

Developments in Transient Modeling, Moving Mesh, Turbulence and Multiphase Methodologies in OpenFOAM



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TURBULENT (REACTING) FLOWS IN MOVING BOUNDARY PROBLEMS

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) **mesh motion** based on **automatic topological changes**
- 2) algorithms for **decomposition** with topoChanges
- 3) Fast and accurate **transient dynamic solvers**

+ WIDE RANGE OF PHYSICAL SUBMODELS

(turbulence, combustion, chemistry, heat transfer, wall film, multiphase, ...)

waves



BURNING QUESTIONS:

- how to limit the time spent for meshing/pre-processing, preserving the mesh quality
- how to speed up transient dynamic simulations?
- what is the **minimum mesh resolution** for time-resolved turbulence in wall-bounded flows?



CODE DEVELOPMENT DONE AT DIFFERENT LEVELS:

- **meshing**
- **numerical solvers**
- **code parallelization**
- **turbulence modeling**
- **multiphase flows**: VOF single fluid, Eulerian two-fluids, Lagrangian methods
- **sub-models for specific physical problems** (reactive flows, cavitation, ...)

Why OpenFOAM®?



- **Ready-to-use CFD code**

- applications and state-of-the-art models for CFD already available in the code
- polyhedral mesh support
- include mesh generator, conversion from different mesh formats

- **Open-source, object-oriented C++ at no license costs:**

- code customization
- maximum code re-use
- minimum code maintainance
- research in a collaborative environment

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(Cod. 051176, 8 credits. Duration: 3 months)

COURSE CONTENT:

1. **theory** (6 hours/week) about **CFD modeling of turbulent compressible reacting flows**.
2. **exercises/laboratory** (4 hours/week), about the **advanced use of OpenFOAM**. A significant part of this class is devoted to learn how to use the code, to understand its complex object-oriented structure and, finally, to extend its capabilities.

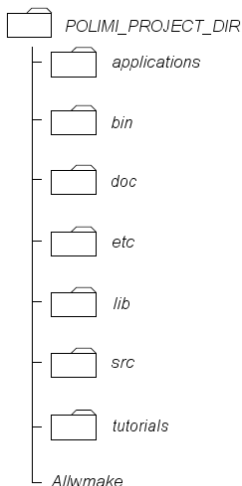


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FIELDS OF APPLICATION are:

- multiphase flows
 - meshing
 - non-linear acoustics
- **VOF injection, lagrangian sprays, wall film** (TODAY's TOPIC)
- reactive flows, IC engines
 - aerospace
 - heat transfer
 - external aerodynamics
 - pollutant dispersion



Code development is organized as a **set of dynamic libraries** in a C++ object-oriented library that replicates the original code structure of OpenFOAM:

- **bug fixes** for the base classes are **cross-compiled** with the original software libraries → maintenance;
 - ALL the original applications/solvers/utilities of the software are implicitly enabled and see the extensions
 - source files of the OpenFOAM® distribution are not changed
- **physical sub-models are linked dynamically at run-time**, accordingly to the standard procedure
- **DAILY** maintenance to preserve compatibility with the latest official release provided by the OpenFOAM Foundation

Architects and core developers of the code are F. Piscaglia and A. Montorfano. Part of the theory and validation of the code is available in their published literature.



Programming:

- GIT version control
- Library structure documented by DOXYGEN
- Module files for compilation on HPC
- Regression testing to ensure code integrity

Computational (HPC) facilities:

- Argonne National Lab
- sponsoring Companies, PRACE, LISA

Parallel Performance: BEBOP Cluster@ANL



352 nodes of **Knights Landing (KNL)**,
Intel(R) **Xeon Phi**^(TM) CPU 7230 @
1.30Ghz, 128 GB/node



ABOUT 25 K CORES IN TOTAL



MAIN FEATURES

- Significant improvement in scalar and vector performance
- 512-bit vector units per core (= 256-bits earlier chips)
- Vector Peak Perf: 3+ TF DP (DP=double precision; TF = TeraFlops)
- Four-way multithreading (64x4)
- Lower power consumption

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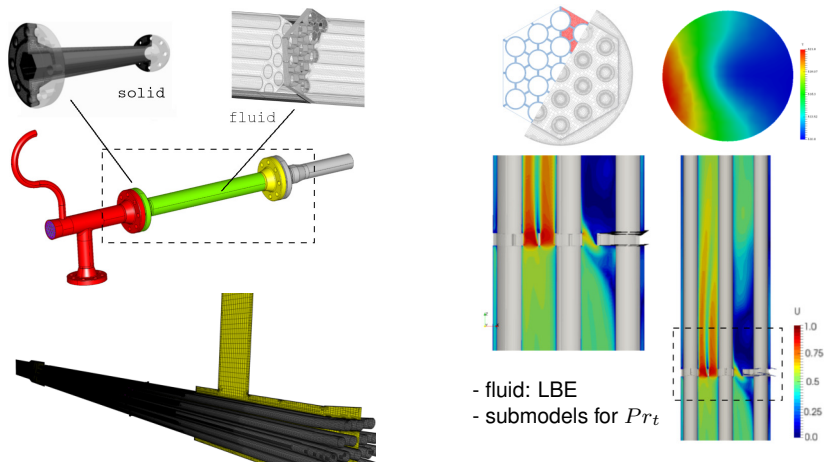
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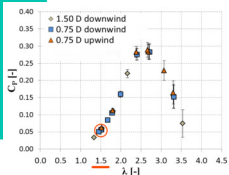
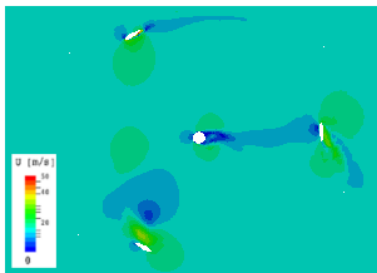
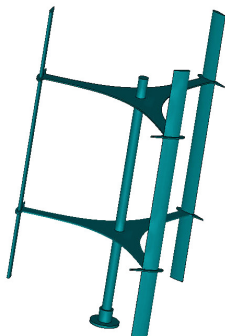
REMOTE VISUALIZATION/POST-PROCESSING:

- remote data processing on HPC
- remote rendering on GPU (NVIDIA Quadro K5000)
- remote visualization by VGL Image Transport

CHT Simulation of IV-Gen Nuclear Reactors in collaboration with ANSALDO Nucleare, ENEA FSN-ING, CRS4 (Italy), NRG (Netherlands).



"CFD Analyses of the Internal Blockage in the NACIE-up fuel pin bundle simulator". The 17th Int. Topical Meeting on Nuclear Reactor Thermal Hydraulics (NURETH-17), Xi'an, China, 2017.

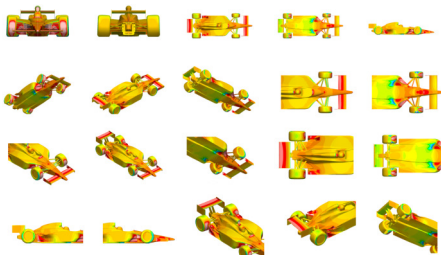


Vertical Axis Wind Turbine (experiments conducted by Turbomachinery Group, PoliMi)

Example of application: H-type Darrieus turbine

- Full-scale simulation with dynamic mesh (AMI)
- Comparison with experiments (global coeffs)
- Transient simulation of turbine start up

A. Montorfano, F. Piscaglia et al. "Application of a Dynamic Model with length scale-dependent RANS/LES hybrid functioning to a Wind Turbine Simulation". **Third Symposium on OpenFOAM® in Wind Energy, 2016**



FULLY-AUTOMATIC WORKFLOW:

case setup and mesh generation



computation



post-processing



report



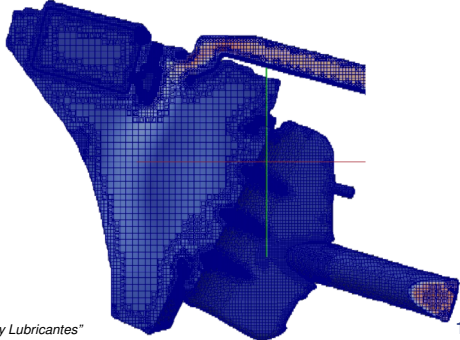
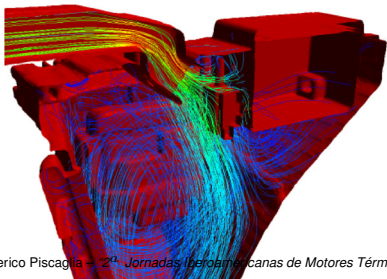
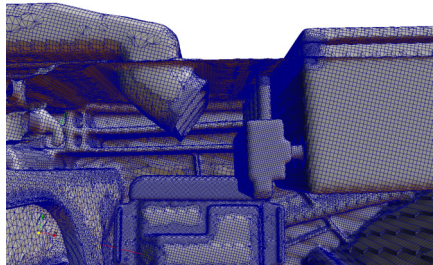
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Intake System Optimization

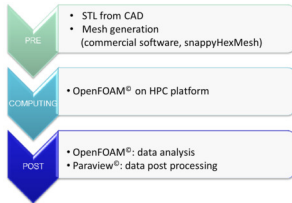
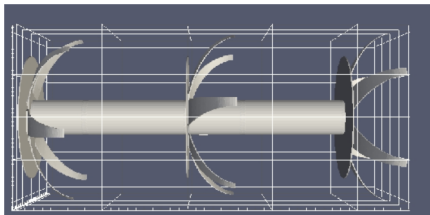


snappyHexMesh

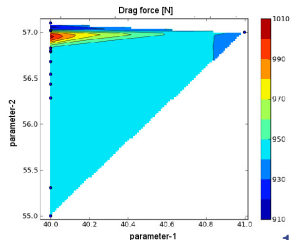
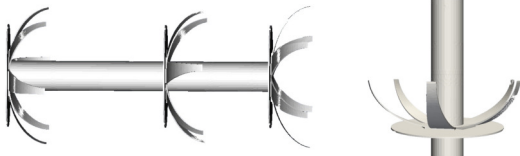
- The FVM method allows polyhedral support: fewer cells per volume, minimal distortion, near-wall layers
- Avoiding user-interaction: **reliable automatic meshing**

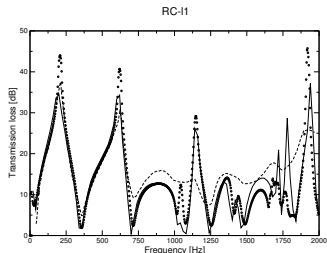


Shape optimization (OpenFOAM+Dakota)

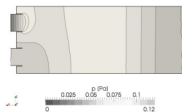


- Optimization loop to find the geometric configuration maximizing the drag of the device, used to monitor pipe systems with high pressure Methane
- **Parametric optimization is performed by coupling OpenFOAM® with DAKOTA**, an open-source Multilevel Parallel Object-Oriented Framework for design optimization

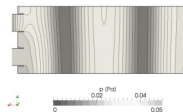




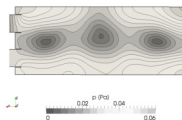
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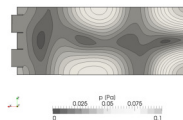
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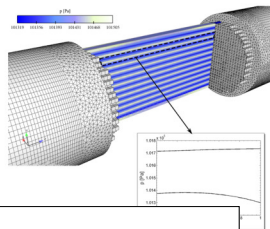
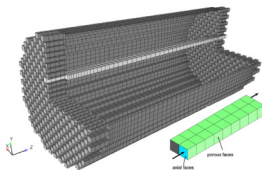
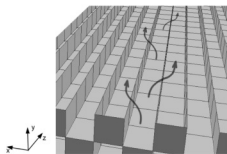


- **Implementation of a true non-reflecting outlet based on the NSCBC theory:** variables are computed on the boundaries by solving the conservation equations as in the inner domain
- absence of reflection is enforced by correcting the amplitude of the ingoing characteristic (wave reflected by the boundary)

F. Piscaglia, A. Montorfano, A. Onorati. "Development of a non-reflecting boundary condition for multi-dimensional non-linear duct acoustic computation", **Journal of Sound and Vibration**, Volume 332, Issue 4, Pages 922-935, ISSN 0022-460X, 10.1016/j.jsv.2012.09.030.

dpfFoam solver for compressible flows through porous media:

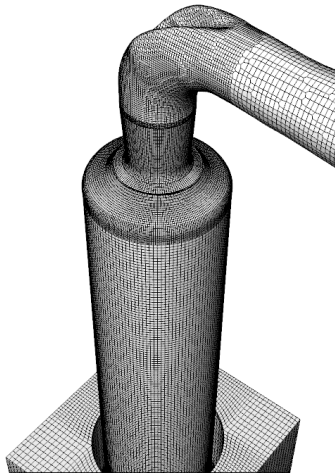
- Explicit staggered and parallel porous solver with friction model
- New internal face condition (`pressureJump`) to model:
 - steady-state propagation of a sudden finite change in flow properties
 - thin membranes with known velocity/pressure-drop characteristics, by the implementation of the Darcy law
- Implementation of the transport equations for soot, filtration and deposition model
- automatic mesh generation and case setup
- **Validation** against experiments^{1,2}



¹ F. Piscaglia, A. Montorfano et al. **SAE Technical Paper 2009-01-1965**

² F. Piscaglia, A. Montorfano et al. **SAE Technical Paper 2009-24-0137**

- 1) In-house Hexa-block mesh generator
- 2) Support for ANY mesh motion strategy in a single run:
 - automatic with topological changes
 - cell deformation/stretching + mesh-to-mesh interp.
- 3) Point motion solver
- 4) In-cylinder flow simulation:
 - piston crevice and blow-by modeling
 - modifications to piston motion, conrod deformation
 - real gas effects
 - dynamic specie transport (DST) with reactive flows for f
- 5) support for Lagrangian particle tracking
- 6) Finite-Volume Wall-Film treatment
- 7) Turbulence modeling: RANS, LES, PANS, scale-adaptive
- 8) Post-processing

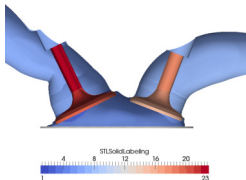


→ Full Engine-cycle simulation in 1 day

Mesh-to-mesh interpolation

Starting from the desired CAD geometry in Stereolithography (STL) format, a discrete number of triangulated surface geometries are generated in order to cover the entire full cycle simulation:

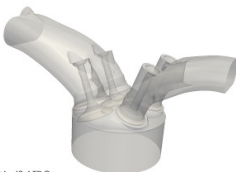
- **Step 1:** the template STL file is generated by separating different patches, to allow for the subsequent geometry modification, mesh local refinements and boundary condition assignments;



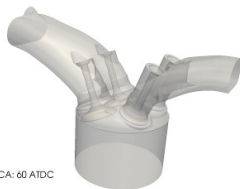
- **Step 2:** desired CA geometry is generated moving valves and piston patches of the STL file according to data (utility `surfaceEngineCreate`)



CA: 20 ATDC



CA: 40 ATDC



CA: 60 ATDC

- **Step 3:** the mesh is generated by `snappyHexMesh`.

Mesh-to-mesh interpolation

Starting from
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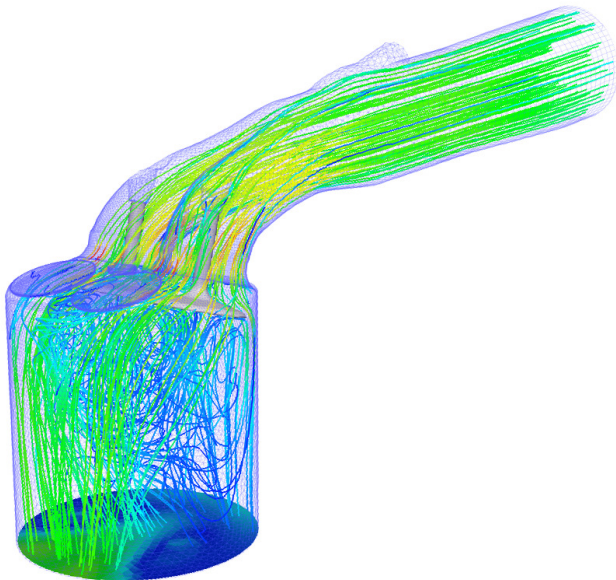
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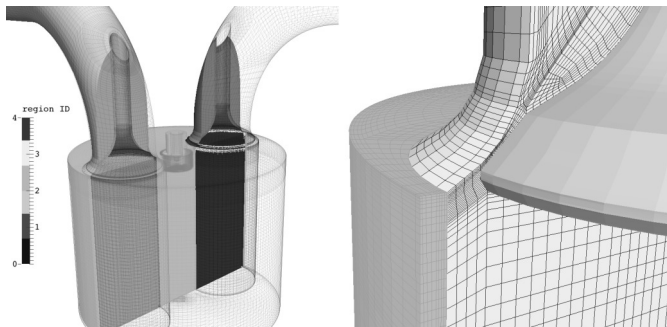
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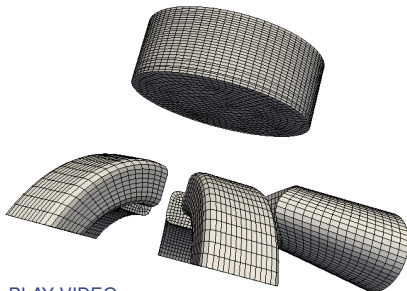
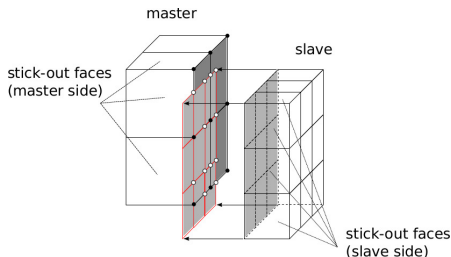


- Combination of different methods to handle non-conformal interfaces (IMEM 2015) (significant increase of speed of the mesh motion):
 - valve opening/closure → target-mesh approach (attachDetach)
 - sliding valve → supermesh approach (AMI)
- Integration of the several methodologies for mesh motion together with `layerAdditionRemoval` in one single fluid-dynamic solver

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Two-stroke Engines



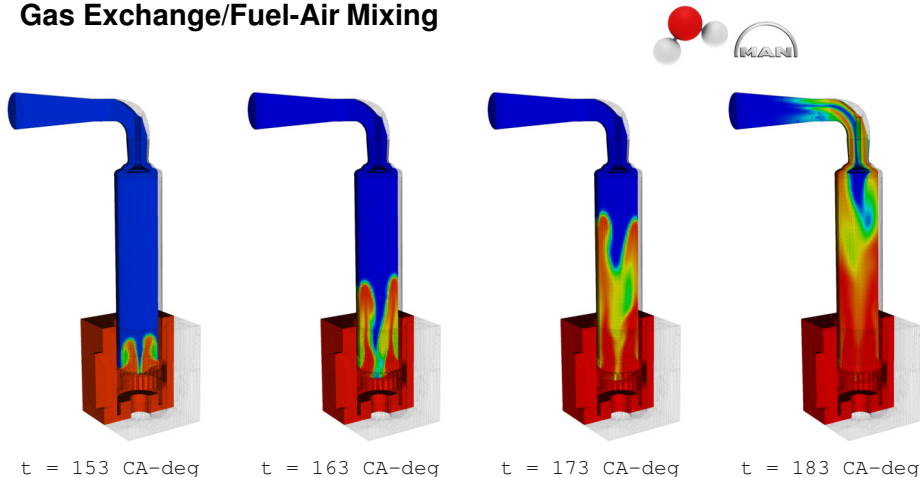
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- 1) **Different mesh motion strategies** in a single run:
 - automatic with topological changes
 - cell deformation/stretching + mesh-to-mesh interp.
- 2) **support any** `fvMotionSolvers`;
- 3) **2nd-order accuracy in time with topoChanges**;
- 4) **full integration** of the dynamic mesh handling with ANY existing solver in OpenFOAM®;
- 5) **fully-automatic workflow**

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Gas Exchange/Fuel-Air Mixing

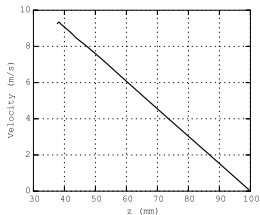
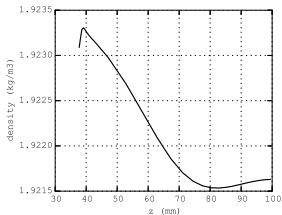
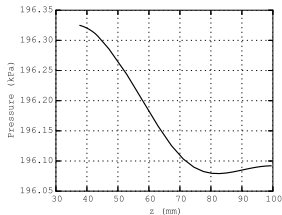


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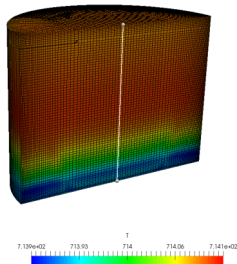
Dynamic solvers: conservativeness



Compressible flow case



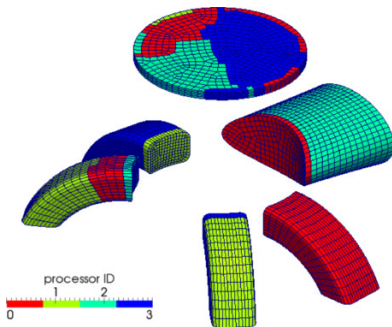
- solver type: PISO (convergence not forced by `outerCorrectors`)
- `layerAdditionRemoval`
- GCL obeyed
- no discontinuity in the conserved variables (U , p and T) over the added/removed layers is observed
- improved energy conservation, scalar transport and continuity across topological changes with *2nd-order discretization in time*



Decomposition Method with TopoChanges



With parallelised topological changes, reference between initial global mesh and processor mesh is lost during simulation and cannot be implied.



SOLUTION:

- with topological changes, constrained decomposition must be performed;
- global mesh is built from scratch, adding cells in order of processor index and assemble mapping data;
- fields on reconstructed mesh can be assembled or decomposed as before

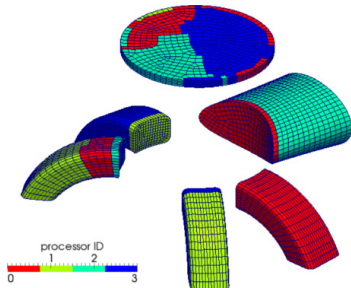
Related publications: **SAE 2013-01-0024**, **IMEM 2013**, **SAE 2015-01-0384**

Automatic Constrained Decomposition



MAIN FEATURES:

- scotch/metis algorithm used as base algorithms for decomposition;
- implemented automatic algorithm interacts with the base decomposition method, automatically;
- cell decomposition over multiple processors is based on cell/face addressing, to minimize processor communications and to ensure optimal processor load balancing.



ADVANTAGES:

- Fully automated: minimum effort required to the user with topological changes

LIMITATIONS:

- Optimal solution when the calculation load is uniformly distributed

When complex sub-models (chemistry, cavitation,...) are involved together with topological changes, possible options are:

- [automatic algorithm with specification of the load distribution](#)
- **semi-automatic methods** → ICMF2016



Faster and Open Engine Simulations for Automotive Industry

The open-source code OpenFOAM, for computational fluid dynamics (CFD) simulation, has been applied to study the evolution of turbulence in the compression and expansion phases of internal combustion engines. Turbulence affects the combustion process in the engine and, hence, its performance and emission levels. Detailed simulation of internal combustion engines requires the tools required for optimization, development and prototyping. The automotive industry is closely following the results of the research.

Unsteady Engine Analysis with Moving Mesh in OpenFOAM

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The fluid-dynamics on the internal combustion engines, both open and closed, is a significant aspect of the engine performance that since 1980s an engine is often designed to enhance efficiency the aerodynamic efficiency in order to bring unsteady and transient loads.

Recently, researchers have been investigating the models based on Pointwise Unsteady Navier-Stokes equations (UNSE), either in their original version or in the unsteady form (UNSE-U) for unsteady engine analysis. In recent simulation IC engine operation, UNSE approaches have been used to create an unsteady engine analysis for both. However, because of the high order of the mesh and the unsteady, such approach will need more CPU for the unsteady case of the unsteady engine simulation in order to be carried out. In this paper, a model based on the unsteady Navier-Stokes equations (UNSE-U) is used. The model was developed here to investigate the unsteady engine simulation, both in unsteady (UNSE-U) and in unsteady (UNSE-U) simulation. The model is used to simulate the unsteady engine simulation in the unsteady case of the unsteady engine simulation. The model is used to simulate the unsteady engine simulation in the unsteady case of the unsteady engine simulation.

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INVITED KEYNOTE AT

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- **PRACE DIGEST, Feb 2013**: development on **LES of IC Engines in OpenFOAM on large problems with moving boundaries** highlighted as reference for very fast and scalable implementations;
- **The Connector (POINTWISE), July 2014**: **dynamic mesh handling** highlighted as reference methodology for the simulation of IC engines:

<http://www.pointwise.com/theconnector/July-2014/Unsteady-Engine-Analysis.shtml>

- **keynote talk** at the **4th annual OpenFOAM User Conference 2016** by **ESI-OpenCFD**
<https://www.esi-group.com/company/events/2016/4th-annual-openfoam-user-conference-2016>
- **keynote talk** at the **VERIFI Workshop**, Argonne National Lab, 2016

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Internal Nozzle Flow

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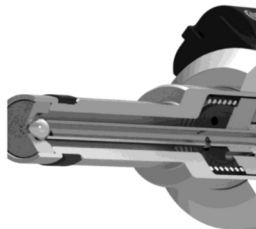
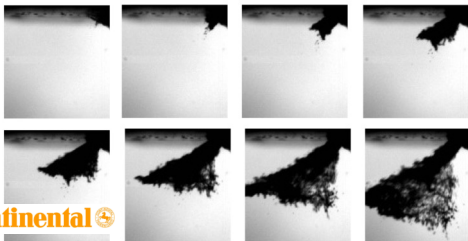


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WHY

More efficient combustion and reduction of the emission limits → GDI Engines



HOW

Improved design of GDI injectors. Main focus on:

- **INJECTOR GEOMETRY**: for spray characteristics (and fuel/air mixing!);
- **INTERNAL NOZZLE FLOW PHYSICS**: for primary breakup of the liquid jet.

Parametric tests to characterize the injector operation based on:

- injection pressure: 30 to 200 bar
- nozzle geometry
- needle opening strategy
- fuel composition



Test operated at two different conditions:

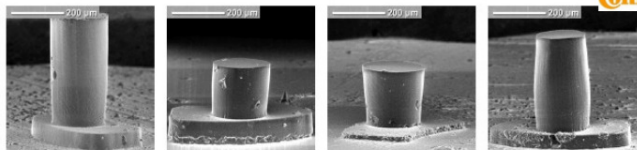
- **STATIC**: full needle opening
- **TRANSIENT**: needle opening and closure

Static needle operation



Simulations of different nozzle configurations under **STATIC** conditions:

- average grid size: ≈ 20 Million cells/simulation
- simulation time: up to 2 days, 512 cores (KNL)

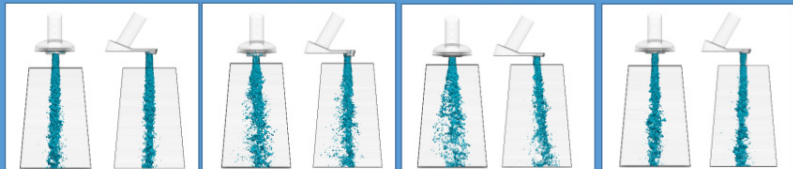


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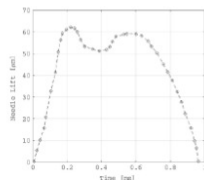
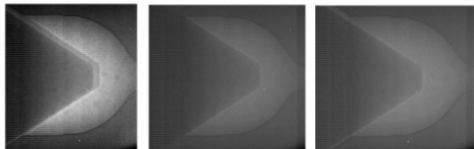
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Transient conditions (opening/closure)

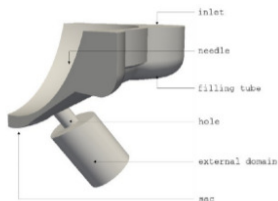
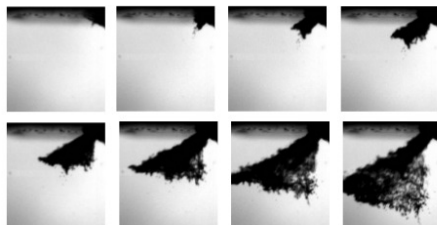


HIGH-SPEED X-RAY IMAGING OF INJECTOR NEEDLE MOTION (TRANSIENT)



Over 100 geometries to test!

HIGH-SPEED CAMERA VISUALIZATION OF PRIMARY ATOMIZATION IN SPRAYS

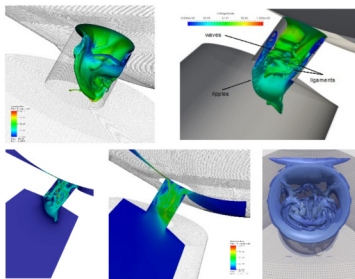
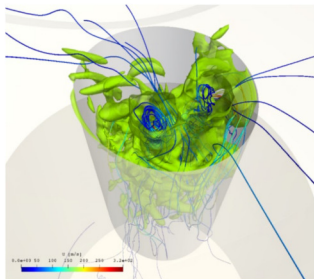


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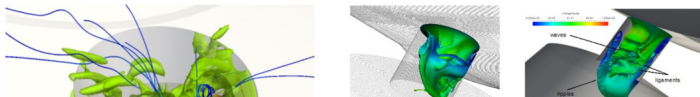


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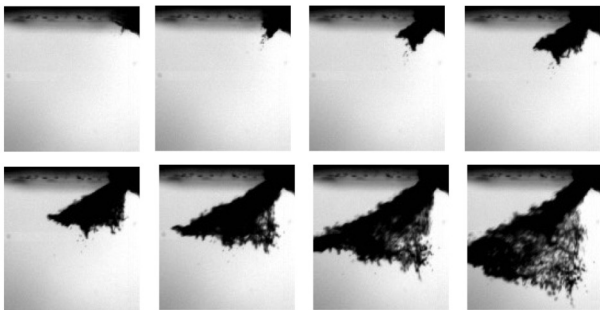
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... and for **HIGH-FIDELITY (LES) simulations**: linear code scalability on large clusters, automatic offline efficient pre/post processing and automatic report generation, specific decomposition methods to improve load balancing.



Why a 3-phase (with phase-change) solver?



In GDI injectors, phase change involves:

liquid fuel \longleftrightarrow fuel vapor
AIR is inert

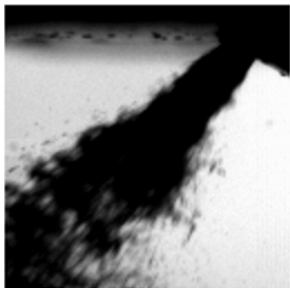
The gas phase (air + vapor) must be modeled as two separated phases, to track the evolution of the air and the fuel-vapor and to properly account for condensation:

- at the nozzle exit and in regions near swirling cavitation;
- at the needle closure (transient simulations, dynamic mesh)

Do not use a 2-phase (with cavitation) solver!



This is what happens to use a 2-phase solver (`interPhaseChangeFoam`) to model fuel injection with cavitation...



Experiments



3-phase VOF

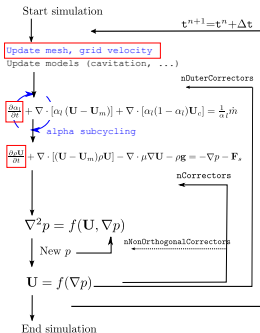


`interPhaseChangeFoam`
(without ad-hoc tuning...)

Modeling condensation with a two-phase single-component solver (like `interPhaseChangeFoam`) might potentially favor the conversion of air (gaseous) into liquid fuel in the condensing regions, introducing a significant error in the calculation of the liquid phase fraction.

F. Piscaglia, F. Giussani, A. Montorfano, J. Helie, S.M. Aithal. "A MultiPhase Dynamic-VoF Solver to Model Primary Jet Atomization and Cavitation inside High-Pressure Fuel Injectors using OpenFOAM". **Accepted for publication on Acta Aeronautica (Elsevier), 2018**

Why a 3-phase (with phase-change) solver?



Segregated, single fluid, 3-phase VOF solver

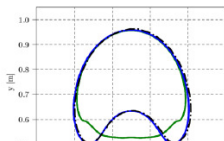
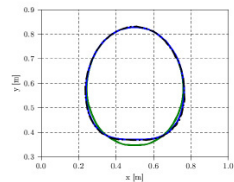
- accounts for **1 immiscible fluid and 2 miscible fluids**
- support phase change/cavitation;
- revised formulation of the **interface curvature**;
- **surface tension**: enhanced **formulation for 3-phases**;
- dynamic mesh support w/wo topological changes;
- supports ANY turbulence model (LES, hybrid, RANS)

VOF is an interface tracking method. In the transport of the void fraction, used to track each phase in OpenFOAM, **a convection-based term compresses the interface and preserves boundedness.**

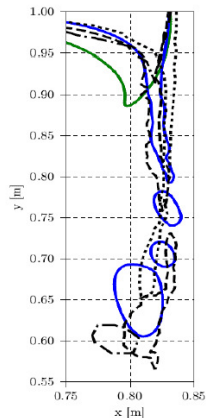
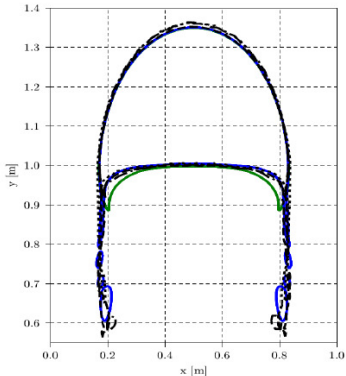
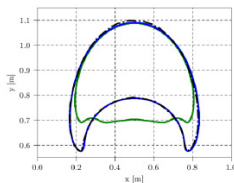
- allow for interface tracking, accurate predictions of the spray morphology
- computational cost still reasonable (single fluid approach)

Several VOF solvers are available in OpenFOAM, but **none of them** is suitable to model phase change (i.e. cavitation) **with more than 2 phases** in high pressure fuel injection.

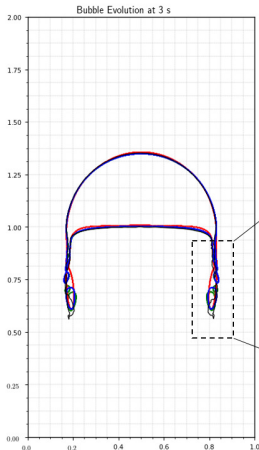
Surface curvature: effect on the void fraction



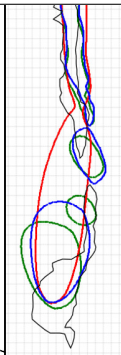
STANDARD vs **NEW**
curvature formulation



Validation: numerical test case



NOTE: two-phase VOF seems to perform slightly better, but the case is though for two phases; numerical diffusion increases proportionally with the number of phases.

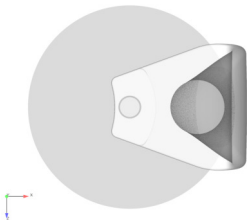


- Benchmark
- 2-phase VOF
- 3-phase (surf. tension: standard)
- **3-phase (surf. tension: enhanced)**

Experiments: Transparent GLASS Nozzles

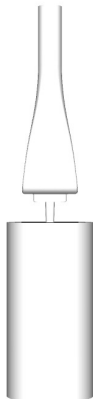


Ad-hoc built glass **TRANSPARENT** nozzles for **code validation**.



Experiments (Dr. N. Lamarque):

- 10 ad-hoc built configurations
- laser and high-speed camera visualizations



CAD generation:

Sketch with
manufacturing tolerances

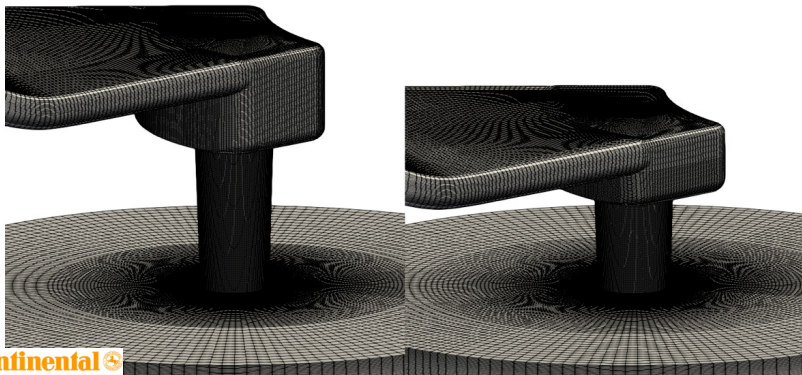
→ real injector → X-Ray measurements → CAD for simulations

ID-3 and ID-10 Injector configurations



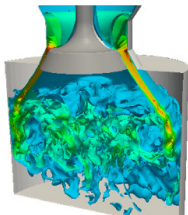
Ambient domain in radial direction ($r=0.75$ mm)

- 0 - 0.25 mm fine mesh [$5e-07$ - $2e-06$] \approx 3.8M cells
- 0.25 - 0.5 mm medium refinement [$2e-06$ - $1e-05$] \approx 2.7M cells
- 0.5 - 75 mm coarse mesh [$1e-05$ - $2e-05$] \approx 740K cells



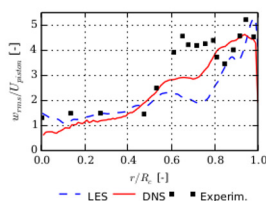
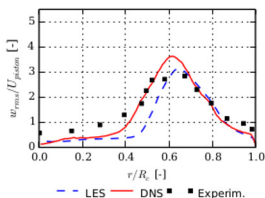
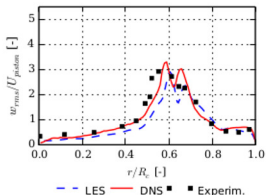
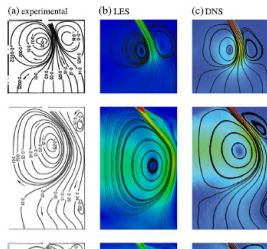
Continental

LARGE EDDY SIMULATION OF IN-CYLINDER FLOWS

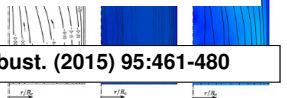


Comparison of streamlines at :

- 36° CA
- 90° CA
- 144° CA
- 270° CA

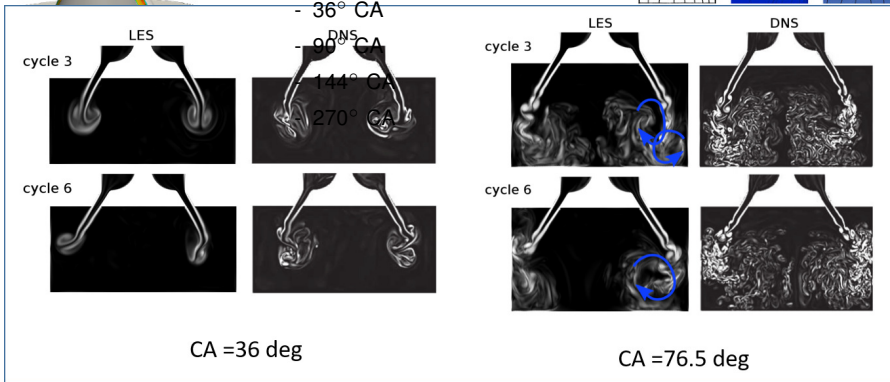
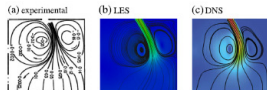


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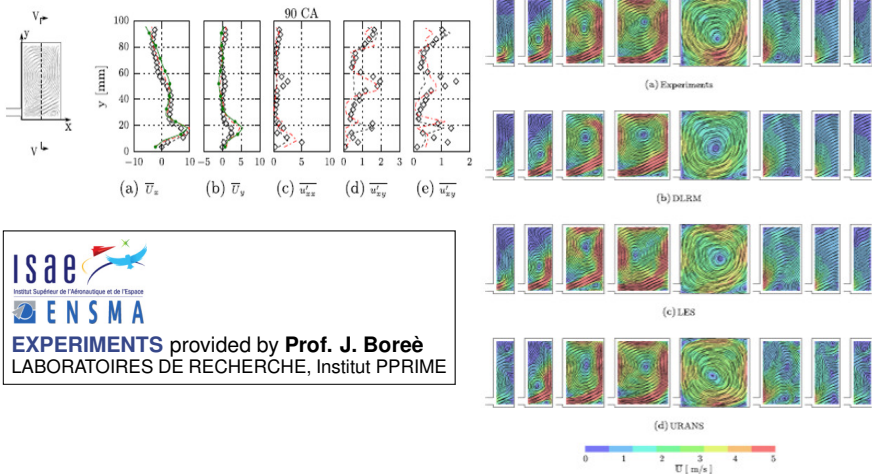
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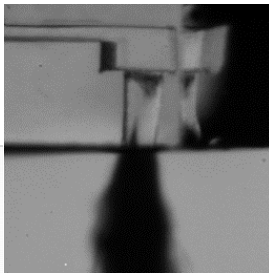
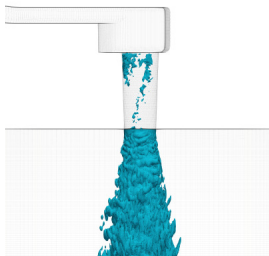
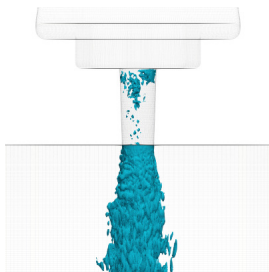
HYBRID RANS/LES SIMULATION of IN-CYLINDER FLOWS



3-Phase Solver - Conf. ID 3



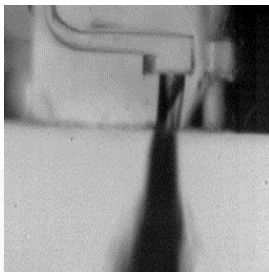
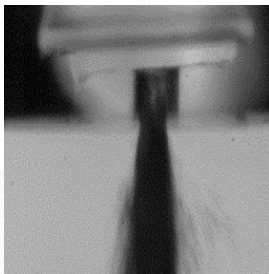
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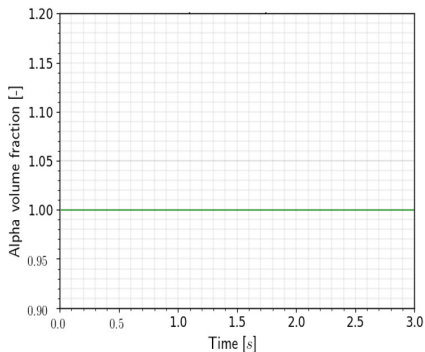
3-Phase Solver - Conf. ID 10



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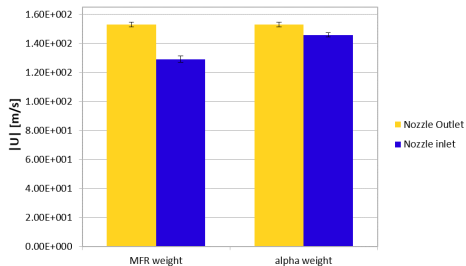


Boundedness and conservativeness

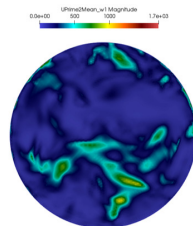


Volume void fraction is naturally bounded
(and conserved) over the all domain

Velocity Magnitude at the Nozzle Ends



Nozzle Inlet U RMS



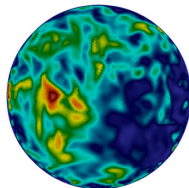
Weighted Mass Flow Rate:

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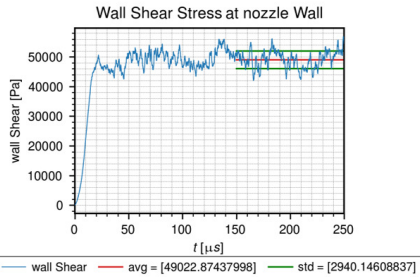
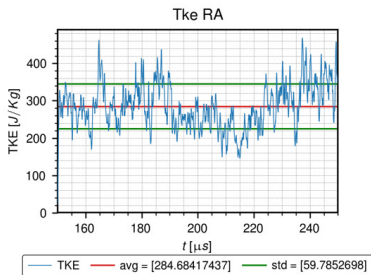
Weighted α (void fraction):

$$\langle \alpha \rangle = \left\langle \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{U}_i| \alpha_{l,i} |\vec{A}_i|}{\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{l,i} |\vec{A}_i|} \right\rangle$$

Nozzle Outlet U RMS



Spray analytics: few examples

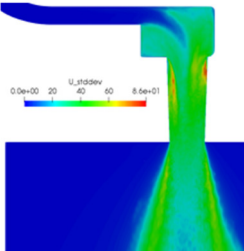
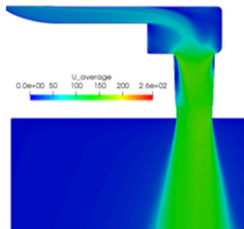
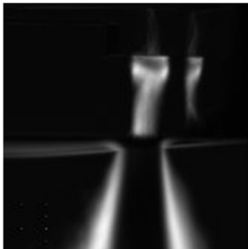
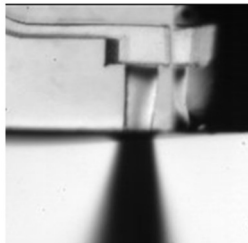


$$\frac{\int TKE_{FA} \langle \rho |\vec{U} \cdot d\vec{A}| \rangle}{\int \langle \rho |\vec{U} \cdot d\vec{A}| \rangle} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |TKE_{FA} \langle \rho_i |\vec{U}_i \cdot \vec{A}_i| \rangle|}{\sum_{i=1}^n \langle \rho_i |\vec{U}_i \cdot \vec{A}_i| \rangle}$$

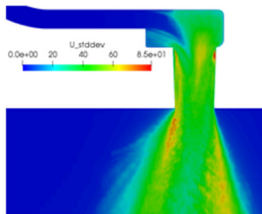
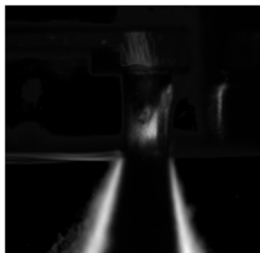
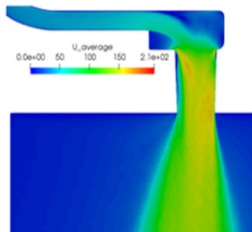
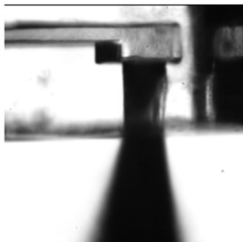
$$\left\langle \left| \frac{1}{A} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\bar{\tau}}{\rho} \right)_i \rho_i |A_i| \right| \right\rangle$$

+ over 50 quantities monitored. Automatic checks on the monitored quantities is performed (**OPTIMIZATION**).

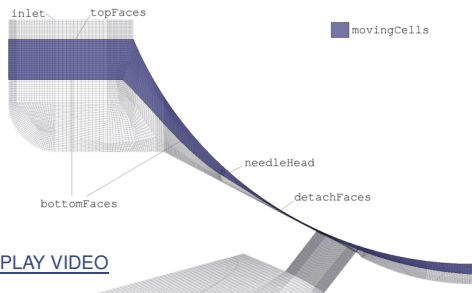
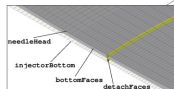
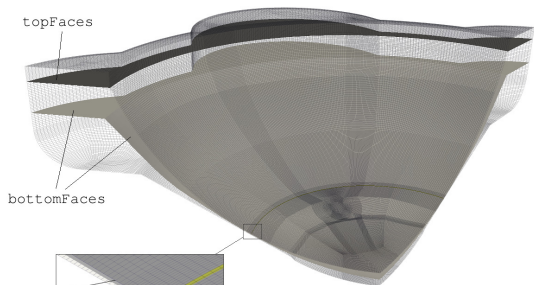
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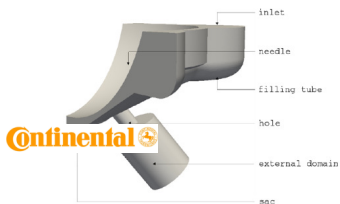
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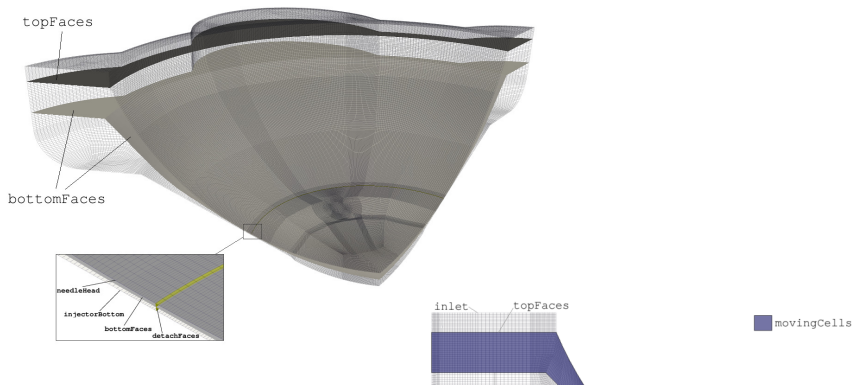


Needle transients



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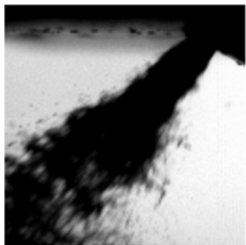
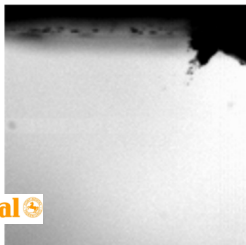


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XL3.0 GDi Injector - Transient Simulation

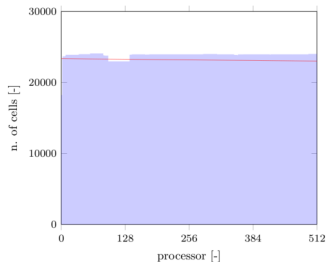
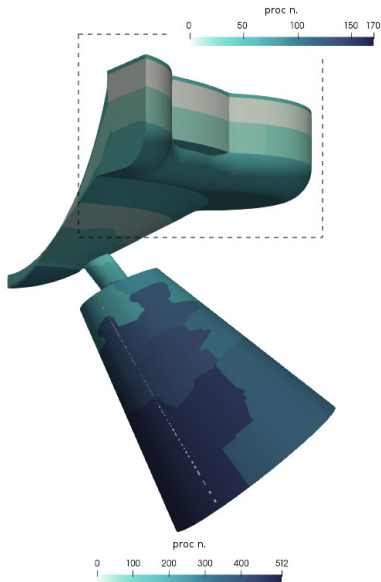


EXPERIMENTS



SIMULATIONS

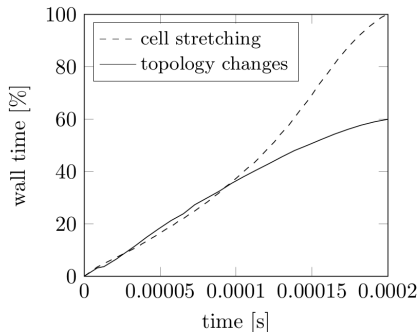




Massive parallelization with constrains from dynamicMesh handling 512 cores, 25M cells)



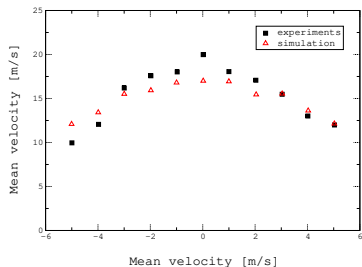
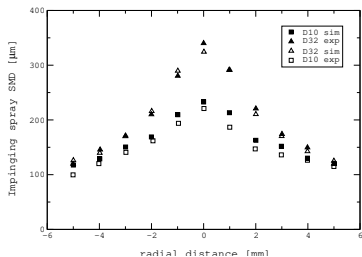
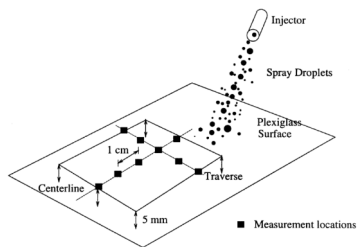
CONSISTENT SPEED-UP (min 5x on large grids)



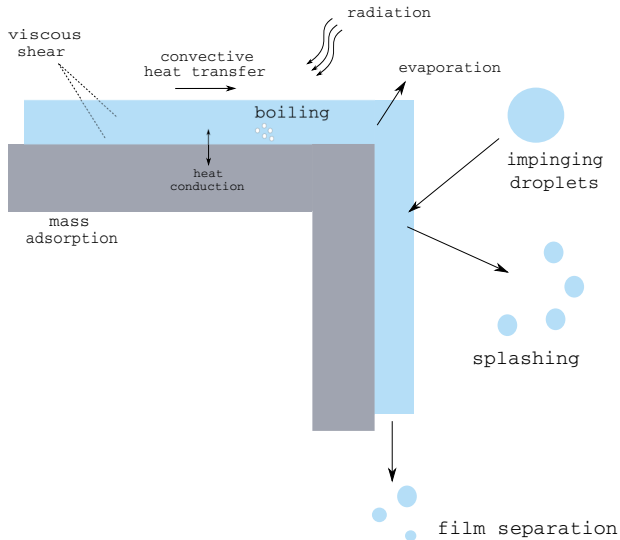
VOF Injection simulation: **solver performance with two different mesh motion strategies.**
Test carried out on 512 cores, 20 M cells.



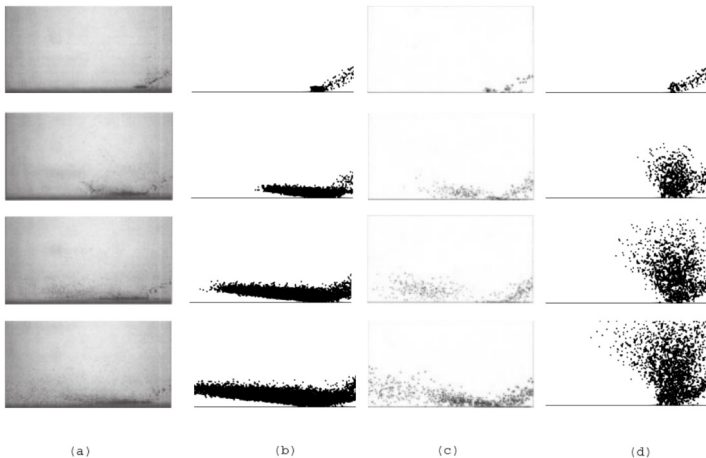
Lagrangian/Wall-Film Modeling



Authors	Models
L. Siebers	$\theta = 2 \operatorname{atan} \left(C_{\theta} \left(\left(\frac{\rho_a}{\rho_f} \right)^{0.19} - 0.0043 \left(\frac{\rho_a}{\rho_f} \right)^{0.5} \right) \right)$
P. Cheng et al.	$\theta = \operatorname{acos} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+TMR^2}} \right)$
S. C. Kong et al.	$\theta = 2 \operatorname{atan} \left(\frac{4\pi}{A} \sqrt{\frac{P_a}{\rho_g}} f(T) \right)$
J. M. Arrègles et al.	$\theta = 2 \operatorname{atan} \left((d_0)^{0.508} (P_{inj})^{0.00943} (\rho_g)^{0.335} \right)$
M. Arai et al.	$\theta = 0.05 \left(\frac{\rho_g (P_{inj} - P_g) d_0^2}{\mu_g^2} \right)^{0.25}$

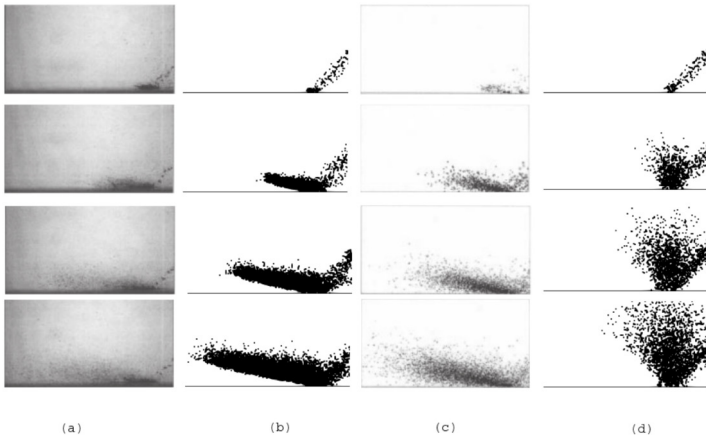


Spray angle = 30°



a) experiments; b) LibPoliMi; c) KIVA-3V; d) OpenFOAM (standard)

Spray angle = 45°

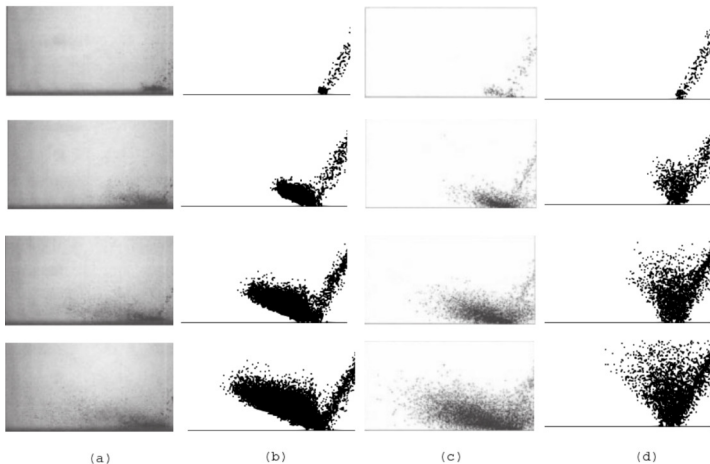


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Lagrangian/Wall-Film Modeling



Spray angle = 60°



a) experiments; b) [LibPoliMi](#); c) KIVA-3V; d) OpenFOAM (standard)



OpenFOAM is an ideal platform for research in CFD in **ACADEMIA**:

- most of the **state-of-the-art models** are already included and established in the code;
- it is **open-source**;
- the **object-oriented c++** structure allows a layered programming, which favors collaboration among different individuals: physical models are mostly compiled as dynamic c++ libraries and are easy to share among different developments.

Continuous development of OpenFOAM **by the principal developers** (and by the community) makes the code mature, stable and able to compete with the most established commercial CFD codes; for this reason, OpenFOAM has become a common tool also in **INDUSTRY**.

The aim of the work was to provide examples of the potential of OpenFoam and of its customization/extension by describing the implementation of a set of dynamic C++ libraries grouped in a **general purpose library** for the simulation of complex problems involving moving boundaries.



Thank you for your attention!

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