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Introduction to OpenFOAM® Computational Library and Viscoelastic Fluid Flow Simulation

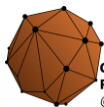
P1 - Introduction do OpenFOAM

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Outline

9:00 – 10:30	Introduction to OpenFOAM (P1)
10:30 – 12:00	Mesh generation and post-processing (P2)
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch break
13:00 – 14:30	Case studies: Single- and two-phase flow solvers (P3)
14:30 – 16:00	Case studies: Viscoelastic fluid flow solvers (P4)



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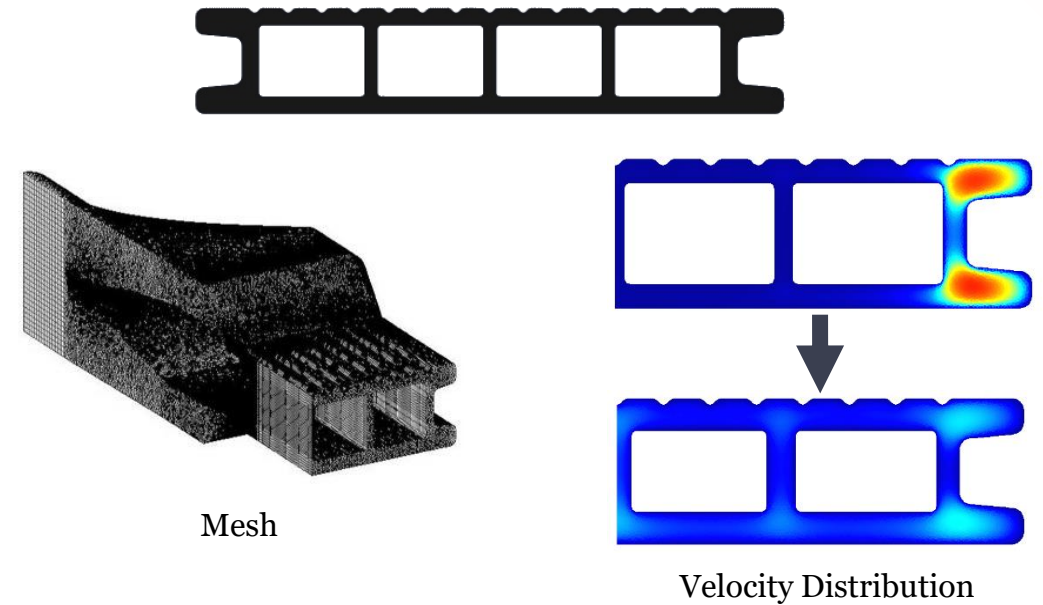
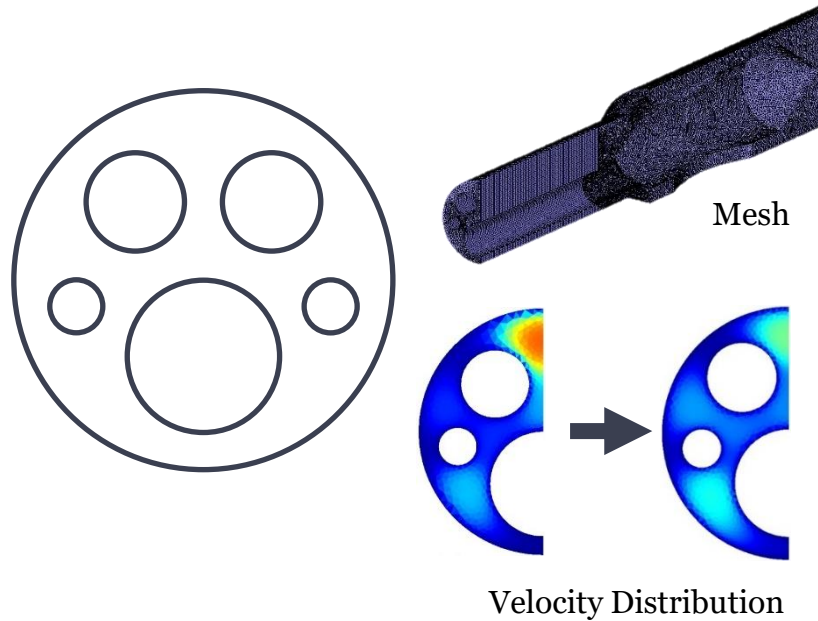


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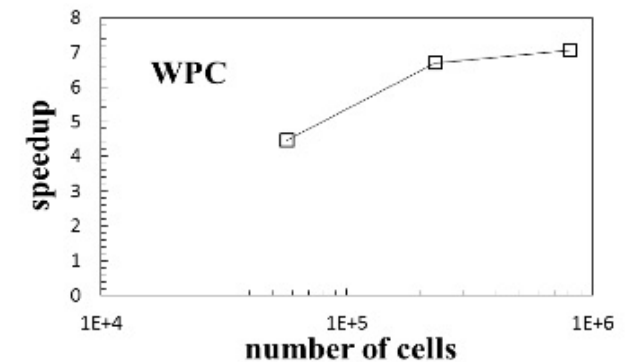
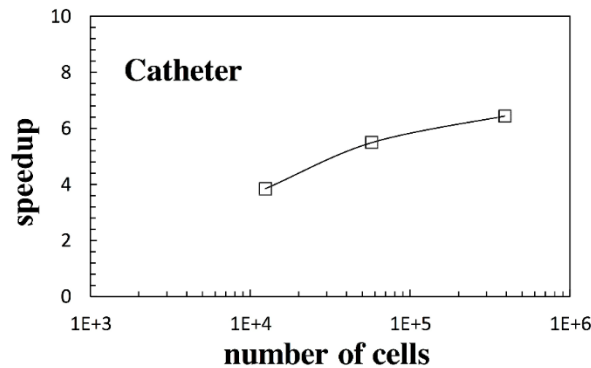
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Motivation

Unstructured Numerical Modeling Code



GPU Parallelization



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ND Gonçalves, OS Carneiro, JM Nóbrega - Journal of Non-Newtonian Fluid Mechanics, 2013
ND Gonçalves, SP Pereira, LL Ferrás, OS Carneiro, JM Nóbrega - International Polymer Processing 2015

Motivation

New feature → New researcher



Hussaini Hanging Bridge, Pakistan



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The OpenFOAM® Computational Library

Open▽FOAM

- **Open** source **F**ield **O**peration **A**nd **M**anipulation
 - C++ Computational Library, Finite Volume Method, Unstructured meshes (and mesh generators)
 - Multiphysics and Multiphase systems (FSI, Eulerian-Eulerian, Eulerian-Lagrangian)
 - Parallelized
 - Several **pre-compiled** solvers available
- ‘Basic’ CFD codes
 - Incompressible flow
 - Compressible flow
 - Multiphase flow
 - Large eddy simulation (LES)
 - Combustion
 - Particle-tracking flows
 - Heat transfer
 - Buoyancy-driven flows
 - Molecular dynamics methods
 - Direct simulation Monte Carlo methods
 - Electromagnetics
 - Solid Mechanics
 - Viscoelastic
 - Finance
 - ...



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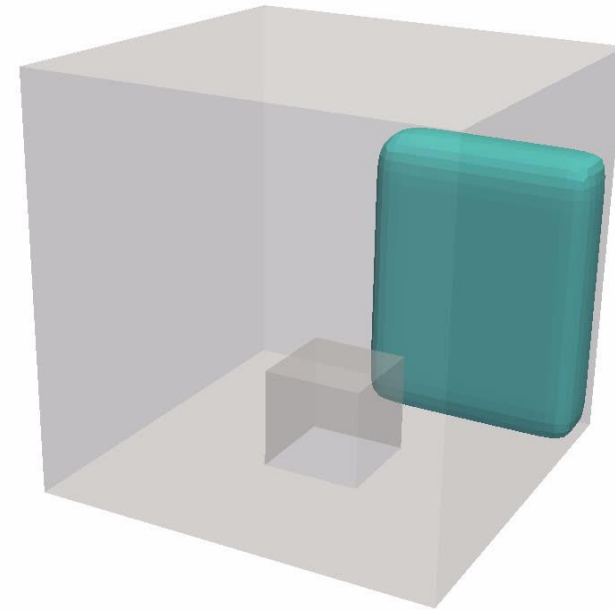
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Open  FOAM

Fluid Dynamics



Fluidized Bed
(Eulerian+Lagrangian)



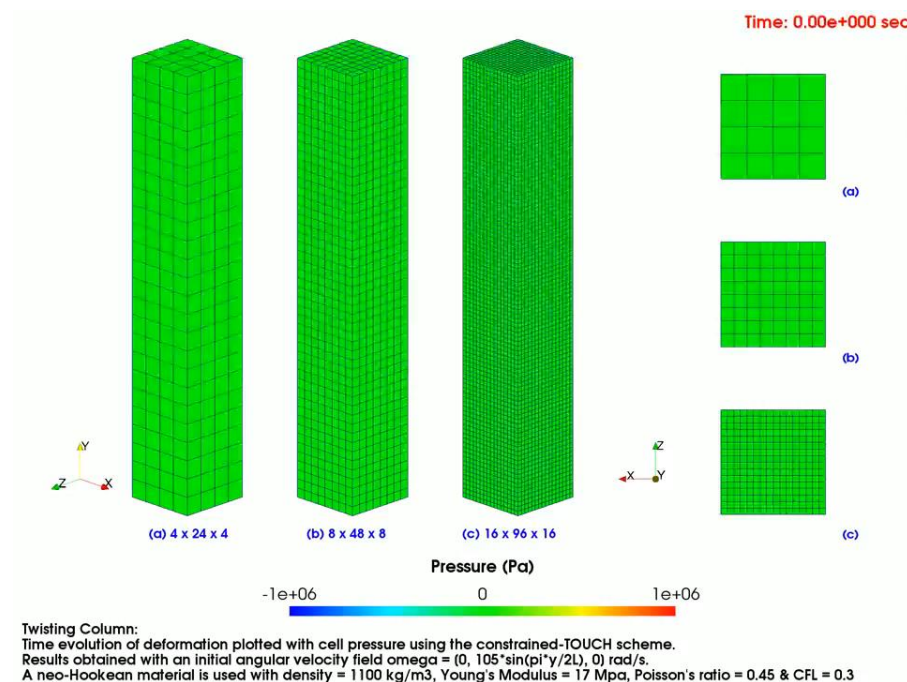
Dam Break 3D - VOF
(Eulerian+Eulerian)



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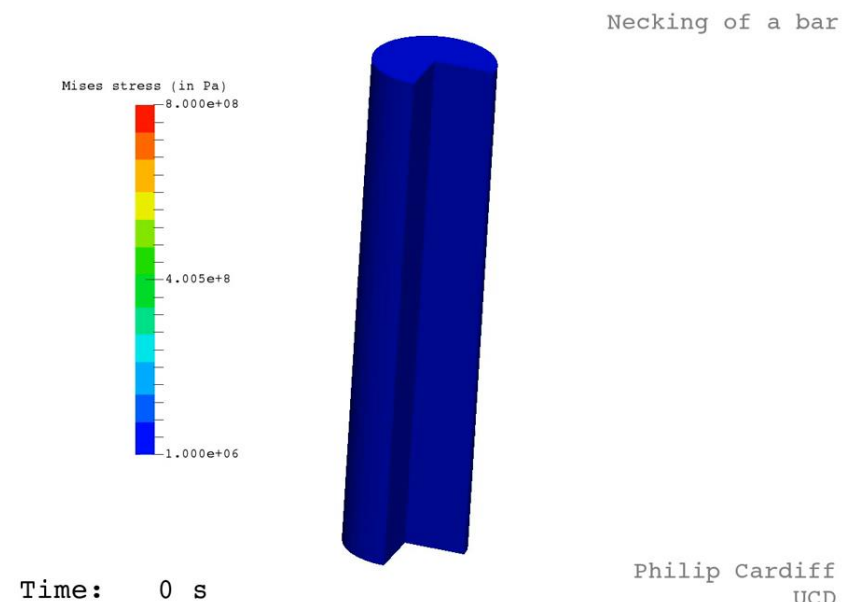
Solid Mechanics



Twisting Column⁽¹⁾

(1) From Jibran Haider's Youtube channel - <https://tinyurl.com/ybosqbtq>

(2) From Philip Cardiff's Youtube channel - <https://tinyurl.com/pcardiff>



Necking of a bar ⁽²⁾



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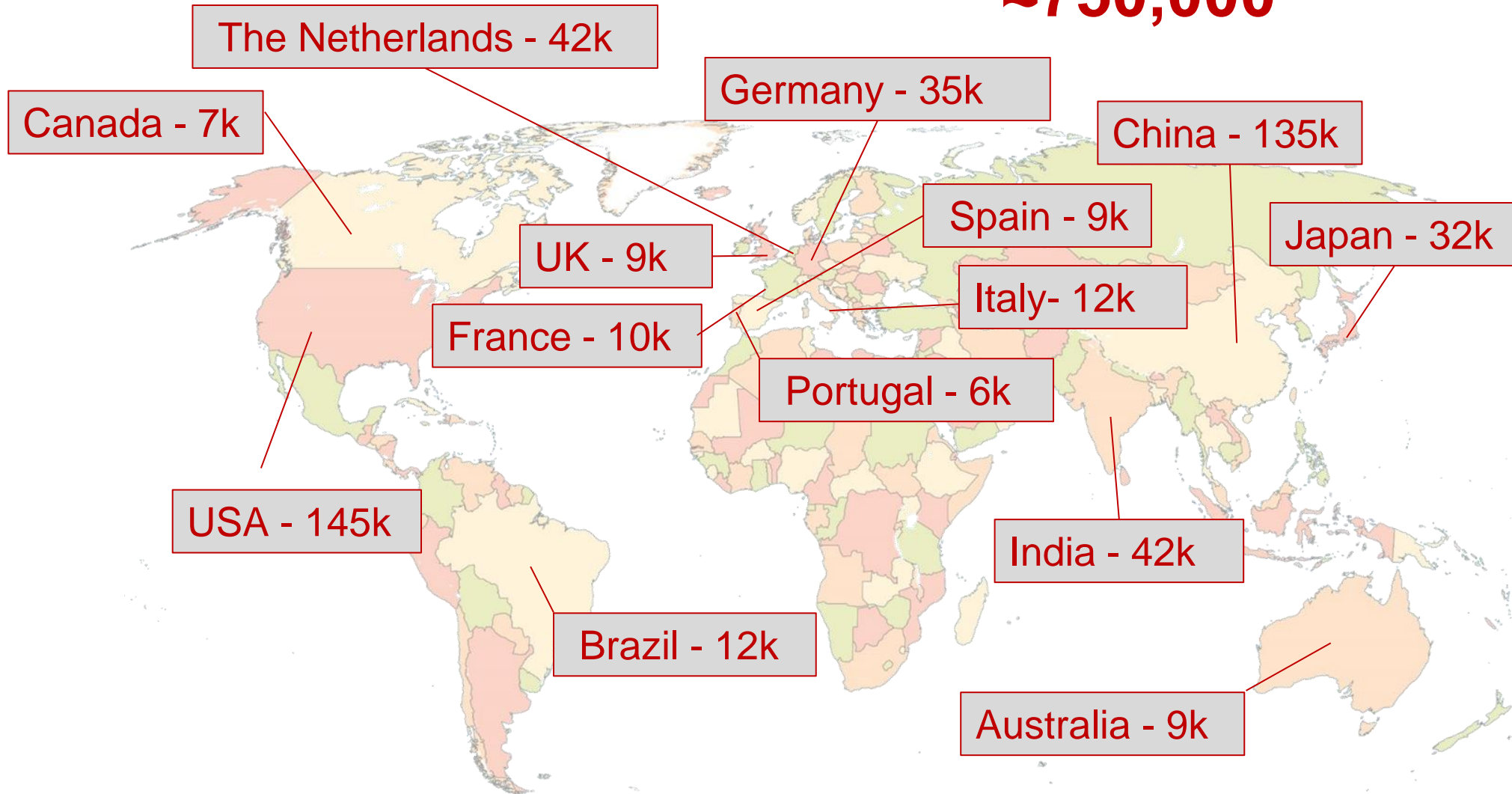
A (very) brief history...



The OpenFOAM® Computational Library

Downloads during 2023 of the three major forks

≈750,000



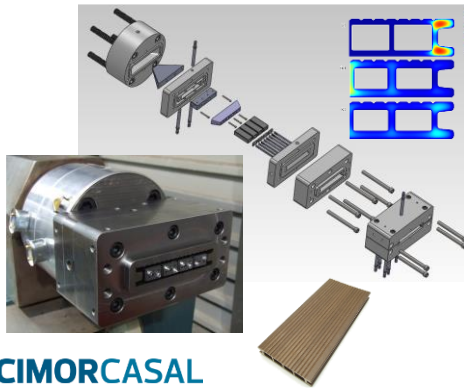
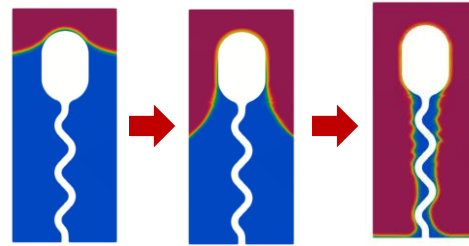
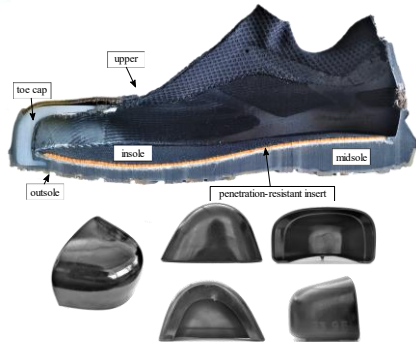
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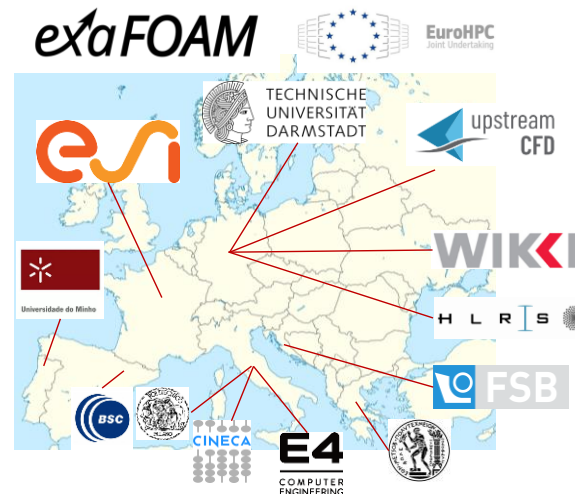
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— Footwear Advanced Materials, Components
and Software Technologies —

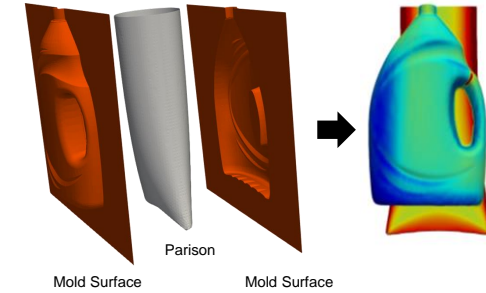


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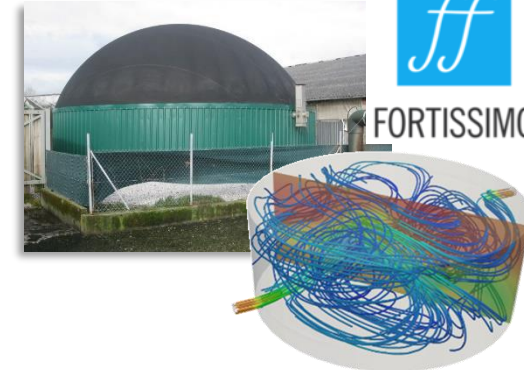
exaFOAM



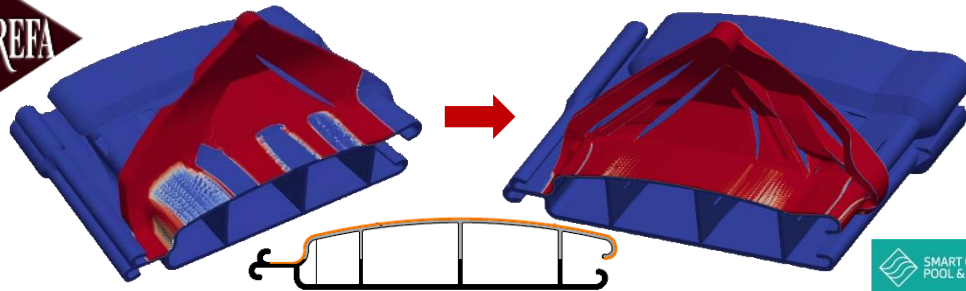
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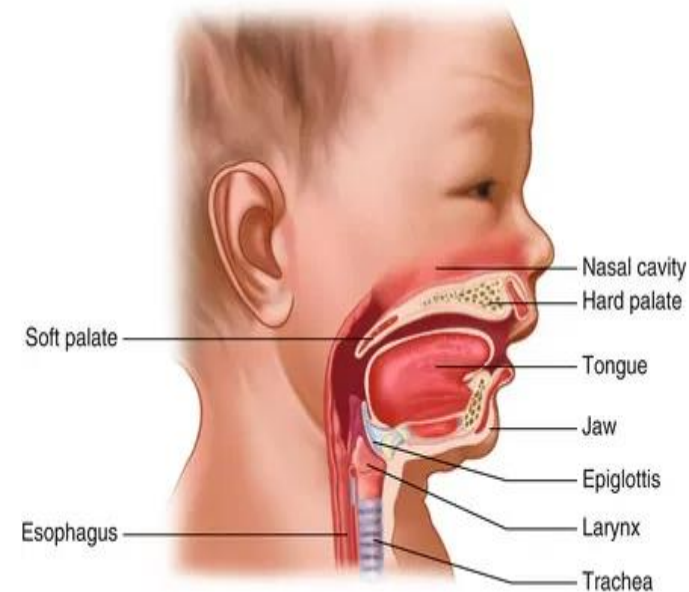
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Pacifiers Assessment

Development of a computational methodology capable of predicting the newborn oral cavity behavior during pacifier sucking



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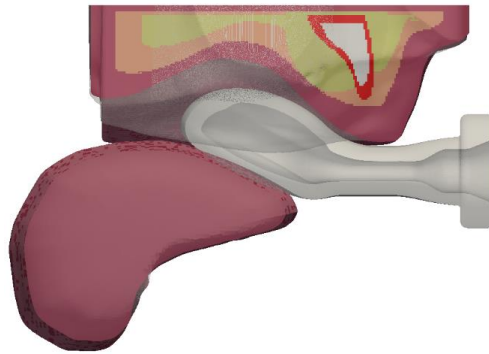


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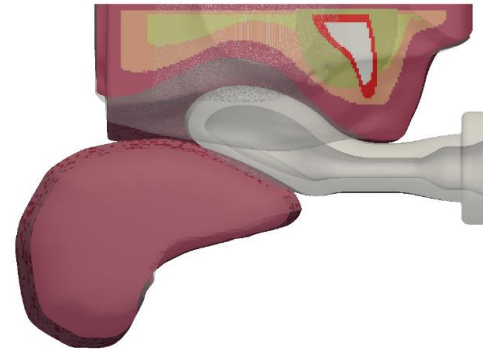
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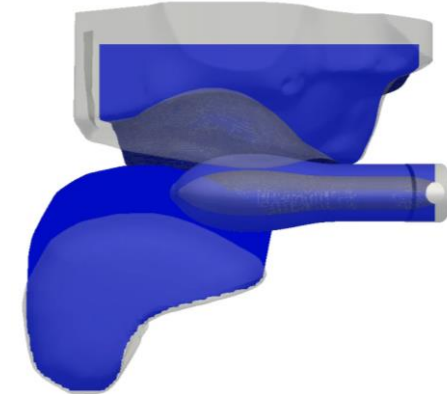
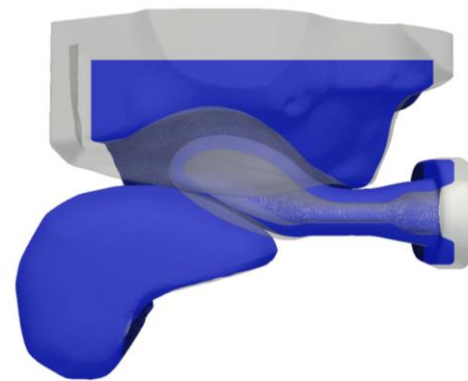
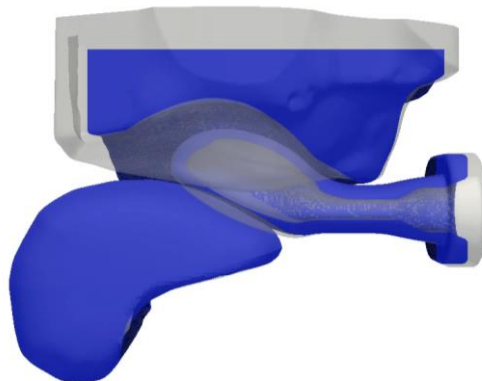
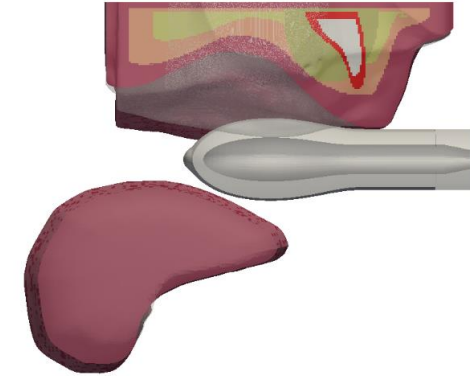
NUK Genius Pacifier



NUK Standard Pacifier



Conventional Pacifier



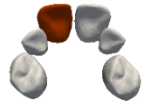
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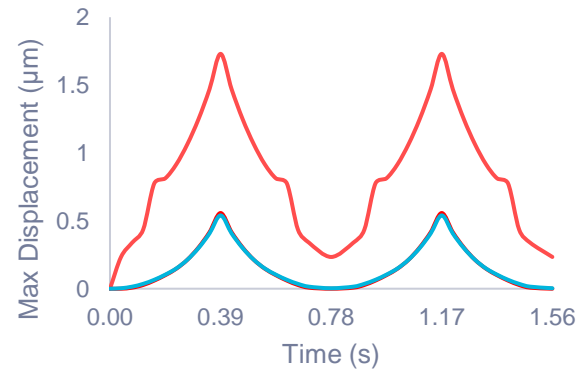
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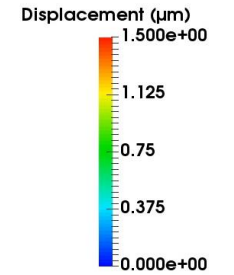
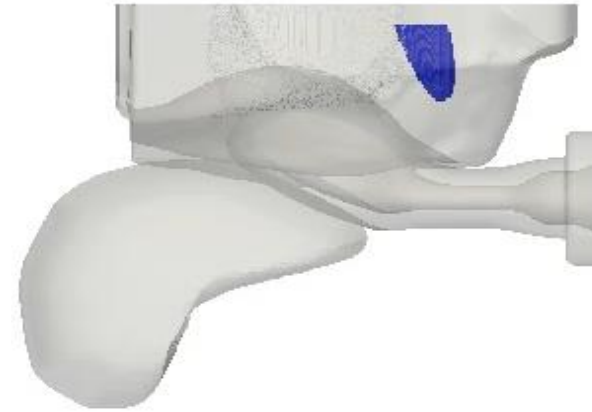
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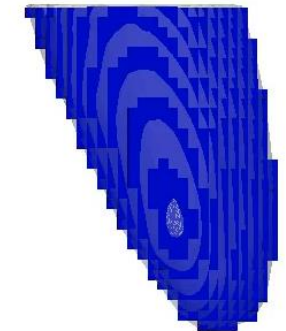
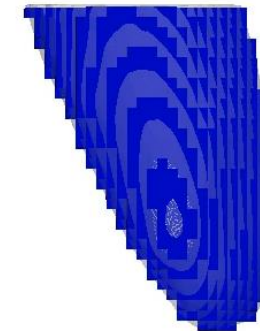
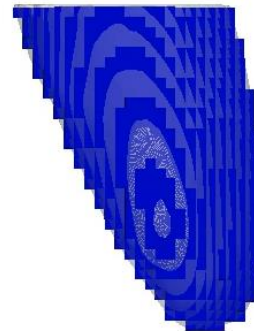
Central Incisor



- NUK Genius Pacifier
- NUK Standard Pacifier
- Conventional Pacifier



Conventional Pacifier



Displacement 1000x



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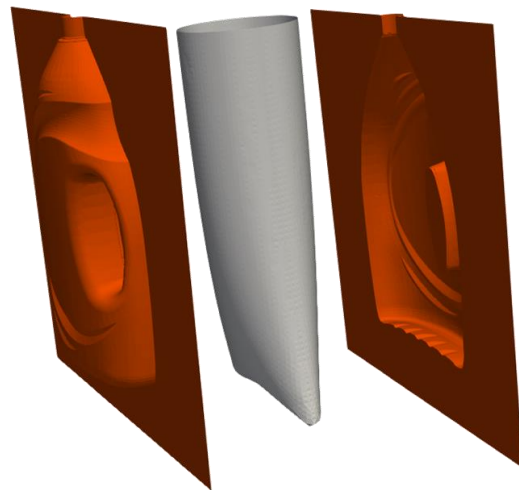


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Extrusion Blow Molding Simulator



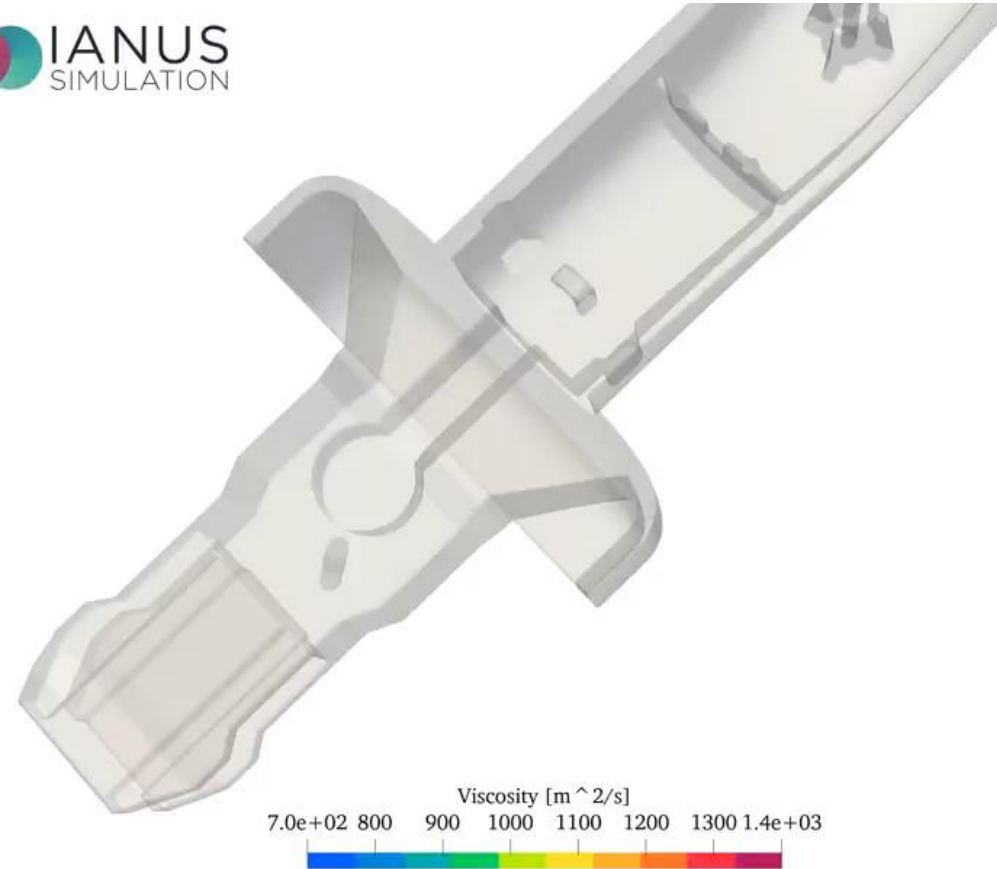
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Injection Molding



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Computational Modelling

Notation

- Scalars – plain characters - e.g. p, ρ, η_p, λ
- Tensors [], vectors { } or bold characters – e.g. $\mathbf{U}, \boldsymbol{\tau}$
- Nabla (∇) the following differential operator

$$\nabla = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

Computational Modelling

Governing Equations

- Continuity

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U}) = 0$$

- Momentum

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \mathbf{U})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}) + \nabla \cdot (p \mathbf{I}) + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} = 0$$

- Constitutive Model (Oldroyd-B)

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\tau}_S + \boldsymbol{\tau}_P$$

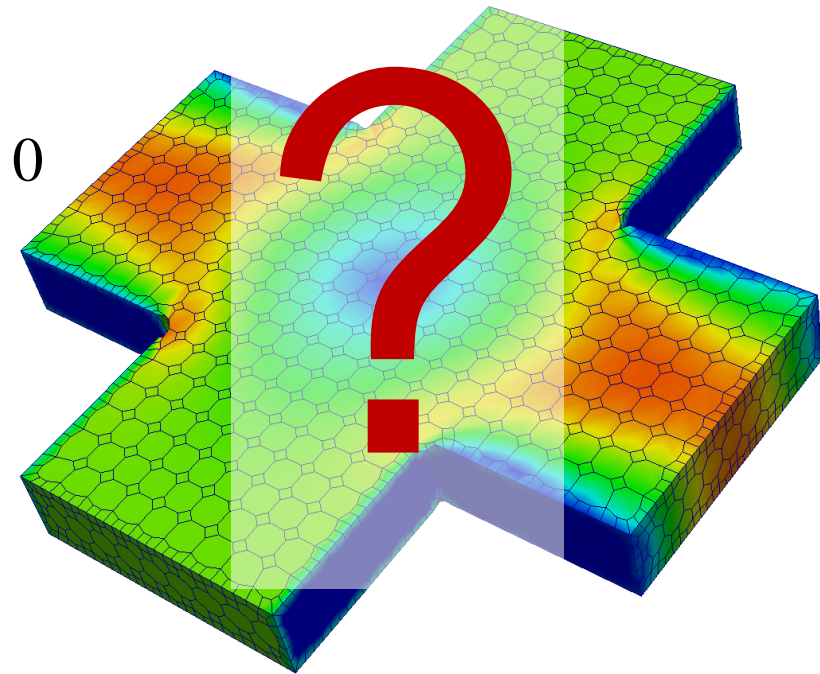
Solvent

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_S = \eta_S \left(\nabla \mathbf{U} + (\nabla \mathbf{U})^T \right)$$

Polymeric

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_P + \lambda \left(\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\tau}_P}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\tau}_P) \right) = \eta_P \left(\nabla \mathbf{U} + \nabla \mathbf{U}^T \right) + \lambda \left(\boldsymbol{\tau}_P \cdot \nabla \mathbf{U} + \boldsymbol{\tau}_P \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{U})^T \right)$$

Velocity magnitude distribution



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Computational Modelling

- Continuity

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U}) = 0$$

- Momentum

$$\frac{\partial (\rho \phi)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \phi) - \nabla \cdot (\rho \Gamma_{\phi} \nabla \phi) = S_{\phi}(\phi)$$

Governing Equations

Velocity magnitude distribution

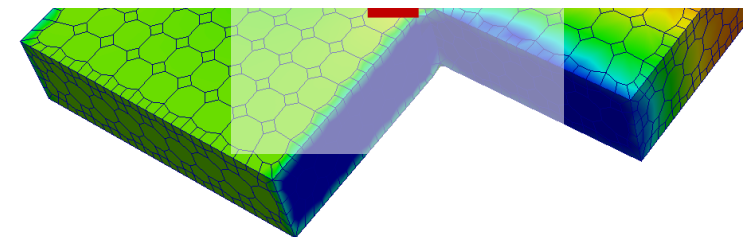


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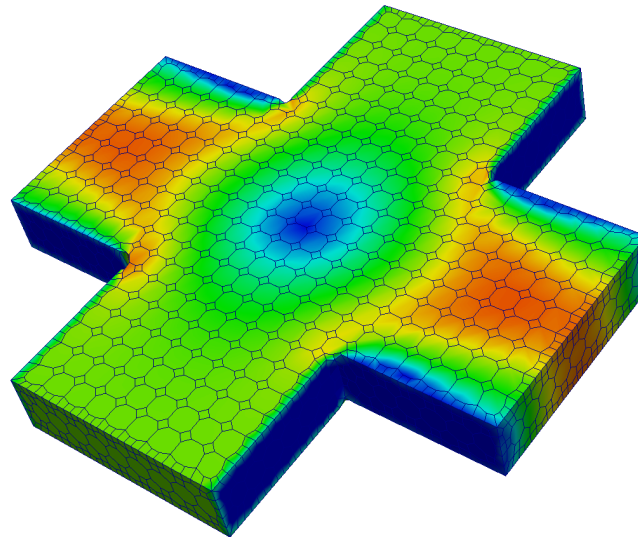
The Standard Governing Equation

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial(\rho\phi)}{\partial t}}_{\text{Time evolution}} + \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \phi)}_{\text{Advection}} - \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\rho \Gamma_{\phi} \nabla \phi)}_{\text{Diffusion}} = \underbrace{S_{\phi}(\phi)}_{\text{Source}}$$

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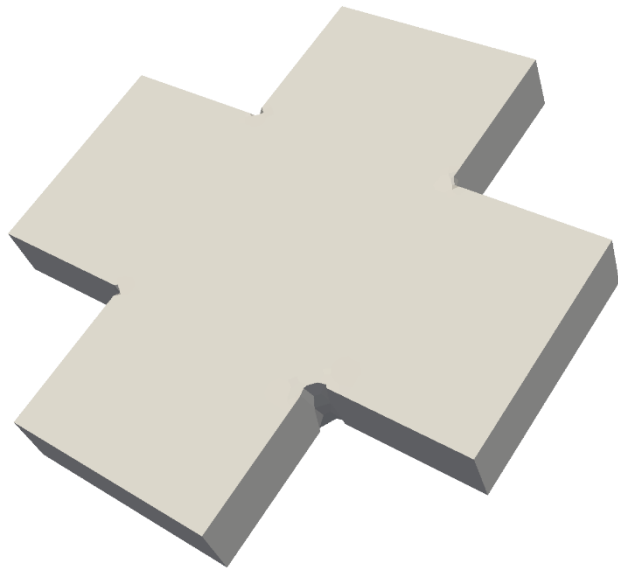
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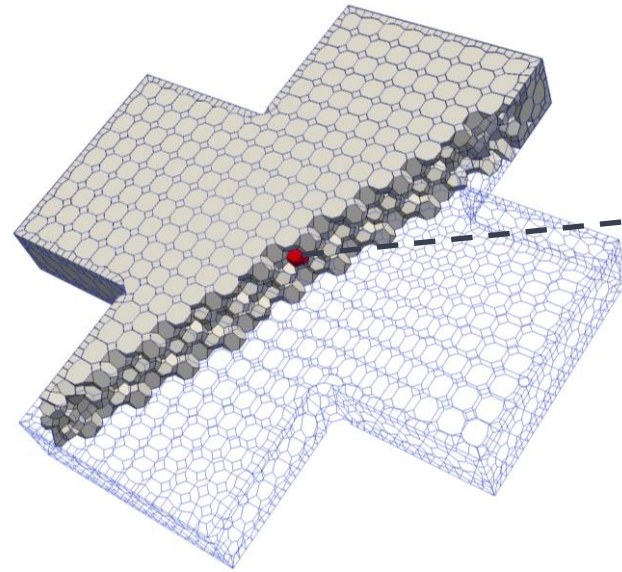
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The Finite Volume Method

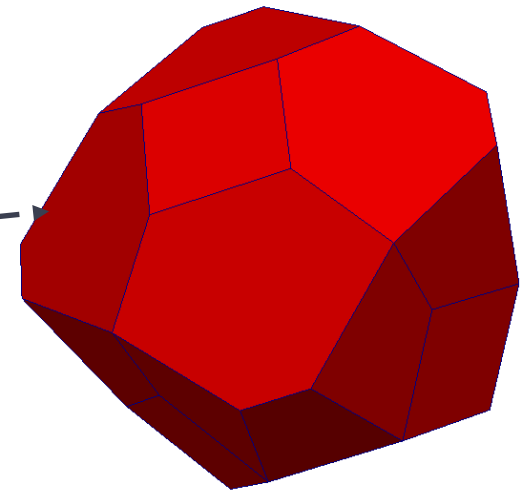
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Geometry



Mesh



Cell



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Computational Modelling

The Finite Volume Method

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\phi)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \phi) - \nabla \cdot (\rho \Gamma_{\phi} \nabla \phi) = S_{\phi}(\phi)$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1N} \\ a_{21} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{21} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{N1} & a_{N2} & \dots & a_{NN} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \dots \\ \phi_N \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \dots \\ b_N \end{Bmatrix}$$

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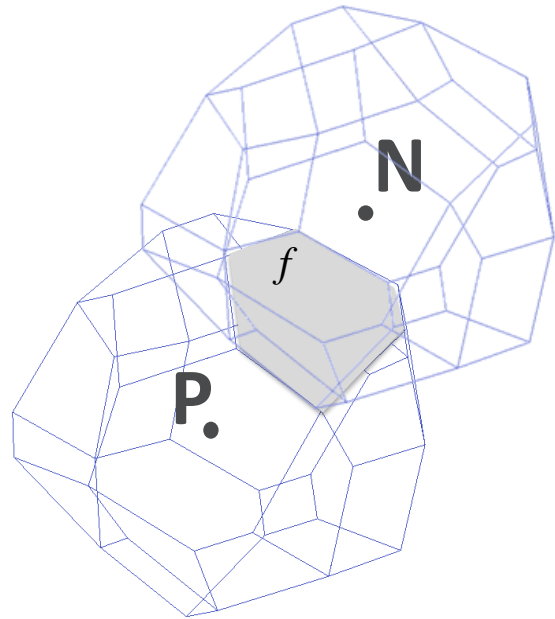
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$[A] \{\phi\} = \{b\}$

Computational Modelling

The Finite Volume Method

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\phi)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \phi) - \nabla \cdot (\rho \Gamma_{\phi} \nabla \phi) = S_{\phi}(\phi)$$



Cell P and N share face f

Discretization (fvSchemes)

$$\frac{\phi_N - \phi_P}{|d|} = \frac{-1}{|d|} \phi_P + \frac{1}{|d|} \phi_N$$

Add to P cell equation

Computational Modelling

System of Equations

Solve the system(s) of equations (**fvSolution**)

$$[A]\{\phi\} = \{b\}$$

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- Direct Solvers
- Iterative Solvers



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System of Equations – Iterative Solvers

$$[A]\{\phi\} - \{b\} = \{R\}$$

- $|R|$ quantifies the error of the current solution
 - Relative tolerance
 - Absolute Tolerance



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Linux/OpenFOAM - Memory Aid

General

- ☐  WSL App ## Open Ubuntu Terminal
- ☐  ParaView App ## open Paraview for post processing
- ☐ right mouse button ## paste clipboard contents in command line
- ☐ tab key ## complete commands
- ☐ Ctrl+R ## Repeat previous Commands
- ☐ Arrow up or down ## Browse by previous commands
- ☐ >> code . ## open VSCode in the current folder
- ☐ >> shopt -s direxpand #allow tab in WSL
- ☐ >> explorer . ## Open the current folder in windows explorer

Linux

- ☐ >> cd <name> ## Change to directory <name>
- ☐ >> cd .. ## Change to previous folder
- ☐ >> cd ## Change to home folder
- ☐ >> pwd ## print current (working) directory
- ☐ >> rm <file> ## remove file named <file>
- ☐ >> rm -rf <folder> ## remove folder named <folder>
- ☐ >> chmod +x <file> ## make the <file> executable
- ☐ >> touch x.foam ## create empty file named x.foam

OpenFOAM

- ☐ >> openfoam2206 ## load OpenFOAM variables
- ☐ \$FOAM_TUTORIALS ## Folder for tutorial cases
- ☐ \$FOAM_RUN ## folder to run cases
- ☐ >> tut ## change to tutorial folder
- ☐ >> run ## change to run folder
- ☐ >> <solverName> ## run solver named <solverName>
- ☐ >> <solverName> > log & ## run solver named <solverName> in background and send output to log file



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OpenFOAM 1st case study

1. Open WSL
2. Load OpenFOAM variables
3. `>> run`
4. `>> wget https://github.com/Computational-Rheology/PPS2024_OFCourse/raw/main/2-CaseFiles/CaseFiles.zip`
5. `>> unzip CaseFiles.zip`
6. `>> cd case 11`
7. `>> code .`
8. Check the case structure with the instructor, in folders *0*, *constant* and *system*



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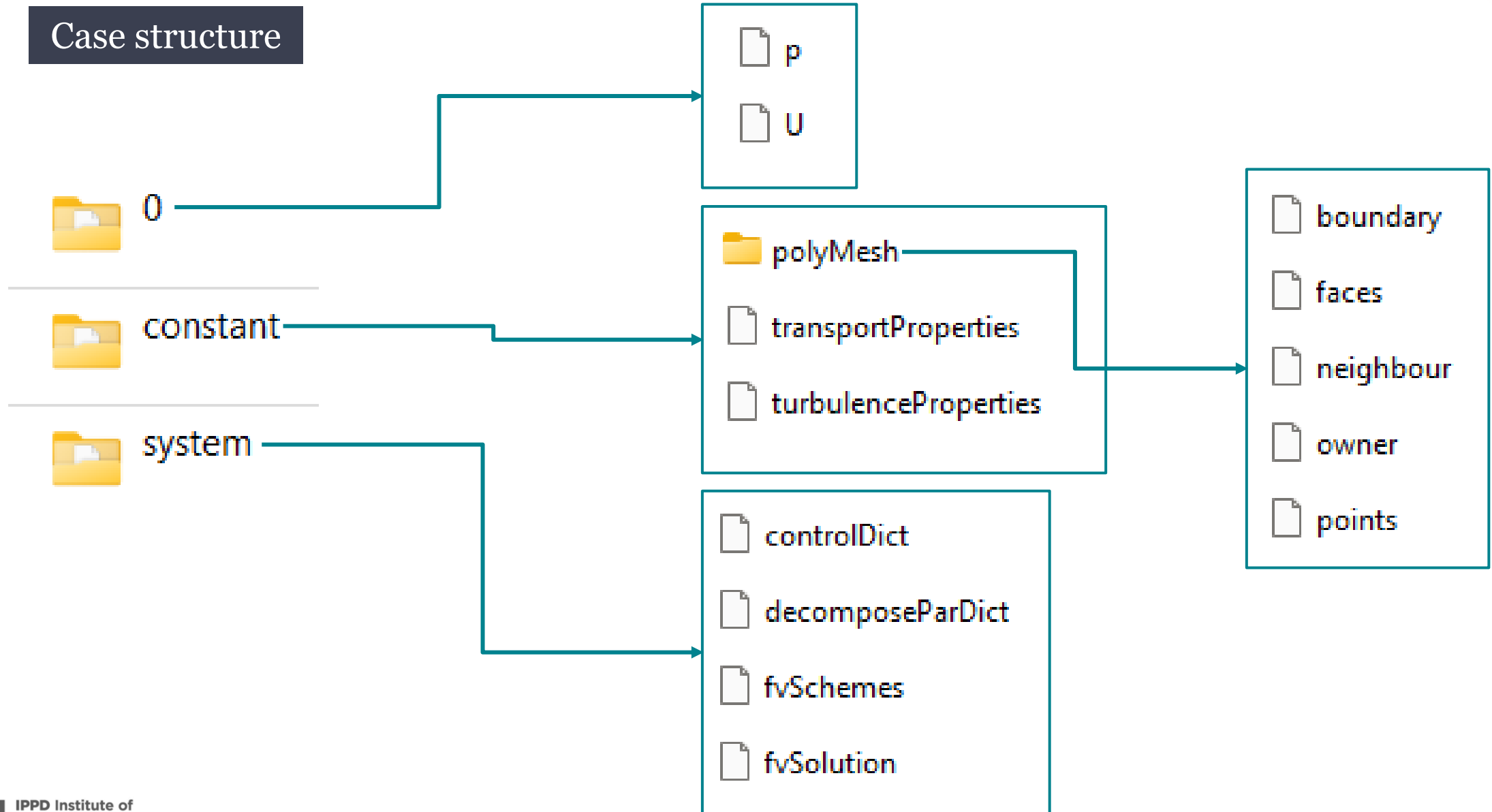


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OpenFOAM 1st case study

Case structure



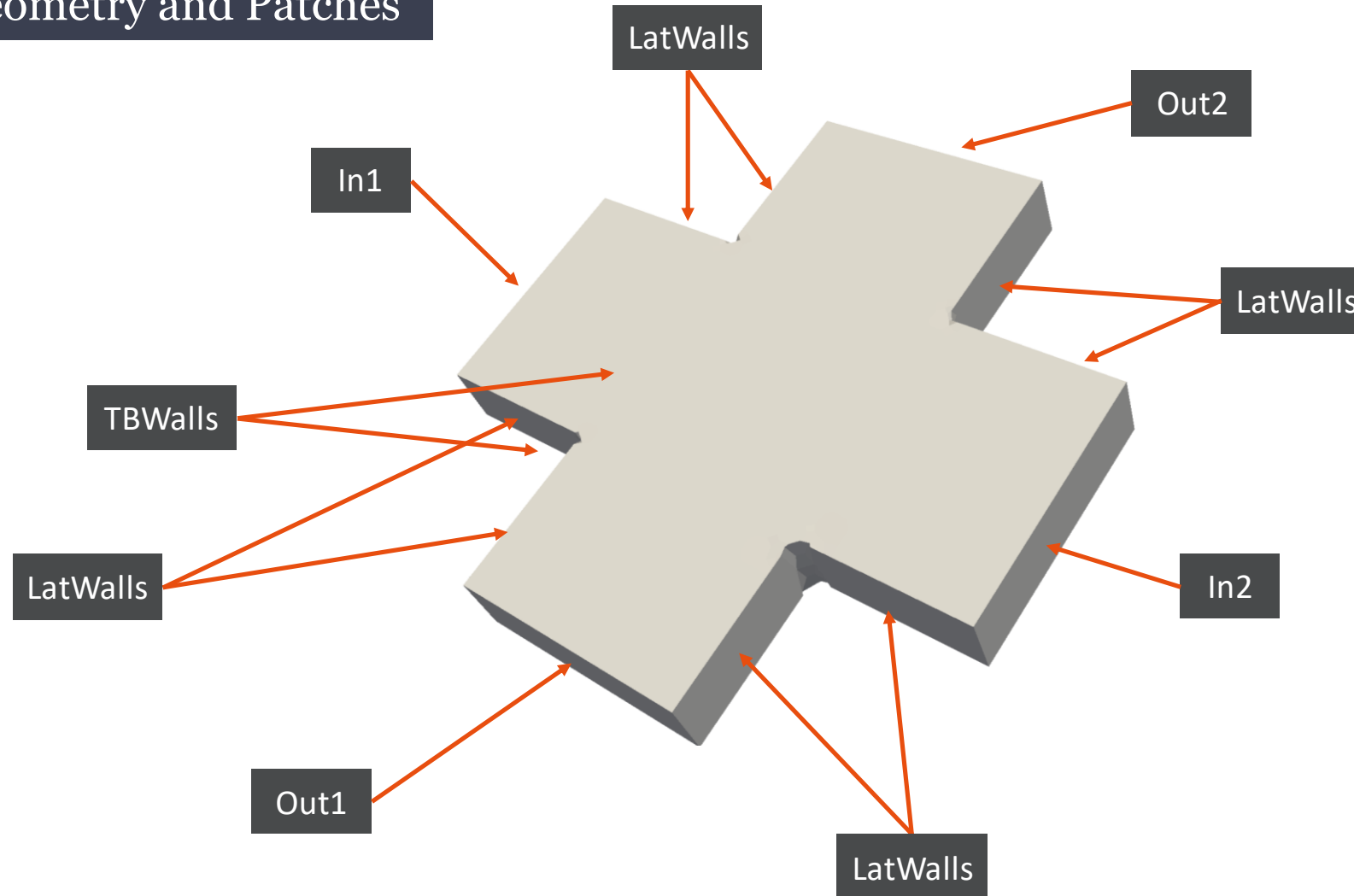
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Geometry and Patches



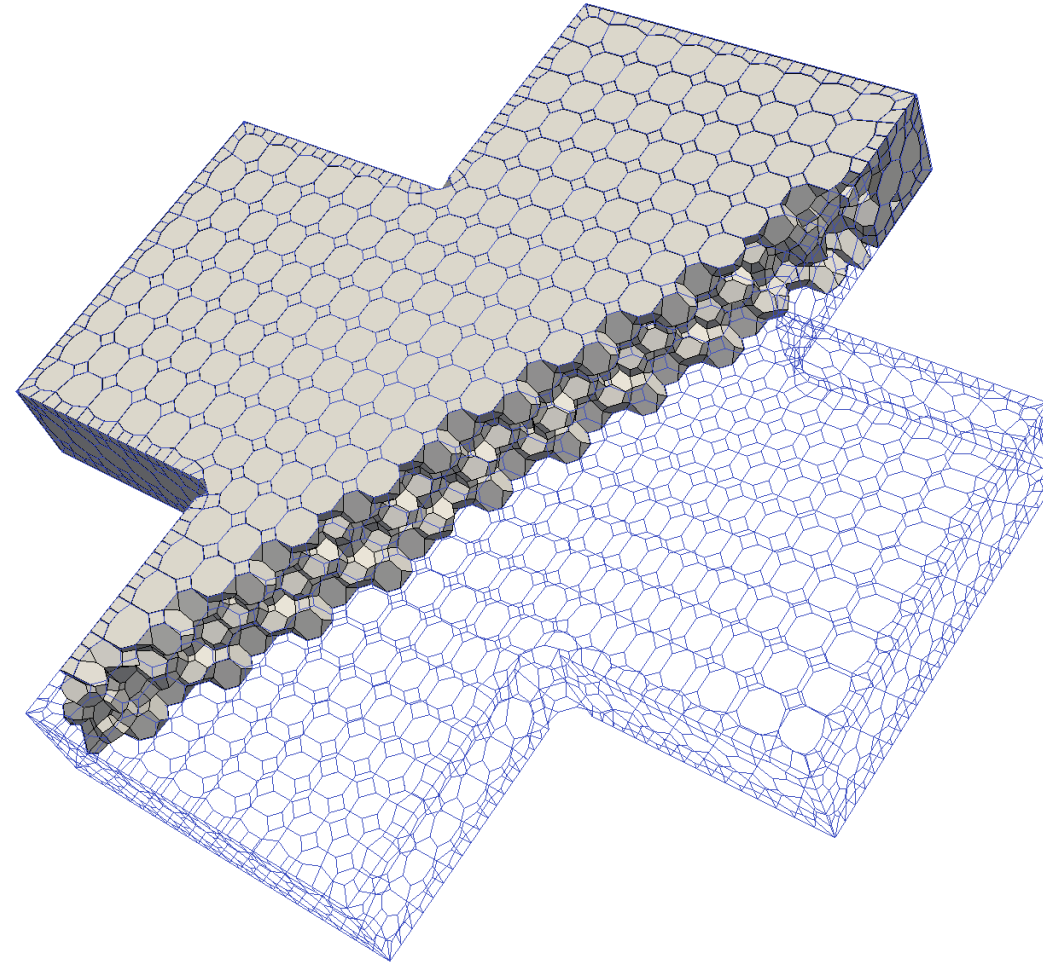
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Mesh



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OpenFOAM 1st case study

File o/U

.....
dimensions [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0];

internalField uniform (0 0 0);

boundaryField
{

In1

{
 type fixedValue;
 value uniform (0.01 0 0);
}

In2

{
 type fixedValue;
 value uniform (-0.01 0 0);
}

Out1

{
 type zeroGradient;
}

.....

No.	Property
1	Mass
2	Length
3	Time
4	Temperature
5	Quantity
6	Current
7	Luminous intensity



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OpenFOAM 1st case study

File o/p

.....

boundaryField

{

In1

{

type zeroGradient;

}

In2

{

type zeroGradient;

}

Out1

{

type fixedValue;

value uniform 0;

}

.....



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File constant/transportProperties

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transportModel Newtonian;

nu nu [0 2 -1 0 0 0 0] 1e-05;

.....

OpenFOAM 1st case study

File system/controlDict

```
.....  
application simpleFoam;  
  
startFrom      startTime;  
  
startTime      0;  
  
stopAt         endTime;  
  
endTime        1000;  
  
deltaT         1;  
  
writeControl    timeStep;  
  
writeInterval   500;  
  
purgeWrite      0;  
  
.....
```



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File system/fvSchemes

ddtSchemes

```
{  
  default      steadyState;  
}
```

gradSchemes

```
{  
  default      Gauss linear;  
}
```

divSchemes

```
{  
  default      none;  
  div(phi,U)   bounded Gauss linearUpwind grad(U);  
  ...  
  div((nuEff*dev2(T(grad(U))))) Gauss linear;  
  div(nonlinearStress) Gauss linear;  
}
```

laplacianSchemes

```
{  
  default      Gauss linear corrected;  
}  
....
```



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File system/fvSolution

```
....  
solvers  
{  
  p  
  {  
    solver      GAMG;  
    tolerance   1e-07;  
    relTol      0.1;  
    smoother    GaussSeidel;  
  }  
....  
SIMPLE  
{  
  nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 2;  
  consistent    yes;  
  
  residualControl  
  {  
    p          1e-6;  
    U          1e-6;  
    "(k|epsilon|omega|f|v2)" 1e-6;  
  }  
}  
....
```



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1. `>> simpleFoam #run` the solver and output screen
2. `>> rm -rf 112` #remove the lastTime results folder
3. `>> simpleFoam >log.simpleFoam #run` the solver and output to log.simpleFoam file
4. `>> rm -rf 112` #remove the lastTime results folder
5. `>> simpleFoam >log.simpleFoam & #run` the solver in background and output to log.simpleFoam file
6. Check the contents of the logfile with the instructor

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1. >> touch x.foam
2. >> explorer.exe .
3. Open *x.foam* file with paraview
4. Visualize the results
 - a) Show/hide mesh
 - b) FV results or interpolated
 - c) Rescale color map
 - d) Show/hide interior cells and patches
 - e) Stream tracer (source line and point cloud)
 - f) Contour, clip, slice, threshold and glyph
5. Adapt the velocity boundary conditions
6. Visualize the results in paraview



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1. Check the contents of the file system/decomposeParDict with the instructor
2. The banana trick
3. `>> decomposePar`
4. Use the scotch method to decompose
5. `>> mpirun -np 4 simpleFoam -parallel > log.simpleFoamP`
6. `>> simpleFoam > log.simpleFoam`
7. Compare the execution time of both runs



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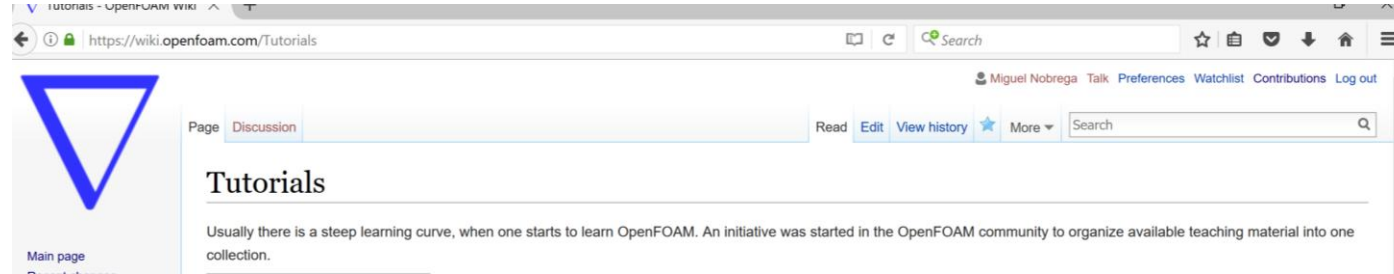


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Where to get more information?

OpenFOAM Wiki - wiki.openfoam.com



OpenFOAM Journal

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FOAM@Iberia 2023 – November 2-3, 2023 – Guimarães, Portugal

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