



FEMSIM - FINITE ELEMENT METHOD SIMULATOR

**3rd Workshop on Advances in CFD and LB Modelling of Interface
Dynamics in Capillary Two-Phase Flows**

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OUTLINE



- Bibliography;
- Intro to femSIM2d;
- interface modeling;
- mesh storage;
- remeshing;
- code structure in C++
- the Python API
- Tasks: 2D examples;

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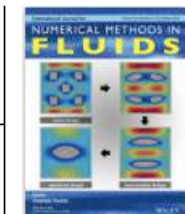
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Interface-Fitted Moving Mesh Method for
Axisymmetric Two-Phase Flow in Microchannel
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Fluids, 2017



OPEN SOURCE APPS



Below is a list of recommended softwares for visualization, text editing, mesh generation, linear system solvers and APIs. All softwares are **open source**.

- Paraview - 2D and 3D rendering
- Vim - text editor
- Boost-Python - C++/Python bindings
- PETSc - data structure and linear solvers
- tetgen - tetrahedral mesh generator
- triangle - triangular mesh generator
- Gmsh - 2D and 3D mesh generator
- gnuplot - portable command line graphic utility
- git - git repository (see github)

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UNIX COMMANDS



- ```

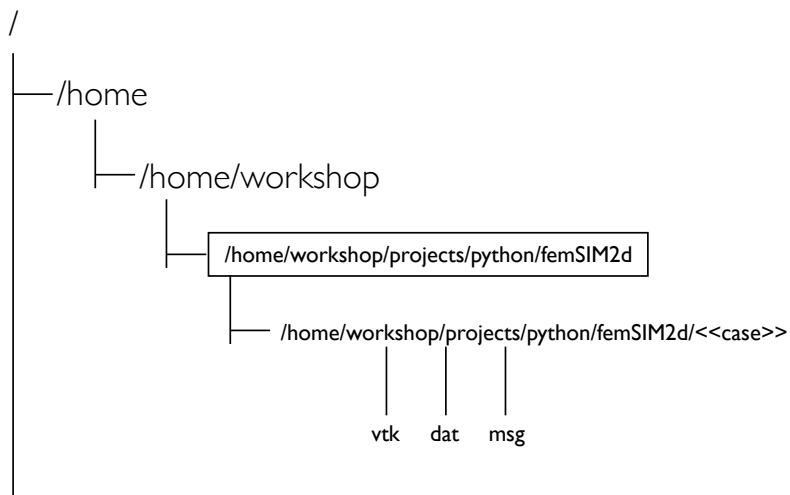
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│ └── /usr/lib
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│ └── /home/workshop
└── /bin

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- pwd - check the current path
  - ssh - connect to another machine
    - Ex.: ssh username@IPaddress
  - cd - change directory:
    - Ex.: cd \$HOME/projects
  - ls - list files and folders
    - Ex.: ls -l
    - ls -G (for coloring - mac users)
  - mv - move files:
    - Ex.: mv oldfilename newfilename
  - vim - text editor:
    - Ex.: vim filename
  - tail - show the last few lines of file:
    - Ex.: tail filename
  - head - show the first few lines of file:
    - Ex.: head filename
  - find - find files by name:
    - Ex.: find . -name aaa.txt
  - alias - rename command
    - Ex.: alias ls = 'ls -G'
  - in gnuplot:
    - Ex.: plot 'filename.dat' using 1:2

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# KOBE COMPUTERS



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# GOVERNING EQUATIONS



$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} = -\frac{1}{\rho(\phi)} \nabla p + \frac{1}{Re} \nabla \cdot [\mu(\phi)(\nabla \mathbf{v} + \nabla \mathbf{v}^T)] + \frac{1}{Fr^2} \mathbf{g} + \frac{1}{We} \mathbf{f}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

surface  
tension

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla T = \frac{1}{RePr} \nabla \cdot (k(\phi) \nabla T)$$

ALE formulation:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{v} - \hat{\mathbf{v}}) \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{v} \rightarrow \text{Lagrangian} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}} = 0 \rightarrow \text{Eulerian} \end{cases}$

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# GOV EQ - AXISYMMETRIC



$$\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial t} + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla v_x = -\frac{1}{\rho(\phi)} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{Re} \mu(\phi) \nabla^2 v_x + \frac{1}{Fr^2} g_x + \frac{1}{We} f_x$$

$$\frac{\partial v_r}{\partial t} + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla v_x = -\frac{1}{\rho(\phi)} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{Re} \mu(\phi) \left( \nabla^2 v_r - \frac{v_r}{r^2} \right) + \frac{1}{We} f_r$$

$$\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + \frac{v_r}{r} = 0$$

Laplacian operator

curvature

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \quad \kappa = \kappa_{2d} + \frac{1}{R} = \kappa_{2d} + \frac{\sin(\theta)}{r}$$

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# FINITE ELEMENT METHOD



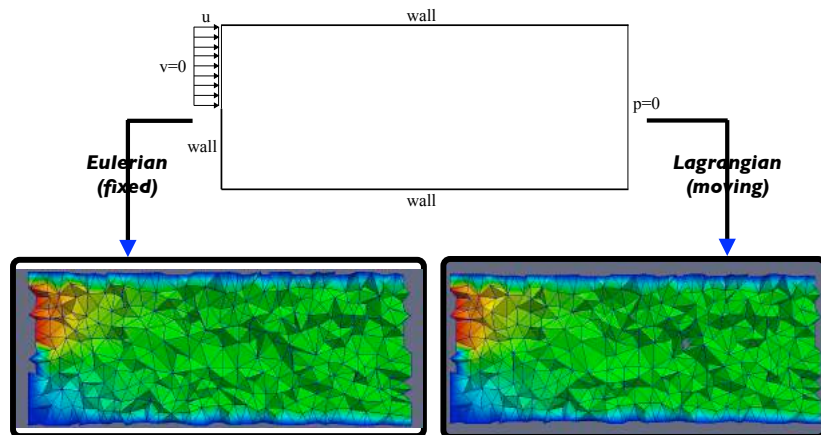
| PDE                 | weak form       | ODE                             | linear system | approximated solution |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Governing equations | Galerkin Method | Ordinary Differential Equations | $Ax=b$        | $u, v, w, p$ and $T$  |

Code's features:

- pressure, diffusive terms → Galerkin method
- convective terms → ALE and SL methods
- time discretization → 1st. order forward difference
- linear systems → Projection method - LU
- surface tension → Geometric

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# EULERIAN - LAGRANGIAN

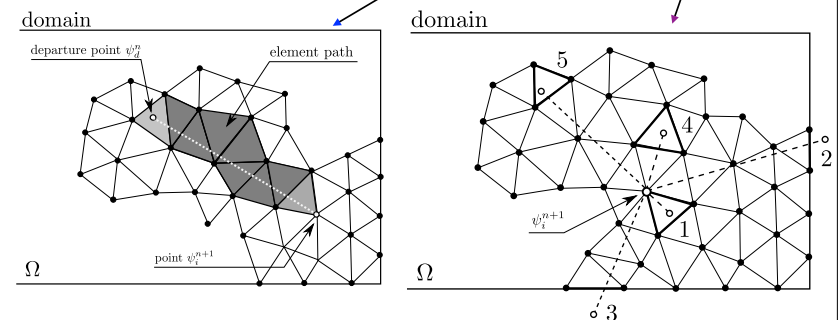


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# SEMI-LAGRANGIAN



- compute advection using fixed mesh;
- discretization of material derivative:  $\frac{D\psi}{Dt} = \frac{\psi^{n+1} - \psi^n}{\Delta t}$
- in ALE context: compute difference between flow field and node motion;
- 2-steps calculation: find departure point (trajectory) and interpolation.

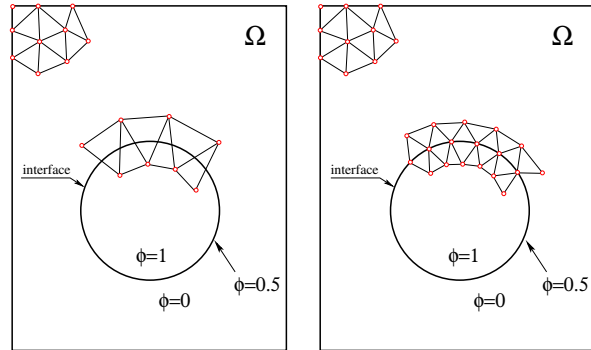


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# INTERFACE DEFINITION



- Eulerian approach: (fixed mesh)
- Lagrangian approach: (moving mesh)



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# SURFACE TENSION



$$\mathbf{f} = \sigma \kappa \mathbf{n} \delta$$

continuum surface force model  
Brackbill and Kothe (1992)

$\sigma$  : surface tension coefficient

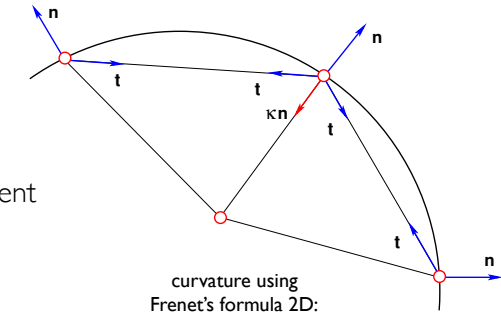
$\kappa$  : curvature

$\delta$  : Dirac delta function

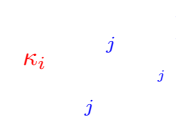
$\mathbf{n}$  : normal vector

$\mathbf{t}$  : tangent vector

$\phi$  : marker function (Heaviside)

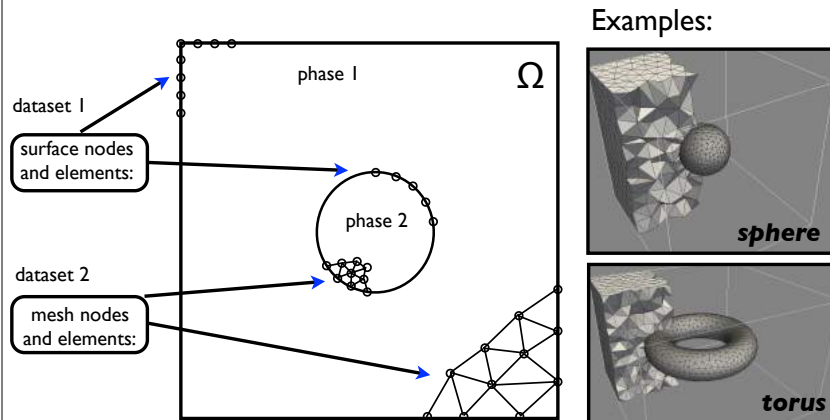


curvature using  
Frenet's formula 2D:



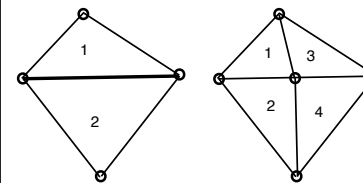
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# MESH STORAGE

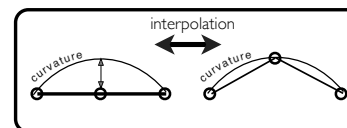


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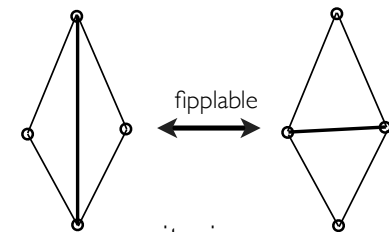
## INSERTION



2D view:



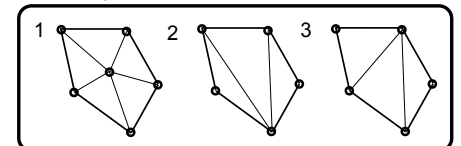
## FLIPPING



criteria:

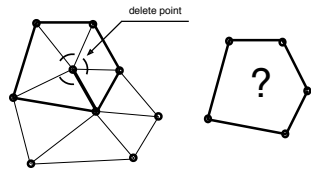
aspect ratios, curvature, area and circumcenter

example:

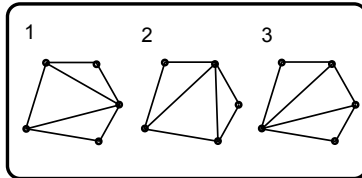


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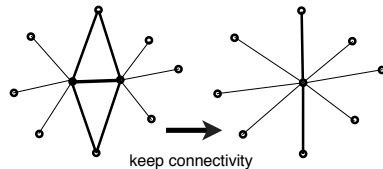
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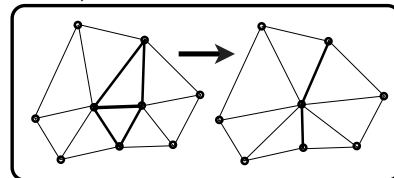
options:



## CONTRACTION



example:

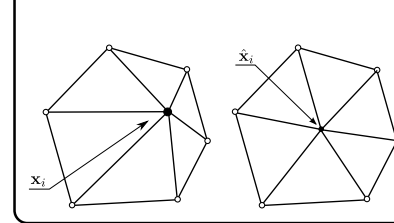


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## NODES MOTION

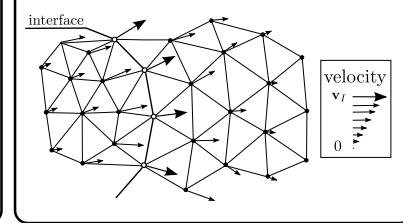
coordinates:

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{e_i} = \frac{\sum_{j \in N_1(j)} e_{ij}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i)}{dt}$$



velocities:

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{v_i} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j \in N_1(j)} \mathbf{v}_j$$

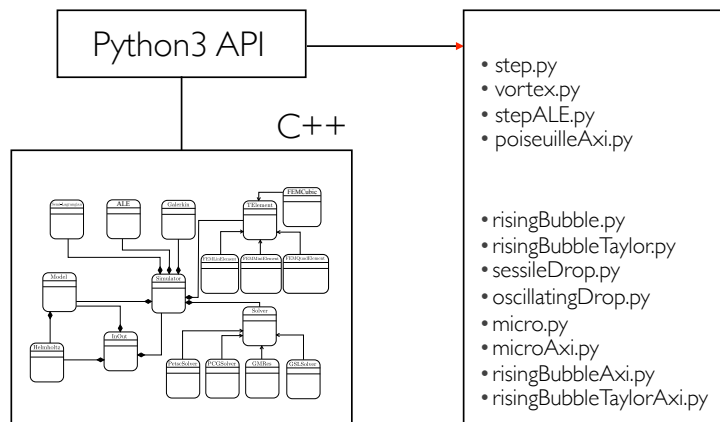


**Proposed scheme:**

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} c_1 \mathbf{v} + c_2 \mathbf{v}_v + c_3 \mathbf{v}_e & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ does not belong to the interface} \\ \mathbf{v} - d_1 (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{t}) \mathbf{t} + d_2 (\mathbf{v}_e \cdot \mathbf{t}) \mathbf{t} & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ belongs to the interface} \end{cases}$$

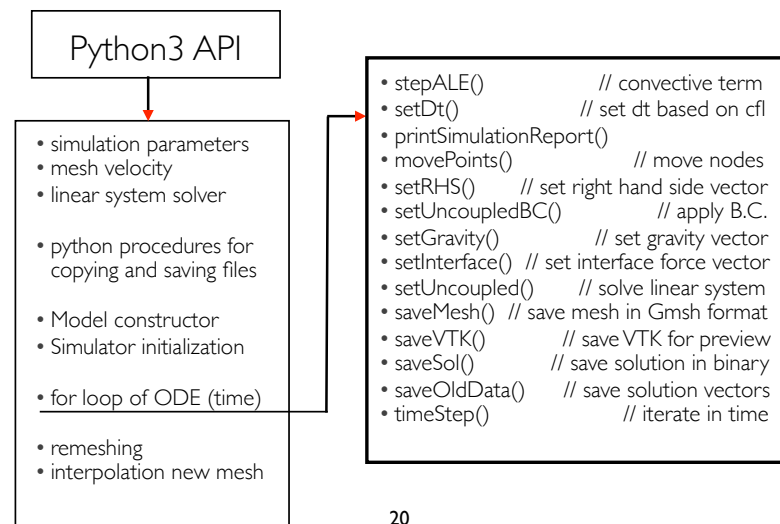
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## PYTHON API



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## SCRIPT STRUCTURE



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# SOLUTION PROCEDURE



- Departure parameters  $(\mathbf{v}_h^n, p_h^n)$  on mesh  $\mathbf{x}_h^n$
- 1. Compute mesh velocities  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_h(\mathbf{x})$
- 2. Calculate time step  $\Delta t$  based on defined CFL
- 3. Move mesh points to new position:  $\mathbf{x}_h^{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_h^n + \Delta t \hat{\mathbf{v}}_h(\mathbf{x})$
- 4. Solve ALE N-S linear system for  $(\mathbf{v}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1})$
- 5. Perform mesh operations (deletions, insertions, flippings etc.)
- 6. Generate new mesh:  $\mathbf{x}_h^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_h^{n+1}$
- 7. Interpolate solution to the new mesh:  $(\mathbf{v}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{v}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1})$

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# HOW TO RUN



start conda env

- open terminal
- sa fem

check 1st test case

- terminal
- cd \$HOME/projects/python/femSIM2d
- python3 step.py

visualize 1st test case

- open paraview
- click to open file and point to
- \$HOME/projects/python/femSIM2d/step

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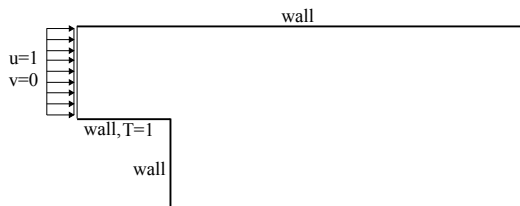
# 2D TESTCASES



Backward facing step

stepALE.py

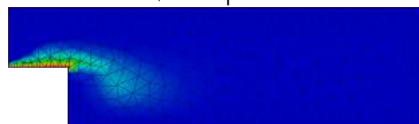
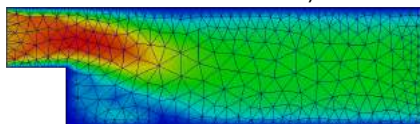
$Re = 1000, Sc = 2000, \mu = 1, \rho = 1$



Mesh parameters:  
 # Lagrangian nodes  
 $c1 = \{0.1, 0.0, -0.1\}$   
 # Interface velocity smoothing  
 $c2 = \{0.0\}$   
 # Laplacian smoothing  
 $c3 = \{2.0; 0.0, 0.1\}$

time = 37, velocity field

time = 37, temperature field



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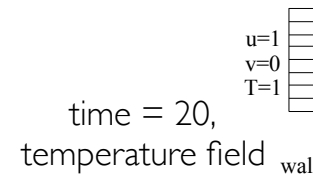
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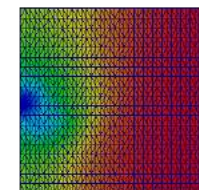
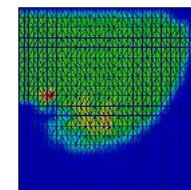
step.py

$Re = 10000, Sc = 2000, \mu = 1, \rho = 1$



time = 20,  
temperature field

time step = 5,  
pressure field



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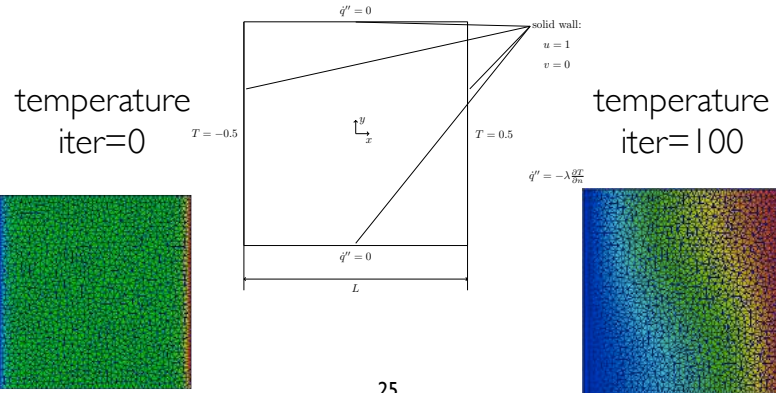
## 2D TESTCASES



cavity with different temperature

cavity.py

$$Re = \sqrt{1000}, Sc = 1, \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1, \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 1$$



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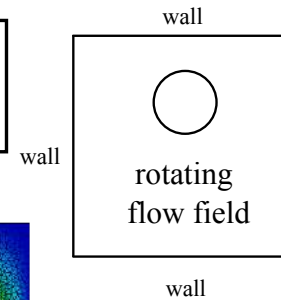
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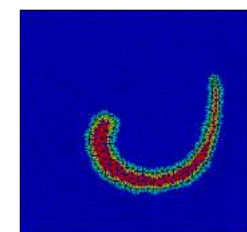
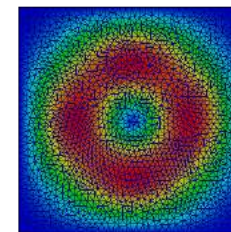
drop under rotating flow

vortex.py

flow field  
 $v_x = -\sin^2(\pi x) \sin(2\pi y)$   
 $v_y = \sin^2(\pi y) \sin(2\pi x)$



Play with mesh parameters  
 $c1, c2, c3, d1$  and  $d2$



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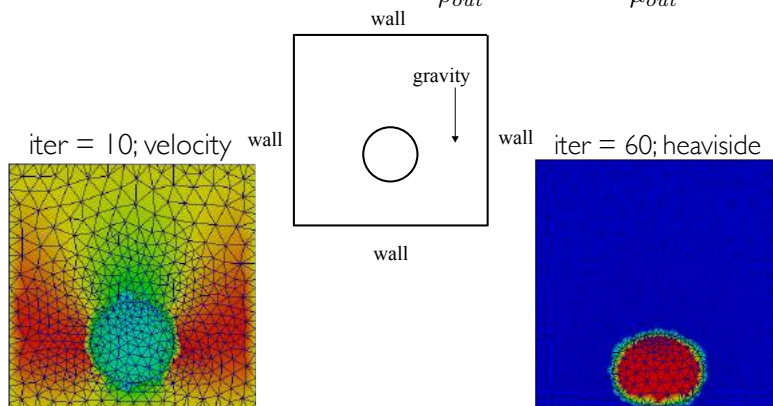
## 2D TESTCASES



sessile drop

sessileDrop.py

$$Re = 20, We = 20, Fr = 1, \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1000, \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 1.111$$



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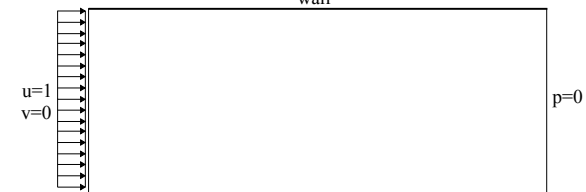
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Poiseuille

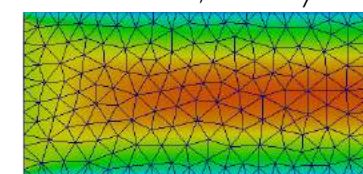
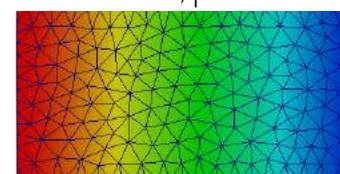
poiseuille.py

$$Re = 20, \mu = 1, \rho = 1$$



iter = 0; pressure

iter = 20; velocity



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## 2D TESTCASES



Rising bubble

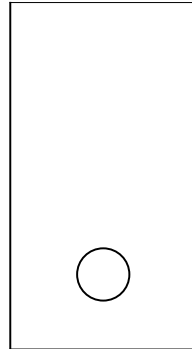
risingBubble.py

$$Re = 100, \quad We = 10, \quad Fr = 1, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 10, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 10$$

iter = 0; pressure

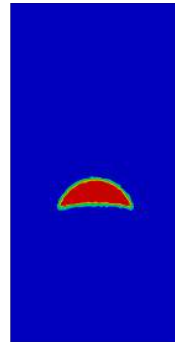


wall



wall  
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iter = 270; heaviside



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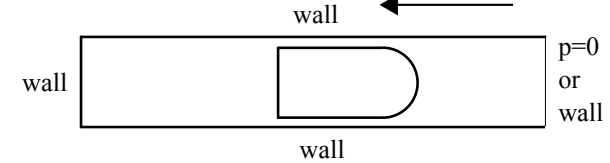


Rising of Taylor bubble - moving frame

risingBubbleTaylor.py

$$Re = 100, \quad We = 10, \quad Fr = 1, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 10, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 10$$

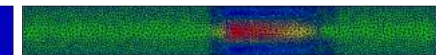
gravity



iter = 110; heaviside



iter = 110; velocity



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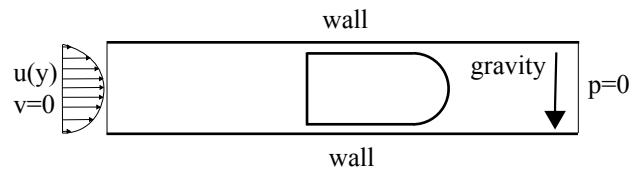
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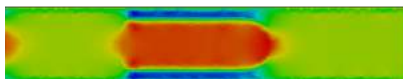
bubble in microchannel - moving frame

micro.py

$$Re = 576.24, \quad We = 1.162, \quad Fr = 10.096, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1509.39, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 180.169$$



iter = 05; velocity field



iter = 850; pressure



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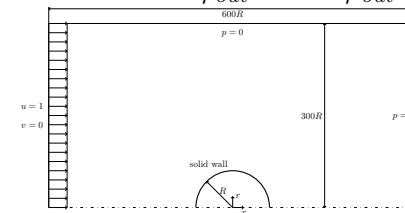
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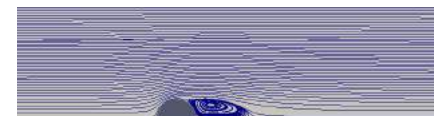
Flow around sphere

sphereAxi.py

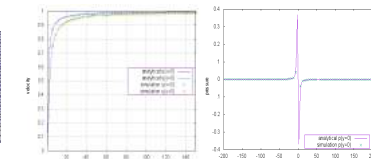
$$Re = 0.00001, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 1$$



high Re



low Re



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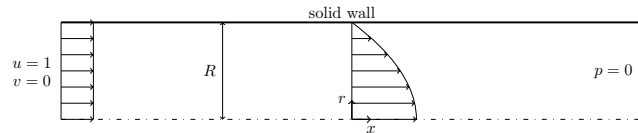
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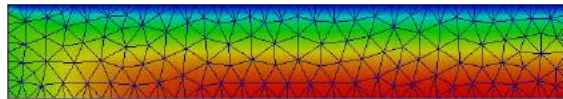
Poiseuille flow

poiseuilleAxi.py

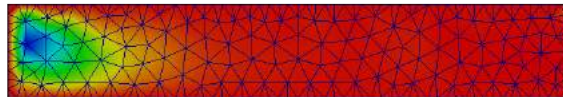
$$Re = 20, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 1$$



v\_x velocity



v\_r velocity



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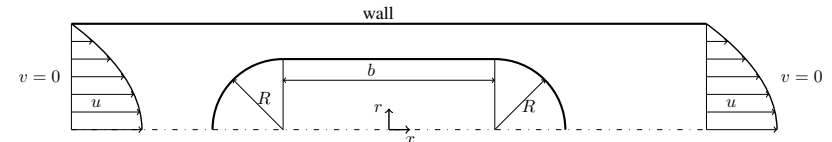
# AXI TESTCASES



Isolated air bubble in glycerol solution through microchannel

microAxi.py

$$Re = 0.0128552, \quad We = 0.00127691, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 9.632 \cdot 10^{-4}, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 3.455 \cdot 10^{-5}$$



Initial mesh (1630 vertices), final mesh (14718 vertices)



\* Khodaparast, S.; Magnini, M.; Borhani, N.; Thome, J.R. Dynamics of isolated confined air bubbles in liquid flows through circular microchannels.- Microfluidics and Nanofluidics., 19: 209-234 (2015)

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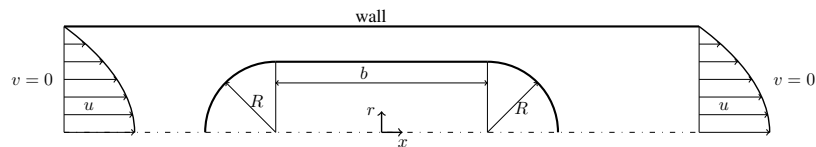
# AXI TESTCASES



Isolated air bubble in water through microchannel

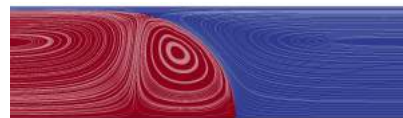
microAxi.py

$$Re = 140.93, \quad We = 0.4122, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1.2076 \cdot 10^{-3}, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 2.159 \cdot 10^{-2}$$



mesh

streamlines



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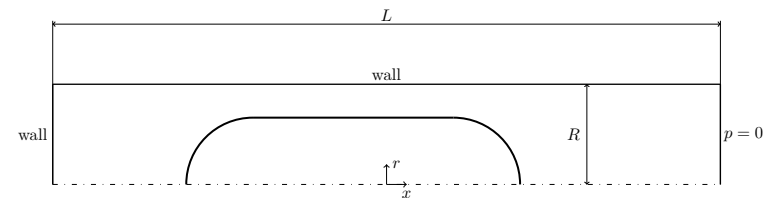
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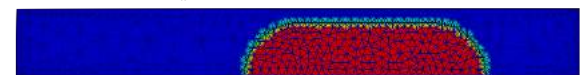
rising of isolated taylor bubble in microchannel

risingBubbleTaylorAxi.py

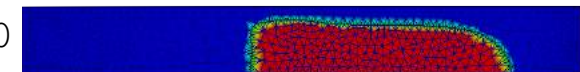
$$Re = 159.054, \quad We = 40, \quad Fr = 1, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1038.37, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 2275.28$$



heaviside, iter=0



heaviside, iter=180



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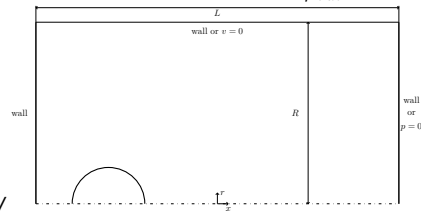
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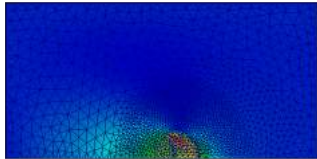
rising of air bubble  
in sugar solution

risingBubbleAxi.py

$$Re = 13.84, \quad We = 115.662, \quad Fr = 1, \quad \frac{\rho_{in}}{\rho_{out}} = 1102.04, \quad \frac{\mu_{in}}{\mu_{out}} = 71910.1$$



$v_x$  velocity



$v_r$  velocity

