



Immersed boundary methods and complex geometries in CFD code Notus

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- Notus CFD code presentation
- GENCI HPC challenge 2020 at TGCC
- Direct immersed boundary method improvements (ghost cells)
- Shapes representation and grid interaction
- Piecewise linear immersed boundary reconstruction
- Cartesian grid partitioning and complex geometries



Notus code purposes

Open-source project started from scratch in 2015 (CeCILL Licence)

- Modeling and simulation of incompressible fluid flows, multiphysics
- 2D/3D Finite Volume methods on staggered grids, massively parallel
- Still under development (version 0.5.0)

Intended users

- Mechanical community: easy to use and adapt, proven state-of-the-art numerical methods, towards numerical experiments
- Mathematical community: develop new numerical schemes, fast and efficient framework for comparative and qualitative tests, benchmark methods on identified physical test cases, numerical toolbox
- Researchers, students, industrials

Some key points

- Take advantage of synergies between Research / Teaching / Industry / HPC
- A clear and complete development environment and architecture
- Mask parallelism complexities for easy programming
- Porting on GENCI, PRACE, mesocentres
- A thoroughly validated and documented code, non-regression approach

What is not Notus

A concurrent of, a commercial tool, a click button code

What is possible with Notus

- Simulations: User Interface (text files)
- 2 Easy tuning: User Defined Routines
- New modeling
- Oumerical methods



Modern development framework

- Fortran 2008
- MPI parallel coding library
- OpenMP share memory parallel coding library
- Git distributed version control system
- CMake cross-platform build system \rightarrow easy installation
- Doxygen documentation generator from source code
- Linux only!
- Build scripts, Notus and third party libraries
- Web sites: general, doc, git https://notus-cfd.org, https://doc.notus-cfd.org, https://git.notus-cfd.org

Supercomputers

- GENCI/PRACE: Joliot Curie at TGCC, Occigen at CINES, Jean-Zay at IDRIS
- Curta at mesocentre MCIA
- ... also on Linux laptop!

Features - Modeling

Domain

2D/3D Cartesian, immersed sub-domains

Incompressible Navier-Stokes equations

- Buoyancy force (Boussinesq approximation)
- Surface tension force (CSF model)
- Large Eddy Simulation (mixed scale model, WALE)
- RANS k-ω SST

Multiphase immiscible flows

- One-fluid model
- Volume-of-Fluid, Moment-of-Fluid, Level-Set interface representations

Energy equation, Species transport equations

- Free, mixed or forced convection, phase change liquid/solid
- Passive scalar, thermosolutal flows



Features - Numerical methods

Discretization

- 2D/3D Cartesian Finite Volume on staggered grids, automatic partitioning
- Implicit schemes: up to O(2) implicit schemes (advection and diffusion)
- Explicit schemes: O(2) TVD LV Superbee, O(3) & O(5) WENO (advection); O(2) & O(4) centered (diffusion)
- Complex geometry: Immersed Boundary Method (1st & 2nd order)

Navier-Stokes

- Non conservative or momentum preserving approaches
- Velocity/pressure coupling: time splitting methods (Goda, Timmermans)
- Surface tension: Height Function or Closest-Point methods to compute curvature

Fluid / fluid interface representation and transport

- Volume-of-Fluid method 2D-3D / PLIC (directional splitting)
- Moment-of-Fluid method 2D-3D / backward RK2 advection
- Level-set / WENO

HYPRE library (LLNL)

- BiCGStab, GMRES iterative solvers
- Preconditioners: geometric & algebraic multigrid

MUMPS direct solver

- Mainly for 2D linear systems
- PORD, Metis graph partitioners

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I/O - Visualisation: ADIOS & Notus

Domain is partitioned, data are distributed

ightarrow How to write and plot data efficiently on thousands of processors?

Use of ADIOS library (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)

- Open-source
- Simple and flexible way to describe the data
- Masks IO parallelism, different methods: POSIX, MPI-IO, aggregation
- From 1 to 100 000 processors, around 50 GBs⁻¹ on Joliot Curie Lustre file system

ADIOS & Notus

- A list of data is created, printed at the end of the time loop
- Add a field anywhere in the code:

```
use mod_field_list
call add_field_to_list(print_list, enstrophy,
'enstrophy')
```

ADIOS used also for checkpoint / restart

Visualisation of the results \rightarrow VisIt (LLNL), Paraview

With ADIOS file format, VisIt is limited to 2 billion cells, sequential version only!



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Pixie

- Based on HDF5 library (.h5 files)
- Compatible with parallel Vislt (automatic parallel domain decomposition)
- Non-uniform rectilinear grids
- Notus Pixie output less efficient then ADIOS, around 8GBs⁻¹ on Joliot Curie Lustre file system

XDMF

- Data are stored in HDF5 files (.h5), XML description file (.xdmf file)
- Non-uniform rectilinear grids
- Compatible with Paraview (parallel?) and VisIt (sequential)

ADIOS2

- Version 2 of ADIOS library, toward exascale computations
- Data are stored separatly, XML description file
- Compatible with Paraview (regular rectilinear mesh only, unstructured mesh)

Verification and Validation V&V

Verification

Proves that the continuous model is solved precisely by the discrete approach

Analyses the numerical solution of equations, quantifies and reduces of the numerical errors, computes spatial and temporal convergence orders)

ightarrow Mainly a mathematical and computing process, unlinked to physical problem

Validation

Analyses the capacity of a model to represent a physical phenomena

Compares numerical solution to experimental results, identifies and quantifies errors and uncertainties of continuous and discrete models, and experience

Notus V&V python script

Non-regression

- Iist of V&V test cases files
- quick or full validation (up to 1600 MPI jobs), database of reference values for each case
- validation runs on supercomputers thanks to slurm (2 pass script: submit jobs, collect and post-process)
- results in txt file: OK, NO, FAIL, difference to expected values. Summary.

Grid convergence: run the same case varying mesh or time step

- run (interactivly or submission) the test case with different meshes
- collect the results of the chosen quantities, compute convergence order and eventually extrapolated values
- included into the non-regression process

Check Portability and Performances

Portability

- Associated to V & V process
- Numerical solutions should be independent of:
 - compiler editors, compiler versions, MPI libraries, etc.
 - computer architectures and processor numbers
- Notus portable on:
 - GNU + OpenMPI; Intel + MPT; Intel + IntelMPI
 - Sequential and Parallel versions
 - \rightarrow "Same" results betwwen 10⁻⁸ and 10⁻¹⁵)

Performance python script

- Verify weak and strong scalability
- Identify and measure relevant parts of the code
- Verify I/O performance
- On several supercomputers (from local to GENCI/PRACE)
- Determine optimal use of supercomputers (number of cells per core)
- Compare measured scalability to the expected one
- Ensure non regression of these performances

User Interface: .nts file

Concept

- Text .nts files (unicode)
- Self-explanatory keywords, precise grammar
- Efficient parser that supports:
 - variable declaration
 - formula
 - 'include'
 - if condition and loop
- Associated documentation → test_cases/doc directory

.nts file structure

- Physical fluid properties data base: std/physical_properties.nts file
- One .nts file per test case, block structure:
 - include and variable declarations
 - system{}
 - domain{}
 - mesh{}
 - modeling{}
 - numerical_methods{}
 - post_processing{}

```
include std "physical properties.nts";
system { measure cpu time; }
domain {
  corner 2 coordinates (1.0, 2.0);
arid {
  grid_type regular;
  number of cells (32, 32);
modeling {
        left dirichlet 0.0:
        right dirichlet 1.0;
        bottom neumann 0.0:
numerical parameters {
  time iterations 1;
  energy {
    solver mumps metis;
```

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Some development keys - Masking parallelism

Numerical domain and MPI process ghost cells

- The global domain is partitioned into subdomains
- Addition of a few layers of cells surrounding the local domain: $nx \times ny \times nz$ cells

MPI generic routines to exchange data

- 2D/3D, whatever overlapping zone size
- Integer, double
- Cell array, or vector defined on staggered grid

```
call mpi_exchange(pressure)
```

- call mpi_exchange(velocity)
- Mandatory after any spatial derivative computations
- MPI Exchange + Fill boundary ghost nodes call fill-ghost_nodes(scalar, boundary_condition)

Global reduction routines

- encapsulate MPI ones
- generic routines for min, max of local arrays, sum of scalars



OpenMP generic algebraic operation for 3-dimensional arrays and face-fields

x = a + b
call field_operation_add(a, b, x)

a = a + b*c
call field_operation_add_mult(a,
b, c)

..

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HPC example: GENCI HPC challenge at TGCC

Direct Numerical Simulation of microfluidic flows

- 40 millions CPU hours
- Joliot Curie AMD Rome Epic2 processors
- 1 node = bi-socket = 256 cores
- 293 376 cores, 12.2 petaflops
- Full explicit, Hybrid MPI/OpenMP version → Improved strong and weak scalabilities
- Simulations from 300 million to 11 billion cells, up to 131 072 cores

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8192			12,12	1,05	11,68	11,68		6 11,89		1,05
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256	1,6E+07	6,1	6,4	5,8	4,3	6,2	3,	в	7,8	3,9
512	3,3E+07	6,1	4,0	6,1	5,8	6,5	4,	5	7,9	4,3
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2048	1,3E+08	6,6	4,7	6,4	4,3	6,6	4,:	2	8,5	5,9
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32768	2,1E+09	8,7	9,1	8,4	7,1	8,5	6,	6	9,9	7,2
65536	4,2E+09	11,3	12,4	10,1	8,8	9,7	8,	5	11,0	8,4
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HPC example: GENCI HPC challenge at TGCC

Continuous microfluidic process to generate nanoparticles (A. Erriguible (I2M/ICMCB), S. Marre (ICMCB)

- Mixing of ethanol and supercritical CO2 in high pressure microfluidic system
- Nucleation and growth of particles
- Fast mixing reduces particle size
- Turbulent flow in micro tubes (ICMCB experiments) → very good mixing (compare to larger reactor) and particle size around 20*nm*
- Direct Numerical Simulation: all resolved mixing scale (Kolmogorov scale ≈ Batchelor scale)
- Limited production. From lab to industrial scale? Sizing-up or numbering-up?

Large reactor (1cm). Injection velocity $3m.s^{-1}$, $R_{inj} = 90 \mu m$, co-flow velocity $0.001m.s^{-1}$, Re = 432Fully explicit (except pressure), 390.10^6 cells, 3584 processors Micro reactor (0,3mm). Injection velocity 2.81 $m.s^{-1}$, $R_{inj} = 50 \mu m$, co-flow velocity 3.97 $m.s^{-1}$, Re = 5505Fully explicit (except pressure), 300.10⁶ cells, 3584 processors

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HPC example: GENCI HPC challenge at TGCC

Process scale-up

- A numerical approach
- From micro to milli tubes, TKE dissipation rate conserved
- Re=5245 → Re=71000, all resolved mixing scale (DNS)
- GENCI HPC challenge (TGCC), 40 millions CPU hours from 300 million to 11 billion cells, up to 131 072 processors
- ightarrow Still very fast mixing
- \rightarrow Production x90

Advanced petascale simulations of the scaling-up of continuous materials synthesis processes



Concentration volume rendering, Kelvin-Helmholtz instabilities, fast mixing, co-flow velocity effect, confinement effect

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Immersed complex objects into a Cartesian mesh

- Microclimate study of decorated caves (D. Lacanette (I2M) project)
- Breaking wave and submersion, tidal bore (P. Lubin (I2M) project)

Motivations / objectives

- Avoid complex unstructured grids, use the quickest iterative solvers and preconditioners of Hypre lib.
- Extrapolation of the solution on ghost nodes compatible with the boundary condition (Dirichlet/Neumann)
- ullet ightarrow Compact stencils (9 or 25 pts in 2D) Band matrix
- Stencil size of 1: 9 (27) matrix bands in 2D (3D)
- Stencil size of 2: 25 (125) bands in 2D (3D) Memory requirements x5.
- Band matrix eases matrix storage since position are known → *struct* and *sstruct* of Hypre interface. No CSR storage.
- 2nd order for Dirichlet and Neumann BC



Direct forcing method of Mittal [JCP2008]

- Extrapolate solution on the ghost nodes thanks a linear relation between the ghost nodes and their image nodes (△) Interpolation of the solution on the image point, Lagrange interpolation, p=2 or p=3 (4 or 9 points in 2D)
 - \rightarrow non-compact stencils (loss of precision, non banded matrix, less efficient solver)

Regular grid (square cells) Dirichlet : stencil size = 2, 2^{nd} order Neumann : stencil size = 2, 1^{st} order only \rightarrow stencil size = 3 (2^{nd} order) - **Irregular grid (rectangular cell of spatial step ratio** *a*) Dirichlet : stencil size = $\lceil 2a \rceil$ Neumann : stencil size = $\lceil 2a \rceil$ (+1)

 Improvements - through stencil size reduction - thanks to different class of shifting methods Ghost node shifting method for irregular grids Square shifting methods for regular grid applied to linear interpolation and extended to quadratic one



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Immersed Boundaries Method - 1st contribution

Irregular (streched) grids \rightarrow the ghost node shifting method

Shifting of the ghost node toward the boundary \rightarrow Same stencil as for square cells



Stencil of size 2: 2nd order for Dirichlet, 1st order for Neumann

- Stencil of size 3: 2nd order for Neumann (with lagrange p=3 interpolation)
- Precision and CPU times improved

J. Picot, S. Glockner, Discretization stencil reduction of direct forcing immersed boundary methods on rectangular cells: the ghost node shifting method, *Journal of Computational Physics*, vol. 364, pp. 18–48, 2018.

Immersed Boundaries Method - 1st contribution



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Immersed Boundaries Method - 2nd contribution

Another shifting approach for square cells

- "Ideal" stencil should be equal to 1
- Move image point inside stencil 1 volume
- \rightarrow Adapt algebraic linear relationships that set the value to the ghost node $\phi_{BI} = \frac{h_2}{h_1 + h_2} \phi_{I,j} + \frac{h_1}{h_1 + h_2} \phi_{IP'} \rightarrow \text{still } 2^{nd} \text{ order (but stencil=1)}$

 $\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n}\right)_{Bl} = \frac{\phi_{lp'} - \phi_{i,j}}{h_1 + h_2} \rightarrow \text{fails to } 1^{st} \text{ order regardless of p (but stencil=1)}$

ightarrow keep 9 (27) band matrix in 2D (3D)



A. Jost, S. Glockner, Direct forcing immersed boundary methods: Improvements to the Ghost Node Method, *Journal of Computational Physics*, volume 438, 110371, 2021.

Immersed Boundaries Method - 2nd contribution

Quadratic approach: a second image point is created

- Quadratic interpolation is used to set the value to the ghost node
- Shift only the second image point inside stencil 2 volume $\phi_{Bl} = \lambda \phi_{IP2} + \eta \phi_{IP} + \nu \phi_{i,j} \rightarrow 2^{nd}$ order with p=2 (stencil=2); 3rd order with p=3 (stencil=3) $(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n})_{Bl} \rightarrow \text{one sided } 2^{nd}$ order finite difference + quadratic interpolation of ϕ_{Bl} $(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n})_{Bl} = \gamma \phi_{IP2} + \alpha \phi_{IP} + \zeta \phi_{i,j}$ 1st order with p=2 (stencil=2); 2nd order with p=3 (stencil=3)
- Shift the first AND the second image points inside stencil 1 volume

Dirichlet (p=2), 2nd order, stencil=1 Neumann (p=2), 1st order, stencil=1

Dirichlet (p=3), 3rd order, stencil=2

 \rightarrow Neumann (p=3), 2^{nd} order, stencil=2 \rightarrow one order lower than the standard method with same stencil



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Immersed Boundaries Method - 2nd contribution

2D/3D verification and validation

- Laplacian: circle, 2D & 3D flowers
- Navier-Stokes: 3D channel, driven cavity with obstable, flow around a heated cylinder, around a sphere
- Stencil 1: 2nd order Dirichlet and 1st order Neumann (with several shifting methods)
- Stencil 2: 2nd order Neumann is possible with quadratic and double shifting method
- Conclusion : stencil size reduced, precision and regularity of the convergence also improved



Performance analysis

• CPU time. 3D pipe flow: x2.5 faster than original method. Flow past a sphere: x3 faster.

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Shapes representation in Notus

- Volumetric representation
- Boolean operations (CSG)
 - Union
 - Intersection
 - Difference
 - Complement
- Analytic shapes (primitives)
 - Half-space
 - Sphere
 - Box
 - Cylinder
 - Torus
- Surface mesh
 - Orientable
 - Inside/Outside
 - OBJ Wavefront format
- Transformations
 - Translation
 - Rotation
 - Scaling



Surface mesh example

Three universal operations:

- Is a point inside the shape?
- Distance to the closest point to the shape? (level-set if not applicable)
- Ray-tracing (list of intersection points + distance + normal)

Application: sampling to evaluate the volume fraction

$$\chi = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{C}|} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(x) \, dx \qquad \qquad \chi \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(x_i)$$

Results:





Shapes representation & grid interaction Ray-tracing

Ray-tracing:



Usage: Voxelization





- Ray-tracing with $\cup,\,\cap,\,\text{and}\,\setminus\,$
- Jordan-Brouwer theorem
 → odd: inside
 - \rightarrow even: outside

Naive algorithm:

- Inside/Outside test in every cells
- Surface mesh: intersect every polygons
- Highly combinatorial
- → Optimizations required
 - Ray-trace once per row
 - Space subdivision

Shapes representation & grid interaction Optimizations

Optimization 1: Ray-trace once per row



- Ray-trace once per row
- Inside/Outside tests on a row using ray intersections

Optimization 2: Space subdivision using octree (surface mesh only)



Figure: Mesh of Lascaux cave



Figure: Octree

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Octree generation and ray traversal



Stop criteria:

- max # of edges: 3
- max depth: 3

Algorithm:

Depth 0: bounding-box

Octree generation and ray traversal



Stop criteria:

- max # of edges: 3
- max depth: 3

Algorithm:

- Depth 0: bounding-box
- Oppth 1: some leaves are overcrowded

Octree generation and ray traversal



Stop criteria:

- max # of edges: 3
- max depth: 3

Algorithm:

- Depth 0: bounding-box
- Oepth 1: some leaves are overcrowded
- Oppth 2: stop criteria satisfied

Octree generation and ray traversal



Stop criteria:

- max # of edges: 3
- max depth: 3

Algorithm:

- Depth 0: bounding-box
- Oppth 1: some leaves are overcrowded
- Oppth 2: stop criteria satisfied

Ray traversal:

- → Ray-trace octree
- \rightarrow Ray-trace edges in traversed leaves



For every polygon of the surface mesh:

- Project the polygon on the plane
- Ompute the bounding box



For every polygon of the surface mesh:

- Project the polygon on the plane
- Ocmpute the bounding box
- Inside/Outside test on the planar polygon
- For inside points: compute the distance

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Cut-cells

- Fluide/solid interface representation: segment/plane that cuts a cell
- Cut-cell generation from target geometry
- One segment/plane per cell. OK for simple or analytic defined geometry
- Complex geometry, surface mesh (.obj file): several segments/planes per cell
- → need of an algorithm that generates a closed contour with only one segment per cell and
 compatible with underlaying numerical method



Simple geometry



Complex geometry: "random" polygon

Step 1: piecewise linear contour reconstruction

- Ray tracing from the edges of the grid
- Intersections with the geometry





- Less than 2 points in a cell: no segment
- 2 points: 1 segment
- More then 3 points: supplementary step

Step 1: piecewise linear contour reconstruction

- 2 3 intersection points
- $\bullet \ \rightarrow \text{Sub-mesh ray tracing}$
- Iterative sub-division of a cell in 4
- Stop sub-division if each sub cell contains 2 points at most





Segment creation in the cell

- Connect main point (black) from secondary points (blue)
- Each main point is connected to another thanks to a path inside the cell
- A segment connecting each couple of points is generated
- Secondary points are deleted

Step 2: contour modification

- Cell that contains more than 1 segment \rightarrow sub-mesh geometry
- 2 solutions: reject the grid and refine it, or
 - If connected segments: segment removing inside a cell
 - Else, macro-cell to enlarge geometry locally



- A point connecting 2 segments inside a cell disappears
- Connexion of the remaing points

Same procedure as to define the contour: main points are connected, secondary points are deleted

- New intern points are created
- Macro-cell spreads if a cell contains more than 1 segment



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3D contour generation

3D cut-cells

- Goal: one triangulated surface per cell
- 1st step: contour computed on each cell face (pseudo 2D)
- 2nd step: segment removing if necessary (same as 2D)
- 2nd step: macro-cells (generalization to 3D cells)
- debuging step...



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Cartesian grid partitioning

- Computational load equilibrium, MPI communication minimization
- Trivial partitioning → Cartesian grid of processors (that takes into account the number of cells in each direction)



Re-

With immersed boundarie

- The number of inactive cells may be large
- Full inactive partitions
- → Extra computational cost (ex. Lascaux cave: 99% of inactive cells)

1st approach: fluid domain partitioning (Zhu & al., JCP 2019)

- Goal: to keep a "i,j,k" structured code
- Use of Metis or Scotch partitioner libraries
- Create a Cartesian box over each unstructured partition
- Constraint: partitions must be contiguous → parMetis useless
- CPU time... Generic enough approach in case of very tortuous geometries?



2nd approach: remove useless partitions (Anupindi & al., JCP 2013)

- Less efficient in term of active cells equilibrium
- Easiest to implement, generic for sure
- Improvement: partition sliding



Proposed approach

- Remove useless partitions
- Oetection of partition lines for which the sum of inactive cells of the start/end partitions is superior to the size of one partition
- 8 Remove 1 partition of these lines, sliding of the lines





Complete algorithm

- Choose the number of cell for each partition (that ensure good scalability)
- Por each possible partitioning of the global domain, remove useless partitions
- Seep the partitionings that have 20% of inactive cells more then the one that have the less of inactive cells
- Apply partition sliding on them
- Octoose the best compromise between final number of partitions and MPI communication minimization

Lascaux cave example, 100 000 cells / core

- Global grid of 189 billion cells 99% of inactive cells
- Without sliding 3.2 billion cells 35% of inactive cells
- With sliding 3.0 billion cells 31% of inactive cells



Conclusion

From 0.5.0 to 1.0.0, make all things work together!

- Micro climate in Lascaux cave by June 2022 (complex geometries, LES WALE model)
- RANS and immersed boundaries (wall functions)
- Multphase: MOF 3D
- Navier-Stokes: low mach compressible flow
- Mass transfer through interfaces
- Triple line (wetting)
- GPU? (OpenACC, solver libraries)

Funded projects

PhD O. Gentieu: coupling of moment-of-fluid method and immersed boundaries
 PhD F. Desmond: wave breaking simulations
 PhD Q. Thomas: Numerical Modeling of Acoustic Mixing of Energetic Charged Fluids (Roxel)
 PhD F. Henri: wave damping by drop impacts
 Post-doc F. Salmon: numerical modeling of microclimate of the Lascaux cave
 ANR project Superfon: DNS of microfluidic supercritical flows
 ANR project CapsEulerianFSI: Fluid/Elastic solid interaction
 Bordeaux University "réseau impulsion" BEST4.0

Longer term

- Switch to AMR + Immersed boudary. AMReX library (Berkley) is a candidate.
- Keep all the software development experience

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