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OPENFOAM SEMINAR

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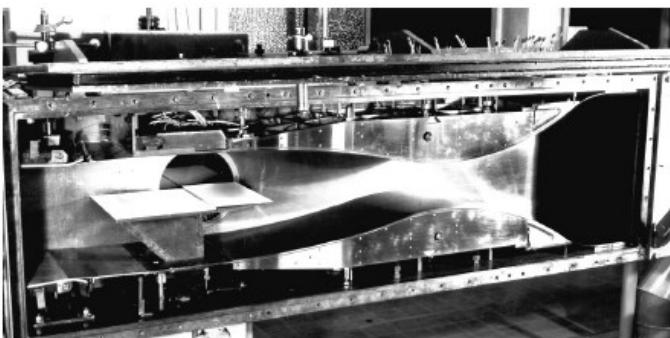
Maria Faruoli

6th December 2023

THE VON KARMAN INSTITUTE



THE HORIZONTAL CLOSED TEST SECTION OF THE SUBSONIC WIND TUNNEL



THE NEW SUPersonic NOZZLE

*"Training in Research
through Research"*



- Founded in 1956
- as Belgian-American Training Center for Experimental Aerodynamics (TCEA)
- renamed von Karman Institute in 1963

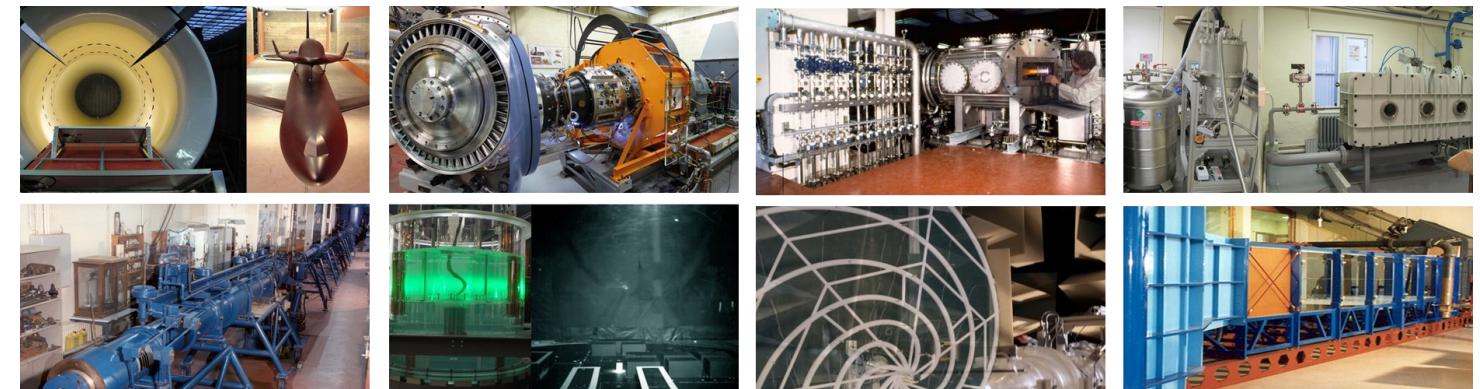


THEODORE VON KÁRMÁN RECEIVING THE NATIONAL MEDAL OF SCIENCE FROM PRESIDENT KENNEDY IN 1963

VKI IN NUMBERS

130

130 staff members,
agile organization



48

- 48 experimental facilities
- 3 unique in the world

22

- 22 nations on-the-spot
- A melting pot for research & education

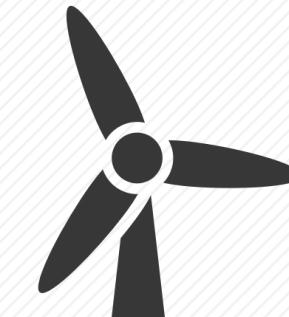
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- 242 students
- Research Master: 39
- Short Training program + Belgian Master Thesis: 95
- PhD: 84
- Postdoc: 24

1811

- 1811 alumni
- Dedicated network for international development

RESEARCH FOCUS



AEROSPACE

TURBOMACHINERY

INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES

ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS

FLUID ENGINEERING & MEASUREMENT

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Hypersonics2. Space exploration3. Re-entry/debris4. Aeronautics | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Propulsion2. Turbines3. Compressors4. Energy Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Liquid metal flows2. Hydrogen3. Multiphase flows4. Cryogenic flows | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Wind energy2. Atmospheric flows3. Pollution dispersion4. Explosion impact | <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Instrumentation2. Artificial Intelligence3. Calibration |
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ORGANIZATION

Education



- Research Master Program
- Doctoral Program
- Short Training Program

Lecture Series



- courses on special topics
- For industry, academics, military participation
- Invited international lectures

Research activities



- Aerospace
- Turbomachinery
- Industrial Processes
- Environmental Flows
- Fluid Engineering & Measurements

TRAINING IN OPENFOAM

Onsite Introductory course to OpenFOAM®

- March 19-20, 2024

The **on-site course** gives on the first day a practical introduction to the structure and usability of OpenFoam and OpenFOAM related applications. Besides the general introduction the participants will perform a complete numerical simulation starting from choosing the solver till post-processing.

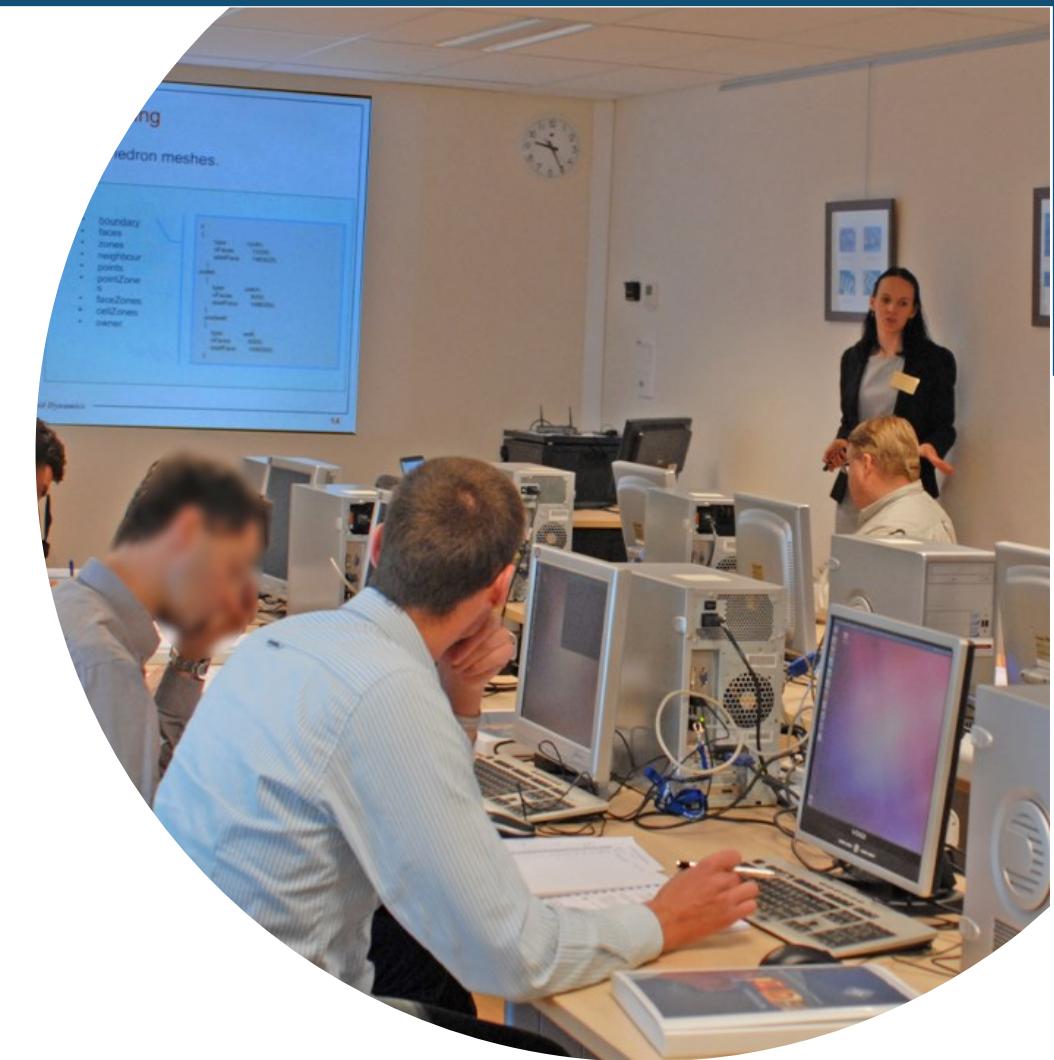
The second day will be dedicated to the open-source mesh generator snappyHexMesh and a multiphase simulation will be performed with the obtained mesh

Programming in OpenFOAM course

- March 21, 2024

The Programming course shows how to start modifying existing libraries in OpenFOAM. Four applications are tested with the participants: modification of a solver, implementation of a post-processing utility, modification of a turbulence model and creation of a boundary condition.

Lectures: VKI PhDs and Research Engineers

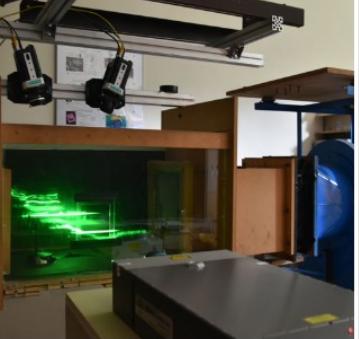


LECTURE SERIES

Multidisciplinary Simulation of Wind Farms
in Complex Environments



Introduction to Measurement Techniques



VKI COURSE
ICING PHYSICS AND ICE ACCRETION
SIMULATION (1.5 ECTS)

20-22
NOVEMBER



LECTURER
PROF. SERKAN ÖZGEN
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DJINN - ENODISE CONFERENCE
22-24 November 2023

<https://djinn.online>

AEROACOUSTIC INSTALLATION EFFECTS IN
CONVENTIONAL AND NEW AIRCRAFT
PROPULSION SYSTEMS

13th European CubeSat Symposium

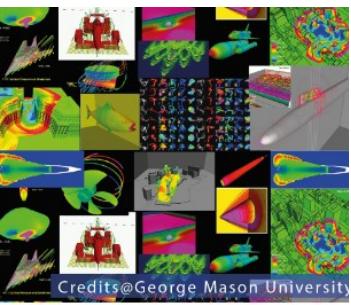


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Introduction to Ground Testing Facilities



Introduction to Computational Fluid
Dynamics



MACHINE LEARNING FOR
FLUID MECHANICS

A von Karman Institute / ULB Lecture Series

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION UNTIL

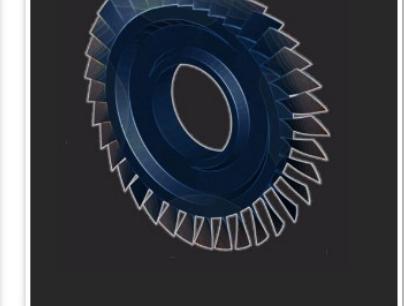
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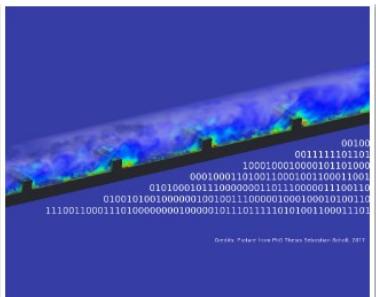
Multidisciplinary Design Optimization



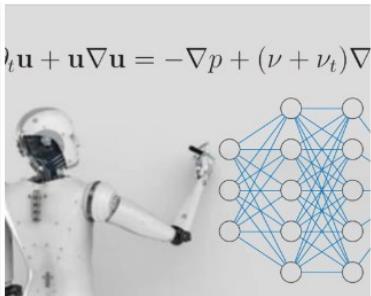
VKI Course on Introduction to Aeroelasticity
- Aircraft & Turbomachinery (2.0 ECTS)



15th VKI PHD Symposium



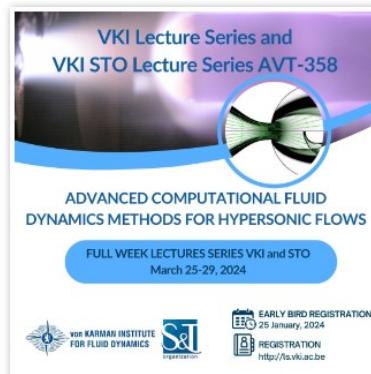
Large Eddy Simulation and Related
Techniques



Hands on Machine Learning for Fluid
Dynamics



EPHyC
2024
European PhD Hydrogen Conference
21-22-23 March 2024
Gent, Belgium

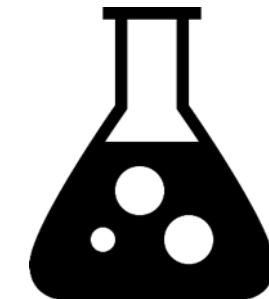
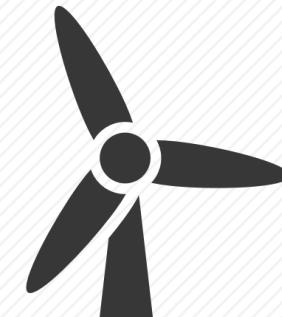


FULL WEEK LECTURES SERIES VKI and STO
March 25-29, 2024

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
26 January 2024
REGISTRATION
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RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WITH OPENFOAM



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TURBOMACHINERY

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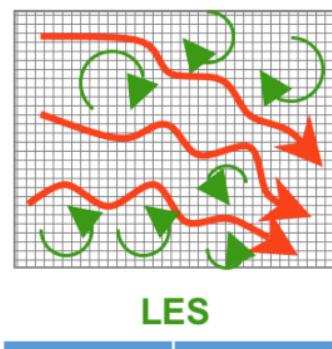
ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS

FLUID ENGINEERING & MEASUREMENT

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| 1. Hypersonics | 1. Propulsion | 1. Liquid metal flows | 1. Wind energy | 1. Instrumentation |
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LES OF FORCED CONVECTION THROUGH BACKWARD FACING STEP

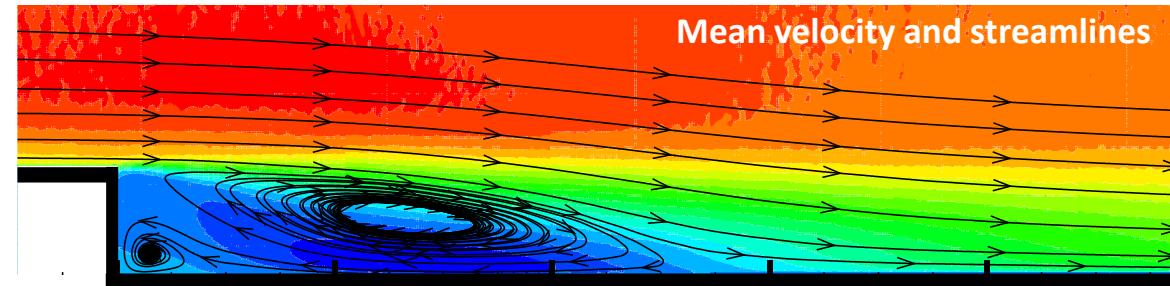
Sealed wind tunnel



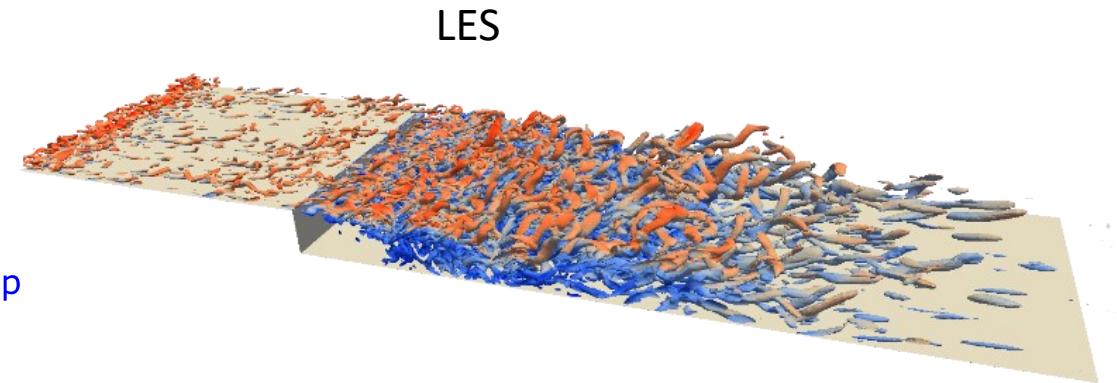
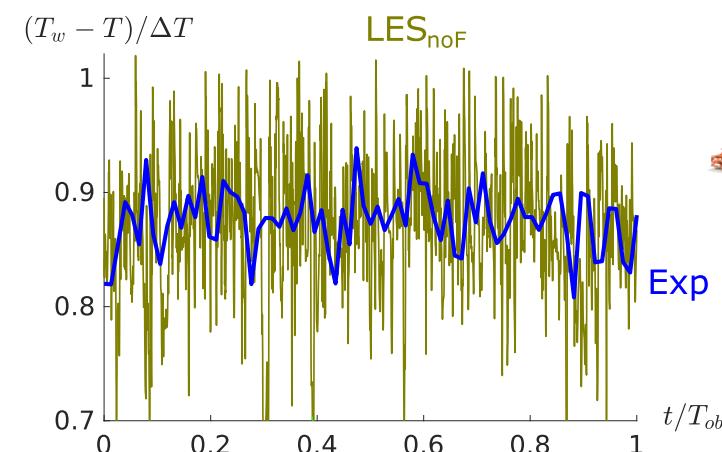
LES

Fluid	Pr
Air	0.71
He-Xe	0.2
LBE	0.025

Experiment with He-Xe gas, $Pr \sim 0.2$



Excellent prediction of flow reattachment (+1.3 %)



PhD Thesis of Sophia Buckingham

LES OF NATURAL CONVECTION BOUNDARY LAYER

Sealed wind tunnel



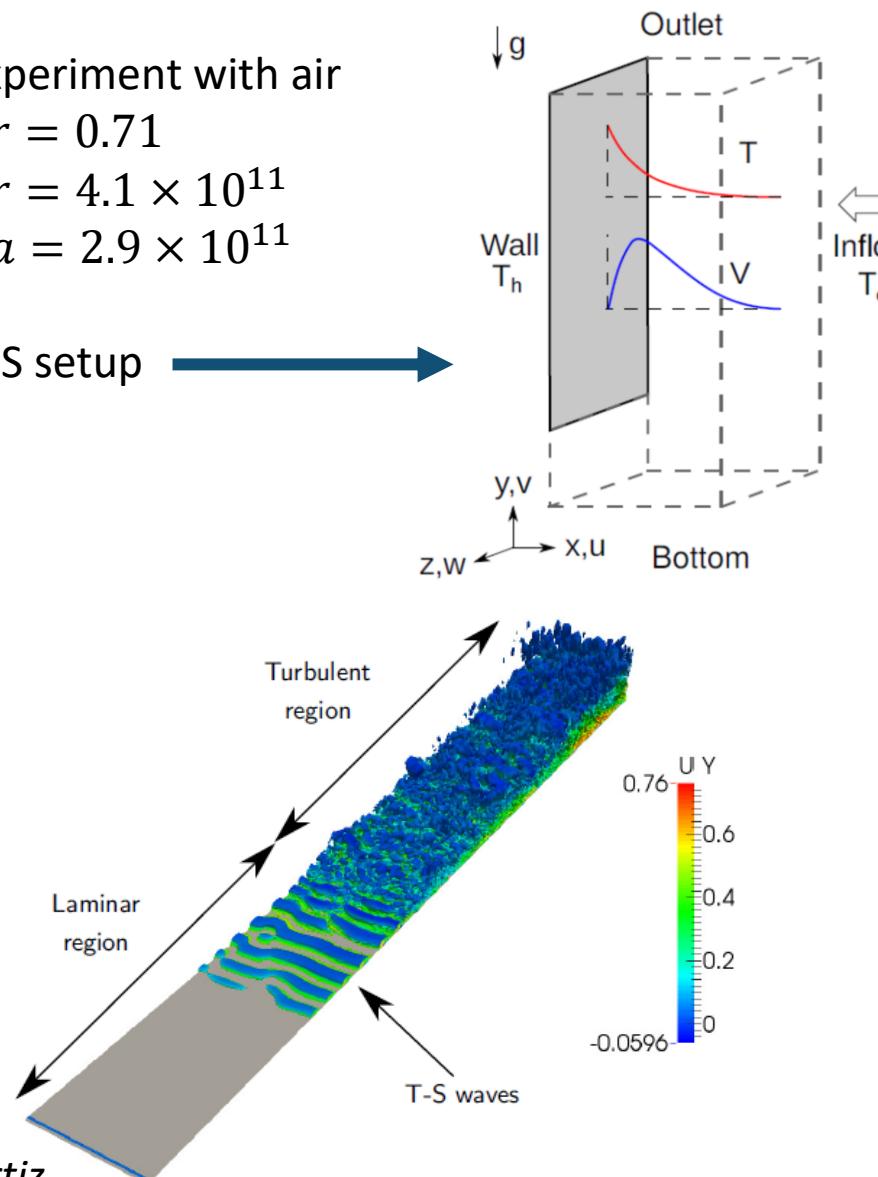
Experiment with air

$$Pr = 0.71$$

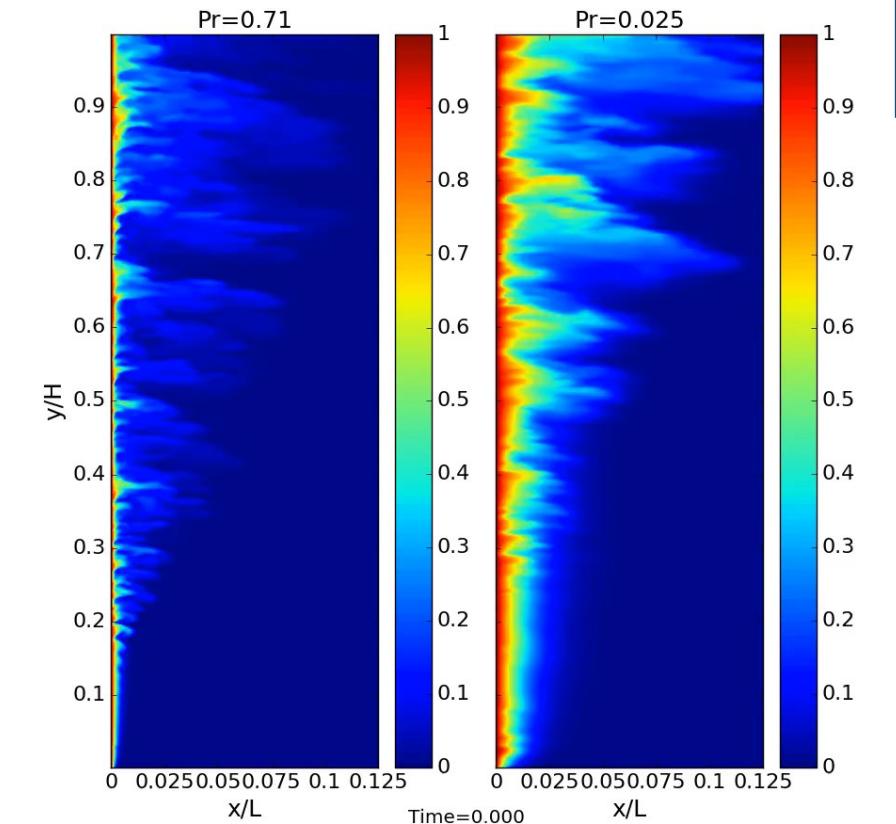
$$Gr = 4.1 \times 10^{11}$$

$$Ra = 2.9 \times 10^{11}$$

LES setup

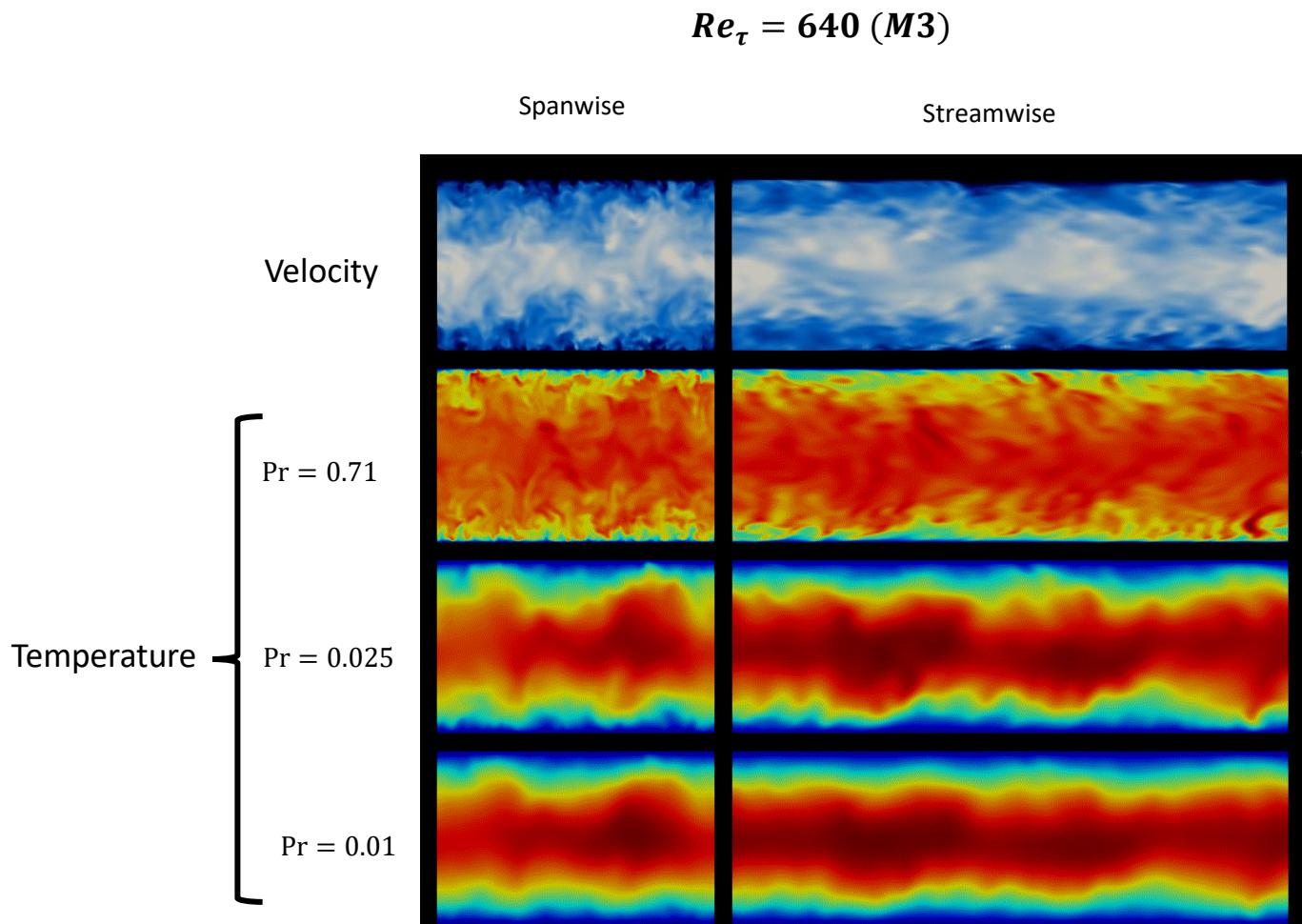
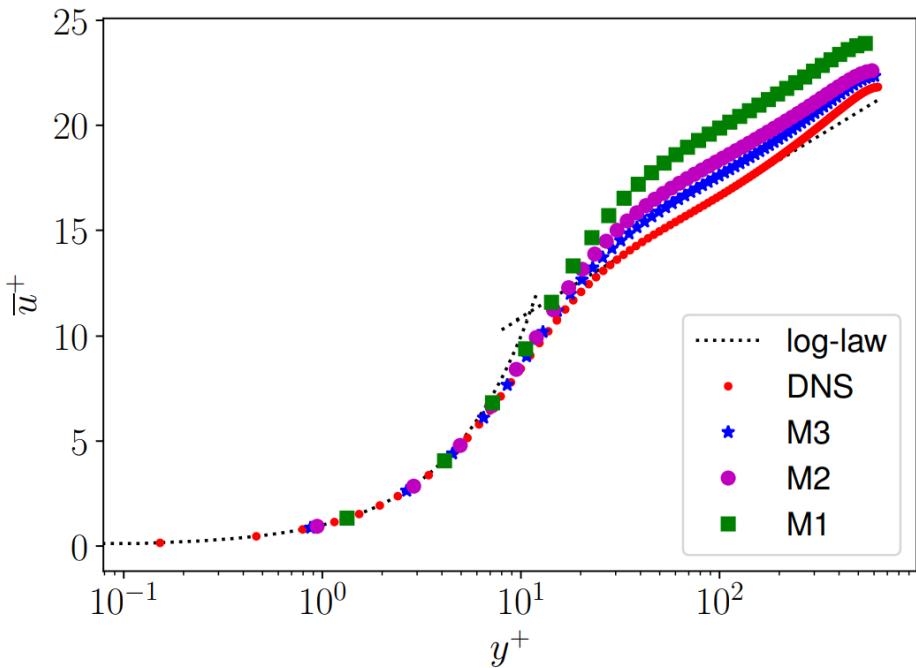


Temperature

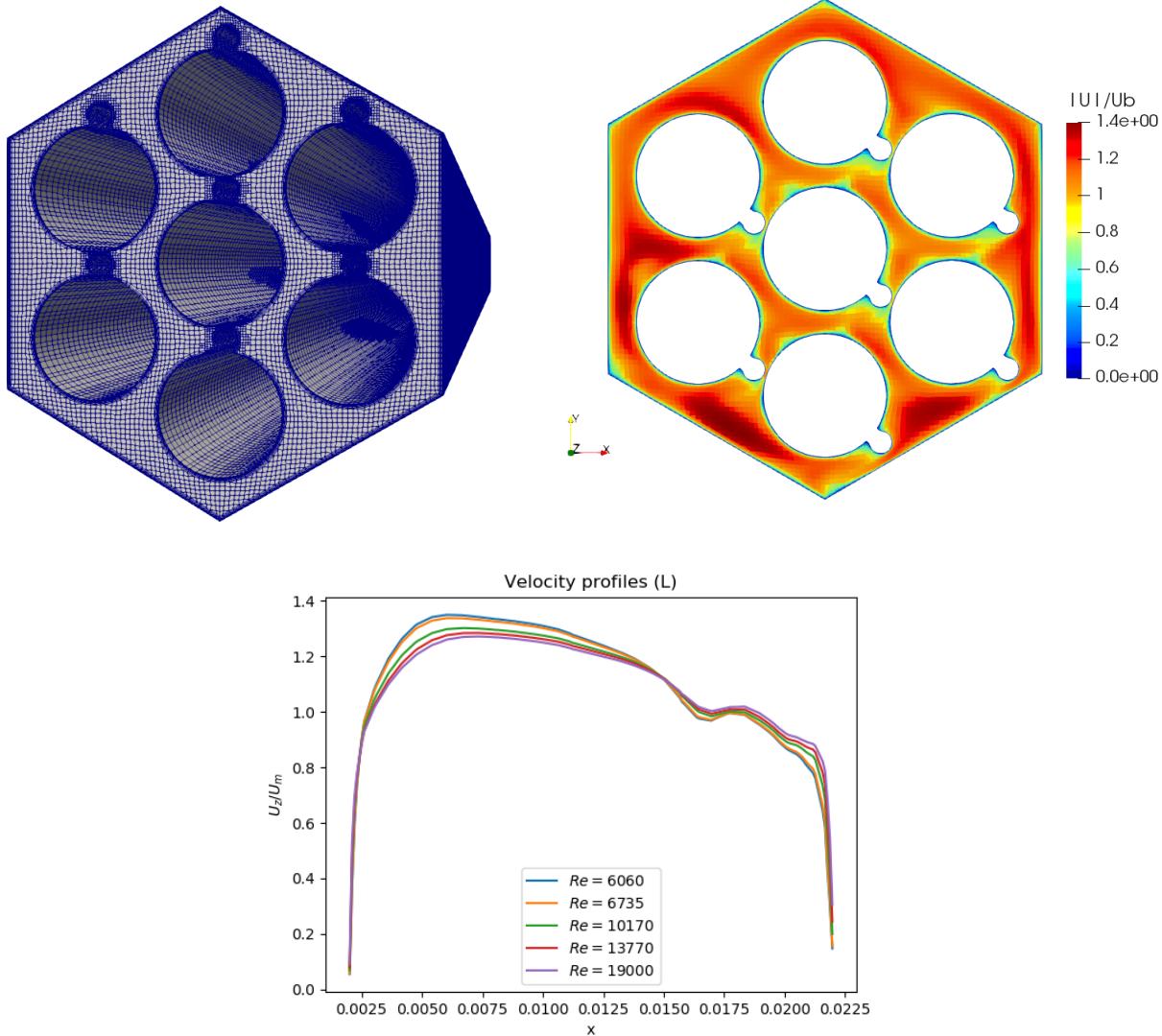


LES OF LOW PRANDTL NUMBER CHANNEL FLOW

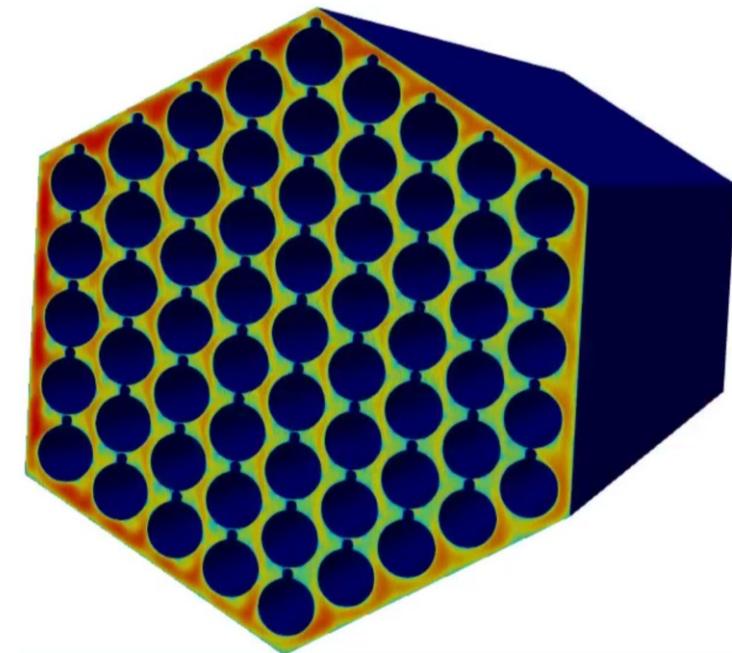
Generation of variable fidelity data for the training of a data-driven turbulent heat transfer model



FUEL BUNDLE WIRE WRAPPED SIMULATIONS

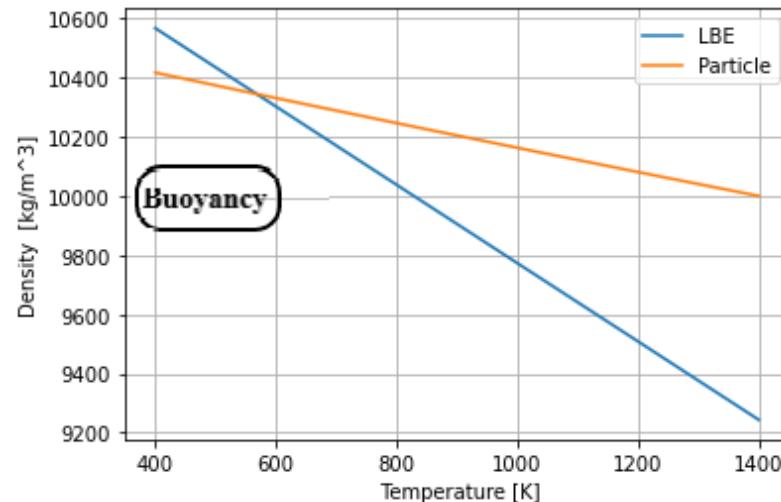


Prediction of the pressure drop and of the flow field and comparison with experiments in FA

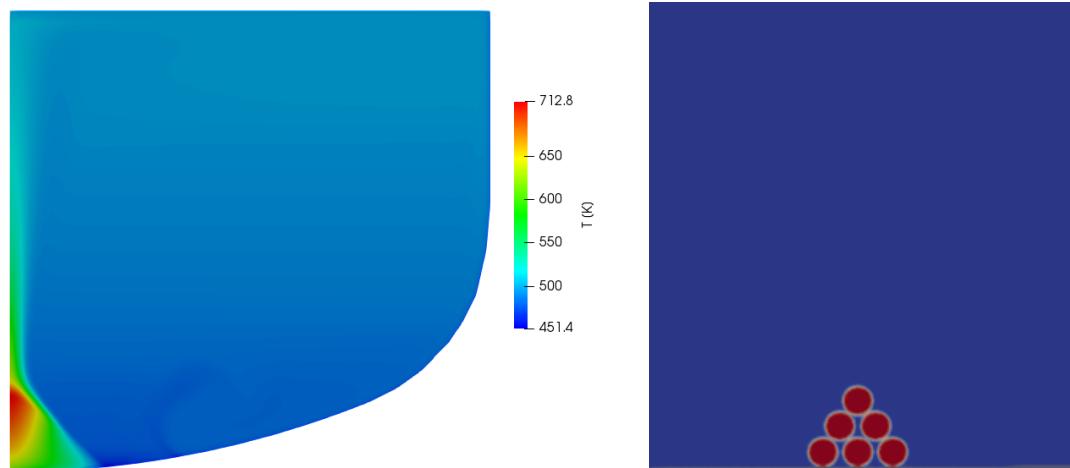


PARTICLE MODELLING

Failure of fuel pin cladding - Release of radioactive particles from the fuel

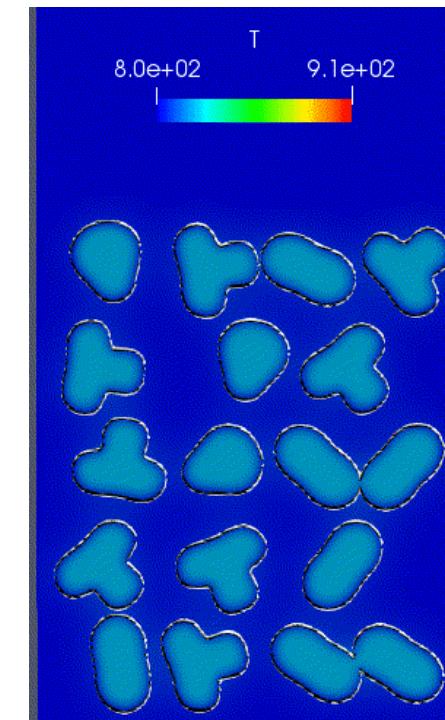


Agglomeration of particles at the bottom

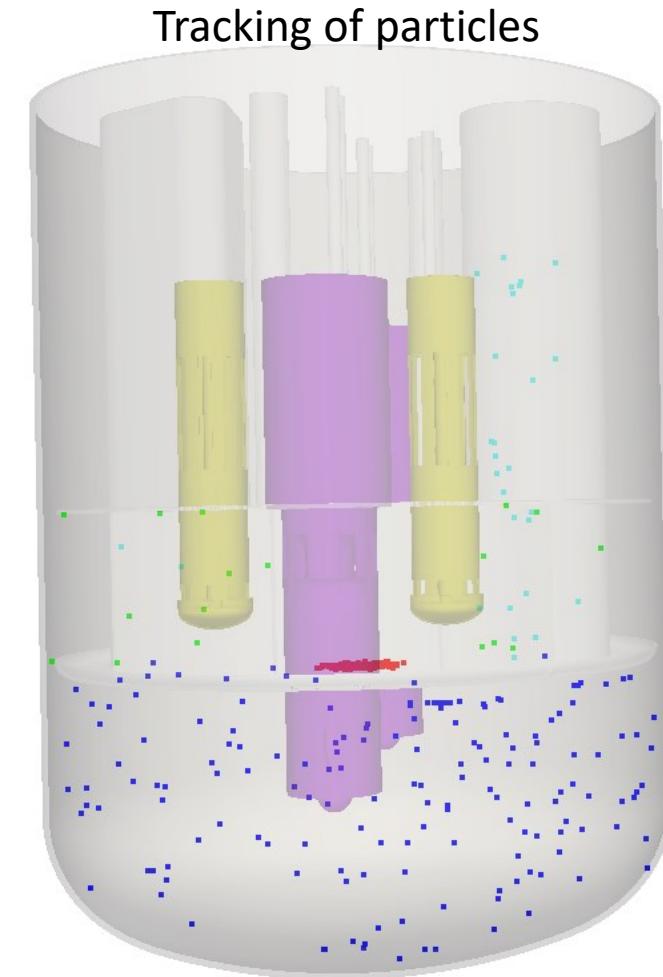


Lorenzo Vallisa and Silvana Lopes

Hot particles

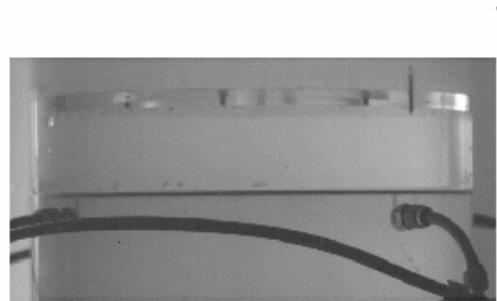


Cold particles

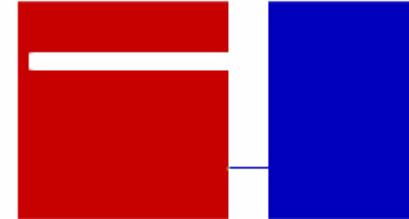


AIR INGRESS FROM A SIDE BREAK

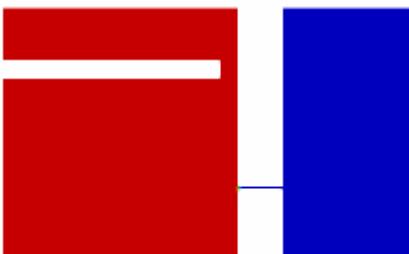
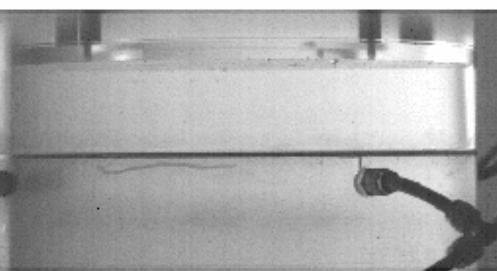
Dynamic mesh is used to study the air ingress in case of the side break of a vessel. The verification of the model is done against experimental results obtained with water.



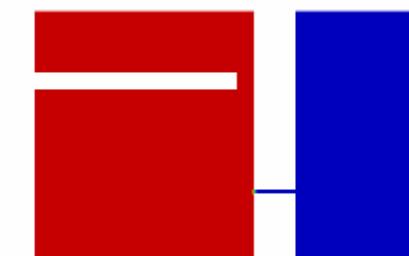
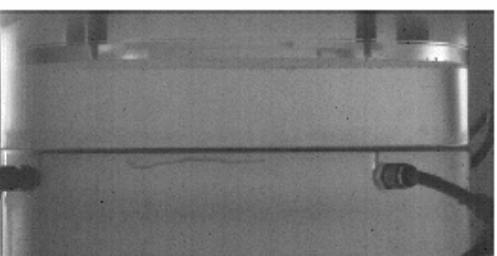
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Air ingress



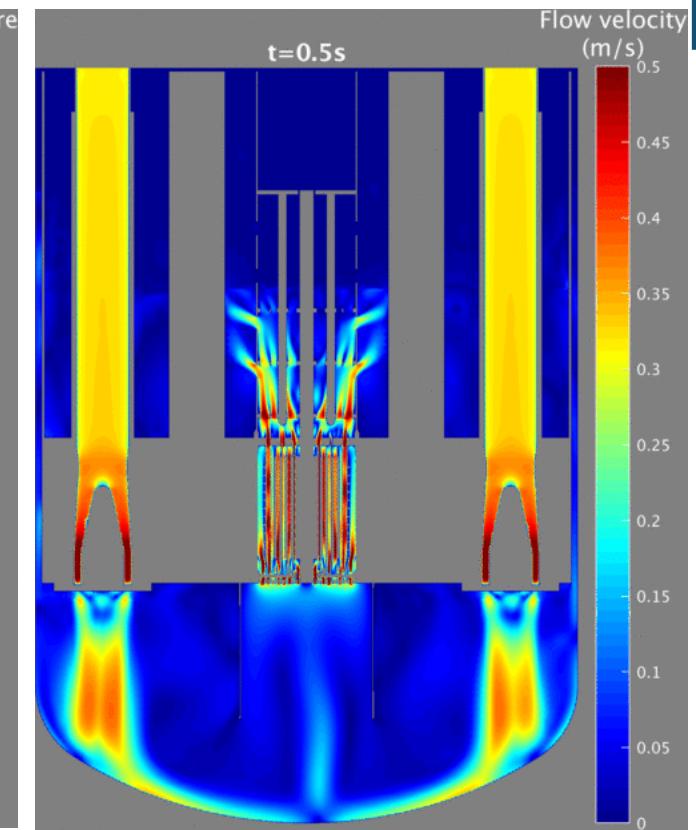
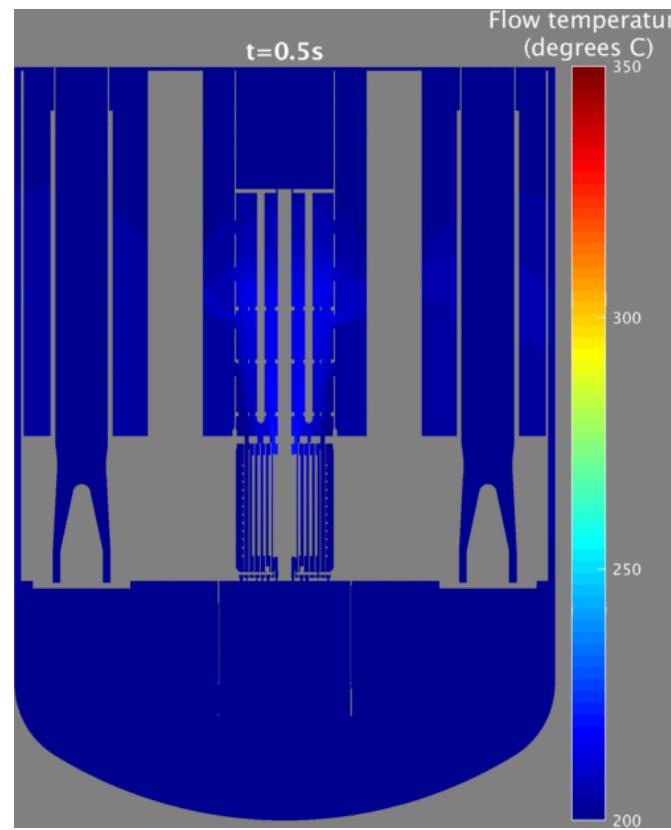
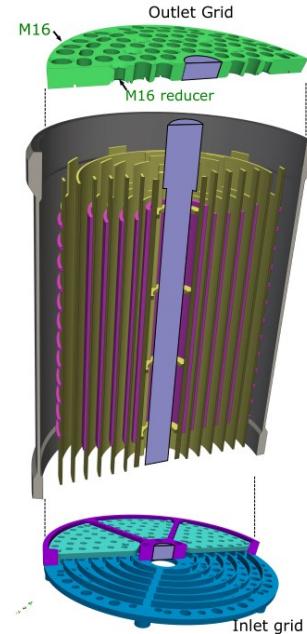
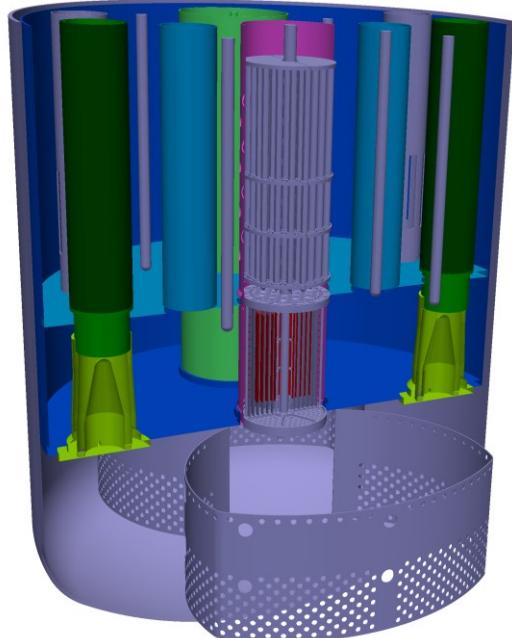
Air ingress



No Air ingress

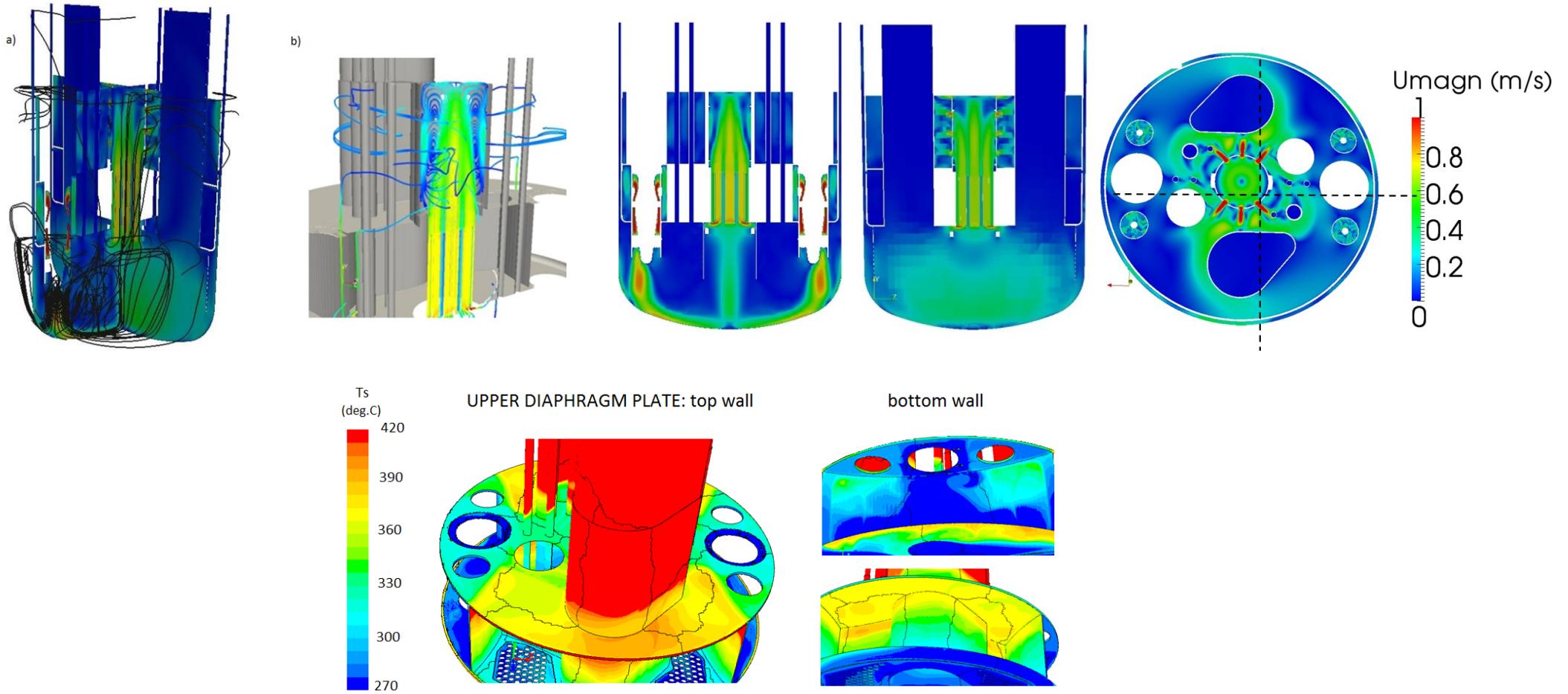
THE E-SCAPE FACILITY

The E-SCAPE (European SCAled Pool Experiment) facility is a thermal hydraulic 1/6-scale model of the primary system of the MYRRHA reactor pool, cooled by LBE.



Silvana Lopes

The developed models are applied to the design of the MYRRHA reactor to study nominal and transient scenario

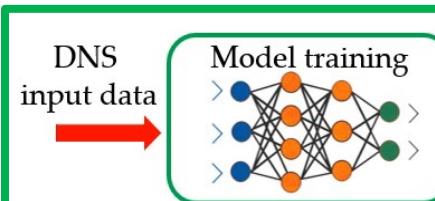
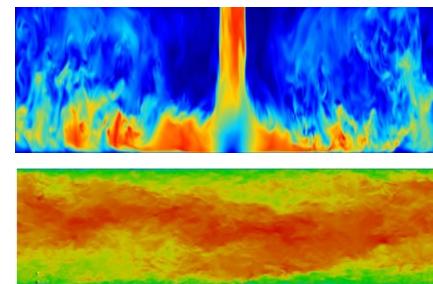
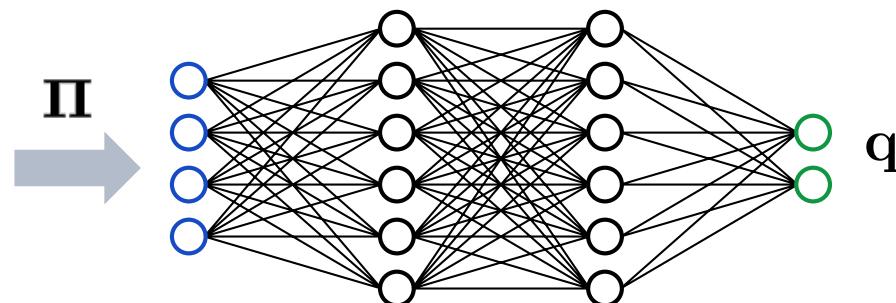


DATA-DRIVEN TURBULENCE MODELLING

Field Inversion and regression

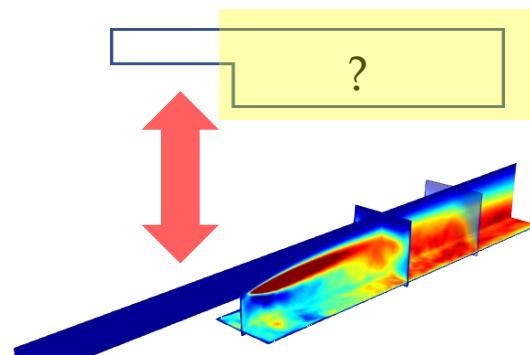
$$\mathbf{q} = \mathcal{F}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, \mathcal{W}) \quad \boldsymbol{\Pi} \text{ Input parameters}$$

Reference data $\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}_i, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_i\}$



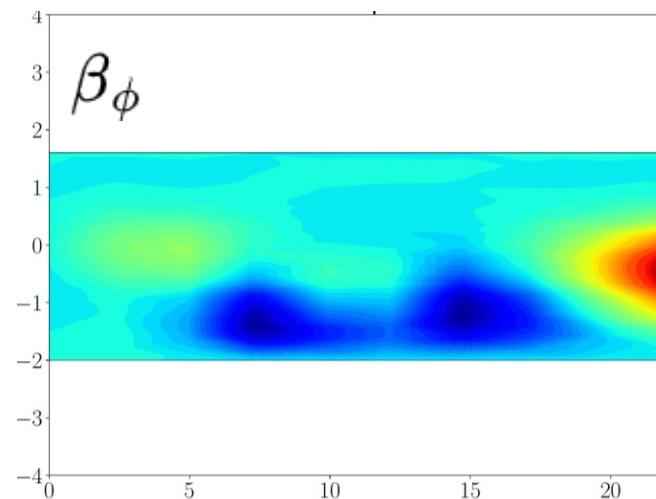
PYTORCH OpenFOAM

Which β gives $\hat{\mathbf{q}}$?

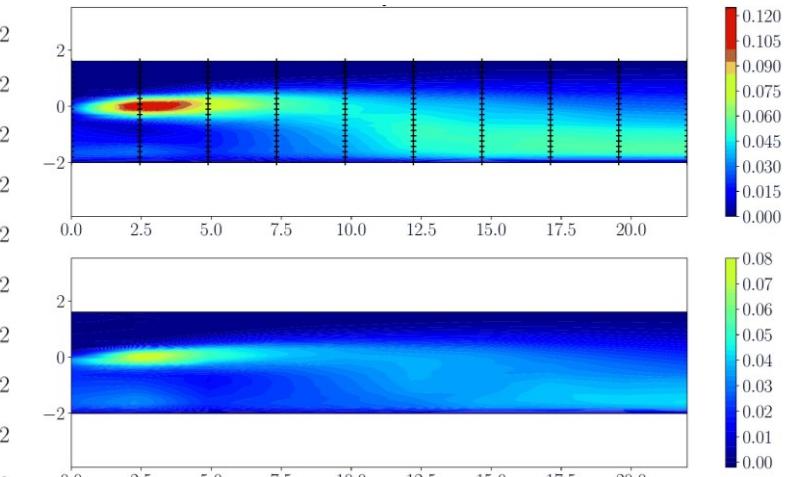


PhD Thesis of Matilde Fiore

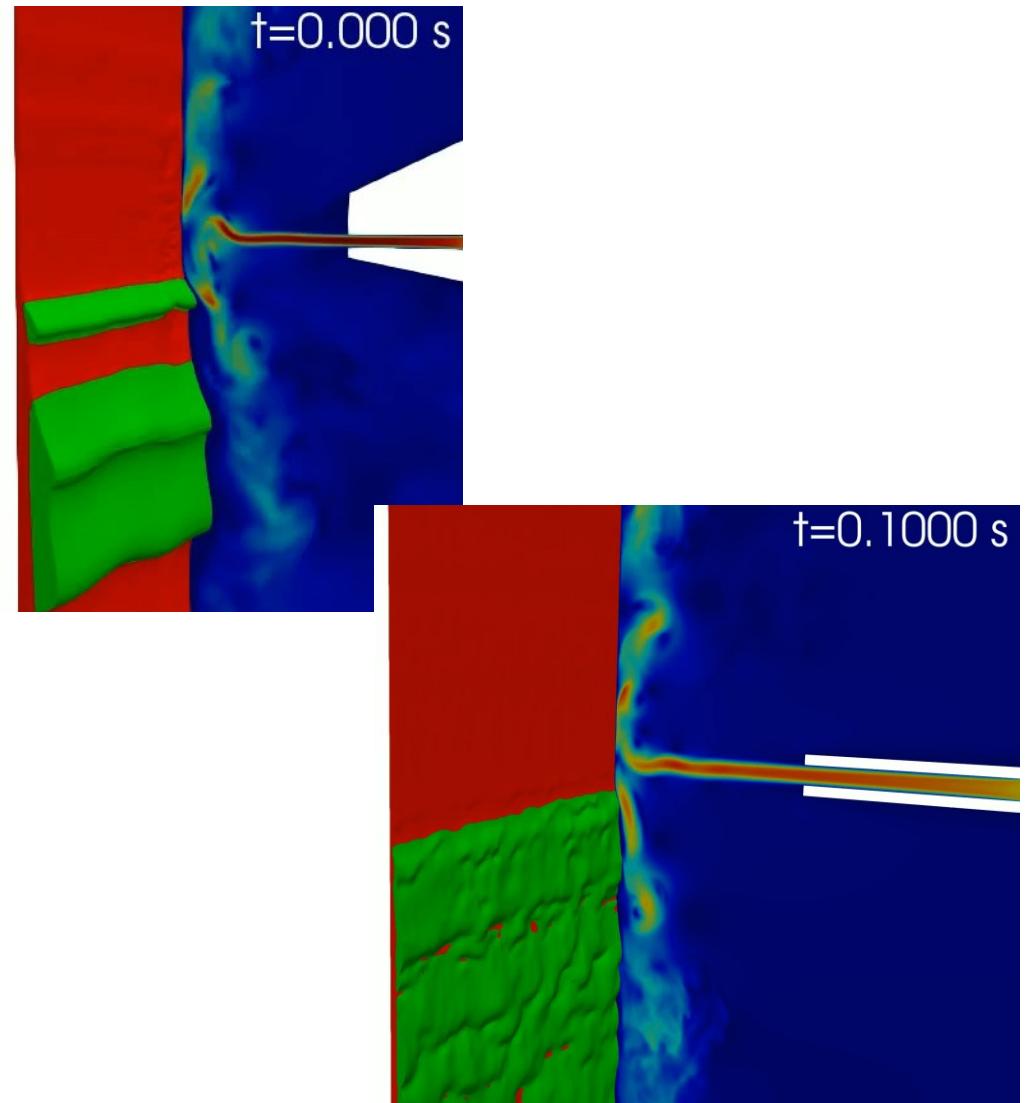
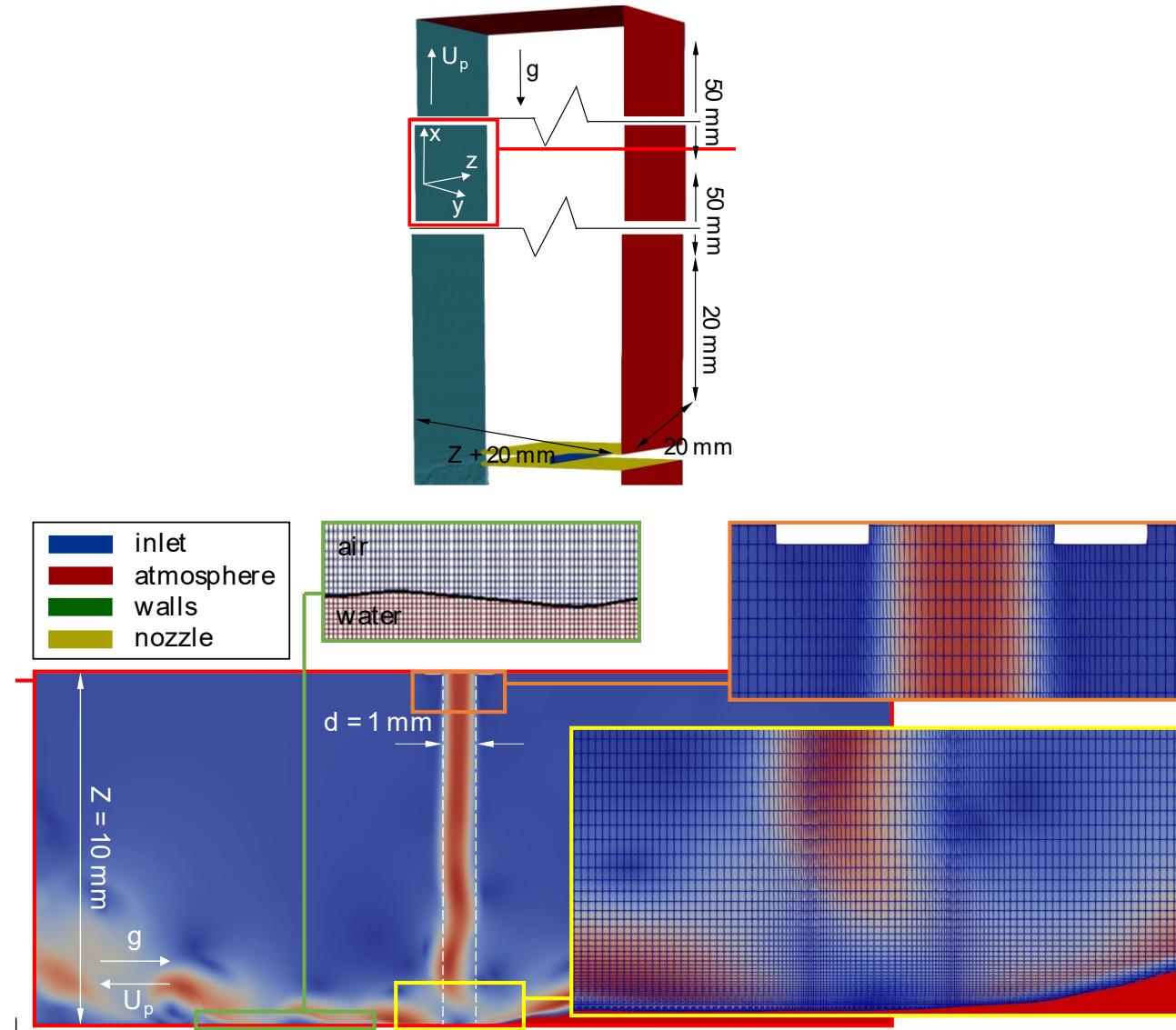
Iteration 1



\mathbf{q}

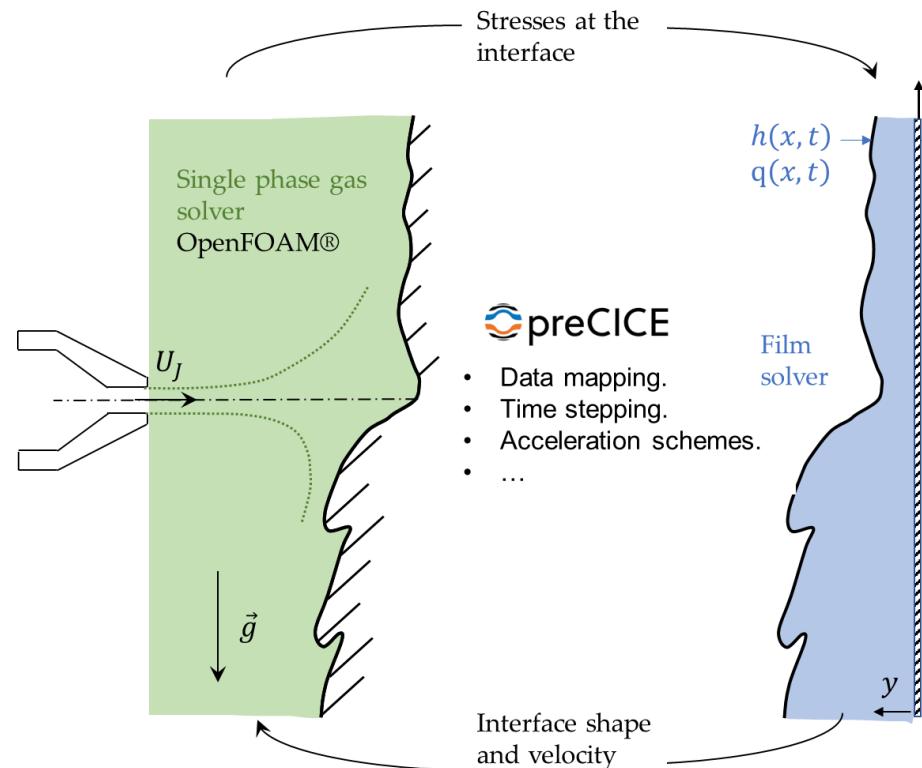


HIGH-FIDELITY CFD TO DESCRIBE THE UNDULATION MECHANISM



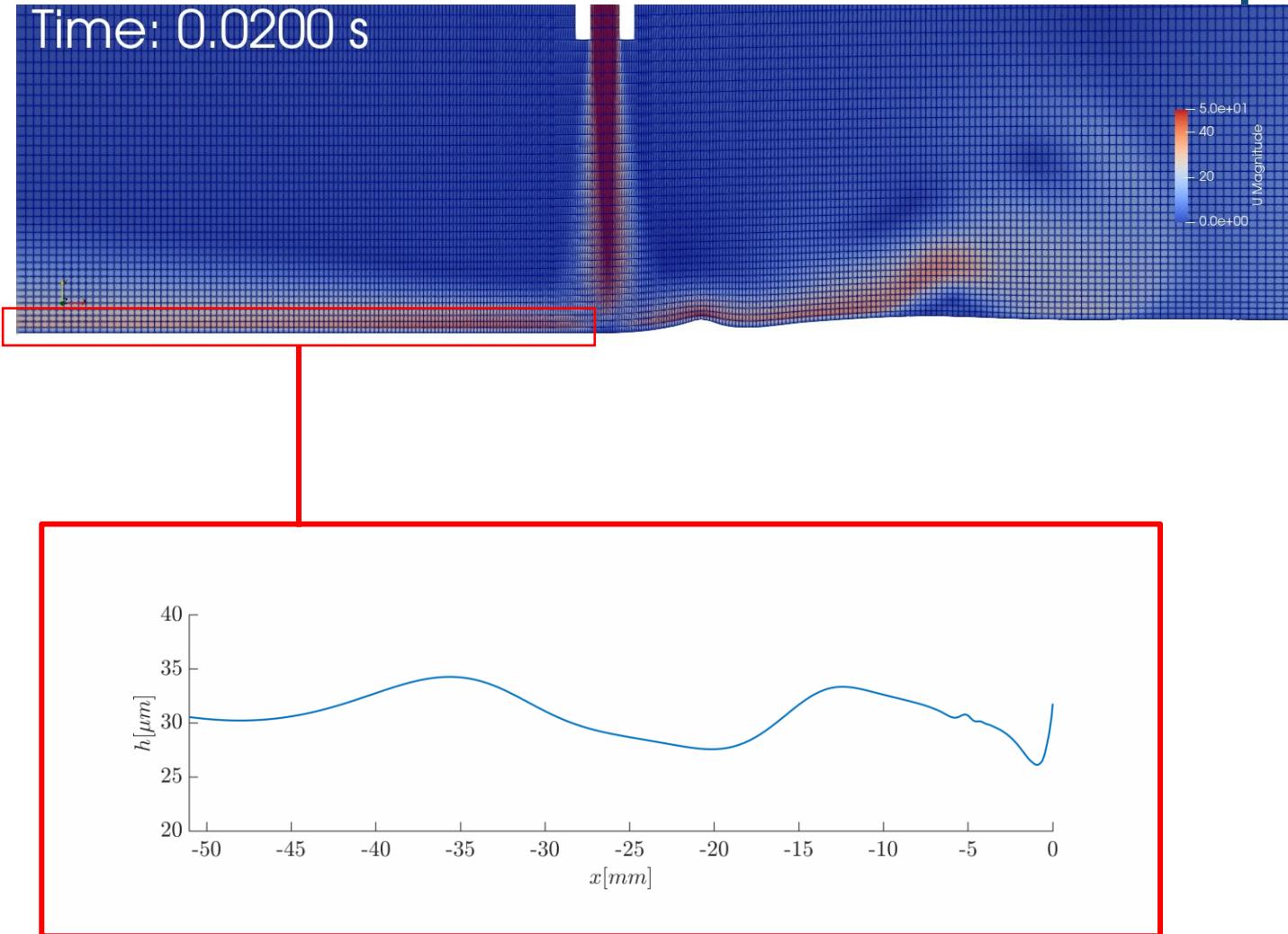
David Barreiro

INTERACTIONS BETWEEN LIQUID FILMS AND GAS FLOWS



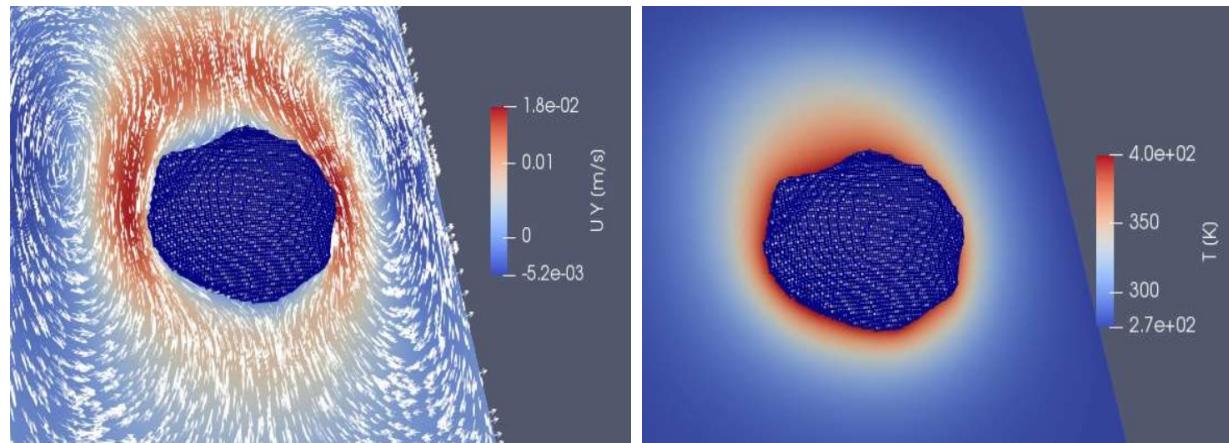
preCICE

- Data mapping.
- Time stepping.
- Acceleration schemes.
- ...



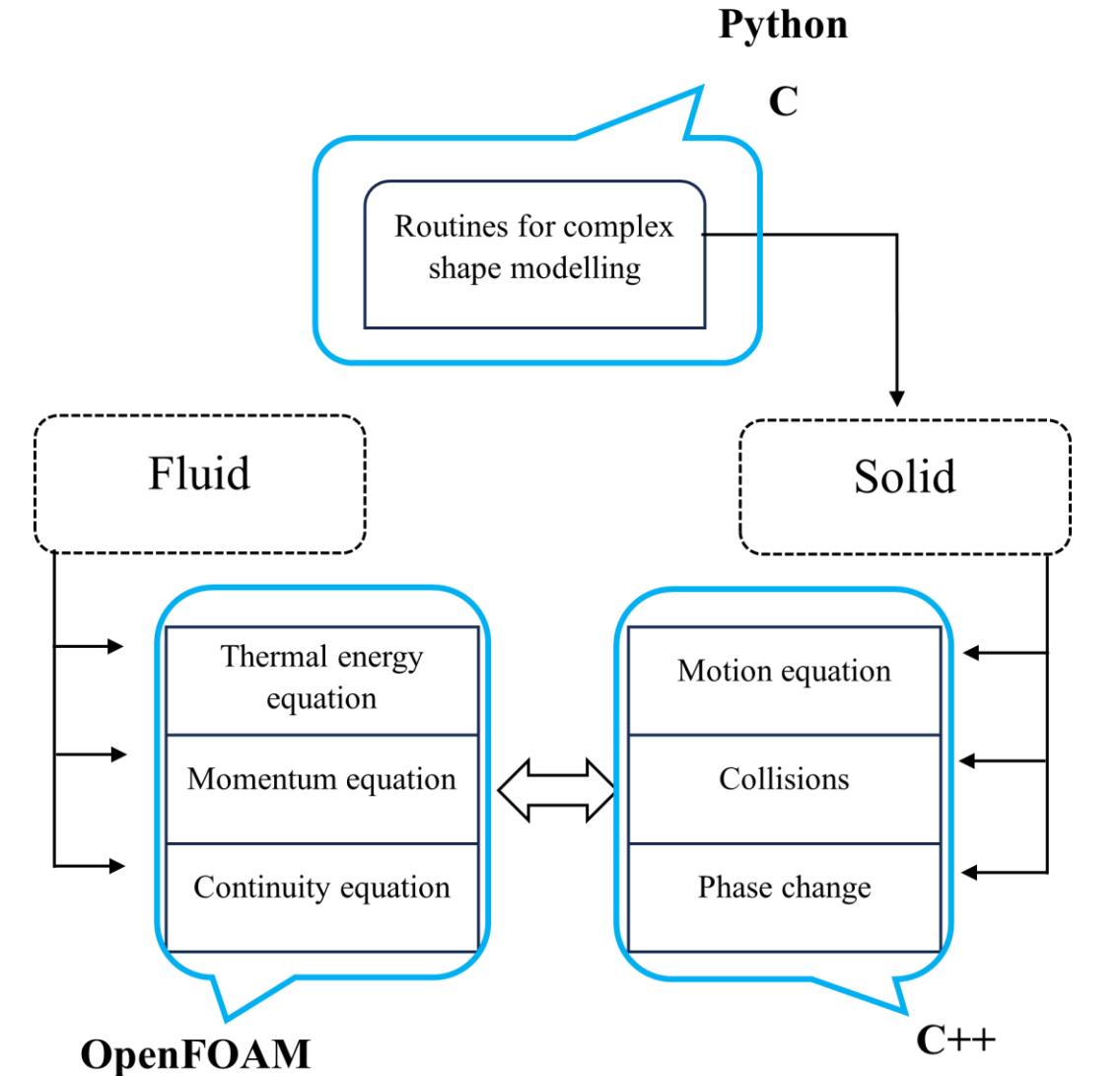
ADVANCED CHARACTERIZATION OF DENSIFIED CRYOGENIC HYDROGEN

Multiphase solver for thermal interaction
modelling of melting particles and the
surrounding fluid



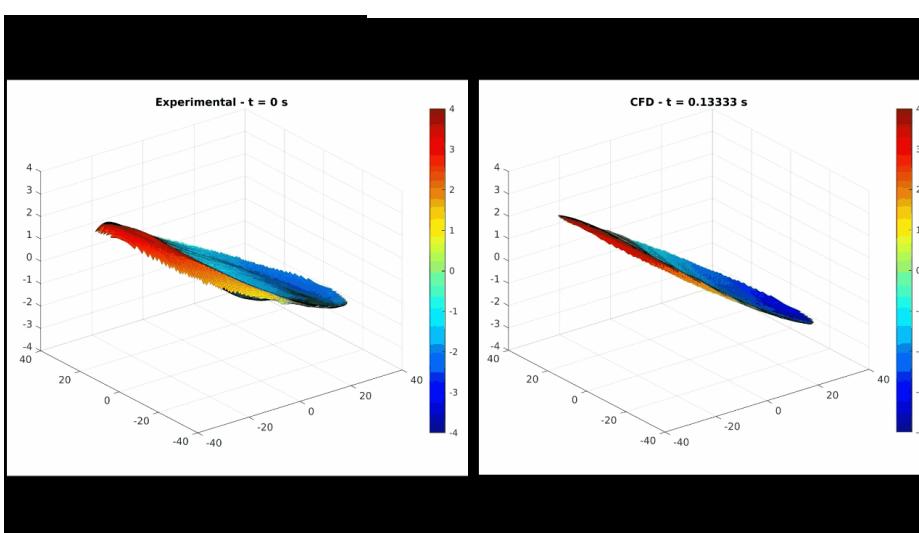
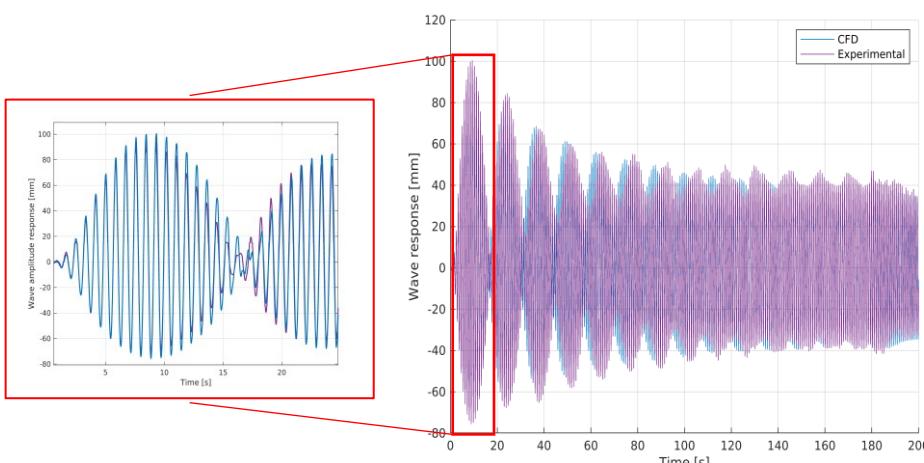
Velocity and temperature profile of free-falling stone into water

Lorenzo Vallisa

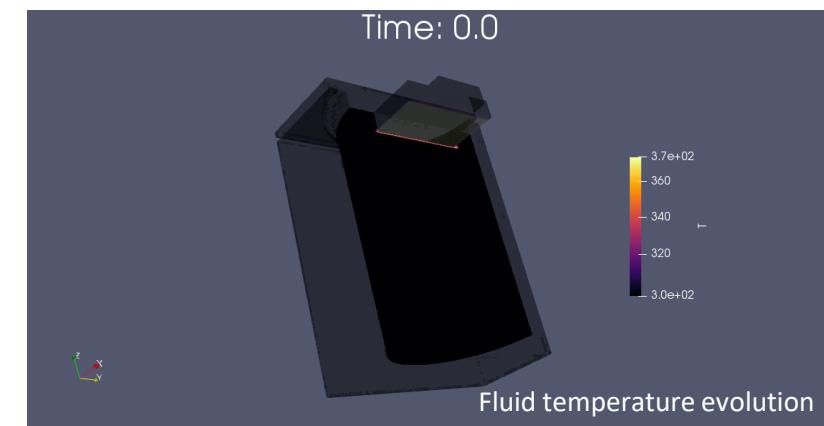
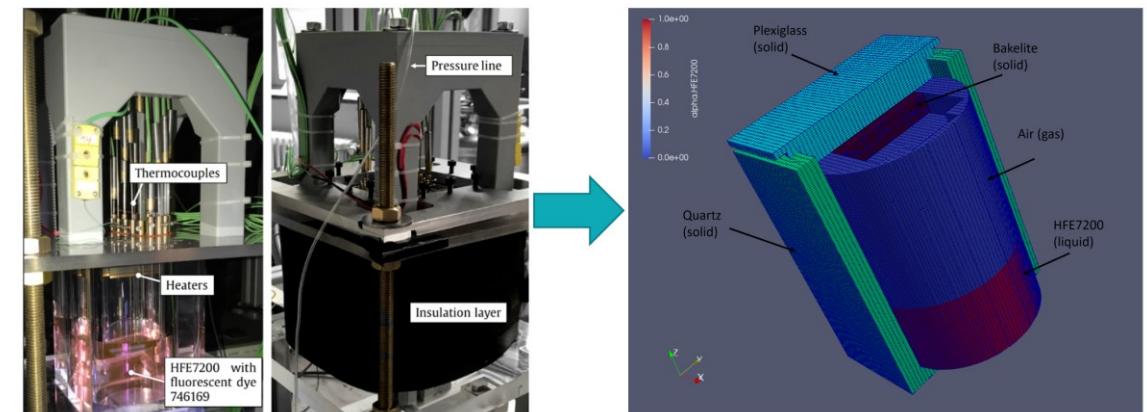


CRYOGENIC PROPELLANT STORAGE TANKS MODELLING

Isothermal sloshing

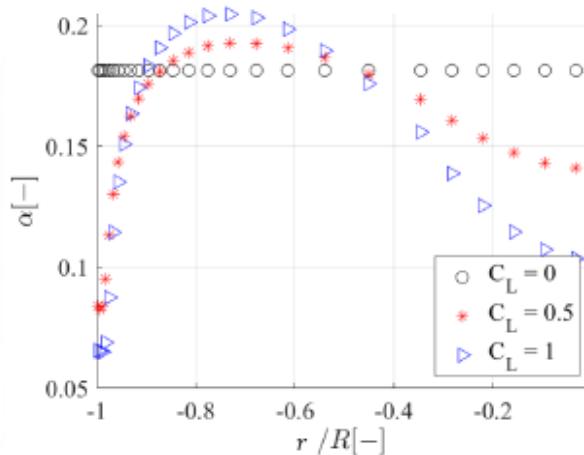
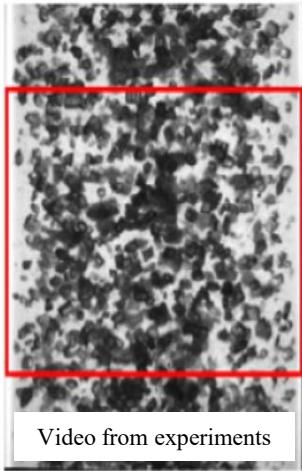
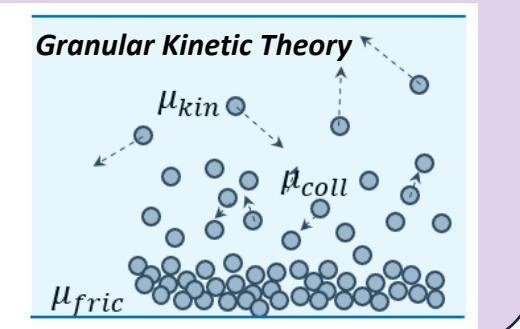
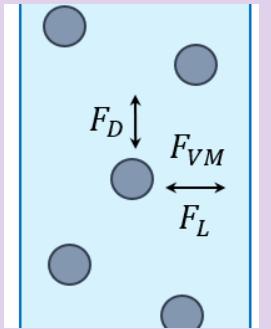


Interfacial evaporation/condensation (with CHT)



EULER-EULER SIMULATION OF SLURRY PIPE FLOWS

$\alpha \leq 35\%$, 4-way coupling between liquid and solid



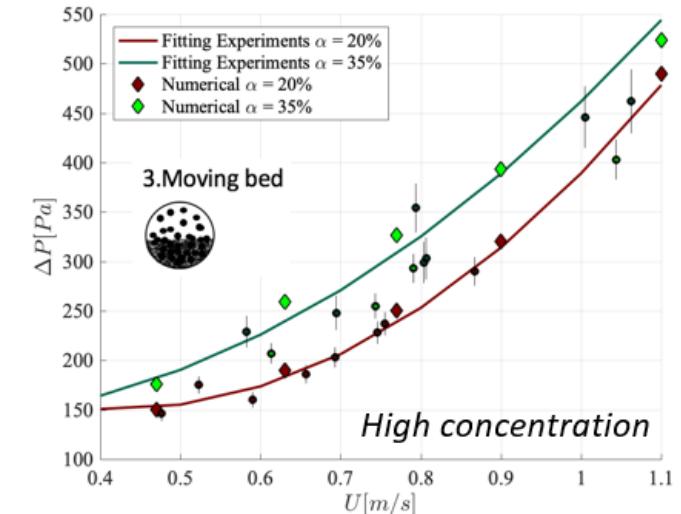
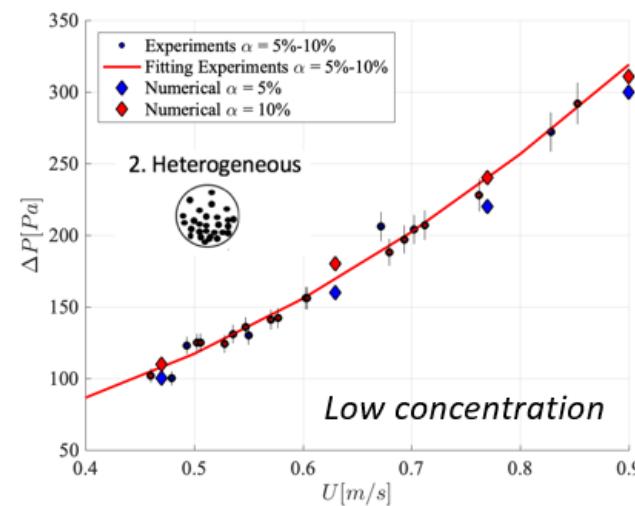
Effect of lift force on solid particles distribution

Vertical pipe section

PhD Thesis of Maria Teresa Scelzo

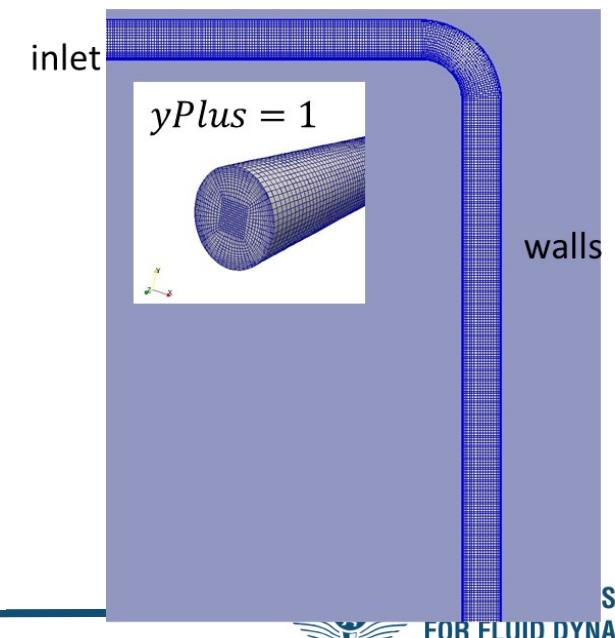
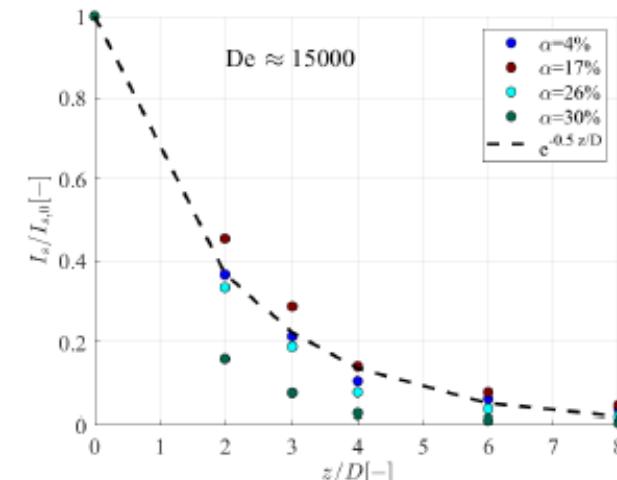
Horizontal pipe section

Simulation of several slurry regimes (i.e. particles distribution) and validation against experimental result.



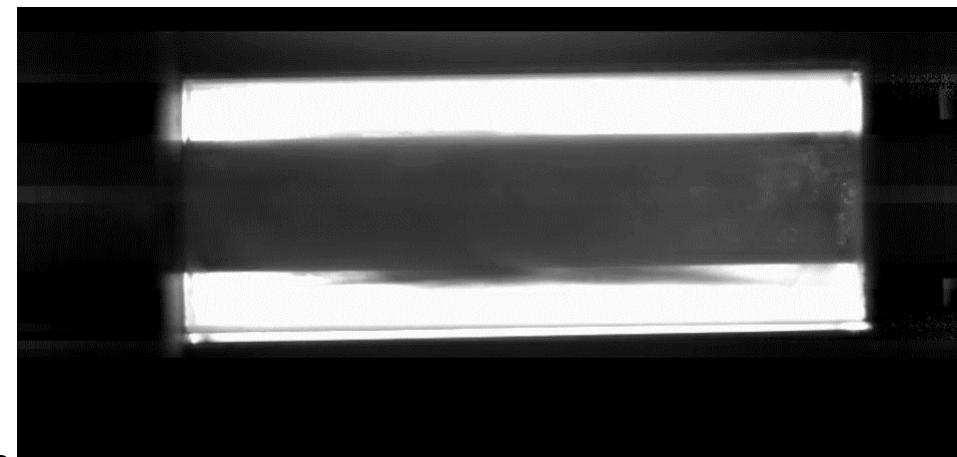
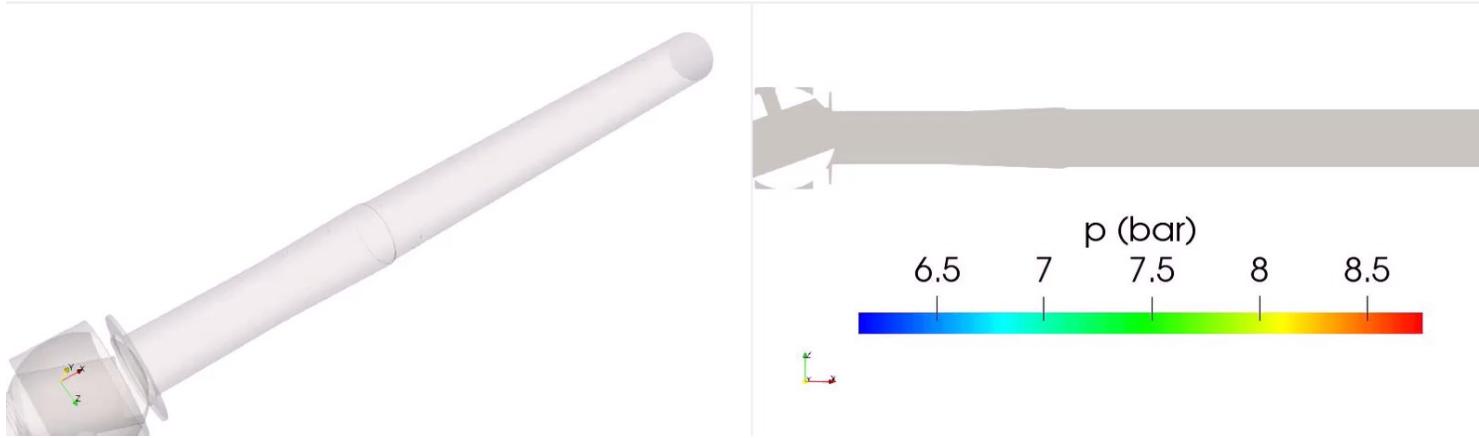
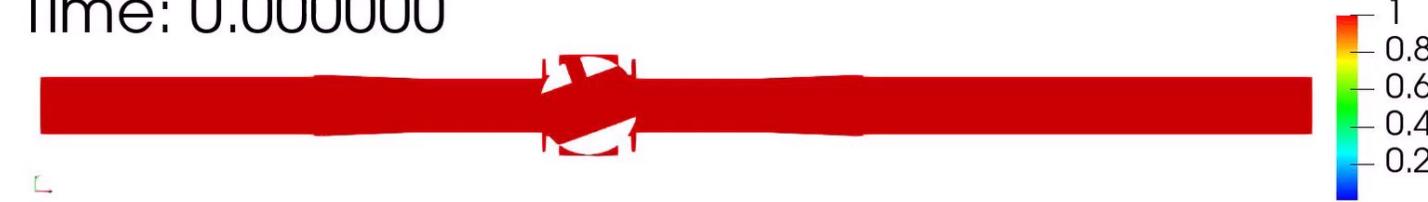
Vertical bend section

Effect of particles on the bend swirl intensity decay



LIQUID NITROGEN CAVITATION

Time: 0.000000



Opening angle: 70 degrees

Total simulation time: 0.08 s

Time step: 5e-7 s

$$p_1 = 6.8 \text{ bar}$$

$$p_2 = 8.7 \text{ bar}$$

$$Q = 0.365 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

$$p_{sat} = 6.9 \text{ bar}$$

Experiment time= 1.3s

$$p_1 = 6.6 \text{ bar}$$

$$p_2 = 8.9 \text{ bar}$$

$$Q = 0.42 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

$$p_{sat} = 7.11 \text{ bar}$$

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