

# Numerical Heat Transfer (数值传热学)

## Chapter 6 Primitive Variable Methods for Elliptic Flow and Heat Transfer (1)

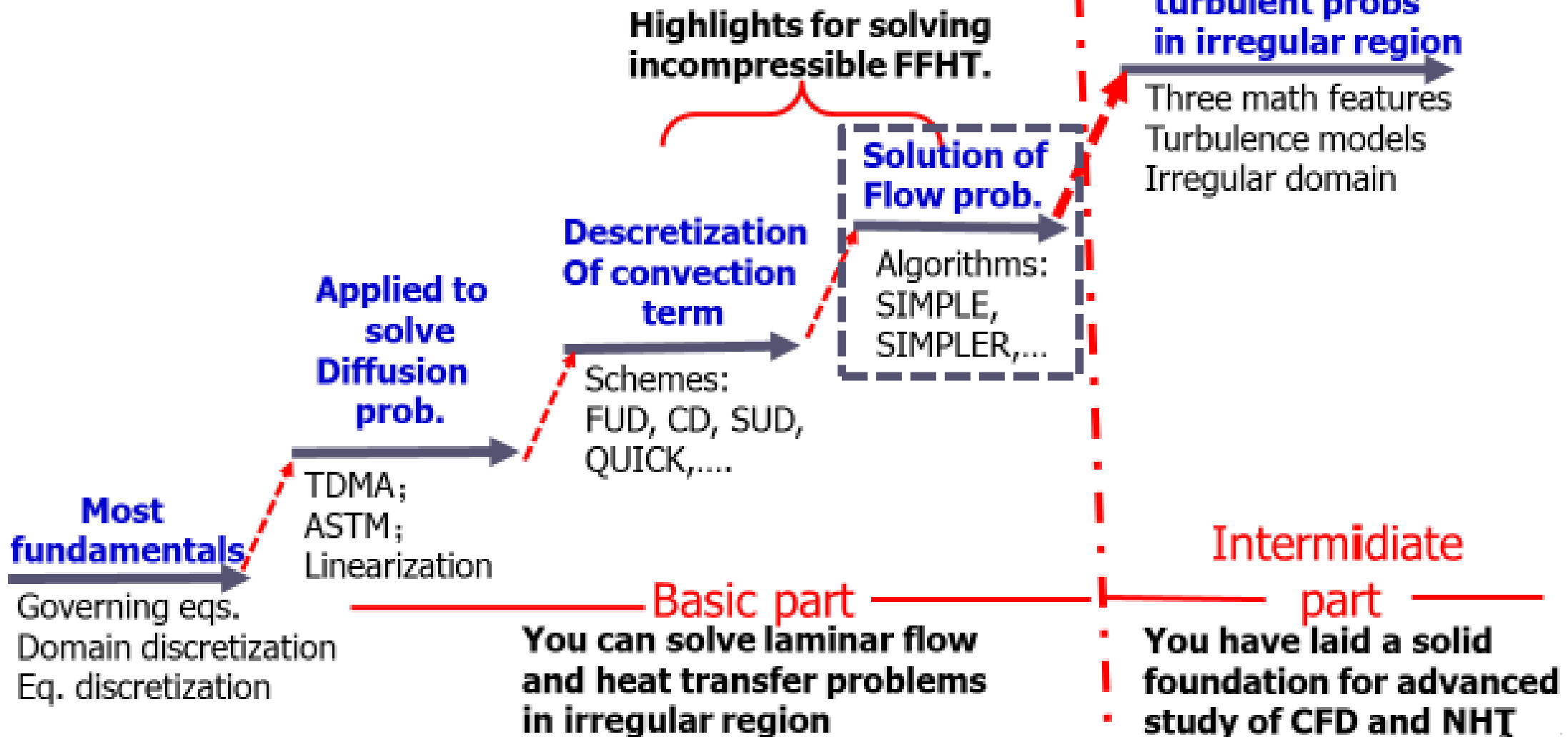


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## 6.1 Source terms in momentum equations and two key issues in numerically solving momentum equation

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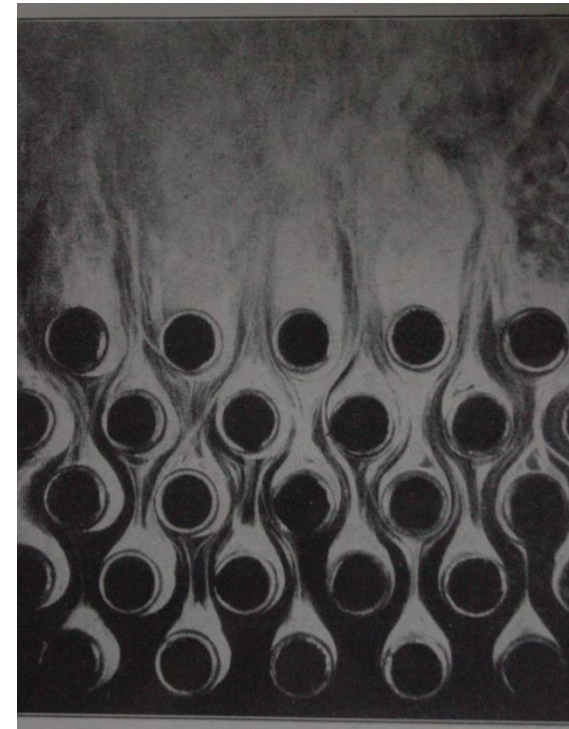
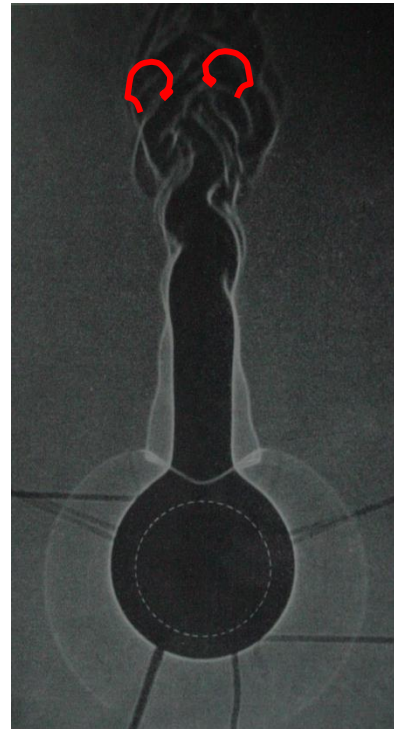
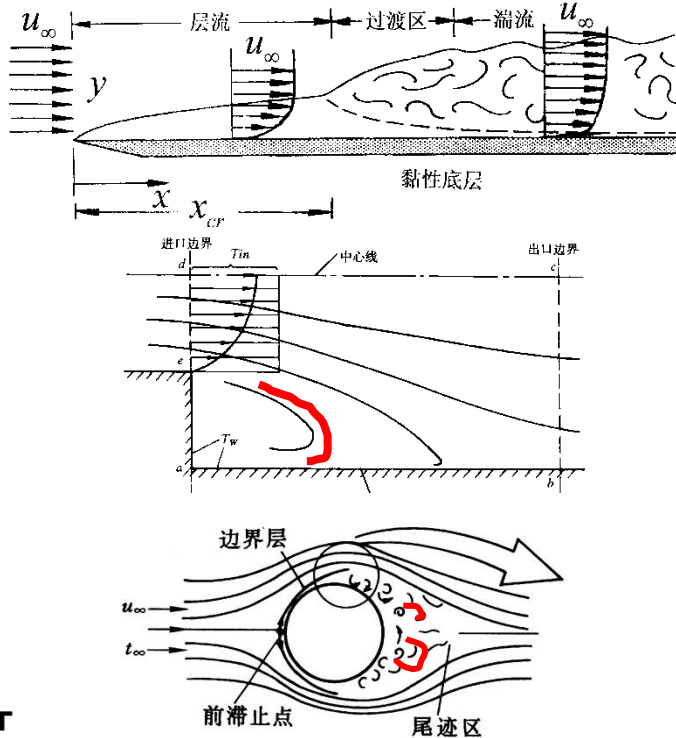
**1. The conventional methods may lead to oscillating pressure field**

**2. Pressure has no governing equation-To improve an assumed pressure field a specially designed algorithm is needed**

# 6.1 Source terms in momentum equations and two key issues in numerically solving momentum equation

## 6.1.1 Introduction

1 . Two kinds of most often encountered engineering flows: boundary layer type and recirculation type



2. Flow field solution is the most important step for solving convective heat transfer problems.
3. Numerical approaches(方法) for solution of incompressible flow field:

Simultaneously solving (同时求解) different dependent variables ( $u, v, w, p, T$ ).

In such approaches no special algorithm is needed. The only requirement is an extremely large computer resource. Now it is called coupled method.

Segregated solutions (分离式求解) of different dependent variables

Primitive variable method(原始变量法,  $u, v, w, p$ ). Pressure correction method is the most widely used one

Non-primitive variable method. Vortex-stream function method (涡量流函数法) was the most widely used one (Chapter 8 of the textbook)

## 6.1.2 Source terms in momentum equations

The general governing equation is:

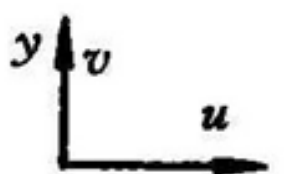
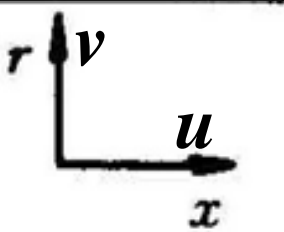

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\phi)}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\rho\vec{U}\phi) = \text{div}(\Gamma_\phi \text{grad}\phi) + S_\phi$$

Comparing N-S equations in the three coordinates with the above general governing equation, the related source terms can be obtained, where both physical source term (such as gravitation) and numerical source term are included;

Treatment of source term is very important in numerical simulation of momentum equations.

## Table 6-1 (Text book)

Source terms of 2-D incompressible flow  
( $\eta = \text{const.}$  No gravitation)

Coordinates	u-equation	v-equation
Cartesian 	0	0
Axi-symmetric cylindrical 	0	$-\frac{\eta v}{r^2}$
Polar 	$-\frac{\rho uv}{r} + \frac{2\eta}{r^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} - \frac{\eta u}{r^2}$	$\frac{\rho u^2}{r} - \frac{2\eta}{r^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} - \frac{\eta v}{r^2}$



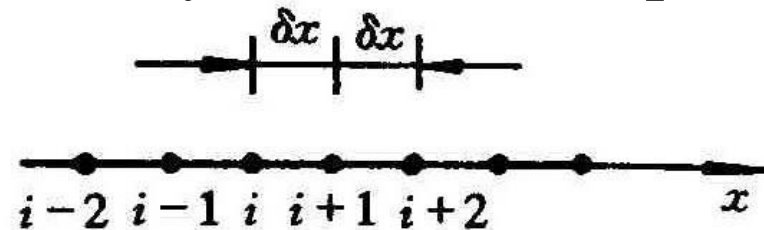
## 6.1.3 Two key issues in solving incompressible flow field

### 1. Conventional discretization method for pressure gradient in momentum equation may lead to oscillating pressure field.

Conventionally, one grid system is used to store all kinds of information. If we store pressure, velocity, temperature, etc. at the same grids, then the discretized momentum equations can not detect un-reasonable pressure field.

For example. At node  $i$  the 1-D steady momentum equation

$$\rho u \frac{du}{dx} = -\frac{dp}{dx} + \eta \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$$



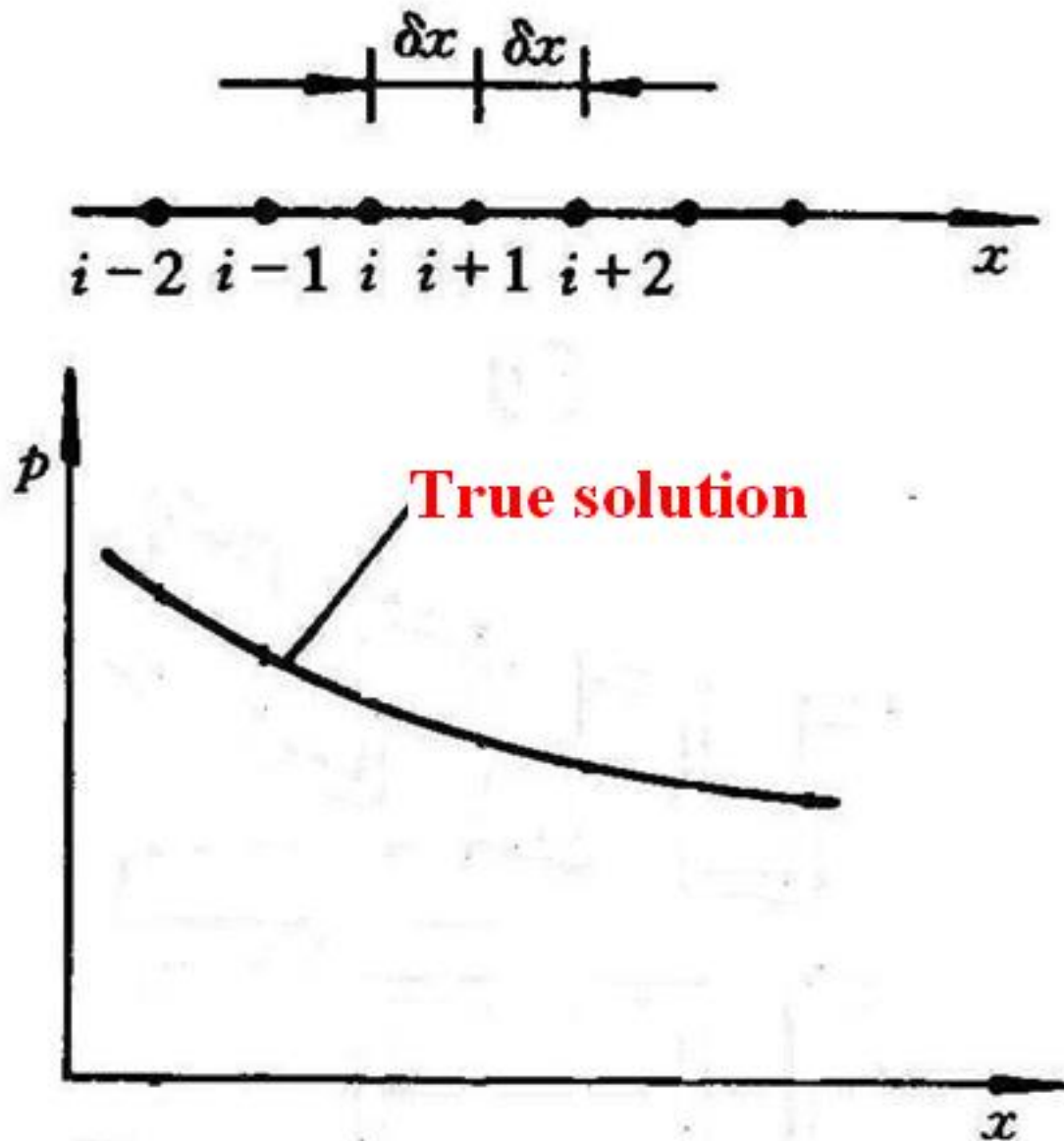
can be discretized by FDM as follows:

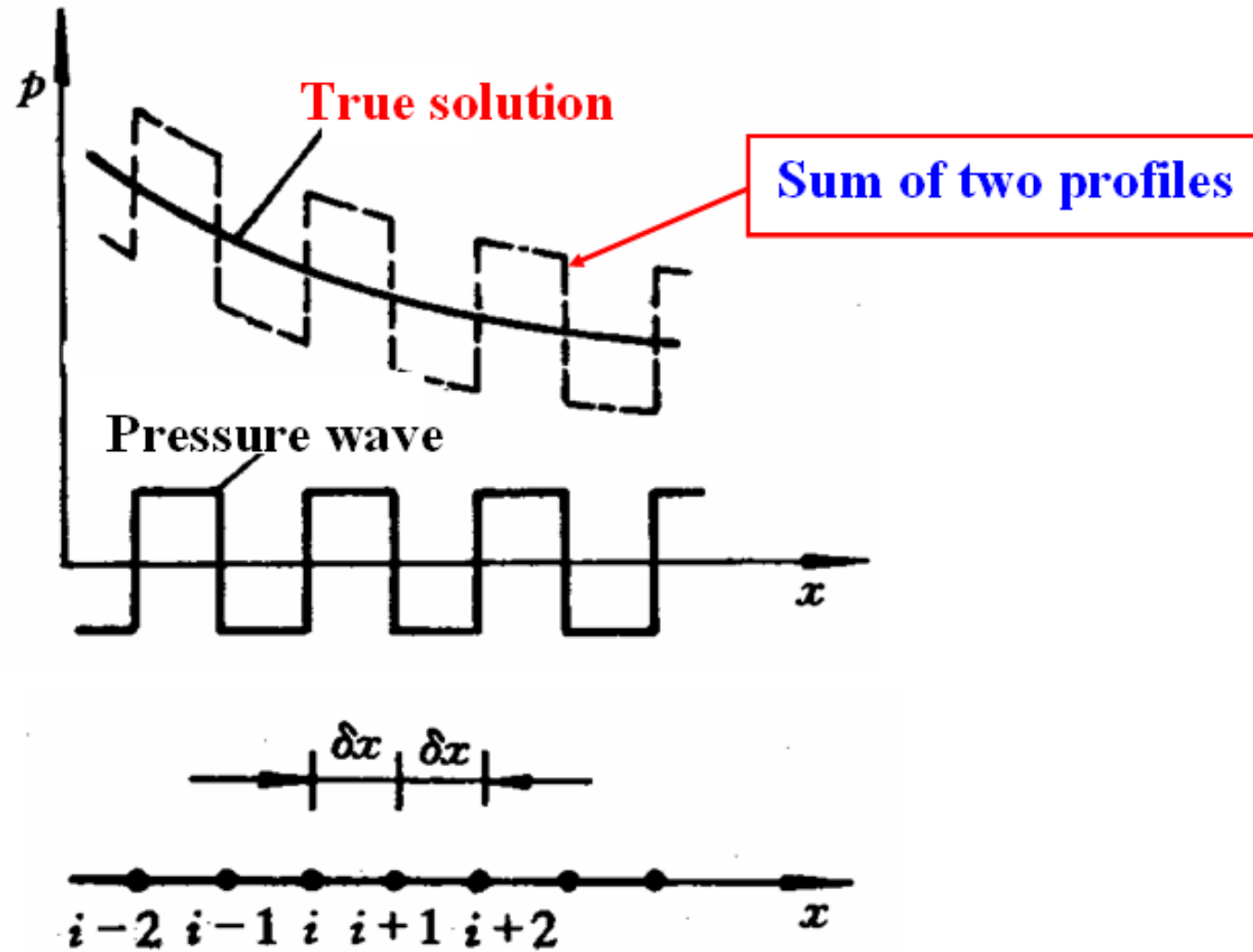
$$\rho u_i \frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2\delta x} = - \frac{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}}{2\delta x} + \eta \frac{u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1}}{(\delta x)^2}; \quad O(\Delta x^2)$$

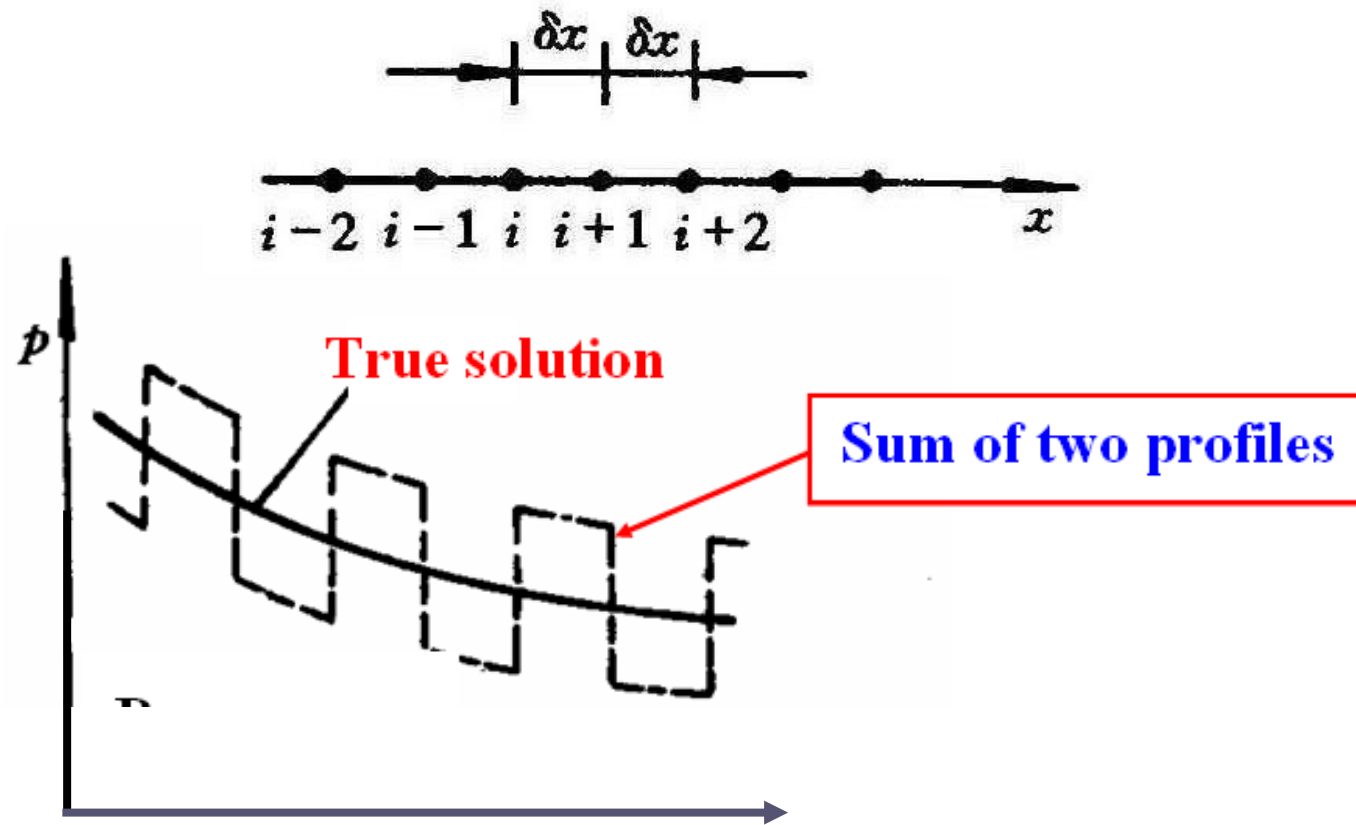
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**Discussion:** this is the discretized momentum equation for node  $i$ , but it does not contain the pressure at node  $i$ , while includes the pressure difference between two nodes positioned two-steps apart, leading to following result: the discretized momentum equation can not detect an unreasonable pressure solution! **Because it is the pressure gradient rather than pressure itself that occurs in the momentum equation.**

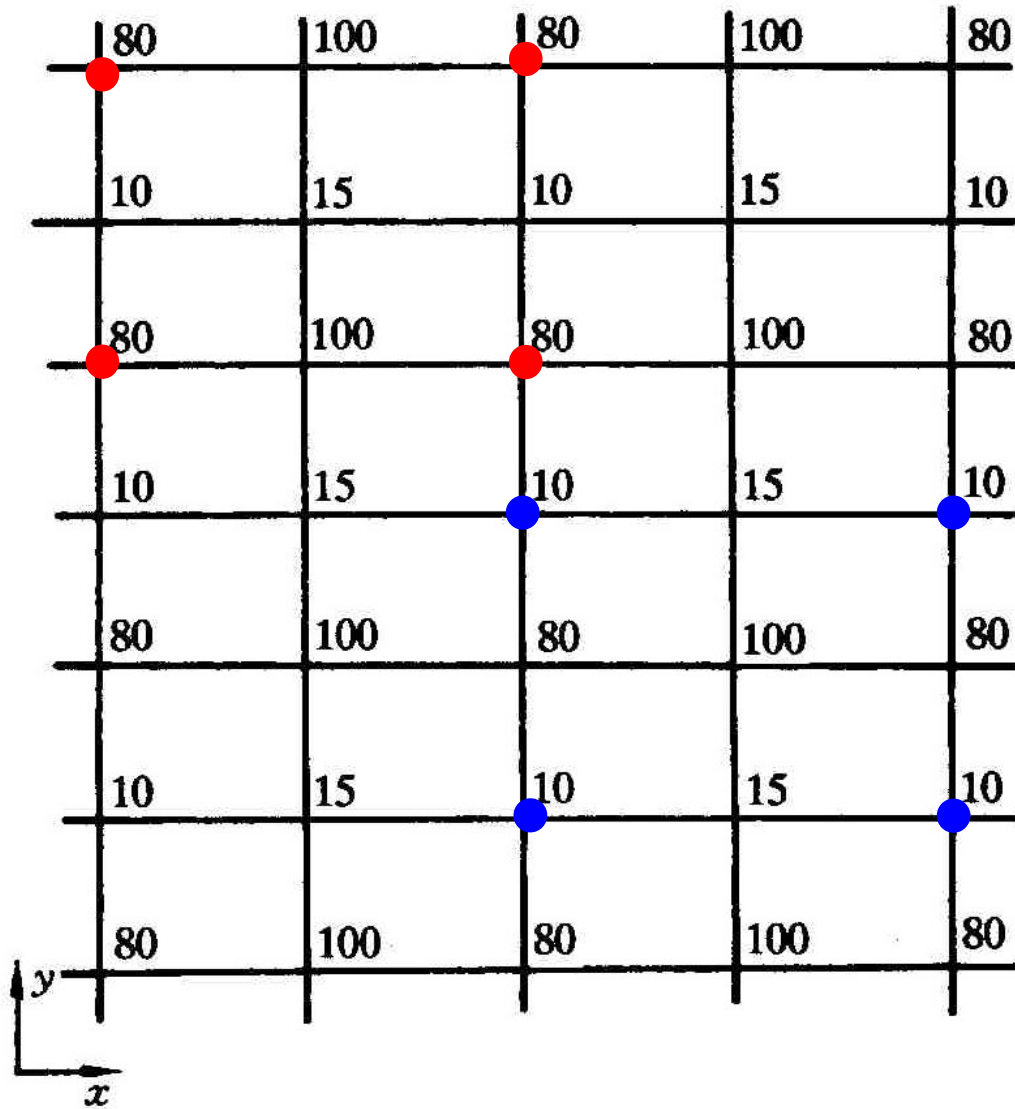
Pressure difference over two steps is called  $2 - \delta x$  pressure difference.







This wave pressure field can satisfy the momentum equations . Because only pressure difference over  $2 - \delta$  , is included in the discretized equations. For the true and false pressure profiles  $2 - \delta$  difference is the same.



If on an original correct pressure field this checkerboard pressure field is added. Then the pressure difference over  $2\text{-}\delta$  of the true field is the same as that of the superimposed (被叠加的) pressure field!

2-D checkerboard pressure field (二维波形压力场)

**2. In the momentum equation, pressure gradient is the source term. Pressure does not have its own governing equation.**

At the beginning of iteration of the momentum equations, pressure field can be assumed. With the proceeding of iteration the assumed pressure field has to be improved. How to improve it ? Because pressure does not has its own governing equation, **a special algorithm (算法)** should be designed.

The first issue of the checkerboard field is overcome by introducing **staggered grid system(交叉网格)**, and the second one is by **pressure-velocity coupling algorithm**.

## 6.2 Staggered grid system and discretization of momentum equation

### 6.2.1 Staggered grid(交叉网格)

### 6.2.2 Discretization of momentum equation in staggered grid

### 6.2.3 Interpolation in staggered grid

1. Flow rate at a node
2. Density at interface
3. Conductance at interface

### 6.2.4 Remarks



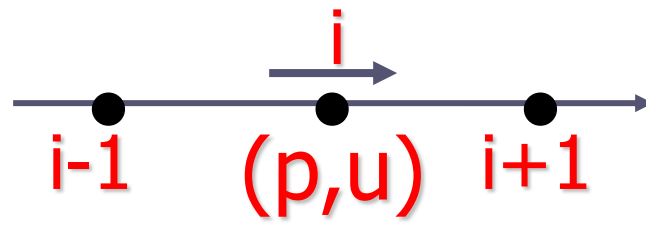
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### 6.2.1 Staggered grid

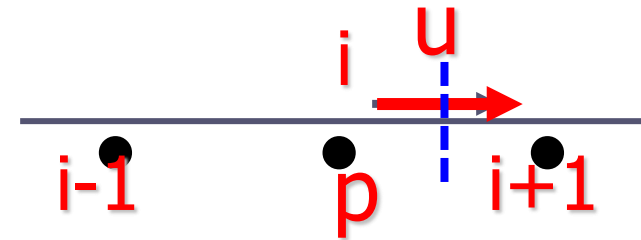
#### 1. Basic consideration

In the discretized momentum equation  $1-\delta$  pressure difference should be used, rather than  $2-\delta$  pressure difference; In addition the discretized pressure gradient should be of 2<sup>nd</sup> order accuracy according to Pascar principle (帕斯卡原理) in fluid mechanics.

Such requirement , that **1-Delta pressure difference is of 2<sup>nd</sup> order accuracy of pressure gradient** can be easily achieved by moving the velocity to the interface :

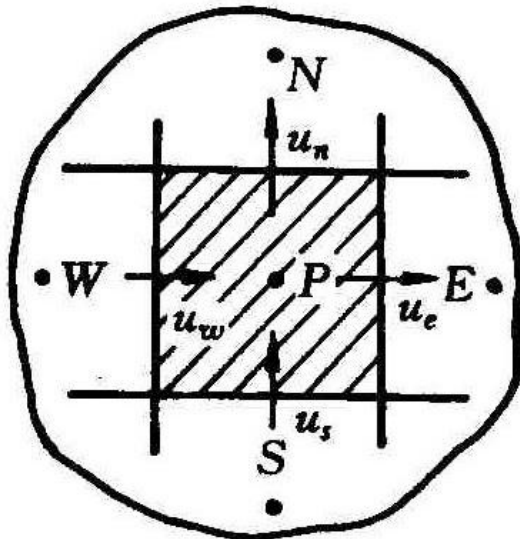


Conventional grid



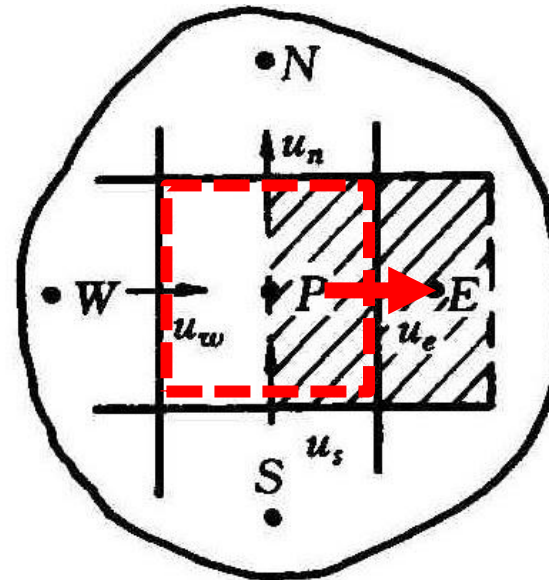
Staggered

2. 2-D staggered grid

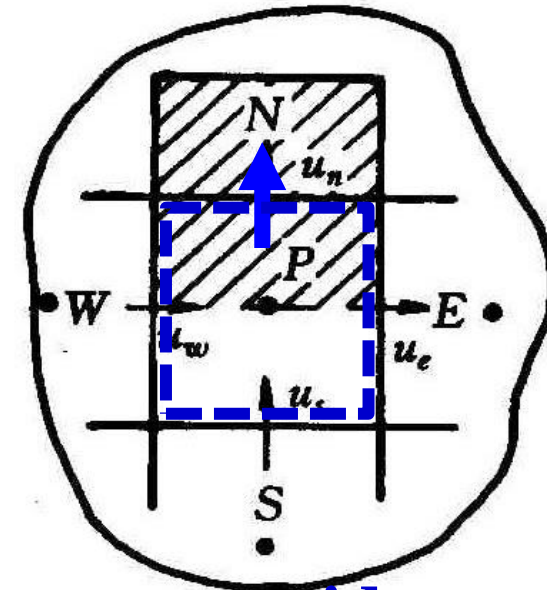


Main grid

(Mass conservation)



u -grid



v -grid

The interfaces, e, w, n and s are named after the main point P.

## 6.2.2 Discretization of the momentum equation

Discretization of other variables are the same as in the conventional grid. For velocities :

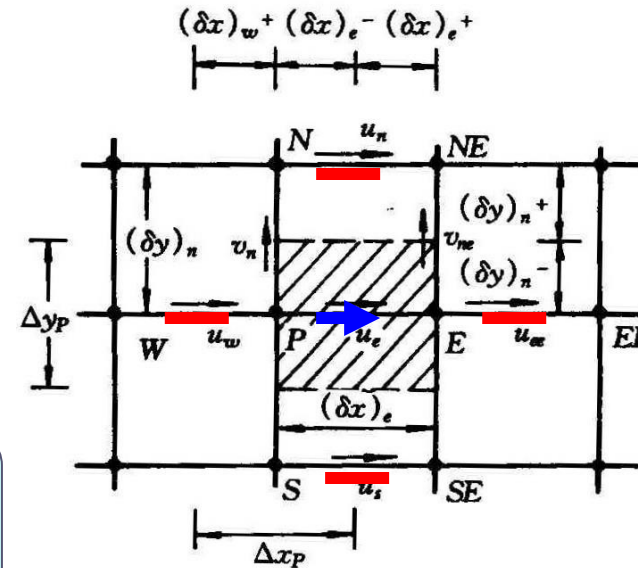
- 1)  $u, v$  -discretized based on their own CV;
- 2) Pressure gradient is separated

(分离) from source term:

$$\int_s^E \int_P^N -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} dx dy = -\int_s^E (p)_P dy \cong -(p_E - p_P)\Delta y = (p_P - p_E)\Delta y$$

Nodes E and P are the E-W boundary points for u-equation in the staggered grid!

$$a_e u_e = \sum a_{nb} u_{nb} + b + (p_P - p_E) A_e$$



Neighboring points of  $u$

## 6.2.3 Interpolations (插值)

All thermal physical properties are stored at nodes, while velocities are at the interfaces. Interpolations are needed:

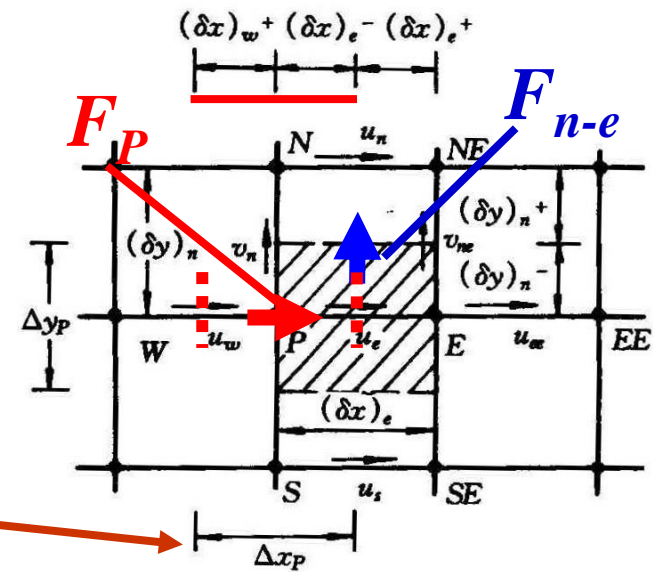
1. Flow rate  $F_P$  at node P and  $F_{n-e}$  at the interface n-e)

$$F_P = F_e \frac{(\delta x)_{w^+}}{\Delta x_P} + F_w \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{\Delta x_P}$$

$$\Delta x_P = (\delta x)_{w^+} + (\delta x)_{e^-}$$

where e and w are named after the main point P.

$$F_P = (\rho u \Delta y)_e \frac{(\delta x)_{w^+}}{\Delta x_P} + (\rho u \Delta y)_w \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{\Delta x_P}$$

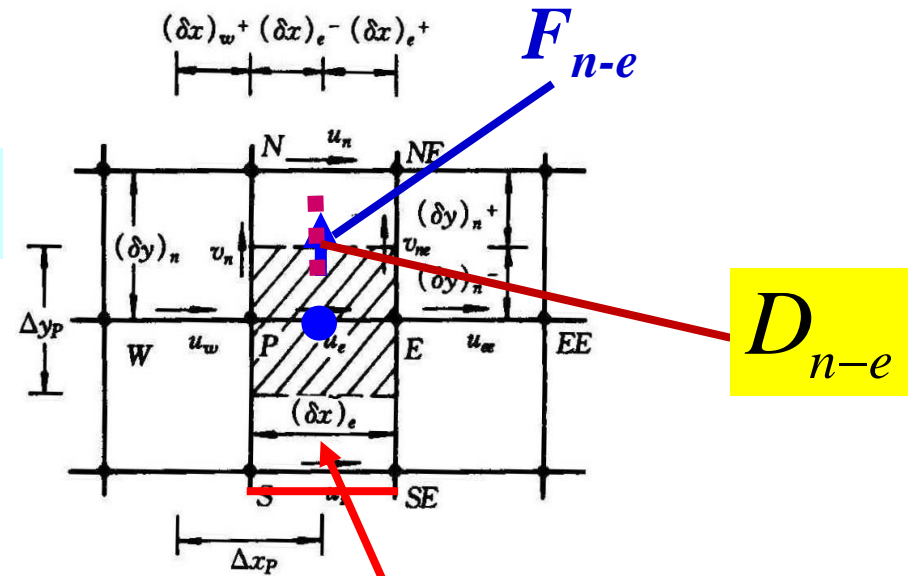


$$F_{n-e} = (\rho v)_n (\delta x)_{e^-} + (\rho v)_{ne} (\delta x)_{e^+}$$

## 2. Density at velocity position-e interface

$$\rho_e = \rho_E \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta x)_e} + \rho_P \frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta x)_e}$$

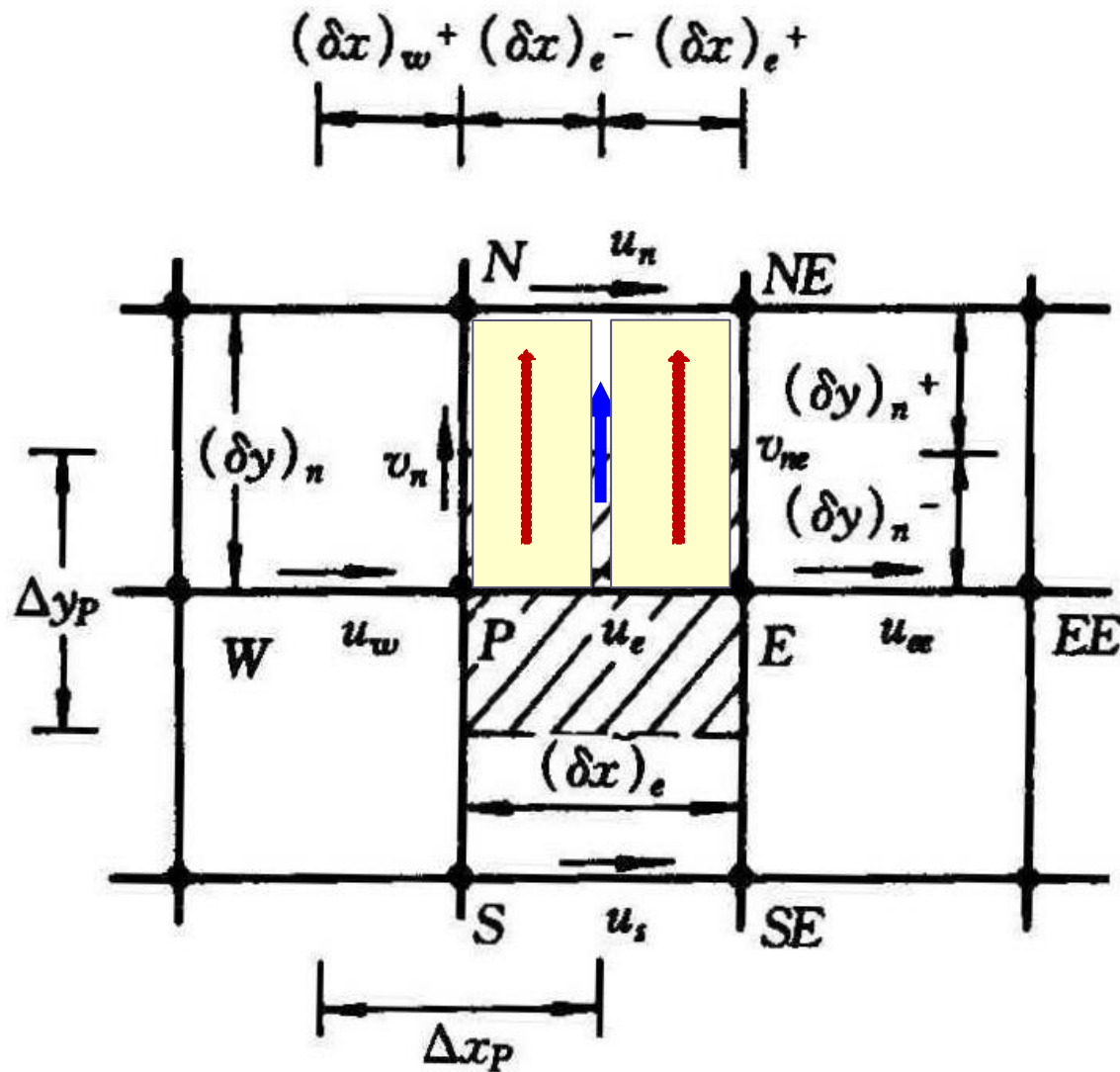
$\frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta x)_e}$ ,  $\frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta x)_e}$  are weighting coefficients  $\underline{(\delta x)_e = (\delta x)_{e^-} + (\delta x)_{e^+}}$



## 3. Conductance (扩导) at v-velocity interface $D_{n-e}$

Parallel conductances  $D_{n-e} = \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta y)_n \Gamma_n} + \frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta y)_n \Gamma_{ne}}$

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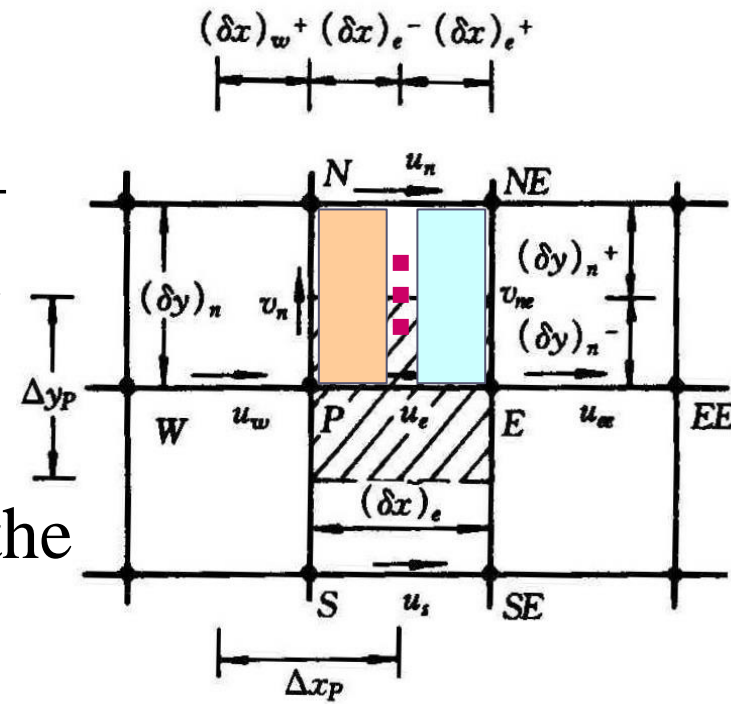
$$(\delta x)_e = (\delta x)_{e^-} + (\delta x)_{e^+}$$

$$D_{n-e} = \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta y)_n} + \frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta y)_n} = \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta y)_{n^-} + (\delta y)_{n^+}} + \frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta y)_n}$$

Resistances in series (串联)

$$= \frac{(\delta x)_{e^-}}{(\delta y)_{n^-} + (\delta y)_{n^+}} + \frac{(\delta x)_{e^+}}{(\delta y)_{n^-} + (\delta y)_{n^+}}$$

Adopting the summation principle for **resistances in series (串联)** and the **conductances in parallel (并联)** to get  $D_{n-e}$  for the CV of  $u_e$ .



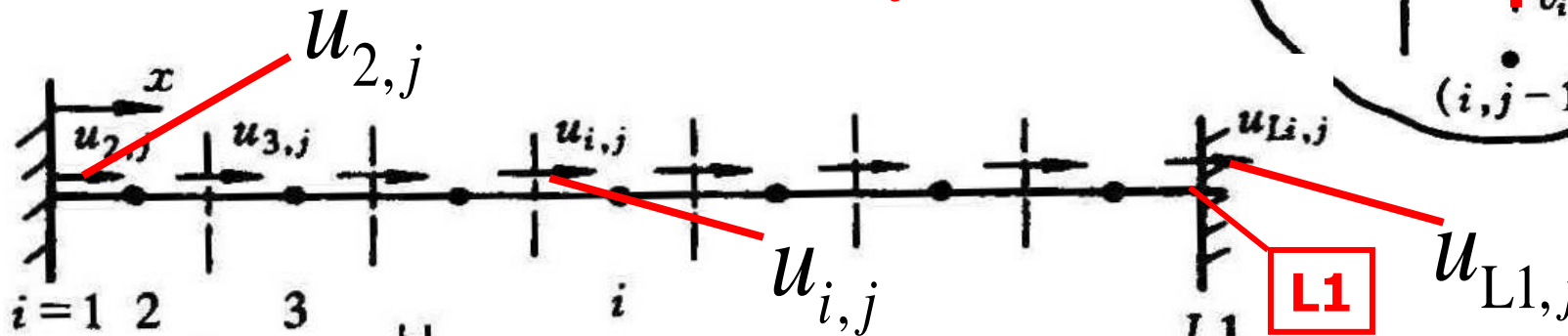
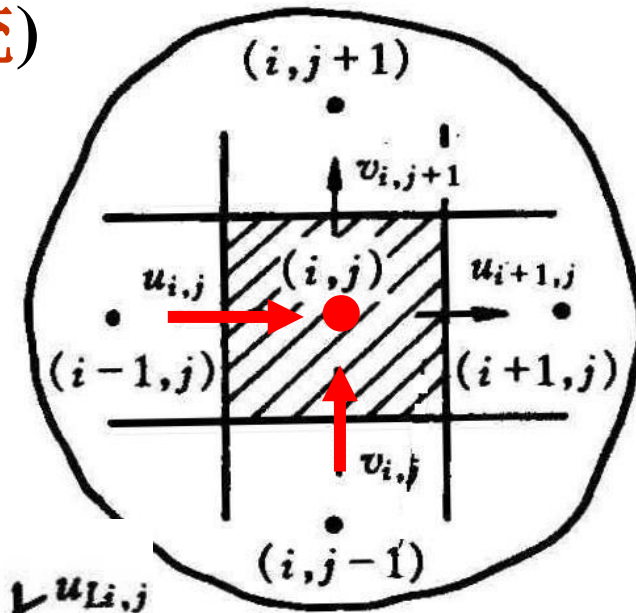
## 6.2.4 Remarks (注意事项)

1. Three variables should be numbered consistently (一致地) — The number of the node toward which the velocity arrow directs is the number of the velocity

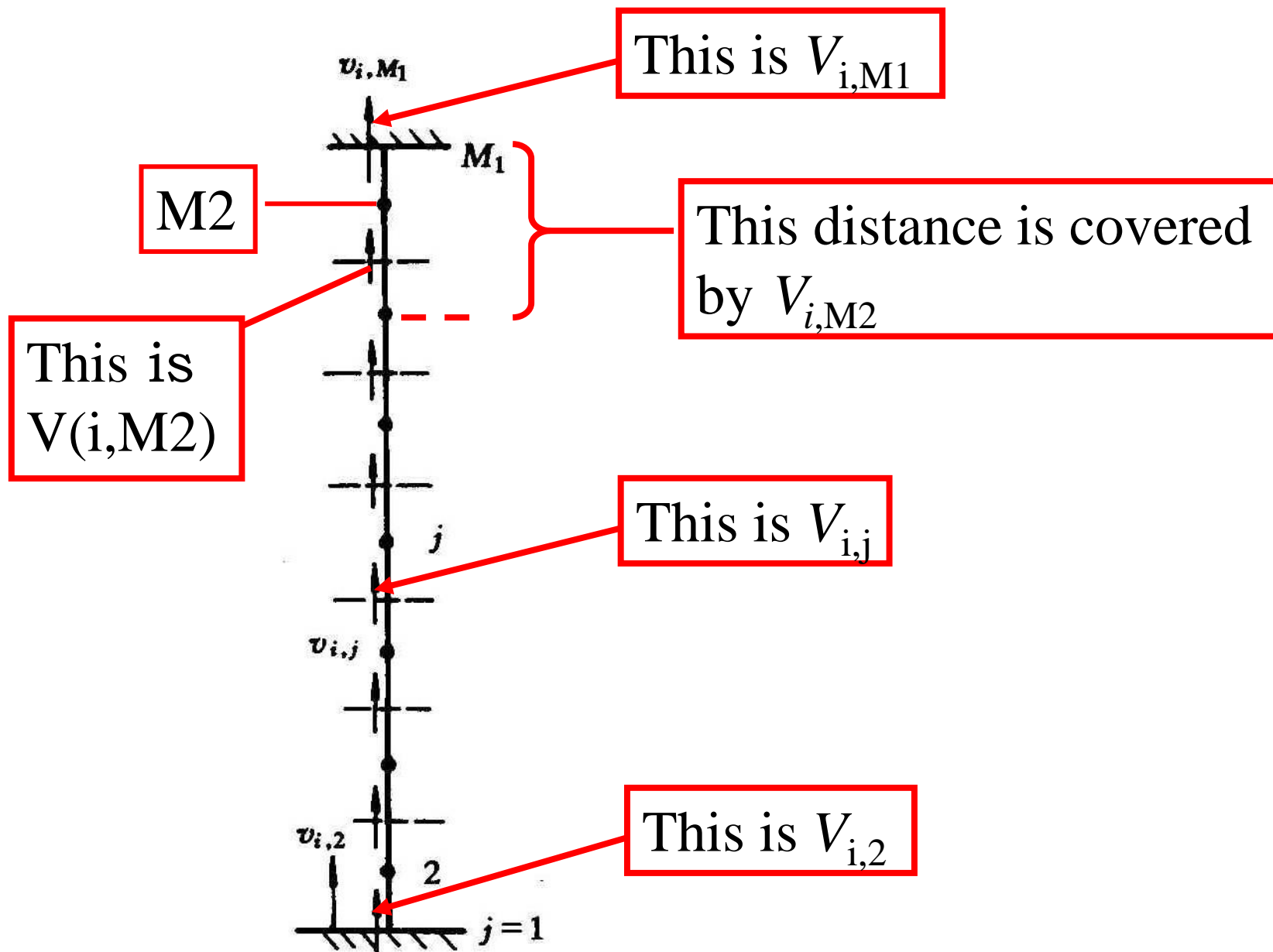
Such numbering system(编号系统) has following consequences (结果):

The starting value of E-W direction of  $u$  is  $i = 2$ ;

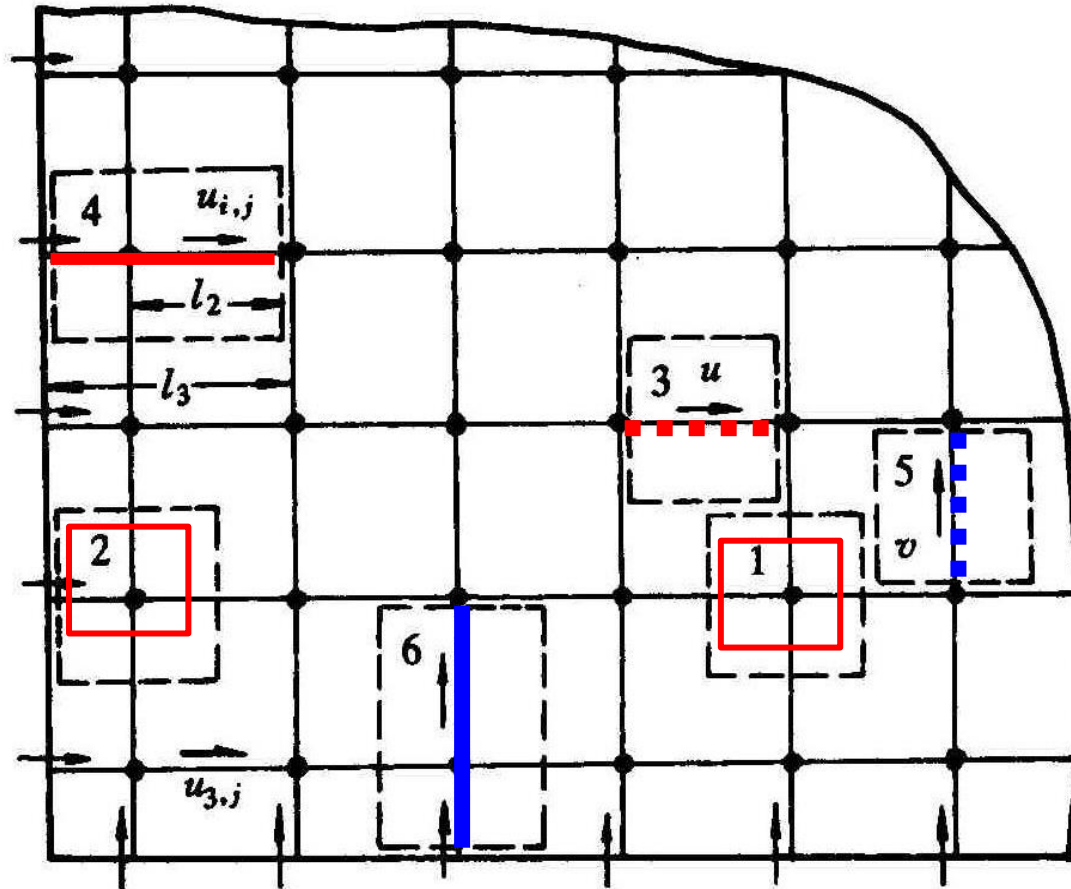
That for S-N direction of  $v$  is  $j = 2$ .







2. Velocity control volume neighboring with boundary is different from inner ones in order to cover the whole domain



Six types of nodes(CV)

No	1	2
Type	$\phi$ (Inner)	$\phi$ (B.)

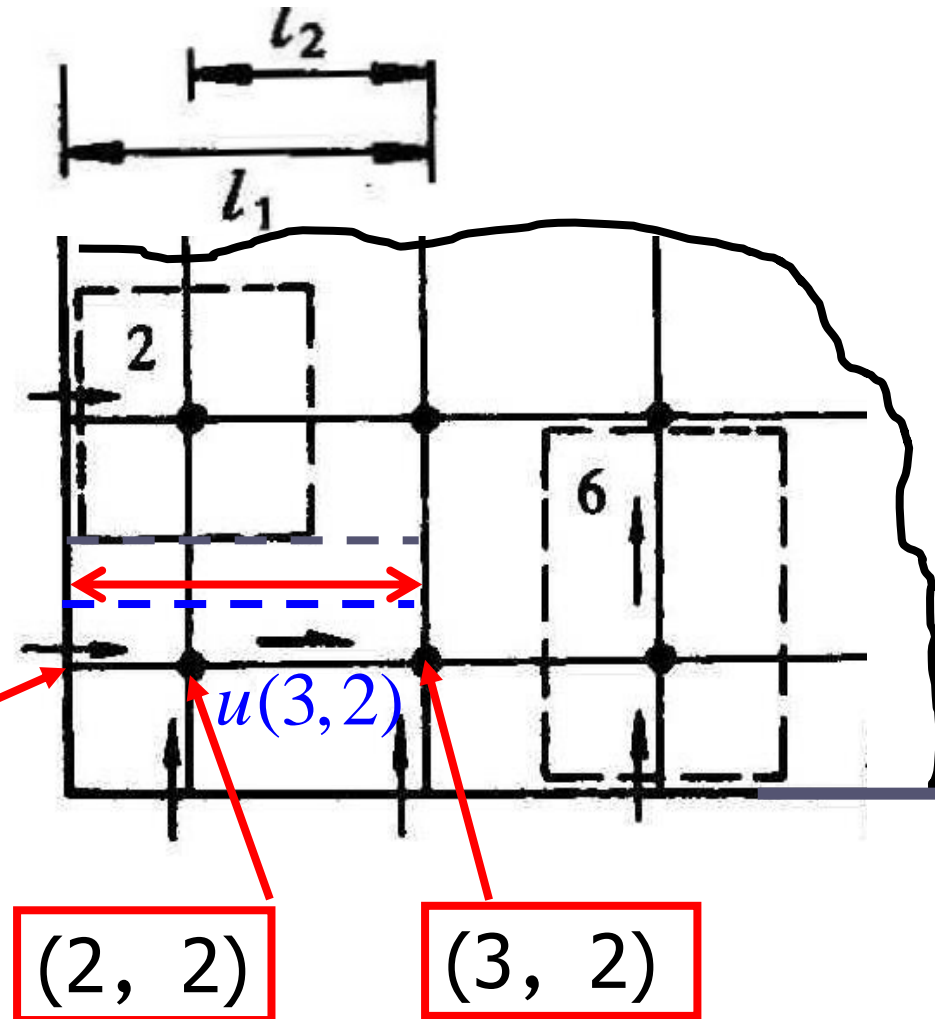
3	4	5	6
$u$ (In.)	$u$ (B.)	$v$ (In.)	$v$ (B.)

### 3. Pressure difference for velocity CV neighboring with boundary

In the iteration process the boundary pressure is not updated (更新) until convergence.

In the solution process the pressure difference for  $u(3,2)$  is interpolated from inner data as follows:

$$p(3,2) - p(1,2) = [p(3,2) - p(2,2)] \frac{l_1}{l_2}$$



## 6.3 Pressure correction methods for N-S equation

6.3.1 Basic idea of pressure correction methods

6.3.2 Equations for velocity corrections of  $u'$ ,  $v'$

6.3.3 Derivation of equation of pressure correction  $p'$

6.3.4 Boundary condition for pressure correction

## 6.3 Pressure correction methods for N-S equation

### 6.3.1 Basic idea of pressure correction methods

At each iteration level after a converged velocity field of the momentum equation is obtained based on the existing pressure field, correction for the pressure field should be conducted such that the velocities corresponding to the corrected pressure field satisfy the mass conservation condition. 20241015

1. Assuming a pressure field, denoted by  $p^*$ ;
2. Solving the discretized momentum equations based on  $p^*$ , the results may not satisfy mass conservation;
3. Improving pressure field according to mass conservation, yielding a correction term,  $p'$ , for which following condition should be satisfied:

velocities  $(u^*+u')$ ,  $(v^*+v')$  corresponding to  $(p^*+p')$  satisfy mass conservation condition;

4. Taking  $(p^*+p')$ ,  $(u^*+u')$ ,  $(v^*+v')$  as the solutions of this level for the next iteration.

### Two explanations:

(1) “Level” (层次) means a computational period during which the coefficients and source term are not changed; Different level corresponds different coefficients and source term;

(2) Solutions  $u^*$ ,  $v^*$  based on  $p^*$  satisfy the momentum equations at that level, but do not satisfy mass conservation

condition; While the revised velocities  $(u^*+u')$ ,  $(v^*+v')$  satisfy the mass conservation condition but do not satisfy the momentum equation. In the iteration process both the mass conservation and the momentum equation can be gradually satisfied.

The key of pressure correction method is how to get equations for determining  $p'$ ,  $u'$ ,  $v'$ .

### 6.3.2 How to determine $u'$ , $v'$ based on $p'$

**First**,  $p^*$ ,  $u^*$ ,  $v^*$  satisfy the momentum equation of this level

$$a_e u_e^* = \sum a_{nb} u_{nb}^* + b + A_e (p_P^* - p_E^*) \quad (1)$$

**Then** we assume that the corrected pressure and velocity should also satisfy the present level momentum equation

$$\underline{a_e} (u_e^* + u_e') = \sum \underline{a_{nb}} (u_{nb}^* + u_{nb}') + \underline{b} + A_e [(p_P^* + p_P') - (p_E^* + p_E')] \quad (2)$$

Subtracting Eq.(1) from Eq.(2), all \* terms and **b** are cancelled:

$$a_e u_e' = \sum \underline{a_{nb}} u_{nb}' + \underline{A_e} (p_P' - p_E') \quad (3)$$

Effects of  $(u_e')$ 's  
neighboring velocity  
corrections on  $u_e'$

Effects of  $(u_e')$ 's  
neighboring pressure  
corrections

**Analysis:** From Eq.(3) with given  $p'$  to solve  $u_e'$  is very complicated, since  $u_{nb}$  should be known; Every velocity has its neighbors, and finally the simultaneous solution (**联立求解**) of  $u'$  for the entire domain is necessary. For problems with large grid number, say around  $10^6 \sim 10^8$ , this is unmanageable (**无法实施**)。



It may be expected: the effects of pressure correction are dominant, and the effects of velocity corrections of the neighboring nodes **may be approximately neglected, thus**

$$a_e u'_e = \sum a_{nb} v'_{nb} + A_e (p'_P - p'_E) \rightarrow a_e u'_e = A_e (p'_P - p'_E)$$

Then every  $u', v'$  can be **explicitly** solved from given  $p'$

$$u'_e = \frac{A_e}{a_e} (p'_P - p'_E) = d_e (p'_P - p'_E), \quad d_e = \frac{A_e}{a_e}$$

$$\text{Similarly: } v'_n = \frac{A_n}{a_n} (p'_P - p'_N) = d_n (p'_P - p'_N), \quad d_n = \frac{A_n}{a_n}$$

The corrected velocities are:

$$u_e = u_e^* + d_e (p'_P - p'_E) \quad v_n = v_n^* + d_n (p'_P - p'_N)$$

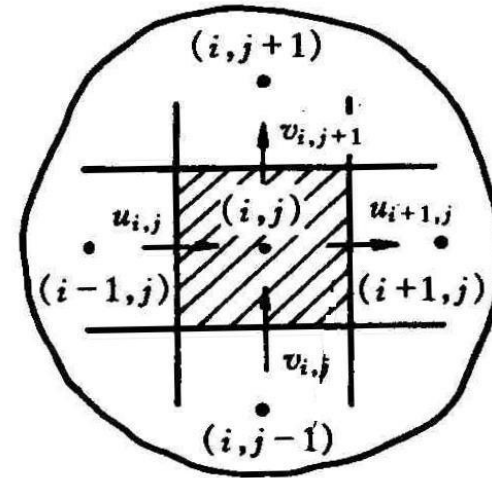
## 6.3.3 Derivation of pressure correction equation

### 1. Discretizing mass conservation

$$\text{Integrating } \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} = 0$$

over CV P,  $(i, j)$ , yielding

$$\frac{\rho_P - \rho_P^0}{\Delta t} \Delta x \Delta y + [(\rho u)_e - (\rho u)_w] \Delta y + [(\rho v)_n - (\rho v)_s] \Delta x = 0$$



**Notice:** on the staggered grid system there are velocities at interfaces making the integration very easy.

## 2. Substituting the equations of corrected velocities

$$u_e = u_e^* + d_e(p'_P - p'_E)$$

$$u_w = u_w^* + d_w(p'_W - p'_P)$$

$$\frac{\rho_P - \rho_P^0}{\Delta t} \Delta x \Delta y + [(\rho u)_e - (\rho u)_w] \Delta y + [(\rho v)_n - (\rho v)_s] \Delta x = 0$$

$$v_n = v_n^* + d_n(p'_P - p'_N)$$

$$v_s = v_s^* + d_s(p'_S - p'_P)$$

Finally:

$$a_P p'_P = a_E p'_E + a_W p'_W + a_N p'_N + a_S p'_S + b$$

$$a_P = a_E + a_W + a_N + a_S$$

$$a_E = d_e A_e \rho_e \quad a_W = d_w A_w \rho_w \quad a_n = d_n A_n \rho_n \quad a_S = d_s A_s \rho_s$$

$$b = \frac{(\rho_P^0 - \rho_P) \Delta x \Delta y}{\Delta t} + [(\rho u^*)_w - (\rho u^*)_e] A_e + [(\rho v^*)_s - (\rho v^*)_n] A_n$$

**Remarks:** If mass conservation condition is satisfied for a CV in the previous iteration, then its  $b = 0$ ; Thus the  $b$  term in the  $p'$  equation reflects whether the mass conservation of each CV is satisfied, and can serve as one of criteria for convergence of the iteration.

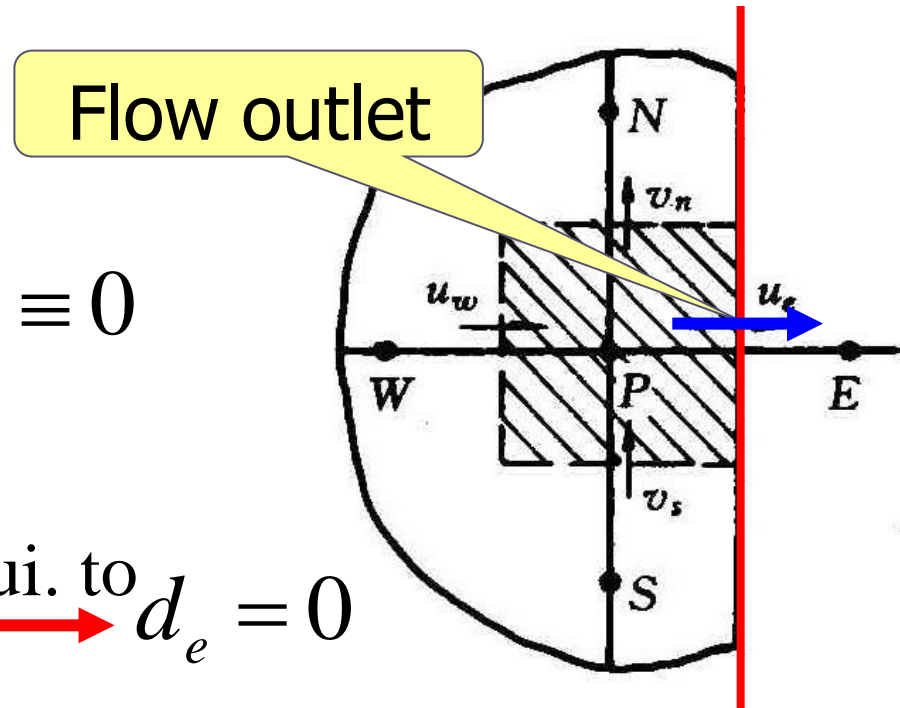
## 6.3.4 Boundary condition of pressure correction equation

In **essence** (本质上), equations for pressure correction is a kind of discretized mass conservation equation. **All differential equations should have their boundary conditions for unique solutions. So does the pressure correction equation. There are two common boundary conditions:**

### 1. Given normal velocity

For given  $u_e$   $\xrightarrow{u_e^* \text{ taking given value}}$   $u_e = u_e^* + u_e'$   $\rightarrow$   $u_e' \equiv 0$   
(1<sup>st</sup> kind B.C of velocity)

$u_e' = d_e \Delta p_e' \rightarrow d_e \Delta p_e' \equiv 0 \xrightarrow{\text{Equi. to}} d_e = 0$



$$a_E = d_e \rho_e A_e \xrightarrow{d_e = 0} a_E \equiv 0$$

## 2. Given boundary pressure

For given boundary pressure

$$p_E = p_E^* + p_E' \xrightarrow{p_E^* \text{ taking the given value}} p_E' \equiv 0$$

In the pressure correction eq.

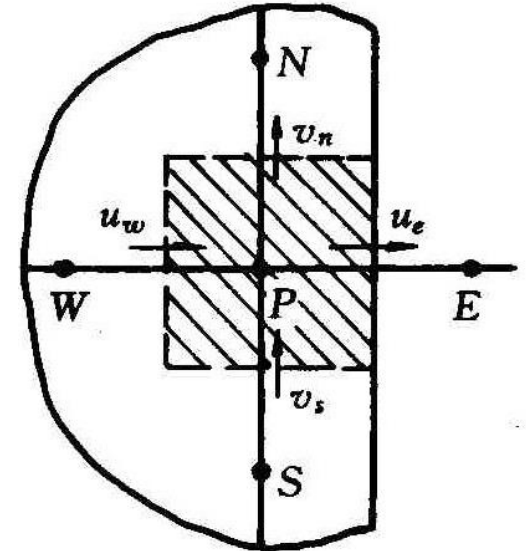
$$\xrightarrow{} a_E p_E' = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{Equi. to}} a_E \equiv 0!$$

$a_E$  appears in term of  $a_E p_E'$

The two boundary conditions both lead to

$$a_E \equiv 0.$$

Surprisingly simple!



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