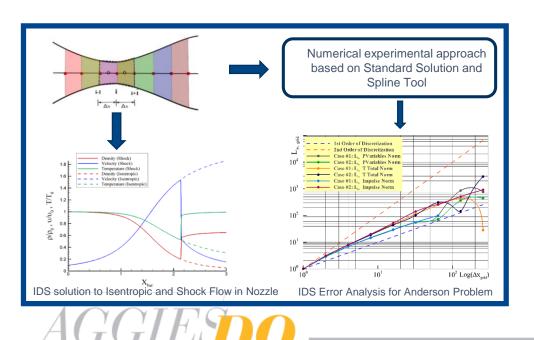


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RESEARCH QUESTIONS / PROBLEMS:

The goal of this dissertation is to establish the accuracy of the Integral Differential Scheme (IDS) solver as a means of establishing the credibility of its solutions. This is done by

- Evaluation of the Spatial Error Behavior of the IDS
- Evaluation of the Temporal Error Behavior of the IDS

METHODS:

- In lieu of analytical methods, a set of numerical experiments were created and implemented to analyze the error behavior.
- Numerical Exact Solutions (Standard Solutions) were obtained from grid independent solution coupled to a Spline tool
- Spatial and Temporal error analysis were performed using the standard solutions and various error norms.

RESULTS / FINDINGS:

- The IDS delivers 1st order discretization accuracy for coarse grids
- As the grids are refined, the error approaches 2nd order accuracy
- The IDS is capable of producing exact solutions for unsteady problems.

SIGNIFICANCE / IMPLICATIONS:

- The results from IDS implementation can now be considered credible.
- This methodology is applicable to error analysis of complex schemes.