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## User Defined Scalars (1)

- ◆ FLUENT can solve generic transport equations for User Defined Scalars
- ◆ The menu is accessed through **Define→Models→User-Defined Scalars...**
- ◆ User specifies number of User- Defined Scalars and UDF can be used for parts of scalar transport equation :

- Advective: **DEFINE\_UDS\_FLUX**
- Unsteady: **DEFINE\_UDS\_UNSTEADY**
- Diffusivity: **DEFINE\_DIFFUSIVITY**

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho\phi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\rho u_j\phi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\left(D \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j}\right) + S$$

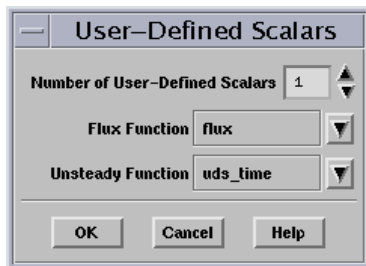
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\alpha\phi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\alpha u_j\phi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}\left(D \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j}\right) + S$$

Scalars are phase-specific in multiphase models  
Will be discussed later

## User Defined Scalars (2)

- User Defined Scalar convective and time derivatives can be modified

```
DEFINE_UDS_FLUX(flux, f, t, i)
{
    if (i == 0) return 0.;
    if NNULLP(THREAD_STORAGE(t,SV_FLUX))
        return F_FLUX(f,t);
    return 0.;
}
```

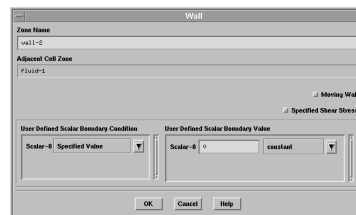


```
DEFINE_UDS_UNSTEADY(uns_time, cell,
                    thread, i, apu, su)
{
    real physical_dt, vol, rho, phi_old;
    physical_dt = RP_Get_Real("physical-
time-step");
    vol = C_VOLUME(cell,thread);

    rho = Rhod;
    *apu = -rho*vol /
    physical_dt;/*implicit part*/
    phi_old =
    C_STORAGE_R(cell,thread,SV_UDSI_M1(
i));
    *su =
    rho*vol*phi_old/physical_dt;/*expli
cit part*/
}
```

## User Defined Scalars (3)

- The Boundary Conditions for the User Defined Scalar can be specified as **Specified Flux** or **Specified Value**
- The diffusivity for the User Defined Scalar can be specified through **Material**→**user-defined**→**diffusivity** panel as a constant or as User-Defined Function



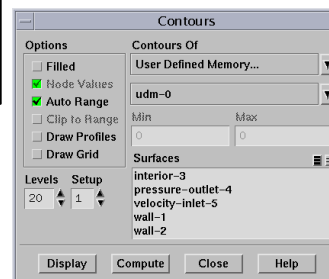
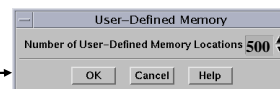
## User Defined Scalars (4)

- ◆ The User Defined Scalars and their gradients can be used in UDF's

```
DEFINE_ADJUST(adjust_fcn, domain)
{
    Thread *t;
    int nt;
    cell_t c;
    face_t f;
    int ns;
    real p_dis = 0.;
    /* Do nothing if gradient isn't allocated yet. */
    if (! Data_Valid_P()) return;
    /* Compute power dissipated. */
    thread_loop_c (t, domain)
    {
        if (FLUID_THREAD_P(t))
        {
            begin_c_loop_all (c, t)
            {
                C_UDSI(c, t, 1) +=
                K_EL*NV_MAG2(C_UDSI_G(c, t, 0))*C_VOLUME(c, t);
            }
            end_c_loop_all (c, t)
        }
    }
}
```

## User Defined Memory (UDM)

- ◆ User-allocated memory
  - Allow users to allocate memory (up to 500 locations) to store and retrieve the values of *field variables* computed by UDF's (for postprocessing and use by other UDFs)
  - Same array dimension and size as any flow variable
  - UDMs are not solved by the solver
  - Number of User-Defined Memory Locations is specified in the User-Defined Memory panel
  - Accessible via macros
    - Cell values: `C_UDMI(c, t, i)`
    - Face values: `F_UDMI(f, t, i)`
  - Saved to FLUENT data file

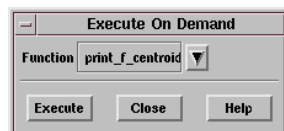


## User Defined Memory (2)

```
DEFINE_ON_DEMAND(scaled_temp)
{
    Domain *domain = Get_domain(1);
    /* Compute scaled temperature store in user-defined
       memory */
    thread_loop_c(t,domain)
    {
        begin_c_loop(c,t)
        {
            temp = C_T(c,t);
            C_UDMI(c,t,0)=(temp - tmin)/(tmax-tmin);
        }
        end_c_loop(c,t)
    }
}
```

## Execute on Demand

- ◆ This provides a hook to execute any set of calculation or I/O operations at will of the user while the solver is not iterating
- ◆ Executed instantaneously when activated by user
- ◆ Define→User-Defined  
→Execute on Demand...



```
extern Domain *domain;
#define SETMIN(a,b)((b)<(a)?(a=b):(a))
#define SETMAX(a,b)((b)>(a)?(a=b):(a))
DEFINE_ON_DEMAND(scaled_temp)
{
    thread_loop_c(t,domain)
    {
        real tmin=-1.e10, tmax=1.e10;
        /* Compute min & max temperature */
        begin_c_loop(c,t)
        {
            SETMIN(tmin,C_T(c,t));
            SETMAX(tmax,C_T(c,t));
        }
        end_c_loop(c,t)
    }
}
```