

# Quick review of solution methods for the governing equations of fluid dynamics

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- But have in mind that starting from the general transport equation we can write down the Navier-Stokes equations (NSE). For example, by setting the variables to,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi &= 1 \\ \Gamma_\phi &= 0 \\ S_\phi &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- We can obtain the continuity equation,

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

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$\phi = u$	$\phi = v$	$\phi = w$
$\Gamma_\phi = \mu$	$\Gamma_\phi = \mu$	$\Gamma_\phi = \mu$
$S_\phi = S_u - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$	$S_\phi = S_v - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y}$	$S_\phi = S_w - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$

- We can obtain the momentum equations,

$$\frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} u) = \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla u) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + S_u \qquad
 \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} v) = \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla v) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + S_v \qquad
 \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} w) = \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla w) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + S_w$$

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- But have in mind that starting from the general transport equation we can write down the Navier-Stokes equations (NSE). For example, by setting the variables to,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi &= h \\ \Gamma_\phi &= k/C_p \\ S_\phi &= S_h\end{aligned}$$

- We can obtain the incompressible energy equation,

$$\frac{\partial \rho h}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} h) = \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{k}{C_p} \nabla T \right) + S_h$$