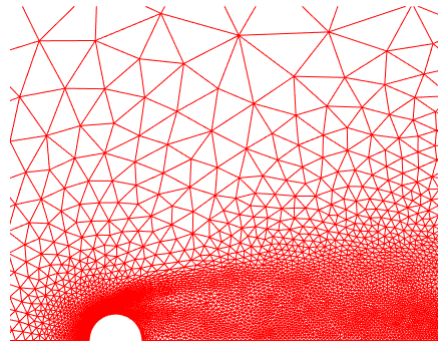




StabFem Documentation

Manual



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Previous Note

StabFem is a software to perform Global Stability calculations in Fluid Mechanics, which is developed for both research and education purposes. It can be downloaded at <https://github.com/erbafdavid/StabFem>. Additionally, one will previously need to install *Matlab* and *FreeFem++* on the running system. For now, *StabFem* works perfectly in *Ubuntu16.06*. On other Operating Systems, it's not sure that it will work.

This document is a collaboration of different people and is intended to explain, the best way possible, the different parts of *StabFem*. Perhaps as the reader will read it, some chapters are uncompleted or complicated to understand. The reader is invited to contribute in order to render the documentation more understandable.

Chapter 1

General View of *StabFem*

StabFem has a main directory where all the projects are located and where the mutual scripts are located too. The directory is composed by the following particular project directories:

1. ACOUSTICS_PIPES;
2. CYLINDER;
3. CYLINDER_VIV;
4. DISK_IN_PIPE.
5. etc...

The mutual directories are the followings:

1. SOURCES_FREEFEM;
2. SOURCES_MATLAB;
3. Documentation.

These directories are used by the several projects of *StabFem*.

Attention: When you do some change in the mutual directory files, we have to assure that it will work on all the projects.

1.1 General Features

- With *StabFem* we can solve forced problems, eigenvalue problems, etc...
- *StabFem* allows us to save the scripts used to generate the different data and graphs, unabling to reproduce the same results (useful for repeat figures for articles, confirming results, etc...).

1.2 What is attended from this manual document

This document presents this first chapter describing what can be found in a *StabFem* project, a chapter describing the running logic of a *StabFem* program and the main common files and a chapter for each project, describing succinctly their running features.

1.3 Notes and tips for users and developers

When contributing to the project you can intervene at two levels:

- Contributing as a *User* means that you will use the available solvers and drivers for a class of problems already integrated in the project. For instance, if you wish to study the wake flow around an elliptical 2D body, which uses the same solvers than the case of a circular cylinder already present in the base.

In this case, you will create a directory for your case (for instance *ELLIPSE/*) containing : The mesh generator freefem script (for instance *Mesh_Ellipse.edp*), the macro file *Macros_Stabfem.edp* containing the case-dependent boundary condition and postprocessing detail, and a number of Matlab scripts. On the other hand, you will supposedly not modify the common files in the source directories (with the exception of the file *SOURCES_MATLAB/SF_Start.m*).

- Contributing as a *Developer* means that you wish to help integrate new Freefem solver into the project (for instance, you want to solve a 2D problem in the Bousinesq approximation, you already have a set of Freefem solvers for this case and you wish to integrate them in the project).

1.3.1 FAQ

Here is a kind of FAQ of the project, regrouping in random order notes, tips and "good practice recommendations" for users and developers.

- At installation (git clone) it is recommended that you install the whole StabFem project in your home directory and that you do not remove or displace the parts of the project that you don't (immediately) need. Otherwise this will perturb the operation of the version manager git. In short : if you there are parts you think you don't need, don't remove them, just ignore them !
- good usage of the "verbosity" parameter ...

1.3.2 Note on the usage of github

The project is supported by the git subversion manager program. Here are a few tips/recommendations :

If you are contributing as a user

- After the initial git clone, you may want to get the latest development of the main branch using *git pull*. This will only update the sources in the common repositories, not your own files.

If you have modified the *SF_Start.m* file and/or made minor modifications to other files that you wish to keep in your local version but do not want to export to the main branch of the project, the procedure is to do successively :

git stash

git pull

git stash apply.

(don't be afraid, any "mistake" with git can be undone !)

- If you want to incorporate your work in the project repository (normally after everything is validated...) you should do the following :

git add "files". (please add only source files of your case directory, such as freefem mesh generator and macro scripts, an example matlab script producing sample results for your case, and possibly matlab functions you have developed for your own case and are not sure they will work for other cases)

git commit -a

git push

For this last step you need to be register as a contributor, just ask !

- (...)

If you are contributing as a developer

- The best way is to creat a "fork" or a "branch" (still not sure what is the most efficient)
- Once you have your own branch/fork, use git commit / git push as frequently as you wish !
- If you want to merge with the main branch, create a *pull request*.
- (...)

1.4 Notes/tips about FreeFem

All the Freefem tricks which are not in the manual....

Part I

Stabfem principles : learning by examples

Chapter 2

The basics of StabFem

In this chapter we explain the basic functionalities of StabFem. We recommend that you study the basic example `EXAMPLE_Lshape.m`.

This directory contains three freefem programs and a demo matlab script doing solving the following problem :

2.1 Simple problem : solution of heat equation in a L-shaped domain

1. Solve the steady heat conduction equations on a L-shaped domain with constant volumic source term P and homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions :

$$\nabla^2 T = P \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Omega; \quad T = 0 \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma$$

2. Solve the unsteady heat conduction equations on a L-shaped domain with zero source term P and time-periodic Dirichlet boundary conditions :

$$\partial T_1 / \partial t = \nabla^2 T_1 \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Omega; \quad T_1 = T_w e^{i\omega t} \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma$$

2.2 Matlab script and results

The programs are sufficiently short to be fully given in these pages. See figures 2.1, etc...

The reader already familiar with FreeFem++ should not have any problem in understanding the programs. If not, we recommend that you study the FreeFem++ Manual (chapter "Learning by examples").

The results are given

2.3 How does it work ?

2.3.1 Explanation of the .ff2m exchange format

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```

1 % This script is a basic example which illustrates the main
   functionalities of the StabFem Software
2 clear all; close all;
3 run(' ../SOURCES/MATLAB/SF_Start.m');
4
5 % Generation of the mesh
6 Ndensity =40;
7 ffmesh=SF_Mesh('Lshape_Mesh.edp','Params',Ndensity);
8 plotFF(ffmesh,'title','Mesh for L-shape body');
9 set(gca,'FontSize',18); saveas(gca,'FIGURES/Lshape_Mesh','png');
10
11 % importation and plotting of a real P1 field : temperature
12 heatS=SF_Launch('Lshape_Steady.edp','Mesh',ffmesh)
13 plotFF(heatS,'T','title','Solution of the steady heat equation on a L-
   shaped domain');
14 set(gca,'FontSize',18); saveas(gca,'FIGURES/Lshape-T0','png');
15
16 % importation and plotting of data not associated to mesh : temperature
   along a line
17 heatCut = importFFdata('Heat_1Dcut.ff2m');
18 plot(heatCut.Xcut,heatCut.Tcut);
19 title('Temperature along a line : T(x,y=0.25)')
20 set(gca,'FontSize',18); saveas(gca,'FIGURES/Lshape-T0-Cut','png');
21
22 % importation and plotting of a complex P1 field : temperature for
   unsteady problem
23 heatU=SF_Launch('Lshape_Unsteady.edp','Params',10,'Mesh',ffmesh,'DataFile'
   ,'Heat_Unsteady.ff2m')
24 plotFF(heatU,'Tc.re','title',['Unsteady solution for omega = ' num2str(
   heatU.omega) ' : Re(Uc) ']);
25 set(gca,'FontSize',18); saveas(gca,'FIGURES/Lshape-T1r','png');
26 plotFF(heatU,'Tc.im','title',['Unsteady solution for omega = ' num2str(
   heatU.omega) ' : Im(Uc) ']);%plot the imag part of a complex
27 set(gca,'FontSize',18); saveas(gca,'FIGURES/Lshape-T1i','png');

```

Figure 2.1: Matlab program SCRIPT_Lshape.m)

```

1  /// Program Lshape_Mesh.edp : generation of the mesh for the basic StabFem
   example
2  include "Macros_StabFem.edp";
3
4  int nn;
5  cout << "Enter the mesh density : " << endl;
6  cin >> nn;
7  cout << "### Mesh density nn = " << nn << endl;
8
9  border a(t=0,1){x=t;y=0;label=1;};
10 border b(t=0,0.5){x=1;y=t;label=1;};
11 border c(t=0,0.5){x=1-t;y=0.5;label=1;};
12 border d(t=0.5,1){x=0.5;y=t;label=1;};
13 border e(t=0.5,1){x=1-t;y=1;label=1;};
14 border f(t=0,1){x=0;y=1-t;label=1;};
15
16 mesh th = buildmesh ( a(nn) + b(.5*nn) + c(.5*nn) +d(.5*nn) + e(.5*nn) + f
   (nn));
17 IFMACRO(FREEFEMPLOTS,YES)
18 plot(th);
19 ENDFMACRO
20
21 SFWriteMesh(th);

```

Figure 2.2: FreeFem++ program Lshape_Mesh.edp)

```

1  /// Program Lshape_Steady.edp : resolution of the steady heat equation for
   the basic StabFem example
2  include "Macros_StabFem.edp";
3
4  // Read the mesh
5  mesh th = readmesh("mesh.msh");
6  fespace Vh(th,P1);
7
8  // Solve the Poisson Equation
9  Vh u,v;
10 func so= 1.0;
11 real cpu=clock();
12 solve Poisson(u,v,solver=LU)=int2d(th)(dx(u)*dx(v) + dy(u)*dy(v)) - int2d(
   th)( so*v)+on(1,u=0);
13
14 // Generates the data file for the StabFem driver with 2D mesh-organized
   data
15 {
16     ofstream file("Data.ff2m");
17     file << "### Data generated by Freefem++ ; " << endl;
18     file << "Temperature field in a L-shaped region ; steady conduction
       with constant volume source" << endl;
19     file << "Format : " << endl;
20     file << "P1 T" << endl << endl ;
21     for (int j=0;j<u[].n ; j++)
22         file << u[][j] << endl;
23 }
24
25 // Generates a second data file for the StabFem driver with data on a "
   slice"
26 {
27     ofstream file("Heat_1Dcut.ff2m");
28     file << "### Data generated by Freefem++ ; " << endl;
29     file << "Temperature field in a L-shaped region ; values along a
       transverse line" << endl;
30     int NN = 101;
31     file << "Format : " << endl;
32     file << "real." << NN << " Xcut" << " real." << NN << " Tcut" <<
       endl << endl ;
33     for (int j=0;j<NN ; j++) { file << 1./(NN-1)*j << endl;} ;
34     for (int j=0;j<NN ; j++) { file << u(1./(NN-1)*j,.25) << endl;};
35     file << endl;
36 }
37
38 // Freefem plot if required
39 IFMACRO(FREEFEMPLOTS,YES)
40 plot(th,u);
41 ENDFMACRO

```

Figure 2.3: FreeFem++ program Lshape_Steady.edf)

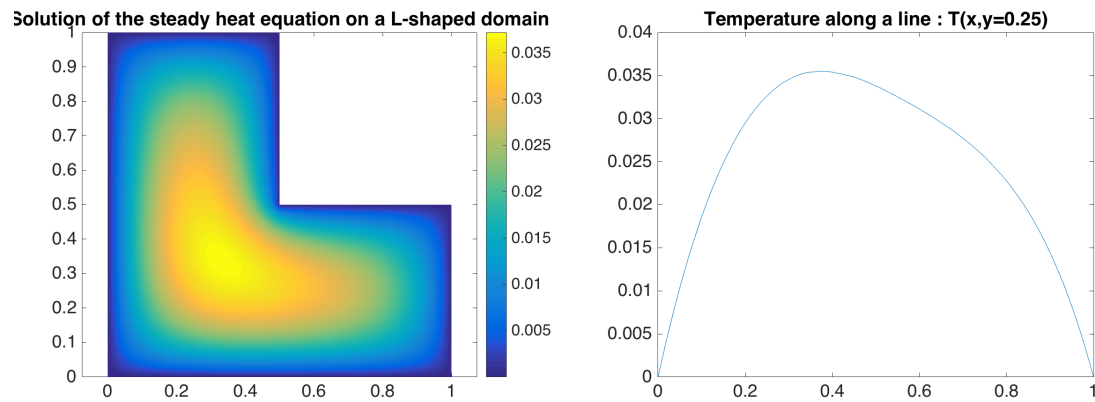


Figure 2.4: Solution for the steady heat equation in a L-shape domain : (a) Temperature field $T(x, y)$. (b) Temperature $T(x, 0.25)$ along a horizontal line.

Chapter 3

Using StabFem for global stability calculations

The stabfem software was initially designed to perform global stability calculations (linear and nonlinear). This chapter explains this through the example of the wake of a cylinder.

The theory is fully explained in the submitted paper [...]. In this chapter we explain the implementation issues.

Newt of the chapter is initial version of Diogo, n to be recast)

A *StabFem* project have a directory, for example `StabFem>CYLINDER` where it can be found:

1. The *.m files corresponding to the *Matlab* scripts. Normally, a main script can be found, e.g. `SCRIPT_CYLINDER_DEMO.m` ;
2. A directory `StabFem>CYLINDER > WORK` (if not, it will be created when *Matlab* script run) where it can be found the output data;
3. All the *.edp specific to the project and to be edited automatically by the *Matlab* interface. E.g.: The `Mesh*.edp`, the `Macros.StabFem.edp`, `Param.Adaptmesh.edp`, etc.

3.1 Running logic of a *StabFem* project

When one executes the main script *.m, both local and share scripts are executed. For a common project, the following steps are done:

1. Launch the share script `SF_Start.m`:

```
1 run( '.. /SOURCES/MATLAB/SF_Start.m' );
```

creating the following directories as global variables and adding the *sfdir* to the *matlab* paths:

```
1 ff = '/PRODCOM/Ubuntu16.04/freefem/3.51/gcc-5.4-mpich-3.2/bin/  
   FreeFem++'; % on IMFT network  
2 sfdir = '~/StabFem/SOURCES/MATLAB/'; % where to find the matlab  
   drivers  
3 ffdir = '~/StabFem/SOURCES/FREEFEM/'; % where to find the  
   freefem scripts  
4 ffdatadir = './WORK/';  
5 addpath(sfdir);
```

It also creates the `SF_Geom.edp` need for *FreeFemm++*.

2. Then, a mesh and a baseflow are generated for the project with the help of the share script `SF_Init.edp` located in `StabFemm>SOURCES.MATLAB`, e.g.:

```
1 baseflow=SF_Init( 'Mesh_Cylinder.edp' , [-40 80 40] );
```

The detailed input/output parameters are discussed in next chapter (**To do...**). It will execute `Mesh*.edp` and generate in the current path the `mesh.msh`, `mesh.ff2m`, `mesh_init.msh`, `SF_Init.ff2m`, `BaseFlow_init.txt` and `BaseFlow_init.ff2m` files.

The path `StabFemm>CYLINDER > WORK>BASEFLOWS` is created. This is where all the base flow for the different Reynolds numbers will be stored.

3. The baseflows for different parameters (*Re*, Porosity,...) are generated by the command:

```
1 baseflow=SF_BaseFlow( baseflow , 'Re' ,10 );
```

executing the common script `SF_BaseFlow.m`. This script will read the *baseflow.mesh.problemtype* parameter and execute the corresponding Newton routine `Newton*.edp` located at `StabFemm>SOURCES.FREE` in order to generate the corresponding baseflows in their path.

4. Then, a adaptation of the mesh is made to refine and converge the results for the correct baseflow, with the following command:

```
1 baseflow=SF_Adapt( baseflow , 'Hmax' ,10 , 'InterpError' ,0.005 );
```

The refine parameters are written in `Param_Adaptmesh.edp` (why?) in the current path. `Adapt_Mode.edp` is executed from *ffdir* to refine the mesh. (Some files are created...explain...)

5. A mesh adaptation taking into account the eigenmode can be done: for that, first a solution have to be computed first giving the eigenmodes. Then the mesh adaptation can be done like it was done in last step.

```
1 [ev ,em] = SF_Stability( baseflow , 'shift' ,0.04+0.74i , 'nev' ,1 , '
    type' , 'D' );
2 [ baseflow ,em]=SF_Adapt( baseflow ,em , 'Hmax' ,10 , 'InterpError'
    ,0.01 );
```

Here, the eigenvalue problem has been solved with a shift-and-invert iteration process, detail in next chapter (to do). `SF_Stability.m` is once again located at *sfdir*.

6. After the former step, once wisely used, post-processing can be made. At that stage, each project have its particularities and it will be detailed in their dedicated chapters.

3.2 Create a *StabFem* project

In order to create a project in *StabFem* one has to start to code the scripts in *FreeFEM++*.

Attention: When creating the different `*.edp` files, one has to pay attention on the compulsory inputs and output of the *Matlab* interface.

Then, the *Mathlab* scripts, with the previously presented style, have to be created.

Attention: The different *.m files created in the particular directory will be used only in your project, so you can use them as you like; but, once the common files are used, they must not be changed without careful examination of the impact on the other projects.

Commonly, the following files are needed in the current file:

FreeFEM++ file: SCRIPT_*.edp Here, the problem is defined. See chapter (to do) for more details. It can be an eigenvalue problem, a forced problem, etc. To define the problem, see the FreeFEM++ documentation [?]¹.

FreeFEM++ file: Mesh_*.edp File where the mesh of the problem and the convenient files are generated.

FreeFEM++ file: Macros_StabFem.edp Macros are a powerful tool in *FreeFEM++*. In this file all the macros specific of the project are created. These macros will be used both by the *.edp scripts of one's problem and by the common scripts located at `StabFemm>SOURCES_FREEFEM`.

Matlab file: mains_cript.m This script will be organised like in the previously presented style. Then, a different treatment is given to each problem, and one can be inspired by the project already created.

¹<http://www.freefem.org/ff++/ftp/freefem++doc.pdf>

Chapter 4

Using StabFem to perform DNS (time-stepping resolution of NS equations)

Not yet implemented but coming very soon...

Chapter 5

Plotting data with StabFem

5.1 Plotting with StabFem : plotFF.m

5.2 Native FreeFem plots (ffglut)

this is enabled/disabled with the MACRO FREEFEMPLOTS

5.3 Interfacing with Tecplot

exportFF_Tecplot.m

5.4 Interfacing with Paraview

Javier did that ???

5.5 Alternative idea

The problem with plotFF is that it is built upon pdeplot and requires the pdetools toolbox.

An alternative solution would be to adapt the solution of chloros based on patch, which has the advantage of operating under OCTAVE.

See more there : https://github.com/samplemaker/freefem_matlab_octave_plot

Part II

Description of the test-cases

Chapter 6

Stability of the flow around a 2D cylinder

Directory in the StabFem project : CYLINDER

Main contributors : D. Fabre, V. Citro, D. Ferreira-Sabino

Reference : A practical review on linear and nonlinear global approaches to stability analysis, D. Fabre et al., *submitted to Rev. Appl. Mech (2018)*

Chapter 7

Stability of the flow around a spring-mounted

Directory in the StabFem project : CYLINDER_VIV

Main contributors : Diogo

Reference :

Chapter 8

Stability of the flow around a flying menhir

Directory in the StabFem project : MENHIR

Main contributors : Obelix & Cie.

Reference : Asterix et le coup du menhir, R. Goscinny & A. Udezo. Dargaud Ed.

Part III

Appendix : documentation of the source programs

Appendix A

Mutual Matlab Files

In this section we give the documentation of the Matlab drivers of the project.

We have to find a way to generate automatically this documentation by extracting the documentation directly from the programs (Doxygen ?)

A.1 General drivers and FF/Matlab interface tools

A.1.1 SF_Mesh.m

A.1.2 SF_Launch.m

A.1.3 importFFMesh.m

A.1.4 importFFData.m

A.2 Stability-oriented drivers

A.2.1 SF_Init.m

A.2.2 SF_BaseFlow.m

A.2.3 SF_Stability.m

A.2.4 SF_Adapt.m

A.3 Plotting programs

A.4 Auxiliary programs

A.4.1 mysystem.m

A.4.2 mycp.m

Appendix B

Mutual FreeFEM++ Files