

# Numerical Heat Transfer

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## 13.3 Lid-driven flow and heat transfer

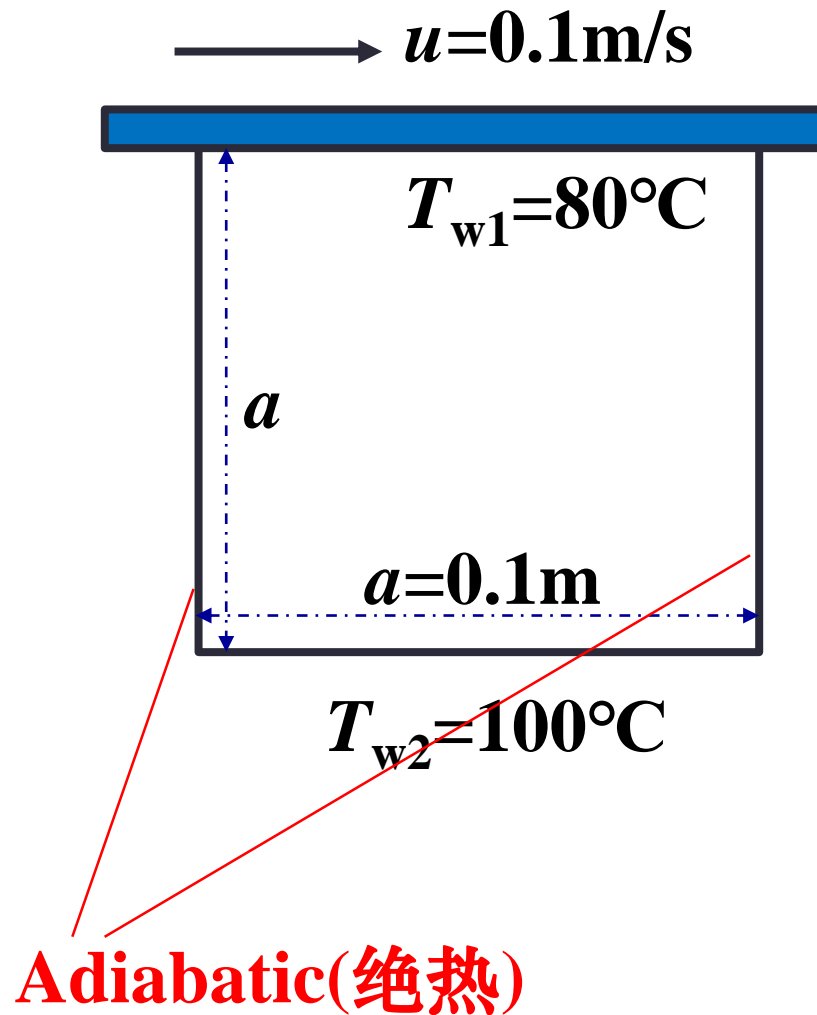
### 顶盖驱动流动换热问题

**Focus:** compared with previous examples, the focus of this example is that fluid flow is further considered and **moving wall boundary condition** is adopted.

## 13.3 Lid-driven flow

### Known:

An infinite long solid plate with uniform temperature  $T_{w1} = 80^\circ\text{C}$  is moving at the top of a square cavity with velocity  $u=0.1\text{m/s}$ . The left and right walls of the cavity are adiabatic (绝热), while the temperature of bottom wall is fixed at  $T_{w2} = 100^\circ\text{C}$ . The effect of gravity is neglected.



**Fig.1 Computational domain**

## **Find:** Velocity and temperature distribution

### **Solution:**

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

**Momentum:** 
$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

**Energy:** 
$$\frac{\partial(\rho C_p u T)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho C_p v T)}{\partial y} = \lambda \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right)$$



We should estimate  $Re$  to determine laminar or turbulent state.

Know:

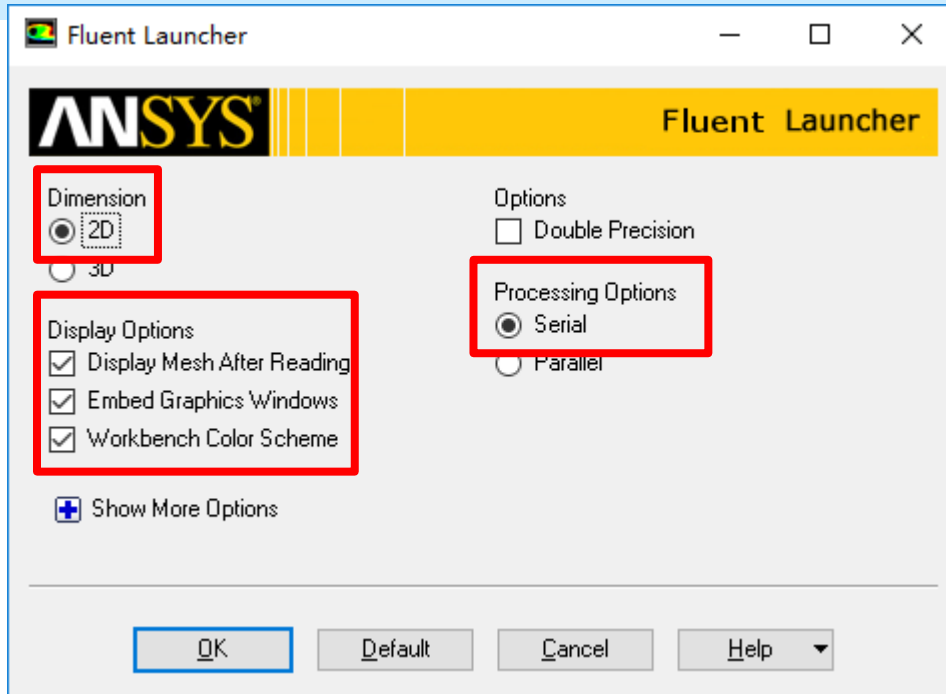
$$u_{max} = 0.1 \text{ m/s}, l = 0.1 \text{ m}, \nu = 1.46 \text{ E} - 6 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}$$

$$Re = \frac{ul}{\nu} = 684$$

Laminar flow

**Remark:** in this problem, we just take into account the forced convection. Nature convection is neglected. You can further study the effects of nature convection!

# Start the Fluent software



1. Choose **2-Dimension**
2. Choose display options
3. Choose **Serial** processing option



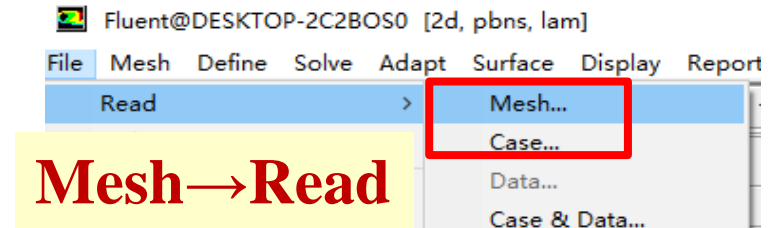
**Note: Double precision or Single precision**

For most cases the single precision version of Fluent is sufficient. For heat transfer problem, **if the thermal conductivity between different components is high,**

**Double precision version is better.**

## 1st step: **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 code.



```
> Reading "E:\fluent-case\flow-5\flow2.cas"...  
Done.  
 9801 quadrilateral cells, zone 8, binary.  
19404 2D interior faces, zone 9, binary.  
 99 2D wall faces, zone 10, binary.  
 99 2D wall faces, zone 11, binary.  
198 2D wall faces, zone 12, binary.  
10000 nodes, binary.  
10000 node flags, binary.
```

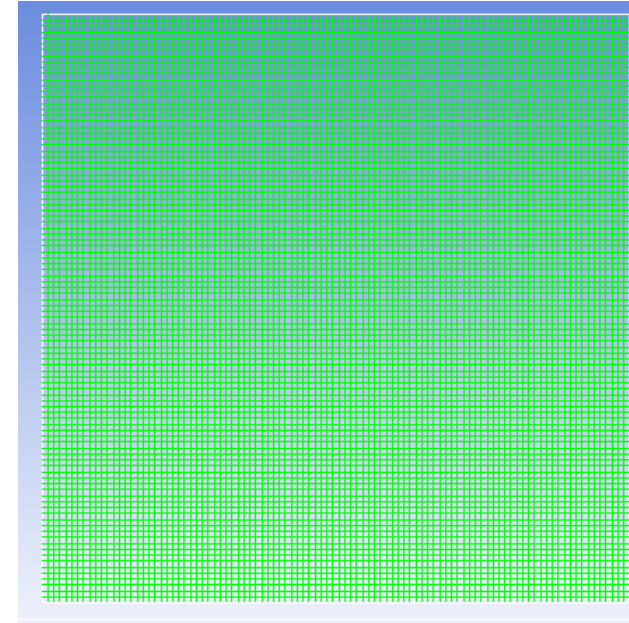
```
Building...  
 mesh  
 materials,  
 interface,  
 domains,  
 mixture  
 zones,  
 fixed-wall  
 bottom-wall  
 move-wall  
 int_solid  
 fluid
```

```
Done.
```

# 1st step: Read and **check** the mesh

## Mesh → Check/Report quality

- Check the **quality and topological information** of the mesh

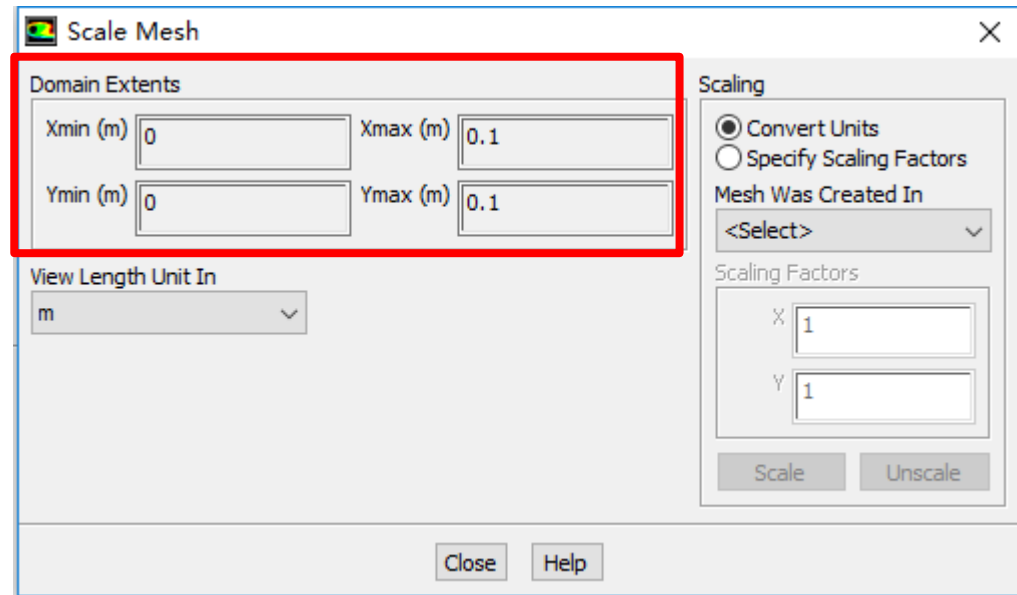
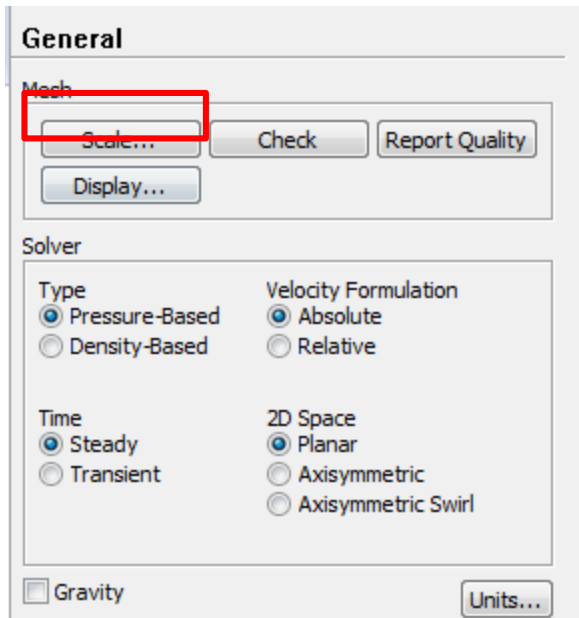


```
Domain Extents:  
  x-coordinate: min (m) = 0.000000e+00, max (m) = 1.000000e-01  
  y-coordinate: min (m) = 0.000000e+00, max (m) = 1.000000e-01  
Volume statistics:  
  minimum volume (m3): 1.020304e-06  
  maximum volume (m3): 1.020304e-06  
  total volume (m3): 1.000000e-02  
Face area statistics:  
  minimum face area (m2): 1.010101e-03  
  maximum face area (m2): 1.010101e-03  
Checking mesh.....  
Done.
```

```
Mesh Quality:  
  Orthogonal Quality ranges from 0 to 1, where values close to 0 correspond to low quality.  
  Minimum Orthogonal Quality = 1.000000e+00  
  Maximum Aspect Ratio = 1.41422e+00
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## 2st step: Scale the domain size

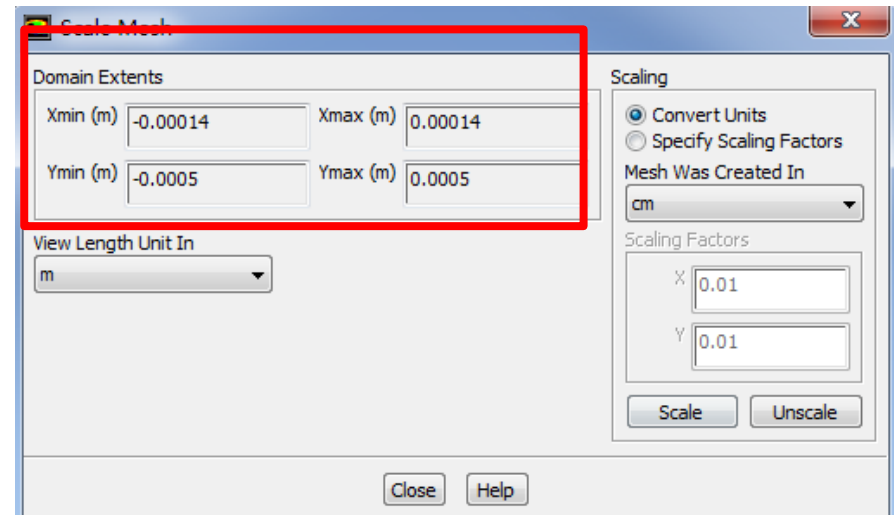
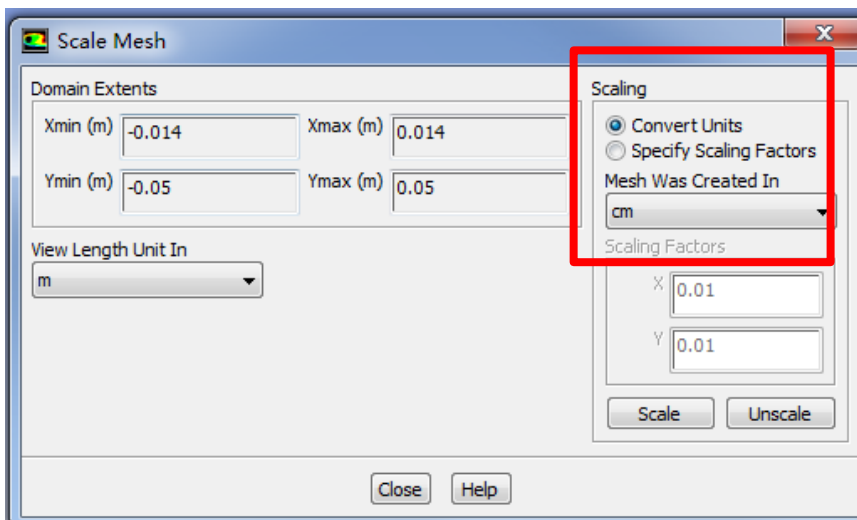
### General→Scale



- **Fluent stores the mesh in units as “m”, SI unit. You can show it in different units such as cm, mm, in, or ft.**
- **This time ,we don’t need to scale the mesh.**

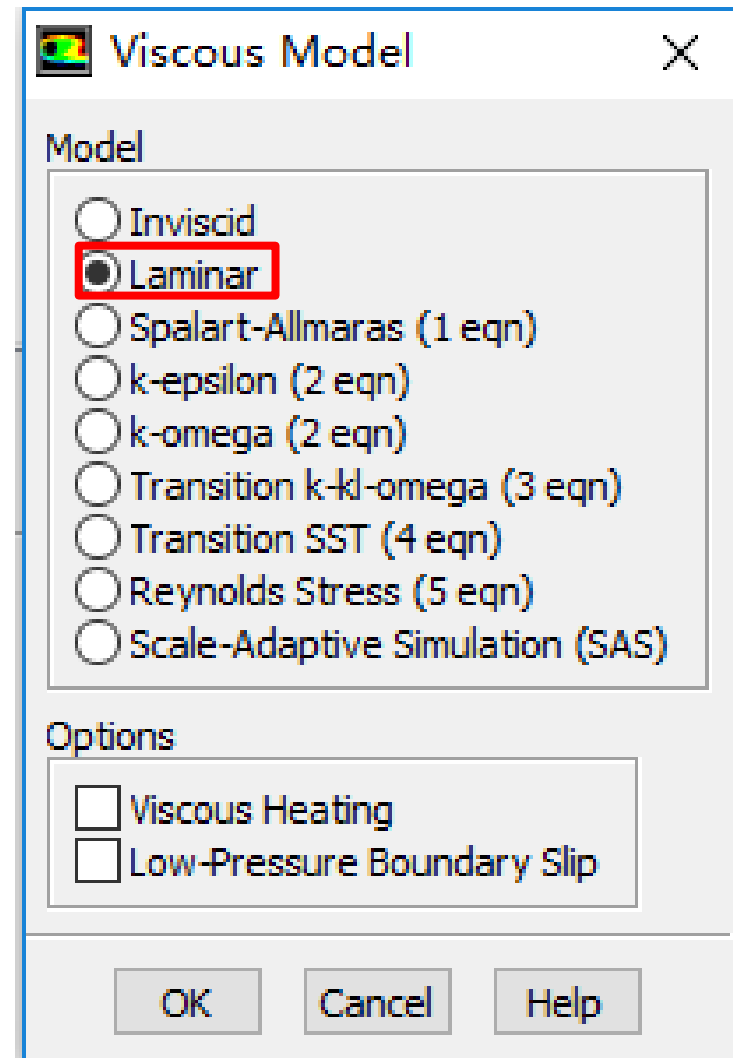
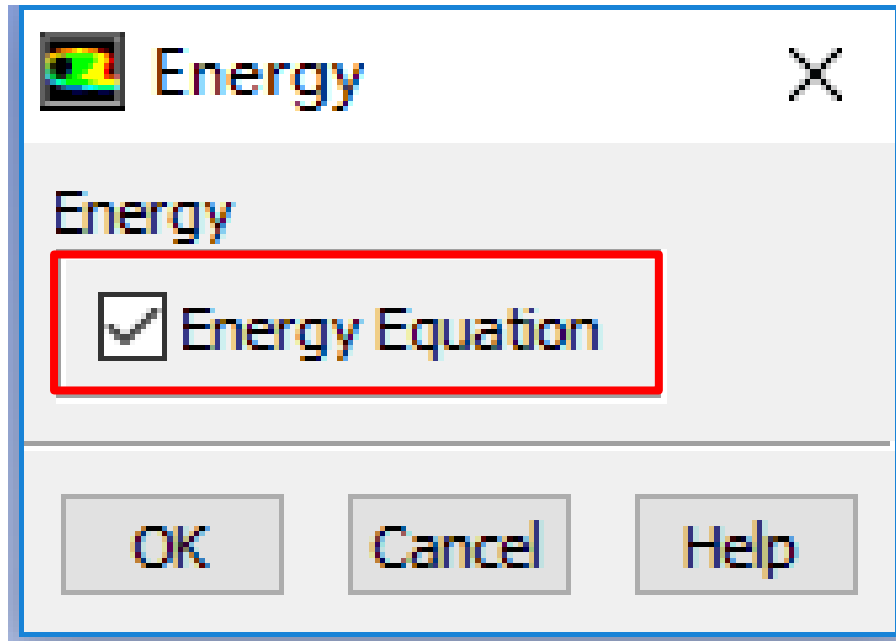
- You also can scale the domain size use “Convert Units” or “Specify Scaling Factors” command.

**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 change the mesh into the right size. The values will be multiplied by the Scaling Factor.

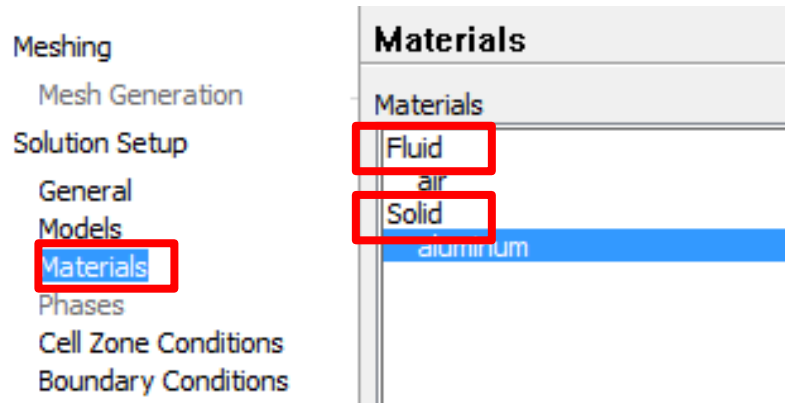


## Step 3: Choose the physicochemical model

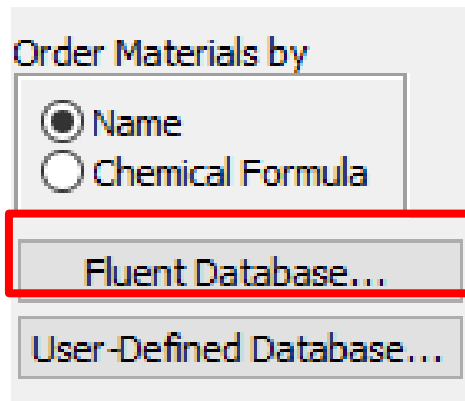
Based on the governing equations you are going to solve, select the related model in Fluent.



## Step 4: Define the materials



Click “Fluid” or “Solid”  
or select the “create/edit”



Fluent provide a lot of materials in its database. Usually, You can find the material you need in the database.

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



# 5st step: Define the cell-zone condition

**Cell Zone Conditions**

Zone

inner

Phase: mixture

Type: fluid

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Edit... Copy... Profiles... Parameters... Operating Conditions... Display Mesh...

Type

fluid

**Fluid**

Zone Name: inner

Material Name: air Edit...

Frame Motion  Source Terms  
 Mesh Motion  Fixed Values  
 Porous Zone

Reference Frame | Mesh Motion | Porous Zone | Embedded LES | Reaction

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## 6st step: Define the Boundary conditions

### Boundary Conditions

Zone

bottom-wall  
fixed-wall  
int\_solid  
move-wall

Phase

mixture

Type

interior

ID

9

Edit...

Copy...

Profiles...

Parameters...

Operating Conditions...

Display Mesh...

Periodic Conditions...

The bottom wall is not moving and its temperature is 80°C. The left and right wall is adiabatic.

All these boundary conditions are easy to set in Fluent.

The top wall is moving. We will discuss it in detail.

“Moving wall” is used to include **tangential** (切向) motion of the wall. This function cannot be used to include the normal (法向) motion of a wall.

Wall

Zone Name  
move-wall

Adjacent Cell Zone  
solid

Momentum | Thermal | Radiation | Species | DPM | Multiphase | UDS | Wall Film

Wall Motion

Stationary Wall  
 Moving Wall

Motion

Relative to Adjacent Cell Zone  
 Absolute

Speed (m/s)  
0.1

Direction

X 1

Y 0

Shear Condition

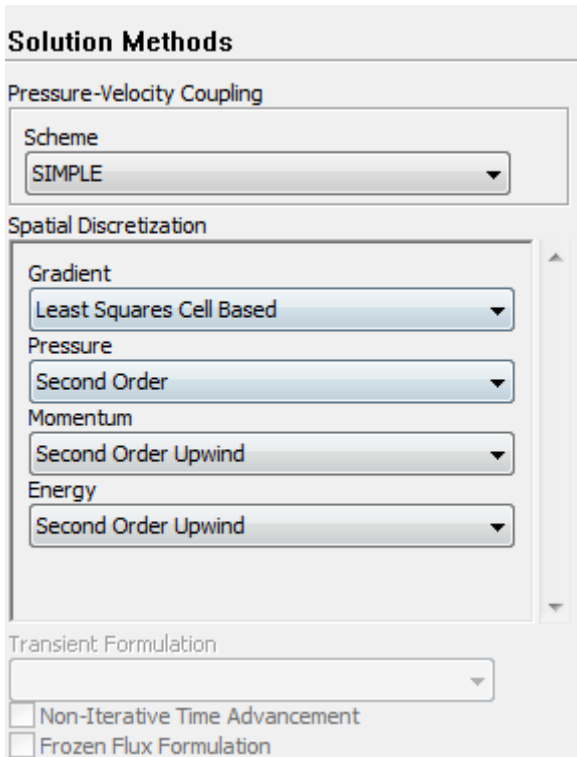
No Slip  
 Specified Shear  
 Specularity Coefficient  
 Marangoni Stress

Wall Roughness

Roughness Height (m)

## 7st step: Define the solution

For algorithm and schemes, keep it as default. For more details of this step, **one can refer to Example 1** of Chapter 13.



**Algorithm:** simple

**Gradient:** Least Square Cell Based

**Pressure:** second order

**Momentum:** second order upwind

**Energy:** second order Upwind

## 7st step: **Define the solution**

For under-relaxation factor, keep it default. For more details, refer to **Example 1**.

## 8st step: Initialization

Use the standard initialization, for more details of Hybrid initialization, refer to Example 1.

## Step 9: Run the simulation

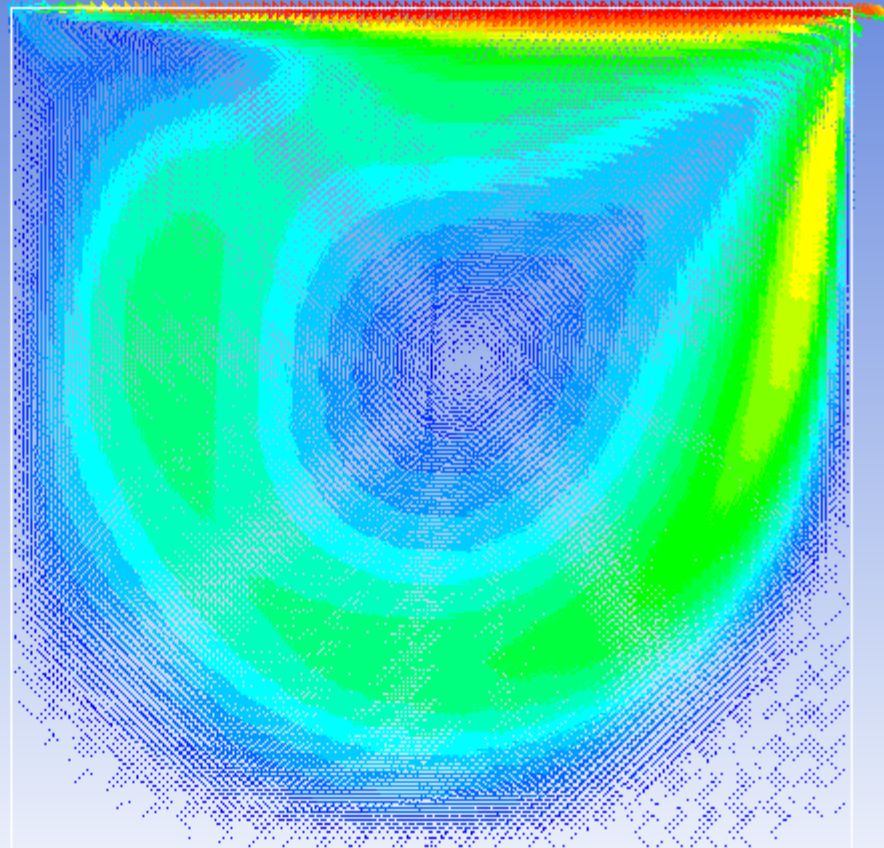
## Step 10: Post-processing results

# Velocity Vector

1: Velocity Vectors Colored B ▾



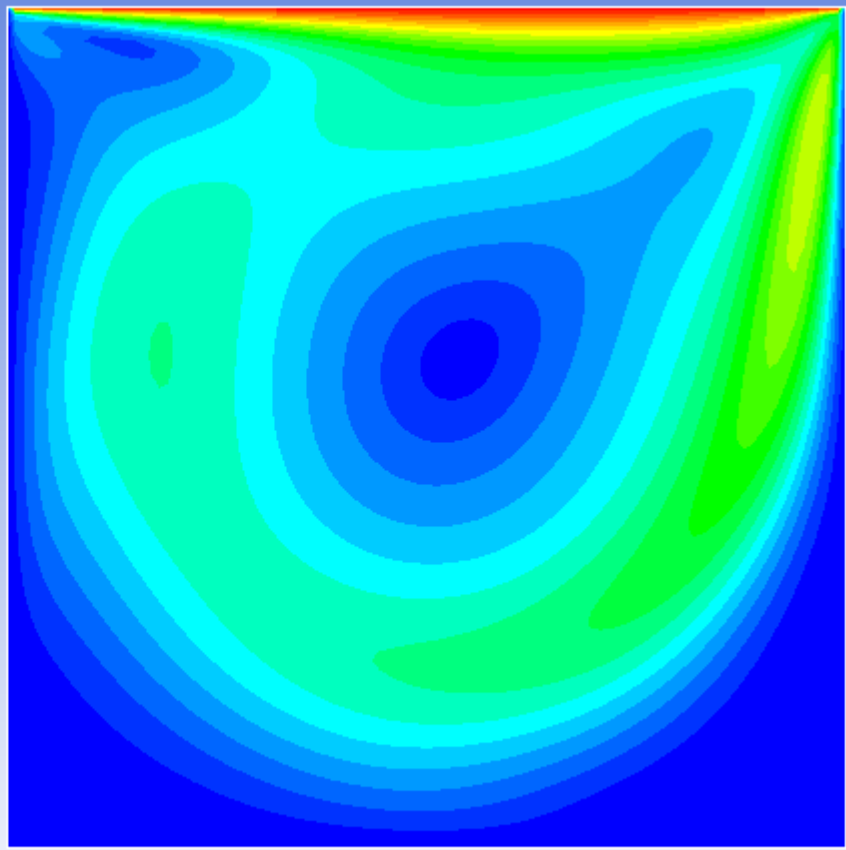
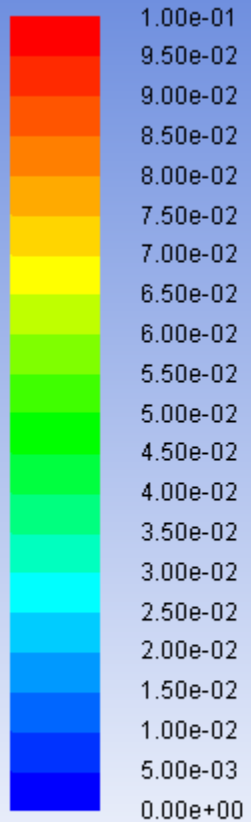
- 9.40e-02
- 8.93e-02
- 8.46e-02
- 7.99e-02
- 7.52e-02
- 7.05e-02
- 6.58e-02
- 6.11e-02
- 5.64e-02
- 5.17e-02
- 4.70e-02
- 4.23e-02
- 3.76e-02
- 3.29e-02
- 2.82e-02
- 2.35e-02
- 1.88e-02
- 1.41e-02
- 9.40e-03
- 4.70e-03
- 8.34e-07



Velocity Vectors Colored By Velocity Magnitude (m/s)

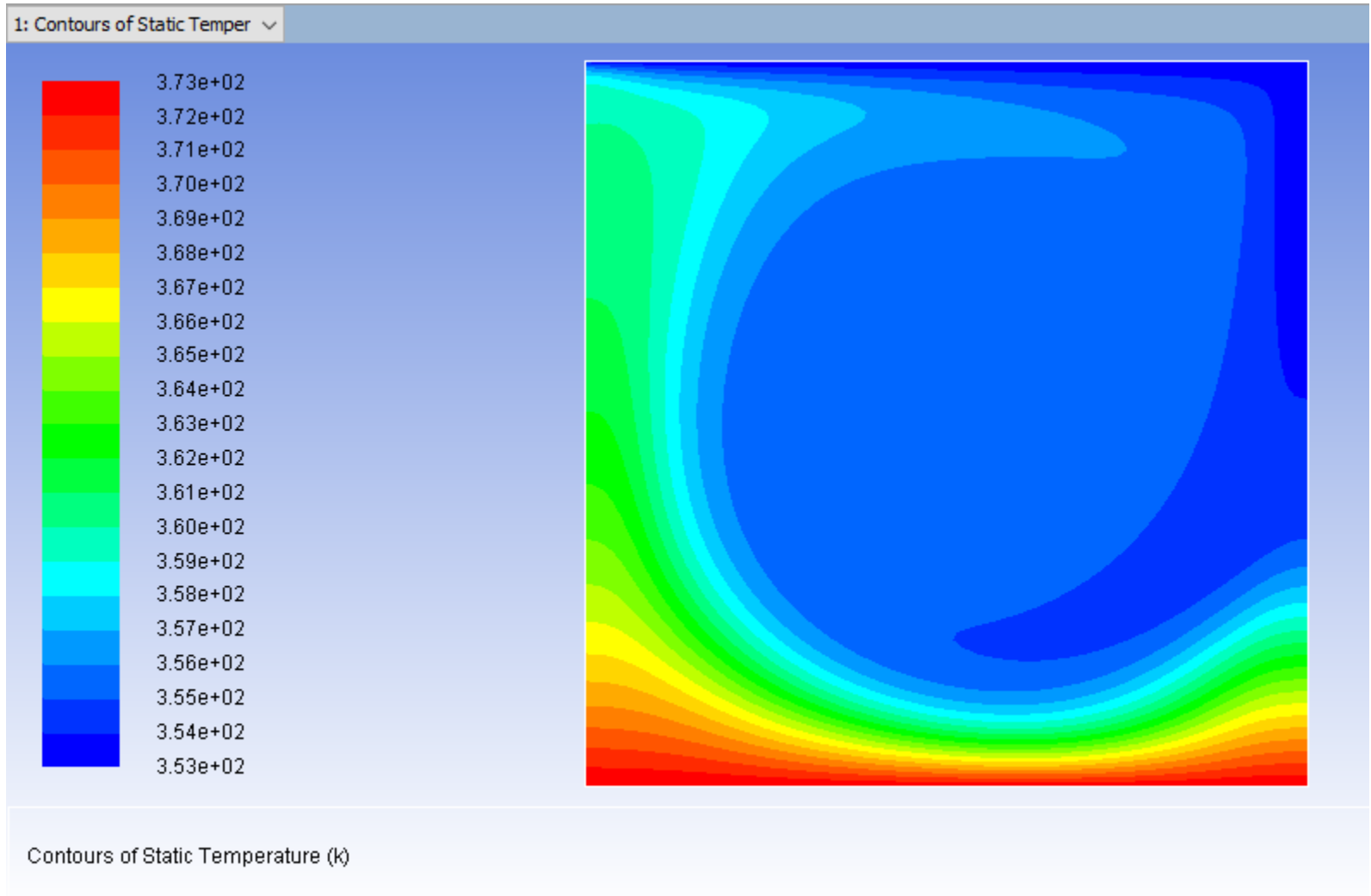
# Velocity magnitude

1: Contours of Velocity Magn



Contours of Velocity Magnitude (m/s)

# Temperature





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

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

- |                                 |                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>1. Read mesh</b>             | <b>2. Scale domain</b>              |
| <b>3. Choose model</b>          | <b>4. Define material</b>           |
| <b>5. Define zone condition</b> | <b>6. Define boundary condition</b> |
| <b>7. Solution</b>              | <b>8. Initialization</b>            |
| <b>9. Run the simulation.</b>   | <b>10. Post-processing</b>          |

## 13.4 Flow and heat transfer in a micro-channel

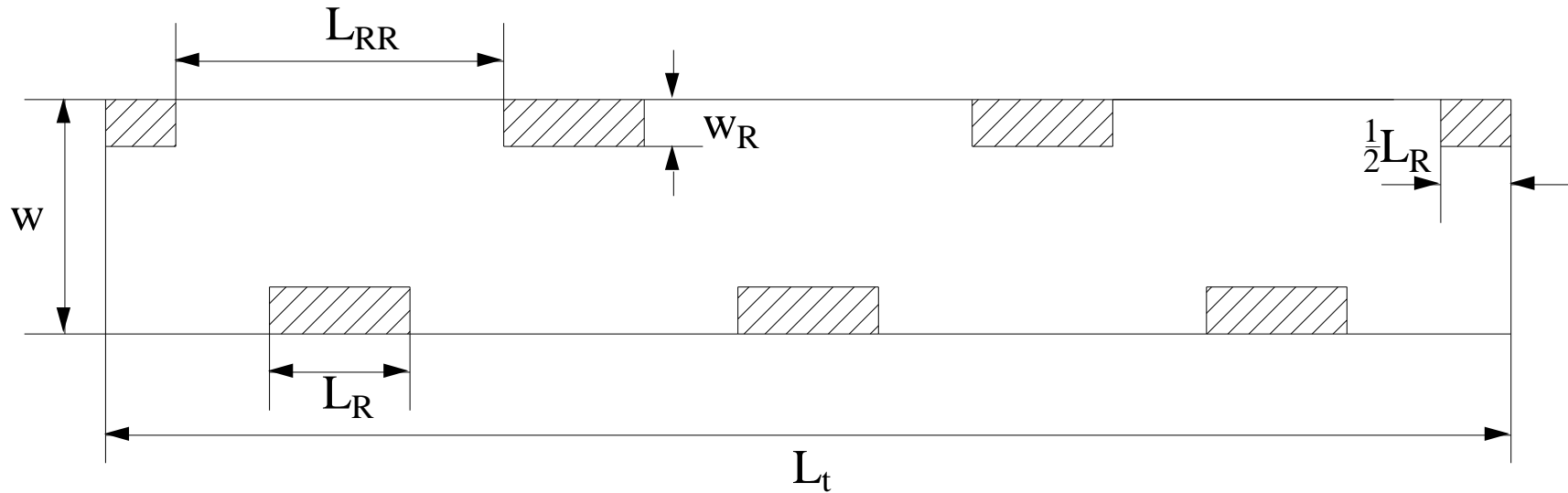
### 微通道内流动换热问题

**Focus:** compared with previous examples, the focus of this example is about **pressure-out boundary condition** and ‘**two-side-wall**’ boundary condition.

## 13.1 Single-phase fluid flow and heat transfer in micro channel with rectangular ribs (MC-RR)

**Known:** Cold water at  $T_f=20^\circ\text{C}$  flows into the inlet of a MC-RR with velocity  $u=0.1\text{m/s}$ . The side wall of MC-RR is heated with a uniform heat flux  $q = 30\text{W/cm}^2$ .

**Assumption:** (1) steady state, (2) laminar flow, (3) incompressible fluid, (4) constant fluid properties, (5) negligible **radioactive** and natural convective heat transfer from the micro channel heat sink.



**Fig.1 Computational domain**

**Table .1 Geometrical parameters of MC-RR**

Geometrical Parameters	$W$	$L_{RR}$	$W_R$	$L_R$	$L_t$
Value/mm	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.3	3



**Find:** Temperature distribution and pressure distribution in the domain.

**Governing equations:**

**Continuity equation:**

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

**Momentum equations:**

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho_f} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\mu_f}{\rho_f} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho_f} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{\mu_f}{\rho_f} \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

## Energy equation:

$$\frac{\partial(\rho_f C_{pf} u_f T_f)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho_f C_{pf} v_f T_f)}{\partial y} = \lambda_f \left( \frac{\partial^2 T_f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T_f}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

where  $T_f$  is the coolant's temperature,  $c_{pf}$  is fluid specific heat and  $k_f$  is fluid thermal conductivity.

## Energy equation for the solid region:

$$0 = k_s \left( \frac{\partial^2 T_s}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T_s}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

where  $T_s$  is solid temperature and  $k_s$  is solid thermal conductivity

## Boundary condition:

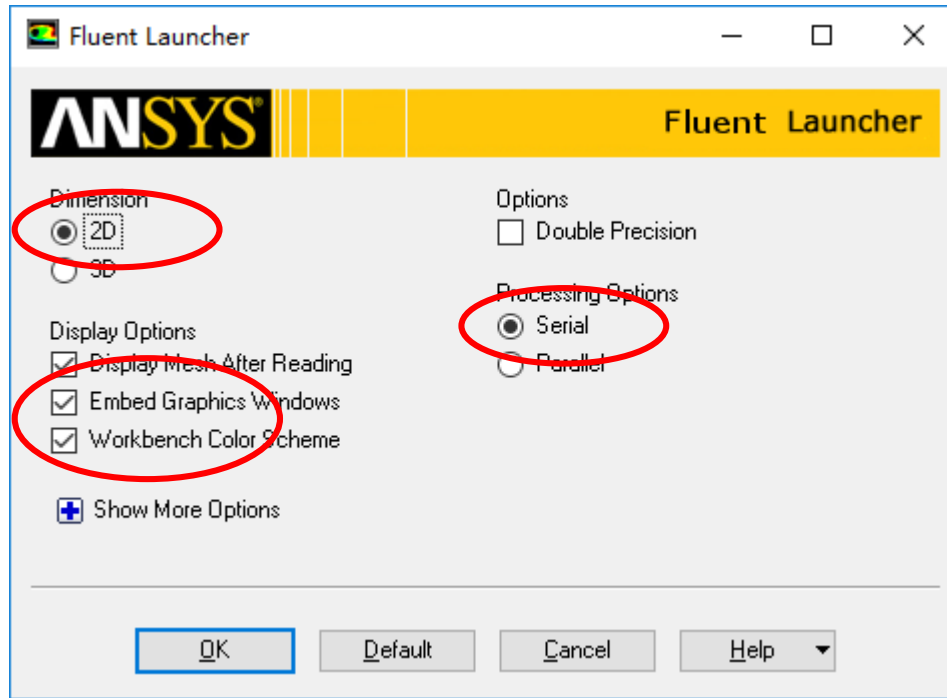
1. channel inlet  $x = 0$   
 $u = u_f$   
For fluid  $T_f = T_{in} = 293.15\text{K}$

2. Channel outlet  $x = 3\text{mm}$   
 $P_f = P_{out} = 1\text{atm}$   
For fluid  $-k_f \left( \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial x} \right) = 0$

3. fluid/solid surface  
 $u = v = 0$   
 $-k_s \left( \frac{\partial T_s}{\partial n} \right) = -k_f \left( \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial n} \right)$   
Where (n) is the coordinate normal to the wall

4. At side wall  
 $-k_s \left( \frac{\partial T_s}{\partial y} \right) = q = 30\text{W/cm}^2$

# Start the Fluent software



1. Choose **2-Dimension**
2. Choose **display options**
3. Choose **Serial processing option**

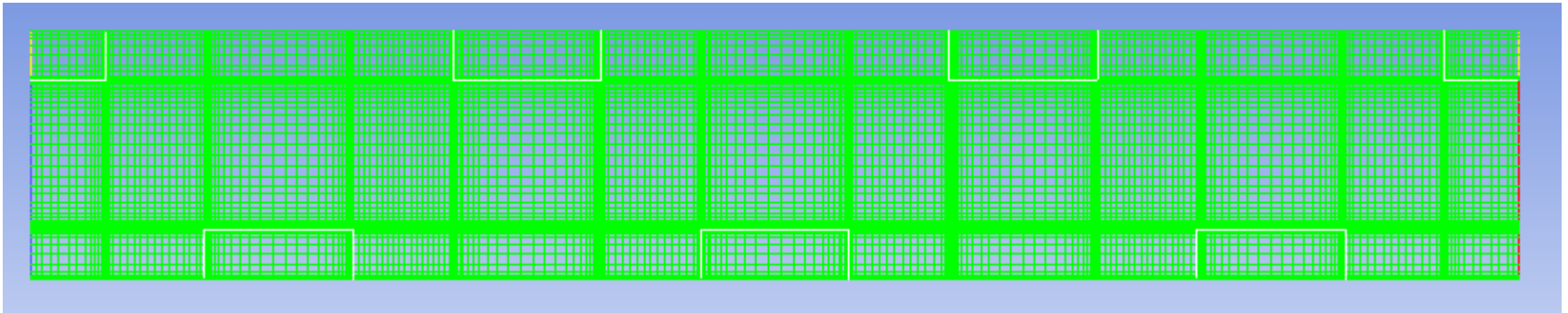
## Note: Double precision or Single precision

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```
> Reading "C:\Users\lichennht\Desktop\ansys\4fluent_
Done.
14340 quadrilateral cells, zone 15, binary.
 2124 quadrilateral cells, zone 16, binary.
28270 2D interior faces, zone 17, binary.
3987 2D interior faces, zone 18, binary.
  44 2D velocity-inlet faces, zone 19, binary.
  44 2D pressure-outlet faces, zone 20, binary.
 177 2D wall faces, zone 21, binary.
 321 2D wall faces, zone 22, binary.
```

```
411 2D wall faces, zone 23, binary.
 24 2D symmetry faces, zone 24, binary.
321 shadow face pairs, binary.
17129 nodes, binary.
17129 node flags, binary.
```

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

### Mesh→Check

- Check the **quality and topological information** of the mesh

#### Mesh Check

##### Domain Extents:

x-coordinate: min (m) = 2.500000e-04, max (m) = 3.250000e-03

y-coordinate: min (m) = 0.000000e+00, max (m) = 5.000000e-04

##### Volume statistics:

minimum volume (m3): 9.997533e-13

maximum volume (m3): 5.455531e-10

total volume (m3): 1.500000e-06

##### Face area statistics:

minimum face area (m2): 9.997748e-07

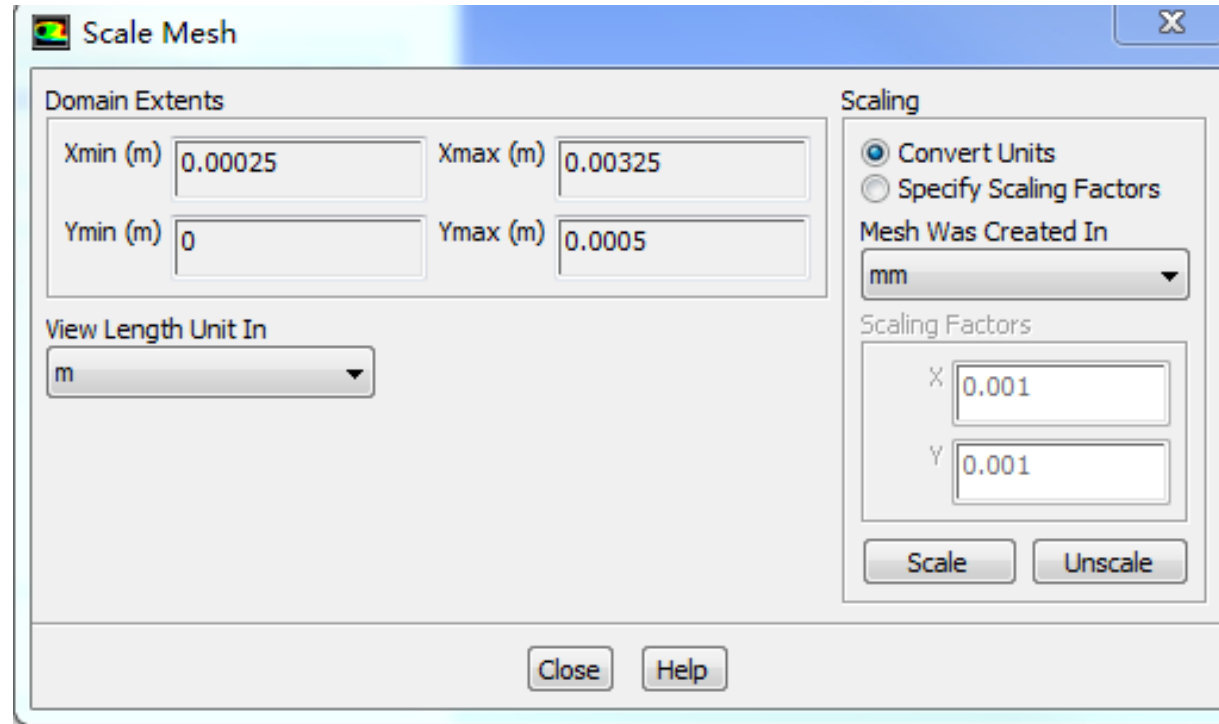
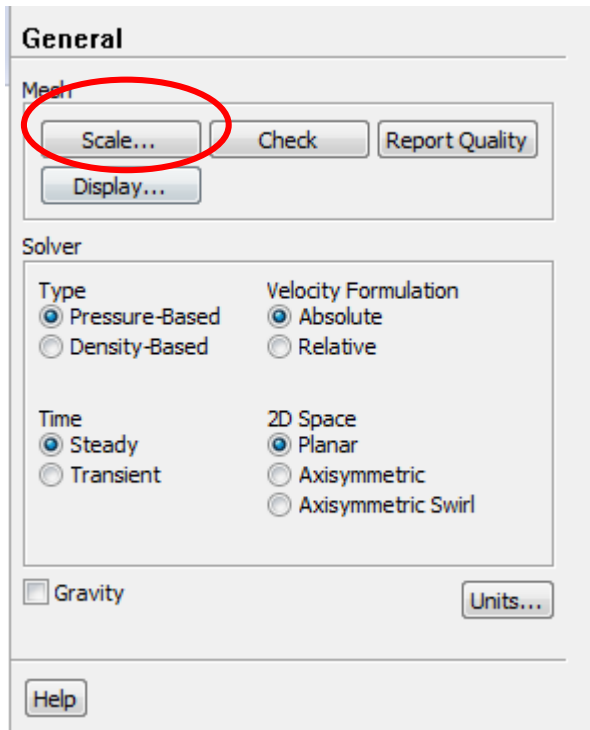
maximum face area (m2): 2.495997e-05

Checking mesh.....

Done.

# Step 2: Scale the domain size

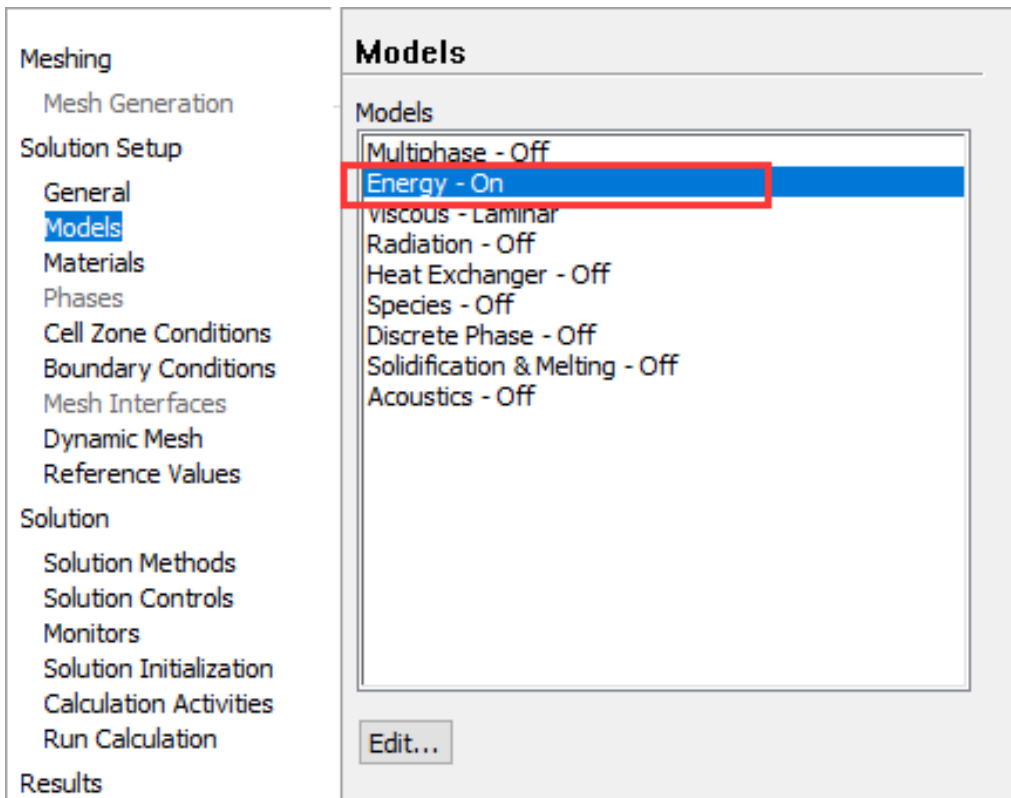
General → Scale



The mesh is generated in Fluent using unit of **mm**. Fluent import it as unit of **m**. Thus, “Convert units” is used.

## Step 3: Choose the physicochemical model

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



**Example 4 is about single-phase laminar flow and heat transfer, so Energy model should be activated.**



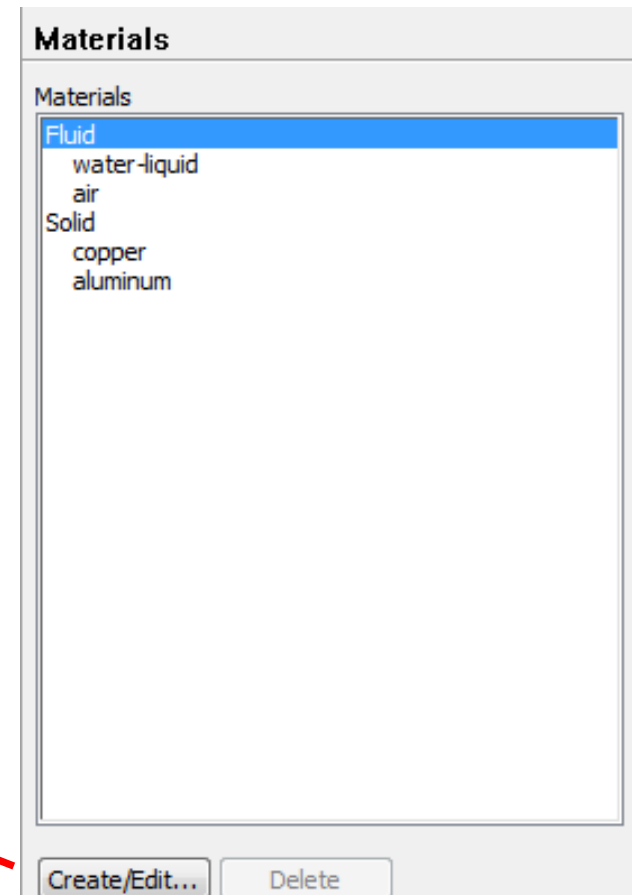
## Step 4: Define the material properties

Define the properties required for modeling! For pure heat conduction problem studied here,  $\rho$ ,  $C_p$  and  $\lambda$  should be defined.

**Solution Setup** → **Materials**

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

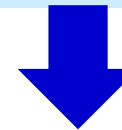
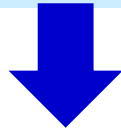
Click the **Create/Edit** button to add **Water** and **Copper**.



# Step 5: Define zone condition

**Solution Setup → Cell Zone Condition**

**Choose water for Fluid zone    Choose copper for Solid zone**



Fluid

Zone Name  
fluid

Material Name: water-liquid [Edit...]

Frame Motion     Source Terms  
 Mesh Motion     Fixed Values  
 Porous Zone

Reference Frame | Mesh Motion | Porous Zone | Embedded LES | Reaction | Source Terms | Fixed Values | Multiphase

Solid

Zone Name  
solid

Material Name: copper [Edit...]

Frame Motion     Source Terms  
 Mesh Motion     Fixed Values

Reference Frame | Mesh Motion | Source Terms | Fixed Values

Origin

[ ] constant [v]  
[ ] constant [v]

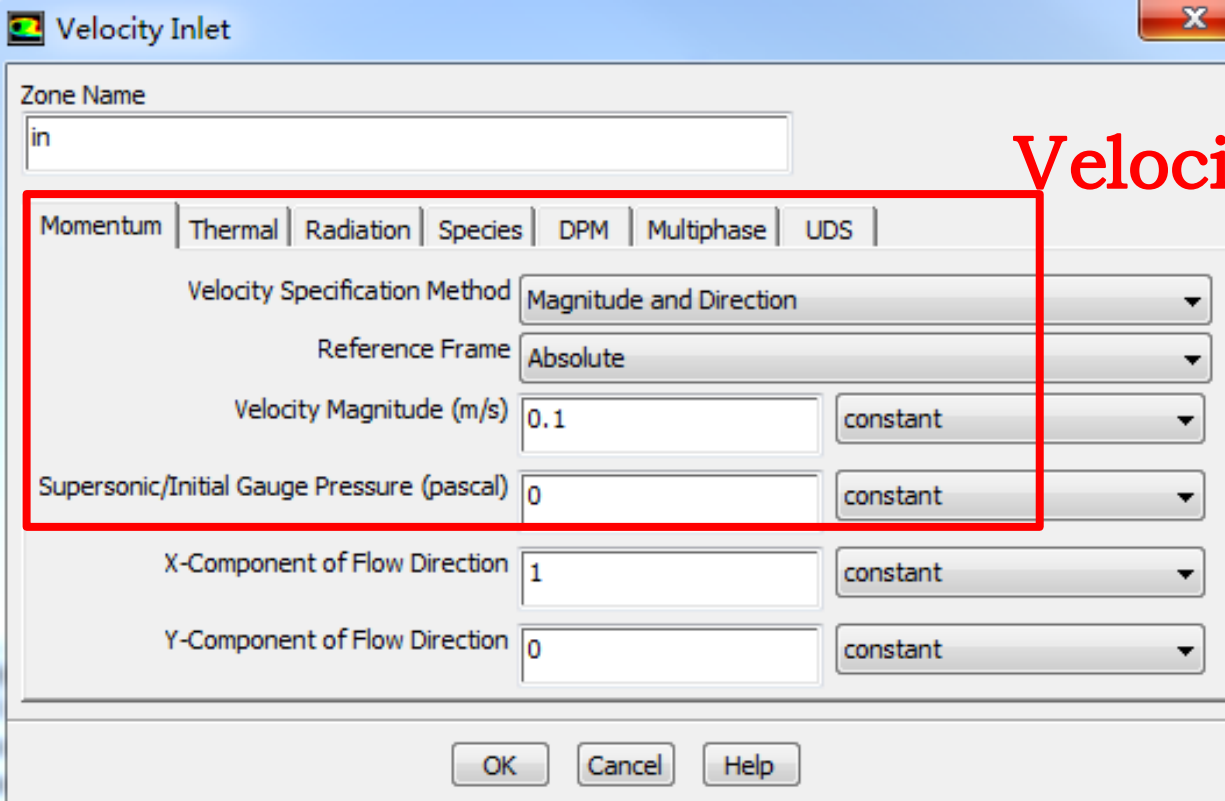
Zone Name  
fluid

Material Name: water-liquid [Edit...]

Frame Motion     Source Terms

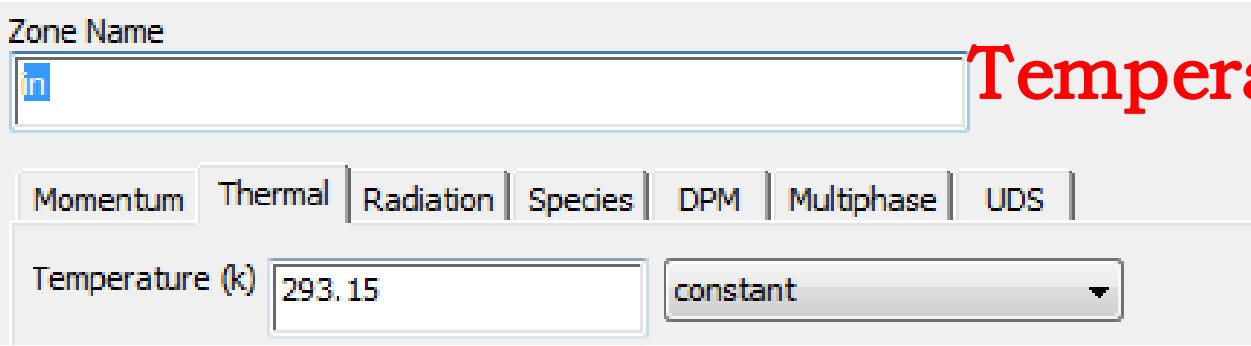
# Step 6: Define the boundary condition

Inlet



Velocity Inlet dialog box showing boundary condition settings for the 'in' zone. The 'Momentum' tab is selected and highlighted with a red box. The 'Velocity Specification Method' is set to 'Magnitude and Direction', the 'Reference Frame' is 'Absolute', and the 'Velocity Magnitude (m/s)' is 0.1. Other options include 'Supersonic/Initial Gauge Pressure (pascal)' set to 0, and 'X-Component of Flow Direction' and 'Y-Component of Flow Direction' set to 1 and 0 respectively. Buttons for 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' are at the bottom.

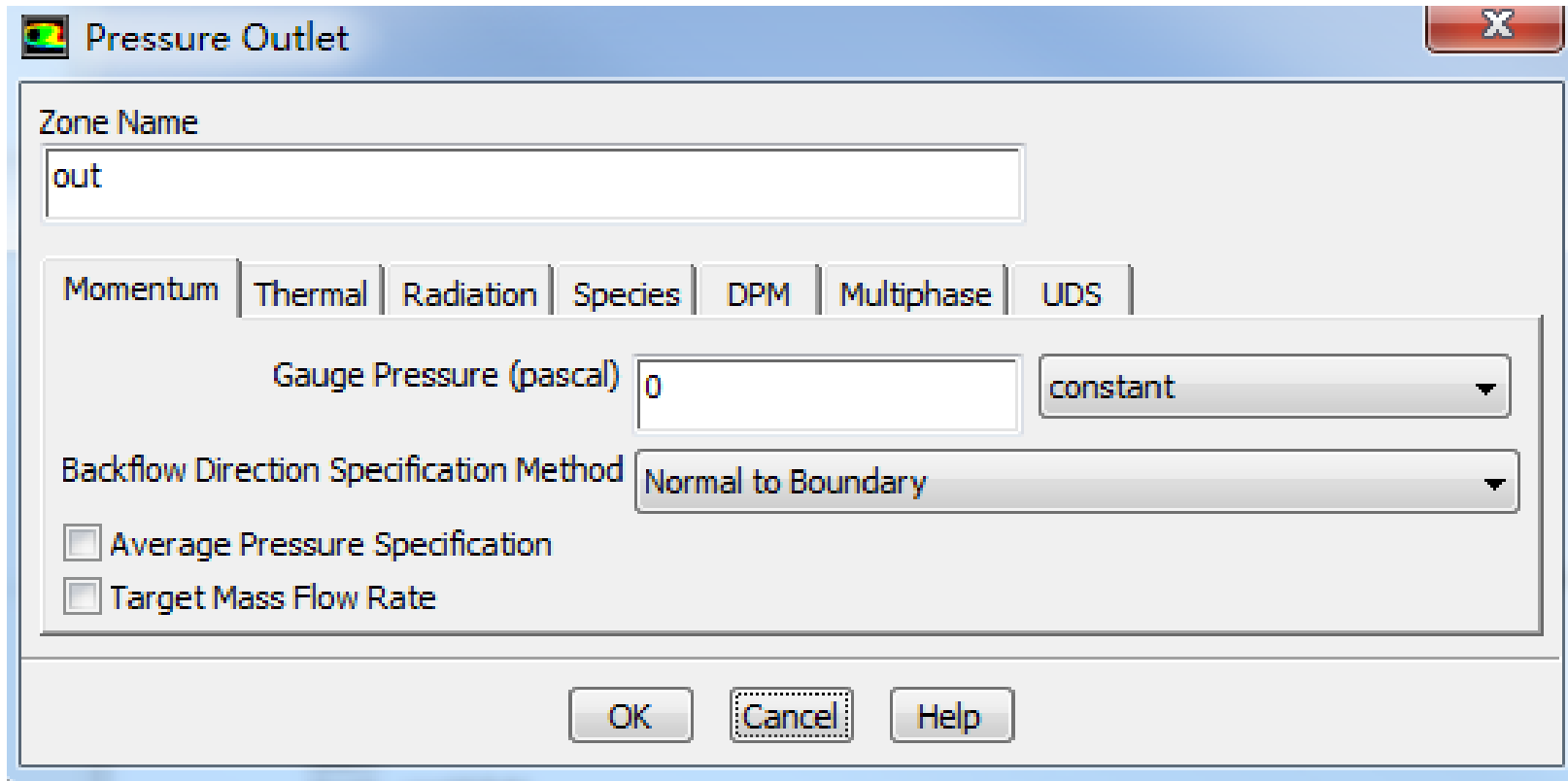
Velocity



Temperature dialog box showing boundary condition settings for the 'in' zone. The 'Thermal' tab is selected. The 'Temperature (k)' is set to 293.15. Buttons for 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' are at the bottom.

Temperature

# Outlet: pressure outlet



## Gauge Pressure (表压)

## Pressure in Fluent

**Atmospheric pressure (大气压)**

**Gauge pressure (表压):** the difference between the true pressure and the Atmospheric pressure.

**Absolute pressure (真实压力):** the true pressure  
**= Atmospheric pressure + Gauge pressure**

**Operating pressure (操作压力) :** the reference pressure (参考压力)

In our teaching code, a reference pressure point is defined.

## Pressure in Fluent

**Absolute pressure (真实压力):** the true pressure

**= Reference Pressure + Relative Pressure**

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

**The same as relative pressure.**

**Dynamic pressure (动压):** calculated by  $0.5\rho U^2$

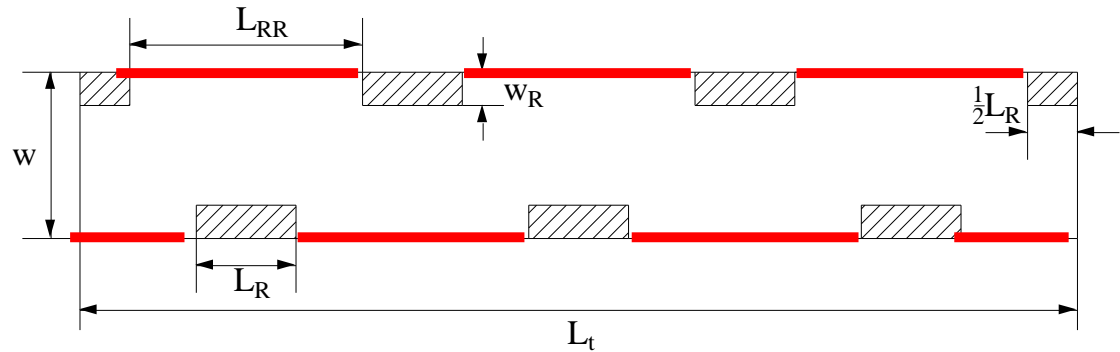
**Is related to the velocity.**

**Total pressure (动压):**

**= Static pressure + dynamic pressure**

# Wall

$$q = 30W/cm^2$$



Wall

Zone Name: fluid\_wall

Adjacent Cell Zone: fluid

Momentum | Thermal | Radiation | Species | DPM | Multiphase | UDS | Wall Film

Thermal Conditions

- Heat Flux
- Temperature
- Convection
- Radiation
- Mixed
- via System Coupling

Heat Flux (w/m2): 300000 constant

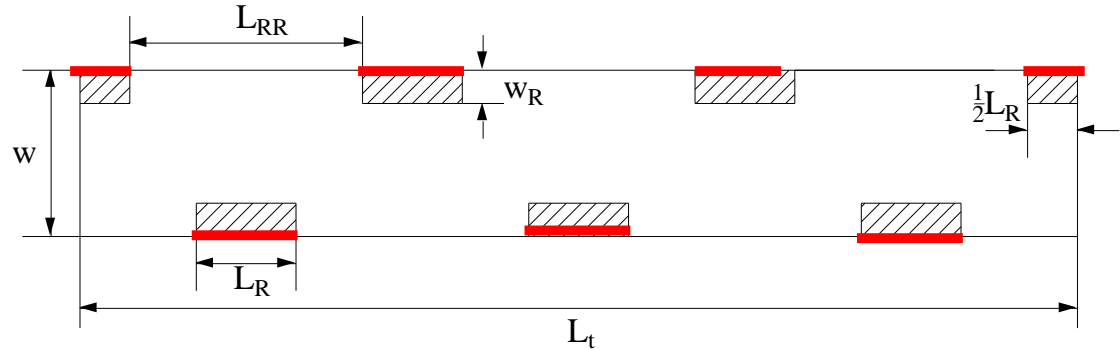
Wall Thickness (m): 0

Heat Generation Rate (w/m3): 0 constant

Material Name: copper Edit...

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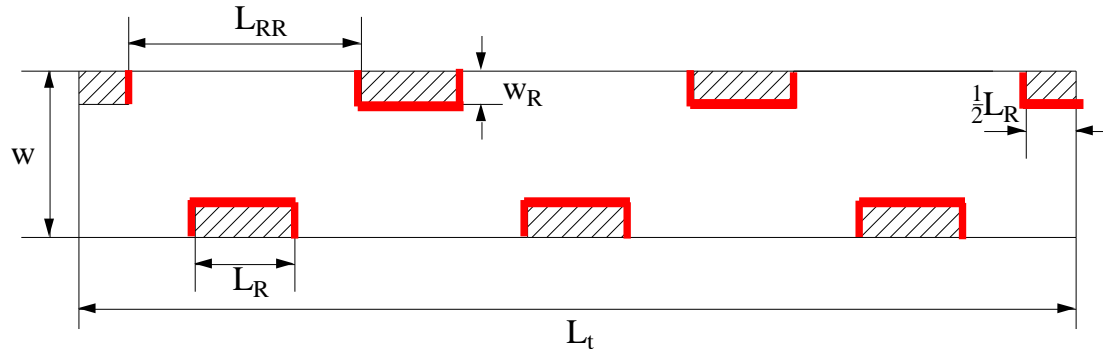
Wall Thickness (m): 0

Heat Generation Rate (w/m<sup>3</sup>): 0 constant

Material Name: copper Edit...



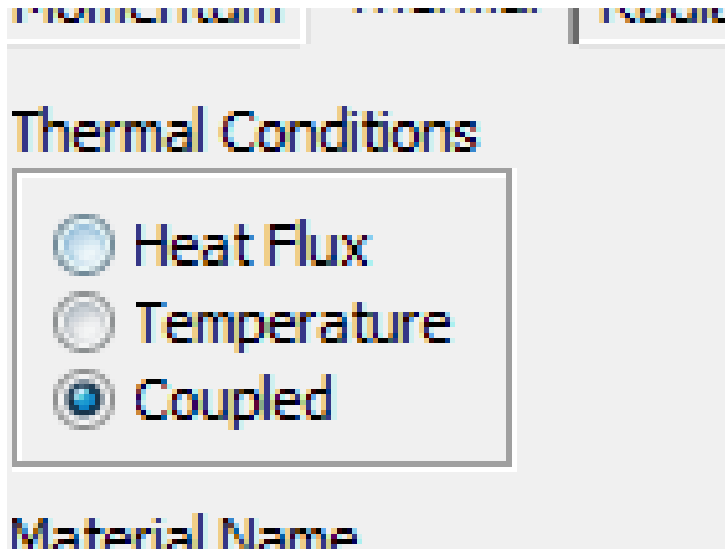
## Fluid-solid interface



**This wall type has fluid zone and solid zone on each side. This wall is called a “two-sided-wall”.**

**When such kind wall is read into Fluent, a “shadow” (影子) zone is automatically created.**

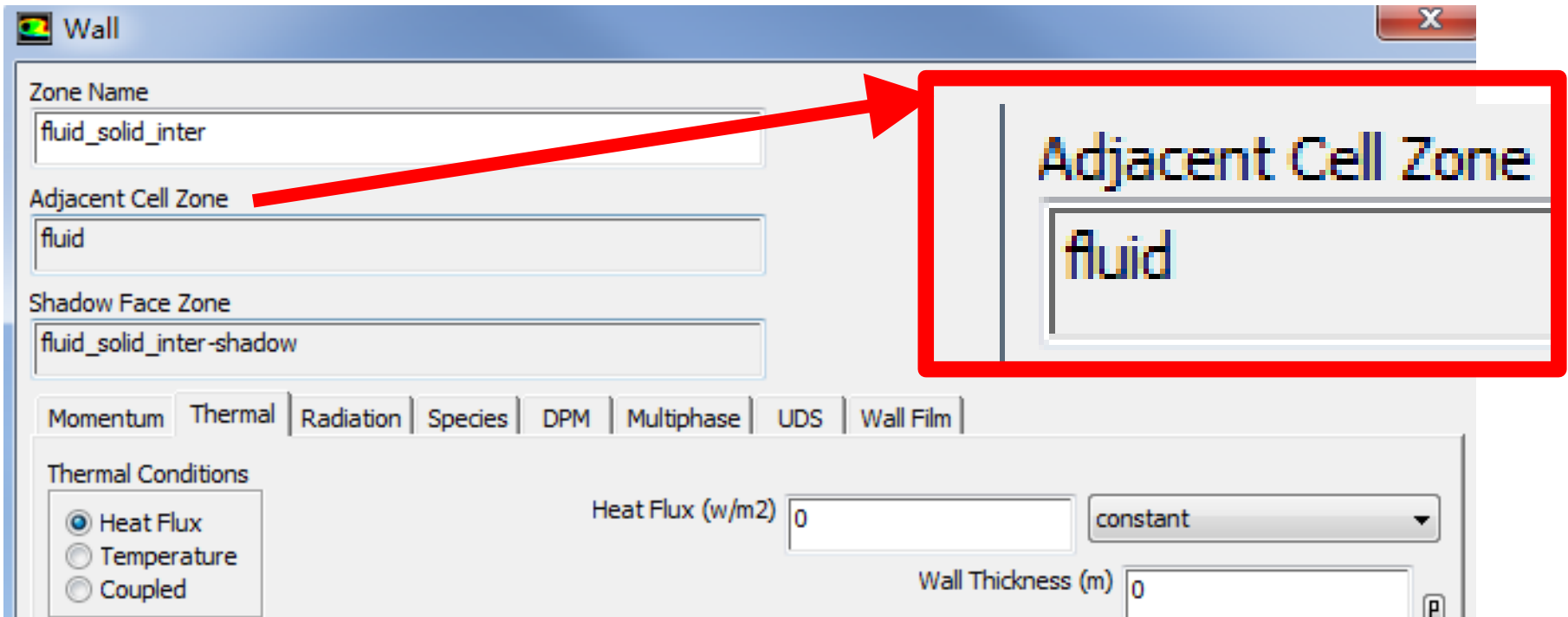
There are three options for the temperature boundary conditions of such “two-sided-wall”.



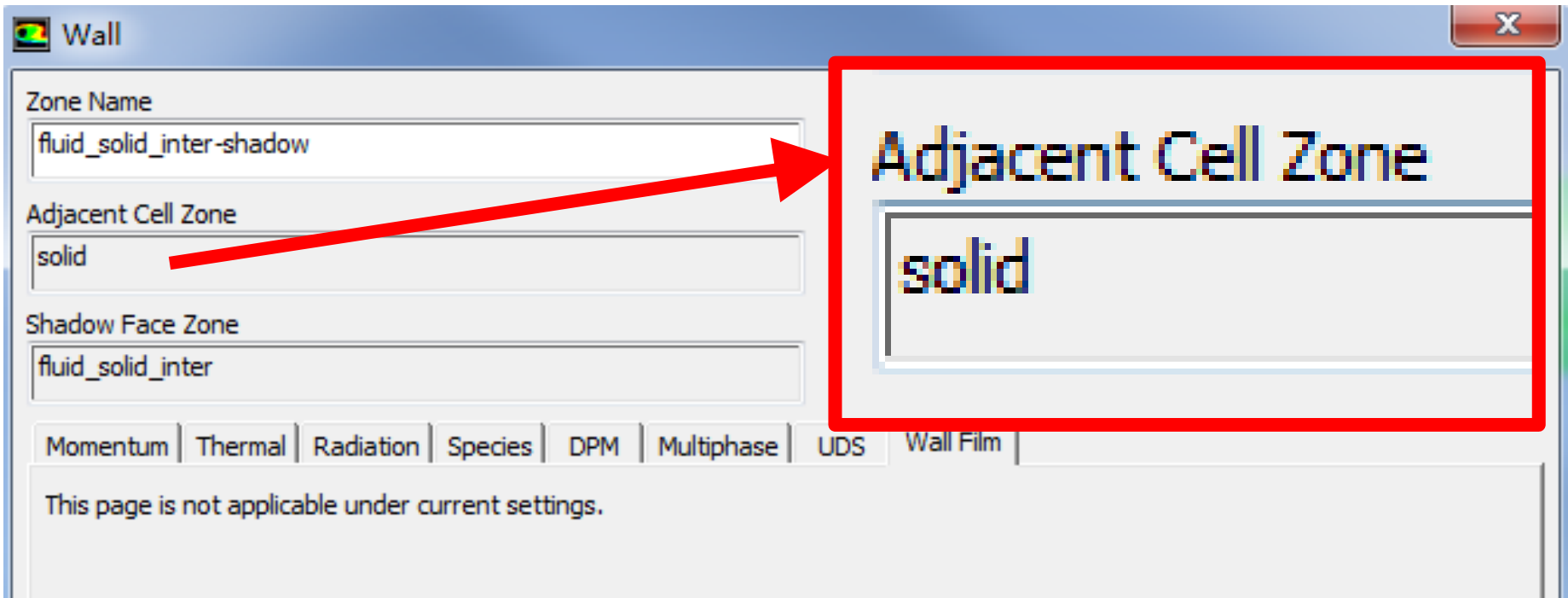
- Heat flux
- Temperature
- **Coupled**

If you choose “**Coupled**”, no additional information is required. The solver will calculate heat transfer directly from the solution of adjacent cells. **Such wall is not a boundary.**

You also can uncouple the sides of the wall and give different boundary condition for different sides of the wall.



The adjacent cell zone of this wall is fluid!



**The adjacent cell zone of this shadow wall is solid!**

**You can find the wall and its shadow created automatically created by Fluent are adjacent to fluid and solid, respectively. So you can specify different BC for different walls.**

# The original two side wall

Adjacent to fluid

Adjacent to solid

Specify BC for the fluid side

Specify BC for the solid side

Thermal Conditions

- Heat Flux
- Temperature
- Coupled

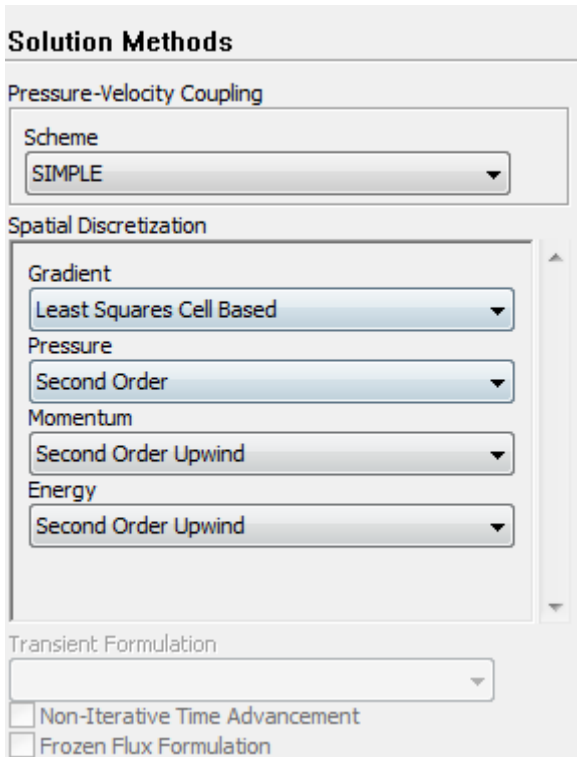
Thermal Conditions

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- Temperature
- Coupled

Its shadow created by Fluent

## 7st step: Define the solution

For algorithm and schemes, keep it as default. For more details of this step, one can refer to Example 1 of Chapter 13.



**Algorithm:** simple

**Gradient:** Least Square Cell Based

**Pressure:** second order

**Momentum:** second order upwind

**Energy:** second order Upwind

## 7st step: **Define the solution**

For under-relaxation factor, keep it default. For more details, refer to **Example 1**.

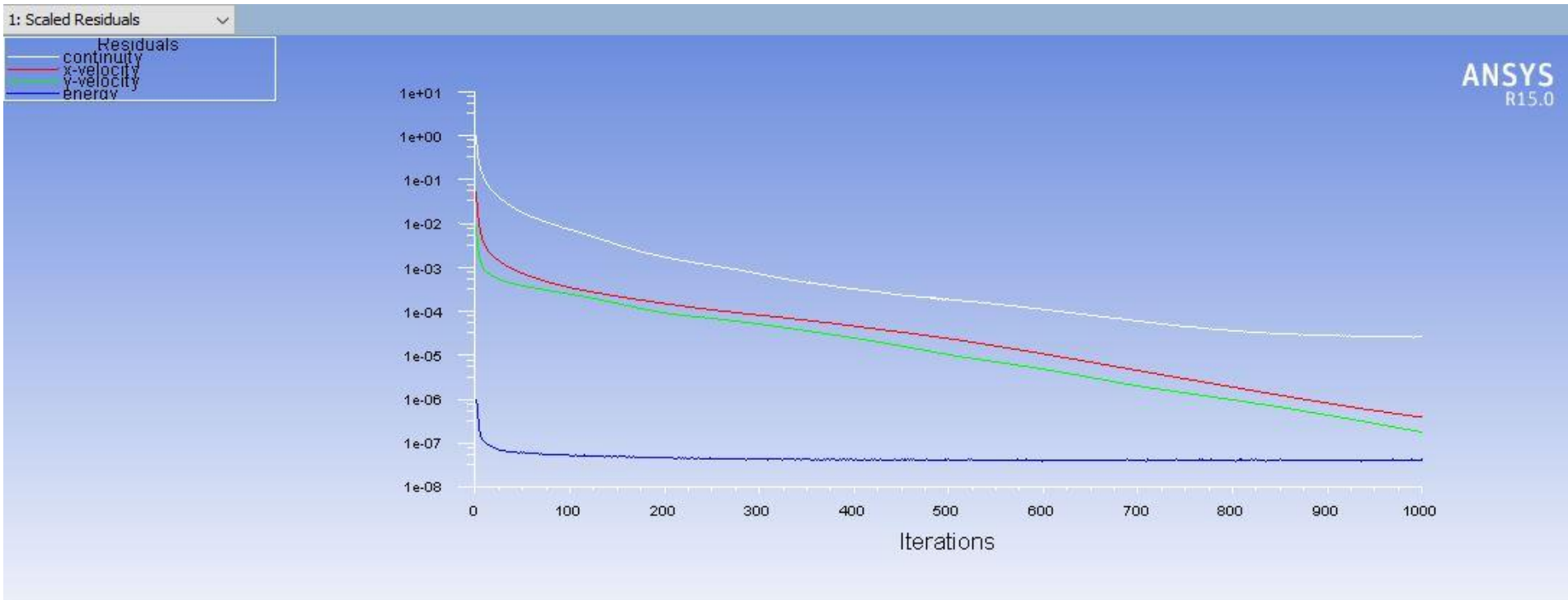
## 8st step: Initialization

Use the standard initialization, for more details of Hybrid initialization, refer to Example 1.

## Step 9: Run the simulation

## Step 10: Post-processing results

# Residuals

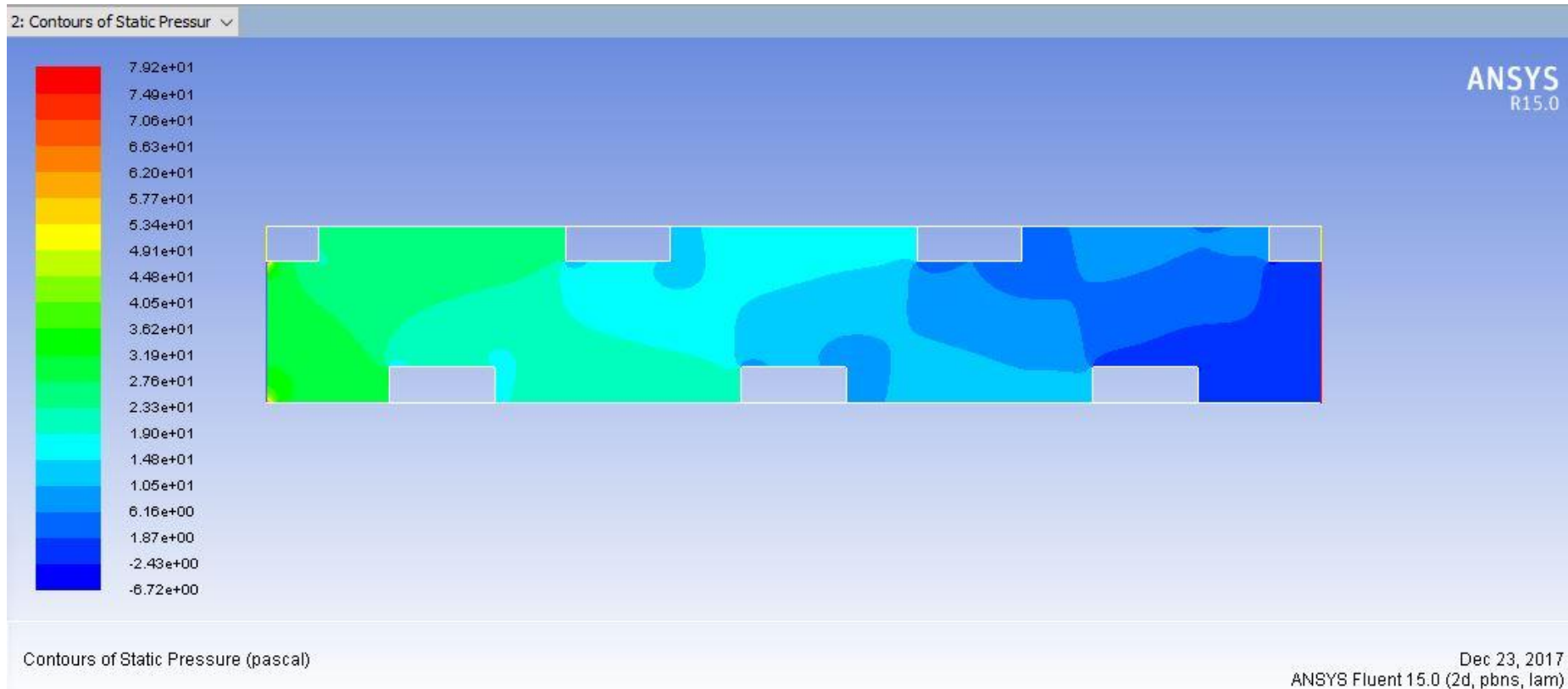


Scaled Residuals

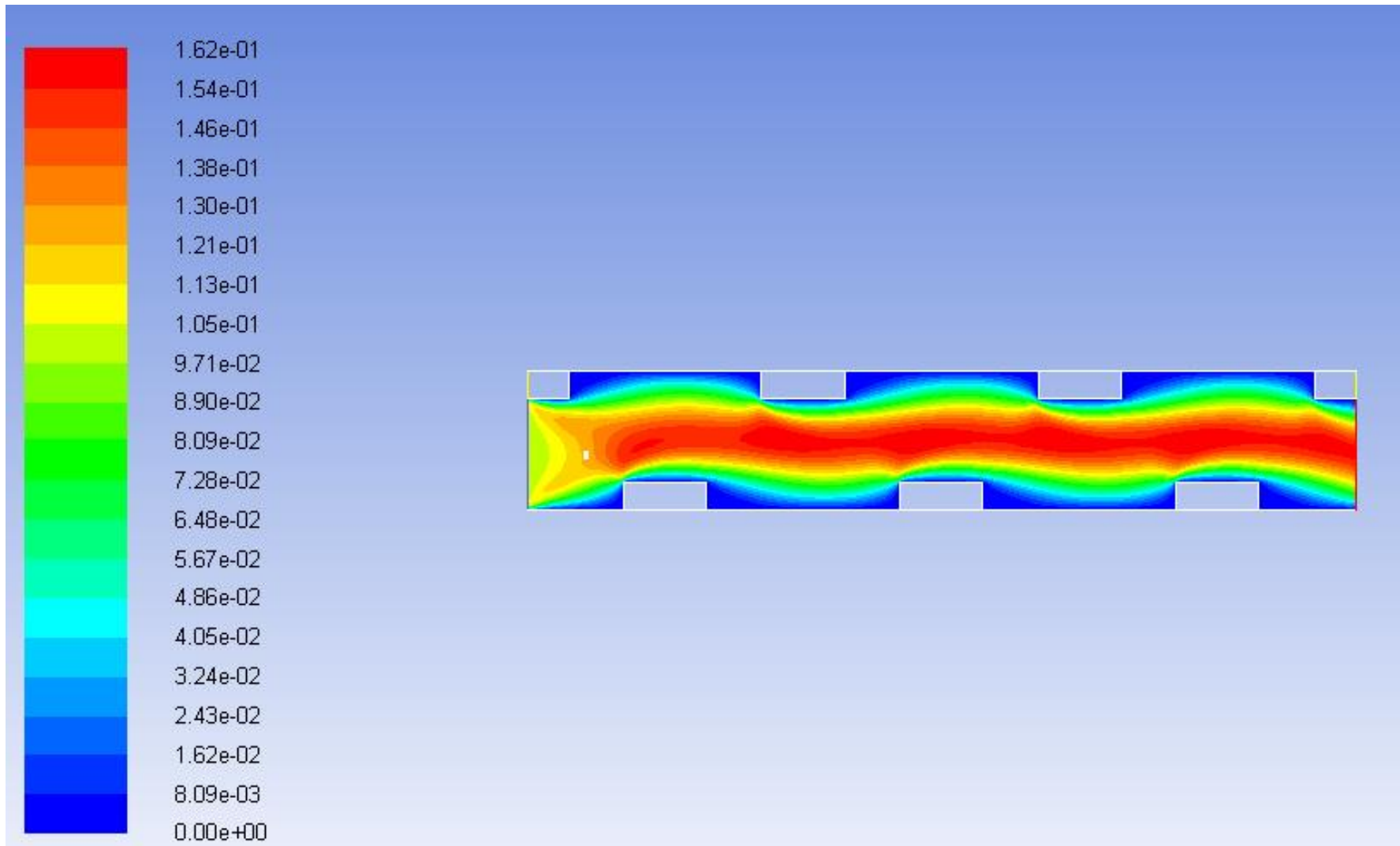
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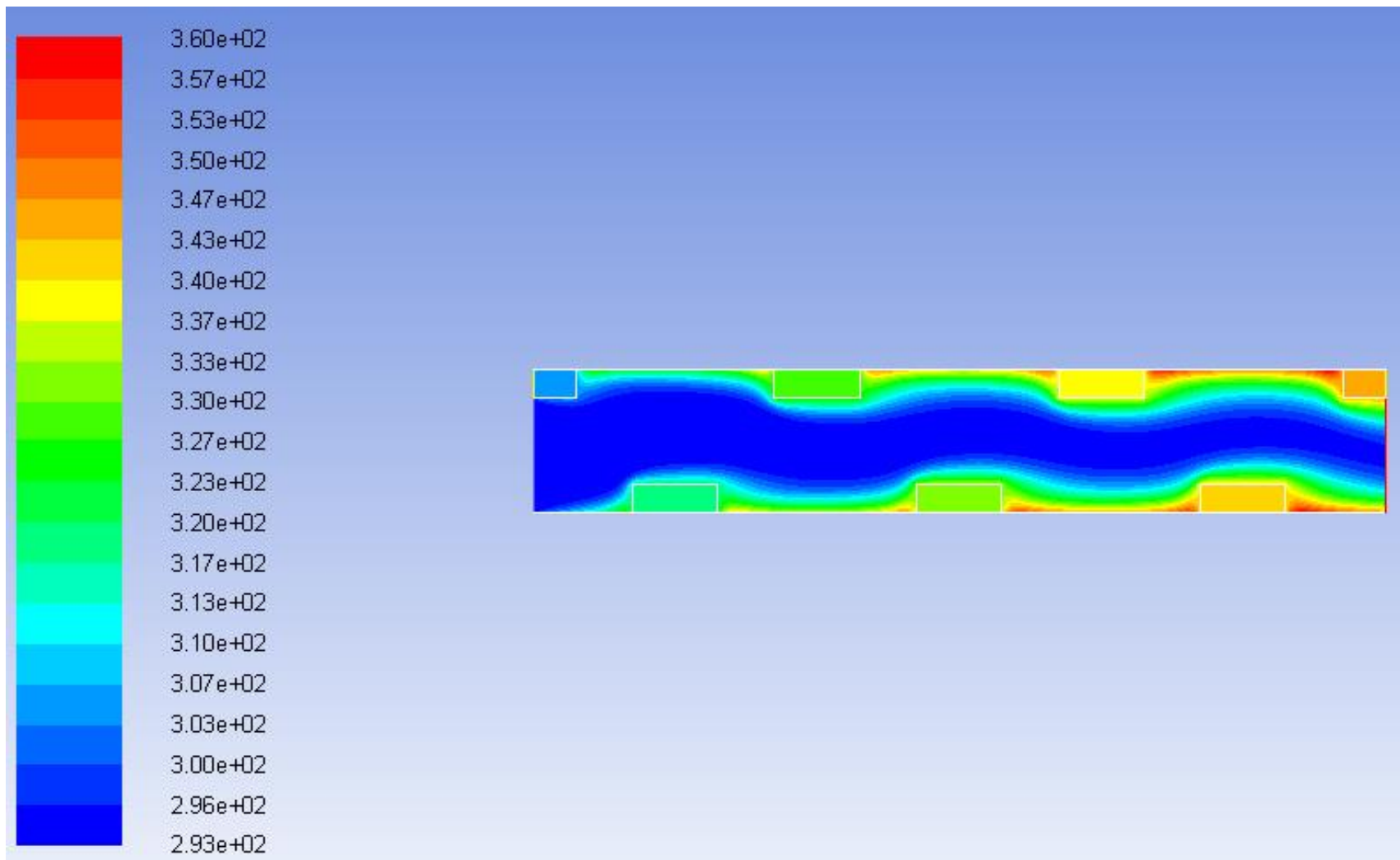
# Contours of static pressure (Pa)



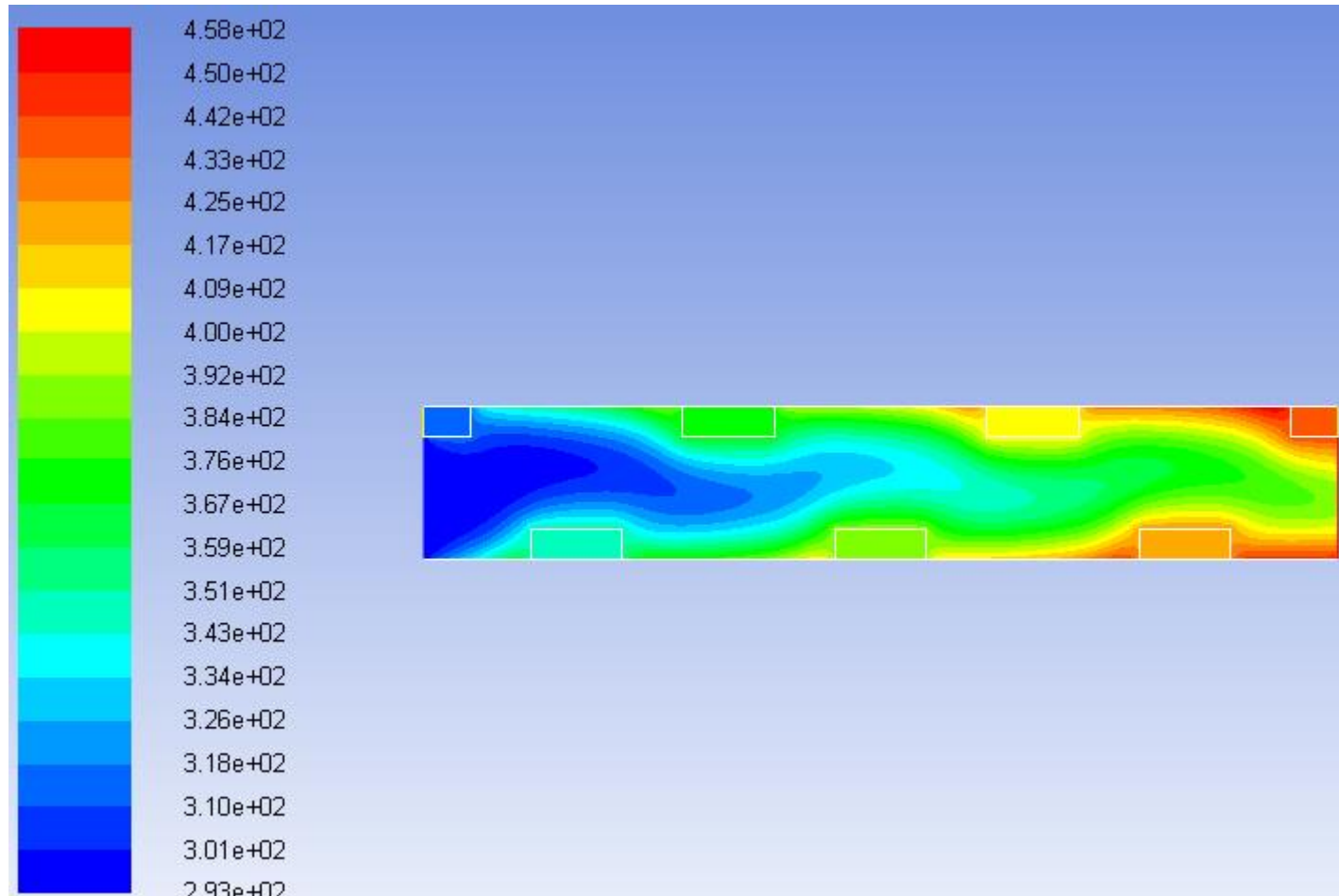
# Velocity magnitude



# Temperature (K)



# Temperature (K) of velocity as 0.01



# 同舟共济 渡彼岸!

People in the same  
boat help each  
other to cross to the  
other bank, where....

