

COL865: Special Topics in Computer Applications

# **Physics-Based Animation**

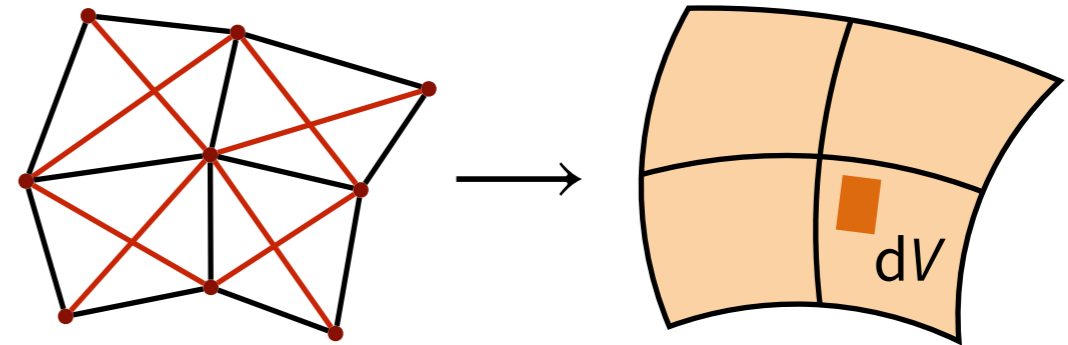
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## **12 – The Navier-Stokes equations for fluids**

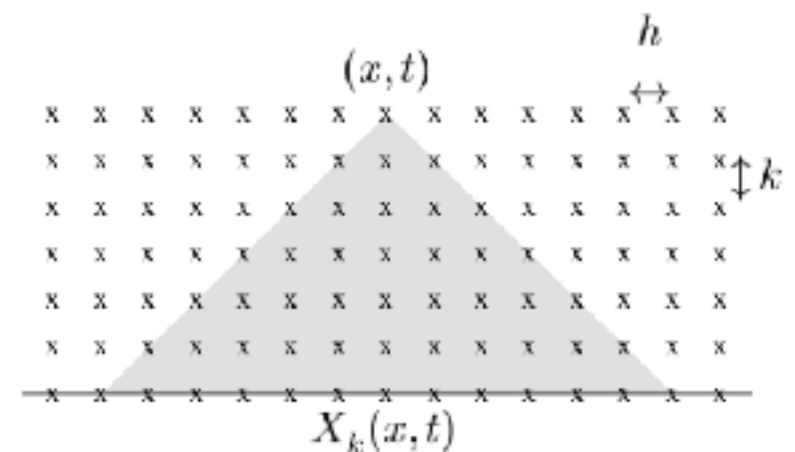
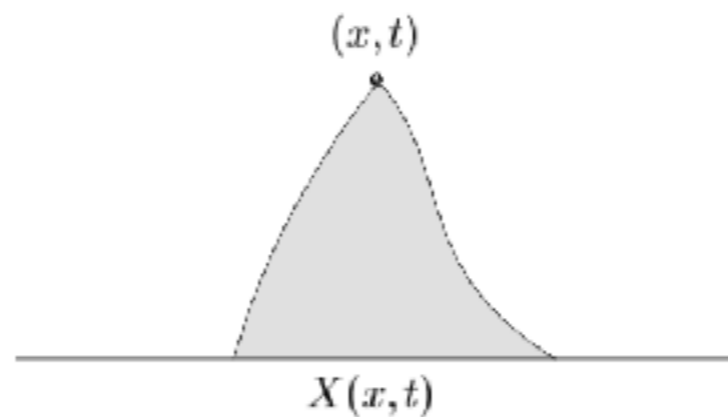
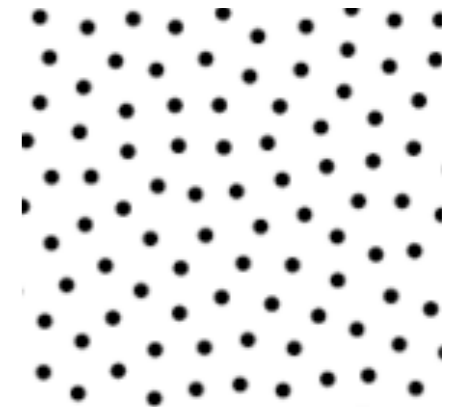
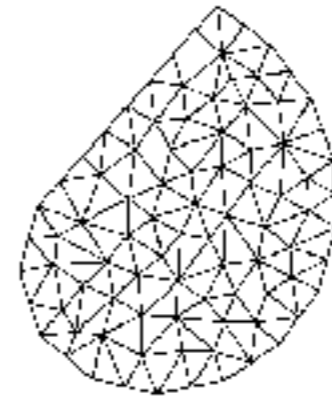
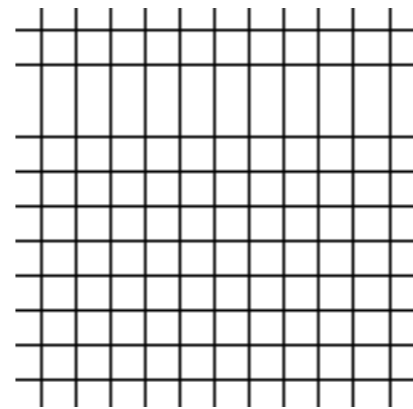
# Review

- Continuum models  $\rightarrow$  PDEs involving both time and space

$$\rho \partial^2 \boldsymbol{\varphi} / \partial t^2 = (\dots \partial \boldsymbol{\varphi} / \partial \mathbf{X} \dots)$$

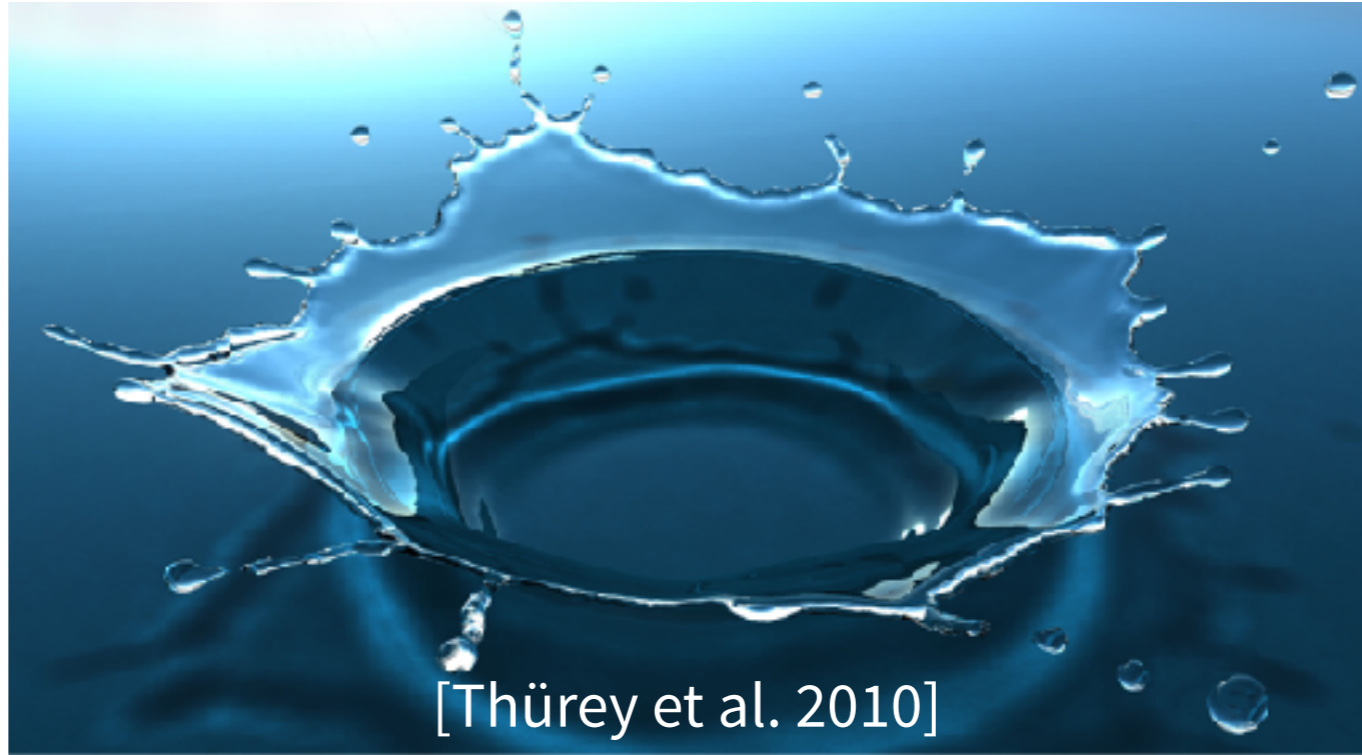


- Spatial discretizations
- Differentiation via finite differences
- The CFL condition



# Fluids

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# Fluids

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Continuous mass of particles moving freely

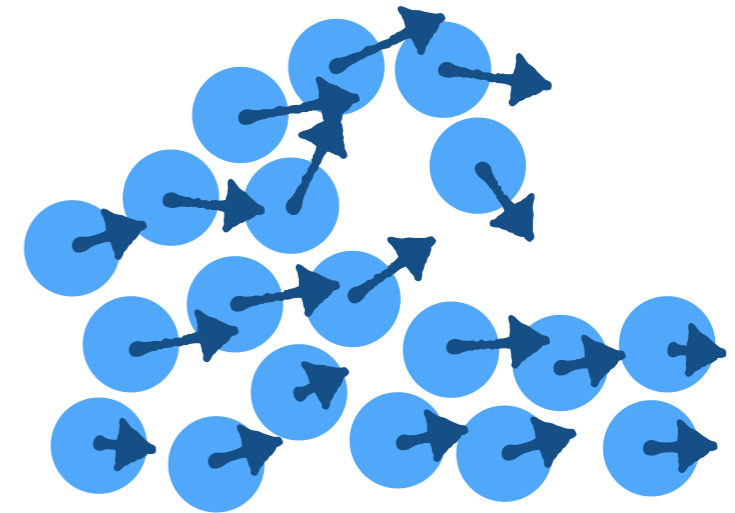
- **Discrete:** position  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , velocity  $\mathbf{u}_i$  for every particle
- **Continuous:** velocity  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$  for every point  $\mathbf{x}$

Eqs. of motion: **Navier-Stokes equations**

PDE on velocity field  $\mathbf{u} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} (-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$



# **Deriving the Navier-Stokes equations**

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# Equations of motion

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Consider motion of infinitesimal “particle” of fluid

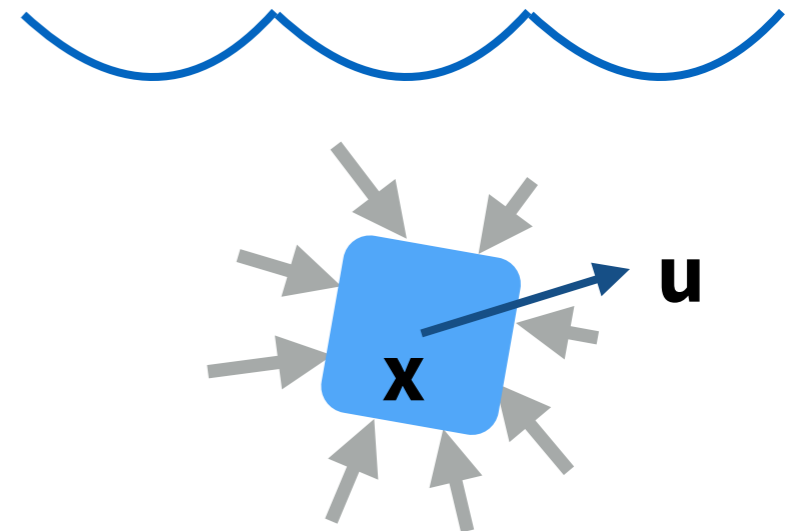
- Mass:  $dm = \rho dV$   
Velocity:  $d\mathbf{x}/dt = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)$   
Force per unit volume:  $\mathbf{f}$

Newton’s second law:

$$dm d\mathbf{u}/dt = \mathbf{f} dV$$

$$d\mathbf{u}/dt = \rho^{-1} \mathbf{f}$$

This is not equal to  $\partial\mathbf{u}/\partial t$ , because the particle is moving!



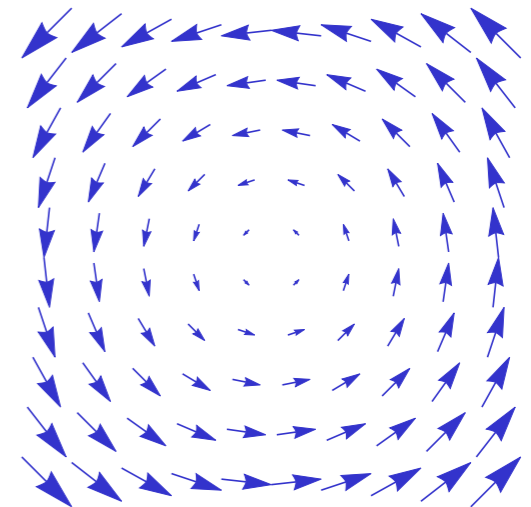
# Eulerian and Lagrangian viewpoints

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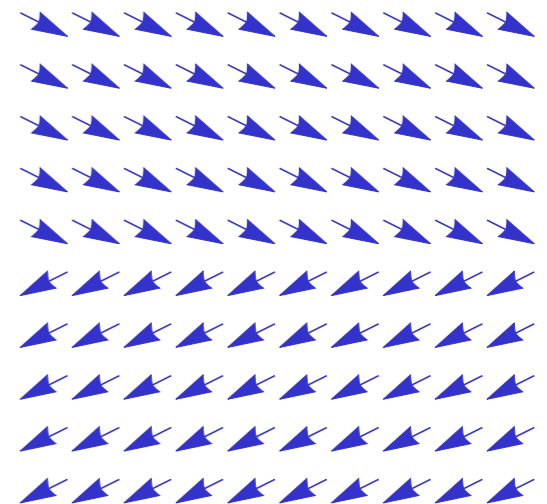
Acceleration of fluid particle is actually

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) &= \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial\mathbf{x}} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} \\ &= \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial\mathbf{x}} \cdot \mathbf{u}\end{aligned}$$

- **Eulerian** view: rate of change at fixed point
- **Lagrangian** view: rate of change seen by particle moving with fluid



$$\partial\mathbf{u}/\partial t = 0, d\mathbf{u}/dt \neq 0$$



$$\partial\mathbf{u}/\partial t \neq 0, d\mathbf{u}/dt = 0$$



# Advection

Consider a quantity  $c$  transported by fluid  
(e.g. smoke, temperature, colour, ...)

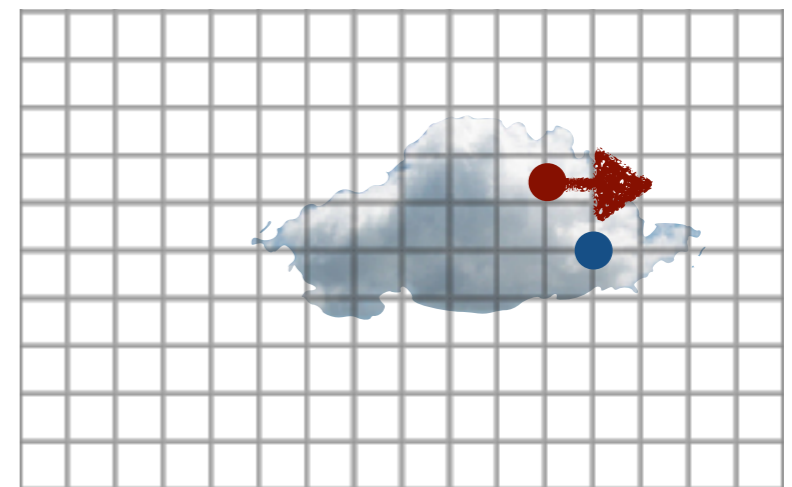
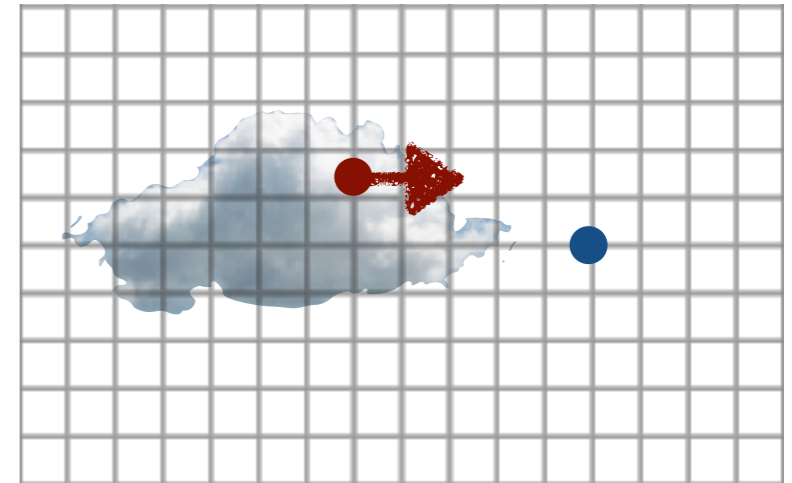
$dc/dt = 0$  in Lagrangian frame

$\Rightarrow \partial c/\partial t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla c = 0$ : **advection equation**

**Lagrangian derivative**  
(or **material derivative**):

$$D/Dt = \partial/\partial t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla$$

Fluid acceleration:  $D\mathbf{u}/dt = \partial\mathbf{u}/\partial t + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}$   
(velocity field advects itself!)





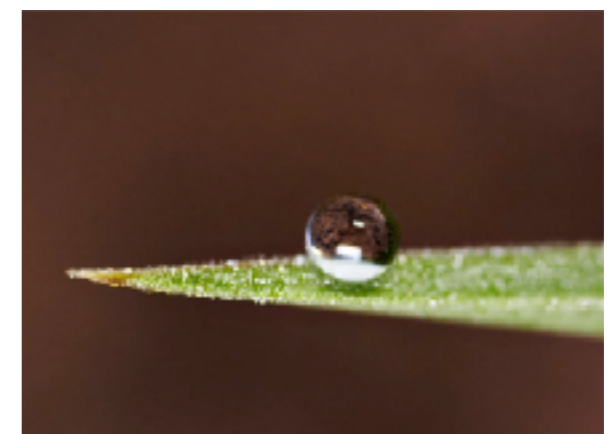
# Navier-Stokes equations

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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} \mathbf{f}$$

What are the forces  $\mathbf{f}$ ?

- Body forces (e.g. gravity)
- Pressure
- Viscosity
- Surface tension
- Solid interaction



# Forces

$$\partial \mathbf{u} / \partial t + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} \mathbf{f}$$

What are the forces  $\mathbf{f}$ ?

- Body forces (e.g. gravity =  $\rho \mathbf{g}$ )
  - Pressure =  $-\nabla p$
  - Viscosity =  $\mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$
  - Surface tension
  - Solid interaction
- } boundary conditions



# Pressure

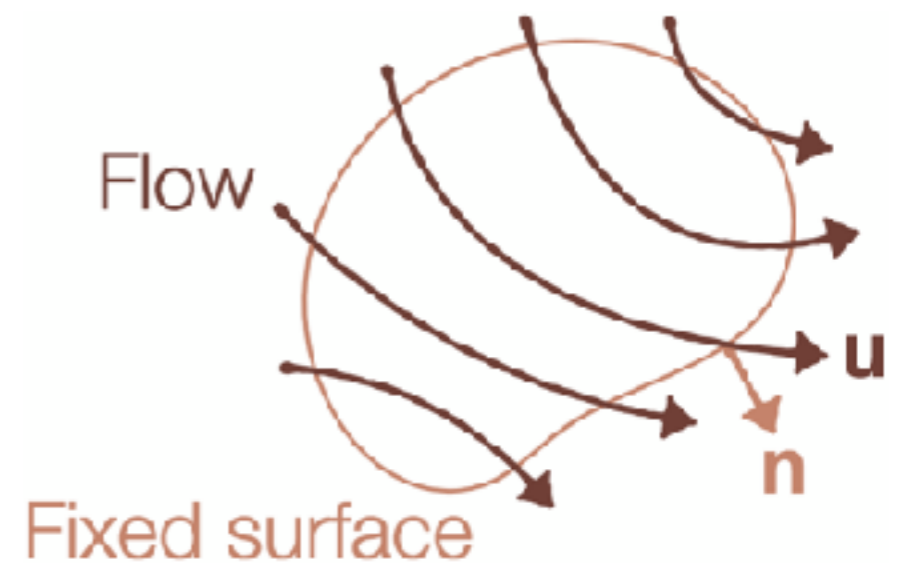
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- **Real life:** pressure opposes compression  $\rightarrow$  sound waves!
- **Model:** treat fluid as **incompressible**:  $\rho = \text{const.}$   
Pressure acts as constraint force

Mass enclosed by surface =  $\rho V$

Net mass flow out =  $\oiint \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} dA$

$$= \rho \iiint \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} dV$$



This should be zero for all possible surfaces  $\Rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$

# Pressure

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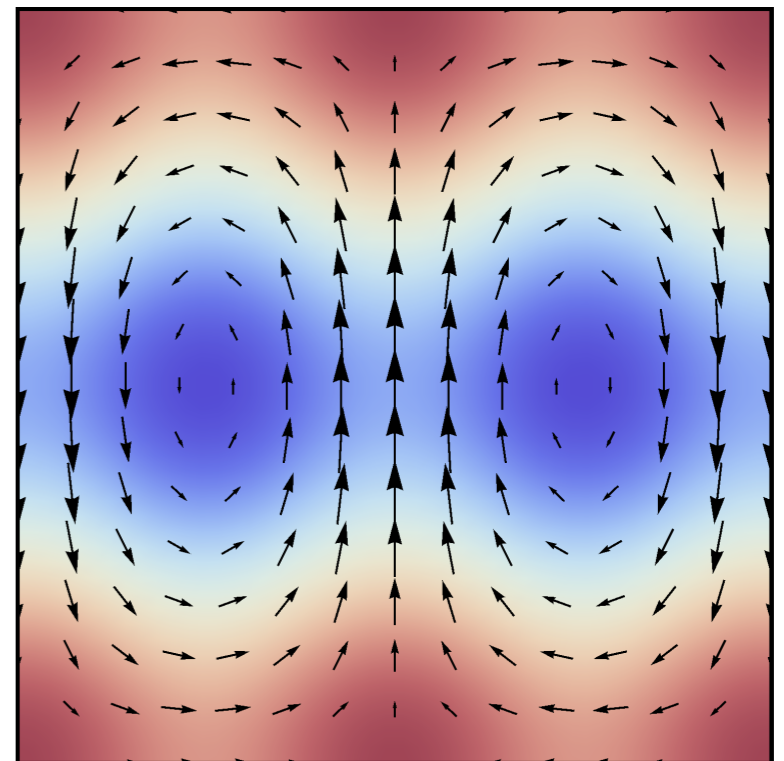
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Constraint maintained by *pressure*:  
scalar field  $p : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- Force due to pressure =  $-\nabla p$

Constrained dynamics viewpoint:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} &\rightarrow \rho = \text{const} \\ \mathbf{J} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0} &\rightarrow \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \\ \mathbf{f}_c = \mathbf{J}^\top \boldsymbol{\lambda} &\rightarrow \mathbf{f}_p = -\nabla p \end{aligned}$$



# The Navier-Stokes equations

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material derivative      pressure      viscosity      body forces

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} (-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}})$$

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$

incompressibility

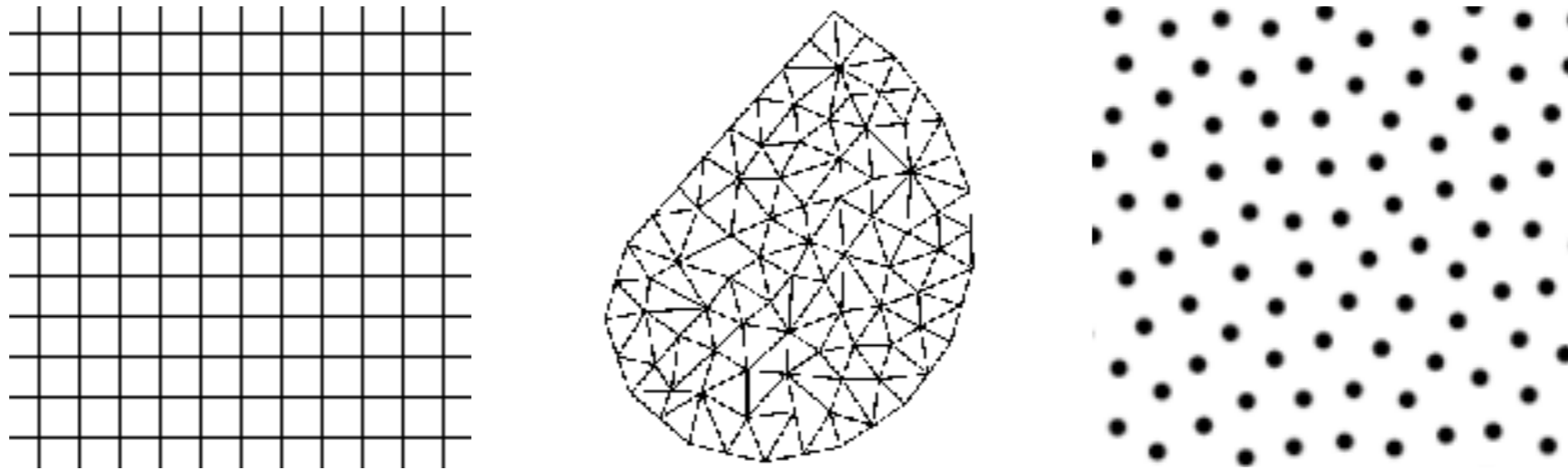
The diagram illustrates the Navier-Stokes equations with color-coded terms and arrows pointing to their physical interpretations. The main equation is  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} (-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}})$ . Above the equation, four terms are labeled: 'material derivative' (blue), 'pressure' (red), 'viscosity' (green), and 'body forces' (purple). Arrows point from these labels to the corresponding terms in the equation. Below the equation, the continuity equation  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$  is shown in red, with an arrow pointing up to it from the label 'incompressibility' (red).

# **Fluid simulation**

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# Spatial discretization

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- **Grids:** Eulerian is easy with finite differences
- **Particles:** Lagrangian is easy → **smoothed particle hydrodynamics**
- **Meshes:** Eulerian [Klingner et al. 2006, Chentanez et al. 2007, Batty et al. 2010] or Lagrangian [Misztal et al. 2010, Clausen et al. 2013]?



# Grid-based fluids reading

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- Bridson and Müller-Fischer, *Fluid Simulation for Computer Animation*, Ch. 1-4
  - **Textbook:** Bridson, *Fluid Simulation for Computer Graphics*
- Stam, “Stable Fluids”, 1999

# Time integration

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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \rho^{-1} (-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}})$$

$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$

*assume  $\rho = 1$*

**Splitting:** solve one term at a time over  $\Delta t$  each

1. Advection:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = 0$
2. Body forces:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{f}_{\text{ext}}$
3. Viscosity:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$
4. Pressure:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = -\nabla p, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$