

Tutorials

The tutorials presented hereinafter are intended as a guide to the user with the main features implemented in MaranStable. The GUI MaranStable is started by running the file main.m with Matlab 2022 or a more recent version.

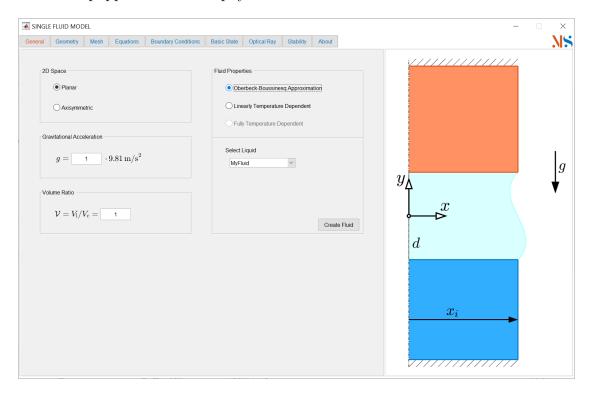
1 Rayleigh-Bénard instability

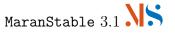
The first tutorial deals with the Rayleigh-Bénard problem, i.e. the instability of a quiescent fluid layer heated from. Here we consider a planar geometry laterally confined by slip walls as a substitute for an infinite layer. This tutorial corresponds to the file example_1.mat in the folder tutorials.

• Select the single-phase solver

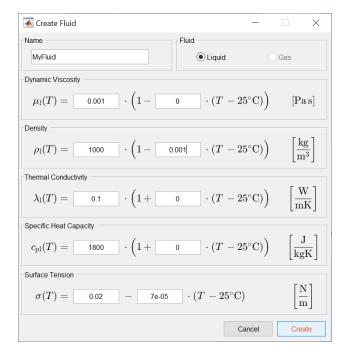


• Set up the planar geometry and the gravitational acceleration. Since we consider a rectangular domain, the volume ratio is set to $\mathcal{V} = 1$. Select the Oberbeck–Boussinesq approximation as physical model.

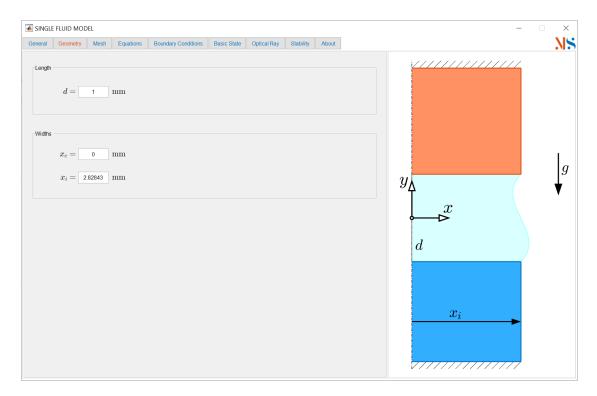


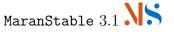


• Set up a new fluid by clicking on Create Fluid. The parameters are set as follows. Then click Create.

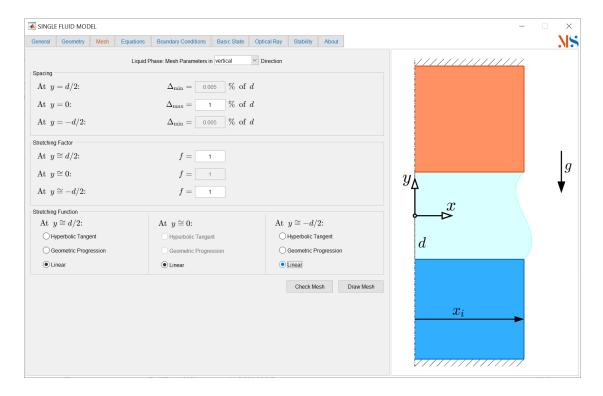


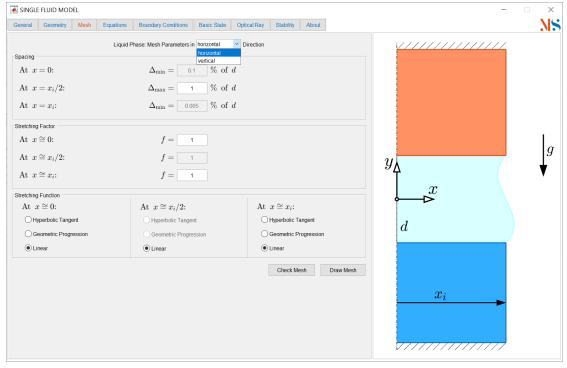
• Set up the planar geometry as follows. The values are selected to coincide with the critical wavelength ($\lambda_c = 2\sqrt{2} = 2.82843$) of the Rayleigh–Bénard instability for free slip on the horizontal boundaries.



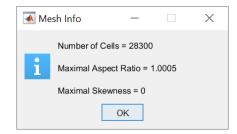


• Set up the mesh as shown below (both horizontal and vertical coordinates must be discretized). You can change the discretization parameters if a finer resolution is needed.

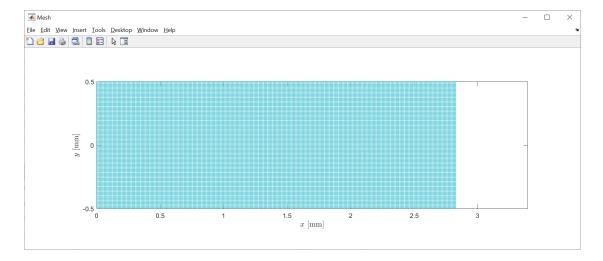




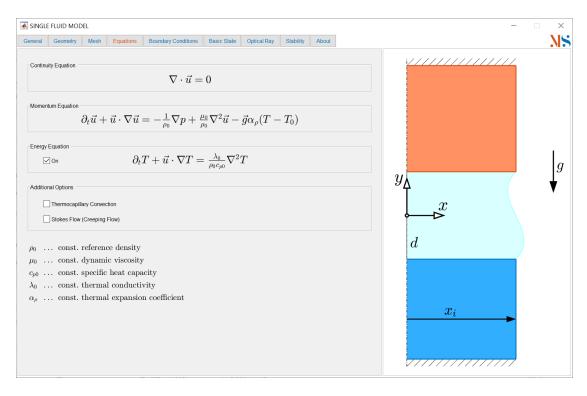
• Click on Check Mesh

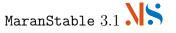


• Visualize the mesh by clicking Plot Mesh

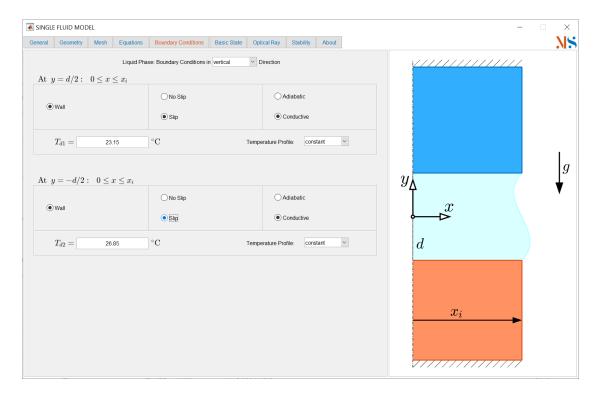


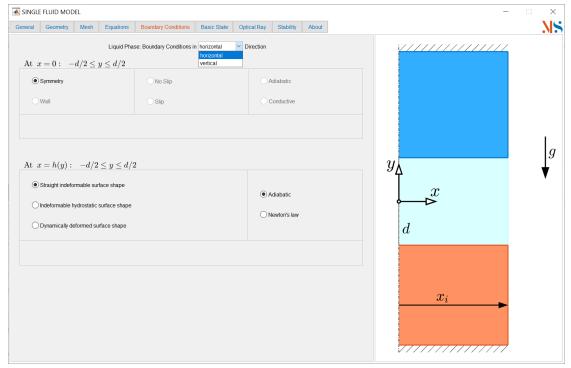
• Leave the energy equation enabled and pay attention to unticking the thermocapillary convection.



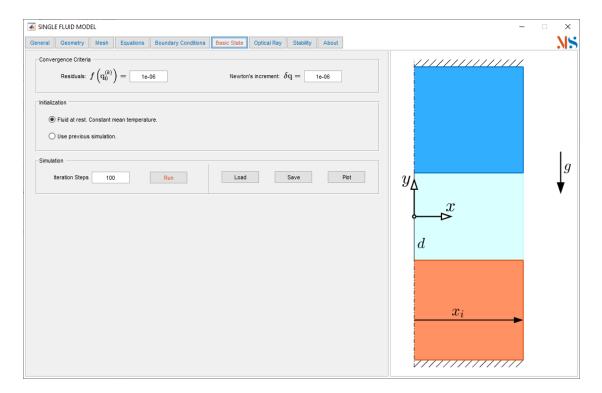


• Set the boundary conditions in the horizontal and vertical directions. Prohibit surface deformations by ticking the box Straight indeformable surface shape.

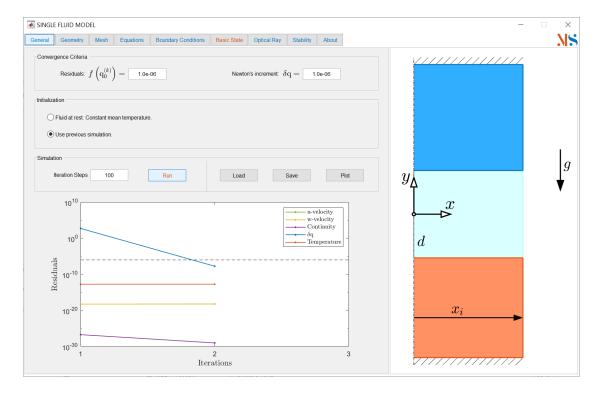


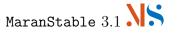


• Set the tolerances of the residuals for the Newton solver and the solution increments.



• Solve the basic state by clicking on Run.

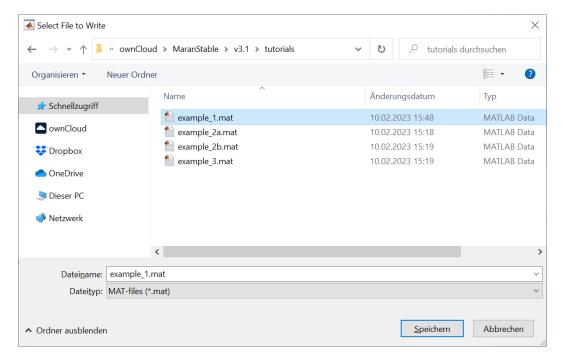




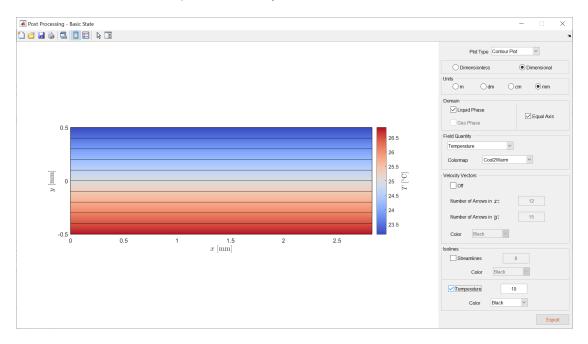
• Upon convergence, MaranStable will provide the message:



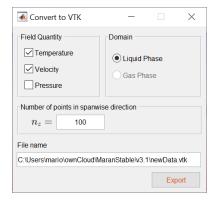
• Click on Save to store the converged basic state just computed.



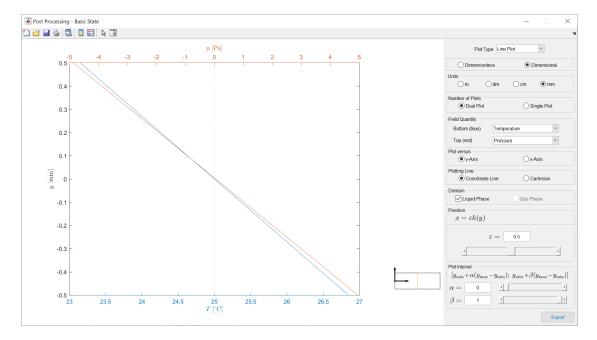
• Click on Plot to visualize the basic state. Choose the desired field quantity and enable or disable velocity vectors and/or isolines.



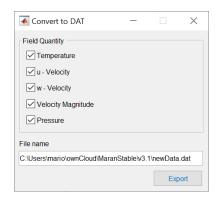
• Click on Export to export the solution in vtk format (compatible with ParaView).

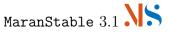


• Change the plot type to Line Plot and change the position (location at which the data are evaluated, yellow line) to $\varepsilon = 0.5$ to visualize the temperature and pressure at the vertical midplane.

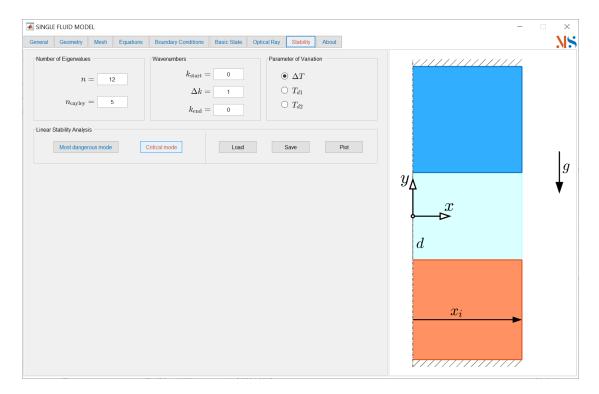


• Click on Export to export the solution in dat format (compatible with Xmgrace, Matlab, Excel, etc.).

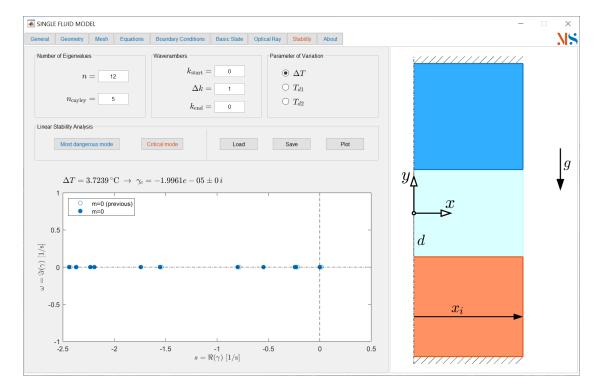




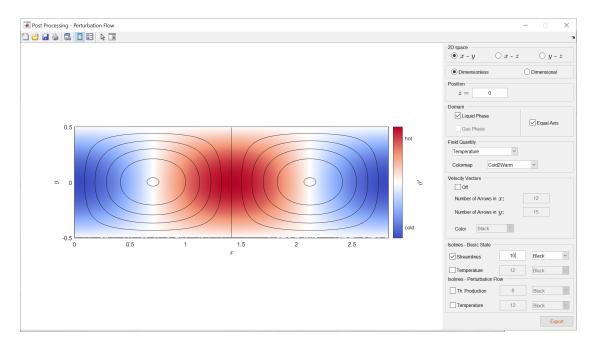
• Set up the parameters for carrying out the stability analysis. The wave number k corresponds to the homogeneous z-direction. Note: Here this is a different direction for the wavelength λ_c above, which was in the y-direction.



• Solve the linear stability analysis by clicking on Critical Mode. Here it arises for k=0 which corresponds to a single pair (one wavelength in y direction selected above) of straight convection rolls which are infinitely extended in the z direction.



• Click on Plot to visualize the most critical mode

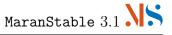


2 Instability of thermocapillary flow

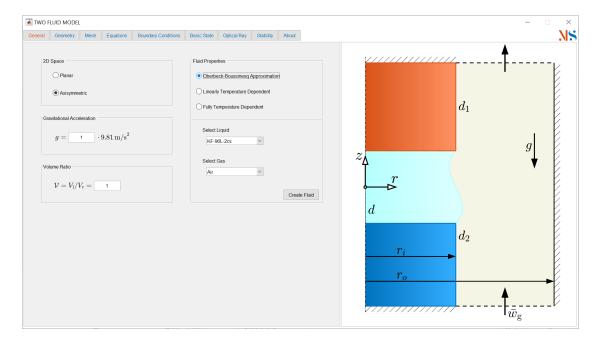
The second tutorial deals with thermocapillary instability in a cylindrical droplet of silicone oil surrounded by air. Both, the liquid and the gas are assumed to be Boussinesq fluids. This tutorial corresponds to the file example_2a.mat in the folder tutorials. Its counterpart with fully temperature-dependent properties is stored in the file example_2b.mat.

• Select the two-phase solver

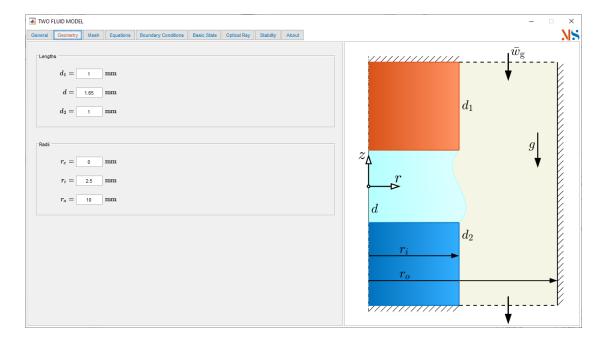


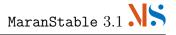


• Set up the axisymmetric geometry and the gravity acceleration. The volume ratio is set to 1 and a 2cSt-silicon oil is considered. Select the Oberbeck–Boussinesq approximation

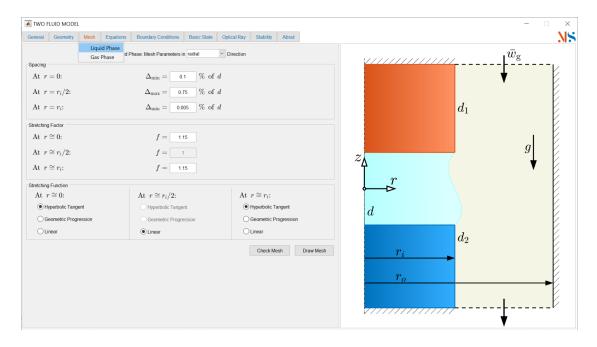


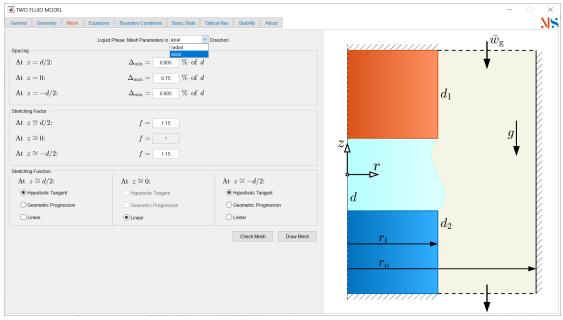
• Set up the cylindrical geometry as follows. The values are selected to coincide with the ones reported in Stojanović et al. (n.d.).

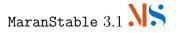




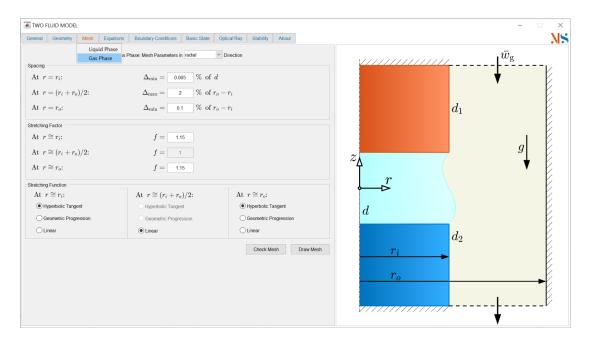
• Set up the mesh for the liquid phase by clicking on Mesh and Liquid Phase. Define the parameters for both radial and axial coordinates.

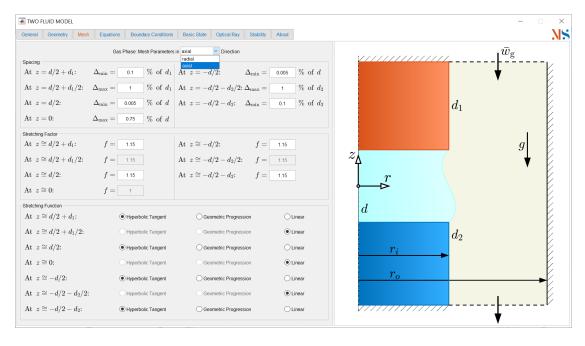


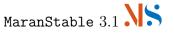




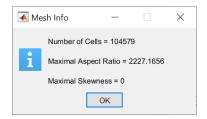
• Set up the parameters for the gas phase in an analogous manner for both radial and axial coordinates.



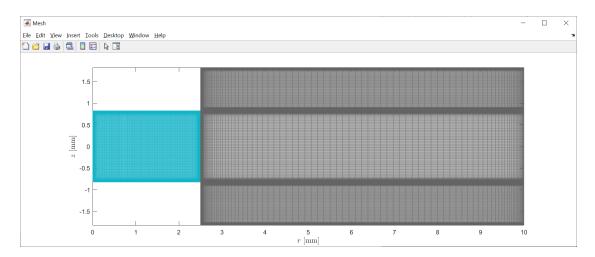




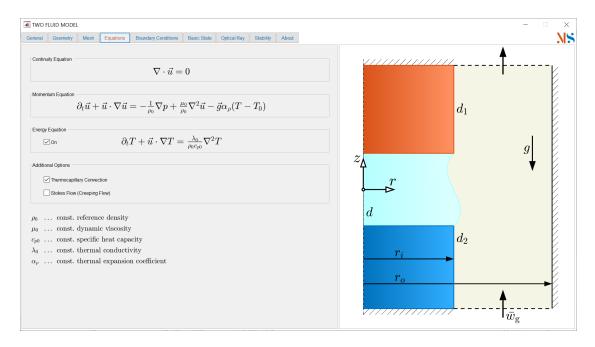
• Click on Check Mesh

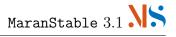


• Visualize the mesh by clicking Plot Mesh

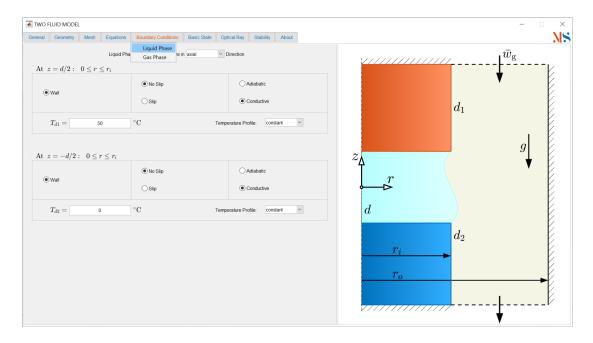


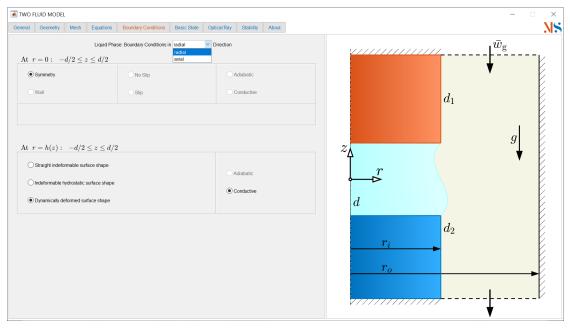
• Select the equations to solve by keeping active the energy equation and the thermocapillary convection.

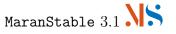




• Set the boundary conditions in the radial and axial directions for the liquid phase. Pay attention to including dynamic surface deformation.

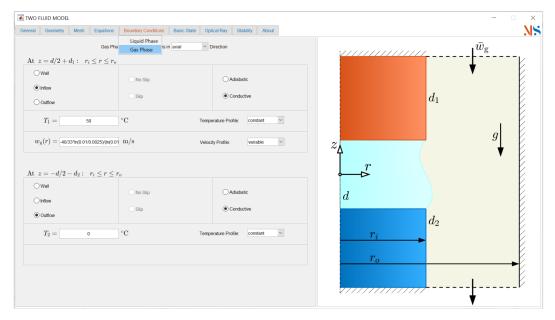


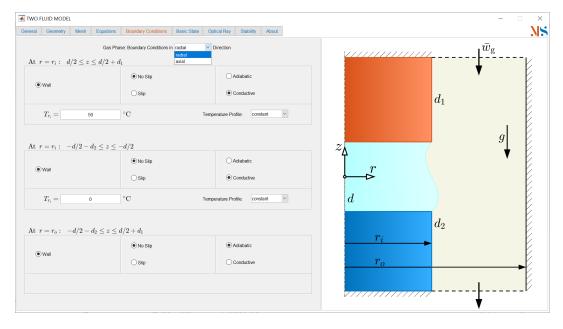


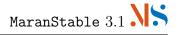


• Set the boundary conditions in the radial and axial directions for the gas phase. Select variable in the popup menu for the velocity profile. Use the function editor to prescribe a fully developed profile for $w_{\rm g}(r)$. The implemented profile is fully developed with a mean inlet velocity of $\bar{w}_{\rm g} = -(20/33)\,{\rm m/s}$ (Joseph, 1976).

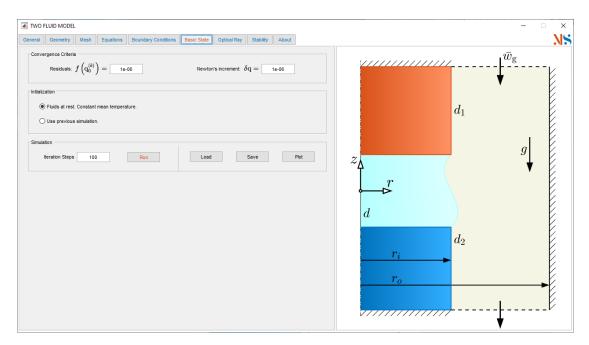




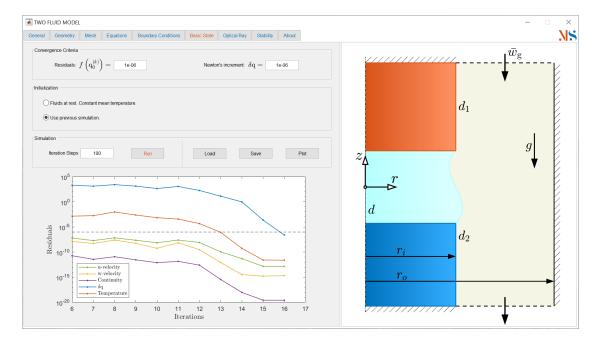


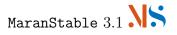


• Set the tolerances of the residuals for the Newton solver and the solution increments.



• Solve the basic state by clicking on Run.

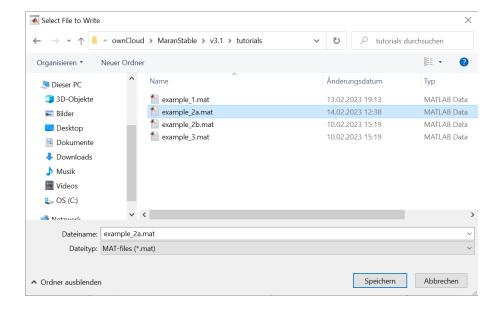




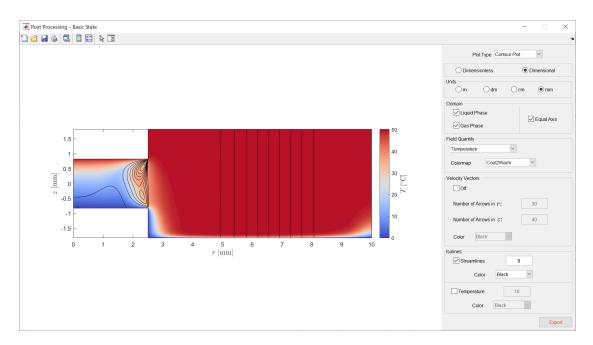
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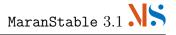


• Click on Save to store the converged basic state just computed.

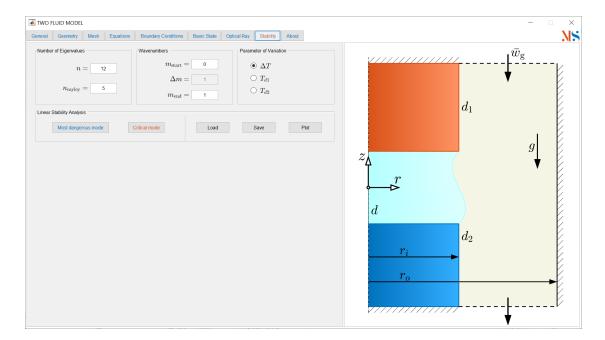


• Click on Plot to visualize the basic state.

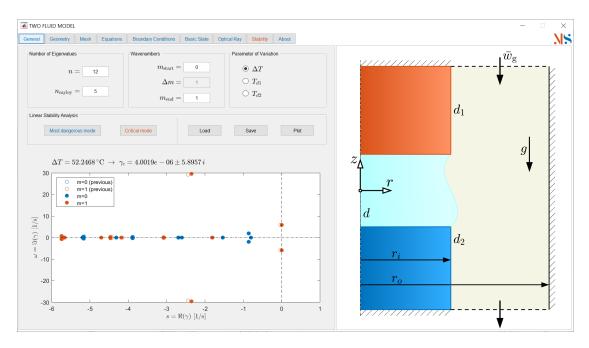




• Set up the parameters for carrying out the stability analysis.



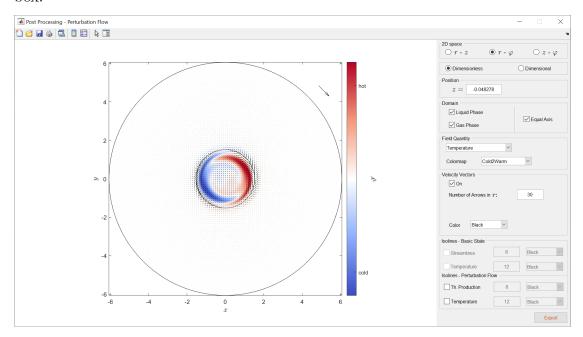
• Solve the linear stability analysis by clicking on Critical Mode.



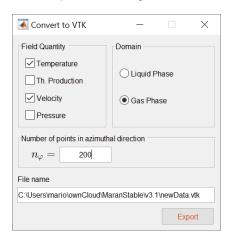
• Once the linear stability analysis is finished, MaranStable will provide the message:



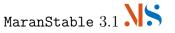
• Click on Plot to visualize the most critical mode and select $r - \varphi$ in the 2D-space box.



• Export the critical mode in vtk format by clicking on Export. Select the field quantities to be exported and the domain (liquid or gas). Increase the number of nodes in the azimuthal direction, if necessary.



Please note that for the counterpart example_2b.mat, computing the basic state for $\Delta T = 50\,\mathrm{K}$ with the initialization 'Fluids at rest. Constant mean temperature.' will run into an error because of the higher-order nonlinearity of the NS3 equations. To circumvent this problem, first compute the basic state with e.g. $\Delta T = 30\,\mathrm{K}$ ($T_{\mathrm{hot}} = 40^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$, $T_{\mathrm{cold}} = 10^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$). After the basic state has been computed, change the boundary conditions to $\Delta T = 50\,\mathrm{K}$ and use the just computed flow field as initialization.



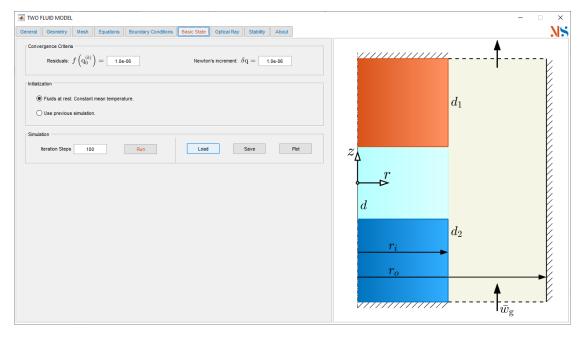
3 Optical ray tracing

The third tutorial deals with tracing an optical ray in a temperature-dependent index of refraction $\mathcal{N}(T)$. This tutorial corresponds to the file example_3.mat in the folder tutorials.

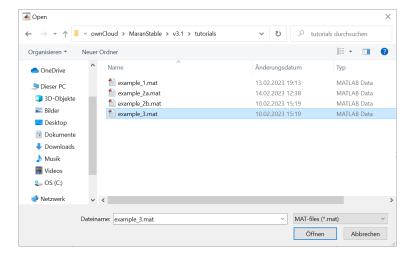
• Select the two-phase solver

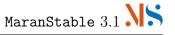


• Select the tab Basic State

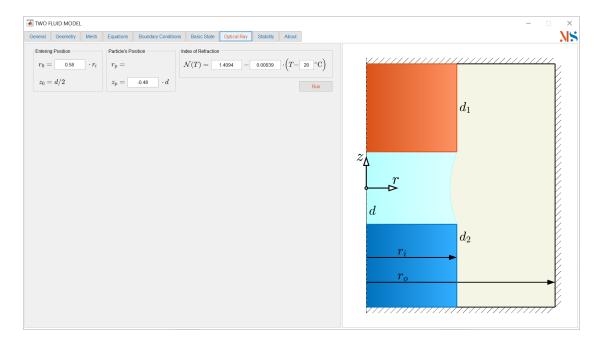


• Load the pre-computed flow field.

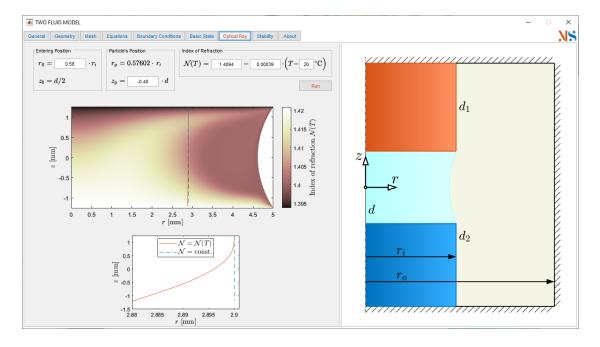


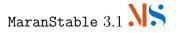


• Set up the ray tracing parameters including the location of the ray entering the domain and the temperature dependence of the refractive index $\mathcal{N}(T)$. Leave the default refractive index $\mathcal{N}(T)$ unchanged if dealing with silicone oils (He et al., 2016).



• Click on Run to compute the optical ray tracing.





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