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### ABSTRACT

The objective of the current work is to develop and demonstrate a Navier-Stokes approach for transonic flow which includes viscous terms in the finite-volume method. The accuracy of the computational method will be verified using a transonic diffuser as a test case. The computational goal is to calculate the flow in sufficient detail and with sufficient accuracy that the loss generating mechanisms can be studied to assess the sources of inefficiency in the transonic diffuser. The purpose of this report is to document progress made in the development of the time-marching finite-volume method from September 1984 to December 1984.