Bursting Bubble in a Viscoplastic Medium

This repository contains the codes used for simulating the cases discussed in the manuscript: Bursting bubble in a viscoplastic medium. The results presented here are currently under review in Journal of Fluid Mechanics.

The supplementary videos are available here

Introduction:

We investigate the classical problem of bubble bursting at a liquid-gas interface, but now in the presence of a viscoplastic liquid medium. Here are the schematics of the problem. This simualtion will start from Figure 1(c).
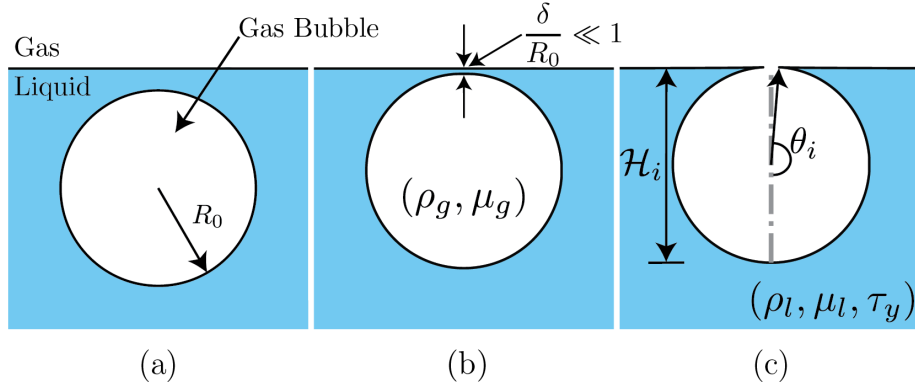

Figure: Schematics for the process of a bursting bubble: (a) A gas bubble in bulk. (b) The bubble approaches the free surface forming a liquid film (thickness δ) between itself and the free surface. (c) A bubble cavity forms when the thin liquid film disappears.

Prerequisite

You need to install Basilisk C. Follow the installation steps here. In case of compatibility issues, please feel free to contact me: vatsalsanjay@gmail.com. For post-processing codes, Python 3.X is required.

LaTeX rendering in documentaion

Github does not support native LaTeX rendering. So, you only see raw equations in this README file. To have a better understanding of the equations, please see README.pdf or visit my Basilisk Sandbox.

Numerical code

Id 1 is for the Viscoplastic liquid pool, and Id 2 is Newtonian gas.

```
1  #include "axi.h"
2  #include "navier-stokes/centered.h"
3  #define FILTERED // Smear density and viscosity jumps
```

To model Viscoplastic liquids, we use a modified version of two-phase.h. two-phaseVP.h contains these modifications.

```
1  #include "two-phaseVP.h"
```

You can use: conserving.h as well. Even without it, I was still able to conserve the total energy (also momentum?) of the system if I adapt based on curvature and vorticity/deformation tensor norm (see the adapt even). I had to smear the density and viscosity anyhow because of the sharp ratios in liquid (Bingham) and the gas.

```
1  #include "navier-stokes/conserving.h"
2  #include "tension.h"
3  #include "reduced.h"
4  #include "distance.h"
```

We use a modified adapt-wavelet algorithm available (here). It is written by *César Pairetti* (Thanks :)).

```
1   #include "adapt_wavelet_limited.h"
2
3   #define tsnap (0.001)
4   // Error tolerancs
5   #define fErr (1e-3)                                    // error
     ↪   tolerance in f1 VOF
6   #define KErr (1e-4)                                    // error
     ↪   tolerance in f2 VOF
7   #define VelErr (1e-2)                                  // error
     ↪   tolerances in velocity
8   #define OmegaErr (1e-3)                                // error
     ↪   tolerances in vorticity
9
10  // Numbers!
11  #define RHO21 (1e-3)
12  #define MU21 (2e-2)
13  #define Ldomain 8
14
15  // boundary conditions
16  u.n[right] = neumann(0.);
17  p[right] = dirichlet(0.);
18
```

```
19   int MAXlevel;
20   double Oh, Bond, tmax;
21   char nameOut[80], dumpFile[80];
```

We consider the burst of a small axisymmetric bubble at a surface of an incompressible Bingham fluid. To nondimensionalise the governing equations, we use the initial bubble radius R_0, and inertia-capillary velocity $V_\gamma = \sqrt{\gamma/(\rho_l R_0)}$, respectively. Pressure and stresses are scaled with the characteristic capillary pressure, γ/R_0. The dimensionless equations for mass and momentum conservation, for the liquid phase, then read

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

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{uu}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} - \mathcal{B}o\,\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{Z}}},$$

where $\boldsymbol{u}$ is the velocity vector, t is time, p is the pressure and $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ represents the deviatoric stress tensor. We use the regularized Bingham model with

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = 2\min\left(\frac{\mathcal{J}}{2\|\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\|} + \mathcal{O}h, \mathcal{O}h_{\max}\right)\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}$$

where $\|\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\|$ is the second invariant of the deformation rate tensor, $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}$, and $\mathcal{O}h_{max}$ is the viscous regularisation parameter. The three dimensionless numbers controlling the equations above are the capillary-Bingham number $(\mathcal{J})$, which accounts for the competition between the capillary and yield stresses, the Ohnesorge number $(\mathcal{O}h)$ that compares the inertial-capillary to inertial-viscous time scales, and the Bond number $(\mathcal{B}o)$, which compares gravity and surface tension forces:

$$\mathcal{J} = \frac{\tau_y R_0}{\gamma}, \ \mathcal{O}h = \frac{\mu_l}{\sqrt{\rho_l \gamma R_0}}, \ \mathcal{B}o = \frac{\rho_l g R_o^2}{\gamma}.$$

Here, γ is the liquid-gas surface tension coefficient, and τ_y and ρ_l are the liquid's yield stress and density, respectively. Next, μ_l is the constant viscosity in the Bingham model. Note that in our simulations, we also solve the fluid's motion in the gas phase, using a similar set of equations (Newtonian). Hence, the further relevant non-dimensional groups in addition to those above are the ratios of density $(\rho_r = \rho_g/\rho_l)$ and viscosity $(\mu_r = \mu_g/\mu_l)$. In the present study, these ratios are kept fixed at 10^{-3} and 2×10^{-2}, respectively (see above).

```
1   int  main(int argc, char const *argv[]) {
2     L0 = Ldomain;
3     origin (-L0/2., 0.);
4     init_grid (1 << 6);
5     // Values taken from the terminal
6     MAXlevel = atoi(argv[1]);
```

```
7    tauy = atof(argv[2]);
8    Bond = atof(argv[3]);
9    Oh = atof(argv[4]);
10   tmax = atof(argv[5]);
11
12   // Ensure that all the variables were transferred properly
     ↪  from the terminal or job script.
13   if (argc < 6){
14     fprintf(ferr, "Lack of command line arguments. Check! Need
     ↪ %d more arguments\n",6-argc);
15     return 1;
16   }
17   fprintf(ferr, "Level %d, Oh %2.1e, Tauy %4.3f, Bo %4.3f\n",
     ↪  MAXlevel, Oh, tauy, Bond);
18
19   // Create a folder named intermediate where all the simulation
     ↪  snapshots are stored.
20   char comm[80];
21   sprintf (comm, "mkdir -p intermediate");
22   system(comm);
23   // Name of the restart file. See writingFiles event.
24   sprintf (dumpFile, "dump");
25
26   mumax = 1e8*Oh;   // The regularisation value of viscosity
27   rho1 = 1., rho2 = RHO21;
28   mu1 = Oh, mu2 = MU21*Oh;
29   f.sigma = 1.0;
30   G.x = -Bond;
31   run();
32 }
33
34 /**
35 This event is specific to César's adapt_wavelet_limited.
36 */
37 int refRegion(double x, double y, double z){
38   return (y < 1.28 ? MAXlevel+2 : y < 2.56 ? MAXlevel+1 : y <
     ↪  5.12 ? MAXlevel : MAXlevel-1);
39 }
```

Initial Condition

The initial shape of the bubble at the liquid-gas interface can be calculated
by solving the Young-Laplace equations Lhuissier & Villermaux, 2012 and it
depends on the $\mathcal{B}o$ number. Resources:

- Alex Berny's Sandbox

- My Matlab code: Also see the results for different $\mathcal{B}o$ number here.

Comparision of the initial shape calculated using the Young-Laplace equations. Ofcourse, for this study, we only need: $\mathcal{B}o = 10^{-3}$. In the figure, a is the capillary length, $a = \sqrt{\gamma/(\rho_l g)}$

Since we do not focus on the influence of $\mathcal{B}o$ number in the present study, I am not elaborating on it here. For all the simulations, I use the interfacial shape calculated for $\mathcal{B}o = 10^{-3}$. The resultant data file is available here.

Note: The curvature diverges at the cavity-free surface intersection. We fillet this corner to circumvent this singularity, introducing a rim with a finite curvature that connects the bubble to the free surface. We ensured that the curvature of the rim is high enough such that the subsequent dynamics are independent of its finite value.

```
event init (t = 0) {
  if (!restore (file = dumpFile)){

    char filename[60];
    sprintf(filename,"Bo%5.4f.dat",Bond);
    FILE * fp = fopen(filename,"rb");
    if (fp == NULL){
      fprintf(ferr, "There is no file named %s\n", filename);
      return 1;
    }
    coord* InitialShape;
    InitialShape = input_xy(fp);
    fclose (fp);
    scalar d[];
    distance (d, InitialShape);
    while (adapt_wavelet_limited ((scalar *){f, d},
    ↪  (double[]){1e-8, 1e-8}, refRegion).nf);
    /**
    The distance function is defined at the center of each cell,
    ↪  we have
    to calculate the value of this function at each vertex. */
    vertex scalar phi[];
    foreach_vertex(){
      phi[] = -(d[] + d[-1] + d[0,-1] + d[-1,-1])/4.;
    }
    /**
    We can now initialize the volume fraction of the domain. */
    fractions (phi, f);
  }
}
```

Adaptive Mesh Refinement

We adapt based on curvature, κ and vorticity ω. Adaptation based on κ ensures a constant grid resolution across the interface. See this for further reading.

We also adapt based on vorticity in the liquid domain. I have noticed that this refinement helps resolve the fake-yield surface accurately (see the black regions in the videos below).

```c
event adapt(i++){

  scalar KAPPA[], omega[];
  curvature(f, KAPPA);
  vorticity (u, omega);
  foreach(){
    omega[] *= f[];
  }
  boundary ((scalar *){KAPPA, omega});
  adapt_wavelet_limited ((scalar *){f, u.x, u.y, KAPPA, omega},
    (double[]){fErr, VelErr, VelErr, KErr, OmegaErr},
    refRegion);
}
```

Alternatively

At higher $\mathcal{O}h$ and $\mathcal{J}$ numbers, vorticities in the liquid cease to be interesting. In that case, one might want to adapt based on the norm of deformation tensor, $\mathcal{D}$. I already calculate $\|\mathcal{D}\|$ in two-phaseVP.h.

Note: $\mathcal{D}$ based refinement is way more expensive than ω based refinement.

```c
// adapt_wavelet_limited ((scalar *){f, u.x, u.y, KAPPA, D2},
//     (double[]){fErr, VelErr, VelErr, KErr, 1e-3},
//     refRegion);
```

Dumping snapshots

```c
event writingFiles (t = 0; t += tsnap; t <= tmax) {
  dump (file = dumpFile);
  sprintf (nameOut, "intermediate/snapshot-%5.4f", t);
  dump(file=nameOut);
}
```

Ending Simulations

```
1  event end (t = end) {
2    fprintf(ferr, "Done: Level %d, Oh %2.1e, Tauy %4.3f, Bo
   ↪  %4.3f\n", MAXlevel, Oh, tauy, Bond);
3  }
```

Log writing

```
1  event logWriting (i+=100) {
2    double ke = 0.;
3    foreach (reduction(+:ke)){
4      ke += (2*pi*y)*(0.5*(f[])*(sq(u.x[]) +
   ↪  sq(u.y[])))*sq(Delta);
5    }
6    static FILE * fp;
7    if (i == 0) {
8      fprintf (ferr, "i dt t ke\n");
9      fp = fopen ("log", "w");
10     fprintf (fp, "i dt t ke\n");
11     fprintf (fp, "%d %g %g %g\n", i, dt, t, ke);
12     fclose(fp);
13   } else {
14     fp = fopen ("log", "a");
15     fprintf (fp, "%d %g %g %g\n", i, dt, t, ke);
16     fclose(fp);
17   }
18   fprintf (ferr, "%d %g %g %g\n", i, dt, t, ke);
19   if (ke > 1e3 || ke < 1e-6){
20     if (i > 1e2){
21       return 1;
22     }
23   }
24 }
```
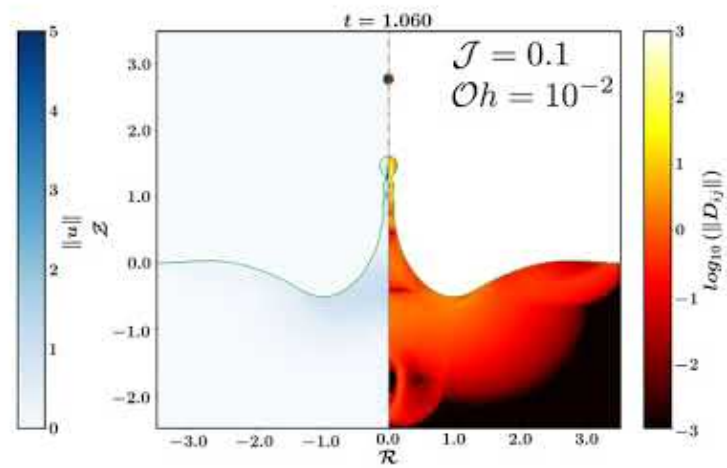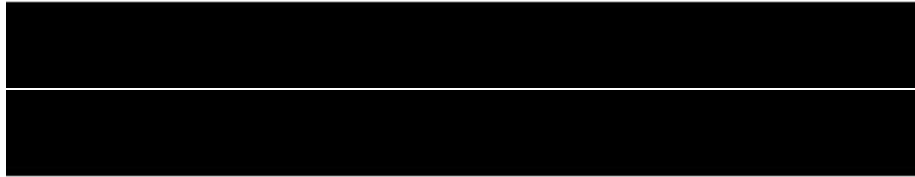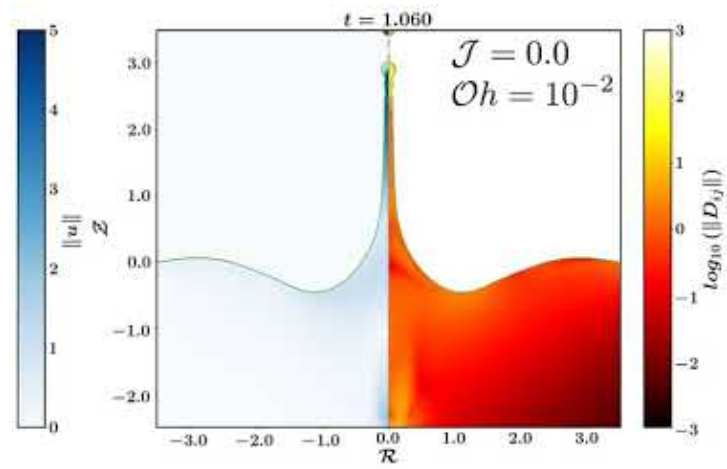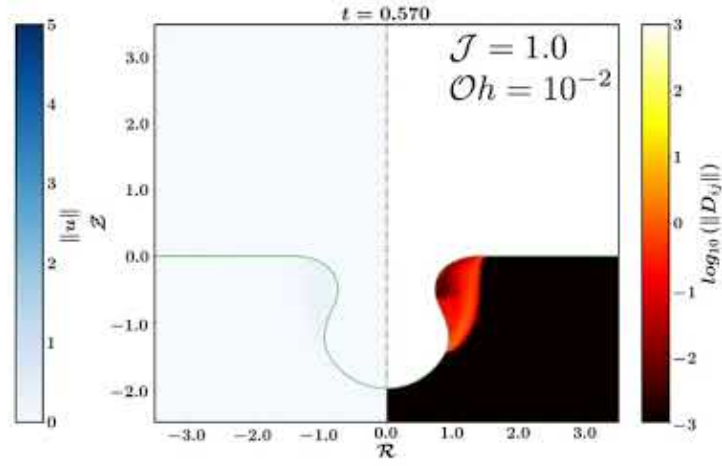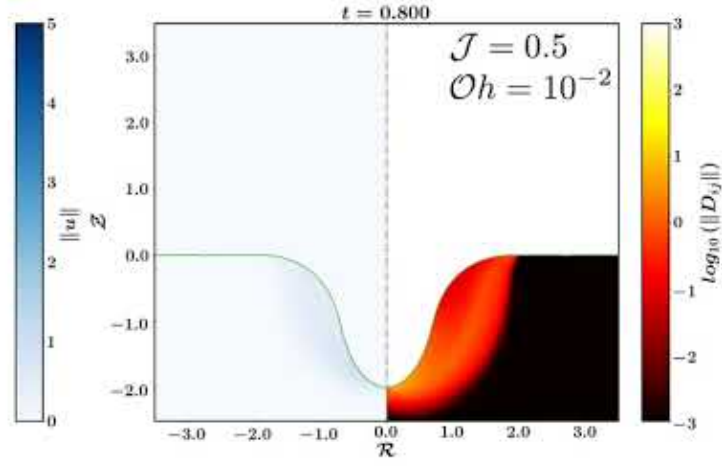
Running the code

```
1  #!/bin/bash
2  qcc -fopenmp -Wall -O2 burstingBubble.c -o burstingBubble -lm
3  export OMP_NUM_THREADS=8
4  ./burstingBubble 10 0.25 1e-3 1e-2 5.0
```

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Output and Results

The post-processing codes and simulation data are available at: PostProcess

Some typical simulations: These are all videos

Bursting bubble dynamics for different capillary-Bingham numbers. (a) $\mathcal{J} = 0.0$: A typical case with a Newtonian liquid medium, (b) $\mathcal{J} = 0.1$: A weakly viscoplas-

tic liquid medium in which the process still shows all the major characteristics of the Newtonian liquid, (c) $\mathcal{J} = 0.5$: A case of moderate yield stress whereby the jetting is suppressed, nonetheless the entire cavity still yields, and (d) $\mathcal{J} = 1.0$: A highly viscoplastic liquid medium whereby a part of the cavity never yields. The left part of each video shows the magnitude of the velocity field, and the right part shows the magnitude of the deformation tensor on a $\log_{10}$ scale. The transition to the black region (low strain rates) marks the yield-surface location in the present study. For all the cases in this figure, $\mathcal{O}h = 10^{-2}$.

Header File: two-phaseVP.h – Two-phase interfacial flows

This is a modified version of two-phase.h. It contains the implementation of Viscoplastic Fluid (Bingham Fluid). This file helps setup simulations for flows of two fluids separated by an interface (i.e. immiscible fluids). It is typically used in combination with a Navier–Stokes solver.

The interface between the fluids is tracked with a Volume-Of-Fluid method. The volume fraction in fluid 1 is $f = 1$ and $f = 0$ in fluid 2. The densities and dynamic viscosities for fluid 1 and 2 are *rho1*, *mu1*, *rho2*, *mu2*, respectively.

```
1   #include "vof.h"
2
3   scalar f[], * interfaces = {f};
4   scalar D2[];
5   face vector D2f[];
6   double rho1 = 1., mu1 = 0., rho2 = 1., mu2 = 0.;
7   double mumax = 0., tauy = 0.;
8   /**
9   Auxilliary fields are necessary to define the (variable)
    ↪   specific
10  volume $\alpha=1/\rho$ as well as the cell-centered density. */
11
12  face vector alphav[];
13  scalar rhov[];
14
15  event defaults (i = 0) {
16    alpha = alphav;
17    rho = rhov;
18
19    /**
20    If the viscosity is non-zero, we need to allocate the
    ↪   face-centered
21    viscosity field. */
22
```

```
23    if (mu1 || mu2)
24      mu = new face vector;
25  }
26
27  /**
28  The density and viscosity are defined using arithmetic averages
     ↪  by
29  default. The user can overload these definitions to use other
     ↪  types of
30  averages (i.e. harmonic). */
31
32  #ifndef rho
33  # define rho(f) (clamp(f,0.,1.)*(rho1 - rho2) + rho2)
34  #endif
35  #ifndef mu
36  # define mu(muTemp, mu2, f)  (clamp(f,0.,1.)*(muTemp - mu2) +
     ↪  mu2)
37  #endif
38
39  /**
40  We have the option of using some "smearing" of the
     ↪  density/viscosity
41  jump. */
42
43  #ifdef FILTERED
44  scalar sf[];
45  #else
46  # define sf f
47  #endif
```

This is part where we have made changes.

$$\mathcal{D}_{11} = \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{22} = \frac{u_r}{r}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{13} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{31} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial z} \right)$$

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$$\mathcal{D}_{33} = \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{12} = \mathcal{D}_{23} = 0.$$

The second invariant is $\mathcal{D}_2 = \sqrt{\mathcal{D}_{ij}\mathcal{D}_{ij}}$ (this is the Frobenius norm)

$$\mathcal{D}_2^2 = \mathcal{D}_{ij}\mathcal{D}_{ij} = \mathcal{D}_{11}\mathcal{D}_{11} + \mathcal{D}_{22}\mathcal{D}_{22} + \mathcal{D}_{13}\mathcal{D}_{31} + \mathcal{D}_{31}\mathcal{D}_{13} + \mathcal{D}_{33}\mathcal{D}_{33}$$

Note: $\|\mathcal{D}\| = D_2/\sqrt{2}$.

We use the formulation as given in Balmforth et al. (2013), they use $\dot{\gamma}$ which is by their definition $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}_{ij}\dot{\gamma}_{ij}}$ and as $\dot{\gamma}_{ij} = 2D_{ij}$

Therefore, $\dot{\gamma} = \sqrt{2}\mathcal{D}_2$, that is why we have a $\sqrt{2}$ in the equations.

Factorising with $2\mathcal{D}_{ij}$ to obtain a equivalent viscosity

$$\tau_{ij} = 2(\mu_0 + \frac{\tau_y}{2\|\mathcal{D}\|})D_{ij} = 2(\mu_0 + \frac{\tau_y}{\sqrt{2}\mathcal{D}_2})\mathcal{D}_{ij}$$

As defined by Balmforth et al. (2013)

$$\tau_{ij} = 2\mu_{eq}\mathcal{D}_{ij}$$

with

$$\mu_{eq} = \mu_0 + \frac{\tau_y}{\sqrt{2}\mathcal{D}_2}$$

Finally, mu is the min of of μ_{eq} and a large μ_{max}.

The fluid flows always, it is not a solid, but a very viscous fluid.

$$\mu = \min\left(\mu_{eq}, \mu_{max}\right)$$

Reproduced from: P.-Y. Lagrée's Sandbox. Here, we use a face implementation of the regularisation method, described here.

```
1  event properties (i++) {
2
3    /**
4    When using smearing of the density jump, we initialise *sf*
     ↪ with the
5    vertex-average of *f*. */
6
7    #ifndef sf
8    #if dimension <= 2
```

```
9      foreach()
10       sf[] = (4.*f[] +
11         2.*(f[0,1] + f[0,-1] + f[1,0] + f[-1,0]) +
12         f[-1,-1] + f[1,-1] + f[1,1] + f[-1,1])/16.;
13    #else // dimension == 3
14      foreach()
15       sf[] = (8.*f[] +
16         4.*(f[-1] + f[1] + f[0,1] + f[0,-1] + f[0,0,1] +
            ↪  f[0,0,-1]) +
17         2.*(f[-1,1] + f[-1,0,1] + f[-1,0,-1] + f[-1,-1] +
18       f[0,1,1] + f[0,1,-1] + f[0,-1,1] + f[0,-1,-1] +
19       f[1,1] + f[1,0,1] + f[1,-1] + f[1,0,-1]) +
20         f[1,-1,1] + f[-1,1,1] + f[-1,1,-1] + f[1,1,1] +
21         f[1,1,-1] + f[-1,-1,-1] + f[1,-1,-1] + f[-1,-1,1])/64.;
22    #endif
23    #endif
24
25    #if TREE
26      sf.prolongation = refine_bilinear;
27      boundary ({sf});
28    #endif
29
30    foreach_face(x) {
31      double ff = (sf[] + sf[-1])/2.;
32      alphav.x[] = fm.x[]/rho(ff);
33      double muTemp = mu1;
34      face vector muv = mu;
35      double D11 = 0.5*( (u.y[0,1] - u.y[0,-1] + u.y[-1,1] -
          ↪  u.y[-1,-1])/(2.*Delta) );
36      double D22 = (u.y[] + u.y[-1, 0])/(2*max(y, 1e-20));
37      double D33 = (u.x[] - u.x[-1,0])/Delta;
38      double D13 = 0.5*( (u.y[] - u.y[-1, 0])/Delta + 0.5*(
          ↪  (u.x[0,1] - u.x[0,-1] + u.x[-1,1] -
          ↪  u.x[-1,-1])/(2.*Delta) ) );
39
40      double D2temp = sqrt( sq(D11) + sq(D22) + sq(D33) +
          ↪  2*sq(D13) );
41      if (D2temp > 0. && tauy > 0.){
42        double temp = tauy/(sqrt(2.)*D2temp) + mu1;
43        muTemp = min(temp, mumax);
44      } else {
45        if (tauy > 0.){
46          muTemp = mumax;
47        } else {
48          muTemp = mu1;
49        }
```

```
50        }
51        muv.x[] = fm.x[]*mu(muTemp, mu2, ff);
52        D2f.x[] = D2temp;
53      }
54
55      foreach_face(y) {
56        double ff = (sf[0,0] + sf[0,-1])/2.;
57        alphav.y[] = fm.y[]/rho(ff);
58        double muTemp = mu1;
59        face vector muv = mu;
60        double D11 = (u.y[0,0] - u.y[0,-1])/Delta;
61        double D22 = (u.y[0,0] + u.y[0,-1])/(2*max(y, 1e-20));
62        double D33 = 0.5*( (u.x[1,0] - u.x[-1,0] + u.x[1,-1] -
     ↪   u.x[-1,-1])/(2.*Delta) );
63        double D13 = 0.5*( (u.x[0,0] - u.x[0,-1])/Delta + 0.5*(
     ↪   (u.y[1,0] - u.y[-1,0] + u.y[1,-1] -
     ↪   u.y[-1,-1])/(2.*Delta) ) );
64
65        double D2temp = sqrt( sq(D11) + sq(D22) + sq(D33) +
     ↪   2*sq(D13) );
66        if (D2temp > 0. && tauy > 0.){
67          double temp = tauy/(sqrt(2.)*D2temp) + mu1;
68          muTemp = min(temp, mumax);
69        } else {
70          if (tauy > 0.){
71            muTemp = mumax;
72          } else {
73            muTemp = mu1;
74          }
75        }
76        muv.y[] = fm.y[]*mu(muTemp, mu2, ff);
77        D2f.y[] = D2temp;
78      }
79      /**
80      I also calculate a cell-centered scalar D2, where I store
     ↪   $\|\mathbf{\mathcal{D}}\|$.  This can also be used for
     ↪   refinement to accurately refine the fake-yield surfaces.
81      */
82      foreach(){
83        rhov[] = cm[]*rho(sf[]);
84        D2[] = (D2f.x[]+D2f.y[]+D2f.x[1,0]+D2f.y[0,1])/4.;
85        if (D2[] > 0.){
86          D2[] = log(D2[])/log(10);
87        } else {
88          D2[] = -10;
89        }
```

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```
90      }
91      boundary(all);
92  #if TREE
93      sf.prolongation = fraction_refine;
94      boundary ({sf});
95  #endif
96  }
```