

# Numerical Heat Transfer (数值传热学)

## Chapter 11 Grid Generation Techniques



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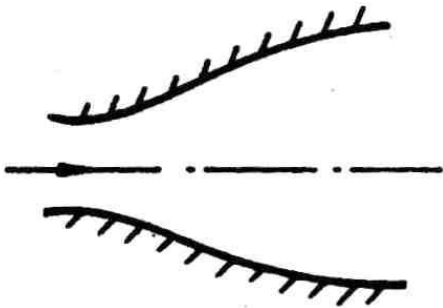
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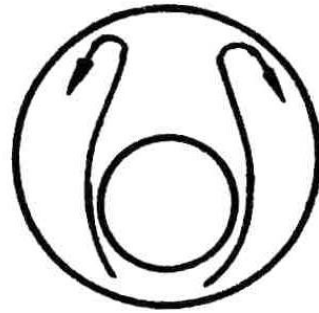
## 11.1 Treatments of Irregular Domain in FDM,FVM

11.1.1 Conventional orthogonal (正交) coordinates can not deal with variety of complicated geometries



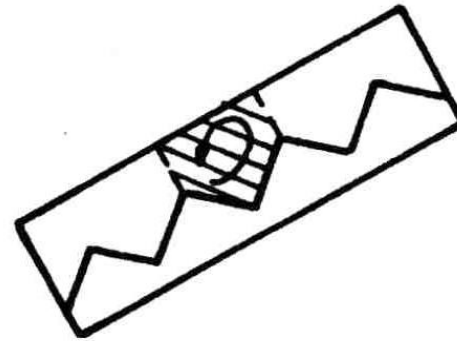
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Plane  
nozzle



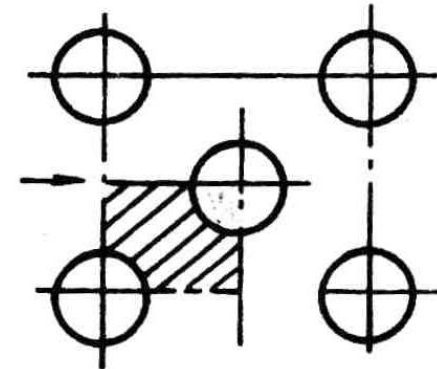
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Eccentric  
annulus  
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Solar  
collector



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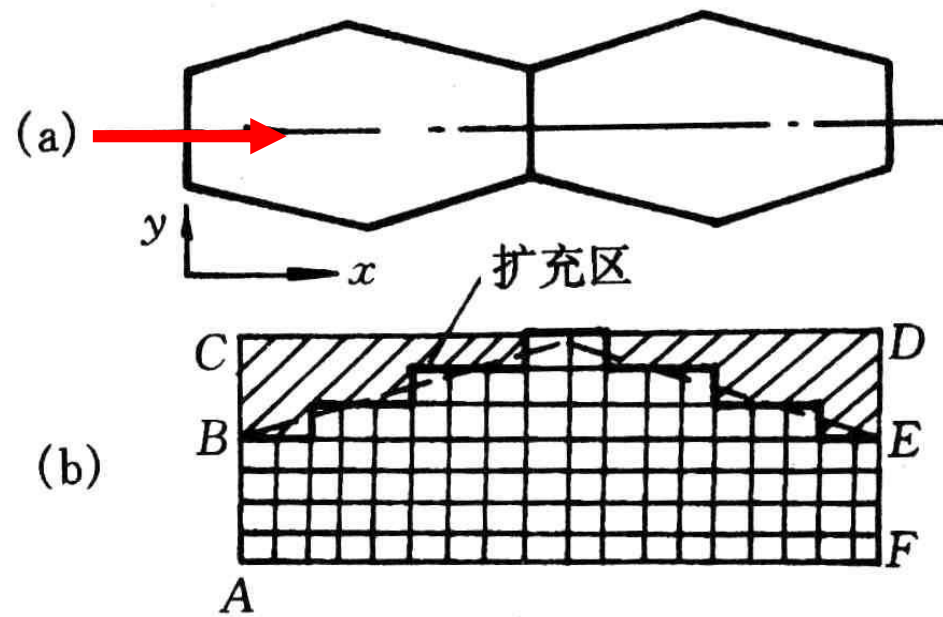
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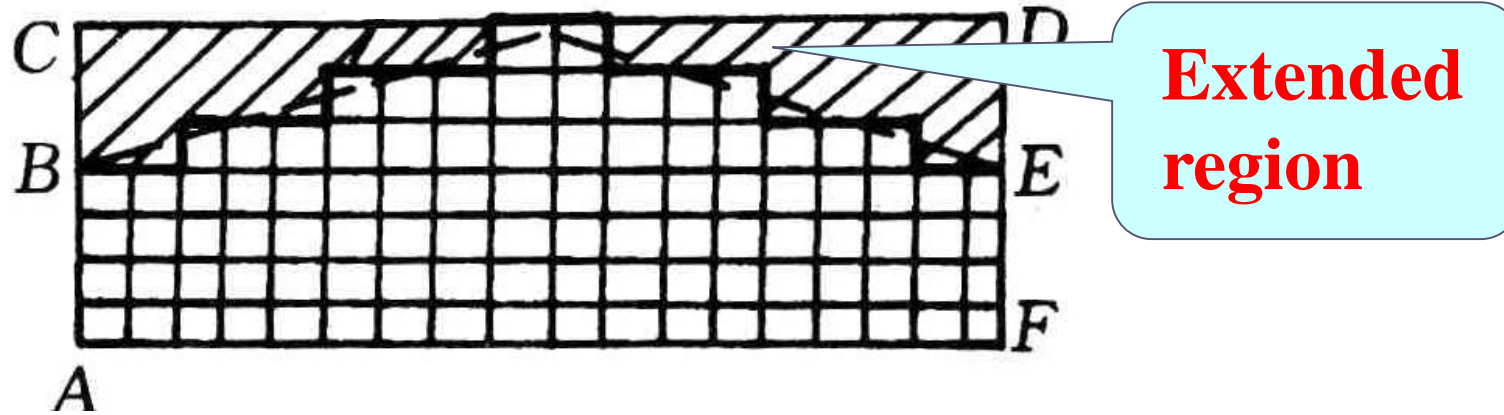
## 11.1.2 Methods in FDM,FVM to deal with complicated geometries

### 1. Structured grid (结构化网格)

#### 1) Domain extension method (区域扩充法)

An irregular domain is extended to a regular one, the irregular boundary is replaced by a **step-wise approximation**, and simulation is performed in a conventional coordinate within the extended one.





## (1) Flow field simulation

(a) Set zero velocity at the boundaries of extended region  
at B-C-D-E:  $u=v=0$ ;

(b) Set a very large viscosity in the extended region

$$\eta = 10^{25} \sim 10^{30};$$

(c) Set interface diffusivity by harmonic mean

## (2) Temperature field prediction

(a) **First kind boundary condition with uniform temperature:** The same as for velocity: in the extended region the thermal conductivity is set to be very large,  $\lambda = 10^{25} \sim 10^{30}$  and boundary temperatures are given;

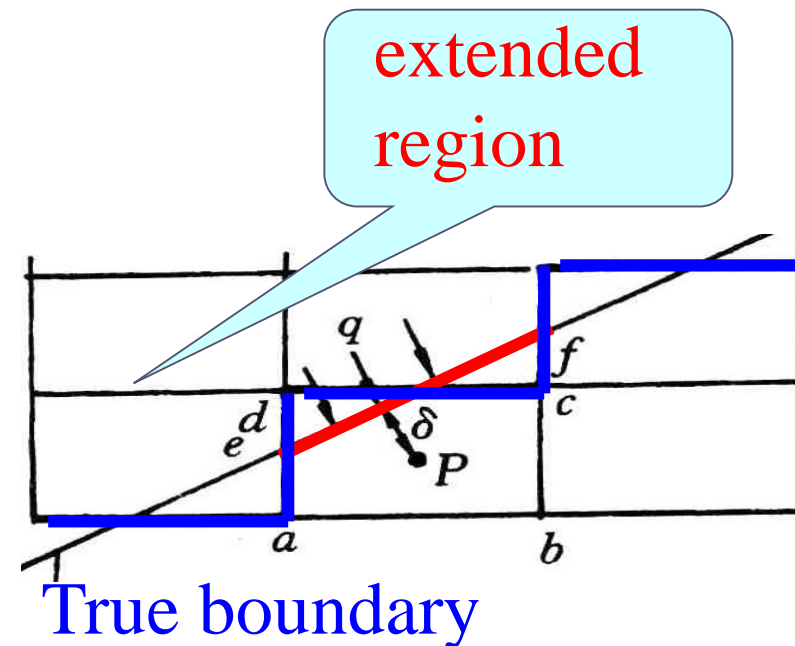
(b) **Second kind boundary conditions by ASTM**

Specified boundary heat flux distribution (not necessary uniform)

For CV. P adding additional source term:

$$S_{c,ad} = \frac{q \bullet \overline{ef}}{\Delta V_P}$$

And setting zero conductivity for the extended region to avoid heat transfers outward.

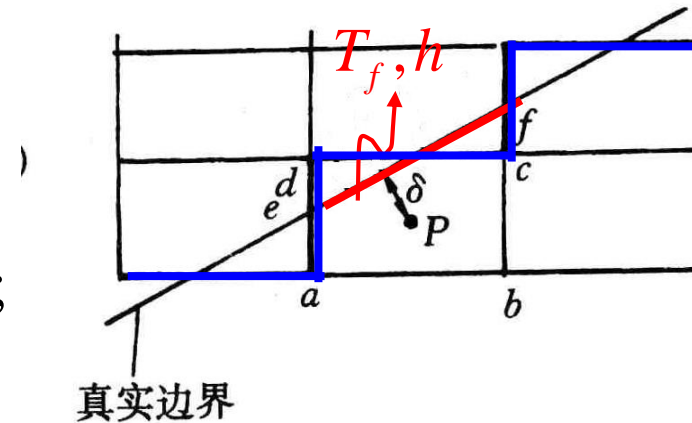


## (c) Third kind boundary conditions by ASTM

Specified external convective heat transfer coefficient and temperature,  $h$  and  $T_f$ ,  
For CV. P following source term is added

$$S_{C,ad} = \frac{\overline{ef}}{\Delta V_P} \frac{T_f}{1/h + \delta/\lambda};$$

$$S_{P,ad} = -\frac{\overline{ef}}{\Delta V_P} \frac{1}{1/h + \delta/\lambda};$$

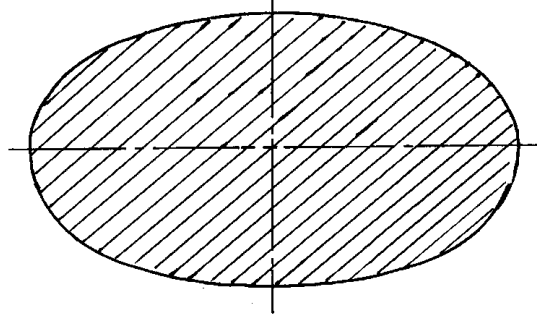


And setting zero conductivity ( $\lambda = 0$ ) for the extended region to avoid heat transfers outward.

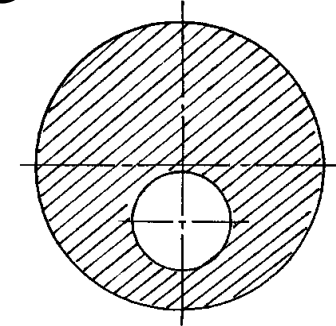
For not very complicated geometries, is is a convenient method.

2) Special orthogonal (正交的) coordinates

There are 14 orthogonal coordinates, and they can be used to deal with some irregular regions



**Elliptical coordinate** can be used to simulate flow in elliptic tube

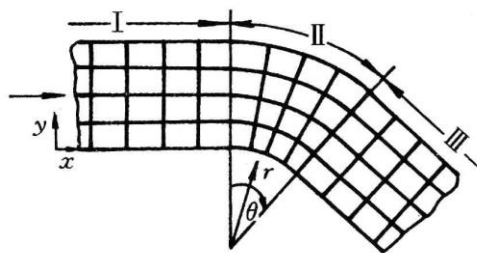


**Bi-polar coordinate (双极坐标)** can be used for flow in a biased annulus(偏心环)

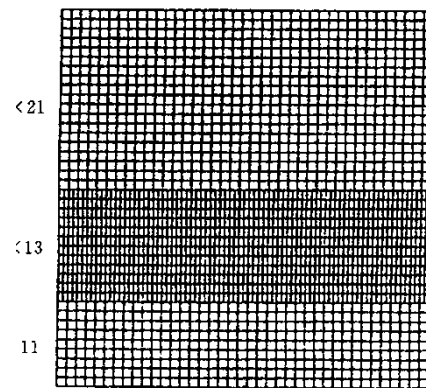
### 3) Composite coordinate (组合坐标)(block structured)

The entire domain is composed of several blocks, for each block individual coordinate is adopted and solutions are exchanged at the interfaces between different blocks.

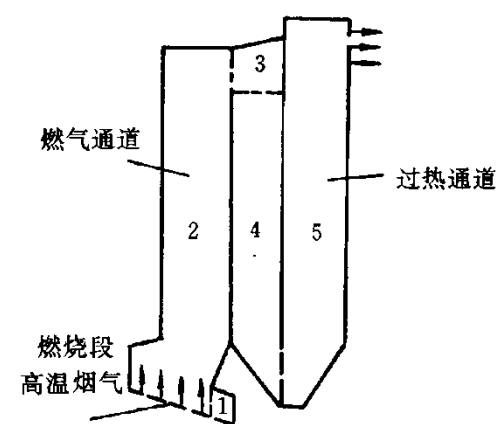
Mathematically it is called **domain decomposition method (区域分解法)**.



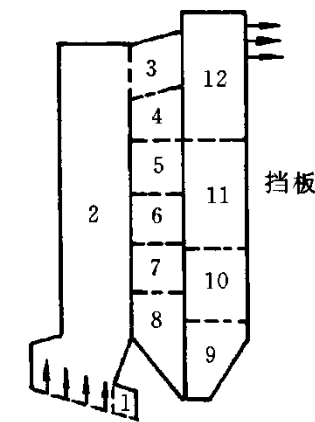
Grid lines are continuous. The entire domain can be solved by ADI.



Grid lines are discontinuous

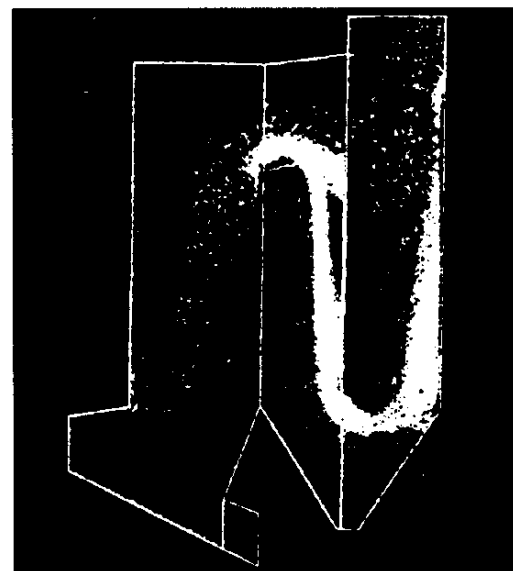


(a) 原设计



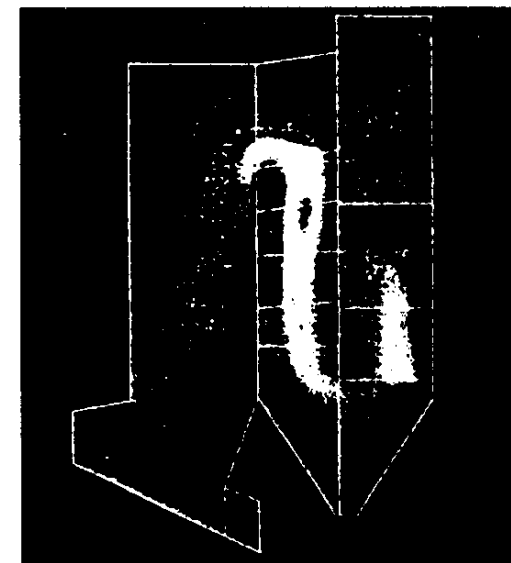
(b) 改型设计

Application example



(a). 原设计

Original design



(b) 改型设计

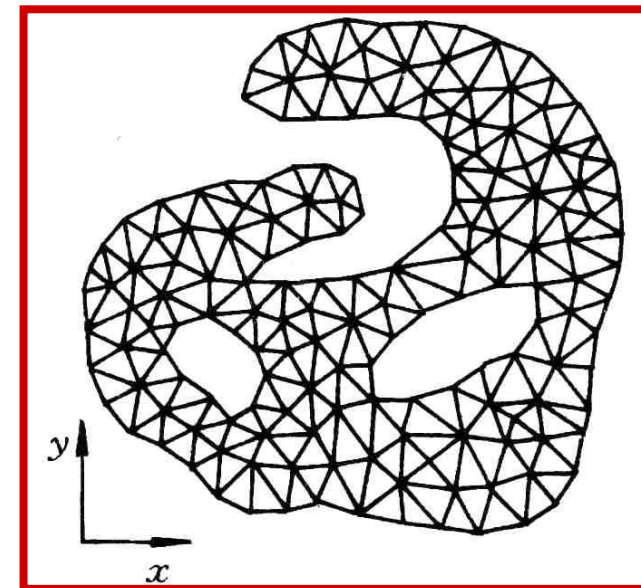
Improved design

## 4) Body-fitted coordinates (适体坐标)

In such coordinates the coordinates are fitted with(适  
应) the domain boundaries; The generation of such  
coordinates by numerical methods is the major concern of  
this chapter. It was proposed by TTM in Colorado Uni.

## 2. Unstructured grid (非结构化网格)

There are no fixed rules for the  
relationship between different  
nodes, and such relationship should  
be specially stored for each node.  
Computationally very expensive.  
Suitable for very complicated  
geometries.



## 11.2 Introduction to Body-Fitted Coordinates

11.2.1 Basic idea for solving physical problems by BFC

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11.2.3 Methods for generation of BFC

11.2.4 Requirements for grid system constructed by BFC

11.2.5 Basic solution procedure by BFC

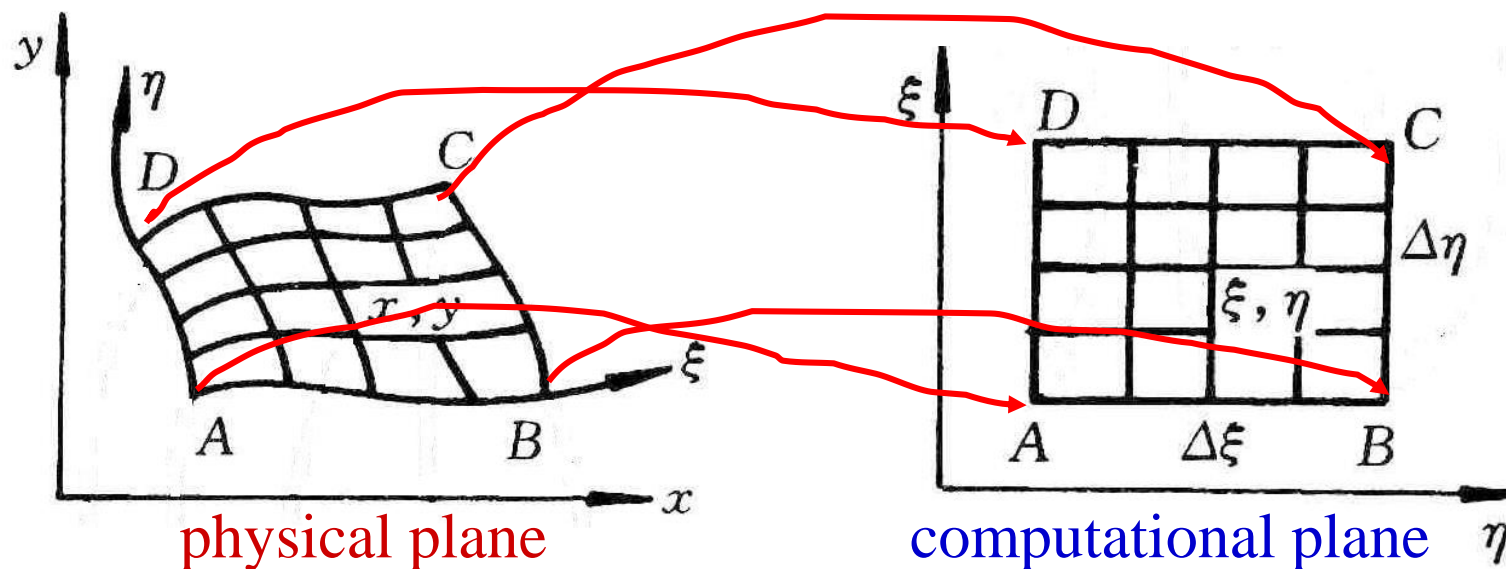
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### 11.2.1 Basic idea for solving physical problems by BFC

1. In the numerical simulation of physical problems the most ideal coordinate is the one which fits with the boundaries of the studied problem, called body-fitted coordinates (适体坐标系): Cartesian coordinate is the body-fitted one for rectangles, polar coordinate is the one for annular spaces.
2. The existing orthogonal coordinates can not deal with variety of complicated geometries in different fields ; Thus artificially constructed body-fitted coordinates are necessary to meet the different practical requirements.

## 11.2.2 Why domain can be simplified by BFC

1. Assuming that a BFC has been constructed in Cartesian coordinate  $x$ - $y$ , denoted by  $\xi - \eta$  ;
2. Regarding  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  as the two coordinates of a Cartesian coordinate in a imaginary **computational plane**, then the irregular geometry in **physical plane** transforms to a rectangle in the **computational plane**.

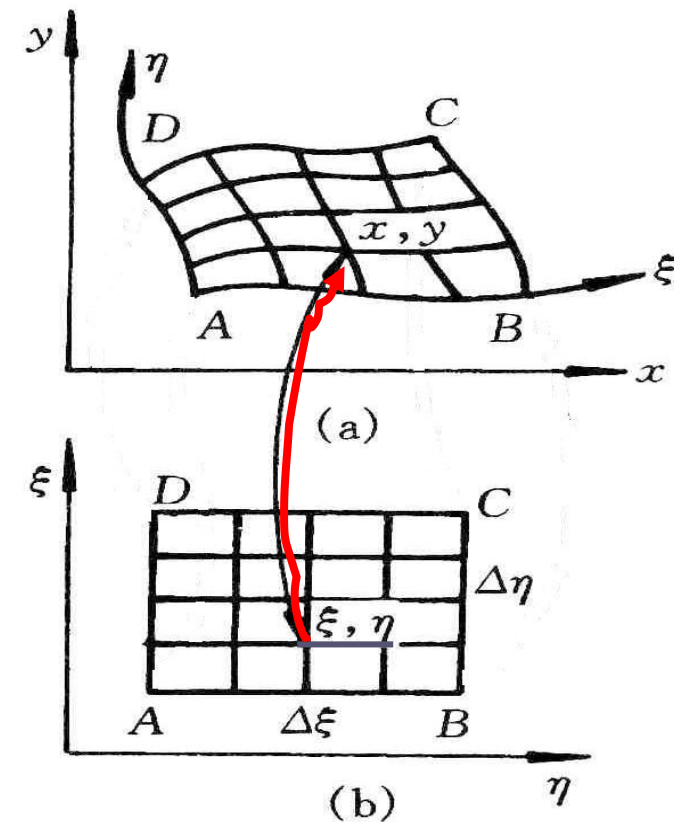


3. The grids in computational plane are always uniformly distributed, thus once grid number is given, the grid system in computational plane can be constructed with ease.

4. Simulation is first conducted in the computational plane, then the converged solution is transferred from the computational plane to physical plane.

In such a way the simulation domain is greatly simplified.

5. In order to transfer solutions from computational domain to physical domain, it is necessary



to obtain the corresponding relations of nodes between the two planes.

The so-called grid generation technique hereafter refers to the methods by which from  $(\xi, \eta)$  in the computational plane the corresponding  $(x, y)$  in the physical Cartesian coordinate can be obtained.

### 11.2.3 Methods for generation of BFC

1. Conforming mapping (保角变换法)
2. Algebraic method (代数法)

The correspondent relations between grids of two planes are represented by algebraic equations.

3. PDE method(微分方程法)

The relations are obtained through solving a PDE.  
Three kinds of PDE, hyperbolic, parabolic and elliptic, all can be used to provide such relations.

### 11.2.4 Requirements for grid system constructed by BFC

1. The nodes in two planes should be one to one correspondent (一一对应) .
2. Grid lines in **physical plane** should be normal to the boundary .
3. The grid spacing in the **physical plane** can be controlled easily.

## 11.2.5 Procedure of solving problem by BFC

1. Generating grid: find the one to one correspondence between  $(\xi, \eta) \leftrightarrow (x, y)$  ;
2. Transforming governing eqs. and boundary conditions from physical plane to computational plane;
3. Discretizing gov. eq. and solving the ABEdqs. in computational plane.
4. Transferring solutions from the computational plane to the physical plane.

## 11.3 Algebraic Methods for Generating Body-Fitted Coordinates

### 11.3.1 Boundary normalization (边界规范化)

1. 2-D nozzle
2. Trapezoid enclosure (梯形封闭空腔)
3. Eccentric annular space (偏心圆环)
4. Plane duct with one irregular boundary

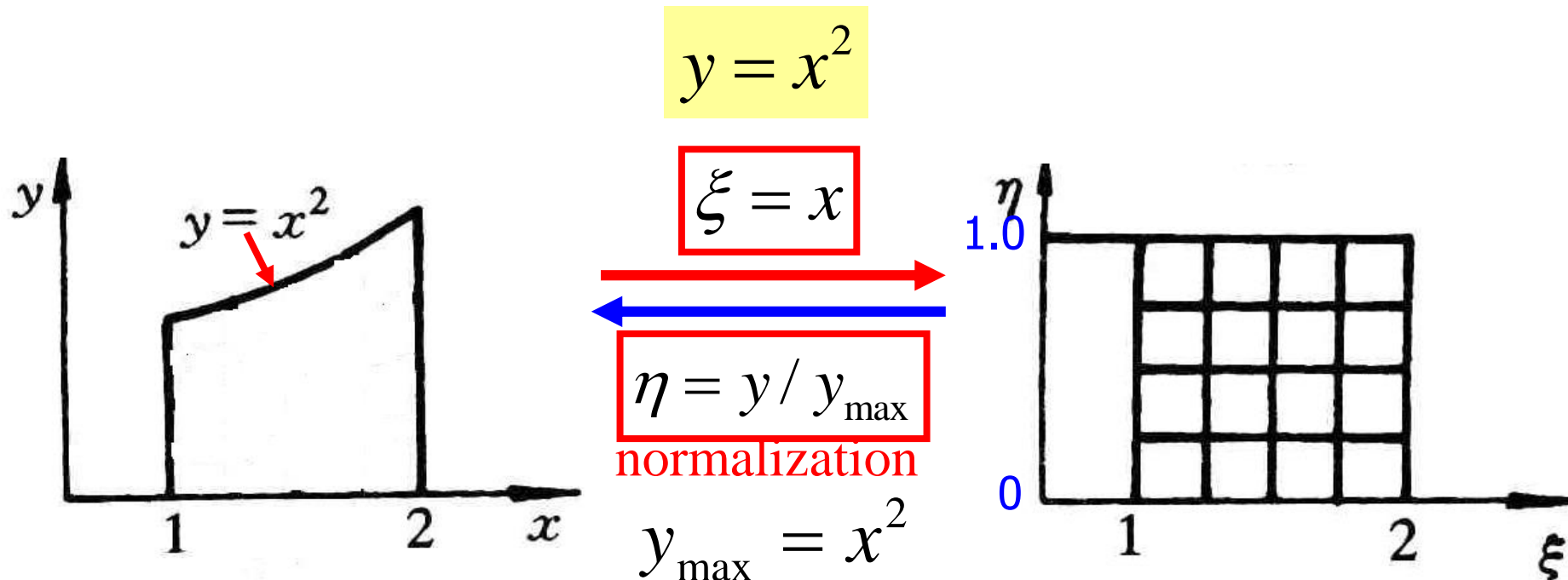
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#### 1. 2-D nozzle

A plane nozzle is given by following profile

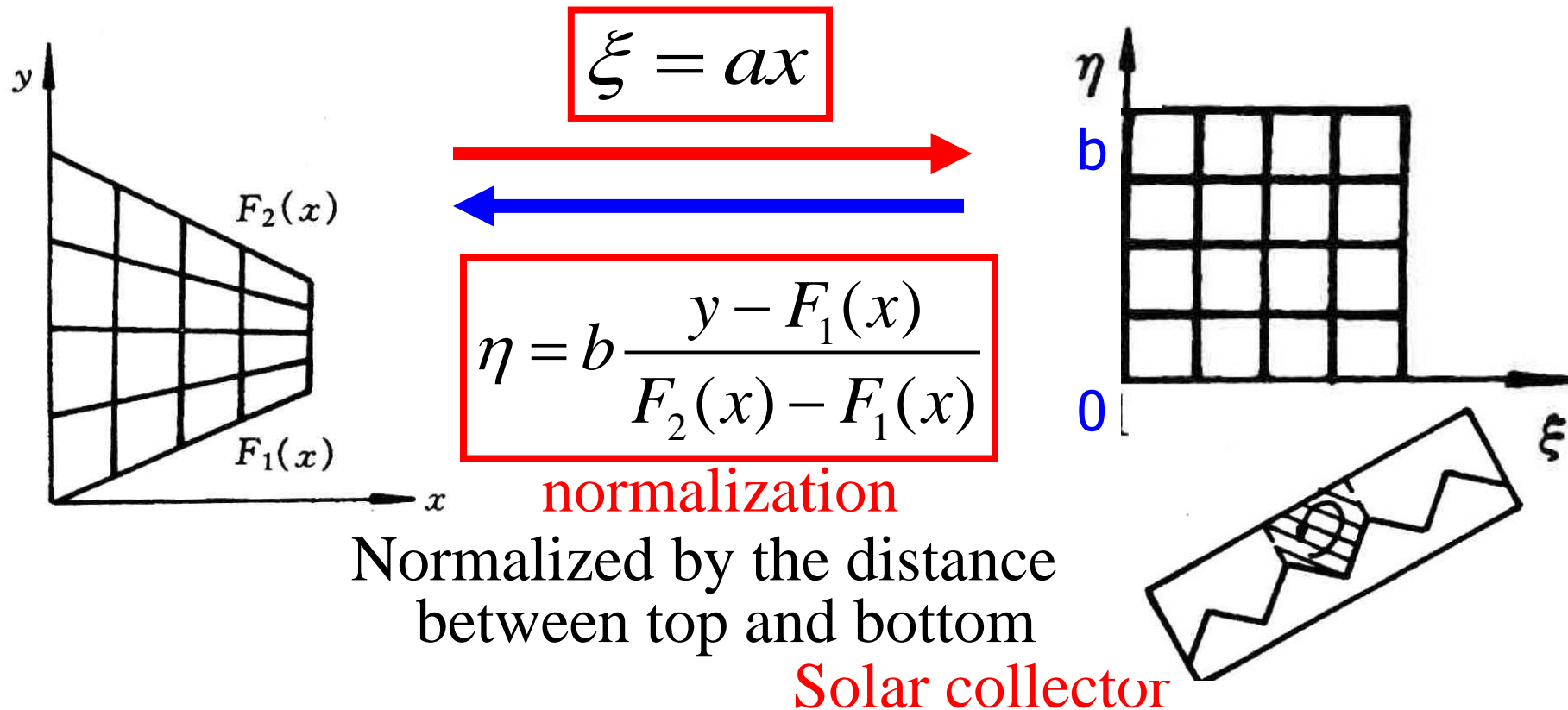


## 2. Trapezoid (梯形) enclosure

Functions of two tilted boundaries are given by:

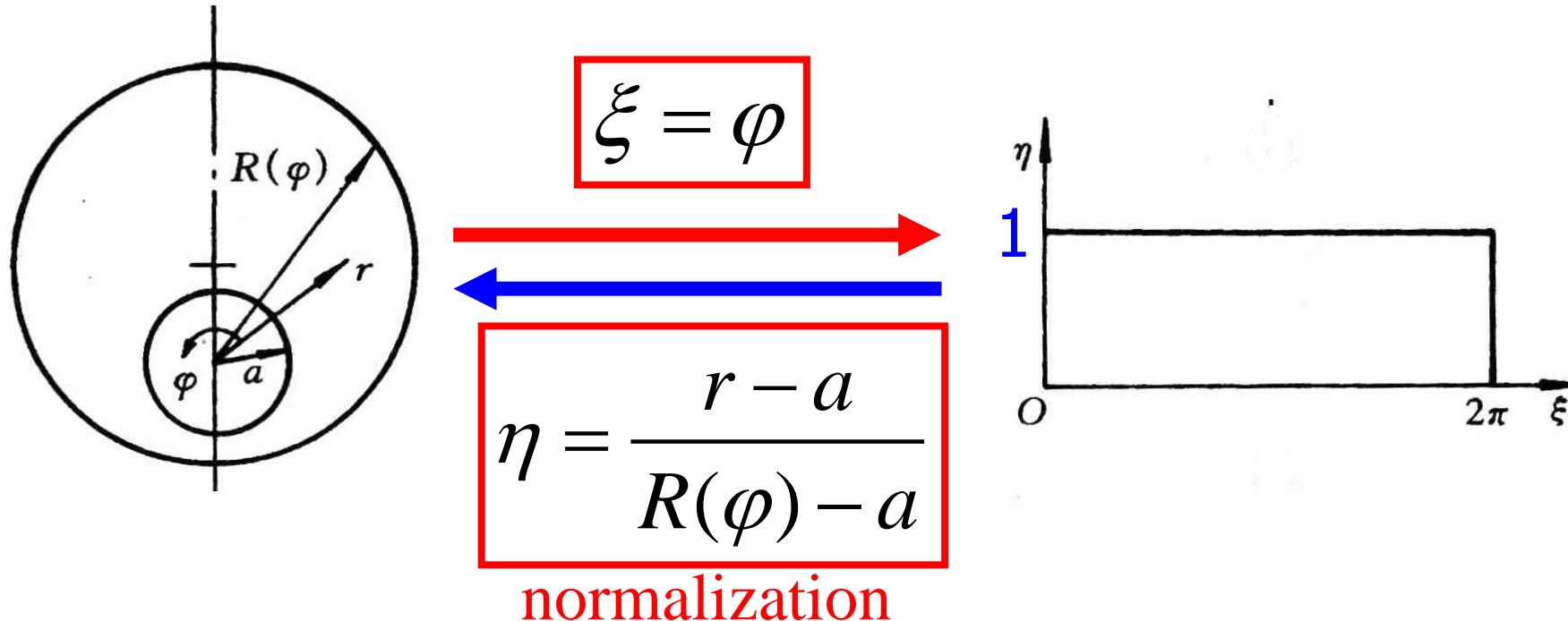
$$F_1(x), F_2(x)$$

The grid in the trapezoid enclosure is generated.



### 3. Eccentric annular space

Given two radiuses (  $R, a$  ) and the eccentric distance

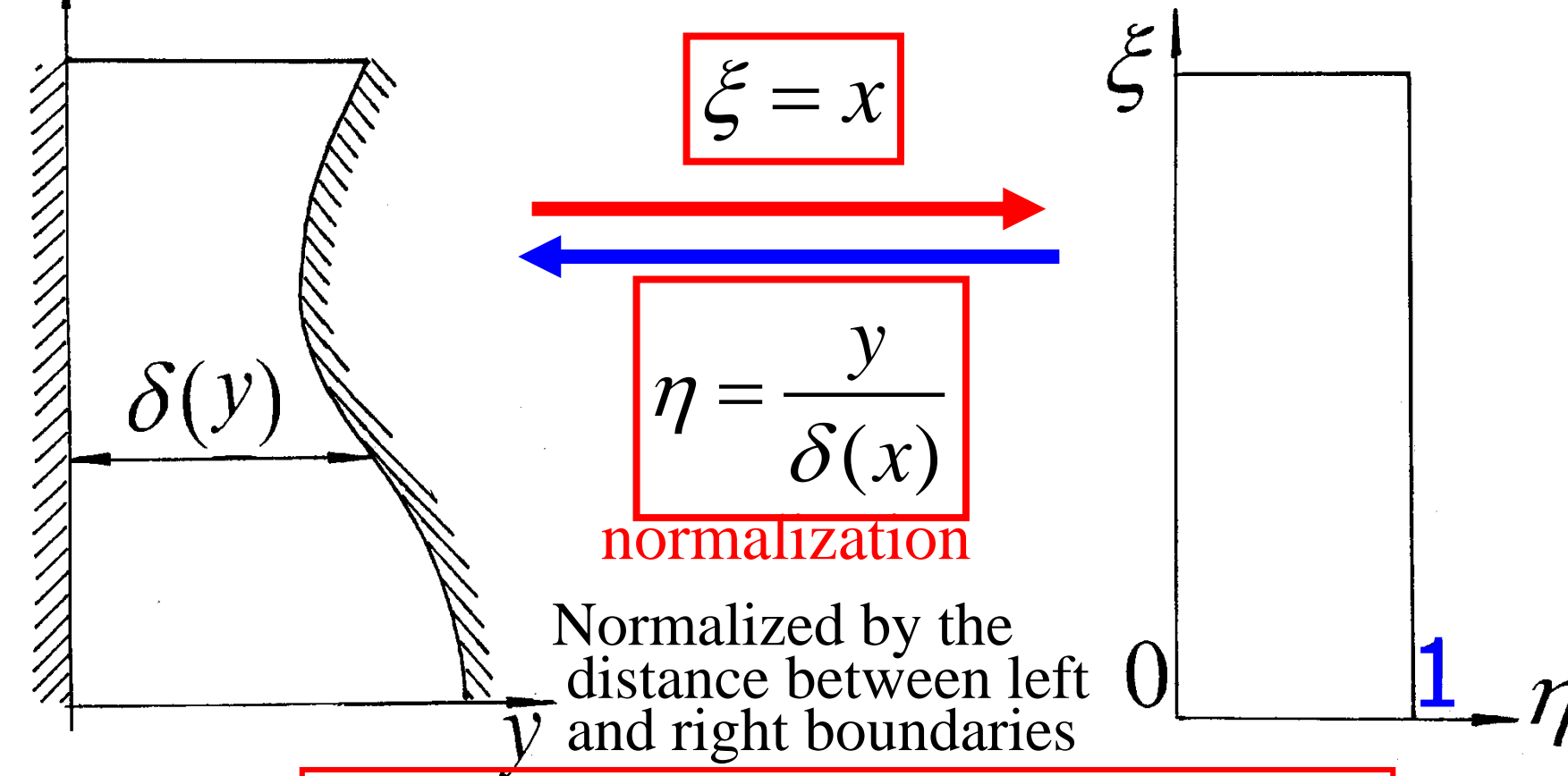


Normalized by the distance between outer and inner circles.

Prusa, Yao, ASME J H T, 1983, 105:105-116

## 4. Plane duct with one irregular boundary

Given the profile of the irregular boundary  $\delta(y)$



Normalized by the  
distance between left  
and right boundaries

Sparrow-Faghri-Asako, p.479 of Textbook

## 11.3.2 Two-boundary method

1. Method for transforming an irregular quadrilateral ( 四边形 ) in physical plane to a rectangle in computational plane.

Implementing procedure:

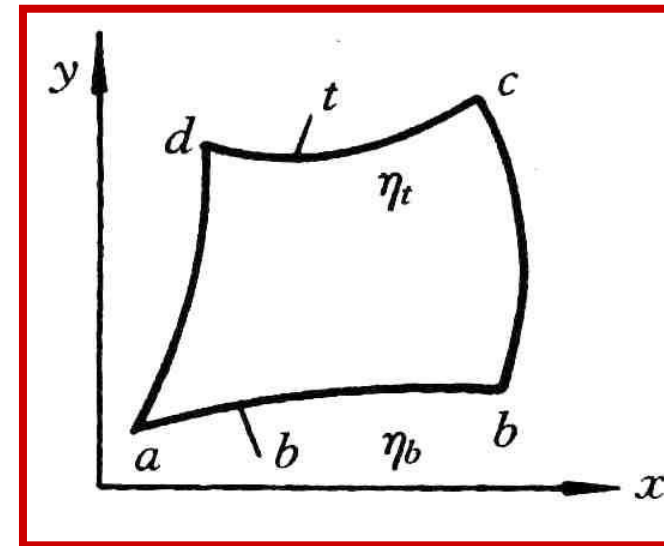
1) Setting values of  $\eta$  for two opposite ( 相对的 ) boundaries:

say:  $\eta)_{ab} = \eta_b = 0$ ;  $\eta)_{cd} = \eta_t = 1$

2) Setting the rules of how  $x, y$  vary with  $\xi$  on the two boundaries:

$$x_b = x_b(\xi), y_b = y_b(\xi)$$

$$x_t = x_t(\xi), y_t = y_t(\xi)$$



3) For any pair of  $(x,y)$  and  $(\xi,\eta)$  within the domain taking following interpolations

$$x(\xi,\eta) = x_b(\xi,0) [1 - f_1(\eta)] + f_1(\eta) x_t(\xi,1)$$

$$y(\xi,\eta) = y_b(\xi,0) [1 - f_1(\eta)] + f_1(\eta) y_t(\xi,1)$$

where  $f_1(\eta)$  must satisfy following two conditions:

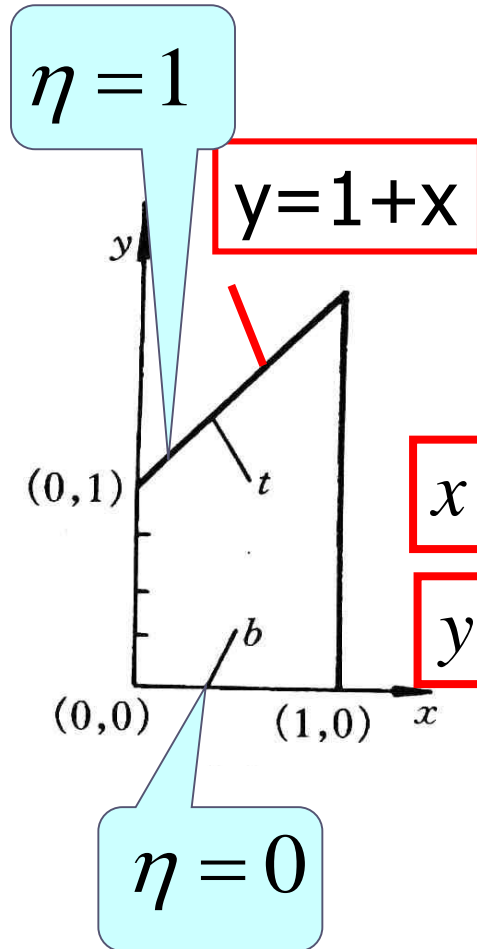
$$\eta = 0, x(\xi,\eta) = x_b(\xi), y(\xi,\eta) = y_b(\xi)$$

$$\eta = 1, x(\xi,\eta) = x_t(\xi), y(\xi,\eta) = y_t(\xi)$$

The most simple interpolation which satisfies such conditions is

$$f_1(\eta) = \eta$$

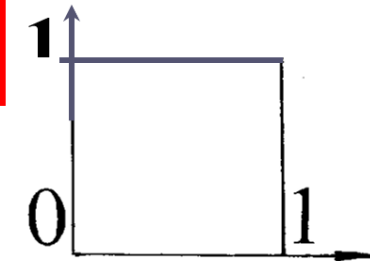
## 2. Example of two-boundary method



$$x(\xi, \eta) = x_b \bullet (1 - \eta) + x_t \bullet \eta$$

$$y(\xi, \eta) = y_b \bullet (1 - \eta) + y_t \bullet \eta$$

$$x_b = \xi, y_b = 0; x_t = \xi, y_t = 1 + \xi$$



$$x = \xi \bullet (1 - \eta) + \xi \bullet \eta = \xi$$

$$x = \xi$$

$$y = 0 \bullet (1 - \eta) + (1 + \xi) \bullet \eta$$

$$y = \eta(1 + \xi)$$

That is:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi = x \\ \eta = \frac{y}{1+x} \end{array} \right.$

The same as that  
by boundary  
normalization method.

## 11.4 PDE Method for Generating Body-Fitted Coordinates

11.4.1 Known conditions and task of grid generation by PDE

11.4.2 Problem set up of grid generation by PDE

1. Starting from physical plane

2. Starting from computational plane

11.4.3 Procedure of grid generation by solving an Elliptic-PDE

11.4.4 The metric identity should be satisfied

## 11.4 PDE Method for Generating Body-Fitted Coordinates

### 11.4.1 Known conditions and task of grid generation by PDE

1. The grid distribution in computational plane is given;
2. The grid arrangement on the physical boundary is given.

Find: the one to one correspondence between  $(x, y), (\xi, \eta)$

$$\text{i.e: } (x, y) \longleftrightarrow (\xi, \eta)$$

### 11.4.2 Problem set up of grid generation by PDE (用微分方程生成网格时问题的提法)

#### 1. Starting from physical plane

Regarding  $(\xi, \eta)$  as two dependent variables to be solved in the physical plane; then above given conditions are equivalent to: **Given boundary values of the two dependent variables:**

$$\xi_B = f^\xi(x_B, y_B), \eta_B = f^\eta(x_B, y_B)$$

**Find values of  $(\xi, \eta)$  for any inner point  $(x, y)$  within the solution region in physical plane.**

This is a **boundary value problem (边值问题)** in physical plane. The most simple governing equation is Laplace eq.:

$$\nabla^2 \xi = 0; \nabla^2 \eta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \xi_{xx} + \xi_{yy} = 0, \quad \eta_{xx} + \eta_{yy} = 0$$

$\xi_B, \eta_B$  given (i.e.,  $\xi, \eta$  of boundary nodes are known)

However, this problem should be solved for a domain **in physical plane, which is irregular!** Thus we have the same difficulty as for the original problem!

## 2. Starting from computational plane

Now we regard  $(x, y)$  as the dependent variables in computational domain, the above conditions are equivalent to solve a **boundary value problem** in computational domain: with given boundary values of  $x$  and  $y$ :

$$x_B = f^x(\xi_B, \eta_B), y_B = f^y(\xi_B, \eta_B)$$

it is required to find  $(x, y)$  for any inner point  $(\xi, \eta)$  in the computational plane.

This is a boundary value problem in a regular computational domain. This treatment greatly simplify the problem because in computational plane the solution region is either a rectangle or a square.

It should be noted that the boundary value problem in computational domain **can not be simply expressed** as:

$$x_{\xi\xi} + x_{\eta\eta} = 0; \quad y_{\xi\xi} + y_{\eta\eta} = 0$$

According to mathematical rules the correspondent expressions are:

$$\alpha x_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta x_{\xi\eta} + \gamma x_{\eta\eta} = 0;$$

$$\alpha y_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta y_{\xi\eta} + \gamma y_{\eta\eta} = 0$$

$$\alpha = x_\eta^2 + y_\eta^2; \quad \beta = x_\xi x_\eta + y_\xi y_\eta; \quad \gamma = x_\xi^2 + y_\xi^2$$

where subscript stands for derivative and parameter  $\beta$  represents the orthogonality (正交性) of grid lines in physical plane: its value of two orthogonal lines is zero .

The above two equations are non-orthogonal and non-isotropic diffusion equations.

Thus the essence (本质) of grid generation by PDE is to solve two boundary value diffusion problems in computational domain! The boundary value problems are set up by elliptic partial differential equations.

### 11.4.3 Procedure of grid generation by solving an elliptic-PDE

1. Determining the number of nodes in physical plane and constructing grid network in computational plane;
2. Setting boundary nodes in physical plane according to given conditions;
3. Solving two boundary value problems in computational plane, by regarding them as **non-isotropic and nonlinear diffusion problems with source term**.
4. Calculating  $x_\xi, x_\eta, y_\xi, y_\eta$  after getting the correspondence between  $(\xi, \eta)$  and  $(x, y)$ .

## 11.4.4 The metric identity should be satisfied

In the transformation of govern. eq. from physical plane to computational plane such kind of derivatives will be introduced.

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \right) = \phi_{\xi} \xi_x + \phi_{\eta} \eta_x = \frac{1}{J} [(\phi y_{\eta})_{\xi} - (\phi y_{\xi})_{\eta}]$$

where:  $J = x_{\xi} y_{\eta} - x_{\eta} y_{\xi}$ , called Jakobi factor.

When  $\phi$  is uniform  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 0$ , thus:  $(\phi y_{\eta})_{\xi} = (\phi y_{\xi})_{\eta}$

That is for uniform field:

$$y_{\eta\xi} = y_{\xi\eta}$$

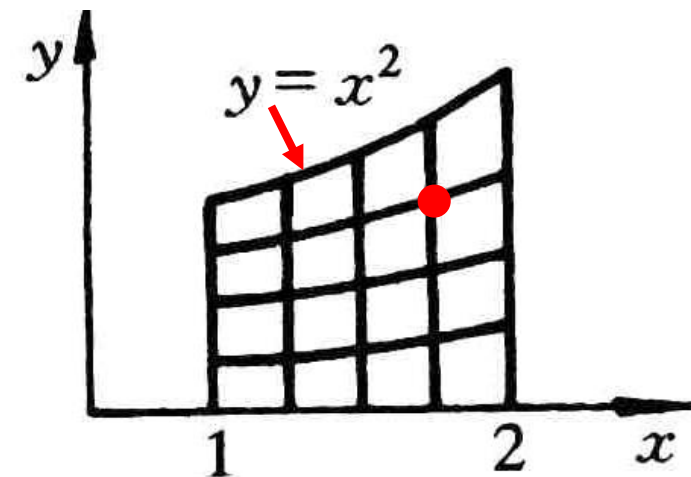
This equation is called **metric identity**(度规恒等式). In the procedure of grid generation this identity should be satisfied. Otherwise artificial source will be introduced.

In order to guarantee the satisfaction of metric identity Thompson et al. (TTM) proposed following conditions:

- (1) All derivatives with respect to geometric position must be determined by discretized form;
- (2) Any such kind of derivative must be computed directly, no interpolation can be used.

### Example

[Find]  $y_\xi, y_\eta$  for the position of  $x=1.75, y=2.2969$  in the 2D nozzle problem.



**[Calculation]** (1) The position of this point  $(\xi, \eta)$  in computational plane is determined:

$$\xi = x = 1.75; \eta = y / y_{\max} = 2.2969 / 1.75^2 = 0.75$$

(2) According to definition:  $y_{\eta} = \left. \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\xi=\text{cons}} = \frac{y(\xi, \eta + \Delta\eta) - y(\xi, \eta - \Delta\eta)}{2\Delta\eta} =$

$$\frac{y[1.75, (0.75 + 0.25)] - y[1.75, (0.75 - 0.25)]}{2 \times 0.25} =$$

$$\frac{y(1.75, 1.0) - y(1.75, 0.5)}{0.5} \xrightarrow[\xi = x]{y = \eta x^2}$$

$$\frac{1 \times 1.75^2 - 0.5 \times 1.75^2}{0.5} = 3.0625$$

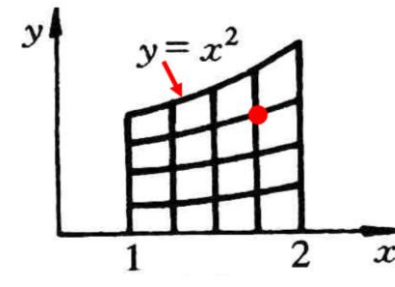
$$y_{\xi} = \left. \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi} \right)_{\eta=\text{cons}} = \frac{y(\xi + \Delta\xi, \eta) - y(\xi - \Delta\xi, \eta)}{2\Delta\xi} =$$

$$\frac{y[(1.75 + 0.25), 0.75] - y[(1.75 - 0.25), 0.75]}{2 \times 0.25} =$$

$$= \frac{y(2.0, 0.75) - y(1.5, 0.75)}{0.5} \quad \xrightarrow[\xi = x]{y = \eta x^2}$$

$$= \frac{0.75 \times 2.0^2 - 0.75 \times 1.5^2}{0.5} = 2.6250$$

$$y_{\eta} = 3.0625; \quad y_{\xi} = 2.6250$$



## 11.5 Control of Grid Distribution

**11.5.1 Major features of grid system  
generated by Laplace equation**

**11.5.2 Grid system generated by Poisson  
equation**

**11.5.3 Thomas-Middlecoff method for  
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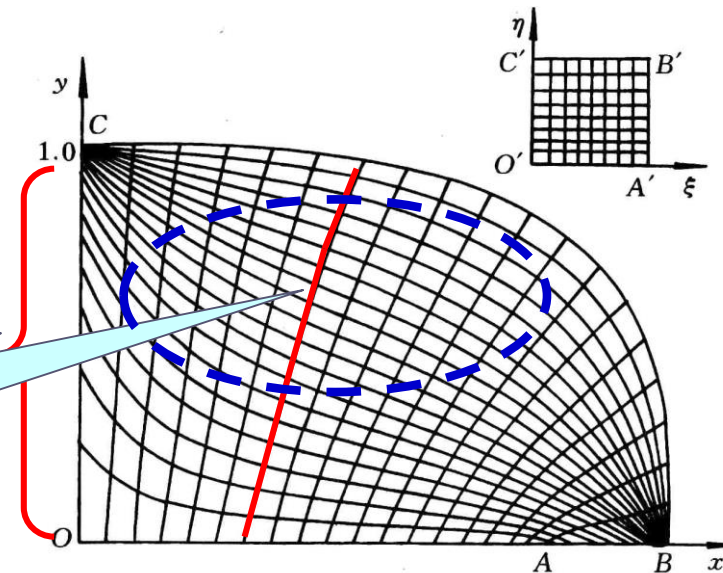
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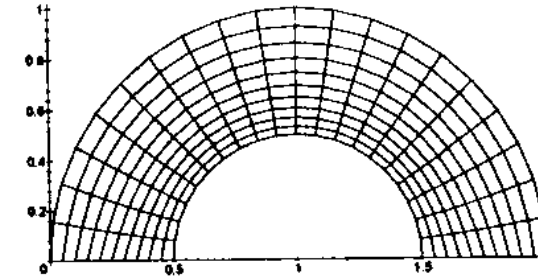
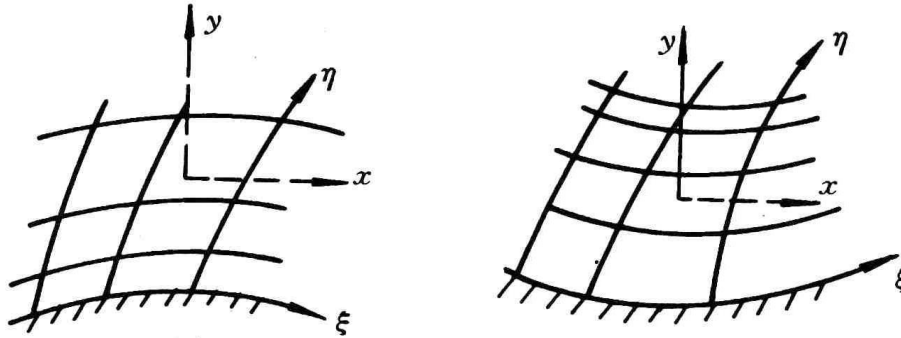
1. The grid distribution along the boundary in physical plane is automatically unified within the solution domain

Strongly non-uniform distribution at left boundary

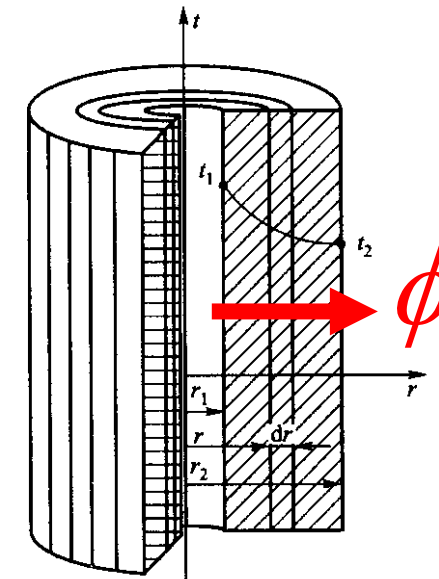
In the domain grid distribution has been unified.



2. Along the normal to a curved wall spacing between grid lines changes automatically.



Such features are inherently related to diffusion process: For steady heat conduction through a cylindrical wall heat flux gradually decreases along radius and spacing between two isothermals increases.



Thus it is needed to develop techniques for controlling grid distribution: grid density and the orthogonality of gridline with boundary.

## 11.5.2 Grid generation by Poisson equation

1. Heat transfer theory shows that high heat flux leads to dense isothermal (等温线) distribution. If gridlines are regarded as isothermals, then their density can be controlled by heat source. Heat conduction with source term is governed by Poisson equation.

In physical plane Poisson equation is:

$$\nabla^2 \xi = P(\xi, \eta); \quad \nabla^2 \eta = Q(\xi, \eta)$$

In computational plane, it becomes:

$$\alpha x_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta x_{\xi\eta} + \gamma x_{\eta\eta} = -J^2 [P(\xi, \eta)x_\xi + Q(\xi, \eta)x_\eta]$$

$$\alpha y_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta y_{\xi\eta} + \gamma y_{\eta\eta} = -J^2 [P(\xi, \eta)y_\xi + Q(\xi, \eta)y_\eta]$$

$$\alpha = x_\eta^2 + y_\eta^2; \quad \beta = x_\xi x_\eta + y_\xi y_\eta; \quad \gamma = x_\xi^2 + y_\xi^2$$

### 11.5.3 Thomas-Middlecoff method for P,Q

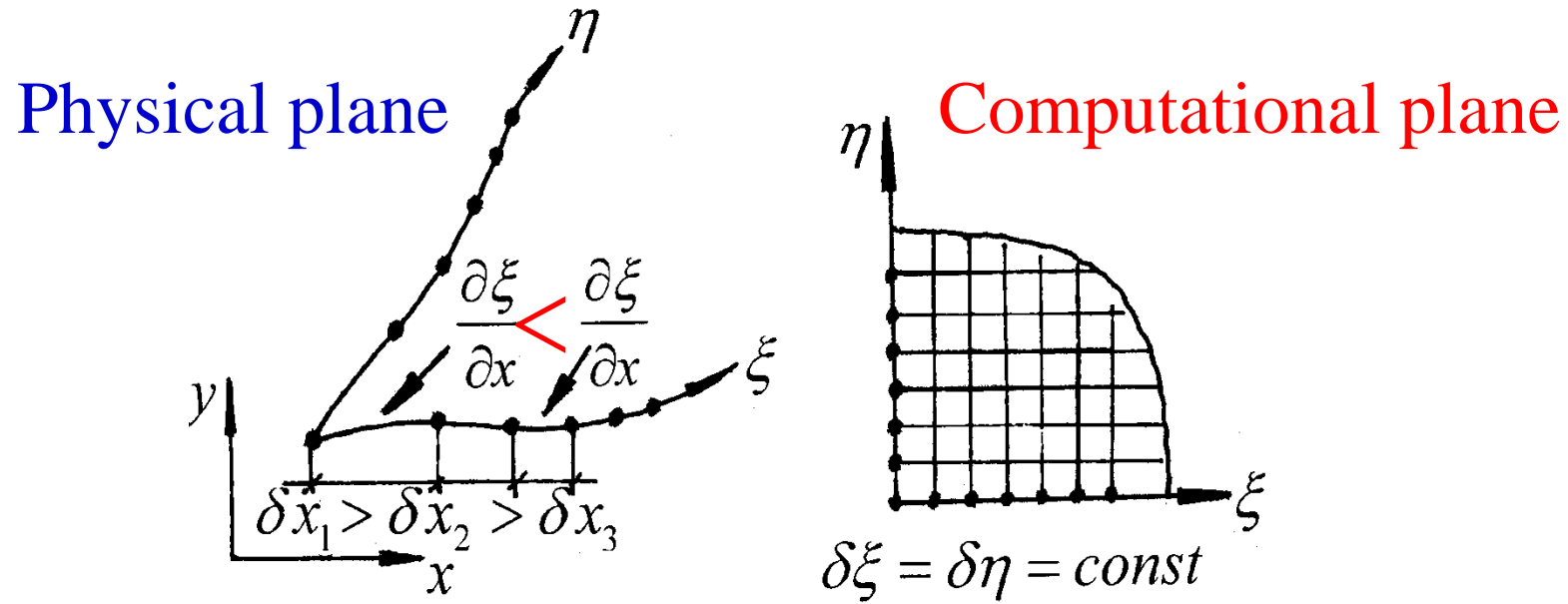
P,Q are source function for controlling density and orthogonality, and can be constructed by different methods. **Thomas—Middlecoff method** is very meaningful and easy to be implemented. Its implementation procedure is introduced as follows .

1.Assuming that

$$P(\xi, \eta) = \underbrace{\phi(\xi, \eta)}_{\text{Controlling the orthogonality of boundary grid line}} (\underbrace{\xi_x^2 + \xi_y^2}_{\text{Controlling grid density within domain---transmitting the specified density on the boundary to inner region}}); Q(\xi, \eta) = \psi(\xi, \eta)(\eta_x^2 + \eta_y^2)$$

Controlling the  
orthogonality of  
boundary grid line

Controlling grid density within  
domain---transmitting the specified  
density on the boundary to inner  
region



The first derivatives of  $\xi, \eta$  with respect to  $x, y$ ,  $\xi_x, \eta_x$ , in the physical plane reflect the rate of changes. Thus  $(\xi_x^2 + \xi_y^2)$  represents grid density distribution!

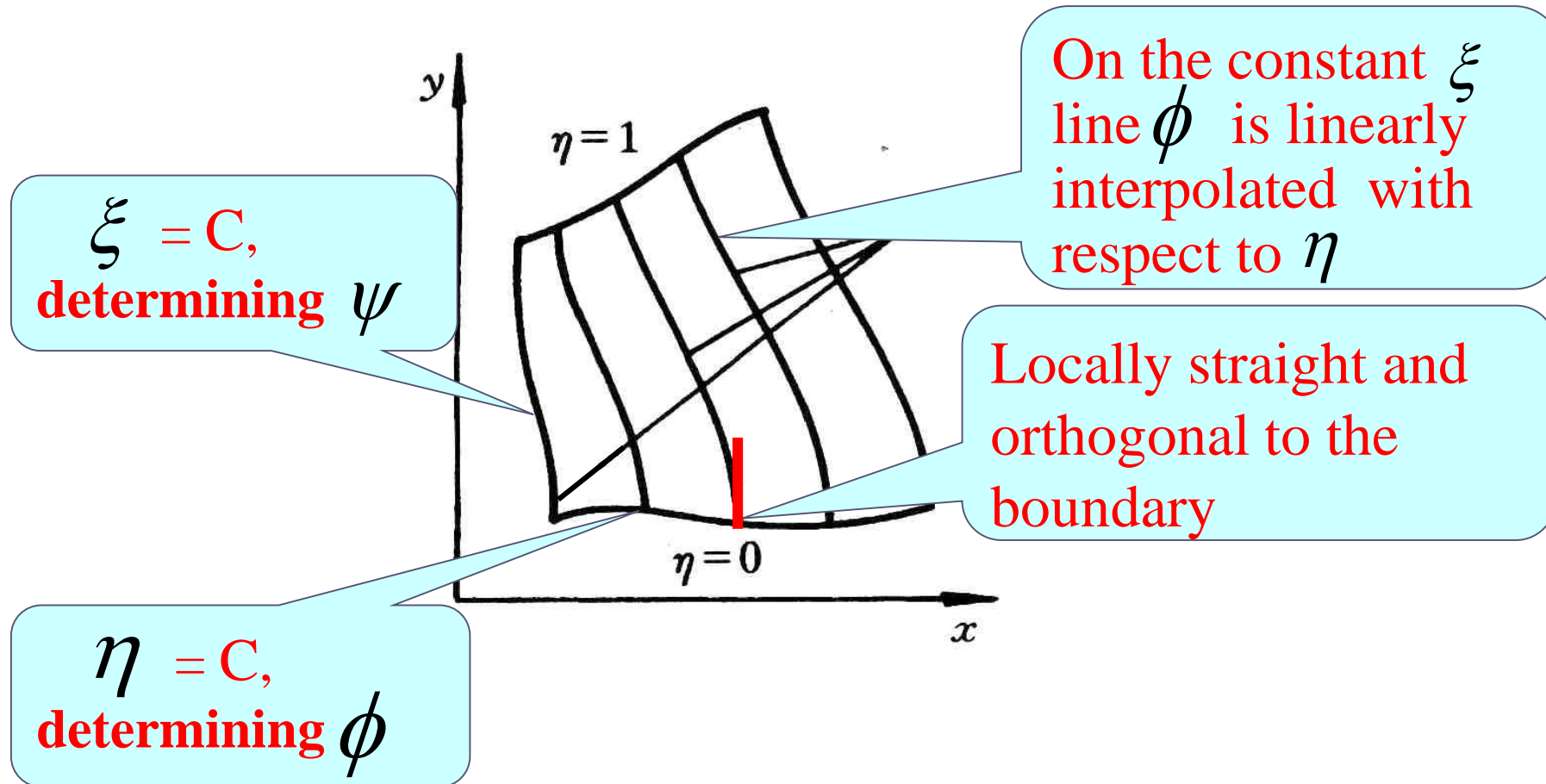
After grid generation,  $\xi_x, \xi_y, \eta_x, \eta_y$  are known along the boundary; **The key is to determine  $\phi, \psi$ .**

## 2. Ways for determining $\phi$ and $\psi$

1)  $\phi$  is first determined for the bottom and top boundaries where  $\eta$  is constant;  $\psi$  is first determined for the left and right boundaries where  $\xi$  is constant.

The boundary values of  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  should satisfy following conditions: the local gridlines are **straight and normal to the relative boundary** (局部网格线是直线且垂直边界).

2) On the constant  $\xi$  lines between bottom and top, the values of  $\phi$  are linearly interpolated with respect to  $\eta$ ; On the constant  $\eta$  lines between left and right boundaries the values of  $\psi$  are interpolated linearly with respect to  $\xi$ .



Then our task is to determine  $\phi$  for  $\eta = 0$  and  $\eta = 1$ ;  
and determine  $\psi$  for  $\xi = 0$  and  $\xi = 1$ .

### 3. Way for determining $\phi$ on $\eta = 0, \eta = 1$

#### 1) Substituting

$$P(\xi, \eta) = \phi(\xi, \eta)(\xi_x^2 + \xi_y^2); Q(\xi, \eta) = \psi(\xi, \eta)(\eta_x^2 + \eta_y^2)$$

into the Poisson equation in computational plane

$$\alpha x_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta x_{\xi\eta} + \gamma x_{\eta\eta} = -J^2 [\underline{P(\xi, \eta)} x_\xi + \underline{Q(\xi, \eta)} x_\eta]$$

$$\alpha y_{\xi\xi} - 2\beta y_{\xi\eta} + \gamma y_{\eta\eta} = -J^2 [\underline{P(\xi, \eta)} y_\xi + \underline{Q(\xi, \eta)} y_\eta]$$

Rewriting above equations in terms of  $\phi, \psi$ ,  
obtaining following two simultaneous equations:

$$\alpha(y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi) - 2\beta y_{\xi\eta} + \gamma(y_{\eta\eta} + \psi y_\eta) = 0$$

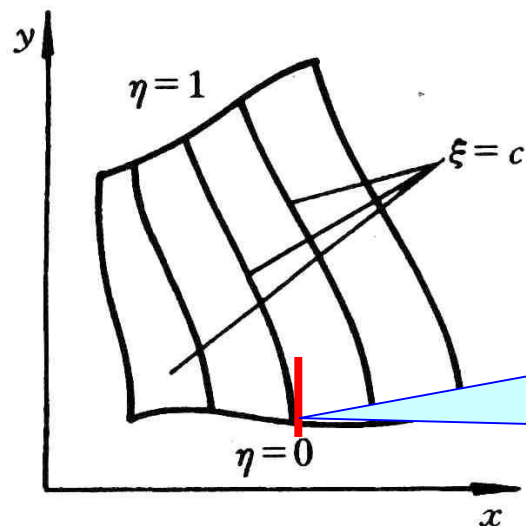
$$\alpha(x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi) - 2\beta x_{\xi\eta} + \gamma(x_{\eta\eta} + \psi y_\eta) = 0$$

2) **Eliminating**  $\psi$  from above two equations, obtaining equation of  $\phi$

$$\alpha[y_\eta(x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi) - x_\eta(y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi)] = y_\eta^2[2\beta(x_\eta / y_\eta)_\xi + \gamma(x_{\eta\eta} y_\eta - y_{\eta\eta} x_\eta) / y_\eta^2]$$

Straight and normal

$$= (x_\eta / y_\eta)_\eta$$



Locally straight and normal(局部平直正交)

On the local straight line, we have:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \text{const} \longrightarrow \frac{dx}{dy} = \text{const} \longrightarrow \frac{dx/d\eta}{dy/d\eta} = (x_\eta / y_\eta) = \text{const}$$

Thus  $(x_\eta / y_\eta)_\eta = \frac{d}{d\eta} (x_\eta / y_\eta) = \frac{d}{d\eta} (\text{const}) \equiv 0$

**3) Summarizing:** Local orthogonality leads to  $\beta = 0$  ,  
local straight requires  $(x_\eta / y_\eta)_\eta = 0$ . Thus the right hand  
side of the above equation equals zero:

$$\alpha[y_\eta(x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi) - x_\eta(y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi)] = 0$$

Further:  $x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi = \left( \frac{x_\eta}{y_\eta} \right) (y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi)$

We are now working on the boundary with constant  $\eta$ .

Thus we have no way to calculate  $x_\eta / y_\eta$ ; In order to determine this term following condition is utilized:

$$\text{From } \beta = x_\xi x_\eta + y_\xi y_\eta = 0 \longrightarrow \frac{x_\eta}{y_\eta} = -\frac{y_\xi}{x_\xi}$$

$y_\xi / x_\xi$  can be computed on the line of  $\eta = \text{const}$

Thus substituting into:  $x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi = \left(\frac{x_\eta}{y_\eta}\right)(y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi) \longrightarrow$

$$x_{\xi\xi} + \phi x_\xi = -\left(\frac{y_\xi}{x_\xi}\right)(y_{\xi\xi} + \phi y_\xi) \longrightarrow$$

$$x_\xi (x_{\xi\xi} + \underline{\phi x_\xi}) = -y_\xi (y_{\xi\xi} + \underline{\phi y_\xi})$$

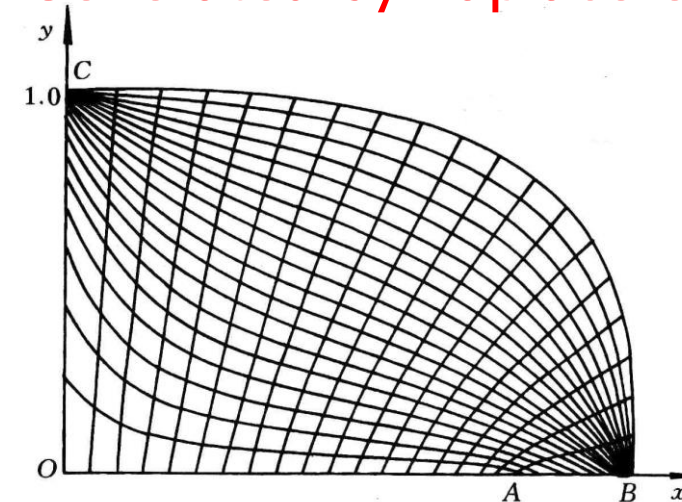
$$\text{Finally: } \phi = -\frac{y_\xi y_{\xi\xi} + x_\xi x_{\xi\xi}}{x_\xi^2 + y_\xi^2} \quad (\text{on } \underline{\eta = 0, \eta = 1 \text{ boundaries}})$$

Similarly:  $\psi = -\frac{y_{\eta}y_{\eta\eta} + x_{\eta}x_{\eta\eta}}{x_{\eta}^2 + y_{\eta}^2}$  (On  $\xi = 0, \xi = 1$  boundaries)

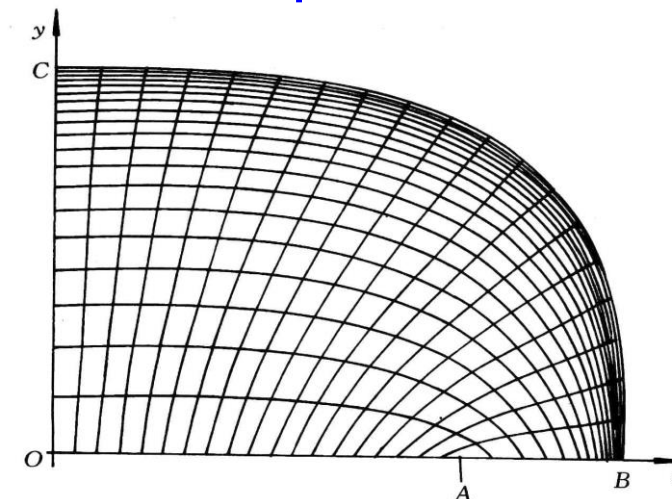
Application example of  
Thomas—Middlecoff  
method

Thomas—Middlecoff  
method for determining  
source functions of P,Q is  
a good example of  
creative numerical  
method **proposed by non-  
mathematicians!**

Generated by Laplace eq.



Poisson eq. + T-M method



## 11.6 Transformation and Discretization of Governing Eq. and Boundary Conditions

### 11.6.1 Transformation of Governing Equation

### 11.6.2 Transformation of Boundary Conditions

### 11.6.3 Discretization in computational plane

# 11.6 Transformation and Discretization of Governing Eq. and Boundary Conditions

## 11.6.1 Transformation of Governing Equation

### 1. Mathematical tools used for transformation

1) Chain rule for composite function (复合函数链导法)

$$u(x, y) = u(x(\xi, \eta), y(\xi, \eta)) \quad v(x, y) = v(x(\xi, \eta), y(\xi, \eta))$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial \eta} \end{vmatrix} \times \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix}$$

yielding: 
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x}$$

## 2) Derivatives of function and its inverse function(反函数)

$\xi(x, y), \eta(x, y)$  are the inverse function of  $x(\xi, \eta), y(\xi, \eta)$

Their derivatives have following relation:

$$\xi_x = \frac{1}{J} y_\eta; \eta_x = -\frac{1}{J} y_\xi; \xi_y = -\frac{1}{J} x_\eta; \eta_y = \frac{1}{J} x_\xi$$

## 2. Results of transformation of 2-D diffusion-convection equation in physical Cartesian coordinate

$$\frac{\partial(\rho u \phi)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v \phi)}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \Gamma_\phi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \Gamma_\phi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right) + R_\phi(x, y)$$

Results:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (\rho U \phi) + \frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (\rho V \phi) = & \frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (\alpha \phi_\xi - \beta \phi_\eta) \right) + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left[ \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (-\beta \phi_\xi + \gamma \phi_\eta) \right] + S_\phi(\xi, \eta) \right] \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Explanation for results

1) Velocity  $U, V$ :  $U = uy_\eta - vx_\eta, V = vx_\xi - uy_\xi$

$U, V$  are velocities in  $\xi, \eta$  direction respectively in comput. plane, called **contravariant velocity** (逆变速度);

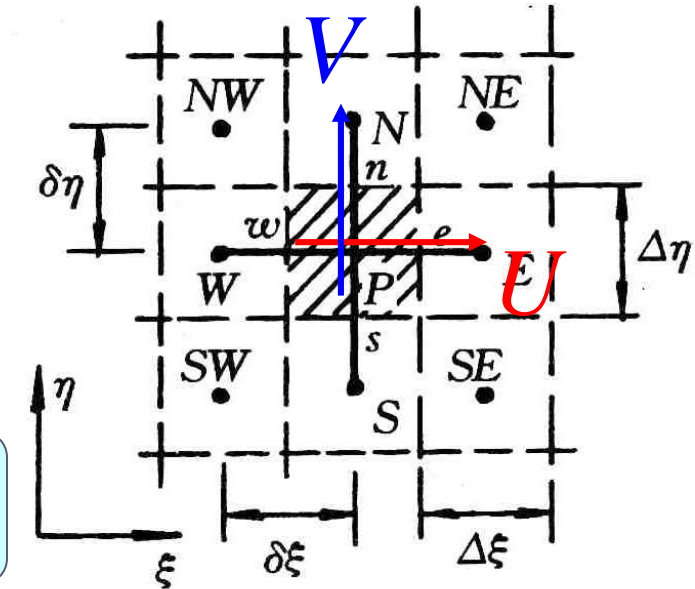
2)  $J$ : Jakobi factor, representing variation of volume during transformation:

$$dV = J d\xi d\eta d\zeta$$

Physical  
space  
volume

Computational.  
space volume

Factor of volume change:  
Larger than 1 means volume in  
computational space is reduced.

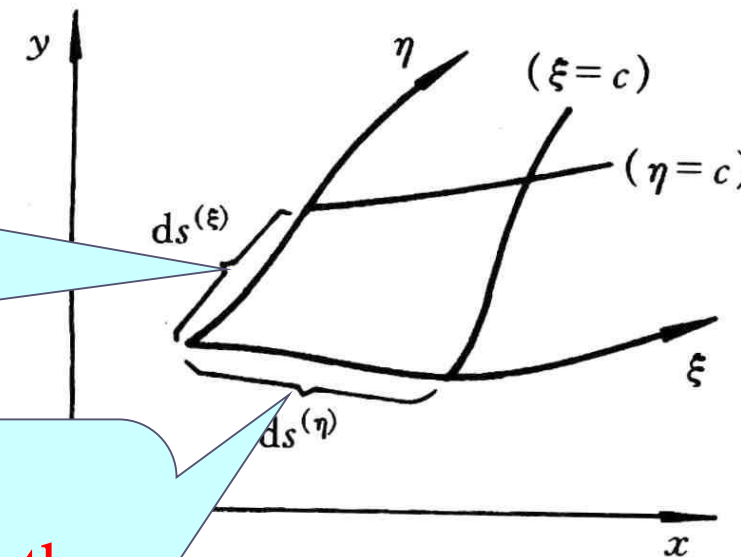


3)  $\alpha, \gamma$  are metric (度规) coefficients in  $\eta, \xi$  direction

$\sqrt{\alpha}, \sqrt{\gamma}$  are called Lamé coefficient in  $\eta, \xi$  direction, respectively.

$ds^{(\xi)} = \sqrt{\alpha} d\eta$   
is a differential arc  
length in curve with  
constant  $\xi$

$ds^{(\eta)} = \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi$   
is a differential arc length  
in curve with constant  $\eta$



4)  $\beta$  represents local orthogonality

## 11.6.2 Transformation of boundary condition

### 1. Uniform expression of B.C. in physical plane

A,B,C are given constants :

**A = 0: second kind**

**B = 0: first kind**

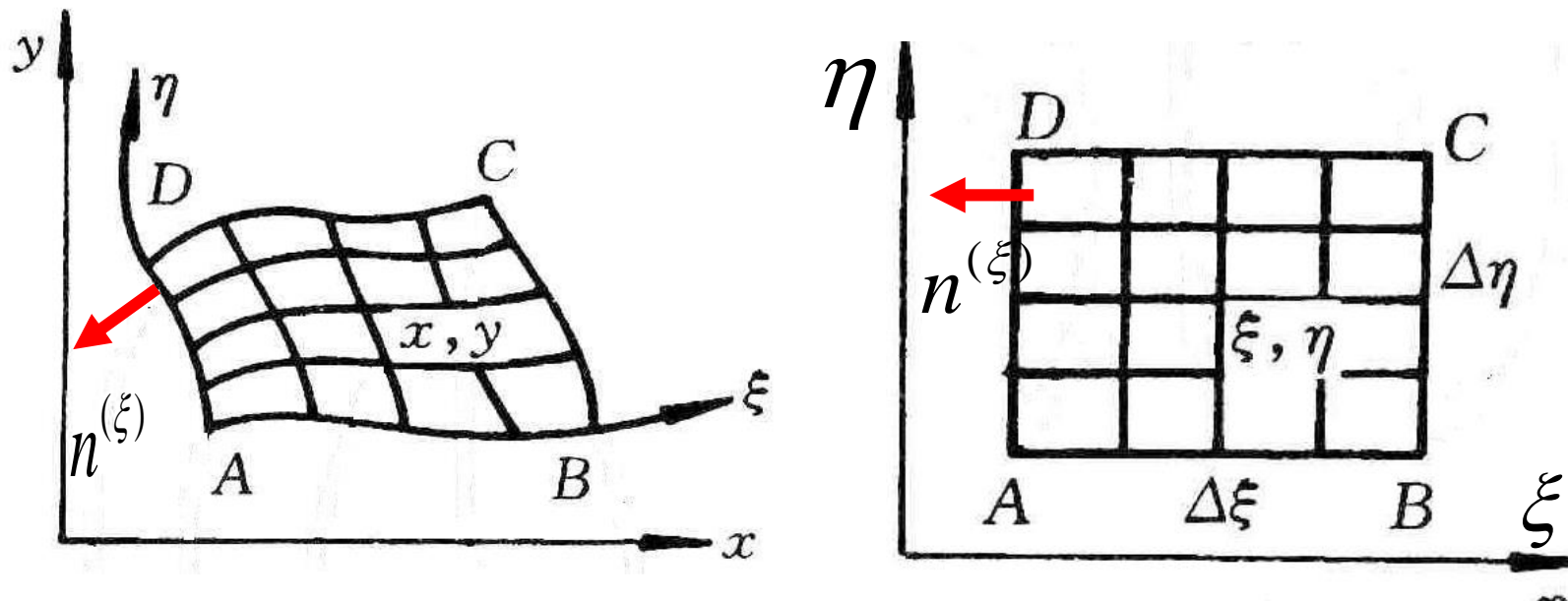
$$A\phi + B\Gamma_{\phi} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = C$$

**A, B are not zero: 3<sup>rd</sup>  
kind boundary  
condition**

During the transformation from physical plane to computational plane

- (1) The values of physical variables at correspondent positions remain unchanged
- (2) Physical properties / constant remain unchanged.

What different is the derivative normal to a boundary in physical plane and in computational plane:



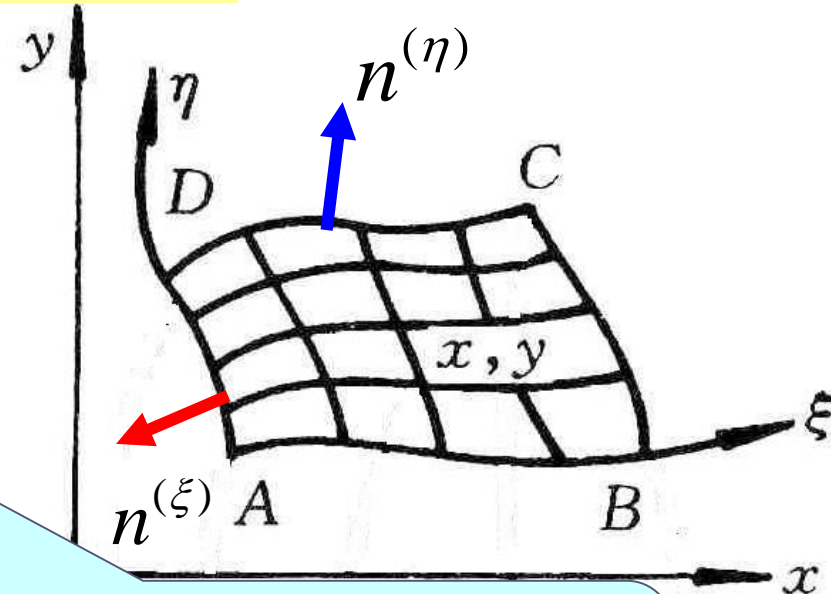
$$\left[ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n^{(\xi)}} \right]_{Phy} \neq \left[ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n^{(\xi)}} \right]_{Comp}$$

It can be shown that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n^{(\xi)}} = \frac{\alpha \phi_{\xi} - \beta \phi_{\eta}}{J \sqrt{\alpha}}; \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n^{(\eta)}} = \frac{\gamma \phi_{\eta} - \beta \phi_{\xi}}{J \sqrt{\varphi}} \end{cases}$$

Boundary normal derivative in physical space

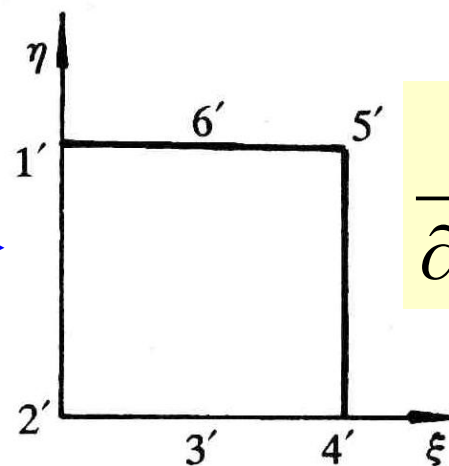
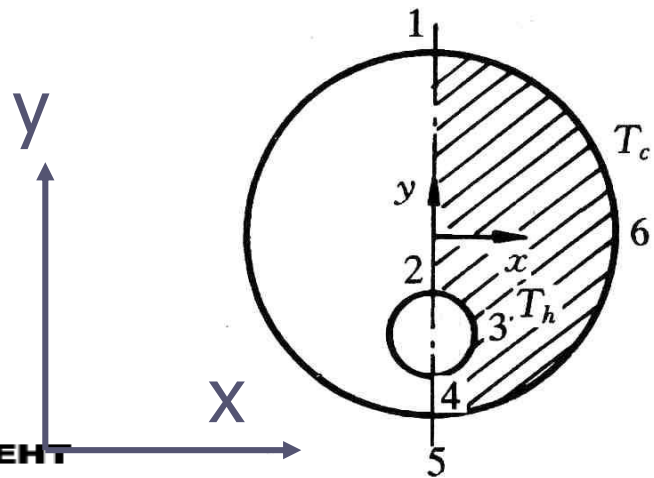
$\phi_{\xi}$  and  $\phi_{\eta}$  are boundary normal derivatives in computational space



Boundary normal derivative in physical space is not equal to boundary normal derivative in computational space.

# Example of boundary condition transformation

Boundary	Condition -Physical	Condition-Computational
1-2	$u = 0, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = 0$	$u = 0; \alpha v_{\xi} - \beta v_{\eta} = \alpha T_{\xi} - \beta T_{\eta} = 0$
2-3-4	$u = v = 0, T = T_h$	$u = v = 0, T = T_h$
4-5	$u = 0, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = 0$	$u = 0; \alpha v_{\xi} - \beta v_{\eta} = \alpha T_{\xi} - \beta T_{\eta} = 0$
5-6-1	$u = v = 0, T = T_c$	$u = v = 0, T = T_c$

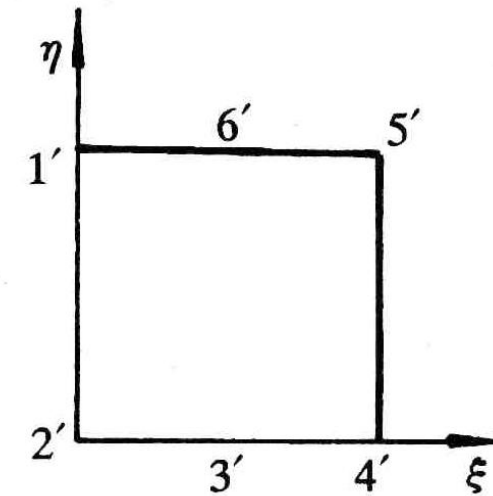


$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n^{(\xi)}} = \frac{\alpha \phi_{\xi} - \beta \phi_{\eta}}{J \sqrt{\alpha}};$$

Implementation of boundary condition at 1'-2'

$$\alpha T_{\xi} - \beta T_{\eta} = 0 \rightarrow T_{\xi} = \frac{\beta T_{\eta}}{\alpha}$$

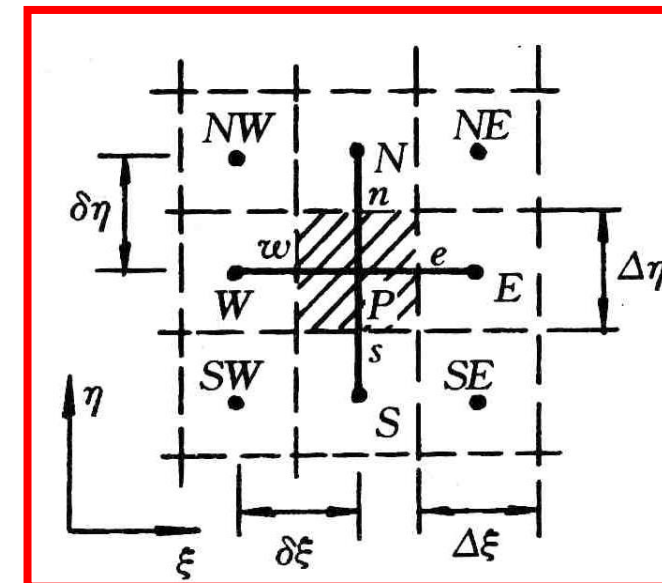
The discretization of will be shown later.



## 11.6.3 Discretization in computational plane

### 1. Discretization of G.E.

Multiplying two sides of the Gov.Eqs. by J, and integrating it over a CV at staggered grid system:



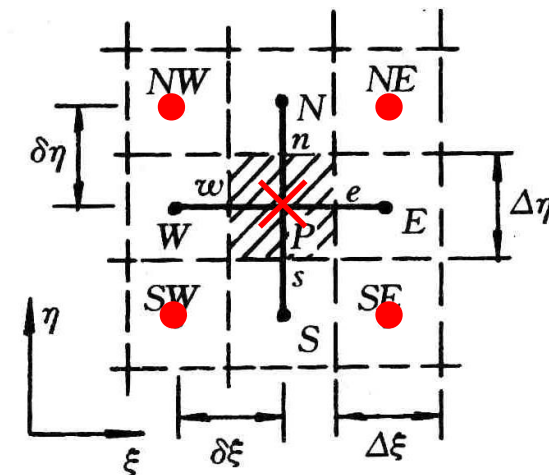
$$\begin{aligned}
 & [(\rho U \phi)_e - (\rho U \phi)_w] \Delta \eta + [(\rho V \phi)_n - (\rho V \phi)_s] \Delta \xi = \\
 & \left[ \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (\alpha \phi_\xi - \beta \phi_\eta) \right]_e \Delta \eta - \left[ \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (\alpha \phi_\xi - \beta \phi_\eta) \right]_w \Delta \eta + \\
 & \left[ \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (-\beta \phi_\xi + \gamma \phi_\eta) \right]_n \Delta \xi - \left[ \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} (-\beta \phi_\xi + \gamma \phi_\eta) \right]_s \Delta \xi + S \bullet J \bullet \Delta \eta \bullet \Delta \xi
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: Cross derivatives(交叉导数) occurs in diffusion terms.

2) Discretization of convective term –the same as in physical space.

3) Cross derivatives in diffusion term

Say:  $(\phi_\eta)_e = \frac{(\phi_N + \phi_{NE}) - (\phi_S + \phi_{SE})}{4\Delta\eta}$   
leading to 9-point scheme of 2-D case.



Putting the cross derivatives into source term, obtaining following results:

$$a_P \phi_P = a_E \phi_E + a_W \phi_W + a_S \phi_S + a_N \phi_N + b$$

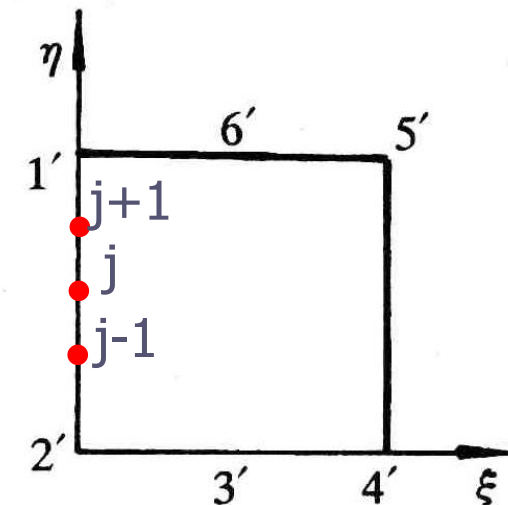
$$b = S_\phi J \Delta \eta \Delta \xi - \left[ \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} \beta \phi_\eta \right)_w^e \Delta \eta + \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{J} \beta \phi_\xi \right)_s^n \Delta \xi \right]$$

The pressure gradient term is temporary included in  $S_\phi$ .

#### 4. Discretization of boundary condition

The key is boundary derivative,  
As shown in the above example:

$$T_\xi = \frac{\beta T_\eta}{\alpha} \longrightarrow (T_\xi)_j = \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \frac{T_{B(j+1)} - T_{B(j-1)}}{2\Delta \eta}$$



## 11.7 SIMPLE Algorithm in Computational Plane

11.7.1 Choice of velocity in computational space

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11.7.5 Solution procedure of SIMPLE in computational plane

## 11.7 SIMPLE Algorithm in Computational Plane

### 11.7.1 Choice of velocity in computational space

#### 1. Three kinds of velocity

- 1) Components in physical plane  $(u, v)$
- 2) Contravariant velocity  $(U, V)$  (逆变分量)

$$U = uy_{\eta} - vx_{\eta}, \quad V = vx_{\xi} - uy_{\xi}$$

- 3) Covariant velocity  $(\bar{U}, \bar{V})$  (协变分量)

$$\bar{U} = ux_{\xi} + vy_{\xi}, \quad \bar{V} = ux_{\eta} + vy_{\eta}$$

All the three kinds of velocity were adopted in refs.

According to W. Shyy (史维) : following combination can satisfy the conservation condition the best: taking  $u, v$  as solution variables and  $U, V$  as the velocity in computational plane. We will take this practice.

## 11.7.2 Discretized momentum equation in computational plane

### 1. Separating pressure gradient from source term

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial \eta} \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{J} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial \xi} y_{\eta} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial \eta} y_{\xi} \right) = \frac{1}{J} (p_{\xi} y_{\eta} - p_{\eta} y_{\xi})$$

Note: cross derivatives occur.

### 2. Discretized momentum equation in physical plane

$$a_e u_e = \sum a_{nb} u_{nb} + b - \Delta y \bullet \underline{\delta x} \left( \frac{p_E - p_P}{\underline{\delta x}} \right) = \sum a_{nb} u_{nb} + b - \Delta y \bullet \delta x \bullet \underline{p_x}$$

$$u_e = \sum \left( \frac{a_{nb}}{a_e} \right) u_{nb} + \left( \frac{-\Delta y \bullet \delta x}{a_e} \right) p_x + \left( \frac{b}{a_e} \right)$$

Subscript here denotes derivative

### 3. Discretized u,v equations in computational plane

**Mimicking** the above form for  $u, v$  in physical plane for computational plane following form is taken:

$$u_P = \sum A_{nb}^u u_{nb} + (B^u p_\xi + C^u p_\eta) + D^u$$

$$v_P = \sum A_{nb}^v v_{nb} + (B^v p_\xi + C^v p_\eta) + D^v$$

- 1)  $(u_P, v_P)$  are the velocities at respective locations of staggered grid.

2) A,B,C,D are coefficients and constants generated during discretization.

### 11.7.3 Velocity correction in computational plane

#### 1. $u', v'$ equations in computational plane

From assumed  $p^*$ , yielding  $u^*, v^*$ :

$$u_P^* = \sum A_{nb}^u u_{nb}^* + (B^u p_\xi^* + C^u p_\eta^*) + D^u$$

$$v_P^* = \sum A_{nb}^v v_{nb}^* + (B^v p_\xi^* + C^v p_\eta^*) + D^v$$

The correspondent  $U^*, V^*$  may not satisfy mass conservation, and improvement of pressure is needed.

Denoting pressure correction by  $p'$ , and the correspondent velocity corrections by  $u', v'$ ;

According to the SIMPLE practice,  $(p^*+p')$ ,  $(u^*+u')$ , and  $(v^*+v')$  also satisfy momentum equation:

$$(u_P^* + u_P') = \sum A_{nb} (u_{nb}^* + u_{nb}') + [B^u (p_\xi^* + p_\xi') + C^u (p_\eta^* + p_\eta')] + D^u$$

$$u_P^* = \sum A_{nb}^u u_{nb}^* + (B^u p_\xi^* + C^u p_\eta^*) + D^u$$

Subtraction of the two equations:

$$u_P' = \sum A_{nb}^u u_{nb}' + B^u p_\xi' + C^u p_\eta'$$

Similarly 
$$v_P' = \sum A_{nb}^v v_{nb}' + B^v p_\xi' + C^v p_\eta'$$

Omitting the effects of neighboring nodes:

yielding velocity correction:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} u_P' &= B^u p_\xi' + C^u p_\eta' \\ v_P' &= B^v p_\xi' + C^v p_\eta' \end{aligned} \right.$$

## 2. $U', V'$ equations in computational plane (20191126)

By definition:  $U = uy_\eta - vx_\eta, \quad V = vx_\xi - uy_\xi$

Thus  $U' = u' y_\eta - v' x_\eta = y_\eta (\underline{B^u p'_\xi} + \underline{C^u p'_\eta}) - x_\eta (\underline{B^v p'_\xi} + \underline{C^v p'_\eta})$

$$U'_P = \underline{p'_\xi} (B^u y_\eta - B^v x_\eta) + \underline{p'_\eta} (C^u y_\eta - C^v x_\eta)$$

**New assumption : cross derivatives in contravariant velocity are neglected**

Thus:  $U'_P = p'_\xi (\underline{B^u y_\eta - B^v x_\eta}) = (B p'_\xi)_{U_P}, \quad B = B^u y_\eta - B^v x_\eta$

Similarly:  $V'_P = p'_\eta (C^v x_\xi - C^u y_\xi) = (C p'_\eta)_{V_P}$

**At location of  $V_P$**

**At location of  $U_P$**

## 11.7.4 Pressure correction equation in computational plane

### 1. Discretized mass conservation in computational plane

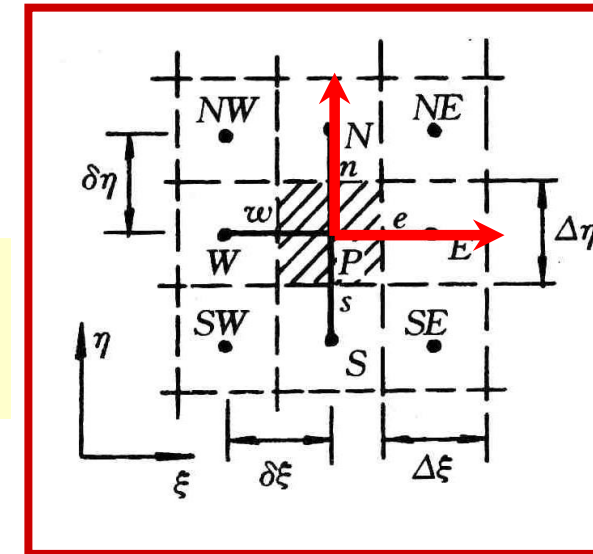
From mass conservation in physical plane:

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

Its correspondent form in computational plane can be obtained:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \eta} = 0$$

Integrating over control volume P



$$(\rho U \Delta \eta)_e - (\rho U \Delta \eta)_w + (\rho V \Delta \xi)_n - (\rho V \Delta \xi)_s = 0$$

### 2. Pressure correction equation in computational plane

Substituting  $(U^* + U'), (V^* + V'), U' = Bp'_\xi, V' = Bp'_\eta$

into mass conservation eq., and re-writing in terms of  $p'$ :

$$A_P p'_P = A_E p'_E + A_W p'_W + A_N p'_N + A_S p'_S + b$$

$$b = (\rho U^* \Delta \eta)_e - (\rho U^* \Delta \eta)_w + (\rho V^* \Delta \xi)_n - (\rho V^* \Delta \xi)_s$$

$$A_E = (\rho B \frac{\Delta \eta}{\delta \xi})_e, \quad A_W = (\rho B \frac{\Delta \eta}{\delta \xi})_w, \quad A_N = (\rho C \frac{\Delta \xi}{\delta \eta})_n, \quad A_S = (\rho C \frac{\Delta \xi}{\delta \eta})_s$$

### 3. Boundary condition of pressure correction equation

Homogeneous Neumann condition:

**boundary coefficient = 0**

#### 11.7.5 Solution procedure of SIMPLE in computational plane

1. Assuming velocity field of  $u, v$ , calculating  $U, V$  by definition and discretization coefficients;

2. Assuming pressure field  $p^*$  and solving for  $(u_p^*, v_p^*)$

3. From  $u^*, v^*$  calculating  $(U_P^*, V_P^*)$  by definition;

4. Solving pressure correction eq., yielding  $p'$ ;

5. Determining revised velocities

$$u_P = u_P^* + (B^u p'_\xi + C^u p'_\eta)$$

$$u'_P = B^u p'_\xi + C^u p'_\eta$$

$$v_P = v_P^* + (B^v p'_\xi + C^v p'_\eta)$$

$$v'_P = B^v p'_\xi + C^v p'_\eta$$

$$U_P = U_P^* + (B^u y_\eta + C^u x_\eta) p'_\xi$$

$$U'_P = p'_\xi (B^u y_\eta - B^v x_\eta)$$

$$V_P = V_P^* + (C^v x_\xi + C^v y_\xi) p'_\eta$$

$$V'_P = p'_\eta (C^v x_\xi - C^u y_\xi)$$

$$p = p^* + \alpha_p p'$$

6. Starting next iteration with improved velocity and pressure.

## 11.8 Post-Process and Examples

11.8.1 Data reduction should be conducted in physical plane

### 11.8.2 Examples

1. Example 1—Natural convection in a circle with hexagon (六边形)
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3. Example 3—Periodic forced convection in a duct with roughness elements
4. Example 4—Periodic forced convection in a wavy channel

## 11.8 Post-Process and Examples

### 11.8.1 Data reduction should be conducted in physical plane

Data reduction (post process, 后处理) should be conducted for the solutions in the physical plane.

The results in the computational plane can not be directly adopted for data reduction **by using definition in physical plane.**

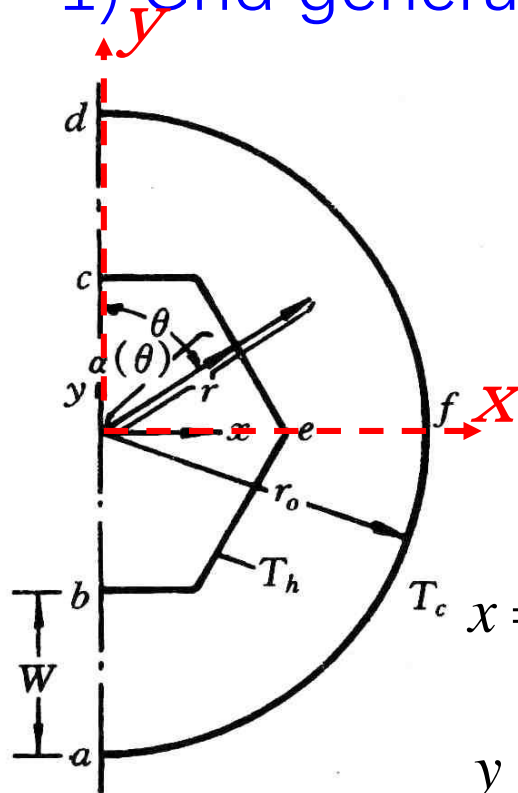
For example, the volume of a control volume is:

$$\Delta V = J d\xi d\eta d\zeta \text{ rather than } d\xi d\eta d\zeta$$

### 11.8.2 Four examples

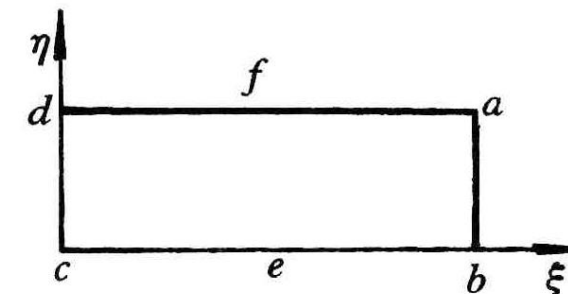
# 1. Example 1—Natural convection in a circle with an inner hexagon(六边形)

## 1) Grid generation – algebraic method



$$\xi = \theta \text{ (Polar coordinate)}$$

$$\eta = \frac{r - a(\theta)}{r_0 - a(\theta)}$$



(Cartesian coordinate)

$$x = [a(\xi) + \eta[r_0 - a(\xi)] \cos(\frac{\pi}{2} - \xi)$$

$$y = [a(\xi) + \eta[r_0 - a(\xi)] \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} - \xi)$$

## 2) Local Nusselt on inner surface

$$Nu_i = \frac{h_i W}{\lambda} = \frac{W}{\lambda} \left[ -\lambda \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial n} \right)_i \frac{1}{T_h - T_c} \right] = - \left[ \frac{\partial \left( \frac{T - T_c}{T_h - T_c} \right)}{\partial \left( \frac{n}{W} \right)^{(\eta)}} \right]_i = - \left[ \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial n^{(\eta)}} \right]_i = - \left[ \frac{\gamma \Theta_\eta - \beta \Theta_\xi}{J \sqrt{\gamma}} \right]_i$$

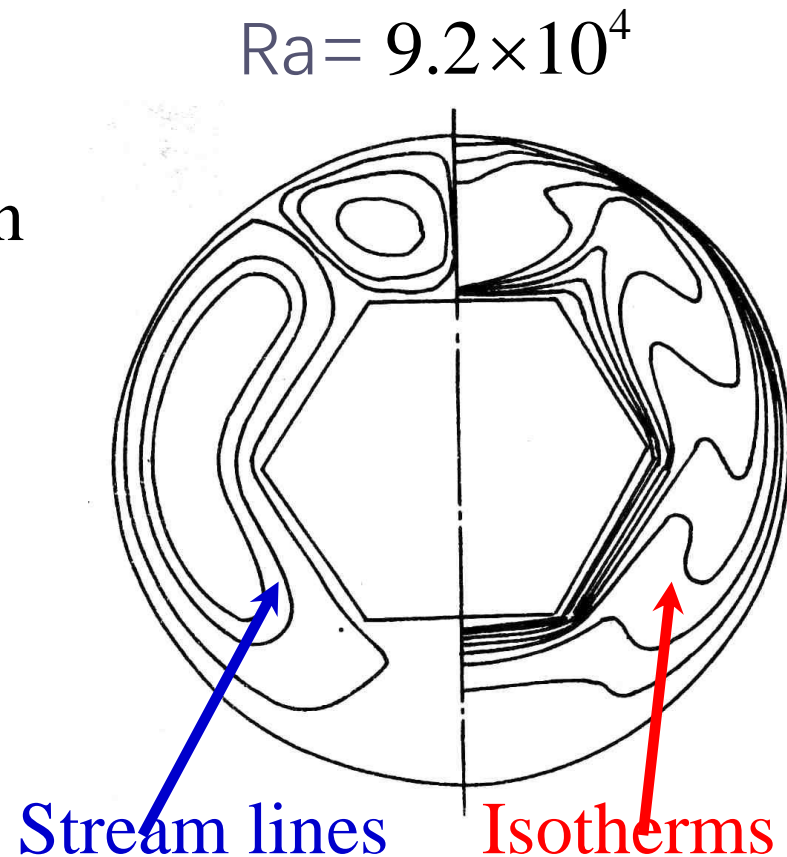
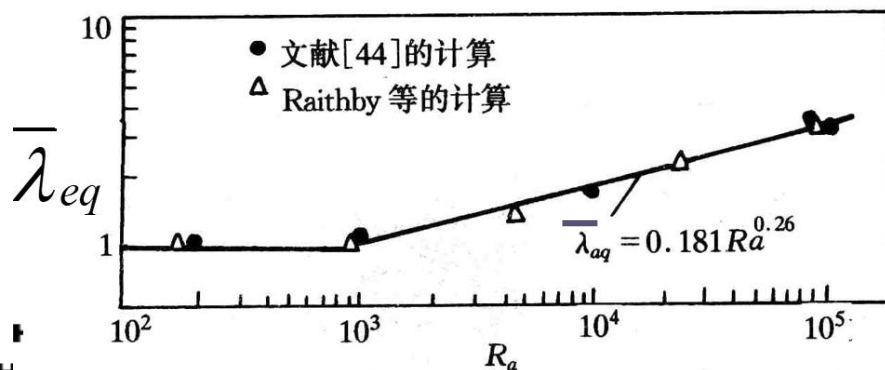
On inner surface  $\eta = 0, \Theta)_{\eta=0} \equiv 1$

$$\Theta_\xi = \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial \xi} \Big|_{\eta=0} = 0$$

$$Nu_i = - \left( \frac{\gamma \Theta_\eta}{J \sqrt{\gamma}} \right)_i$$

The averaged Nusselt number can be obtained by integration of  $Nu_i$  over the inner surface.

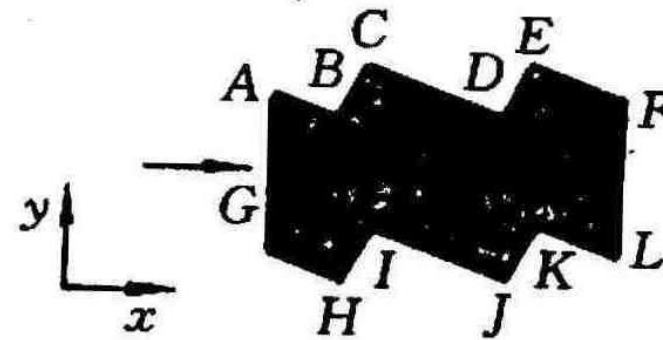
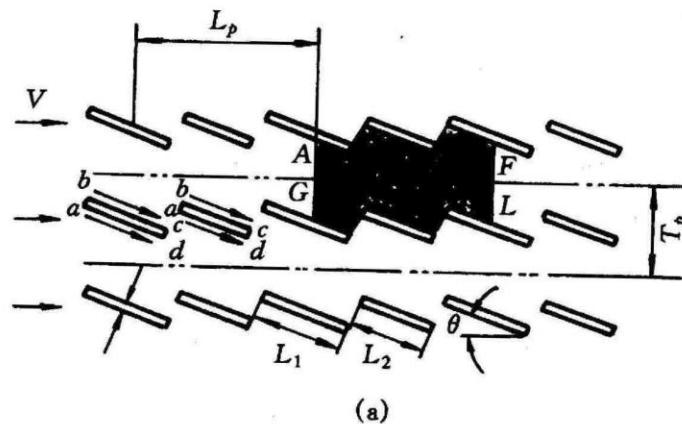
### 3) Partial results



Zhang H L et al. Journal of Thermal Science, 1992, 1(4):249-258

## 2. Example 2—Forced flow over a bank of tilted plates

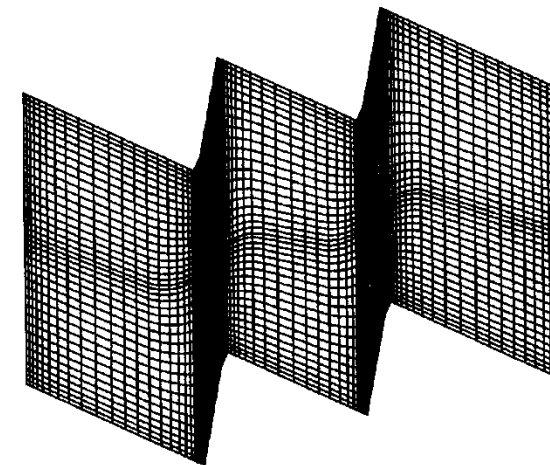
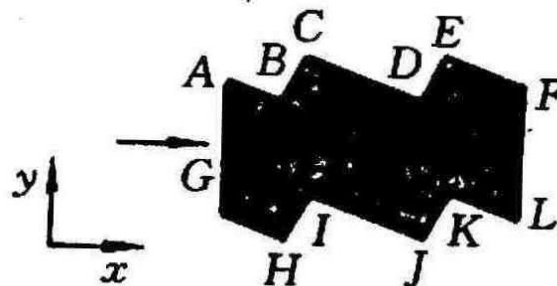
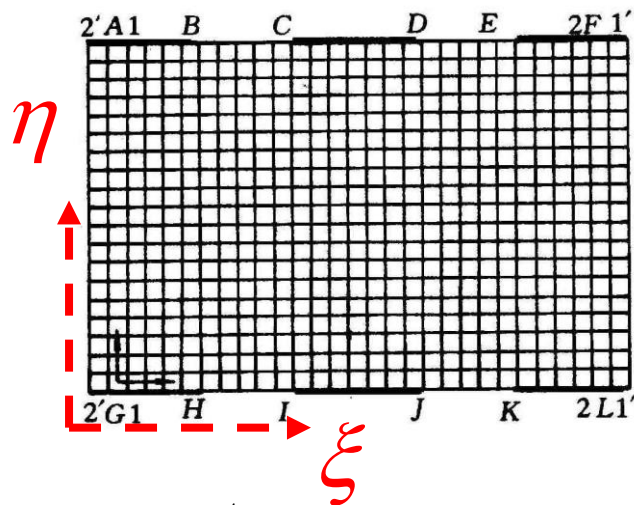
### 1) Grid generation – algebraic method



Data reduction is conducted for one cycle:

A-G-H-I-J-K-L-F-E-D-C-B-A

### 2) Data reduction procedure



$$T_b)_{AG} = \frac{\int_G^A T(x, y) u(x, y) dy}{\int_G^A u(x, y) dy}$$

$$dy = ds^{(\xi)} = d\eta \sqrt{\alpha}$$

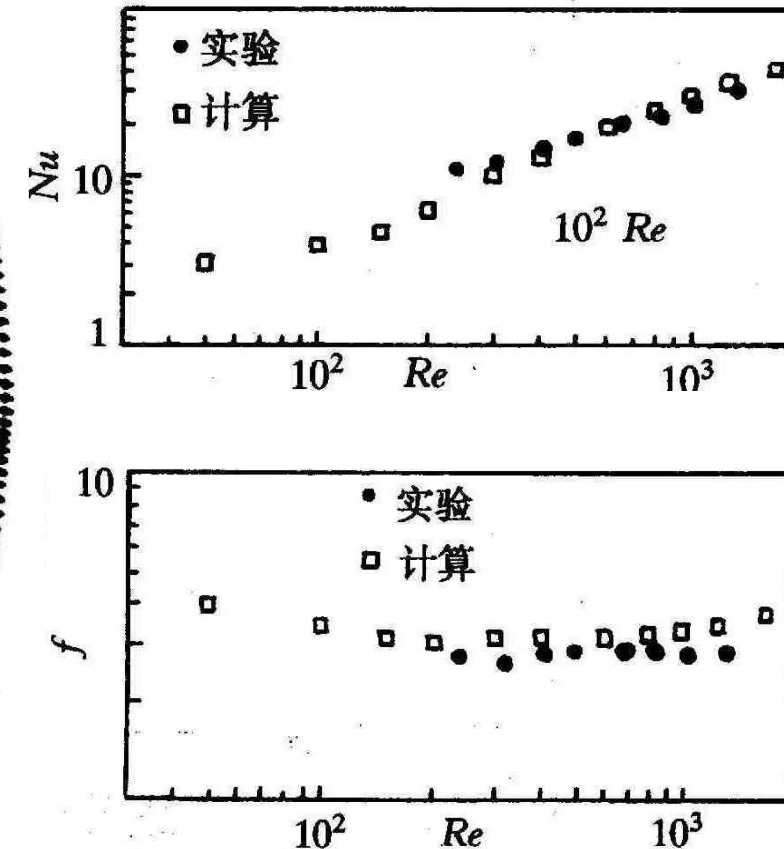
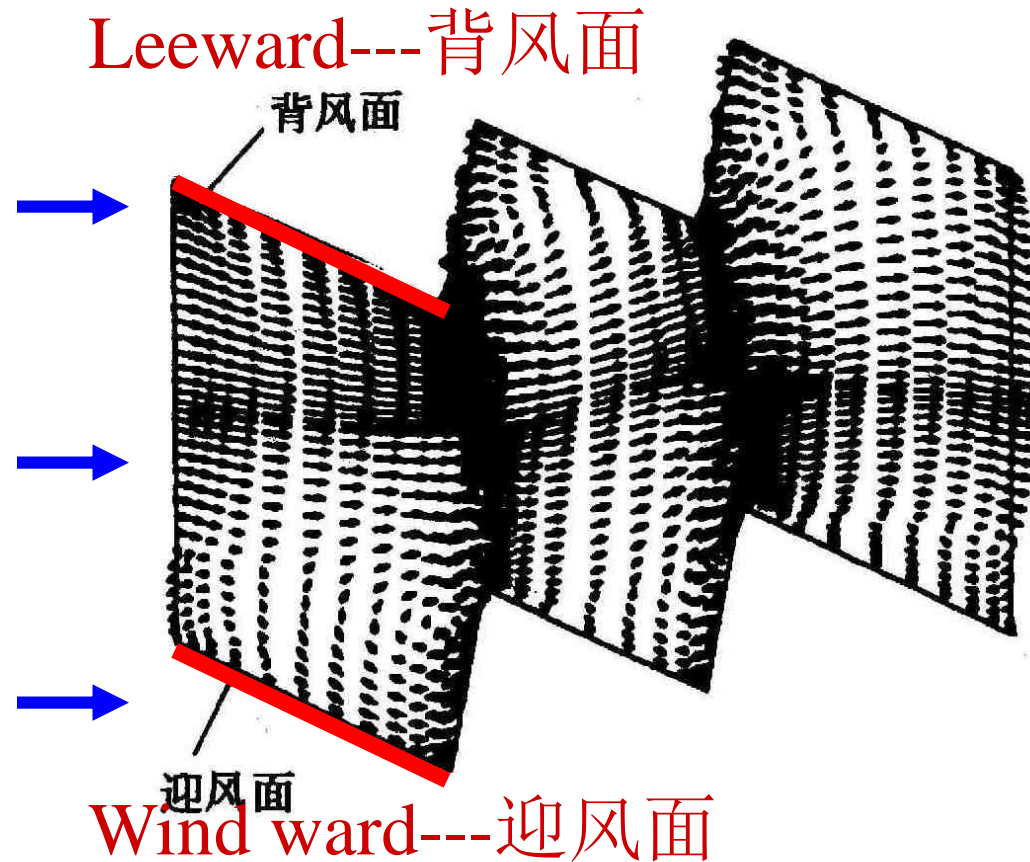
$$\frac{\int_{\eta_b}^{\eta_t} T(\xi, \eta) u(\xi, \eta) \sqrt{\alpha} d\eta}{\int_{\eta_b}^{\eta_t} u(\xi, \eta) \sqrt{\alpha} d\eta}$$

$$q_{A-F} = \frac{\int_{\xi_A}^{\xi_B} q^{(\eta_t)} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi + \int_{\xi_C}^{\xi_D} q^{(\eta_t)} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi + \int_{\xi_E}^{\xi_F} q^{(\eta_t)} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi}{\int_{\xi_A}^{\xi_B} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi + \int_{\xi_C}^{\xi_D} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi + \int_{\xi_E}^{\xi_F} \sqrt{\gamma} d\xi}$$

$$ds^{(\eta)} = d\xi \sqrt{\gamma}$$

Local heat flux calculation should be conducted as shown in example 1.

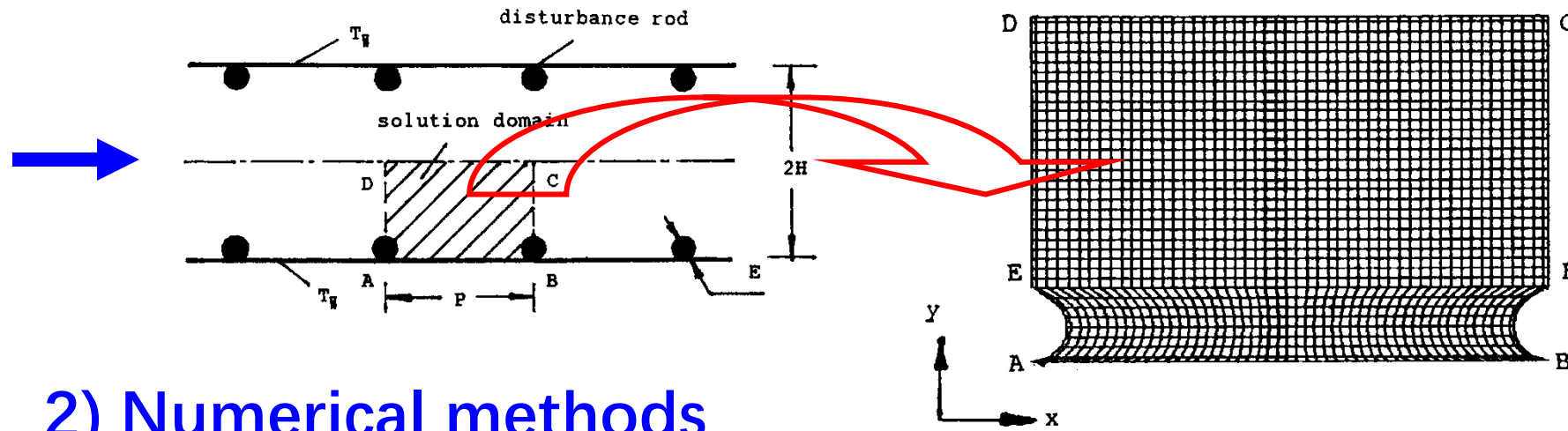
### 3) Partial results



Wang L B, et al. ASME Journal of Heat Transfer, 1998, 120:991-998

### 3. Example 3—Periodic forced convection in a duct with roughness elements

#### 1) Grid generation – Boundary normalization



#### 2) Numerical methods

(1) **Steady vs. unsteady** — Unsteady governing equation is used to get a steady solution for the case of ( $H/E=5$ ,  $P/E=20$ ,  $Re = 700$ ). The results are compared with those from steady equation. The differences are small:  $Nu-3\%$ ,  $f$ —less than  $1\%$ . Thus steady eq. is used.

(1) Scheme of convection term — PLS was used. Reviewer required : it should be shown that false diffusion effect could be neglected. Simulation with CD was conducted and comparison was made.

Table I. Comparison of results using PLDS and CDS

$Re$		50	100	200	400	700
$Nu$	PLDS	7.811	8.166	8.988	10.648	12.776
	CDS	7.811	8.172	8.925	10.354	12.994
$f$	PLDS	2.3980	1.2197	0.6319	0.3352	0.1999
	CDS	2.3980	1.2198	0.6298	0.3329	0.2089

### 3) Partial results

Yuan Z X, et al. Int Journal Numerical Methods in Fluids, 1998, 28:1371-1378

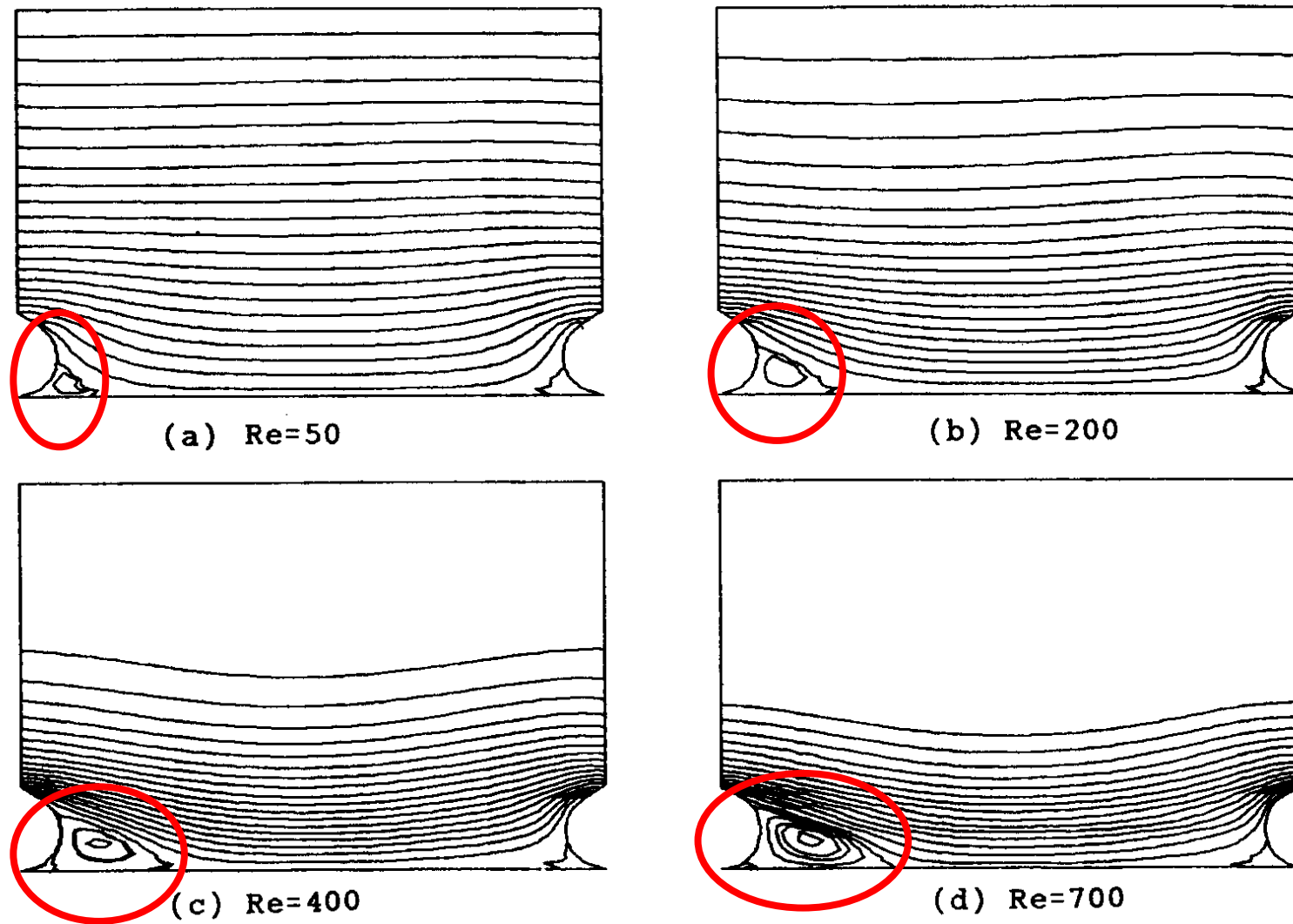
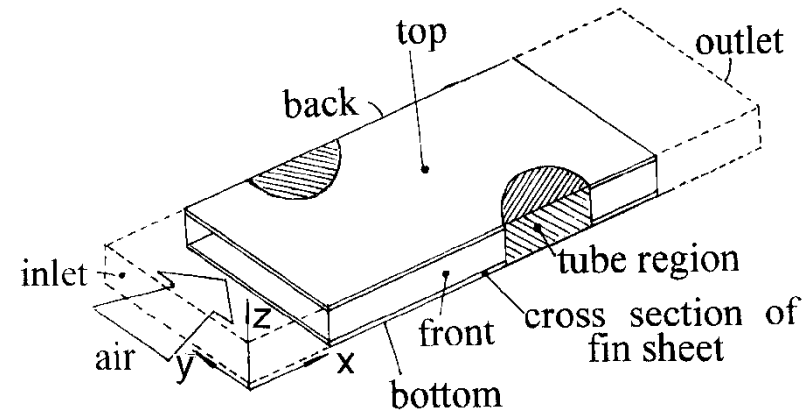
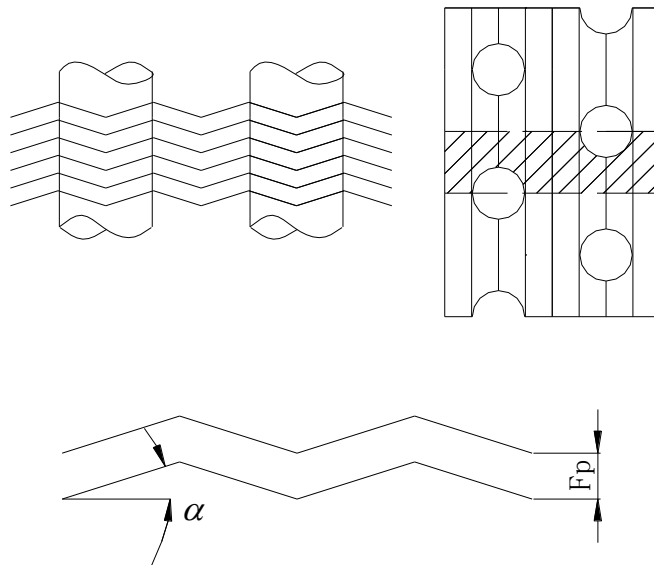


Figure 4. Flow patterns at different Reynolds numbers ( $H/E = 5$ ,  $P/E = 7.5$ ). (a)  $Re = 50$ ; (b)  $Re = 200$ ; (c)  $Re = 400$ ; (d)  $Re = 700$ .

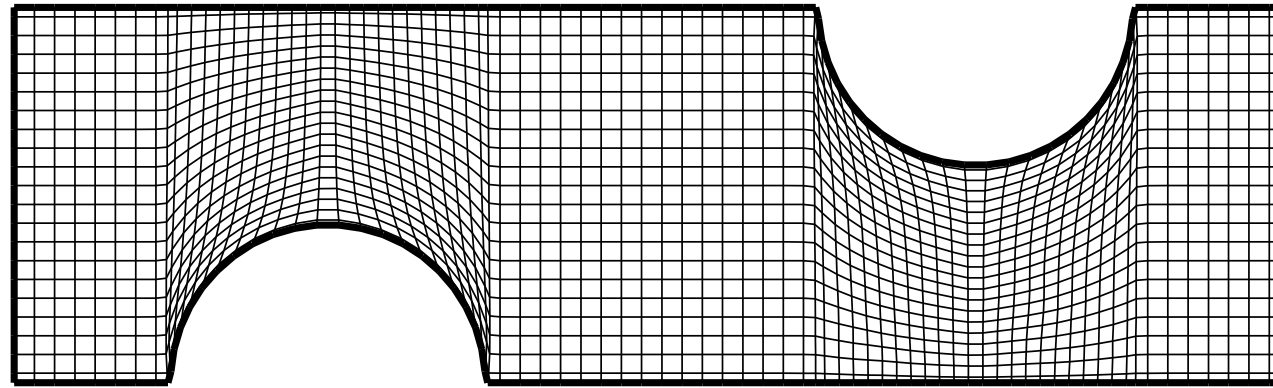
## 4. Example 4—Periodic forced convection in a wavy channel

### 1) Grid generation – (Block structured + 3D Poisson)



(Taking plain channel as an example)

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \alpha_{11}x_{\xi\xi} + \alpha_{22}x_{\eta\eta} + \alpha_{33}x_{\zeta\zeta} + 2\alpha_{12}x_{\xi\eta} + 2\alpha_{13}x_{\xi\zeta} + 2\alpha_{23}x_{\eta\zeta} + J^2(Px_{\xi} + Qx_{\eta} + Rx_{\zeta}) &= 0 \\ \alpha_{11}y_{\xi\xi} + \alpha_{22}y_{\eta\eta} + \alpha_{33}y_{\zeta\zeta} + 2\alpha_{12}y_{\xi\eta} + 2\alpha_{13}y_{\xi\zeta} + 2\alpha_{23}y_{\eta\zeta} + J^2(Py_{\xi} + Qy_{\eta} + Ry_{\zeta}) &= 0 \\ \alpha_{11}z_{\xi\xi} + \alpha_{22}z_{\eta\eta} + \alpha_{33}z_{\zeta\zeta} + 2\alpha_{12}z_{\xi\eta} + 2\alpha_{13}z_{\xi\zeta} + 2\alpha_{23}z_{\eta\zeta} + J^2(Pz_{\xi} + Qz_{\eta} + Rz_{\zeta}) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right.$$



## 2) Grid-independence examination

One row

$102(x) \times 22(y) \times 10(z)$

Two-row

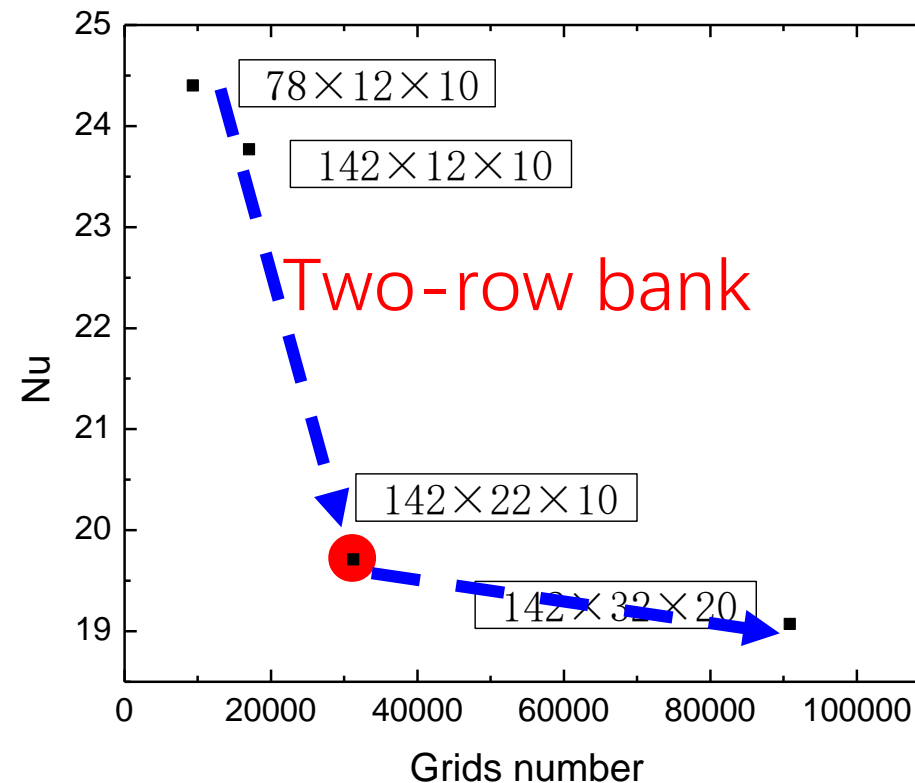
$142 \times 22 \times 10$

Three-row

$182 \times 22 \times 10$

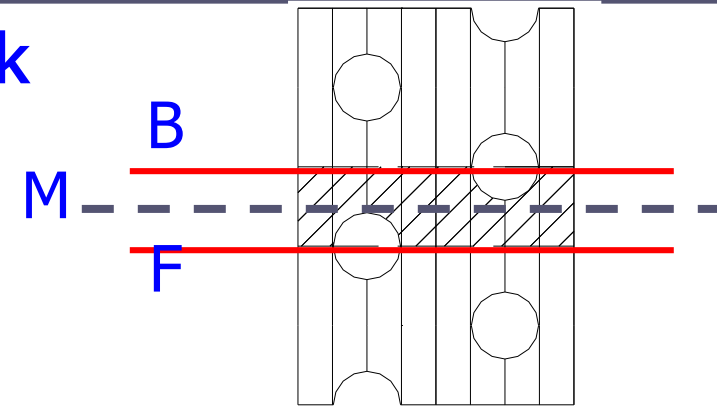
Four-row

$192 \times 22 \times 10$

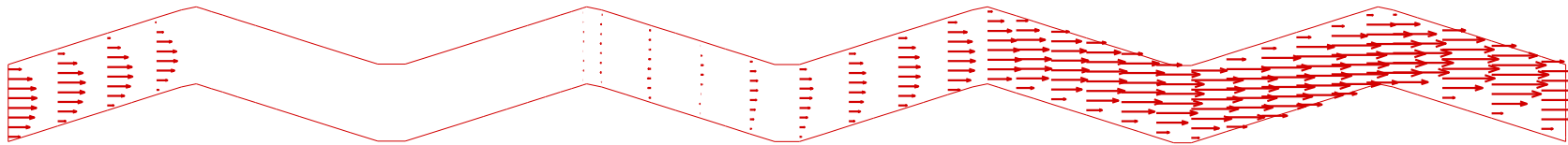


### 3) Partial results of two-row bank

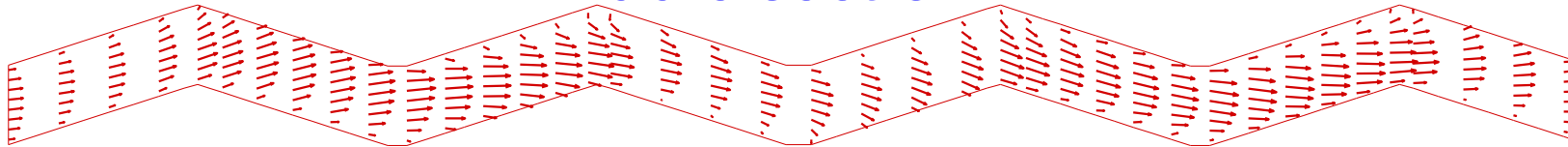
Velocity distributions of three sections



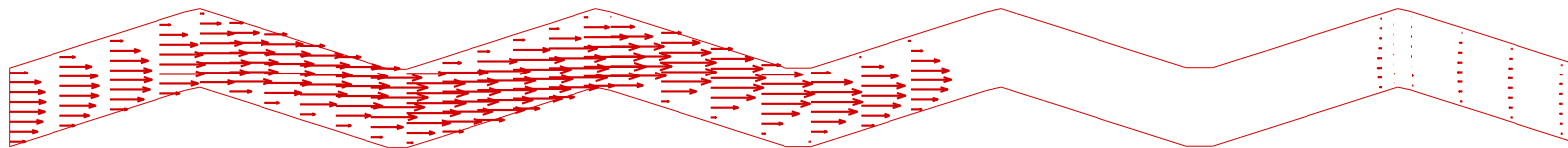
Front section



Middle section



Back section



Tao Y B, et al. Int Journal Heat Mass Transfer, 2007, 50:1163-1175

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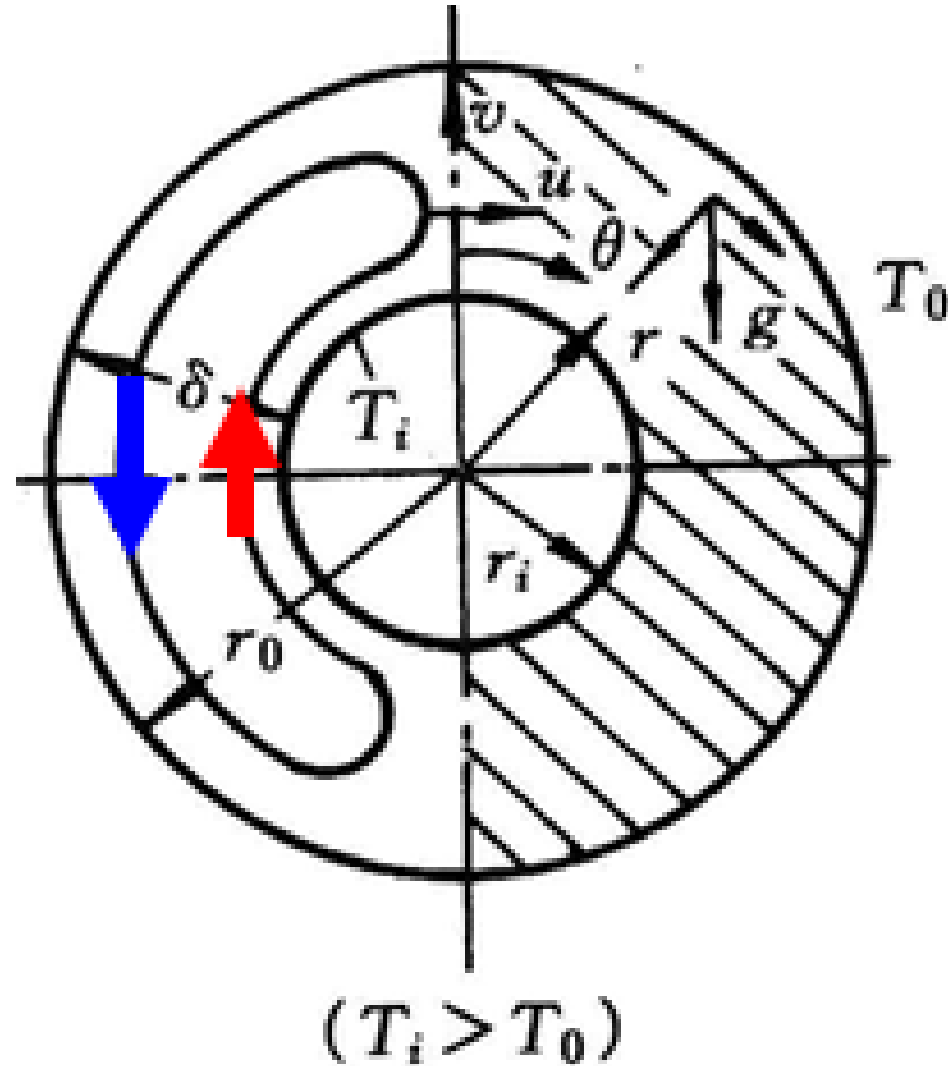
We present three computer-aided projects: one is to be solved by our teaching code (Project 1) , the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ones are to be solved by FLUENT (Fundamental , Project 2, Intermediate Project 3) . Every student can choose one project according to your interest and condition.

For the first project the self-developed computer code should attached in your final report.

For the second and third project Class F and Class I will have different projects. The instructors will assign the project at the end of the lecture.

# Computer-Aided Project (1) of NHT-2019, Xi'an Jiaotong University

## (Laminar natural convection in annular space)



## 1. Project formulation

For air natural convection within an annular space as shown in Fig. 1 , following conditions are given:  $\delta/r_o = 0.4$  , flow is laminar and the average air temperature is  $50^\circ \text{C}$  For  $Ra = g\beta\Delta T\delta^3\nu/a^2 = 10^2, 10^3, 10^4, 10^5$  , determine the relative thermal conductivity:  $\lambda_{eq}/\lambda_{air}$  .The temperature difference between inner wall and outer wall is not large, so the Boussinesq assumption can be adopted. By using Tecplot or other software, display the isotherms and streamlines and the variation of  $\lambda_{eq}/\lambda_{air}$  vs. Ra. Natural convection heat transfer rate between the inner and outer surface is expressed by an effective thermal conductivity  $\lambda_{eq}$  as follows:

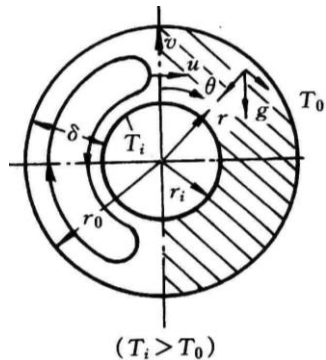
$$\phi = \frac{2\pi L \lambda_{eq} \Delta T}{\ln(d_2 / d_1)} \quad \lambda_{eq} \text{ is the equivalent thermal conductivity of the entire annular space.}$$

## 2. Suggestions and Requirements

- 1) Considering the symmetry of the geometry, only half of the structure should be simulated.
- 2) The solution should be grid-independent.
- 3) The project report should be written in the format of the Journal of Xi'an Jiaotong University. Both Chinese and English can be accepted.
- 4) Examples 9-4 (Mode=3) and 9-6 (Natural convection) may be consulted.
- 5) Please submit in the USER part developed by yourself for solving the problem.

**The project report should be due in before April 30, 2020 to room 204 of East 3<sup>rd</sup> Building of Xingqing campus. If you need the course score earlier, please submit your report earlier too and inform me.**

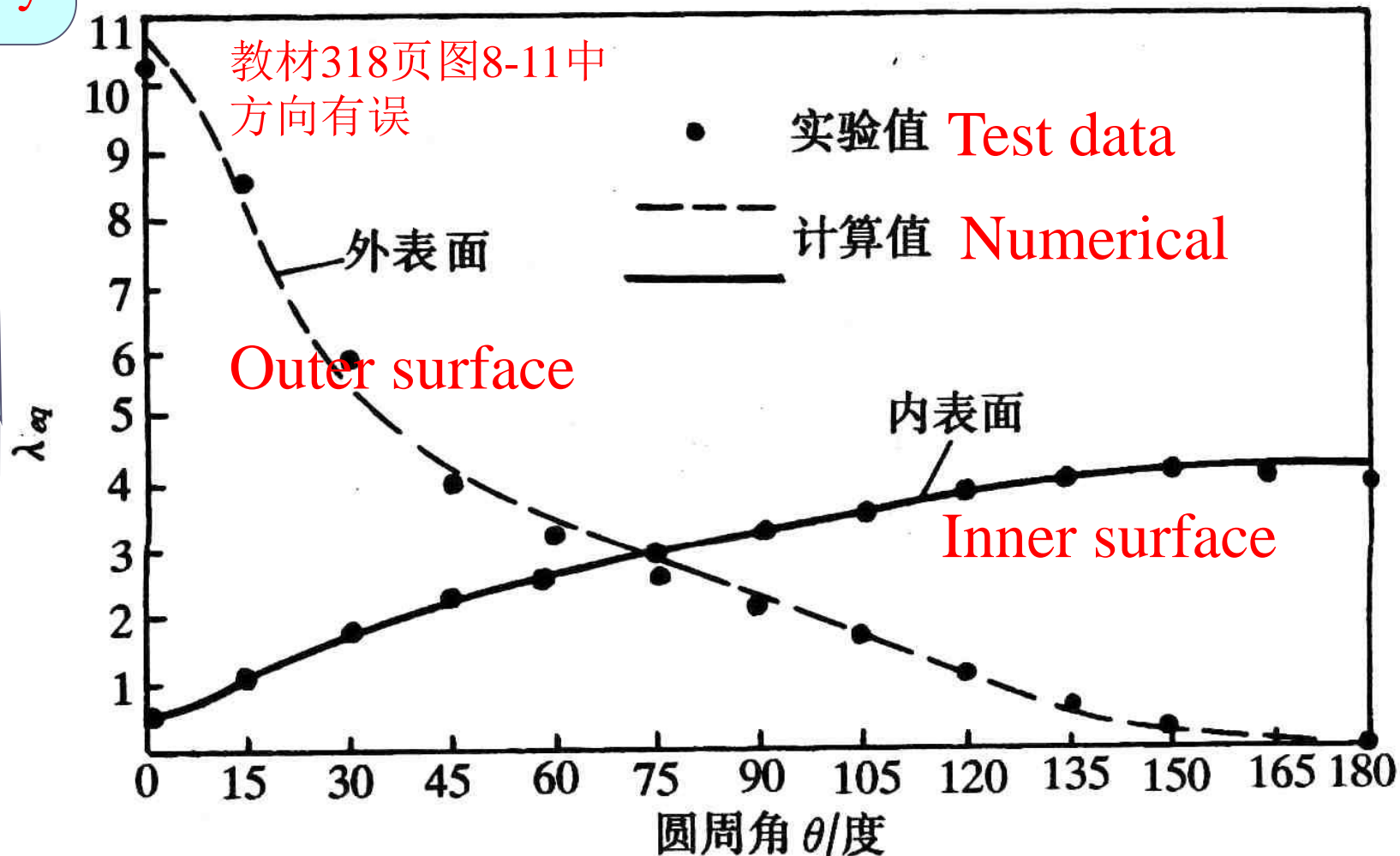
Local  
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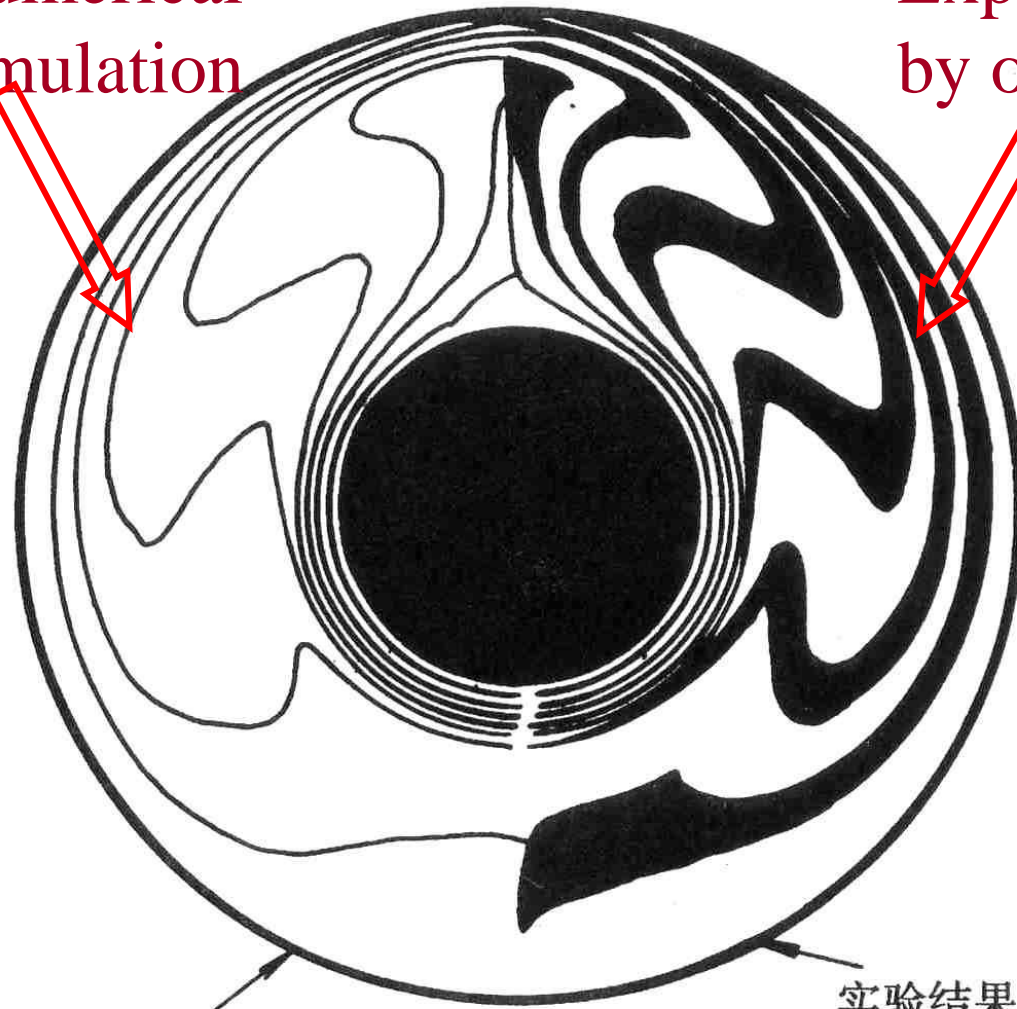
$$\overline{\lambda}_{eq} = \left( \frac{q_{convection}}{q_{conduction}} \right)_{\theta}$$

Kuehn T H, Goldstein R J. An experimental and theoretical study of natural convection in the annulus between horizontal concentric cylinders. *J Fluid Mech*, 1971, 74:605-719



Numerical  
simulation

Experiment  
by optical method



计算结果

实验结果

### 实验与计算条件

	实验	计算
$Ra_\delta$	$4.7 \times 10^4$	$5 \times 10^4$
$Pr$	0.706	0.7
$\delta/Di$	0.8	0.8

Comparison of isotherms (等温线)

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