

## How to implement your own turbulence model (1/3)

- The implementations of the turbulence models are located in  
\$FOAM\_SRC/turbulenceModels
- Copy the source of the turbulence model that is most similar to what you want to do. In this case we will make our own copy of the kOmegaSST turbulence model:

```
cd $WM_PROJECT_DIR
cp -r --parents src/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS/kOmegaSST \
    $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR
cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/src/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS
mv kOmegaSST mykOmegaSST
cd mykOmegaSST
```

## How to implement your own turbulence model (2/3)

- We also need a Make/files and a Make/options

- Create a Make directory:

```
mkdir Make
```

- Make/files:

```
mykOmegaSST.C
```

```
LIB = $(FOAM_USER_LIBBIN)/libmyIncompressibleRASModels
```

(we are only *adding* mykOmegaSST)

- Make/options (compare with that in RAS):

```
EXE_INC = \
-I$(LIB_SRC)/turbulenceModels \
-I$(LIB_SRC)/transportModels \
-I$(LIB_SRC)/finiteVolume/lnInclude \
-I$(LIB_SRC)/meshTools/lnInclude \
-I$(LIB_SRC)/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS/lnInclude
```

```
LIB_LIBS =
```

(the last -I is needed since mykOmegaSST uses include-files in the original directory)

## How to implement your own turbulence model (3/3)

- We need to modify the file names of our new turbulence model (note that the Linux command `rename` might work differently in different systems – you can also use `mv` for each file/directory):

```
rename kOmegaSST mykOmegaSST *
```

- In `mykOmegaSST.C` and `mykOmegaSST.H`, change all occurrences of `kOmegaSST` to `mykOmegaSST` so that we have a new class name:

```
sed -i s/kOmegaSST/mykOmegaSST/g mykOmegaSST.C
sed -i s/kOmegaSST/mykOmegaSST/g mykOmegaSST.H
```

- Introduce a small modification so that we can see if we use our new model. Line 242 in OF1.7.x (Line 247 in OF1.6.x) in `mykOmegaSST.C`:

```
Info << "Defining my own kOmegaSST model" << endl;
```

- Compile using:

```
wmake libso
```

which will build a dynamic library.

## Copy the simpleFoam/pitzDaily tutorial

We will use our turbulence model on the simpleFoam/pitzDaily tutorial:

run

```
cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/simpleFoam/pitzDaily .
cd pitzDaily
blockMesh
```

## How to use your own turbulence model

- Tell OpenFOAM to use your new library by adding a line to controlDict:

```
libs ("libmyIncompressibleRASModels.so");
```

- You choose turbulence model in the constant/RASProperties dictionary:

```
RASModel mykOmegaSST;
```

- You also need to generate a 0/omega file, and update fvSchemes and fvSolution

```
cp 0/epsilon 0/omega
sed -i s/epsilon/omega/g 0/omega
sed -i s/"0 2 -3 0 0 0 0"/"0 0 -1 0 0 0 0"/g 0/omega
sed -i s/14.855/440.15/g 0/omega
sed -i s/epsilon/omega/g system/fvSchemes
sed -i s/epsilon/omega/g system/fvSolution
```

(here  $\nu_t = \frac{k}{\omega} = C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon}$  is kept the same in both cases)

- Now you can run the simpleFoam/pitzDaily tutorial with your new turbulence model. Try both kOmegaSST and mykOmegaSST and look for your write-statement in the log file.
- Simply add appropriate source terms to implement a variant of kOmegaSST....

## A note on new turbulence models

- The RAS turbulence models in OpenFOAM are sub-classes to the virtual class `RASModel`.
- You are only allowed to use the same member function definitions as in the `RASModel` class. If you need other member functions you will have to add those to the `RASModel` class, which requires that you copy and modify all of  
`$FOAM_SRC/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS`.  
You can recognize where the top-level of a class is located by locating the `Make`-directory.

We will now have a look at the implementation of the kOmegaSST model.

## $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6 (almost identical in 1.7.x)

From \$FOAM\_SRC/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS/kOmegaSST/kOmegaSST.H:

- Menter, F., Esch, T.  
"Elements of Industrial Heat Transfer Prediction"  
16th Brazilian Congress of Mechanical Engineering (COBEM),  
Nov. 2001
- Note that this implementation is written in terms of alpha diffusion coefficients rather than the more traditional sigma ( $\alpha = 1/\sigma$ ) so that the blending can be applied to all coefficients in a consistent manner. The paper suggests that sigma is blended but this would not be consistent with the blending of the k-epsilon and k-omega models.
- Also note that the error in the last term of equation (2) relating to sigma has been corrected.
- Wall-functions are applied in this implementation by using equations (14) to specify the near-wall omega as appropriate.
- The blending functions (15) and (16) are not currently used because of the uncertainty in their origin, range of applicability and that is  $y^+$  becomes sufficiently small blending  $u_{\tau}$  in this manner clearly becomes nonsense.

# $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6, $\nu_t$

## Source code:

```
$FOAM_SRC/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS/kOmegaSST
```

## Kinematic eddy viscosity:

$$\nu_t = \frac{a_1 k}{\max(a_1 \omega, SF_2)}$$

## kOmegaSST.C:

```
nut_ =
    a1_*k_/max(a1_*(omega_ + omegaSmall_), F2() * mag(symm(fvc::grad(U_))) );
```

## In kOmegaSST.C:

```
a1_(dimensioned<scalar>::lookupOrAddToDict("a1", coeffDict_, 0.31))
```

## In kOmegaSST.C ( $S = \sqrt{S^2}$ ):

```
volScalarField S2 = magSqr(symm(fvc::grad(U_)));
```

i.e.  $S^2 = \left| \frac{1}{2}(\partial_j u_i + \partial_i u_j) \right|^2$  and  $S = \sqrt{S^2} = \left| \frac{1}{2}(\partial_j u_i + \partial_i u_j) \right|$

F2() is a blending function, which is described on the next slide

## $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6, F2()

F2() is a blending function:

$$F_2 = \tanh \left[ \left[ \min \left( \max \left( \frac{2\sqrt{k}}{\beta^* \omega y}, \frac{500\nu}{y^2 \omega} \right), 100 \right) \right]^2 \right]$$

In kOmegaSST.C:

```
tmp<volScalarField> kOmegaSST::F2() const
{
    volScalarField arg2 = min
    (
        max
        (
            scalar(2)/betaStar_)*sqrt(k_)/(omega_*y_) ,
            scalar(500)*nu()/(sqr(y_)*omega_)
        ) ,
        scalar(100)
    );

    return tanh(sqr(arg2));
}
```

## $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6, Turbulence kinetic energy eq.

$$\frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} = P_k - \beta^* k \omega + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[ (\nu + \sigma_k \nu_T) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right], \quad P_k = \min(G, 10\beta^* k \omega), \quad G = \nu_t \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} \left( \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

In kOmegaSST.C:

```
tmp<fvScalarMatrix> kEqn
(
    fvm::ddt(k_)
    + fvm::div(phi_, k_)
    - fvm::Sp(fvc::div(phi_), k_)
    - fvm::laplacian(DkEff(F1), k_)

    ==
    min(G, c1_*betaStar_*k_*omega_)
    - fvm::Sp(betaStar_*omega_, k_)
);

```

The effective diffusivity for  $k$ , ( $D_{k\omega}$ ), is described on a later slide.

$F1$  is obtained from  $F1()$ , which is a blending function for  $\sigma_k$ , and is described on the next slide,

where  $CD_{k\omega} = 2\sigma_{\omega 2} \frac{1}{\omega} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_i}$

```
volScalarField CDkOmega =
( 2*alphaOmega2_ ) * ( fvc::grad(k_) & fvc::grad(omega_) ) / omega_;
```

$F_1()$  is a blending function, kOmegaSST.C (compressed here):

$$F_1 = \tanh \left\{ \left\{ \min \left( \min \left[ \max \left( \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\beta^* \omega y}, \frac{500\nu}{y^2 \omega} \right), \frac{4\sigma_{\omega 2} k}{CD_{k\omega}^+ y^2} \right], 10 \right) \right\}^4 \right\}$$

```
tmp<volScalarField> kOmegaSST::F1(const volScalarField& CDkOmega) const
{
    volScalarField CDkOmegaPlus = max
    ( CDkOmega,
      dimensionedScalar("1.0e-10", dimless/sqr(dimTime), 1.0e-10)
    );
    volScalarField arg1 = min
    ( min
      ( max
        ( ( scalar(1)/betaStar_) * sqrt(k_) / (omega_*y_),
          scalar(500)*nu() / (sqr(y_)*omega_)
        ),
        ( 4*alphaOmega2_) * k_ / (CDkOmegaPlus*sqr(y_))
      ),
      scalar(10)
    );
    return tanh(pow4(arg1));
}
```

$F_1 = 0$  in the freestream ( $k - \varepsilon$  model) and  $F_1 = 1$  in the boundary layer ( $k - \omega$  model)

# $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6, Effective diffusivity for $k$

The effective diffusivity for  $k$ , (DkEff(F1)), kOmegaSST.H:

```
tmp<volScalarField> DkEff(const volScalarField& F1) const
{
    return tmp<volScalarField>
    (
        new volScalarField("DkEff", alphaK(F1)*nut_ + nu())
    );
}
```

Blend alphaK1 and alphaK2 using blend function F1, kOmegaSST.H:

```
tmp<volScalarField> alphaK
(
    const volScalarField& F1
) const
{
    return blend(F1, alphaK1_, alphaK2_);
}
```

In kOmegaSST.C:

```
alphaK1_(dimensioned<scalar>::lookupOrAddToDict("alphaK1", coeffDict_, 0.85034))
alphaK2_(dimensioned<scalar>::lookupOrAddToDict("alphaK2", coeffDict_, 1.0))
```

## $k - \omega$ SST in OpenFOAM-1.6, Specific dissipation rate eq.

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + U_j \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} = \alpha S^2 - \beta \omega^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[ (\nu + \sigma_\omega \nu_T) \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_j} \right] + 2(1 - F_1) \sigma_\omega^2 \frac{1}{\omega} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x_i}$$

In kOmegaSST.C:

```
tmp<fvScalarMatrix> omegaEqn
(
    fvm::ddt(omega_)
    + fvm::div(phi_, omega_)
    - fvm::Sp(fvc::div(phi_), omega_)
    - fvm::laplacian(DomegaEff(F1), omega_)
===
    gamma(F1)*2*S2
    - fvm::Sp(beta(F1)*omega_, omega_)
    - fvm::SuSp
    (
        (F1 - scalar(1))*CDkOmega/omega_,
        omega_
    )
);
```

# Modify our mykOmegaSST model into kOmegaSSTF

- Gyllenram, W. and Nilsson, H., *Design and Validation of a Scale-Adaptive Filtering Technique for LRN Turbulence Modeling of Unsteady Flow*, JFE, May 2008, Vol.130.
- Upper limit ( $\Delta_f$  or  $1t$  below) to the modelled length scale ( $L_t$  or  $Lt$  below), applied to  $\nu_t$ :

$$\Delta_f = \alpha \max \left\{ \left| \vec{U} \right| \delta t, \Delta^{1/3} \right\}, \quad \alpha = 3 \quad (\alpha > 1), \quad \hat{\nu}_t = \left( \frac{\min(L_t, \Delta_f)}{L_t} \right)^{4/3} \frac{k}{\omega}$$

## kOmegaSST:

```
// Re-calculate viscosity
nut_ = a1_*k_/max(a1_*omega_, F2() * sqrt(S2));
```

## kOmegaSSTF: (See the Turbulence WG Wiki. Please help me implement this more general!)

```
// Compute Filter
scalar alph = 3.0; //Should be in a dictionary
scalarField Lt = sqrt(k_)/(betaStar_*omega_);
scalarField lt = alph*Foam::max(Foam::pow(mesh_.V().field(), 1.0/3.0),
                                (mag(U_)*runTime_.deltaT())->internalField());

// Re-calculate viscosity
nut_.internalField() = Foam::min(Foam::pow(lt/Lt, 4.0/3.0), 1.0)*
                           (a1_*k_/max(a1_*omega_, F2() * sqrt(S2)))->internalField();
```

## Modify our mykOmegaSST model into kOmegaSSTF

```
cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/src/turbulenceModels/incompressible/RAS/mykOmegaSST/
```

Find in mykOmegaSST the line saying:

```
nut_ = a1_*k_/max(a1_*omega_, F2()*sqrt(S2));
```

Exchange that line with:

```
// Compute Filter
scalar alph = 3.0; //Should be in a dictionary
scalarField Lt = sqrt(k_)/(betaStar_*omega_);
scalarField lt = alph*Foam::max(Foam::pow(mesh_.V().field(), 1.0/3.0),
                                (mag(U_)*runTime_.deltaT())->internalField());

// Re-calculate viscosity
nut_.internalField() = Foam::min(Foam::pow(lt/Lt, 4.0/3.0), 1.0)*
                           (a1_*k_/max(a1_*omega_, F2()*sqrt(S2)))->internalField();
```

Compile with wmake libso

## Modify the pitzDaily case for pimpleFoam

Make sure that you are in the pitzDaily case, and delete the previous results:

```
run ; cd pitzDaily ; rm -r [1-9]*
```

Modify the files in system, for use with pimpleFoam:

```
cp $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/pimpleFoam/t-junction/system/{fvSolution,fvSchemes} system  
sed -i s/epsilon/omega/g system/fvSchemes  
sed -i s/epsilon/omega/g system/fvSolution  
sed -i s/simpleFoam/pimpleFoam/g system/controlDict  
sed -i s/1000/0.3/g system/controlDict  
sed -i s/"1;"/"0.0001;"/g system/controlDict  
sed -i s/uncompressed/compressed/g system/controlDict
```

Add to system/controlDict:

```
adjustTimeStep no;  
maxCo      5;
```

pimpleFoam needs one more dictionary:

```
cp $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/pimpleFoam/t-junction/constant/turbulenceProperties constant
```

We can re-use the same 0 directory that we modified before.

Make sure that you still specify mykOmegaSST in constant/RASproperties

Run the case with pimpleFoam and make a nice movie of the results.

## kOmegaSSTF

The kOmegaSSTF turbulence model is available for OpenFOAM-1.5 at OpenFOAM-extend:

[http://openfoam-extend.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/openfoam-extend/trunk/\Breeder\\_1.5/OSIG/Turbulence/src/turbulenceModels/RAS/incompressible/kOmegaSSTF](http://openfoam-extend.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/openfoam-extend/trunk/\Breeder_1.5/OSIG/Turbulence/src/turbulenceModels/RAS/incompressible/kOmegaSSTF)

There is a pitzDaily tutorial for the turbFoam solver (no longer in OpenFOAM-1.6 and newer versions), and a utility for viewing the filter function.

It is also used in the Dellenback Abrupt Expansion case-study, which is described in the Turbulence Working Group Wiki:

[http://openfoamwiki.net/index.php/Sig\\_Turbulence\\_-\\_Dellenback\\_Abrupt\\_Expansion](http://openfoamwiki.net/index.php/Sig_Turbulence_-_Dellenback_Abrupt_Expansion)