

MGD Unstructured Application to a Blunt Body in Two-Dimensions

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Abstract: - In this paper, the Euler and Navier-Stokes equations are solved, according to a finite volume formulation and symmetrical unstructured discretization, applied to the problem of a blunt body in two-dimensions. The work of Gaitonde is the reference one to present the fluid dynamics and Maxwell equations of electromagnetism based on a conservative and finite volume formalisms. The Jameson and Mavriplis symmetrical scheme is applied to solve the conserved equations. Two types of numerical dissipation models are applied, namely: Mavriplis and Azevedo. A spatially variable time step procedure is employed aiming to accelerate the convergence of the numerical schemes to the steady state solution. Effective gains in terms of convergence acceleration are observed with this technique (see Maciel). The results have proved that, when the Jameson and Mavriplis scheme is employed with an unstructured alternated discretization, better contours of proprieties are obtained (see Maciel). Moreover, an increase in the shock standoff distance is observed, which guarantees a minor increase in the temperature at the blunt body nose (minor armour problems), and a minor increase in the drag aerodynamic coefficient.

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1 Introduction

The effects associated with the interaction of magnetic forces with conducting fluid flows have been profitably employed in several applications related to nuclear and other ([1]) technologies and are known to be essential in the explanation of astrophysical phenomena. In recent years, however, the study of these interactions has received fresh impetus in the effort to solve the problems of high drag and thermal loads encountered in hypersonic flight. The knowledge that electrical and magnetic forces can have profound influence on hypersonic flowfields is not new ([2] and [3]) – note increased shock-standoff and reduced heat transfer rates in hypersonic flows past blunt bodies under the application of appropriate magnetic fields. The recent interest stems, however, from new revelations of a Russian concept vehicle, known as the AJAX ([4]), which made extensive reference to technologies requiring tight coupling between electromagnetic and fluid dynamic phenomena. A magnetogasdynamics (MGD) generator was proposed ([5]) to extract energy from the incoming air while simultaneously providing more benign flow to the combustion components downstream. The extracted energy could then be employed to increase thrust by MGD pumping of the flow exiting

the nozzle or to assist in the generation of a plasma for injection of the body. This latter technique is known to not only reduce drag on the body but also to provide thermal protection ([6]).

In addition to daunting engineering challenges, some of the phenomena supporting the feasibility of an AJAX type vehicle are fraught with controversy (see, for example, [7]). Resolution of these issues will require extensive experimentation as well as simulation. The latter approach requires integration of several disciplines, including fluid dynamics, electromagnetics, chemical kinetics and molecular physics amongst others. This paper describes a recent effort to integrate the first two of these, within the assumptions that characterize ideal and non-ideal magnetogasdynamics.

In [8], the Euler and Navier-Stokes equations were solved, according to a finite volume formulation and symmetrical structured discretization, applied to the problem of a blunt body in two-dimensions. The work of [9] was the reference one to present the fluid dynamics and Maxwell equations of electromagnetism based on a conservative and finite volume formalisms. The [10] and the [25] symmetrical schemes were applied to solve the conserved equations. Two types of numerical dissipation models were applied, namely: [11] and [12]. A spatially variable time step

procedure was employed aiming to accelerate the convergence of the numerical schemes to the steady state solution. The results proved that, when the [10] scheme was employed, an increase in the shock standoff distance was observed, which guaranteed a minor increase in the temperature at the blunt body nose, and a minor increase in the drag aerodynamic coefficient.

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2 Formulation to a Flow Submitted to a Magnetic Field

The Navier-Stokes equations to a flow submitted to a magnetic field in a perfect gas formulation are implemented on a finite volume context and two-dimensional space. The Euler equations are obtained by disregarding of the viscous vectors. These equations in integral and conservative forms can be expressed by:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V Q dV + \int_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} dS = 0, \tag{1a}$$

with: $\vec{F} = (E_e - E_v)\vec{i} + (F_e - F_v)\vec{j}$, (1b)

where: Q is the vector of conserved variables, V is the computational cell volume, \vec{F} is the complete flux vector, \vec{n} is the unity vector normal to the flux face, S is the flux area, E_e and F_e are the convective flux vectors or the Euler flux vectors considering the

contribution of the magnetic field in the x and y directions, respectively, and E_v and F_v are the viscous flux vectors considering the contribution of the magnetic field in the x and y directions, respectively. The unity vectors \vec{i} and \vec{j} define the system of Cartesian coordinates. The vectors Q, E_e , F_e , E_v and F_v can be defined, according to [9], as follows:

$$Q = \begin{Bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho v \\ \rho Z \\ B_x \\ B_y \end{Bmatrix}, E_e = \begin{Bmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 + P - R_b B_x^2 / \mu_M \\ \rho uv - R_b B_x B_y / \mu_M \\ (\rho Z + P)u - R_b (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{B} / \mu_M) B_x \\ 0 \\ u B_y - v B_x \end{Bmatrix}, \tag{2a}$$

$$F_e = \begin{Bmatrix} \rho v \\ \rho uv - R_b B_x B_y / \mu_M \\ \rho v^2 + P - R_b B_y^2 / \mu_M \\ (\rho Z + P)v - R_b (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{B} / \mu_M) B_y \\ v B_x - u B_y \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}; \tag{2b}$$

$$E_v = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_{xx} / Re \\ \tau_{xy} / Re \\ (u\tau_{xx} + v\tau_{xy}) / Re - q_x - q_{J,x} \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{Re_\sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{B_y}{\mu_M} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{B_x}{\mu_M} \right) \right] \end{Bmatrix} \text{ and} \tag{3}$$

$$F_v = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_{xy} / Re \\ \tau_{yy} / Re \\ (u\tau_{xy} + v\tau_{yy}) / Re - q_y - q_{J,y} \\ \frac{1}{Re_\sigma} \frac{1}{\sigma} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{B_x}{\mu_M} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{B_y}{\mu_M} \right) \right] \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix},$$

in which: ρ is the fluid density; u and v are the Cartesian components of the velocity vector in the x and y directions, respectively; Z is the flow total energy considering the contribution of the magnetic field; B_x and B_y are the Cartesian components of the magnetic field vector active in the x and y directions, respectively; P is the pressure term considering the magnetic field effect; R_b is the magnetic force number or the pressure number; μ_M is the mean

magnetic permeability, with the value $4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ T.m/A to the atmospheric air; \vec{V} is the flow velocity vector in Cartesian coordinates; \vec{B} is the magnetic field vector in Cartesian coordinates; the τ 's are the components of the viscous stress tensor defined at the Cartesian plane; q_x and q_y are the components of the Fourier heat flux vector in the x and y directions, respectively; $q_{J,x}$ and $q_{J,y}$ are the components of the Joule heat flux vector in the x and y directions, respectively; Re_σ is the magnetic Reynolds number; and σ is the electrical conductivity.

The viscous stresses, in N/m^2 , are determined, according to a Newtonian fluid model, by:

$$\tau_{xx} = 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{2}{3}\mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right), \tau_{xy} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right), \quad (4a)$$

$$\tau_{yy} = 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} - \frac{2}{3}\mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right), \quad (4b)$$

where μ is the fluid molecular viscosity. In this work, the empiric formula of Sutherland was employed to the calculation of the molecular viscosity (details in [17]).

Z is the total energy defined by:

$$Z = \frac{p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} + \frac{u^2 + v^2}{2} + R_b \frac{B^2}{2\mu_M \rho} = \frac{p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} + \frac{u^2 + v^2}{2} + R_b \frac{(B_x^2 + B_y^2)}{2\mu_M \rho}. \quad (5)$$

The pressure term is expressed by:

$$P = p + R_b \frac{B^2}{2\mu_M} = p + R_b \frac{(B_x^2 + B_y^2)}{2\mu_M}. \quad (6)$$

The magnetic force number or pressure number is determined by:

$$R_b = \frac{B_\infty^2}{\rho_\infty V_\infty^2 \mu_{M,\infty}} = \frac{(B_{x,\infty}^2 + B_{y,\infty}^2)}{\rho_\infty (u_\infty^2 + v_\infty^2) \mu_{M,\infty}}. \quad (7)$$

The laminar Reynolds number is defined by:

$$Re = \frac{\rho_\infty V_\infty L}{\mu_\infty}, \quad (8)$$

in which "∞" represents freestream properties, V_∞ represents the characteristic flow velocity and L is a characteristic length of the studied configuration.

The magnetic Reynolds number is calculated by:

$$Re_\sigma = LV_\infty \mu_{M,\infty} \sigma_\infty. \quad (9)$$

The components of the Fourier heat flux vector are expressed by:

$$q_x = -\frac{\mu}{(\gamma-1)Pr M_\infty^2 Re} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad q_y = -\frac{\mu}{(\gamma-1)Pr M_\infty^2 Re} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}, \quad (10)$$

with:

$Pr = \mu_\infty Cp/k = 0.72$, is the laminar Prandtl number; $M_\infty = \frac{V_\infty}{\sqrt{\gamma p/\rho}}$, is the freestream Mach number;

$$\gamma \text{ is the ratio of specific heats to a perfect gas, with a value of 1.4 to atmospheric air.} \quad (12)$$

The components of the Joule heat flux vector, which characterizes the non-ideal formulation, are determined by:

$$q_{J,x} = -\frac{R_b}{R_\sigma} \left\{ \frac{B_y}{\mu_M \sigma} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{B_y}{\mu_M} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{B_x}{\mu_M} \right) \right] \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad q_{J,y} = -\frac{R_b}{R_\sigma} \left\{ \frac{B_x}{\mu_M \sigma} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{B_x}{\mu_M} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{B_y}{\mu_M} \right) \right] \right\}. \quad (13)$$

3 Jameson and Mavriplis Unstructured Algorithm in 2D

First of all, the system geometrical parameters are defined. Afterwards, the numerical scheme will be described. The cell volume on an unstructured context is defined by:

$$V_i = 0.5 \left[(x_{n1}y_{n2} + y_{n1}x_{n3} + x_{n2}y_{n3}) - (x_{n3}y_{n2} + y_{n3}x_{n1} + x_{n2}y_{n1}) \right], \quad (14)$$

with n_1 , n_2 and n_3 being the nodes of a given triangular cell. The description of the computational

cell and its nodes, flux interfaces and neighbours are shown in Fig. 1.

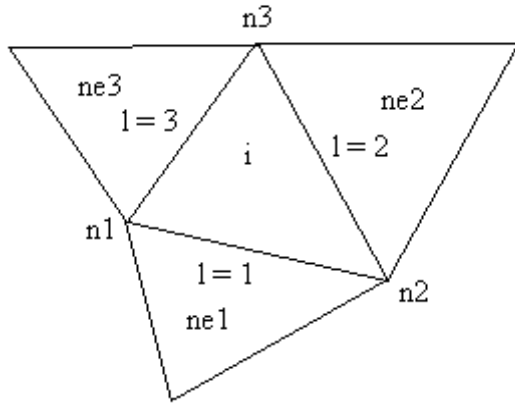


Figure 1 : Schematic of a cell and its neighbours, nodes and flux interfaces.

The area components at the “l” interface are defined by:

$$S_x^l = n_x^l S^l \quad \text{and} \quad S_y^l = n_y^l S^l, \quad (15)$$

where n_x^l , n_y^l and S^l are defined as:

$$n_x^l = \Delta y_l / (\Delta x_l^2 + \Delta y_l^2)^{0.5}, \quad n_y^l = -\Delta x_l / (\Delta x_l^2 + \Delta y_l^2)^{0.5};$$

$$S^l = (\Delta x_l^2 + \Delta y_l^2)^{0.5}. \quad (16)$$

Expressions to Δx_l and Δy_l are given in Tab. 1.

Table 1. Values of Δx_l and Δy_l .

| Interface | Δx_l | Δy_l |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| l = 1 | $x_{n2} - x_{n1}$ | $y_{n2} - y_{n1}$ |
| l = 2 | $x_{n3} - x_{n2}$ | $y_{n3} - y_{n2}$ |
| l = 3 | $x_{n1} - x_{n3}$ | $y_{n1} - y_{n3}$ |

Now, Equation (1) can be rewritten following an unstructured spatial discretization context ([18] and [10]) as:

$$d(V_i Q_i)/dt + C(Q_i) = 0, \quad (17)$$

where:

$$C(Q_i) = \{0.5[(E_e)_i + (E_e)_{ne1}] - (E_v)_{l=1}\} S_{x_{l=1}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(F_e)_i + (F_e)_{ne1}] - (F_v)_{l=1}\} S_{y_{l=1}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(E_e)_i + (E_e)_{ne2}] - (E_v)_{l=2}\} S_{x_{l=2}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(F_e)_i + (F_e)_{ne2}] - (F_v)_{l=2}\} S_{y_{l=2}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(E_e)_i + (E_e)_{ne3}] - (E_v)_{l=3}\} S_{x_{l=3}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(F_e)_i + (F_e)_{ne3}] - (F_v)_{l=3}\} S_{y_{l=3}}. \quad (18a)$$

$$\{0.5[(F_e)_i + (F_e)_{ne2}] - (F_v)_{l=2}\} S_{y_{l=2}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(E_e)_i + (E_e)_{ne3}] - (E_v)_{l=3}\} S_{x_{l=3}} +$$

$$\{0.5[(F_e)_i + (F_e)_{ne3}] - (F_v)_{l=3}\} S_{y_{l=3}}. \quad (18b)$$

is the approximation to the flux integral of Eq. (1). In this work, one adopts that, for example, the flux vector E_e at the flux interface $l = 1$ is obtained by the arithmetical average between the E_e vector calculated at the cell “i” and the E_e vector calculated at its neighbor ne1. The viscous flux vectors are calculated in a symmetrical form as demonstrated in section 4.

The spatial discretization proposed by the authors is equivalent to a symmetrical scheme with second order accuracy, on a finite difference context. The introduction of an artificial dissipation operator “D” is necessary to guarantee the scheme numerical stability in presence of, for example, uncoupled odd/even solutions and non-linear stabilities, as shock waves. Equation (17) can, so, be rewritten as:

$$d(V_i Q_i)/dt + [C(Q_i) - D(Q_i)] = 0. \quad (19)$$

The time integration is performed by a hybrid Runge-Kutta method of five stages, with second order accuracy, and can be represented in general form as:

$$Q_i^{(0)} = Q_i^{(n)}$$

$$Q_i^{(k)} = Q_i^{(0)} - \alpha_k \Delta t_i / V_i [C(Q_i^{(k-1)}) - D(Q_i^{(m)})], \quad (20)$$

$$Q_i^{(n+1)} = Q_i^{(k)}$$

where: $k = 1, \dots, 5$; $m = 0$ until 4; $\alpha_1 = 1/4$, $\alpha_2 = 1/6$, $\alpha_3 = 3/8$, $\alpha_4 = 1/2$ and $\alpha_5 = 1$. [10] suggest that the artificial dissipation operator should be evaluated only in the first two stages as the Euler equations were solved ($m = 0$, $k = 1$ and $m = 1$, $k = 2$). [19] suggest that the artificial dissipation operator should be evaluated in alternated stages as the Navier-Stokes equations were solved ($m = 0$, $k = 1$, $m = 2$, $k = 3$ and $m = 4$, $k = 5$). These procedures aim CPU time economy and also better damping of the numerical instabilities originated from the discretization based on the hyperbolic characteristics of the Euler equations and the hyperbolic/parabolic characteristics of the Navier-Stokes equations.

3.1 Artificial dissipation operator

The artificial dissipation operator implemented in the [10] schemes has the following structure, based on the works of [20-21]:

$$D(Q_i) = d^{(2)}(Q_i) - d^{(4)}(Q_i), \quad (21)$$

where:

$$d^{(2)}(Q_i) = 0.5\varepsilon_{l=1}^{(2)}(A_i + A_{ne1})(Q_{ne1} - Q_i) + 0.5\varepsilon_{l=2}^{(2)}(A_i + A_{ne2})(Q_{ne2} - Q_i) + 0.5\varepsilon_{l=3}^{(2)}(A_i + A_{ne3})(Q_{ne3} - Q_i), \quad (22)$$

named undivided Laplacian operator, is responsible by the numerical stability in the presence of shock waves; and

$$d^{(4)}(Q_i) = 0.5\varepsilon_{l=1}^{(4)}(A_i + A_{ne1})(\nabla^2 Q_{ne1} - \nabla^2 Q_i) + 0.5\varepsilon_{l=2}^{(4)}(A_i + A_{ne2,j})(\nabla^2 Q_{ne2} - \nabla^2 Q_i) + 0.5\varepsilon_{l=3}^{(4)}(A_i + A_{ne3})(\nabla^2 Q_{ne3} - \nabla^2 Q_i), \quad (23)$$

named bi-harmonic operator, is responsible by the background stability (for example: instabilities originated from uncoupled odd/even solutions). In this last term,

$$\nabla^2 Q_i = (Q_{ne1} - Q_i) + (Q_{ne2} - Q_i) + (Q_{ne3} - Q_i). \quad (24)$$

In the $d^{(4)}$ operator, $\nabla^2 Q_i$ is extrapolated from the value of the real neighbor cell every time that it represent a ghost cell. The ε terms are defined, for example, as:

$$\varepsilon_{l=1}^{(2)} = K^{(2)} \text{MAX} (v_i, v_{ne1}) \text{ and } \varepsilon_{l=1}^{(4)} = \text{MAX} [0, (K^{(4)} - \varepsilon_{l=1}^{(2)})], \quad (25)$$

with:

$$v_i = (|p_{ne1} - p_i| + |p_{ne2} - p_i| + |p_{ne3} - p_i|) / (p_{ne1} + p_{ne2} + p_{ne3} + 3p_i) \quad (26)$$

representing a pressure sensor employed to identify regions of elevated gradients. The $K^{(2)}$ and $K^{(4)}$ constants has typical values of 1/4 and 3/256, respectively. Every time that a neighbor cell represents a ghost cell, one assumes, for example, that $v_{ghost} = v_i$.

The A_i terms can be defined according to two models implemented in this work: (a) [11] and (b) [12]. In the first case, the A_i terms are contributions from the maximum normal eigenvalue of the Euler equations integrated along each cell face. Hence, they are defined as follows:

(a) [11] model:

$$A_i = \left[\left[0.5(u_i + u_{ne1})S_{x_{i=1}} + 0.5(v_i + v_{ne1})S_{y_{i=1}} \right] + 0.5(a_i + a_{ne1})(S_{x_{i=1}}^2 + S_{y_{i=1}}^2)^{0.5} + \left[0.5(u_i + u_{ne2})S_{x_{i=2}} + 0.5(v_i + v_{ne2})S_{y_{i=2}} \right] + 0.5(a_i + a_{ne2})(S_{x_{i=2}}^2 + S_{y_{i=2}}^2)^{0.5} + \left[0.5(u_i + u_{ne3})S_{x_{i=3}} + 0.5(v_i + v_{ne3})S_{y_{i=3}} \right] + 0.5(a_i + a_{ne3})(S_{x_{i=3}}^2 + S_{y_{i=3}}^2)^{0.5} \right], \quad (27)$$

where “ a ” represents the sound speed.

(b) [12] model:

$$A_i = V_i / \Delta t_i, \quad (28)$$

which represents a scaling factor, according to structured meshes, with the desired behavior to the artificial dissipation term: (i) bigger control volumes result in bigger value to the dissipation term; (ii) smaller time steps also result in bigger values to the scaling term.

4 Calculations of the Viscous Gradients

The viscous vectors at the flux interface are obtained by the arithmetical average between the primitive variables at the right and left states of the flux interface, as also the arithmetical average of the primitive variable gradients, also considering the right and left states of the flux interface. The gradients of the primitive variables present in the viscous flux vectors are calculated employing the Green theorem, which considers that the gradient of a primitive variable is constant in the volume and that the volume integral which defines this gradient is replaced by a surface integral. This methodology to calculation of the viscous gradients is based on the work of [22]. As an example, one has to $\partial u / \partial x$:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{V} \int_V \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dV = \frac{1}{V} \int_S u(\vec{n} \cdot d\vec{S}) = \frac{1}{V} \int_{S_x} u dS_x \cong \frac{1}{V_{i,j}} [0.5(u_i + u_{ne1})S_{x_{i=1}} + 0.5(u_i + u_{ne2})S_{x_{i=2}} + 0.5(u_i + u_{ne3})S_{x_{i=3}}]. \quad (29)$$

5 Dimensionless, Initial and Boundary Conditions, Computational Domain and Employed Meshes

5.1 Dimensionless

The dimensionless employed to the case of the flowfield submitted to a magnetic field in two-dimensions are detailed as follows: ρ is dimensionless in relation to ρ_∞ ; the u and v Cartesian components of velocity are dimensionless in relation to the freestream speed of sound, a_∞ ; p is dimensionless in relation to the product between ρ_∞ and the squared of a_∞ ; the translational/rotational temperature is dimensionless in relation to a_∞ ; the molecular viscosity is dimensionless in relation to μ_∞ ; the Cartesian components of the induced magnetic field is dimensionless by B_∞ ; the magnetic permeability of the mean is dimensionless by $\mu_{M,\infty}$; and the electric conductivity is dimensionless by σ_∞ .

5.2 Initial and boundary conditions

5.2.1 Initial condition

The initial condition adopts freestream flow properties to the conserved variables. Due to the present dimensionless, the vector of conserved variables in the field is determined as follows:

$$Q = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 1.0 \\ M_\infty \cos \theta \\ M_\infty \sin \theta \\ \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma-1)} + 0.5M_\infty^2 + 0.5R_b \\ B_{x,\infty} / B_\infty \\ B_{y,\infty} / B_\infty \end{array} \right\}, \quad (30)$$

where θ is the angle of attack, M_∞ is the freestream Mach number, $B_{x,\infty}$, $B_{y,\infty}$, B_∞ are the Cartesian components of the induced magnetic field and the modulus of the induced magnetic field, and R_b is calculated according to Eq. (7).

5.2.2 Boundary conditions

The boundary conditions are basically of three types: solid wall, entrance and exit. These conditions are implemented in special cells named “ghost cells”.

(a) Solid wall condition: In the inviscid case, this condition imposes the flow tangency at wall. This condition is satisfied considering the velocity component tangent to the wall relative to the ghost cell as equal to the respective component of the real neighbor cell. At the same time, the velocity component normal to the wall relative to the ghost cell is equaled to the negative of the respective

component of the real neighbor cell. This procedure leads to a system of equations which results to:

$$\begin{aligned} u_g &= (n_y^2 - n_x^2)u_r + (-2n_x n_y)v_r \quad \text{and} \\ v_g &= (-2n_x n_y)u_r + (n_x^2 - n_y^2)v_r, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where “g” indicate ghost cell properties and “r” indicate real cell properties. In the viscous case, the Cartesian components of the velocity vector of the ghost cells are equaled in value, but with the opposed signal, with the respective Cartesian components of the real cell.

$$u_g = -u_r \quad \text{and} \quad v_g = -v_r. \quad (32)$$

In both cases, inviscid and viscous, the pressure gradient normal to the wall is equaled to zero, according to an inviscid formulation in the former case and to the boundary layer condition in the latter. The same hypothesis is employed to the temperature gradient normal to the wall, considering an adiabatic wall. With these conditions, ghost cell density and pressure are extrapolated from the respective values of the real neighbor cell (zero order extrapolation).

The Cartesian components of the induced magnetic field at the wall to the ghost cells are fixed with their initial values. The magnetic permeability is considered constant with its initial value. The total energy Z to the ghost cell is calculated by:

$$Z_g = \frac{P_g}{(\gamma-1)\rho_g} + 0.5(u_g^2 + v_g^2) + 0.5R_b \frac{B_{x,g}^2 + B_{y,g}^2}{\mu_{M,g}\rho_g}. \quad (33)$$

(b) Entrance condition:

(b.1) Subsonic flow: Five properties are specified and one is extrapolated, based on the analysis of information propagation along the characteristic directions in the calculation domain ([23]). In other words, five characteristic directions of information propagation points to inside the computational domain and should be specified, to the subsonic flow. Only the characteristic direction associated with the “(q_n-a)” eigenvalue cannot be specified and should be determined by interior information of the calculation domain. The pressure is the extrapolated variable from the real neighbor cell. Density, Cartesian velocity components and Cartesian induced magnetic field components have their values determined by the initial condition. The total energy is determined by Eq. (33).

6.8. Computational performance

Table 7 presents the computational data of the simulations with magnetic field influence over a blunt body configuration in two-dimensions. The table shows the studied cases, the CFL number of the simulations, the iterations to convergence, the orders of reduction in the magnitude of the maximum residual in the field and the values of k_2 and k_4 employed in each simulation. All cases converged in three (3) orders of reduction of the maximum residual. The CFL number employed in all cases was 0.05, as also the values of $k_2 = 0.50$ and $k_4 = 0.01$. The maximum number of iterations to convergence reached less than 16,000 iterations, with the solution of the [10] scheme employing both dissipation models.

It is important to emphasize that all viscous simulations were considered laminar, without the introduction of a turbulence model, although a raised Reynolds number was employed in the simulations.

Table 7 : Computational data from the simulations with magnetic field acting on a blunt body.

| Studied case | CFL | Iterations | Residual Drop | k_2 / k_4 |
|---------------------------|------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| I ⁽¹⁾ /[11]/SS | 0.05 | 9,698 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| I/[11]/AS | 0.05 | 8,209 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| I/[12]/SS | 0.05 | 9,698 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| I/[12]/AS | 0.05 | 8,209 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| V ⁽²⁾ /[11]/SS | 0.05 | 11,081 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| V/[11]/AS | 0.05 | 15,980 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| V/[12]/SS | 0.05 | 11,081 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |
| V/[12]/AS | 0.05 | 15,980 | 3 | 0.50 / 0.01 |

⁽¹⁾: I = Inviscid; ⁽²⁾: V = Viscous.

Table 8 presents the computational costs of the [10] schemes in the formulation which considers the influence of the magnetic field, employing the artificial dissipation models of [11] and of [12], and considering SS and AS spatial discretization configurations. This cost is evaluated in seconds/per iteration/per computational cell. The costs were calculated employing a notebook with processor Intel Pentium Dual Core with 2.3GHz of clock and 2.0GBytes of RAM, in the Windows 7 environment.

Table 8 : Computational costs of the algorithms.

| Studied case | Computational cost ⁽¹⁾ |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| I/Mav/SS | 0.0000386 |
| I/Mav/AS | 0.0000385 |
| I/Az/SS | 0.0000386 |
| I/Az/AS | 0.0000386 |
| V/Mav/SS | 0.0000892 |
| V/Mav/AS | 0.0000896 |
| V/Az/SS | 0.0000893 |
| V/Az/AS | 0.0000861 |

⁽¹⁾ Measured in seconds/per iteration/per computational cell.

The cheapest algorithms was the [10] scheme, in the inviscid simulation, employing the [11] artificial dissipation model, whereas the most expensive was the [10] scheme, in any other case. In the viscous case, the cheapest scheme is due to the [10] scheme, using the [12] artificial dissipation model, in a viscous calculation. The most expensive is due to the [10] scheme using the [11] artificial dissipation model, in a viscous case. In this viscous case, the former is 4.07% cheaper than the latter.

7 Conclusions

The present work aimed to implement a computational tool to simulation of inviscid and viscous flows employing a magnetic field formulation acting on a specific geometry. In this study, the Euler and the Navier-Stokes equations employing a finite volume formulation, following a unstructured spatial discretization, were solved. The aerospace problem of the hypersonic flow around a blunt body geometry was simulated. A spatially variable time step procedure is employed aiming to accelerate the convergence of the numerical schemes to the steady state solution. Effective gains in terms of convergence acceleration are observed with this technique ([13]-[14]).

The study with magnetic field employed the [10] algorithm to perform the numerical experiments. The [10] scheme is calculated by arithmetical average between the convective flux vectors at the flux interface, opposed to the arithmetical average between the conserved variable vector. The viscous flux vectors are calculated by arithmetical average of the conserved variables and of the gradients. The results are of good quality. In particular, it was demonstrated the effect that the imposition of a normal magnetic field in relation to the symmetry line of a blunt body geometry could cause the increase of the shock standoff distance, reducing, hence, the aerodynamic heating. This effect is important and can be explored in the phases of

aerospace vehicle project which does reentry in the atmosphere normal to the earth magnetic field. Another option would be the proper vehicle generates an oscillatory electrical field to yield a magnetic field in it and to induce the effect of the increase of the shock standoff distance. These are suggestions to verify.

In relation to the aerodynamic coefficient of lift reasonable values are obtained by the [10] scheme. In relation to the drag aerodynamic coefficients, none of the solutions generated by the magnetic field present values inferior to the respective ones without magnetic field. This behavior is dictated by the pre-shock oscillations that are present in Mach number contours.

The cheapest algorithm was the [10] scheme, in the viscous simulation, employing the artificial dissipation model of [12], whereas the most expensive was the [10] scheme, in the viscous simulation, employing the artificial dissipation model of [11]. In relative percentage terms, the former is 4.07% cheaper than the latter.

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