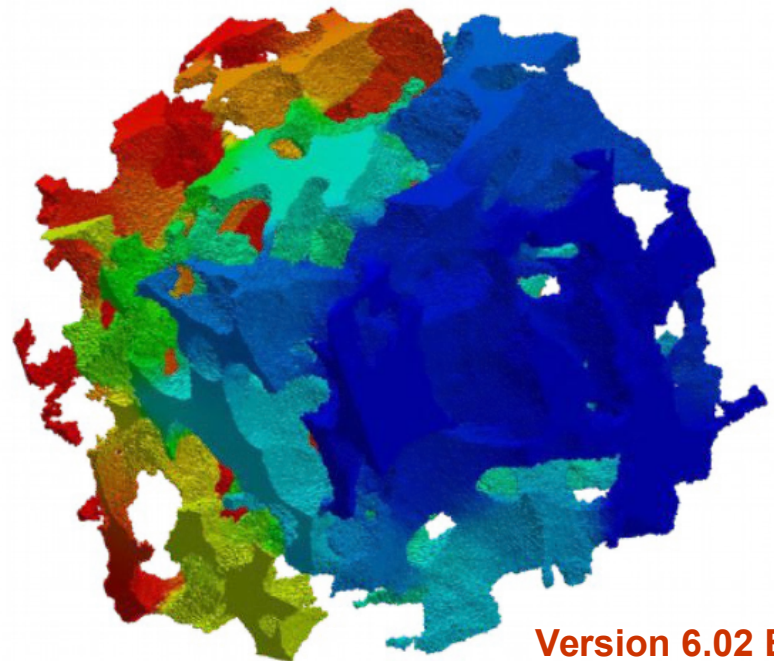


# Introduction to open-source computational fluid dynamics using OpenFOAM® technology

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Cyprien has delivered training courses for OpenFOAM® to more than two hundred students, researchers, engineers both in academia and industry.

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# Objectives

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- Have an overview of the OpenFOAM® capabilities
- Be able to find help and documentation
- Know how to start and post-treat a simulation from existing tutorials
- Start your own simulation by modifying existing tutorials
- Understand what is behind the solvers to identify the most suitable solver for your specific problem
- Program your own solver by modifying an existing solver
- Join the OpenFOAM® adventure...

## **General introduction to OpenFOAM® technology**

- *What is OpenFOAM®?*
- *Where can I find help and documentation?*

## **First simulations with OpenFOAM®**

- *General structure of an OpenFOAM® case*
- *#1 – Heat diffusion*
- *#2 – Cavity*
- *#3 – Poiseuille flow*
- *#4 – Drainage experiment in a capillary tube*

## **How to mesh complex geometries with OpenFOAM®?**

- *snappyHexMesh overview*
- *#5 – Mesh a pore-space with snappyHexMesh*
- *#6 – Scalar transport in porous media at the pore-scale*

## **Programming equations with OpenFOAM®**

- *General structure of an application*
- *Basics of OpenFOAM programming*

## **Transport in porous media with OpenFOAM®**

- *#8 – Create a « Darcy » solver*
- *#9 – Temperature in porous media*
- *#9 – Customize boundary conditions*
- *#10 – Two-equations model for heat transfer in porous media*

**How to solve Navier-Stokes equation with OpenFOAM®?**

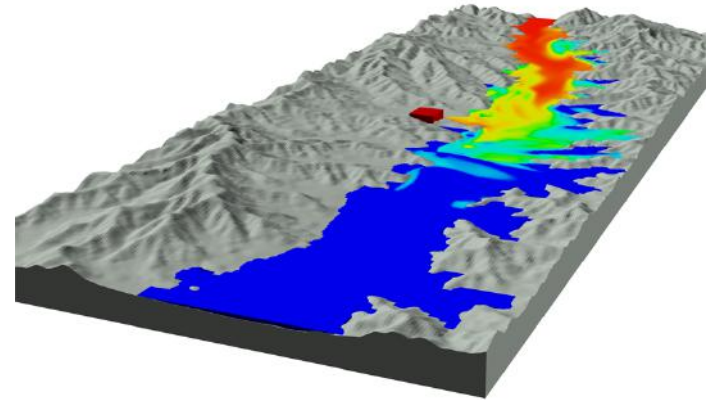


# From real life to numerical models

Real life

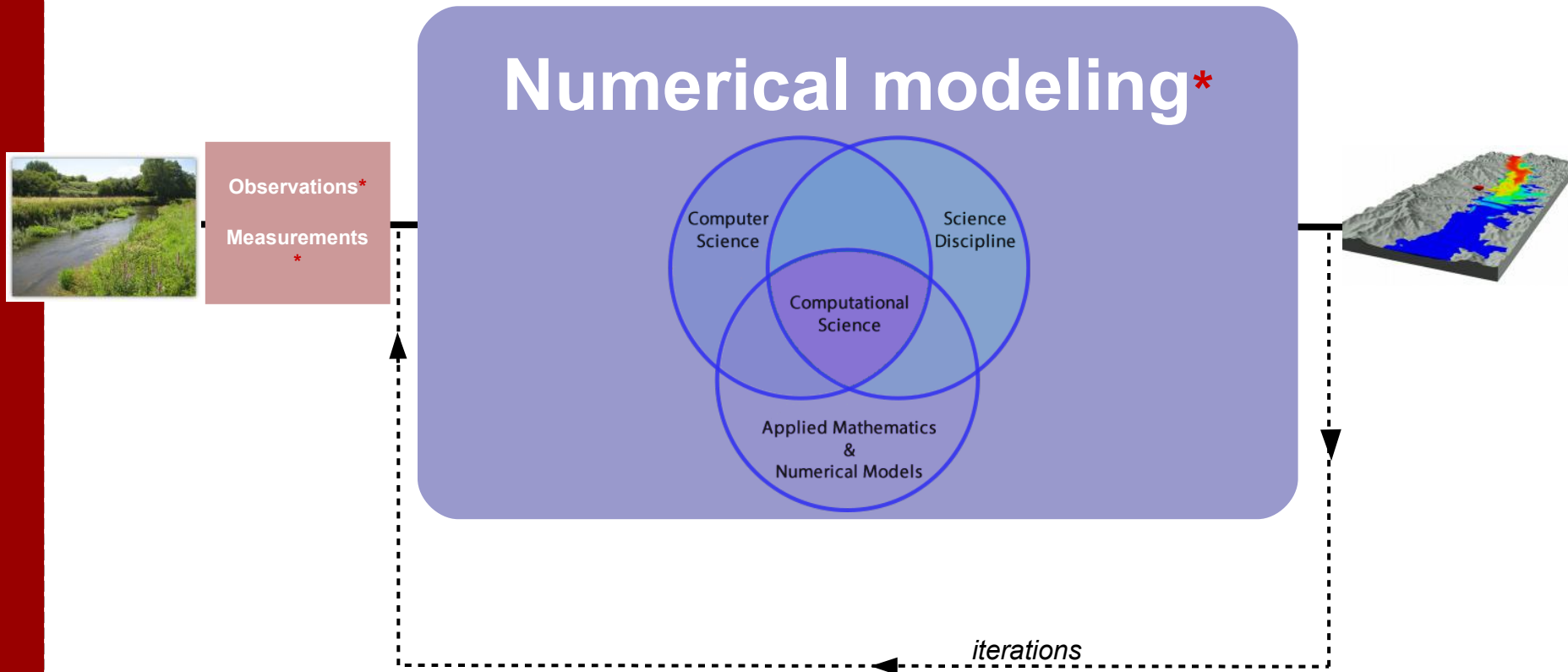


Numerical model



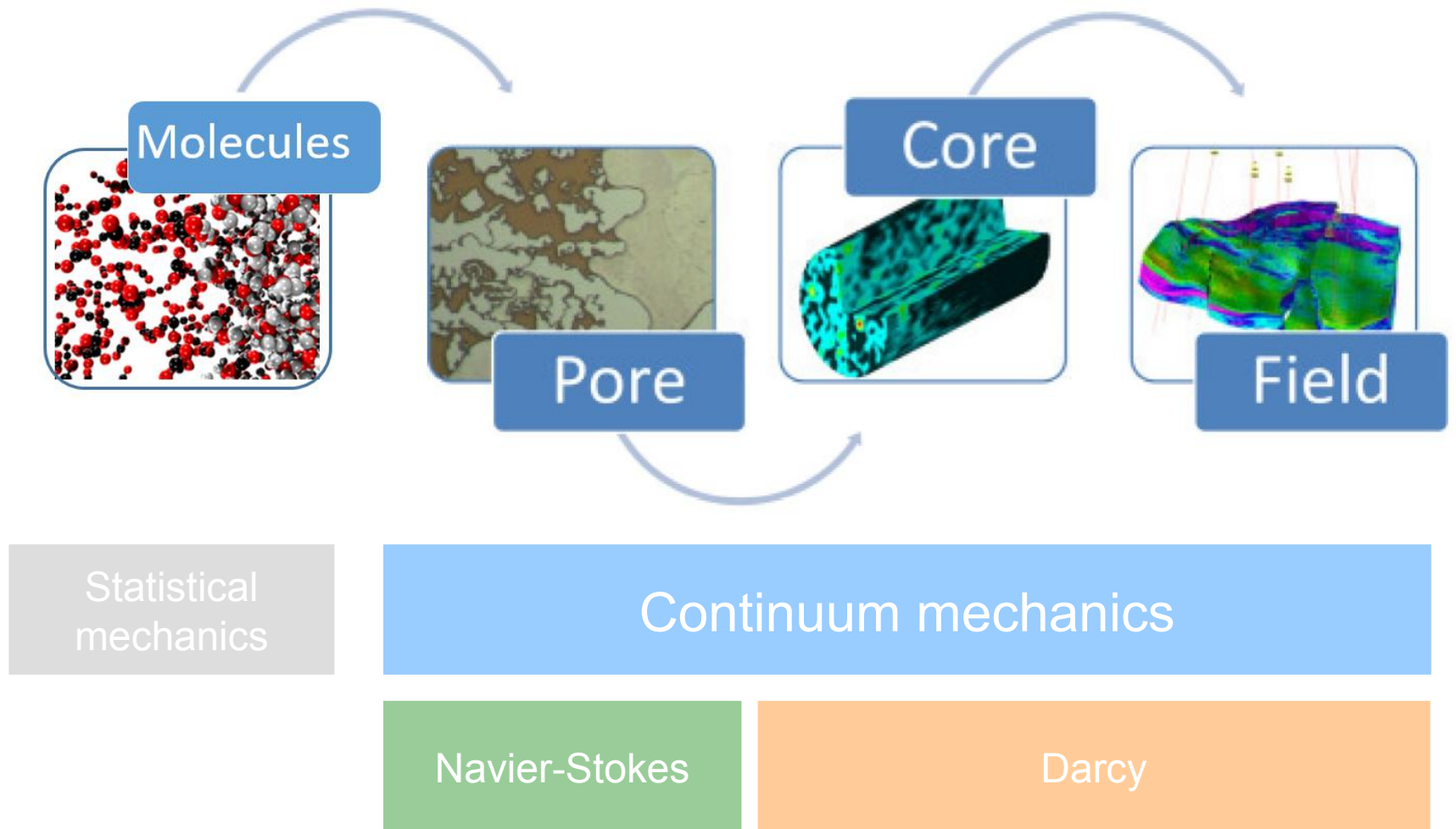
- Predictive models,
- Numerical experiments,
- Simulate complex problems where experiments are difficult or impossible (large scales, long period of time, nuclear reactors...)
- Perform optimization (shape, sensitivity analysis, process...)

# Numerical modeling



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# Multi-scale modeling



OpenFOAM®







# What is OpenFOAM® ?



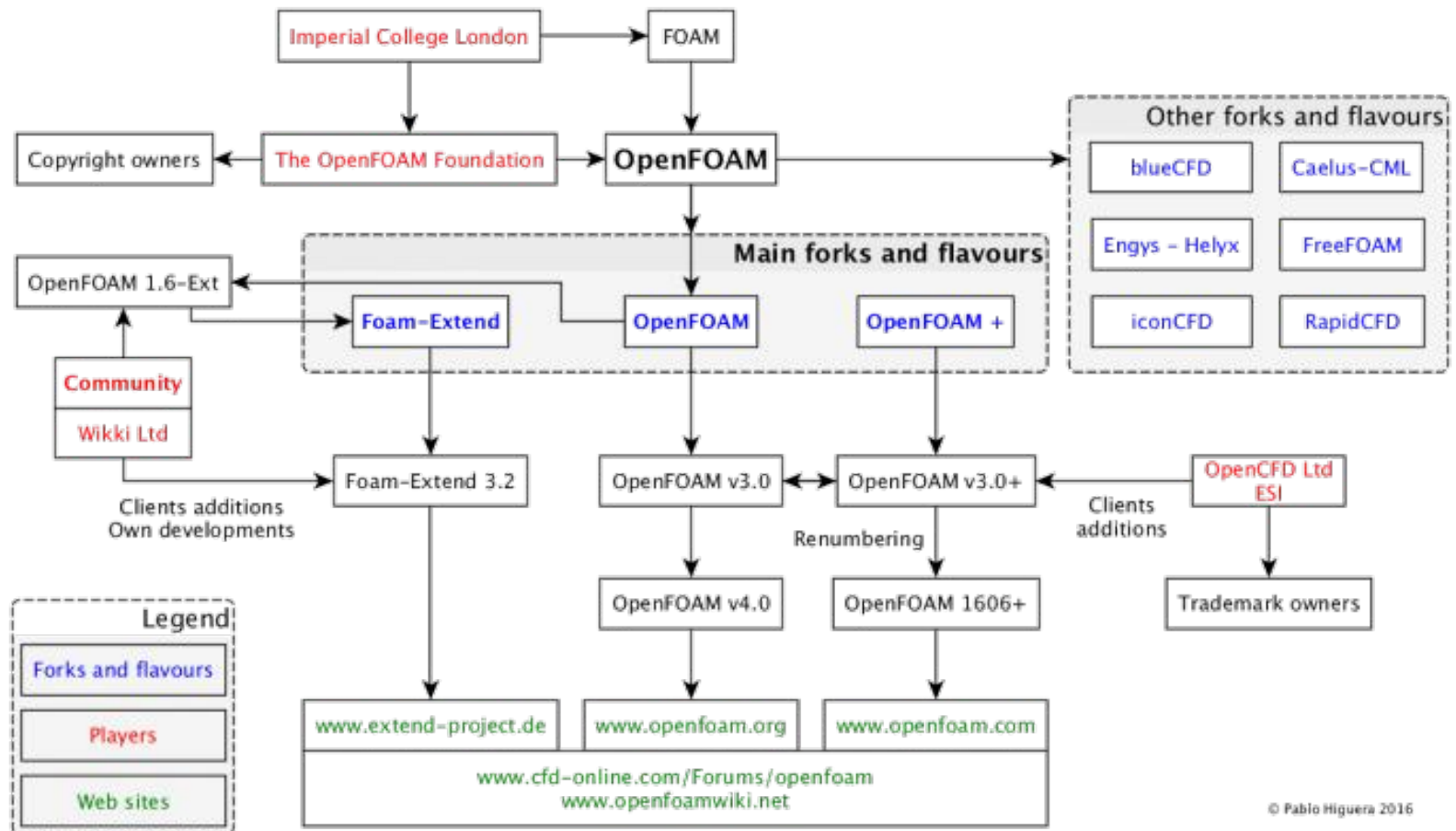
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- Solve the Partial Differential Equations using the finite volumes method
- Multiphysic simulation platform mainly devoted to fluid flow
- Manage 3D geometries by default
- Open-source software developed in C++ (object-oriented programming)
- Can be freely download at [www.openfoam.org](http://www.openfoam.org)
- Designed as a toolbox easily customizable
- Parallel computation implemented at lowest level
- Cross-platform installation (Linux preferred)



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-  2018 : OpenFOAM 5.0 ; OpenFOAM v1712 ; foam-extend4.0

# The different OpenFOAM® players







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# The OpenFOAM® toolbox

OpenFOAM® = more than 200 programs (and not only 1 executable)

## Pre-processing:

- Meshing (*blockMesh*, *snappyHexMesh*, *foamyHexMesh*...)
- Mesh conversion (Ansys, Salomé, ideas, CFX, Star-CD, Gambit, Gmsh...)

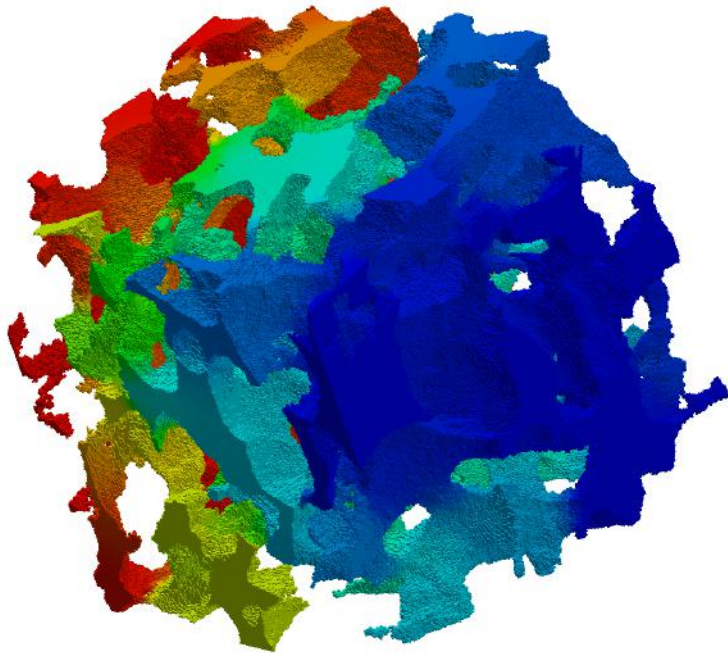
## Solvers:

- incompressible / compressible flow
- multiphase flow (VOF, Euler-Euler...)
- combustion, electro-magnetism, solid mechanics
- heat transfer
- several turbulence approach (DNS, RANS, LES)
- etc...

## post-processing:

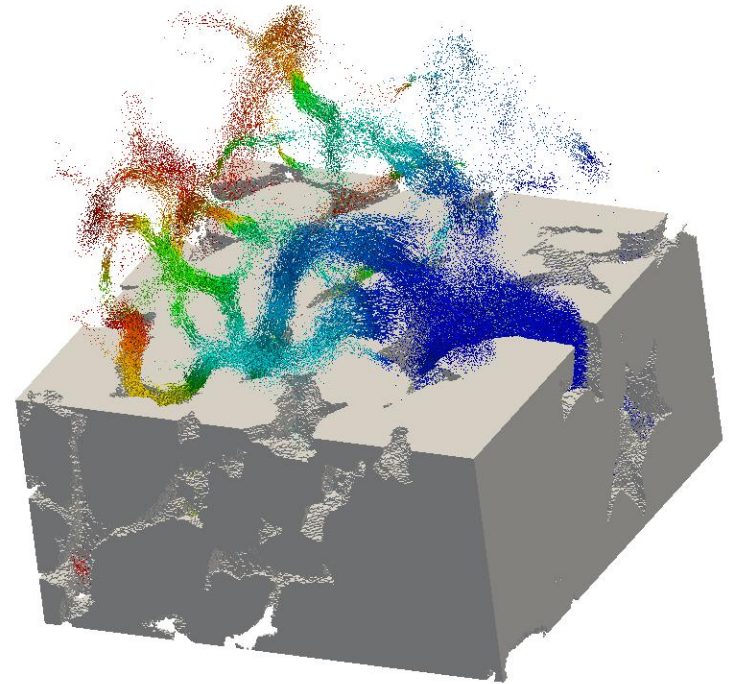
- Distributed with ParaView (and the famous *paraFoam*)
- Exportation to other post-treatment softwares (Fluent, Fieldview, EnSight, Tecplot...)
- «postProcess» utility for 1D or 2D sampling (export to gnuplot, Grace/xmgr et jPlot)

# Example: Digital Rock Physics



$$K_{ij} = \mu_{\beta} \langle v_{\beta,i} \rangle \left( \frac{\Delta P}{L} \right)^{-1} \quad i = x, y, z.$$

- Digital rock obtained from microtomography imaging,
- Grid the void space,
- Solve steady-state Stokes equations,
- Up to 350 million cells,
- Account for the effect of sub-voxel porosity<sup>1</sup>



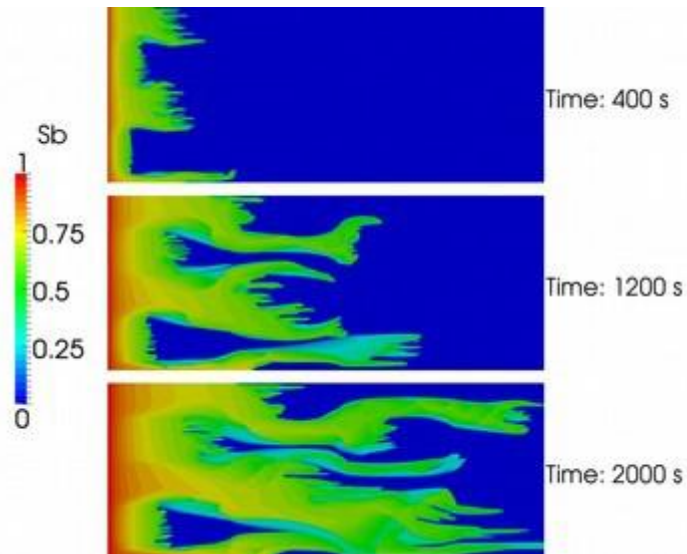
<sup>1</sup>Soulaine et al. *The impact of sub-resolution porosity of X-ray microtomography images on the permeability* Transport in Porous Media (2016)

# Example: Two-phase flow in porous media

*porousMultiphaseFoam toolbox*<sup>1,2</sup>

<https://github.com/phorgue/porousMultiphaseFoam.git>

*Generalized Darcy's law with capillarity and relative permeability (IMPES solver)*<sup>1</sup>



*Richards' equation*<sup>2</sup>

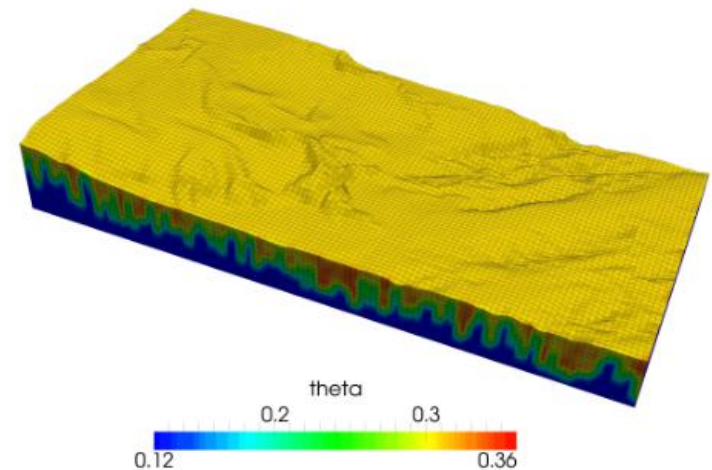


Figure 4: Saturation field at  $t = 1000$  days

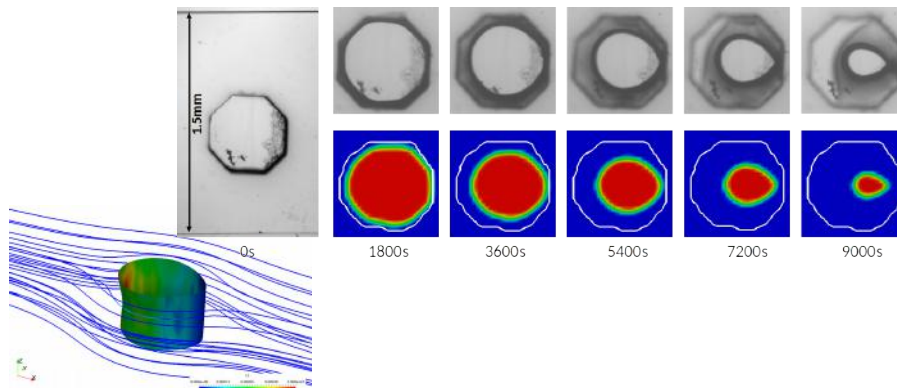
<sup>1</sup>P. Horgue et al., *An open-source toolbox for multiphase flow in porous media*, Computer Physics Communications 187 (2015)

<sup>2</sup>P. Horgue et al., *An extension of the open-source porousMultiphaseFoam toolbox dedicated to groundwater flows solving the Richards' equation*



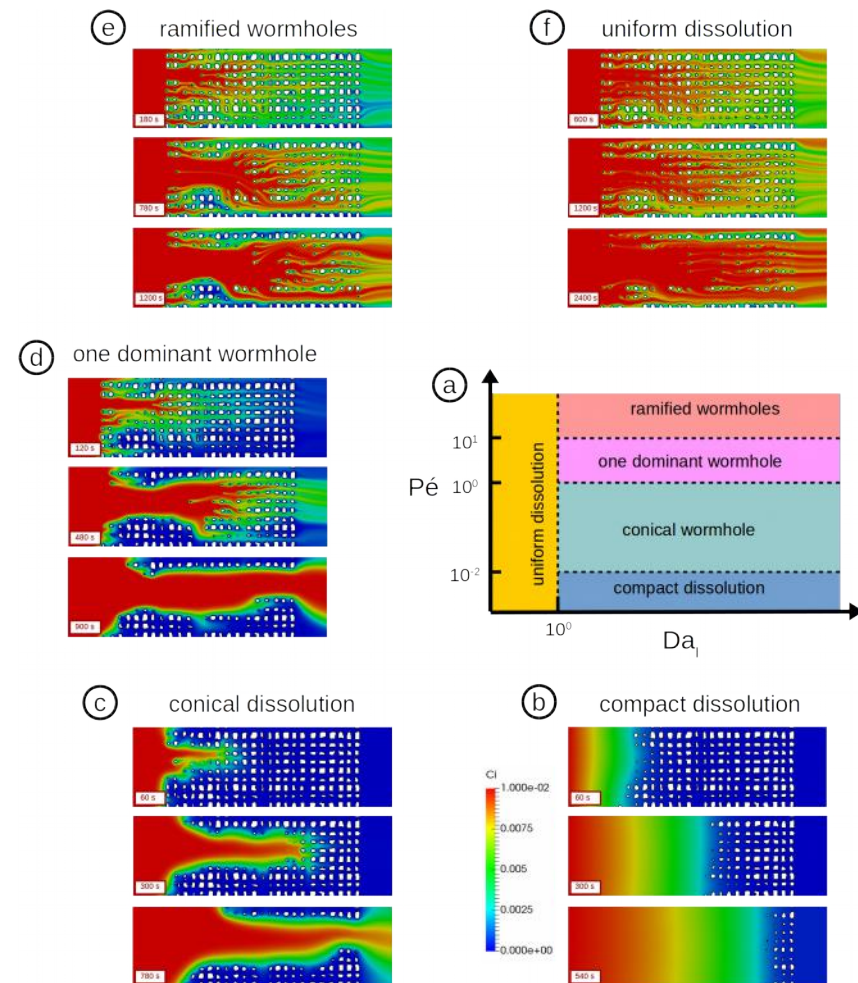
# Example: Mineral dissolution at the pore-scale

- A micro-continuum approach is proposed to simulate the dissolution of solid minerals at the pore-scale. The approach employ a the Darcy-Brinkman-Stokes<sup>1</sup> formulation and locally averaged conservation laws combined with immersed boundary conditions for the chemical reaction at the solid surface<sup>2</sup>.
- The simulation framework is validated using an experimental microfluidic device to image the dissolution of a single calcite crystal. The evolution of the calcite crystal during the acidizing process is analyzed and related to flow conditions, i.e., Péclet and Damköhler numbers.
- Macroscopic laws for the dissolution rate are proposed by upscaling the pore-scale simulations.
- Finally, the emergence of wormholes during the injection of acid in a two-dimensional domain of calcite grains is discussed based on pore-scale simulations.



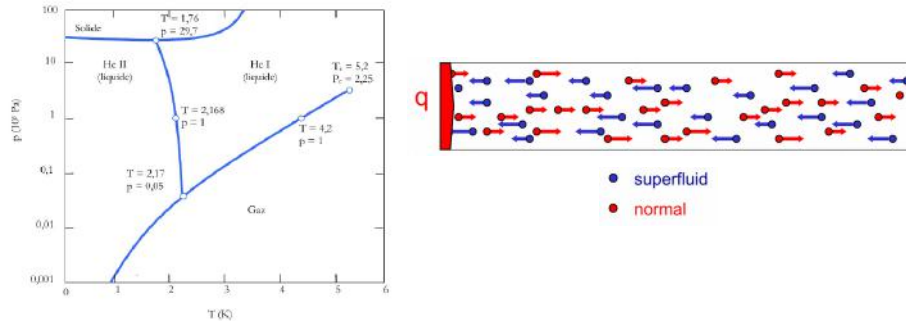
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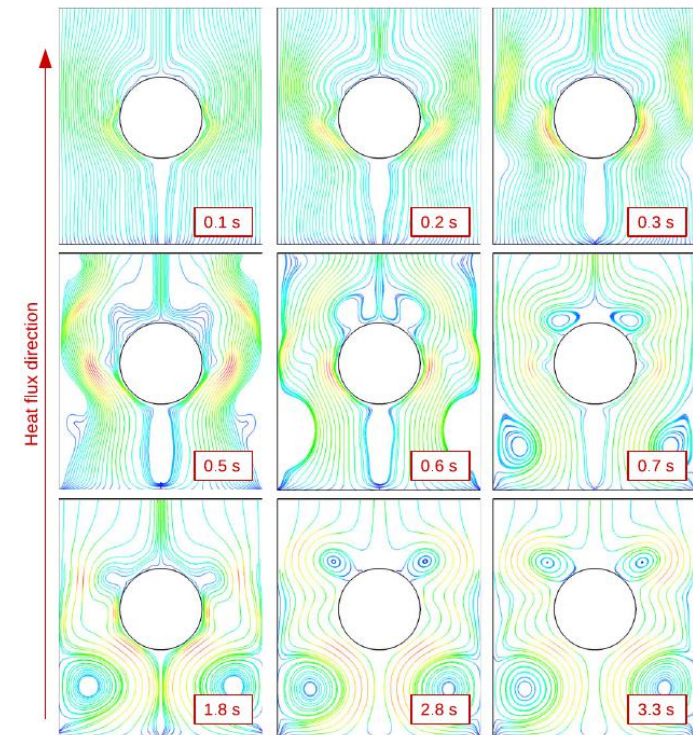
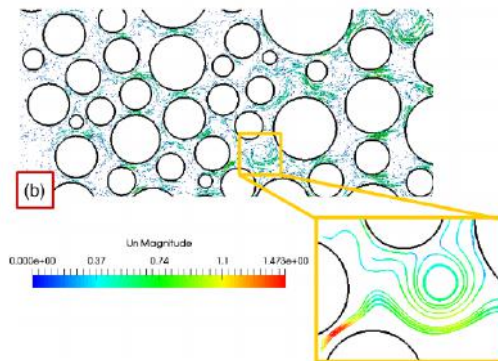


# Example: Superfluid helium in porous media

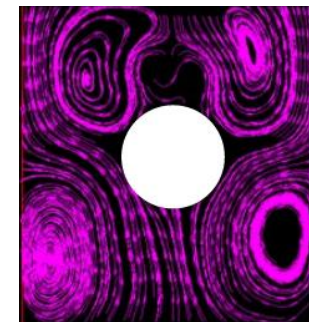
- Below 2.17 K, helium becomes superfluid. It can be thought as two inter-penetrating fluids that are fully miscible and have temperature dependent densities,



- Development and validation of a solver to simulate superfluid helium flow with the Landau's two-fluid model coupled with the Gorter-Mellink mutual friction forces<sup>1</sup>,
- Simulation of thermal counterflow of He-II around cylinders<sup>2</sup>. The model captures the four eddies both up- and downstream of the obstacle observed experimentally with PIV<sup>3</sup>.



PIV results<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup>C. Soulaïne et al., *A PISO-like algorithm to simulate superfluid helium flow with the two-fluid model*, Computer Physics Communications (2015)

<sup>2</sup>C. Soulaïne et al., *Numerical Investigation of Thermal Counterflow of He-II Past Cylinders*, Physical Review Letters (2017)

<sup>3</sup>T. Zhang T and SW Van Sciver, *Large scale turbulent flow around a cylinder in counterflow superfluid <sup>4</sup>He (He II)*, Nature Physics (2005)

# Why should I use OpenFOAM®?

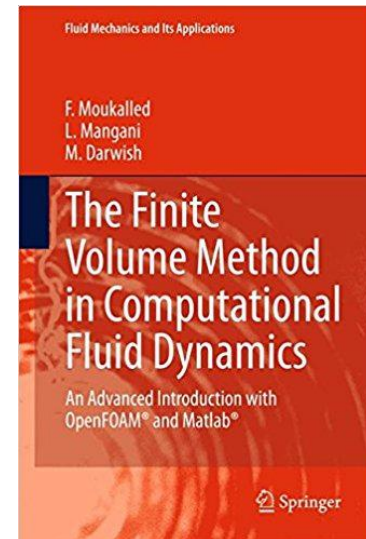


- Completely free (No limitations due to licenses),
- Direct access to source code (not a black-box),
- An additional tool for code-to-code benchmarks,
- Regular updates (every 6 months),
- A lot of out-of-the-box solvers and their tutorials,
- Ease to program partial differential equations,
- A reactive and important community (online forum, conference, summer schools...),
- .....

- Need some time to learn,
- Lack of documentation..
- There is no official GUI,
- Unix command lines and C++ programming,
- Too many forks...

# Where can I find help and documentation ?

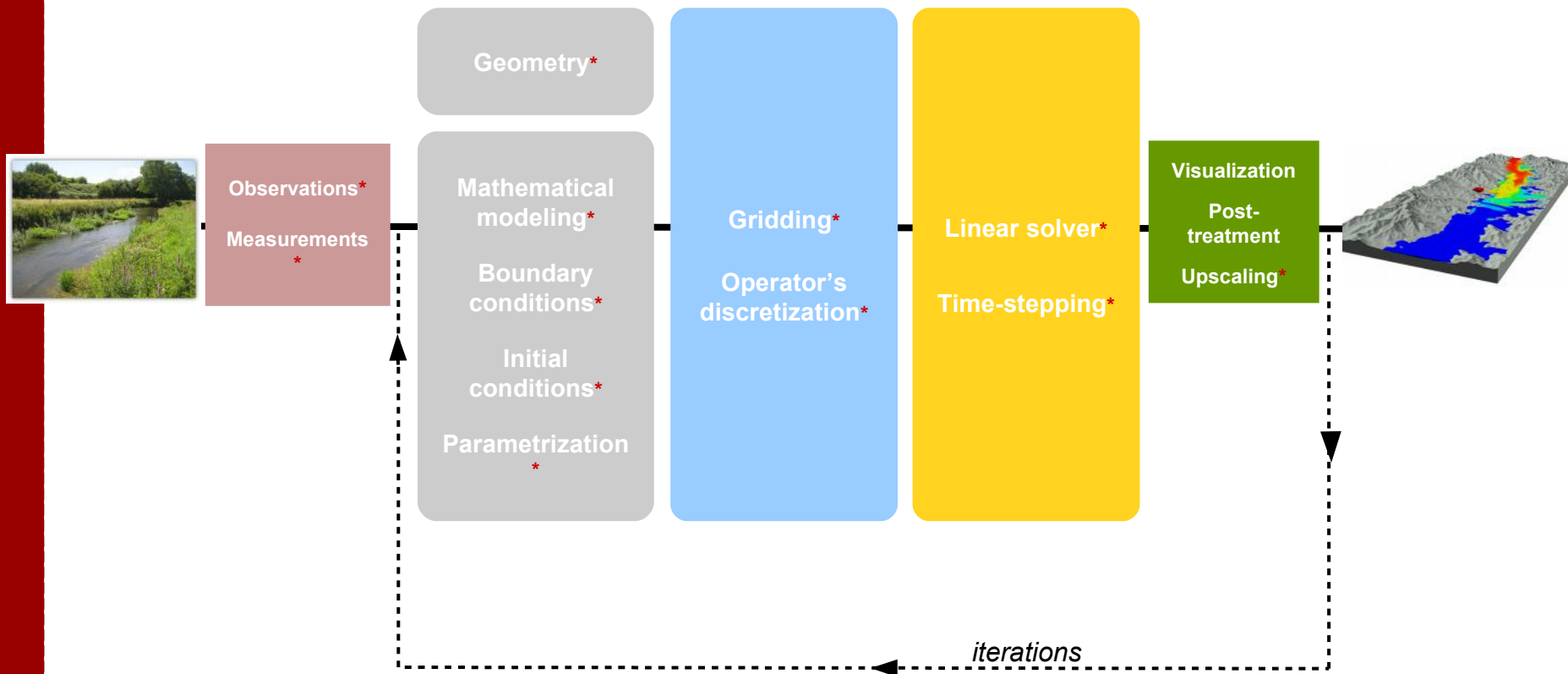
- 2 official guides provided by the OpenFOAM Foundation (« *user guide* » and « *programmer guide* » ) (Most of the time, this documentation is not enough... )
- CFD-direct : <https://cfd.direct/openfoam/documentation/>
- Several reference thesis (Hrvoje Jasak 1996, Henrik Rusche 2001, ...)
- A tutorial per solver. Most of the time, it has a value of test-cases.
- Direct access to source-code (however, there is few comments in the code)
- Paying for technical support.



## An active community !

- A discussion forum ([www.cfd-online.com/Forums/openfoam/](http://www.cfd-online.com/Forums/openfoam/))
- A community-driven wiki ([openfoamwiki.net](http://openfoamwiki.net))
- An annual Workshop (13th edition in 2018) ([www.openfoamworkshop.org](http://www.openfoamworkshop.org))
- FOAM-U : Association des utilisateurs francophones d'OpenFOAM ([www.foam-u.fr](http://www.foam-u.fr))
- Chalmer CFD course with open-source software ([http://www.tfd.chalmers.se/~hani/kurser/OS\\_CFD/](http://www.tfd.chalmers.se/~hani/kurser/OS_CFD/))
- A lot of tutorials, reports, scientific papers, presentations made by the community (search on Google)

# General workflow of numerical modeling



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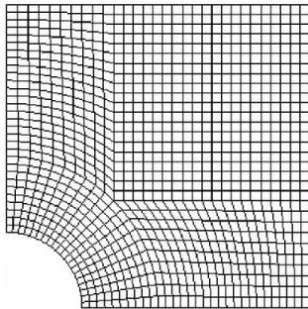


# How to draw and grid a geometry?

## OpenFOAM®

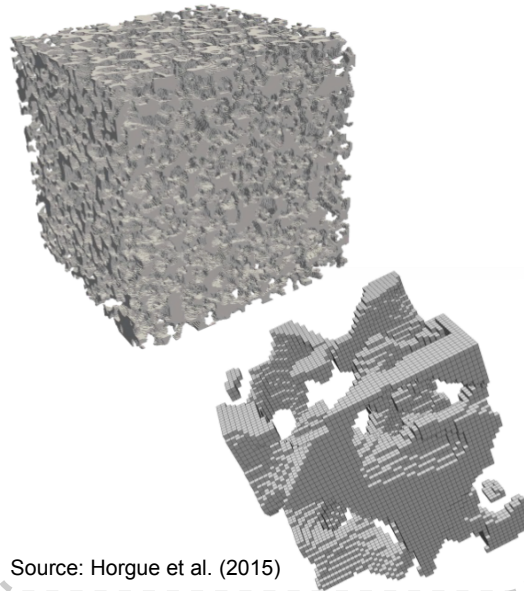
### blockMesh

OpenFOAM®'s gridder for simple geometries



### snappyHexMesh foamyHexMesh

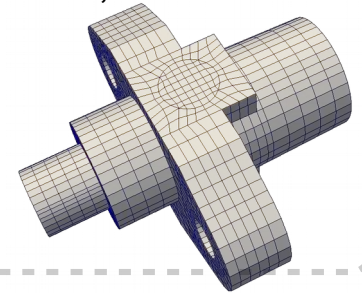
OpenFOAM®'s automatic gridgers (geometries from CAD or micro-CT)



Source: Horgue et al. (2015)

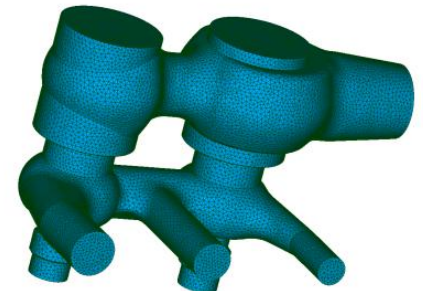
## External gridder

Ansys, Fluent, Gambit, ideas, star-CD, CFX...



### Salomé platform

Open-source gridder with GUI  
<http://www.salome-platform.org>





# Mathematical modeling

- Variables that vary in space and time:  $U(x,y,z,t)$  ;  $p(x,y,z,t)$  ;  $T(x,y,z,t)$ ..
- Partial Differential Equation (PDE) = Equation governing the space and time evolution of  $U$ ,  $p$ ,  $T$  ...

- Examples:

- Navier-Stokes 
$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}) = -\nabla p + \rho \mathbf{g} + \nabla \cdot (\mu (\nabla \mathbf{v} + {}^t \nabla \mathbf{v}))$$

- Heat equation 
$$(\rho C_p) \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T)$$

- Mass conservation 
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

- Transport 
$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v} c) = \nabla \cdot (D \nabla c)$$

- Boundary and initial conditions,
- Differential operator: laplacian, divergence, gradient, time derivative...
- Numerical approximation: Finite Difference Method (FDM), Finite Element Method (FEM), Finite Volume Method (FVM)...

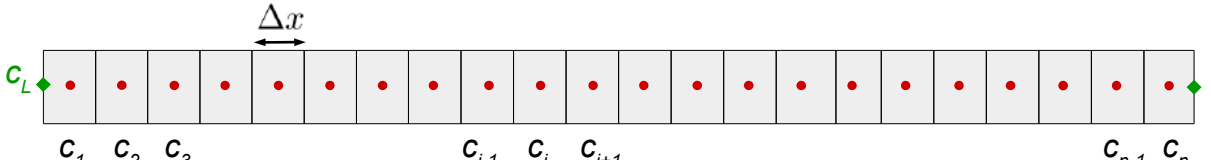
# Numerical modeling workflow

Space  
discretization

operator  
discretization

Build the  
matrix

Solve the  
linear algebra

$$c(x=0) = c_L \quad \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial x^2} = q \quad c(x=H) = c_R$$


The diagram illustrates a 1D spatial domain discretized into  $n$  cells, each with width  $\Delta x$ . The nodes are labeled  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{i-1}, c_i, c_{i+1}, \dots, c_{n-1}, c_n$ . The boundary values are  $c_L$  at  $x=0$  and  $c_R$  at  $x=H$ .

$$\frac{c_{i-1} - 2c_i + c_{i+1}}{\Delta x^2} = q_i$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & & & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & & & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} q_1 - 2\frac{c_L}{\Delta x^2} \\ q_2 \\ \vdots \\ q_{n-1} \\ q_n - 2\frac{c_R}{\Delta x^2} \end{bmatrix}}_y$$

$$x = A^{-1}y$$

# How to program equations in OpenFOAM®?

$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \phi \mathbf{U} - \nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \mathbf{U} = -\nabla p$$

```
solve
(
    fvm::ddt(rho,U)
  + fvm::div(phi,U)
  - fvm::laplacian(mu,U)
  ==
  - fvc::grad(p)
);
```

- The considered field ( $U$ ) may be scalar, vector or tensor,
- Operators discretization does not need to be specified at the stage of the solver programming,
- The syntax is very closed to the mathematical formulation.

# Some Unix commands

## Navigation

`pwd`

Tells you the name of the working directory.

`ls`

List the files in the working directory.

`cd`

Change your working directory.

## Visualization

`cat`

Outputs the contents of a specific file.

## Manipulation of files

`cp`

To copy a file. Use the `-r` option to copy a directory.

`mkdir`

Create a directory.

`rm`

Delete a file. Use the `-r` option to remove a directory.

`mv`

Move or rename a file/folder.

## I/O redirection

`>`

To redirect the output of an executable toward a file.

`|`

A pipeline to connect multiple commands together.

`grep`

A filter to output every line that contains a specified pattern of characters.

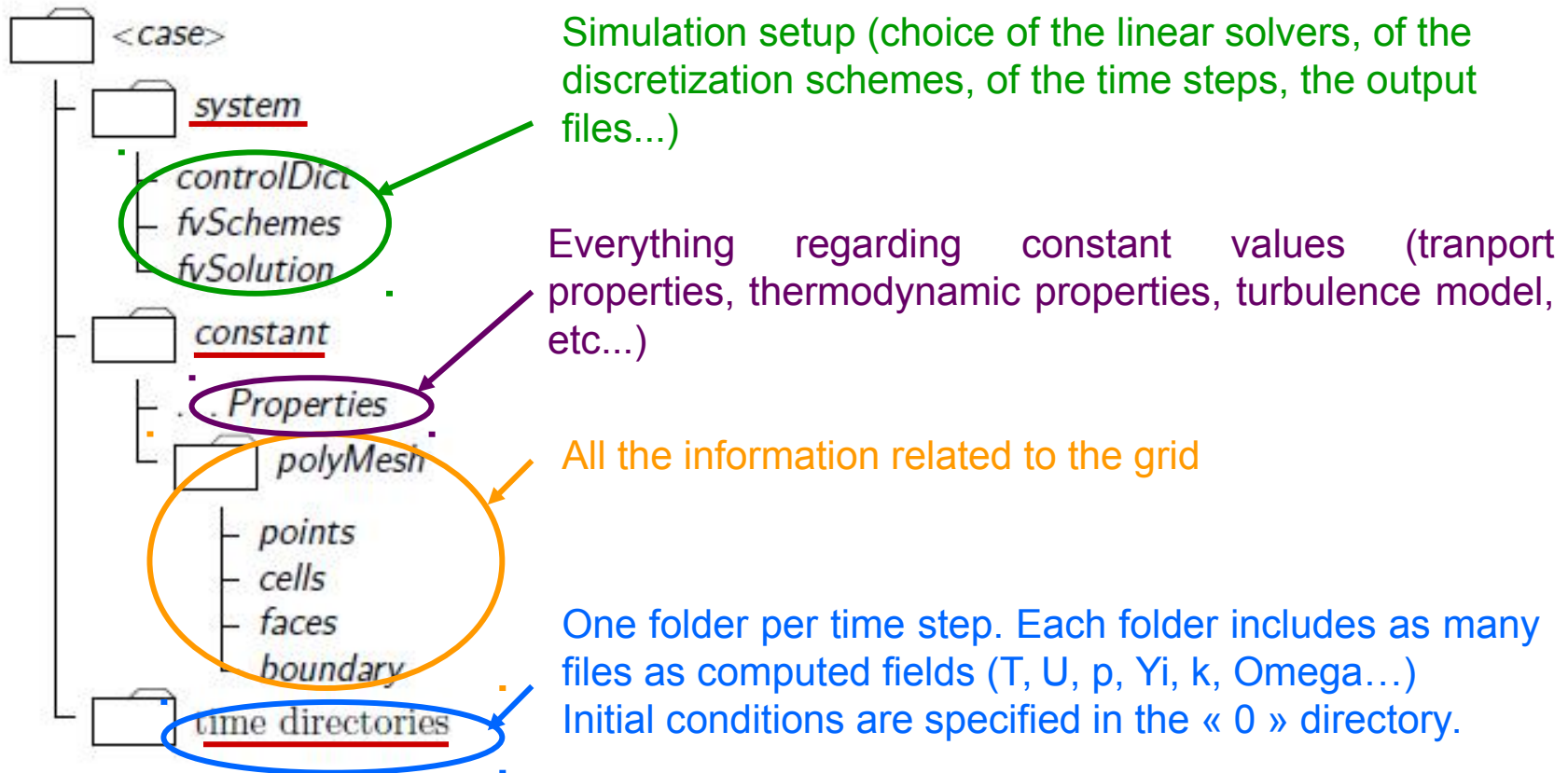
# Some advices before we start...

```
$ cp -r ../test/test2 .  
$ mkdir -p $FOAM_RUN
```

- These instructions mean that you write in a command-line interpreter the instruction “`cp -r ../test/test2 .`” followed by **[ENTER]** and then “`mkdir -p $FOAM_RUN`” followed by **[ENTER]**.
- **\$** means that you start from a new line after pressing **[ENTER]**. Don't write **\$** at the beginning of a line.
- The commands in the terminal are case sensitive. **Mkdir** is not the same than **mkdir** or **MKDIR**.
- When writing a command line, especially a directory, use the auto-completion **[TAB]** as much as you can. You save time and you avoid errors.
- You can replace “**gedit**” by any text editor.

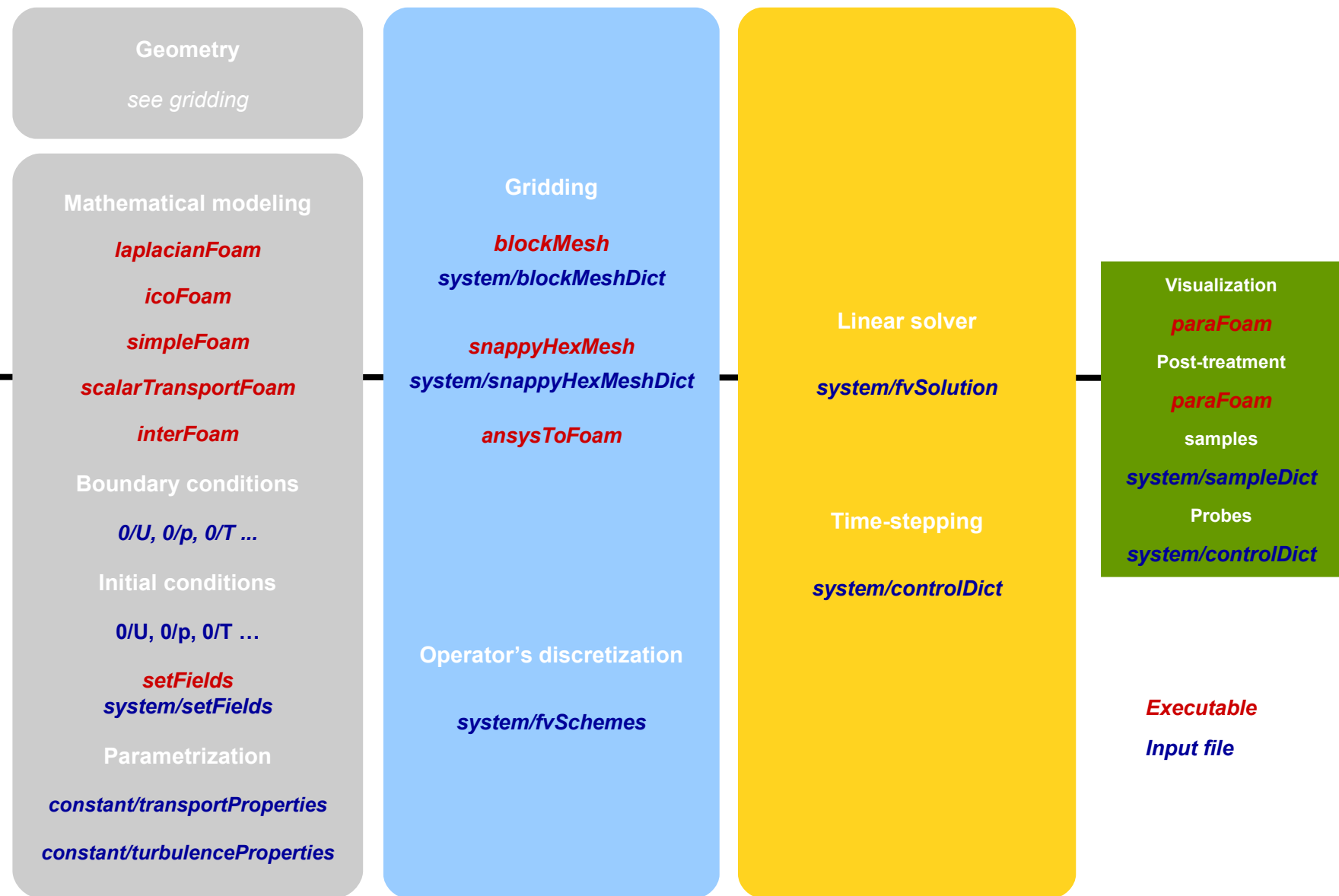
# General structure of an OpenFOAM® case

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$ mkdir -p $FOAM_RUN
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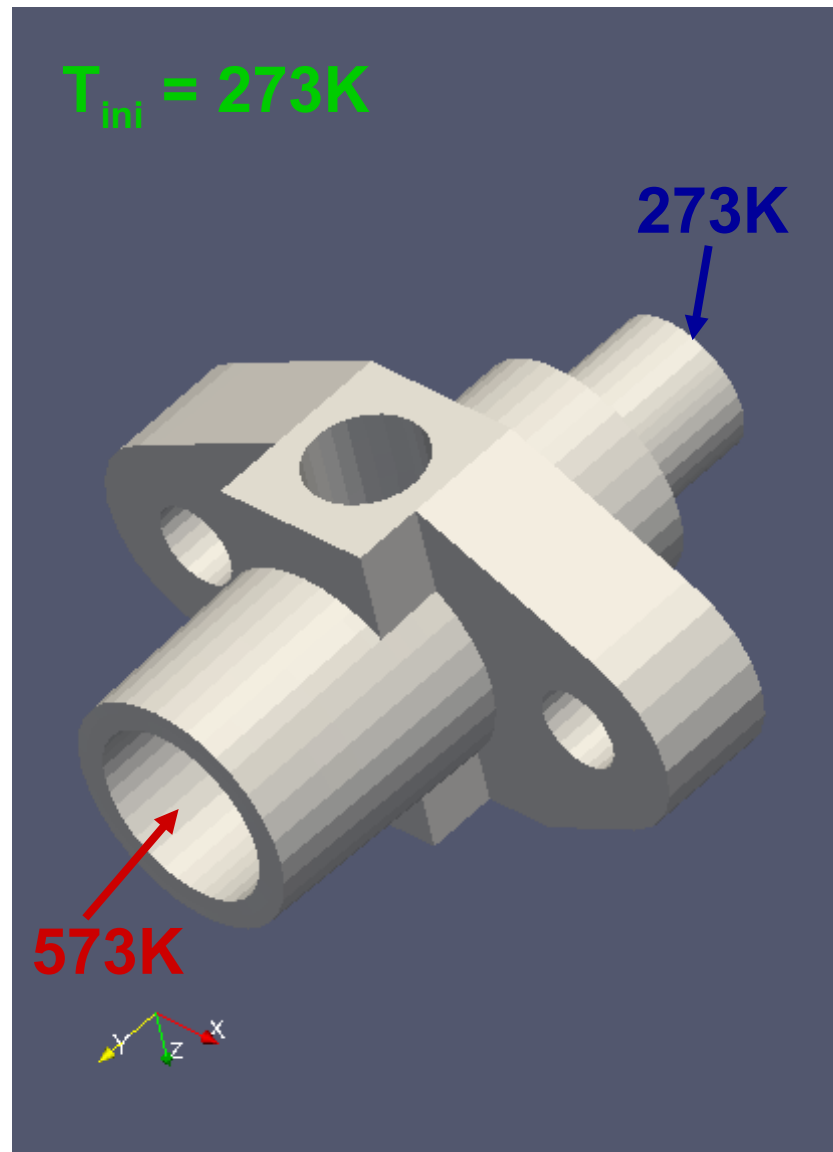




# Common programs and input files



# #1 – Heat diffusion (1/5)



Example from tutorials provided with OpenFOAM®

Geometry and grid generated with Ansys

*Mesh conversion using the utility  
ansysToFoam*

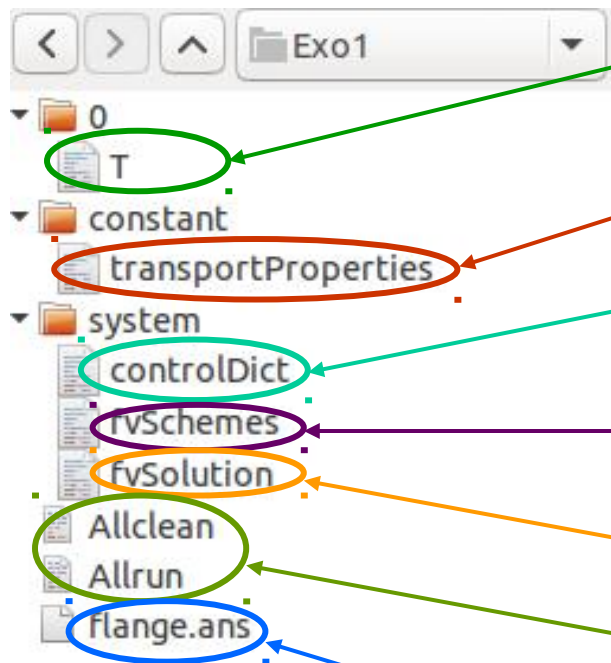
Solution of the heat transfer equation

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (D_T \nabla T)$$

Solver : *laplacianFoam*

# #1 – Heat diffusion (2/5)

```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/basic/laplacianFoam/flange/ Exo1
$ cd Exo1
$ ls
```



Initial and boundary conditions for the temperature field  $T$

Value of the diffusion coefficient ( $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )

Simulation parameters (time steps, output time...)

Discretization of the different operators (div, laplacian, ddt, grad...)

Set up of the linear solvers

Scripts to automatically start and clean the tutorial

Grid generated with Ansys

# #1 – Heat diffusion (3/5)

- Convert the mesh from Ansys to OpenFOAM (with a scale factor)

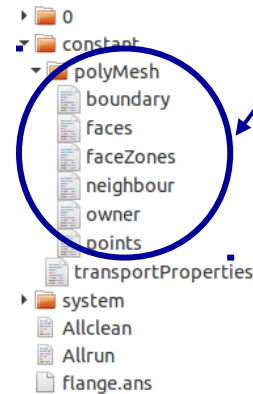
```
$ ansysToFoam flange.ans -scale 0.001
```

- Look at the change in the directory

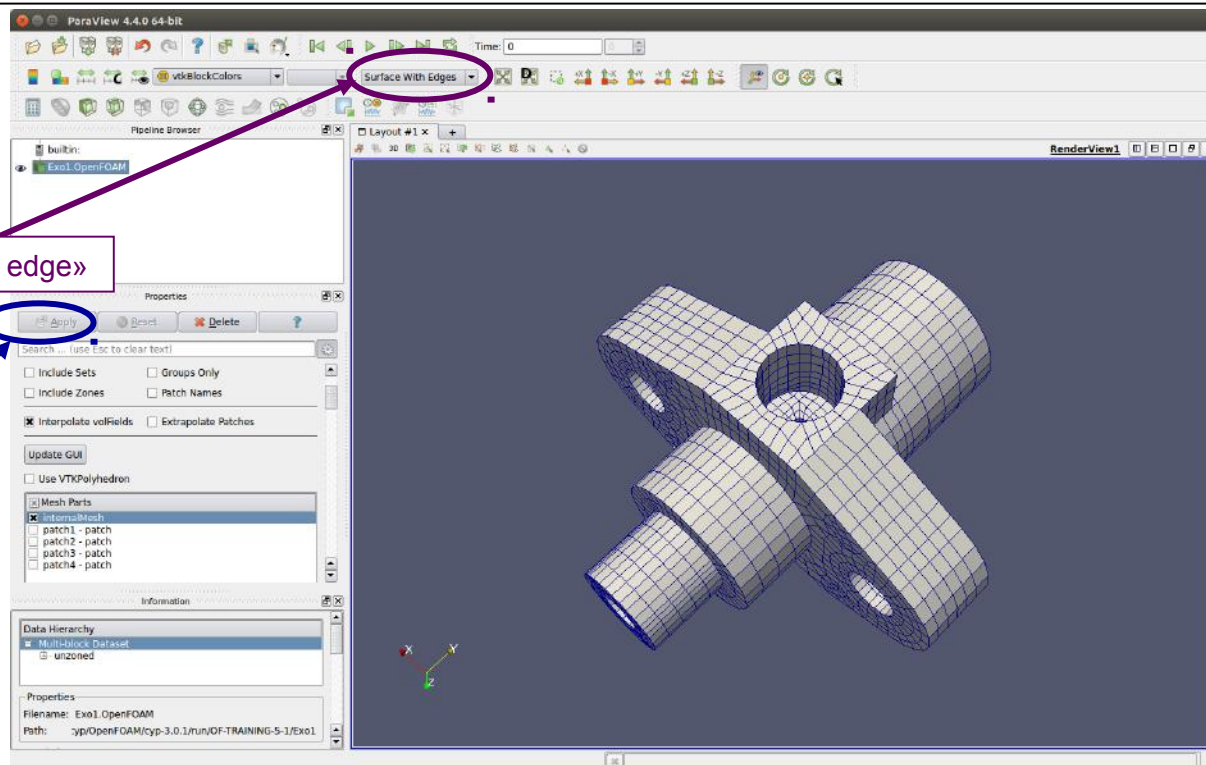
```
$ ls constant  
$ ls constant/polyMesh
```

- Visualize the grid with ParaView

```
$ paraFoam
```



*polyMesh* contains all the information related to the grid: list of points, faces, neighbors, boundaries...



## #1 – Heat diffusion (4a/5)

```
$ gedit 0/T
```

```

/*----- C++ -----*/
// =====
// \ V / F i e l d
// \| / O p e r a t i o n
// \| A n d
// \| M a n i p u l a t i o n
// =====
OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD
Version: 3.0.1
Web: www.OpenFOAM.org

FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volScalarField;
    object       T;
}

// *****

dimensions      [0 0 0 1 0 0 0];

internalField   uniform 273;

boundaryField
{
    patch1
    {
        type     zeroGradient;
    }

    patch2
    {
        type     fixedValue;
        value     uniform 273;
    }

    patch3
    {
        type     zeroGradient;
    }

    patch4
    {
        type     fixedValue;
        value     uniform 573;
    }
}

// *****

```

## Definition of initial and boundary conditions

Dimensions (units) of the field T  
[kg m s K kgmol A cd]

Uniform initial temperature ( $T=273\text{K}$ ) in the solid bulk

*Boundary conditions for  $t=0s$*

## Zero flux

Fixed value ( $T=273\text{K}$ )

Fixed value ( $T=573\text{K}$ )

# #1 – Heat diffusion (4b/5)

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
transportProperties x
/*-----*-- C++ -*-----*/
|=====|
| \ \ / | F ield      | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD
| \ \ / | O peration  | Version:  3.0.1
| \ \ / | A nd        | Web:      www.OpenFOAM.org
| \ \ / | M anipulation|
|-----|
/*-----*--
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       transportProperties;
}
// *****

DT          DT [0 2 -1 0 0 0 0] 4e-05;

// *****
```

The dimensions of the diffusivity DT are m<sup>2</sup>/s



# #1 – Heat diffusion (4c/5)

\$ gedit system/controlDict

```
controlDict x
/*-----*-- C++ -*-----*/
=====
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\ \ \ \ \ O peration      | Version:  3.0.1
\ \ \ \ \ A nd            | Web:      www.OpenFOAM.org
\ \ \ \ \ M anipulation   |
/*-----*--*/
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "system";
    object       controlDict;
}
// *****

application      laplacianFoam;

startFrom         latestTime;

startTime         0;

stopAt            endTime;

endTime           3;

deltaT            0.005;

writeControl      runtime;

writeInterval     0.1;

purgeWrite        0;

writeFormat       ascii;

writePrecision    6;

writeCompression off;

timeFormat        general;

timePrecision     6;

runTimeModifiable true;

// *****
```

# #1 – Heat diffusion (5/5)



Start the simulation

\$ laplacianFoam



Look at the change in the directories: new folders appeared, they corresponds to the time steps

\$ ls



View the results with ParaView

\$ paraFoam

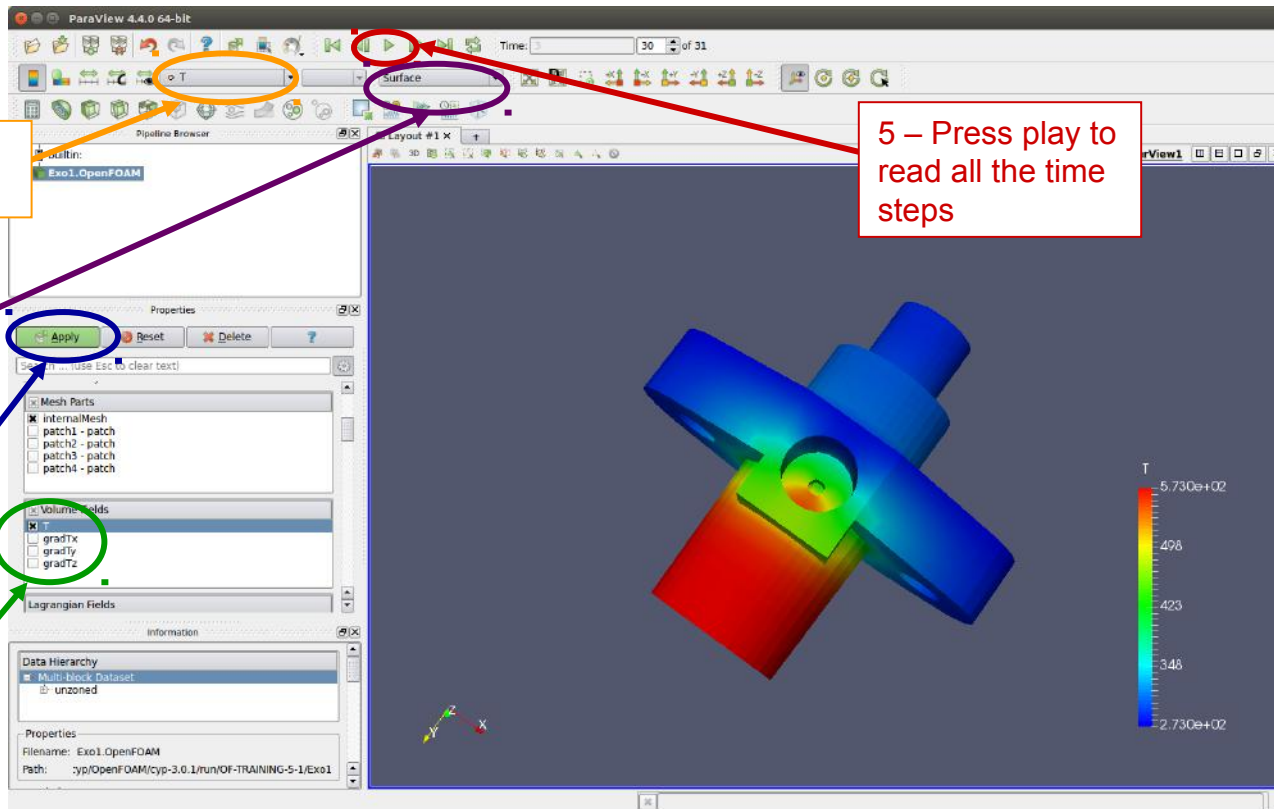
4 – Choose the field to display (T)

3- Choose « surface »

2 - « apply »

1 – Choose the field you want to load for viewing

5 – Press play to read all the time steps

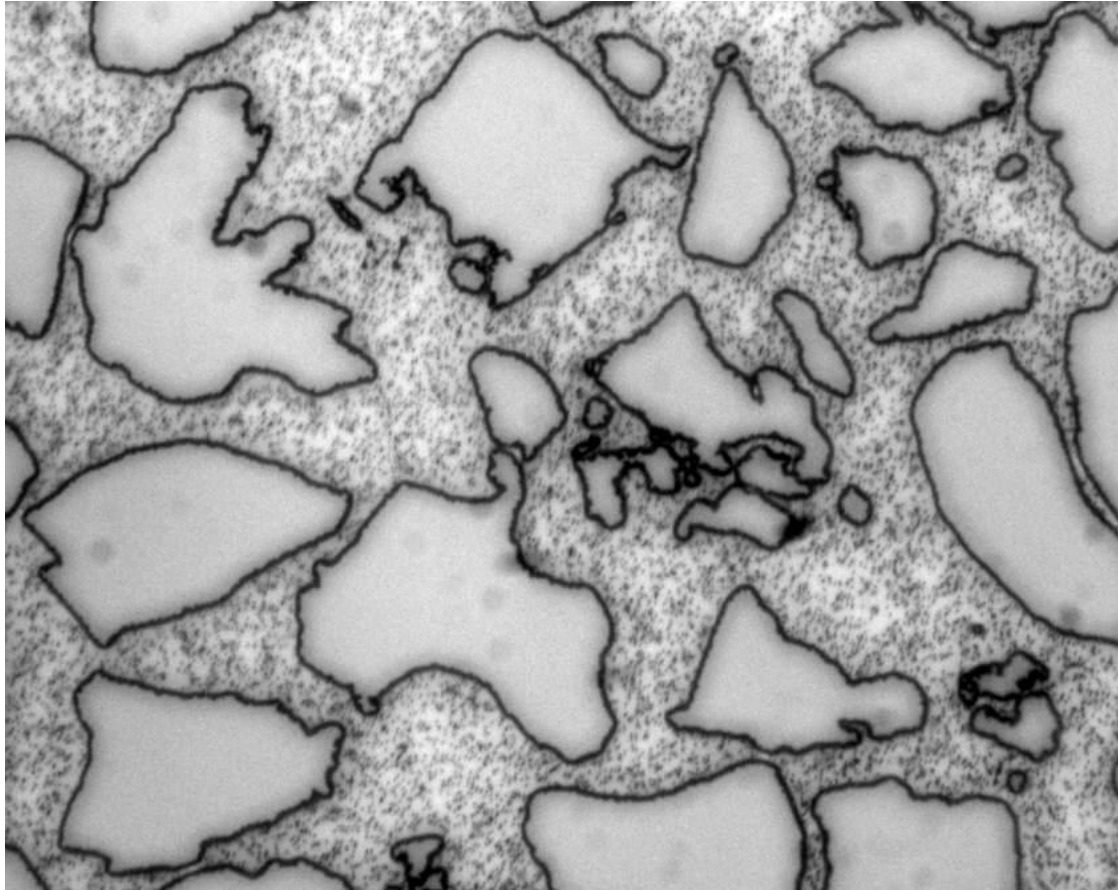


Exo1 bis :

$DT = 1e^{-7} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$   
Until steady state

# Flow at the pore-scale

- 🔗 Water seeded with micro-particles to enhance the flow visualization in the pore space (Sophie Roman)



- 🔗 For a given location, the instantaneous velocity is always the same.

# The Navier-Stokes equations

For an incompressible single-phase fluid, the flow motion equations read

Mass balance equation

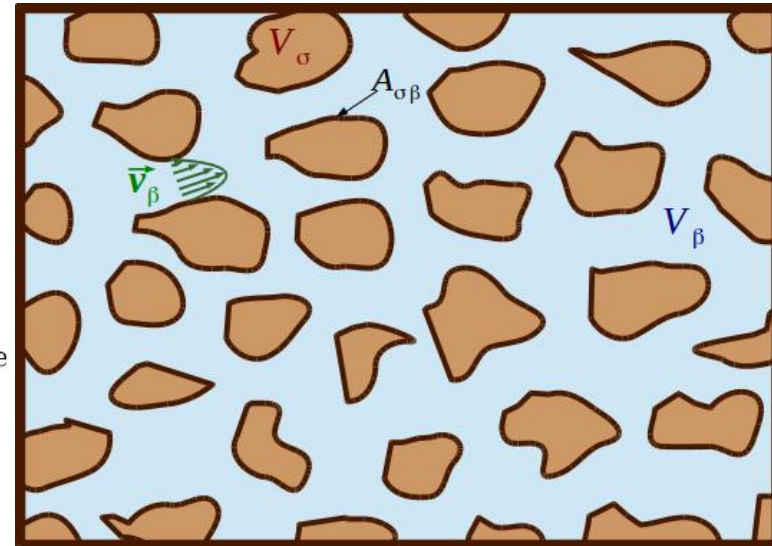
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

Momentum balance equation

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v})}_{\text{inertia}} = \underbrace{-\nabla p}_{\text{pressure gradient}} + \underbrace{\rho \mathbf{g}}_{\text{gravity}} + \underbrace{\mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{v}}_{\text{viscous force}}$$

Non-slip condition at the solid boundary

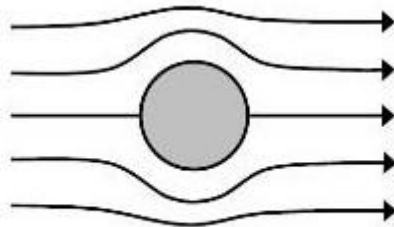
$$\mathbf{v} = 0 \text{ at the solid walls}$$



- The Reynolds number,  $Re = \frac{\rho U_0 L}{\mu}$ , is a dimensionless number used to classify the flow regimes.
- If  $Re < 1$ , the inertia effects are negligible in front of the viscous forces and Navier-Stokes becomes the Stokes equation. It is a particular case of Navier-Stokes, which means that all Navier-Stokes solvers are also valid for Stokes without any modification!
- The pressure-velocity coupling is handled numerically by different solution strategies.
- Cavity flow and Poiseuille flow are classic solutions of Navier-Stokes equations.

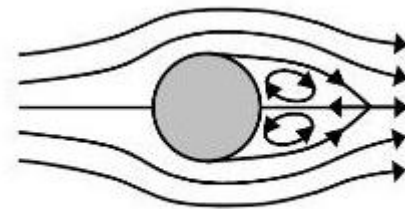
# Different flow regimes

$Re$



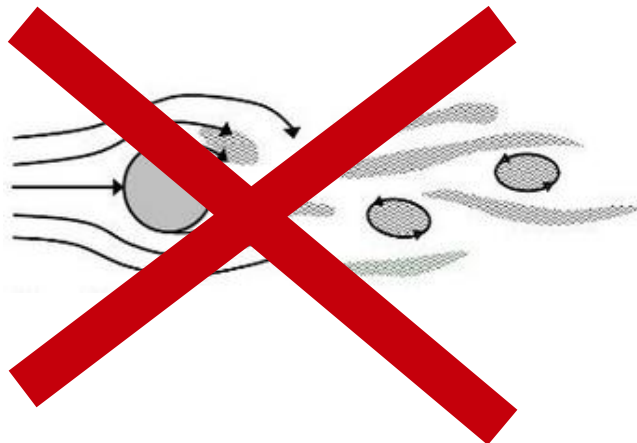
a

Creeping flow regime: the flow is governed by the viscous effects only and the streamlines embrace the solid structure. The flow is modeled by the Stokes equations. **Most of the time, we are in this situation.**



b

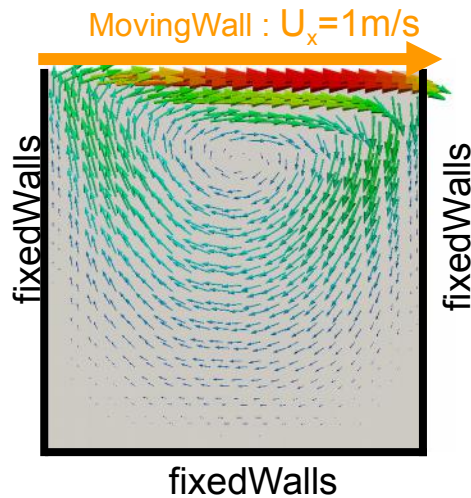
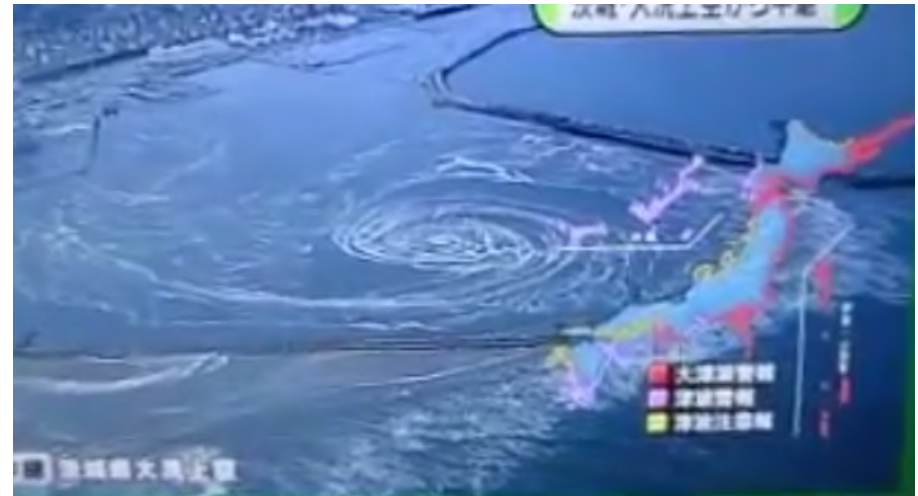
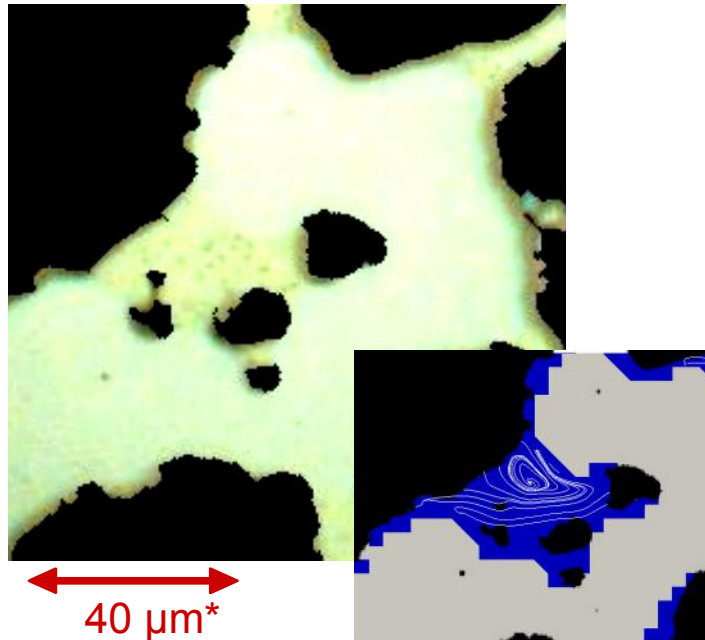
The inertia effects distort the streamlines and flow recirculations are generated downstream the obstacles. The flow is modeled by the laminar Navier-Stokes equations.



At very high Reynolds numbers, turbulence effects emerge. The flow is modeled by turbulent Navier-Stokes equations (RANS, LES...)



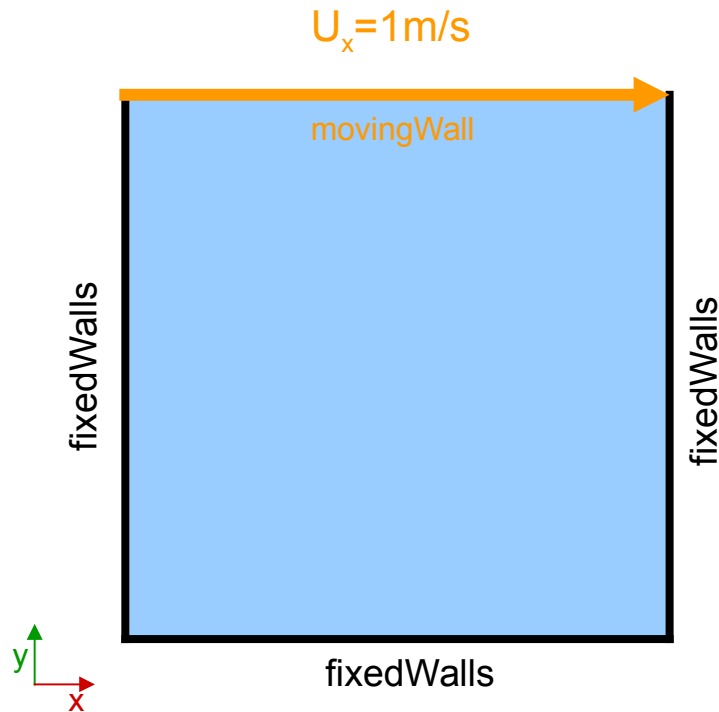
# The lid-driven cavity flow



Same phenomenon modeled with the same equations... even though there are several orders of magnitude difference!!

\* Roman et al. *Particle velocimetry analysis of immiscible two-phase flow in micromodels*, Advances in Water Resources 2016

## #2 – Cavity (1/6)



- Tutorial detailed in the official User Guide
- Design and meshing of the geometry with the utility *blockMesh*
- Solution of the laminar incompressible Navier-Stokes equations with the *icoFoam* solver

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

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}) = \nabla \cdot (\nu \nabla \mathbf{U}) - \nabla p$$

- Post-processing with ParaView

```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/icoFoam/cavity/cavity Exo2
$ cd Exo2
$ ls
```



## #2 – Cavity (2/6)

blockMesh = pre-processing tool to design and mesh simple geometries

```
scale 0.1;
```

```
vertices
```

```
(
  (0 0 0) //0
  (1 0 0) //1
  (1 1 0) //2
  (0 1 0) //3
  (0 0 0.1) //4
  (1 0 0.1) //5
  (1 1 0.1) //6
  (0 1 0.1) //7
);
```

Vertices definition

Definition of the hexahedral block. Pay attention to the numerotation order

```
blocks
```

```
(
  hex (0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7) (20 20 1) simpleGrading (1 1 1)
);
```

```
edges
```

```
(
);
```

```
boundary
```

```
(
  movingWall
  {
    type wall;
    faces
    (
      (3 7 6 2)
    );
  }
  fixedWalls
  {
    type wall;
    faces
    (
      (0 4 7 3)
      (2 6 5 1)
      (1 5 4 0)
    );
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type empty;
    faces
    (
      (0 3 2 1)
      (4 5 6 7)
    );
  }
);
```

Definition of the grid (Regular mesh 20x20, only one cell in the z direction because the simulation will be 2D)

Definition of boundary of the domain to apply boundary conditions.

Faces normal to Oz are «empty» to specify that the simulation is 2D

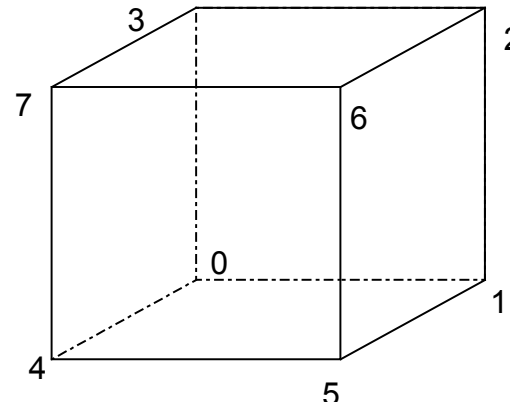


Geometry and grid are defined in the file *blockMeshDict*

\$ gedit system/blockMeshDict



The geometry is always defined in 3D since OpenFOAM® only considers 3D geometry




The numbering is of great importance !!



Boundaries may be of different types:


- patch (*generic type*)
- wall (*for solid wall condition, useful for turbulence*)
- cyclic (*for cyclic simulations*)
- symmetryPlane (*for symmetry plane*)
- empty (*to specify that the simulation will be 2D or 1D*)
- wedge (*for axi-symmetric simulations*)
- processor (*for parallel computation, automatically defined during the decomposition domain process*)

## #2 – Cavity (3/6)


 Generate the grid mesh:

\$ blockMesh

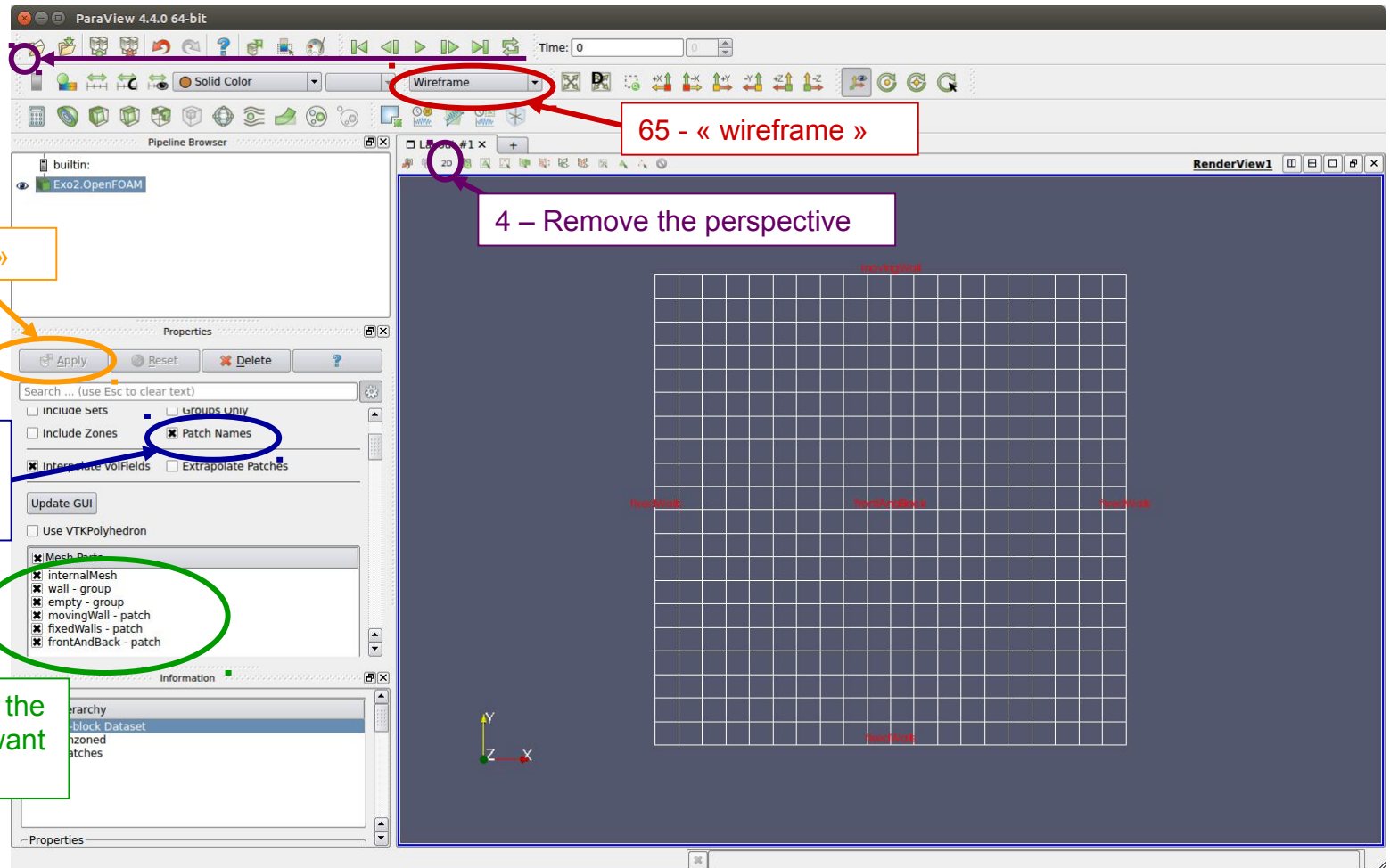
→ Creation of *constant/polyMesh* and the files related to the grid.

 Check the mesh quality:

\$ checkMesh

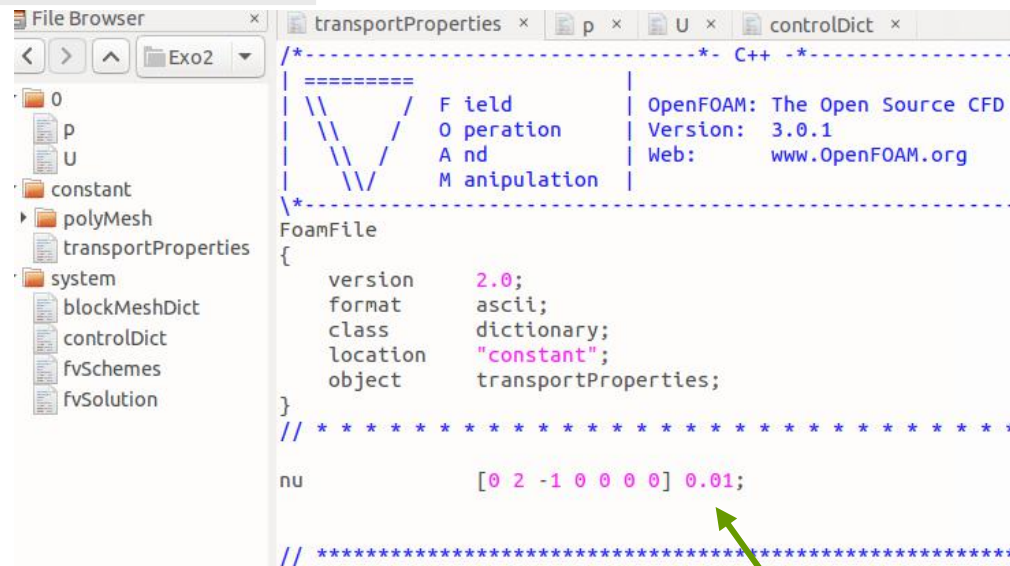
 View the mesh :

\$ paraFoam



## #2 – Cavity (4a/6)

\$ gedit constant/transportProperties



```
/*-----*-- C++ *--*/
//
// \ \ \ \ \ F ield      | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD
// \ \ \ \ \ O peration   | Version: 3.0.1
// \ \ \ \ \ A nd        | Web: www.OpenFOAM.org
// \ \ \ \ \ M anipulation|
//
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       transportProperties;
}
// *****

nu      [0 2 -1 0 0 0] 0.01;

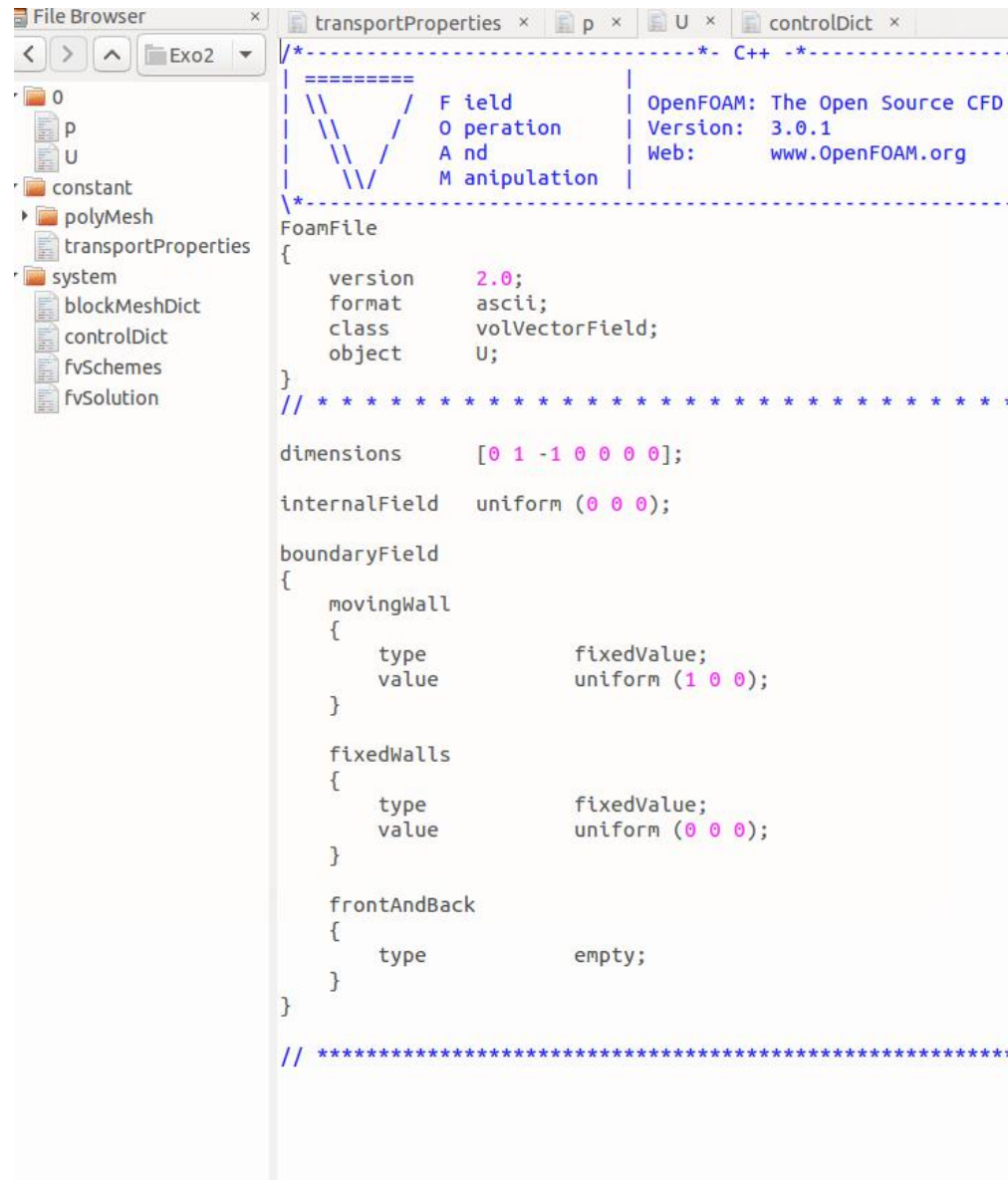
// *****
```

$$Re = \frac{d|\mathbf{U}|}{\nu} = \frac{0,1m * 1ms^{-1}}{0,01m^2s^{-1}} = 10$$

The flow is laminar, so it fullfills the *icoFoam* assumptions

## #2 – Cavity (4b/6)

\$ gedit 0/U



The screenshot shows a gedit editor window with the file 'transportProperties' open. The left sidebar displays the directory structure of the 'Exo2' case, including '0', 'constant', 'polyMesh', 'system', and 'transportProperties'. The main editor area shows the contents of 'transportProperties', which is a C++ header file for the OpenFOAM 'FoamFile' class. The file contains metadata, dimensions, and boundary field definitions for a cavity flow simulation.

```
/*----- C++ -----*/
// =====
// \ \ \ \ \ F i e l d
// \ \ \ \ \ O p e r a t i o n
// \ \ \ \ \ A n d
// \ \ \ \ \ M a n i p u l a t i o n
// =====
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volVectorField;
    object       U;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 1 -1 0 0 0];

internalField    uniform (0 0 0);

boundaryField
{
    movingWall
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (1 0 0);
    }

    fixedWalls
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (0 0 0);
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}

// *****
```

## #2 – Cavity (4c/6)

\$ gedit 0/p



```
File Browser x transportProperties x p x U x controlDict x
Exo2
0
p
U
constant
polyMesh
transportProperties
system
blockMeshDict
controlDict
fvSchemes
fvSolution

/*----- C++ -----*/
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volScalarField;
    object       p;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 2 -2 0 0 0];

internalField   uniform 0;

boundaryField
{
    movingWall
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    fixedWalls
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}

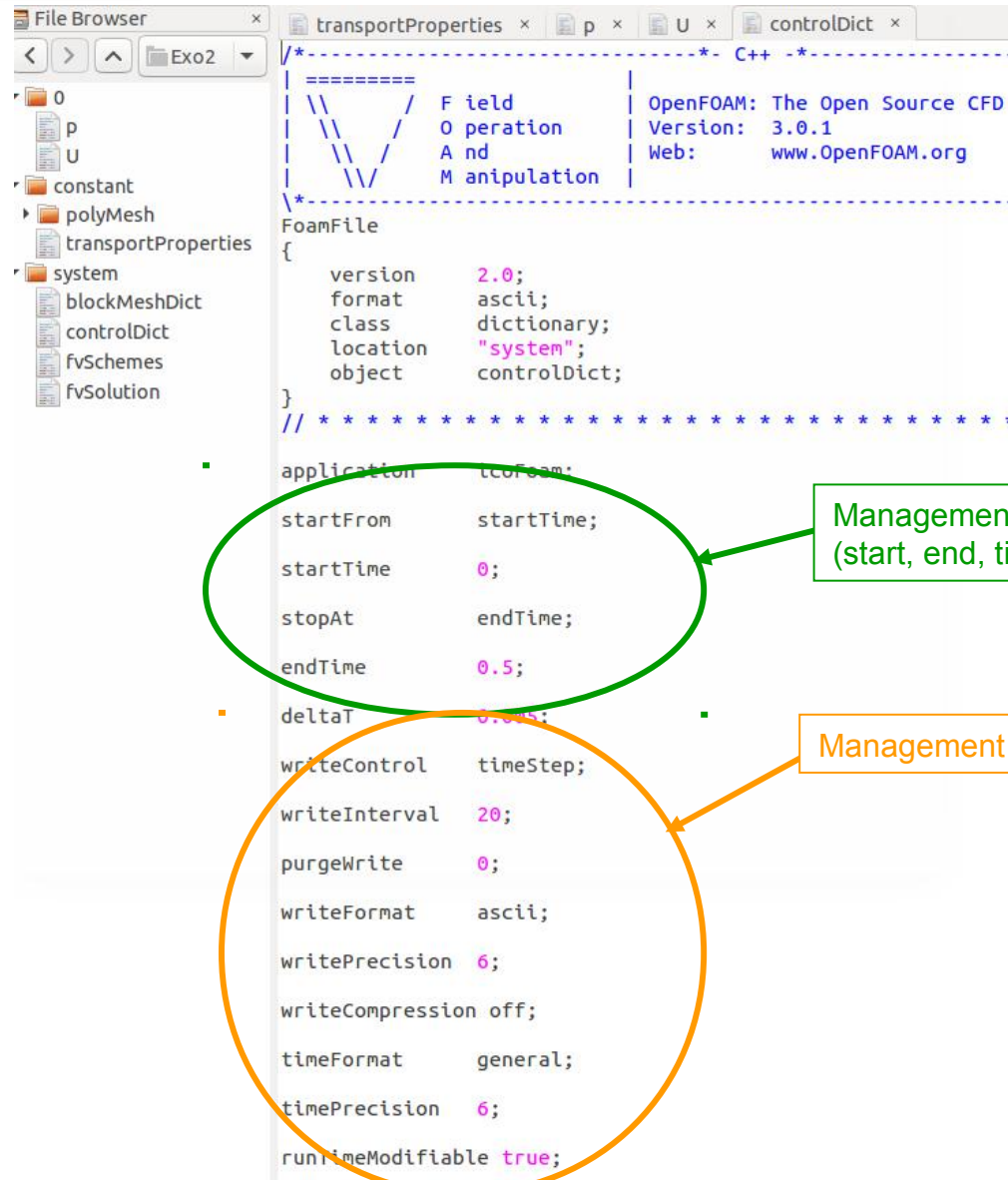
// *****
```

Be careful with the units! In OpenFOAM® incompressible solvers, the solved pressure is

$$p = \frac{p'}{\rho}$$

## #2 – Cavity (4d/6)

\$ gedit system/controlDict



```
File Browser x transportProperties x p x U x controlDict x
Exo2
0
p
U
constant
polyMesh
transportProperties
system
blockMeshDict
controlDict
fvSchemes
fvSolution

/*-----* C++ *-----*/
//
// \ \ \ \ \ F i e l d
// \ \ \ \ \ O p e r a t i o n
// \ \ \ \ \ A n d
// \ \ \ \ \ M a n i p u l a t i o n
//

FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "system";
    object       controlDict;
}

// *****

application      icofFoam;

startFrom        startTime;
startTime        0;
stopAt           endTime;
endTime          0.5;
deltaT           0.005;

writeControl      timeStep;
writeInterval     20;
purgeWrite        0;
writeFormat       ascii;
writePrecision    6;
writeCompression off;
timeFormat        general;
timePrecision     6;
runtimeModifiable true;
```

Management of the time discretization  
(start, end, time steps...)

Management of the output files



## #2 – Cavity (5/6)

🐞 Start the simulation :

\$ icoFoam

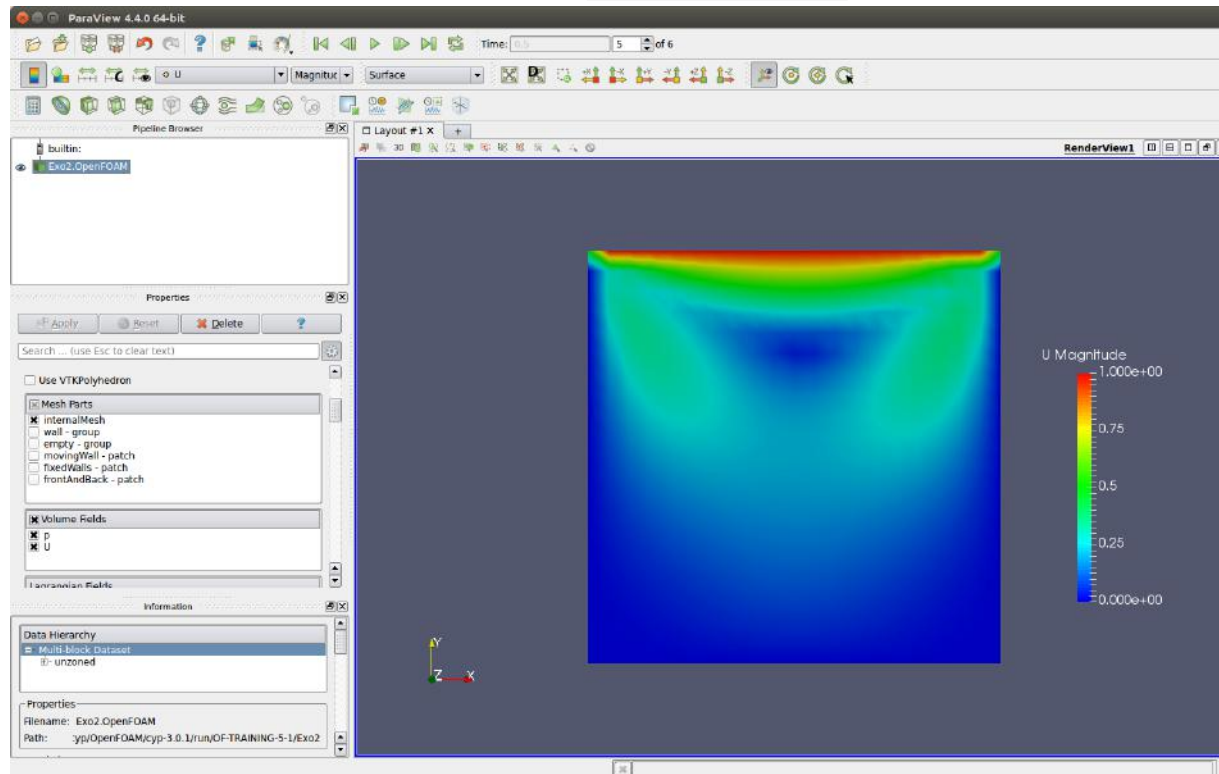
```
DICPCG: Solving for p, Initial residual = 8.33045e-07, Final residual = 8.33045e-07, No Iterations 0
time step continuity errors : sum local = 8.59385e-09, global = 5.07889e-19, cumulative = -1.54203e-18
ExecutionTime = 0.12 s  ClockTime = 0 s

Time = 0.5

Courant Number mean: 0.222158 max: 0.852134
smoothSolver: Solving for Ux, Initial residual = 2.32737e-07, Final residual = 2.32737e-07, No Iterations 0
smoothSolver: Solving for Uy, Initial residual = 5.07002e-07, Final residual = 5.07002e-07, No Iterations 0
DICPCG: Solving for p, Initial residual = 1.0281e-06, Final residual = 2.77237e-07, No Iterations 1
time step continuity errors : sum local = 4.0374e-09, global = -9.0204e-19, cumulative = -2.44407e-18
DICPCG: Solving for p, Initial residual = 5.31987e-07, Final residual = 5.31987e-07, No Iterations 0
time step continuity errors : sum local = 6.12557e-09, global = -3.93738e-20, cumulative = -2.48344e-18
ExecutionTime = 0.12 s  ClockTime = 0 s

End
```

🐞 Post-processing with ParaView : \$ paraFoam



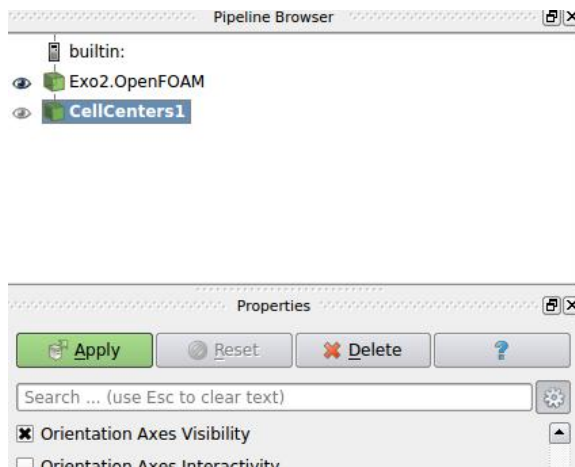


## #2 – Cavity (6a/6)

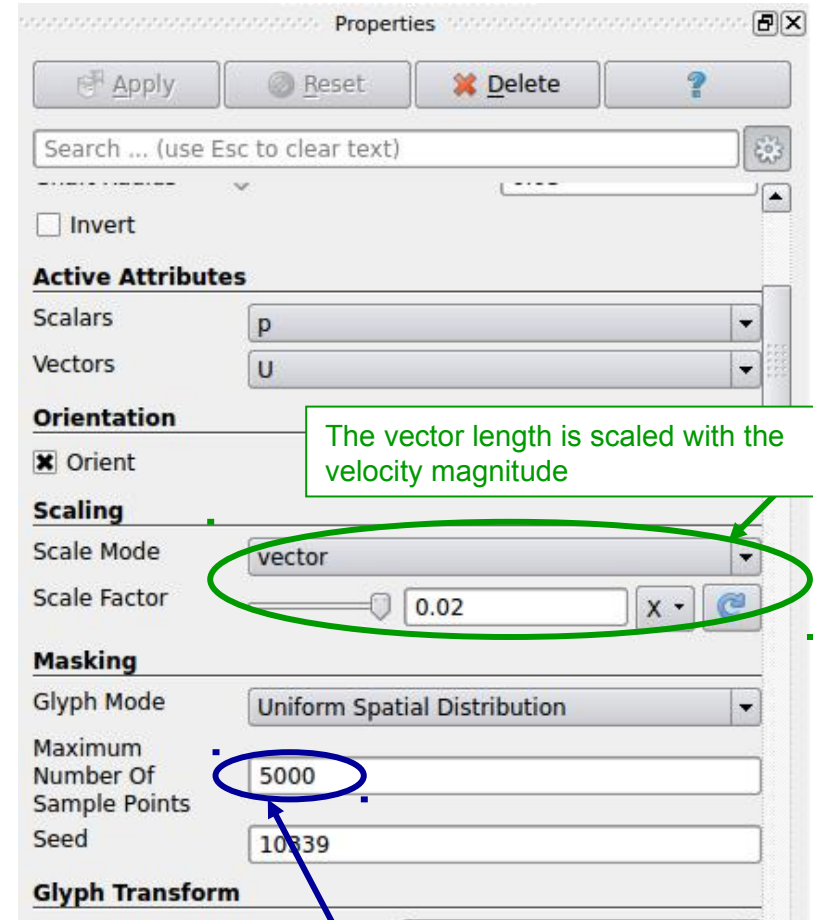
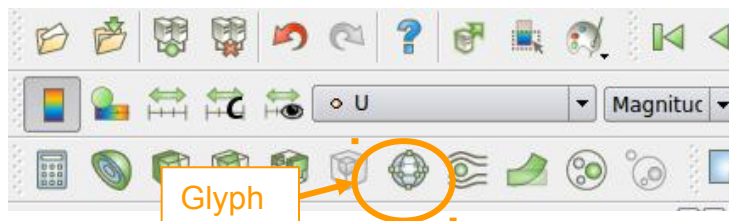
### To view the velocity vectors

We specify that the values are plotted at the cell centers with the filter *Cell Centers* (by default, ParaView plots the vector at the face centers whereas OpenFOAM® calculates at the cell centers)

filters>alphabetical>Cell Centers>Apply

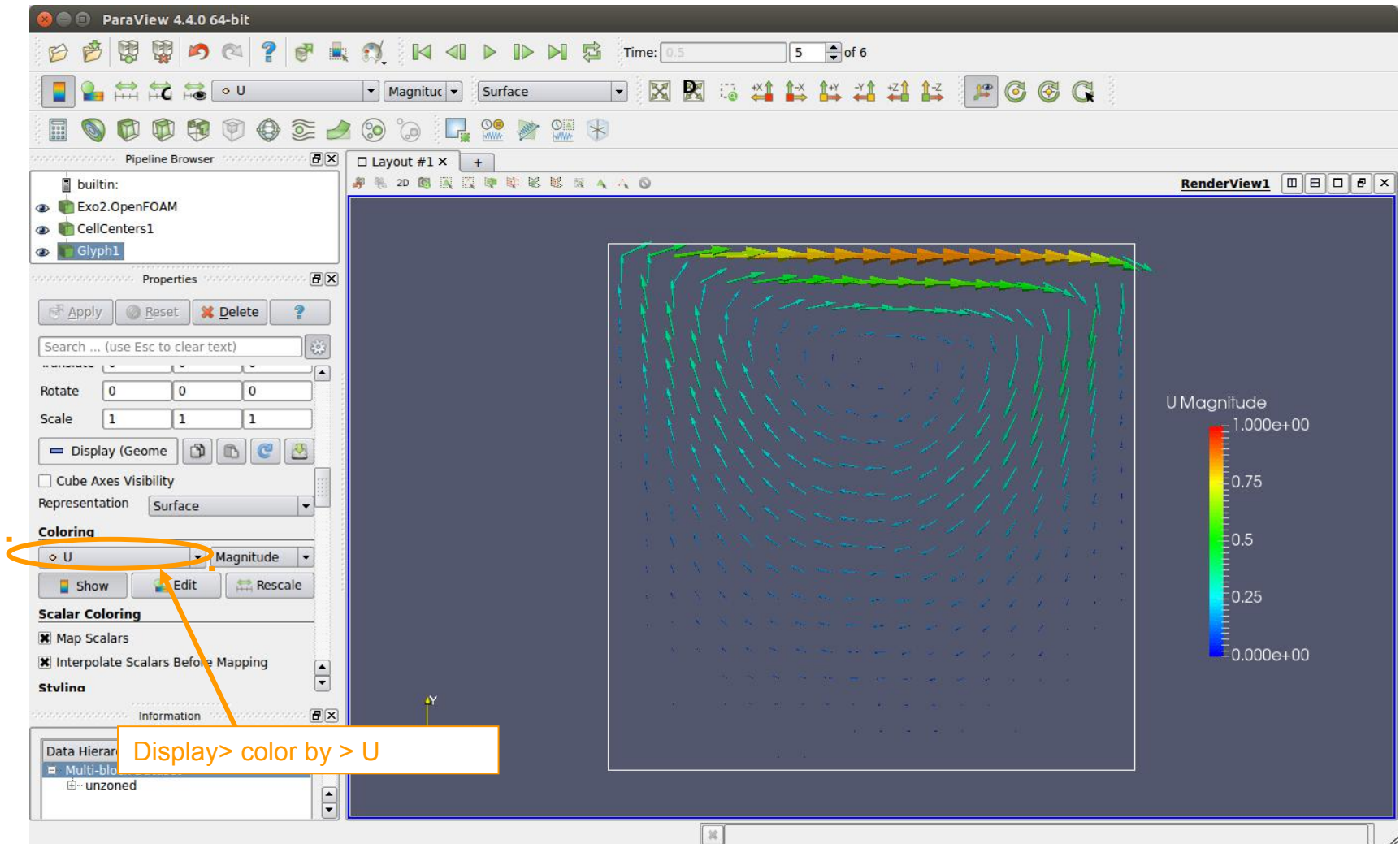


We then apply the Glyph filter to plot the velocity vector:

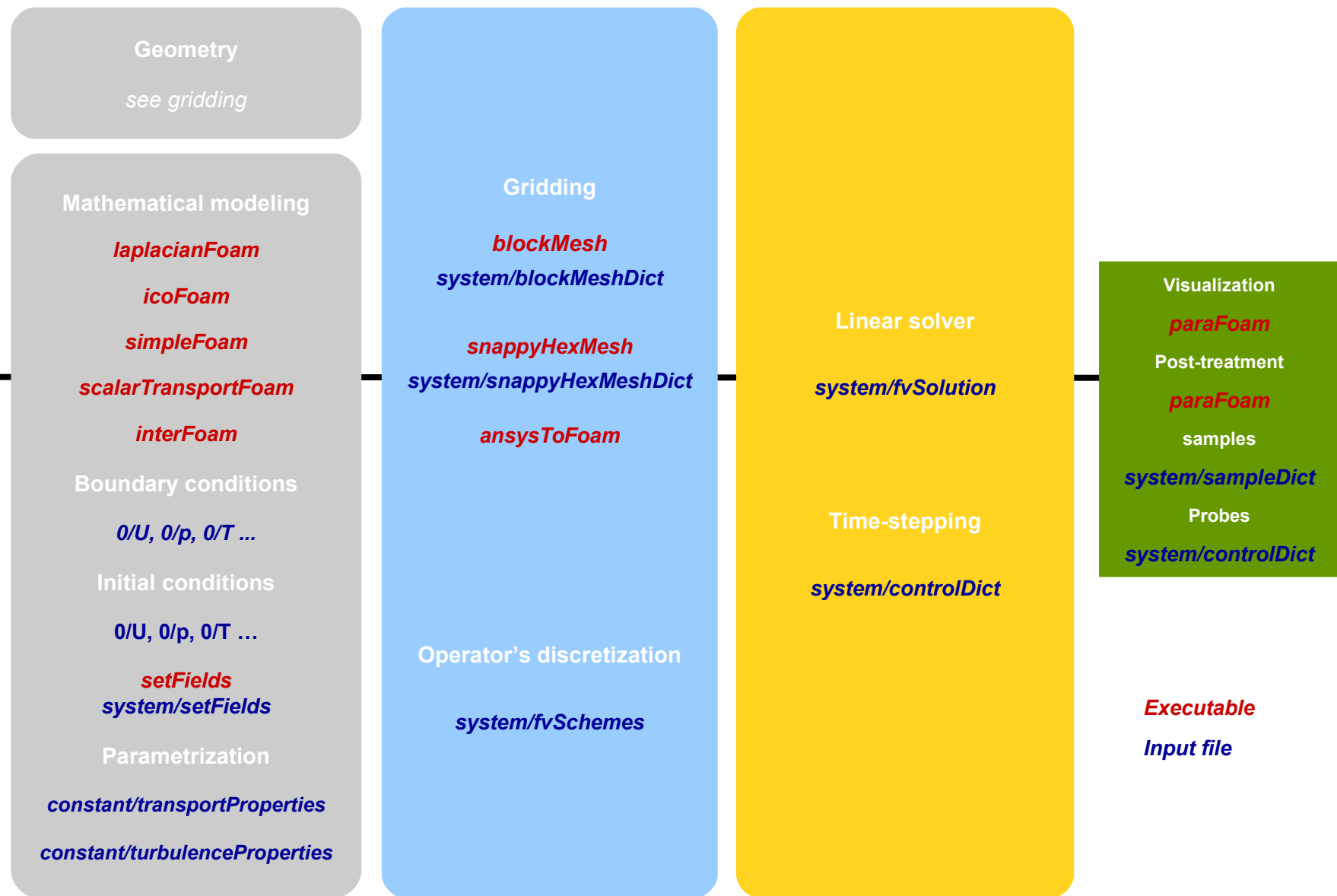


## #2 – Cavity (6b/6)

To view the velocity vectors



# Common programs and input files



# PISO or SIMPLE?

Navier-Stokes (or Stokes) equations are solved in a sequential manner using predictor-corrector projection algorithms. In OpenFOAM®, you have to choose between **PISO** and **SIMPLE**:

algorithm	transient	Steady-state	comments	OpenFOAM solver
PISO* PIMPLE	YES	YES	Can be used to find the stationary solution by solving all the time steps	<b>icoFoam</b> , pisoFoam, pimpleFoam, interFoam, twoPhaseEulerFoam, rhoPimpleFoam...
SIMPLE**	NO	YES	Faster than PISO to converge to the steady state	<b>simpleFoam</b> , rhoSimpleFoam...

- **PISO** is not unconditionally stable and the time step is limited by a CFL condition.
- **SIMPLE** is an iterative procedure that under-relaxes the pressure field and velocity matrix at each iteration.
- To allow larger time steps, a combination of both algorithm is sometime proposed (PIMPLE).
- Multiphase Navier-Stokes equations are solved in the framework of the **PISO** solution procedure.
- Stokes momentum equation does not involve transient terms and can be solved with **SIMPLE**.

\* Issa. *Solution of the Implicitly Discretised Fluid Flow Equations by Operator-Splitting*. Journal of Computational Physics, 62:40-65, 1985.

\*\* Patankar. *Numerical Heat Transfer And Fluid Flow*, Taylor & Francis, 1980

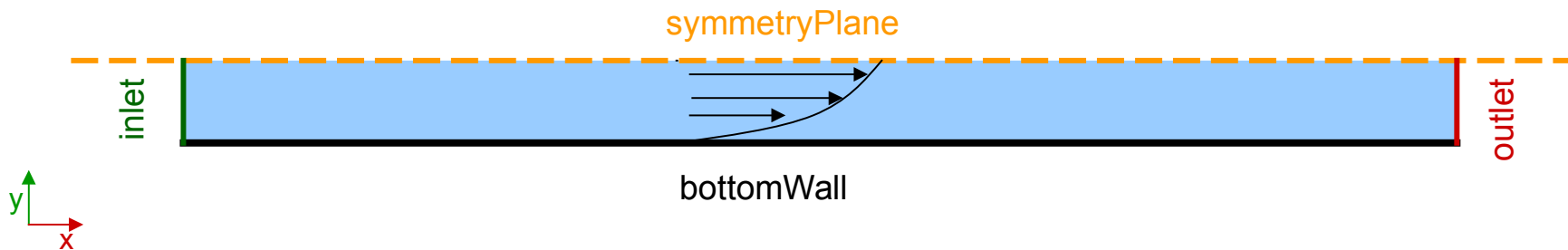
## #3 – Poiseuille flow (1/4)

### Objectives:

- Simulate a Poiseuille flow through a 2D pipe with symmetry plane condition
- Steady-state solution of laminar incompressible Navier-Stokes equations with the *simpleFoam* solver

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

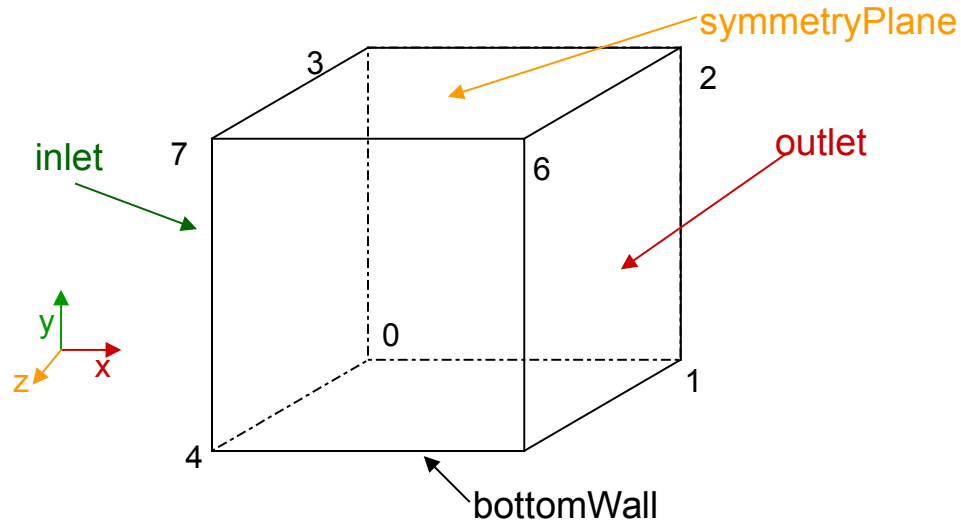
$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}) = \nabla \cdot (\nu \nabla \mathbf{U}) - \nabla p$$



```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/simpleFoam/pitzDaily Exo3
$ cd Exo3
$ cp ../Exo2/system/blockMeshDict system/.
```

# #3 – Poiseuille flow (2/4)

```
$ gedit system/blockMeshDict
```



```
scale 1e-3;
```

```
vertices
```

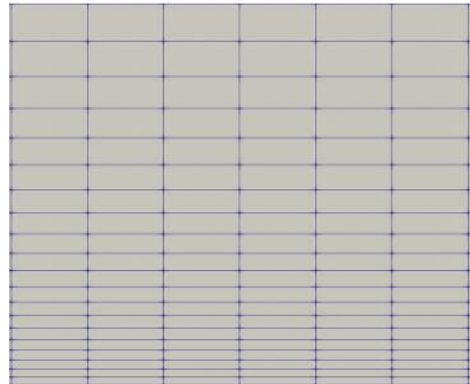
```
(
  (0 0 0)
  (20 0 0)
  (20 1 0)
  (0 1 0)
  (0 0 0.1)
  (20 0 0.1)
  (20 1 0.1)
  (0 1 0.1)
);
```

```
blocks
```

```
(
  hex (0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7) (100 20 1) simpleGrading (1 5 1)
);
```

```
edges
```

```
(
);
```



```
boundary
(
  top
  {
    type symmetryPlane;
    faces
    (
      (3 7 6 2)
    );
  }
  left
  {
    type patch;
    faces
    (
      (0 4 7 3)
    );
  }
  right
  {
    type patch;
    faces
    (
      (2 6 5 1)
    );
  }
  bottom
  {
    type wall;
    faces
    (
      (1 5 4 0)
    );
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type empty;
    faces
    (
      (0 3 2 1)
      (4 5 6 7)
    );
  }
);
```

```
$ blockMesh
$ paraFoam
```

Untick U and p in the fields to view before you click on « apply »

# #3 – Poiseuille flow (3a/4)

\$ gedit constant/turbulenceProperties

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       turbulenceProperties;
}
// *****

simulationType laminar;

// *****
```

We specify that the simulation is laminar. All the references to RANS model are no longer necessary (discretization schemes, files 0/nut, 0/k ...)

```
$ rm 0/epsilon
$ rm 0/f
$ rm 0/k
$ rm 0/nut
$ rm 0/nuTilda
$ rm 0/omega
$ rm 0/v2
```

This step is not mandatory, the files will be simply not considered during the simulation

\$ gedit constant/transportProperties

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       transportProperties;
}
// *****

transportModel  Newtonian;

nu              1e-05;

// *****
```



# #3 – Poiseuille flow (3b/4)

\$ gedit 0/U

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volVectorField;
    object        U;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 1 -1 0 0 0];
internalField    uniform (0 0 0);
boundaryField
{
    left
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (1 0 0);
    }
    right
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    top
    {
        type      symmetryPlane;
    }
    bottom
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (0 0 0);
    }
    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

\$ gedit 0/p

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volScalarField;
    object        p;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 2 -2 0 0 0];
internalField    uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
    left
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    right
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 0;
    }
    top
    {
        type      symmetryPlane;
    }
    bottom
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

# #3 – Poiseuille flow (3c/4)

\$ gedit system/controlDict

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "system";
    object       controlDict;
}
// *****

application     simpleFoam;
startFrom       startTime;
startTime       0;
stopAt          endTime;
endTime         2000;
deltaT          1;
writeControl     timeStep;
writeInterval    100;
purgeWrite      0;
writeFormat      ascii;
writePrecision   6;
writeCompression off;
timeFormat       general;
timePrecision    6;
runTimeModifiable true;
```

simpleFoam is a steady-state solver that uses an iterative algorithm called SIMPLE: the pressure field and the velocity matrix are under-relaxed to ease the convergence. Hence, in this case, the “time-step” refers to the iteration number (see *system/fvSolution* for convergence criteria)

Remove the “functions” block. It is not necessary in this exercise, and will cause problems since it is a laminar simulation

\$ gedit system/fvSolution

```
SIMPLE
{
    nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 0;
    consistent               yes;

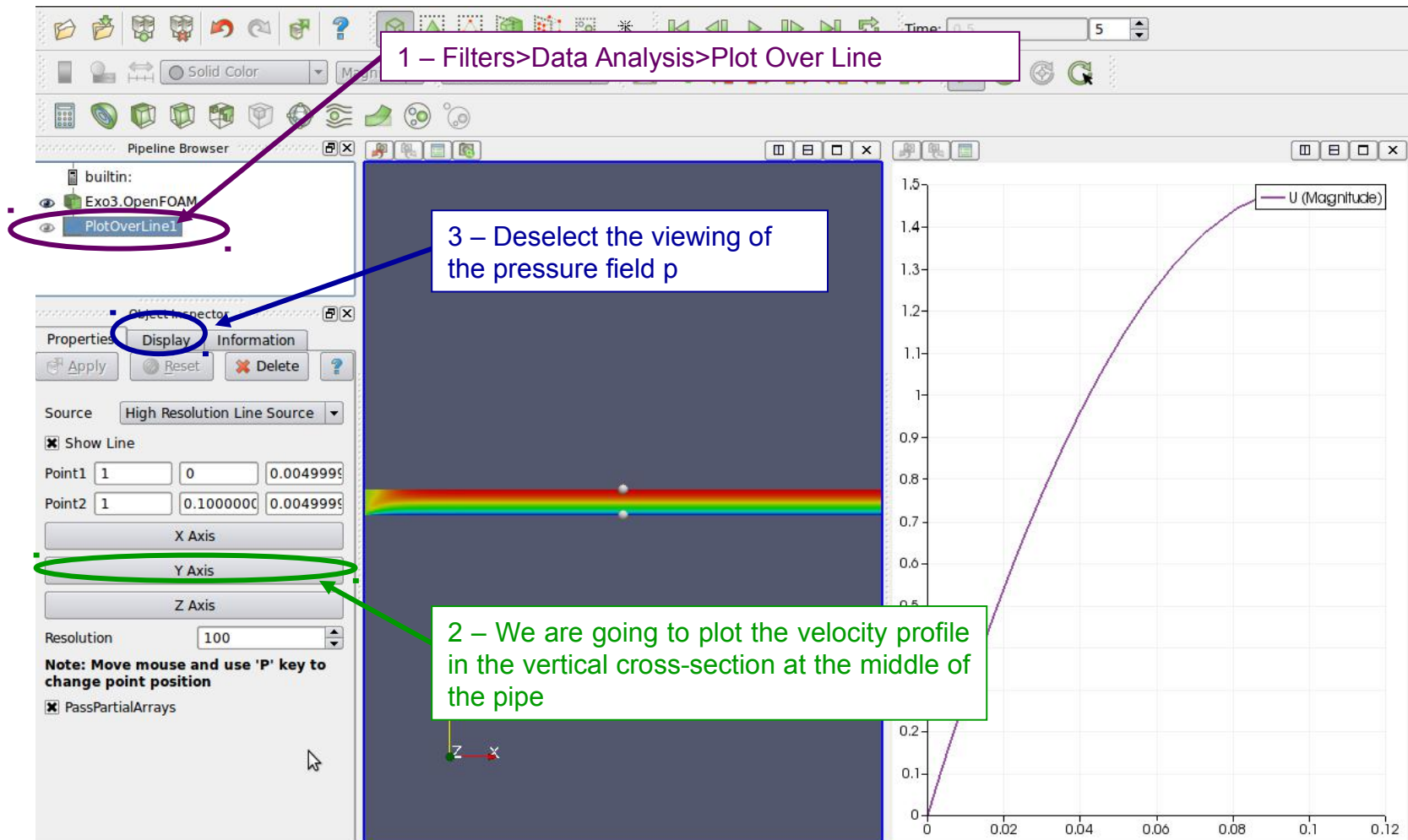
    residualControl
    {
        p          1e-5;
        U          1e-5;
    }
}
```

The simulation stops when the residual are below this criteria.

# #3 – Poiseuille flow (4/4)

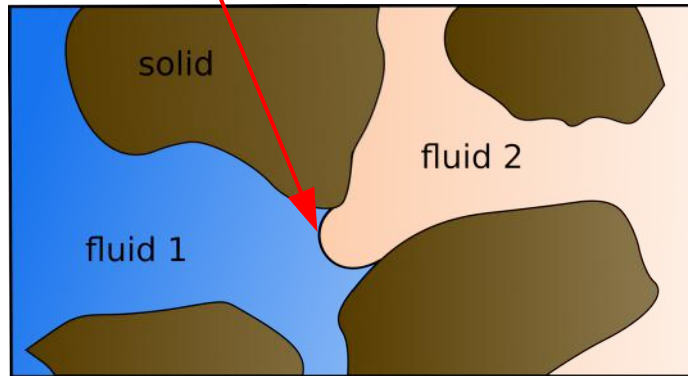
To start the simulation: `simpleFoam`

To view the results: `paraFoam`



# The physics of two-phase flows

## Immiscible interface



## Particularity of multi-phase flow

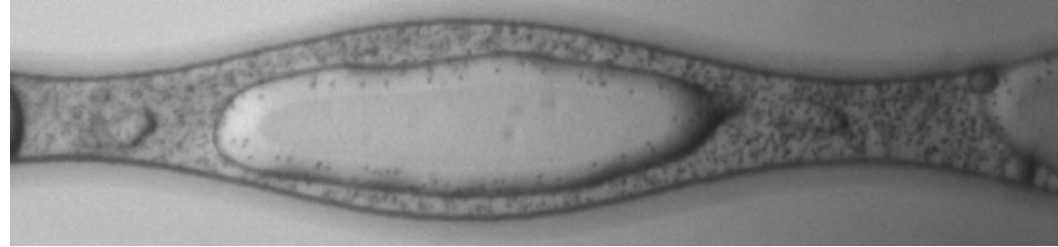
- Navier-Stokes equation in each phases
- Continuity of the tangential component of the velocity at the fluid/fluid interface
- Laplace law for a surface at the equilibrium

$$\Delta p = \sigma \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right)$$

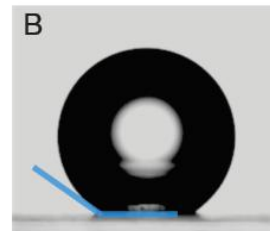
Surface tension  
(N/m)

- Contact line dynamics at the solid surface

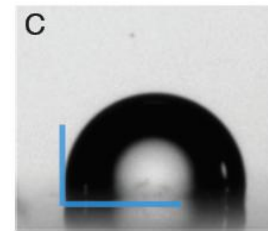
Surface tension is the elastic tendency of a fluid surface which makes it acquire the least surface area possible



The contact angle quantifies the wettability affinity of a solid surface by a liquid



$\theta=150^\circ$   
non-wetting



$\theta=90^\circ$

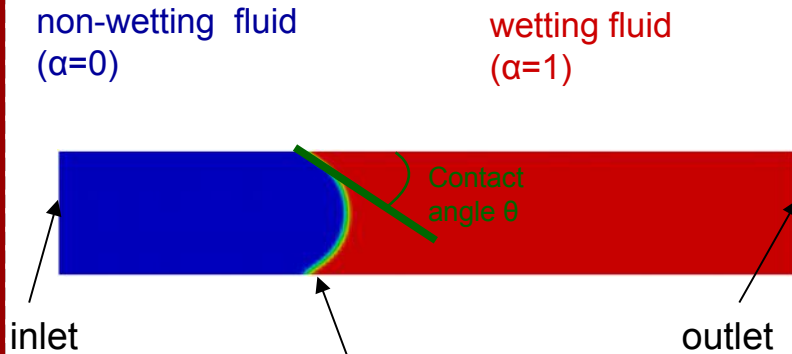


$\theta=7^\circ$   
wetting

The displacement of a wetting fluid by a non-wetting fluid (drainage) is different than the displacement of a non-wetting fluid by a wetting fluid (imbibition)

Zhao et al. (2016), PNAS

# #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (1/5)



0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.2	0.1	0	0	0.1
0.6	1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.6
1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1

## Objectives:

- Simulate a drainage (a non-wetting fluid pushing a wetting fluid) experiment in a simple 2D capillary tube
- Example adapted from the *damBreak* tutorial detailed in the official *user guide*
- Use of an interface capturing solver (*interFoam*, *VoF*)

$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot (\mu (\nabla \mathbf{U} + {}^t \nabla \mathbf{U})) + \mathbf{F}_\alpha$$

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U} \alpha) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \alpha \mathbf{U}_l + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{U}_g \quad \rho = \alpha \rho_l + (1 - \alpha) \rho_g$$

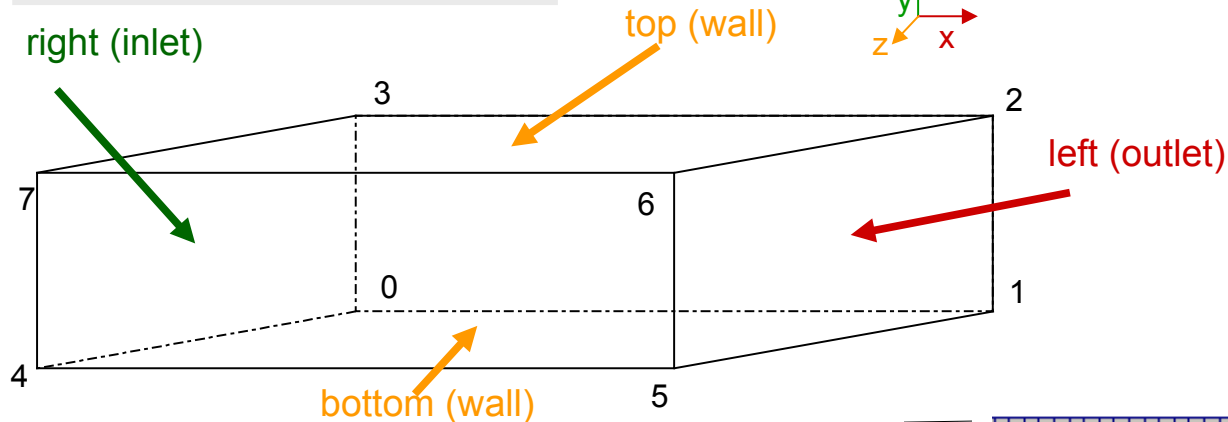
$$\mu = \alpha \mu_l + (1 - \alpha) \mu_g$$

- Use of the *setFields* utility to initialize the phase distribution

```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/multiphase/interFoam/laminar/damBreak/damBreak Exo4
$ cd Exo4
$ cp ../Exo3/system/blockMeshDict system/.
```

# #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (2/5)

```
$ gedit system/blockMeshDict
```



```
convertToMeters 1e-3;
```

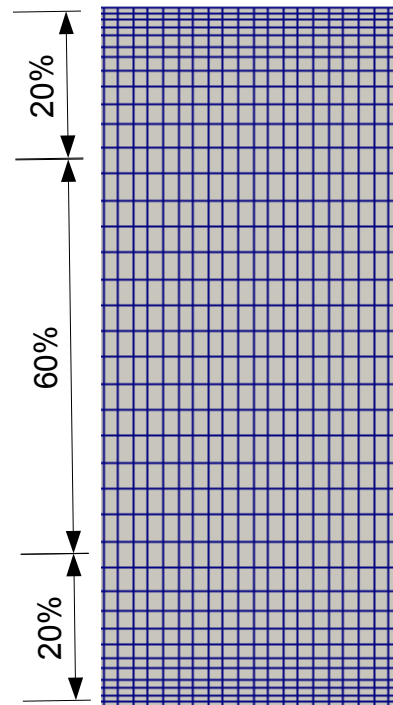
```
vertices
```

```
(
  (0 0 0)
  (12 0 0)
  (12 2 0)
  (0 2 0)
  (0 0 0.1)
  (12 0 0.1)
  (12 2 0.1)
  (0 2 0.1)
);
```

```
blocks
```

```
(
  hex (0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7) (280 38 1)
  simpleGrading (
    1
    (
      (20 30 4) // 20%, 30%...
      (60 40 1)
      (20 30 0.25)
    )
  )
);
```

The grid is regular in x and z directions, but is refined near the walls in the y direction. 20% of the total length near the boundaries contain 30 % of the cells refined with a factor 4 between the closest to wall and the farthest.



```
boundary
(
  top
  {
    type wall;
    faces
    (
      (3 7 6 2)
    );
  }
  left
  {
    type patch;
    faces
    (
      (0 4 7 3)
    );
  }
  right
  {
    type patch;
    faces
    (
      (2 6 5 1)
    );
  }
  bottom
  {
    type wall;
    faces
    (
      (1 5 4 0)
    );
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type empty;
    faces
    (
      (0 3 2 1)
      (4 5 6 7)
    );
  }
);
```

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (3a/5)

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        dictionary;
  location      "constant";
  object        transportProperties;
}
// * * * * *
```

```
phases (water oil);
```

```
water
{
  transportModel Newtonian;
  nu             6e-05;
  rho            1000;
}
```

```
oil
{
  transportModel Newtonian;
  nu             6e-05;
  rho            10;
}
```

```
sigma 0.097;
```

Name of the wetting phase (here « water ») and of the non-wetting phase (here « oil »). On the computational grid, the two phases are differentiated with the phase indicator  $\alpha_{\text{water}}$  ( $=1$  for the wetting phase,  $=0$  for the non-wetting phase)

Mind the space between “phases” and “(“ !

Properties of the “water” phase

Properties of the “oil” phase

Surface tension



## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (3b/5)

\$ gedit 0/U

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        volVectorField;
  location     "0";
  object       U;
}
// *****
dimensions     [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform (0 0 0);
boundaryField
{
  left
  {
    type        fixedValue;
    value        uniform (0.01 0 0);
  }
  right
  {
    type        zeroGradient;
  }
  "(bottom|top)"
  {
    type        noSlip;
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type        empty;
  }
}
```

We use a hydrostatic pressure

\$ gedit 0/p\_rgh

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        volScalarField;
  location     "p_rgh";
}
// *****
dimensions     [1 -1 -2 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
  left
  {
    type        zeroGradient;
  }
  right
  {
    type        fixedValue;
    value        uniform 0;
  }
  "(bottom|top)"
  {
    type        fixedFluxPressure;
    value        uniform 0;
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type        empty;
  }
}
```

The patches « top » and « bottom » have the same boundary conditions

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (3c/5)

```
$ gedit 0/alpha.water.orig
```

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        volScalarField;
  object        alpha.water;
}
// ****

dimensions      [0 0 0 0 0 0 0];

internalField    uniform 0;

boundaryField
{
  left
  {
    type        fixedValue;
    value        uniform 1;
  }

  right
  {
    type        zeroGradient;
  }

  "(bottom|top)"
  {
    type        constantAlphaContactAngle;
    value        uniform 1;
    theta0      45;
    limit        gradient;
  }

  frontAndBack
  {
    type        empty;
  }
}
```

*alpha.water* represents the wetting/non-wetting phase distribution in the computational domain. (*alpha*=0 for the non-wetting, *alpha*=1 for the wetting)

0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.2	0.1	0	0	0.1
0.6	1	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.6
1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1

Definition of the contact angle at the solid boundaries. Here  $\theta=45$  degrees

*limit gradient* to limit the wall-gradient such that *alpha* remains bounded on the wall.

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (3d/5)

Specify that the simulation will be without gravity in a laminar flow regime

\$ gedit constant/g

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        uniformDimensionedVectorField;
    location     "constant";
    object       g;
}
// * * * * *

dimensions      [0 1 -2 0 0 0 0];
value           (0 0 0);
```

\$ gedit constant/turbulenceProperties

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       turbulenceProperties;
}
// * * * * *

simulationType  laminar;
```

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (3e/5)

```
$ gedit system/controlDict
```

```
application      interFoam;
```

```
startFrom        startTime;
```

```
startTime        0;
```

```
stopAt           endTime;
```

```
endTime          1;
```

```
deltaT           1e-5;
```

```
writeControl      adjustableRunTime;
```

```
writeInterval     0.1;
```

```
purgeWrite        0;
```

```
writeFormat       ascii;
```

```
writePrecision    6;
```

```
writeCompression  off;
```

```
timeFormat        general;
```

```
timePrecision     6;
```

```
runTimeModifiable yes;
```

```
adjustTimeStep    yes;
```

```
maxCo              0.5;
```

```
maxAlphaCo         0.5;
```

```
maxDeltaT          1e-2;
```


Set the *writeControl* parameter to *adjustableRunTime* when using an adjustable time step. The output files will be written every *writeInterval* seconds.

If yes value, then it means that the *controlDict* file can be modified on the fly.

Switch on the automatic time step management according to the Courant Numbers value (*maxCo* for the pressure/velocity coupling and *maxAlphaCo* for the explicit transport of *alpha*).

*maxDeltaT* restricts the maximum value of the time step.

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (4/5)

 Before we start the simulation, we are going to specify the initial phase distribution with *setFields*

```
$ cp 0/alpha.water.orig 0/alpha.water
$ blockMesh
$ paraFoam
$ gedit system/setFieldsDict
$ setFields
$ paraFoam
```

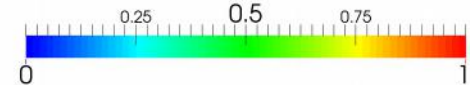
```
defaultFieldValues
(
    volScalarFieldValue alpha.water 1
);

regions
(
    boxToCell
    {
        box (0 0 0) (0.5e-3 2e-3 0.1e-3);
        fieldValues
        (
            volScalarFieldValue alpha.water 0
        );
    }
);
```

BEFORE



alpha.water



AFTER



*setFields* overwrites *0/alpha.water*. It is recommended to make a backup before using it (that the purpose of *0/alpha.water.orig*).

## #4 – Drainage in a capillary tube (5/5)



Start the immiscible two-phase flow simulation:

```
$ interFoam
```

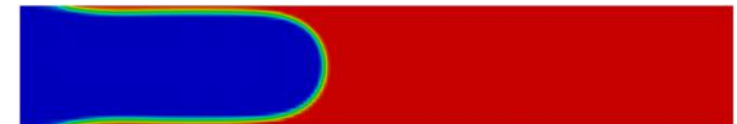
theta=45 degrees

theta=20 degrees

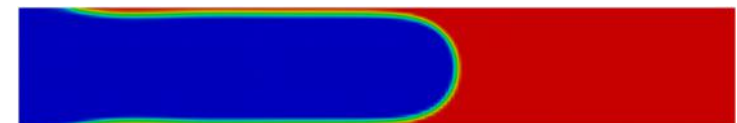
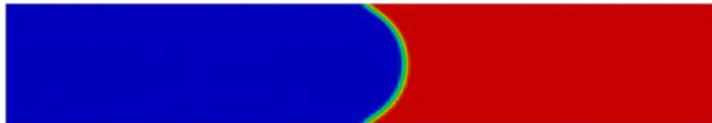
$t=0.2s$



$t=0.4s$



$t=0.6s$



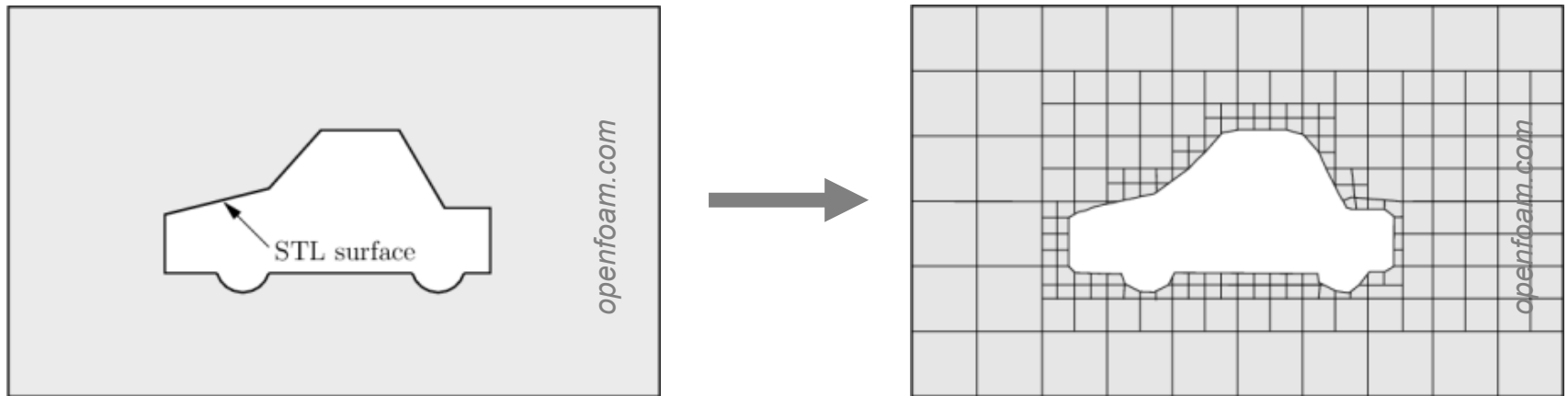
$t=0.8s$



Exo4bis : Same exercise with a contact angle of 20 degrees

# snappyHexMesh overview (1/2)

- 🐛 *snappyHexMesh* is an automatic and robust mesher able to grid any complex geometry
- 🐛 Mesh a region inside or/and around an object described by a surface mesh
- 🐛 It is compatible with a lot of input formats resulting from CAD softwares or tomography imaging (\*.stl, \*.obj, \*.vtk ...)
- 🐛 Maximize the number of hexahedral cells





## snappyHexMesh overview (2/2)

```
// Which of the steps to run
castellatedMesh true;
snap           true;
addLayers      false;
```

```
geometry
```

```
{
  Exo5.stl
  {
    type triSurfaceMesh;
    name fixedWalls;
  }
};
```

```
// Settings for the castellatedMesh
castellatedMeshControls
```

```
{
}
```

```
// Settings for the snapping.
snapControls
```

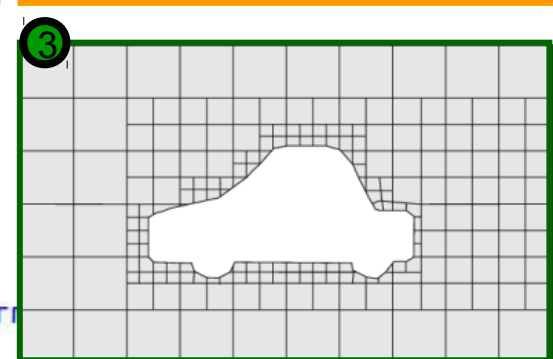
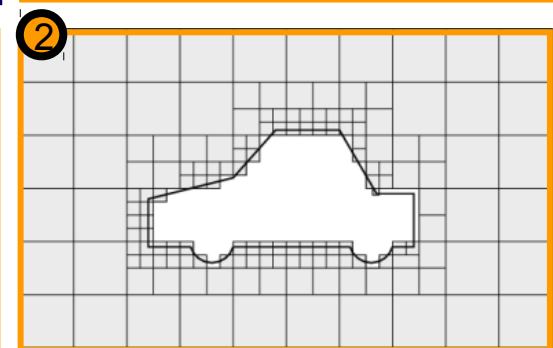
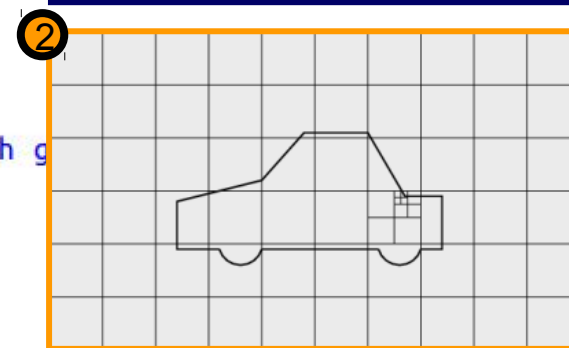
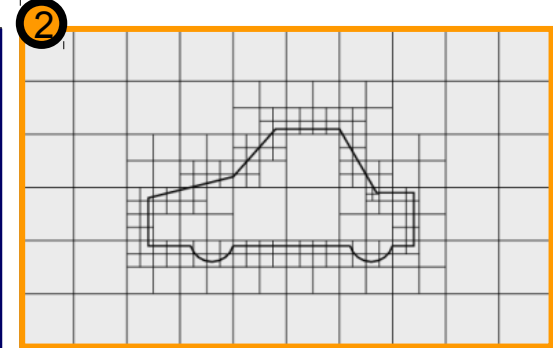
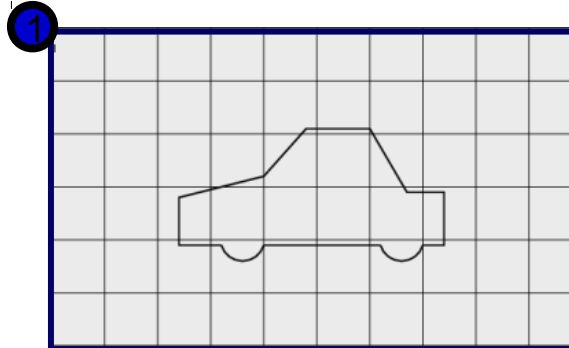
```
{
}
```

```
// Settings for the layer addition.
addLayersControls
```

```
{
}
```

```
// Generic mesh quality settings. At any undoable phase these determine
// where to undo.
```

```
meshQualityControls
{
}
```

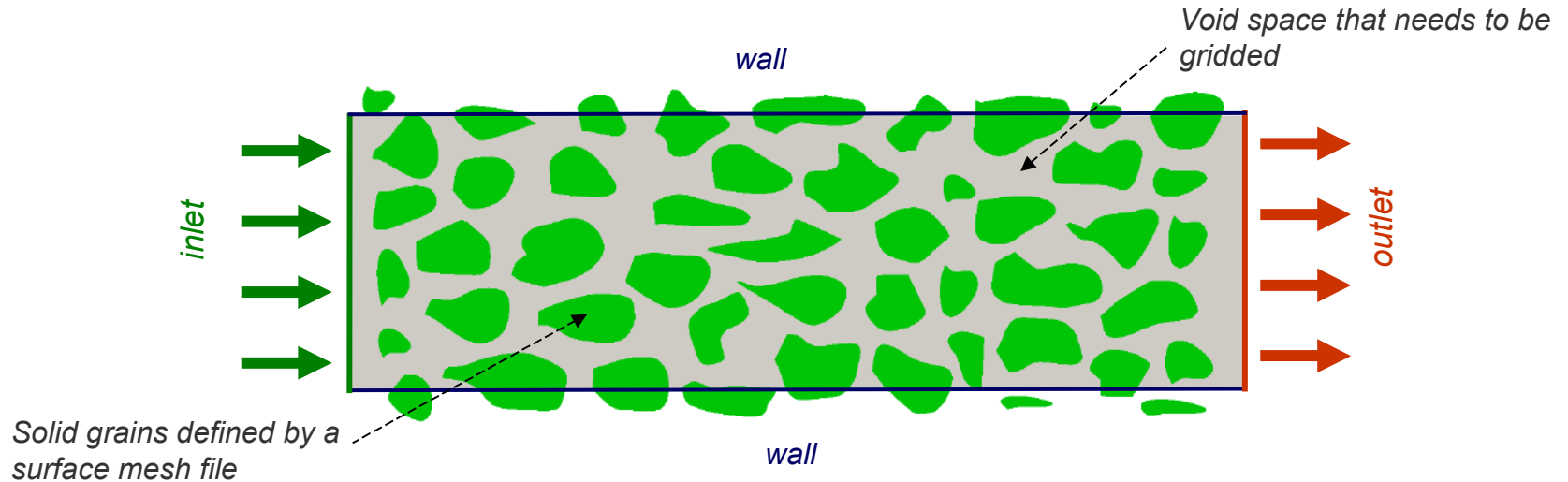


openfoam.com

## #5 – Mesh a pore-space (1/6)

### Objective:

- Mesh the void space of a porous medium with *snappyHexMesh*



1. Generate the surface mesh (here the solid grain).
2. Create a suitable background mesh with *blockMesh*. It needs to be fine enough to have at least 10 cells in the pore-throat thickness.
3. Detect the void space, remove the cells occupied by the solid and snap them to fit as close as possible the initial surface object with *snappyHexMesh*.

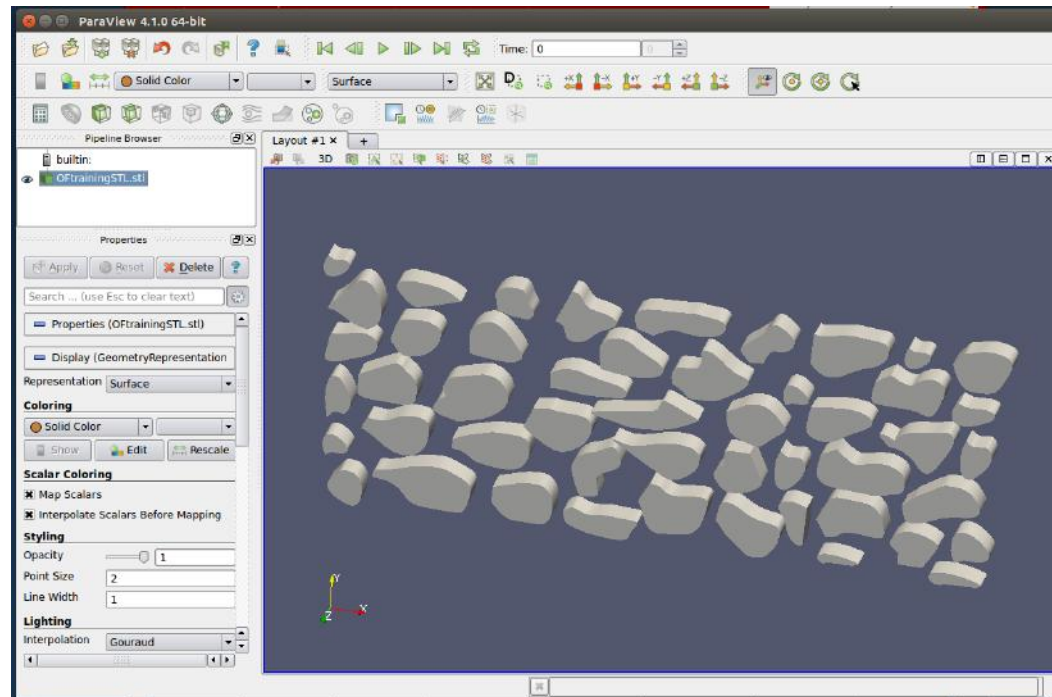
## #5 – Mesh a pore-space (2/6)

We are going to adapt the *motorBike* tutorial and use an existing *stl* file\*

```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/simpleFoam/motorBike/ Exo5
$ cd Exo5
```

Download *Exo5.stl* and copy it to the folder *Exo5*. To view the geometry,

```
$ paraview Exo5.stl
```



\* This file can be downloaded at: [http://web.stanford.edu/~csoulain/OF\\_Training/Exo5/Exo5.stl](http://web.stanford.edu/~csoulain/OF_Training/Exo5/Exo5.stl)

## #5 – Mesh a pore-space (3/6)

The next step consists in creating a background mesh with *blockMesh*. The size of this background domain depends on the bounding box of the surface object. It can be obtained using the *surfaceCheck* tool,

```
$ surfaceCheck Exo5.stl | grep -i 'bounding box'
```

```
Bounding Box : (-0.0447606 -0.0172845 -0.002) (0.0436509 0.0170043 0.002)
```

```
$ gedit system/blockMeshDict
```

```
convertToMeters 1;
```

```
lx0 -0.046;  
ly0 -0.014;  
lz0 -0.001;
```

```
lx1 0.046;  
ly1 0.014;  
lz1 0.001;
```

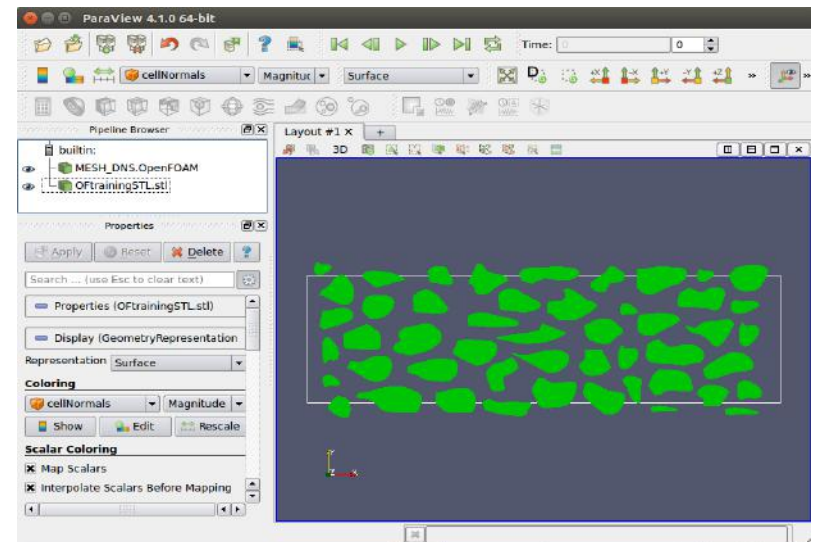
```
vertices
```

```
(  
    ($lx0 $ly0 $lz0) //0  
    ($lx1 $ly0 $lz0) //1  
    ($lx1 $ly1 $lz0) //2  
    ($lx0 $ly1 $lz0) //3  
    ($lx0 $ly0 $lz1) //4  
    ($lx1 $ly0 $lz1) //5  
    ($lx1 $ly1 $lz1) //6  
    ($lx0 $ly1 $lz1) //7  
);
```

```
blocks
```

```
(  
    hex (0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7) (400 100 1) simpleGrading (1 1 1)  
);
```

The grid has to be fine enough in order to capture all the details of the pore-space.



```
$ blockMesh  
$ paraFoam
```

To superimpose the background grid and the surface mesh file, in ParaView:

```
file>open>Exo5.stl
```

Specify the boundaries *top*, *bottom*, *left*, *right*, *frontAndBack* (see page 32)

## #5 – Mesh a pore-space (4/6)

The void space is meshed with *snappyHexMesh*, based on the background grid. *snappyHexMesh* needs an input dictionary located in the *system* folder and the object file (Exo5.stl) located in *constant/triSurface*,

```
$ mv Exo5.stl constant/triSurface/.  
$ gedit system/snappyHexMeshDict
```

```
// Which of the steps to run  
castellatedMesh true;  
snap false;  
addLayers false;
```

The three different stages of the meshing can be performed separately or simultaneously:

- *castellatedMesh*: detects the intersections between the surface object and the background grid. It can eventually refine the background grid at the vicinity of the object. Then it removes either the inside or the outside of the object.
- *snap*: Introduces tetrahedral cells at the object boundary to match the actual geometry.
- *addLayers*: Add layers of cells on the boundaries.

```
// Geometry. Definition of all surfaces.  
geometry  
{  
    Exo5.stl  
    {  
        type triSurfaceMesh;  
        name fixedWalls;  
    }  
};
```

Insertion of the surface mesh object. Several objects may be inserted at the same times.

The solid boundaries will be named “*fixedWalls*”

# #5 – Mesh a pore-space (5/6)

## The « castellated mesh » step

castellatedMeshControls

```
{  
    // Refinement parameters  
    maxLocalCells 100000;  
    maxGlobalCells 2000000;  
    minRefinementCells 10;  
    maxLoadUnbalance 0.10;  
    nCellsBetweenLevels 3;  
  
    // Explicit feature edge refinement  
    features  
    (  
    );  
  
    // Surface based refinement  
    refinementSurfaces  
    {  
        fixedWalls  
        {  
            // Surface-wise min and max refinement level  
            level (0 0);  
        }  
    }  
  
    refinementRegions  
    {  
    }  
  
    // Resolve sharp angles  
    resolveFeatureAngle 30;  
  
    // Mesh selection  
    // ~~~~~  
    locationInMesh (-0.04 0 0);  
    // Face zone  
    allowFreeStandingZoneFaces false;  
}
```

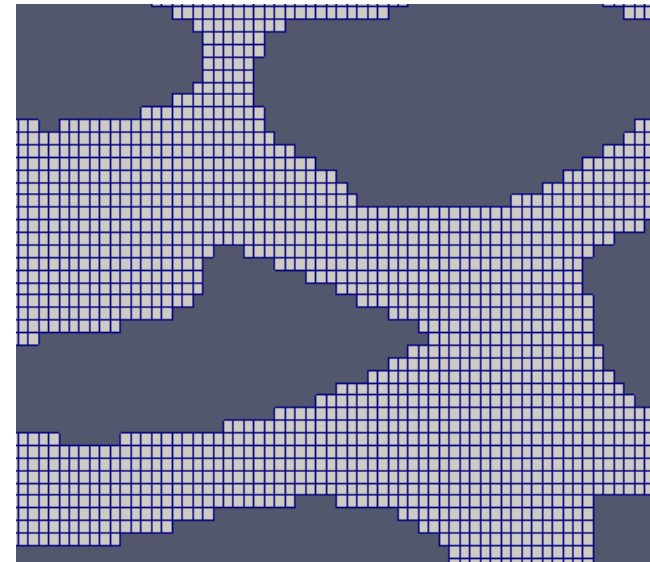
Set up the refinement level at the vicinity of the object. Actually, this feature only works for 3D geometry.

We can specify zero refinements with *level (0 0)*, i.e. we only rely on the background grid

Point a location where there is void space. All cells outside the void space will be removed.

\$ snappyHexMesh  
\$ paraFoam

The mesh is created in a new time step (« 1 ») directory. In order to view it, in ParaView, you have to go to the time « 1 »



## #5 – Mesh a pore-space (6/6)

- The next step « snap » is the snapping stage to fit the STL surface as close as possible. This stage will introduce some tetrahedral cells into the computational domain.

```
$ gedit system/snappyHexMeshDict
```

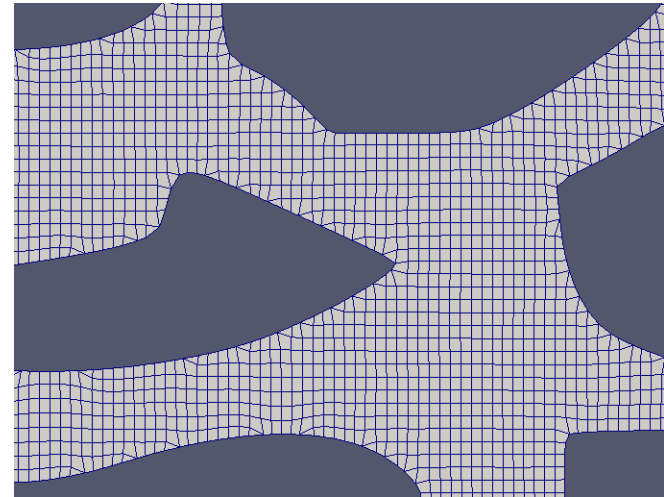
```
// Which of the steps to run
castellatedMesh false;
snap           true;
addLayers      false;

// Settings for the snapping.
snapControls
{
    nSmoothPatch 3;

    tolerance 2.0;

    nSolveIter 30;

    nRelaxIter 5;
}
```



```
$ snappyHexMesh
$ paraFoam
```

*The mesh is created in another time step (« 2 ») folder. You have to select the time step « 2 » in ParaView to view it. You can use the option -overwrite to overwrite the grid in constant/polyMesh*

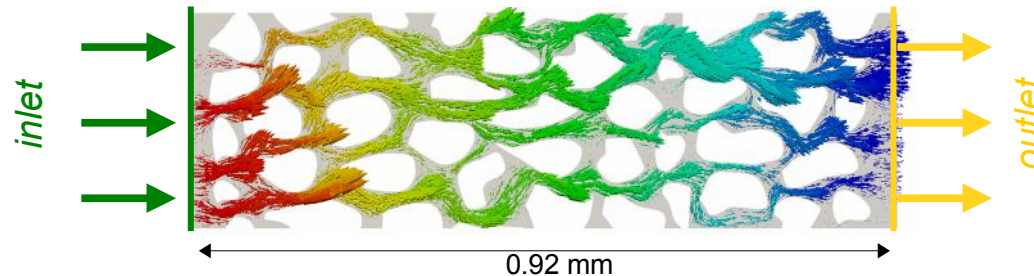
- Eventually, we could have used the *addLayers* stage to add layers of cells around the solid grains.



## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (1/8)

### Objectives:

- Solve the flow in the void space gridded in the previous exercise (#5)
- Estimate the permeability of the porous medium
- Solve a passive scalar transport in the void space



- 🔗 The flow and the scalar transport are uncoupled. They can therefore be solved one after the other.
- 🔗 The flow is obtained solving a Stokes problem with *simpleFoam*. The case can be setup based on #3 (or \$FOAM\_TUTORIALS/incompressible/simpleFoam/pitzDaily)

```
$ run  
$ cp -r Exo3 Exo6a  
$ cd Exo6a
```

- 🔗 The mesh from #3 is replaced by the grid of #5 and scaled to the actual size

```
$ rm -r constant/polyMesh 83/  
$ cp -r ../Exo5/2/polyMesh constant/  
$ transformPoints -scale '(0.01 0.01 0.01)'  
$ checkMesh | grep -i 'bounding box'
```

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (2a/8)


\$ gedit 0/U

```
dimensions      [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform (0 0 0);
boundaryField
{
    fixedWalls
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (0 0 0);
    }
    left
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    right
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    bottom
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (0 0 0);
    }
    top
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform (0 0 0);
    }
    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

\$ gedit 0/p

```
dimensions      [0 2 -2 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
    fixedWalls
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    left
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 1e-3;
    }
    right
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 0;
    }
    bottom
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    top
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (2b/8)

 Setup the fluid properties

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
transportModel Newtonian;  
nu              nu    [ 0 2 -1 0 0 0 0 ] 1e-6;
```

 Switch off the turbulence model

```
$ gedit constant/turbulenceProperties
```

```
simulationType laminar;
```

```
$ gedit system/fvSolution
```

The simulation will stop when these residuals are reached.

```
SIMPLE  
{  
    nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 0;  
    consistent yes;  
    residualControl  
    {  
        p          1e-6;  
        U          1e-6;  
    }  
}  
  
relaxationFactors  
{  
    equations  
    {  
        U          0.9;  
    }  
}
```

Relaxation factors for the SIMPLE algorithm. The value 0.9 for  $U$  is faster for Stokes flows.

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (2c/8)

```
$ gedit system/controlDict
```

```
application    simpleFoam;  
startFrom      latestTime;  
startTime      0.0;  
stopAt         endTime;  
endTime        1000.0;  
deltaT         1;  
writeControl    runtime;  
writeInterval   1000;  
purgeWrite     0;  
writeFormat     ascii;  
writePrecision  6;  
writeCompression uncompressed;  
timeFormat      general;  
timePrecision   6;  
runtimeModifiable yes;
```

Since we have specified convergence criteria in *system/fvSolution*, the simulation may stop before *endTime*. In that case, the latest simulated time step will be automatically written.

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (3/8)

- It might be useful to plot the residuals on-the-fly to check the simulation convergence. This can be achieved by redirecting the simulation log into a file and extracting the residual values with the following *gnuplot* script :

```
$ gedit plotResiduals
```

```
set logscale y
set title "Residuals"
set ylabel 'Residual'
set xlabel 'Iteration'
plot "< cat log | grep 'Solving for Ux' | cut -d' ' -f9 | tr -d ',' title 'Ux' with lines,\
      "< cat log | grep 'Solving for Uy' | cut -d' ' -f9 | tr -d ',' title 'Uy' with lines,\
      "< cat log | grep 'Solving for p' | cut -d' ' -f9 | tr -d ',' title 'p' with lines
pause 1
reread
```

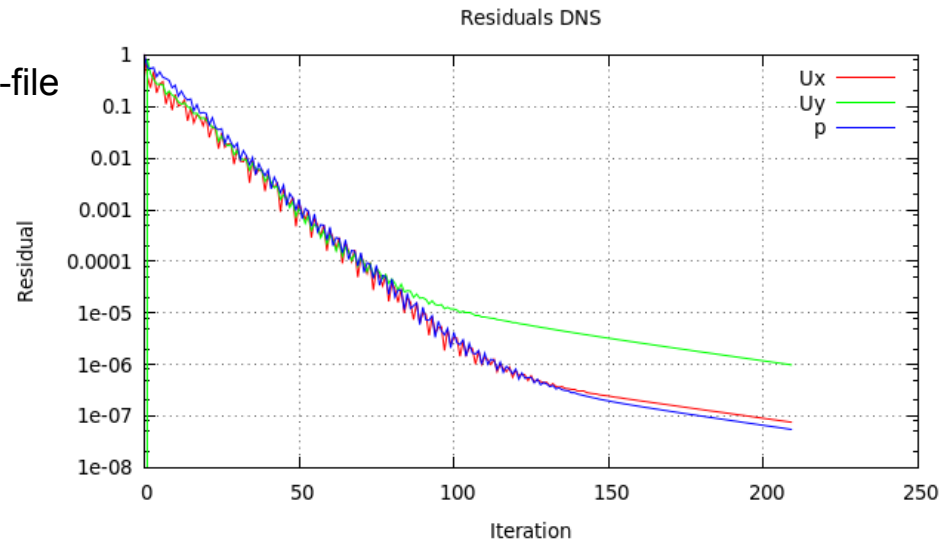
- Run the simulation and make it write out a log-file

```
$ simpleFoam > log &
```

- Plot the residuals convergence with gnuplot

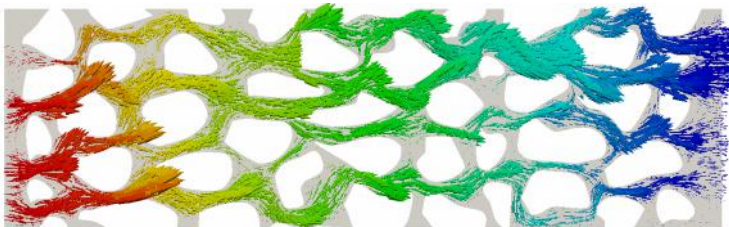
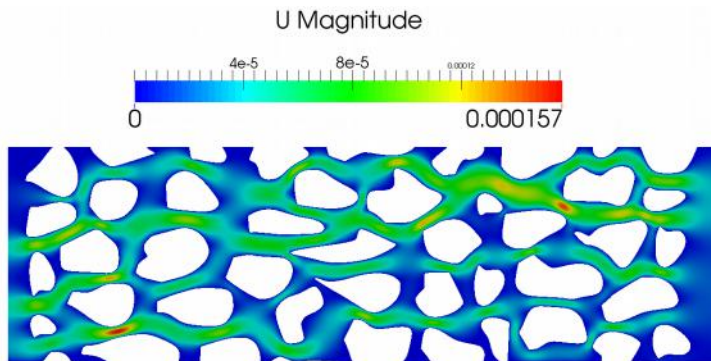
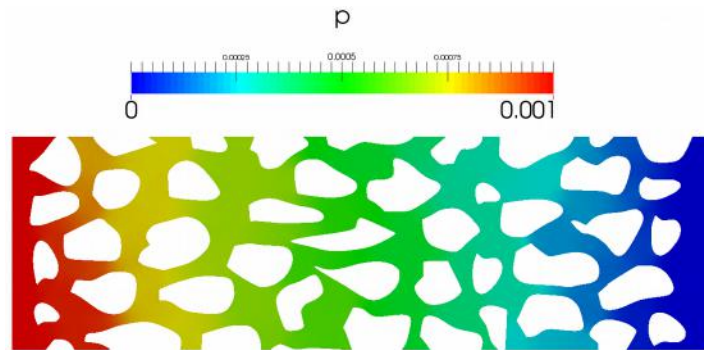
```
$ gnuplot plotResiduals
```

(Ctrl + C to quit gnuplot)



## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (4b/8)

\$ paraFoam



🔗 The porosity ( $\epsilon$ ) is the volume of the mesh ( $V_{\text{void}}$ ) over the volume ( $V$ ) of the bounding box:

```
$ checkMesh | grep -i 'volume'
```

```
Min volume = 2.15708e-17. Max volume = 9.76861e-17. Total volume = 2.92758e-12. Cell volumes OK.
```

$$V_{\text{void}} = 2.93 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}^3$$

```
$ checkMesh | grep -i 'bounding box'
```

```
Overall domain bounding box (-0.00046 -0.00014 -1e-05) (0.00046 0.00014 1e-05)
```

$$V = L_x * L_y * L_z = 5.15 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}^3$$

$$\epsilon = 0.57$$

🔗 The permeability  $K_{xx}$  is defined as:

$$K_{xx} = \mu \left( \frac{P_1 - P_0}{L_x} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{V} \int_V v_x dV \right)$$

The velocity can be integrated directly from ParaView with the filter:

```
filters>Data Analysis>integrateVariables
```

$$K_{xx} = 1.6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2$$

Exo6a bis : Compare the residual convergence for other relaxation factors: 0.8 and 0.95

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (5/8)

- 🔗 Once the flow is solved, we can use the velocity profile to transport (advection-diffusion) a scalar  $T$  with the solver *scalarTransportFoam*,

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U}T) = \nabla \cdot (D_T \nabla T)$$

- 🔗 For that purpose, we adapt the tutorial *scalarTransportFoam/pitzDaily*

```
$ run
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/basic/scalarTransportFoam/pitzDaily Exo6b
$ cd Exo6b
$ rm -r constant/polyMesh
```

- 🔗 We retrieve the mesh and the resulting velocity profile from the previous simulation #6a

```
$ cp -r ../Exo6a/constant/polyMesh/ constant/.
$ cp ../Exo6a/latestTime/U 0/U
```



## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (6/8)

\$ gedit 0/T

```
dimensions      [0 0 0 1 0 0 0];
internalField    uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
    left
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 1;
    }
    right
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    bottom
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    top
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    fixedWalls
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }
    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

\$ gedit constant/transportProperties

DT [ 0 2 -1 0 0 0 0 ] 1e-6;

\$ gedit system/controlDict

```
application      scalarTransportFoam;
startFrom         latestTime;
startTime         0;
stopAt            endTime;
endTime           5;
deltaT            1e-1;
writeControl      runtime;
writeInterval     1e-1;
purgeWrite        0;
writeFormat       ascii;
writePrecision    6;
writeCompression  off;
timeFormat        general;
timePrecision     6;
runtimeModifiable true;
```

## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (7/8)



Run the simulation

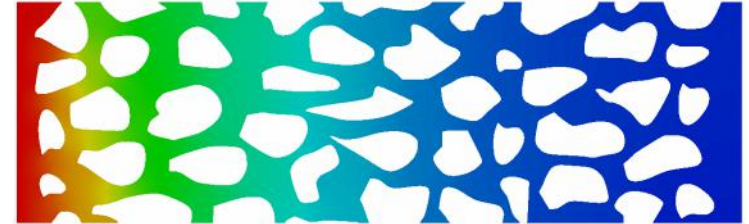
```
$ scalarTransportFoam
```



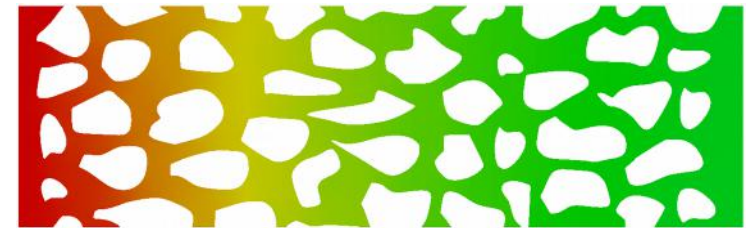
Visualize the results

```
$ paraFoam
```

$t=0.05s$



$t=0.10s$



$t=0.15s$



$t=0.20s$



## #6 – Scalar transport in the pore space (8/8)

- To obtain a breakthrough curve (evolution of the concentration at the outlet), we look for the average value at the outlet boundary for all time steps

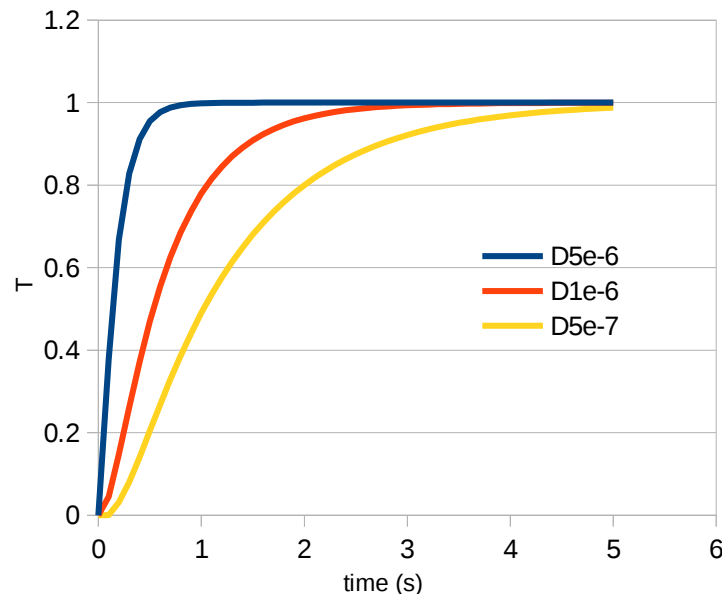
```
$ postProcess -func 'patchAverage(name=right,T)' > log.patchAverage
```

- Extract the values from the log file with the following command

```
$ cat log.patchAverage | grep -i 'average(right) of T' | cut -d ' ' -f9 > log.breakthrough
```

- Plot the breakthrough curve

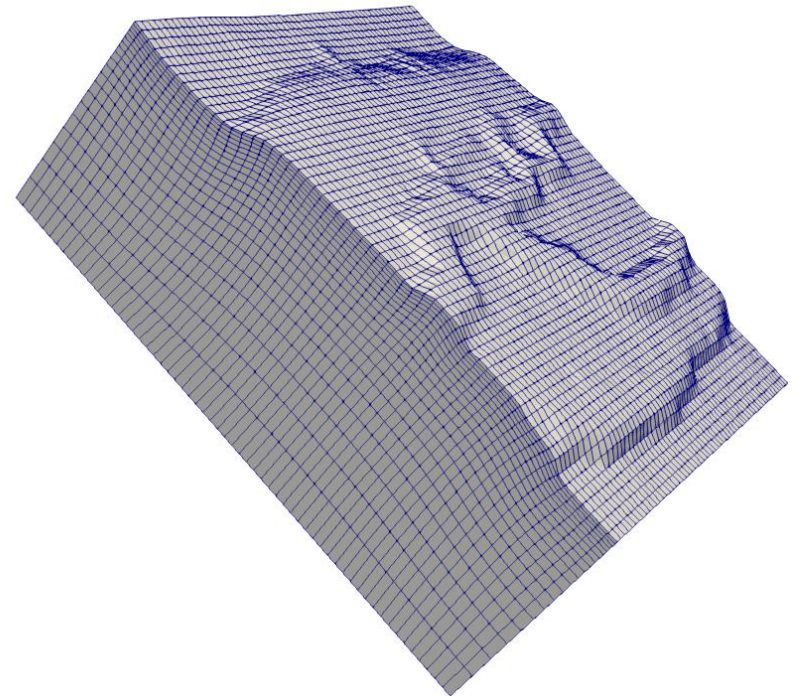
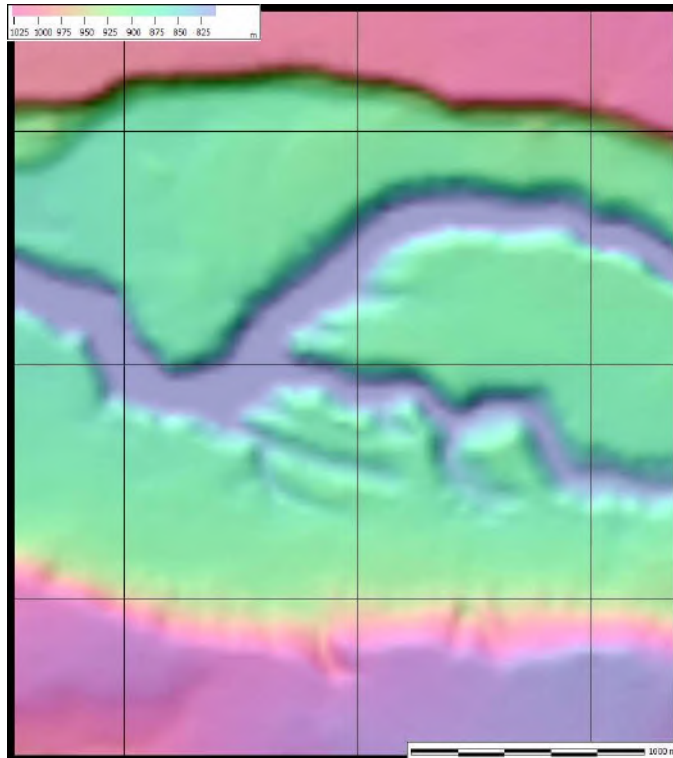
```
$ gnuplot
gnuplot> plot 'log.breakthrough' with lines lw 4
```



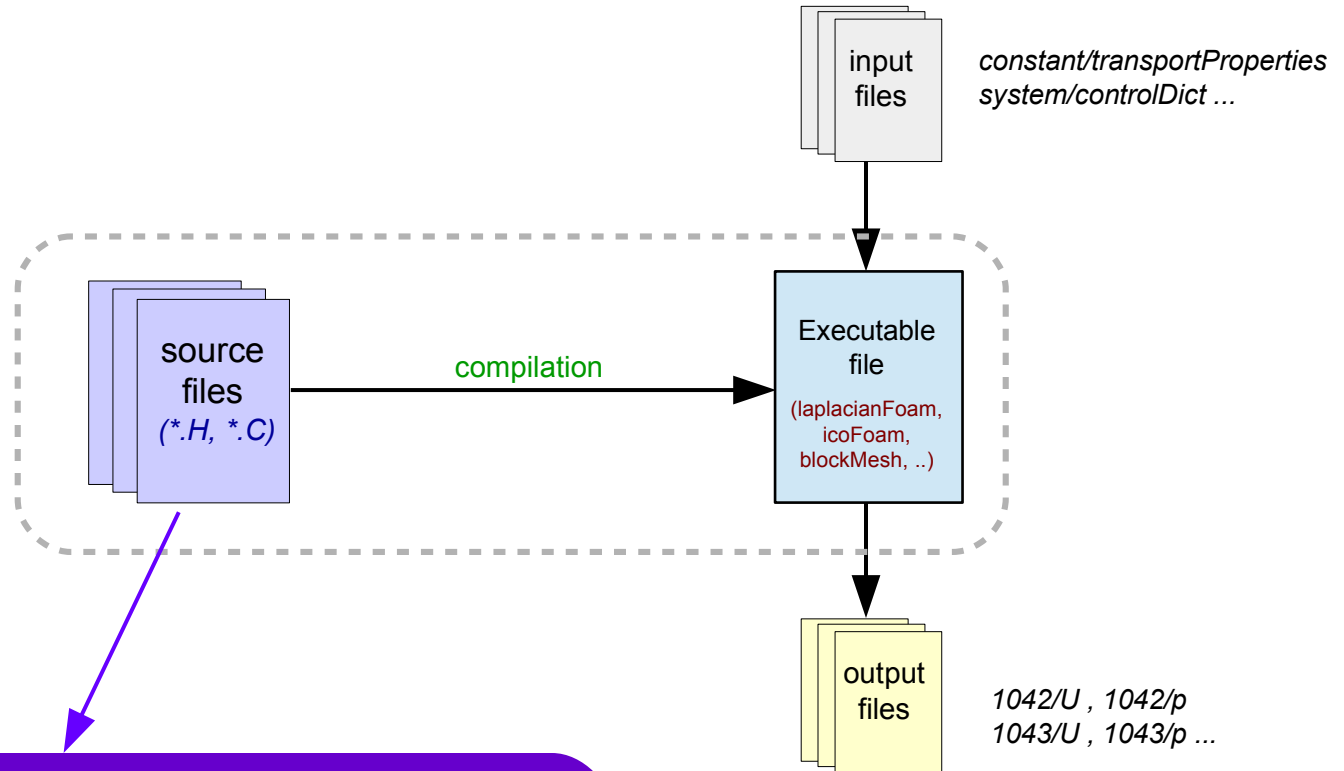
Exo6bis : Plot the breakthrough curves for different values of the diffusivity ( $D=5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  and  $D=5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ )

# Snake River Canyon

```
$ run  
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/mesh/moveDynamicMesh/SnakeRiverCanyon .  
$ cd SnakeRiverCanyon  
$ blockMesh  
$ moveDynamicMesh  
$ paraFoam
```



# Programming in OpenFOAM®

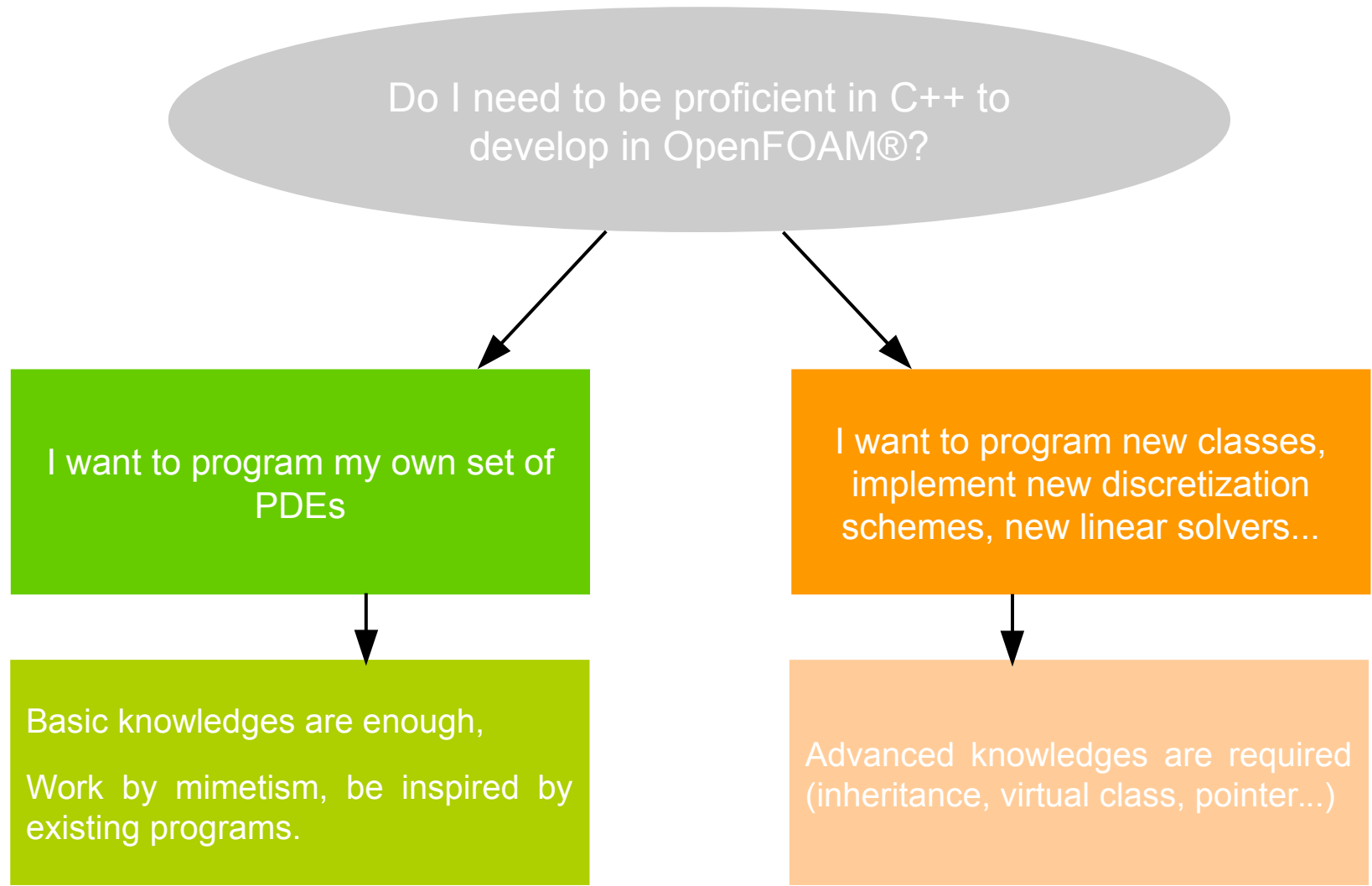


OpenFOAM® written in C++

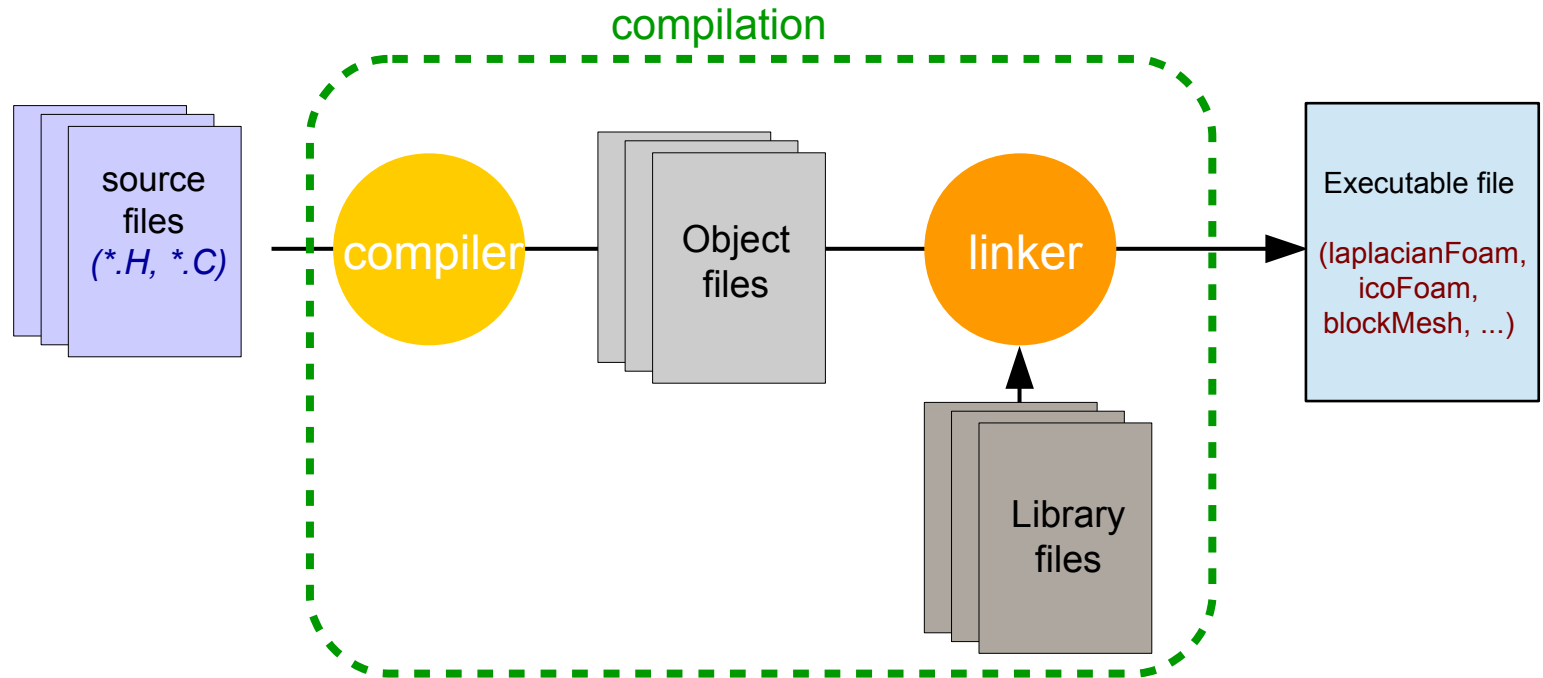
Uses Object Oriented Programming

Design as a metalanguage (API) to perform differential operations on fields defined on non-structured grids.

# What level of programming proficiency do I need?



# Compilation of a source code



- In OpenFOAM®, the compilation is performed with the command **wmake**.
- **wmake** requires two input files:
  - *Make/files* (list of the source files to compile, name and location of the executable,
  - *Make/options* (list of the libraries to link).
- The command **wclean** is used to remove the object files and reset the compilation process.
- Compilation errors = problem in the source code, problem during the link.

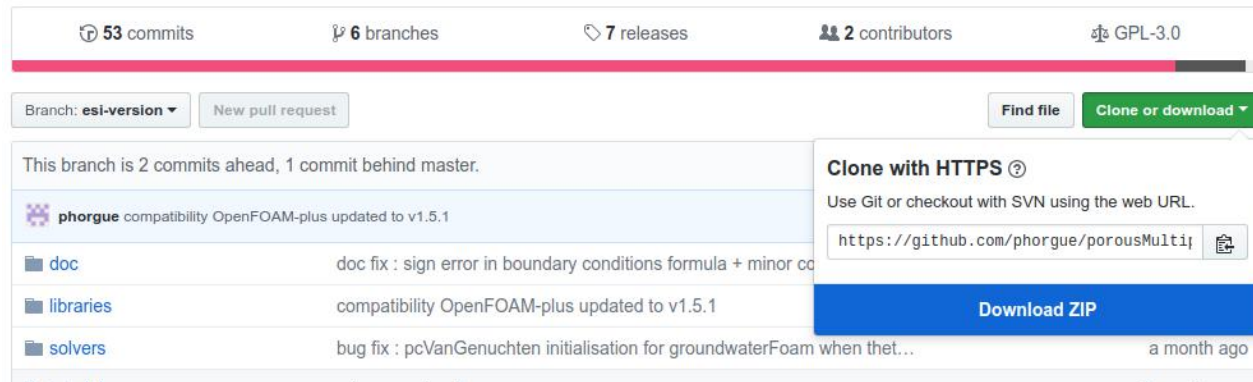


# #7 – How to install *porousMultiphaseFoam*? (1/2)

## Objectives:

- download and install an OpenFOAM® program developed by a third party.
- Run two-phase flow simulations in porous media at Darcy's scale with *porousMultiphaseFoam* (Horgue et al. 2015).

- 1 Go to <https://github.com/phorgue/porousMultiphaseFoam/tree/esi-version> and download the source code



- 2 Copy and unzip the archive in your working directory (*applications/solvers*)
- 3 Go to the directory and compile the programs

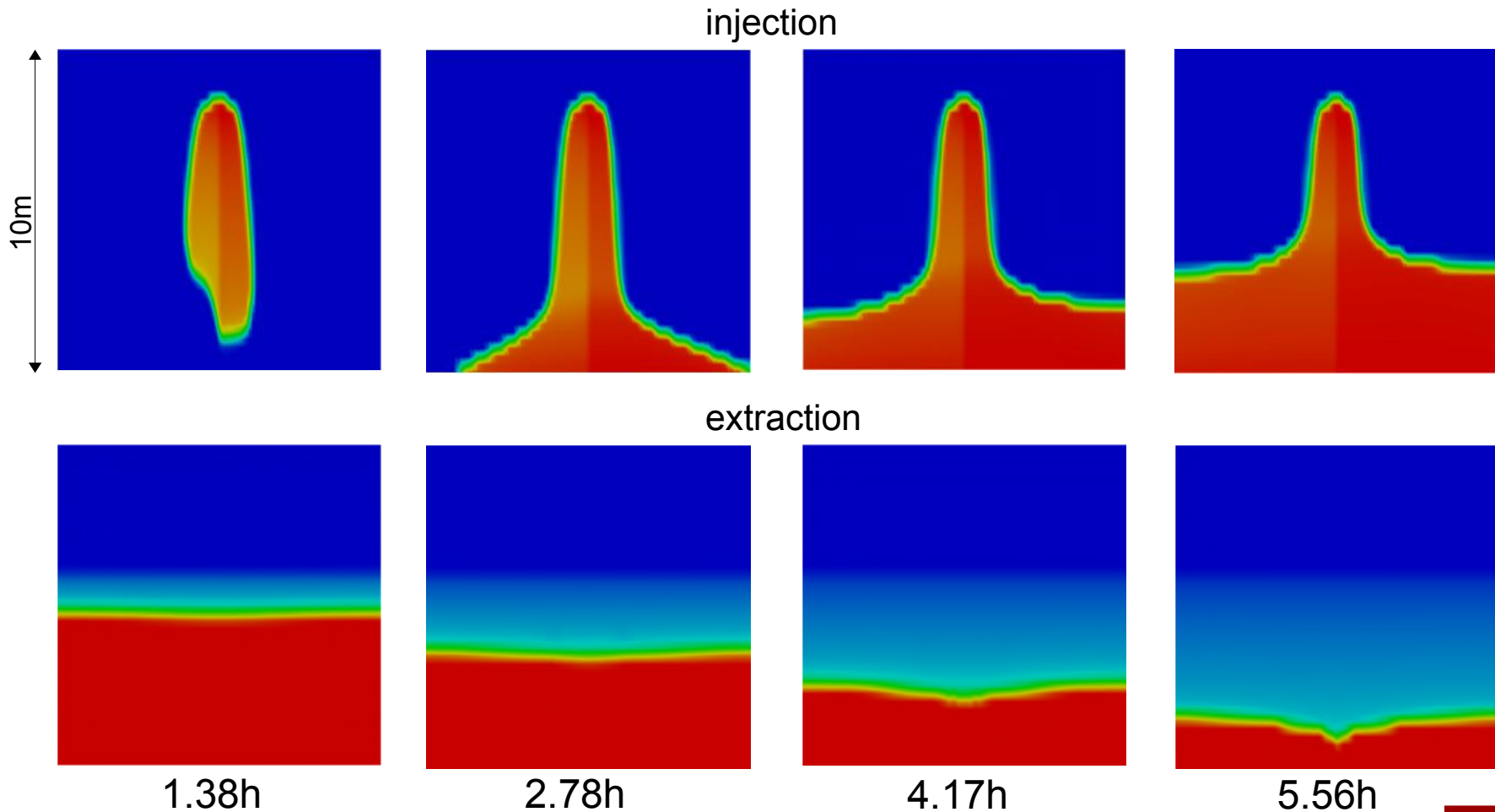
```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/solvers/porousMultiphaseFoam-esi-version
$ ls
$ ./Allwmake
```

Script calling **wmake** for all the programs of the *porousMultiphaseFoam* toolbox

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## #7 – How to install *porousMultiphaseFoam*? (2/2)

```
$ cp -r tutorials/ $FOAM_RUN/porousMultiphaseFoam  
$ run  
$ cd porousMultiphaseFoam/impesFoam-tutorials/injectionExtraction/injection  
$ ./run  
$ paraFoam
```



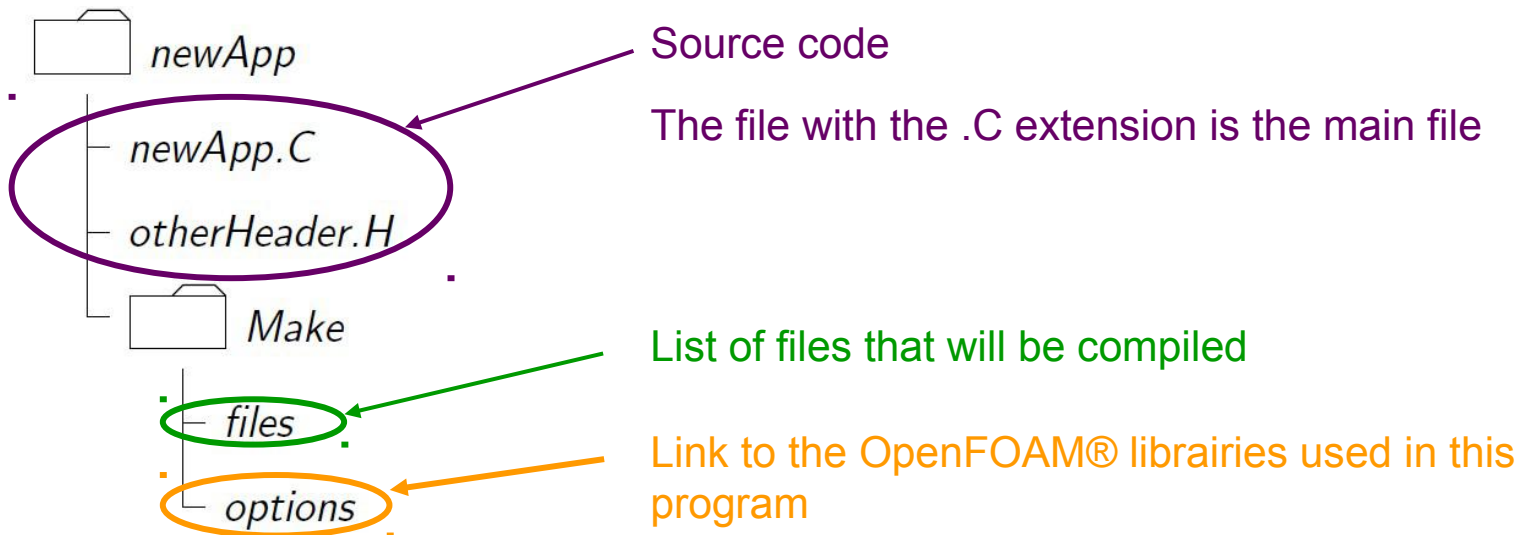
# General structure of an application

 Create the directory for your personal programs (this step needs to be done only once)

```
$ mkdir -p $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/
```

 Create the structure of your first program

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/  
$ cd foamNewApp myFirstProgram  
$ cd myFirstProgram  
$ ls
```



# Structure of a C++ code

```
$ gedit myFirstProgram.C
```

```
#include "fvCFD.H"
```

Header : declaration of function and classes.  
Use to call the OpenFOAM® librairies.

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])  
{
```

Beginning of the main.

```
double aa = 0;
```

All variables have to be declared with types and to be initialized.

```
#include "setRootCase.H"  
#include "createTime.H"
```

Include snippets of code written in another file to improve the readability of the code. In OpenFOAM®, the declaration of variables are often written in a separate file.

```
aa = aa + 1;
```

```
aa += 1;
```

Operations, loops, if statement, I/O...

```
return 0;
```

End of the main function.

```
$ wmake
```

The program *myFirstProgram* is created after the first compilation of the source code. You can now execute the program in a terminal

# Loop, if statement, output screen

```
$ gedit myFirstProgram.C
```

```
#include "fvCFD.H"

// * * * * *

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    #include "setRootCase.H"
    #include "createTime.H"

    double a = 0;
    int n = 1000;
    scalar b = 1.6;

    for (int i=1; i<=n ; i++)
    {
        a += 1./(i*i);
    }

    Info<< "value of a after "<<n
        <<" iterations = "<< a << nl << endl;

    if(a >= b)
    {
        Info<< "a is greater than "<<b << nl << endl;
    }

    Info<< "End\n" << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

```
$ wmake
```

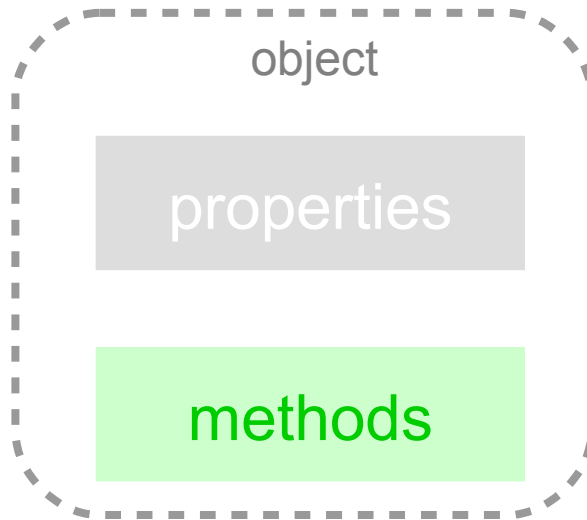
Open another terminal and execute your new program

```
$ run
$ cp -r Exo1 myFirstProgram
$ cd myFirstProgram
$ rm -r 0.* [1-9]*
$ myFirstProgram
```

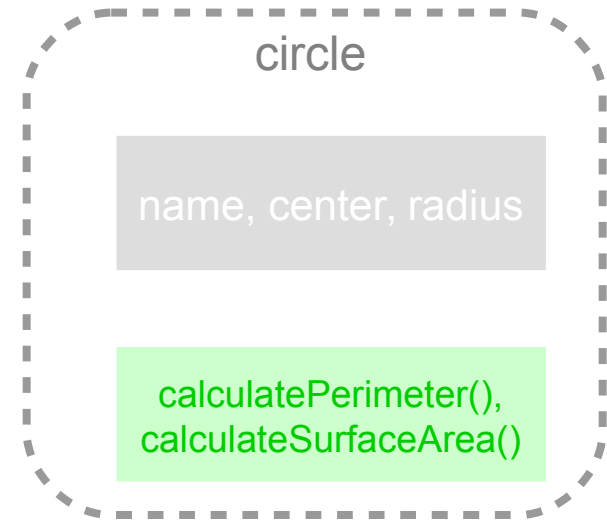
```
Create time
value of a after 1000 iterations = 1.64393
a is greater than 1.6
End
```

# Object Oriented Programming

- In C++, you can create new “type” (**class**)
- A variable from a **class** is called an **object**



Example:



- Every objects have to be initialized (“constructed”). There are several ways of initializing an object. Examples:  
`circle circleA (“circleA”, (0 0 0), 3.4);`  
`circle circleB (circleA);`
- A **method** can be called at any time in the code:  
`circleA.calculatePerimeter();`
- Examples of class in OpenFOAM: *volScalarField*, *dimensionedScalar*, *fvMesh*, *fvScalarMatrix*, *IOdictionary*...

# The *dimensionedScalar* object

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications
$ foamNewApp mySecondProgram
$ cd mySecondProgram
$ gedit mySecondProgram.C
```

```
#include "fvCFD.H"

// * * * * *

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    #include "setRootCase.H"

    dimensionedScalar A ("A", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 3.4);

    Info<< " name = "      << A.name()      <<nl
          << " dimensions = " << A.dimensions() <<nl
          << " value = "      << A.value()    <<nl
          << endl;

    Info<< "End\n" << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

```
$ wmake
```

Open another terminal and execute your new program

```
$ run
$ cp -r myFirstProgram mySecondProgram
$ cd mySecondProgram
$ mySecondProgram
```

dimensionedScalar

name,  
dimensions,  
value

name(),  
dimensions(),  
value()

```
name = A
dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
value = 3.4
End
```



# Operations and *dimensionedScalar*

```
#include "fvCFD.H"

// * * * * *

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    #include "setRootCase.H"

    dimensionedScalar A ("A", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 3.4);
    dimensionedScalar B ("B", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 5.0);
    dimensionedScalar C ("C", dimensionSet(0,1,-1,0,0,0,0), 5.0);

    scalar alpha =10.;

    Info<< "A+B name = "           << (A+B).name()           <<nl
          << "A+B dimensions = "  << (A+B).dimensions()    <<nl
          << "A+B value = "        << (A+B).value()          <<nl
          << endl;

    Info<< "A*C name = "           << (A*C).name()           <<nl
          << "A*C dimensions = "  << (A*C).dimensions()    <<nl
          << "A*C value = "        << (A*C).value()          <<nl
          << endl;

    Info<< "alpha*A name = "       << (alpha*A).name()       <<nl
          << "alpha*A dimensions = " << (alpha*A).dimensions() <<nl
          << "alpha*A value = "     << (alpha*A).value()     <<nl
          << endl;

    Info<< "End\n" << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

```
A+B name = (A+B)
A+B dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
A+B value = 8.4

A*C name = (A*C)
A*C dimensions = [0 2 -1 1 1 0 0]
A*C value = 17

alpha*A name = (10*A)
alpha*A dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
alpha*A value = 34

End
```

# Forbidden operations and *dimensionedScalar*

You can only add *dimensionedScalar* with the same units. The following code compiles but...

```
dimensionedScalar A ("A", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 3.4);
dimensionedScalar C ("C", dimensionSet(0,1,-1,0,0,0,0), 5.0);

Info<< "A+C name = "      << (A+C).name()      <<endl
      << "A+C dimensions = " << (A+C).dimensions() <<endl
      << "A+C value = "      << (A+C).value()     <<endl
      << endl;
```

... leads to an error at the execution of the program.

```
--> FOAM FATAL ERROR:
LHS and RHS of + have different dimensions
    dimensions : [0 1 0 1 1 0 0] + [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0]

    From function Foam::dimensionSet Foam::operator+(const Foam::dimensionSet&,
const Foam::dimensionSet&)
    in file dimensionSet/dimensionSet.C at line 497.

FOAM aborting

#0  Foam::error::printStack(Foam::Ostream&) at ???
#1  Foam::error::abort() at ???
#2  Foam::operator+(Foam::dimensionSet const&, Foam::dimensionSet const&) at ???
#3  Foam::dimensioned<double> Foam::operator+<double>(Foam::dimensioned<double>
const&, Foam::dimensioned<double> const&) at ???
#4  ? at ???
#5  __libc_start_main in "/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6"
#6  ? at ???
Aborted (core dumped)
```

You can add *dimensionedScalar* with a *scalar* only if the units of the *dimensionedScalar* are `dimensionSet(0,0,0,0,0,0,0)`.

# The *dimensionedScalar*'s constructors

```
dimensionedScalar A ("A", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 3.4);
dimensionedScalar B ("B", dimensionSet(0,1,0,1,1,0,0), 5.0);
scalar alpha = 10.;
```

```
dimensionedScalar C (A);
```

```
Info<< "C name = "      << C.name()      <<nl
      << "C dimensions = " << C.dimensions() <<nl
      << "C value = "     << C.value()     <<nl
      << endl;
```

```
dimensionedScalar D (A+B);
```

```
Info<< "D name = "      << D.name()      <<nl
      << "D dimensions = " << D.dimensions() <<nl
      << "D value = "     << D.value()     <<nl
      << endl;
```

```
dimensionedScalar E ("E", A+B);
```

```
Info<< "E name = "      << E.name()      <<nl
      << "E dimensions = " << E.dimensions() <<nl
      << "E value = "     << E.value()     <<nl
      << endl;
```

```
dimensionedScalar F (alpha*A);
```

```
Info<< "F name = "      << F.name()      <<nl
      << "F dimensions = " << F.dimensions() <<nl
      << "F value = "     << F.value()     <<nl
      << endl;
```

```
dimensionedScalar G ("G", 0.*alpha*A);
```

```
Info<< "G name = "      << G.name()      <<nl
      << "G dimensions = " << G.dimensions() <<nl
      << "G value = "     << G.value()     <<nl
      << endl;
```

```
C name = A
C dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
C value = 3.4
```

```
D name = (A+B)
D dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
D value = 8.4
```

```
E name = E
E dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
E value = 8.4
```

```
F name = (10*A)
F dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
F value = 34
```

```
G name = G
G dimensions = [0 1 0 1 1 0 0]
G value = 0
```

```
End
```

# Construct *dimensionedScalar* from input files (1/2)

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications
$ foamNewApp myThirdProgram
$ cd myThirdProgram
$ gedit myThirdProgram.C
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) Create the "runTime"
{
    #include "setRootCase.H" object
```

```
    #include "createTime.H"
    #include "createMesh.H" ← Create the "mesh" object
```

```
    Info<< "Reading transportProperties\n" << endl;
```

```
    IOdictionary transportProperties
    (
        IOobject
        (
            "transportProperties",
            runTime.constant(),
            mesh,
            IOobject::MUST_READ_IF_MODIFIED,
            IOobject::NO_WRITE
        )
    );
```

Creation of the "*transportProperties*" object. It is an *IOdictionary* used to load the *constant/transportProperties* file.

```
    dimensionedScalar A
    (
        transportProperties.lookup("A")
    );
```

Creation of the "*transportProperties*" object. It is an *IOdictionary* used to load the *constant/transportProperties* file.

```
    Info<< "A name = " << A.name() << nl
        << "A dimensions = " << A.dimensions() << nl
        << "A value = " << A.value() << nl
        << endl;
```

```
    Info<< "End\n" << endl;
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
$ wmake
```

# Construct *dimensionedScalar* from input files (2/2)

```
$ run
$ cp -r myFirstProgram myThirdProgram
$ cd myThirdProgram
$ blockMesh
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       transportProperties;
}
// * * * * *

A          A  [0 2 -1 0 0 0 0]    0.01;

// *****
```

```
$ myThirdProgram
```

```
Create time

Create mesh for time = 0

Reading transportProperties

A name = A
A dimensions = [0 2 -1 0 0 0 0]
A value = 0.01

End
```

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        dictionary;
    location     "constant";
    object       transportProperties;
}
// * * * * *

A          B  [1 3 -1 0 0 0 0]    15.4;

// *****
```

```
$ myThirdProgram
```

```
Create time

Create mesh for time = 0

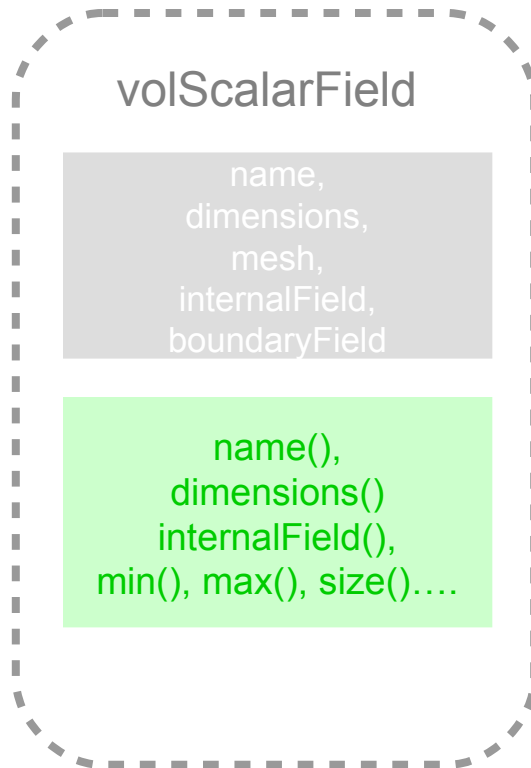
Reading transportProperties

A name = B
A dimensions = [1 3 -1 0 0 0 0]
A value = 15.4

End
```

# The *volScalarField* object

*volScalarField* = field of scalars defined at the cells center (Example : temperature, concentration, pressure...)



- A *volScalarField* is related to a mesh
- It has a name, units
- Value defined on every cells
- *volScalarField* also contains the boundary conditions,
- *volScalarField* can be added, multiplied, subtracted, divided...
- Geometric differential operators (laplacian, gradient, ddt, divergence...) can be applied to *volScalarField* objects both explicitly and implicitly.

Examples of basic operations :

*volScalarField* \* *volScalarField*

*volScalarField* + *volScalarField*

*dimensionedScalar* \* *volScalarField*

*dimensionedScalar* + *volScalarField*

# How to construct a *volScalarField*?

```
volScalarField p
(
    IOobject
    (
        "p",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::MUST_READ,
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh
);
```

The *volScalarField* *p* is constructed from

- An input file (IOobject) located in *0/p*
  - Name and units are defined in *0/p*
  - T will be written at each time step in the corresponding folder (*runTime.timeName()*)
  - The boundary conditions are specified in *0/p*
- A *mesh*.

*G* is constructed as a clone of *p*. It has the same name, units, values, boundary conditions.

```
volScalarField G (p);
```

*Y* is constructed as a clone of *p* but with a different name. It has the same units, values and boundary conditions.

```
volScalarField Y ("Y", p);
```

*C* is constructed as a clone of *p* with a different name and zero values everywhere. It has the same units and boundary conditions

```
volScalarField C ("C", 0.*p);
```

```
volScalarField T
(
    IOobject
    (
        "T",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::NO_READ,
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh,
    dimensionedScalar("T", dimensionSet(0,0,0,1,0,0,0), 296)
);
```

The *volScalarField* *T* is not read from an input file. The last argument is an *dimensionedScalar* that provides a name, units and an initial value for *T*.



# Other fields

<Type>=Scalar or Vector or Tensor

dimensioned<Type>

vol<Type>Field

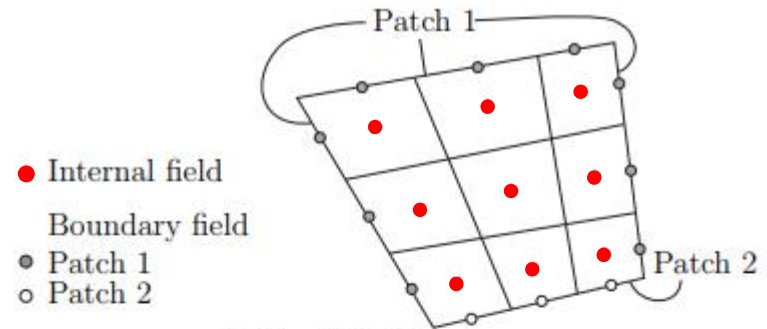
- Value located at the cell center
- Used for FVM calculation

surface<Type>Field

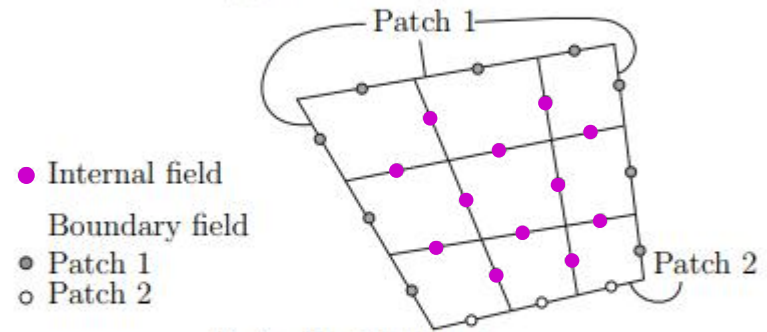
- Value located at the face center of the cells.
- Used to defined fluxes

point<Type>Field

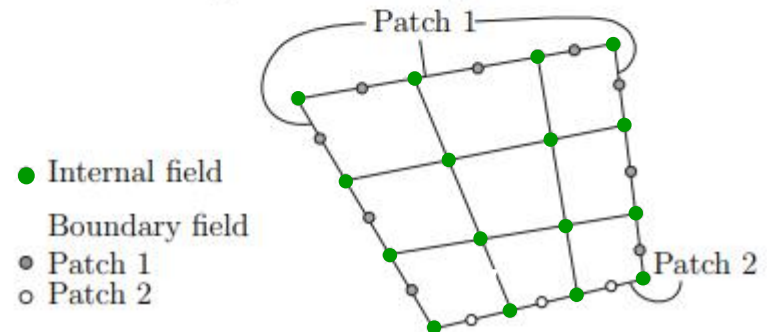
- Value located on the vertices of a cell.
- Used to move the grid



(a) A volField<Type>



(b) A surfaceField<Type>



(c) A pointField<Type>

(source: Programmer guide)

# Algebraic tensor operation in OpenFOAM® (1/3)

Operation	Comment	Mathematical Description	Description in OpenFOAM
Addition		$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$	<code>a + b</code>
Subtraction		$\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$	<code>a - b</code>
Scalar multiplication		$s\mathbf{a}$	<code>s * a</code>
Scalar division		$\mathbf{a}/s$	<code>a / s</code>
Outer product	rank $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \geq 1$	$\mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}$	<code>a * b</code>
Inner product	rank $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \geq 1$	$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$	<code>a &amp; b</code>
Double inner product	rank $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \geq 2$	$\mathbf{a} : \mathbf{b}$	<code>a &amp;&amp; b</code>
Cross product	rank $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} = 1$	$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$	<code>a ^ b</code>
Square		$\mathbf{a}^2$	<code>sqr(a)</code>
Magnitude squared		$ \mathbf{a} ^2$	<code>magSqr(a)</code>
Magnitude		$ \mathbf{a} $	<code>mag(a)</code>
Power	$n = 0, 1, \dots, 4$	$\mathbf{a}^n$	<code>pow(a,n)</code>
Component average	$i = 1, \dots, N$	$\overline{a_i}$	<code>cmptAv(a)</code>
Component maximum	$i = 1, \dots, N$	$\max(a_i)$	<code>max(a)</code>
Component minimum	$i = 1, \dots, N$	$\min(a_i)$	<code>min(a)</code>
Scale		$\text{scale}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$	<code>scale(a,b)</code>
Geometric transformation	transforms $\mathbf{a}$ using tensor $\mathbf{T}$		<code>transform(T,a)</code>

$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  are tensors of arbitrary rank unless otherwise stated

$s$  is a scalar,  $N$  is the number of tensor components

(source: Programmer guide)

# Algebraic tensor operation in OpenFOAM® (2/3)

## Operations exclusive to tensors of rank 2

Operation	Comment	Mathematical Description	Description in OpenFOAM
Transpose		$\mathbf{T}^T$	<code>T.T()</code>
Diagonal		$\text{diag } \mathbf{T}$	<code>diag(T)</code>
Trace		$\text{tr } \mathbf{T}$	<code>tr(T)</code>
Deviatoric component		$\text{dev } \mathbf{T}$	<code>dev(T)</code>
Symmetric component		$\text{symm } \mathbf{T}$	<code>symm(T)</code>
Skew-symmetric component		$\text{skew } \mathbf{T}$	<code>skew(T)</code>
Determinant		$\det \mathbf{T}$	<code>det(T)</code>
Cofactors		$\text{cof } \mathbf{T}$	<code>cof(T)</code>
Inverse		$\text{inv } \mathbf{T}$	<code>inv(T)</code>
Hodge dual		$* \mathbf{T}$	<code>*T</code>

$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  are tensors of arbitrary rank unless otherwise stated

$s$  is a scalar,  $N$  is the number of tensor components

(source: Programmer guide)

# Algebraic tensor operation in OpenFOAM® (3/3)

## Operations exclusive to scalars

Sign (boolean)		$\text{sgn}(s)$	$\text{sign}(s)$
Positive (boolean)		$s \geq 0$	$\text{pos}(s)$
Negative (boolean)		$s < 0$	$\text{neg}(s)$
Limit	$n$ scalar	$\text{limit}(s, n)$	$\text{limit}(s, n)$
Square root		$\sqrt{s}$	$\text{sqrt}(s)$
Exponential		$\exp s$	$\exp(s)$
Natural logarithm		$\ln s$	$\log(s)$
Base 10 logarithm		$\log_{10} s$	$\log_{10}(s)$
Sine		$\sin s$	$\sin(s)$
Cosine		$\cos s$	$\cos(s)$
Tangent		$\tan s$	$\tan(s)$
Arc sine		$\text{asin } s$	$\text{asin}(s)$
Arc cosine		$\text{acos } s$	$\text{acos}(s)$
Arc tangent		$\text{atan } s$	$\text{atan}(s)$
Hyperbolic sine		$\sinh s$	$\sinh(s)$
Hyperbolic cosine		$\cosh s$	$\cosh(s)$
Hyperbolic tangent		$\tanh s$	$\tanh(s)$
Hyperbolic arc sine		$\text{asinh } s$	$\text{asinh}(s)$
Hyperbolic arc cosine		$\text{acosh } s$	$\text{acosh}(s)$
Hyperbolic arc tangent		$\text{atanh } s$	$\text{atanh}(s)$
Error function		$\text{erf } s$	$\text{erf}(s)$
Complement error function		$\text{erfc } s$	$\text{erfc}(s)$
Logarithm gamma function		$\ln \Gamma s$	$\text{lgamma}(s)$
Type 1 Bessel function of order 0		$J_0 s$	$j_0(s)$
Type 1 Bessel function of order 1		$J_1 s$	$j_1(s)$
Type 2 Bessel function of order 0		$Y_0 s$	$y_0(s)$
Type 2 Bessel function of order 1		$Y_1 s$	$y_1(s)$

**a, b** are tensors of arbitrary rank unless otherwise stated

$s$  is a scalar,  $N$  is the number of tensor components

(source: Programmer guide)

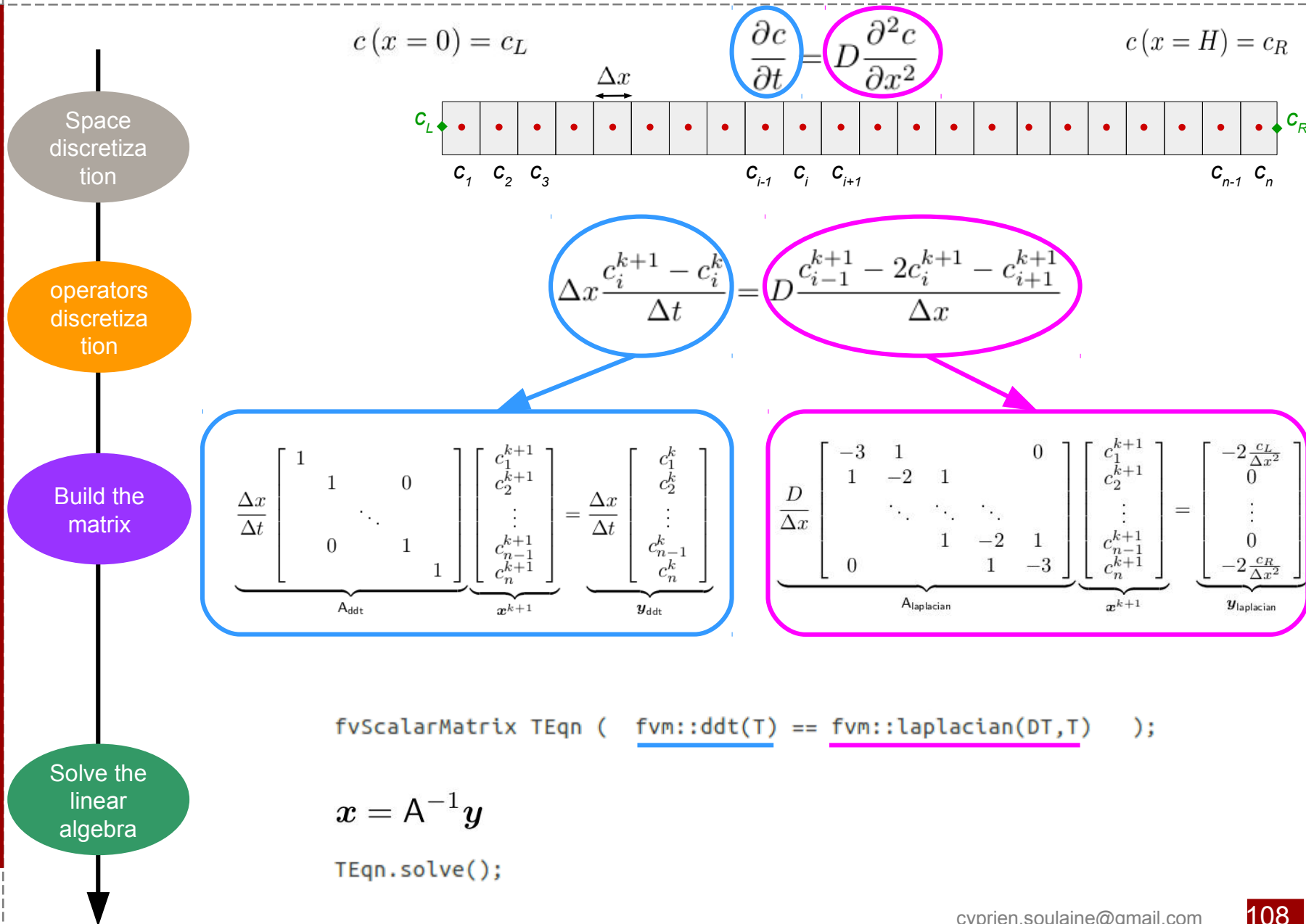
# Explicit operations on a geometric field: fvc

- Every functions **fvc::function()** perform an explicit operation on a geometric field
- The same function can be applied to a scalar, vector or tensor field
- The discretization schemes for the differential operators are specified in *system/fvSchemes*
- fvc= Finite Volume Calculus

```
dimensionedScalar DT ( .... );
volScalarField T ( .... );
volVectorField U ( .... );

volScalarField ddtT ("ddtT", fvc::ddt(T));
volScalarField laplacianT ("laplacianT", fvc::laplacian(T));
volScalarField laplacianDT ("laplacianDT", fvc::laplacian(DT,T));
volVectorField gradT ("gradT", fvc::grad(T));
surfaceScalarField Tf ("Tf", fvc::interpolate(T));
volTensorField gradU ("gradU", fvc::grad(U));
volTensorField strain ("strain", gradU+gradU.T());
surfaceScalarField phi ("phi", fvc::interpolate(U) & mesh.Sf());
volScalarField divPhi ("divPhi", fvc::div(phi));
volScalarField divPhiT ("divPhiT", fvc::div(phi,T));
```

# Implicit operations on a geometric field: fvm



# Implicit operations in OpenFOAM®

- Every functions `fvm::function()` perform an implicit differential operation
- `fvm::function()` returns a `fv<Type>Matrix`
- fvm= Finite Volume Method
- The same function can be applied to a scalar, vector or tensor field
- The discretization schemes for the differential operators are specified in *system/fvSchemes*
- The linear solver to inverse the matrix are specified in *system/fvSolution*

Examples of differential operations :

```
fvm::ddt(T) == fvm::laplacian(D,T)
```

```
fvm::ddt(T) == fvc::laplacian(D,T)
```


```
fvm::ddt(T) == fvm::laplacian(D,C)
```

```
fvm::ddt(T) == fvc::laplacian(D,C)
```




# Where is the source code of a solver?

 OpenFOAM® can be seen as an easily customizable toolbox.

 1 solver = 1 program  
(for instance, the heat equation is solved using the program *laplacianFoam*)

 Where are the solvers in OpenFOAM®?

```
$ cd $FOAM_APP/solvers  
$ ls
```

 The solvers are sorted by type (basic, heat transfer, combustion, incompressible, multiphase....). Note that the tutorials have a similar organization.

 For example, *laplacianFoam* is in /basic

```
$ cd basic/laplacianFoam  
$ ls
```

# Behind laplacianFoam: *laplacianFoam.C*

```
#include "fvCFD.H"
#include "fvOptions.H"
#include "simpleControl.H"
```

\$ gedit laplacianFoam.C

Headers to call the  
OpenFOAM® libraries

```
#include "setRootCase.H"
#include "createTime.H"
#include "createMesh.H"
```

Include the shared snippet of code

```
simpleControl simple(mesh);
```

```
#include "createFields.H"
#include "createFvOptions.H"
```

```
// ***** //
```

```
Info<< "\nCalculating temperature distribution\n" << endl;
```

```
while (simple.loop())
```

```
{
    Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;
```

```
    while (simple.correctNonOrthogonal())
```

```
    {
        fvScalarMatrix TEqn
        (
            fvm::ddt(T) - fvm::laplacian(DT, T)
            ==
            fvOptions(T)
        );
```

```
        fvOptions.constrain(TEqn);
        TEqn.solve();
        fvOptions.correct(T);
    }
```

```
#include "write.H"
```

```
Info<< "ExecutionTime = " << runTime.elapsedCpuTime() << " s"
    << " ClockTime = " << runTime.elapsedClockTime() << " s"
    << nl << endl;
```

```
}
```

```
Info<< "End\n" << endl;
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (D_T \nabla T)$$

*Creation of the matrix*  
fvm:: implicit terms  
fvc:: explicit terms  
the variable T and DT are  
declared in *createFields.H*

# Behind laplacianFoam: *createFields.H*

```
$ gedit createFields.H
```

```
Info<< "Reading field T\n" << endl;

volScalarField T
(
    IOobject
    (
        "T",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::MUST_READ,
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh
);
```

The temperature field *T* is declared as an instance of the object *volScalarField*

- It is a scalar field with values defined at the cell center
- It must be read at the initial time step
- Dimensions (units) are defined in *0/T*
- *T* will be written at each time step in the corresponding folder (*runTime.timeName()*)
- This object also includes boundary conditions that are specified in *0/T*

```
Info<< "Reading transportProperties\n" << endl;

IOdictionary transportProperties
(
    IOobject
    (
        "transportProperties",
        runTime.constant(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::MUST_READ_IF_MODIFIED,
        IOobject::NO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh
);
```

The dictionary *transportProperties* is loaded from the input file *constant/transportProperties*

Declaration of the variable *DT*

```
Info<< "Reading diffusivity DT\n" << endl;

dimensionedScalar DT
(
    "DT",
    dimArea/dimTime,
    transportProperties
);
```

Its value is defined in the input file *constant/transportProperties*

# How to quickly program an OpenFOAM® solver?


- The main idea is not to start a program from scratch but to customize existing OpenFOAM® programs,
- When editing a source code, you can copy/paste snippets of code to avoid errors and save time (especially for the declaration of vol<Type>Field),
- Compile as often as you can,
- Read and try to understand compiling errors,
- More advanced snippets of code:

```
$ cd $FOAM_APP/test/
```

 Create the directory for your personal programs (this step needs to be done only once)


```
$ mkdir -p $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/solvers/
```

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (1a/7)


-  Objective: develop a program that solves the velocity and pressure in a saturated porous medium using Darcy's law.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{U} = -\frac{k}{\mu} \nabla p \quad (2)$$

-  How to solve this mathematical problem? The diffusion equation for the pressure field is obtained by combining equation (1) and (2):

$$\nabla \cdot \frac{k}{\mu} \nabla p = 0$$

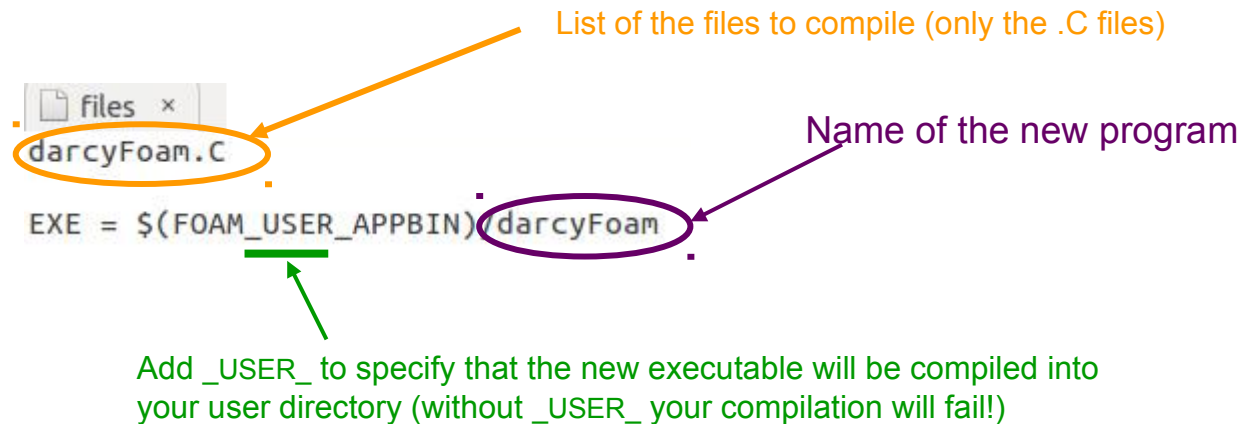
-  This equation is closed to the heat diffusion equation. Hence, we are going to program our own solver on the basis of the existing *laplacianFoam*. To do so, we copy *laplacianFoam* in our workspace.

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/solvers/  
$ cp -r $FOAM_APP/solvers/basic/laplacianFoam darcyFoam
```

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (1b/7)

- Once the *laplacianFoam* solver has been copied into the user directory, we rename the main file and edit the *Make/files*:

```
$ cd darcyFoam
$ mv laplacianFoam.C darcyFoam.C
$ gedit Make/files
```



- We can now clean the previous compilation with *wclean* and compile this new program with *wmake*.

```
$ wclean
$ wmake
```

- At this stage, we have a new program called *darcyFoam* that is an exact copy of *laplacianFoam* (you can run the flange tutorial or #1 with *darcyFoam* instead of *laplacianFoam*)
- It is recommended to use *wmake* as often as possible during the programming process.

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (2/7)

```
Info<< "Reading field p\n" << endl;
```

```
volScalarField p
(
    IOobject
    (
        "p",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::MUST_READ,
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh
);
```

```
$ gedit createFields.H
```

Declaration of the pressure field  $p$

- It is an instance of the object volScalarField (scalar field defined at the cells center),
- The file «p» must be read at the first time step to satisfy the constructor. The initial values and boundary conditions are defined during the loading of  $0/p$ .
- The file « p » will be written at every output times.

```
volVectorField U
(
    IOobject
    (
        "U",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::NO_READ,
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE
    ),
    mesh,
    dimensionedVector("U",dimensionSet(0,1,-1,0,0,0),vector::zero)
);
```

Declaration of the velocity vector field  $U$

- It is an instance of the object volVectorField (vector field defined at the cells center),
- $U$  is not read from a file (even if  $0/U$  exist)
- To satisfy the constructor of the object volVectorField, units and initial values are defined with an additional argument. By default, the boundary conditions are zeroGradient,
- The file « U » will be written at every output times.

```
Info<< "Reading transportProperties\n" << endl;
IOdictionary transportProperties
(
    IOobject
    (
        "transportProperties",
        runTime.constant(),
        mesh,
        IOobject::MUST_READ_IF_MODIFIED,
        IOobject::NO_WRITE
    )
);
```

```
Info<< "Reading permeability k\n" << endl;
dimensionedScalar k
(
    transportProperties.lookup("k")
);
```

```
Info<< "Reading fluid viscosity mu\n" << endl;
dimensionedScalar mu
(
    transportProperties.lookup("mu")
);
```

Declaration of the fluid viscosity  $\mu$  and the permeability  $k$ . They will be loaded from « *constant/transportProperties* »



## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (3/7)

```
#include "fvCFD.H"
#include "simpleControl.H"

// *****

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    #include "setRootCase.H"

    #include "createTime.H"
    #include "createMesh.H"

    simpleControl simple(mesh);

    #include "createFields.H"

    // *****

    Info<< "\nCalculating pressure distribution\n" << endl;

    while (simple.loop())
    {
        Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

        while (simple.correctNonOrthogonal())
        {
            solve
            (
                fvm::laplacian(k/mu, p)
            );

            U = -k/mu*fvc::grad(p);

            runTime.write();

            Info<< "ExecutionTime = " << runTime.elapsedCpuTime() << " s"
                << " ClockTime = " << runTime.elapsedClockTime() << " s"
                << nl << endl;
        }

        Info<< "End\n" << endl;

        return 0;
    }
}
```

```
$ gedit darcyFoam.C
```

The pressure field  $p$  is solved implicitly by a diffusion equation

The velocity vector  $U$  is deduced from the pressure field using the Darcy's law.

```
$ rm -r write.H overLaplacianDyMFoam
$ wclean
$ wmake
```

The useless files are removed and the *darcyFoam* executable is then compiled.

# #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (4/7)

```
convertToMeters 1;
```

```
Lx 10;
```

```
Ly 0.1;
```

```
Lz 0.1;
```

```
vertices
```

```
(
```

```
(0 0 0)
```

```
($Lx 0 0)
```

```
($Lx $Ly 0)
```

```
(0 $Ly 0)
```

```
(0 0 $Lz)
```

```
($Lx 0 $Lz)
```

```
($Lx $Ly $Lz)
```

```
(0 $Ly $Lz)
```

```
);
```

```
blocks
```

```
(
```

```
hex (0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7)
```

```
);
```

```
edges
```

```
(
```

```
);
```

```
boundary
```

```
(
```

```
inlet
```

```
{
```

```
type patch;
```

```
faces
```

```
(
```

```
(0 4 7 3)
```

```
);
```

```
outlet
```

```
{
```

```
type patch;
```

```
faces
```

```
(
```

```
(2 6 5 1)
```

```
);
```

```
frontAndBack
```

```
{
```

```
type empty;
```

```
faces
```

```
(
```

```
(1 5 4 0)
```

```
(3 7 6 2)
```

```
(0 3 2 1)
```

```
(4 5 6 7)
```

```
);
```

```
);
```

Tip: The vertices can be defined using variables Lx, Ly, Lz. It saves time to modify the size of the domain

Mesh definition (homogeneous grid with a single cell in the y and z axis since the simulation is 1D)

Faces orthogonal to y and z axis are defined as «empty» to specify that the simulation is 1D



To prepare this « case » we are going to use the tutorial *laplacianFoam/flange*. The setup will be relatively similar since this latter also solves a diffusion equation.

```
$ run
```

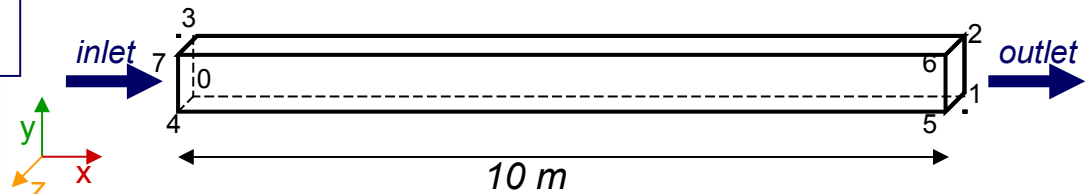
```
$ cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/basic/laplacianFoam/flange Exo8
```

```
$ cd Exo8
```

```
$ rm Allrun Allclean flange.ans
```



We are going to simulate flow in an 1D porous medium:



To save time, we can pick up and modify an existing *blockMeshDict*

```
$ cp $FOAM_TUTORIALS/incompressible/icoFoam/cavity/cavity/
system/blockMeshDict system/.
```

```
$ gedit system/blockMeshDict
```



The grid is generated using *blockMesh*

```
$ blockMesh
```

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (5a/7)

```
$ mv 0/T 0/p  
$ gedit 0/p
```

```
FoamFile  
{  
  version      2.0;  
  format       ascii;  
  class        volScalarField;  
  object       p;  
}  
// * * * * *  
  
dimensions     [1 -1 -2 0 0 0 0];  
  
internalField   uniform 0;  
  
boundaryField  
{  
  inlet  
  {  
    type        fixedValue;  
    value       uniform 1e2;  
  }  
  
  outlet  
  {  
    type        fixedValue;  
    value       uniform 0;  
  }  
  
  frontAndBack  
  {  
    type        empty;  
  }  
}
```

```
$ constant/transportProperties
```

```
FoamFile  
{  
  version      2.0;  
  format       ascii;  
  class        dictionary;  
  location     "constant";  
  object       transportProperties;  
}  
// * * * * *  
  
k              k [0 2 0 0 0 0 0] 1e-09;  
mu             mu [1 -1 -1 0 0 0 0] 1e-05;
```

A pressure drop is imposed between the inlet and the outlet of the computational domain

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (5b/7)

```
application      darcyFoam;  
startFrom        latestTime;  
startTime        0;  
stopAt           endTime;  
endTime          1;  
deltaT           1;  
writeControl      runtime;  
writeInterval     1;  
purgeWrite        0;  
writeFormat       ascii;  
writePrecision    6;  
writeCompression off;  
timeFormat        general;  
timePrecision     6;  
runTimeModifiable true;
```

\$ gedit system/controlDict

Since *darcyFoam* is a steady-state solver without relaxation factor, only one time step is necessary.

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (5c/7)

\$ gedit system/fvSchemes

```
ddtSchemes
{
    default Euler;
}

gradSchemes
{
    default Gauss linear;
    grad(p) Gauss linear;
}

divSchemes
{
    default none;
}

laplacianSchemes
{
    default none;
    laplacian((k|mu),p) Gauss linear corrected;
}

interpolationSchemes
{
    default linear;
}

snGradSchemes
{
    default corrected;
}
```

\$ gedit system/fvSolution

```
solvers
{
    p
    {
        solver PCG;
        preconditioner DIC;
        tolerance 1e-06;
        relTol 0;
    }
}

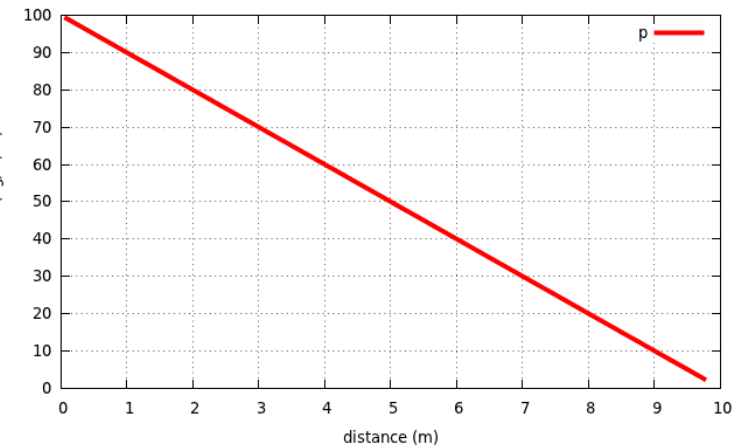
SIMPLE
{
    nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 2;
}
```

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (6/7)

- Run the simulation : `$ darcyFoam`
- Results will be plotted using the *postProcess* utility and the program Gnuplot. As *blockMesh*, the program *postProcess* requires an input dictionary located in */system* :

```
$ cp $FOAM_ETC/caseDicts/postProcessing/graphs/singleGraph system/.  
$ gedit system/singleGraph
```

```
\*-----  
  
start  (0  0.05 0.005);  
end    (10 0.05 0.005);  
fields (U p);  
  
// Sampling and I/O settings  
#includeEtc "caseDicts/postProcessing/graphs/sampleDict.cfg"  
  
// Override settings here, e.g.  
// setConfig { type midPoint; }  
  
// Must be last entry  
#includeEtc "caseDicts/postProcessing/graphs/graph.cfg"  
  
// *****
```



- Run the *postProcess* tool:

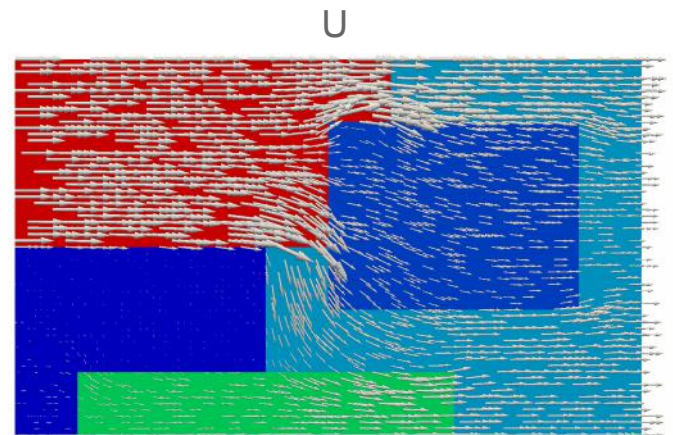
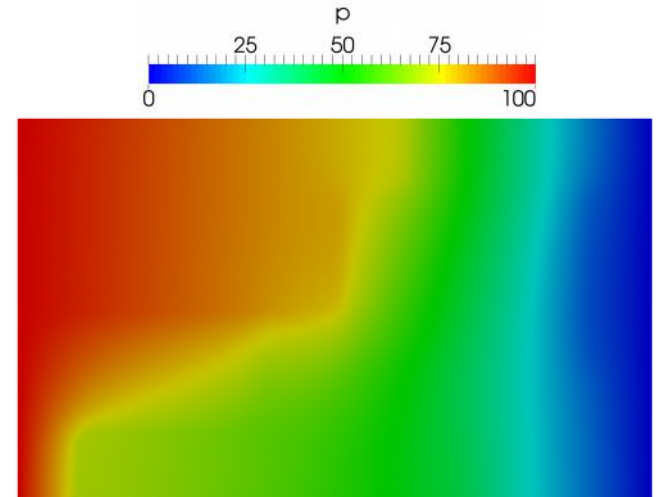
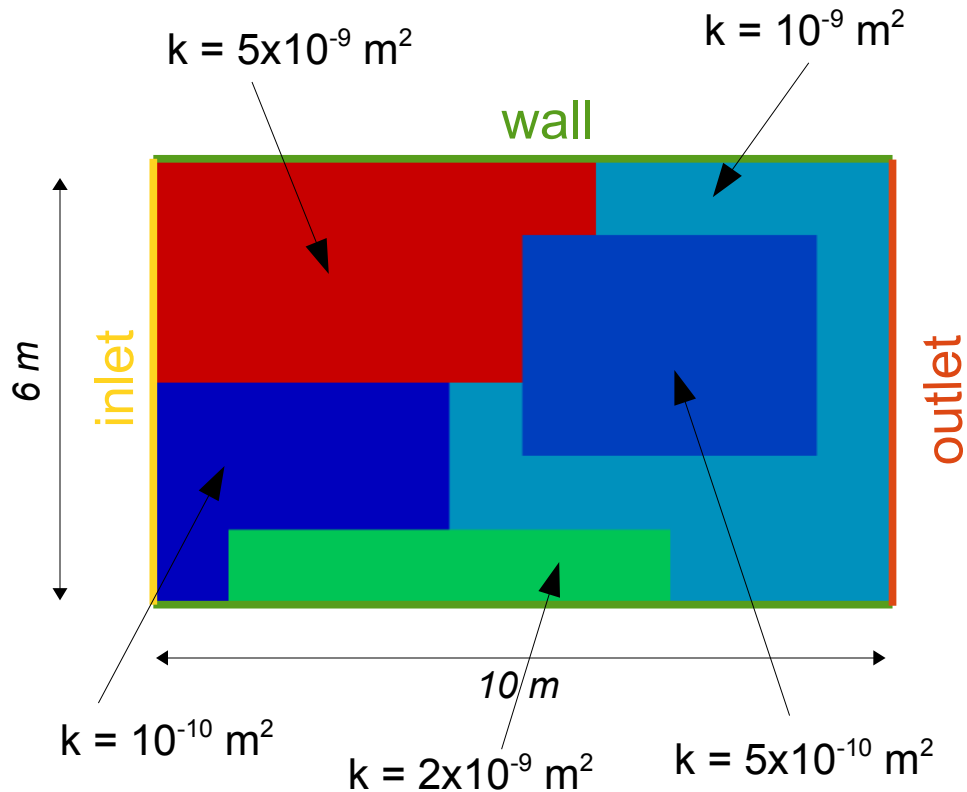
```
$ postProcess -latestTime -func singleGraph
```

- Plot the pressure field with Gnuplot :

```
$ gnuplot  
gnuplot> set xlabel "distance (m)"  
gnuplot> set ylabel "Pressure (kg/m/s)"  
gnuplot> plot "postProcessing/singleGraph/1/lineX1_p.xy" using 1:2 with lines lw 4 title "p"
```

## #8 – Program a “Darcy” solver (7/7)

Exo8Bis: Program a new solver for heterogeneous porous media (*heterogeneousDarcyFoam*) defining the permeability as a *volScalarField* and assigning it different values with the utility *setFields*.




 We can get *setFieldsDict* from #4 or:

```
$ cp $FOAM_UTILITIES/preProcessing/setFields/setFieldsDict system/.
```



## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (1/7)


 Objective 1: Develop a program that solves heat transfer in a porous medium where the velocity and pressure obey Darcy's law.

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{U} = -\frac{k}{\mu} \nabla p \quad (2)$$

$$\left( \varepsilon (\rho C_p)_f + (1 - \varepsilon) (\rho C_p)_s \right) \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + (\rho C_p)_f \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U} T) = \nabla \cdot (D_T \nabla T) \quad (3)$$

 Objective 2: Use probes to plot the temperature evolution vs time at some points of the domain

 Objective 3: Change the discretization schemes



This solver will be based on *darcyFoam* (#8)

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/solvers/  
$ cp -r darcyFoam darcyTemperatureFoam  
$ cd darcyTemperatureFoam  
$ mv darcyFoam.C darcyTemperatureFoam.C  
$ gedit Make/files
```

```
$ wclean  
$ wmake
```

```
files x  
darcyTemperatureFoam.C  
EXE = $(FOAM_USER_APPBIN)/darcyTemperatureFoam
```

# #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (2a/7)

```
Info<< "Reading field p\n" << endl;
```

\$ gedit createFields.H

```
volScalarField p
```

```
{  
    IOobject  
    (  
        "p",  
        runTime.timeName(),  
        mesh,  
        IOobject::MUST_READ,  
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
    ),  
    mesh  
};
```

Declaration of the velocity flux *phi*.

- It is a surface field (*U* is projected onto the face of each cell of the grid)
- It is necessary when using the divergence operator (`fvm::div(phi,T)`)
- Can also be declared using `#include "createPhi.H"`

```
Info<< "Reading field U\n" << endl;
```

```
volVectorField U
```

```
{  
    IOobject  
    (  
        "U",  
        runTime.timeName(),  
        mesh,  
        IOobject::NO_READ,  
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
    ),  
    mesh,  
    dimensionedVector("U", dimensionSet(0,1,-1,0,0,0), vector::zero)  
};
```

```
surfaceScalarField phi ("phi", linearInterpolate(U) & mesh.Sf());
```

```
Info<< "Reading field T\n" << endl;
```

```
volScalarField T
```

```
{  
    IOobject  
    (  
        "T",  
        runTime.timeName(),  
        mesh,  
        IOobject::MUST_READ,  
        IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
    ),  
    mesh  
};
```

Declaration of the temperature field *T*. (Do not copy everything manually: copy/paste the declaration of `volScalarField p` and replace *p* by *T*)

\$ wmake

## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (2b/7)

```
Info<< "Reading transportProperties\n" << endl;
```

```
IOdictionary transportProperties
```

```
(  
    IOobject  
    (  
        "transportProperties",  
        runTime.constant(),  
        mesh,  
        IOobject::MUST_READ_IF_MODIFIED,  
        IOobject::NO_WRITE  
    )  
);
```

```
Info<< "Reading diffusivity DT\n" << endl;
```

```
dimensionedScalar DT  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("DT")  
);
```

```
dimensionedScalar eps  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("eps")  
);
```

```
dimensionedScalar rhoCps  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("rhoCps")  
);
```

```
dimensionedScalar rhoCpf  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("rhoCpf")  
);
```

```
dimensionedScalar k  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("k")  
);
```

```
dimensionedScalar mu  
(  
    transportProperties.lookup("mu")  
);
```

```
$ gedit createFields.H
```

Beside the viscosity  $\mu$  and the permeability  $k$  of the porous medium, we also declare the thermal conductivity  $DT$ , the porosity  $eps$  and the heat capacities  $\rho C_p$  and  $\rho C_f$ . They are loaded from the file « *constant/transportProperties* »

```
$ wmake
```

# #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (3/7)

```
$ gedit darcyTemperatureFoam.C
```

```
while (simple.loop())
{
    Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

    while (simple.correctNonOrthogonal())
    {
        solve
        (
            fvm::laplacian(k/mu, p)
        );

        U = -k/mu*fvc::grad(p);

        phi = linearInterpolate(U) & mesh.Sf();

        solve
        (
            (eps*rhoCpf+(1.-eps)*rhoCps)*fvm::ddt(T)
            + rhoCpf*fvm::div(phi,T)
            ==
            fvm::laplacian(DT, T)
        );

        runTime.write();

        Info<< "ExecutionTime = " << runTime.elapsedCpuTime() << " s"
            << " ClockTime = " << runTime.elapsedClockTime() << " s"
            << nl << endl;
    }
}
```

The surface flux  $\phi$  is updated from the new value of the velocity profile  $U$ .

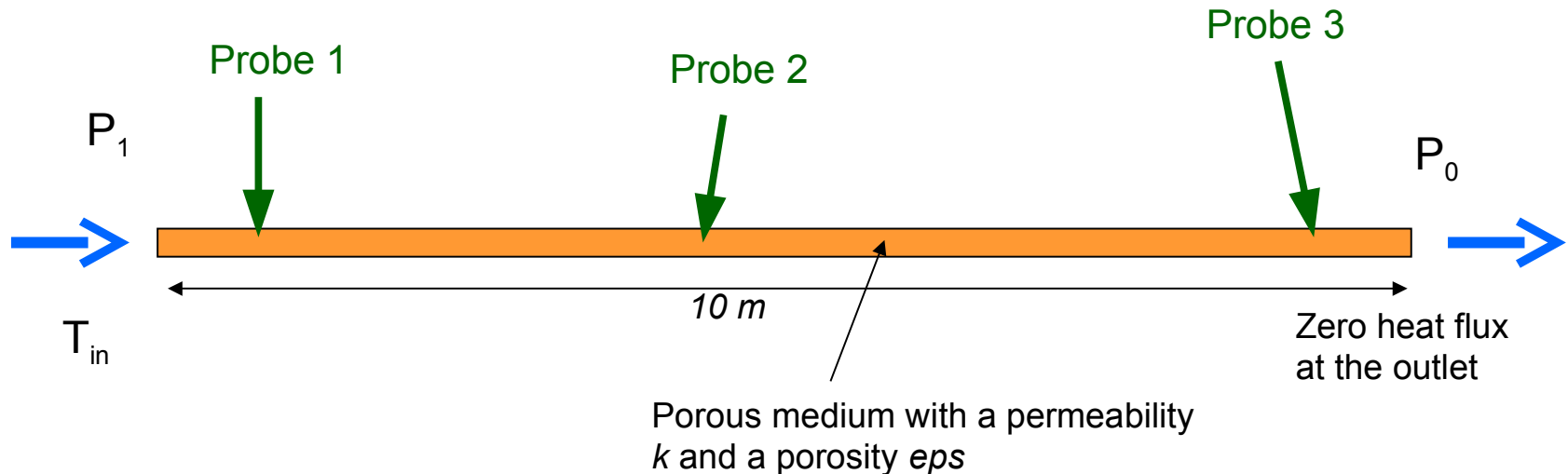
Solve the advection/diffusion equation for the temperature transport

```
$ wmake
```

Compilation of *darcyTemperatureFoam*

## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (4/7)

🐛 We want to estimate the temperature evolution in a 1D porous medium



To save time, we can adapt the previous exercise (#7) to setup the case

```
$ run
$ cp -r Exo8 Exo9
$ cd Exo9
$ rm -r 0.* 1* 2* 3* 4* 5* 6* 7* 8* 9* postProcessing
$ cp 0/p 0/T
$ gedit 0/T
```

## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (5a/7)

\$ gedit 0/T

```
dimensions      [0 0 0 1 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform 273;
boundaryField
{
    inlet
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 573;
    }

    outlet
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

\$ gedit 0/p

```
dimensions      [1 -1 -2 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
    inlet
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 1e2;
    }

    outlet
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 0;
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

# #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (5b/7)

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
mu      mu      [ 1 -1 -1 0 0 0 0 ] 1e-05;
k       k       [ 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 ] 1e-09;
eps     eps     [ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ] 0.4;
DT      DT      [ 1 1 -3 -1 0 0 0 ] 1e-02;
rhoCps  rhoCps  [ 1 -1 -2 -1 0 0 0 ] 2e4;
rhoCpf  rhoCpf  [ 1 -1 -2 -1 0 0 0 ] 5e3;
```

```
$ gedit system/fvSolution
```

```
solvers
{
    p
    {
        solver      PCG;
        preconditioner DIC;
        tolerance    1e-06;
        relTol       0;
    }
    T
    {
        solver      PBiCG;
        preconditioner DILU;
        tolerance    1e-06;
        relTol       0;
    }
}

SIMPLE
{
    nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 2;
}
```

```
$ gedit system/fvSchemes
```

```
ddtSchemes
{
    default Euler;
}

gradSchemes
{
    default Gauss linear;
    grad(T) Gauss linear;
}

divSchemes
{
    default none;
    div(phi,T) Gauss linear;
}

laplacianSchemes
{
    default none;
    laplacian((k|mu),p) Gauss linear corrected;
    laplacian(DT,T) Gauss linear corrected;
}

interpolationSchemes
{
    default linear;
}

snGradSchemes
{
    default corrected;
}

fluxRequired
{
    default no;
    T ;
}
```



# #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (5c/7)

```
startFrom latestTime;
```

```
startTime 0;
```

```
stopAt endTime;
```

```
endTime 60000;
```

```
deltaT 100;
```

```
writeControl runtime;
```

```
writeInterval 1000;
```

```
purgeWrite 0;
```

```
writeFormat ascii;
```

```
writePrecision 6;
```

```
writeCompression off;
```

```
timeFormat general;
```

```
timePrecision 6;
```

```
runtimeModifiable true;
```

```
functions  
{
```

```
  probes
```

```
  {
```

```
    type probes;  
    functionObjectLibs ("libsampling.so");  
    enabled true;  
    outputControl timeStep;  
    outputInterval 1;
```

```
    fields
```

```
    (
```

```
      T  
    );
```

```
    probeLocations
```

```
    (
```

```
      ( 2 0.05 0.05) // Probe 1  
      ( 5 0.05 0.05) // Probe 2  
      ( 9 0.05 0.05) // Probe 3
```

```
    );
```

```
  }
```

```
$ gedit system/controlDict
```

The probes are functions that are executed on-the-fly during the simulation.

They allow to record the temperature evolution vs time at the probe location.

You can specify as many probes as you want.

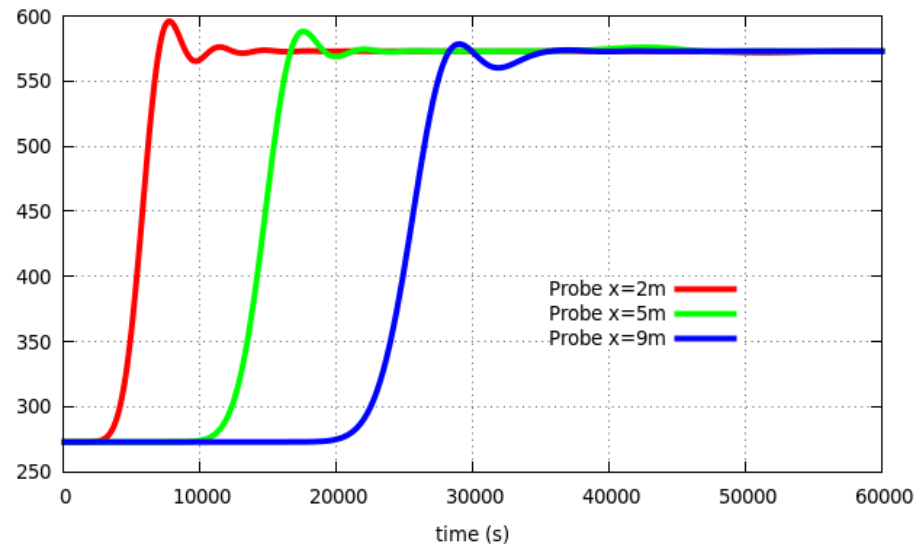
## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (6/7)

- Run the simulation : `$ darcyTemperatureFoam`
- We are going to plot the probe results with the following gnuplot script `$ gedit plot_probes`

```
set key at 50000, 400  
set ylabel "temperature (K)"  
set xlabel "time (s)"
```

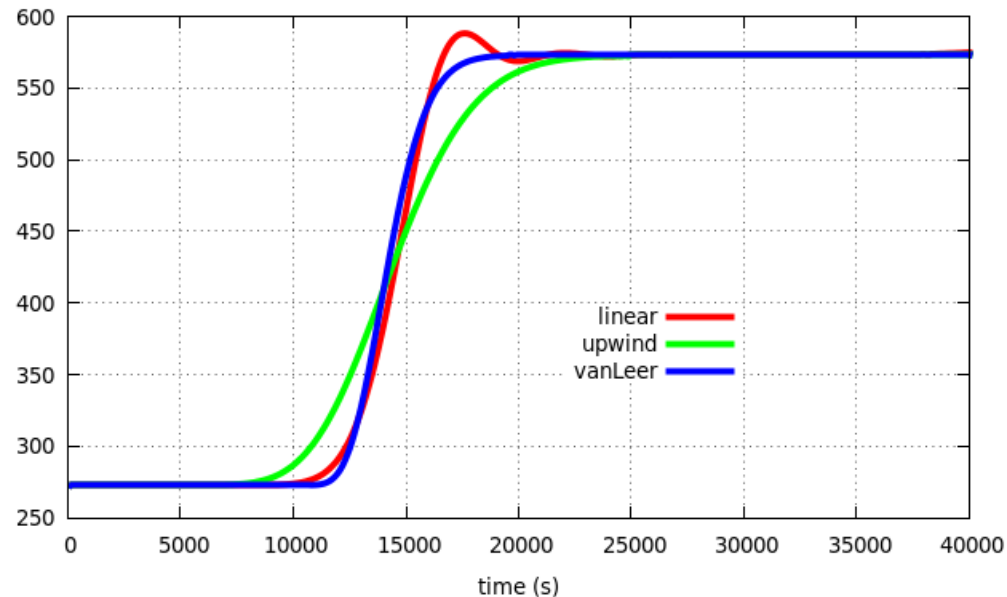
```
plot "postProcessing/probes/0/T" using 1:2 with lines lw 4 title "Probe x=2m" ,\  
     "postProcessing/probes/0/T" using 1:3 with lines lw 4 title "Probe x=5m" ,\  
     "postProcessing/probes/0/T" using 1:4 with lines lw 4 title "Probe x=9m"
```

```
$ gnuplot -persist plot_probes
```



## #9 - Heat transfer in porous media (7/7)

- Note in the previous simulation some unphysical oscillations at the temperature front. They are due to the numerical scheme used to discretize the convection term. To improve the numerical stability, you can use an upwind scheme or a flux limiter by specifying *Gauss upwind* or *Gauss vanLeer* in *system/fvSchemes* instead of *Gauss linear*.



- The upwind scheme is better than the linear but also more diffusive. The flux limiter schemes are more suitable for this kind of simulation.
- More benchmarks on OpenFOAM® numerical schemes :

<http://www.holzmann-cfd.de/index.php/en/numerical-schemes>

# #10 – Customize boundary conditions (1/4)

Objective: Create customized boundary conditions

- By default, OpenFOAM® can handle a lot of different boundary conditions. Their code source is located in the following directory:

```
$ cd $FOAM_SRC/finiteVolume/fields/fvPatchFields
$ ls
```

```
basic constraint derived doc fvPatchField
```

- All these conditions are derived from basic conditions like *fixedValue* (Dirichlet), *fixedGradient* (Neumann) or *mixed*.

\$ ls derived

```
activePressureForceBaffleVelocity  freestream                pressureDirectedInletOutletVelocity  totalPressure
advective                          freestreamPressure        pressureDirectedInletVelocity         totalTemperature
codedFixedValue                    inletOutlet               pressureInletOutletParSlipVelocity    translatingWallVelocity
codedMixed                          inletOutletTotalTemperature  pressureInletOutletVelocity          turbulentInlet
cylindricalInletVelocity           interstitialInletVelocity   pressureInletUniformVelocity         turbulentIntensityKineticEnergyInlet
externalCoupledMixed              mappedField                pressureInletVelocity                uniformDensityHydrostaticPressure
fan                                mappedFixedInternalValue    pressureNormalInletOutletVelocity    uniformFixedGradient
fanPressure                        mappedFixedPushedInternalValue  prghPressure                        uniformFixedValue
fixedFluxPressure                  mappedFixedValue            prghTotalPressure                    uniformInletOutlet
fixedInternalValueFvPatchField     mappedFlowRate              rotatingPressureInletOutletVelocity  uniformJump
fixedJump                           mappedVelocityFluxFixedValue  rotatingTotalPressure                uniformJumpAMI
fixedJumpAMI                       movingWallVelocity          rotatingWallVelocity                  uniformTotalPressure
fixedMean                           oscillatingFixedValue        slip                                 variableHeightFlowRate
fixedNormalInletOutletVelocity     outletInlet                 supersonicFreestream                 variableHeightFlowRateInletVelocity
fixedNormalSlip                    outletMappedUniformInlet     surfaceNormalFixedValue              waveSurfacePressure
fixedPressureCompressibleDensity   outletPhaseMeanVelocity      swirlFlowRateInletVelocity           waveTransmissive
flowRateInletVelocity              partialSlip                  syringePressure
```

- To define boundary conditions that depends on time or on other variables, there are several possibilities,

- Hardcoding in the solver,
- **Program customized boundary conditions,**
- With an additional package such as swak4Foam (<http://openfoamwiki.net/index.php/Contrib/swak4Foam>)

## #10 – Customize boundary conditions (2/4)

- In the previous exercises(#8 and #9), the flow in porous media is evaluated from solving a partial differential equation on the pressure. Therefore, boundary conditions for the pressure field have to be specified. Sometime, however, it is more convenient to define an inlet velocity rather than a pressure condition. This inlet condition for the velocity can be described in term of boundary condition for the pressure using the relation:

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla p = -\frac{\mu}{k} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{U}$$

- We are going to create a new boundary condition, inspired by *fixedFluxPressure* itself derived from *fixedGradient*

```
$ mkdir -p $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/boundary/  
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/boundary/  
$ cp -r $FOAM_SRC/finiteVolume/fields/fvPatchFields/derived/fixedFluxPressure darcyGradPressure  
$ cd darcyGradPressure  
$ rename 's/fixedFluxPressure/darcyGradPressure/g' *.*  
$ sed -i 's/fixedFluxPressure/darcyGradPressure/g' *.*  
$ mkdir Make
```

The string « fixedFluxPressure » is replaced by « darcyGradPressure » within all the files of the directory

\$ gedit Make/files

```
files x  
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField.C  
  
LIB = $(FOAM_USER_LIBBIN)/ldarcyGradPressure
```

```
$ wclean  
$ wmake
```

\$ gedit Make/options

```
options x  
EXE_INC = -I$(LIB_SRC)/finiteVolume/lnInclude  
  
LIB_LIBS = -lfiniteVolume
```

# #10 – Customize boundary conditions (3a/4)

```
#ifndef darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarFields_H
#define darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarFields_H
```

\$ gedit darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField.H

```
#include "fvPatchFields.H"
```

```
#include "fixedGradientFvPatchFields.H"
```

```
// *****
```

```
namespace Foam
```

```
{
```

```
/*-----  
Class darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField Declaration  
-----*/
```

```
class darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
```

```
:
```

```
public fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField
```

```
{
```

```
// Private data
```

```
    //- Name of the volicity field used to calculate grad(p)
```

```
    word UName_;
```

```
public:
```

```
    //- Runtime type information  
    TypeName("darcyGradPressure");
```

```
// Constructors
```

```
    //- Construct from patch and internal field
```

```
    darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
```

```
    (  
        const fvPatch&,
```

```
        const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>&  
    );
```

```
    //- Construct from patch, internal field and dictionary
```

```
    darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
```

```
    (  
        const fvPatch&,
```

```
        const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>&,  
        const dictionary&  
    );
```

This boundary condition derives from the class *fixedGradient*

Name of the new type of boundary condition that will be specified in files 0/p

Declaration of constructors

# #10 – Customize boundary conditions (3b/4)

```
// - Construct by mapping given darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField onto a new patch
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField&,
    const fvPatch&,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>&,
    const fvPatchFieldMapper&
);

// - Construct as copy
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField&
);

// - Construct and return a clone
virtual tmp<fvPatchScalarField> clone() const
{
    return tmp<fvPatchScalarField>
    (
        new darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField(*this)
    );
}

// - Construct as copy setting internal field reference
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField&,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>&
);

// - Construct and return a clone setting internal field reference
virtual tmp<fvPatchScalarField> clone
(
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>& iF
) const
{
    return tmp<fvPatchScalarField>
    (
        new darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField(*this, iF)
    );
}

// Member functions

// - Update the patch pressure gradient field
virtual void updateCoeffs();

// - Write
virtual void write(Ostream&) const;
```

Declaration of constructors and constructors of copy.

Declaration of the function **updateCoeffs()**. It is in this function that the expression of the boundary condition is defined.

Declaration of the function **write()** that writes the value at the boundaries in the files *timeDirectory/p*.



# #10 – Customize boundary conditions (4a/4)

```
$ gedit darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField.C
```

```
#include "darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField.H"
#include "fvPatchFieldMapper.H"
#include "volFields.H"
#include "addToRunTimeSelectionTable.H"

// * * * * * Constructors * * * * *

Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const fvPatch& p,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>& iF
)
:
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField(p, iF),
    UName_("U")
{}

Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField& ptf,
    const fvPatch& p,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>& iF,
    const fvPatchFieldMapper& mapper
)
:
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField(ptf, p, iF, mapper),
    UName_(ptf.UName_)
{}

```

```
Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const fvPatch& p,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>& iF,
    const dictionary& dict
)
:
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField(p, iF),
    UName_(dict.lookupOrDefault<word>("U", "U"))
{
    fvPatchField<scalar>::operator=(patchInternalField());
    gradient() = 0.0;
}

Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField& wbppsf
)
:
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField(wbppsf),
    UName_(wbppsf.UName_)
{}

Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::
darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField
(
    const darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField& wbppsf,
    const DimensionedField<scalar, volMesh>& iF
)
:
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField(wbppsf, iF),
    UName_(wbppsf.UName_)
{}

```

Definition of the constructors and copy constructors

# #10 – Customize boundary conditions (4b/4)

```
// ***** Member Functions ***** //
```

```
void Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::updateCoeffs()
```

```
{  
    if (updated())  
    {  
        return;  
    }
```

We recover the value of U at the boundary

The viscosity and permeability values are read in the file *transportProperties*

```
const fvPatchField<vector>& U =  
    patch().lookupPatchField<volVectorField, vector>(UName_);
```

```
//Extract the dictionary from the database
```

```
const dictionary& transportProperties = db().lookupObject<IOdictionary> ("transportProperties");
```

```
//Extract viscosity and permeability
```

```
dimensionedScalar mu(transportProperties.lookup("mu"));
```

```
dimensionedScalar k(transportProperties.lookup("k"));
```

```
gradient() = -mu.value()/k.value()*(U & patch().nf());
```

```
fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField::updateCoeffs();
```

```
}
```

```
void Foam::darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField::write(Ostream& os) const
```

```
{  
    fixedGradientFvPatchScalarField::write(os);  
    writeEntryIfDifferent<word>(os, "U", "U", UName_);  
    writeEntry("value", os);  
}
```

```
// *****
```

```
namespace Foam
```

```
{  
    makePatchTypeField  
    (  
        fvPatchScalarField,  
        darcyGradPressureFvPatchScalarField  
    );  
}
```

The library *ldarcyGradPressure.so* is now compiled and available for all the solvers.

```
$ wclean  
$ wmake
```

The pressure gradient is evaluated at the boundary with the formula:

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla p = -\frac{\mu}{k} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{U}$$

`mu.value()` allows the access of the value of the object `mu` declared as a *dimensionedScalar*

`patch().nf()` returns the normal vector to the patch

# #11 - Two-equations model (1/6)

- 🔗 Objective n°1 : Solve heat transfer in porous media with a two temperatures model (for the fluid and for the solid),

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{U} = -\frac{k}{\mu} \nabla p \quad (2)$$

$$\varepsilon (\rho_f C_{p_f}) \frac{\partial T_f}{\partial t} + (\rho_f C_{p_f}) \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} T_f = \nabla \cdot \varepsilon D_{T_f} \nabla T_f + h_{sf} (T_f - T_s) \quad (3)$$

$$(1 - \varepsilon) (\rho_s C_{p_s}) \frac{\partial T_s}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (1 - \varepsilon) D_{T_s} \nabla T_s - h_{sf} (T_f - T_s) \quad (4)$$

- 🔗 Objective n°2 : Use customized boundary conditions



This solver will be based on *darcyTemperatureFoam* (#8)

```
$ cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR/applications/solvers/  
$ cp -r darcyTemperatureFoam darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam  
$ cd darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam  
$ mv darcyTemperatureFoam.C darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam.C  
$ gedit Make/files
```

```
$ wclean  
$ wmake
```

files x

darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam.C

EXE = \$(FOAM\_USER\_APPBIN)/darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam

# #11 - Two-equations model (2/6)

```
Info<< "Reading field U\n" << endl;  
volVectorField U
```

```
{  
  IOobject  
  (  
    "U",  
    runTime.timeName(),  
    mesh,  
    IOobject::MUST_READ,  
    IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
  ),  
  mesh  
};
```

```
#include "createPhi.H"
```

```
Info<< "Reading field Ts\n" << endl;  
volScalarField Ts
```

```
{  
  IOobject  
  (  
    "Ts",  
    runTime.timeName(),  
    mesh,  
    IOobject::MUST_READ,  
    IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
  ),  
  mesh  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading field Tf\n" << endl;  
volScalarField Tf
```

```
{  
  IOobject  
  (  
    "Tf",  
    runTime.timeName(),  
    mesh,  
    IOobject::MUST_READ,  
    IOobject::AUTO_WRITE  
  ),  
  mesh  
};
```

\$ gedit createFields.H

The field  $U$  is now initialized from  $0/U$ , which allows us to define boundary condition for  $U$

$\phi$  is created by calling *createPhi.H*

Declaration of temperature fields for the solid and the fluid (do not write manually but use copy/paste from the former block « *volScalarField T ...* »)

The model constants are loaded from the file *constant/transportProperties*. (Again, do not write manually everything ! use copy/paste!)

```
Info<< "Reading permeability k\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar k
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("k")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading fluid viscosity mu\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar mu
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("mu")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading fluid conductivity DTf\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar DTf
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("DTf")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading solid conductivity DTs\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar DTs
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("DTs")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading porosity eps\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar eps
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("eps")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading heat capacity rhoCps\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar rhoCps
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("rhoCps")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading heat capacity rhoCpf\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar rhoCpf
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("rhoCpf")  
};
```

```
Info<< "Reading heat exchange coefficient h\n" << endl;  
dimensionedScalar h
```

```
{  
  transportProperties.lookup("h")  
};
```

# #11 - Two-equations model (3/6)

```

while (simple.loop())
{
    Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

    while (simple.correctNonOrthogonal())
    {
        fvScalarMatrix pEqn
        (
            fvm::laplacian(k/mu, p)
        );
        pEqn.solve();

        if (simple.finalNonOrthogonalIter())
        {
            phi = - pEqn.flux();
        }

        U = -k/mu*fvc::grad(p);
        U.correctBoundaryConditions();

        fvScalarMatrix TfEqn
        (
            eps*rhoCpf*fvm::ddt(Tf) + rhoCpf*fvm::div(phi,Tf)
            ==
            fvm::laplacian(eps*DTf,Tf,"laplacian(DT,T)" ) - fvm::Sp(h,Tf) + h*Ts
        );
        TfEqn.solve();

        fvScalarMatrix TsEqn
        (
            (1.-eps)*rhoCps*fvm::ddt(Ts)
            ==
            fvm::laplacian((1.-eps)*DTs,Ts,"laplacian(DT,T)" ) - fvm::Sp(h,Ts) + h*Tf
        );
        TsEqn.solve();

        runTime.write();

        Info<< "ExecutionTime = " << runTime.elapsedCpuTime() << " s"
            << " ClockTime = " << runTime.elapsedClockTime() << " s"
            << nl << endl;
    }
}

```

\$ gedit darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam.C

The matrix for the pressure *pEqn* is declared as a *fvScalarMatrix* and constructed from the discretization with the finite volume method of the laplacian operator. This type of declaration offers more flexibility than *solve( fvm::laplacian(...))*. The matrix is inversed with *pEqn.solve()*

The flux of velocity at the cell face is directly updated from the new coefficients of the matrix pressure.

*U* is calculated pointwise with Darcy's law. The boundary conditions may have been altered and do not correspond to what was specified in *O/U*. This function means that the boundary conditions have to be those specified in *O/U*.

Solve the temperature in the fluid. The laplacian discretization scheme is specified in *system/fvSchemes* in front of the keyword « *laplacian(DT,T)* ». A part of the exchange term is treated implicitly, the other part explicitly.

Solve the temperature in the solid.

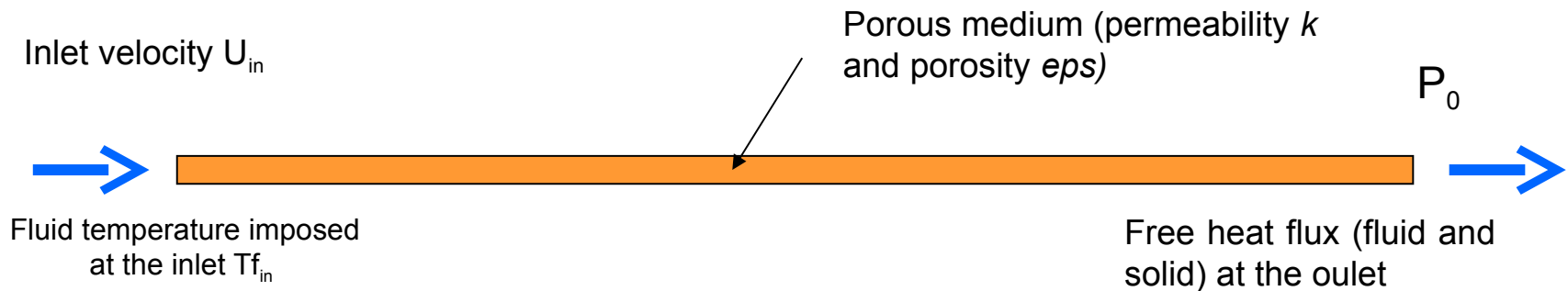
\$ wclean  
\$ wmake



# #11 - Two-equations model (4/6)

🔧 We want to estimate heat transfer in a 1D porous medium with a two temperatures model.

🔧 In this example, a porous medium initially at 573K is cooled down with the injection of a fluid at 273K



To set up the simulation, we use #8

```
$ run
$ cp -r Exo9 Exo11
$ cd Exo11
$ rm -r 0.* [1-9]* postProcessing
$ mv 0/T 0/Tf
$ cp 0/Tf 0/Ts
$ cp 0/p 0/U
```

# #11 - Two-equations model (5a/6)

\$ gedit 0/U

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        volVectorField;
  object       U;
}
// *****

dimensions     [0 1 -1 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform (0 0 0);
boundaryField
{
  inlet
  {
    type        fixedValue;
    value       uniform (1.4e-4 0 0);
  }
  outlet
  {
    type        zeroGradient;
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type        empty;
  }
}
```

\$ gedit 0/p

```
FoamFile
{
  version      2.0;
  format       ascii;
  class        volScalarField;
  object       p;
}
// *****

dimensions     [1 -1 -2 0 0 0 0];
internalField   uniform 0;
boundaryField
{
  inlet
  {
    type        darcyGradPressure;
    value       uniform 0;
  }
  outlet
  {
    type        fixedValue;
    value       uniform 0;
  }
  frontAndBack
  {
    type        empty;
  }
}
```

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla p = -\frac{\mu}{k} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{U}$$

A fluid velocity is imposed at the domain inlet. This velocity is used to evaluate the pressure gradient at the inlet with the boundary condition *darcyGradPressure* we have developed in #9. To use this boundary condition, we must specify in *system/controlDict* that we load the library, *ldarcyGradPressure.so*.



# #11 - Two-equations model (5b/6)

\$ gedit 0/Ts

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volScalarField;
    object       Ts;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 0 0 1 0 0 0];

internalField    uniform 573;

boundaryField
{
    inlet
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    outlet
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

\$ gedit 0/Tf

```
FoamFile
{
    version      2.0;
    format       ascii;
    class        volScalarField;
    object       Tf;
}
// *****

dimensions      [0 0 0 1 0 0 0];

internalField    uniform 573;

boundaryField
{
    inlet
    {
        type      fixedValue;
        value      uniform 273;
    }

    outlet
    {
        type      zeroGradient;
    }

    frontAndBack
    {
        type      empty;
    }
}
```

# #11 - Two-equations model (5c/6)

```
$ gedit constant/transportProperties
```

```
k      k      [0  2  0  0  0  0  0] 1e-09;
mu     mu     [1 -1 -1  0  0  0  0] 1e-05;

eps    eps    [0  0  0  0  0  0  0] 0.4;
DTf    DTf    [1  1 -3 -1  0  0  0] 1e-04;
DTs    DTs    [1  1 -3 -1  0  0  0] 1e-02;
rhoCps rhoCps [1 -1 -2 -1  0  0  0] 2e4;
rhoCpf rhoCpf [1 -1 -2 -1  0  0  0] 5e3;
h      h      [1 -1 -3 -1  0  0  0] 5e-1;
```

We specify that we load the library *ldarcyGradPressure.so* in order to use the customized boundary condition *darcyGradPressure*.

```
$ gedit system/controlDict
```

```
application      darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam;
startFrom        latestTime;
startTime        0;
stopAt           endTime;
endTime          400000;
deltaT           100;
writeControl      runtime;
writeInterval     10000;
purgeWrite        0;
writeFormat       ascii;
writePrecision    6;
writeCompression off;
timeFormat        general;
timePrecision     6;
runtimeModifiable true;
libs ("ldarcyGradPressure.so");

functions
{
    probes
    {
        type          probes;
        functionObjectLibs ("libsampling.so");
        enabled        true;
        outputControl   timeStep;
        outputInterval  1;

        fields
        (
            Tf
            Ts
        );
    }
}
```

# #11 - Two-equations model (5g/6)

```
$ gedit system/fvSolution
```

```
solvers
{
    p
    {
        solver          PCG;
        preconditioner   DIC;
        tolerance        1e-06;
        relTol           0;
    }

    Ts
    {
        solver          PCG;
        preconditioner   DIC;
        tolerance        1e-06;
        relTol           0;
    }

    Tf
    {
        solver          PBiCG;
        preconditioner   DILU;
        tolerance        1e-06;
        relTol           0;
    }
}

SIMPLE
{
    nNonOrthogonalCorrectors 2;
}
```

```
$ gedit system/fvSchemes
```

```
ddtSchemes
{
    default Euler;
}

gradSchemes
{
    default Gauss linear;
    grad(p) Gauss linear;
}

divSchemes
{
    default none;
    div(phi,Tf) Gauss vanLeer;
}

laplacianSchemes
{
    default none;
    laplacian((k|mu),p) Gauss linear corrected;
    laplacian(DT,T) Gauss linear corrected;
}

interpolationSchemes
{
    default linear;
}

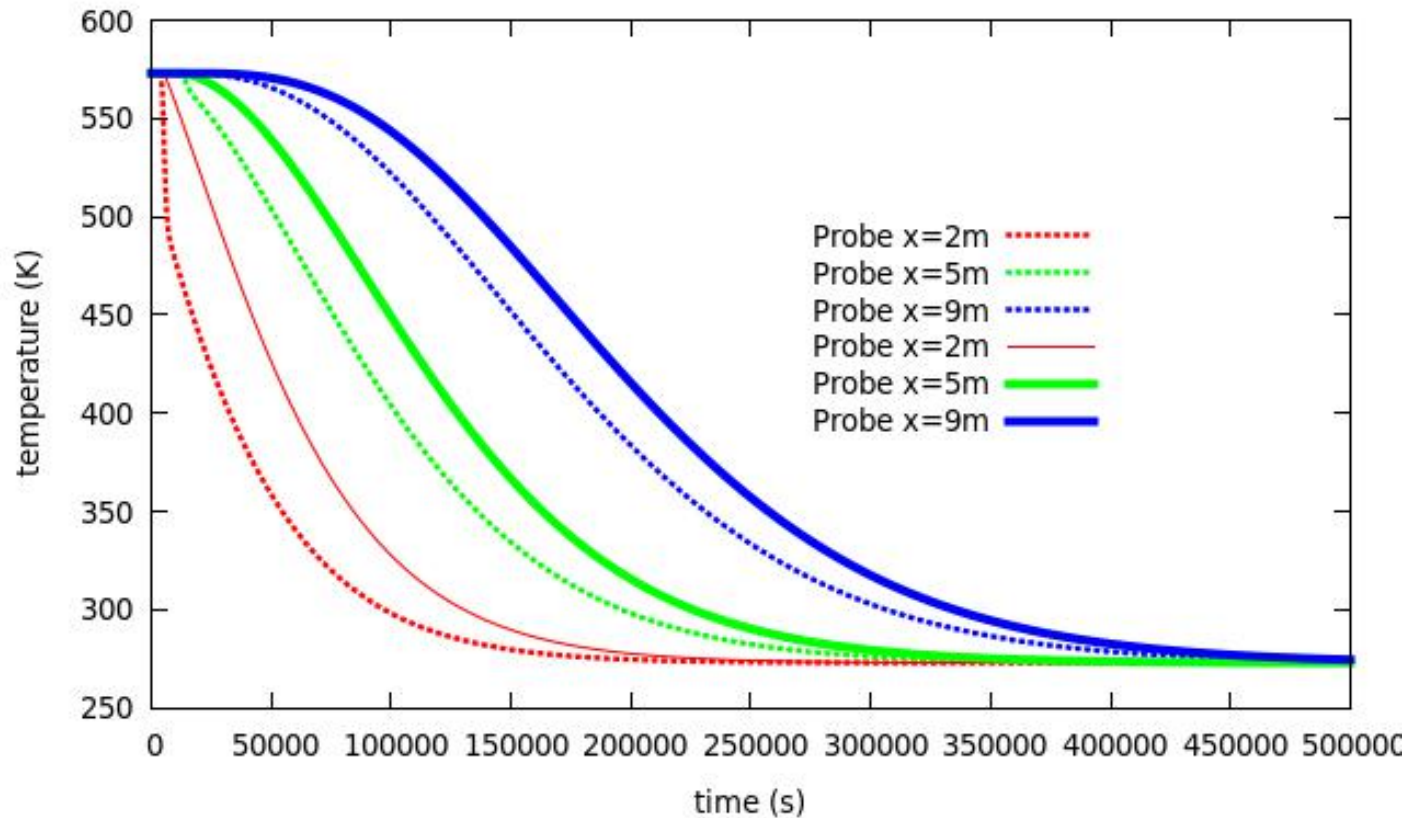
snGradSchemes
{
    default corrected;
}

fluxRequired
{
    p;
}
```

# #11 - Two-equations model (6/6)

🐛 We start the simulation: `$ darcyTwoTemperaturesFoam`

🐛 We then post-treat the evolution  $T_s$  and  $T_f$  with time for the 3 probes



Exo11Bis: Change the exchange coefficient value and re-do the simulation. For large values, we recover the solution of #9.

# Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (1/5)

- 🔗 Navier-Stokes equations are made of a continuity equation and a momentum equation

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U} \quad (2)$$

- 🔗 We look for  $(U, p)$  solution of this problem. How can we solve this problem in a segregated manner ? (one equation after the other) ?



- First, we derive a pressure equation combining (1) and (2),
- Then, we use a predictor/corrector strategy to solve this system (ex : PISO for transient solutions, SIMPLE for steady-state simulations, PIMPLE which is a mix of these two algorithms allows larger time steps),
- In this section, we learn how to solve NS with the PISO algorithm implemented in *icoFoam*

## Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (2a/5)

- With the finite volume method in OpenFOAM®, the advection velocity in the divergence operator is defined at the cell faces ( $\phi$ ). Since the fluid density is constant, the solved pressure is in fact the actual pressure divided by rho:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \phi \mathbf{U} - \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U} = -\nabla p$$

- To derive a pressure equation, we write the former equation as a semi-discretized formulation :

$$\nu \frac{\mathbf{U}_P^{n+1} - \mathbf{U}_P^n}{\delta t} = -a'_P \mathbf{U}_P^{n+1} + \sum_{NP} a'_{NP} \mathbf{U}_{NP}^{n+1} - \nabla p$$

Discretization of the convective and the diffusive terms.

It can be recast into

$$\underbrace{\left( \frac{\nu}{\delta t} + a'_P \right)}_{a_P} \mathbf{U}_P^{n+1} = \underbrace{\sum_{NP} a'_{NP} \mathbf{U}_{NP}^{n+1}}_{H(\mathbf{U})} + \frac{\nu}{\delta t} \mathbf{U}_P^n - \nabla p$$

## Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (2b/5)

Or,

$$a_P \mathbf{U}_P = \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{U}) - \nabla p$$

Diagonal coefficients of the matrix for the velocity  $\mathbf{U}$

Contains the off-diagonal coefficients and the source terms (body forces + half of the discretization of the transient term)

Or,

$$\mathbf{U}_P = \frac{\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{U})}{a_P} - \frac{1}{a_P} \nabla p$$

🔗 Combining this equation with continuity equation leads to the pressure equation:

$$\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{1}{a_P} \nabla p \right) = \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{U})}{a_P} \right)$$

🔗 In this equation,  $a_p$  et  $H(U)$  are evaluated from the velocity field of the previous iteration or previous time step.



# Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (3/5)

```
$ sol
$ cd    incompressible/icoFoam
$ gedit icoFoam.C
```

## 1 Beginning of the time loop

```
Info<< "\nStarting time loop\n" << endl;

while (runTime.loop())
{
    Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

    #include "CourantNo.H"
```

## 2 U\* is predicted solving implicitly the momentum equation (matrix UEqn) with the pressure of the previous time step

```
// Momentum predictor
```

```
fvVectorMatrix UEqn
(
    fvm::ddt(U)
    + fvm::div(phi, U)
    - fvm::laplacian(nu, U)
),
```

Construction of the matrix UEqn. The convective term is linearized with phi evaluated at the previous time step.

```
if (piso.momentumPredictor())
{
    solve(UEqn == -fvc::grad(p));
}
```

U\* is predicted from the pressure field of the previous time step

$$\text{UEqn} \cdot \mathbf{U}^* = -\nabla p^n$$

# Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (4a/5)

## 3 On entre dans la boucle PISO

```
// --- PISO loop
while (piso.correct())
{
    volScalarField rAU(1.0/UEqn.A());

    volVectorField HbyA("HbyA", U);
    HbyA = rAU*UEqn.H();
    surfaceScalarField phiHbyA
    (
        "phiHbyA",
        (fvc::interpolate(HbyA) & mesh.Sf())
        + fvc::interpolate(rAU)*fvc::ddtCorr(U, phi)
    ),
    adjustPhi(phiHbyA, U, p);

    // Non-orthogonal pressure corrector loop
    while (piso.correctNonOrthogonal())
    {
        // Pressure corrector
        fvScalarMatrix pEqn
        (
            fvm::laplacian(rAU, p) == fvc::div(phiHbyA)
        );
        pEqn.setReference(pRefCell, pRefValue);
        pEqn.solve(mesh.solver(p.select(piso.finalInnerIter())));

        if (piso.finalNonOrthogonalIter())
        {
            phi = phiHbyA - pEqn.flux();
        }

        #include "continuityErrs.H"

        U = HbyA - rAU*fvc::grad(p);
        U.correctBoundaryConditions();
    }
}
```

Update of  $a_p$  from  $U$  freshly computed

Update of  $H/a_p$  or "H by A" from the  $U$  freshly computed

Projection of  $H/a_p$  over the cell faces to calculate the divergence  $\text{div}(HbyA)$

$$\nabla \cdot \left( \frac{1}{a_P} \nabla p \right) = \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{H(\mathbf{U})}{a_P} \right)$$

Here, we recover the right value of the flux velocity

$$\phi = S. \left( \frac{H(\mathbf{U})}{a_P} \right)_{c \rightarrow f} - S. \left( \frac{1}{a_P} \nabla p \right)_{c \rightarrow f}$$

Velocity corrector stage:

$$\mathbf{U}_P = \frac{H(\mathbf{U})}{a_P} - \frac{1}{a_P} \nabla p$$

4 At least 2 iterations are required. Then one exit the PISO loop and go to the next time step.

# Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (4b/5)

## Some additional details

```
// --- PISO loop
while (piso.correct())
{
    volScalarField rAU(1.0/UEqn.A());

    volVectorField HbyA("HbyA", U);
    HbyA = rAU*UEqn.H();
    surfaceScalarField phiHbyA
    (
        "phiHbyA",
        (fvc::interpolate(HbyA) & mesh.Sf())
        + fvc::interpolate(rAU)*fvc::ddtCorr(U, phi)
    );
    adjustPhi(phiHbyA, U, p);

    // Non-orthogonal pressure corrector loop
    while (piso.correctNonOrthogonal())
    {
        // Pressure corrector

        fvScalarMatrix pEqn
        (
            fvm::laplacian(rAU, p) == fvc::div(phiHbyA)
        );
        pEqn.setReference(pRefCell, pRefValue);
        pEqn.solve(mesh.solver(p.select(piso.finalInnerIter())));

        if (piso.finalNonOrthogonalIter())
        {
            phi = phiHbyA - pEqn.flux();
        }

        #include "continuityErrs.H"

        U = HbyA - rAU*fvc::grad(p);
        U.correctBoundaryConditions();
    }
}
```

Insure mass conservation by adjusting the in-coming and out-coming flux if the boundary conditions are ill-defined (no *fixedValue* for  $p$  for instance)

If there is no *fixedValue* among the pressure BCs, then the value of  $p$  at the cell with the reference  $pRefCell$  is fixed to  $pRefValue$ .

At the previous line  $U$  has been calculated point-wise from  $p$ . The BCs do no longer correspond to the ones in  $O/U$ . This function means that the boundary conditions of  $U$  must be the ones precised in  $O/U$ .

# Navier-Stokes with icoFoam (5/5)

## Some variation (exercise):

- Write a PISO algorithm with the actual pressure

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

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U}$$

- Write a PISO algorithm with a body source term :

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

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \mathbf{g} + \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U}$$

- Write a PISO algorithm with a mass source term:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = \Gamma$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U}$$

- Write a PISO algorithm for a Darcy-Brinkman system:

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

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{U} - \nu k^{-1} \mathbf{U}$$

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