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- Weierstrass Institute of Applied Analysis and Stochastics
 - o goal: project-oriented research in Applied Mathematics
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- member of the Leibniz Association
- ullet pprox 120 researchers in eight research groups
- situated in the center of Berlin
- has been hosting permanent office of the International Mathematical Union (IMU) since 2011



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- 2016
- xiii+812 pages
- most of the book taught to master students (three semester course)
- extensive review: SIAM Review 60(1), 2018





1. The Navier–Stokes Equations as Model for Incompressible Flows



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1 A Model for Incompressible Flows

conservation laws

- o conservation of linear momentum
- conservation of mass
- flow variables
 - $\begin{array}{l} \circ ~~\rho(t, \boldsymbol{x}) : \text{density} \; [^{\mathrm{kg}}\!/^{\mathrm{m}^3}] \\ \circ ~~ \boldsymbol{v}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) : \text{velocity} \; [^{\mathrm{m}}\!/^{\mathrm{s}}] \end{array}$
 - $\circ~P(t, \pmb{x})$: pressure $[{\rm N}/{\rm m^2}]$

assumed to be sufficiently smooth in

- $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
- [0,T]







• change of fluid in arbitrary volume ω



• ω arbitrary \Longrightarrow continuity equation

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho \boldsymbol{v}) = 0$$

• incompressibility ($\rho = \text{const}$)

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







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• conservation of momentum: linear momentum in an arbitrary volume ω is given by

$$\int_{\omega} \rho \boldsymbol{v}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \quad [\text{Ns}]$$

o formulation analogously to conservation of mass

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\omega} \rho \boldsymbol{v}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = -\int_{\partial \omega} \left(\rho \boldsymbol{v}\right) \left(\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}\right) \left(t, \boldsymbol{s}\right) \, d\boldsymbol{s} + \int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{f}_{\text{net}}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \left[N\right]$$

with

$$\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}) = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 v_1 n_1 + v_1 v_2 n_2 + v_1 v_3 n_3 \\ v_2 v_1 n_1 + v_2 v_2 n_2 + v_2 v_3 n_3 \\ v_3 v_1 n_1 + v_3 v_2 n_2 + v_3 v_3 n_3 \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{v} \boldsymbol{v}^T \boldsymbol{n}$$





- conservation of momentum
 - integration by parts

$$\int_{\omega} \left(\partial_t \left(\rho \boldsymbol{v} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\rho \boldsymbol{v} \boldsymbol{v}^T \right) \right) (t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{f}_{\text{net}}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x}$$

o product rule

$$\begin{split} \int_{\omega} \left(\partial_t \rho \boldsymbol{v} + \rho \partial_t \boldsymbol{v} + \boldsymbol{v} \boldsymbol{v}^T \nabla \rho + \rho (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}) \boldsymbol{v} + \rho (\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{v} \right) (t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \\ = \int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{f}_{\text{net}}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \end{split}$$

 $\circ \
ho$ is constant ($\Longrightarrow \
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$$\int_{\omega} \rho \left(\partial_t \boldsymbol{v} + (\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{v} \right) (t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = \int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{f}_{\text{net}}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x}$$

 $\circ \omega$ arbitrary

$$\rho\left(\partial_t \boldsymbol{v} + (\boldsymbol{v}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{v}\right) = \boldsymbol{f}_{\mathrm{net}} \quad \forall\,t\in(0,T],\,\boldsymbol{x}\in\Omega$$





- acting forces on an arbitrary volume ω: sum of external (body) forces
 - gravity

and internal (molecular) forces

- pressure
- o viscous drag that a 'fluid element' exerts on the 'adjacent element'
- contact forces: act only on surface of 'fluid element'

$$\int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{F}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\partial \omega} \boldsymbol{t}(t, \boldsymbol{s}) \, d\boldsymbol{s}$$

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- $t \; \mathrm{[N/m^2]}$ Cauchy stress vector
- principle of Cauchy: internal contact forces depend (geometrically) only on the orientation of the surface

$$t = t(n)$$

 $m{n}$ – unit normal vector of the surface pointing outwards of ω



 it can be shown: conservation of linear momentum results in linear dependency on n

$$t = \mathbb{S}n$$

 $\mathbb{S}(t, \pmb{x}) \; [^{\rm N}\!/\!\mathrm{m^2}]$ – stress tensor, dimension 3×3

• divergence theorem

$$\int_{\partial \omega} \boldsymbol{t}(t, \boldsymbol{s}) \; d\boldsymbol{s} = \int_{\omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbb{S}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \; d\boldsymbol{x}$$

• momentum equation

$$\rho\left(\partial_t \boldsymbol{v} + (\boldsymbol{v}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{v}\right) = \nabla\cdot\mathbb{S} + \boldsymbol{F} \quad \forall \, t \in (0,T], \; \boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega$$







- model for the stress tensor
 - torque

$$\boldsymbol{M}_{\boldsymbol{0}} = \int_{\omega} \boldsymbol{r} \times \boldsymbol{F} \, d\boldsymbol{x} + \int_{\partial \omega} \boldsymbol{r} \times (\mathbb{S}\boldsymbol{n}) \, d\boldsymbol{s} \quad [\mathrm{Nm}]$$

at equilibrium is zero \Longrightarrow symmetry $\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{S}^T$

decomposition

$$\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{V} + P\mathbb{I}$$

 $\mathbb{V}\left[\mathrm{^{N}/m^{2}}\right]$ – viscous stress tensor

 $\circ~$ pressure P acts only normal to the surface, directed into ω

$$-\int_{\partial\omega} P\boldsymbol{n} \, d\boldsymbol{s} = -\int_{\omega} \nabla P \, d\boldsymbol{x} = -\int_{\omega} \nabla \cdot (P\mathbb{I}) \, d\boldsymbol{x}$$





- model for the stress tensor (cont.)
 - o viscous stress tensor
 - friction between fluid particles can only occur if the particles move with different velocities
 - \implies viscous stress tensor depends on gradient of velocity
 - because of symmetry: on symmetric part of the gradient: velocity deformation tensor

$$\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}\right) = \frac{\nabla \boldsymbol{v} + \left(\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\right)^{T}}{2}$$

- velocity not too large: dependency is linear (Newtonian fluids)

$$\mathbb{V} = 2\mu \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}\right) + \left(\zeta - \frac{2\mu}{3}\right)\left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}\right)\mathbb{I}$$

 $\mu \; [\rm ^{kg/m \; s}] - {\rm dynamic \; or \; shear \; viscosity} \\ \zeta \; [\rm ^{kg/m \; s}] - {\rm second \; order \; viscosity} \\$





• general Navier–Stokes equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \rho\left(\partial_{t}\boldsymbol{v}+(\boldsymbol{v}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{v}\right)\\ -2\nabla\cdot\left(\mu\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}\right)\right)-\nabla\cdot\left(\left(\zeta-\frac{2\mu}{3}\right)\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}\mathbb{I}\right)+\nabla P &=& \boldsymbol{F} \quad \text{in} \ (0,T]\times\Omega,\\ \partial_{t}\rho+\nabla\cdot\left(\rho\boldsymbol{v}\right) &=& 0 \quad \text{in} \ (0,T]\times\Omega \end{array}$$





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• incompressible flows: incompressible Navier-Stokes equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \partial_t \boldsymbol{v} - 2\nu \nabla \cdot \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}\right) + (\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{v} + \nabla \frac{P}{\rho_0} &=& \frac{\boldsymbol{F}}{\rho_0} & \text{in } (0,T] \times \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} &=& 0 & \text{in } (0,T] \times \Omega \end{array}$$



1 Navier–Stokes Equations



Claude Louis Marie Henri Navier (1785 – 1836)
 George Gabriel Stokes (1819 – 1903)





- dimensionless equations needed for (numerical) analysis and numerical simulations
- reference quantities of flow problem
 - $\circ~L~{\rm [m]}$ a characteristic length scale (diameter of a channel, diameter of a body in the flow)
 - $\circ~U~[{\rm m/s}]$ a characteristic velocity scale (inflow velocity)
 - $\circ T^* [s]$ a characteristic time scale (period in periodic flows)
- transform of variables

$$oldsymbol{x} = rac{oldsymbol{x}'}{L}, \quad oldsymbol{u} = rac{oldsymbol{v}}{U}, \quad t = rac{t'}{T^*}$$

rescaling

$$\begin{split} \frac{L}{UT^*}\partial_t \boldsymbol{u} &- \frac{2\nu}{UL}\nabla\cdot\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{u}\right) + (\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{u} + \nabla\frac{P}{\rho_0U^2} &= \quad \frac{L}{\rho_0U^2}\boldsymbol{F} & \text{ in } (0,T]\times\Omega, \\ \nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u} &= \quad 0 & \text{ in } (0,T]\times\Omega \end{split}$$







• defining

$$p=\frac{P}{\rho_0 U^2}, \quad \mathrm{Re}=\frac{UL}{\nu}, \quad \mathrm{St}=\frac{L}{UT^*}, \quad \boldsymbol{f}=\frac{L}{\rho_0 U^2}\boldsymbol{F}$$

p – new pressure

- Re Reynolds number
- St Strouhal number
- f new right-hand side
- result

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{St}\partial_t \boldsymbol{u} &- \frac{2}{\mathrm{Re}} \nabla \cdot \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{u}\right) + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &= \boldsymbol{f} \quad \mathrm{in}\left(\boldsymbol{0}, T\right] \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= \boldsymbol{0} \quad \mathrm{in}\left(\boldsymbol{0}, T\right] \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} \end{split}$$

• generally $T^* = L/U \implies \operatorname{St} = 1$



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- dimensionless Navier–Stokes equations
 - conservation of linear momentum
 - conservation of mass

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \partial_t \boldsymbol{u} - 2 \mathsf{R} \mathrm{e}^{-1} \nabla \cdot \mathbb{D}(\boldsymbol{u}) + \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^T) + \nabla p &=& \boldsymbol{f} & \text{ in } (0,T] \times \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &=& 0 & \text{ in } (0,T] \times \Omega, \\ \boldsymbol{u}(0,\boldsymbol{x}) &=& \boldsymbol{u}_0 & \text{ in } \Omega \end{array}$

+ boundary conditions

- given:
- $\circ \ \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d, d \in \{2,3\}$: domain
- $\circ T$: final time
- f: external forces
- \circ $oldsymbol{u}_0$: initial velocity
- boundary conditions
- parameter: Reynolds number Re

- to compute:
- \circ velocity $oldsymbol{u}$, with

$$\mathbb{D}(\boldsymbol{u}) = \frac{\nabla \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^T}{2},$$

velocity deformation tensor

 \circ pressure p





• Reynolds number

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Re} &= \frac{LU}{\nu} \\ &= \frac{\mathsf{convective forces}}{\mathsf{viscous forces}} \end{aligned}$$



Osborne Reynolds (1842 - 1912)

- rough classification of flows:
 - Re small: steady-state flow field (if data do not depend on time)
 - Re larger: laminar time-dependent flow field
 - Re very large: turbulent flows





• simplified form (for mathematics)

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{u} - 2\nu \nabla \cdot \mathbb{D} (\boldsymbol{u}) + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p = \boldsymbol{f} \quad \text{in } (0, T] \times \Omega,$$

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• alternative expression of viscous term (due to $\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$)

$$2\nabla \cdot \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{u}\right) = \Delta \boldsymbol{u}$$

• alternative expression of convective term (due to $abla \cdot oldsymbol{u} = 0$)

$$(\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{u}=\nabla\cdot(\boldsymbol{u}\boldsymbol{u}^T)$$





• special cases

o steady-state Navier-Stokes equations: stationary flow fields

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• Stokes equations: no convection (appears in numerical algorithms)

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -\Delta \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &=& \boldsymbol{f} & \mbox{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &=& 0 & \mbox{in } \Omega \end{array}$$





• boundary conditions

• Dirichlet boundary conditions (inflows)

 $oldsymbol{u}(t,oldsymbol{x})=oldsymbol{g}(t,oldsymbol{x})$ in $(0,T] imes\Gamma_{\mathrm{diri}}\subset\Gamma$

 $oldsymbol{g}(t,oldsymbol{x}) = oldsymbol{0}$ – no slip boundary condition (walls)

$$\boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) = \boldsymbol{0} \iff \boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = 0, \ \boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{t}_1 = 0, \ \boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{t}_2 = 0$$

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o free slip boundary condition (e.g., symmetry planes)

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} &= g \quad \text{in} \ (0,T] \times \Gamma_{\text{slip}} \subset \Gamma, \\ \boldsymbol{n}^T \mathbb{S} \boldsymbol{t}_k &= 0 \quad \text{in} \ (0,T] \times \Gamma_{\text{slip}}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq d-1 \end{aligned}$$

g = 0 – no penetration





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 - do-nothing boundary conditions (outflow)

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 \circ periodic boundary conditions (only for analysis, $\Omega = (0, l)^d$)

$$\boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x} + l\boldsymbol{e}_i) = \boldsymbol{u}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \quad \forall (t, \boldsymbol{x}) \in (0, T] \times \Gamma$$



- coupling of velocity and pressure
- nonlinearity of the convective term
- $\circ\;$ the convective term dominates the viscous term, i.e., u is small







2. Finite Element Spaces for Linear Saddle Point Problems



motivation

- iterative solution of Navier–Stokes equations leads to linear systems of equations
- linear systems have special form: saddle point problem (no pressure contribution in second equation)
- sufficient and necessary condition on unique solvability needed
- can be derived in abstract form, see [1,2]

[1] Girault, Raviart: Finite Element Methods for Navier-Stokes Equations 1986

[2] J.: Finite Element Methods for Incompressible Flow Problems 2016, Chapter 3.1






- spaces: V, Q real Hilbert spaces
- bilinear forms:

$$a(\cdot, \cdot) \ : \ V \times V \to \mathbb{R}, \quad b(\cdot, \cdot) \ : \ V \times Q \to \mathbb{R}$$

- linear problem: Find $(u,p) \in V \times Q$ such that for given $(f,r) \in V' \times Q'$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} a(u,v) + b(v,p) &=& \langle f,v \rangle_{V',V} & \forall \ v \in V, \\ b(u,q) &=& \langle r,q \rangle_{Q',Q} & \forall \ q \in Q \end{array}$$

• conditions on the spaces and bilinear forms necessary





• associated linear operators

$$\begin{array}{ll} A\in\mathcal{L}\left(V,V'\right) & \text{defined by} & \langle Au,v\rangle_{V',V}=a(u,v) \quad \forall \; u,v\in V\\ B\in\mathcal{L}\left(V,Q'\right) & \text{defined by} & \langle Bu,q\rangle_{Q',Q}=b(u,q) \quad \forall \; u\in V, \; \forall \; q\in Q \end{array}$$

- dual operator: $B' \in \mathcal{L}(Q,V')$ defined by

$$\langle B'q,v\rangle_{V',V}=\langle Bv,q\rangle_{Q',Q}=b(v,q) \quad \forall \; v\in V, \; \forall \; q\in Q$$

- linear problem in operator form: Find $(u,p) \in V \times Q$ such that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} Au & +B'p & = & f & \mbox{in } V', \\ Bu & & = & r & \mbox{in } Q' \end{array}$$



• for finite-dimensional spaces, problem can be written in matrix-vector form

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{f} \\ \underline{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n_V + n_Q) \times (n_V + n_Q)},$$

unique solution \iff matrix has full rank

• necessary condition: $n_Q \leq n_V$

 $\circ~$ last rows of the system matrix span space of at most dimension n_V

- assume that A is non-singular, then the system matrix is non-singular if and only if B has full rank, i.e., rank $(B) = n_Q$
- $\operatorname{rank}(B) = n_Q$ if and only if

$$\inf_{\underline{q}\in\mathbb{R}^{n_Q}\setminus\underline{0}}\sup_{\underline{v}\in\mathbb{R}^{n_V}\setminus\underline{0}}\frac{\underline{v}^TB^T\underline{q}}{\|\underline{v}\|_2\|\underline{q}\|_2}\geq\beta>0$$

 $\circ~$ proof much simpler as for infinite-dimensional case, board p. 29





spaces

$$\circ V_0 := V(0) = \ker(B), \quad V = V_0^{\perp} \oplus V_0$$

$$\circ \tilde{V}' = \{ \phi \in V' : \langle \phi, v \rangle_{V', V} = 0 \ \forall \ v \in V_0 \} \subset V'$$

- inf-sup condition: The three following properties are equivalent:
 - i) There exists a constant $\beta_{\rm is}>0$ such that

$$\inf_{q \in Q} \sup_{v \in V} \frac{b(v,q)}{\|v\|_V \|q\|_Q} \ge \beta_{\mathrm{is}}.$$

ii) The operator B' is an isomorphism from Q onto \tilde{V}' and

$$\|B'q\|_{V'} \ge \beta_{\mathrm{is}} \, \|q\|_Q \quad \forall \ q \in Q.$$

iii) The operator B is an isomorphism from V_0^\perp onto Q' and

$$\|Bv\|_{Q'} \ge \beta_{\mathrm{is}} \|v\|_V \quad \forall v \in V_0^{\perp}.$$





- derived in [1]
- related condition derived already in [2]: Babuška-Brezzi condition
- sometimes: Ladyzhenskaya-Babuška-Brezzi condition, LBB condition

[1] Brezzi: Rev. Française Automat. Informat. Recherche Opérationnelle Sér. Rouge 8, 129–151, 1974

[2] Babuška: Numer. Math. 16, 322-333, 1971



- sufficient and necessary conditions for unique solution of saddle point problem can be formulated with projection operator, see [1]
- sufficient conditions
 - $\circ a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is V_0 -elliptic, i.e., there is a constant lpha > 0 such that

$$a(v,v) \ge \alpha \left\| v \right\|_{V}^{2} \quad \forall \ v \in V_{0}$$

 $\circ \ b(\cdot, \cdot)$ satisfies inf-sup condition

[1] J.: Finite Element Methods for Incompressible Flow Problems 2016, Chapter 3.1





- for simplicity: Dirichlet boundary conditions on whole boundary
- velocity space

$$V = H_0^1\left(\Omega\right) = \left\{ \boldsymbol{v} \ : \ \boldsymbol{v} \in H^1(\Omega) \text{ with } \boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{0} \text{ on } \partial\Omega \right\}$$

with

$$(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) = \int_{\Omega} \left(\nabla \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla \boldsymbol{w} \right) (\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x}, \quad \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_{V} := \|\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$

e: $V' = H^{-1}(\Omega)$

dual space: $V'=H^{-1}(\Omega)$





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• pressure space

$$Q = L_0^2\left(\Omega\right) = \left\{q \ : \ q \in L^2(\Omega) \text{ with } \int_{\Omega} q(\boldsymbol{x}) \ d\boldsymbol{x} = 0\right\}$$

with

$$(q,r) = \int_{\Omega} (qr)(\boldsymbol{x}) \; d\boldsymbol{x}, \quad \|q\|_Q = \|q\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$$

 $\bullet \ \ {\rm dual \ space:} \ Q' = Q$







• bilinear form for coupling velocity and pressure

$$b(oldsymbol{v},q) = -\int_{\Omega} q
abla \cdot oldsymbol{v} \ doldsymbol{x} = -(
abla \cdot oldsymbol{v},q) \quad oldsymbol{v} \in V, \ q \in Q$$





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divergence operator

$$\mathsf{div} \ : \ V \to \operatorname{range}(\mathsf{div}), \quad \boldsymbol{v} \mapsto \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

- it can be shown: $\mathrm{range}(\mathsf{div}) = Q'$
- associated linear operator: negative divergence operator

$$B \in \mathcal{L}(V,Q'), \quad B = -\operatorname{div}$$







• dual operator: gradient operator

$$\mathsf{grad} \ : \ Q \to \mathsf{range}(\mathsf{grad}), \quad q \mapsto \nabla q$$

with

$$B' \in \mathcal{L}(Q,V'), \quad B' = \operatorname{grad}$$





grad :
$$Q \to \text{range}(\text{grad}), \quad q \mapsto \nabla q$$

with

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• kernel of B: space of weakly divergence-free functions

$$V_0 = V_{\text{div}} = \{ \boldsymbol{v} \in V : (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, q) = 0 \forall q \in Q \}$$







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- proof: board, p. 45
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• boundedness and continuity of $b(\cdot, \cdot)$

$$|b(\boldsymbol{v},q)| \le \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_V \|q\|_Q$$

proof: board, p. 47





2 Continuous Incompressible Flow Problems

- one can show: div is an isomorphism from $V_{\rm div}^\perp$ onto Q
- corollary: each pressure is the divergence of a velocity field: for each *q* ∈ *Q* there is a unique *v* ∈ *V*[⊥]_{div} ⊂ *V* such that

$$abla \cdot oldsymbol{v} = q \quad ext{and} \quad \|q\|_Q \leq \|oldsymbol{v}\|_V\,, \quad \|oldsymbol{v}\|_V \leq C\,\|q\|_Q$$

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 $\circ~$ proof: board, p. 50





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- o proof: board, p. 50
- V and Q satisfy the inf-sup condition, i.e., there is a $\beta_{\rm is}>0$ such that

$$\inf_{q \in Q} \sup_{\boldsymbol{v} \in V} \frac{(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, q)}{\|\boldsymbol{v}\|_V \|q\|_Q} \geq \beta_{\mathrm{is}}$$

proof: board, p. 51







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- idea: replace infinite-dimensional spaces ${\cal V}$ and ${\cal Q}$ by finite-dimensional spaces
- finite element spaces
 - $\circ V^h$ finite element velocity space
 - $\circ Q^h$ finite element pressure space
 - $\circ \ V^h/Q^h \,{-}\, {\rm pair}$
- conforming finite element spaces: $V^h \subset V$ and $Q^h \subset Q$







• bilinear form $a^h~:~V^h\times V^h\to \mathbb{R}$

$$a^{h}\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},oldsymbol{w}^{h}
ight):=\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(
ablaoldsymbol{v}^{h},
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ight)_{K}\overset{ ext{if conf.}}{=}\left(
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- $\circ \ \mathcal{T}^h \text{triangulation of } \Omega \\ \circ \ K \in \mathcal{T}^h \text{mesh cells}$
- bilinear form $b^h \ : \ V^h \times Q^h \to \mathbb{R}$

$$b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right):=-\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)_{K}\overset{\text{if conf.}}{=}-\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)$$

• norm in velocity finite element space

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right\|_{V^{h}}^{2}=\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)_{V^{h}}=\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)_{K}\overset{\text{if conf.}}{=}\left(\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)$$





$$\inf_{q^h \in Q^h \setminus \{0\}} \sup_{\boldsymbol{v}^h \in V^h \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}} \frac{b^h\left(\boldsymbol{v}^h, q^h\right)}{\|\boldsymbol{v}^h\|_{V^h} \|q^h\|_{L^2(\Omega)}} \geq \beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h > 0$$

- $\circ~$ not inherited from inf-sup condition fulfilled by V and Q
- o discussion: board, p. 53







• space of discretely divergence-free functions

$$V_{\mathrm{div}}^{h} = \left\{ \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h} \ : \ b^{h} \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}, q^{h} \right) = 0 \ \forall \ q^{h} \in Q^{h} \right\}$$

- generally very hard to construct
- generally $V_{\mathrm{div}}^h \not\subset V_{\mathrm{div}}$
 - o finite element velocities not weakly or pointwise divergence-free
 - \circ conservation of mass violated \Longrightarrow Chapter 5
- best approximation estimate for $V^h_{
 m div}$. Let $v \in V_{
 m div}$ and let the discrete inf-sup condition hold, then

$$\inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V_{\mathrm{div}}^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \right) \inf_{\boldsymbol{w}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{w}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$

for certain pairs of finite element spaces estimate with local inf-sup constant [1]



^[1] Girault, Scott; Calcolo 40, 1-19, 2003



• piecewise constant finite elements P_0 , (Q_0)



one degree of freedom (d.o.f.) per mesh cell

• continuous piecewise linear finite elements P_1



d d.o.f. per mesh cell





• continuous piecewise quadratic finite elements P_2



(d+1)(d+2)/2 d.o.f. per mesh cell

• continuous piecewise bilinear finite elements Q_1



 2^d d.o.f. per mesh cell

• and so on for continuous finite elements of higher order

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• nonconforming linear finite elements P_1^{nc} , Crouzeix, Raviart (1973)



d+1 d.o.f. per mesh cell





• rotated bilinear finite element Q_1^{rot} , Rannacher, Turek (1992)



- o continuous only in barycenters of faces
- $\circ 2d$ d.o.f. per mesh cell
- discontinuous linear finite element $P_1^{\rm disc}$
 - o defined by integral nodal functionals

e.g., $\varphi^h \in P_1^{\mathrm{disc}}$ if φ^h is linear on a mesh cell K (2d) and

$$\int_{K} \varphi^{h}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = 0, \ \int_{K} x \varphi^{h}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = 1, \ \int_{K} y \varphi^{h}(\boldsymbol{x}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} = 0$$

 $\circ d+1$ d.o.f. per mesh cell





- criterion for violation of discrete inf-sup condition: there is non-trivial $q^h \in Q^h$ such that

$$b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)=0 \quad \forall \; \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\in V^{h}$$

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\in V^{h}\setminus\{\boldsymbol{0}\}}\frac{b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)}{\|\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\|_{V^{h}}}=0$$



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 $b^h(\boldsymbol{v}^h, a^h)$

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{v}^h \in V^h \setminus \{\boldsymbol{0}\}} \frac{\boldsymbol{v}^{(1,1)}}{\|\boldsymbol{v}^h\|_{V^h}} = 0$$

- P_1/P_1 pair of finite element spaces violates discrete inf-sup condition
 - o counter example: checkerboard instability, board p. 63





- other pairs which violated discrete inf-sup condition
 - $\circ P_1/P_0$
 - $\circ \ Q_1/Q_0$
 - $\circ P_k/P_k, k \geq 1$
 - $\circ \ Q_k/Q_k, k \ge 1$
 - $\circ \ P_k/P_{k-1}^{
 m disc}, \, k \geq 2,$ on a special macro cell
- summary:
 - o many easy to implement pairs violate discrete inf-sup condition
 - different finite element spaces for velocity and pressure necessary





2 FE Spaces Satisfying the Discrete Inf-Sup Condition



- pairs which fulfill discrete inf-sup condition
 - P_k/P_{k-1} , Q_k/Q_{k-1} : Taylor–Hood finite elements [1]
 - proofs: 2D, k = 2 [2], general [3,4]
 - $\circ Q_k/P_{k-1}^{\mathrm{disc}}$
 - $\circ \ P_k/P_{k-1}^{
 m disc}, k\geq d$, on very special meshes (Scott–Vogelius element)
 - $\circ P_1^{
 m bubble}/P_1$, MINI element
 - $\circ P_k^{\text{bubble}}/P_{k-1}^{ ext{disc}}$ [5]
 - $P_1^{\rm nc}/P_0$, Crouzeix–Raviart element [6]
 - $\circ \ Q_1^{
 m rot}/Q_0$, Rannacher–Turek element [7]
 - o :

[1] Taylor, Hood; Comput. Fluids 1, 73-100, 1973

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- [4] Boffi; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 34, 664-670, 1997
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- [7] Rannacher, Turek; Numer. Meth. Part. Diff. Equ. 8, 97-111, 1992



2 FE Spaces Satisfying the Discrete Inf-Sup Condition

- techniques for proving the discrete inf-sup condition
 - construction of Fortin operator [1]
 - using projection to piecewise constant pressure [2]
 - macroelement techniques [3,4]
 - criterion from [5] for continuous finite element pressure: to show

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h} \setminus \{\boldsymbol{0}\}} \frac{b(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}, q^{h})}{\|\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\|_{V}} \geq \beta_{2} \left(\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} h_{K}^{2} \left\| \nabla q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \quad \forall \ q^{h} \in Q^{h}$$

survey in [6]

- [1] Fortin; RAIRO Anal. Numér. 11, 341-354, 1977
- [2] Brezzi, Bathe; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 82, 27-57, 1990
- [3] Boland, Nicolaides; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 20, 722-731, 1983
- [4] Stenberg; Math. Comp. 32, 9-23, 1984
- [5] Verfürth; RAIRO Anal. Numér. 18, 175-18, 1984
- [6] Boffi, Brezzi, Fortin; Lecture Notes in Mathematics 1939, Springer, 45-100, 2008





- connection between the continuous and the discrete inf-sup condition
 - $\circ~$ let $V\!,Q$ satisfy the continuous inf-sup condition
 - $\circ \ \ \mathrm{let} \ V^h \subset V \ \mathrm{and} \ Q^h \subset Q$
 - $\circ \implies V^h$ and Q^h satisfy the discrete inf-sup condition if and only if there exists a constant $\gamma^h > 0$, independent of h, such that for all $v \in V$ there is an element $P^h_{\text{For}} v \in V^h$ with

$$b\left(\boldsymbol{v},q^{h}\right)=b\left(P_{\mathrm{For}}^{h}\boldsymbol{v},q^{h}\right) \quad \forall \; q^{h}\in Q^{h} \quad \text{and} \quad \left\|P_{\mathrm{For}}^{h}\boldsymbol{v}\right\|_{V}\leq \gamma^{h} \left\|\boldsymbol{v}\right\|_{V}$$

 $\circ \text{ proof} \iff: \text{board p. 73}$





• general approach for constructing Fortin operator

$$P_{\text{For}}^{h} \in \mathcal{L}(V, V^{h}) \quad \boldsymbol{v} \mapsto P_{\text{Cle}}^{h} \boldsymbol{v} + P_{2}^{h} \left(\boldsymbol{v} - P_{\text{Cle}}^{h} \boldsymbol{v} \right)$$

with

 $\circ \ P^h_{\rm Cle}$ – Clément operator (modification which preserves homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions)

0

$$\left\|P_2^h \boldsymbol{v}\right\|_{H^1(K)} \leq C\left(h_K^{-1} \left\|\boldsymbol{v}\right\|_{L^2(K)} + |\boldsymbol{v}|_{H^1(K)}\right), \quad \forall \ K \in \mathcal{T}^h, \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{v} \in V$$

- used to prove, e.g., inf-sup condition for MINI element $P_1 \oplus V^h_{
 m bub}/P_1$ [1],
- Fortin operator approach can be extended to Crouzeix–Raviart element $P_1^{\rm nc}/P_0$ and Rannacher–Turek element $Q_1^{\rm rot}/Q_0$

[1] Arnold, Brezzi, Fortin; Calcolo 21, 337-344, 1984





2 Macroelement Techniques

- goal: reduce proof of global inf-sup condition to proof of local inf-sup conditions
- Boland, Nicolaides (1983)
 - $\circ \ Q_k/P_{k-1}^{
 m disc}, \, k \geq 2$ (unmapped [1], mapped [2])
- Stenberg (1984)
 - $\circ~$ Taylor–Hood $P_k/P_{k-1},\,Q_k/Q_{k-1},\,k\geq 2$ [3]
 - $\circ~$ unmapped $Q_2/P_1^{
 m disc}$ in 2d [4]
 - $\circ~$ Scott–Vogelius $P_k/P_{k-1}^{\rm disc}, k\geq 3,$ in 3d on barycentric meshes [5]
- general theory for both approaches somewhat technical

[1] Girault, Raviart; Springer-Verlag, 1986

- [2] Matthies, Tobiska; Computing 69, 119-139, 2002
- [3] Stenberg; Math. Comp. 54, 495-508, 1990
- [4] Stenberg; Math. Comp. 32, 9-23, 1984
- [5] Zhang; Math. Comp. 74, 543-554, 2005





- from Riesz representation theorem: there is $m{v}^h_b \in V^h$ such that for fixed $q^h \in Q^h$

$$\left(\boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)_{V^{h}} = b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}, q^{h}\right) \quad \forall \; \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}$$

- it follows for all $oldsymbol{v}^h \in V^h$

$$b^{h}\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)\leq\left\|oldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}
ight\|_{V^{h}}\left\|oldsymbol{v}^{h}
ight\|_{V^{h}}\ \Longrightarrow\ \sup_{oldsymbol{v}^{h}\in V^{h}ackslash\{oldsymbol{0}\}}rac{b^{h}\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)}{\left\|oldsymbol{v}^{h}
ight\|_{V^{h}}}\leq\left\|oldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}
ight\|_{V^{h}}$$

• supremum is attained, since

$$\frac{b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h},q^{h}\right)}{\left\|\boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}\right\|_{V^{h}}} = \left\|\boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}\right\|_{V^{h}} \implies \boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h} = \operatorname*{arg\,sup}_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h} \setminus \{\boldsymbol{0}\}} \frac{b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)}{\left\|\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right\|_{V^{h}}}$$

it follows

$$\left(\beta_{\rm is}^{h}\right)^{2} = \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h} \setminus \{0\}} \sup_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\left(b^{h}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}, q^{h}\right)\right)^{2}}{\|\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\|_{V^{h}}^{2} \|q^{h}\|_{Q}^{2}} = \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|\boldsymbol{v}_{b}^{h}\|_{V^{h}}^{2}}{\|q^{h}\|_{Q}^{2}}$$





2 Computing the Discrete Inf-Sup Constant



• equip spaces with bases \Longrightarrow Gramian matrices

$$M_{V} = \left(\left(\phi_{j}^{h}, \phi_{i}^{h} \right)_{V^{h}} \right)_{i,j=1}^{N_{u}}, \quad M_{Q} = \left(\left(\psi_{j}^{h}, \psi_{i}^{h} \right)_{Q_{h}} \right)_{i,j=1}^{N_{p}}$$

and bilinear forms and norms

$$(\boldsymbol{v}_b^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h)_{V^h} = \underline{b}^T M_V^T \underline{v}, \quad b^h (\boldsymbol{v}^h, q^h) = \underline{v}^T B^T \underline{q}, \quad \left\| \boldsymbol{v}_b^h \right\|_{V^h}^2 = \underline{b}^T M_V^T \underline{b}$$

• one obtains from Riesz condition

$$\underline{b}^T M_V^T \underline{v} = \underline{v}^T B^T \underline{q} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \underline{v}^T M_V \underline{b} = \underline{v}^T B^T \underline{q} \quad \forall \ \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u},$$

from what follows that

$$M_V \underline{b} = B^T \underline{q} \implies \underline{b} = M_V^{-1} B^T \underline{q}$$

• inserting in discrete inf-sup condition

$$\begin{split} \left(\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}\right)^{2} &= \inf_{\underline{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{q}} \setminus \{\underline{0}\}} \frac{\underline{b}^{T} M_{V}^{T} \underline{b}}{\underline{q}^{T} M_{Q}^{T} \underline{q}} = \inf_{\underline{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{q}} \setminus \{\underline{0}\}} \frac{\underline{q}^{T} B M_{V}^{-T} M_{V}^{T} M_{V}^{-1} B^{T} \underline{q}}{\underline{q}^{T} M_{Q}^{T} \underline{q}} \\ &= \inf_{\underline{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{q}} \setminus \{\underline{0}\}} \frac{\underline{q}^{T} B M_{V}^{-1} B^{T} \underline{q}}{\underline{q}^{T} M_{Q}^{T} \underline{q}} \end{split}$$


• M_V and M_Q are symmetric and positive definite

$$\frac{\left(\underline{q}^{T}M_{Q}^{1/2}\right)\left(M_{Q}^{-1/2}BM_{V}^{-T/2}\right)\left(M_{V}^{-1/2}B^{T}M_{Q}^{-T/2}\right)\left(M_{Q}^{T/2}\underline{q}\right)}{\left(\underline{q}^{T}M_{Q}^{1/2}\right)\left(M_{Q}^{T/2}\underline{q}\right)}$$

 \implies Rayleigh quotient

• infimum is smallest eigenvalue of

$$\left(M_Q^{-1/2} B M_V^{-T/2}\right) \left(M_V^{-1/2} B^T M_Q^{-T/2}\right) \left(M_Q^{T/2} \underline{q}\right) = \lambda \left(M_Q^{T/2} \underline{q}\right)$$

or (multiply with $M_Q^{1/2}$)

$$BM_V^{-1}B^T\underline{q} = \lambda M_Q\underline{q}$$

 discrete inf-sup constant is square root of smallest eigenvalue of this generalized eigenvalue problem







3. Finite Element Error Analysis of the Stokes Equations





• continuous equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &= \boldsymbol{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \end{aligned}$$
 (1)

for simplicity: homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

- difficulty: coupling of velocity and pressure
- properties
 - linear
 - \circ form

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -\nu\Delta \boldsymbol{u}+\nabla p &=& \boldsymbol{f} & \mbox{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla\cdot \boldsymbol{u} &=& 0 & \mbox{in } \Omega \end{array}$$

becomes (1) by rescaling with new pressure, right-hand side





- finite element problem: Find $({m u}^h,p^h)\in V^h imes Q^h$ such that

$$egin{array}{rcl} a^h\left(oldsymbol{u}^h,oldsymbol{v}^h
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with

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• only conforming inf-sup stable finite element spaces • $V^h \subset V$ and $Q^h \subset Q$ • • $\inf_{q^h \in Q^h \setminus \{0\}} \sup_{v^h \in V^h \setminus \{0\}} \frac{b^h(v^h, q^h)}{\|v^h\|_{V^h} \|g^h\|_{V^{(\alpha)}}} \ge \beta_{is}^h > 0$





• apply theory of linear saddle point problems





3 Finite Element Analysis

- existence and uniqueness of a solution
 - apply theory of linear saddle point problems
- stability

$$\left\|\nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq \left\|\boldsymbol{f}\right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}, \quad \left\|\boldsymbol{p}^{h}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq \frac{2}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \left\|\boldsymbol{f}\right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

o proof: same as for continuous problem, board, p. 139







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 - best approximation errors depend only on finite element spaces, not on problem
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- reduction to a problem on the space of discretely divergence-free functions

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- finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the gradient of the velocity • $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, bounded, polyhedral, Lipschitz-continuous boundary
 - general case: $V_{\text{div}}^h \not\subset V_{\text{div}}$

$$\begin{split} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq 2 \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V_{\text{div}}^{h}} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &+ \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \end{split}$$

- o proof: board, p. 146/147
- velocity error (bound) depends on pressure





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- o proof: board, p. 146/147
- velocity error (bound) depends on pressure
- polyhedral domain in three dimensions which is not Lipschitzcontinuous







o same assumptions as for previous estimate

$$\begin{split} \left\| p - p^h \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} &\leq \quad \frac{2}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^h \in V_{\mathrm{div}}^h} \left\| \nabla(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^h) \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &+ \left(1 + \frac{2}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} \right) \inf_{q^h \in Q^h} \left\| p - q^h \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \end{split}$$

o proof: board, p. 149







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• regular dual Stokes problem: For given $\hat{f} \in L^2(\Omega)$, find $(\phi_{\hat{f}}, \xi_{\hat{f}}) \in V \times Q$ such that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -\Delta \phi_{\hat{f}} + \nabla \xi_{\hat{f}} &=& \hat{f} & \mbox{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \phi_{\hat{f}} &=& 0 & \mbox{in } \Omega \end{array}$$

regular if mapping

$$\left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{f}}}, \xi_{\hat{\boldsymbol{f}}} \right) \mapsto -\Delta \boldsymbol{\phi}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{f}}} + \nabla \xi_{\hat{\boldsymbol{f}}}$$

is an isomorphism from $\left(H^2(\Omega)\cap V\right)\times \left(H^1(\Omega)\cap Q\right)$ onto $L^2(\Omega)$

- $\circ \ \Gamma$ of class C^2
- o bounded, convex polygons in two dimensions



- finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the velocity
 - same assumptions as for previous estimates
 - $\circ~$ dual Stokes problem regular with solution $(m{\phi}_{\hat{f}},\xi_{\hat{f}})$

$$\begin{split} \|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \left(\left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}\right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right) \\ &\times \sup_{\boldsymbol{\hat{f}} \in L^{2}(\Omega)} \frac{1}{\left\| \boldsymbol{\hat{f}} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{is}^{h}} \right) \inf_{\boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{\boldsymbol{\hat{f}}} - \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &+ \inf_{r^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\boldsymbol{\hat{f}}} - r^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right] \end{split}$$

• velocity error (bound) depends on pressure





3 Finite Element Error Analysis

- finite element error estimates for conforming pairs of finite element spaces
 - o same assumptions on domain as for previous estimates

 $-P_k/P_{k-1}, Q_k/Q_{k-1}, k \geq 2$ (Taylor–Hood element),

- solution sufficiently regular
- $\circ h$ mesh width of triangulation
- spaces

$$- P_k^{
m bubble}/P_k, \, k=1$$
 (MINI element),

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq Ch^{k} \left(\|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \|\boldsymbol{p}\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \\ \left\| p - p^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq Ch^{k} \left(\|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \|\boldsymbol{p}\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

o velocity error (bound) depends on pressure







o in addition: if dual Stokes problem regular

$$\left\|\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}^{h}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq Ch^{k+1}\left(\left\|\boldsymbol{u}\right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)}+\left\|\boldsymbol{p}\right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)}\right)$$

velocity error (bound) depends on pressure







- analytical example which supports the error estimates
- prescribed solution

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_y \psi \\ -\partial_x \psi \end{pmatrix} = 200 \begin{pmatrix} x^2(1-x)^2 y(1-y)(1-2y) \\ -x(1-x)(1-2x)y^2(1-y)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$p = 10 \left(\left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^3 y^2 + (1-x)^3 \left(y - \frac{1}{2} \right)^3 \right)$$







• initial grids (level 0)





• red refinement



3 Numerical Example Supporting Order of Convergences



- convergence of the errors $\left\|\nabla(u-u^h)\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ for different discretizations with different orders k





3 Numerical Example Supporting Order of Convergence



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3 Numerical Example Supporting Order of Convergence



- convergence of the errors $\| \pmb{u} - \pmb{u}^h \|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ for different discretizations with different orders k





3 Numerical Example Supporting Order of Convergence



- convergence of the errors $\|\nabla\cdot u^h\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ for different discretizations with different orders k







• scaled Stokes equations

$$-\nu\Delta u +
abla p = f \iff -\Delta u +
abla \left(rac{p}{
u}
ight) = rac{f}{
u}$$

o error estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq Ch^{k} \left(\left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \frac{1}{\nu} \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \\ \left\| p - p^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq Ch^{k} \left(\nu \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \\ \left\| \boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq Ch^{k+1} \left(\left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \frac{1}{\nu} \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

o velocity errors (bounds) depend on pressure and inverse of viscosity



3 Numerical Example (cont.)



• Taylor–Hood pair of finite element spaces P_2/P_1



• velocity errors depend on inverse of viscosity (on coarse grids)



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- o proof: board, p. 146, p. 161
- o velocity error does not depend on pressure
- same property for $\left\| oldsymbol{u} oldsymbol{u}^h
 ight\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$





- most important example: Scott–Vogelius [1] finite element barycentric-refined grid: $P_k/P_{k-1}^{\rm disc},\,k\geq d$



[1] Scott, Vogelius; in Large-scale computations in fluid mechanics, Part 2, 221-244, 1985





• prescribed solution

$$u = 0$$
, $p = 10\left((x - 0.5)^3y + (1 - x)^2(y - 0.5)^2 - \frac{1}{36}\right)$

• Taylor–Hood P_2/P_1



velocity errors scale with inverse of viscosity





• Scott–Vogelius $P_2/P_1^{\rm disc}$, barycentric-refined grid



 round-off errors from high condition number of matrix of linear system of equations





• large velocity errors can occur in the standard situation $V_{
m div}^h \not\subset V_{
m div}$ in the presence of large pressure or small viscosity



3 Implemention

Loibniz

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 - both ways gives the same results for affine reference maps (simplicial mesh cells, parallelepipeds)
 - mapped finite elements resemble a standard way for numerical analysis
 - mapped finite elements require the assembling of quadrature rules, degrees of freedom, nodal functionals only on reference cell



3 Implemention

- our choice in the in-house code PARMOON [1,2]: mapped finite elements
 - o reference maps are computed once and stored in a database
 - multi-linear reference maps possible
- many free libraries included
 - $\circ~$ we found that PETSc is very helpful, since it includes itself many other libraries

[1] J., Matthies; Comput. Vis. Sci. 6, 163-169, 2004

[2] Wilbrandt, Bartsch, et al.; Comput. Math. Appl. 74, 74-88, 2017







• implementation

vector-valued velocity space

$$\begin{aligned} V^h &= \operatorname{span} \{\phi_i^h\}_{i=1}^{3N_v} \\ &= \operatorname{span} \left\{ \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \phi_i^h \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}_{i=1}^{N_v} \cup \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \phi_i^h \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}_{i=1}^{N_v} \cup \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \phi_i^h \end{pmatrix} \right\}_{i=1}^{N_v} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

o pressure space

$$Q^h = \operatorname{span}\{\psi^h_i\}_{i=1}^{N_p}$$

o representation of unknown solution

$$oldsymbol{u}^h = \sum_{j=1}^{3N_v} u^h_j oldsymbol{\phi}^h_j, \hspace{1em} p^h = \sum_{j=1}^{N_p} p^h_j \psi^h_j$$





- pressure finite element space
 - standard basis functions not in $L^2_0(\Omega)$
 - it can be shown under mild assumptions that standard basis functions can be used as ansatz and test functions
 - $\circ~$ computed pressure with standard basis functions has to be projected into $L^2_0(\Omega)$ at the end





• linear saddle point problem

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{f} \\ \underline{0} \end{array}\right)$$

with

$$(A)_{ij} = a_{ij} = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \left(\nabla \phi_j^h, \nabla \phi_i^h \right)_K, i, j = 1, \dots, 3N_v,$$

$$(B)_{ij} = b_{ij} = -\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \left(\nabla \cdot \phi_j^h, \psi_i^h \right)_K, i = 1, \dots, N_p, j = 1, \dots, 3N_v,$$

$$(\underline{f})_i = f_i = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \left(\boldsymbol{f}, \phi_i^h \right)_K, i = 1, \dots, 3N_v$$

• dimension (3d):
$$(3N_v + N_p) \times (3N_v + N_p)$$




- $\bullet \ {\rm matrix} \ A$
 - o symmetric
 - positive definite
 - block-diagonal matrix

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- $\left(\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}
 ight),\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}
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 ight)$ instead of $\left(
 abla \boldsymbol{u}^{h},
 abla \boldsymbol{v}^{h}
 ight)$
 - $\circ\;$ equivalent only if u^h weakly divergence-free
 - o generally not given for finite element velocities
 - not longer block-diagonal matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{12}^T & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{13}^T & A_{23}^T & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$





4. Stabilizing Non Inf-Sup Stable Finite Elements





4 Difficulties of Inf-Sup Stable FEMs

- need implementation of different finite element spaces for velocity and pressure
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- $\circ~$ sparse direct solvers only efficient in 2d and for small and medium sized systems ($\lesssim 500~000~{\rm d.o.f.s})$
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- goal: remove saddle point character by removing the zero block
 - o introduce pressure-pressure coupling in mass balance
 - several proposals in literature, recent review in [1]
 - here: PSPG method
 - o leads automatically to violation of mass conservation
 - enables use of same finite element spaces for velocity and pressure



^[1] J., Knobloch, Wilbrandt; book chapter in 'Fluids under Pressure', Springer, to appear 2019

- Pressure Stabilization Petrov-Galerkin (PSPG) method [1]
- most popular method
- given ${\pmb f}\in L^2(\Omega),$ find $\left({\pmb u}^h,p^h
 ight)\in V^h imes Q^h$ such that

$$A_{ ext{pspg}}\left(\left(oldsymbol{u}^{h},p^{h}
ight),\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
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ight)=L_{ ext{pspg}}\left(\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
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ight) \hspace{1em}orall \hspace{1em}\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight)\in V^{h} imes Q^{h}$$

with

$$\begin{split} A_{\text{pspg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u},p\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v},q\right)\right) &= \nu\left(\nabla\boldsymbol{u},\nabla\boldsymbol{v}\right) - \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v},p\right) + \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u},q\right) \\ &+ \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}^{h}}\gamma_{E}\left(\left[\left|p\right|\right]_{E},\left[\left|q\right|\right]_{E}\right)_{E} + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(-\nu\Delta\boldsymbol{u}+\nabla p,\delta_{K}^{p}\nabla q\right)_{K} \end{split}$$

and

$$L_{ ext{pspg}}\left((oldsymbol{v},q)
ight) = (oldsymbol{f},oldsymbol{v}) + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^h} \left(oldsymbol{f},\delta_K^p
abla q
ight)_K$$

[1] Hughes, Franca, Balestra; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 59, 85–99, 1986







• meaning of the terms

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \gamma_{E} \left(\left[\left[p \right] \right]_{E}, \left[\left[q \right] \right]_{E} \right)_{E} + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(-\nu \Delta \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p, \delta_{K}^{p} \nabla q \right)_{K} \\ &\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\boldsymbol{f}, \delta_{K}^{p} \nabla q \right)_{K} \end{split}$$

- $\circ \ \mathcal{E}^h$ set of faces of mesh cells
- E face
- $\circ \ \mathcal{T}^h$ triangulation, set of mesh cells
- $\circ K$ mesh cell
- γ_E , δ^p_K stabilization parameters, positive
- $\circ \ \left[\left|\cdot\right|\right]_E$ jump across a face
- goal: appropriate choice of stabilization parameters by finite element error analysis





- finite element error analysis for stabilized methods is usually performed for norms that include stabilization
- norm for PSPG method

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}, q^{h}\right) \right\|_{\text{pspg}} &= \left(\nu \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \gamma_{E} \left\| \left[\left| q^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \right\|_{L^{2}(E)}^{2} \right. \\ &+ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \delta_{K}^{p} \left\| \nabla q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

- sum of seminorms
- to check that from $\|(v^h, q^h)\|_{pspg} = 0$ it follows that $v^h = 0$ and $q^h = 0$: direct calculation, board p. 202





• existence and uniqueness of a solution if

 $0 < \delta_K^p \leq \frac{h_K^2}{\nu C_{\rm inv}^2} \quad {\rm conditionally\ stable}$

- apply basic theorem of linear algebra (finite-dimensional problem):
 - bilinear coercive \Longrightarrow
 - corresponding matrix non-singular \Longrightarrow
 - unique solution for each right-hand side
 - show coercivity of bilinear form, board p. 202/203

$$A_{ ext{pspg}}\left(\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight),\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight)\geqrac{1}{2}\left\|\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight\|_{ ext{pspg}}^{2}$$

• Definition: A stabilized discrete method is absolutely stable if it is stable for all $\delta > 0$, otherwise conditionally stable





• stability of solution

$$\left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}, p^{h}\right) \right\|_{\text{pspg}} \leq 2\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{C}{\nu^{1/2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \left(\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \delta_{K}^{p} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2} \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

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- use unique solution as test function
- Galerkin orthogonality

$$A_{\text{pspg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}^{h},p-p^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right)=0 \quad \forall \ \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\in V^{h}\times Q^{h}$$

o direct calculation using definition of PSPG method





• finite element error analysis: let

$$\delta_K^p = C_0 \frac{h_K^2}{\nu}, \quad \gamma_E = C_1 \frac{h_E}{\nu}$$

and

$$P_k \text{ or } Q_k \subseteq V^h \subset V, \quad k \geq 1, \qquad P_l \text{ or } Q_l \subseteq Q^h \subset Q, \quad l \geq 0,$$

then

$$\left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}, p - p^{h} \right) \right\|_{\text{pspg}} \le C \left(\nu^{1/2} h^{k} \| \boldsymbol{u} \|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \frac{h^{l+1}}{\nu^{1/2}} \| p \|_{H^{l+1}(\Omega)} \right)$$

- \circ triangle inequality \Longrightarrow interpolation error + discrete term
- coercivity for discrete term
- estimate of individual terms on right-hand side by standard estimates (Cauchy–Schwarz, Young, interpolation error estimates) using bounds for stabilization parameters





error estimate

$$\|(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}, p - p^{h})\|_{pspg} \le C\left(\nu^{1/2}h^{k} \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \frac{h^{l+1}}{\nu^{1/2}} \|p\|_{H^{l+1}(\Omega)}\right)$$

- convergence in $\left\|\cdot\right\|_{pspg}$ is at least $\min\{k, l+1\}$
- neglect all terms in $\|(\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^h, p p^h)\|_{pspg}$ but $\|\nabla (\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^h)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ shows that ν^{-1} appears in front of the pressure term
- o for continuous pressure finite element spaces

$$\left\|\nabla\left(p-p^{h}\right)\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq C\left(\nu h^{k-1} \left\|\boldsymbol{u}\right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + h^{l} \left\|p\right\|_{H^{l+1}(\Omega)}\right)$$

$$\circ~~$$
 estimates for $\left\|m{u}-m{u}^h
ight\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ and $\left\|p-p^h
ight\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ in [1]

[1] Brezzi, Douglas; Numer. Math. 53, 225-235, 1988





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 \circ larger velocity errors for small ν , but higher order of convergence

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4 Post-Processing for P_1/P_0



- construction of $oldsymbol{u}^h_{ ext{RT}_0} \in ext{RT}_0$ such that [1]

$$\left\|\nabla\cdot\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}+\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{RT}_{0}}^{h}\right)\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}=0$$

weakly divergence-free

correction

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{RT}_{0}}^{h} = \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \frac{\gamma_{E}}{h_{E}} \left(\int_{E} \left[\left| p^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \, ds \right) \boldsymbol{\phi}_{E}$$

with $RT_{0}\xspace$ basis function

$$\phi_E|_K = \pm \frac{h_E}{2|K|} (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_E) \in \operatorname{RT}_0(K)$$

can be computed locally

[1] Barrenechea, Valentin; Internat. J. Numer. Methods Engrg. 86, 801-815, 2011





• post-processed P_1/P_0





- almost same velocity error in $L^2(\Omega)$
- but solution is weakly divergence-free





• find $\left({{oldsymbol u}^h ,p^h }
ight) \in {V^h imes Q^h }$ such that

$$A_{\text{gls}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h},p^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right) = L_{\text{gls}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right) \quad \forall \ \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right) \in V^{h} \times Q^{h},$$

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- non-symmetric GLS method, absolutely stable method of Douglas and Wang [1]
- find $\left(oldsymbol{u}^{h},p^{h}
 ight) \in V^{h} imes Q^{h}$ such that

$$A_{\mathrm{DW}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h},p^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right) = L_{\mathrm{DW}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right) \quad \forall \ \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right) \in V^{h} \times Q^{h},$$

with

$$\begin{split} A_{\mathrm{DW}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u},p\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v},q\right)\right) &= \nu\left(\nabla\boldsymbol{u},\nabla\boldsymbol{v}\right) - \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v},p\right) + \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u},q\right) \\ &+ \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}^{h}}\gamma_{E}\left(\left[\left|p\right|\right]_{E},\left[\left|q\right|\right]_{E}\right)_{E} + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(-\nu\Delta\boldsymbol{u}+\nabla p,\delta_{K}^{p}\left(-\nu\Delta\boldsymbol{v}+\nabla q\right)\right)_{K}, \\ &L_{\mathrm{DW}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{v},q\right)\right) = \left(\boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{v}\right) + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}}\left(\boldsymbol{f},\delta_{K}^{p}\left(-\nu\Delta\boldsymbol{v}+\nabla q\right)\right)_{K} \end{split}$$

- non-symmetric
- replace q by -q: difference to symmetric GLS $+\nu\Delta v$ instead of $-\nu\Delta v$
- absolutely stable

[1] Douglas, Wang; Math. Comp. 52, 495-508, 1989







- framework for residual-based stabilizations in [1]
- absolutely stable modification of PSPG method proposed in [1]
 - o using an alternative definition of the discrete Laplacian

$$\left(\Delta^{h} \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) = -\left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) \quad \forall \; \boldsymbol{u} \in V, \; \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}$$

requires solution of a system with mass matrix

- all methods identical if discrete Laplacian is not used, e.g., for P_1/P_1
- instability of symmetric GLS can be seen in numerical simulations, e.g., in [2]

[1] Bochev, Gunzburger; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 42, 1189-1207, 2004

[2] J., Knobloch, Wilbrandt; book chapter in 'Fluids under Pressure', Springer, to appear 2019





- framework in [1]
- stabilization of Brezzi and Pitkäranta, oldest method [2]
- find $(\pmb{u}^h,p^h)\in V^h\times Q^h=P_1\times P_1$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \nu\left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) - \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^{h}, p^{h}\right) &= \left(\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) \quad \forall \; \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}, \\ -\left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^{h}, q^{h}\right) - \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\nabla p^{h}, \delta_{K}^{p} \nabla q^{h}\right)_{K} &= 0 \qquad \forall \; q^{h} \in Q^{h} \end{aligned}$$

- for $P_1/P_1, \, {\rm same \ matrix \ is \ PSPG \ method}$

[1] Brezzi, Fortin; Numer. Math. 89, 457-491, 2001

[2] Brezzi, Pitkäranta; Notes Numer. Fluid Mech. 10, 11-19, 1984





4 Stabilizations Using only the Pressure

- using fluctuations of the pressure [1]
- find $\left(oldsymbol{u}^h, p^h, \overline{
 abla p^h}
 ight) \in V^h imes Q^h imes \overline{V^h}$ such that

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- other stabilizations with fluctuations of the pressure
 - o local projection stabilization (LPS) [2], several variants meanwhile
 - o method of Dohrmann and Bochev [3]
- stabilization with jumps across faces, continuous interior penalty (CIP) method [4]
 - [1] Codina, Blasco; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 143, 373-391, 1997
 - [2] Becker, Braack; Calcolo 38, 173-199, 2001
 - [3] Dohrmann, Bochev; Internat. J. Numer. Methods Fluids 46, 183-201, 2004
 - [4] Burman, Hansbo; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 44, 2393-2410, 2006





- usually extended matrix stencil of the pressure-pressure coupling matrix block ${\cal C}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & -C \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{f} \\ \underline{0} \end{pmatrix}$$



4 Summary

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- equal-order methods quite popular
 - o often easy to implement
 - standard preconditioners in iterative solvers
- several proposals
 - not clear which is the best
 - numerical studies in [1]
 - PSPG, non-symmetric GLS, one variant of LPS behaved quite similarly
 - symmetric GLS shows instabilities if stabilization parameter is too large
- stabilization parameters
 - o finite element error analysis gives asymptotic optimal choice
 - o concrete choice depends on the user, optimal approach not known
- personal opinion: prefer inf-sup stable pairs of finite element spaces
 - benchmark problem for stationary Navier–Stokes equations [1]: Taylor–Hood more accurate than all stabilized methods
 - [1] J., Knobloch, Wilbrandt; book chapter in 'Fluids under Pressure', Springer, to appear 2019





5. On Mass Conservation and the Divergence Constraint





• continuous problem:

$$(\nabla\cdot \boldsymbol{u},q)=0 \quad \forall \; q\in Q$$

- infinitely many conditions
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• finite element problem

$$(\nabla \cdot {oldsymbol u}^h, q^h) = 0 \hspace{1em} orall \hspace{1em} q^h \in Q^h \hspace{1em}$$
 discretely divergence-free

- o finite number of conditions
- \circ usually $abla \cdot V^h \not\subset Q^h$
- $\circ \implies$ no mass conservation
 - not tolerable in certain applications





• no-flow problem: prescribed solution for Stokes problem with $\nu = 1$

$$u = 0$$
, $p = \operatorname{Ra}\left(y^3 - \frac{y^2}{2} + y - \frac{7}{12}\right)$

- finite elements
 - $\circ P_2/P_1$ Taylor–Hood
 - $\circ P_1^{
 m nc}/P_0$ Crouzeix–Raviart



• velocity error scales with the pressure





• stationary vortex: prescribed solution for Navier–Stokes problem with $\nu = 1$

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -y\\ x \end{pmatrix}, \quad p = \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right), \quad \operatorname{Re} > 0$$

• balance of nonlinear term of the Navier–Stokes equations and pressure term $\circ~P_1^{\rm bubble}/P_1$ – MINI element



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5 Conclusions

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- error scales also with Coriolis force if this term is present
 - important in meteorology
- fundamental invariance property for continuous equations (with Dirichlet boundary conditions)

$$\boldsymbol{f}
ightarrow \boldsymbol{f} + \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\psi} \implies (\boldsymbol{u}, p)
ightarrow (\boldsymbol{u}, p + \boldsymbol{\psi})$$

physically correct behavior

- o obviously not satisfied for the considered discretizations
 - no-flow problem: $oldsymbol{f}=
 abla p$
 - but change of $oldsymbol{f}$ changed $oldsymbol{u}^h$

unphysical behavior

 \circ connected with Helmholtz decomposition of vector fields in $L^2(\Omega)$: every vector field in $L^2(\Omega)$ can be decomposed into a gradient field and a weakly divergence-free field







- very popular technique
- add in continuous problem

$$\mathbf{0} = -\mu \nabla (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u})$$

• gives in finite element problem

$$u(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^h, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h)$$

does not vanish if $abla \cdot {oldsymbol u}^h
eq 0$

- stabilized finite element Stokes problem: Find $ig(m{u}^h,p^hig)\in V^h imes Q^h$ such that

$$\begin{split} \nu \left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}^h, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^h \right) &- \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h, p^h \right) \\ &+ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \mu_K \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^h, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h \right)_K \quad = \quad \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}^h \rangle_{V',V} \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{v}^h \in V^h, \\ &- \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^h, q^h \right) \quad = \quad 0 \qquad \qquad \forall \, q^h \in Q^h \end{split}$$

 $\{\mu_K\}$ with $\mu_K \ge 0$ – stabilization parameters





• fixed triangulation:

$$\lim_{u_{\min}\to\infty} \left\|\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^h\right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = 0$$

- <u>Proof:</u> consider $\mu_{\min} = \mu = \mu_K$ for all $K \in \mathcal{T}^h$
 - use $oldsymbol{u}^h$ as test function, dual pairing, Young's inequality

$$\nu \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \mu \left\| \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}$$

$$= \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \rangle_{V',V} \leq \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4\nu} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}^{2} + \nu \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}$$

consequently

$$\left\|\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u}^{h}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}\leq\frac{1}{2\nu^{1/2}\mu^{1/2}}\left\|\boldsymbol{f}\right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

statement follows

• Question: Large stabilization parameters good for other errors ?



- answer by finite element error analysis
- different situations can be distinguished, see [1]
- standard situation leads to estimate

$$\begin{split} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} &\leq \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V_{\text{div}}^{h}} \left(4 \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + 2 \frac{\mu}{\nu} \left\| \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right) \\ &+ \frac{2}{\mu \nu} \inf_{\boldsymbol{q}^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - \boldsymbol{q}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \end{split}$$

- present at board, p. 223
- velocity error (bound) depends still on pressure
- $\circ~$ dependency on viscosity is $\nu^{-1/2}$ instead of ν^{-1} without grad-div stabilization







- concrete estimate for Taylor–Hood pair of finite element spaces $V^h/Q^h=P_k/P_{k-1}, k\geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} &\leq \left(4 + \frac{2\mu}{\nu} \right) C_{V_{\mathrm{div}}^{h}}^{2} h^{2k} \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{2C_{Q^{h}}^{2}}{\mu\nu} h^{2k} \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)}^{2} \end{aligned}$$

- o optimal choice of stabilization parameter by minimizing error bound
- $\circ~$ depends on unknown norms of the solution
- depends on unknown constants for the best approximation error estimates
- $\circ~$ if one assumes that all unknown quantities are $\sim 1 \Longrightarrow \mu \sim 1$
- similar considerations for MINI element: $\mu \sim h$
- optimal stabilization parameter for velocity error is not large




• summary

- lot of experience in literature with grad-div stabilization and parameters that are appropriate for good error bounds
 - improves mass conservation somewhat, but usually not essential
 - velocity error still depends on pressure
- o grad-div term leads to matrix block

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{12}^T & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{13}^T & A_{23}^T & A_{33} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{instead of} \quad \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

o grad-div stabilization is not the solution of the problem



- stability and mass conservation in finite element methods are conflicting requirements
 - \circ let V^h be fixed
 - stability: discrete inf-sup condition

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- $\nabla\cdot V^h\subset L^2(\Omega)$ \Longleftrightarrow normal components of finite element functions are continuous
 - o note: not satisfied for Crouzeix-Raviart finite element





analytical tool: smooth de Rham complex or Stokes complex in two dimensions

$$\mathbb{R} \quad \to \quad H^2(\Omega) \quad \stackrel{\mathbf{curl}}{\to} \quad H^1(\Omega) \quad \stackrel{\mathrm{div}}{\to} \quad L^2(\Omega) \quad \to \quad 0$$

with

$$\mathbf{curl} \ v(\boldsymbol{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_y v \\ \partial_x v \end{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{x})$$

- sequence of spaces and maps
- de Rham complex is called exact if the range of each operator is the kernel of the succeeding operator
 - if $w \in H^2(\Omega)$ is curl-free, then w is constant function
 - if $\boldsymbol{v} \in H^1(\Omega)$ is divergence-free, then $\boldsymbol{v} = \operatorname{\mathbf{curl}} w$ for some $w \in H^2(\Omega)$
 - the map div $\,:\, H^1(\Omega) \to L^2(\Omega)$ is surjective, since the kernel of the last operator is $L^2(\Omega)$





• finite element sub-complex

$$\mathbb{R} \to W^h \stackrel{\mathbf{curl}}{\to} V^h \stackrel{\mathrm{div}}{\to} Q^h \to 0$$

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- example
 - o consider barycentric refinement of triangles
 - Hsieh–Clough–Tocher finite element [1]
 - composite element of third order polynomials on each fine mesh cell
 - $\circ\;$ requirement: continuously differentiable \Longrightarrow finite element space W^h belongs to $H^2(\Omega)$



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- $\circ~$ to show exactness: $\operatorname{div}~:~V^h \to Q^h$ is a surjection
 - finite-dimensional spaces: by counting the number of degrees of freedom (somewhat longer)
- $\circ~P_2/P_1^{\rm disc}$ Scott–Vogelius pair of spaces [1] on barycentric refined grids is stable and computes weakly divergence-free solutions

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- 3d case much more challenging
 - possible de Rham complex

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leads to velocity space with polynomials of degree 6

 $\circ~$ Scott–Vogelius pair of spaces $P_k/P_{k-1}^{\rm disc}$ is stable on barycentric refined meshes for $k\geq 3,$ [1]

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- summary
 - $\circ~$ Scott–Vogelius pair of spaces $P_k/P_{k-1}^{\rm disc},\,k\geq d,$ so far only pair that is used sometimes
 - o little hope to construct any other lower order pair



5 $H(\operatorname{div},\Omega)$ -Conforming Finite Element Methods

- abandon conformity of finite element velocity space: $V^h \not\subset V$
- require $\nabla \cdot V^h \subset L^2(\Omega) \Longrightarrow$ study $H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)$ conforming finite elements
 - Raviart–Thomas elements, BDM elements
 - o normal component of functions is continuous across faces
- difficulty: consistency error in discretizing the viscous term (
 u
 abla u,
 abla v)
 - no convergence for using just

$$\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^h}\int_K\nu\nabla\boldsymbol{u}^h:\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^h\,d\boldsymbol{x}$$

- proposals
 - o modify bilinear form
 - $\circ \mod H(\operatorname{div},\Omega)$ to impose tangential continuity in a weak sense







• modify bilinear form: possible proposal

$$\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \int_{K} \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} : \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \, d\boldsymbol{x} - \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \left(\int_{E} \left\{ \left\{ \varepsilon(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\} \right\}_{E} \left[\left| \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \, d\boldsymbol{s} \right. \\ \left. + \int_{E} \left\{ \left\{ \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right\} \right\}_{E} \left[\left| \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \, d\boldsymbol{s} - \frac{\sigma}{h_{E}} \int_{E} \left[\left| \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \, d\boldsymbol{s} \right)$$

- $\circ \ \left\| \cdot \right\|_{E}$ jump across face
- $\circ \ \left\{ \left\{ \cdot \right\} \right\}_E$ average on face
- $\circ \ \{\{\varepsilon\cdot\}\}_E$ average of tangential component on face
- $\circ \sigma$ parameter
- reminds on DG





local space (2d)

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- summary
 - $\circ~$ use of $H\left(\mathrm{div},\Omega\right)\text{-conforming}$ methods interesting option
 - o so far no own experience







• finite element Stokes problem with reconstruction: Given $f \in L^2(\Omega)$, find $(u^h, p^h) \in V^h \times Q^h$ such that

$$\begin{array}{lll} \nu\left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h},\nabla \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)-\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}^{h},p^{h}\right) &=& \left(\boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{\Pi}^{h}\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) & \forall \,\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\in V^{h},\\ &-\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u}^{h},q^{h}\right) &=& 0 & \forall \,q^{h}\in Q^{h} \end{array}$$

with

$$\Pi^h \ : \ V^h \to R^h \quad (R^h - H (\operatorname{div}, \Omega) \operatorname{-conforming} \text{ fe space})$$

[1] Linke; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 268, 782-800, 2014





5 Pressure-Robust FEM



- consider $V^h \times Q^h = P_2^{\rm bubble} \times P_1^{\rm disc}$
 - discontinuous pressure of importance for easy construction
 - $\circ \ R^h = \mathrm{RT}_1$
 - $\circ~$ general requirements on Π^h : projection and interpolation properties

$$\begin{split} &\int_{K} (\boldsymbol{v} - \Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} &= 0, \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{v} \in V, \forall \, K \in \mathcal{T}^{h} \\ &\int_{E} (\boldsymbol{v} - \Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{E} q^{h} \, d\boldsymbol{s} &= 0, \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{v} \in V, \forall \, q^{h} \in P_{1}(E) \\ & \left\| \Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{v} \right\|_{L^{2}(K)} &\leq Ch_{K}^{m} |\boldsymbol{v}|_{H^{m}(K)}, \quad m = 0, 1, 2 \end{split}$$

 $\circ\;$ cell-wise computation of $\Pi^h v^h$ possible



5 Pressure-Robust FEM



•
$$V^h \times Q^h = P_2^{\text{bubble}} \times P_1^{\text{disc}}$$
 (cont.)
• it holds for all $K \in \mathcal{T}^h$, $v \in V$, and $q^h \in Q^h$

$$\begin{split} \int_{K} \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} q^{h} \, d\boldsymbol{x} & \stackrel{\text{prod. rule}}{=} & \int_{K} \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{v} q^{h}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} - \int_{K} \nabla q^{h} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \, d\boldsymbol{x} \\ \stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{=} & \int_{\partial K} q^{h} \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{T} \, d\boldsymbol{s} - \int_{K} \nabla q^{h} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \, d\boldsymbol{x} \\ \stackrel{\text{prop. 1 \& 2}}{=} & \int_{\partial K} q^{h} (\Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{T} \, d\boldsymbol{s} - \int_{K} \nabla q^{h} \cdot (\Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v}) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \\ \stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{=} & \int_{K} \nabla \cdot (\Pi^{h} \boldsymbol{v}) q^{h} \, d\boldsymbol{x} \end{split}$$

 $\Longrightarrow Q^h$ projection of the divergence $=Q^h$ projection of the divergence of the Π^h projection







- $V^h \times Q^h = P_2^{\text{bubble}} \times P_1^{\text{disc}}$ (cont.)
 - \circ fundamental invariance principle for modified discretization: for all $v^h \in V^h_{ ext{div}}$ (\Longrightarrow consider only velocity)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{f} + \nabla \left(P_{Q^h} \psi \right), \Pi^h \boldsymbol{v}^h \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{\text{int. by parts}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{f}, \Pi^h \boldsymbol{v}^h \end{pmatrix} - \left(\nabla \cdot \left(\Pi^h \boldsymbol{v}^h \right), P_{Q^h} \psi \right) \\ \stackrel{\text{div. prop}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{f}, \Pi^h \boldsymbol{v}^h \end{pmatrix} - \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h, P_{Q^h} \psi \right) \\ \stackrel{\text{disc. div-free}}{=} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{f}, \Pi^h \boldsymbol{v}^h \end{pmatrix}$$

discrete counterpart of fundamental invariance principle satisfied: $\nabla \left(P_{Q^h} \psi \right)$ possesses no impact on finite element velocity







• finite element error analysis

- o consistency error is introduced, is of optimal order
- o estimate for velocity error

$$\left\|\nabla(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}^{h})\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \leq 2(1+C_{\mathrm{PF}}) \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\in V^{h}} \left\|\nabla(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{v}^{h})\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + Ch^{2} |\boldsymbol{u}|_{H^{3}(\Omega)}$$

does not depend on pressure





- Example 1
 - $\circ~$ Crouzeix–Raviart finite element with reconstruction in RT_0







- Example 2
 - $\circ~$ Crouzeix–Raviart finite element with reconstruction in RT_0







summary

- extensions to almost arbitrary finite element pairs with discontinuous pressure in [1] (simplicial and brick-shaped meshes)
- extension to finite element pairs with continuous pressure [2], becomes more complicated
- extension to Navier–Stokes equations possible (and partly research in progress)
 - modifications of nonlinear convective term and of term with temporal derivative necessary
 - leads to modifications of the system matrix
- $\circ\;$ divergence-free finite element velocity in R^h by applying reconstruction operator to \pmb{u}^h

[1] Linke, Matthies, Tobiska; ESAIM: M2AN 50, 289-309, 2016

[2] Lederer, Linke, Merdon Schöberl; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 55, 1291-1314, 2017



5 Summary of this Part

- · most standard pairs of finite element spaces do not preserve mass
- grad-div stabilization does not solve the problem
- only conforming divergence-free stable pair that is of some importance is Scott–Vogelius pair
- $H(\operatorname{div},\Omega)$ -conforming finite element methods very interesting option, but no own experience so far
- alternative approach: pressure robust methods with appropriate test functions by reconstructions in $H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)$ -conforming finite element spaces
 - several new developments in this direction, check the publications of A. Linke (WIAS)
- survey of Part 5 in [1,2]

- [1] J., Linke, Merdon, Neilan, Rebholz; SIAM Review 59, 492–544, 2017
- [2] J.: Finite Element Methods for Incompressible Flow Problems 2016







6. Stabilizing Dominant Convection for Oseen Problems





• continuous equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nu \Delta \boldsymbol{u} + (\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + c \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &= \boldsymbol{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= \boldsymbol{0} \quad \text{in } \Omega \end{aligned}$$

for simplicity: homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

- difficulties:
 - coupling of velocity and pressure
 - o dominating convection
- properties
 - linear



Carl Wilhelm Oseen (1879 - 1944)





• coefficients

$$\circ \ \nu > 0$$

$$\circ \ \boldsymbol{b} \in W^{1,\infty}(\Omega), \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{b} = 0$$

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 - $\circ \ \| \boldsymbol{b} \|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} \sim 1 \text{ if } \nu \leq \| \boldsymbol{b} \|_{L^\infty(\Omega)}$
- interesting cases
 - ν of moderate size, c = 0

in numerical solution of steady-state Navier-Stokes equations

• ν of arbitrary size, $c \sim (\Delta t)^{-1}$

in numerical solution of time-dependent Navier-Stokes equations





· weak form

$$\begin{split} \nu(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}) + ((\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + c \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, p) &= \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle_{V',V} & \forall \ \boldsymbol{v} \in V, \\ -(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, q) &= 0 & \forall \ q \in Q \end{split}$$

• bilinear forms

$$\begin{array}{lll} a \ : \ V \times V \to \mathbb{R}, & a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) &= \nu(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}) + ((\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + c \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}), \\ b \ : \ V \times Q \to \mathbb{R}, & b(\boldsymbol{v}, q) &= -(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, q) \end{array}$$





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- existence and uniqueness of solution
 - o proof: board, p. 246
 - essential condition

 $((\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{v})=0 \quad \forall \ \boldsymbol{v}\in V$

can be proved if b is divergence-free, board p. 245





• stability of solution

- o dependency of bounds on coefficients is important
- o depending on regularity of data, different estimates possible
 - most general

$$\frac{\nu}{2} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| c^{1/2} \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq \frac{1}{2\nu} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}^{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} - ~~ \pmb{f} \in L^2(\Omega) ~ \text{and} ~ c_0 > 0 \\ \\ \nu \left\| \nabla \pmb{u} \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left\| c^{1/2} \pmb{u} \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2c_0} \left\| \pmb{f} \right\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 \end{array}$$

o proof: board, p. 247





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$$oldsymbol{f}\in L^2(\Omega)$$
 and $c_0>0$

$$\nu \left\|\nabla \boldsymbol{u}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left\|c^{1/2}\boldsymbol{u}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq \frac{1}{2c_{0}} \left\|\boldsymbol{f}\right\|_{L_{2}(\Omega)}^{2}$$

- o proof: board, p. 247
- $\circ~$ estimates for pressure with inf-sup condition





• Galerkin finite element method

$$egin{array}{rcl} a\left(oldsymbol{u}^h,oldsymbol{v}^h
ight)+b\left(oldsymbol{v}^h,p^h
ight)&=&\left(oldsymbol{f},oldsymbol{v}^h
ight) &orall\,oldsymbol{v}^h\in V^h,\ b\left(oldsymbol{u}^h,q^h
ight)&=&0&orall\, ee\,q^h\in Q^h \end{array}$$

- homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions
- o conforming, inf-sup stable finite element spaces
- existence, uniqueness, stability like for continuous problem



- finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the gradient of the velocity
 - $\circ~\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d,$ bounded, polyhedral, Lipschitz-continuous boundary
 - regularity of coefficients like stated above

$$\nu^{1/2} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \left\| c^{1/2} \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}$$

$$\leq C \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\text{is}}^{h}} \right) C_{\text{os}} \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \frac{1}{\nu^{1/2}} \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right]$$

where

$$C_{\rm os} = \nu^{1/2} + \|c\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{1/2} + \|\boldsymbol{b}\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \min\left\{\frac{1}{\nu^{1/2}}, \frac{1}{c_0^{1/2}}\right\}$$

 $\circ\ C$ does not depend on coefficients and triangulation, but on Ω (Poincaré–Friedrichs inequality)




- finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the gradient of the velocity (cont.)
 - proof: principally same as for Stokes equations
 - estimates for convective term

$$\begin{split} \left| \left(\left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right) \right| &= \left| - \left(\left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h}, \boldsymbol{\eta} \right) \right| \leq \| \boldsymbol{b} \|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \| \boldsymbol{\eta} \|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \left\| \boldsymbol{b} \right\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{2} \| \boldsymbol{\eta} \|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{\nu}{8} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \end{split}$$

or if $c_0 > 0$

$$\begin{split} \left| \left(\left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right) \right| &\leq & \left\| c^{-1/2} \boldsymbol{b} \right\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| c^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq & \frac{ \left\| \boldsymbol{b} \right\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{2} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} }{c_{0}} + \frac{ \left\| c^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} }{4} \end{split}$$









same assumptions as for previous estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| p - p^h \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} &\leq C \left[\frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} \right) C_{\mathrm{os}}^2 \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^h \in V^h} \left\| \nabla(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^h) \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &+ \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^h} \frac{C_{\mathrm{os}}}{\nu^{1/2}} \right) \inf_{q^h \in Q^h} \left\| p - q^h \right\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

 $\circ\;$ proof: as for Stokes equations, with discrete inf-sup condition





- finite element error estimates for conforming pairs of finite element spaces
 - same assumptions on domain as for previous estimates
 - solution sufficiently regular
 - $\circ h$ mesh width of triangulation
 - spaces

$$- P_k^{\text{bubble}}/P_k, k = 1$$
 (MINI element),

$$- P_k/P_{k-1}, Q_k/Q_{k-1}, k \ge 2$$
(Taylor-Hood element),

$$- P_k^{\text{bubble}}/P_{k-1}^{\text{disc}}, Q_k/P_{k-1}^{\text{disc}}, k \ge 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq \frac{C}{\nu^{1/2}} h^{k} \left(C_{\text{os}} \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \frac{1}{\nu^{1/2}} \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right), \\ \left\| p - p^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq C h^{k} \left(C_{\text{os}}^{2} \left\| \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} + \left(1 + \frac{C_{\text{os}}}{\nu^{1/2}} \right) \left\| p \right\|_{H^{k}(\Omega)} \right) \end{aligned}$$







• C_{os} for $\|\boldsymbol{b}\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)} = 1$



• error bounds not uniform for small ν or small time steps





- analytical example which supports the error estimates
- prescribed solution

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_y \psi \\ -\partial_x \psi \end{pmatrix} = 200 \begin{pmatrix} x^2(1-x)^2 y(1-y)(1-2y) \\ -x(1-x)(1-2x)y^2(1-y)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$p = \pi^2 (xy^3 \cos(2\pi x^2 y) - x^2 y \sin(2\pi x y)) + \frac{1}{8}$$



•
$$b = u$$





• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for c=0 and different values of u







• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for c = 0 and different values of ν



• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for c=100 and different values of u







• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for $\nu = 10^{-4}$ and different values of c







• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for $\nu = 10^{-4}$ and different values of c



- summary
 - Galerkin discretization in some cases unstable





- principal idea
- given: linear partial differential equation in strong form

$$A_{\rm str}u_{\rm str} = f, \quad f \in L^2(\Omega)$$

Galerkin discretization

$$a^{h}\left(u^{h},v^{h}\right) = \left(f,v^{h}\right) \quad \forall v^{h} \in V^{h}$$

- needed: modification of strong operator $A^h_{\mathrm{str}}\,:\,V^h\to L^2(\Omega)$
- residual

$$r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right) = A^{h}_{\mathrm{str}}u^{h} - f \in L^{2}(\Omega)$$

• generally $r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right) \neq 0$





- principal idea (cont.)
- consider optimization problem

$$\underset{u^{h}\in V^{h}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}}\left\|r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right)\right\|_{L^{2}\left(\Omega\right)}^{2}=\underset{u^{h}\in V^{h}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}}\left(r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right),r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right)\right)$$

• necessary condition for solution (board p. 259)

$$\left(r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right),A_{\mathrm{str}}^{h}v^{h}\right)=0$$



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- consider optimization problem

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• generalization $\delta(\boldsymbol{x}) > 0$

$$\underset{u^{h}\in V^{h}}{\arg\min}\left\|\delta^{1/2}r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right)\right\|_{L^{2}\left(\Omega\right)}^{2}=\underset{u^{h}\in V^{h}}{\arg\min}\left(\delta r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right),r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right)\right)$$

with necessary condition

$$\left(\delta r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right),A_{\mathrm{str}}^{h}v^{h}\right)=0$$





- principal idea (cont.)
- minimizing residual alone: not good



consider combination

 $a^{h}\left(u^{h},v^{h}\right)+\left(\delta r^{h}\left(u^{h}\right),A_{\mathrm{str}}^{h}v^{h}\right)=\left(f,v^{h}\right)\quad\forall\,v^{h}\in V^{h}$

optimal choice of weighting function $\delta({m x})$ by numerical analysis





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• example: Oseen equations, board p. 261





- SUPG/PSPG/grad-div stabilization
- find $\left({{oldsymbol u}^h ,p^h }
 ight) \in {V^h imes Q^h }$ such that

$$\begin{split} A_{\mathrm{spg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h},\boldsymbol{p}^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\boldsymbol{q}^{h}\right)\right) &= L_{\mathrm{spg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\boldsymbol{q}^{h}\right)\right) \quad \forall \ \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},\boldsymbol{q}^{h}\right) \in V^{h} \times Q^{h},\\ \text{with}\ A_{\mathrm{spg}}\ : \ \left(V \times \tilde{Q}\right) \times \left(V \times \tilde{Q}\right) \to \mathbb{R}\\ A_{\mathrm{spg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{p}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{q}\right)\right) &= \quad \nu \left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u},\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\right) + \left(\left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla\right) \boldsymbol{u} + c \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}\right) - \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{p}\right) + \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{q}\right) \\ &+ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \mu_{K} \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}\right)_{K} + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \delta_{E} \left(\left[\left|\boldsymbol{p}\right|\right]_{E}, \left[\left|\boldsymbol{q}\right|\right]_{E}\right)_{E} \\ &+ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(-\nu \Delta \boldsymbol{u} + \left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla\right) \boldsymbol{u} + c \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla \boldsymbol{p}, \delta_{K}^{\boldsymbol{v}} \left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla\right) \boldsymbol{v} + \delta_{K}^{\boldsymbol{p}} \nabla \boldsymbol{q}\right)_{K} \\ \text{and}\ L_{\mathrm{spg}} \left(\left(\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{q}\right)\right) = \left(\boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{v}\right) + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\boldsymbol{f}, \delta_{K}^{\boldsymbol{v}} \left(\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \nabla\right) \boldsymbol{v} + \delta_{K}^{\boldsymbol{p}} \nabla \boldsymbol{q}\right)_{K} \end{split}$$





- SUPG/PSPG/grad-div stabilization (cont.)
- finite element error analysis in [1,2]
- $\delta_K = \delta_K^v = \delta_K^p$ for all $K \in \mathcal{T}^h$

$$\delta = \max_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \delta_K, \quad \mu = \max_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \mu_K$$

[1] Tobiska, Verfürth; SINUM 33, 107-127, 1996

[2] Roos, Stynes, Tobiska; Robust numerical methods for singularly perturbed differential equations, Springer, 2008

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no saddle point problem because of

$$\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}^{h}} \delta_{E} \left(\left[\left| p^{h} \right| \right]_{E}, \left[\left| q^{h} \right| \right]_{E} \right)_{E} + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \delta_{K} \left(\nabla p^{h}, \nabla q^{h} \right)_{K}$$

- o analysis for elliptic partial differential equations applicable
- inf-sup stable spaces not necessary
- choice of stabilization parameters affected by choice of finite element spaces
- [1] Tobiska, Verfürth; SINUM 33, 107-127, 1996
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- properties
 - consistency

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ight),\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight)=L_{\mathrm{spg}}\left(\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight), \hspace{1em}orall\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)\in V^{h} imes Q^{h}$$

Galerkin orthogonality

$$A_{\rm spg}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{u}^h,p-p^h\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^h,q^h\right)\right)=0,\quad\forall\left(\boldsymbol{v}^h,q^h\right)\in V^h\times Q^h$$





• mesh-dependent norm

$$\|(\boldsymbol{v},q)\|_{\rm spg} = \left\{ \nu \|\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\|c^{1/2}\boldsymbol{v}\right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \mu_{K} \|\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}^{h}} \delta_{E} \left\|\left[\left|q\right|\right]_{E}\right\|_{L^{2}(E)}^{2} + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \delta_{K} \left\|\left(\boldsymbol{b}\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{v} + \nabla q\right\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2} \right\}^{1/2}$$

- o proof: similar to PSPG method
- o additional control on error of
 - divergence
 - pressure jumps
 - streamline derivative + gradient of pressure
- norm with pressure: later





- existence and uniqueness of a solution
 - assumptions

$$\mu_K \ge 0, \quad 0 < \delta_K \le \min\left\{\frac{h_K^2}{3\nu C_{\rm inv}^2}, \frac{1}{3 \, \|c\|_{L^{\infty}(K)}}\right\}$$

$$\delta_E>0 \text{ if } Q^h \not\subset C(\overline{\Omega})$$

proof:

$$-$$
 coercivity, $orall \; \left(oldsymbol{v}^h, q^h
ight) \in V^h imes Q^h$

$$A_{ ext{spg}}\left(\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight),\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight)\geqrac{1}{2}\left\|\left(oldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}
ight)
ight\|_{ ext{spg}}^{2}$$

− ⇒ system matrix non-singular





• stability

$$\left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}, p^{h} \right) \right\|_{\text{spg}}^{2} \leq \frac{12}{5} \min \left\{ \frac{\left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}^{2}}{\nu}, \frac{\left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{L_{2}(\Omega)}^{2}}{c_{0}} \right\} + 4 \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \delta_{K} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{L^{2}(K)}^{2}$$

- proof: as usual
- o estimate in stronger norm than for Galerkin finite element method
- o estimate for pressure with inf-sup condition possible





• norm for finite element error estimates

$$\left\| (\boldsymbol{v}, q) \right\|_{\rm spg,p} = \left(\left\| (\boldsymbol{v}, q) \right\|_{\rm spg} + w_{\rm pres}^{-2} \left\| q \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \right)^{1/2}$$

with

$$w_{\text{pres}} = \max\left\{1, \nu^{-1/2}, \|c\|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{1/2}\right\}$$

for the interesting cases of small ν and large c: small contribution of the pressure





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• first step: inf-sup conditions for A_{spg}

$$\begin{split} &\inf_{\substack{\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\in V^{h}\times Q^{h} \\ \left\|\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h},p^{h}\right)\right\|_{\mathrm{spg,p}}=1}} \sup_{\left\|\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right\|_{\mathrm{spg,p}}=1}} A_{\mathrm{spg}}\left(\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h},r^{h}\right)\right) \geq \beta_{\mathrm{spg}}} \end{split}$$

- \circ some conditions on stabilization parameters, e.g., $\delta_0 h_K^2 \leq \delta_K$
- o proof very technical

$$\circ \ \beta_{\rm spg} = \mathcal{O}\left(\delta_0\right)$$





• finite element error estimate

$$\begin{split} \left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}, p - p^{h} \right) \right\|_{\text{spg}, p} \\ &\leq C \left[h^{k} \left(\nu^{1/2} + \left(h + \delta^{1/2} h \right) \| c \|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{1/2} + \delta^{1/2} \| \boldsymbol{b} \|_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}^{1/2} + \delta^{1/2} \right. \\ &+ \delta_{0}^{-1/2} + \gamma_{0}^{-1/2} + \mu^{1/2} \right) \| \boldsymbol{u} \|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} \\ &+ h^{l} \left(\delta^{1/2} + h \min \left\{ \nu^{-1/2}, \max_{K \in \mathcal{T}^{h}} \left\{ \mu_{K}^{-1/2} \right\} \right\} + h \omega_{\text{pres}}^{-1} \\ &+ \gamma^{1/2} \left(h + h^{1/2} \right) \right) \| p \|_{H^{l+1}(\Omega)} \right] \end{split}$$

 $\circ \ k \geq 1, l \geq 0$

- $\circ \ C$ independent of the coefficients of the problem
- $\circ~$ proof: based on inf-sup condition $A_{
 m spg}$





optimal asymptotics for stabilization parameters, ν < h, board p. 282
 o inf-sup stable discretizations with k = l + 1

$$\delta \sim h^2, \quad \mu \sim 1 \implies \text{ order of error reduction: } k$$





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 $\delta \sim h^2, \quad \mu \sim 1 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \text{order of error reduction:} \, k$

 $\circ~$ equal-order discretizations with $k=l\geq 1$

$$\delta \sim \mu \sim h \implies$$
 order of error reduction: $k + \frac{1}{2}$



optimal asymptotics for stabilization parameters, ν < h, board p. 282
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$$\delta \sim h^2, \quad \mu \sim 1 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad {\rm order \ of \ convergence: } k$$

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- analytical example which supports the error estimates
- prescribed solution

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_y \psi \\ -\partial_x \psi \end{pmatrix} = 200 \begin{pmatrix} x^2(1-x)^2 y(1-y)(1-2y) \\ -x(1-x)(1-2x)y^2(1-y)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$p = \pi^2 (xy^3 \cos(2\pi x^2 y) - x^2 y \sin(2\pi x y)) + \frac{1}{8}$$



•
$$b = u$$





- Q_2/Q_1 finite element
- stabilization parameters (based on numerical simulations from [1])

$$\mu_K = 0.2, \quad \delta_K = 0.1 h_K^2$$

• convergence of errors for c = 0 and c = 100, different values of ν



[1] Matthies, Lube, Röhe, Comput. Methods Appl. Math. 9, 368 - 390, 2009





• Q_2/Q_1 , convergence of errors for $\nu = 10^{-4}$ and different values of c







- P_1/P_1 finite element
- stabilization parameters

$$\delta_K = \begin{cases} 0.5h_K & \text{if } \nu < h_K, \\ 0.5h_K^2 & \text{else,} \end{cases} \quad \mu_K = 0.5h_K$$

• convergence of errors for c=0 and c=100, different values of ν







• P_1/P_1 , convergence of errors for $\nu = 10^{-4}$ and different values of c







- implementation: same approach as for Stokes equations
- grad-div term leads to matrix block

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{12}^T & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{13}^T & A_{23}^T & A_{33} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{instead of} \quad \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

- PSPG term introduces pressure-pressure couplings
- SUPG term influences velocity-velocity coupling and the pressure (ansatz) velocity (test) coupling
- final system

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} A & D \\ B & -C \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{f} \\ \underline{f_p} \end{array}\right)$$

much more matrix blocks to store than for Galerkin FEM





- summary and remarks
 - $\circ \;\; ext{errors} \left\| (oldsymbol{u},p) (oldsymbol{u}^h,p^h)
 ight\|_{ ext{spg,p}} ext{ independent of }
 u$
 - versions without pressure couplings available
 - only for inf-sup stable pairs of finite elements
 - easier to implement than SUPG/PSPG/grad-div stabilization
 - numerical analysis in [1,2,3]
- other stabilizations proposed in the literature

[1] Tobiska, Verfürth, SINUM 33, 107-127, 1996

- [2] Lube, Rapin, M3AS 16, 949-966, 2006
- [3] Matthies, Lube, Röhe, Comput. Methods Appl. Math. 9, 368-390, 2009





7. The Stationary Navier-Stokes Equation





• continuous equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nu\Delta \boldsymbol{u} + (\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &= \boldsymbol{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u} &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \end{aligned}$$

for simplicity: homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

- difficulties:
 - coupling of velocity and pressure
 - dominating convection
 - nonlinear




• different forms of the convective term

$$(\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla)\boldsymbol{u}$$
 : convective form,
 $\nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^T)$: divergence form,
 $(\nabla \times \boldsymbol{u}) \times \boldsymbol{u}$: rotational form

- $\circ~$ convective form and divergence form equivalent if $\nabla\cdot {\bm u}=0$ (apply product rule to divergence form)
- convective form and rotational form

$$(
abla imes oldsymbol{u}) imes oldsymbol{u} + rac{1}{2}
abla \left(oldsymbol{u}^T oldsymbol{u}
ight) = (oldsymbol{u} \cdot
abla) oldsymbol{u}$$

definition of new pressure (Bernoulli pressure) in rotational form

$$p_{\text{Bern}} = p + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{u}^T \boldsymbol{u}$$



- different forms of the convective term (cont.)
 - recent proposal [1]: EMAC (energy momentum and angular momentum conserving)

 $2\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{u}
ight)\boldsymbol{u}+\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u}
ight)\boldsymbol{u}$

with new pressure (negative of Bernoulli pressure)

- o derivation based on conservation of
 - kinetic energy ($u=0, oldsymbol{f}=oldsymbol{0}$)
 - linear momentum ($m{f}$ with vanishing linear momentum)
 - angular momentum (f with vanishing angular momentum)
 - helicity ($\nu = 0$)
 - 2d enstrophy ($\nu = 0$)
 - vorticity ($\nu = 0$)
- o none of the other forms preserves all these quantities
- o first numerical experience: often among best disc. of nonlinear term

[1] Charnyi, Heister, Olshanskii, Rebholz; J. Comput. Phys. 337, 289–308, 2017







• variational form of the steady-state Navier–Stokes equations: Find $(u, p) \in V \times Q$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}) + ((\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, p) &= (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}), \\ - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, q) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all $(\boldsymbol{v},q) \in V \times Q$

• equivalent: Find $({oldsymbol u},p)\in V imes Q$ such that

$$(\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}) + ((\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla)\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, p) + (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, q) = (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v})$$

for all $(\boldsymbol{v},q) \in V \times Q$





• properties of convective term

- o linear in each component (trilinear)
- $\circ ~~ oldsymbol{u}, oldsymbol{v}, oldsymbol{w} \in H^1(\Omega)$, product rule

$$\left(\left(\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w}
ight)=\left(\nabla\cdot\left(\boldsymbol{v}\boldsymbol{u}^{T}
ight),\boldsymbol{w}
ight)-\left(\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{u}
ight)\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w}
ight)$$

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$$((\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\,\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w})=(\boldsymbol{u},
abla\,(\boldsymbol{v}\cdot\boldsymbol{w}))-((\boldsymbol{u}\cdot
abla)\,\boldsymbol{w},\boldsymbol{v})$$





convective form

$$n_{\mathrm{conv}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) = ((\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w})$$

o divergence form

$$n_{ ext{div}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) = n_{ ext{conv}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} \right) \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \right)$$

rotational form

$$n_{\rm rot}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w}) = ((\nabla\times\boldsymbol{u})\times\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w})$$

with momentum equation

$$(
u
abla oldsymbol{u},
abla oldsymbol{v}) + n_{
m rot}(oldsymbol{u}, oldsymbol{v}) - (
abla \cdot oldsymbol{v}, p_{
m Bern}) = (oldsymbol{f}, oldsymbol{v}) \quad orall oldsymbol{v} \in V$$

• skew-symmetric form (for \boldsymbol{u} weakly divergence-free, $\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = 0$ on Γ)

$$n_{\mathrm{skew}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) = rac{1}{2} \left(n_{\mathrm{conv}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w}) - n_{\mathrm{conv}}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{v})
ight)$$





- further properties of convective term
- vanishing
 - o rotational, skew-symmetric, and divergence form

$$n_{\rm rot}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{v}) = n_{\rm skew}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{v}) = n_{\rm div}(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{v}) = 0$$

 $\circ\;$ convective: if $oldsymbol{u}$ weakly divergence-free and $oldsymbol{u}\cdotoldsymbol{n}=0$ on Γ

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$$n_{\rm conv}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{v})=0$$

• estimates: $\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{w} \in H^1(\Omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} &|n_{\text{conv}}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w})| &\leq C \, \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \, \|\nabla \boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \, \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \,, \\ &|n_{\text{skew}}(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w})| &\leq C \, \|\boldsymbol{u}\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \, \|\boldsymbol{v}\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \, \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{H^{1}(\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$

o proof: board, p. 309







- existence and uniqueness of a solution
 - $\circ~~\Omega\subset\mathbb{R}^d, d\in\{2,3\},$ bounded domain with Lipschitz boundary $\circ~~{\pmb f}\in H^{-1}(\Omega)$
 - then: existence
- main ideas of the proof
 - o equivalent problem in the divergence-free subspace, only velocity
 - consider problem in finite-dimensional spaces (Galerkin method)
 - fixed point equation, existence of a solution of the finite-dimensional problems: fixed point theorem of Brouwer
 - $\circ~$ dimension of the spaces $\to\infty$: show subsequence of the solutions tends to a solution of the problem in the divergence-free subspace
 - existence of the pressure: inf-sup condition





- existence and uniqueness of a solution (cont.)
 - ν sufficiently large, i.e.,

$$\|\boldsymbol{f}\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \sup_{\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w}\in V} \frac{((\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{v},\boldsymbol{w})}{\|\nabla\boldsymbol{u}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \|\nabla\boldsymbol{v}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \|\nabla\boldsymbol{w}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}} < \nu^{2}$$

- then: uniqueness
- main idea of the proof
 - construct a contraction, apply Banach's fixed point theorem
 - $\circ~$ use result of existence and uniqueness of solution for Oseen equations





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 - $\circ~$ use result of existence and uniqueness of solution for Oseen equations
- numerical simulations
 - case of unique solution is of interest
 - steady-state solutions unstable in non-unique case, solve time-dependent problem







• stability

$$egin{array}{rcl} \|
abla m{u}\|_{L^2(\Omega)} &\leq& rac{1}{
u} \|m{f}\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}\,, \ \|p\|_{L^2(\Omega)} &\leq& rac{1}{eta_{
m is}} \left(2\,\|m{f}\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} + rac{C}{
u^2}\,\|m{f}\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}^2
ight) \end{array}$$

• proof: as usual, using

 $n(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u})=0$





• Galerkin finite element method

• inf-sup stable pair of finite element spaces





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- finite element error analysis for $n_{
 m skew}(\cdot,\cdot,\cdot)$

$$n_{\text{skew}}\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\left(n_{\text{conv}}\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) - n_{\text{conv}}\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}, \boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)\right) = 0$$

note that in general $oldsymbol{u}^h
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- same as for continuous problem:
 - existence, uniqueness
 - stability





- Finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the gradient of the velocity
 - $\circ~\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ bounded Lipschitz domain with polyhedral boundary
 - $\circ \
 u^{-2} \left\| oldsymbol{f}
 ight\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)}$ be sufficiently small such that unique solution
 - $\circ~$ inf-sup stable finite element spaces $V^h \times Q^h$

$$\begin{split} \left\| \nabla (\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h}) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq C \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu^{2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \right) \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\nu} \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right) \end{split}$$

proof: main ideas and treatment of nonlinear term: board, p. 320





- Finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the pressure

$$\begin{split} \left| p - p^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \quad C \frac{\nu}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu^{2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right)^{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \right) \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &+ C \frac{\nu}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu^{2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right) \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right) \end{split}$$





• Finite element error estimate for the $L^2(\Omega)$ norm of the pressure

$$\begin{split} \left| p - p^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \quad C \frac{\nu}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \left(\left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu^{2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right)^{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \right) \inf_{\boldsymbol{v}^{h} \in V^{h}} \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \\ &+ C \frac{\nu}{\beta_{\mathrm{is}}^{h}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\nu^{2}} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} \right) \inf_{q^{h} \in Q^{h}} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \right) \end{split}$$

• analytical results can be supported numerically by analytical test examples





• Example: steady-state flow around a cylinder at Re = 20

domain



velocity



pressure

pressure 0.112
0.080
0.040
0.000
-0.032







- Example: steady-state flow around a cylinder at Re = 20
 - o at the cylinder









• important: drag and lift coefficient at the cylinder

$$c_{\text{drag}} = \frac{2}{\rho dU_{\text{mean}}^2} \int_{\Gamma_{\text{cyl}}} \left(\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_t}{\partial \mathbf{n}} n_y - P n_x \right) \, ds,$$

$$c_{\text{lift}} = -\frac{2}{\rho dU_{\text{mean}}^2} \int_{\Gamma_{\text{cyl}}} \left(\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_t}{\partial \mathbf{n}} n_x + P n_y \right) \, ds$$





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• reformulation with volume integrals possible, long but elementary derivation, e.g.,

$$c_{\text{drag}} = -\frac{2U^2}{dU_{\text{mean}}^2} \big((\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{w}_d) + n(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{w}_d) - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{w}_d, p) - (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{w}_d) \big)$$

for any function $m{w}_d\in H^1(\Omega)$ with $m{w}_d=m{0}$ on $\Gamma\setminus\Gamma_{
m cyl}$ and $m{w}_d|_{\Gamma_{
m cyl}}=(1,0)^T$





• reference values

• [1] : compiled from simulations of different groups

 $c_{\text{drag,ref}} \in [5.57, 5.59], \quad c_{\text{lift,ref}} \in [0.104, 0.110]$

[2] : do-nothing conditions at outlet

 $c_{\rm drag,ref} = 5.57953523384, \quad c_{\rm lift,ref} = 0.010618948146$

[3] : Dirichlet conditions at outlet

 $c_{\text{drag,ref}} = 5.57953523384, \quad c_{\text{lift,ref}} = 0.010618937712$

[1] Schäfer, Turek; Notes on Numerical Fluid Mechanics 52, 547-566, 1996

[2] Nabh; PhD thesis, Heidelberg, 1998

[3] J., Matthies; IJNMF 37, 885-903, 2001

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• initial grids



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• patch for test function in computation of coefficients, Q_2







- convective form of convective term
- do-nothing boundary conditions
- convergence of drag coefficient







• convergence of lift coefficient







• different forms of the convective term

o structure of matrix for convective, divergence, and skew-symmetric form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

• structure of matrix for rotational form

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$





• different forms of the convective term, P_2/P_1



- rotational form
 - o reconstructed pressure has boundary layers, inaccurate results





- schemes for solving the nonlinearity
- fixed point iteration

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}^{(m+1)} \\ p^{(m+1)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)} \\ p^{(m)} \end{pmatrix} - \vartheta \boldsymbol{N}_{\text{lin}}^{-1} \left(\begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \boldsymbol{N} \left(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}; \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, p^{(m)} \right) \right)$$

with

$$\boldsymbol{N}\left(\boldsymbol{w};\boldsymbol{u},p\right) = \begin{pmatrix} a(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v}) + n(\boldsymbol{w},\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v},p) \\ b(\boldsymbol{u},q) \end{pmatrix}$$

 $oldsymbol{N}_{\mathrm{lin}}$ – linear operator $artheta\in(0,1]$ – damping factor







- fixed point iteration
 - o linear system to be solved

$$\boldsymbol{N}_{\text{lin}} \begin{pmatrix} \delta \boldsymbol{u}^{(m+1)} \\ \delta p^{(m+1)} \end{pmatrix} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \boldsymbol{N} \left(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}; \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, p^{(m)} \right) \right)$$

setting

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta \boldsymbol{u}^{(m+1)} \\ \delta p^{(m+1)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)} - \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)} \\ \tilde{p}^{(m+1)} - p^{(m)} \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$\boldsymbol{N}_{\text{lin}}\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}\\ \tilde{p}^{(m+1)} \end{pmatrix} = \left(\begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v})\\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \boldsymbol{N} \left(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}; \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, p^{(m)} \right) \right) + \boldsymbol{N}_{\text{lin}} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}\\ p^{(m)} \end{pmatrix}$$







• iteration with Stokes equations

$$\boldsymbol{N}_{ ext{lin}} = \boldsymbol{N}\left(\boldsymbol{0}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \tilde{p}^{(m+1)}\right)$$

• then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m+1)}) \\ b(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, q) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) - a(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) - n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) - b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m)}) \\ -b(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m)}, q) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \begin{pmatrix} a(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m)}) \\ b(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m)}, q) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) - n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- \circ converges only if u is sufficiently large
- not recommended





• iteration with Oseen-type equations, Picard iteration

$$\boldsymbol{N}_{ ext{lin}} = \boldsymbol{N}\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}; \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \tilde{p}^{(m+1)}\right)$$

• then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m+1)}) \\ b(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, q) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) - a(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) - n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) - b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m)}) \\ -b(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, q) \end{pmatrix} \\ + \begin{pmatrix} a(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m)}) \\ b(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, q) \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• widely used





7 The Stationary Navier–Stokes Equations – Galerkin FEM

- Newton's method
- linear operator is derivative of the nonlinear operator at the current position

$$oldsymbol{N}_{ ext{lin}} = Doldsymbol{N} egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{u}^{(m)} \ p^{(m)} \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\circ~$ with Gâteaux derivative at $({\boldsymbol{u}},p)^T$

$$DN\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}\\ p \end{pmatrix} = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{N(\boldsymbol{u} + \varepsilon \boldsymbol{\phi}; \boldsymbol{u} + \varepsilon \boldsymbol{\phi}, p + \varepsilon \psi) - N(\boldsymbol{u}; \boldsymbol{u}, p)}{\varepsilon}$$
$$= N(\boldsymbol{\phi}; \boldsymbol{u}, p) + N(\boldsymbol{u}; \boldsymbol{\phi}, p) + N(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}, \psi)$$

inserting and collecting terms

$$\begin{pmatrix} a(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + n(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \tilde{p}^{(m+1)}) \\ b(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}^{(m+1)}, q) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (\boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}) + n(\boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{u}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{v}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\circ~$ analytical properties of term $n(ilde{m{u}}^{(m+1)},m{u}^{(m)},m{v})$ unclear



• implementation

- same principal approach as for Stokes and Oseen equations
- inf-sup stable finite elements lead to linear saddle point problems in fixed point iteration

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{f} \\ \underline{0} \end{array}\right)$$





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- same principal approach as for Stokes and Oseen equations
- inf-sup stable finite elements lead to linear saddle point problems in fixed point iteration

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \underline{f} \\ \underline{0} \end{array}\right)$$

- convective form of convective term
 - Picard iteration

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} A_{11} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & A_{11} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & A_{11} \end{array}\right)$$

- Newton iteration

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$







- example: Picard vs. Newton
 - o analytical solution
 - $\circ Q_2/P_1^{\text{disc}}$
 - o exact solution of linear systems vs inexact solution
 - inexact: reduce Euclidean norm of residual by factor 10, at most 10 iterations





- number of iterations for solving the nonlinear problem
 - $\circ~$ 'not conv.': solution was not obtained within $100~{\rm iterations}$

ν		Picard	iteration	Newton's method	
	level/lin. solver	inexact	exact	inexact	exact
1/100	2	14	26	8	5
	3	15	14	7	5
	4	14	14	7	5
	5	13	13	7	5
	6	13	13	7	5
1/500	2	39	not conv.	not conv.	not conv.
	3	32	32	not conv.	not conv.
	4	30	29	35	8
	5	29	28	52	8
	6	28	27	not conv.	8
1/1000	2	not conv.	not conv.	not conv.	not conv.
	3	36	57	not conv.	not conv.
	4	35	33	not conv.	not conv.
	5	35	31	not conv.	not conv.
	6	33	30	not conv.	not conv.


- Picard method
 - larger convergence radius
 - more robust
- Newton's method
 - $\circ~$ faster in case of convergence and exact solution of linear systems
 - $\circ~$ properties of term $n(ilde{m{u}}^{(m+1)},m{u}^{(m)},m{v})$ not clear





- residual-based (and other) stabilizations possible
 - o better: solve time-dependent problem





$$\mathscr{A}\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} A & D \\ B & -C \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u} \\ \underline{p} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{f} \\ \underline{f_p} \end{pmatrix} = \underline{y},$$

with

$$\begin{split} & A \in \mathbb{R}^{dN_v \times dN_v}, \; D \in \mathbb{R}^{dN_v \times N_p}, \; B \in \mathbb{R}^{N_p \times dN_v}, \; C \in \mathbb{R}^{N_p \times N_p}, \\ & \underline{u}, \underline{f} \in \mathbb{R}^{dN_v}, \; \underline{p}, \underline{f_p} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_p}, \end{split}$$

such that

$$\mathscr{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{(dN_v + N_p) \times (dN_v + N_p)}, \quad \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{dN_v + N_p}$$

- sparse matrices
- efficiency of simulations depends strongly on efficiency of solution of these systems





• sparse direct solvers

- MUMPS, pardiso, UMFPACK
- black box, easy to use
- o improved considerably in the last 20 years

• iterative solvers

- (flexible) GMRES(restart), BiCGStab, ...
- o generally not necessary to solve linear systems very accurately
 - common strategy: reduce Euclidean norm of residual vector by factor 10
- need preconditioner





- multigrid preconditioner
 - needs hierarchy of grids
 - o grid transfer operators (restriction, prolongation)
 - smoother (iterative method for damping high frequency error components)
 - o coarse grid solver, e.g., direct solver











- multigrid preconditioner (cont.)
 - o smoother essentially for efficiency
 - for saddle point problems only block Gauss–Seidel smoothers efficient (Vanka smoothers) [1], multiplicative Vanka smoother
 - coupled treatment of velocity and pressure
 - o multigrid methods take time for implementation
 - need some effort for parallelization



7 Multiplicative Vanka Smoother

- decomposition of velocity d.o.f. \mathcal{V}_h and pressure d.o.f. \mathcal{Q}_h

$$\mathcal{V}_h = \cup_{j=1}^J \mathcal{V}_{hj}, \quad \mathcal{Q}_h = \cup_{j=1}^J \mathcal{Q}_{hj}$$

• \mathcal{A}_j matrix block \mathcal{A} which is connected to $\mathcal{W}_{hj} = \mathcal{V}_{hj} \cup \mathcal{Q}_{hj}$

$$\mathcal{A}_j = \begin{pmatrix} A_j & B_j \\ C_j & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{\dim(\mathcal{W}_{hj}) \times \dim(\mathcal{W}_{hj})}$$

- one application of multiplicative Vanka smoother: for $j=1,\ldots,J$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} u\\ p\end{array}\right)_{j}:=\left(\begin{array}{c} u\\ p\end{array}\right)_{j}+\mathcal{A}_{j}^{-1}\left(\left(\begin{array}{c} f\\ g\end{array}\right)-\mathcal{A}\left(\begin{array}{c} u\\ p\end{array}\right)\right)_{j}$$

- strategy:
 - $\circ~$ choose \mathcal{Q}_{hj}
 - $\circ \; \mathcal{V}_{hj}$ all velocity d.o.f. which are connected to pressure d.o.f. in \mathcal{Q}_{hj}





- discontinuous pressure approximation
- \mathcal{W}_{hj} : all d.o.f. which are connected to one mesh cell
- J : number of mesh cells









- continuous pressure approximation
- $\dim \mathcal{Q}_{hj} = 1$ for all j
- J : number of pressure d.o.f.







• mesh cell oriented Vanka smoother

	2d			3d		
	velo	pressure	total	velo	pressure	total
$Q_1^{nc}/Q_0~({ m R/T})$	4	1	9	6	1	19
$Q_2/P_1^{\rm disc}$	9	3	21	27	4	85
$Q_3/P_2^{\rm disc}$	16	6	38	64	10	202
P_1^{nc}/P_0 (C/R)	3	1	7	4	1	13

• same size for all mesh cells









		2d			3d	
	velo	pressure	total	velo	pressure	total
Q_2/Q_1	25	1	51	125	1	376
Q_3/Q_2	49	1	99	343	1	1030
P_{2}/P_{1}	19	1	39	65	1	196
P_3/P_2	37	1	75	175	1	526





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- augmented Lagrangian-based preconditioner [3]

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- smoothers that treat velocity and pressure in decoupled way
 - Least Squares Commutator (LSC) preconditioner [1,2]
 - augmented Lagrangian-based preconditioner [3]
- LSC preconditioner
 - starting point

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ BA^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix}$$

with Schur complement

$$S = -BA^{-1}B^T$$

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- LSC preconditioner
 - equivalent to

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 $\circ \implies$: good right preconditioner

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

o approximation of Schur complement based on (commutation) ansatz

$$A\left(D_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T\right) \approx B^T A_{\rm pres} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad D_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T A_{\rm pres}^{-1} \approx A^{-1}B^T$$

 $D_{\rm lsc}$ – scaling matrix, diagonal matrix, positive diagonal entries $A_{\rm pres}$ – discretization of convection-diffusion operator for pressure

$$\implies S = -BA^{-1}B^T \approx -BD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T A_{\rm pres}^{-1} = S_{\rm lsc}$$



• LSC preconditioner

 $\circ~$ determine $A_{\rm pres}$ by minimizing commutation error in least squares sense

o approximation

$$S_{\rm lsc} = -BD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T \left(BD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}AD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T\right)^{-1}BD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T$$

problem for preconditioner

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B^T \\ 0 & S_{\rm lsc} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{v} \\ \underline{q} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{b}_v \\ \underline{b}_q \end{pmatrix}$$

 \circ requires A^{-1} and inverse of Schur complement approximation

$$S_{\mathrm{lsc}}^{-1} = -\left(BD_{\mathrm{lsc}}^{-1}B^{T}\right)^{-1}\left(BD_{\mathrm{lsc}}^{-1}AD_{\mathrm{lsc}}^{-1}B^{T}\right)\left(BD_{\mathrm{lsc}}^{-1}B^{T}\right)^{-1}$$

- $\left(BD_{
 m lsc}^{-1}B^T
 ight)^{-1}$ (scaled) Poisson problem
- $-\,$ our implementation: compute $BD_{\rm lsc}^{-1}B^T$ explicitly \Longrightarrow sparse direct solver can be applied







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- numerical experience [1]
 - stationary Navier–Stokes equations
 - matrix A dominated by convective term
 - behavior depends somewhat on chosen pair of finite element spaces
 - sparse direct solver and LSC efficient only on coarse grids, in particular in 3d
 - on finer grids some multigrid preconditioner best
 - $-\,$ LSC preconditioner with approximate solution of system with A does not work
- numerical experience for time-dependent Navier–Stokes equations in Chapter 9





8. The Time-Dependent Navier-Stokes Equations - Analysis





• continuous equation

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \partial_t \boldsymbol{u} - \nu \Delta \boldsymbol{u} + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} + \nabla p &=& \boldsymbol{f} & \mbox{ in } (0, T] \times \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &=& 0 & \mbox{ in } (0, T] \times \Omega, \\ \boldsymbol{u}(0, \cdot) &=& \boldsymbol{u}_0 & \mbox{ in } \Omega, \end{array}$$

with

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{0} \text{ in } (\boldsymbol{0}, T] \times \boldsymbol{\Gamma}$$



- · weak or variational formulation obtained by
 - $\circ\;$ multiply Navier–Stokes equations with a suitable test function arphi
 - $\circ \ \ \text{integrate on} \ (0,T) \times \Omega \\$
 - apply integration by parts
- weak or variational formulation
 - $\circ \$ let $oldsymbol{f} \in L^2\left(0,T;V'
 ight)$ and $oldsymbol{u}_0 \in H_{ ext{div}}(\Omega)$
 - $\circ \,\, u$ is called weak or variational solution of the Navier–Stokes equations if
 - u satisfies

$$\begin{split} &\int_0^T \Big[-\left(\boldsymbol{u}, \partial_t \boldsymbol{\phi} \right) + \nu \left(\nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{\phi} \right) + \left(\left(\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{\phi} \right) \Big] (\tau) \ d\tau \\ &= \int_0^T \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{\phi} \rangle_{V',V} (\tau) \ d\tau + \left(\boldsymbol{u}_0, \boldsymbol{\phi} \left(0, \cdot \right) \right) \quad \forall \ \boldsymbol{\phi} \in C_{0, \text{div}}^\infty \left([0, T) \times \Omega \right). \end{split}$$

- u has the following regularity

$$\boldsymbol{u} \in L^2\left(0,T;V_{\mathrm{div}}\right) \cap L^{\infty}\left(0,T;H_{\mathrm{div}}(\Omega)\right)$$





properties

- $\circ~$ no time derivative with respect to $oldsymbol{u}$
- $\circ~$ no second order space derivative with respect to $oldsymbol{u}$
- the pressure vanished because

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla p \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi} \, d\boldsymbol{x} = (\nabla p, \boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \int_{\Gamma} p(\boldsymbol{s}) \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\boldsymbol{s})}_{=\boldsymbol{0}} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}(\boldsymbol{s}) \, d\boldsymbol{s} - (p, \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi}}_{=\boldsymbol{0}}) = 0$$





- mathematical analysis
 - 2d: existence and uniqueness of weak solution, Leray (1933), Hopf (1951)
 - o 3d: existence of weak solution, Leray (1933), Hopf (1951)
- Jean Leray (1906 1998)



Eberhard Hopf (1902 - 1983)



Uniqueness of weak solution of 3d Navier-Stokes equations is open problem !







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 - o consider simpler problem than Navier–Stokes equations
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- Hopf (1951): simpler problems are Navier–Stokes equations in finite-dimensional subspace (Galerkin method)





- starting point: take $L^2(\Omega)$ orthonormal basis $\{ m{v}_l \}_{l=1}^\infty$ of $C^\infty_{0,{
 m div}}\left(\Omega
 ight)$
- finite-dimensional space

$$V_{ ext{div}}^{n} = \operatorname{span}\{oldsymbol{v}_{l}^{n}\}_{l=1}^{n} \subset C_{0, ext{div}}^{\infty}\left(\Omega
ight)$$

- equation in this space: Find $oldsymbol{u}^n \in V^n_{\mathrm{div}}$ such that

$$(\partial_t \boldsymbol{u}^n, \boldsymbol{v}^n) + (\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^n, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^n) + n (\boldsymbol{u}^n, \boldsymbol{u}^n, \boldsymbol{v}^n) = \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}^n \rangle_{V', V} \quad \forall \ \boldsymbol{v}^n \in V_{\mathrm{div}}^n$$





· ansatz for solution

$$\boldsymbol{u}^{n}\left(t,\boldsymbol{x}\right) = \sum_{l=1}^{n} \alpha_{l}^{n}(t) \boldsymbol{v}_{l}^{n}\left(\boldsymbol{x}\right)$$

• system of ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{d\alpha_{l}^{n}}{dt} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{lj}\alpha_{j}^{n} + \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} n_{ljk}\alpha_{j}^{n}\alpha_{k}^{n} = f_{l}, \quad l = 1, \dots, n,$$
$$\alpha_{l}^{n}(0) = u_{0l}, \quad l = 1, \dots, n$$

with

$$\begin{split} a_{lj} &= \left(\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{v}_j^n, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}_l^n\right), \quad n_{ljk} = \left(\left(\boldsymbol{v}_j^n \cdot \nabla\right) \boldsymbol{v}_k^n, \boldsymbol{v}_l^n\right) = n\left(\boldsymbol{v}_j^n, \boldsymbol{v}_k^n, \boldsymbol{v}_l^n\right), \\ f_l &= \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}_l^n \rangle_{V',V}, \quad u_{0l} = (\boldsymbol{u}_0, \boldsymbol{v}_l^n) \end{split}$$

• existence of unique solution: Theorem of Carathéodory (generalization of Theorem of Peano)





- prove weak convergence of subsequence of solution in the spaces present in definition of weak solution
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existence of a weak solution

- some consequences
 - o regularity for temporal derivative

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{u} \in \begin{cases} L^2 \left(0, T; V' \right) & \text{ if } d = 2, \\ L^{4/3} \left(0, T; V' \right) & \text{ if } d = 3 \end{cases}$$







some consequences

energy inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \|\boldsymbol{u}(t)\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + 2\nu \int_{0}^{t} \|\nabla \boldsymbol{u}(\tau)\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} d\tau \\ \leq \|\boldsymbol{u}(0)\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + 2\int_{0}^{t} \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{u} \rangle_{V'V}(\tau) d\tau \end{aligned}$$

- 2d: even energy equality
- stability for all times t

 $\|\boldsymbol{u}(t)\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \nu \|\nabla \boldsymbol{u}\|_{L^{2}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \leq \|\boldsymbol{u}(0)\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{1}{\nu} \|\boldsymbol{f}\|_{L^{2}(0,t;H^{-1}(\Omega))}^{2}$





- uniqueness of a weak solution
 - 2d: by Sobolev imbedding

$$\boldsymbol{u}\in L^{4}\left(0,T;L^{4}\left(\Omega\right)\right)$$

- is suffient for uniqueness of weak solution
- 3d: with stronger regularity assumption, e.g., $oldsymbol{u} \in L^8\left(0,T;L^4\left(\Omega
 ight)
 ight)$
- 3d: generalization [1]

$$oldsymbol{u}\in L^{s}\left(0,T;L^{q}\left(\Omega
ight)
ight)$$
 with $s>2,q>3,\ rac{2}{s}+rac{3}{q}=1$

3d: question is open

[1] Serrin; University of Wisconsin Press, Madison 69-98, 1963





- weak formulation: Find ${\pmb u} \ : \ (0,T] \to V, p \ : \ (0,T] \to Q$ such that

$$(\partial_t \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) + (\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}) + n (\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) - (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, p) + (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}, q) = \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle_{V', V}$$

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for all $(\boldsymbol{v},q) \in V \times Q$ and $\boldsymbol{u}(0,\boldsymbol{x}) = \boldsymbol{u}_0(\boldsymbol{x}) \in H_{\text{div}}(\Omega)$ • $V^h \subset V, Q^h \subset Q$

• time-continuous finite element problem: Find \pmb{u}^h : $(0,T]\to V^h,$ p^h : $(0,T]\to Q^h$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\partial_t \boldsymbol{u}^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + \left(\nu \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^h, \nabla \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + n\left(\boldsymbol{u}^h, \boldsymbol{u}^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) \\ - \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h, p^h\right) + \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}^h, q^h\right) &= \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}^h \rangle_{V', V} \end{aligned}$$

for all $({m v}^h,q^h)\in V^h imes Q^h$ and ${m u}^h(0,{m x})={m u}^h_0({m x})\in V^h$, approximation of ${m u}_0({m x})$

- Galerkin discretization
- o skew-symmetric form of the convective term



8 Finite Element Analysis, Time-Continuous Problem

- existence, uniqueness, stability of finite element solution
 - $\circ~$ same tools as for Galerkin method in proof from Hopf
- assumption for error analysis
 - data

$$\boldsymbol{f} \in L^2\left(0,T;V'\right), \quad \boldsymbol{u}_0 \in H_{\mathrm{div}}(\Omega), \quad \boldsymbol{u}_0^h \in V_{\mathrm{div}}^h$$

solution of continuous problem

$$\partial_{t}\boldsymbol{u} \in L^{2}\left(0,T;V'\right), \quad \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \in L^{4}\left(0,T;L^{2}\left(\Omega\right)\right), \quad p \in L^{2}\left(0,T;L^{2}\left(\Omega\right)\right)$$

 \implies uniqueness of weak solution







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 - 4. application of the triangle inequality
 - same as usual





• Gronwall's lemma (in differential form): Let $T\in\mathbb{R}^{+}\cup\infty$, $f\in W^{1,1}\left(0,T
ight)$, and $g,\lambda\in L^{1}\left(0,T
ight)$. Then

$$f'(t) \le g(t) + \lambda(t) f(t)$$
 a.e. in $[0,T]$

implies for almost all $t \in [0, T]$

$$f\left(t\right) \leq \exp\left(\int_{0}^{t}\lambda\left(\tau\right)d\tau\right)f\left(0\right) + \int_{0}^{t}\exp\left(\int_{s}^{t}\lambda\left(\tau\right)d\tau\right)g\left(s\right)ds.$$





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- result of step 2: for all $q^h \in Q^h$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left\| \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{3\nu}{8} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \leq \frac{2}{\nu} \left\| \partial_{t} \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{V'}^{2} + \frac{2}{\nu} \left\| p - q^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \\
+ \frac{C}{\nu} \left(\left\| \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \left\| \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \\
+ \frac{C}{\nu^{3}} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{4} \left\| \boldsymbol{\phi}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}$$





- integrate inequality in time
- assumptions and stability estimates show, e.g.,

$$\int_{0}^{t} \left\| \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} d\tau < \infty$$

and

$$\int_{0}^{t} \left\| \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} d\tau < \infty$$

 \implies assumptions of Gronwall's lemma satisfied





$$\begin{split} \text{final error estimate: } &I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u}(t) - \text{appropriate projection} \\ \left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right)(t) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \nu \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{u}^{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \\ &\leq C \bigg\{ \left\| \left(\boldsymbol{u} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u} \right)(t) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \nu \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \\ &+ \exp \left(\frac{C}{\nu^{3}} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{4}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{4} \right) \right) \bigg[\left\| \boldsymbol{u}_{0}^{h} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u}(0) \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\nu} \Big(\left\| \partial_{t} \left(\boldsymbol{u} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(0,t;V')}^{2} \\ &+ \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u} \right) \right\|_{L^{4}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \left\| \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right\|_{L^{4}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{\nu^{3/2}} \left(\left\| \boldsymbol{u}_{0}^{h} \right\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \frac{1}{\nu} \left\| \boldsymbol{f} \right\|_{L^{2}(0,t;V')}^{2} \right) \left\| \nabla \left(\boldsymbol{u} - I_{\text{St}}^{h} \boldsymbol{u} \right) \right\|_{L^{4}(0,t;L^{2}(\Omega))}^{2} \end{split}$$





- final error estimate
 - o factor very (!) large (unrealistic)

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- survey of open problems in [1]

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• example with analytical solution (Beltrami flow)



- $\circ Q_2/Q_1$
- very small time step (temporal error negligible)





• example with analytical solution (Beltrami flow): convergence of velocity errors







9. The Time-Dependent Navier-Stokes Equations - Schemes





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• one-step θ -schemes: n = k

	θ_1	θ_2	θ_3	$ heta_4$	t_k	t_{k+1}	Δt_{k+1}	order
forward Euler scheme	0	1	1	0	t_n	t_{n+1}	Δt_{n+1}	
backward Euler scheme (BWE)	1	0	0	1	t_n	t_{n+1}	Δt_{n+1}	1
Crank–Nicolson scheme (CN)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	t_n	t_{n+1}	Δt_{n+1}	2









- fractional-step θ -scheme [1]
 - o three-step scheme
 - two variants

$ heta = 1 - rac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, ilde{ heta} = 1 - 2 heta, au = rac{ ilde{ heta}}{1 - heta}, \eta = 1 - au$										
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	$\tau \theta$	$\eta heta$	$\eta \theta$	au heta	$t_{n+1} - \theta \Delta t_{n+1}$	t_{n+1}	$\theta \Delta t_{n+1}$			
FS1	$\tau \theta$	$\eta \theta$	θ	0	t_n	$t_n + \theta \Delta t_{n+1}$	$\theta \Delta t_{n+1}$			
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[1] Bristeau, Glowinski, Periaux: Finite elements in physics, North-Holland, 73-187, 1986





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- number of papers with finite element error estimates available
 - proofs become long
 - same techniques as for continuous-in-time problem + discrete Gronwall's lemma



- implementation
 - $\circ~$ goes along the same lines as for Stokes and Navier–Stokes equations
 - additional loop over time instances needed
 - \circ temporal derivative leads to mass matrix M: symmetric, positive definite
 - principal form of the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} M + \theta \Delta t_{n+1} A & \theta \Delta t_{n+1} B^T \\ \Delta t_{n+1} B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u}_{n+1} \\ \underline{p}_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \underline{r} h \mathbf{s} \\ \underline{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

- mass matrix dominant for small time steps (good property!)
- our experience: scaling of discrete continuity equation very helpful for efficiency of solvers







• flow around a cylinder

reference curves for drag and lift [1]



[1] J., Rang, CMAME 199, 514-524, 2010





• refinement in space with $Q_2/P_1^{\rm disc}$

		P_{2}/P_{1}			$Q_2/P_1^{\rm disc}$	
level	velocity	pressure	all	velocity	pressure	all
3	25 408	3248	28 656	27 232	9984	37 216
4	100 480	12 704	113 184	107 712	39 936	147 648
5	399 616	50 240	449 856	428 416	159 744	588 160

• refinement in time: $\Delta t \in \{0.02, 0.01, 0.005\}$





• error to the reference curve for the drag coefficient







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• error to the reference curve for the lift coefficient







error to the reference curve for the lift coefficient







• temporal evolution of lift coefficient





• BWE much to inaccurate (dissipative)





- numerical studies [1]
- same solvers as for stationary Navier-Stokes equations
 - o 2d time-dependent Navier-Stokes equations, different refinement levels



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- recent experience: LSC works well in parallel framework with small number of processors
 - 50 processors (largest machine of the institute)
 - MPI
 - MUMPS for solving Poisson-type problem

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• projection method

- o motivation: schemes without need to solve (nonlinear) saddle point problems
- survey in [1]

[1] Guermond, Minev, Shen, CMAME 195, 6011-6045, 2006







idea: decoupled NSE to obtain separate equations for velocity and pressure
 approximation of time derivative given (*q*-step scheme)

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{u}(t_{n+1}) \approx \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\tau_q \boldsymbol{u}_{n+1} + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} \tau_j \boldsymbol{u}_{n-j} \right), \quad \sum_{i=0}^q \tau_j = 0$$

 $\circ~$ equation for intermediate velocity: given \hat{p} or $\nabla \hat{p}$

$$\frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\tau_q \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} + \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} \tau_j \boldsymbol{u}_{n-j} \right) - \nu \Delta \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}} + (\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}} \cdot \nabla) \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}} = \boldsymbol{f} - \nabla \hat{p} \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

• correction step for divergence-free velocity

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\tau_q \boldsymbol{u}_{n+1} - \tau_q \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} \right) + \nabla \varphi \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}} \right) + \nabla p &= \nabla \hat{p} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_{n+1} &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \end{split}$$

 $\varphi(\cdot)$ – given function





- velocity computed in projection step is $L^2(\Omega)$ projection of \tilde{u}_{n+1} into

 $H_{\mathrm{div}}(\Omega) = \left\{ \boldsymbol{v} \in L^2(\Omega), \, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \in L^2(\Omega) \, : \, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = 0 \text{ and } \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma \right\}$





- $\circ \ \hat{p}=0, \varphi\left(\cdot\right)=0$
- proposed in [1,2]
- with backward Euler
- intermediate velocity

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} + \Delta t_{n+1} \left(-\nu \Delta \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} + (\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} \right) = \boldsymbol{u}_n + \Delta t_{n+1} \boldsymbol{f}_{n+1} \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

with $ilde{oldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} = oldsymbol{0}$ on Γ

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[1] Chorin, Math. Comp. 22, 745-762, 1968

[2] Temam, Arch. Rational Mech. Anal. 33, 377–385, 1969





- non-incremental pressure-correction scheme (cont.)
- taking divergence of projection step

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla p_{n+1} = \Delta p_{n+1} = \frac{1}{\Delta t_{n+1}} \nabla \cdot \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1}$$

- Poisson equation for the pressure
- o boundary condition

$$\nabla p_{n+1} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = -\frac{1}{\Delta t_{n+1}} \left(\boldsymbol{u}_{n+1} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1} \right) \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = 0$$





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- non-incremental pressure-correction scheme (cont.)
 - o inf-sup stable finite elements not necessary
 - o however, spurious oscillations may appear if the time step becomes too small
 - low orders of convergence
 - $\circ~$ splitting error is $\mathcal{O}\left(\Delta t\right)\Longrightarrow$ first order time stepping scheme sufficient
 - artificial Neumann boundary condition for the pressure induces a numerical boundary layer







$$\circ \ \hat{p} = p_n, \varphi\left(\cdot\right) = 0$$

with BDF2

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- standard incremental pressure-correction scheme (cont.)
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- standard incremental pressure-correction scheme (cont.)
 - o similar estimates for Crank-Nicolson scheme
 - $\circ~$ splitting error is $\mathcal{O}\left(\Delta t^2
 ight)$ \Longrightarrow second order time stepping scheme sufficient
 - artificial Neumann boundary condition for the pressure induces a numerical boundary layer
 - $\circ~$ non inf-sup stable pairs of finite element spaces need stabilization
 - consider steady-state solution, then problem for $\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{n+1}$ is of saddle point type





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- rotational incremental pressure-correction scheme (cont.)
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- Poisson equation for the modified pressure
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 - o equivalent formulation of velocity step

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 boundary condition for the pressure is consistent, can be derived from the Navier–Stokes equations







- only $ilde{oldsymbol{u}}_{n+1}$ needed in implementation
- our experience with non-incremental and standard incremental scheme: very inaccurate at boundaries (bad drag and lift coefficients)













10. Outlook: Simulation of Turbulent Flows



10 The Time-Dependent NSE – Turbulent Flows



• continuous equation: incompressible Navier-Stokes equations

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+ boundary conditions

- turbulent flows: Re very large
 - o river flows
 - storms
 - o flow around obstacles, e.g., cars

o :

• There is no exact definition of what is a turbulent flow !



10 Turbulent Flows (cont.)



- possess flow structures of very different size
 - o hurricane Katrina (2005)





some large eddies (scales), many very small eddies (scales)





• Richardson energy cascade [1]: energy is transported in the mean from large to smaller eddies



- start of cascade: kinetic energy introduced into flow by productive mechanisms at largest scale
- inner cascade: transmitting energy to smaller and smaller scales by processes not depending on molecular viscosity
- end of cascade: molecular viscosity enforcing dissipation of kinetic energy at smallest scales
- smallest scales important for physics of the flow

[1] L.F. Richardson; Weather Prediction by Numerical Process, Cambridge University Press, 1922



• energy of scales in wave number space (Fourier space)



- k wave number
- $E(\boldsymbol{k})$ turbulent kinetic energy of modes with wave number \boldsymbol{k}
- $k^{-5/3}$ law of energy spectrum: $E(k) \sim \epsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$





• Kolmogorov [1]:

energy is dissipated from eddies of size

$$\lambda \sim {
m Re}^{-3/4}$$

Kolmogorov scale



[1] A. Kolmogorov; C. R. (Doklady) Acad. Sci. URSS (N.S.) 30, 301-305, 1941





$$\circ \ \Omega = (0,1)^3 \implies L = 1$$

- $\circ~$ approx 10^7 cubic mesh cells ($\approx 215^3)$
- \circ low order method (mesh width pprox resolution of discretization)
- $\circ \implies \lambda \approx 1/215$
- $\circ \implies \operatorname{Re} \approx 1290$
- applications: Reynolds numbers larger by orders of magnitude

Direct Numerical Simulation not feasible !

- only resolved scales can be simulated
- transition from resolved to unresolved scales usually in inertial subrange







- smallest scales in 2d flows [1]: $\lambda \sim {\rm Re}^{-1/2}$
- vortex stretching
 - \circ vorticity: $oldsymbol{\omega} =
 abla imes oldsymbol{u}$
 - o neglect viscous term for large Reynolds numbers

$$\frac{D\boldsymbol{\omega}}{Dt} = \frac{\partial\boldsymbol{\omega}}{\partial t} + (\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\nabla)\boldsymbol{\omega} \approx \boldsymbol{\omega}\cdot\nabla\boldsymbol{u}$$

- equation of infinitesimal line element of material
- if ∇u acts to stretch the line element than $|\omega|$ will be stretched, too \implies vortex stretching, important feature of turbulent flows
- 2d: right-hand side vanishes \implies no vortex stretching
- 2d high Reynolds number flows create large structures (eddies)
- 3d turbulent flows destroy large structures (eddies)

2d flows at high Reynolds number are qualitatively different from 3d turbulent flows

[1] R.H. Kraichnan; Physics of Fluids 10, 1417-1423, 1967





- direct simulation not possible
- only large scales can be simulated
- physics: (very) small scales important, have to be taken into account
- Main questions for turbulence modeling (simulation of turbulent flows):
 - How to define large?
 - spatial averaging \Longrightarrow Large Eddy Simulation (LES)
 - projection in appropriate function spaces ⇒ Variational Multiscale (VMS) Methods
 - How to model the impact of the small scales onto the large scales?
 - several proposals and dozens of variants
 - here: Smagorinsky model (most popular)
- turbulence models should be less complex than the Navier-Stokes equations



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- two-scale decomposition of the flow: large and unresolved scales

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} + \boldsymbol{u}', \quad p = \overline{p} + p'$$

- $\circ \ \overline{oldsymbol{u}}\,,\,\overline{p}\,$: large scales
- $\circ \ oldsymbol{u}', p'$: subgrid scales
- goal of LES : approximate $\overline{u}, \overline{p} \implies$ one needs equations for $\overline{u}, \overline{p}$





10 The Space-Averaged Navier–Stokes Equations (cont.)

- derivation of space-averaged Navier–Stokes equations (literature) :
 - $\circ~$ filter Navier–Stokes equations with filter function g

$$g * (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}) = \overline{\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}}$$

o assume that convolution and differentiation commute

$$g*(\nabla\cdot\cdot)=\nabla\cdot(g*\cdot)$$

o commute both operators

$$g * (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}) = \nabla \cdot (g * \boldsymbol{u}) = \nabla \cdot \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}$$

 \Longrightarrow expression for $\,\overline{u}$







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- practice: no approach to incorporate commutation errors, they are simply neglected

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[3] Berselli, Grisanti, J.: J. Comp. Appl. Math. 206, 1027 - 1045, 2007





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- space-averaged Navier–Stokes equations in $(0,T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\partial_t \,\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} - 2\nu \nabla \cdot \mathbb{D}\left(\overline{\mathbf{u}}\right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \,\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}^T\right) + \nabla \overline{p} = \overline{\mathbf{f}} + \nabla \cdot \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \,\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}^T - \overline{\boldsymbol{u}\boldsymbol{u}^T}\right)$$
$$\nabla \cdot \overline{\mathbf{u}} = 0$$

• main issue in LES : model $\nabla \cdot \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \ \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}^T - \overline{\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^T} \right)$ with $(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}, \overline{p})$ • many proposals

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- most popular LES model
- derivation based on physical understanding: Boussinesq hypothesis

Turbulent fluctuations are dissipative in the mean.

$$\implies \quad \nabla \cdot \left(\, \overline{\boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{u}^T} \, - \, \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \, \, \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}^{\, T} \right) \approx - \nabla \cdot \left(\nu_T \mathbb{D} \left(\, \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \, \right) \right) + \text{terms inc. in } \, \overline{p}$$

 u_T – eddy viscosity, turbulent viscosity

$$\nu_T = \frac{c_S \delta^2}{\left\| \mathbb{D}\left(\,\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \,\right) \right\|_{\mathrm{F}}}$$

- no explicit filter (possible to derive for homogeneous isotropic turbulence)
- Smagorinsky parameter
 - $\circ~\delta$ should correspond to local mesh width (difficulty: anisotropic grids)
 - \circ constant (often of order 0.01)
 - different proposal: functions in space and time (dynamical Smagorinsky model)





- weak equation posseses unique solution $\nabla w \in L^3(0,T;L^3(\Omega))$ in 2d and 3d for large data and large time intervals [1]
 - more known than for Navier–Stokes equations (uniqueness in 3d)



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- practical experience
 - introduces often too much viscosity ⇒ dynamical Smagorinsky model
 - smaller parameters at boundaries necessary, e.g., van Driest damping

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- analysis and modeling
 - o commutation errors arise, partially analyzed, important near boundaries
 - $\circ~$ Smagorinsky model with constant c_S well analyzed (existence, uniqueness of solution, finite element errors)
- practical application of LES models
 - many models proposed, used
 - Smagorinsky model (and variants) very popular
- literature
 - best reference [1]
 - o more mathematical: [2,3]

[1] P. Sagaut; Large eddy simulation for incompressible flows, Springer, 2006

- [2] L. Berselli, T. Iliescu, W.J. Layton; Mathematics of large eddy simulation of turbulent flows, Springer, 2006
- [3] J.; Finite Element Methods for Incompressible Flow Problems, Springer Series in Computational Mathematics 51, 2016



- Variational Multiscale (VMS) methods
 - going back to [1,2]
 - main features
 - based on variational formulation of Navier–Stokes equations
 - scale separation defined by projections, different definition of large scales than in LES!
 - o different realizations of VMS methods
 - survey on derivation, properties, mathematical results, computational experience in [3,4]

[1] Hughes; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 127, 387-401, 1995

- [2] Guermond; M2AN 33, 1293-1316, 1999
- [3] Ahmed, Chacón Rebollo, J., Rubino; Arch. Computat. Methods Engrg. 24, 115 164, 2017
- [4] J.; Finite Element Methods for Incompressible Flow Problems, Springer Series in Computational Mathematics 51, 812 pages, 2016





- two-scale VMS method
- · decomposition in resolved and small scales

$$oldsymbol{u} = \overline{oldsymbol{u}} + oldsymbol{u}', \quad p = \overline{p} + p'$$

gives decomposition of weak form of Navier-Stokes equations

$$\begin{array}{lll} A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\boldsymbol{u}',p'\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) &=& F\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}}\right) \\ A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}',q'\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\boldsymbol{u}',p'\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}',q'\right)\right) &=& F\left(\boldsymbol{v}'\right) \end{array}$$

• with notation

$$oldsymbol{U} = egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{u} \\ p \end{pmatrix}, \quad oldsymbol{V} = egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{v} \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$
 and so on

• decompose

$$A(\boldsymbol{u};\boldsymbol{U},\boldsymbol{V}) = A_{\text{lin}}(\boldsymbol{U},\boldsymbol{V}) + n(\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{v})$$





• rewrite small scale equation

$$A_{\boldsymbol{U}}\left(\boldsymbol{U}',\boldsymbol{V}'\right)+n\left(\boldsymbol{u}',\boldsymbol{u}',\boldsymbol{v}'\right)=-\left\langle \operatorname{\mathbf{Res}}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{U}}\right),\boldsymbol{V}'\right\rangle _{\left(V\times Q\right)',\left(V\times Q\right)}$$

with

$$A_{\boldsymbol{U}}(\boldsymbol{U}',\boldsymbol{V}') = A_{\mathrm{lin}}(\boldsymbol{U}',\boldsymbol{V}') + n(\boldsymbol{u}',\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\boldsymbol{v}') + n(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\boldsymbol{u}',\boldsymbol{v}')$$
$$\left\langle \operatorname{Res}(\overline{\boldsymbol{U}}),\boldsymbol{V}'\right\rangle_{(V\times Q)',(V\times Q)} = A_{\mathrm{lin}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{U}},\boldsymbol{V}') + n(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\boldsymbol{v}') - \langle \boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{v}'\rangle_{V',V}$$

interpretation: unresolved scales are a function of the residual of the resolved scales

$$oldsymbol{U}' = oldsymbol{F}_{oldsymbol{U}}\left(- extbf{Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}
ight)
ight) \quad ext{or} \quad oldsymbol{U}' = oldsymbol{F}_{oldsymbol{U}}\left(- extbf{Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}
ight), oldsymbol{u}_{ ext{old}}
ight)$$

- goal of two-scale VMS method: find an approximation of ${m F}_{m U}$
 - usually NO physcial turbulence model involved, justification in [1]

[1] Guasch, Codina; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 261/262, 154-166, 2013





• three-scale VMS method

- decomposition of velocity and pressure
 - $\circ~$ the large scales $(\overline{oldsymbol{u}},\overline{p})$
 - $\circ~$ the small resolved scales $(\widehat{oldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p})$
 - $\circ~$ the unresolved scales $({\pmb u}',p')$
- decomposition of equation

 $A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\boldsymbol{u}',p'\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) \hspace{2mm} = \hspace{2mm} F\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}}\right)$

 $A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\boldsymbol{u}',p'\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) = F\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}}\right)$

 $A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}',q'\right)\right)+A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}',q'\right)\right)+A\left(\boldsymbol{u};\left(\boldsymbol{u}',p'\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}',q'\right)\right) \hspace{2mm}=\hspace{2mm}F\left(\boldsymbol{v}'\right)$

- neglect blue terms
 - unresolved scale test functions not available
 - o direct impact of unresolved scales onto large scales can be neglected
- model orange term





• Find $(\overline{u},\widehat{u},\overline{p},\widehat{p})\in\overline{V}\times\widehat{V}\times\overline{Q}\times\widehat{Q}$ such that

$$\begin{split} A\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}+\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}+\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}};\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}},\overline{q}\right)\right) &= F\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{v}}\right), \\ A\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}+\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) + A\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}+\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}};\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) \\ &+ T\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}}+\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}};\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}},\overline{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}},\widehat{p}\right),\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}},\widehat{q}\right)\right) &= F\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}}\right) \end{split}$$

- model is usually physical based, like an eddy viscosity model (Smagorinsky model)
- approximation of $(\overline{\pmb{u}},\overline{p})$ denoted by (\pmb{w}^h,r^h)



- proposed in [1]
- orthogonal spaces, with L^2 projection or elliptic projection

$$V \times Q = \left(\overline{V} \oplus V'\right) \times \left(\overline{Q} \oplus Q'\right),$$

• derivation based on perturbation series for $\varepsilon = \|\mathbf{Res}(\overline{U})\|_{(V \times Q)'}$, assumed to be small

$$oldsymbol{U}' = arepsilon oldsymbol{U}_1' + arepsilon^2 oldsymbol{U}_2' + \ldots = \sum_{i=1}^\infty arepsilon^i oldsymbol{U}_i'$$

• inserting series in equation for small scales, ordering terms

$$A_{\boldsymbol{U}}\left(\boldsymbol{U}_{1}^{\prime},\boldsymbol{V}^{\prime}\right) = -\left\langle \frac{\operatorname{\mathbf{Res}}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{U}}\right)}{\left\|\operatorname{\mathbf{Res}}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{U}}\right)\right\|_{(V\times Q)^{\prime}}},\boldsymbol{V}^{\prime}\right\rangle_{(V\times Q)^{\prime},(V\times Q)},$$
$$A_{\boldsymbol{U}}\left(\boldsymbol{U}_{i}^{\prime},\boldsymbol{V}^{\prime}\right) = -\sum_{j=1}^{i-1}n\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{i}^{\prime},\boldsymbol{u}_{j}^{\prime},\boldsymbol{v}^{\prime}\right) \quad i \geq 2$$

[1] Bazilevs, Calo, Cottrell, Hughes, Reali, Scovazzi; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 197, 173-201, 2007







- modeling steps
 - o take only first term of series

$$oldsymbol{U}'pproxarepsilon oldsymbol{U}_1 = \left\| {f Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}
ight)
ight\|_{(V imes Q)'}oldsymbol{U}_1'$$

• proposal from [1]: use linear approximation

$$oldsymbol{U}_{1}^{\prime}pprox -oldsymbol{\delta}rac{ extbf{Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}
ight)}{\left\| extbf{Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}
ight)
ight\|_{\left(V imes Q
ight)^{\prime}}},$$

 δ – stabilization parameter (tensor-valued)

[1] Bazilevs, Calo, Cottrell, Hughes, Reali, Scovazzi; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 197, 173–201, 2007




• model of the small scales

$$egin{array}{rcl} ilde{m{U}}' &=& -oldsymbol{\delta} {m{Res}} \left(egin{pmatrix} m{w}^h \ r^h \end{array}
ight)
ight) \ &=& - \left(egin{pmatrix} m{\delta}_{
m m} \left(\partial_t m{w}^h -
u \Delta m{w}^h + \left(m{w}^h \cdot
abla
ight) m{w}^h +
abla rh^h - m{f}
ight) \ &= - \left(egin{pmatrix} {m{res}}_{
m m}^h \ res {m{c}}^h \end{array}
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ight) \ &= - \left(egin{pmatrix} {m{res}}_{
m m} \ res {m{c}}^h \end{array}
ight) \end{array}$$

- resulting method: Find ${\pmb w}^h\,:\,(0,T]\to V^h,\;r^h\,:\,(0,T]\to Q^h$ satisfying

$$\begin{split} \left(\partial_t \boldsymbol{w}^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + \left(2\nu \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{w}^h\right), \mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^h\right)\right) + n\left(\boldsymbol{w}^h, \boldsymbol{w}^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{w}^h, q^h\right) \\ &- \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h, r^h\right) + \left(\operatorname{res}^h_c, \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + \left(\operatorname{res}^h_m, \nabla q^h\right) - n\left(\operatorname{res}^h_m, \boldsymbol{w}^h, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) \\ &- n\left(\boldsymbol{w}^h, \operatorname{res}^h_m, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) + n\left(\operatorname{res}^h_m, \operatorname{res}^h_m, \boldsymbol{v}^h\right) = \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}^h \rangle_{V',V} \end{split}$$
for all $\left(\boldsymbol{v}^h, q^h\right) \in V^h \times Q^h$





- the additional terms
 - o grad-div stabilization
 - SUPG terms
 - o model for second cross term and subgrid scale term
- proposal of stabilization parameter in [1] gives for uniform meshes and convection-dominated regime $\,\delta_{\rm m}\sim h$ and $\mu\sim h$
 - optimal choice for SUPG/PSPG/grad-div method for Oseen equations and equal-order interpolations
- numerical studies in the literature only for equal-order interpolations

[1] Bazilevs, Calo, Cottrell, Hughes, Reali, Scovazzi; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 197, 173-201, 2007





- two-scale method, proposed in [1]
- large scale spaces: finite element spaces $V^h \times Q^h$
- small scale spaces: $\tilde{V}'\times \tilde{Q}'$ such that

$$V = V^h \oplus \tilde{V}' \quad \text{and} \quad Q = Q^h \oplus \tilde{Q}'$$

• small scale equation with integration by parts and smooth solution

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \partial_t \boldsymbol{u}' - \nu \Delta \boldsymbol{u}' + \left(\boldsymbol{u}' \cdot \nabla \right) \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} + \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{u}' + \left(\boldsymbol{u}' \cdot \nabla \right) \boldsymbol{u}' + \nabla p', \boldsymbol{v}' \rangle_{V', V} + \left(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}', q' \right) \\ &= - \langle \partial_t \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} - \nu \Delta \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} + \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{u}} \cdot \nabla \right) \overline{\boldsymbol{u}} + \nabla \overline{p} - \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v}' \rangle_{V', V} - \left(\nabla \cdot \overline{\boldsymbol{u}}, q' \right) \end{aligned}$$

[1] Codina; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 191, 4295-4321, 2002





• first idea: do not neglect temporal derivative of small scales

$$\partial_t \boldsymbol{u}' \approx \vartheta \frac{\boldsymbol{u}' - \boldsymbol{u}'_{\text{old}}}{\Delta t},$$

 ϑ depends on temporal discretization

• linear ansatz for small scales

$$oldsymbol{U}' = - \delta \left(extbf{Res} \left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}, oldsymbol{u}_ ext{old}
ight) + oldsymbol{V}_ ext{orth}
ight)$$

• second idea: subscales should be $L^2(\Omega)$ orthogonal to finite element space \Longrightarrow

$$oldsymbol{\delta V}_{\mathrm{orth}} = -P_{L^2}^h\left(oldsymbol{\delta Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}},oldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{old}}'
ight)
ight)$$

and

$$oldsymbol{U}' = -\left(I - P_{L^2}^h\right)\left(oldsymbol{\delta} \mathbf{Res}\left(\overline{oldsymbol{U}}, oldsymbol{u}_{\mathrm{old}}^\prime
ight)
ight)$$

· some simplifications applied for practical reasons





• find $({m w}^h,r^h)$ such that

$$\begin{split} \left(\partial_{t}\boldsymbol{w}^{h},\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) + \nu\left(\nabla\boldsymbol{w}^{h},\nabla\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) + n\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\boldsymbol{w}',\boldsymbol{w}^{h},\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) - \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}^{h},r^{h}\right) \\ &+ \left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{w}^{h},r^{h}\right) + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\left(I-P_{L^{2}}^{h}\right)\left(\left(\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\boldsymbol{w}'\right)\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\nabla r^{h}\right),\right. \\ &\left. \delta_{\mathrm{m},K}\left(\left(\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\boldsymbol{w}'\right)\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{v}^{h}+\nabla q^{h}\right)\right)_{K} \right. \\ &+ \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\left(I-P_{L^{2}}^{h}\right)\left(\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{w}^{h}\right),\mu_{K}\nabla\cdot\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)_{K} \\ &= \left(\boldsymbol{f},\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) + \sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\left(I-P_{L^{2}}^{h}\right)\boldsymbol{f},\delta_{\mathrm{m},K}\left(\left(\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\boldsymbol{w}'\right)\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{v}^{h}+\nabla q^{h}\right)\right)_{K} \\ &+ \frac{\vartheta}{\Delta t}\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}^{h}} \left(\boldsymbol{w}_{\mathrm{old}}',\delta_{\mathrm{m},K}\left(\left(\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}+\boldsymbol{w}'\right)\cdot\nabla\right)\boldsymbol{v}^{h}+\nabla q^{h}\right)\right)_{K} \end{split}$$

- global projection
- advection velocity





• equation for subscales

$$oldsymbol{w}'|_{K} = \delta_{\mathrm{m},K} \left(artheta rac{oldsymbol{w}'_{\mathrm{old}}}{\Delta t} - \left(I - P_{L^{2}}^{h}
ight) \left(\left(\left(oldsymbol{w}^{h} + oldsymbol{w}'
ight) \cdot
abla
ight) oldsymbol{w}^{h} +
abla r^{h} - oldsymbol{f}
ight)
ight|_{K}$$

- variations/refinements/extensions of this prototype method exist
- stabilization parameters in [1] for equal-order finite elements
- numerical studies in literature only for equal-order finite elements
- $m{w}_{
 m old}'=m{0}$: static or quasi-static subscales
- $V_{
 m orth}=0$: algebraic subgrid scale (ASGS) VMS method
- ASGS with static subscales: same derivation principles as for two-scale residual-based VMS method from [2] (but different final method)
- backscatter of energy only subscales are time-dependent [3,4]

- [3] Principe, Codina, Henke; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 199, 791-801, 2010
- [4] Codina, Principe, Badia; Lect. Notes Appl. Comput. Mech. 55, 75–93, 2011



^[1] Codina; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 191, 4295-4321, 2002

^[2] Bazilevs, Calo, Cottrell, Hughes, Reali, Scovazzi; Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg. 197, 173-201, 2007



three-scale method

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- AVM³ proposed in [1,2]
- AVM⁴ proposed in [3]
- · definition of the separation of the resolved scales
 - uses ideas from algebraic multigrid (AMG) methods
 - o does not need another finite element space or another grid
 - definition of the large scales

$$\begin{split} S_h^{3h} \ : \ V^h \to V^h, \quad \boldsymbol{u}^{3h} = P_{3h}^h R_h^{3h} \boldsymbol{u}^h \\ R_h^{3h} - \text{restriction, plain aggregation, } P_{3h}^h = \left(R_{3h}^h\right)^T \\ \text{scale separation, } \widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}^h - \text{small resolved scales} \end{split}$$

$$oldsymbol{u}^h = oldsymbol{u}^{3h} + \widehat{oldsymbol{u}}^h \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \widehat{oldsymbol{u}}^h = oldsymbol{u}^h - oldsymbol{u}^{3h}$$

[1] Gravemeier, Gee, Wall; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 198, 3821-3835, 2009

- [2] Gravemeier, Gee, Kronbichler, Wall; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 199, 853-864, 2010
- [3] Rasthofer, Gravemeier; J. Comput. Phys. 234, 79-107, 2013





- AVM^3
 - start with two-scale decomposition

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u}^h + \boldsymbol{u}', \quad p = p^h + p'$$

neglect equation for unresolved test function

- $\circ~$ split test function $oldsymbol{v}^h = oldsymbol{v}^{3h} + \widehat{oldsymbol{v}}^h$ in blue term
- apply assumption for a three-scale VMS method to blue term
 - direct impact of unresolved scales on large scales is neglected
 - model direct impact of unresolved scales on small resolved scales





- AVM³ (cont.)
 - in [1]: Smagorinsky model

$$\nabla \cdot \left(C_S h^2 \left\| \mathbb{D} \left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}^h \right) \right\|_{\mathrm{F}} \mathbb{D} \left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}^h \right) \right) = \nabla \cdot \left(\nu_{\mathrm{T}} \left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}^h \right) \mathbb{D} \left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}^h \right) \right)$$

- $\circ~$ realizations of AVM 3 only for Q_1/Q_1
 - in practice added PSPG-type stabilization
- short form

$$\begin{split} A\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h};\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h},r^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right) + \mathsf{PSPG-type \ stabilization} \\ + \left(\nu_{T}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}}^{h}\right)\mathbb{D}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{w}}^{h}\right),\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)\right) &= F\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right) \end{split}$$

- AVM⁴ algebraic multiscale-multigrid-multifractal method
 - $\circ\;$ uses so-called multifractal model of u' instead of eddy viscosity model

[1] Gravemeier, Gee, Kronbichler, Wall; Comp. Meth. Appl. Mech. Engrg. 199, 853–864, 2010





- three-scale method
 - based on ideas from [1]
 - complete development and realization in [2]
- large scale space ${\cal L}^{\cal H}$ space of symmetric tensor-valued functions
- method

$$egin{aligned} &\left(\partial_t oldsymbol{w}^h,oldsymbol{v}^h
ight)+(2
u\mathbb{D}\left(oldsymbol{w}^h
ight),\mathbb{D}\left(oldsymbol{v}^h
ight)
ight)+n(oldsymbol{w}^h,oldsymbol{w}^h,oldsymbol{v}^h))&=\langleoldsymbol{f},oldsymbol{v}^h
angle_{V',V}\ &\left(
abla\cdotoldsymbol{w}^h,q^h
ight)&=0\ &\left(\mathbb{D}\left(oldsymbol{w}^h
ight)-\mathbb{G}^H,\mathbb{L}^H
ight)&=0\ \end{aligned}$$

o definition of small resolved scales by projection

[1] Layton; Appl. Math. Comput. 133, 147-157, 2002

[2] J., Kaya; SIAM J. Sci. Comp. 26, 1485-1503, 2005





short form

$$A\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h};\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h},r^{h}\right),\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h},q^{h}\right)\right)+\left(\nu_{\mathrm{T}}\left(\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{w}^{h}\right)-\mathbb{G}^{H}\right),\mathbb{D}\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)\right)=F\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{h}\right)$$

 $\circ~$ similar structure as for ${\rm AVM}^3,\,{\rm AVM}^4$

- generally Smagorinsky type models used for $\nu_{\rm T}$
- choice of L^H : discontinuous space on the same grid $(P_0,P_1^{\rm disc},{\rm mixed~in}$ an adaptive algorithm)





- local projection stabilization (LPS) methods
 - can be considered as two-scale VMS methods [1]
 - $\circ~$ structure is obtained by replacing in VMS method with time-dependent orthogonal subscales the global $L^2(\Omega)$ projection by a local projection
- three-scale bubble VMS methods
 - $\circ\;$ represent small resolved scales with bubble functions

[1] Braack, Burman; SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 43, 2544-2566, 2006





• turbulent channel flow at $Re_{\tau} = 180$ (friction Reynolds number)



- very coarse grid: $8\times 16\times 8$ cells, finer towards the walls





• Smagorinsky LES model



second order statistics

$$\mathbb{T}^{h}_{12,\text{mean}} = \langle \langle u_{1}^{h} u_{2}^{h} \rangle_{s} \rangle_{t} - \langle \langle u_{1}^{h} \rangle_{s} \rangle_{t} \langle \langle u_{2}^{h} \rangle_{s} \rangle_{t}$$

o very sensitive to the choice of the Smagorinsky parameter









- o left: VMS model with different parameters
- right: comparison with Smagorinsky LES model for second order statistics
- VMS model more accurate
 - o consistent statement in literature for all VMS models



10 Summary

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- simulation of turbulent flows requires turbulence modeling
 - o situation will not change in foreseeable future
- much progress in past two decades
 - LES approaches developed further
 - VMS methods introduced
- VMS models
 - distinguish two-scale and three-scale VMS methods
 - o different realizations
 - usually only in the group of the developer of the method
 - ongoing project: implementation of various VMS methods in in-house code PARMOON (Parallel Mathematics and object-oriented Numerics) [1]
- more details in [2] and [3]

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