

Numerical Heat Transfer

Chapter 13 Application examples of Fluent for flow and heat transfer problem



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第 13 章 求解流动换热问题的Fluent软件应用举例



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Class intermediate

13. A1 Single phase fluid flow and heat transfer in manifold microchannel

(歧管微通道中流动换热)

13. A2 Flow and heat transfer in porous media

(多孔介质流动换热)

13. A3 Multiphase flow using Volume of Fraction method (多相流VOF方法模拟)

For each example, the general content of the lecture is as follows:

1: Using slides to explain in detail the general **10 steps for Fluent simulation! (PPT讲解)**

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Read mesh | 2. scale domain |
| 3. Choose model | 4. define material |
| 5. define zone condition | 6. define boundary condition |
| 7. Solution | 8. Initialization |
| 9. Run the simulation | 10. Post-processing |

2: Operating the Fluent software to simulate the example and post-process the results. (运行软件)

13. A1

Flow and heat transfer in manifold

(歧管) **microchannel**

(歧管微通道中流动换热)

1. What is microchannel?

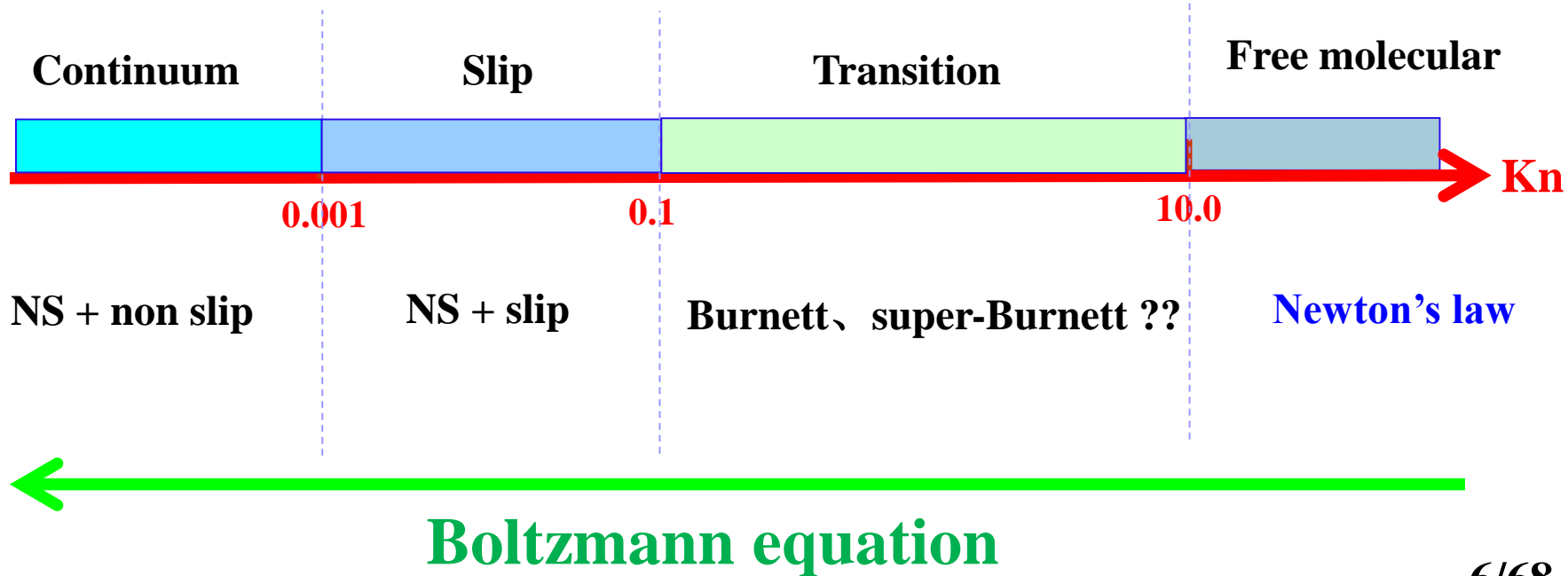
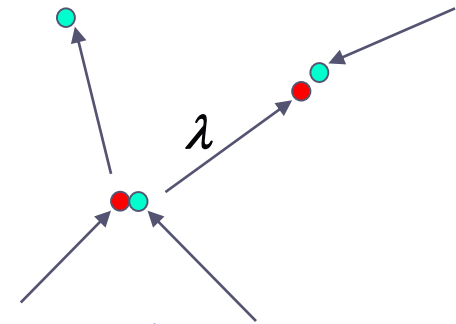
2. What is manifold?

What is “Microscale” ?

1. The continuum assumption (连续介质假设) does not stand.

H.-S. Tsien, 1946

Knudsen: $Kn = \lambda/L$



What is “Microscale” ?

2. The continuum assumption still stands, but the relative importance of affecting factors changes.

Fluid flow is controlled by different forces such as viscous force, gravitational force, surface tension force...

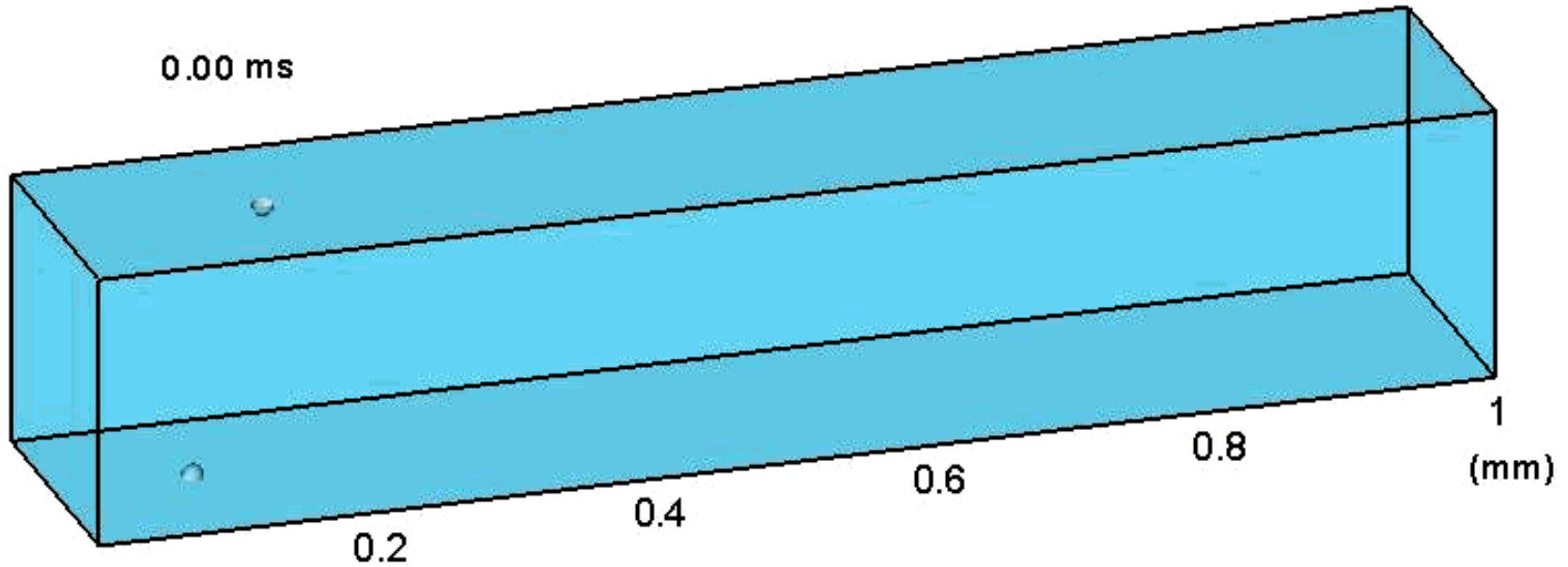
These force can be classified into two kinds: **body force and surface tension force.**

body forces: $\sim m^3$

surface forces: $\sim m^2$

surface forces/body forces: $\sim m^{-1}$; surface force becomes stronger as length scale decreases.

Multiphase heat transfer in microchannel

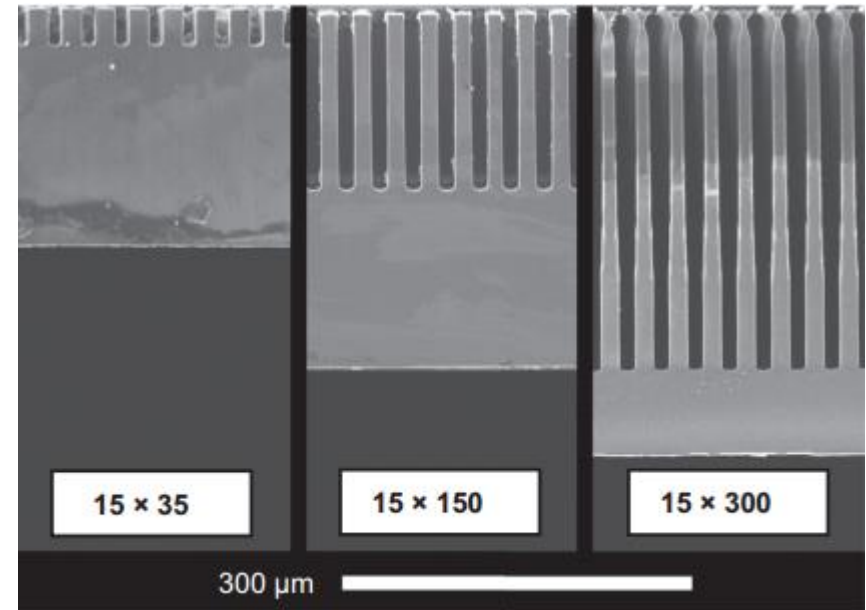
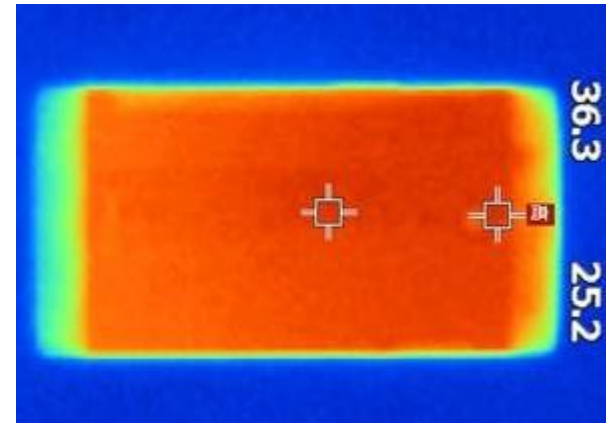


1. Body force such as **gravity force** can be neglected.
2. Pressure and surface tension force are dominant (主导).

Because of the **integration** (集成化) of electron component (电子元件), the heat flux of a EC greatly increases, even reaches **$\text{MW}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$** order of magnitude.

Traditional cooling techniques cannot meet the cooling demand of such high heat flux.

Microchannel is promising technique for cooling.

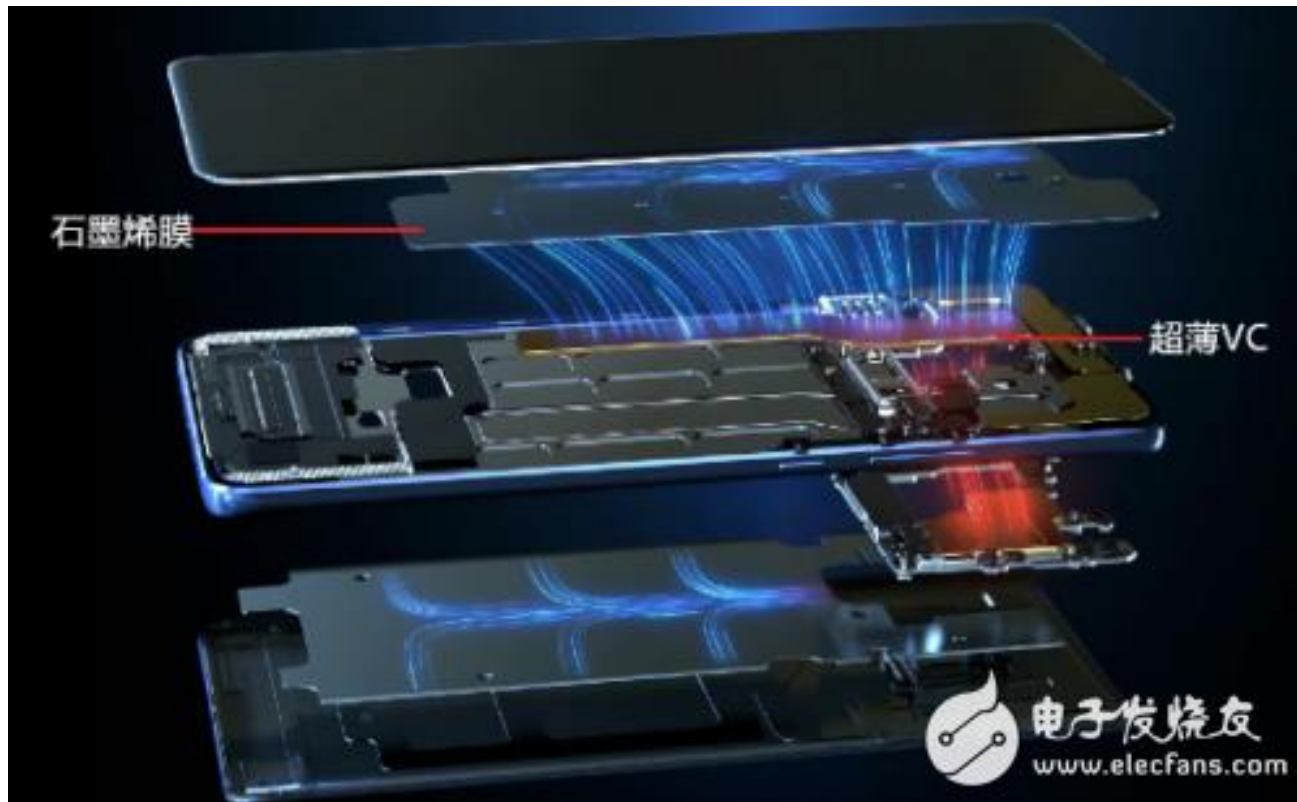


SEM images of channel (Si) cross-sections. (a) ($15\mu\text{m} \times 35\mu\text{m}$), (b) ($15\mu\text{m} \times 150\mu\text{m}$), and (c) ($15\mu\text{m} \times 300\mu\text{m}$)

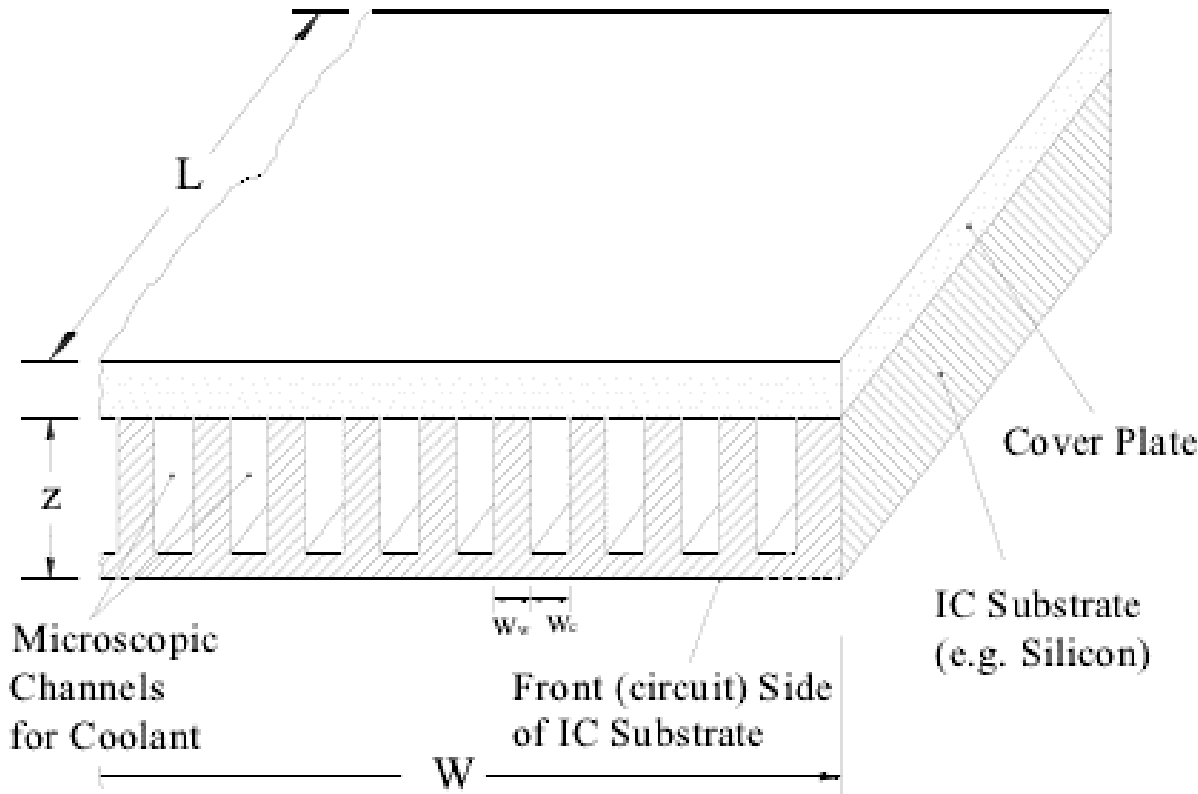


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Traditional microchannel

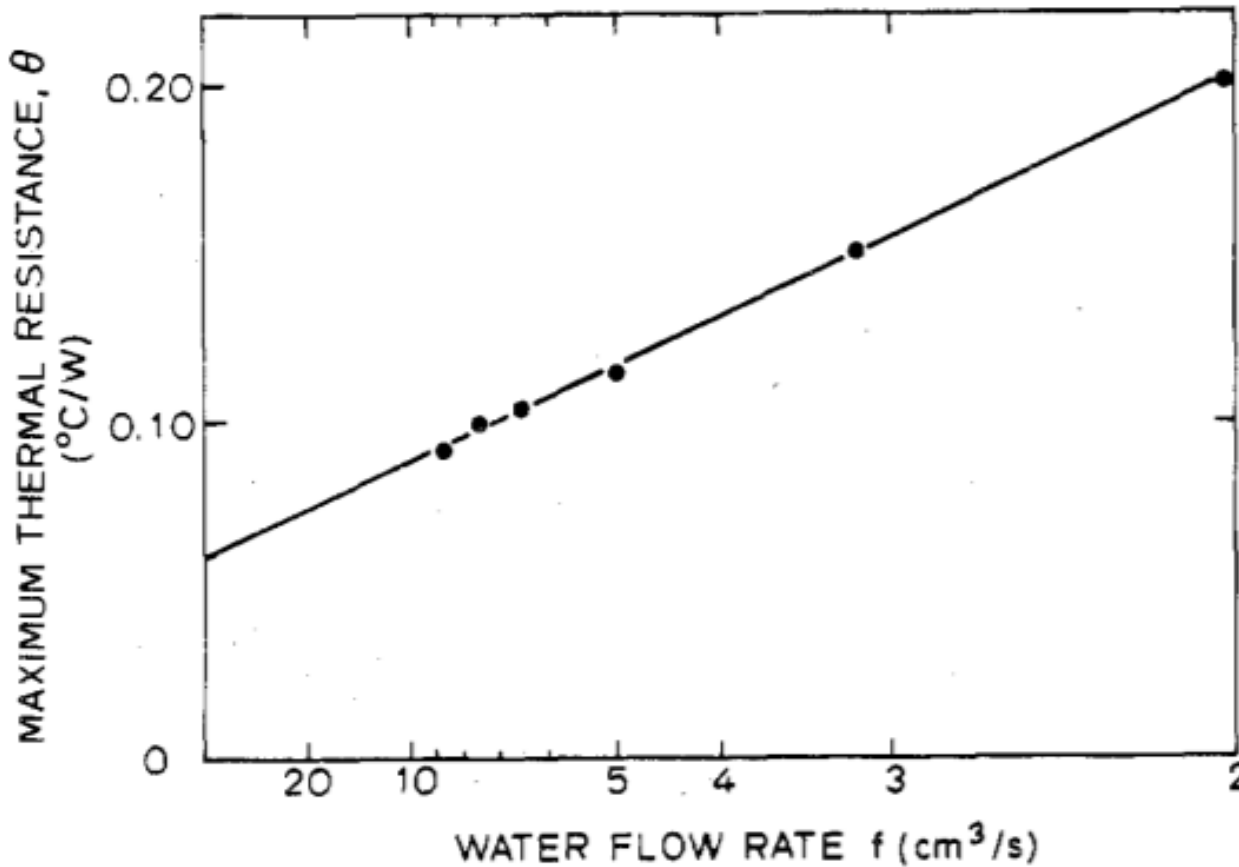


790 W cm⁻².

$$W = L = 1 \text{ cm}, w_w = w_c = 57 \mu\text{m}, z = 365 \mu\text{m}$$

Proposed by Tuckerman and Pease in 1981 from Stanford Electronics Laboratories.

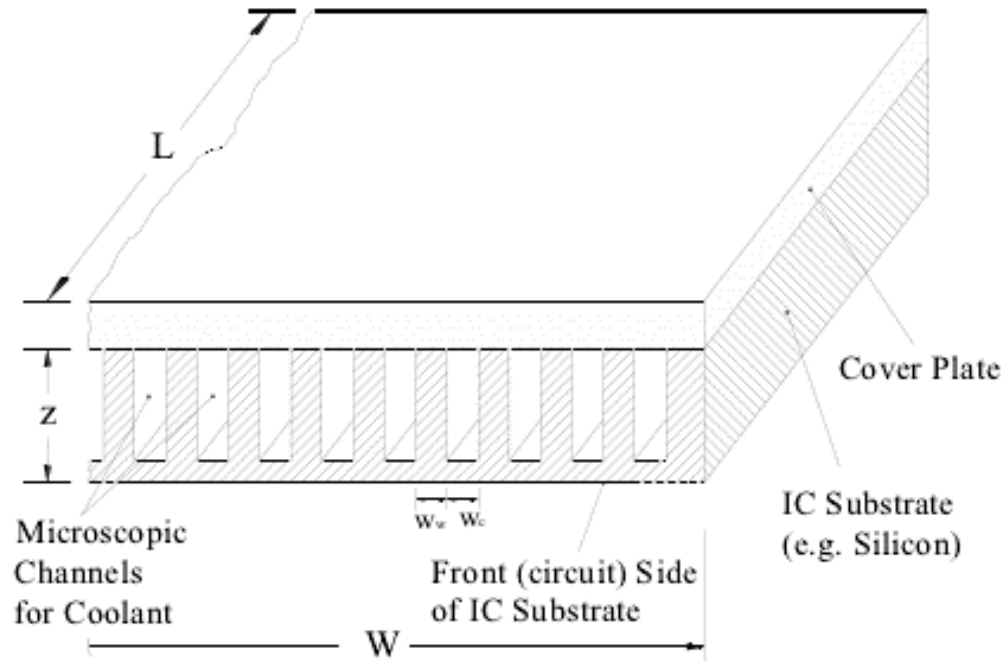
Traditional microchannel



$$R = \frac{T_{max} - T_{in}}{qA_b}$$

Proposed by Tuckerman and Pease in 1981

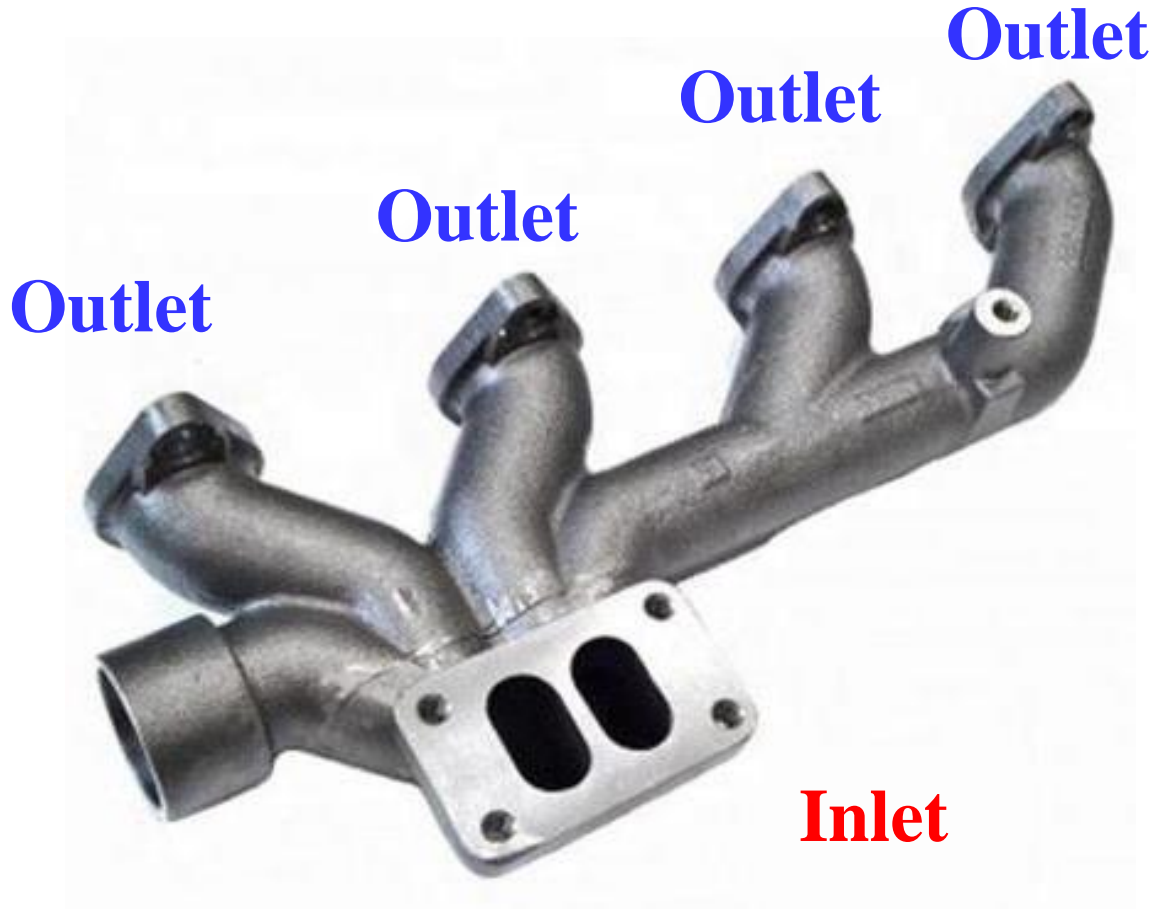
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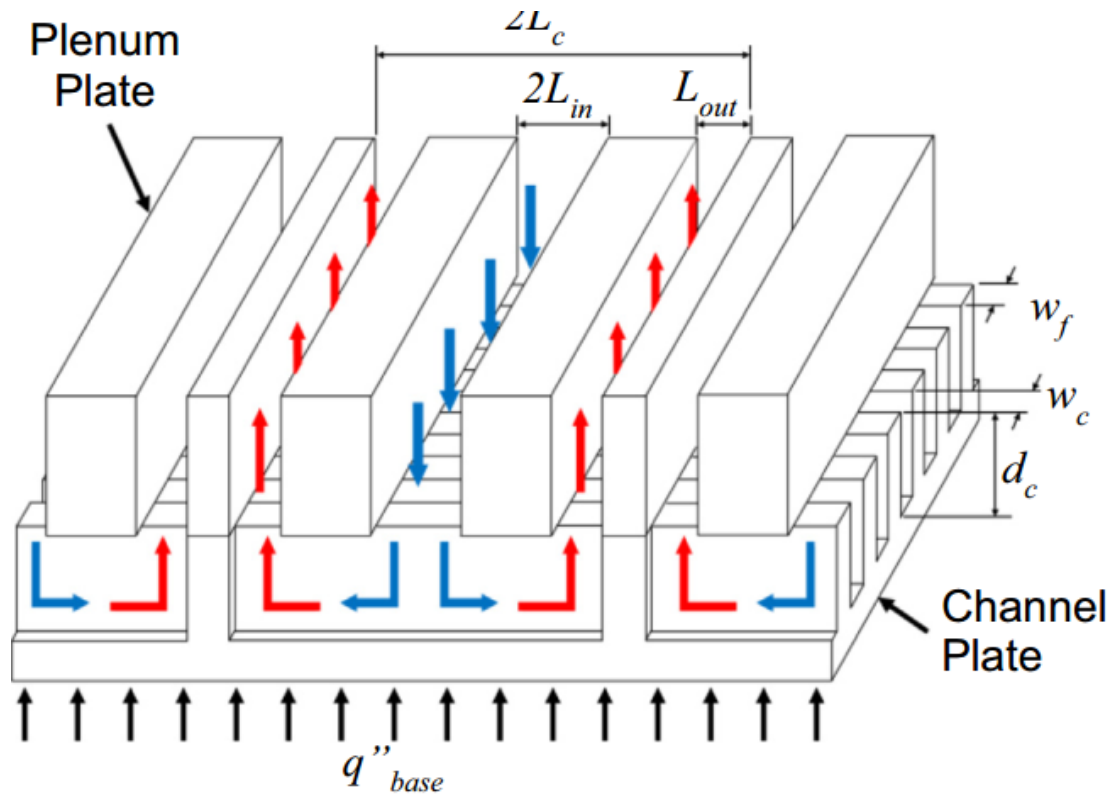
1. From the inlet to the outlet, temperature increases.
2. Pressure drop is high.
3. Inlet effect is not significant.

What is “manifold” ?



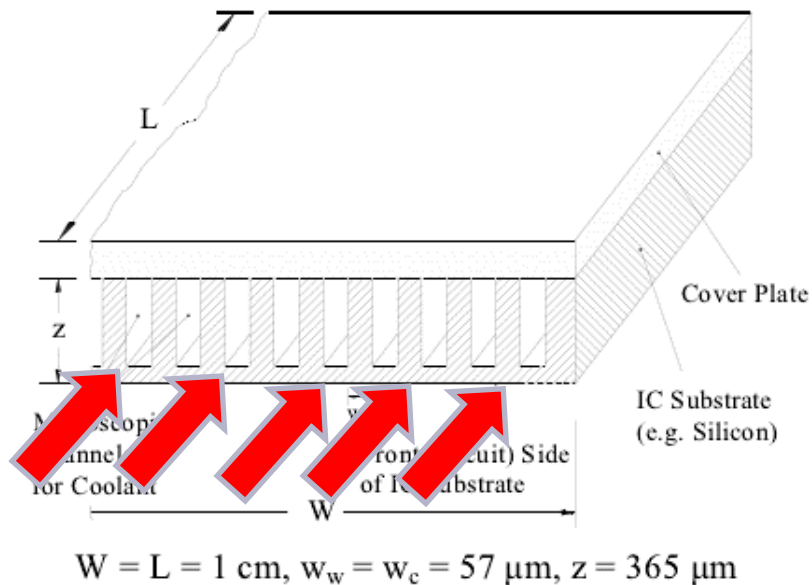
A kind of structure that can distribute fluid.

Manifold microchannel

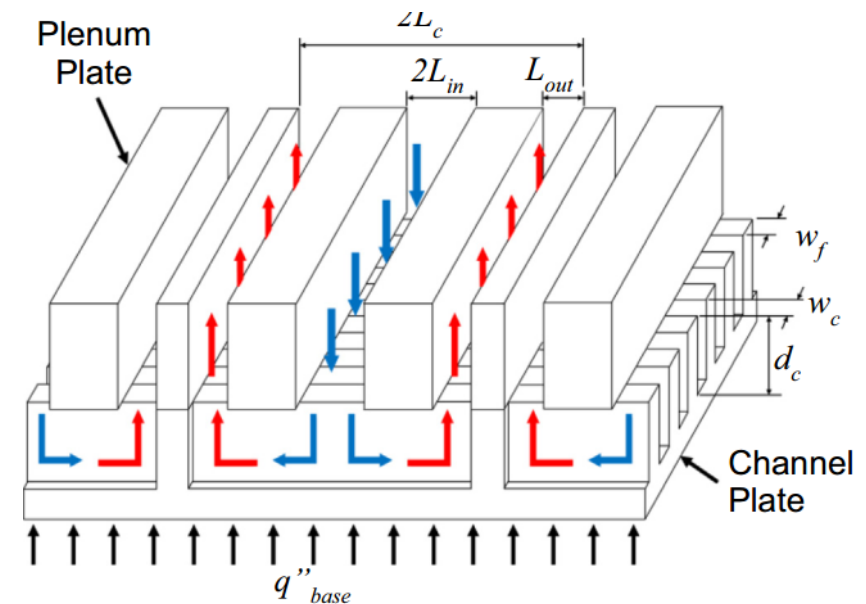


1. Inlet effect is strong.
2. Pressure drop decreases.
3. Temperature distribution is more uniform.

Traditional microchannel



Manifold microchannel



1. Better cooling performance.
2. Lower pressure drop.
3. More uniform temperature distribution



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Numerical study on flow and heat transfer in a multi-jet microchannel heat sink



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ABSTRACT

A multi-jet microchannel (MJMC) heat sink with coolant flowing through alternative inlet and outlet jets in the direction normal to the heated surface is studied. Three dimensional flow and heat transfer processes in the MJMC are numerically simulated using the SIMPLE-type finite volume method (FVM). Compared with traditional microchannels, the MJMC combines the advantages of impinging jet flow and entrance effects of microchannels, and thus its cooling performance overwhelms showing less pumping power, lower thermal resistance and improved uniformity of temperature at the bottom surface. Effects of various geometrical parameters including jet numbers, channel aspect ratio, the fin width to channel width ratio and the width of the outlet on the performance of the MJMC are analyzed in detail. It is found that the MJMC with more jets, wider outlet and smaller fin width to channel width ratio offers better cooling performance. While the cooling performance exhibits a non-monotonic trend with the channel aspect ratio, the optimum structure is obtained with an aspect ratio around 6. Under the range of parameters studied, the MJMC heat sink with 7 jets, aspect ratio of 6 and fin width to channel width ratio of 0.5 obtains the best cooling performance.

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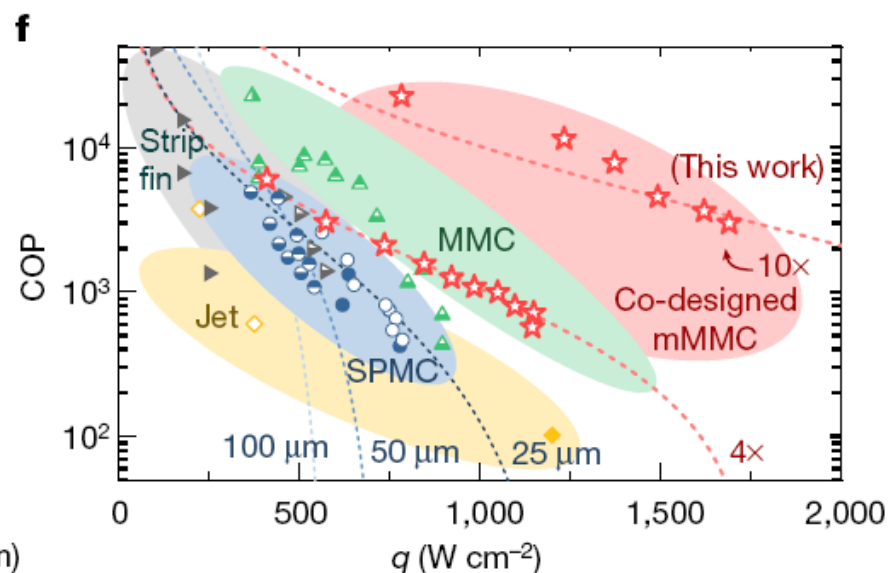
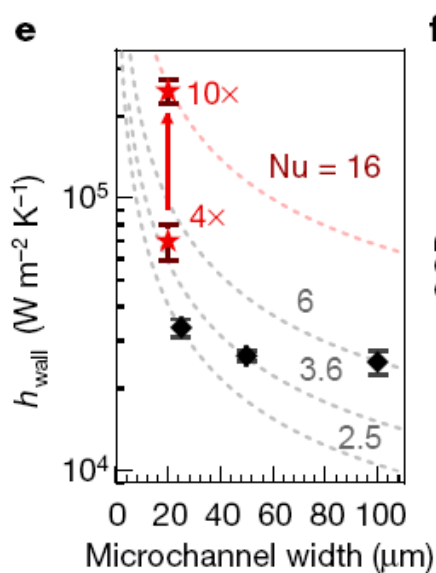
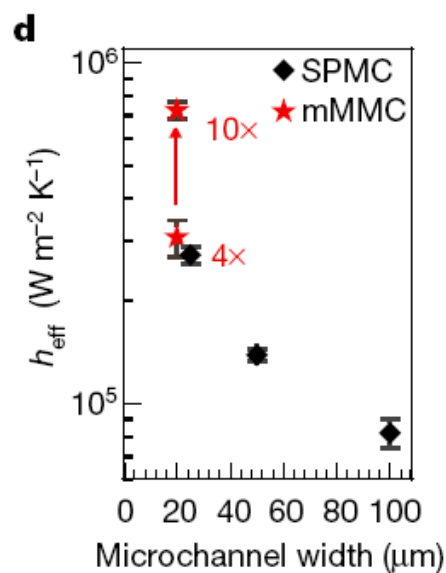
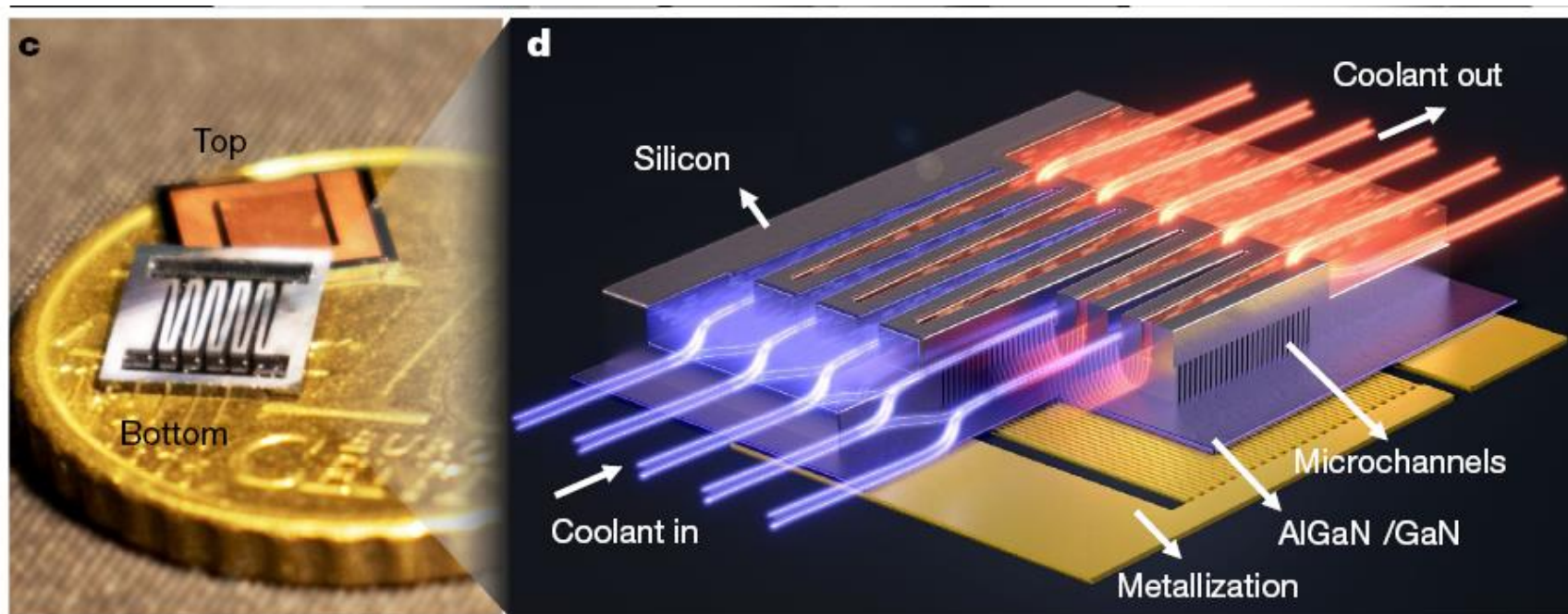
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■ Example 13 A1. Known

Steady single phase fluid flow and heat transfer of water in a manifold microchannel, as shown in Fig. 1

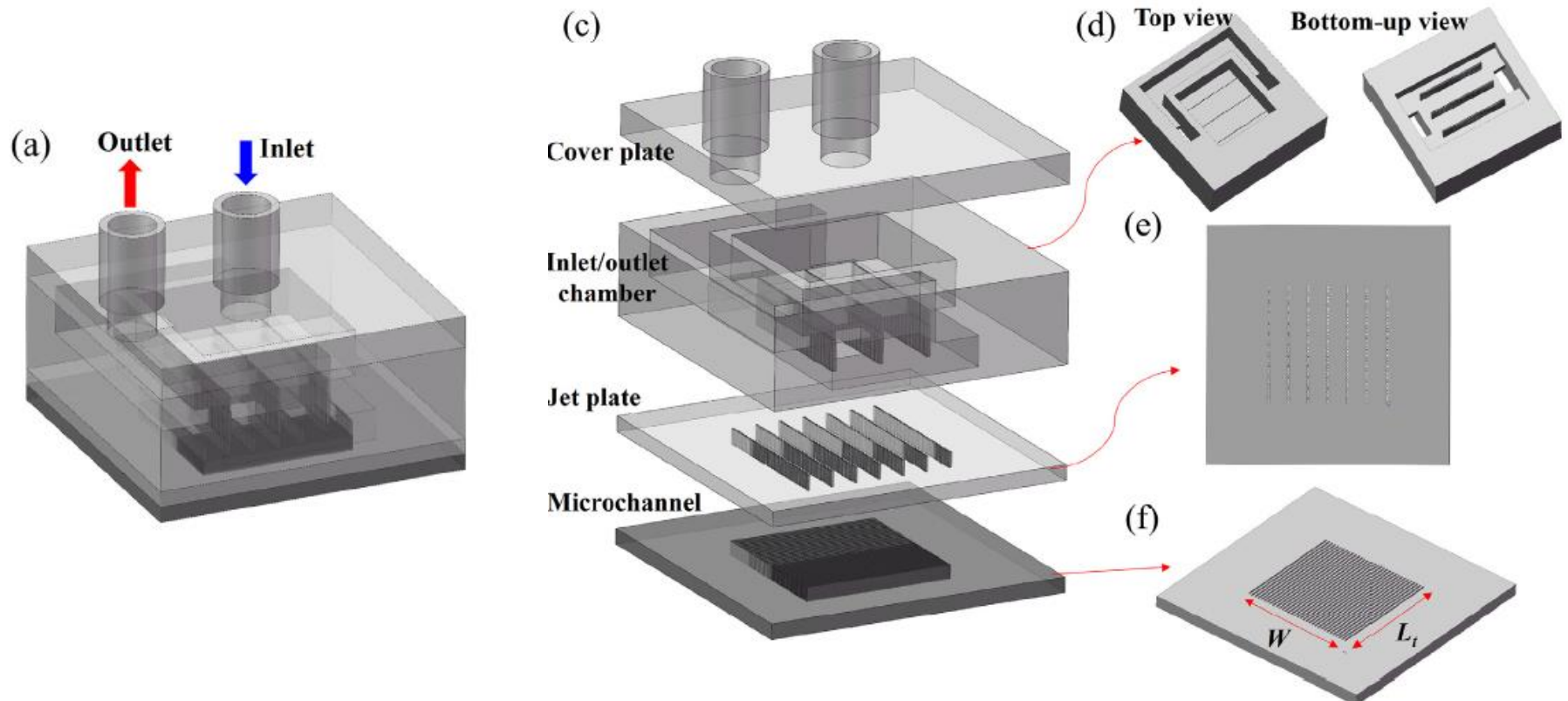
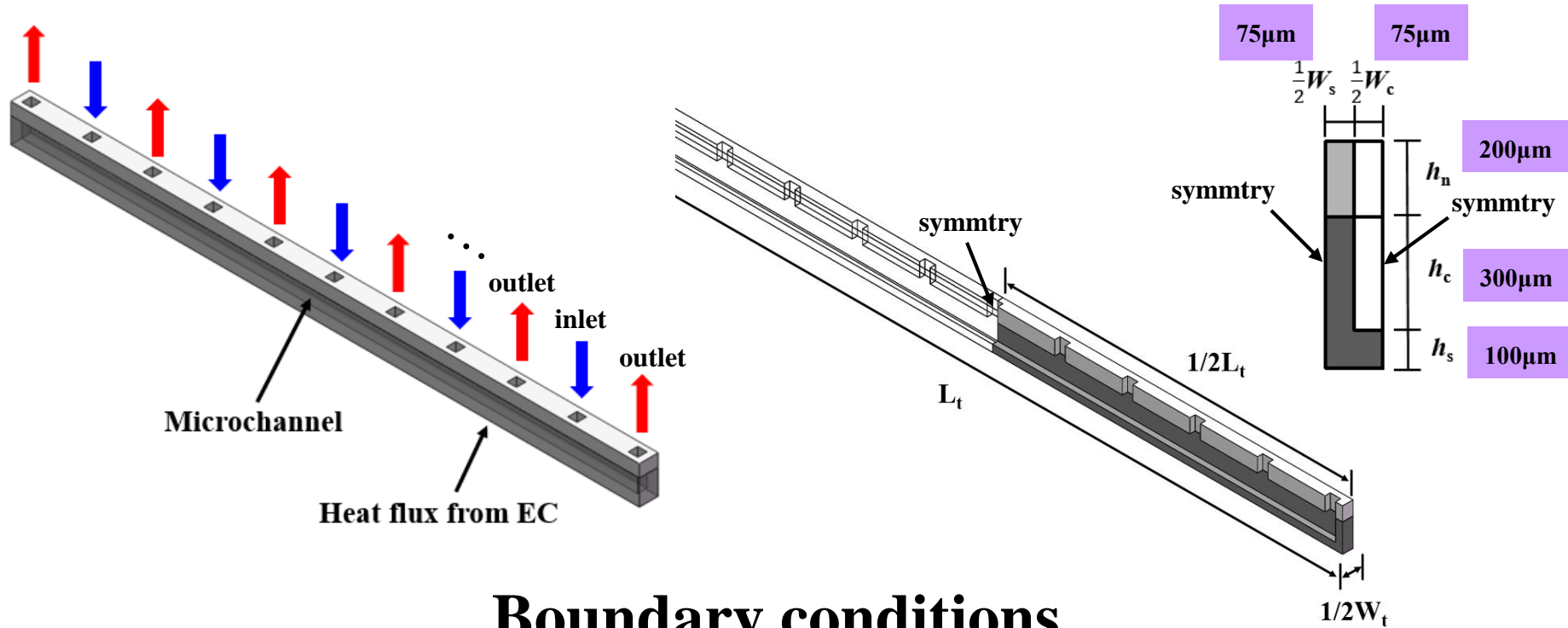


Fig. 1 Schematic of the manifold microchannel channel



Boundary conditions

Inlet	Velocity inlet; 293.15K
Outlet	Pressure out: 1atm
Bottom	Heat flux($1 \times 10^6 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$)
Up	Adiabatic wall
Side	Symmetry & adiabatic

■ **Find:** Temperature of bottom surface (T_b), pressure drop (ΔP) and heat transfer coefficient (h) under different Reynolds number (44, 88, 132, 176 and 220).

■ **Assumptions:**

- (1) When Kn is less than 10^{-3} , N-S Eqs still can be used;
- (2) Laminar, incompressible, Newtonian fluid;
- (3) Physical parameters are constant;
- (4) The gravity and viscous dissipation can be ignored;
- (5) The thermal radiation can be ignored.

Remark: develop reasonable physical model and write down the right governing equation, BC and IC is the first and most important step before using software Fluent.

Fluent is just a tool for solving above problem !

Background of NHT helps you better use the tool.

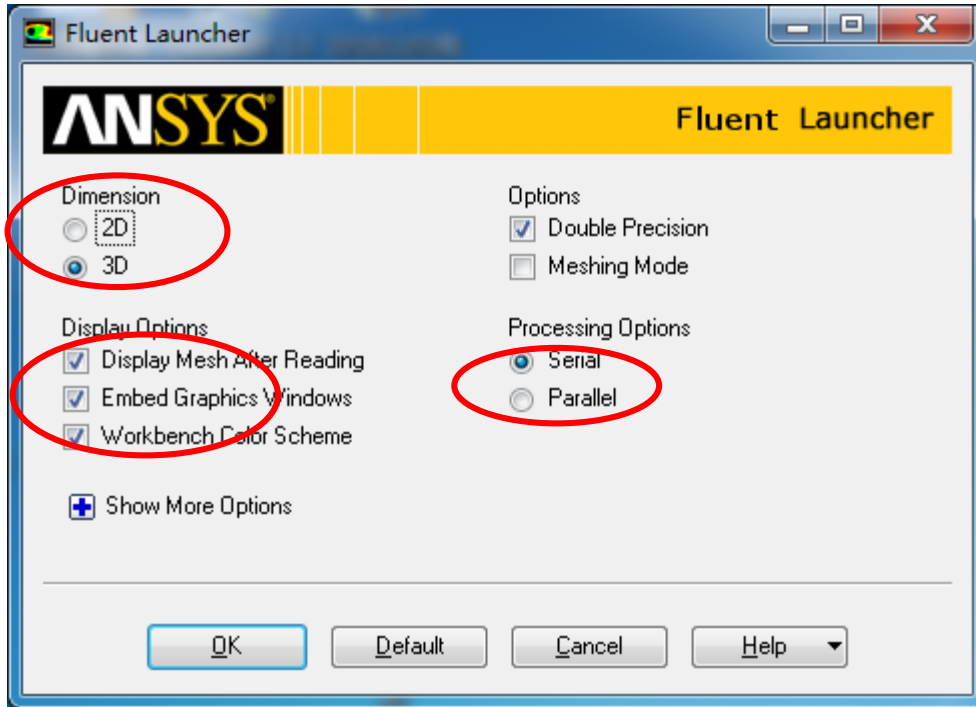
■ Governing equations:

Continuum equation $\nabla u = 0$

Momentum equation $\nabla(\rho u u) = -\nabla p + \eta \nabla^2 u$

Energy equation $\nabla(\rho c_p u T_f) = \nabla \lambda_f \nabla T_f \quad 0 = \nabla \lambda_s \nabla T_s$

Start the Fluent software



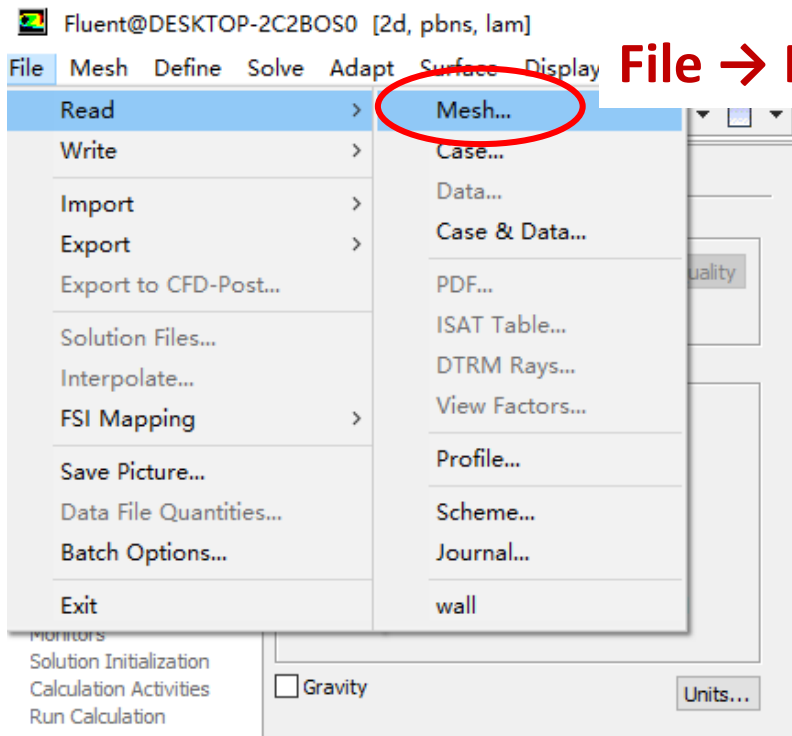
1. Choose **3-Dimension**
2. Choose display options
3. Choose **Serial processing** option or parallel to choose different number of processes

Note: Double precision or Single precision

Sometimes the single precision version of Fluent is sufficient. For example, for heat transfer problem, **if the thermal conductivity between different components are high**, it is recommended to use **Double Precision Version**.

Step 1: Read and check the mesh

- The mesh is generated by pre-processing software such as **ICEM** and **GAMBIT**. The document is with suffix (后缀名) “**.msh**”
- This step is similar to the **Grid subroutine (UGRID, Setup1)** in our general teaching code.



File → Read → Mesh

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Building...
  mesh
Note: Separating wall zone 15 into zones 15 and 2.

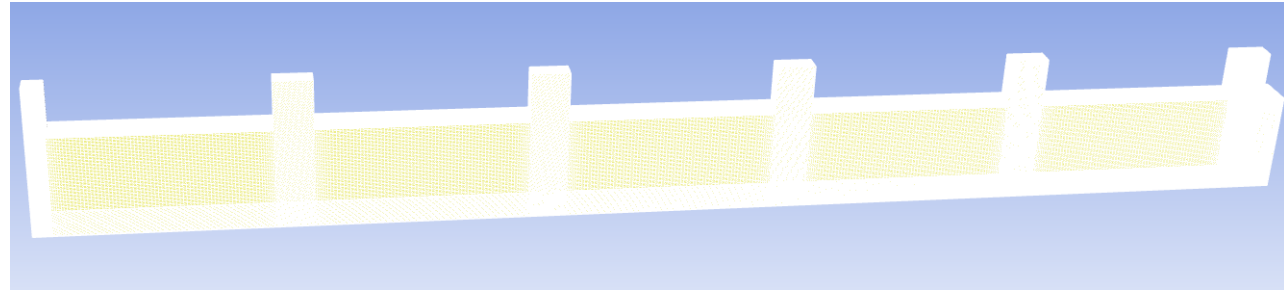
Note: Separating wall zone 16 into zones 16 and 3.      symm -> symm (15) and symm:002 (2)

Slitting wall zone 18 into a coupled wall.
  materials,
  interface,
  domains,
  zones,
  coupled-shadow
wall:003
symm:002
out
in
coupled
btm
wall
symm
int_solid
int_fluid
solid
fluid
Done.
    
```

Step 1: Read and **check** the mesh

Mesh→Check

- Check the quality and topological information of the mesh



- Sometimes the check will be failed if the quality is not good or there is a problem with the mesh.

```
Face area statistics:  
WARNING: invalid or face with too small area exists.  
minimum face area (m2): 0.000000e+00  
maximum face area (m2): 5.081937e-03
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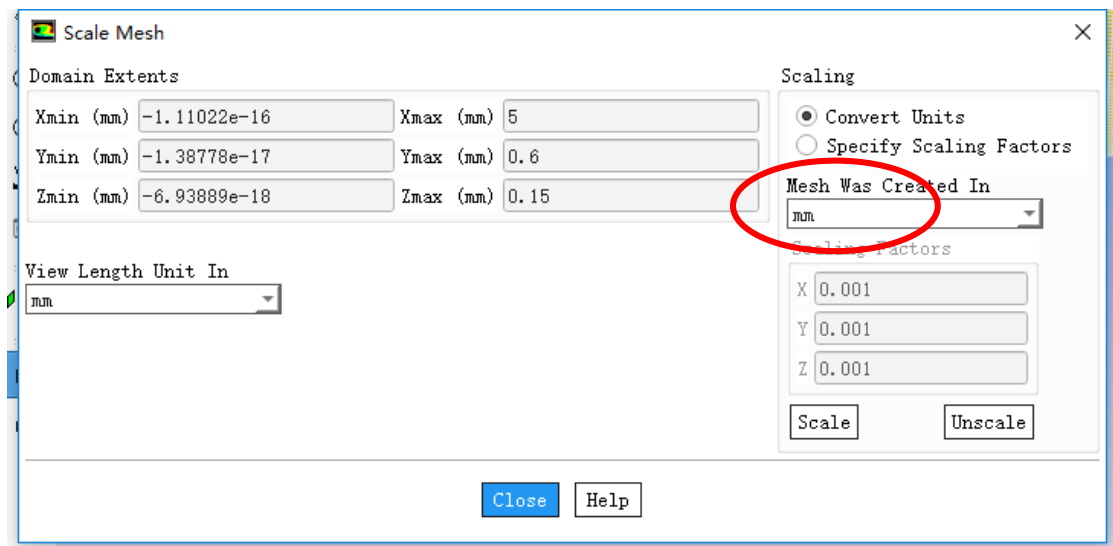
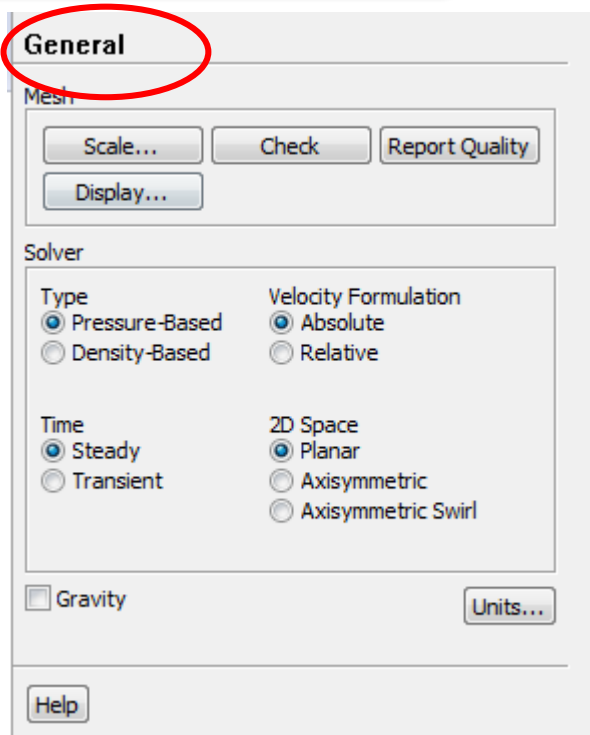
```
WARNING: Mesh check failed.
```

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WARNING: The mesh contains high aspect ratio quadrilateral,  
hexahedral, or polyhedral cells.
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Step 2: Scale the domain size (缩放)

General → Scale

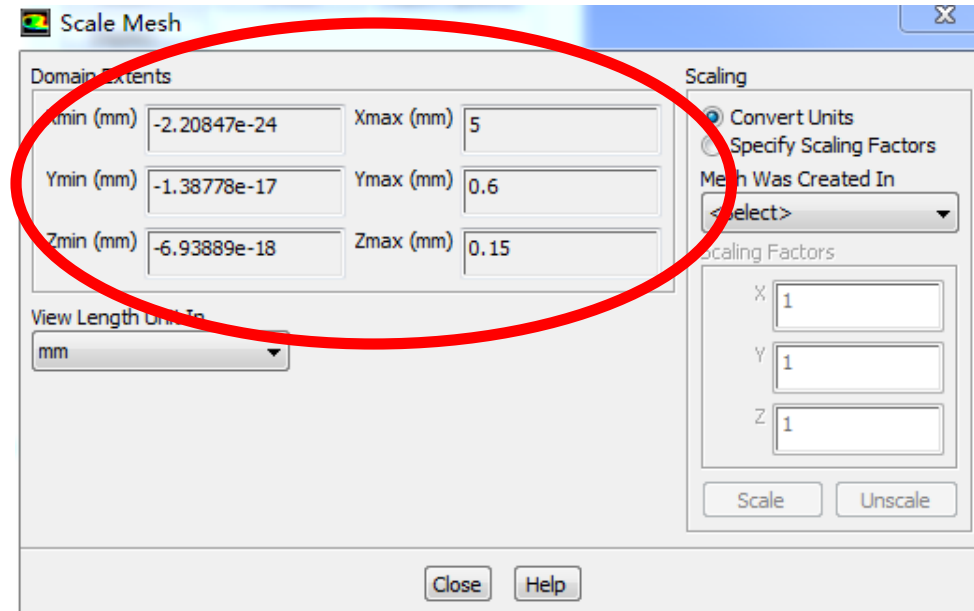
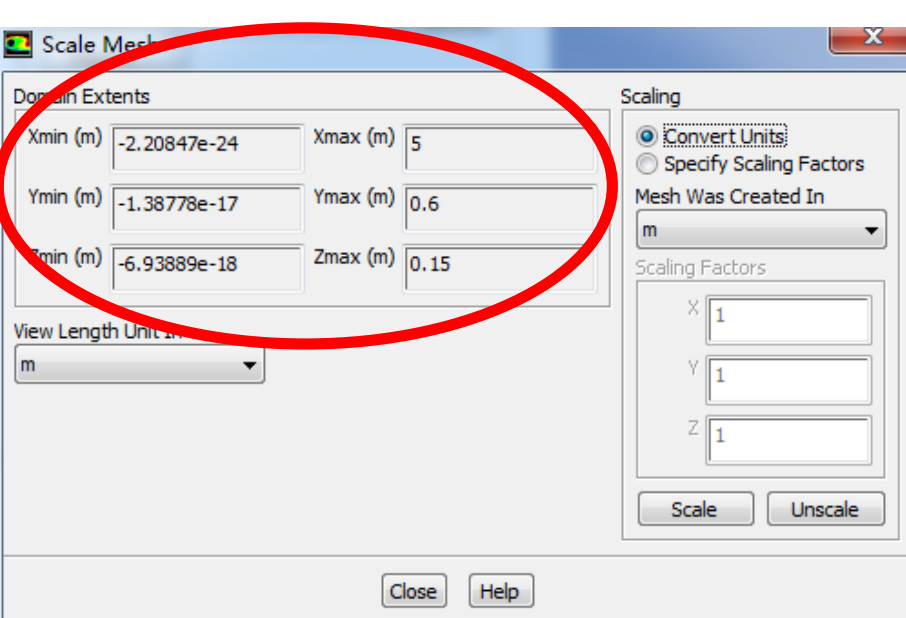
Make sure the unit is right.



- You can scale the domain size use “Convert Units” or “Specify Scaling Factors” command.

Remark: Fluent thought you create the mesh in units of m. However, if your mesh is created in a different unit, such as cm, you must use **Convert Units Command** to scale the mesh into the right size. The values will be multiplied by the Scaling Factor.

ICEM: 1 mm -> Fluent: 1m -> Scale: mm, factor: 1/1000



Step 3: Choose the physicochemical model

Based on the governing equations you are going to solve, select the related models in Fluent.

Remark: Understand the problem you are going to solve, and write down the right governing equations is the first and most important step for numerical simulation. Without background of “Fluid mechanics”, “Heat Transfer” and “Numerical heat transfer”, it is hard to complete this step for fluid flow and heat transfer problem.

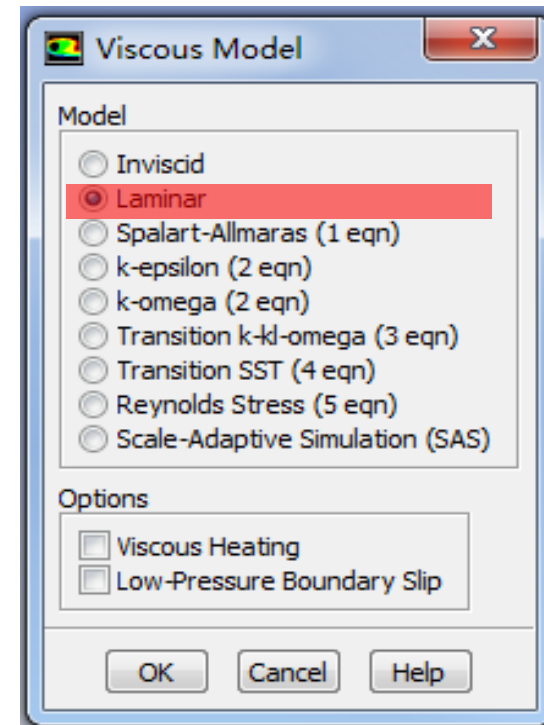
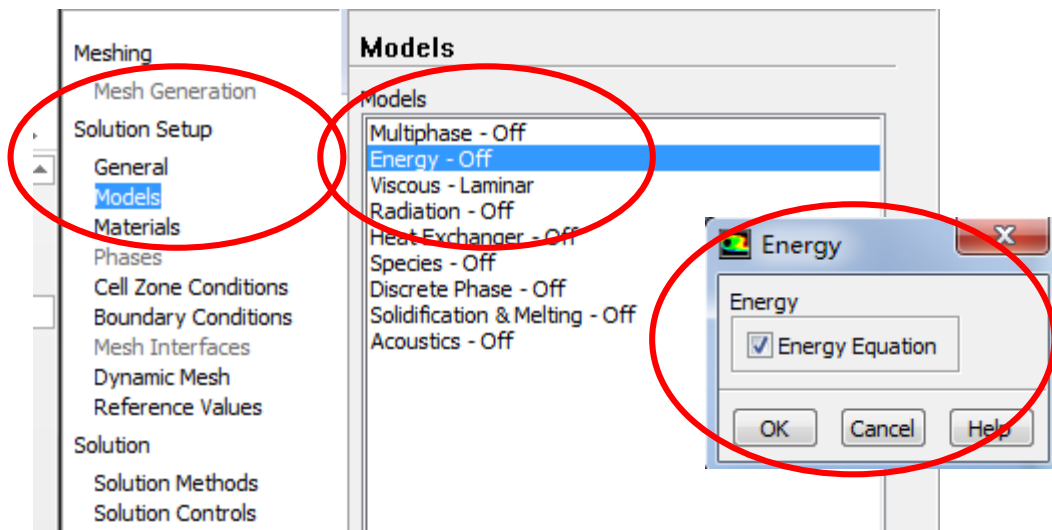


Fluent is just a tool!

Step 3: Choose the physicochemical model

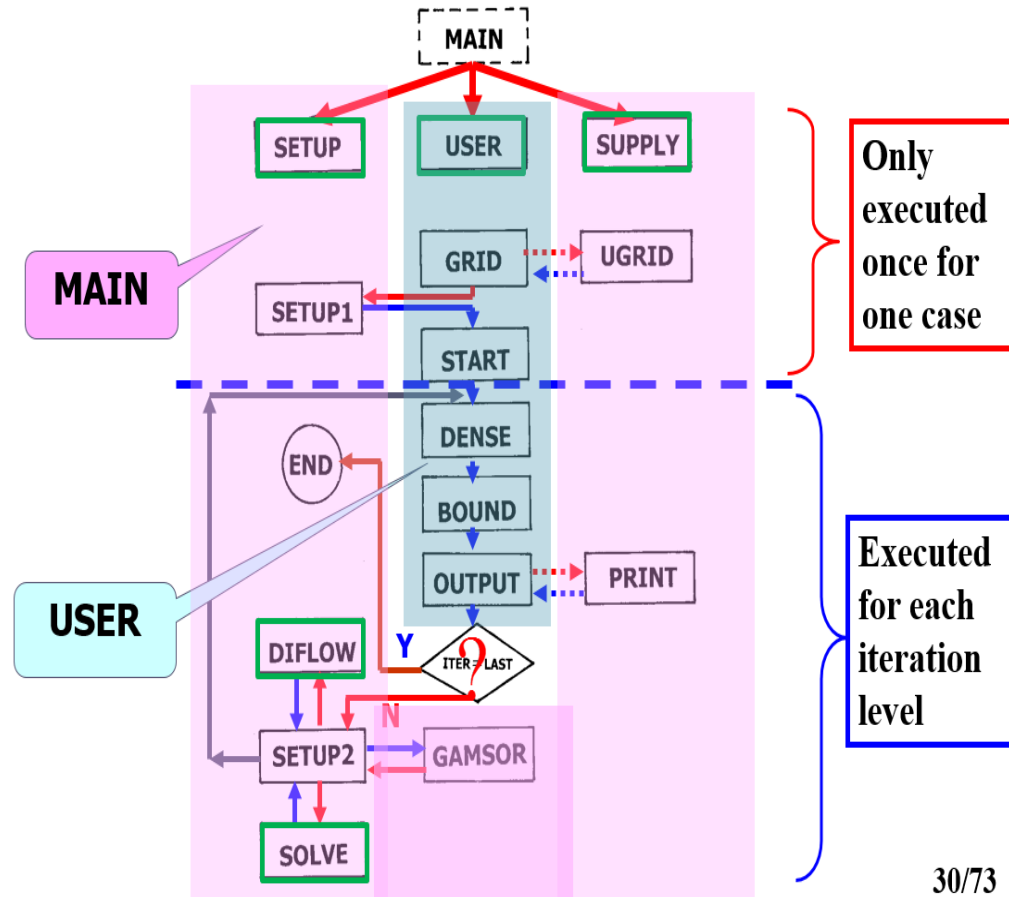
To select the model, the command is as follows:

Solution Setup → Model



Remark: In our general teaching code

In SETUP2, Visit NF from 1 to NFMAX in order; If LSOLVE(NF)=.T. , this variable is solved; Similarly in PRINT SUBROUTINE NF is visited form 1 to NFX4(=14) in order , as long as LPRINT(NF)=.T., the variable is printed out.



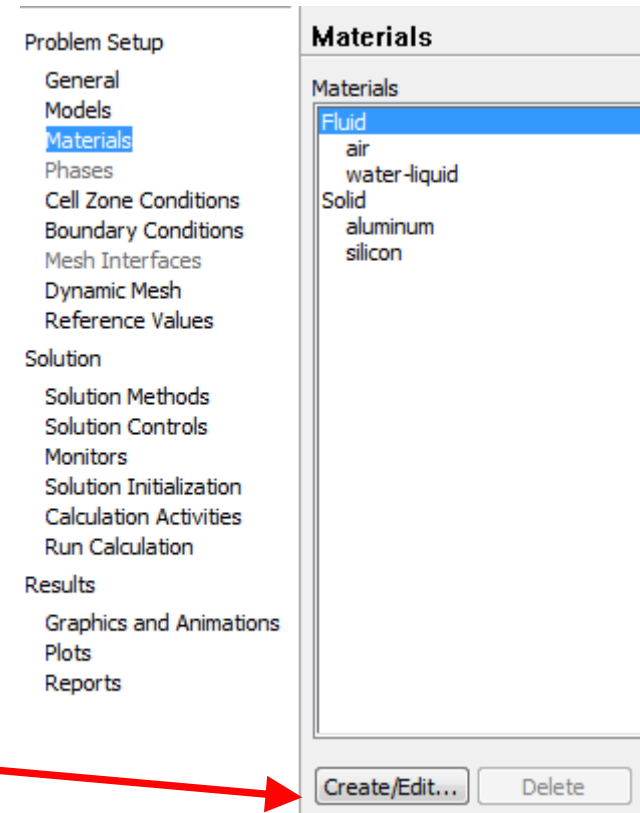
Step 4: Define the material properties

Define the properties required for modeling! For fluid flow and heat transfer problem studied here, ρ , c_p and λ should be defined.

Solution Setup → Materials

In Fluent, the default fluid is **air** and the default solid is **Al**.

Click the **Create/Edit** button to add silicon and liquid water in our case.



Create/Edit Materials

Name: water-liquid

Material Type: fluid

Order Materials by:
 Name
 Chemical Formula

Chemical Formula: h2o<l>

Fluent Fluid Materials: water-liquid (h2o<l>)

Mixture: none

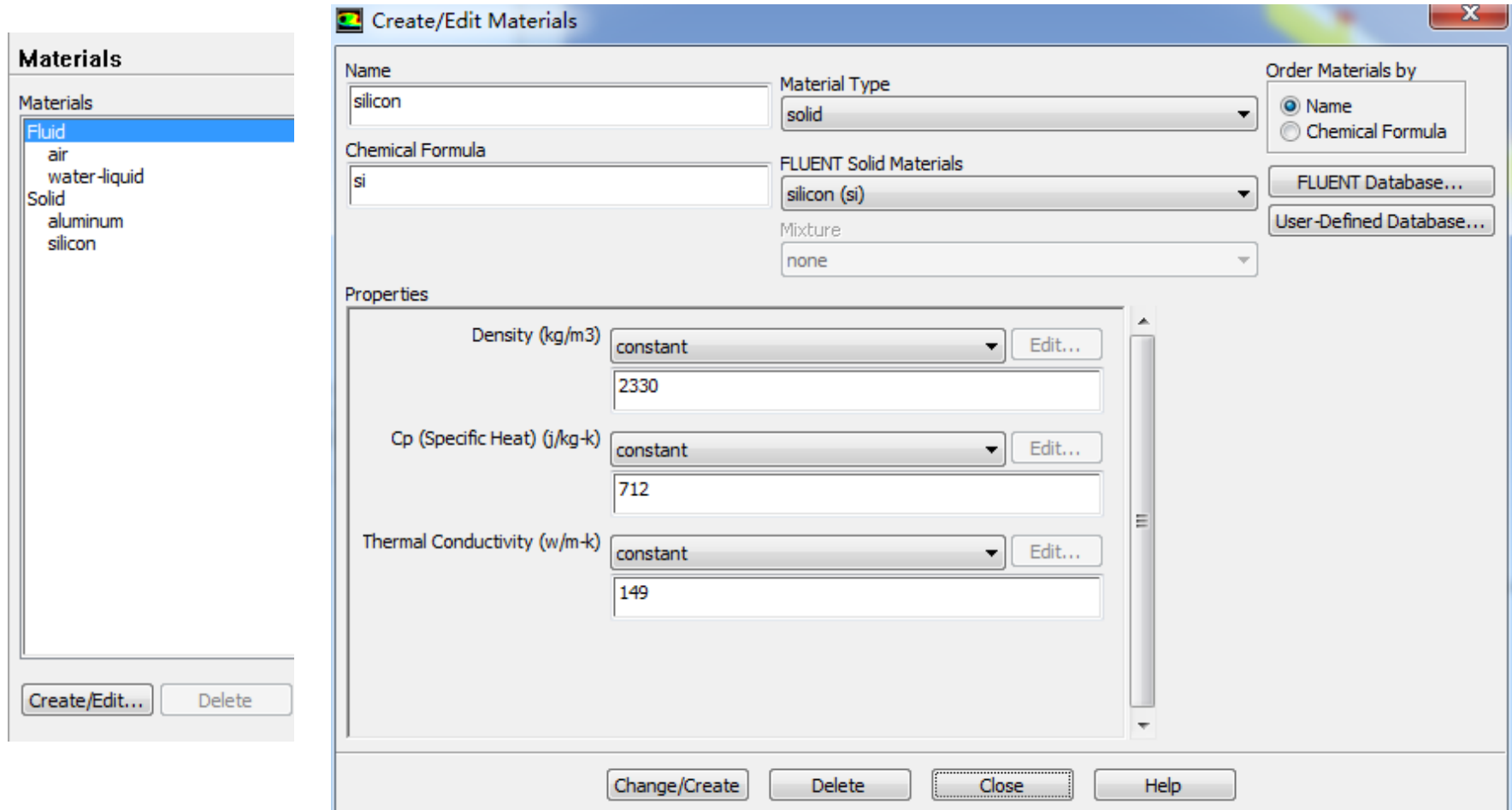
Fluent Database...
User-Defined Database...

Properties

Density (kg/m3)	constant	Edit...
	998.2	
Cp (Specific Heat) (j/kg-k)	constant	Edit...
	4182	
Thermal Conductivity (w/m-k)	constant	Edit...
	0.6	
Viscosity (kg/m-s)	constant	Edit...
	0.001003	

Change/Create Delete Close Help

However, it will happen that the material you need is not in the database. You can input it manually.



Materials

Materials

- Fluid
 - air
 - water-liquid
- Solid
 - aluminum
 - silicon

Create/Edit... Delete

Create/Edit Materials

Name: silicon

Material Type: solid

Order Materials by:

- Name
- Chemical Formula

Chemical Formula: si

FLUENT Solid Materials: silicon (si)

Mixture: none

Buttons: FLUENT Database..., User-Defined Database...

Properties

Density (kg/m3): constant (Edit...)

2330

Cp (Specific Heat) (j/kg-k): constant (Edit...)

712

Thermal Conductivity (w/m-k): constant (Edit...)

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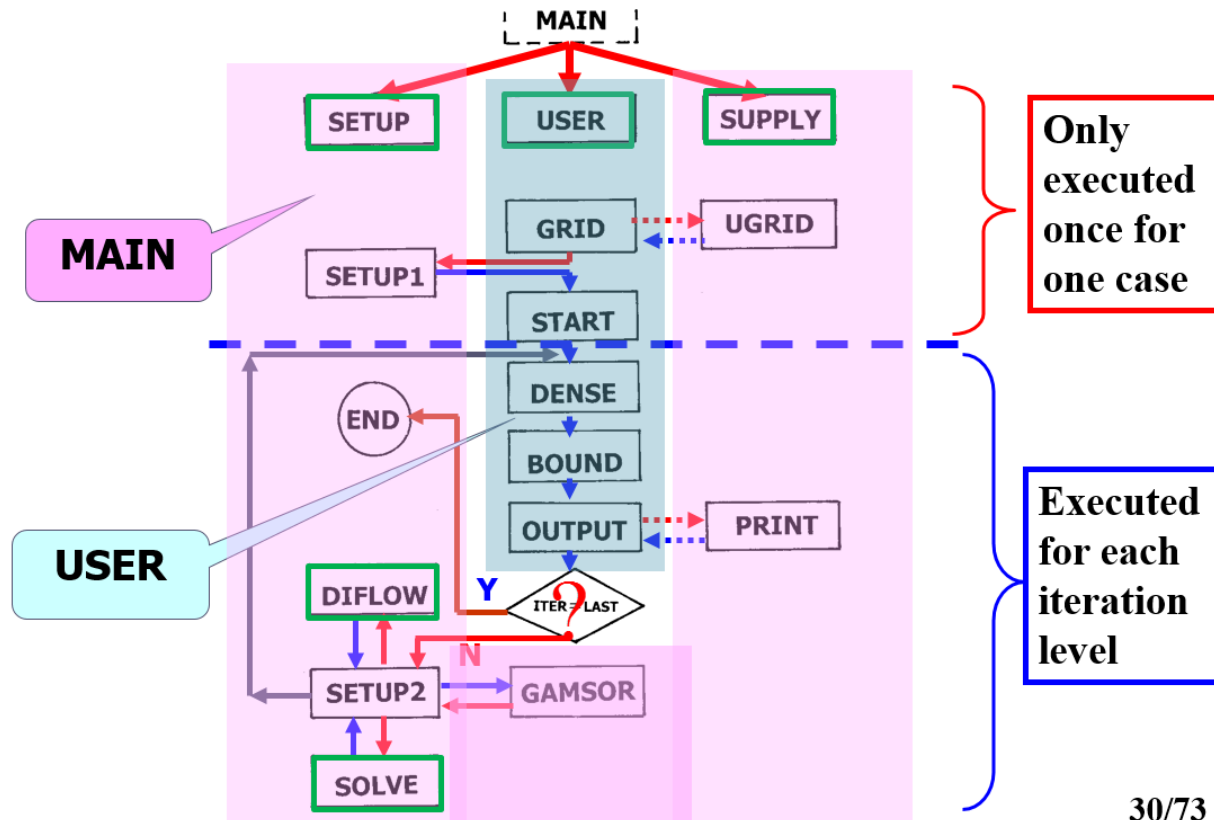
Buttons: Change/Create, Delete, Close, Help

Our general Code:

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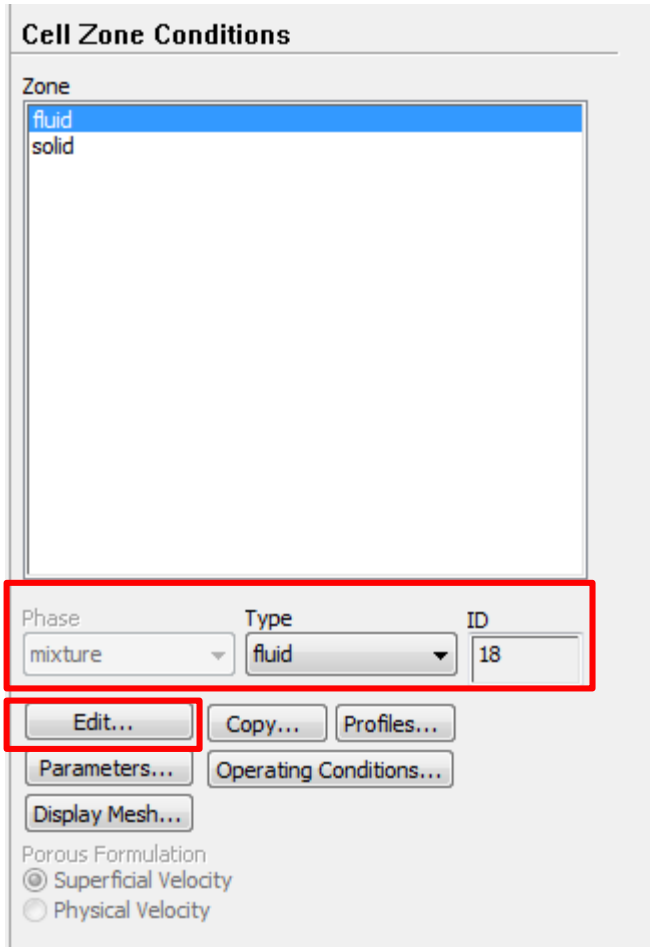
(1) Determine Γ_ϕ for different variables:

$$u, v - \eta ; T - \lambda$$



Step 5: Define zone condition

Solution Setup → Cell Zone Condition



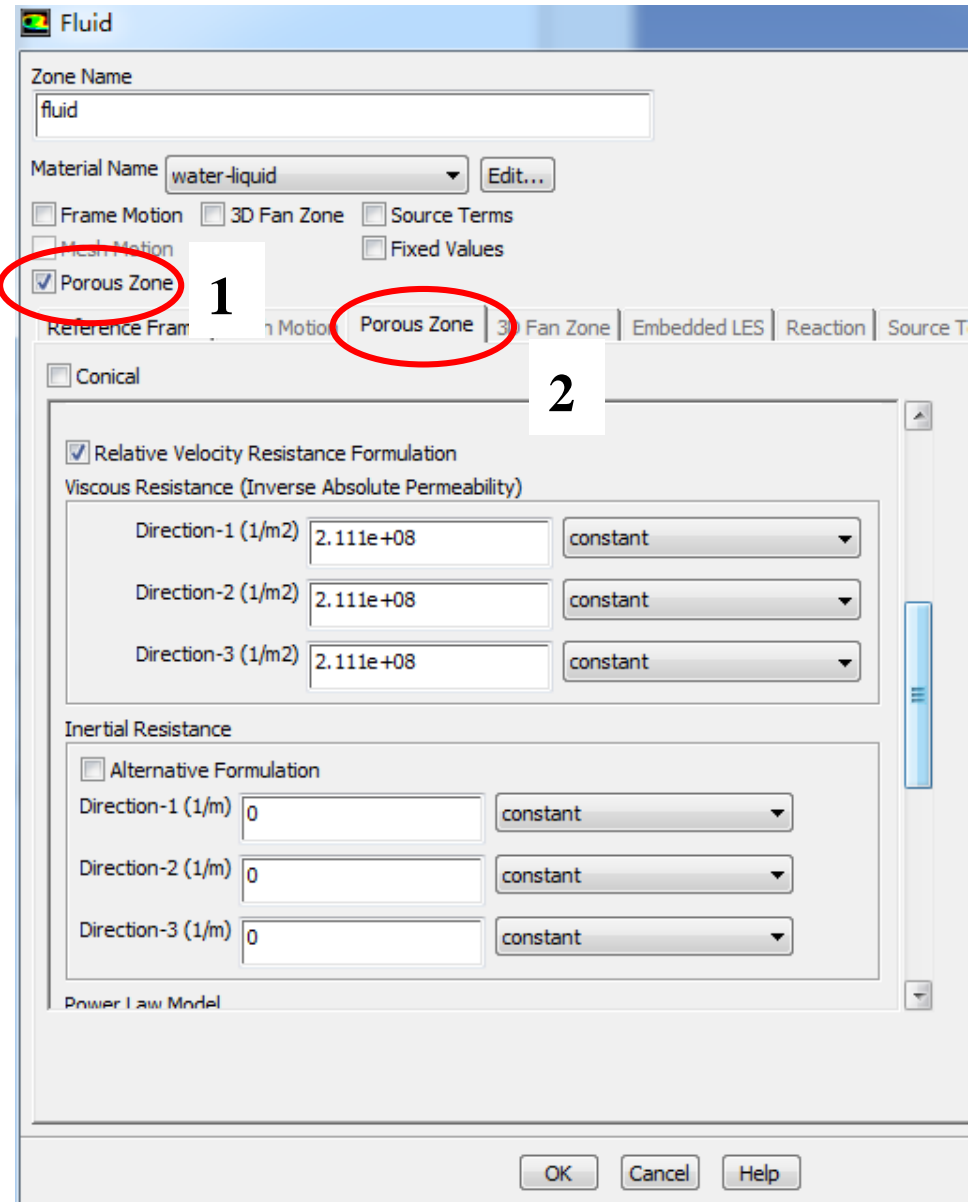
Each zone has its ID.

Each zone should be assigned a type, either fluid or solid.

Phase is not activated here. It can be edited under other cases, for example multiphase (多相流) flow model is activated. [See Example A3.](#)

Click Edit to define the zone condition of each zone.

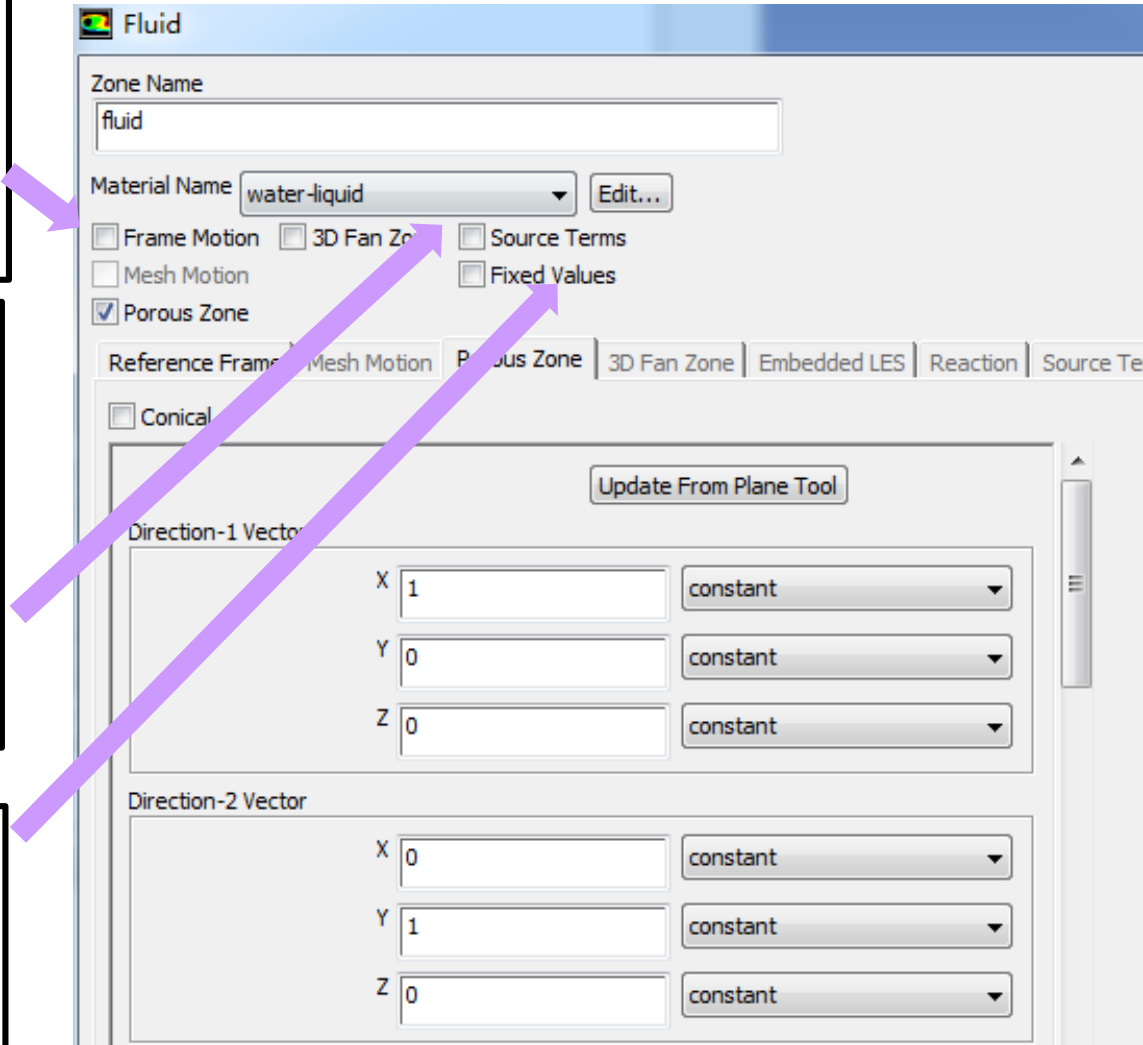
Porous media is treated as a type of fluid zone, in which parameters related to porous media should be given such as porosity, permeability (渗透率), etc. We will discuss it in Example A2.



Frame motion and Mesh motion is used if the solid or the frame is moving.

Source term is needed as a constant value or by user defined with .c file compiled if you need.

If T of the zone is fixed, you can select the Fixed value button.



Step 6: Define the boundary condition

Boundary condition definition is one of the most important and difficult step during Fluent simulation. General boundary conditions in Fluent can be divided into two kinds:

1. BC at inlet and outlet: pressure, velocity, mass flow rate, outflow...

2. BC at wall: wall, periodic, symmetric...

Remark: Interior cell zone and interior interface will also shown in the BC Window.

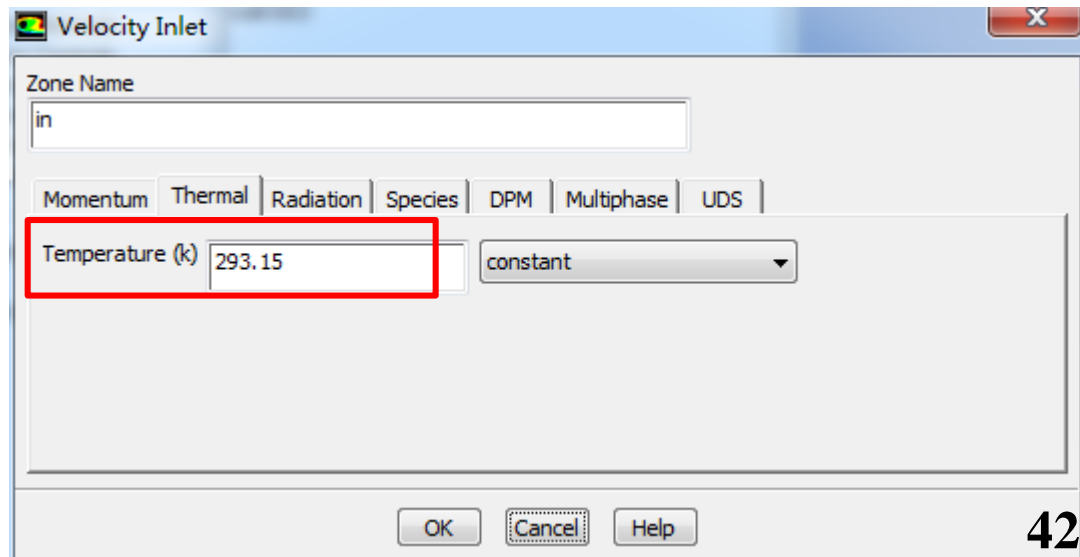
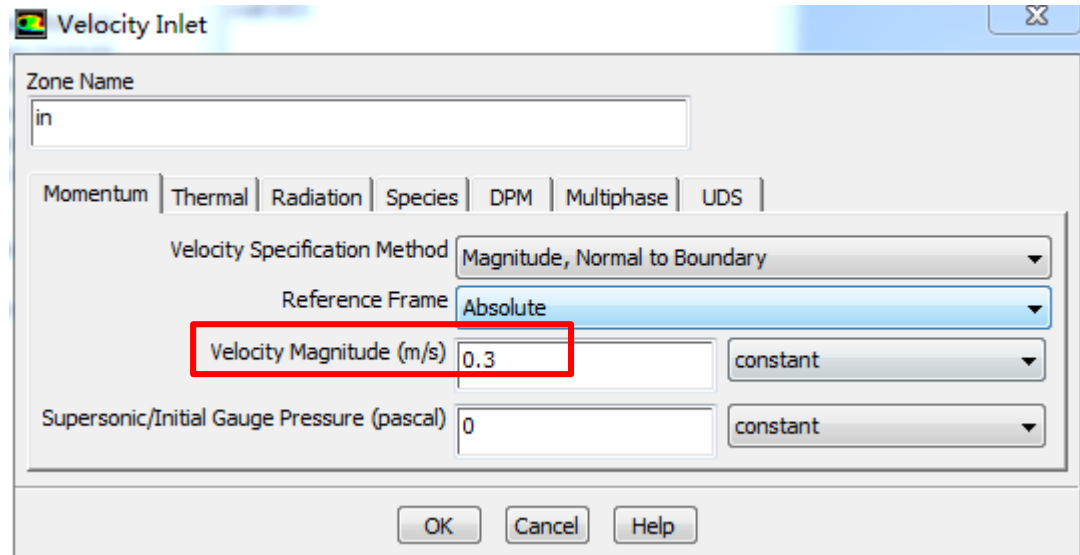
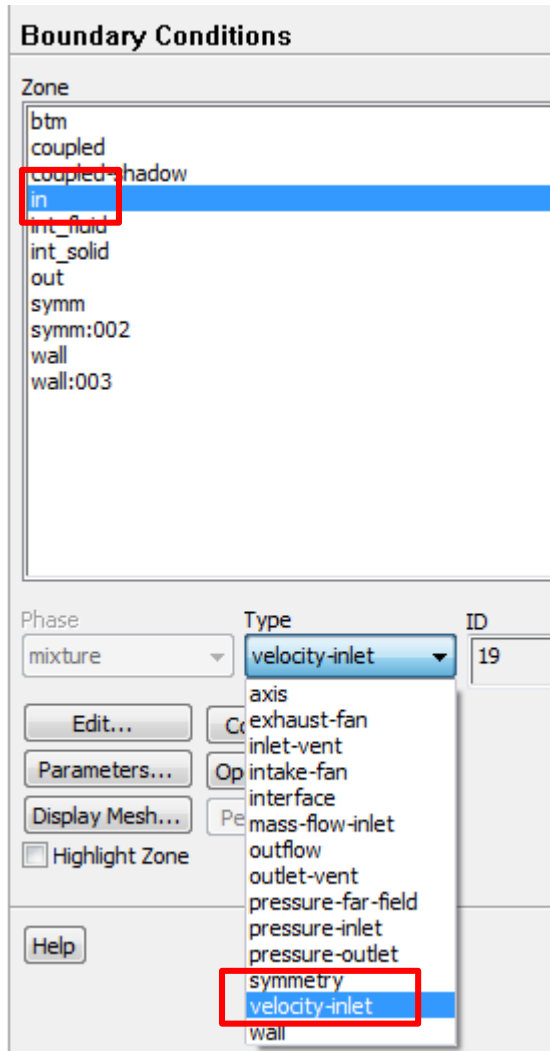
For example, **Coupled-shadow** is listed here. It is the interface between fluid and solid zones.

It is treated as **coupled, conjugate condition** (流固耦合)

The image shows the ANSYS Fluent software interface. On the left is the 'Problem Setup' tree with 'Boundary Conditions' selected. The main window displays the 'Boundary Conditions' panel where the 'coupled-shadow' zone is highlighted. Below this panel is a table with columns 'Phase', 'Type', and 'ID'. The table contains one row: 'mixture', 'wall', '18'. Below the table are buttons for 'Edit...', 'Copy...', 'Profiles...', 'Parameters...', 'Operating Conditions...', 'Display Mesh...', and 'Periodic Conditions...'. The 'Edit...' button is circled in red. To the right is the 'Wall' dialog box. It has fields for 'Zone Name' (coupled), 'Adjacent Cell Zone' (fluid), and 'Shadow Face Zone' (coupled-shadow). Below these are tabs for 'Momentum', 'Thermal', 'Radiation', 'Species', 'DPM', 'Multiphase', 'UDS', and 'Wall F...'. The 'Thermal' tab is active, showing radio buttons for 'Heat Flux', 'Temperature', and 'Coupled'. The 'Coupled' radio button is selected and circled in red. There is a 'Heat Generation Rate (w/m3)' field set to 0. Below the thermal conditions is a 'Material Name' dropdown menu set to 'silicon', with an 'Edit...' button next to it, both circled in red. At the bottom right of the dialog are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Other BCs are as follows:

For fluid inlet: velocity inlet



Other BCs are as follows:

For fluid outlet: pressure outlet

Boundary Conditions

Zone

- btm
- coupled
- coupled-shadow
- in
- int_fluid
- int_solid
- out**
- symm
- symm:002
- wall
- wall:003

Phase

mixture

Type

pressure-outlet

Edit... Copy... Profiles... Parameters... Operating Conditions... Display Mesh... Periodic Conditions... Highlight Zone

Pressure Outlet

Zone Name

out

Momentum Thermal Radiation Species DPM Multiphase UDS

Gauge Pressure (pascal) 0 constant

Backflow Direction Specification Method Normal to Boundary

Radial Equilibrium Pressure Distribution
 Average Pressure Specification
 Target Mass Flow Rate

OK Cancel Help

Pressure Outlet

Zone Name

out

Momentum Thermal Radiation Species DPM Multiphase UDS

Backflow Total Temperature (k) 300 constant

OK Cancel Help

Seven kinds of Pressure in Fluent

1. Atmospheric pressure (大气压)
2. Gauge pressure (表压): the difference between the true pressure and the Atmospheric pressure.
3. Absolute pressure (真实压力): the true pressure
= Atmospheric pressure + Gauge pressure
4. Operating pressure (操作压力) : the same as the reference pressure (参考压力) in our teaching code

Pressure in Fluent

Absolute pressure (真实压力): the true pressure

= Reference Pressure + Relative Pressure

5. Static pressure (静压): the difference between true pressure and operating pressure.

The same as relative pressure.

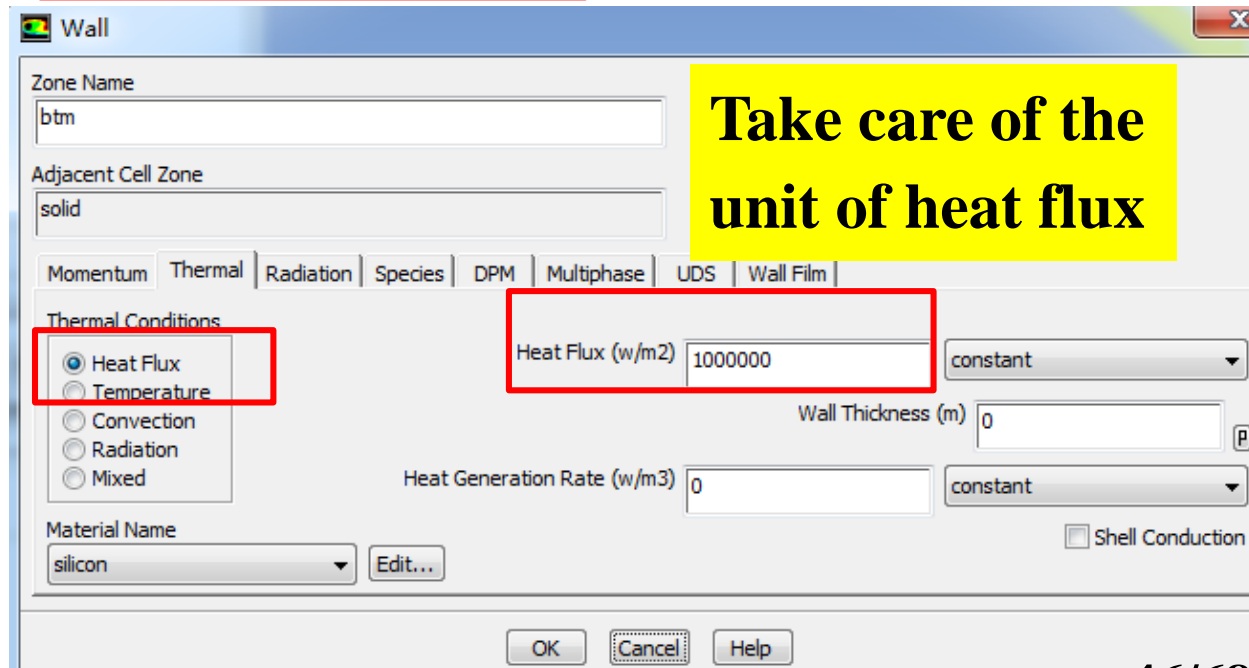
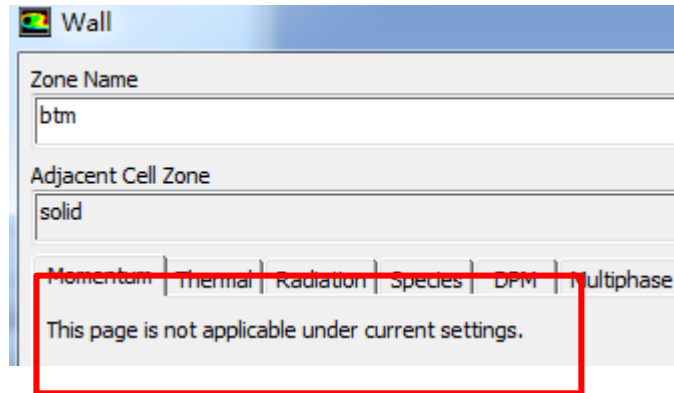
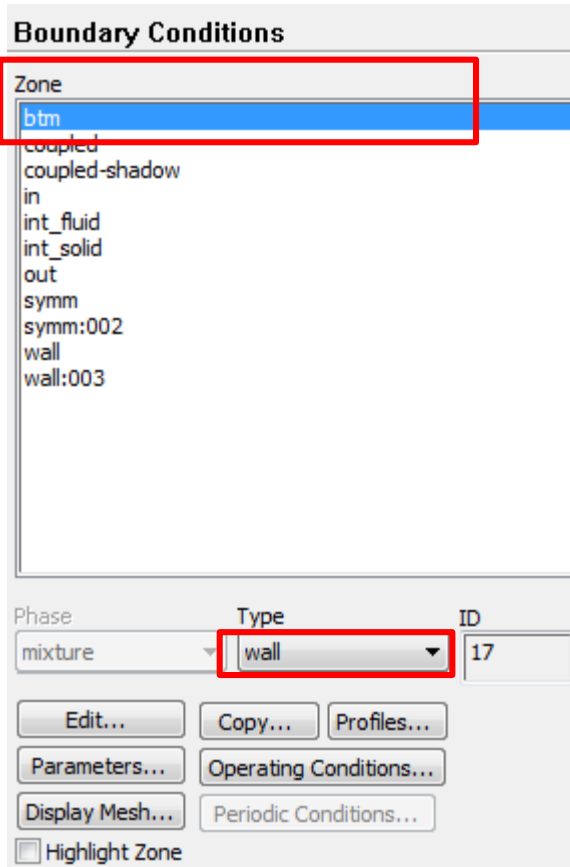
6. Dynamic pressure (动压): calculated by $0.5\rho U^2$
is related to the velocity.

7. Total pressure (动压):

= Static pressure + dynamic pressure

Other BCs are as follows:

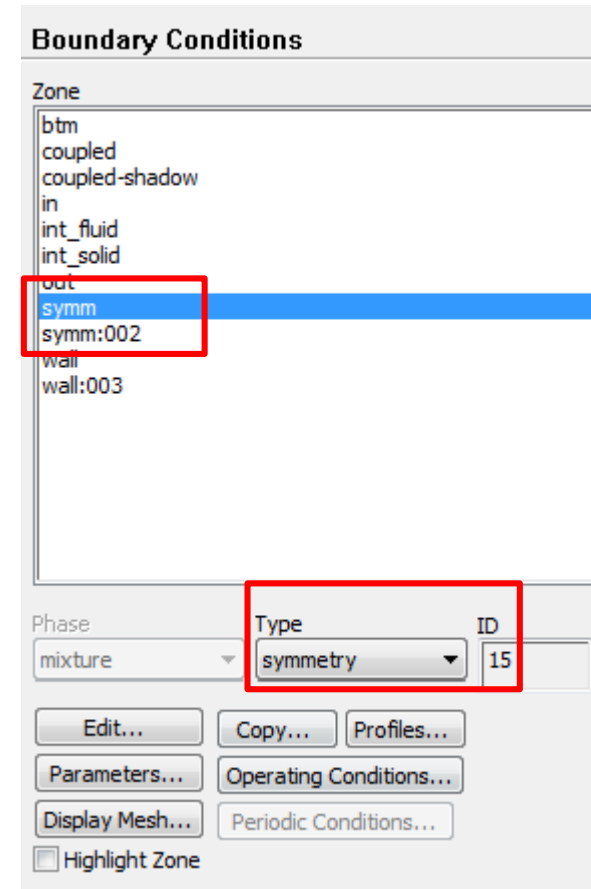
For bottom surface: constant heat flux



Other BCs are as follows:

For left and right solid and fluid surfaces: symmetry

The left and right boundary for solid and fluid are set as **symmetry**. Because the calculation domain is a **typical part** extracted from the total district, which can **represent** the heat transfer and fluid flow characteristics.



Other BCs are as follows:

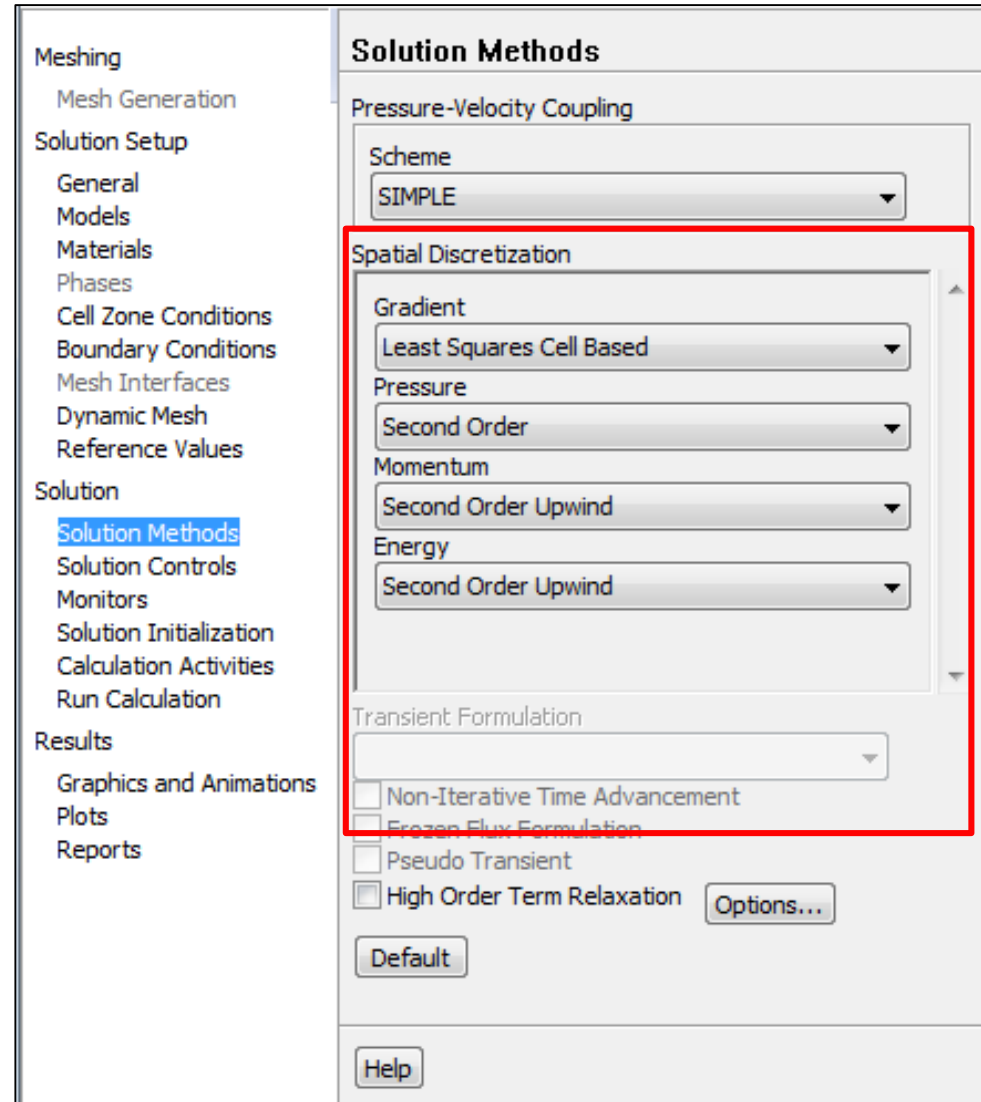
For top surface, end surface: adiabatic and non-slipping wall

The image shows two overlapping dialog boxes from ANSYS Fluent. The left dialog is the 'Boundary Conditions' panel, and the right is the 'Wall' properties dialog for the 'up_wall_f' zone. In the 'Boundary Conditions' panel, the 'wall' boundary is selected, and the 'Momentum' tab is active. The 'Stationary Wall' radio button is selected, and the 'No Slip' option is chosen under 'Shear Condition'. In the 'Wall' properties dialog, the 'Thermal' tab is active, and the 'Heat Flux' radio button is selected with a value of 0. A yellow box highlights the text 'Adiabatic wall'.

Step 7: Solution setup: algorithm and scheme

Remark: In Fluent, for the SIMPLE series algorithms, only **SIMPLE** and **SIMPLEC** are included.

Review: What is the difference between SIMPLE, SIMPLEC and SIMPLER?



Gradient calculation,
There are three schemes.

Gradient

Least Squares Cell Based

Green-Gauss Cell Based

Green-Gauss Node Based

Least Squares Cell Based

$\nabla \phi$

1. Green-Gauss Cell-Based (格林-高斯基于单元法)
2. Green-Gauss Node-Based (格林-高斯基于节点法)
3. Least-Squares Cell Based 基于单元体的最小二乘法
It is the default scheme for gradient calculation.

Green-Gauss Theory:

The averaged gradient over a control domain is:

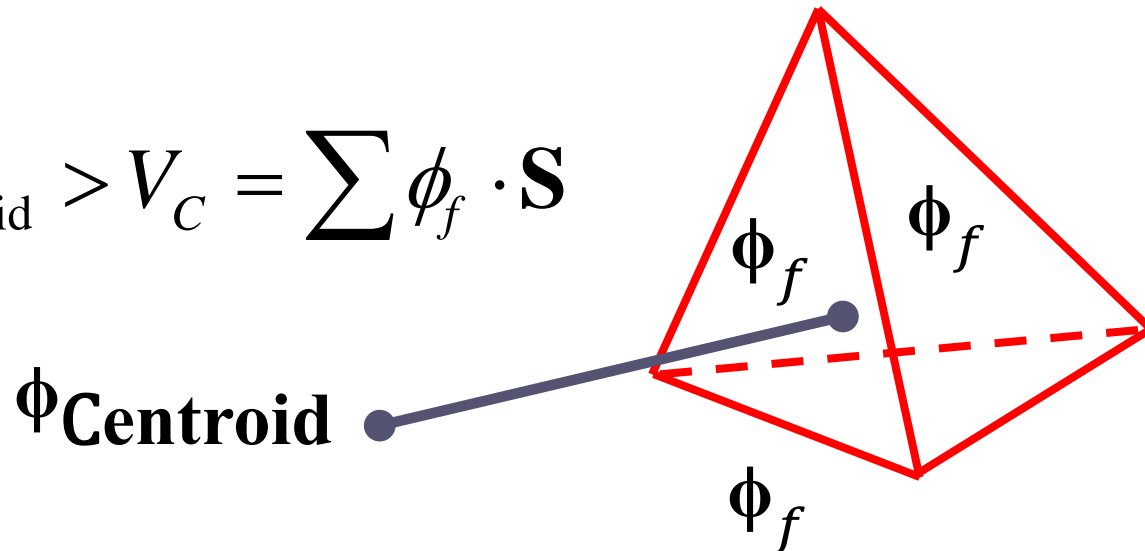
$$\langle \nabla \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{V_C} \int_{V_C} \nabla \phi dV$$

Using the **Gauss integration theory** (高斯定理), the **volume integral** (体积分) is transformed into a **surface integral** (面积分) :

$$\langle \nabla \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{V_C} \int_{V_C} \nabla \phi dV = \frac{1}{V_C} \oint \phi \cdot \mathbf{n} dS$$

In the presence of discrete faces, the above equation can be written as:

$$\langle \nabla \phi_{\text{centroid}} \rangle V_C = \sum \phi_f \cdot \mathbf{S}$$



$$\nabla \phi_{\text{centroid}} V_C = \sum \phi_f \cdot \mathbf{n} S$$

The problem of calculating gradient is transferred into the following equation:

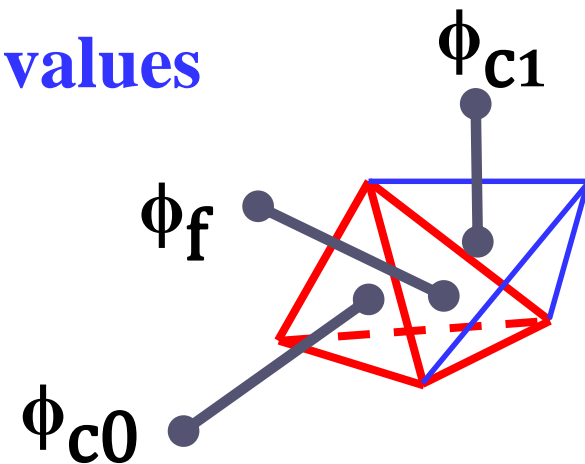
How to determine ϕ_f at the face?

1. Green-Gauss Cell-Based (格林-高斯基于单元法)

Calculate ϕ_f using cell centroid values

(网格中心点) .

$$\phi_f = \frac{\phi_{C0} + \phi_{C1}}{2}$$



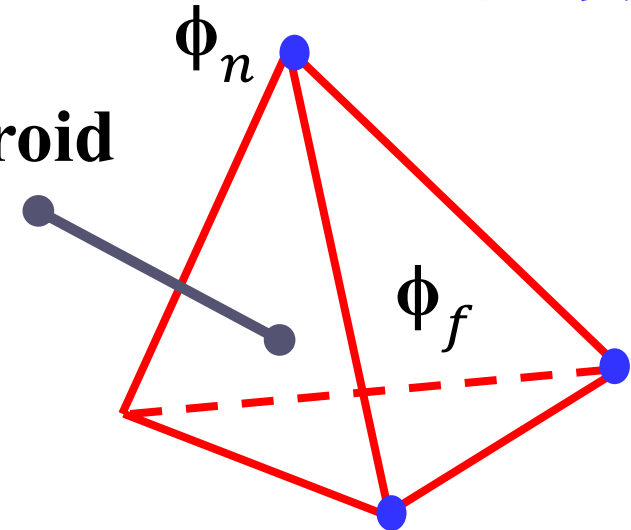
2. Green-Gauss Node-Based (格林-高斯基于节点法)

Calculate ϕ_f by the average of the node values. (面顶点的代数平均值)

$$\phi_f = \frac{1}{N_f} \sum \phi_n$$

$$\phi_n = \frac{1}{N_{\text{cells}}(n)} \sum_i \phi_{c_i} w_{c_i, n}$$

ϕ_{Centroid}



N_f : number of nodes on the face, ϕ_n : node value.

ϕ_n , is calculated by weighted average of the cell values surrounding the nodes ϕ_{c_i} .

Review: the node-based method is more accurate than the cell-based method.

3. Least-Squares Cell Based 基于单元体的最小二乘法

It is the default scheme for gradient calculation.

The basic idea is as follows. Consider two cell centroid C_0 and C_i , and their distance vector as δr . Then, the following equation

$$\phi_{C_i} = \phi_{C_0} + (\nabla \phi) \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{C_i} - \mathbf{r}_{C_0})$$

is exact only when the solution field is linear! **In other words, there is no second-order term for Taylor expansion of ϕ !**

For a cell centroid \mathbf{C}_0 with N neighboring nodes \mathbf{C}_i ,

$$\Phi_{C_i} = \phi_{C_i} - \left[\phi_{C_0} + (\nabla \phi) \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{C_i} - \mathbf{r}_{C_0}) \right]$$

True value
Calculated value

Making summation of all these Φ_{C_i} with a weighting factor w_i

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \sum_{i=1}^N w_i \Phi_{C_i} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ w_i \left(\phi_{C_i} - \left[\phi_{C_0} + (\nabla \phi) \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{C_i} - \mathbf{r}_{C_0}) \right] \right)^2 \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ w_i \left(\phi_{C_i} - \phi_{C_0} - \left[\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \Delta x_i + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \Delta y_i + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \Delta z_i \right] \right)^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

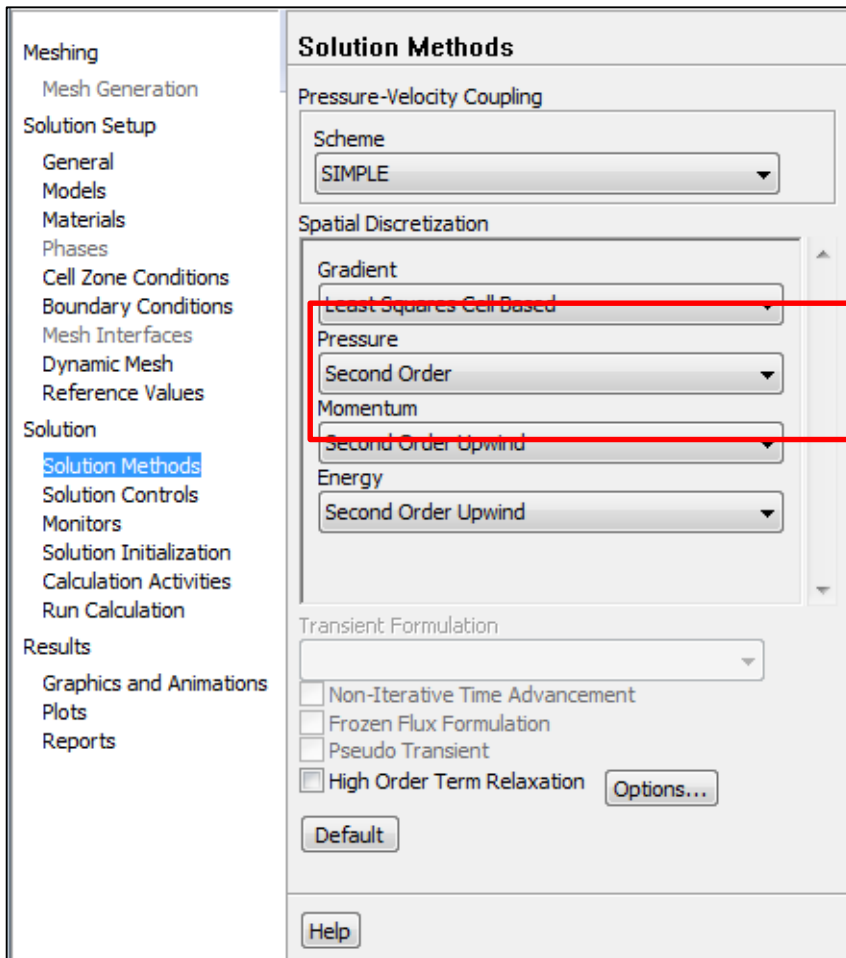
Therefore, to calculate the gradient $\nabla\phi$ is to find the one leading to the minimum ξ !

$$\xi = \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ w_i \left(\phi_{ci} - \phi_{c0} - \left[\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} \Delta x_i + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \Delta y_i + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \Delta z_i \right] \right)^2 \right\}$$

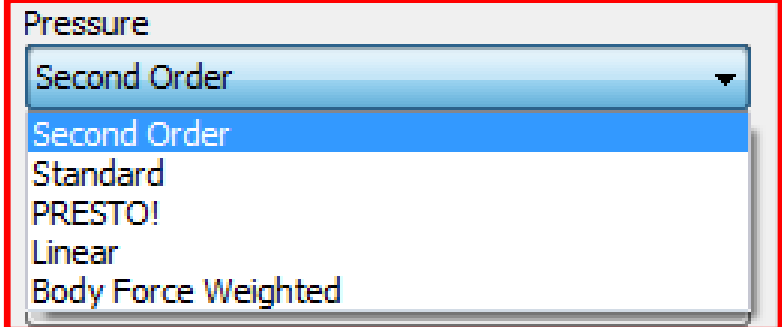
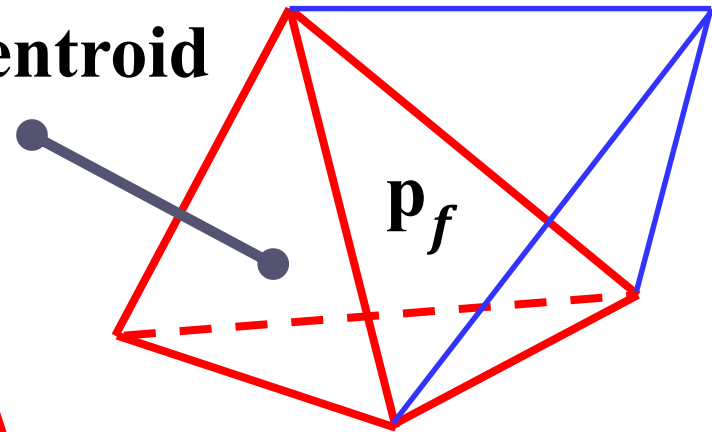
This is the idea of **Least-Squares method**.

Remark: On irregular (不规则) unstructured meshes, the accuracy of the least-squares gradient method is comparable to that of the node-based gradient. However, it is more computational efficient compared with the node-based gradient.

Pressure calculation: to calculate the pressure value at the interface using centroid value.



P Centroid



1. Linear scheme

Computes the face pressure use the average of the pressure values in the adjacent cells.

$$P_f = \frac{P_{C0} + P_{C1}}{2}$$

2. Standard scheme

Interpolate the pressure using momentum equation coefficient.

$$P_f = \frac{\frac{P_{c0}}{a_{P,c0}} + \frac{P_{c1}}{a_{P,c1}}}{\frac{1}{a_{P,c0}} + \frac{1}{a_{P,c1}}}$$

3. Second Order

Calculate the pressure value using a central difference scheme

$$P_f \approx \frac{P_{C0} + \nabla P_{C0} \mathbf{r}_{C0} + P_{C1} + \nabla P_{C1} \mathbf{r}_{C1}}{2}$$

4. Body Force Weighted scheme

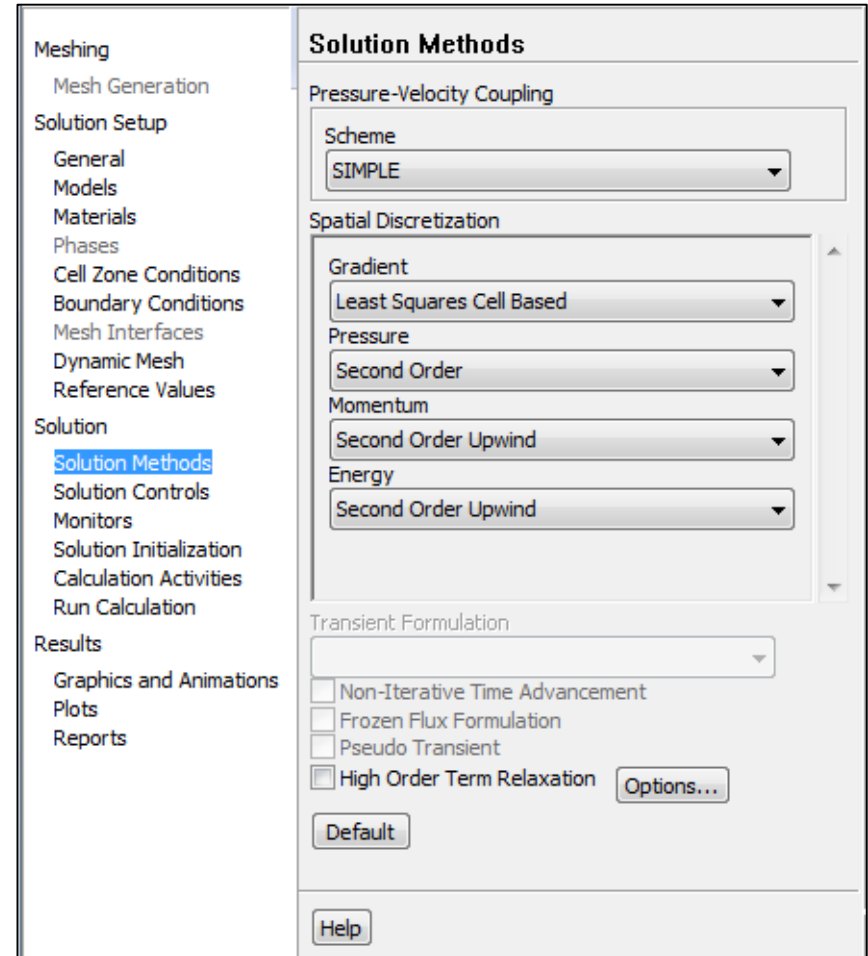
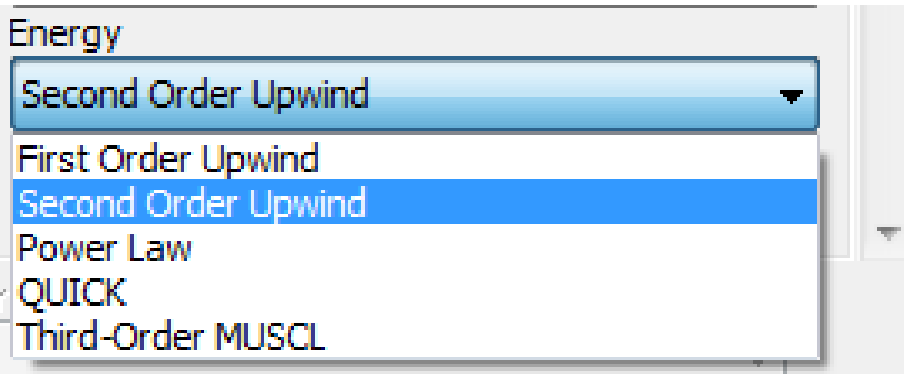
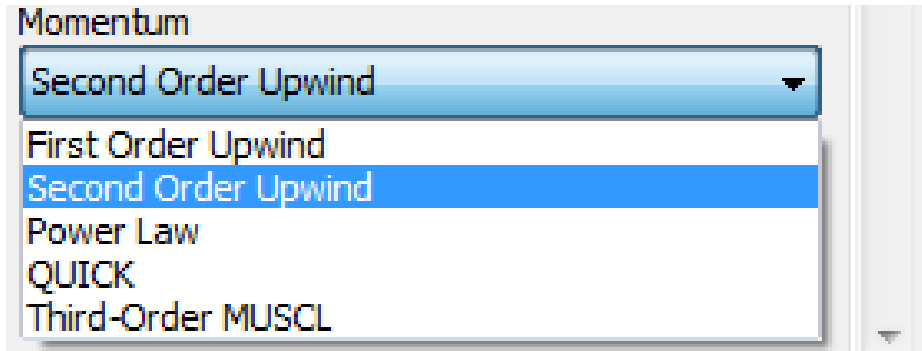
Calculate the pressure according to the body force.

- ✓ Multiphase flow such as VOF (Volume of Fluid, 体积函数法) or LS (Level Set, 水平集): **recommended**.
- ✓ For porous media: **not recommended!**

5. PRESTO! (Pressure Staggering Option) scheme

For problem with high pressure gradient.

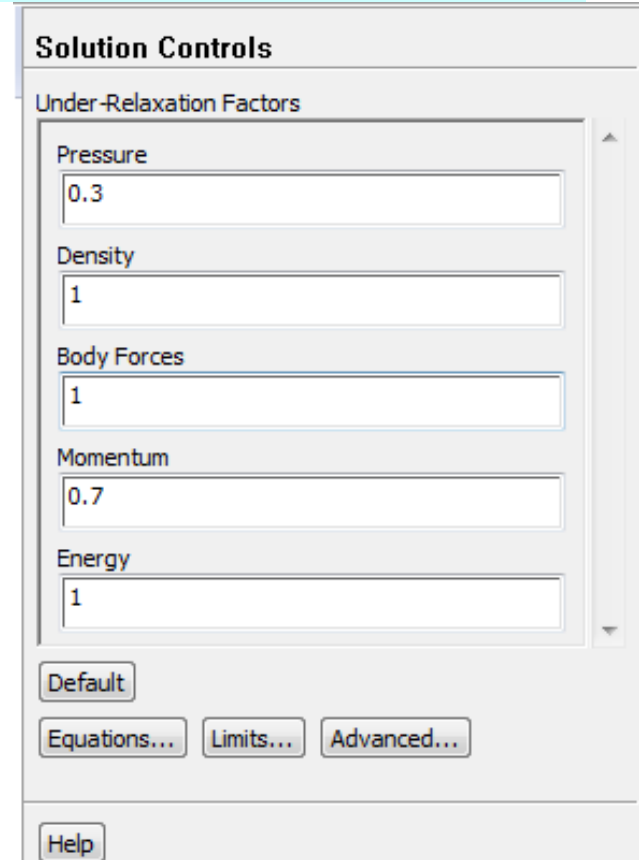
For convective term scheme, we are very familiar!



Step 7: Solution setup: relaxation

Under-relaxation is adopted to control the change rate of simulated variables in subsequent iterations.

The relaxation factor α for each variable has been optimized for the largest possible.



Solution Controls

Under-Relaxation Factors

Pressure	0.3
Density	1
Body Forces	1
Momentum	0.7
Energy	1

Default

Equations... Limits... Advanced...

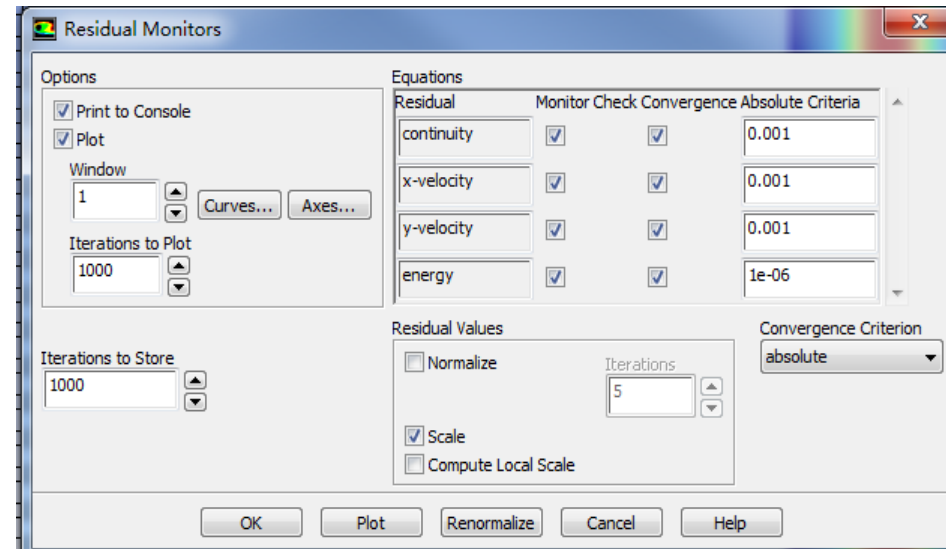
Help

In some cases, if your simulation is not converged, and you are sure there is no problem with other setting, you can try to reduce α !

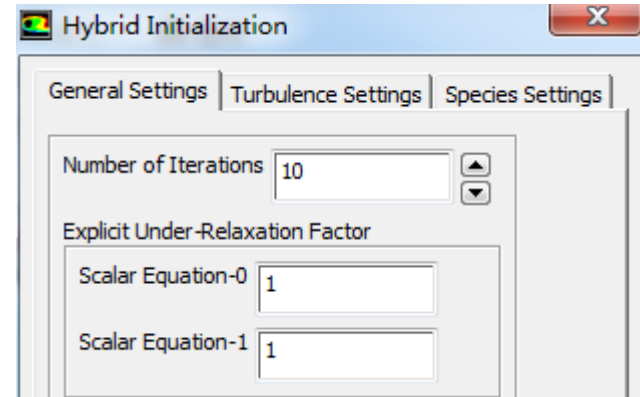
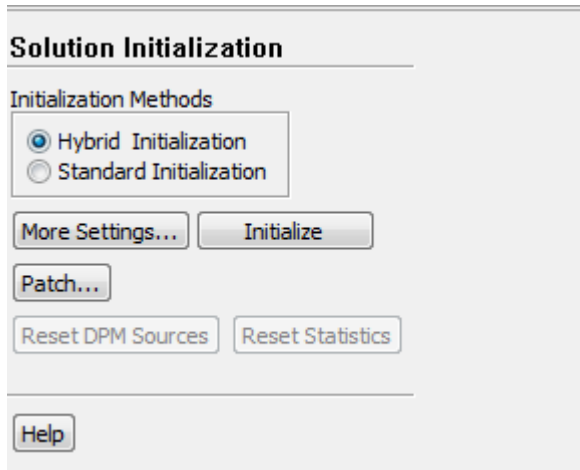
Step 7: Solution setup: monitors

Similar to “Print” function in our teaching code, you can use Monitors in Fluent to setup a certain number of variables to monitor the iteration process of the simulation.

The Residuals are the most important values to be monitored. You can set the related values.



Step 8: Initialization

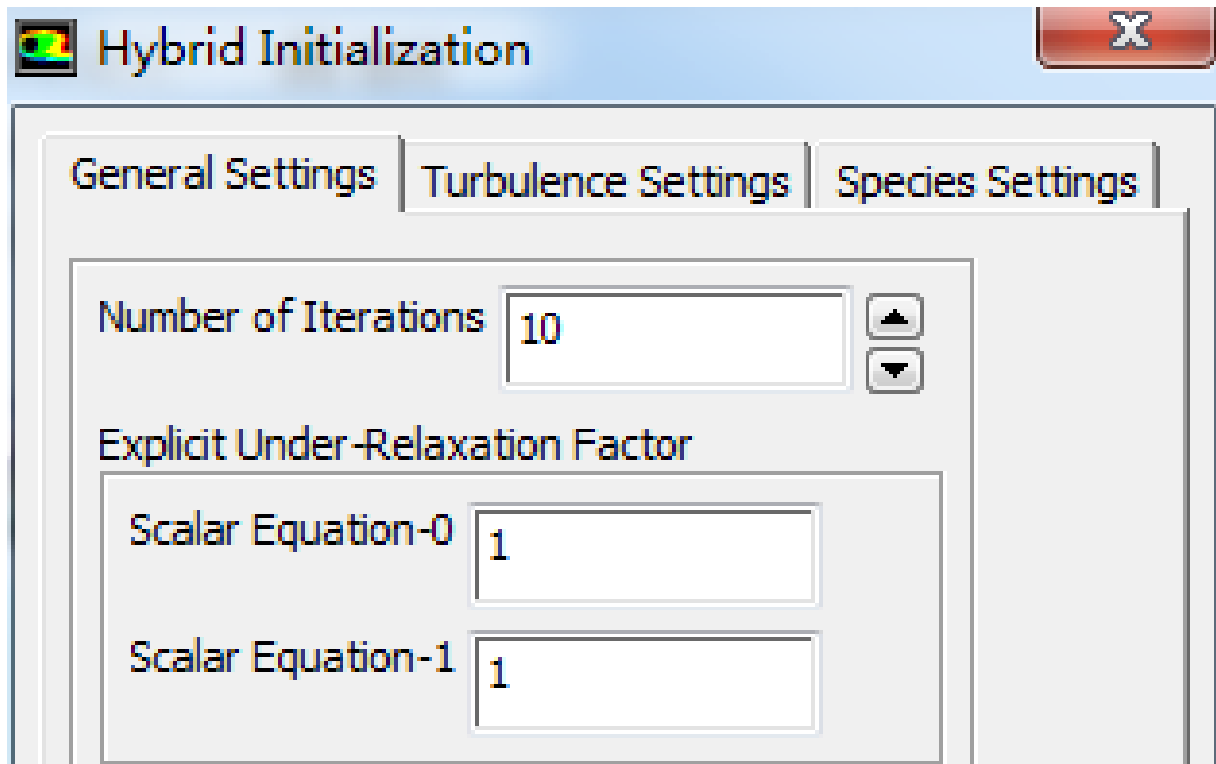


The default selection is Hybrid initialization (混合初始化).

The initial pressure and velocity field you give usually are not consistent, in other words, not meet the NS equation.

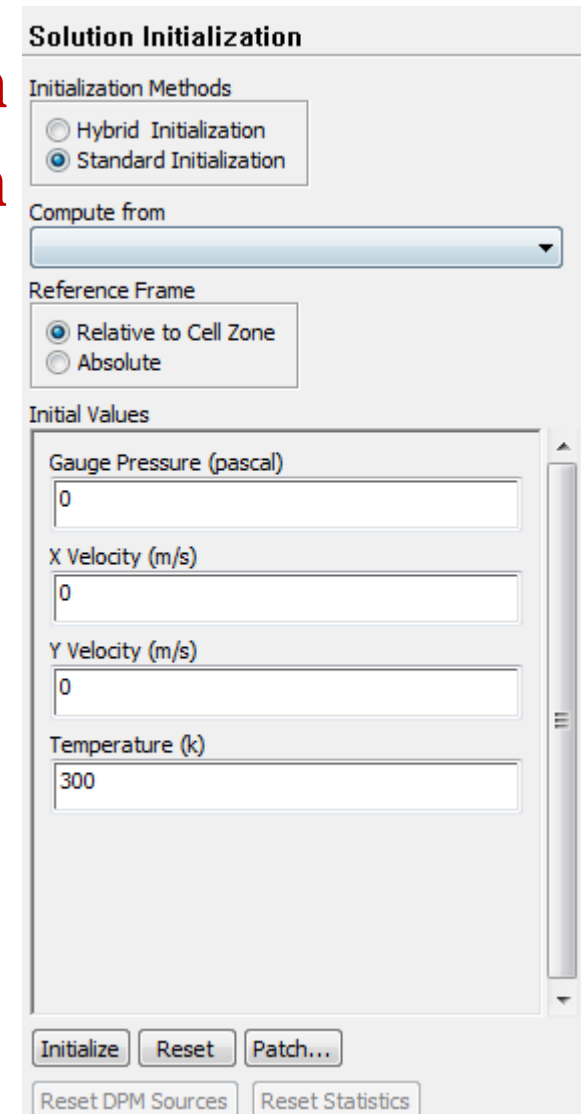
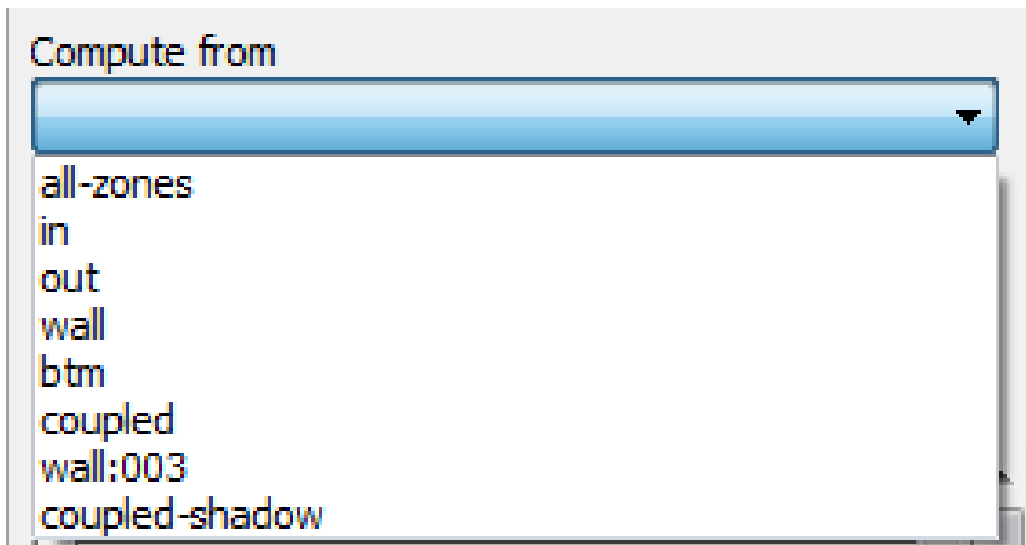
In SIMPLER algorithm, we solved an additional Poisson equation for pressure based on given velocity.

The Hybrid initialization method is similar that Poisson equation is solved to initialize the velocity and pressure equation. You can set the number of iterations to make sure the initial velocity and pressure are consistent.



Or you can simply chose Standard initialization method.

Click Compute from, the drop-down list will show, and you can select an region.

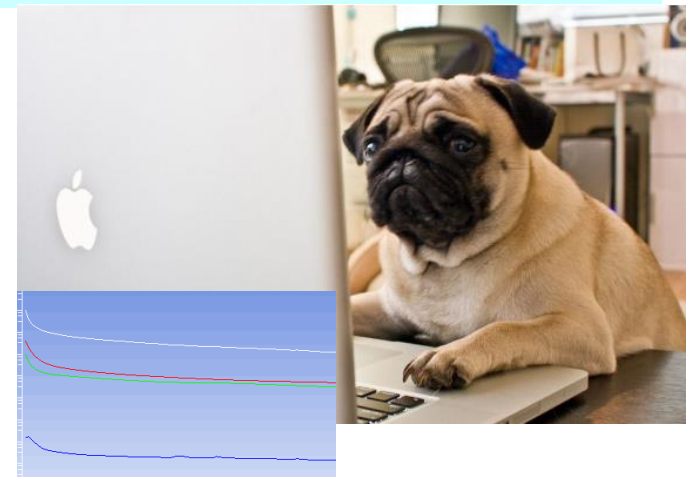


The eight steps for preparing a Fluent simulation have been completed!

1. Read mesh
2. scale domain
3. Choose model
4. define material
5. define zone condition
6. define boundary condition
7. Solution step
8. Initialization
9. Run the simulation.
10. Post-process

Step 9: Run the simulation

**What should you do in this step?
Just stare at the monitor to hope
that the residual curves are going
down for a steady problem.**



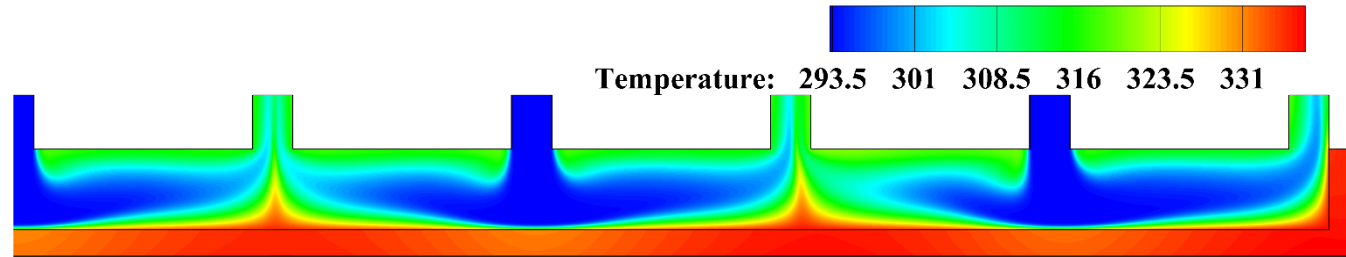
Diverged? Go back to Steps 1 to 8.

Review: The 10 steps for a Fluent simulation:

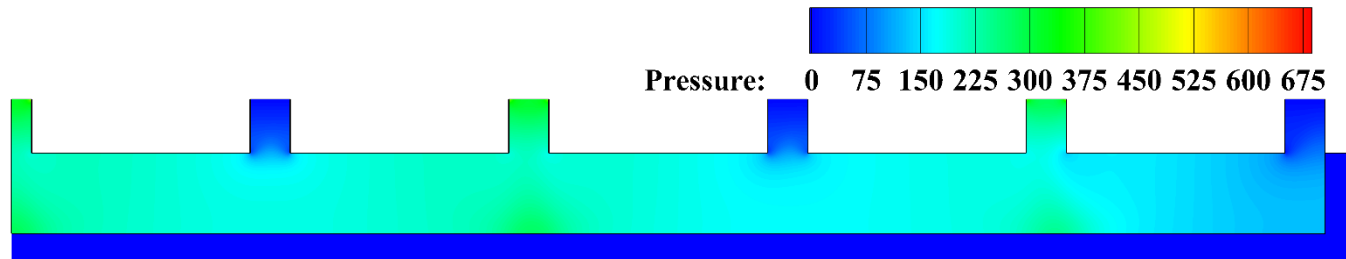
- 1. Read and check the mesh: mesh quality.**
- 2. Scale domain: make sure the domain size is right.**
- 3. Choose model: write down the right governing equation is very important.**
- 4. Define material: the solid and fluid related to your problem.**
- 5. Define zone condition: material of each zone and source term**
- 6. Define boundary condition: very important**
- 7. Solution step: algorithm and scheme. Have a background of NHT.**
- 8. Initialization: initial condition**
- 9. Run the simulation: monitor the residual curves and certain variable.**
- 10. Post-process: analyze the results.**

Re=44

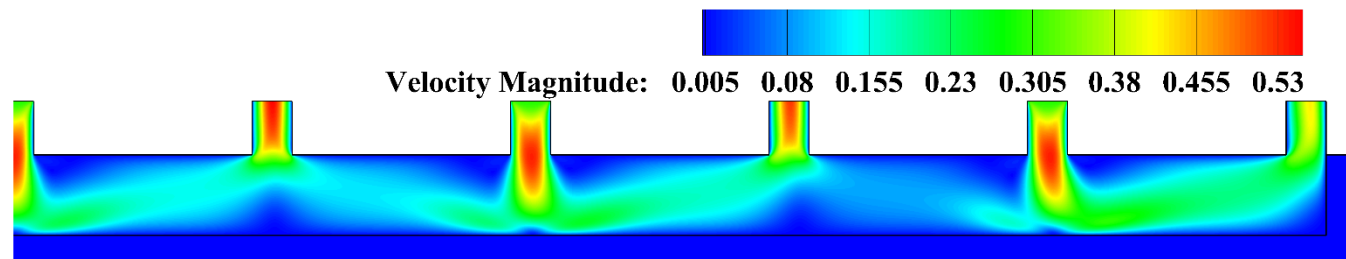
Temperature distribution



Pressure distribution



Streamline and velocity distribution



Step 10: Post-process: Data reduction

The Reynolds number (Re) is expressed as follow:

$$Re = \frac{\rho u_m D_h}{\mu}$$

$$D_h = \frac{2H_c W_c}{H_c + W_c}$$

u (m/s)	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.5
Re	44	88	132	176	220

Friction factor

$$f = \frac{2D_h \Delta P}{L_t \rho u_m^2}$$

Heat transfer coefficient

$$h_{ave} = \frac{q_w A_s}{A_{con} (T_{w,ave} - T_{f,ave})}$$

$$q_w A_s = h A_{con} \Delta T_m = C_p M (T'' - T')$$

Average Nusselt number

$$Nu_{ave} = \frac{h_{ave} D_h}{\lambda_f}$$

Re	44	88	132	176	220
h ($\text{Wm}^{-2}\text{K}^{-1}$)	13999.6	18453.6	22140	25323.2	28336
Nu	3.5	4.6	5.5	6.3	7.1
ΔP (Pa)	354	892.8	1590	2436.6	3428
T_w (K)	334.45	321.98	316.5	313.3	311.1

