

Adding the scalar transport equation to icoFoam

- Let us modify a solver, we will work with **icoFoam**.
- We will add a passive scalar (convection-diffusion equation).
- At this point, you can work in any directory. But we recommend you to work in your OpenFOAM® user directory, type in the terminal,

1. | `$> cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/run`

- Let us clone the original solver, type in the terminal,

1. | `$> cp -r $FOAM_APP/solvers/incompressible/icoFoam/my_icoFoam`
2. | `$> cd my_icoFoam`

- At this point, we are ready to modify the solver.

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- Open the file `icoFoam.C` using your favorite editor and add the new equation in lines 118-123,

```
111         U = HbyA - rAU*fvc::grad(p);
112         U.correctBoundaryConditions();
113     }

118     solve
119     (
120         fvm::ddt(S1)
121         + fvm::div(phi, S1)
122         - fvm::laplacian(DT, S1)
123     );

128     runTime.write();
129
```

Scalar transport equation.
The name of the scalar is S1.
We need to declare it in the
createFields.H file.
We also need to read the coefficient DT.

- As the passive scalar equation depends on the vector field U, we need to add this equation after solving U.

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- Open the file `createFields.H` using your favorite editor and add the following lines at the beginning of the file,

```
1  Info<< "Reading field S1 (passive scalar 1)\n" << endl;
2  volScalarField S1
3  (
4      IObject
5      (
6          "S1",
7          runTime.timeName(),
8          mesh,
9          IObject::MUST_READ,
10         IObject::AUTO_WRITE
11     ),
12     mesh
13 );
14
15 Info<< "Reading diffusionProperties\n" << endl;
16
17 IOdictionary diffusionProperties
18 (
19     IObject
20     (
21         "diffusionProperties",
22         runTime.constant(),
23         mesh,
24         IObject::MUST_READ_IF_MODIFIED,
25         IObject::NO_WRITE
26     )
27 );
28
29 Info<< "Reading diffusivity DT\n" << endl;
30 dimensionedScalar DT
31 (
32     diffusionProperties.lookup("DT")
33 );
```

Declaration of scalar field S1.
The solver will read the input file S1 (BC and IC).
You will need to create the file S1 in the time directory 0.

Declaration of input/output dictionary file.
The name of the dictionary is `diffusionProperties` and is located in the directory `constant`.

Read DT value from the dictionary `diffusionProperties`.

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- Those are all the modifications we need to do.
- But before compiling the new solver, we need to modify the compilation instructions.
- Using your favorite editor, open the file *Make/files*,



Original file

```
1 icoFoam.C
2
3 EXE = $(FOAM_APPBIN)/icoFoam
```

Modified file

```
1 icoFoam.C
2
3 EXE = $(FOAM_USER_APPBIN)/my_icoFoam
```

← Name of the input file

← Name of the executable.
To avoid conflicts with the original installation, we give a different name to the executable

← Location of the executable.

To avoid conflicts with the original installation, we install the executable in the user's personal directory

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- At this point we are ready to compile, type in the terminal,

1. | `$> wmake`

- If everything went fine, you should have a working solver named `my_icoFoam`.
- If you are feeling lazy or you can not fix the compilation errors, you will find the source code in the directory,
 - `$PTOFC/101programming/applications/solvers/my_icoFoam`
- You will find a case ready to run in the directory,

`$PTOFC/101programming/applications/solvers/my_icoFoam/test_case`

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Running the case

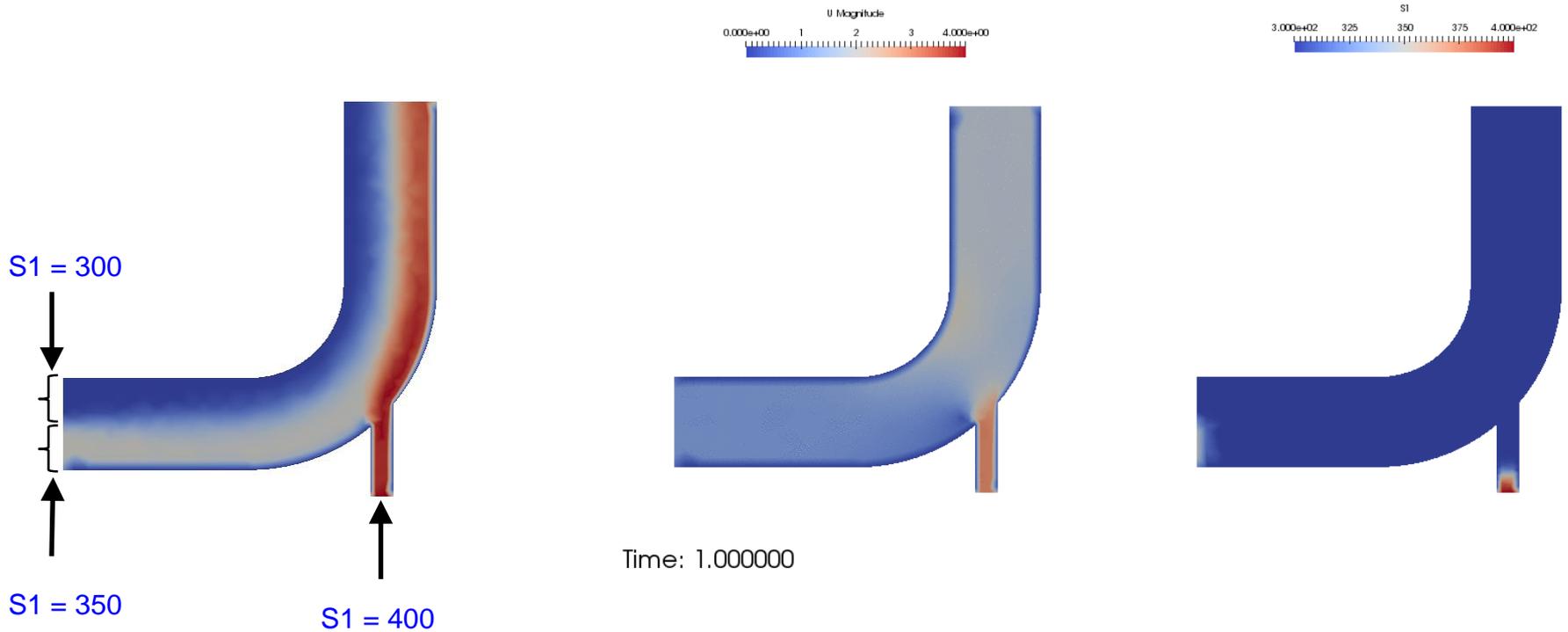
- This case is ready to run, the input files are located in the directory `$PTOFC/101programming/applications/solvers/my_icoFoam/test_case`
- To run the case, type in the terminal,
 1. `$> foamCleanTutorials`
 2. `$> fluentMeshToFoam ../../../../meshes_and_geometries/fluent_elbow2d_1/ascii.msh`
 3. `$> my_icoFoam | tee log`
 4. `$> paraFoam`
- Remember, you will need to create the file `0/S1` (boundary conditions and initial conditions for the new scalar).
- You will also need to create the input dictionary `constant/diffusionProperties`, from this dictionary we will read the diffusion coefficient value.
- Finally, remember to update the files `system/fvSchemes` and `system/fvSolution` to take into account the new equation.



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Running the case

- If everything went fine, you should get something like this



S1 inlet values



Visualization of velocity magnitude and passive scalar S1

www.wolfdynamics.com/wiki/BCIC/2delbow_S1