

Variational Multiscale Method for solving Navier-Stokes equations

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Basic facts

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= \mathbf{f}, & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T). \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}), \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$$

$$\mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

Navier-Stokes equations:

\mathbf{u} - velocity

p - pressure

Normalization condition: $\int_{\Omega} p(\mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{x} = 0$

Basic physical quantities:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{kinetic energy } k(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}(t)\|^2, \\ \text{energy dissipation rate } \varepsilon(t) &= \frac{\nu}{|\Omega|} \|\nabla \mathbf{u}(t)\|^2, \\ \text{power input } P(t) &= (\mathbf{f}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)), \end{aligned}$$

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \text{ kinematic viscosity}$$

$$Re := \frac{UL}{\nu},$$

U = characteristic velocity, L = characteristic length,

ν = kinematic viscosity.

Basic facts

Non-dimensional form of incompressible Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{Re} \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= \mathbf{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \end{aligned}$$

From Kolmogorov theory it is known that small scales exist to $O(Re^{-3/4})$.

This means that the mesh size should be of this order i.e. $h \sim Re^{-3/4}$

Hence the number of mesh points needed to solve directly (DNS - Direct Navier-Stokes) is of the order $N \sim Re^{9/4}$ in 3D.

Below some examples of Reynolds numbers:

- model airplane (characteristic length 1 m, characteristic velocity 1 m/s)
 $Re \approx 7 \cdot 10^4$
requiring $N \approx 8 \cdot 10^{10}$ mesh points per time-step for a DNS
- cars (characteristic velocity 3 m/s)
 $Re \approx 6 \cdot 10^5$
requiring $N \approx 10^{13}$ mesh points per time-step for a DNS
- airplanes (characteristic velocity 30 m/s)
 $Re \approx 2 \cdot 10^7$
requiring $N \approx 2 \cdot 10^{16}$ mesh points per time-step for a DNS
- atmospheric flows
 $Re \approx 10^{20}$
requiring $N \approx 10^{45}$ mesh points per time-step for a DNS

Basic mathematical facts

Definition (Leray–Hopf weak solutions). *We say that a measurable function $\mathbf{u} : \Omega \times [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is a weak solution to the NSE*

1. $\mathbf{u} \in L^\infty(0, T; L_\sigma^2) \cap L^2(0, T; H_{0,\sigma}^1);$

2. *for each $\phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega \times [0, T))$,*

with $\nabla \cdot \phi = 0$, the following identity holds:

$$\int_0^\infty \int_\Omega \left[\mathbf{u} \phi_t - \frac{1}{Re} \nabla \mathbf{u} \nabla \phi - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \phi \right] dx dt$$

$$= - \int_0^\infty \int_\Omega \mathbf{f} \phi dx dt - \int_\Omega \mathbf{u}_0 \phi(0) dx;$$

3. *the “energy inequality” is satisfied for $t \in [0, T]$:*

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}(t)\|^2 + \frac{1}{Re} \int_0^t \|\nabla \mathbf{u}(\tau)\|^2 d\tau \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}_0\|^2 + \int_0^t \int_\Omega \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, \tau) dx d\tau.$$

H^1 is the Sobolev space of square integrable functions with weak derivatives of order 1

$$H_{0,\sigma}^1 := \{ \mathbf{u} \in [H_0^1(\Omega)]^d : \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \} \quad \|f\|_{L^p(0,T;X)} = \begin{cases} \left[\int_0^T \|f(\tau)\|_X^p d\tau \right]^{1/p} & \text{if } 1 \leq p < +\infty \\ \text{ess sup}_{0 < \tau < T} \|f(\tau)\|_X & \text{if } p = +\infty \end{cases}$$

$$\|u\|_{H_0^1} = \|u\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \sim \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}$$

Basic mathematical facts

Theorem (Leray–Hopf)

Consider \mathbf{u}_0 and \mathbf{f} with

$$\mathbf{u}_0 \in L^2_\sigma \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{f} \in L^2(0, T; L^2_\sigma).$$

Then, there exists at least one weak solution to the NSE on $[0, T]$. Weak solutions satisfy the energy inequality that, in a bounded domain, can be rewritten in a dimensional form as

$$k(t) + |\Omega| \int_0^t \epsilon(t') dt' \leq k(0) + \int_0^t P(t') dt', \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

It is known that weak solutions satisfy:

$$\mathbf{u}_t \in \begin{cases} L^{4/3}(0, T; (H^1_{0,\sigma})') & \text{if } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \\ L^2(0, T; (H^1_{0,\sigma})') & \text{if } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2. \end{cases}$$

Definition We say that a weak solution \mathbf{u} is a strong solution if

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u} \in L^\infty(0, T; H^1_{0,\sigma}) \cap L^2(0, T; H^1_{0,\sigma} \cap [H^2(\Omega)]^d), \\ \mathbf{u}_t \in L^2(0, T; L^2_\sigma), \end{cases}$$

where $H^2(\Omega) \subset L^2(\Omega)$ is the space of (classes of equivalence of) functions in $L^2(\Omega)$ with derivatives up to the second order in $L^2(\Omega)$.

Basic mathematical facts

1. Strong solutions are unique also in a wider class of weak solutions, but it is not known whether they exist.

Theorem Let $u_0 \in H_{0,\sigma}^1$ and $f \in L^2(0,T; L_\sigma^2)$. Then there exists $0 < T_0 \leq T$ such that there exists a unique strong solution in $[0, T_0)$. The time T_0 depends on f , $\|\nabla u_0\|$, and Re ;

2. Strong solutions satisfy energy equality
3. Strong solution become smooth (for each positive time) if $\partial\Omega$, u_0 and f are smooth.

Theorem Let u be a strong solution in $[0, T]$. If Ω is of class C^∞ and if $f \in C^\infty((0, T] \times \overline{\Omega})$ then

$$u \in C^\infty([\varepsilon, T] \times \overline{\Omega}), \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0.$$

In fact to have smooth solutions it is sufficient to know that:

$$u \in L^r(0, T; L^s(\Omega)) \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{2}{r} + \frac{d}{s} = 1.$$

So, for $d=2$ $r=2$, $s=2$ – which is true for weak solutions.

Technically most of the proofs use the Ladyzhenskaya inequality: $\|u\|_{L^4} \leq \begin{cases} 2^{1/4} \|u\|^{1/2} \|\nabla u\|^{1/2} & \text{if } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2, \\ 4^{1/4} \|u\|^{1/4} \|\nabla u\|^{3/4} & \text{if } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3. \end{cases}$

Basic mathematical facts

Question: to what extent irregularity of the solutions exist?

Definition *We say that a solution \mathbf{u} becomes irregular at the time T^* if and only if*

- (a) $T^* < \infty$;*
- (b) $\mathbf{u} \in C^\infty((s, T^*) \times \overline{\Omega})$, for some $s < T^*$;*
- (c) it is not possible to extend \mathbf{u} to a regular solution in any interval (s, T^{**}) , with $T^{**} > T^*$.*

The number T^* is called the *epoch of irregularity* (“époque de irrégularité” in Leray).

Theorem (Leray, Scheffer). *Let \mathbf{u} be a weak solution and let T^* be an epoch of irregularity. Then the following properties hold:*

- 1. $\|\nabla \mathbf{u}(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow T^*$ in such a way that,*

$$\exists C = C(\Omega) > 0 : \quad \|\nabla \mathbf{u}(t)\| \leq \frac{C}{Re^{3/4}(T^* - t)}, \quad \forall t < T^*;$$

- 2. the 1/2-dimensional Hausdorff dimension of the set of (possible) epochs of irregularity is equal to zero.*

This means that the set of irregular solutions of NS equations in 3D is fractal !

Some notations

Time averages:

$$\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle(\mathbf{x}) := \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) dt, \quad \langle p \rangle(\mathbf{x}) := \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T p(\mathbf{x}, t) dt.$$

Space averages:

The simplest form:
$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{\delta^3} \int_{x_1 - \frac{\delta}{2}}^{x_1 + \frac{\delta}{2}} \int_{x_2 - \frac{\delta}{2}}^{x_2 + \frac{\delta}{2}} \int_{x_3 - \frac{\delta}{2}}^{x_3 + \frac{\delta}{2}} \mathbf{u}(y_1, y_2, y_3, t) dy_1 dy_2 dy_3$$

has many disadvantages, hence approach based on convolution is used:

$$0 \leq g(\mathbf{x}) \leq 1, \quad g(\mathbf{0}) = 1, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 1. \quad g_\delta(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{\delta^d} g\left(\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\delta}\right)$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}, t) = (g_\delta * \mathbf{u})(\mathbf{x}, t) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g_\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}', t) d\mathbf{x}', \quad \text{and } \mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{u} - \bar{\mathbf{u}}.$$

Example:

Gaussian filter

$$g(\mathbf{x}) := \left(\frac{\gamma}{\pi}\right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{\delta^3} e^{-\frac{\gamma |\mathbf{x}|^2}{\delta^2}}$$

$$\hat{g}(\mathbf{k}) = e^{-\frac{\delta^2 |\mathbf{k}|^2}{4\gamma}}$$

Conventional turbulence models

Time average Navier Stokes equations:

$$-\frac{1}{Re}\Delta\langle\mathbf{u}\rangle + \nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}\rangle + \nabla\langle p\rangle = \langle\mathbf{f}\rangle, \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

Since $\mathbf{u} = \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle + \mathbf{u}'$ this leads to:

$$-\frac{1}{Re}\Delta\langle\mathbf{u}\rangle + \nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle\langle\mathbf{u}\rangle + \nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u}'\rangle + \nabla\langle p\rangle = \langle\mathbf{f}\rangle, \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

Due to the fact that $\langle\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}\rangle \neq \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle\langle\mathbf{u}\rangle$ some model is needed for $\nabla\cdot\langle\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u}'\rangle$

Example:

$$\nabla \cdot \langle\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u}'\rangle \approx -\nabla \cdot (\nu_T \nabla^s \langle\mathbf{u}\rangle) + \text{terms incorporated into the pressure.}$$

$$\nu_T = \text{Constant } l \langle\sqrt{k'}\rangle, \quad (\nabla^s \mathbf{v})_{ij} := \frac{1}{2}(v_{i,x_j} + v_{j,x_i})$$

$l = l(\mathbf{x}, t)$: local length scale of turbulent fluctuations,

$k' = \frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{x}, t)|^2$: kinetic energy of turbulent fluctuations.

This is linked to RANS – Reynolds Average Navier-Stokes

LES: Large Eddy Simulations

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}, t) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t) g_\delta(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}' \quad \bar{p}(\mathbf{x}, t) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} p(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t) g_\delta(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}_t + \nabla \cdot (\bar{\mathbf{u}} \bar{\mathbf{u}}^T) - \frac{1}{Re} \Delta \bar{\mathbf{u}} + \nabla \bar{p} + \nabla \cdot (\overline{\mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T} - \bar{\mathbf{u}} \bar{\mathbf{u}}^T) = \bar{\mathbf{f}} + A_\delta(\mathbf{u}, p)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{u}} = 0.$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \bar{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j - \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{p}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega,$$

where boundary commutator error (BCE) term is:

$$A_\delta(\mathbf{u}, p) = \int_{\partial\Omega} g_\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}) \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}, p)(\mathbf{s}) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}) dS(\mathbf{s})$$

Subfilter-scale stress tensor $\boldsymbol{\tau} = \overline{\mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}} - \bar{\mathbf{u}} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \approx \mathcal{S}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}})$.

Total stress: $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{p}) := \bar{p} \mathbb{I} - \frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \bar{\mathbf{u}} + \mathcal{S}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{u}}_t - \frac{2}{Re} \nabla \cdot (\nabla^s \bar{\mathbf{u}}) + \nabla \cdot (\overline{\mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T}) + \nabla \bar{p} = \mathbf{f} \\ + \int_{\partial\Omega} g(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}) \left[\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{s}) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}) - p(\mathbf{s}) \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{s}) \right] dS(\mathbf{s}) \quad \text{in } (0, T) \times \mathbb{R}^d. \end{aligned}$$

BCE can be estimated as follows:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left| \int_{\partial\Omega} g_\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}) \psi(\mathbf{s}) dS(\mathbf{s}) \right|^k d\mathbf{x} \leq C \delta^{1+k \left(\frac{(d-1)\alpha}{q} - d \right)} \|\psi\|_{L^p(\partial\Omega)}^k$$

LES: Large Eddy Simulations

Finally it leads to the following formulation:

$$\mathbf{w}_t + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}^T) - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w} - \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}) \right) + \nabla q = \bar{\mathbf{f}} \text{ in } \Omega \times (0, T]$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T]$$

$$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \bar{\mathbf{u}}_0(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j - \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\bar{\mathbf{w}}, \bar{p}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{w}, q) := q \mathbb{I} - \frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w} + \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}).$$

Variational formulation of LES:

$$(\mathbf{w}_t, \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) + \left(\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w} - \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}), \nabla \mathbf{v} \right) + \Gamma - (q, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = (\bar{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{v}).$$

$$\Gamma = - \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathbf{n} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w} - \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}) \right) \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dS.$$

Decomposition of \mathbf{v} : $\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{n} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j) \boldsymbol{\tau}_j = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j) \boldsymbol{\tau}_j$ as $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{n}) = 0$.

leads to:
$$\Gamma = \int_{\partial\Omega} \beta(\mathbf{w}) \mathbf{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \, dS.$$

LES: variational formulation

$$\mathbf{X} := \left\{ \mathbf{v} \in [H^1(\Omega)]^d : \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \right\}$$

$$Q := \left\{ q \in L^2(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} q \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \right\},$$

Find velocity $\mathbf{w}: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}$, and pressure q such that for any \mathbf{v} :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{w}_t, \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) + \left(\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w} - \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}), \nabla^s \mathbf{v} \right) \\ \quad + \int_{\partial\Omega} \beta(\mathbf{w}) \mathbf{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \, dS - (q, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = (\bar{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X}, \\ (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}, \lambda) = 0, \quad \forall \lambda \in Q. \end{array} \right.$$

This is so called *mixed* variational formulation: spaces here are not divergence-free and the constraint is imposed in an approximate way. If $\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})=0$ additional analysis is required to take into account boundary estimation error. For the boundary condition $u=0$ the space $(H_0^1)^d$ is used.

LES: numerical variational formulation

Let $X_h \subset X$ and $Q_h \subset Q$ are finite dimensional subspaces (for example based on finite element method). Then the problem is to find:

$$\mathbf{w}^h : [0, T] \rightarrow X_h, \quad q^h : (0, T] \rightarrow Q_h \quad \text{such that,}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{w}_t^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + b^*(\mathbf{w}^h, \mathbf{w}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + \left(\frac{2}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{w}^h - \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}^h, \mathbf{w}^h), \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h \right) \\ + \int_{\partial\Omega} \beta(\mathbf{w}^h) \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j \mathbf{v}^h \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j dS - (q^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h) = (\bar{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{v}^h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in X_h, \\ (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}^h, \lambda^h) = 0, \quad \forall \lambda^h \in Q_h. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{where} \quad b^*(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) := \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}).$$

Fast reminder basic fact from numerical analysis (Lax theorem):
Approximation + Stability \Rightarrow Convergence

Stability can be achieved by adding extra stabilization term or by satisfying special conditions

Fundamentals in numerical analysis

Differential equation:

$$L:U \rightarrow F, \quad l:U \rightarrow G$$

$$Lu = f, \quad u \in U, \quad f \in F$$

$$lu = g, \quad u \in U, \quad g \in G$$

Approximation:

$$L_h:U_h \rightarrow F_h, \quad l_h:U_h \rightarrow G_h$$

$$L_h u_h = f_h, \quad u_h \in U_h, \quad f_h \in F_h$$

$$l_h u_h = g_h, \quad u_h \in U_h, \quad g_h \in G_h$$

L – differential operator, l – operator describing boundary/initial conditions

L_h, l_h – discrete approximation of L and l

$\{U_h, r_h^U, p_h^U\}_{h \in \omega}$ This triple is called approximation of the space U , where:

$r_h^U:U \rightarrow U_h$ r_h are restriction operators e.g.

$$r_h^F:F \rightarrow F_h \quad (r_h u)(x_i) = u(x_i) \quad \text{or} \quad (r_h u)(x_i) = \frac{1}{\mu(B(x_i, r))} \int_{B(x_i, r)} u(x) dx$$

$$r_h^G:G \rightarrow G_h$$

$p_h^U:U_h \rightarrow U$ p_h is prolongation operator e.g. interpolation function

Fundamentals in numerical analysis

$$L_h r_h^U u(p) - f_h(p) = O(h^q) \quad \text{Local consistency (approximation)}$$

$$l_h r_h^U u(p) - g_h(p) = O(h^q)$$

$$\| L_h r_h^U u - f_h \|_h^{F_h} = O(h^q)$$

Global consistency

$$\| l_h r_h^U u - g_h \|_h^{G_h} = O(h^q)$$

Approximation of space U is convergent if: $\pi_h^U \rightarrow I \quad \pi_h^U = p_h^U r_h^U : U \rightarrow U$

The norms are consistent if: $\forall u \in U \quad \| r_h^U u \|_h \rightarrow \| u \|$

The numerical scheme is convergent if: $\| r_h^U u - u_h \|_h^{U_h} \rightarrow 0$

The numerical scheme is stable, if for any $h < h_0$ there exists unique solution of approximate equation and:

$$\| u_h \|_h^{U_h} \leq M (\| f_h \|_h^{F_h} + \| g_h \|_h^{G_h})$$

Fundamentals in numerical analysis

Lax Theorem

If the numerical scheme is consistent with the order q (in norm sense) and stable then the scheme is convergent and:

$$\| r_h^U u - u_h \|_h^{U_h} = O(h^q)$$

$$\| u_h \|_{h,\infty} = \max_{p \in \Omega_h} |u_h(p)|$$

Cea Lemma

For finite

element method:

$$\| u - u_h \| \leq C \inf_{v_h \in U_h} \| u - v_h \|$$

$$\| u_h \|_{h,2} = \sqrt{h_x h_y \sum_{p \in \Omega_h} |u_h(p)|^2}$$

$$u_h = \{u(p) : p \in \Omega_h\}$$

General form of numerical scheme:

$$\sum_{q \in N_h(p)} A(p, q) u_h(q) = u_h(p), \quad p \in \Omega_h \cup \Gamma_h \quad N_h - \text{grid neighbourhood}$$

Example 1. If for some α independent of h the following condition holds:

$$A(p, p) - \sum_{q \in N'_h(p)} |A(p, q)| \geq \alpha, \quad N'_h(p) = N_h(p) - \{p\}$$

then the scheme is stable in the norm „max“.

Example 2. For advection problems CFL (Courant-Friedrichs-Levy) condition for explicit methods:

$$v \frac{\Delta t}{(\Delta x)^p} \leq C$$

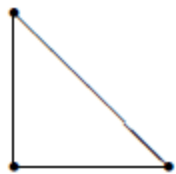
Some standard finite elements examples in 2D

$$\mathcal{M}^k := \mathcal{M}_k(\mathcal{T}) := \{v \in L_2(\Omega); v|_T \in \mathcal{P}_k \text{ for every } T \in \mathcal{T}\},$$

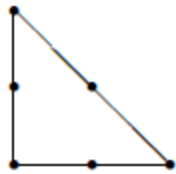
$$\mathcal{M}_0^k := \mathcal{M}^k \cap C^0(\Omega) = \mathcal{M}^k \cap H^1(\Omega),$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{0,0}^k := \mathcal{M}^k \cap H_0^1(\Omega).$$

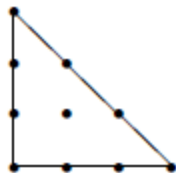
- Function value prescribed
- ⊙ Function value and 1st derivative prescribed
- ⊗ Function value and 1st and 2nd derivatives prescribed
- ⊥ Normal derivative prescribed



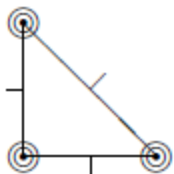
Linear triangular element \mathcal{M}_0^1
 $u \in C^0(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} = \mathcal{P}_1, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 3$



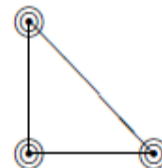
Quadratic triangular element \mathcal{M}_0^2
 $u \in C^0(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} = \mathcal{P}_2, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 6$



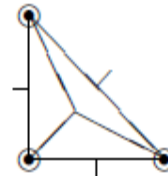
Cubic triangular element \mathcal{M}_0^3
 $u \in C^0(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} = \mathcal{P}_3, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 10$



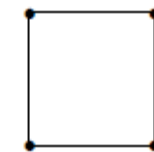
Argyris triangle
 $u \in C^1(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} = \mathcal{P}_5, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 21$



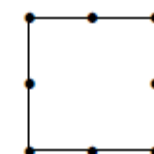
Bell triangle
 $u \in C^1(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} \subset \mathcal{P}_5, \quad \partial_\nu u|_{\partial T_i} \in \mathcal{P}_3, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 18$



Hsieh-Clough-Tocher element
 $u \in C^1(\Omega)$
 $T = \bigcup_{i=1}^3 K_i, \quad u|_{K_i} \in \mathcal{P}_3, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 12$



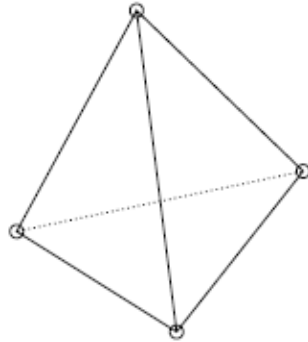
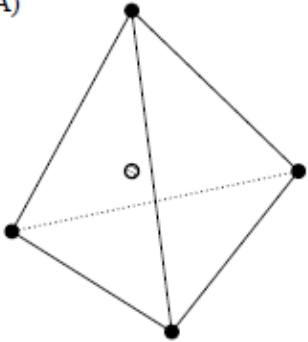
Bilinear quadrilateral element Q_1
 $u \in C^0(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} \subset \mathcal{P}_2, \quad u|_{\partial T_i} \in \mathcal{P}_1, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 4$



Serendipity element
 $u \in C^0(\Omega)$
 $\Pi_{\text{ref}} \subset \mathcal{P}_3, \quad u|_{\partial T_i} \in \mathcal{P}_2, \quad \dim \Pi_{\text{ref}} = 8$

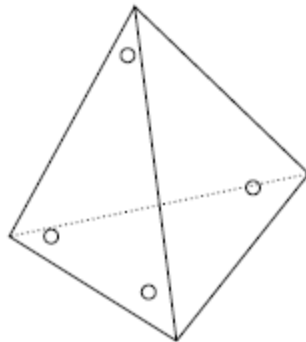
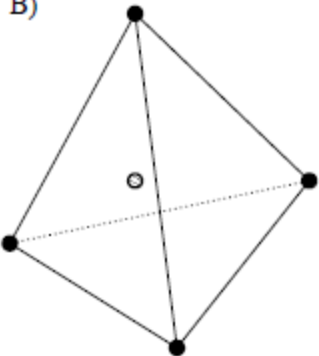
Some 3D elements

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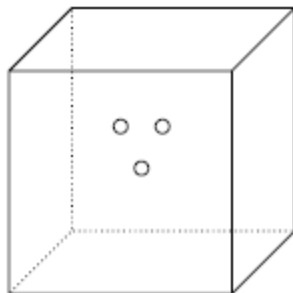
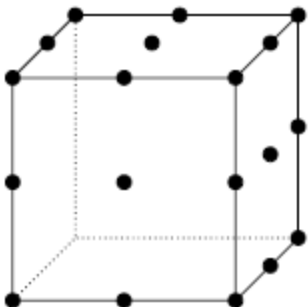
MINI element
(with bubble function)

B)



Crouseix-Raviart element
with bubble function
(non-conforming)

C)



Q_2 - P_1 element

LES: stability problem

If LBB condition (Ladyzhenskaya, Babuška, Brezzi):

$$\inf_{q^h \in Q_h} \sup_{\mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbf{X}_h} \frac{(q^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h)}{\|q^h\| \|\nabla \mathbf{v}^h\|} \geq C > 0 \quad \text{is satisfied}$$

then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}^h(t)\|^2 \\ & + \int_0^t \left[\frac{1}{Re} \|\nabla^s \mathbf{w}^h\|^2 - (\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{w}^h, \mathbf{w}^h), \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h) + \int_{\partial\Omega} \beta(\mathbf{w}^h) |\mathbf{w}^h \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_j|^2 dS \right] dt' \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{\mathbf{u}}_0\|^2 + C Re \int_0^t \|\bar{\mathbf{f}}\|_{-1}^2 dt'. \end{aligned}$$

If, additionally, $\beta(\cdot) \geq \beta_0 > 0$ and the model is dissipative in the sense that

$$(\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}), \nabla^s \mathbf{v}) \leq 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X},$$

then the method is stable.

Condition $\beta(\mathbf{w}) = \beta(\mathbf{w}, \delta, Re) \geq \beta_0 = \beta_0(\delta, Re) > 0$ should be true for reasonable

boundary condition, while dissipativity $\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}) : \nabla^s \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \leq 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X}$

holds for example for eddy viscosity models, $\mathcal{S}^*(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}) = -\nu_T(\delta, \mathbf{v}) \nabla^s \mathbf{v}$, $\nu_T \geq 0$ but is not universal.

Variational Multi-scale Model

$$\mathbf{X} := \{\mathbf{v} \in [H^1(\Omega)]^d : \mathbf{v}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0\},$$

$$Q := \left\{ q \in L^2(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} q \, d\mathbf{x} = (q, 1) = 0 \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{V} := \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X} : (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}, q) = 0, \forall q \in Q\}$$

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) := \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{Re} \nabla^s \mathbf{u} : \nabla^s \mathbf{v} \, d\mathbf{x},$$

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) := \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} [\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}] \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Basic properties of the form b :

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = -b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) \quad \text{and} \quad b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{X}.$$

Problem:

Find $\mathbf{u} : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}$ and $p : (0, T] \rightarrow Q$ satisfying:

$$\begin{cases} (\mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v}) + a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) - (p, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}) & \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X}, \\ (q, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = 0 & \forall q \in Q, \\ \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) & \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega. \end{cases}$$

Variational Multi-scale Model

Space decomposition: $\mathbf{X} = \overline{\mathbf{X}} \oplus \mathbf{X}'$, where $\overline{\mathbf{X}} := \mathbf{X}^h$ is the chosen finite element space.

$$\mathbf{u} = \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \quad \overline{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{u}^h := \overline{P}\mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{X}^h, \quad \mathbf{u}' = (\mathbb{I} - \overline{P})\mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{X}',$$

where $\overline{P} : \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X}^h$ is the projection operator.

Insert $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^h + \mathbf{u}'$ and alternately:

$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}^h$ then $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}'$ which gives two coupled equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\overline{\mathbf{u}}_t + \mathbf{u}'_t, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) - (p^h + p', \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h) \\ \quad \quad \quad = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}^h) \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbf{X}^h, \\ \\ (\overline{\mathbf{u}}_t + \mathbf{u}'_t, \mathbf{v}') + a(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}') + b(\overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \overline{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}') - (p^h + p', \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}') \\ \quad \quad \quad = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}') \quad \forall \mathbf{v}' \in \mathbf{X}'. \end{array} \right.$$

This system of equations is completely equivalent to the original one !

Some algebraic manipulations lead to the following formulation:

Variational Multi-scale Model

$$(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_t, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h) - (p^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h) - (\mathbf{f}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) = (\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{v}^h).$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{v}^h) &:= (\mathbf{f}', \mathbf{v}^h) - b(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) \\ &\quad - [(\mathbf{u}'_t, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\mathbf{u}', \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h - (p', \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h))] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(\mathbf{u}'_t, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}') + b(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}') - (p', \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}') - (\mathbf{f}', \mathbf{v}') = (\mathbf{r}^h, \mathbf{v}'),$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{r}^h, \mathbf{v}') &:= (\bar{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{v}') - b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}') \\ &\quad - [(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_t, \mathbf{v}') + a(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{u}') + b(\mathbf{u}', \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}') + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}') - (\bar{p}, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}')] \end{aligned}$$

In VMM these two equations are discretized simultaneously:
for X^h chosen complementary finite dimensional X'_b is taken for
fluctuation approximation.

Because of stability problem additional term is added of the form:

$$(\nu_T(\mathbf{u}) \nabla \mathbf{u}, \nabla \mathbf{v}).$$

Variational Multi-scale Model

Find: $\bar{\mathbf{u}} : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}^h, \quad \bar{p} : (0, T] \rightarrow Q^h,$ such that:
 $\mathbf{u}'_b : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}'_b, \quad p' : (0, T] \rightarrow Q'_b$

$$(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_t, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h) - (p^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h) + (q^h, \nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{u}}) - (\mathbf{f}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) \\ = (\mathbf{r}'_b, \mathbf{v}^h) \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbf{X}^h, q^h \in Q^h \quad (11.17)$$

where:

$$(\mathbf{r}'_b, \mathbf{v}^h) := (\mathbf{f}', \mathbf{v}^h) - b(\mathbf{u}', \mathbf{u}', \mathbf{v}^h) - [(\mathbf{u}'_{bt}, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\mathbf{u}'_b, \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{u}'_b, \mathbf{v}^h) \\ + b(\mathbf{u}'_b, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}^h) - (p'_b, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h)]$$

and

$$(\mathbf{u}'_{b,t}, \mathbf{v}'_b) + a(\mathbf{u}'_b, \mathbf{v}'_b) + (\nu_T(\bar{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}'_b) \nabla^s \mathbf{u}'_b, \nabla^s \mathbf{v}'_b) + b(\mathbf{u}'_b, \mathbf{u}'_b \mathbf{v}'_b) \\ - (p'_b, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}'_b) + (q'_b, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}'_b) = (\mathbf{r}^h, \mathbf{v}'), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}'_b \in \mathbf{X}'_b, \forall q'_b \in Q'_b,$$

where:

$$(\mathbf{r}^h, \mathbf{v}'_b) := (\bar{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{v}'_b) - b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}'_b) \\ - [(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_t, \mathbf{v}'_b) + a(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}'_b) + b(\mathbf{u}'_b, \bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v}'_b) + b(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{u}'_b, \mathbf{v}'_b) - (p^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}'_b)].$$

$$\nu_T = (C_s \delta)^2 |\nabla^s(\bar{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}'_b)|, \quad \nu_T = (C_s \delta)^2 |\nabla^s \mathbf{u}'_b|$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{u}^h(0) = \bar{\mathbf{u}}_0 = \bar{P} \mathbf{u}_0 \text{ in } \Omega, \quad \mathbf{u}'_b(0) = \mathbf{u}'_0 \approx (\mathbb{I} - \bar{P}) \mathbf{u}_0 \text{ in } \Omega,$$

VMM typically uses a computational model for the fluctuations that uncouples second equation into one small system per mesh cell – for example using bubble functions: $\phi_{Kh} > 0$ on Kh and $\phi_{Kh} = 0$ on ∂Kh (Kh – finite elements), then

$$\mathbf{X}'_b := \text{span} \{ \phi_{Kh} : \text{all mesh cells } K^h \}^3.$$

Variational Multi-scale Model

The following theorem shows stability of VMM:

Let $\nu_T \geq 0$, $\tilde{\mathbf{X}} := \mathbf{X}^h \oplus \mathbf{X}'_b$ and let $\tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \bar{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{u}'_b$. Then $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$ satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}(t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \left(\frac{1}{Re} \|\nabla^s \tilde{\mathbf{u}}(t')\|^2 + \int_{\Omega} \nu_T(\mathbf{u}) |\nabla^s \mathbf{u}'(t')|^2 dx \right) dt' \\ = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}_0\|^2 + \int_0^t (\mathbf{f}(t'), \tilde{\mathbf{u}}(t')) dt'. \end{aligned}$$

Multiscale approach: let $\pi^H(\Omega)$ denotes coarse finite element mesh and $\pi^h(\Omega)$ finer mesh ($h < H$) that can be obtained by refining. Then:

$$Q^H \subset Q^h \subset Q := L^2_0(\Omega), \text{ and } \mathbf{X}^H \subset \mathbf{X}^h \subset \mathbf{X} := [H^1_0(\Omega)]^3.$$

Assume LBB condition is satisfied: $\inf_{q^\mu \in Q^\mu} \sup_{\mathbf{v}^\mu \in \mathbf{X}^\mu} \frac{(q^\mu, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^\mu)}{\|q^\mu\| \|\nabla \mathbf{v}^\mu\|} \geq \beta > 0, \quad \text{for } \mu = h, H.$

The key is to construct multiscale decomposition of deformation tensor $\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h$ since $\mathbf{u}^h \in \mathbf{X}$ naturally we have:

$$\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h \in \mathbf{L} := \{\ell = \ell_{ij} : \ell_{ij} = \ell_{ji} \text{ and } \ell_{ij} \in L^2(\Omega), \ i, j = 1, 2, 3.\}$$

Variational Multi-scale Model

Then discontinuous finite element space can be taken for $\pi^H(\Omega)$.

$$\mathbf{L}^H \subset \mathbf{L}^h \subset \mathbf{L}.$$

Example: for $\mu=h$ or H

$$\mathbf{X}^\mu := \{C^0 \text{ piecewise linear (vectors) on } \pi^\mu(\Omega)\},$$

$$\mathbf{L}^\mu := \{L^2 \text{ discontinuous, piecewise constant (symmetric tensors) on } \pi^\mu(\Omega)\}.$$

Note that $\mathbf{L}^\mu = \nabla^s \mathbf{X}^\mu$.

The idea of the method is to add global eddy viscosity to the FEM and to subtract its effects on the large scales as follows:

Find $\mathbf{u}^h : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}^h$, $p^h : (0, T] \rightarrow Q^h$, and $\mathbf{g}^H : (0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{L}^H$ satisfying

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{u}_t^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) - (p^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h) + (q^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h) \\ \quad + (\nu_T \nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h, \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h) - (\nu_T \mathbf{g}^H, \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h) = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}^h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbf{X}^h, \forall q^h \in Q^h, \\ (g^H - \nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h, \ell^H) = 0, \quad \forall \ell^H \in \mathbf{L}^H \end{array} \right.$$

$$\mathbf{g}^H = P_H(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h), \quad \text{where } P_H' : \mathbf{L} \rightarrow \mathbf{L}^H \text{ is the } L^2 \text{ orthogonal projector.}$$

Last term on rhs in 1st equation can be written as: $(\nu_T[(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h) - P_H(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)], \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h)$

Variational Multi-scale Model

With $P_H : \mathbf{L} \rightarrow \mathbf{L}^H$ the $L^2(\Omega)$ orthogonal projector, define

$$\overline{(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)} := P_H(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h), \quad (\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)' = (\mathbb{I} - P_H)(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h).$$

Then this term can be simply written as: $(\nu_T(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)', (\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)').$

Theorem *The method is equivalent to: find $\mathbf{u}^h : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{X}^h$, and $p^h : (0, T] \rightarrow Q^h$ satisfying*

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u}_t^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + a(\mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) + b(\mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{u}^h, \mathbf{v}^h) - (p^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^h) + (q^h, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h) \\ (\nu_T(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)', (\nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h)') = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}^h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbf{X}^h, q^h \in Q^h. \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem assures stability of this method:

Theorem *The solution \mathbf{u}^h of satisfies $\forall t \in (0, T]$:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}^h(\cdot, t)\|^2 + \int_0^t \left[\frac{2}{Re} \|\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h\|^2 + \int_{\Omega} \nu_T |(\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h)'|^2 dx \right] dt' \\ = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}^h(\cdot, 0)\|^2 + \int_0^t (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}^h)(t') dt'. \end{aligned}$$

Multiscale decomposition of the deformation induces a multiscale decomposition of the velocities

Variational Multi-scale Model

$$\mathbf{V} := \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{X} : (q, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad \forall q \in Q\},$$

$$\mathbf{V}^\mu := \{\mathbf{v}^\mu \in \mathbf{X}^\mu : (q^\mu, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}^\mu) = 0 \quad \forall q^\mu \in Q^\mu\}.$$

Definition (Elliptic projection). For $\mu = h, H$, $P_E^\mu : \mathbf{X} \rightarrow \mathbf{V}^\mu$ is the projection operator satisfying

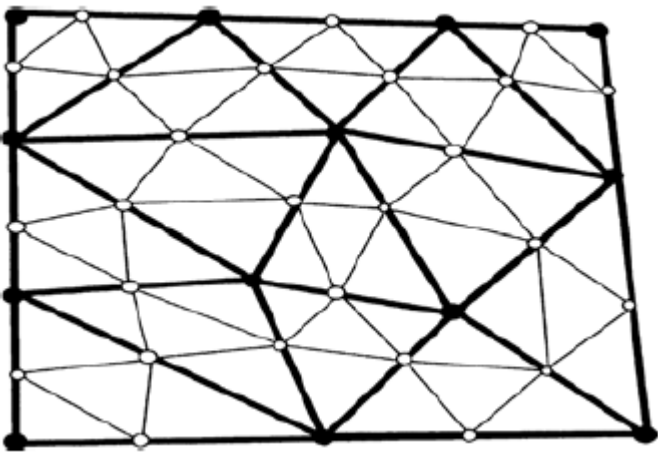
$$(\nabla^s[\mathbf{w} - P_E(\mathbf{w})], \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^\mu) = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^\mu \in \mathbf{V}^\mu.$$

Theorem. Multiscale deformation decomposition is VMM with:

$$\mathbf{u}^h = \bar{\mathbf{u}} + (\mathbf{u}^h)', \quad \bar{\mathbf{u}} := P_E \mathbf{u}^h \in \mathbf{X}^H, \quad (\mathbf{u}^h)' = (\mathbb{I} - P_E^H) \mathbf{u}^h.$$

$$(\nu_T \nabla^s (\mathbf{u}^h)', \nabla^s (\mathbf{v}^h)') = (\nu_T \nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h, \nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h) - (\nu_T P_H (\nabla^s \mathbf{u}^h), P_H (\nabla^s \mathbf{v}^h)).$$

$$\mathbf{X}^\mu := \{\mathcal{C}^0 \text{ piecewise linear on } \pi^\mu(\Omega)\}. \quad \bar{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X}^H = \text{span} \{\phi_N(\mathbf{x}) : \text{all vertices } N \in \pi^H(\Omega)\}^3,$$



$$\mathbf{X}_b' := \text{span} \{\phi_N(\mathbf{x}) : \text{all vertices } N \in \pi^h(\Omega), N \notin \pi^H(\Omega)\}.$$

$\phi_N(\mathbf{x})$ is the usual piecewise linear finite element basis function associated with vertices of $\pi^H(\Omega)$

Light nodes correspond to velocity fluctuations


Conclusions

- VMM is LES model and can be implemented as finite element method
- Stability can be assured by typical conditions (LBB)
- Due to the fact that the VMM is derived from equivalent formulation of NS equations an approximate solution can be treated as approximation of the DNS problem
 $(u^h = \bar{u} + (u^h)')$
- Because coarse mesh is used computation time can be decreased
- Usage of bubble functions results in easier to solve discrete equations

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