Multiphase (VOF) Simulation Project

Training session

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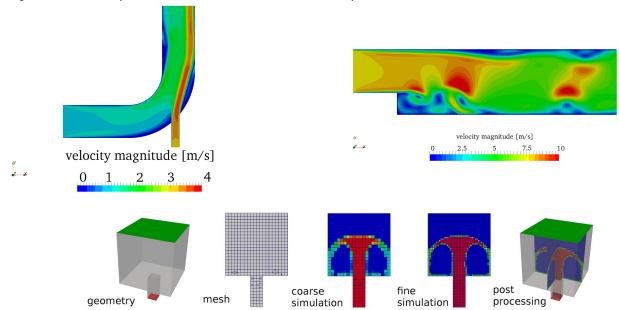
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Usually tutorials stop here... not us!

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Case files

```
//*----*\
          F ield
                        OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD Toolbox
          O peration
   11 /
          M anipulation
FoamFile
   version
             2.0:
   format
             ascii:
   class
             volVectorField;
   location
   object
                 dimensions
             [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0]://kg m s K mol A cd
internalField
            uniform (0 0 0);//Initially the velocity is (0 0 0) m/s
boundaryField
   inlet
                   fixedValue;
      type
      value
                   uniform (0 0 3.5);//fixed inlet velocity
   outlet
    This velocity inlet/outlet boundary condition is applied to pressure
    boundaries where the pressure is specified. A zero-gradient condition is
    applied for outflow (as defined by the flux); for inflow, the velocity is
    obtained from the patch-face normal component of the internal-cell value.
    The tangential patch velocity can be optionally specified.
      type
                   pressureInletOutletVelocity:
      value
                   uniform (0 0 0);
   pipe
                   noSlip;//no slip along the walls - replaces fixedValue with uniform (0 0 0)
      type
   tank
      type
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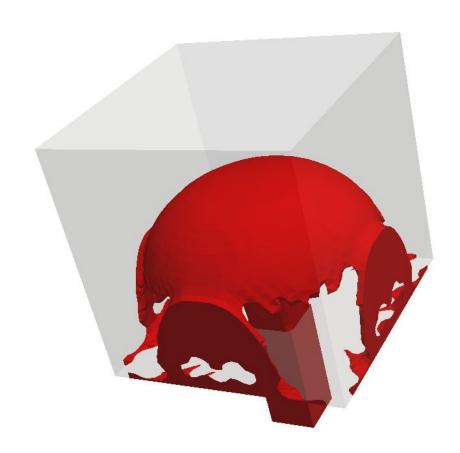
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             2.0;
   format
             ascii;
   class
             dictionary;
   location
             "system":
   object
             controlDict;
            application
             interFoam:
startFrom
             latestTime; //If we restart simulation continues from the last time step
startTime
             0;
stopAt
             endTime:
endTime
             5;//we stop after 5 s - adjustableRunTime!
deltaT
             0.005;//initial time step size
             adjustableRunTime;//simulation can automatically adjust the time step according to the Courant number
writeControl
writeInterval 0.05;//we write out every 0.05 s
purgeWrite
             0:
writeFormat
             ascii:
writePrecision 6;
writeCompression uncompressed;
timeFormat
             general:
timePrecision 6:
runTimeModifiable yes://adjustableRunTime can modifiy the time step size
adjustTimeStep yes;//adjustableRunTime can modifiy the time step size
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- 'One command' case setup

> sh setUpCase.sh &

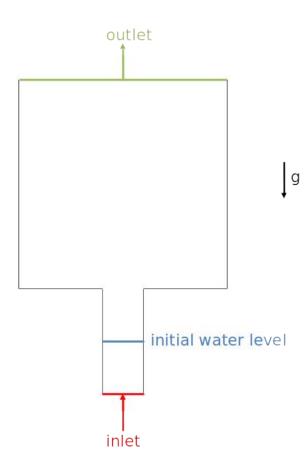
The flow



Goals

- Gain knowledge
 - snappyHexMesh
 - multiple phases (gas-liquid)
 - Volume of Fluid
- Case setup
- Initial values (BC)
- Simulate flow
 - o coarse
 - refined
 - o dynamic mesh
- Postprocessing

Geometry



Solver

interFoam:

'Solver for 2 incompressible, isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach'

- incompressible
- transient
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Theory

- incompressible
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Continuity equation:

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$$

Momentum equations:

$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{v}[2S] + F$$

Volume of Fluid:

$$\rho = \alpha \rho_l + (1 - \alpha) \rho_g$$

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\alpha \mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot (\alpha (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{u}_r) = 0$$

First step

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Have fun!

Feedback

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