

*Numerical computation of Navier-Stokes  
two-phase flows*

*Recent advances for strong stresses and open boundary  
conditions*

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# *Target calculations in geophysical fluid dynamics*

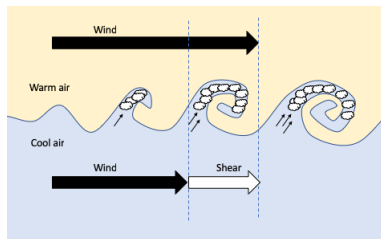
*Surface water breaking waves : air/water coastal flow*



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# Target calculations in geophysical fluid dynamics

*Kelvin-Helmholtz instability :  
one stratified fluid-phase or two-phase (liquid/gas) gravity  
waves*



*Kelvin-Helmholtz clouds in atmosphere*

# How to construct an efficient numerical method ?

## *Essential features for numerical solutions of multiphase flows :*

- Variable density Navier-Stokes incompressible or low Mach number flows
- Two-phase flows with large density/viscosity ratios :  $\rho_w/\rho_a \approx 10^3$
- Moving interface  $\Sigma$  (between fluid immiscible phases) with large shape deformations
- Surface tension with possibly large capillarity coefficient on  $\Sigma$
- Coriolis rotation + suitable turbulence modelling
- Multi-physics coupling : temperature, salinity, Marangoni effect...

## Reference books :

A. Prosperetti and G. Tryggvason (2007). Computational methods for multiphase flow

G. Tryggvason, R. Scardovelli, and S. Zaleski (2011). Direct numerical simulations of Gas-Liquid multiphase flows

# How to construct an efficient numerical method ?

Main ingredients of a numerical solver in a bounded domain  $\Omega$  with  $\Gamma := \partial\Omega = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$  ( $\Gamma_D \cap \Gamma_N = \emptyset$ ) :

- 1 Efficient velocity-pressure coupling with divergence-free constraint ?
  - for large density/viscosity ratios
  - for Dirichlet boundary condition on velocity :  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_D$  on  $\Gamma_D$ , e.g.  $\mathbf{v}_D = \mathbf{0}$
  - for Neumann open boundary condition : given stress vector  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{g}$  on  $\Gamma_N$ , e.g.  $\mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{p}_o \mathbf{n}$
- 2 Accurate sharp ( $\neq$  diffuse) interface capturing or front tracking methods ?
  - Volume of Fluid (VOF) methods : Hirt & Nichols (1981) – e.g. VOF-PLIC of Youngs (1982), Sarthou et al. (2008)
  - Level-set methods (LSM) : Thomasset & Dervieux (1979), Osher & Sethian (1988), Sethian (1999), Osher & Fedkiw (2002)
  - Immersed Interface Methods : Leveque & Li (1994), Li & Ito (2006), PhA. & Li (2017), Sarthou et al. (2020)
  - Arbitrary Lagrangian-Eulerian (ALE) methods
  - Lagrangian front tracking with advected interface markers : Hua & Tryggvason (2013) – Angot et al. (2016)
  - Phase-field methods (diffuse interface), e.g. with Cahn-Hilliard

- 1 **Velocity-pressure coupling with  $\operatorname{div} v = 0$** 
  - State of the art
  - Scalar incremental projection (SIP) methods
  - New approach : Vector Penalty-Projection (VPP)
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# Objectives : efficient velocity-pressure coupling ?

*Focus on the constraint of free velocity divergence  $\operatorname{div} v = 0$*

- Fully-coupled solver : ill-conditioned matrix of indefinite type  
⇒ Need efficient local preconditioners that are specific to the space discretization elements (FV, FE, DG,...)
- How to efficiently deal with the free-divergence constraint with splitting methods (prediction-correction steps) ?
- How to overcome most drawbacks of
  - Uzawa-augmented Lagrangian iterative methods  
Hestenes (1969) – Powell (1969) – Fortin & Glowinski (1983) ...  
Khadra et al., Int. J. Numer. Meth. Fluids (2000) (for MAC mesh)
  - scalar incremental projection or pressure correction methods  
Chorin (1968) – Temam (1969) – Goda (1979) – Van Kan (1986) ...  
Review : Guermond, Mineev, Shen, CMAME (2006)
- Some improvements with the scalar penalty-projection method
  - Open Neumann stress B.C. : Jobelin et al., J. Comput. Phys. (2006)  
– PhA. et al., Int. J. Finite Volumes (2009)
  - Variable-density flow : Jobelin et al., Comput. Mech. (2008)

# The orthogonal H.H. decomposition of $L^2(\Omega)^d$

*Basics of pressure correction methods, e.g. Temam's book 1986 in a bounded open set  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$*

$$L^2(\Omega)^d = \mathbf{H} \oplus G \quad \text{with}$$
$$\mathbf{H} = \{ \mathbf{u} \in L^2(\Omega)^d; \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} = 0, \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\Gamma} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma \}$$
$$G = \mathbf{H}^{\perp} = \{ \mathbf{u} \in L^2(\Omega)^d; \mathbf{u} = \nabla \phi, \phi \in H^1(\Omega)/\mathbb{R} \}$$

Hence, for all vector field  $\mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)^d$ , we have the unique decomposition :

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_{\psi} + \mathbf{v}_{\phi} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{v}_{\phi} = \nabla \phi \in G$$
$$\text{and} \quad \mathbf{v}_{\psi} = \operatorname{rot} \psi \in \mathbf{H}, \operatorname{div} \psi = 0 \text{ if } \Omega \text{ simply connected}$$

*Standard solution for a scalar potential  $\phi$  if  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\operatorname{div}}(\Omega)$  :  
Poisson problem with Neumann B.C.*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta \phi = \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \nabla \phi \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \quad \text{on } \Gamma, \end{array} \right. \quad \text{since} \quad \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} \, dx = \langle \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n}, 1 \rangle_{-1/2, \Gamma}$$

$$\text{Then :} \quad \mathbf{v}_{\phi} = \nabla \phi \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v}_{\psi} = \mathbf{v} - \nabla \phi$$

# The Navier-Stokes problem with given density

with Dirichlet or open (Neumann) B.C. and  $\rho := \rho(x, t)$  given

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  ( $d \leq 3$ ), bounded and connected Lipschitz domain  
with the Lipschitz continuous boundary  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$  and  
 $\Gamma_D \cap \Gamma_N = \emptyset$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \rho (\partial_t v + (v \cdot \nabla)v) - \mu \Delta v + \nabla p = f & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ \operatorname{div} v = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ v = v_D & \text{on } \Gamma_D \times (0, T) \\ -p n + \mu \nabla v \cdot n = g & \text{on } \Gamma_N \times (0, T) \\ v(t=0) = v_0 & \text{in } \Omega \end{array} \right.$$

Neumann B.C., *i.e.* pseudo-stress or full stress vector given :

$$\sigma(v, p) \cdot n := -p n + 2\mu d(v) \cdot n = g \quad \text{on } \Gamma_N \times (0, T)$$

where  $d(v) := \frac{1}{2} (\nabla v + (\nabla v)^T)$  symmetric part of velocity gradient

# The scalar incremental projection (SIP) method

with Dirichlet or open (Neumann) B.C. and  $\rho := \rho(x, t)$  given  
e.g. first-order time accuracy (Euler), extension to 2nd-order...

Originally introduced for  $\rho = \text{cst}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$  on  $\Gamma$  and *ad-hoc* extended...

$$(1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho^{n+1} \left( \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} - \mathbf{v}^n}{\delta t} + (\mathbf{v}^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} \right) - \mu \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} + \nabla p^n = \mathbf{f}^{n+1} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{v}}|_{\Gamma_D} = \mathbf{v}_D \\ (-p^n \mathbf{n} + \mu \nabla \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{n})|_{\Gamma_N} = g \end{array} \right.$$

$$(2) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho^{n+1} \frac{\mathbf{v}^{n+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1}}{\delta t} + \nabla \phi^{n+1} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{with } \phi^{n+1} = p^{n+1} - p^n \\ \text{div } \mathbf{v}^{n+1} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow (3) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{div} \left( \frac{\delta t}{\rho^{n+1}} \nabla \phi^{n+1} \right) = \text{div } \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} \\ \nabla \phi^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\Gamma_D} = 0 \\ \phi|_{\Gamma_N} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

# Motivation : overcome most drawbacks of SIP

*Main drawbacks of any projection method including a scalar pressure correction step with a Poisson-like equation*

- spurious pressure boundary layer in space with velocity Dirichlet B.C. due to the artificial B.C. introduced on pressure inherently!
- non optimal pressure error estimate for 2nd-order time schemes :  
splitting errors : velocity  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^2)$  – pressure  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^{\frac{3}{2}})$
- poor accuracy for open (or outflow) boundary conditions :  
splitting errors : velocity  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t)$  – pressure  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^{\frac{1}{2}})$  (standard SIP)  
or  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^{\frac{3}{2}})$  –  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t)$  (rotational version)
- poor convergence and locking effect for large density, viscosity, permeability ratios...

Conjecture : mainly due to the inherent scalar formulation of the method and to the spatial derivative of mass density

⇒ It degrades the original vector formulation and produces a loss of consistency...

⇒ Design a fully vector-consistent splitting method for the velocity

# Objective : efficient velocity-pressure coupling ?

*Focus on the constraint of free velocity divergence  $\operatorname{div} v = 0$*

- ⇒ Key idea : introduce a splitting penalty method for the velocity...  
both prediction and correction steps now solved for the velocity vector
  - ⇒ Fully vector consistent splitting method with velocity correction
- ⇒ New point of view :  
Instead of determining the pressure field  $p$  (the Lagrange multiplier)  
Calculate an accurate and curl-free approximation of  $\nabla p$   
(the force inducing motion)
- ⇒ Primary unknowns are now  $(v, \nabla p)$  instead of  $(v, p)$
- ⇒ Counterpart : approximate divergence-free projection in the semi-discrete setting but the penalty parameter  $\varepsilon$  can be taken as small as desired.

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# A new fast decomposition of $L^2(\Omega)^d$ : DHHD I

PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, *Appl. Math. Lett.* (2013)

Key idea : design a suitable approximation by penalization of the curl-free component  $\mathbf{v}_\phi = \nabla\phi$  such that :

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_\phi = \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{rot} \mathbf{v}_\phi = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{v}_\phi \cdot \mathbf{n}|_\Gamma = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

$\Rightarrow$  The so-called vector penalty-projection problem for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  :

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{VPP}_\varepsilon) \quad & \begin{cases} \varepsilon \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \nabla (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon) = -\nabla (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}) & \text{in } \Omega \\ \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon \cdot \mathbf{n}|_\Gamma = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} & \text{on } \Gamma \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow & \begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla (\operatorname{div} (\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v})) := \nabla \phi^\varepsilon, & \operatorname{rot} \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon = \mathbf{0} \\ \phi^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \operatorname{div} (\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

N.B. Extra regularity :  $(\mathbf{v}_\phi - \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon) \in \mathbf{H}_{0,\operatorname{div}}(\Omega) \cap \mathbf{H}_{\operatorname{rot}}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega)$

$\Rightarrow$  Very well-conditioned whatever the mesh step  $\mathbf{h}$  for  $\varepsilon$  small enough : effective conditioning independent of both  $\varepsilon$  and  $\mathbf{h}$  due to adapted right-hand side!

# A new fast decomposition of $L^2(\Omega)^d$ : DHHD I

*Weak form of (VPP<sub>n</sub>) with the adapted right-hand side*

For any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{div}(\Omega)$ , using a standard Green's formula (integration by part),  $\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon \in \mathbf{H}_{div}(\Omega)$  satisfies :

$$\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi} \, dx + \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon) (\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\varphi}) \, dx - \left\langle \operatorname{div} (\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}), \boldsymbol{\varphi} \cdot \mathbf{n} \right\rangle_{-1/2, \Gamma} = \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}) (\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\varphi}) \, dx, \quad \text{for all } \boldsymbol{\varphi} \in \mathbf{H}_{div}(\Omega)$$

Notice *a posteriori* that (VPP<sub>n</sub>) implies that :  $\operatorname{div} (\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}) \in H^1(\Omega)$

Then, the boundary term vanishes with :

- 1 Essential B.C. :  $\boldsymbol{\varphi} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{0}$  on  $\Gamma$ , then  $\boldsymbol{\varphi} \in \mathbf{H}_{0,div}(\Omega)$
- 2 Natural B.C. :  $\operatorname{div} (\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$  on  $\Gamma$ , i.e. "do nothing" for Neumann stress B.C.

$\Rightarrow$  Apply Lax-Milgram theorem for the solvability analysis in  $\mathbf{H}_{div}(\Omega)$

$\Rightarrow$  Then (VPP<sub>n</sub>) supplies the extra regularity :

$\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon \in \mathbf{H}_{0,div}(\Omega) \cap \mathbf{H}_{rot}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega)$

# Optimal accuracy of fast DHHD methods

PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, *Appl. Math. Lett.* (2013)

## Theorem (Analysis of the vector penalty-projection (VPP<sub>n</sub>).)

For any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_{\text{div}}(\Omega)$  and all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a unique solution  $\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon$  in  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{div}}(\Omega)$  to the vector penalty-projection (VPP<sub>n</sub>).

Moreover,  $\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon$  is curl-free :  $\text{rot } \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon = \nabla \phi^\varepsilon \in \mathbf{G}$  and  $\text{div}(\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}) \in \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega) \cap L_0^2(\Omega)$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then, we can choose  $\phi^\varepsilon \in \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega) \cap L_0^2(\Omega)$  such that  $\text{div}(\mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon - \mathbf{v}) = \varepsilon \phi^\varepsilon$ .

Besides, we have the following error estimates for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  :

$$\|\mathbf{v}_\phi - \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon\|_1 + \|\phi - \phi^\varepsilon\|_2 + \|\text{div}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon)\|_1 \leq c(\Omega) \|\mathbf{v}\|_0 \varepsilon$$

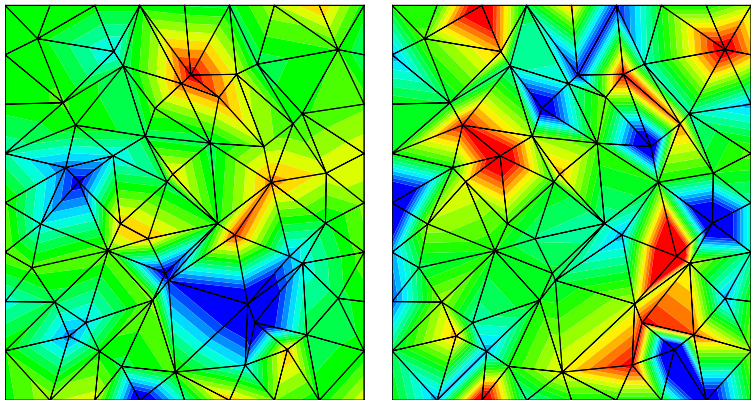
N.B. Extra regularity :  $(\mathbf{v}_\phi - \mathbf{v}_\phi^\varepsilon) \in \mathbf{H}_{0,\text{div}}(\Omega) \cap \mathbf{H}_{\text{rot}}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega)$

⇒ Approximate divergence-free projection

⇒ Optimal accuracy of (VPP<sub>n</sub>) as  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  with  $\varepsilon$  as small as desired up to machine precision

Typically :  $\varepsilon = 10^{-14}$  with double precision

# Conservation properties on edge-based generalized MAC-type unstructured meshes

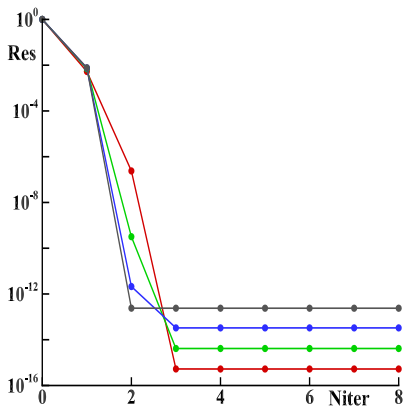
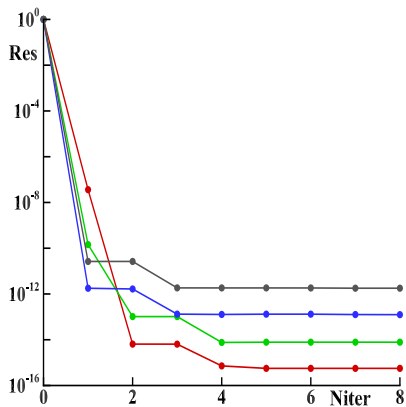


Discrete exterior calculus identities on a random Delaunay mesh for any typical analytic scalar field  $\phi$  or vector field  $\psi$ .

LEFT :  $\text{rot}_h(\nabla_h \phi) = \pm 1.7 \cdot 10^{-15}$  in  $\Omega$

RIGHT :  $\text{div}_h(\text{rot}_h \psi) = \pm 1.4 \cdot 10^{-14}$  in  $\Omega$ .

# Solution cost of fast DHHD : (VPP) or (RPP)



Convergence history of normalized residual of ILU(0)-BiCGstab2 solver for (RPP) or (VPP) problems with  $\epsilon = 10^{-14}$  for different MAC mesh sizes  $32 \times 32$  (red),  $128 \times 128$  (green),  $512 \times 512$  (blue) and  $2048 \times 2048$  (black)

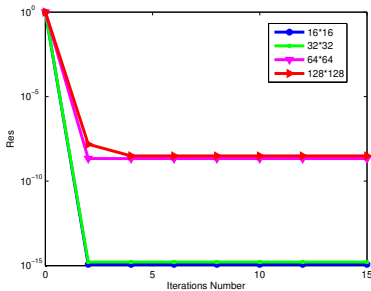
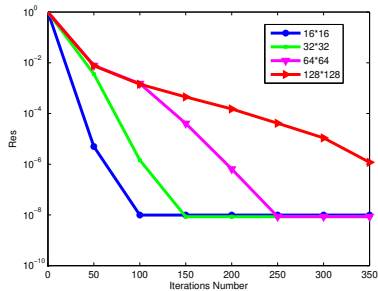
LEFT : Rotational Penalty-Projection (RPP)

RIGHT : Vector Penalty-Projection (VPP)

$\Rightarrow$  Asymptotic optimal solver convergence within 2 or 3 iterations whatever  $h$  with  $\epsilon$  as small as desired up to machine precision!

# Solution cost of (VPP) step by PCG solvers

*PhA. and Cheaytou, Commun. in Comput. Phys. (2019)*



Convergence history of the normalized residual (by initial residual) of PCG solver for (VPP) problem at  $T = 2\delta t$  with  $\delta t = 1$  and  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$  for different mesh sizes

LEFT : Standard Conjugate Gradient (no preconditioner)

RIGHT : Incomplete Choleski Preconditioned CG : IC(0)-PCG

$\Rightarrow$  Asymptotic optimal solver convergence within 4 iterations of IC(0)-PCG when  $\epsilon$  is small enough whatever the mesh size  $h$

# A splitting method for saddle-point problems

*Recall : convergence rate of conjugate gradient method*

Solve with  $I = Id$  matrix of order  $n$ ,

$B = -Div_h : m \times n$  matrix with  $rank(B) = m < n$ ,

$B^T = Grad_h :$

$$(\varepsilon I + B^T B) \hat{v}_\varepsilon = -B^T B \tilde{v}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon := \varepsilon I + B^T B \quad \text{system matrix}$$

We have :

$$\kappa := \text{cond}_2(\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon + \lambda_{max}(B^T B)}{\varepsilon} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

Number of iterations of preconditioned conjugate gradient solver :

$$\mathcal{N}_{iter} \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\kappa}) \quad \text{bound for the worst case...}$$

The splitting penalty method :

- the system matrix  $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$  is ill-conditioned for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$
- but the system itself can be extremely well-conditioned due to the adapted right-hand side!

## *P.D.E. with adapted r.h.s. : a simple example*

*The simplified invertible case (continuous setting) :*

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded open domain,  $\mathbf{u} \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  given and  $\varepsilon > 0$

Let us consider the problem (toy model) : find  $\mathbf{u}_\varepsilon \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  such that :

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \Delta \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon = -\Delta \mathbf{u}, & \text{in } \Omega \\ \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon = \mathbf{0}, & \text{on } \Gamma := \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

We have the weak form, for all  $\mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  :

$$\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{v} \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \nabla(\mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \mathbf{u}) \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \, dx = -\varepsilon \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v} \, dx$$

and thus taking  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \mathbf{u}$ , we easily get with Poincaré inequality :

$$\|\mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \mathbf{u}\|_{1,\Omega} \leq c(\Omega) \|\nabla(\mathbf{u}_\varepsilon - \mathbf{u})\|_{0,\Omega} \leq C(\Omega) \|\mathbf{u}\|_{0,\Omega} \varepsilon.$$

N.B. Here  $-\Delta$  with Dirichlet B.C. is an invertible operator

$\Rightarrow$  Hence we can take  $\varepsilon = 0$  and the solution is then trivial  $\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{u}$  !

## *P.D.E. with adapted r.h.s. : a simple example*

*The simplified invertible case (discrete setting) :*

*⇒ asymptotic expansion of the solution  $u_\varepsilon$*

Let  $\mathbf{A} := -\Delta_h$  be the  $n \times n$  symmetric positive definite matrix of the discrete Laplacian operator with homogeneous Dirichlet B.C.

It amounts to solve the linear system with an adapted r.h.s. :

$$(\varepsilon \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}.$$

We have :

$$\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon := (\varepsilon \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{I} + \varepsilon \mathbf{A}^{-1})$$

$$\kappa := \text{cond}_2(\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon + \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{A})}{\varepsilon + \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{A})} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{cond}_2(\mathbf{A}) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h^2}\right)$$

If  $\varepsilon < 1/\|\mathbf{A}^{-1}\|$ , we get the asymptotic expansion with a Neumann geometric serie :

$$(\mathbf{I} + \varepsilon \mathbf{A}^{-1})^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \varepsilon^k \mathbf{A}^{-k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{u}_\varepsilon = (\mathbf{I} + \varepsilon \mathbf{A}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} - \varepsilon \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{u} + \varepsilon^2 \mathbf{A}^{-2} \mathbf{u} - \dots$$

## *P.D.E. with adapted r.h.s. : a simple example*

*The simplified invertible case (discrete setting) :*

*$\Rightarrow$  asymptotic expansion of the solution  $u_\varepsilon$*

Thus, with an adapted r.h.s. and  $\varepsilon \ll 1$  :

$$(\varepsilon I + A) u_\varepsilon = Au \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_\varepsilon = u + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$\Rightarrow$  zero-order term independent on  $A$  and the mesh step  $h$ !

But recall with a non adapted r.h.s. (usual case) and  $\varepsilon \ll 1$  :

$$(\varepsilon I + A) u_\varepsilon = f \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_\varepsilon = A^{-1} u + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

# The nice and surprising result for saddle-point

*Non-invertible case with  $A := B^T B$  ( $B := -\text{div}_h$ ) : sketch of proof for a splitted saddle-point system with an adapted r.h.s.*

*PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, Appl. Math. Lett. 1 (2012)*

$$\begin{aligned}(\varepsilon I + B^T B) \hat{v}_\varepsilon &= -B^T B \tilde{v} \\ \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon := \varepsilon I + B^T B &\text{ system matrix}\end{aligned}$$

A key formula : Woodbury's formula (1949), a generalization of Sherman-Morrison's formula :

$$\left( I + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} B^T B \right)^{-1} = I - B^T (\varepsilon I + B B^T)^{-1} B, \quad \varepsilon > 0$$

**Theorem :** for any  $m \times n$  matrix  $B$  with  $\text{rank}(B^T) = \text{rank}(B) = m$   
 $\Rightarrow \ker(B^T) = \{0\}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the Schur complement  $S := B B^T$  (Lagrange multiplier operator) is non singular

and if  $\varepsilon < 1/\|S^{-1}\|$ , we can do the asymptotic expansion with Neumann geometric serie and after either SVD or QR factorization, we get :

$$\hat{v}_\varepsilon = -I_0 \tilde{v} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad I_0 = \text{diagonal matrix with only 1 or 0 entries}$$

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# First-order vector penalty-projection method

Fast and fully vector-consistent VPP $_{\epsilon}$  splitting method :

PhA., C. and F., FVCA6 (2011) – Appl. Math. Lett. 2 (2012)

PhA. & C., CiCP (2019) : 2nd-order with BDF2 for open B.C.

$$(1) \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{\tilde{v}^{n+1} - \tilde{v}^n}{\delta t} + (v^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{v}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \nabla p^n = f^{n+1} & \text{in } \Omega \\ \tilde{v}^{n+1} = v_D^{n+1} & \text{on } \Gamma_D \\ \sigma(\tilde{v}^{n+1}, p^n) \cdot n := -p^n n + 2\mu d(\tilde{v}^{n+1}) \cdot n = g^{n+1} & \text{on } \Gamma_N \end{array} \right.$$

$$(2) \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \epsilon \frac{\hat{v}^{n+1} - \hat{v}^n}{\delta t} - \nabla (\text{div } \hat{v}^{n+1}) = \nabla (\text{div } \tilde{v}^{n+1}) & \text{in } \Omega \\ \hat{v}^{n+1} \cdot n = 0 \quad \text{or enforce } \hat{v}^{n+1} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_D \\ \hat{v}^{n+1} \cdot n = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_N \\ \text{or } \text{div } \hat{v}^{n+1} = -\text{div } \tilde{v}^{n+1} \quad \text{i.e. "do nothing"} : (\text{div } v^{n+1})|_{\Gamma_N} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_N \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} v^{n+1} = \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \hat{v}^{n+1} \quad \text{and} \quad p^{n+1} = p^n - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \text{div } v^{n+1} & \text{in } \Omega \\ \text{Pressure gradient correction to avoid round-off errors for very small } \epsilon & \\ \nabla p^{n+1} = \nabla p^n - \frac{\hat{v}^{n+1} - \hat{v}^n}{\delta t} & \text{in } \Omega \end{array} \right.$$

# The fast vector penalty-projection method

The artificial compressibility method revisited within two steps

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\tilde{v}^{n+1} - \tilde{v}^n}{\delta t} + (v^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{v}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \nabla p^n = f^{n+1} \\ \frac{\hat{v}^{n+1} - \hat{v}^n}{\delta t} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla (\text{div} \hat{v}^{n+1}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla (\text{div} \tilde{v}^{n+1}) \\ v^{n+1} = \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \hat{v}^{n+1} \\ \nabla (p^{n+1} - p^n) = -\frac{\hat{v}^{n+1} - \hat{v}^n}{\delta t} = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla (\text{div} v^{n+1}) \end{array} \right.$$

$VPP_\varepsilon \Leftrightarrow$  a new two-step artificial compressibility method

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{v^{n+1} - v^n}{\delta t} + (v^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{v}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \nabla p^{n+1} = f^{n+1} \\ (\varepsilon \delta t) \frac{p^{n+1} - p^n}{\delta t} + \text{div} v^{n+1} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow$  Better convergence than the one-step artificial compressibility method of Chorin-Temam, see [PhA. and Fabrie, Disc. Cont. Dyn. Syst. (2012)]

# Unconditional stability of the $VPP_\varepsilon$ method

PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, Hal manuscript (2015)

**Theorem (Global solvability and stability of the  $VPP_\varepsilon$  method.)**

For any  $\mathbf{f} \in L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\Omega)^d)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}^0 \in L^2(\Omega)^d$  and  $\mathbf{p}^0 \in L_0^2(\Omega)$  given, the  $VPP_\varepsilon$  method is well-posed for all  $0 < \delta t \leq T$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , i.e. for all  $\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(\mathbf{n} + 1) \delta t \leq T$ , there exists a unique solution  $(\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}^{n+1}, \mathbf{p}^{n+1}) \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d \times H_n^1(\Omega)^d \times L_0^2(\Omega)$  to the  $VPP_\varepsilon$  scheme such that :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{v}^{n+1} - \mathbf{v}^n}{\delta t} + (\mathbf{v}^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} - \frac{1}{Re} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} + \nabla \mathbf{p}^{n+1} &= \mathbf{f}^{n+1} && \text{in } \Omega \\ (\varepsilon \delta t) \frac{\mathbf{p}^{n+1} - \mathbf{p}^n}{\delta t} + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}^{n+1} &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega \end{aligned}$$

which is the discrete problem effectively solved by the splitting scheme.

Moreover, we have unconditional stability of the  $VPP_\varepsilon$  method for both velocity and pressure in the natural norms  $l^\infty(0, T; L^2(\Omega)^d) \cap l^2(0, T; H^1(\Omega)^d)$  and  $l^2(0, T; L^2(\Omega))$ , respectively.

$\Rightarrow$  with compactness arguments (Aubin-Lions-Simon), we have :  
Convergence to N.S. weak solutions in 3-D when  $\varepsilon = \delta t$  tends to 0

# Optimal error estimates of the $VPP_\varepsilon$ method

Second-order time accuracy with BDF2 scheme and open B.C. :  
See [PhA. and Cheaytou, SINUM 2019 (submitted)]

## Theorem (Error estimates of $VPP_\varepsilon$ for Stokes with open B.C.)

With suitable sufficient regularity of the continuous solution  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p})$  and well-prepared initial conditions, we have for all  $0 < \delta t \leq \max(1, T)$  and  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq \mathcal{O}(\delta t)$  : for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(n+1)\delta t \leq T$ ,

$$(i) \quad \|e^{n+1}\|_0^2 + \varepsilon \delta t \|\pi^{n+1}\|_0^2 + \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\delta t}{Re} \|\nabla e^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq C (\delta t^4 + \varepsilon \delta t)$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{k=0}^n \delta t \left\| \pi^{k+1} - \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} \pi^{k+1} dx \right\|_0^2 \leq C (\delta t^4 + \varepsilon \delta t)$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{k=0}^n \delta t \|\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}^{k+1}\|_0^2 = \sum_{k=0}^n \delta t \|\operatorname{div} e^{k+1}\|_0^2 \leq C (\delta t^3 + \varepsilon) \varepsilon \delta t^2.$$

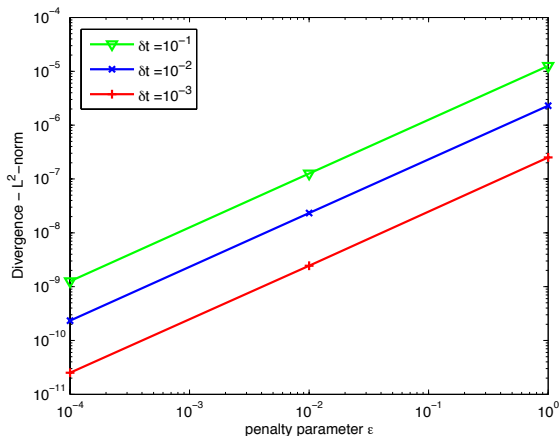
$\Rightarrow$  Better splitting errors for Dirichlet B.C. in  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon \delta t^3 + \varepsilon^2 \delta t^{3/2})$   
instead of  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon \delta t)$ , see [PhA. and Cheaytou, Math. Comp. (2018)]

$\Rightarrow$  Error bounds confirmed by numerical results

# Numerical results with MAC Cartesian mesh

*Green-Taylor vortices : Navier-Stokes with Dirichlet B.C.*

Divergence (discrete  $l^\infty(\mathbf{0}, T; L^2(\Omega))$  norm) versus penalty  $\varepsilon$

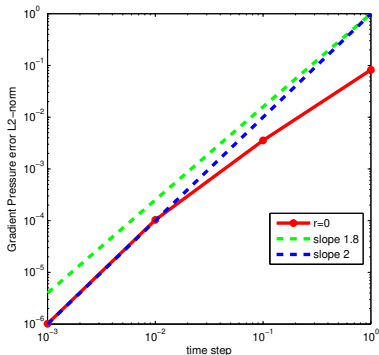
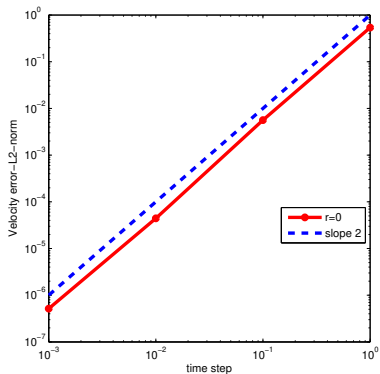


Divergence at  $\text{Re} = 100$ ,  $t = 10$  -  $h = 1/512$ ,  $|\text{res}|_2 < 10^{-10}$

$\Rightarrow \|\text{div } v^n\|_{L^2} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon \delta t) = \mathcal{O}(\chi \mathcal{T})$ ; velocity & pressure errors as  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^2)$

# Numerical results with MAC Cartesian mesh

## Stokes flow with homogeneous Neumann stress B.C.



BDF2-VPP $_{\epsilon}$  with OBC2 : time convergence rates at  $T=2$ , mesh size  $h = 1/128$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$  and  $r = 0$

LEFT : velocity error  $L^2$ -norm

RIGHT : pressure gradient error  $L^2$ -norm

$\Rightarrow$  Optimal second-order accuracy : both velocity & pressure gradient errors as  $\mathcal{O}(\delta t^2)$

# A model for incompressible multiphase Navier-Stokes problems with capillary effects

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho(\varphi) (\partial_t v + (v \cdot \nabla)v) - 2 \operatorname{div} (\mu d(v)) + \nabla p = f \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ \operatorname{div} v = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ \partial_t \varphi + v \cdot \nabla \varphi = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ \text{or } \partial_t \rho + v \cdot \nabla \rho = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T) \end{array} \right.$$

with :

- the strain rate tensor :  $d(v) := \frac{1}{2} (\nabla v + (\nabla v)^T)$
- $f$  includes gravity force :  $\rho g$  and surface tension on  $\Sigma$  :  $\sigma \kappa n_\Sigma \delta_\Sigma$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$  stress jump embedded conditions :  $[[\sigma(v, p) \cdot n]]_\Sigma = \sigma \kappa n_\Sigma$
- phase fraction (color) function :  $\varphi \in [0, 1]$  – at interface  $\Sigma$  :  
 $\varphi = 0.5$  with VOF-PLIC method or use a level-set function  $\varphi = 0$
- possibly coupled with the advection-diffusion equation for temperature  $\mathcal{T}$  or salinity  $S$
- given laws :  $\rho = \rho(\mathcal{T}, S)$  and  $\mu = \mu(\mathcal{T}, S)$  for each phase

# A model for incompressible multiphase Navier-Stokes problems with capillary effects

The fast  $VPP_\varepsilon$  method, first-order linearly implicit scheme :  
PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, 6th F.V.C.A. Conf. (2011) –  
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$$\rho^n \left( \frac{\tilde{v}^{n+1} - v^n}{\delta t} + (v^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{v}^{n+1} \right) - 2 \operatorname{div} \left( \mu^n d(\tilde{v}^{n+1}) \right) + \nabla p^n = f^n$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta t} \rho^n \hat{v}^{n+1} - \nabla \left( \operatorname{div} \hat{v}^{n+1} \right) = \nabla \left( \operatorname{div} \tilde{v}^{n+1} \right)$$

$$v^{n+1} = \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \hat{v}^{n+1}$$

$$\phi^{n+1} := p^{n+1} - p^n \quad \text{from} \quad \nabla \phi^{n+1} := \nabla (p^{n+1} - p^n) = -\frac{\rho^n}{\delta t} \hat{v}^{n+1}$$

$$\text{VOF-PLIC interface capturing :} \quad \frac{\varphi^{n+1} - \varphi^n}{\delta t} + v^{n+1} \cdot \nabla \varphi^n = 0$$

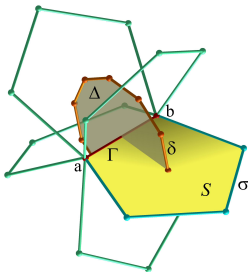
$$\text{or by Lagrangian front tracking :} \quad \frac{\rho^{n+1} - \rho^n}{\delta t} + v^{n+1} \cdot \nabla \rho^n = 0$$

PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, C.R. Math. Acad. Sci. (2016)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho^n \left( \frac{\tilde{v}^{n+1} - v^n}{\delta t} + (v^n \cdot \nabla) \tilde{v}^{n+1} \right) - \operatorname{div} \left( 2\mu(\rho^n) d(\tilde{v}^{n+1}) \right) + \nabla p^n = f^n \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \tilde{v}^{n+1}|_\Gamma = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma \\ \text{(b) Divergence-free velocity penalty-projection (VPP) : purely kinematic step} \\ \varepsilon \hat{v}^{n+1} - \nabla \left( \operatorname{div} \hat{v}^{n+1} \right) = \nabla \left( \operatorname{div} \tilde{v}^{n+1} \right) \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \hat{v}^{n+1}|_\Gamma = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma \\ \text{(c) Velocity correction : } v^{n+1} = \tilde{v}^{n+1} + \hat{v}^{n+1} \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \text{(d) Find the inertial density } \bar{\rho}^n \text{ such that : } \nabla(\bar{\rho}^n \phi^{n+1}) = \rho^n \hat{v}^{n+1} \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \text{with } \phi^{n+1} \text{ reconstructed from its gradient } \hat{v}^{n+1} := \nabla \phi^{n+1} \\ \text{(e) Explicit locally consistent pressure gradient correction : dynamic step} \\ \nabla(p^{n+1} - p^n) = -\frac{\rho^n}{\delta t} \hat{v}^{n+1} = -\frac{1}{\delta t} \nabla(\bar{\rho}^n \phi^{n+1}) \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ \text{(f) Advection by Lagrangian front-tracking of density :} \\ \frac{\rho^{n+1} - \rho^n}{\delta t} + v^{n+1} \cdot \nabla \rho^n = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \end{array} \right.$$



# Reconstruction of potential $\phi$ such that $\hat{v} := \nabla\phi$

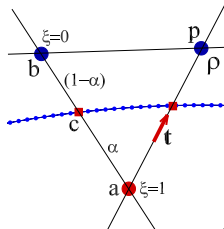
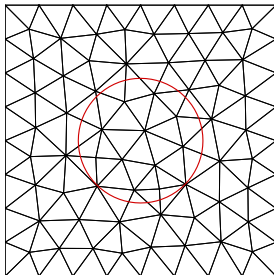


- Scalar potential  $\phi$  reconstructed by integrating its known gradient  $\hat{v}$  along all the edges in the primal mesh
- Starting from one point where  $\phi := 0$  arbitrarily, we have along any edge  $[a, b]$  :

$$\int_a^b \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx := \int_a^b \nabla\phi \cdot t \, dx = \phi_b - \phi_a, \quad \text{on any edge } [a, b]$$

which gives the value  $\phi_b$  when  $\phi_a$  is already known and so on...

# Calculation of density $\bar{\rho}$ such that : $\nabla(\bar{\rho}\phi) = \rho\hat{v}$



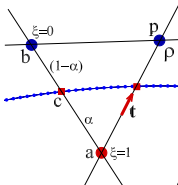
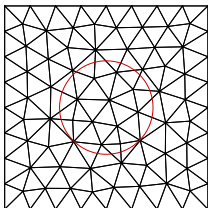
Primary mesh topology and interface  $\Sigma$  represented by a chain of connected Lagrangian markers

From one side using the generalized average formula, there exists  $\bar{\rho}$  constant along the segment  $[a, b]$  such that :

$$\int_a^b \rho \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx = \bar{\rho} \int_a^b \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx = \bar{\rho} (\phi_b - \phi_a) = \int_a^b \nabla(\bar{\rho}\phi) \cdot t \, dx$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{\rho}$  satisfies the compatibility condition :  $\nabla(\bar{\rho}\phi) = \rho\hat{v} = \rho\nabla\phi$  along the edge  $[a, b]$

# Calculation of density $\bar{\rho}$ such that : $\nabla(\bar{\rho} \phi) = \rho \hat{v}$



From another side, with  $c := \Sigma \cap [a, b]$  and the distance  $d(a, b) := |b - a|$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \rho \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx &= \int_a^c \rho \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx + \int_c^b \rho \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx = (\rho_a |c - a| + \rho_b |b - c|) \hat{v} \cdot t \\ &= \frac{(\rho_a |c - a| + \rho_b |b - c|)}{|b - a|} \int_a^b \hat{v} \cdot t \, dx \\ &= (\alpha \rho_a + (1 - \alpha) \rho_b) (\phi_b - \phi_a), \quad \text{with } \alpha := \frac{|c - a|}{|b - a|}. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the two expressions, we get  $\bar{\rho}$  associated to the edge  $[a, b]$  as a weighted average :

$$\bar{\rho}_{[a,b]} = \alpha \rho_a + (1 - \alpha) \rho_b, \quad \text{on any intersected edge } [a, b], \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1.$$

# An accurate front-tracking Lagrangian advection

- a) Calculate the barycentric velocity  $\mathbf{v}_b(\mathbf{x})$  of each marker point  $\mathbf{x}$  from the velocity components  $\mathbf{v}^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{t}$  on the edges bordering the primal cell where the marker lies
- b) Move the markers such that  $\mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{v}_b(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{x})$  by calculating the new position with the Heun Runge-Kutta explicit scheme (RK2 or RK4 with the K-VPP method of second-order in time) :

$$\mathbf{x}^{n+1} = \mathbf{x}^n + \frac{\delta t}{2} \left( \mathbf{v}_b^n(\mathbf{x}^n) + \mathbf{v}_b^{n+1}(\mathbf{x}^n + \delta t \mathbf{v}_b^n(\mathbf{x}^n)) \right).$$

- c) Detect the cells in the primal mesh which are crossed by the updated marker chain with a ray-tracing technique issued from computer graphics procedures and according to that, update the phase function  $\xi$  at the vertices
- d) Calculate the intersection points  $\mathbf{x}_\Sigma \in [\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$  between the marker chain segments and the edges  $[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$  of the crossed cells in the primal mesh
- e) From  $\mathbf{x}_\Sigma$ , calculate the dividing function  $\alpha$  on each edge  $[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$  oriented by  $\mathbf{t}$  and cutted across by  $\Sigma$
- f) Update the density  $\rho(\xi)$ , the viscosity  $\mu(\xi)$  and the mass density  $\bar{\rho}_{[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]} = \alpha \rho_a + (1 - \alpha) \rho_b$ , on any intersected edge  $[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$
- g) Compute the local curvature  $\kappa(\mathbf{x})$  at each marker point  $\mathbf{x}$  using the osculator circle crossing three consecutive points
- h) Compute the force source term modelling the capillary effects  $\mathbf{f}_c := \sigma \kappa \nabla \xi$  on  $\Sigma$  to be included in the force balance on any intersected edge
- i) Solve for the flow at time  $\mathbf{t}^{n+1} = (\mathbf{n} + 1)\delta t$  with the method of velocity-pressure coupling.

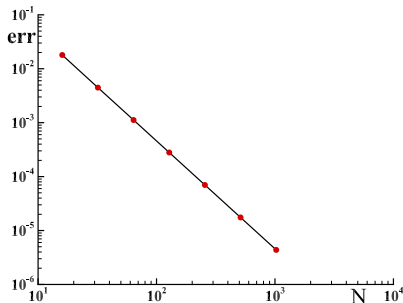
⇒ Good mass conservation of the different phases observed practically

# Accurate calculation of the local curvature $\kappa(\mathbf{x})$

Local curvature  $\kappa(\mathbf{x})$  calculated at each marker point  $\mathbf{x}$  by using the osculator circle defined by  $\mathbf{x}$  and its two neighbours in 2-D

- Exact when the interface  $\Sigma$  is a circle of radius  $R$  or a sphere in 3-D :  
 $\kappa = 1/R$  (circle) or  $\kappa = 2/R$  (sphere)  
 $\Rightarrow$  Numerically verified up to machine precision
- For an ellipse of radius  $a$  and  $b$  in the polar coordinates :

$$\kappa(\theta) = \frac{ab}{(a^2 \sin^2 \theta + b^2 \cos^2 \theta)^{3/2}}, \quad \text{with } \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$



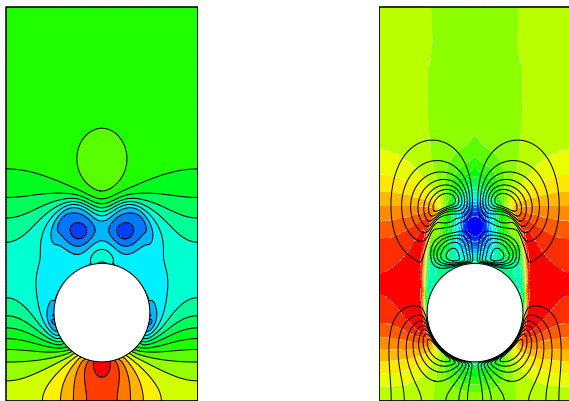
$\Rightarrow$  Second-order accuracy in the  $L^2$ -norm w.r.t. the mean distance between two connected interface-markers

- 1 *Velocity-pressure coupling with  $\operatorname{div} v = 0$*
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  - Two-phase bubble dynamics : strong stresses
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# Sharp test case for fluid-structure interaction

*ACF11-ball* : free fall of an heavy rigid ball in air at time  $t = 0.15$  and  $Re = 7358$

$VPP_\epsilon$  method with  $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$ , mesh size =  $256 \times 512$ ,  $\delta t = 0.0002$



Cylinder diameter  $d = 0.05$ ,  $\rho_s = 10^6$ ,  $\rho_f = 1$ ,  $\mu_s = 10^{12}$ ,  $\mu_f = 10^{-5}$ , domain  $0.1 \times 0.2$ , cylinder initially with no motion at height  $y = 0.15$ .

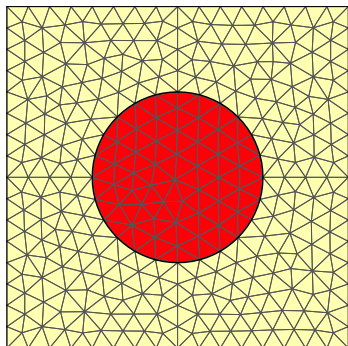
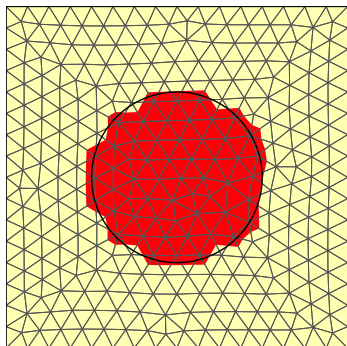
LEFT : isobars and isoline  $\varphi = 0.5$  of the phase function at interface.

RIGHT : vertical velocity field and horizontal velocity isolines.

# Static equilibrium of a droplet : Laplace's law

*First numerical method which eliminates the spurious eddies !*

See e.g. book [Tryggvason, Scardovelli and Zaleski (2011)]



Laplace uniform capillary pressure  $p_c = \sigma \kappa = \sigma/R = 400 \text{ Pa}$  (whatever density)  
in a disk droplet of radius  $R = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}$  for a constant surface tension  
 $\sigma = 1 \text{ N/m}$  (no gravity force, only the capillary force  $f_c := \sigma \kappa \nabla \xi$  on  $\Sigma$ )

LEFT : Unstructured mesh non-fitted to the interface-markers circle

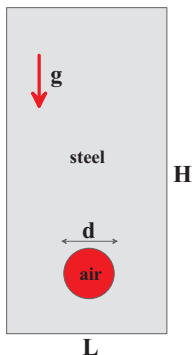
RIGHT : Unstructured mesh fitted to the interface  $\Sigma$

$\Rightarrow$  Null velocity field in both cases with no parasite current

# Multiphase flows : two-phase bubble dynamics

2-D gas bubble rising in a liquid : dimensionless numbers

Hysing et al., *IJNMF* (2009) : two benchmark problems with different density/viscosity ratios and surface tension  $\sigma$



Air bubble initial diameter  $d$  in a vertical cavity  $L \times H$ ,  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

$\rho_l/\rho_g = 10$  to  $10^3$ ,  $\mu_l/\mu_g = 10$  to  $100$ , surface tension coefficient

$\sigma_{\text{gas/liquid}} = 0.07197 \text{ N/m}$  (at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ) to  $2.50 \text{ N/m}$  (large surface tension)

Characteristic gravitational velocity  $U_g := \sqrt{gd}$ ,

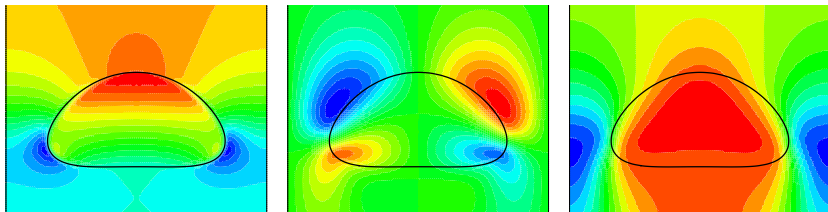
Reynolds number  $\text{Re} := \rho_l U_g d/\mu_l$ , Eötvös number  $\text{Eo} := \rho_l U_g^2 d/\sigma$

# Standard benchmark for multiphase flows I

2-D dispersed two-phase bubble dynamics

Hysing et al., IJNMF (2009) : first benchmark pb with small density/viscosity ratios and surface tension

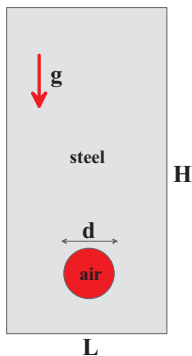
VPP<sub>ε</sub> method with  $\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$ , mesh size =  $128 \times 256$ ,  
 $\delta t = 0.007143$  and VOF-PLIC interface capturing



Motion of a circular bubble with surface tension at time  $t = 3$  - bubble initial diameter  $d = 0.05 \text{ m}$ ,  $\rho_1/\rho_2 = 1000/100 = 10$ ,  $\mu_1/\mu_2 = 1/0.1 = 10$ ,  $\sigma = 2.45 \text{ N/m}$ , domain  $0.1 \times 0.2$ , bubble initially circular with no motion at height  $y = 0.05$  -  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ , ref. gravitational velocity  $U_g := \sqrt{gd} = 0.700 \text{ m/s}$ , Reynolds number  $Re := \rho_1 U_g d/\mu_1 = 35$ , Eötvös number  $Eu := \rho_1 U_g^2 d/\sigma = 10$   
LEFT : isobars and isoline  $\varphi = 0.5$  of the phase fraction function at interface  
CENTER : horizontal velocity field  
RIGHT : superposition of isoline  $\varphi = 0.5$  at interface for (UAL), (SIP), (VPP) and vertical velocity field (in absolute referential)

# Sharp benchmark of two-phase bubble dynamics II

*Air bubble rising in a liquid melted steel with VPP<sub>ε</sub> or K-VPP<sub>ε</sub>  
PhA., Caltagirone and Fabrie, 4th T.I. Conf. (Hal, 2015)*



Air bubble initial diameter  $d = 1 \text{ cm}$ ,  $L = 4 \text{ cm}$ ,  $H = 10 \text{ cm}$ ,  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$   
 $\rho_l/\rho_g \approx 8500$  or  $10^4$ ,  $\mu_l/\mu_g \simeq 54$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{air/steel}} = 1.50 \text{ N/m}$  (large surface tension)

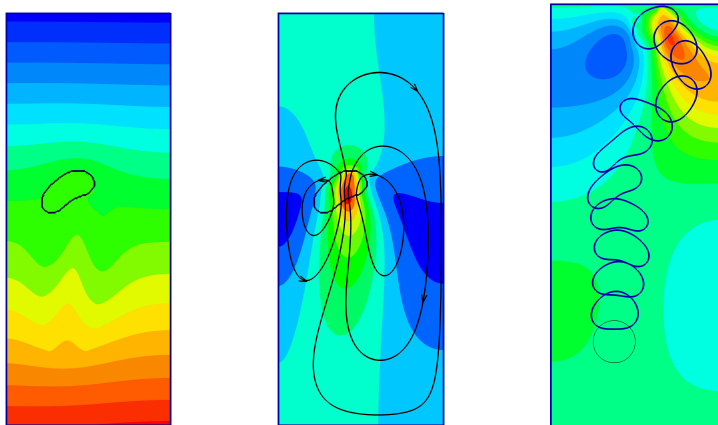
$U_g := \sqrt{gd} = 0.313 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $\text{Re} = 26\,632$ ,  $Eo := \rho_l U_g^2 d / \sigma = 5.55$

Isothermal computations at  $\mathcal{T} = 800 - 900 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (melted steel) -  $\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$

Symmetric/Non-symmetric flows with large shape deformations

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$K\text{-VPP}_\varepsilon$  with  $\varepsilon = 10^{-10}$ , mesh size =  $128 \times 256$ ,  $N = 128$   
Lagrangian front tracking markers,  $\delta t$  such that  $CFL = 0.5$



LEFT : pressure field  $p \in [-9235, 0]$  Pa ( $p = 0$  at bottom left) at time  $t = 0.05$  s  
CENTER : vertical velocity field  $v_z \in [-0.48, 1.55]$  m/s and streamlines at  
 $t = 0.05$  s – RIGHT : Some bubble positions and shapes during time and vertical  
velocity field  $v_z$  at final time  $t = 0.2$  s.

# Outlines

- 1 *Velocity-pressure coupling with  $\operatorname{div} v = 0$*
- 2 *Theoretical foundations of  $VPP_\epsilon$  methods*
- 3 *The family of  $VPP_\epsilon$  methods*
- 4 *Sharp test cases with  $VPP_\epsilon/K$ - $VPP_\epsilon$  methods*
- 5 *Conclusion and perspectives*

# Summary

## *Vector penalty-projection methods for low-Mach variable density and multiphase flows or fluid-structure interaction*

- $\Rightarrow$  Methods  $VPP_\epsilon$ /K- $VPP_\epsilon$  efficient to solve Darcy and Navier-Stokes/Brinkman problems :
  - whatever density, viscosity or anisotropic permeability jumps
  - under strong stresses : large surface tension and shape deformation
  - with Dirichlet or Neumann stress boundary conditions
- $\Rightarrow$  Design with 4 key ideas or features :
  - Fully vector-consistent formulation for primary unknowns  $(\mathbf{v}, \nabla p)$  :
    - $\Rightarrow$  accurate and curl-free component  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1} := \mathbf{v}^{n+1} - \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1}$  of  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{n+1}$
    - $\Rightarrow$  get rid of scalar pressure Poisson equation and its spurious B.C.
  - New fast Helmholtz-Hodge decompositions of  $\mathbf{L}^2$ -vector fields :
    - $\Rightarrow$  splitting penalty method for saddle-point with adapted r.h.s.
  - $VPP_\epsilon$  : mass density  $\rho$  only included in the diagonal term :
    - $\Rightarrow$  cheap diagonal preconditioning for variable density
  - K- $VPP_\epsilon$  : kinematic VPP completely independent of  $\rho$  on edge-based MAC mesh :
    - $\Rightarrow$  Robustness : insensitive to large variations of density  $\rho$
- $\Rightarrow$  Accurate, Fast and Robust methods

# Conclusion

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- Second-order accuracy in time with BDF2 or Crank-Nicolson schemes : Ok
- Open (Neumann stress) boundary conditions : Ok
- Optimal error estimates for Navier-Stokes problems with Dirichlet or Neumann B.C. : Ok
- VPP<sub>ε</sub>/K-VPP<sub>ε</sub> methods for low Mach number flows now the parameter ε must be chosen such that :

$$\varepsilon \delta t = \chi_{\mathcal{T}} = \gamma \chi_S = \frac{\gamma M^2}{\rho V^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \gamma M^2 = \rho V^2 (\varepsilon \delta t) \ll 1$$

where

- $\chi_{\mathcal{T}}$ ,  $\chi_S$  : isothermal or isentropic compressibility coefficients of the fluid
- $\gamma := c_p/c_v \geq 1$ , *i.e.* ratio of heat capacities of the fluid
- Mach number :  $M := V/c$
- $V$  : given reference velocity
- $c$  : speed of acoustic waves in the fluid

## *Some perspectives...*

- Other preconditioner than IC/ILU : SSOR, Multigrid, DDM ...
- Parallel efficiency, scalability ...
- Theoretical analysis for homogeneous Navier-Stokes :  
unconditional stability, convergence, error estimates  
⇒ Ok for both Dirichlet and open boundary conditions
- Theoretical analysis for non-homogeneous multiphase Navier-Stokes :  
open problem without regularization : Ok for K-VPP $_{\epsilon}$
- Magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) or plasma transport problems :  
⇒  $\text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0$
- fluid-structure interaction problems with Discrete Mechanics :  
Caltagirone and PhA., Turbulence & Interactions Conf. (2018)  
in Proceedings book, Springer (2021)

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