

# 2D Steady Convection - Numerical Solution

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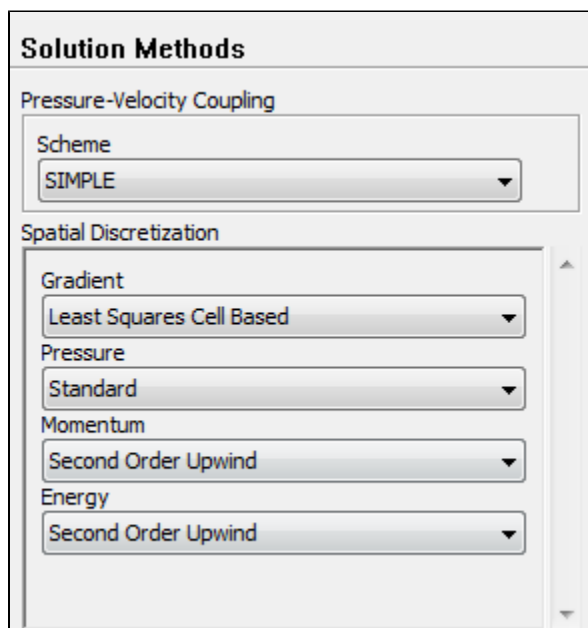
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## Numerical Solution

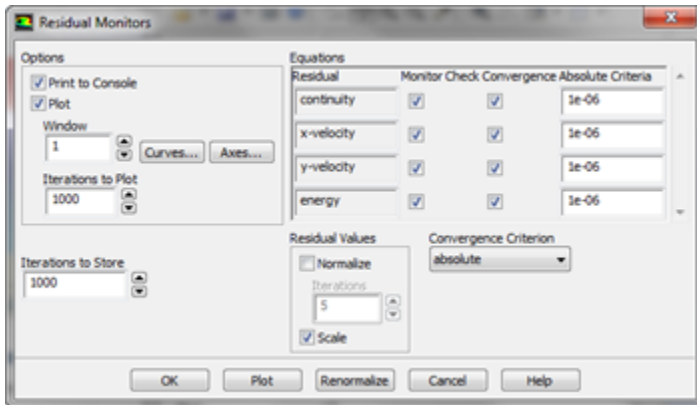
### Solution Methods

In the *Outline* window, select **Solution Methods** to open the *Solution Methods* window. Under *Spatial Discretization*, change the option under *Momentum* from **First Order Upwind** to **Second Order Upwind**. Under *Energy*, also change the option to **Second Order Upwind**.



### Monitors

In the *Outline* window, click **Monitors** to open the *Monitors* window. In the *Monitors* window, select **Residuals - Print, Plot** and press **Edit...**. This will open the *Residual Monitors* window. We want to change the convergence criteria for our solution. Under *Equation* and to the right of **Continuity**, change the **Absolute Criteria** to  $1e-6$ . Repeat for **x-velocity**, **y-velocity**, and **energy**, then press **OK**.



## Reference Values

In the *Outline* window, select **Reference Values**. Under *Compute From*, select **Inlet**. Ensure that the values displayed are the values we specified.

## Solution Initialization

In the *Outline* window, select **Solution Initialization**. We need to make an "Initial Guess" to the solution so FLUENT can iterate to find the final solution. In the *Solution Initialization* window, select **Standard Initialization** then under *Compute from*, select **Inlet** from the drop down box. Check to see that the values that generate match our inputted values, then press **Initialize**

## Data File Quantities

After we have initialized the solution, we can select additional quantities to be transferred over to CFD-Post. These quantities are not selected by default and so we must select them ourselves. Go to **File>Data File Quantities**. Under **Additional Quantities**, find and select **Skin Friction Coefficient** and click **OK**.

## Run Calculation

In the *Outline* window, select **Run Calculation**. Change the **Number of Iterations** to 1000. Double click **Calculate** to run the calculation. After the iterations have converged, save the project, and you may close the solver.

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