2] \left[ \frac{z_2^2 + z_1^2}{2} + 2 \right]$$

# Example 1: 3D Unsteady Single Phase

- Infinity norm of error under  $\Delta t$  refinement and  $N_{x,y,z} = 25$  for 2<sup>nd</sup>-order Adams-Bashforth



# Example 2: 3D Steady Single Phase

- Material properties:

$$k_+ = k_- = 0.5, \quad c_{p+} = c_{p-} = 10.0, \quad \rho_+ = \rho_- = 5.0 + 1.5T$$

- Manufactured solution:

$$T_3(x) = \exp(2x) \cos(y) z^3$$

- Leading order error of modified equation  
(convective: 3rd order QUICK, diffusive: 2nd order central)

$$LE \propto \Delta x^2 \left(1 - \frac{U}{\alpha} \Delta x\right)$$

► formal order of accuracy is a function of  $U/\alpha$

- Velocity field 1 with  $U/\alpha \gg 1 \Rightarrow LE \propto \Delta x^3$

$$(U, V, W) = 10(\cos(\pi x), \cos(\pi y), \cos(\pi z))$$

- Velocity field 2 with  $U/\alpha \ll 1 \Rightarrow LE \propto \Delta x^2$

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# Example 2: 3D Steady Single Phase

Table 6: Test 3:  $(U, V, W) = 10(\cos(\pi x), \cos(\pi y), \cos(\pi z))$

$N_x$	$L_2$	$Order$	$L_\infty$	$Order$
25	$1.45 \cdot 10^{-5}$	-	$9.03 \cdot 10^{-5}$	-
50	$1.70 \cdot 10^{-6}$	3.09	$1.13 \cdot 10^{-5}$	3.00
100	$2.00 \cdot 10^{-7}$	3.09	$1.36 \cdot 10^{-6}$	3.05
200	$2.28 \cdot 10^{-8}$	3.13	$1.59 \cdot 10^{-7}$	3.10



Table 7: Test 4:  $(U, V, W) = (\cos(\pi x), \cos(\pi y), \cos(\pi z))/75$

$N_x$	$L_2$	$Order$	$L_\infty$	$Order$
25	$3.13 \times 10^{-5}$	-	$9.18 \times 10^{-5}$	-
50	$7.44 \times 10^{-6}$	2.07	$2.24 \times 10^{-5}$	2.03
100	$1.81 \times 10^{-6}$	2.04	$5.53 \times 10^{-6}$	2.02
200	$4.45 \times 10^{-7}$	2.02	$1.37 \times 10^{-6}$	2.01



# Example 3: Bug Finding

- Bug in diffusive term:

$$\nabla \cdot (k \nabla T)_i \approx \frac{\frac{k_{i+1} + k_i}{2} \frac{T_{i+1} - T_i}{\Delta x} - \frac{k_i + k_{\textcolor{orange}{i+1}}}{2} \frac{T_i - T_{i-1}}{\Delta x}}{\Delta x}$$

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- Manufactured solution:

$$T_4 = \exp(2x) \cos(y)$$

$N_x$	$L_2$	$Order$	$L_\infty$	$Order$
		-		-
25	$8.98 \times 10^{-2}$	-	$3.90 \times 10^{-1}$	-
50	$9.06 \times 10^{-2}$	-0.01	$3.98 \times 10^{-1}$	-0.0319
100	$8.79 \times 10^{-2}$	0.04	$3.80 \times 10^{-1}$	0.0697

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- Manufactured solution + all velocities = 0  
(turn off convective terms):

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50	$2.33 \times 10^{-1}$	-0.02	$7.93 \times 10^{-1}$	-0.06
100	$2.24 \times 10^{-1}$	0.06	$7.59 \times 10^{-1}$	0.06

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- Simpler manufactured solution + all velocities = 0  
(turn off convective & x-diffusion terms):

$$T = \cos(y)$$

$N_x$	$L_2$	$Order$	$L_\infty$	$Order$
25	$4.92 \times 10^{-4}$	-	$4.03 \times 10^{-3}$	-
50	$1.63 \times 10^{-4}$	1.59	$2.35 \times 10^{-3}$	0.78
100	$8.30 \times 10^{-5}$	0.97	$1.16 \times 10^{-3}$	1.02



⇒ Error must be in x-diffusion term

## Navier-Stokes

incompressible limit

Recap:

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

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{v} \vec{v}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \vec{v}$$

in 2D:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

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

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non-conservative:

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non-dimensionalize:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{x}{L}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{y}{L}, \quad \bar{u} = \frac{u}{u_{ref}}, \quad \bar{v} = \frac{v}{u_{ref}}, \quad \bar{t} = \frac{t}{L/u_{ref}}, \quad \bar{p} = \frac{p}{\rho u_{ref}^2}$$

drop bars:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

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$$Re = \frac{u_{ref} L}{\nu}$$

so what's new? pressure term &amp; continuity

However: continuity and momentum equations appear decoupled! (?)

for compressible flows, coupling is via density and equation of state!

## Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

Idea: directly couple/enforce continuity and eliminate pressure

vorticity:  $\vec{\Omega} = 2\vec{\omega} = \nabla \times \vec{v}$   $\vec{\omega}$  : angular velocity

in 2D:  $\Omega_z = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

streamfunction  $\psi$ :  $u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}$   $v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$

Goal: derive a PDE for vorticity from momentum equations, eliminating pressure

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$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

→ vorticity equation: 1 equation, no pressure! But how do we get the velocities?

→ streamfunction! But how do we get the streamfunction?

But: Continuity and momentum eqs. appear decoupled?  
for compressible flows coupling is via S and EoS.

Solution Strategies:

Option 1: Vorticity - Streamfunction formulation

$$\text{Vorticity: } \vec{\Omega} = 2 \vec{\omega} = \nabla \times \vec{v} \quad \text{in 2D: } \Omega_2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

↑  
angular  
velocity

$$\text{streamfunction } \psi : \quad u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

to derive a PDE for  $\vec{\Omega}$ , use momentum eqs to eliminate  $p$ : take  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y}$  of  $u$ -eq. &  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$  of  $v$ -eq.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial y \partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial y^3} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + u \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + v \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} = -\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial x^3} + \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right)$$

subtract:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) + u \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) + v \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) + \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{Re} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial y^2} \right] \quad \text{with } \Omega = \Omega_e$$

## Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

But how do we get the streamfunction?

$$\Omega_z = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

let's just use the definitions and substitute in!

$$\Omega = -\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = -\Omega$$

But what about the continuity equation?

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

let's again use the definitions and substitute in!

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y \partial x} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{continuity is automatically satisfied!}$$

## Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

non-conservative form:

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

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conservative form:

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u \Omega}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v \Omega}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

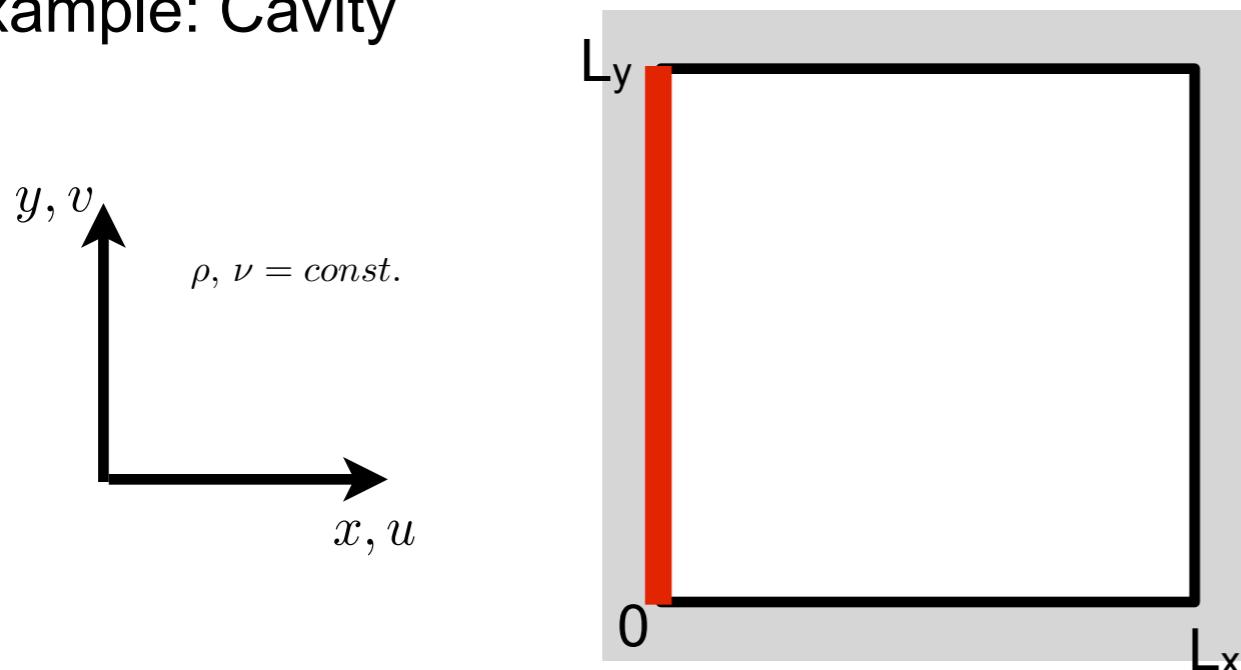
$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = -\Omega$$

## Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

One challenge remains: boundary conditions are usually given in terms of  $u$  &  $v$   
 $\Rightarrow$  need to express as  $\Omega$  and  $\psi$

### Example: Cavity



- all boundaries are impermeable walls
  - normal velocity = 0
- $\Rightarrow$  walls are streamlines!  $\Rightarrow \psi = \text{const}$

for example: left boundary:  $x = 0 \Rightarrow u = 0$

if wall is stationary:  $v = 0$

since  $u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \Rightarrow \psi|_{x=0} = \text{const}$

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$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

But what about  $\Omega$ ?

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = -\Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned}\psi|_{x=0} &= \text{const} \\ \left.\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right|_{x=0} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Taylor Series for 1<sup>st</sup> interior point:

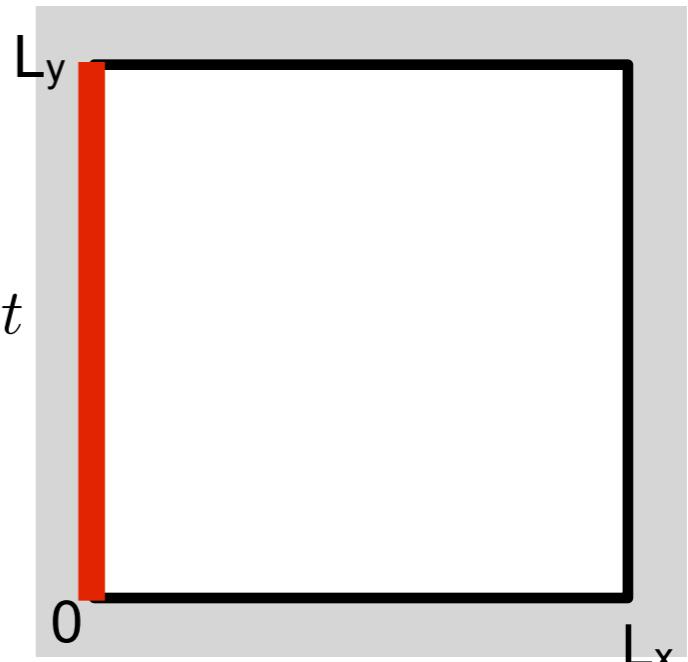
$$\psi_{1,j} = \psi_{0,j} + \Delta x \left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_{0,j} + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \right|_{0,j} + \dots$$

if wall is stationary:  $v = 0$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_{0,j} = -v_{0,j} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \right|_{0,j} = \frac{\psi_{1,j} - \psi_{0,j}}{\frac{\Delta x^2}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \Omega_{0,j} = \frac{2(\psi_{0,j} - \psi_{1,j})}{\Delta x^2}$$

similar procedure for all other boundaries



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$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

### Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

What if wall moves tangentially? for example: upper wall

$$u(x, y = L_y) = u_{wall}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right|_{i,N} = u_{wall} \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_{i,N} = 0 \quad (\text{impermeable})$$

Taylor Series for 1<sup>st</sup> interior point:

$$\psi_{i,N-1} = \psi_{i,N} - \Delta y \left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right|_{i,N} + \frac{\Delta y^2}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} \right|_{i,N} + \dots$$

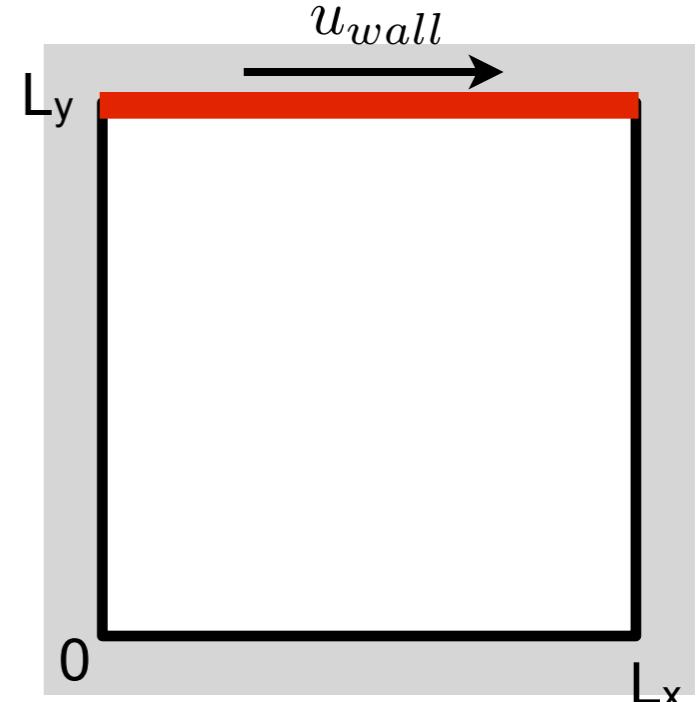
$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} \right|_{i,N} = \frac{2(\psi_{i,N-1} - \psi_{i,N})}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{2}{\Delta y} u_{wall}$$

with

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = -\Omega \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Omega_{i,N} = \frac{2}{\Delta y^2} (\psi_{i,N} - \psi_{i,N-1}) - \frac{2}{\Delta y} u_{wall}$$

caveat: this is only 1<sup>st</sup>-order in space! could go 2<sup>nd</sup>-order:

$$\Omega_{i,N} = \frac{-\psi_{i,N} + 8\psi_{i,N-1} - 7\psi_{i,N-2}}{2\Delta y^2} - \frac{3}{\Delta y} u_{wall}$$



using node based mesh

## Vorticity-Streamfunction Formulation

### Solution Procedure

- initialize  $\Omega$
- • solve for  $\psi$
- solve boundary conditions for  $\Omega$
- advance  $\Omega$

this works ok in 2D. But what about 3D?

- need 3D vector potential instead of streamfunction
  - need to solve 3 elliptic equations
- ⇒ very cumbersome and expensive!
- ⇒ vorticity/streamfunction approach usually used just in 2D