

On some numerical tests of viscoelastic flows

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Constitutive law for elasticity(Oldroyd-B model):

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The use of implicit schemes does not help either.

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we do it from the following decomposition

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where $\mathbf{N}, \boldsymbol{\Omega}$ are anti-symmetric, \mathbf{B} is symmetric and commutes with τ .

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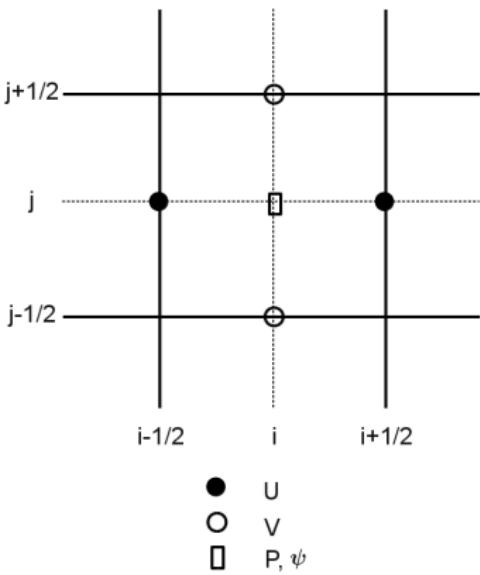
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upwind approach for flux

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Numerical Test

lid-driven cavity

Geometry: $(0,1) \times (0,1)$

Mesh points $N_x = N_y = 64, 128, 256$

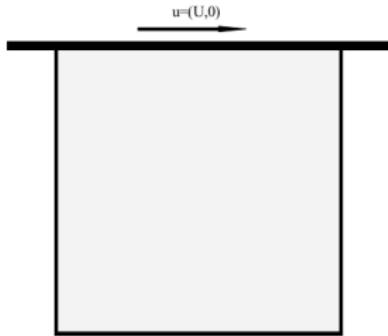
Initial values: $u=0$.

Boundary condition: solid wall; for left, right and bottom,
 $\mathbf{u} = 0$, for the top $\mathbf{u} = (8(1 + \tanh(8t - 4))x^2(1 - x)^2, 0)$

In the first few steps $dt = 0.02 T_{total}$,

then $dt = CFL \min(\Delta x, \Delta y) / |u|_{\max}$ with $CFL = 0.6$.

$Re = 1$, $We = 1, 3, 4, 5$. $\alpha = 0.5$



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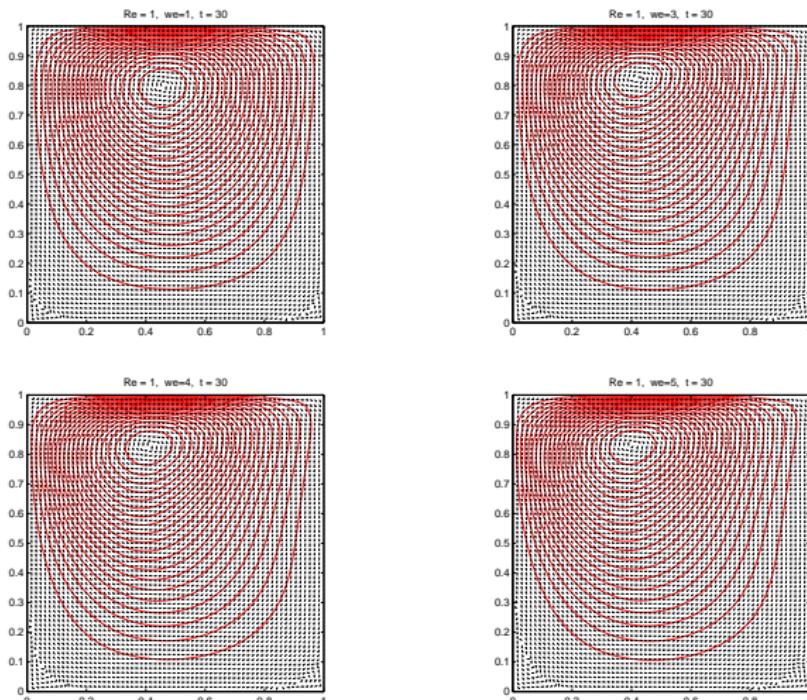


Figure: streamline of different Weissenberg numbers($n=64$)

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results under different mesh($n=64,128,256,512$)

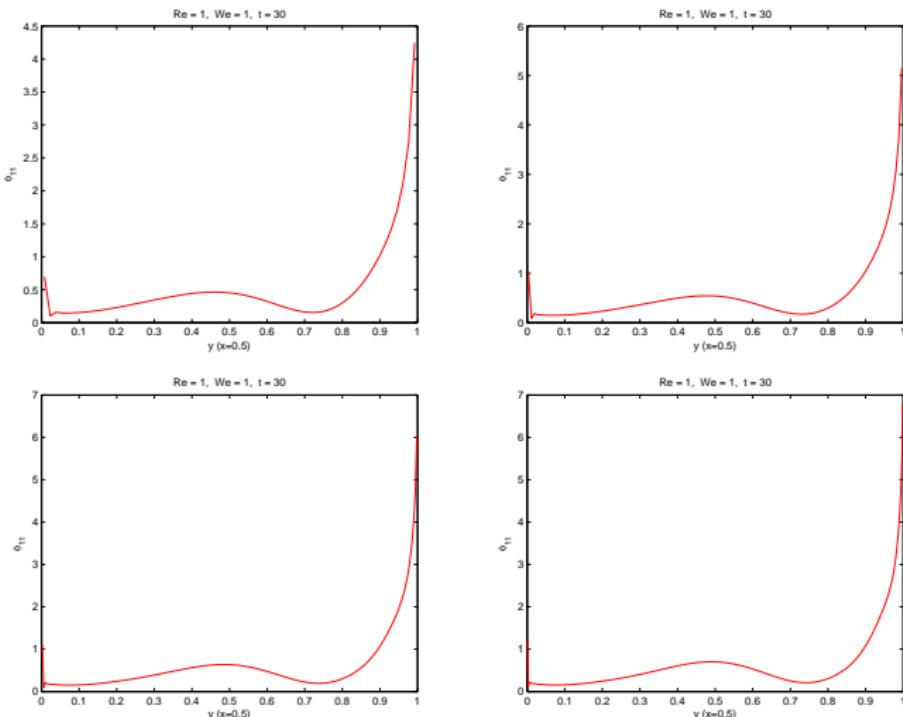


Figure: ψ_{11} —results of different mesh size.

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128/256	5.3517	-0.6914
256/512	8.0288	-0.5852

Nobody gets the convergence! What's the source for this?

To be continued...

Thank you for your attention!