

Efficient numerical solution of incompressible flow problems

Towards adaptive error control

S. Turek

Institut für Angewandte Mathematik & Numerik
Universität Dortmund

<http://www.featflow.de/ture>

Demands for the numerical solution of:

Incompressible Navier–Stokes equations

$$\mathbf{u}_t - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad , \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

+ boundary and initial values

- stable and accurate discretizations in space and time
→ **FEM (UPW/SD) + CN/FS- θ**
- adaptive (error) control strategies
- nonlinear solvers or linearization techniques in time
- **solvers for Stokes/Oseen–like equations**
- linear solvers for scalar subproblems



Multilevel Pressure Schur Complement

Solution of discretized problems:

- **Nonlinearity** → ‘OK’ (???)
 - **Saddle point character (!!!)**
- ‘large’ degrees of freedom ($10^6 - 10^8$)
- **variable** time scales
- **complex** geometries and locally **anisotropic** meshes
- **varying** ‘Reynolds numbers’ in time

Multilevel Pressure Schur Complement

1. **Separation** of discretization from **solver (!)** aspects
2. **Classification** and **generalization** of algorithms



Understanding of Advantages/Disadvantages

3. **Improvements** and rigorous (!!!) **multigrid** embedding



‘Local’ and ‘Global’ MPSC techniques

Example for linear scalar problems:

1.) Numerical solution of **Poisson/Heat** equation



Discretization in space and time

2.) Solution of discretized problems with **basic iterations**



Jacobi, Gauß-Seidel, SOR, ILU, etc.

3.) **Characterization** of iterative schemes



- Poisson problem ??? $k \rightarrow 0$???
- complex spatial meshes/variable time steps ???

4.) Acceleration as **preconditioner** in Krylov-methods

5.) Acceleration as **smoother** in **multigrid** (!)

Pressure Schur Complement formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} S & kB \\ B^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$B^T S^{-1} B p = \frac{1}{k} B^T S^{-1} \mathbf{g} \quad , \quad \mathbf{u} = S^{-1}(\mathbf{g} - kBp)$$

Preconditioned Richardson schemes for scalar PSC:

$$\begin{aligned} p^l &= p^{l-1} - C^{-1}(A p^{l-1} - b) \\ &= p^{l-1} - C^{-1}(B^T S^{-1} B p^{l-1} - \frac{1}{k} B^T S^{-1} \mathbf{g}) \end{aligned}$$



Choice of PSC preconditioner C^{-1} :

- $C^{-1} = \sum \alpha_i \tilde{C}_i^{-1}$
- $S := \alpha M + \theta_1 \nu k L + \theta_2 k N(\tilde{\mathbf{U}})$



Smoother in **Multigrid** for $B^T S^{-1} B$

'Global' MPSC schemes

'Construct **globally** defined preconditioners for the partial operators by **discrete** and **continuous** arguments and use them in an **additive** way'

- Generalization of '**Projection methods**', '**Pressure Correction**', '**Fractional Step**' und '**Uzawa**' schemes
- New interpretation of 'classical' schemes (**Chorin, Van Kan, Gresho-2**) as special '**incomplete solvers**' (!!!)
- More 'efficiency' through **Multigrid** (MPSC)

⇒ Very **efficient** + **high MFLOP/s** rates possible !!!

⇒ Potentially **unstable** + **accuracy** ???

'Local' MPSC schemes

'Solve "exactly" on "patches" and perform an outer **Block-Gauß-Seidel/Jacobi** iteration'

- Generalization of **Block-Jacobi/Gauß-Seidel** methods for saddle point problems
- Modification of 'classical' schemes ('**Vanka**')
- 'Stabilization' via adaptive '**Patching**'

⇒ **Rigorous Mathematics**: very **robust** + **accurate** !!!

⇒ NO **efficiency** for fully nonsteady problems ???

⇒ **Low MFLOP/s** rates ???

Global PSC Preconditioner "C⁻¹" ???

Mass

Laplacian

Convection

$$B^T S^{-1} B = B^T [M + \theta \nu k L + \theta k N]^{-1} B$$

$$\sim B^T M^{-1} B + \frac{1}{\theta \nu k} B^T L^{-1} B + \frac{1}{\theta k} B^T N^{-1} B$$

$$[B^T S^{-1} B]^{-1} \sim [B^T M^{-1} B + \frac{1}{\theta \nu k} B^T L^{-1} B + \frac{1}{\theta k} B^T N^{-1} B]^{-1}$$

$$\sim (B^T M^{-1} B)^{-1} + \theta \nu k (B^T L^{-1} B)^{-1} + \theta k (B^T N^{-1} B)^{-1}$$

Reaction

Diffusion

Convection

Reactive Preconditioner:

- explicit calculation of $P := B^T M_l^{-1} B$
- **P** "exact" discrete PSC preconditioner for $k \rightarrow 0$
- nonconforming \tilde{Q}_1/Q_0 : **5 (2D)/7 (3D) stencil !!!**

OPTIMAL: "exact" for $k \rightarrow 0$, "minimal" numerical complexity

Diffusive Preconditioner:

- explicit calculation of $B^T L^{-1} B$ impossible (L^{-1} full !!!)
- **However:** $\nabla \cdot \Delta^{-1} \nabla \sim I \implies B^T L^{-1} B \sim M_p$

"OPTIMAL": spectrally optimal for discrete **Stokes** problems
 \implies (Modified) **Uzawa** scheme !!!

Convective Preconditioner: (???)

- discrete construction \longrightarrow ILU ???
- continuous construction \longrightarrow $\nabla \cdot (\beta \cdot \nabla)^{-1} \nabla \sim ???$

Complete "Additive" PSC Preconditioner:

$$\alpha_R P^{-1} + \alpha_D M_p^{-1}$$

with: $\alpha_R = 1$ (or 0), $\alpha_D = \theta \nu k$ + Damping if necessary

Complete PSC Basic Iteration:

$$p^l = p^{l-1} - [\alpha_R P^{-1} + \alpha_D M_p^{-1}] (B^T S^{-1} B p^{l-1} - \frac{1}{k} B^T S^{-1} \mathbf{g})$$

Realization of 1 complete PSC Step:

$$S \tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{g} - k B p^{l-1} \quad (\text{with } p^{l-1} \text{ given})$$

$$f_p := \frac{1}{k} B^T \tilde{\mathbf{u}} \quad [= \frac{1}{k} B^T S^{-1} \mathbf{g} - B^T S^{-1} B p^{l-1} = \text{Residual } (p^{l-1})]$$

$$P q = f_p \quad (\sim \text{discrete "Pressure-Poisson" problem})$$

$$p^l = p^{l-1} + \alpha_R q + \alpha_D M_p^{-1} f_p$$

MPSC Multigrid for $A := B^T S^{-1} B$:

Standard (scalar) Multigrid with **PSC smoother**

Additional "internal" multigrid for S^{-1} and P^{-1} !!!

Stationary Navier–Stokes Equations I:

‘Channel flow around square’ with different **aspect ratios (AR)**

→ **GLOBAL MPSC** (MG–Uzawa), **0/2** Smoothing Steps

• $1/\nu = 5$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	4/ 6 /1.5	4/ 6 /1.5	4/ 6 /1.5
4	4/ 6 /1.5	4/ 6 /1.5	4/ 6 /1.5
5	5/ 7 /1.5	4/ 7 /1.5	5/ 8 /1.5

• $1/\nu = 50$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	9/ 25 /3.0	6/ 18 /3.0	6/ 18 /3.0
4	6/ 10 /1.5	6/ 10 /2.0	6/ 10 /2.0
5	6/ 6 /1.0	6/ 9 /1.5	7/ 9 /1.5

• $1/\nu = 500$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	10/ 76 /7.5	10/ 74 /7.5	10/ 73 /7.5
4	11/ 51 /4.5	11/ 49 /4.5	11/ 54 /5.0
5	12/ 31 /2.5	13/ 35 /3.0	12/ 31 /2.5

- **Linear + Nonlinear rates** ”independent” of **AR**
- **Linear rates** getting ”better” for $h \rightarrow 0$, ”worse” for $Re \rightarrow \infty$
- **Nonlinear rates** ”independent” of h , ”worse” for $Re \rightarrow \infty$

Stationary Navier–Stokes Equations II:

→ **LOCAL MPSC** (Adapt. Patching), **0/4** Smoothing Steps

• $1/\nu = 5$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	4/ 11 /3.0	4/ 11 /3.0	4/ 14 /3.5
4	5/ 17 /3.5	5/ 16 /3.0	5/ 17 /3.5
5	4/ 16 /4.0	4/ 16 /4.0	5/ 18 /3.5

• $1/\nu = 50$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	6/ 10 /1.5	6/ 13 /2.0	6/ 18 /3.0
4	5/ 12 /2.5	5/ 12 /2.5	5/ 12 /2.5
5	7/ 21 /3.0	6/ 20 /3.5	6/ 20 /3.5

• $1/\nu = 500$

LEV	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^1$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^3$	$AR = 0.5 \cdot 10^5$
3	10/ 19 /2.0	10/ 19 /2.0	11/ 28 /2.5
4	11/ 25 /2.0	10/ 19 /2.0	11/ 21 /2.0
5	11/ 22 /2.0	12/ 22 /2.0	11/ 22 /2.0

- **Linear rates** "independent" of **AR**, $h \rightarrow 0$, $Re \rightarrow \infty$ (Δt)
- **Nonlinear rates** "independent" of **AR**, h
- **Nonlinear rates** getting "worse" for $Re \rightarrow \infty$

1) Direct ILU decomposition of $B^T S^{-1} B$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S & B \\ B^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S & 0 \\ B^T & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & -B^T S^{-1} B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S & B \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{11} & 0 \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{L_{22} U_{22} = -B^T S^{-1} B}$$

→ Which sparsity pattern ($B^T S^{-1} B$ full !!!) for ILU_{22} ???

→ MG with $ILU_{22}(B^T S^{-1} B)$???

2) Modified *curl* formulation of convection (Olshanskii)

$$\boxed{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = (\mathit{curl} \mathbf{u}) \times \mathbf{u} + 1/2 \nabla(\mathbf{u}^2)}$$

⇒ Replace: $\alpha \mathbf{u} - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + (\tilde{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}$ by $\alpha \mathbf{u} - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \mathit{curl} \tilde{\mathbf{U}} \times \mathbf{u}$

⇒ $\boxed{B^T [\alpha M + M(\mathit{curl} \tilde{\mathbf{U}})]^{-1} B}$ is computable !!!

→ Stabilization of the discretization for higher Re numbers ???

→ Full Newton matrix ???

→ MG for $\tilde{P} := B^T M(\mathit{curl} \tilde{\mathbf{U}})^{-1} B$???

3) Doubled Preconditioners (Elman/Sylvester)

$$(B^T X B)(B^T S^{-1} B)^{-1}(B^T Y B) \approx B^T X B B^{-1} S B^{-T} B^T Y B \approx B^T X S Y B$$

$$\Rightarrow (B^T S^{-1} B)^{-1} \approx (B^T X B)^{-1} (B^T X S Y B) (B^T Y B)^{-1}$$

→ 2 preconditioners ??? Choice of X,Y: Diagonal matrices !!!

→ X=Y=I: Which PDE ??? Problems with anisotropic meshes !!!

→ Stokes ??? $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$???

4) Convective pressure formulation (Elman/Sylv./Wathen)

‘Momentum equation discretized with pressure functions’

$$S_p = M_p + \nu k'' \Delta_p'' + k'' N_p'' \quad \leftarrow Q_0 ???$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Commute: } B^T S_u^{-1} B \approx (B^T M_u^{-1} B) S_p^{-1} M_p$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{PSC: } M_p^{-1} [M_p + k'' N_p''] P^{-1} + \nu k M_p^{-1}$$

$$\Downarrow \text{'' } N_p \text{'' ???}$$

$$C^{-1} = [I + k M_p^{-1} (T_u^p N_u T_p^u)] P^{-1} + \nu k M_p^{-1}$$

⇒ **Natural** extension of MPSC approach !!!

⇒ Very **efficient** w.r.t. computational complexity !!!

"2nd order accurate" Navier-Stokes solvers:

- **n-Gal** Galerkin approach with
fully nonlinear solver in each time step and
global MPSC steps for each Oseen problem
- **l-Gal** global MPSC with 2nd order linearization
- **c-Gal** global MPSC with $\mathbf{u}^n \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^{n+1}$ linearization

"fully coupled in \mathbf{u} and p "

- **n-Pro** nonlinear projection with global PSC ('Van Kan')
- **l-Pro** semi-implicit projection with linear extrapolation
- **c-Pro** semi-implicit projection with constant treatment

"semi-implicit decoupled approach"

- **xl-Pro** semi-explicit projection with linear extrapolation
- **xc-Pro** semi-explicit projection with constant treatment

"semi-explicit approach with SPD's only"

Error indicator for adaptive time steps:

Aim: $\boxed{\text{Solution at } t_{n+1} = t_n + k}$, starting from t_n

→ $v_k = v_k(t_{n+1}) = \{\mathbf{u}_k(t_{n+1}), p_k(t_{n+1})\}$ via time step k

→ $v = v(t_{n+1})$ exact solution at t_{n+1}

with: $\boxed{\| \| J(v) - J(v_k) \| \| \sim TOL}$ for given (linear) functional $J(\cdot)$

→ $J(\cdot) \approx$ velocity/pressure values, $\| \| J(v) - J(v_k) \| \| = \| v - v_k \|_{l_2}$

→ $J(\cdot) \approx$ drag/lift/flux, $\| \| \cdot \| \| = | \cdot |$

Assumption: $\boxed{J(v) - J(v_k) \sim k^2 e(v) + O(k^4)}$

⇒ 3 steps $\times \tilde{k}$, 1 step $\times 3\tilde{k}$, $REL_{\tilde{k}} := J(v_{3\tilde{k}}) - J(v_{\tilde{k}})$

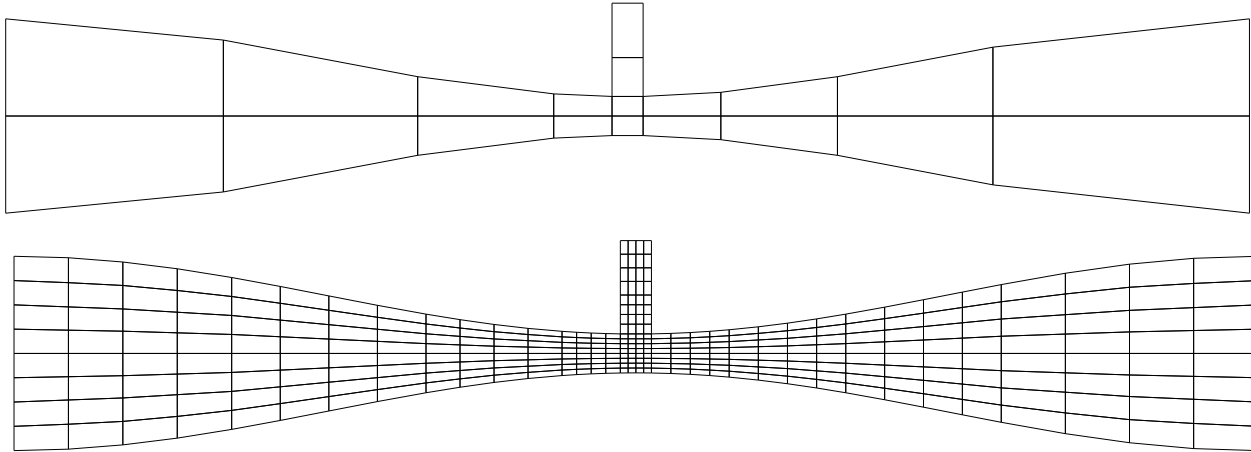
⇒ $e(v) \sim \frac{J(v_{3\tilde{k}}) - J(v_{\tilde{k}})}{8\tilde{k}^2}$, $J(v) - J(v_k) \sim \frac{k^2}{8\tilde{k}^2} REL_{\tilde{k}}$

⇒ Get new estimation: $\boxed{k^2 \sim TOL \frac{8\tilde{k}^2}{\| \| REL_{\tilde{k}} \| \|}}$

⇓

$\boxed{\text{Compare } k \text{ with } \tilde{k} !!!}$

Test 1: Flow through a Venturi Pipe

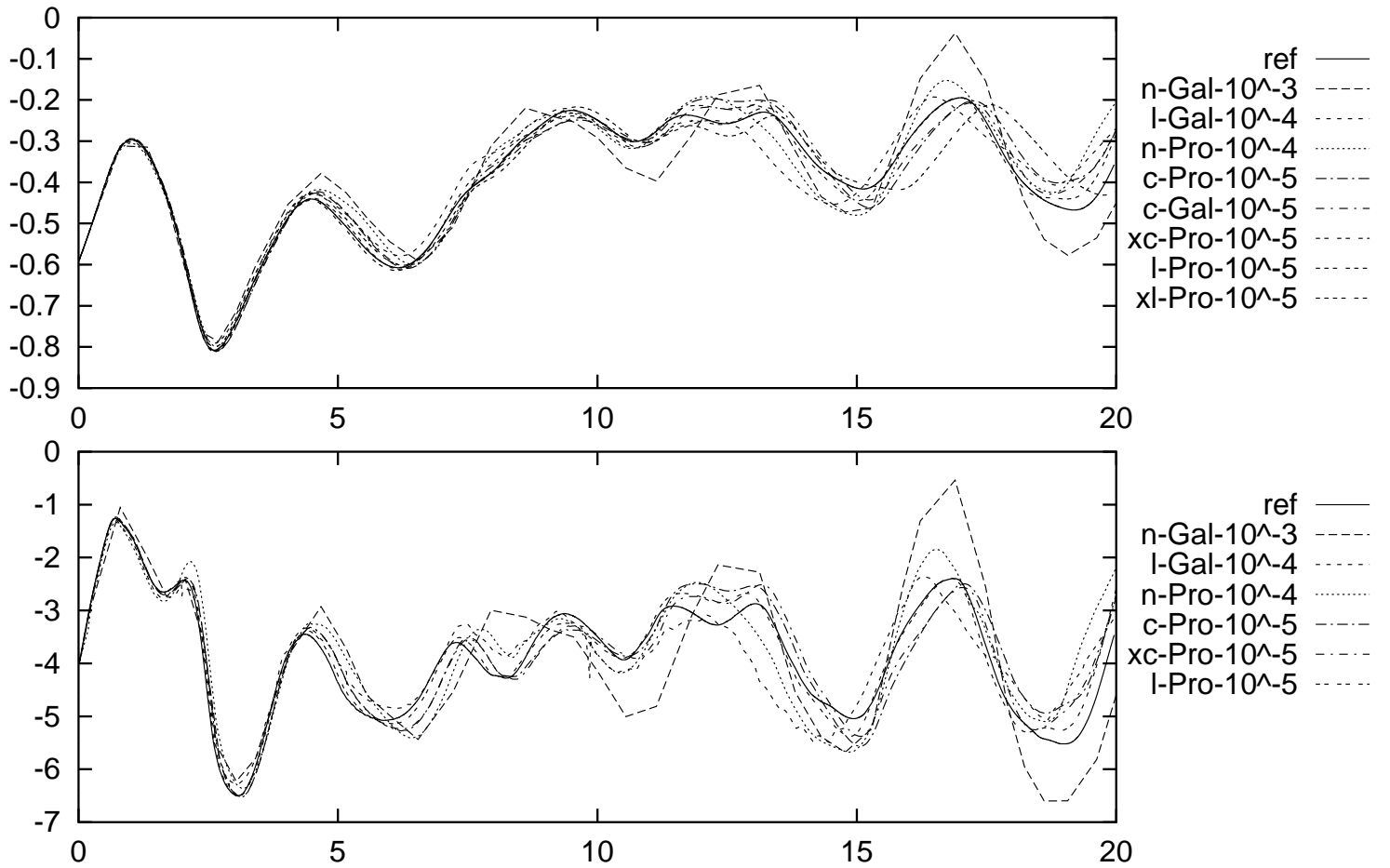


level	vertices	elements	midpoints	total unknowns
1	34	20	53	126
3	373	320	692	1,704
6	20,897	20,480	41,376	103,232

Test configuration:

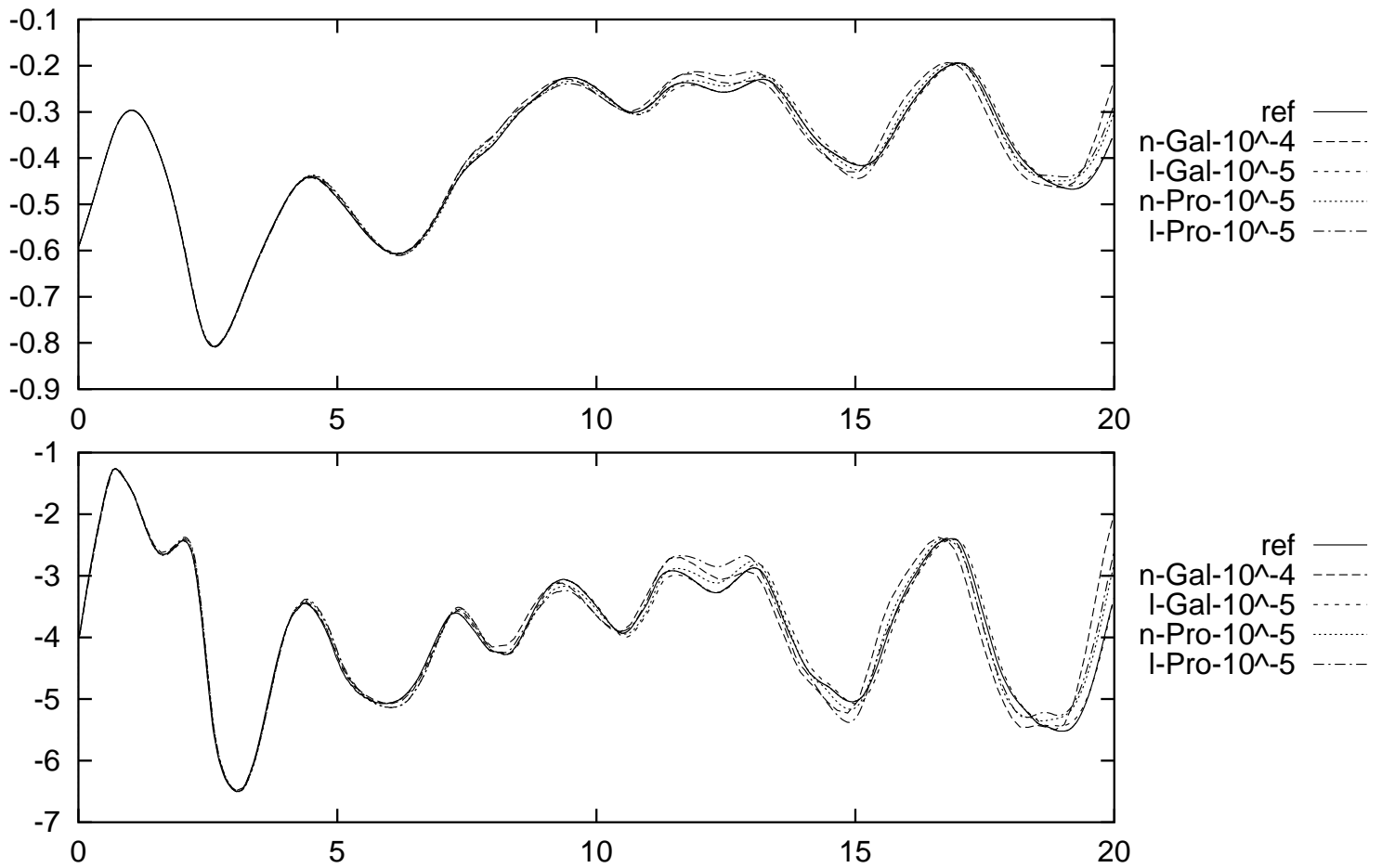
- $\nu = 10^{-3}$, resulting Reynolds number $Re \approx 5,000$
- (*adaptive*) upwind discretization of the convective terms
- Fractional-step- θ -scheme as time discretization
- adaptive time step control for **velocity** (global, l_2) and **flux** (through upper device !!!)

Results I: 'OK' Ratings



	Meth.	#NT	Flux		Pressure	
			l_2	mean	l_2	mean
	n-Gal	38	15%	1%	19%	1%
	l-Gal	222	11%	2%	13%	0%
	n-Pro	263	11%	2%	14%	3%
O	l-Pro	649	4%	0%	5%	0%
K	c-Gal	768	6%	1%	8%	1%
	c-Pro	769	8%	2%	10%	2%
	xc-Pro	2730	7%	1%	8%	0%
	xl-Pro	6941	11%	0%	14%	0%

Results I: 'PERF' Ratings

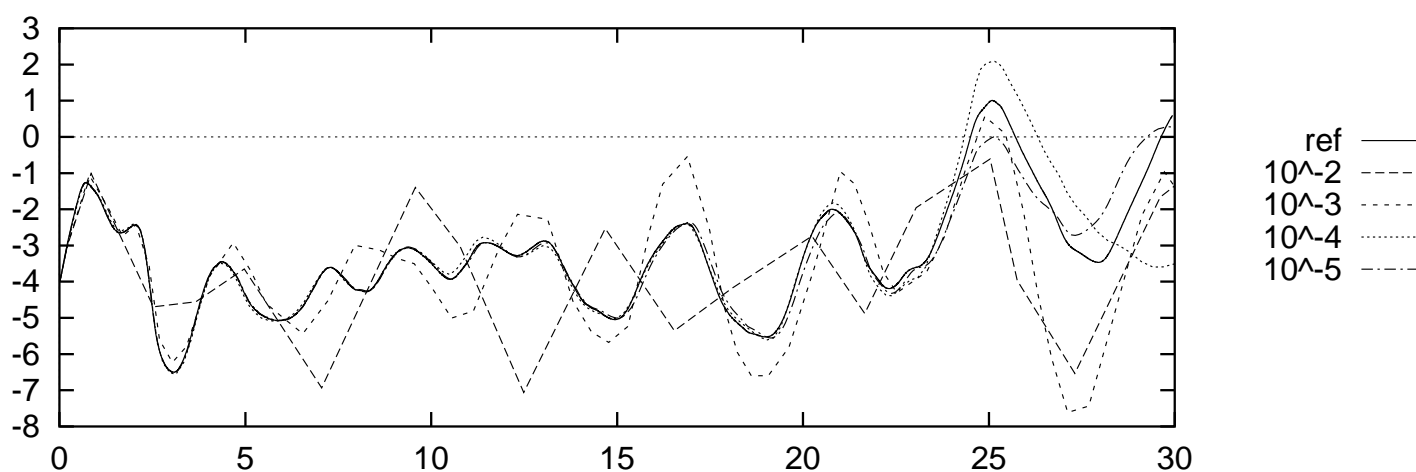
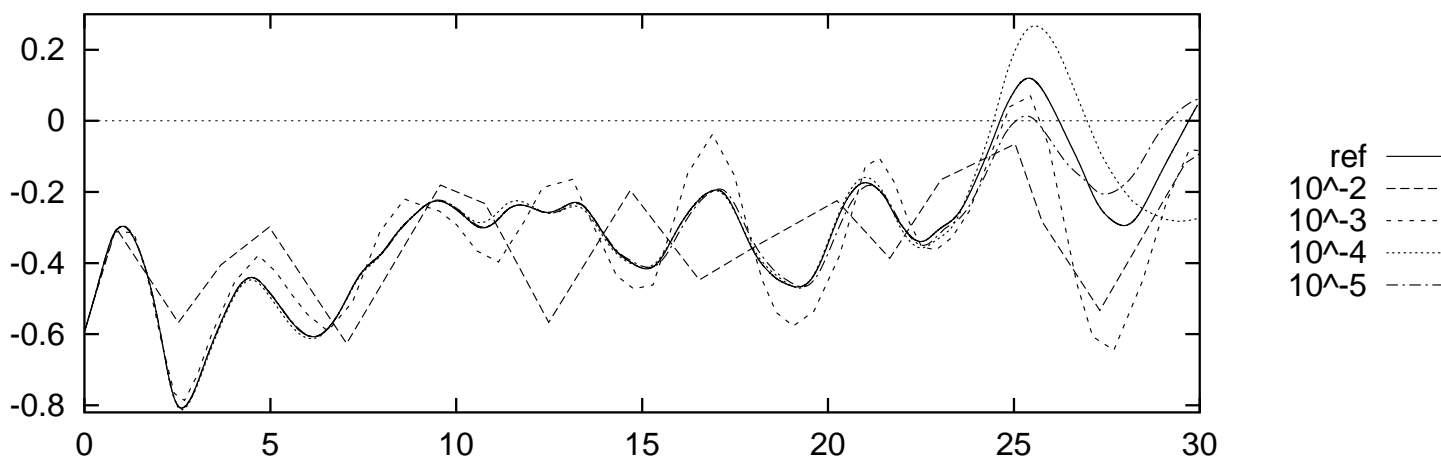


	Meth.	#NT	Flux		Pressure	
			l_2	mean	l_2	mean
P	n-Gal	117	5%	1%	7%	1%
E	l-Gal	508	1%	0%	1%	0%
R	n-Pro	630	3%	0%	4%	0%
F	l-Pro	649	4%	0%	5%	0%



Different values for *TOL* !!!

Results I: Comparison of n-Gal

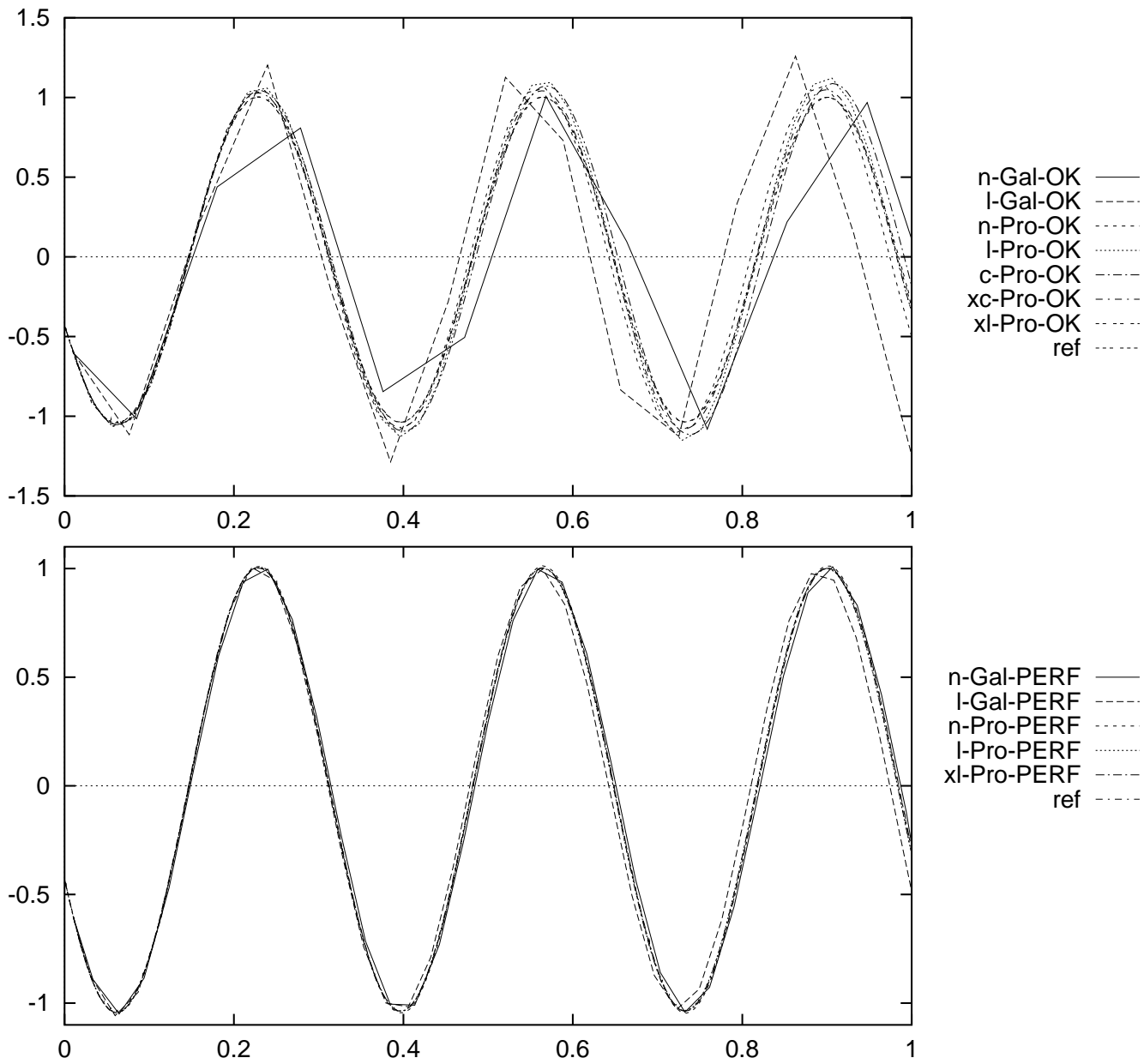


General Results:

- "c-variants" only **first order accurate** in time
- "x-variants" restricted due to **CFL condition**
- "l-variants" bad for **large ASPECT RATIOS**



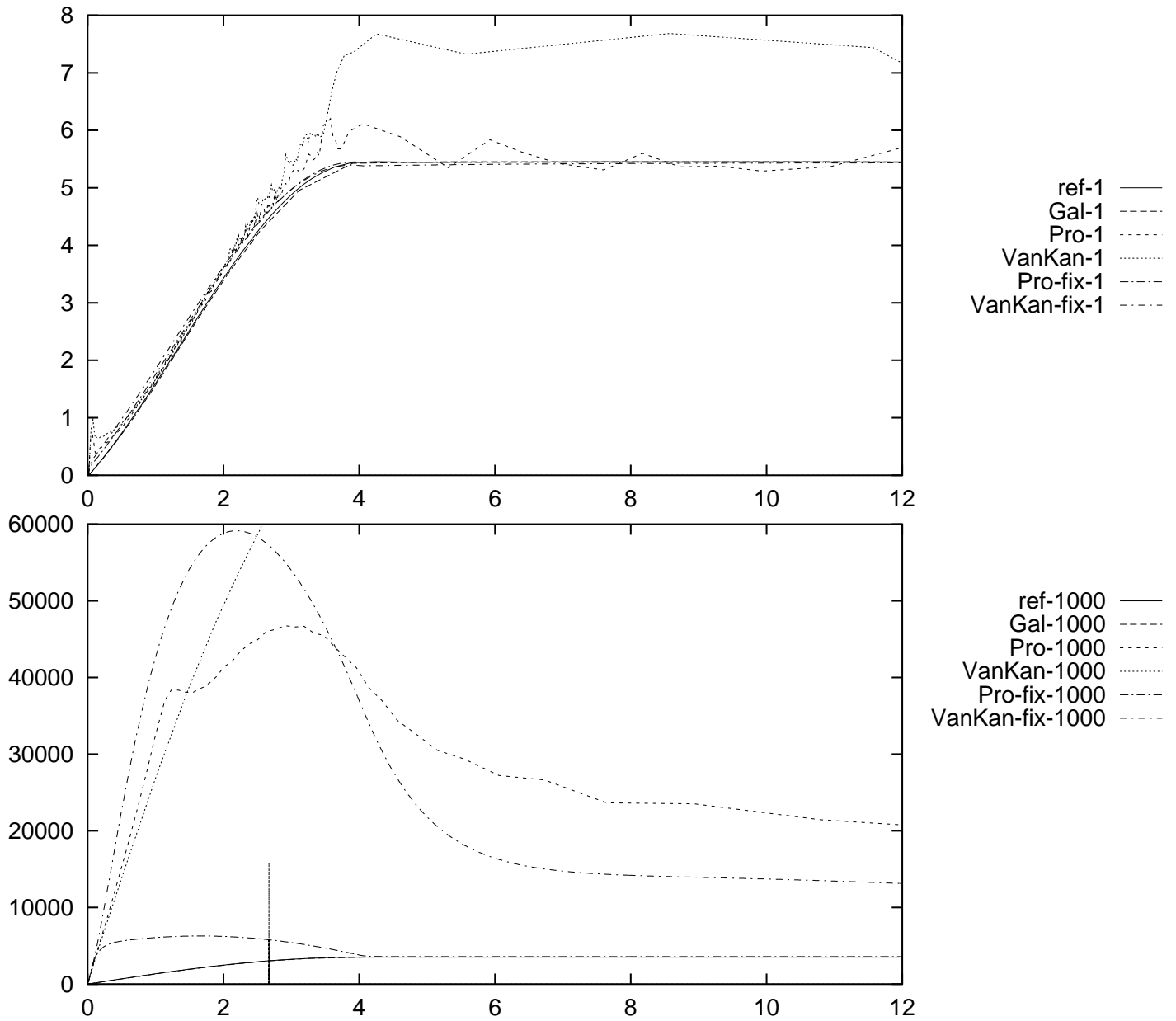
n-GAL or n-PRO !!!



L6	CPU	Meth.	NT
OK	14,876 (78/10%)	n-Gal	12
	6,910 (82/ 9%)	l-Gal	16
	16,884 (56/30%)	n-Pro	46
	6,749 (67/23%)	l-Pro	46
	64,485 (54/27%)	xl-Pro	889
P	32,538 (73/13%)	n-Gal	36
E	14,358 (81/ 9%)	l-Gal	39
R	42,679 (51/34%)	n-Pro	165
F	21,409 (63/26%)	l-Pro	171

L4	CPU	Meth.	NT
OK	760 (81/ 9%)	n-Gal	9
	342 (84/ 8%)	l-Gal	12
	744 (56/30%)	n-Pro	33
	315 (68/22%)	l-Pro	34
	1,515 (53/28%)	xl-Pro	338
P	1,548 (76/12%)	n-Gal	27
E	712 (82/ 9%)	l-Gal	30
R	1,449 (47/36%)	n-Pro	97
F	740 (63/26%)	l-Pro	96

Results III: Low Reynolds numbers



$\nu = 1$	NT	Lift T=12	
		value	error
REF		5.448	—
Gal	13	5.450	0%
Pro	329	5.702	5%
VanKan	313	7.172	31%
Pro-fix	1200	5.448	0%
VanKan-fix	1200	5.438	0%

$\nu = 1,000$	NT	Lift T=12	
		value	error
REF		3.513+3	—
Gal	20	3.513+3	0%
Pro	53	2.077+4	277%
VanKan	—	—	—
Pro-fix	1200	3.592+3	4%
VanKan-fix	1200	1.311+4	217%

Conclusion: Adaptive time stepping !?!?

- **Error Estimator instead of Error Indicator !!!**

- **Galerkin approach in space/time**

⇒ FEM in space with Upwind/Streamline-Diffusion

⇒ (Modified) Crank-Nicolson (\sim Petrov-Galerkin with cG(1))

- **Coupled solvers in u and p**

⇒ global/local PSC with (doubled) multigrid embedding

⇒ fully nonlinear treatment for complex configurations

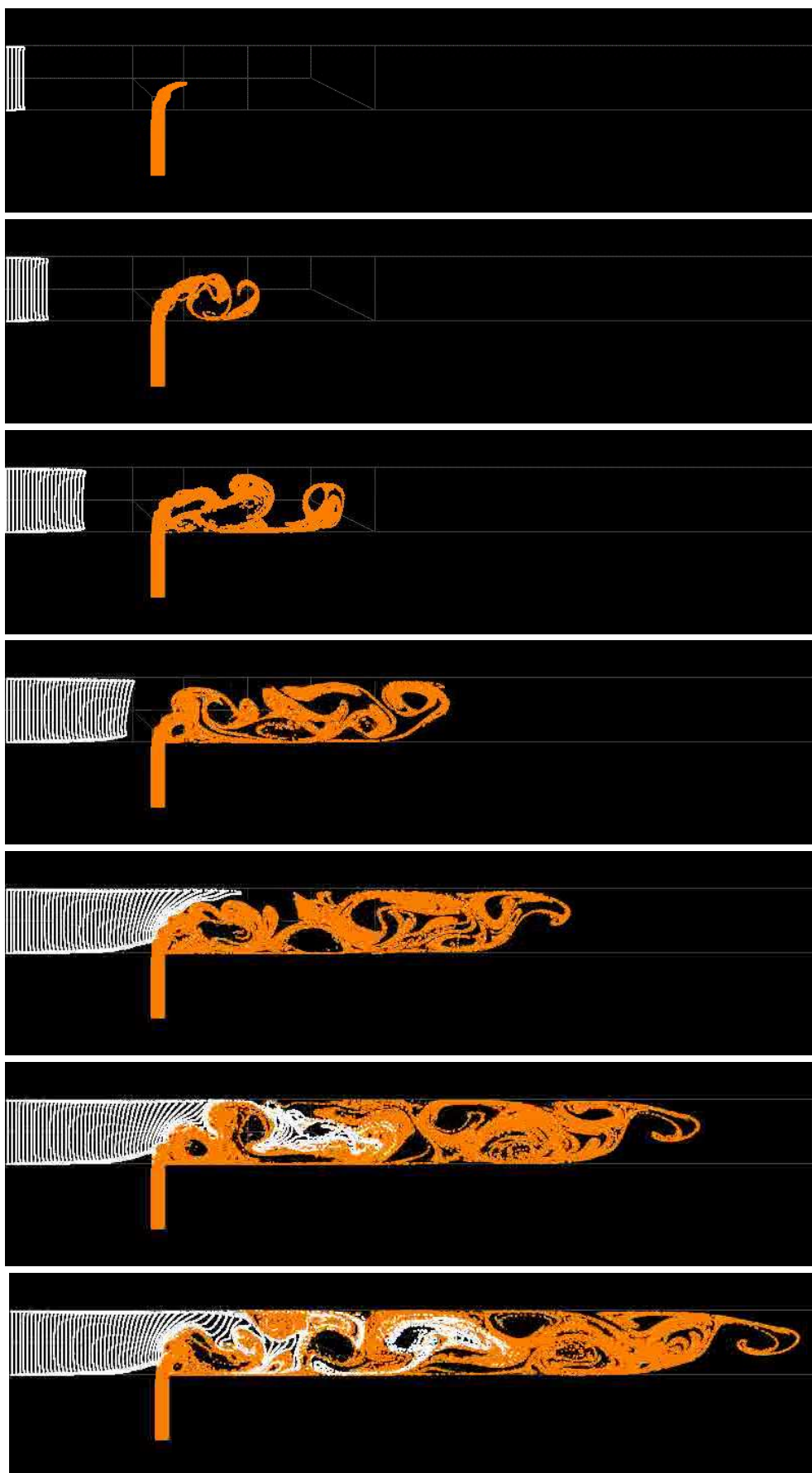


*Combination of higher accuracy of
Galerkin-type methods with high speed
of **Projection-type** solvers is possible !!!*

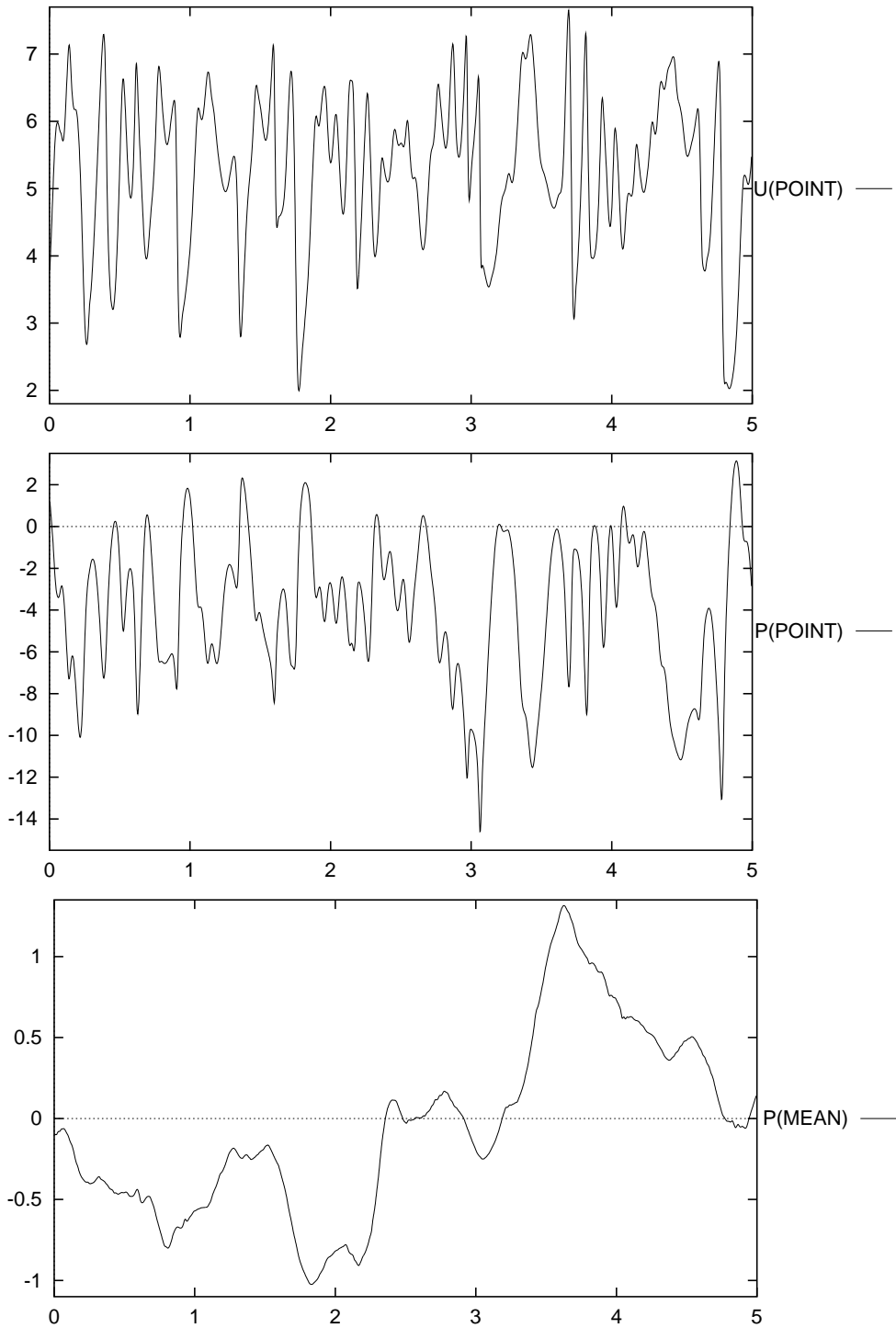
***Residual-based** *a posteriori* error
control in space/time with dual solutions
based on **meanvalue** functionals in
space/time is aimed !!!*

***Robust** solvers for linearized NS
problems with **large** time steps !?!*

Project: Perpendicular inflow into pipe



Snapshots:



Control of the **mean value** for the
'wall pressure' in space/time???