



Introduction to open source CFD

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Outline



- Think of a project
- Meshing with snappyHexMesh
- Vertical hot plate



PROJECT WORK



- Passing based on presence and project work
- Pick something you like and/or need
- Projects are presented in a small seminar
- We need to agree on a
 - topic
 - date



SNAPPYHEXMESH

Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh



- Meshing in OpenFOAM can be done by
 - blockMesh
 - snappyHexMesh
 - Conversion

Advanced meshing

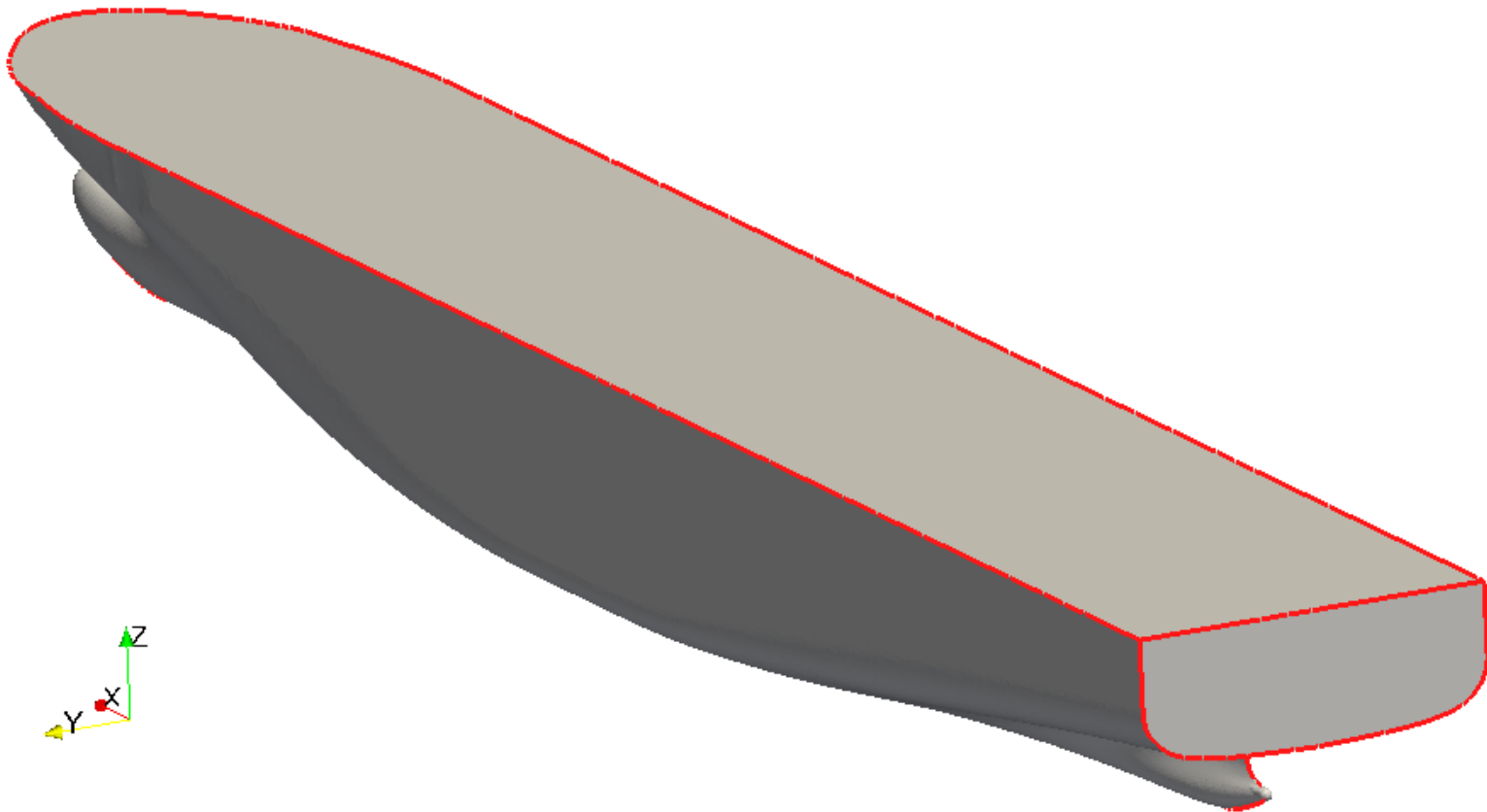
snappyHexMesh: process



- Get/create a triangulated surface (e.g. stl/obj)
- (Extract feature edges) (`surfaceFeatureExtract`)
- Generate a background mesh (`blockMesh`)
- Run snappyHexMesh in three stages
 - Generate castellated mesh
 - Snapping to surfaces and edges
 - Layer addition and clean-up

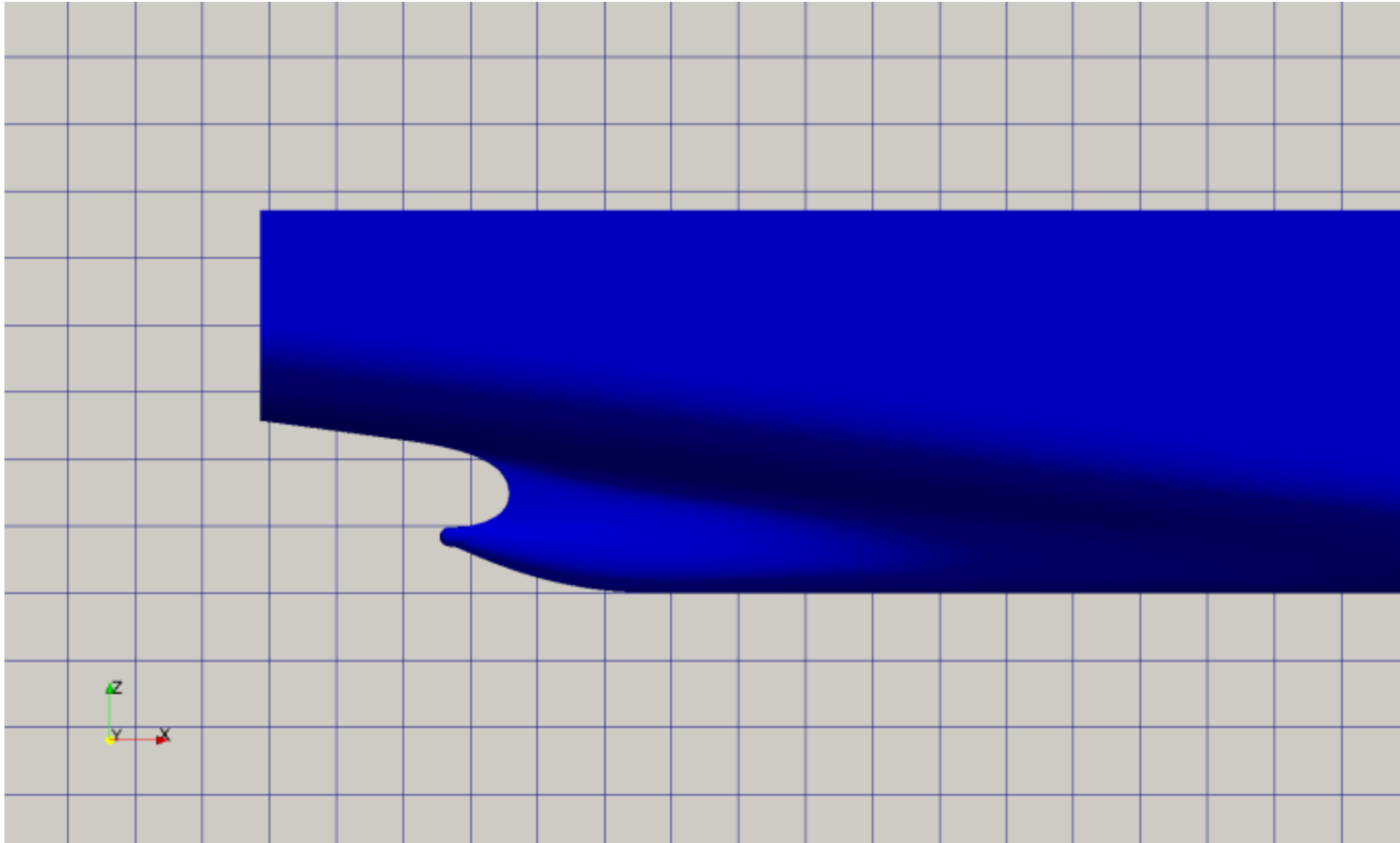
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: feature edges



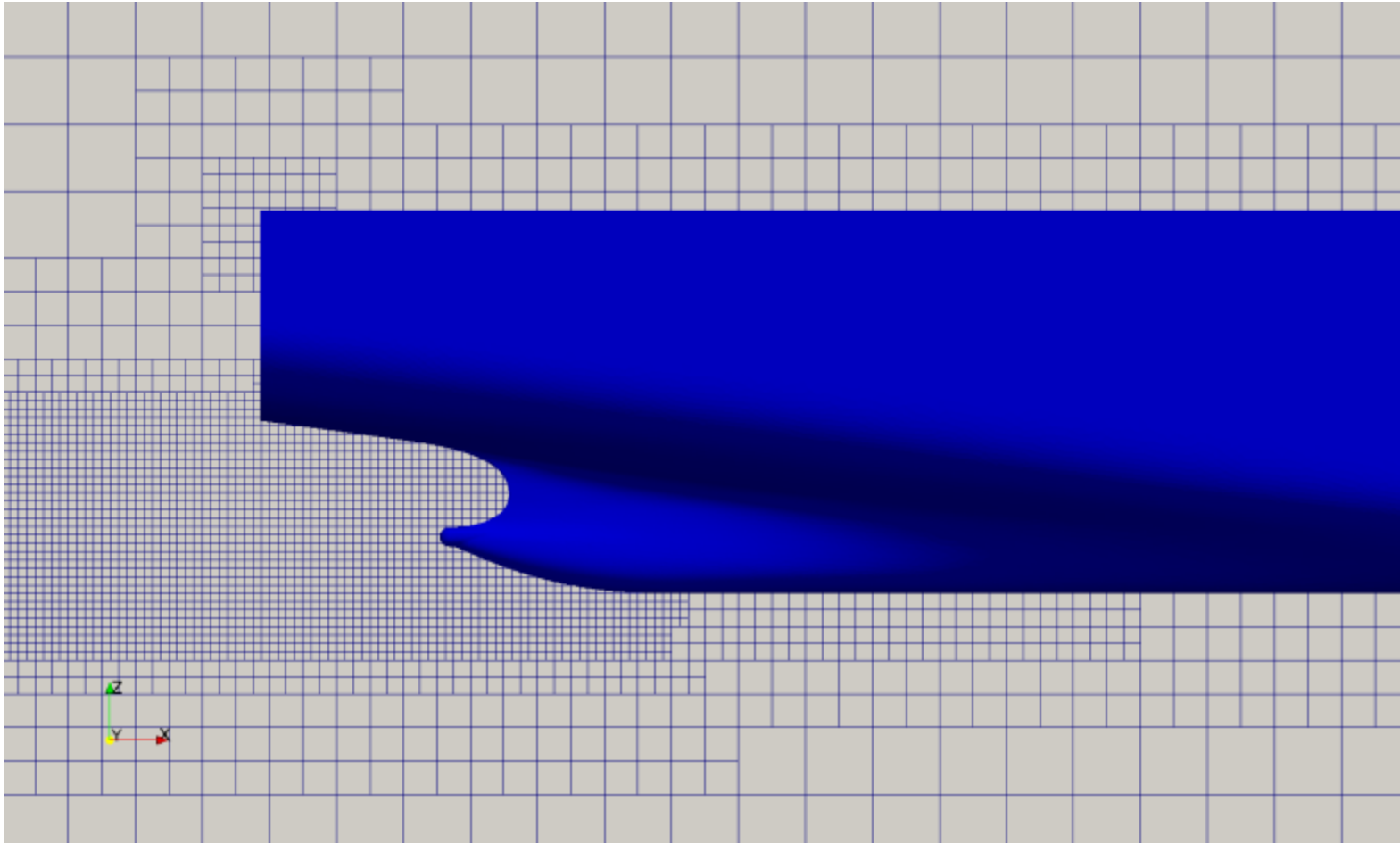
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: background mesh



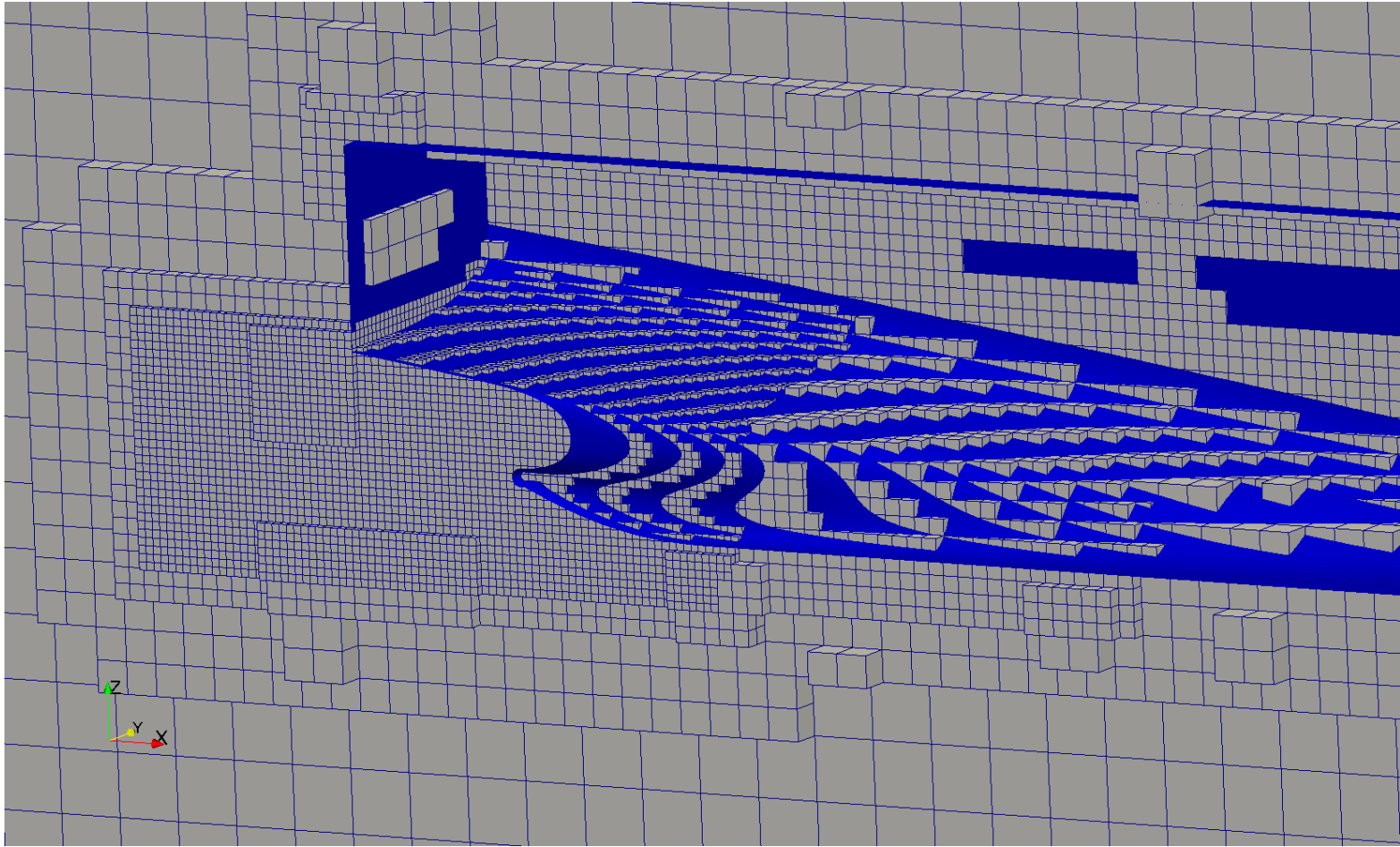
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: castellated mesh



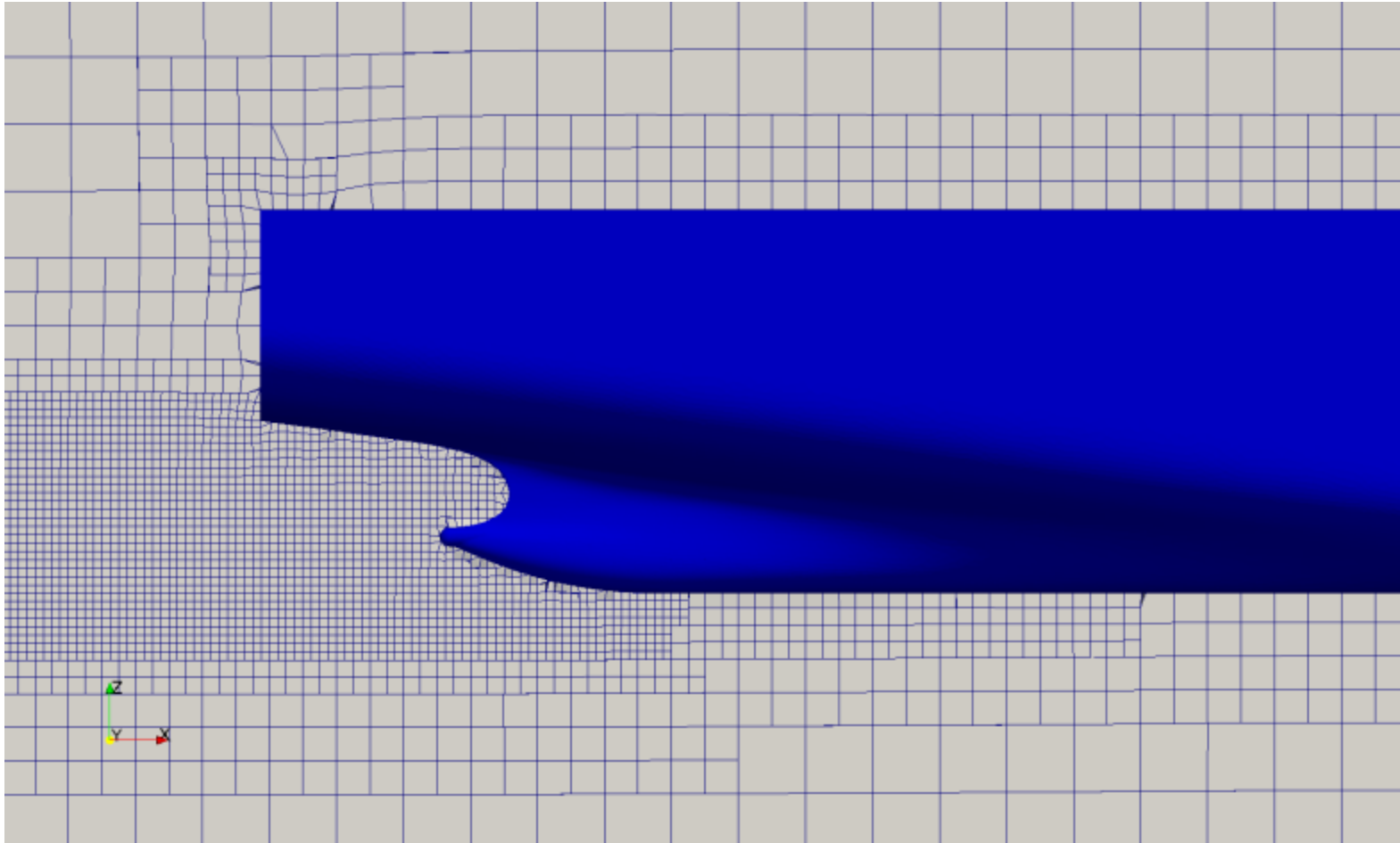
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: castellated mesh



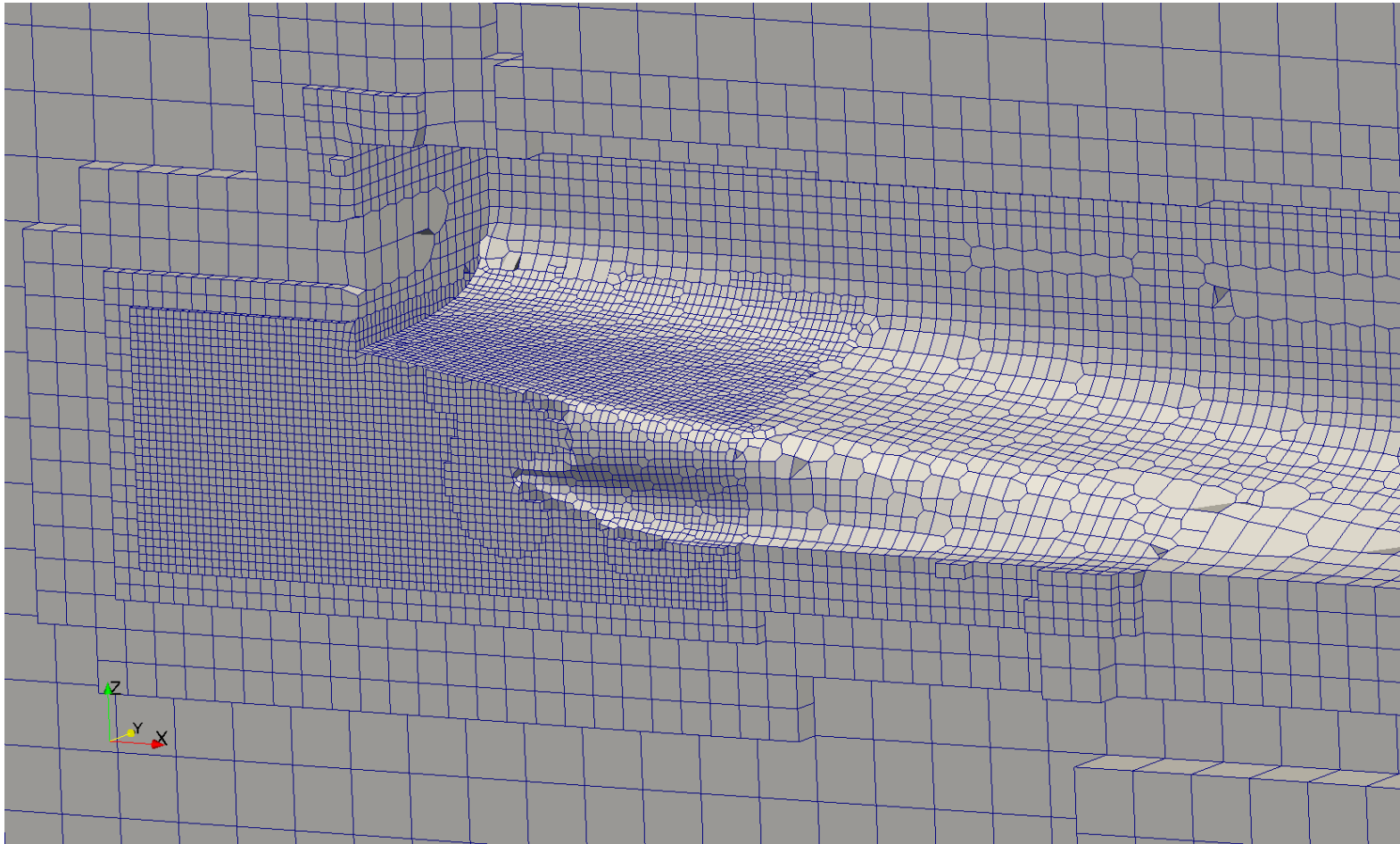
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: snapping



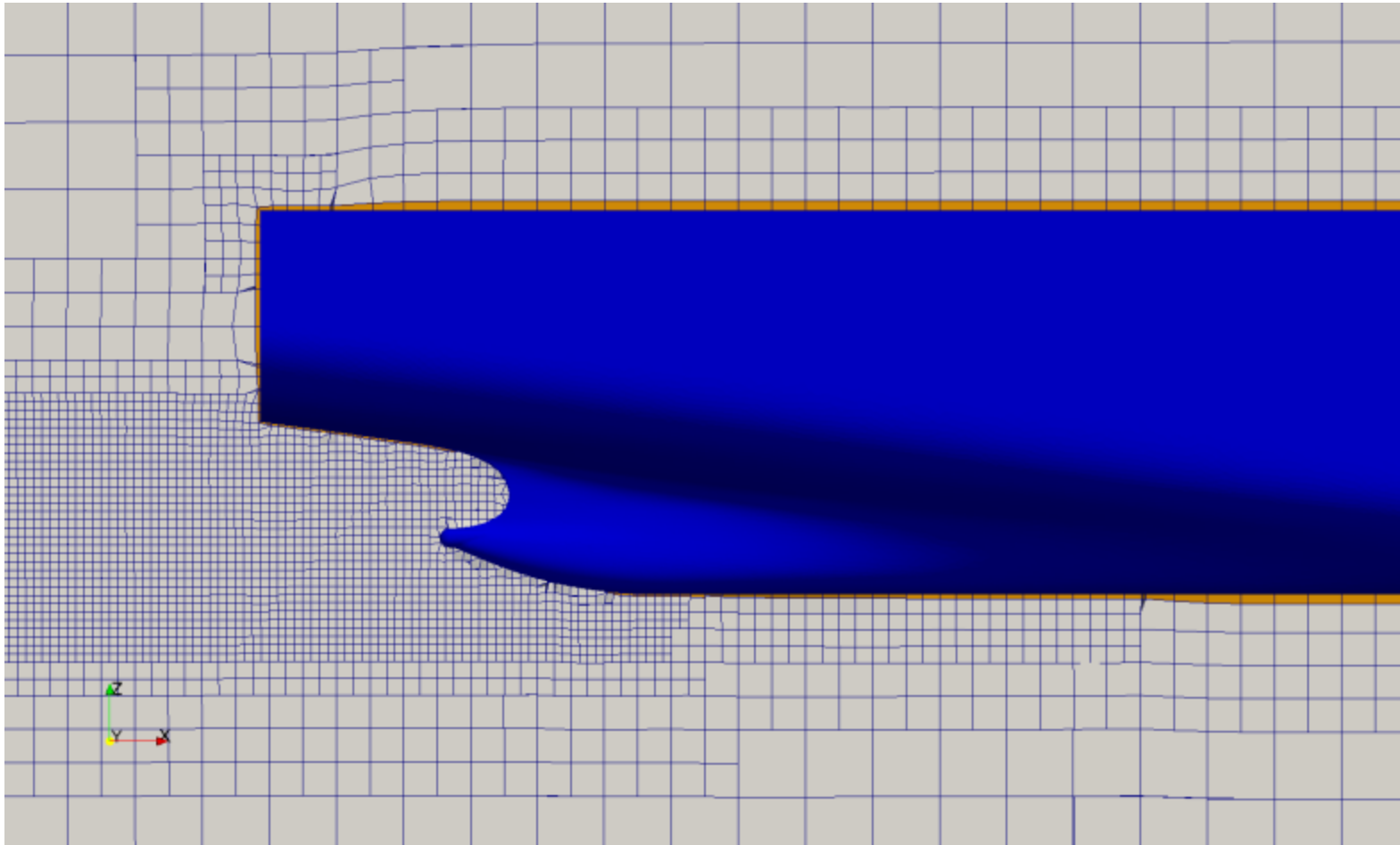
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: snapping



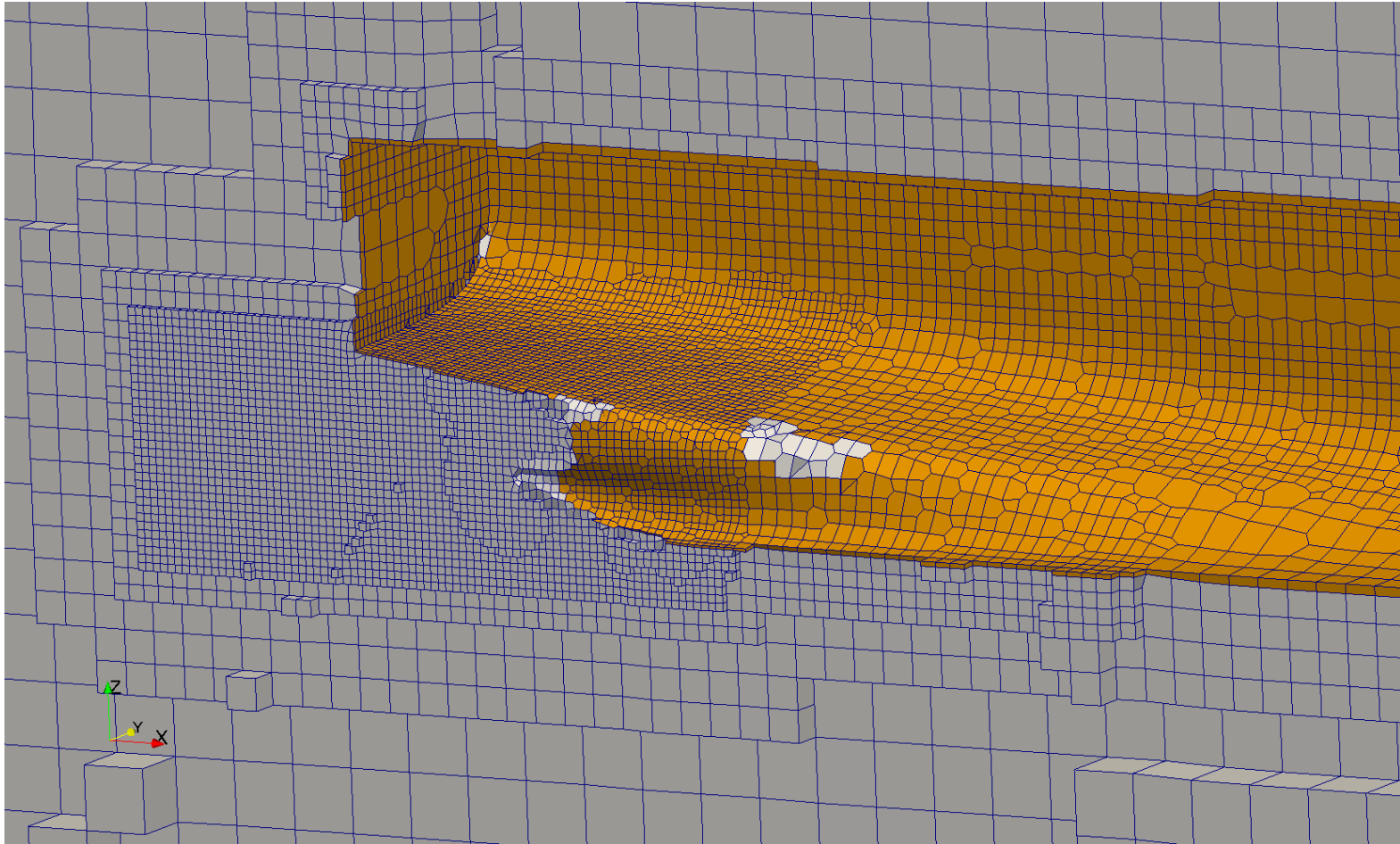
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: layer addition



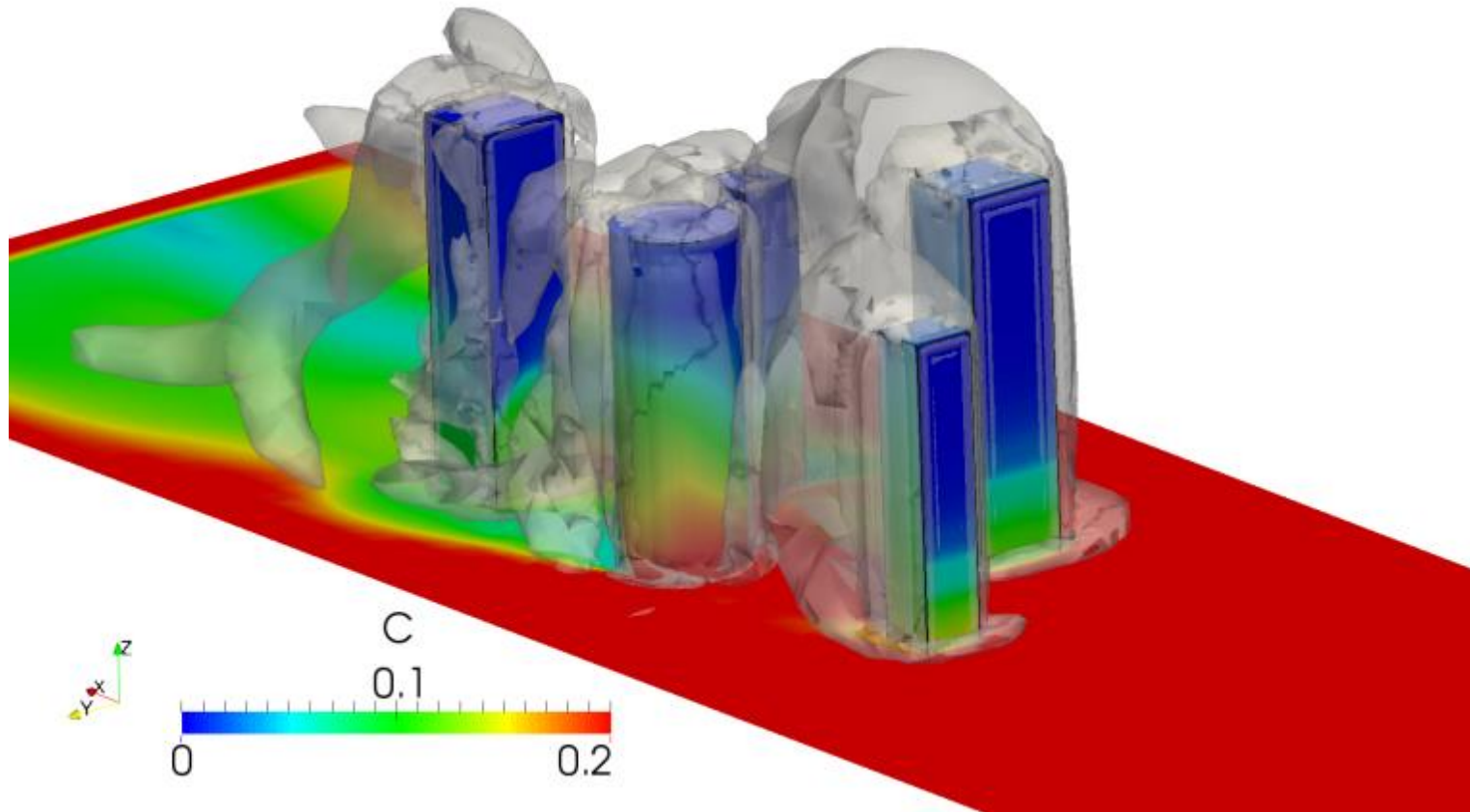
Advanced meshing

snappyHexMesh: layer addition



Dust in desert city

Modelling desert dust as massless species





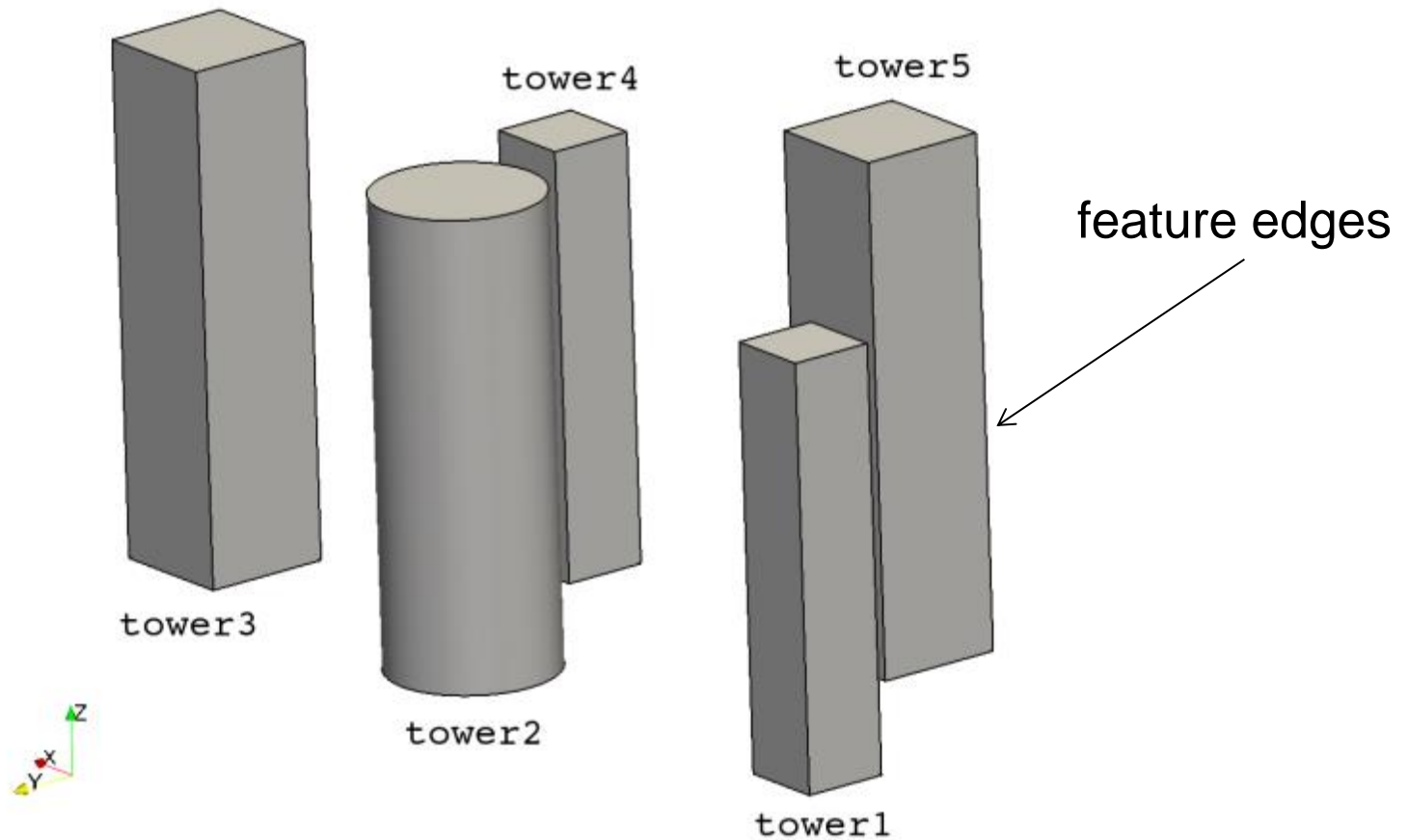
- Run `blockMesh` to generate the background mesh
(see `constant/polyMesh/blockMeshDict`)
- Run `surfaceFeatureExtract` to extract surface features from the triangulated surface. These edges can be used by `snappyHexMesh` for edge snapping.
(see `system/surfaceFeatureExtractDict`)

```
> blockMesh
```

```
> surfaceFeatureExtract
```

Dust in desert city

Background mesh and feature edges



Dust in desert city

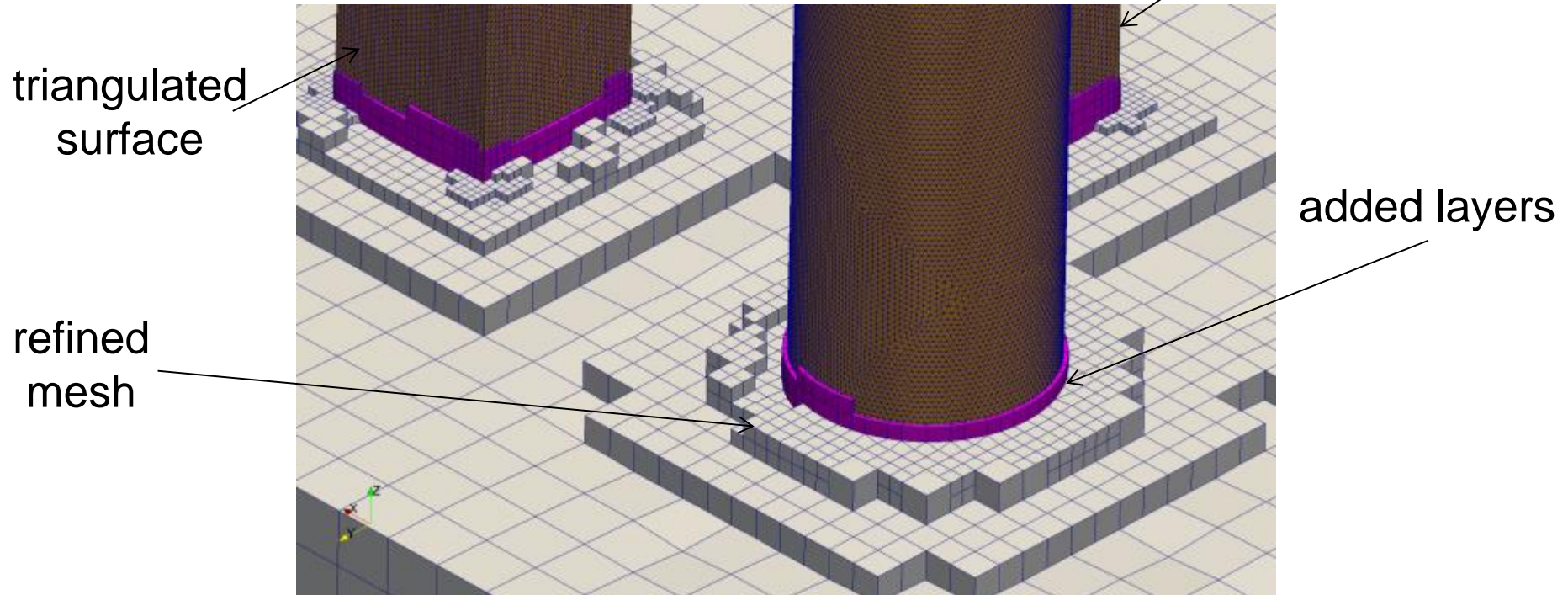
Background mesh and feature edges



- Now run `snappyHexMesh`

(see `system/snappyHexMeshDict`)

```
> snappyHexMesh
```



Dust in desert city

Rough wall function



- To model the desert floor we use

`nutkRoughWallFunction` on the ground patch

(see file `0/nut`)

$$\frac{U_P}{u^*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \left(\frac{Ey}{C_s K_s} \right)$$

$$u^* = C_\mu^{0.25} \sqrt{k}$$

```
ground
{
    type      nutkRoughWallFunction;
    Ks        uniform 0.003; // sand-grain height (m)
    Cs        uniform 0.5;   // roughness constant (0.5-1)
    value     uniform 0;     // dummy value
}
```

Dust in desert city

Dust in Desert City



- Copy the initial fields

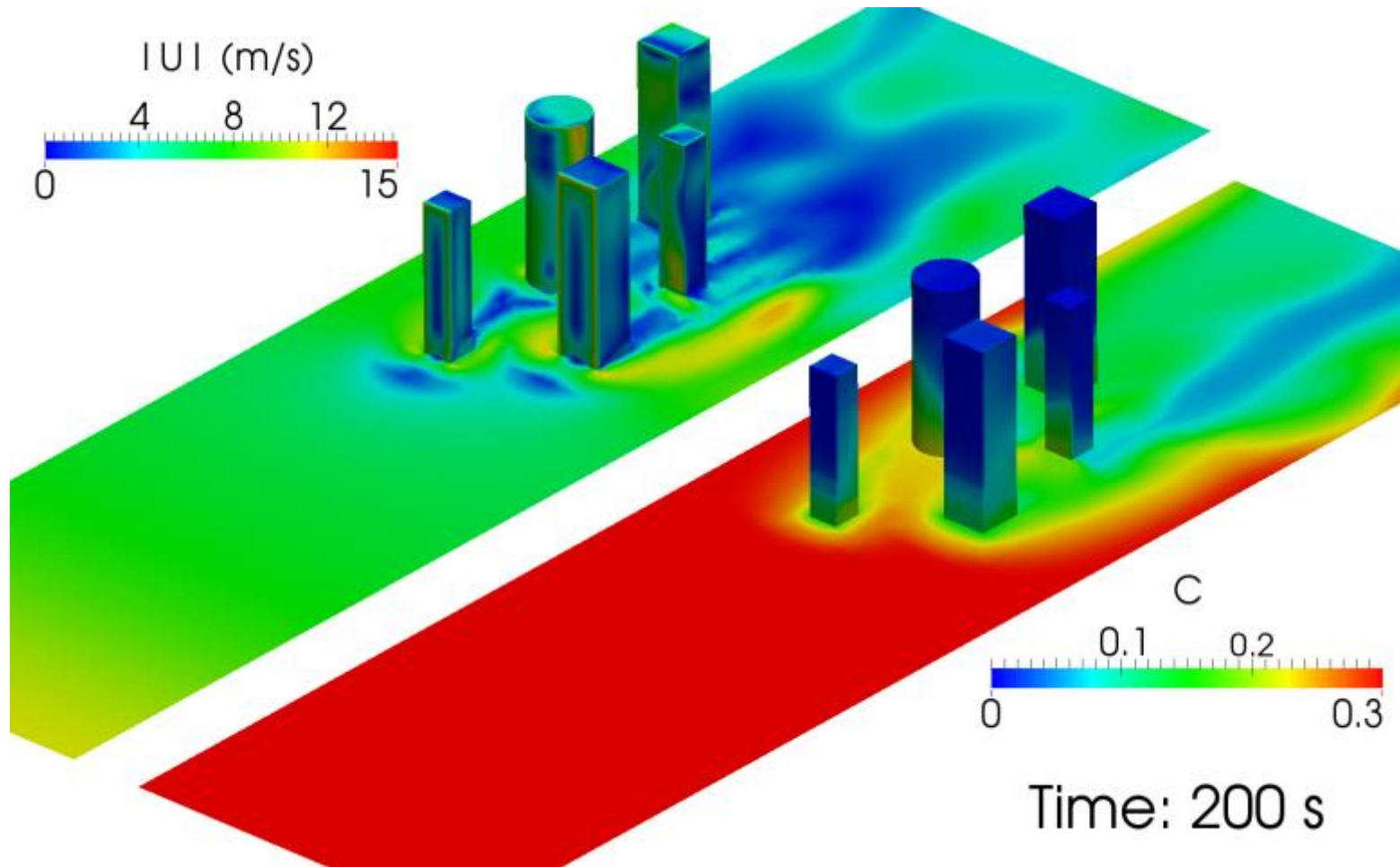
```
> cp -r 0.org 0
```

- Run the solver

```
> pimpleSpeciesTransportFoam
```

Dust in desert city

Dust in Desert City





HEAT TRANSFER

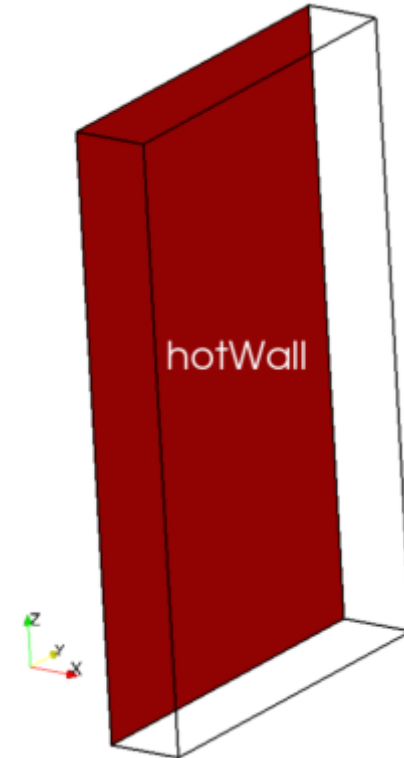
Heat transfer

Hot plate



- Worked example in VDI Wärmeatlas
- Vertical wall with open domain
 - Plate is 0.5 m wide, 0.8 m high
- Wall temperature fixed
 - High density boundary layer
 - Parametrization
 - Robust and simple meshing
- Copy the case and create the mesh

```
> run
> export HT="$OSCCAR_TUTORIALS/heatTransfer"
> cp -r $HT/buoyantBoussinesqPimpleFoam/veritcalHotPlate .
> cd verticalHotPlate
> blockMesh
```

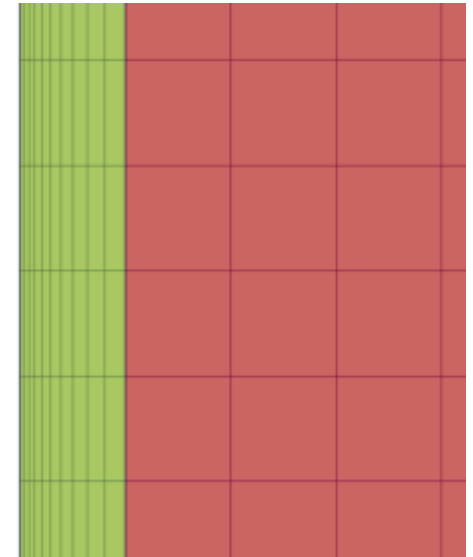


Heat transfer

Hot plate: blockMeshDict



```
17     convertToMeters 1;
18
19     vertices
20     (
21         (0      0.25 -0.4) // 0
22         (0.01   0.25 -0.4) // 1
23         (0.1    0.25 -0.4) // 2
24         (0      -0.25 -0.4) // 3
25         (0.01   -0.25 -0.4) // 4
26         (0.1    -0.25 -0.4) // 5
27         (0      0.25  0.4) // 6
28         (0.01   0.25  0.4) // 7
29         (0.1    0.25  0.4) // 8
30         (0.1    -0.25  0.4) // 9
31         (0.01   -0.25  0.4) // 10
32         (0      -0.25  0.4) // 11
33     );
34
35     blocks
36     (
37         hex (3 4 1 0 11 10 7 6) (10 50 80) simpleGrading (5 1 1) // Boundary layer
38         hex (4 5 2 1 10 9 8 7)  (9 50 80)  simpleGrading (1 1 1) // Main domain
39     );
40
41     edges
42     (
43     );
```

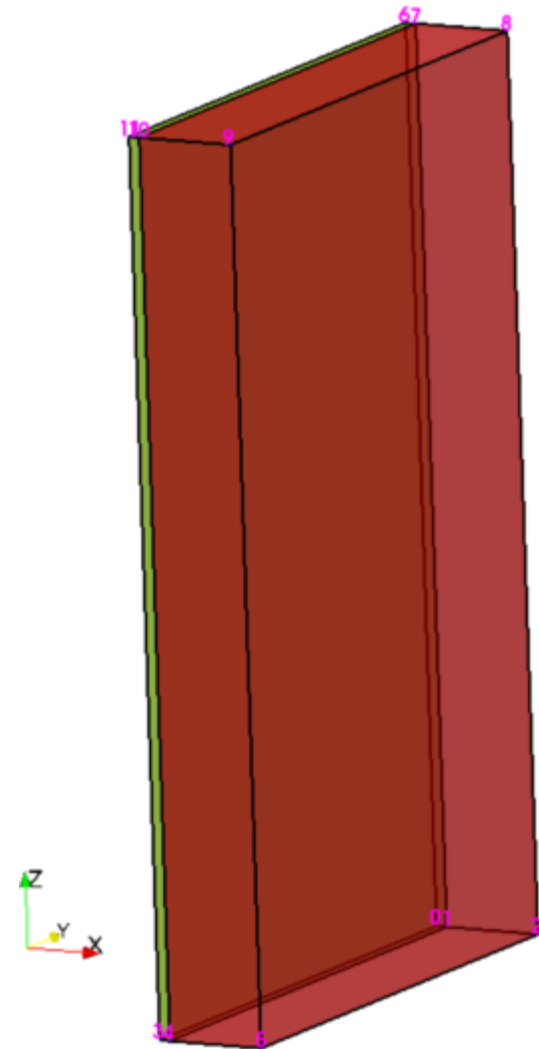


Heat transfer

Hot plate: blockMeshDict



```
45     boundary
46     (
47         hotWall
48         {
49             type wall;
50             faces
51             (
52                 (0 3 11 6)
53             );
54         }
55
56     sides
57     {
58         type patch;
59         faces
60         (
61             (3 4 10 11) // Front BL
62             (0 6 7 1)   // Back BL
63             (4 5 9 10)  // Front main domain
64             (1 7 8 2)   // Back main domain
65             (2 8 9 5)   // Right side main domain
66         );
67     }
68     ...
69 );
70
71 mergePatchPairs
72 (
73 );
```





- Now run the solver
 `> buoyantBoussinesqPimpleFoam`

- View the results in ParaView
 `> paraFoam`

- Sample velocity and temperature
 `> gedit system/sampleDict`

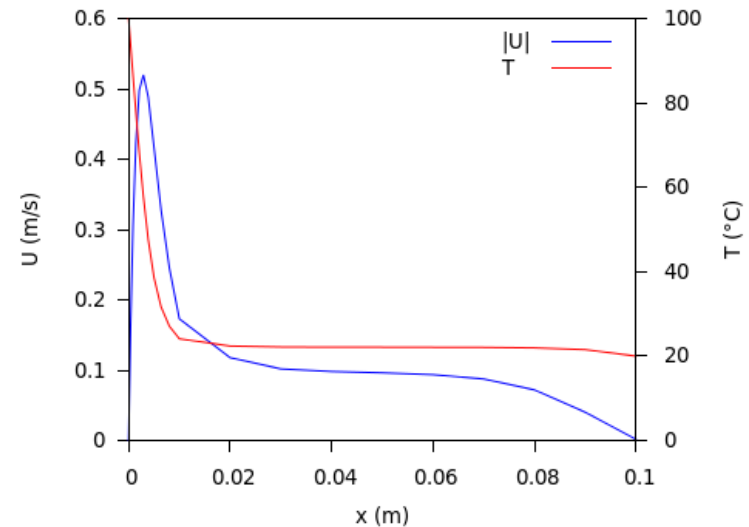
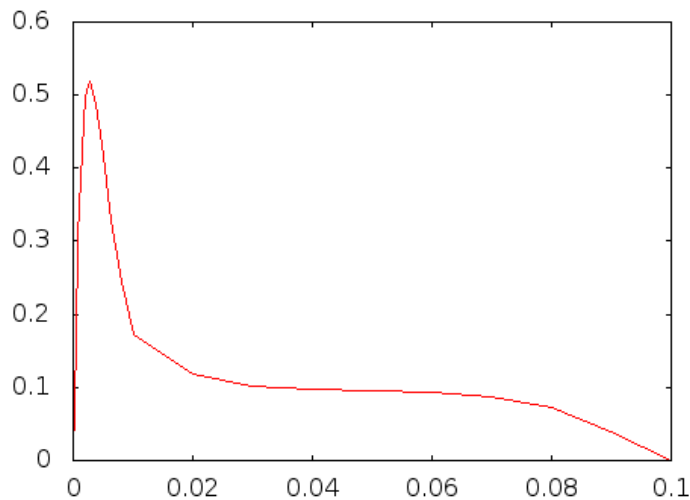
```
18 interpolationScheme cellPoint;  
19  
20         setFormat          raw;  
21  
22         sets  
23         (  
24             sampleLine  
25             {  
26                 type        face;  
27                 axis         x;  
28                 start        ( 0 0 0 );  
29                 end           ( 0.1 0 0 );  
30             }  
31         );  
32  
33         fields ( U T );
```

Heat transfer

Post-processing



- sample writes data to `postProcessing/<setFormat>/<time>`
`> ls postProcessing/sets/5`
`sampleLine_T.xy sampleLine_U.xy`
- Plot e.g. U_z using gnuplot
`> gnuplot`
`gnuplot> plot "postProcessing/sets/5/sampleLine_U.xy" \`
`using 1:4 with lines notitle`



Heat transfer

Post-processing



- Use OSCCAR's incompressible wallHeatFlux utility.

Make sure it is compiled:

```
> wmake $OSCCAR_UTILITIES/postProcessing/wall/wallHeatFluxIncompressible
```

- Add thermophysical properties to the case

```
> export OUTIL=$OSCCAR_UTILITIES/postProcessing/wall/wallHeatFluxIncompressible
```

```
> gedit \
```

```
$OUTIL/thermophysicalProperties constant/thermophysicalProperties &
```

- Make sure thermophysical properties are in right range:

```
CpRef = 1005 [J/kgK]
```

```
RhoRef = 1.2 [kg/m3]
```

```
Pr = 0.715 [-]
```

```
Prt = 0.85 [-]
```

Heat transfer

Post-processing



- Use the incompressible wallHeatFlux utility and write to log file

```
> wallHeatFluxIncompressible |& tee log.wallHeatFlux
```

- Filter the log file, create data file with time and heat flux

```
> grep "Time =" log.wallHeatFlux | cut -d' ' -f3 > time.tmp
```

```
> grep hotWall log.wallHeatFlux | cut -d' ' -f2 > Q.tmp
```

```
> paste time.tmp Q.tmp > wallHeatFlux.dat
```

```
> rm *.tmp
```

- Now plot from the data file

```
> gnuplot
```

```
gnuplot> plot "wallHeatFlux.dat" \
    with lines title "CFD", \
    32 with lines title "Correlation"
```

