Parallel Particle Simulation in Multiscale Fluid Representations

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Motivation





- 1 Multi-level fluid-particle treatment
- 2 Many-particle systems: Spacetree algorithms
- 3 Outlook: Walking down the scales





Lattice Boltzmann–Navier-Stokes: Models

Navier-Stokes

Mesh-based

Fluid in equilibrium

DoF: velocities **u**, pressure *p*



Lattice Boltzmann

Mesh-based

Fluid close to equilibrium

DoF: distribution functions f_i

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i dt, t + dt) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) + \Delta_i (f - f^{eq})$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{Q} f_i$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}, t) = \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) / c_s^2$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{\rho(\mathbf{x}, t)} \sum_{i=1}^{Q} f_i \mathbf{c}_i$$



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- Split $f_i = f_i^{eq}(\rho, \mathbf{u}) + f_i^{neq}$
- Ansatz¹: continuum \leftrightarrow non-equ. parts as small as possible

 $\min_{f^{neq} \in \mathbb{R}^Q} g(f^{neq})$ such that

 $\sum_{i} f_{i}^{neq} = 0 \qquad \text{mass}$ $\sum_{i} f_{i}^{neq} \mathbf{c}_{i_{\alpha}} = 0 \qquad \text{momentum}$ $\sum_{i} f_{i}^{neq} \mathbf{c}_{i_{\alpha}} \mathbf{c}_{i_{\beta}} = -c_{s}^{2} \tau \left(\partial_{x_{\beta}} \mathbf{u}_{\alpha} + \partial_{x_{\alpha}} \mathbf{u}_{\beta} \right) \qquad \text{stresses}$

¹ P. Neumann, H.-J. Bungartz, M. Mehl, T. Neckel, and T. Weinzierl. Commun. Comput. Phys. 12(1):65–84, 2012.

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Coarse-scale model: NS (fluid) + Faxen² (particle)



² H. Faxen. Appelberg, 1921.

³ A.J.C. Ladd. J. Fluid Mech., 271:285–339, 1994.

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Algorithmic Requirement Analysis

- (Transient) Mapping from particles to grid and vice versa
- Linked lists/ cells: inappropriate
 → particles may move more than one cell
- For few particles: global scatter/gather of particle position \rightarrow each rank holds all particle information
- For many particles: localised approach
 → only domains which hold particle maintain particle data



Particle-in-Tree: Algorithm

- Make each cell of spacetree hold array of particles (dynamic, most of time empty)
- Make physics move particle, i.e. update particle positions (local computation within cell)
- Before cell is left: check whether (moved) particle still is within cell.
 Otherwise *lift* it to next coarser level
- Apply lift checks recursively
- Before algorithm descends in spacetree: Check whether refined cell holds particles.
 If so, sieve them into the children (*drop*)
- Apply drops recursively

Remarks:

- Particles belonging to level ℓ are never dropped deeper than level ℓ (drop constraint)
- Benchmarking difficulties: Density, speed, mesh width...





Particle-in-Tree: Scaling





Outlook: Lattice Boltzmann–Molecular Dynamics





Goal:

- Resolve regions of interest by molecular dynamics
- Resolve other regions by Lattice Boltzmann
- Partitioned approach: Macro-Micro-Coupling Tool⁵
 - \rightarrow Separation: molecular dynamics \leftrightarrow Mesh-based solver

⁵ P. Neumann and N. Tchipev. Proceedings of ISPDC, 2012.



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LB–MD: Channel Flow

LB codes:

- Peano framework⁶
- waLBerla⁷
- OpenLB (in preparation)

MD codes:

- Simple MD
- LAMMPS⁸
- ESPResSo⁹ (in preparation)
- MarDyn (planned)



- 3D steady-state coupling
 → velocity relaxation
- LB: 54 × 54 × 54 cells, *dx* = 2.5
- MD: 10⁵ LJ atoms
- MD: periodic boundaries
 + buffer regions

⁶ www.peano-framework.org ⁷ www.walberla.net ⁸ lammps.sandia.gov ⁹ espressomd.org





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