

CE-580 COMPUTATIONAL TECHNIQUES FOR FLUID DYNAMICS

HOMEWORK #4 Turbulent Pipe Flow

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Calculations

Assumptions

- Steady, Uniform Flow
- Turbulent Flow
- Smooth Pipe
- Axisymmetric Domain

Simplified momentum equation in radial coordinates

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[r v_e \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right]$$

Discretization

Using FTCS explicit scheme;

$$\frac{u_{i}^{n+1} - u_{i}^{n}}{\Delta t} = -\frac{C_{p}}{\rho} + \frac{1}{r_{i}} \frac{\left(rv_{e}\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - \left(rv_{e}\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{\Delta_{i+1} + \Delta_{i}}{2}}$$

$$\frac{u_{i}^{n+1} - u_{i}^{n}}{\Delta t} = -\frac{C_{p}}{\rho} + \frac{\left(rv_{e}\right)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{u_{i+1}^{n} - u_{i}^{n}}{\Delta_{i+1}}\right) - \left(rv_{e}\right)_{i-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{u_{i}^{n} - u_{i-1}^{n}}{\Delta_{i}}\right)}{\frac{r_{i}(\Delta_{i+1} + \Delta_{i})}{2}}$$

The algebraic equation for grid/node is

$$u_i^{n+1} = u_i^n + \Delta t \left[-\frac{C_p}{\rho} + A_i(v_e)_{i+\frac{1}{2}} (u_{i+1}^n - u_i^n) - C_i(v_e)_{i-\frac{1}{2}} (u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n) \right]$$

Where

$$A_{i} = \frac{2r_{i+\frac{1}{2}}}{r_{i}(\Delta_{i} + \Delta_{i+1})\Delta_{i+1}} , \quad C_{i} = \frac{2r_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}{r_{i}(\Delta_{i} + \Delta_{i+1})\Delta_{i}}$$

A recurrence formula can be formed

$$u_i^{n+1} = u_i^n + \epsilon_i^n$$

Where

$$\epsilon_i^n = \Delta t \left[-\frac{C_p}{\rho} + A_i(v_e)_{i+\frac{1}{2}}(u_{i+1}^n - u_i^n) - C_i(v_e)_{i-\frac{1}{2}}(u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n) \right]$$

As the solution converges the difference between time steps will go to zero, in other words, $\epsilon=0$ when solution converges. This is how transient(explicit) works. Flow solved is still steady, but the solution is transient until it converges.

For turbulence modelling, mixing length theory is used. Turbulent viscosity is calculated as

$$\mu_t = \rho \nu_t = \rho l_m^2 \frac{du}{dy}$$

Where

$$l_{m} = H \left[0.14 - 0.08 \left(1 - \frac{y}{H} \right)^{2} - 0.06 \left(1 - \frac{y}{H} \right)^{4} \right] f_{\mu}$$

$$f_{\mu} = 1 - \exp \left(-\frac{y^{+}}{A^{+}} \right) \quad A^{+} = 26$$

$$y^{+} = \frac{yu_{*}}{v} \qquad u_{*} = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_{w}}{\rho}}$$

Where wall shear is calculated at the middle of first grid point that is in the viscous sublayer. We can use shear stress definition in the viscous sublayer

$$\tau_w = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$$

And effective viscosity would be

$$v_e = v + v_t$$

The other unknown in the momentum equation is pressure coefficient. Which can be calculated from the wall shear as

$$C_p = \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = -2 \frac{\tau_w}{Radius}$$

Computational Domain

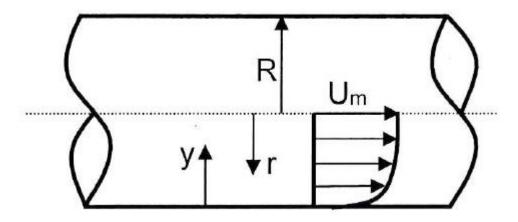


Figure 1: Computaional Domain

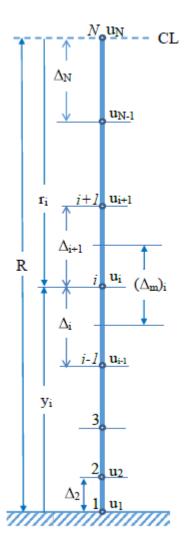


Figure 2: Grid

Grid is generated with constant ratio method

Ratio between any two neighbouring meshes is constan

$$\Delta Y_i = \beta \Delta_{i+1}$$

Distance between the last two mesh point can be calculated as

$$\Delta Y_N = \frac{H}{\sum_{i=0}^{N-2} \beta^i}$$

Mesh distribution can be completed marching down from N to 1

Boundary Conditions

Since this is an explicit solution, implementing Dirichlet boundary conditions are easy. It can be done equation the boundary values on the upper and lower limits

$$u = 0$$
 at $y = 0$ and $u = U_{max}$ at $y = R$

Initial condition

An initial velocity distribution to start the solution procedure is get from the power law.

$$u(y) = U_{max} \left(\frac{y}{R}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}}$$

Error

We can consider the ϵ_i^n term as error term, using this a general residual error can be calculated

$$Residual\ Error = \frac{\frac{1}{N-2}\sum_{i=2}^{N-1}|\epsilon_i^n|}{U_{max}}$$

Outputs

Required outputs can be calculated once the solution is converged

Discharge

$$Q = \int u \times dA$$

Above integral can be taken numerically as such

$$Q = 2\pi \sum_{i=2}^{N} \frac{r_i + r_{i-1}}{2} \times \frac{(u_i + u_{i-1})}{2} \times \Delta_i$$

Average velocity

$$V_{ave} = \frac{Q}{A}$$

Reynolds Number

$$Re = \frac{V_{ave} \times D}{v}$$

Friction factors

From experimental data, using Swamee-Jain formula

$$f_m = \frac{0.25}{\left[\log\left(\frac{k_s}{3.7D} + \frac{5.74}{Re^{0.9}}\right)\right]^2}$$

Since we assumed smooth pipe we can drop k_s term and equation becomes

$$f_m = \frac{0.25}{\left[\log\left(\frac{5.74}{Re^{0.9}}\right)\right]^2}$$

From the converged solution, using Darcy's friction factor

$$f_d = \frac{8\tau_w}{\rho V_{ave}^2}$$

Finally, diffusion number is calculated as

$$d_f = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x}$$
 or $(d_f)_i = \frac{(\nu_e)_i \Delta t}{(\Delta_i)^2}$

Input Data

$$U_{max}=2~rac{m}{s}$$
, $R=0.05~m$, $N=31$
$$u=1 imes10^{-6}rac{m^2}{s}$$
, $\beta=0.82$, $\Delta t=3.5 imes10^{-4}~s$
$$\rho=1000rac{kg}{m^3}$$
, $Number\ of\ iteration=100000$

Program Algorithm

- 1) Initialize the data using above data
 - a) Calculate Grid
 - b) Get initial velocity distribution using power law
- 2) Implement boundary conditions
- 3) Start solution loop
 - a) Calculate stresses
 - i) Wall shear, Cp, turbulent viscosity, effective viscosity
 - ii) Shear stresses calculated at midpoints and indexed such as $i-\frac{1}{2}=i$, $i+\frac{1}{2}=i+1$
 - b) Calculate Coefficients
 - i) A_i , C_i , ϵ_i^n
 - c) Update the Velocity profile
 - d) Calculate error
 - e) Calculate required output parameters on last iteration
- 4) End loop after 100000 iterations

Results and Discussion

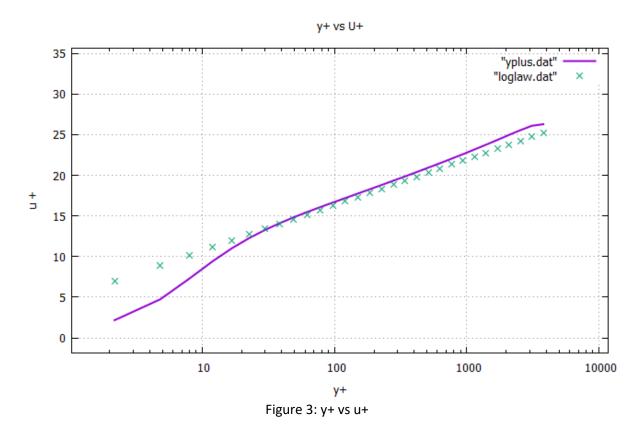


Figure 3 shows typical turbulent boundary layer behavior. It has same values with the log layer in the outer layer region and starts to differ in buffer and viscous sublayer. Note that y+ starts at almost 2 which is in the viscous sublayer range. This allows us to calculate wall shear using shear stress definition $\tau_w = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$.

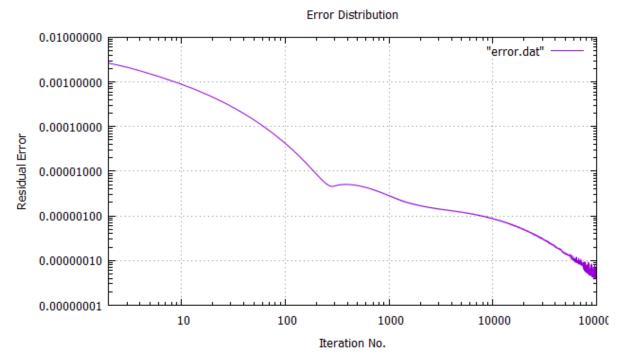


Figure 4: Error magnitudes at each iteration

Since it a transient solution, convergence takes a lot of iteration. Figure 4 illustrates the error distribution at each iteration. It takes almost a hundred thousand iteration for residual error to go below 10^{-7} . Also, toward the end of iterations error magnitude starts to fluctuate due to added up round-off errors. One hundred thousand iterations is a sweet spot that gives enough accuracy before solution blows up due to numerical errors.

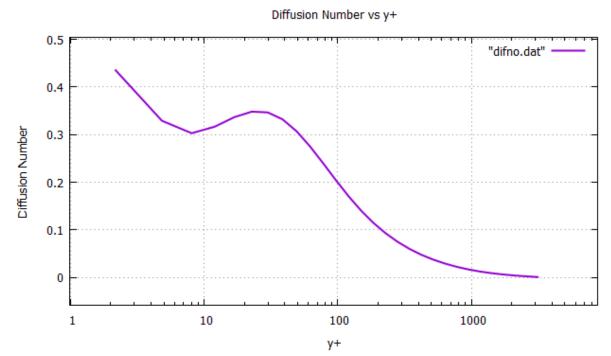


Figure 5: Diffusion number variation w.r.t. y+

To ensure stability of the solution we must choose diffusion number less than 0.5. From the definition of diffusion number $d_f = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Stability condition depends on the mesh size. As seen from figure 5 the biggest diffusion number is at the first grid point where the mesh is most refined. In other words, Δx is smallest. It is the critical point where the biggest times step is to be determined. This also means, we don't have to use same time step across the solution domain. Bigger time steps could be taken where the Δx is larger and reach convergence faster.

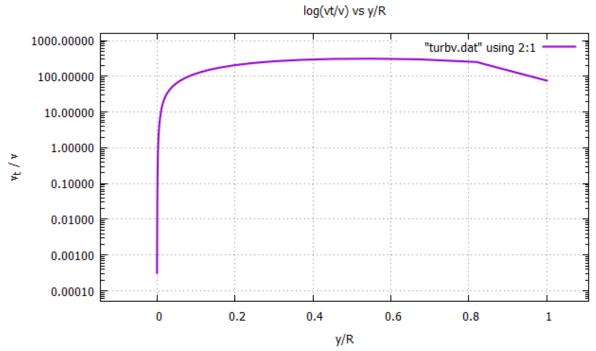


Figure 6: Ratio of turbulent viscosity to kinematic viscosity along y

Figure 5 shows the distribution of turbulent viscosity. The grid is refined enough that first grid point is in viscous sublayer which means kinematic viscosity is dominant. On the contrary, away from the wall turbulent viscosity becomes dominant quickly. The reason behind this behavior is mixing length theory which gives accurate results when first grid point is in the viscous sublayer.

Discharge (m^3/s)	Average Velocity (m/s)	Reynolds Number	Swamee-Jain Friction Factor(fm)	Darcy's Friction Factor(fd)	Error %
1.3387E-02	1.7039E+00	1.7039E+05	1.6028E-02	1.5966E-02	3.9016E-01

Table 1: Calculated Results

Swamee-Jain formula is valid for $5000 < Re < 10^8$. With resultant Re we can use this formula. Error between experimental friction factor and calculated one is only 3.9%. Considering experimental data reflects real life results and all the assumptions done, it could be said that mixing length theory gives very accurate results. To improve results, we may go to y+ 1 and perhaps use different turbulence modelling.

Program Listing

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program TurbulentPipeFlow
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         parameter (mx=31)
         common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
         common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
         common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
         common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
         common/error/u_old(mx),rel_err,iteration
         open(11,file='yplus.dat')
         open(22,file='error.dat')
         open(33,file='difno.dat')
         open(44,file='turbv.dat')
         open(55,file='loglaw.dat')
         iteration = 100000
         call init
         u(1) = 0.
         u(N) = u_max
         do i=1,iteration
               call stress
               call coefficients
                call update
               if (i.gt.1) then
                        call error_calc(test)
                        call output(i)
                endif
         enddo
         close(11)
         close(22)
         close(33)
         close(44)
         close(55)
         stop
         end
                                          Main Program
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```
subroutine init
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
common/error/u_old(mx),rel_err,iteration
u_max = 2.
vis = 1E-6
Beta = 0.82
rho = 1000.
Rad = 0.05
Beta = 0.82
N = mx
dT = 3.5E-4
call makegrid
call analytic
return
end
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Solution Initialization

```
subroutine makegrid
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
common/error/u old(mx),rel err,iteration
real sum
sum = 0.0
do i=0,N-2
      sum = sum + Beta**i
enddo
dy(N) = Rad/sum
y(N) = Rad
do i=N,2,-1
      y(i-1) = y(i)-dy(i)
      dy(i-1) = Beta*dy(i)
      yc(i) = (y(i)+y(i-1))/2.
 r(i) = Rad - y(i)
      rc(i) = Rad - yc(i)
enddo
r(1) = Rad
y(1) = 0.
return
end
                              Generation of Grid
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subroutine stress
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
tau = rho*vis*(u(2)-u(1))/dy(2)
us = sqrt(tau/rho)
Ap = 26.
do i=2,N
      yp(i) = yc(i)*us/vis
      fu(i) = 1-exp(-yp(i)/Ap)
sml(i) = Rad*(0.14-0.08*(1-(yc(i)/Rad))**2
-0.06*(1-(yc(i)/Rad))**4)*fu(i)
vist(i) = (sml(i)**2.)*((u(i)-u(i-1))/dy(i))
vise(i)= vist(i) + vis
enddo
Cp = -2.*(tau/Rad)
return
end
                               Stress Calculation
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subroutine coefficients
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
real term
do i=2,N-1
      term = (dy(i) + dy(i+1))
      A(i) = (2.*rc(i+1)) / (r(i)*term*dy(i+1))
      C(i) = (2.*rc(i)) / (r(i)*term*dy(i))
       eps(i) = dT*(-(Cp/rho) + A(i)*vise(i+1)*(u(i+1)-u(i))
   -C(i)*vise(i)*(u(i)-u(i-1)) )
enddo
return
end
                          Calculation of Coefficients
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subroutine error_calc
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
common/error/u_old(mx),rel_err,iteration
real ttest
rel_err = 0.0

do i=2,N-1
    rel_err = rel_err + ((1./(N-2)/u_max)*abs(eps(i)))
enddo

ttest = rel_err

return
end

Relative Error Calculaiton
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subroutine output(iter)
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u_max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
common/error/u old(mx),rel err,iteration
real U p(mx),law(mx),Dis,V ave,Re,fm,fd
integer iter
write(22,*) iter,rel err
if (iter.eq.iteration) then
      do k=2,N
              yp(k) = y(k)*us/vis
              U_p(k) = u(k)/us
              write(11,*) yp(k),U_p(k)
              law(k) = (1./0.41)*log(yp(k))+5.1
              write(55,*) yp(k),law(k)
               if (k.lt.N) then
                       df(k) = (0.5*(vise(k)+vise(k+1))*dT)/(dy(k)**2)
                       write(33,*) yp(k),df(k)
               endif
              write(44,*) vist(k)/vis, y(k)/Rad
      enddo
       call output_par(Dis,V_ave,Re,fm,fd)
       print*, "Discharge: Average Vel: Reynolds: fm:fd"
      print*, Dis,V_ave,Re,fm,fd
endif
return
end
                            Outpur the Paramaters
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subroutine output_par(discha,ave,reynolds,fr_m,fr_d)
parameter (mx=31)
common/flow/ rho,Rad,Cp,vis,vist(mx),vise(mx),u(mx),u max
common/grid/ Beta, y(mx),yc(mx),dy(mx),r(mx),rc(mx),N,df(mx)
common/turb/ sml(mx), fu(mx), yp(mx), Ap, us, tau
common/coef/ A(mx), C(mx), eps(mx), dT
common/error/u old(mx),rel err,iteration
real discha, ave, reynolds, fr_m, fr_d, pi
discha = 0.
pi = 22./7.
do i=2,N
      discha = discha + 2.*pi*rc(i)*((u(i)+u(i-1))/2.)*dy(i)
enddo
ave = discha/(pi*Rad**2)
Reynolds = 2.*ave*Rad/vis
fr m = 0.25/((log10(5.74/(Reynolds**0.9)))**2)
fr_d = (8.*tau)/(rho*ave**2)
return
end
                        Calculating Output Parameters
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