

# Multi-physics and multi-scale simulations for hydropower and geo-energy

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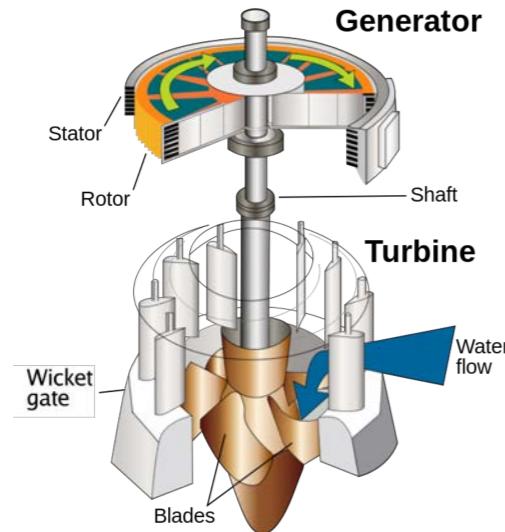
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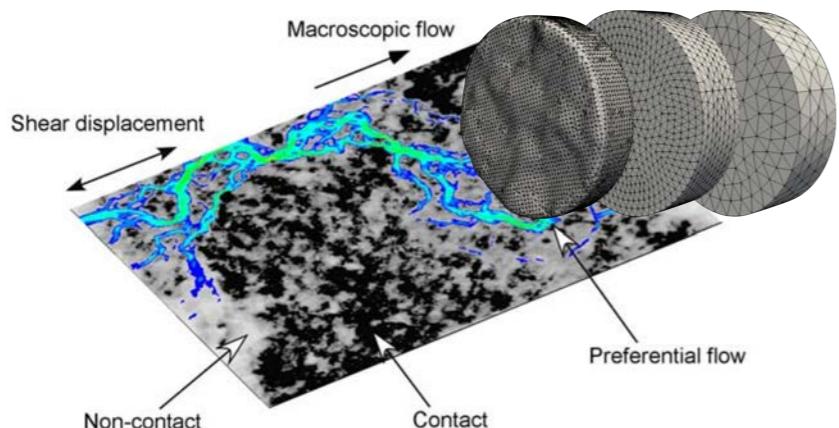


# Introduction

## Computational energy



### Water turbines



### Computational Geophysics



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SUPPLY of ELECTRICITY

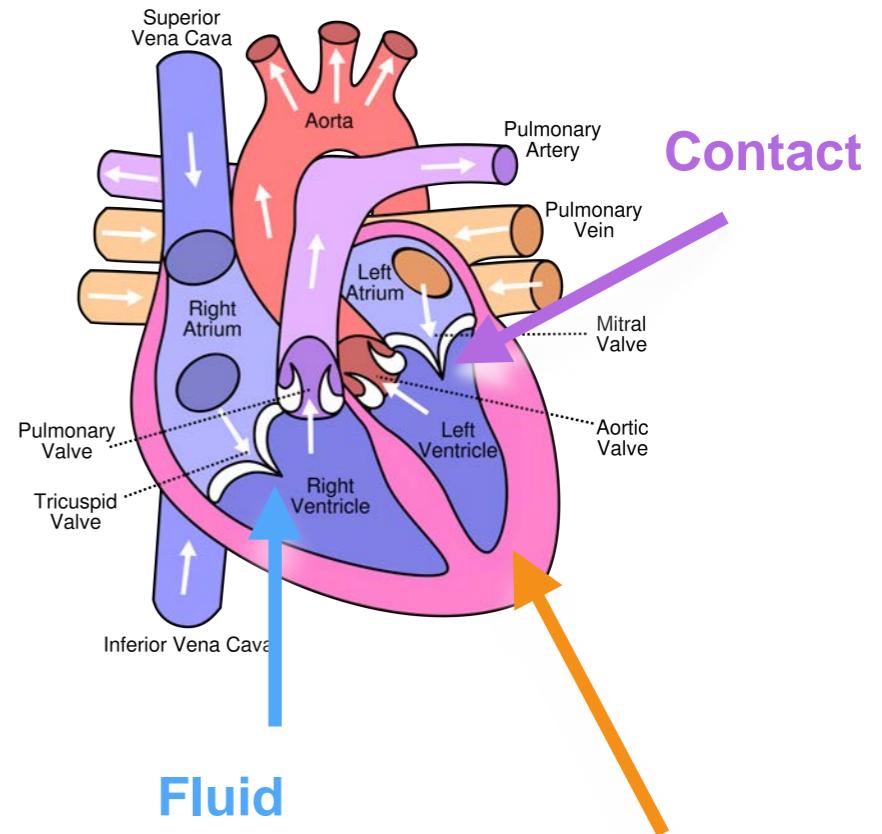


High-performance  
computing

Usability  
+  
Flexibility!

## Other applications

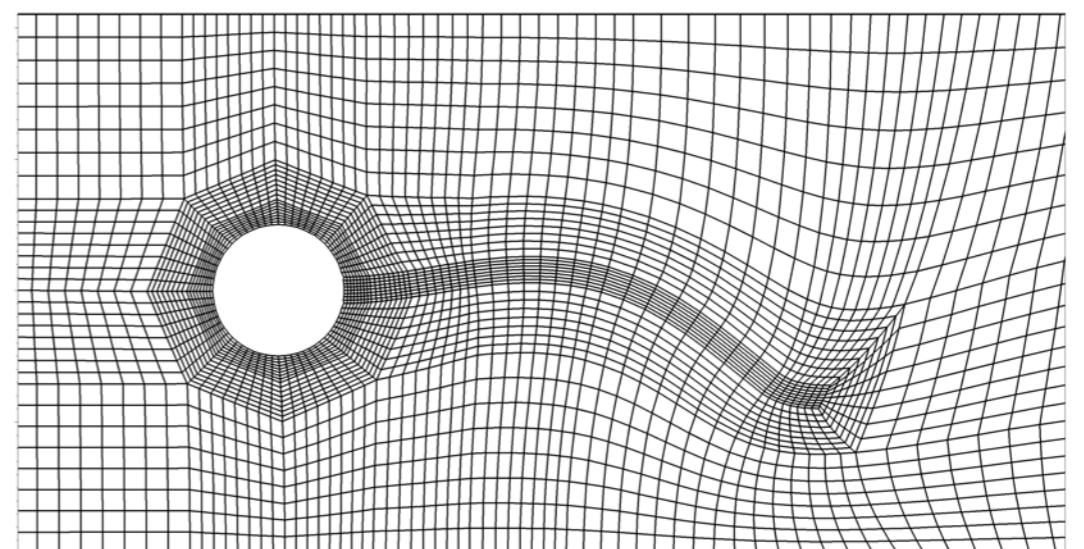
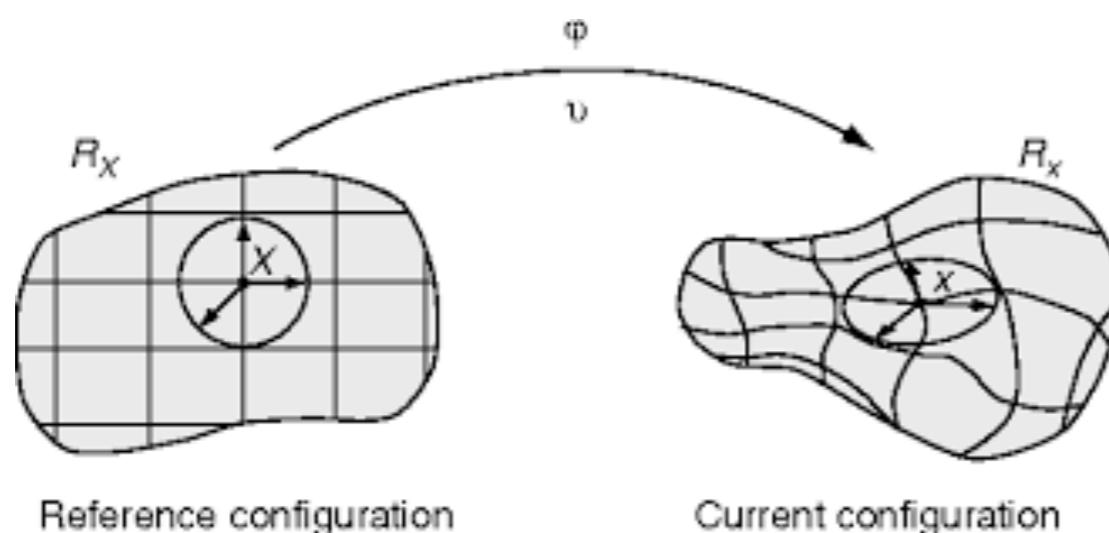
### Simulation of the heart



Contact  
Fluid  
Elasticity/  
Electrophysiology

## Boundary fitted method

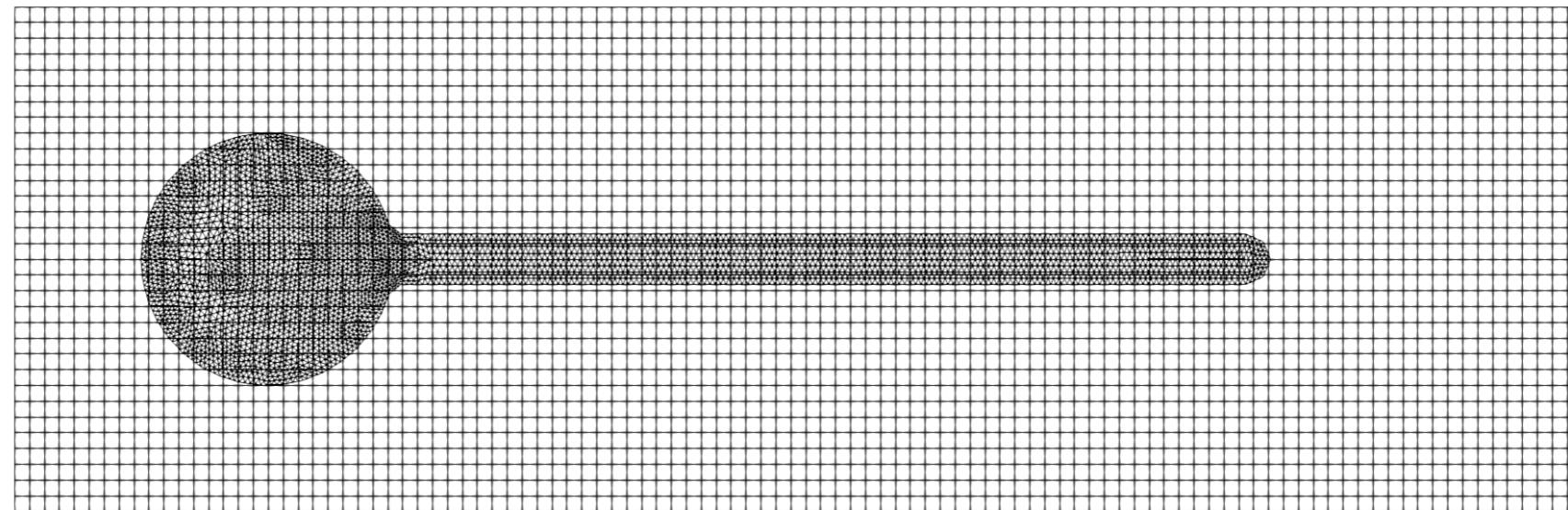
- Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian (ALE)
- Fluid mesh moves with the solid mesh
- **Accurate** results at FSI interface
- Large displacements → **Distorted fluid grid** → Numerical stability and accuracy
- Meshing, Re-meshing → artificial diffusion



Literature: Jianhai, Dapeng, and Shengquan 1996. Morsi, Yang, Wong, and Das 2007.

## Fictitious domain method

- Solid phase is embedded in the fluid phase
- **Fixed grid** → Eulerian formulation
- **Greater** grid **resolution** necessary for reproducing similar results
- Different discretizations and software can be easily used together (e.g., Finite Difference and FEM)



Literature:

- 1) A fictitious domain/mortar element method for fluid–structure interaction, Baaijens, 2001.
- 2) A mortar approach for Fluid–Structure interaction problems: Immersed strategies for deformable and rigid bodies, Hesch et al.

**Find**  $(\mathbf{u}_f, p_f; \boldsymbol{\eta}_s, p_s; \boldsymbol{\lambda}) \subset (V_f \times Q_f \times V_s \times Q_s \times L)$  such that

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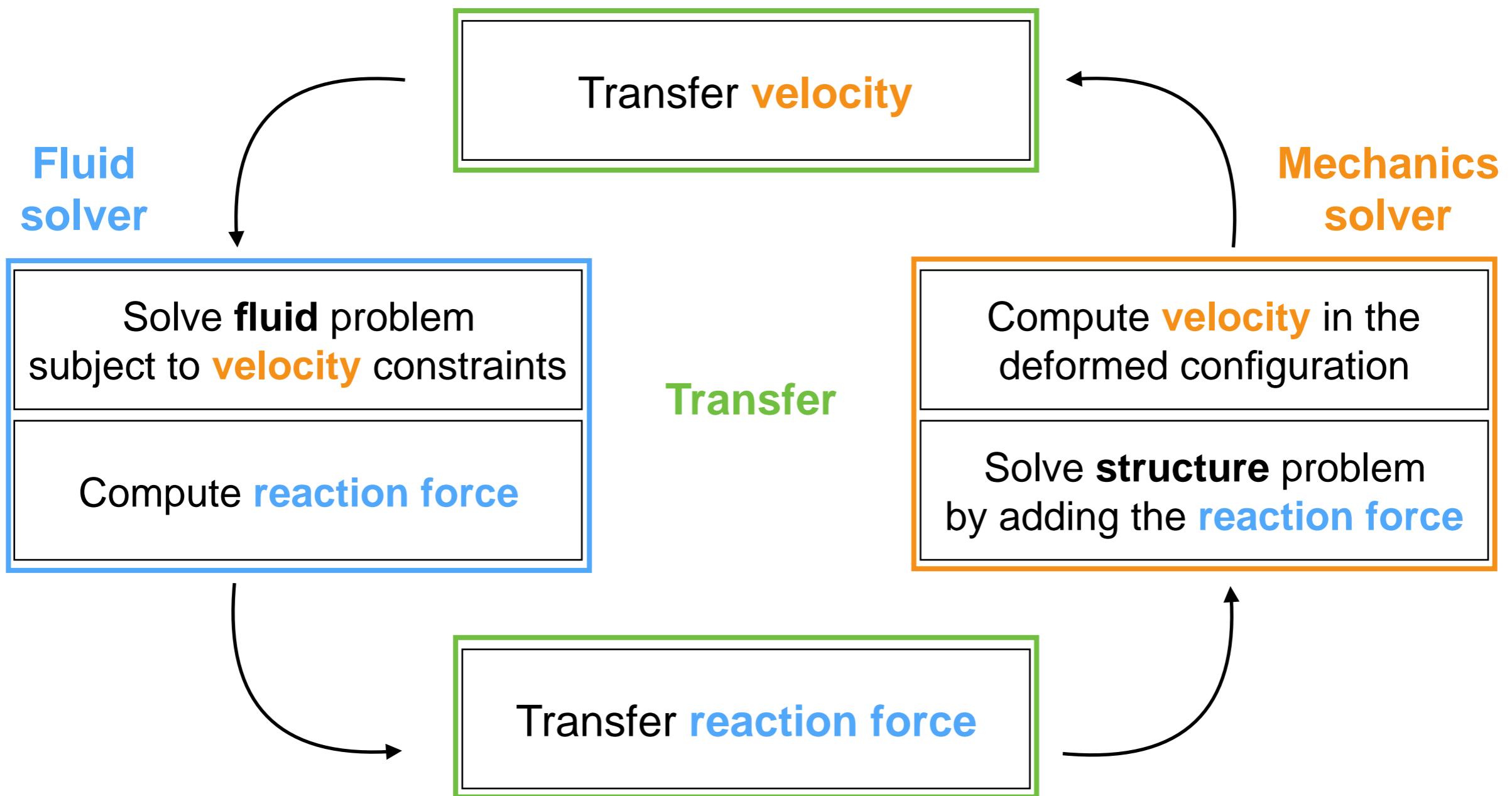
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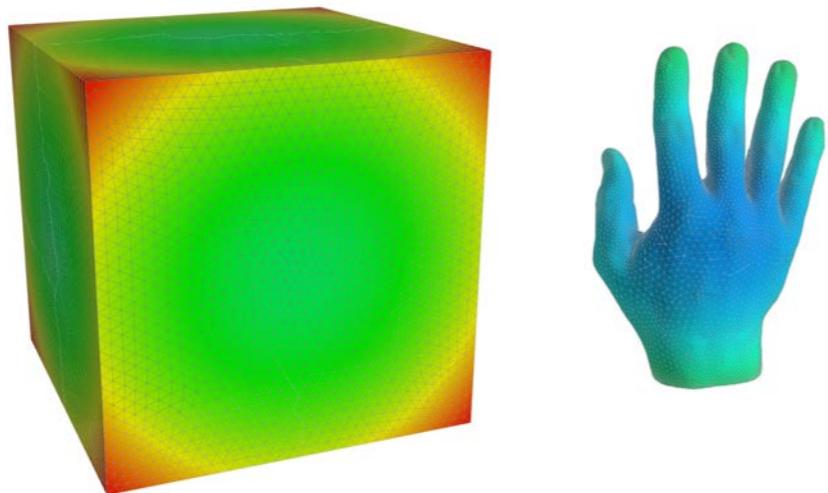
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# FSI: staggered approach

## Fixed point iteration

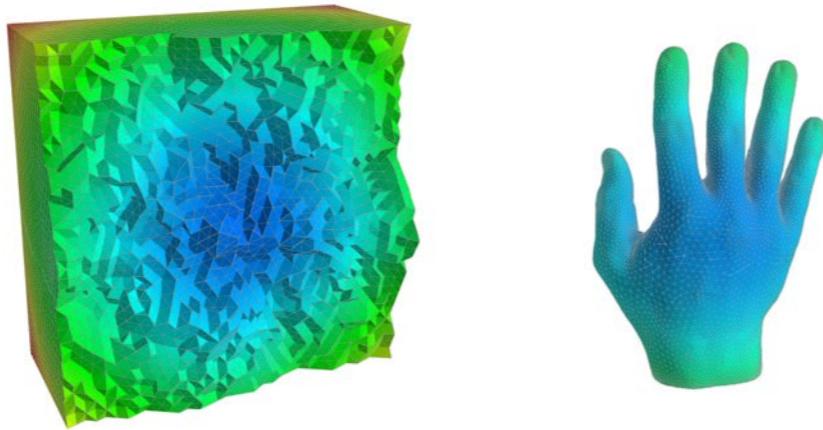


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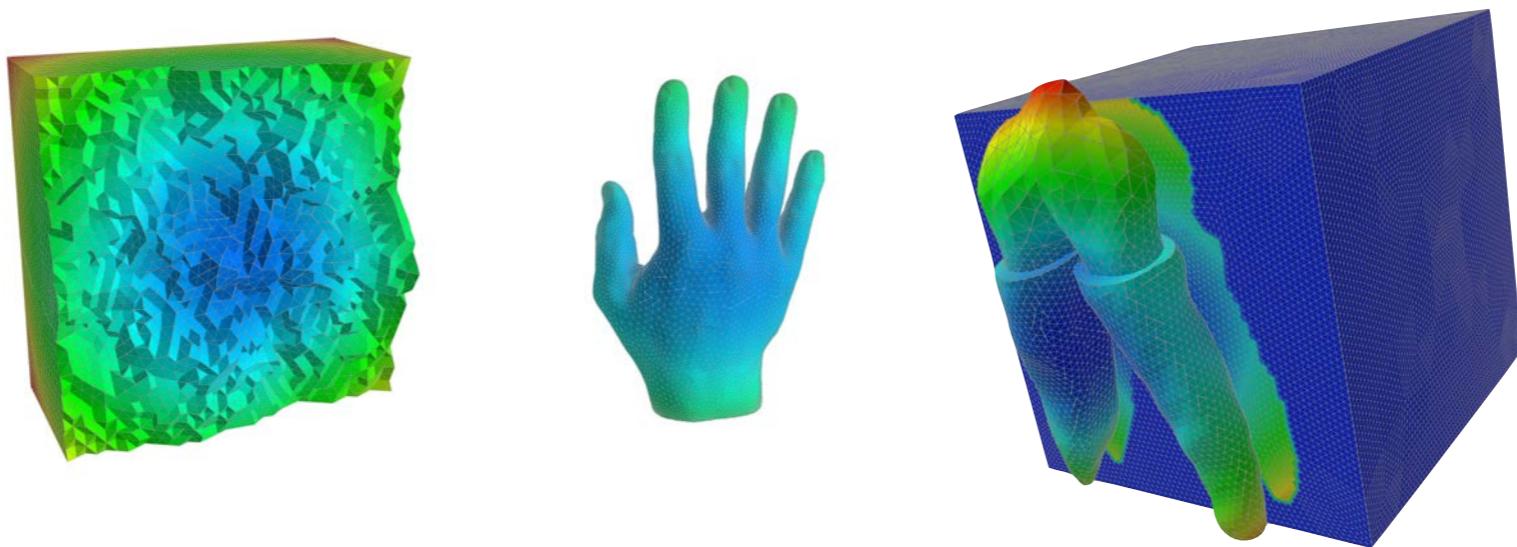
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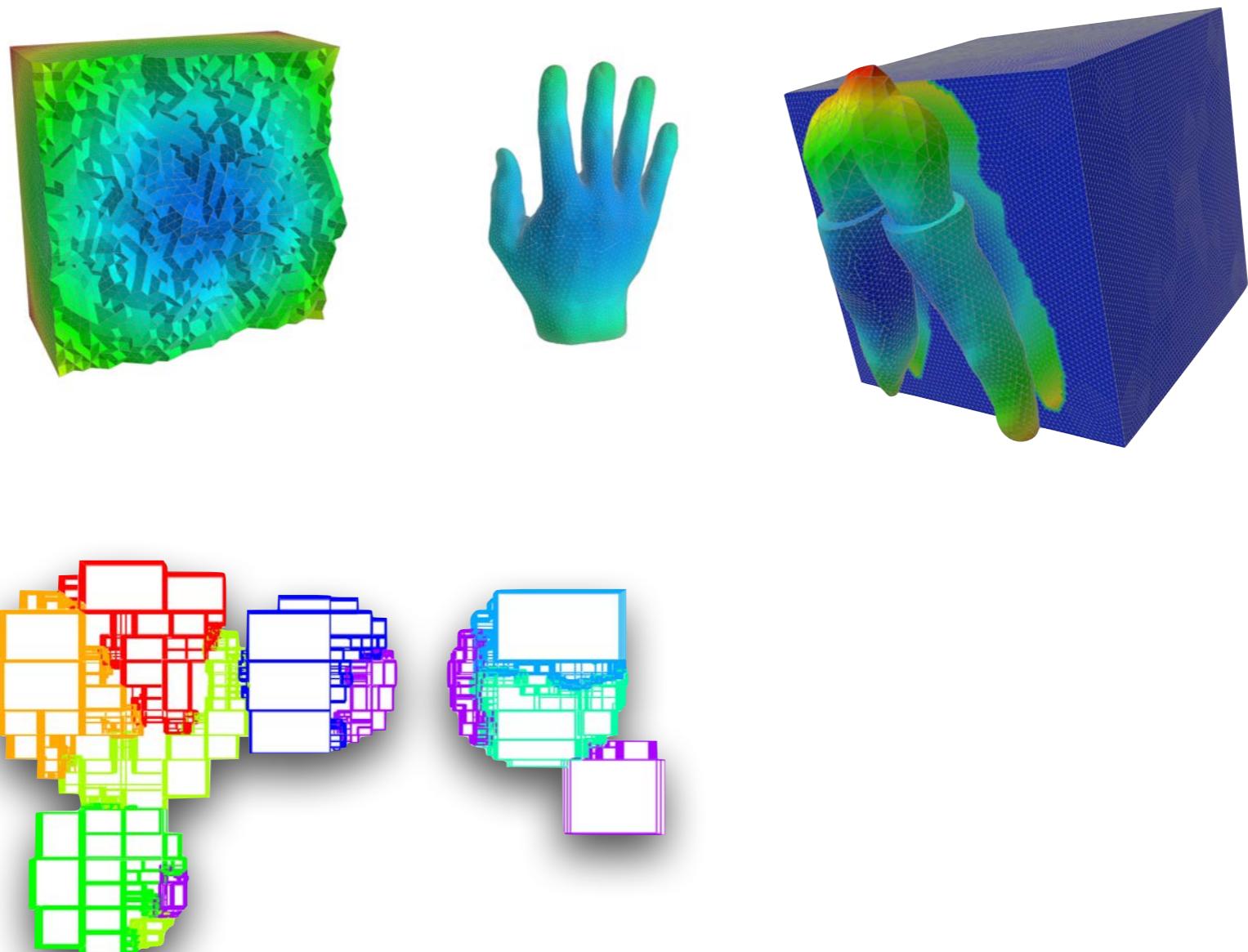
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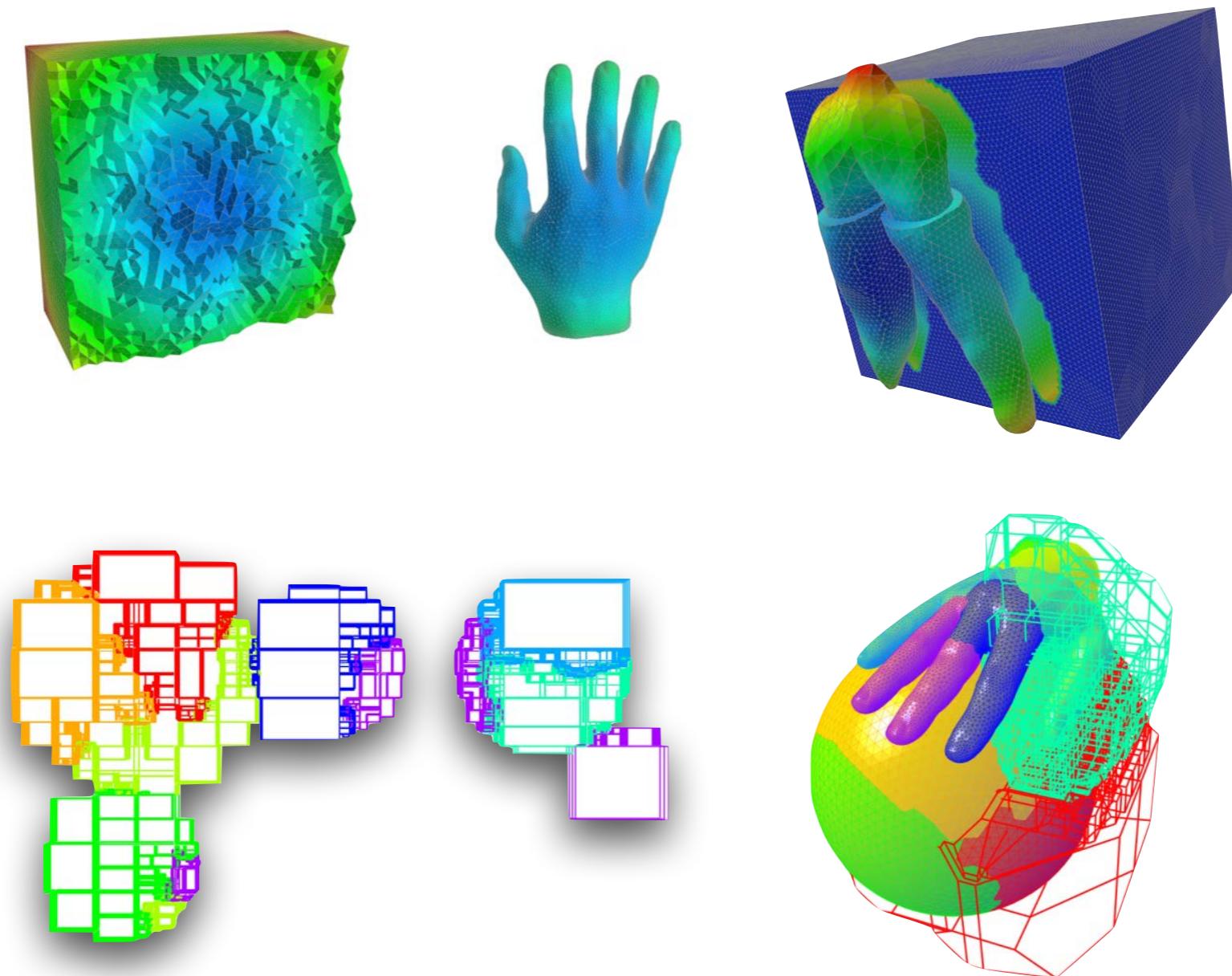
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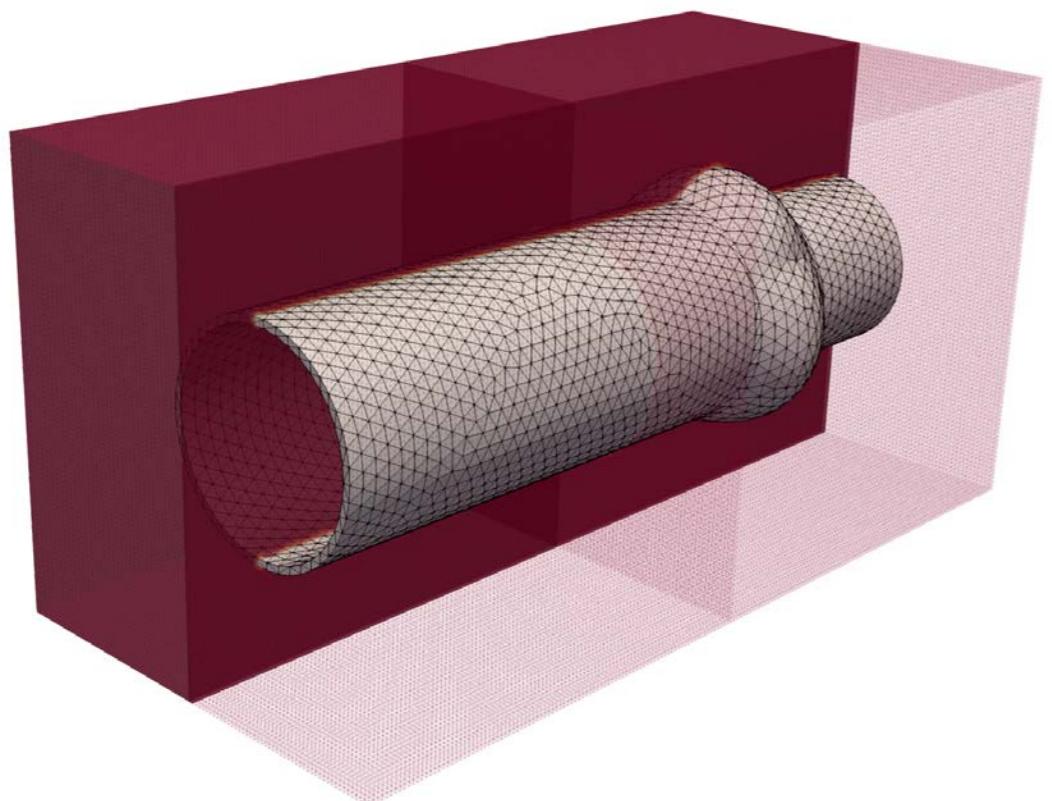
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# Variational transfer



Interpolation

Projection

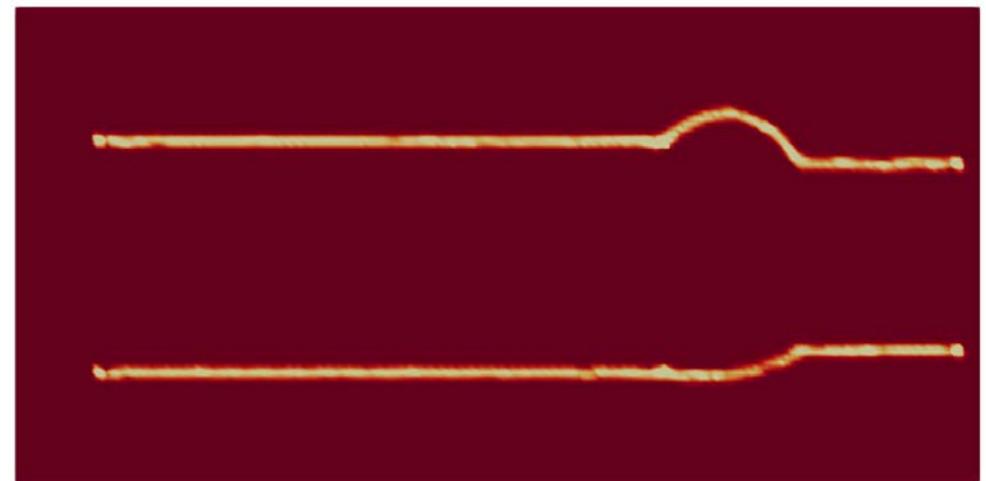
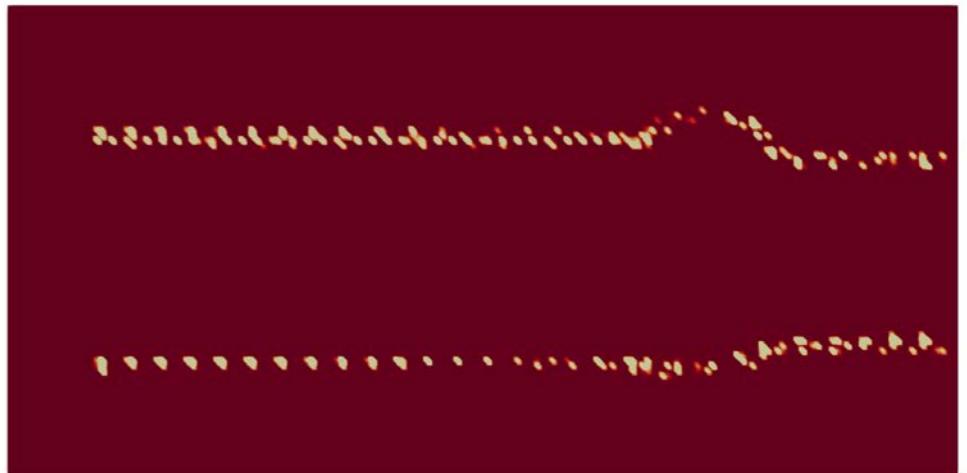
## L<sup>2</sup>-projection

→ Optimal, stable, computationally expensive

## Interpolation

→ Does not pass the patch test,  
computationally cheaper, simpler for higher-  
order FE deformations

Adjoint



# Variational transfer: mortar projection

- Definition of the  $L^2$ -projection operator  $P: V_h \rightarrow W_h$
- For  $v_h \in V_h(\mathcal{T}_m)$  find  $w_h = P(v_h) \in W_h(\mathcal{T}_s)$

$$(P(v_h), \mu_h)_{L^2(I_h)} = (v_h, \mu_h)_{L^2(I_h)} \quad \forall \mu_h \in M_h$$

- Weak-equality condition

$$\int_{I_h} (v_h - P(v_h)) \mu_h \, d\mathbf{x} = \int_{I_h} (v_h - w_h) \mu_h \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall \mu_h \in M_h$$

Literature: Bernardi, Maday and Rapetti 2005.

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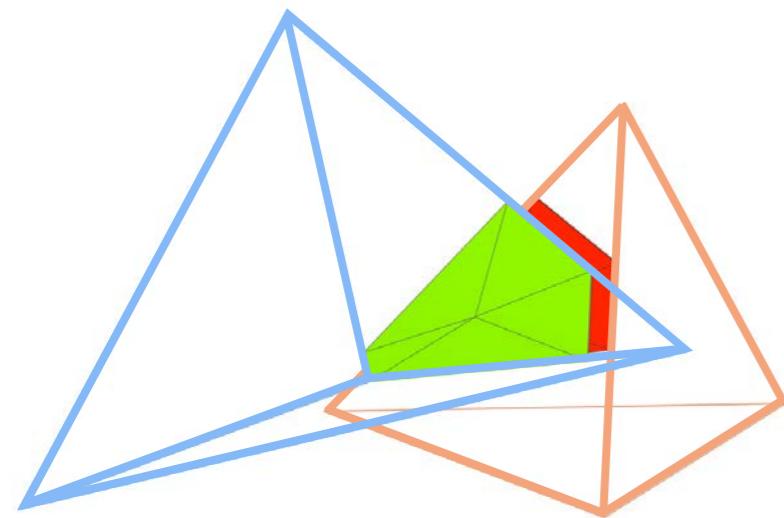
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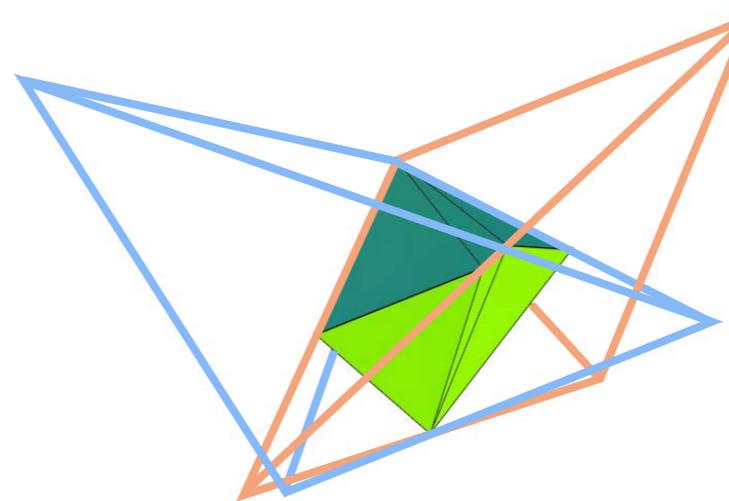
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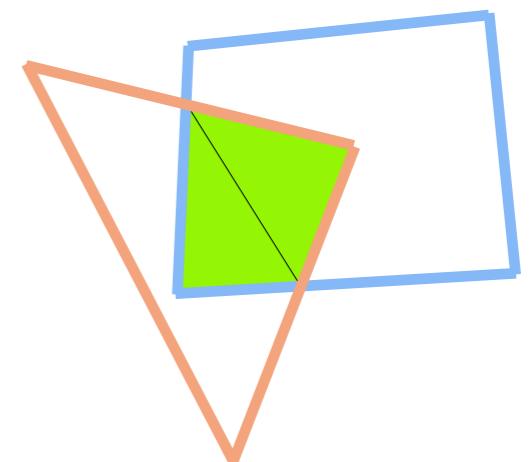
# From intersection to quadrature rule



**Surface** normal projection

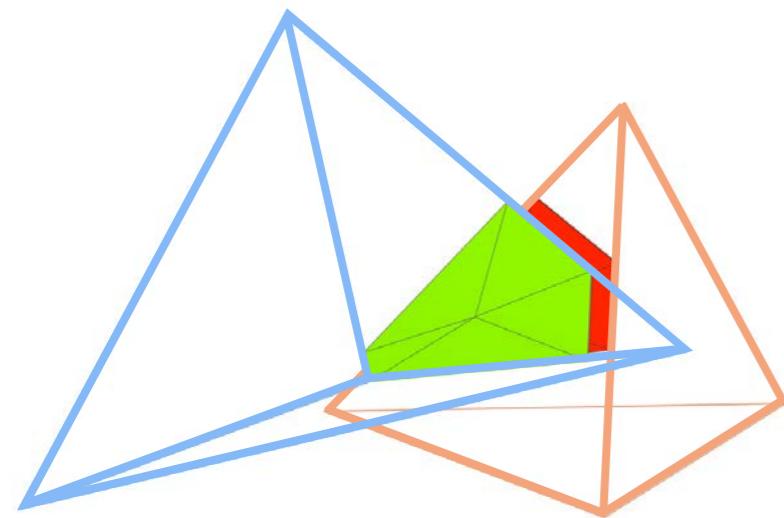


**Volume** intersection 3D

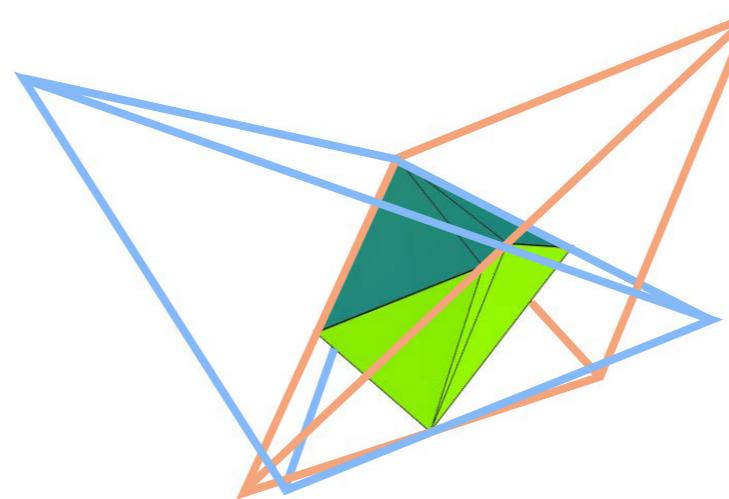


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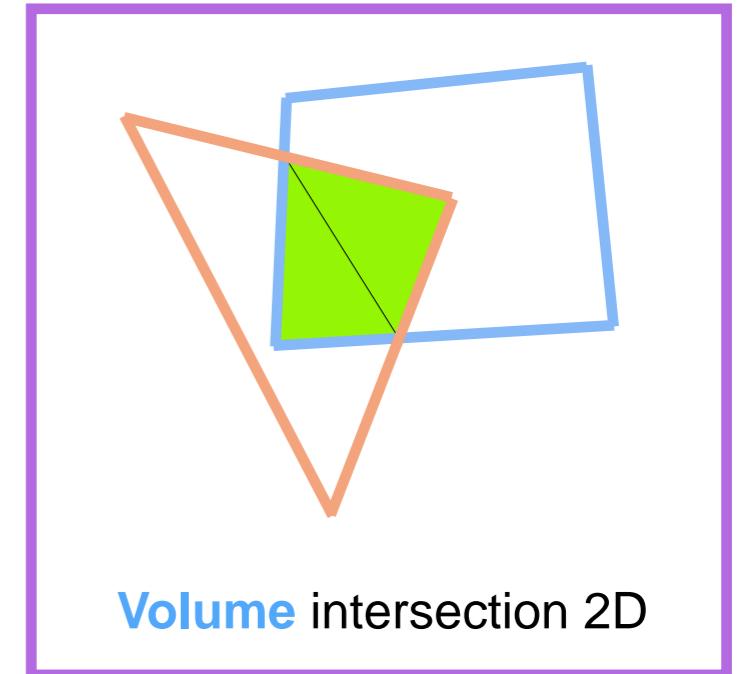
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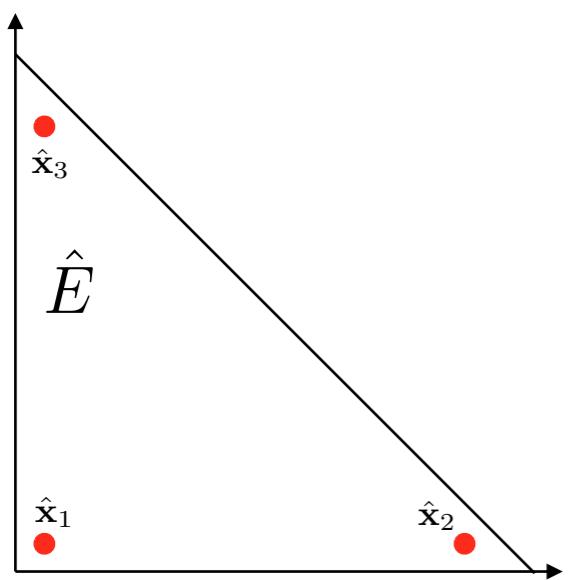
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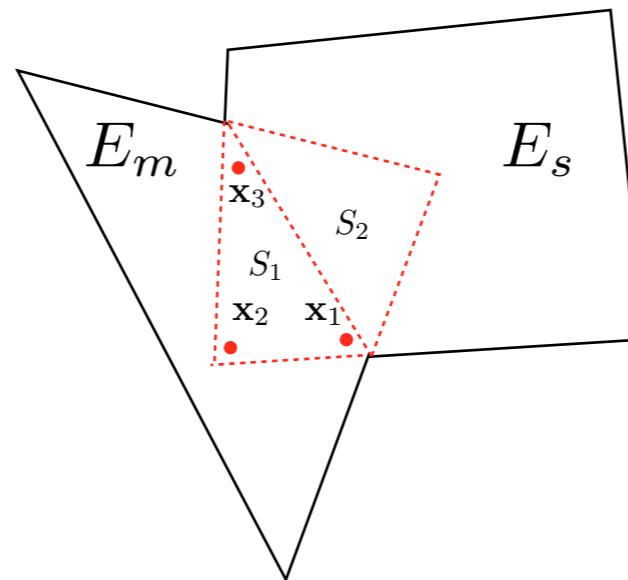
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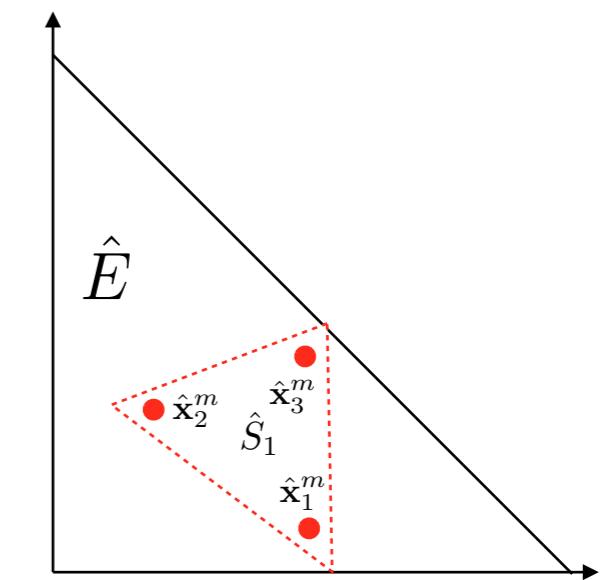
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Reference element



Physical coordinates

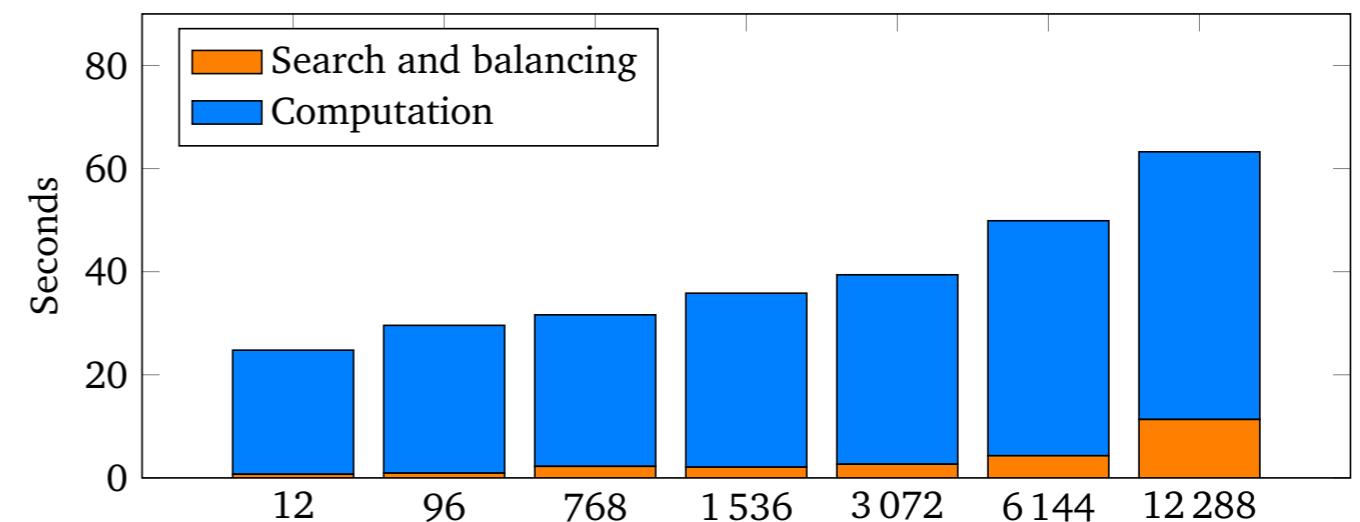
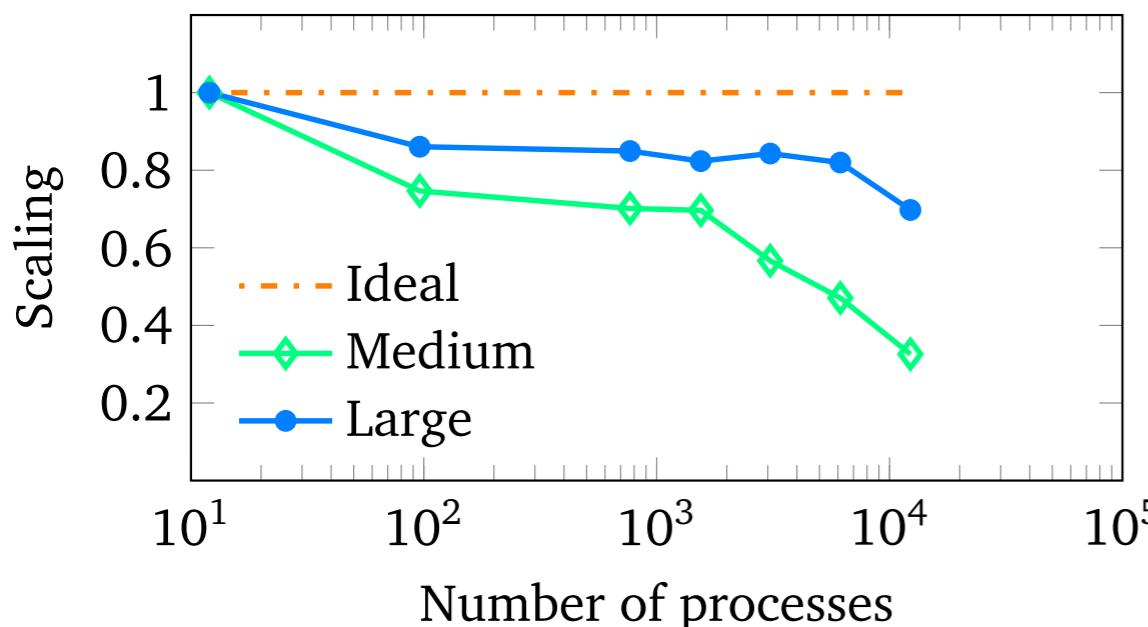
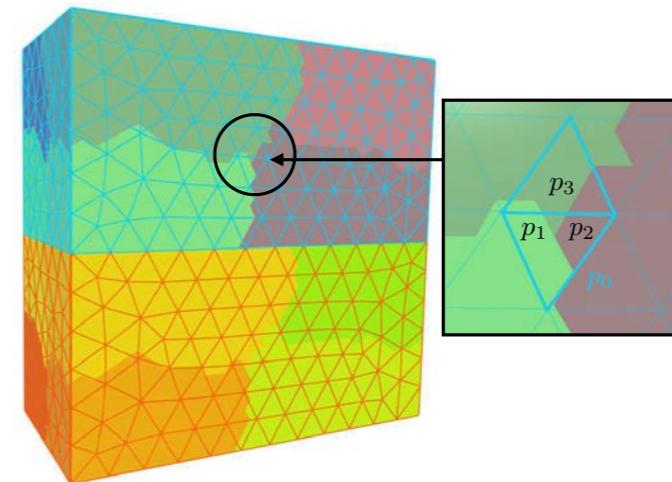


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# Weak scaling (volume projections)

Experiments:

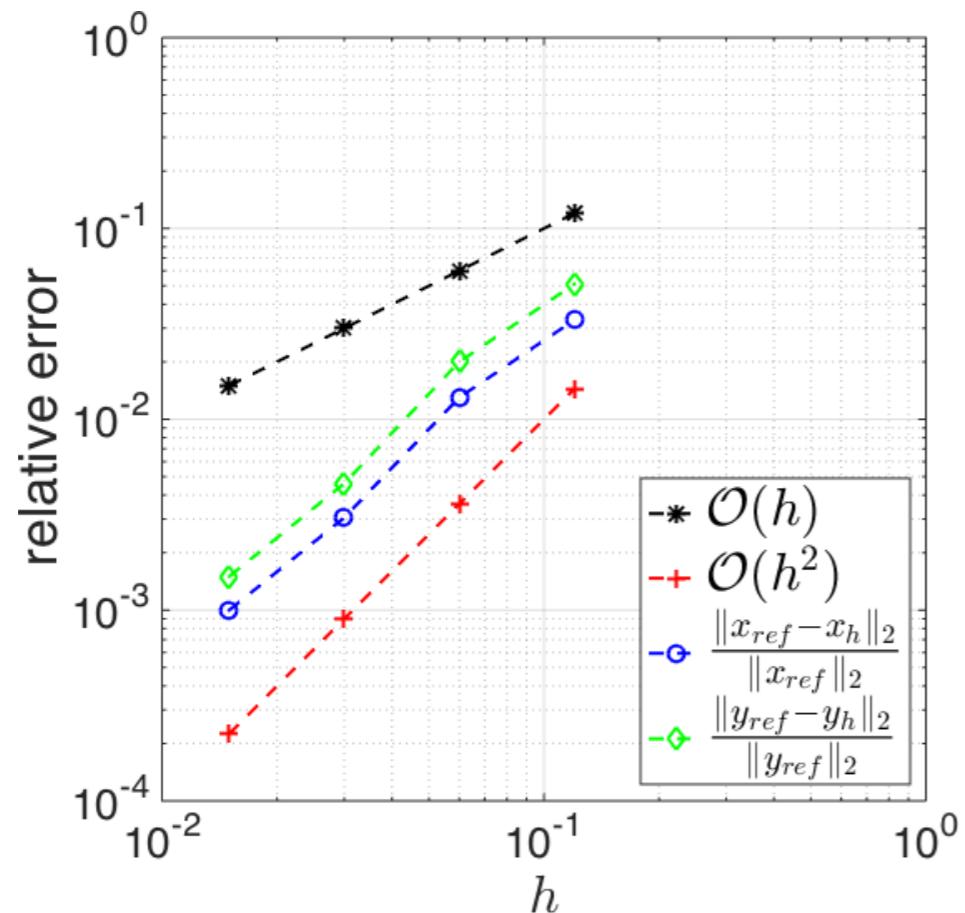
- **Small** 10 000 elements per process
- **Large** 150 000 elements per process
- Output is x4



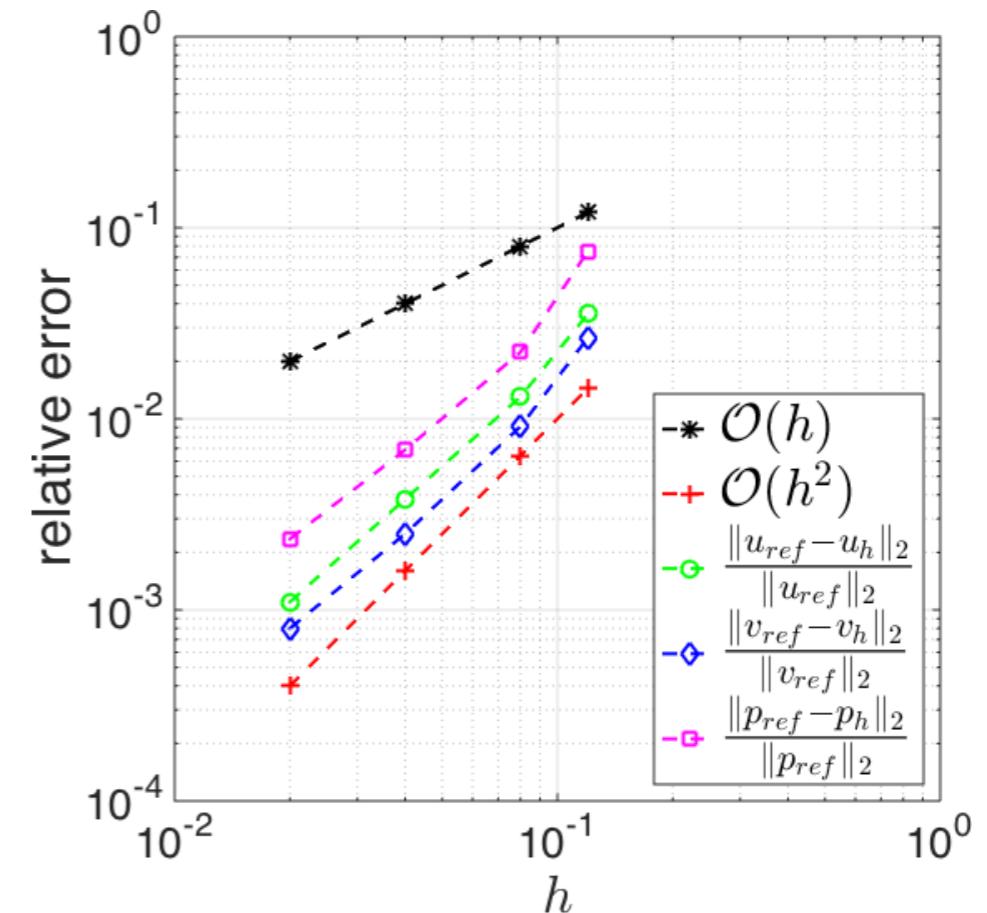
Weak scaling is measured as (time base experiment)/(time experiment)

## Discretisation error

- L<sup>2</sup>-convergence

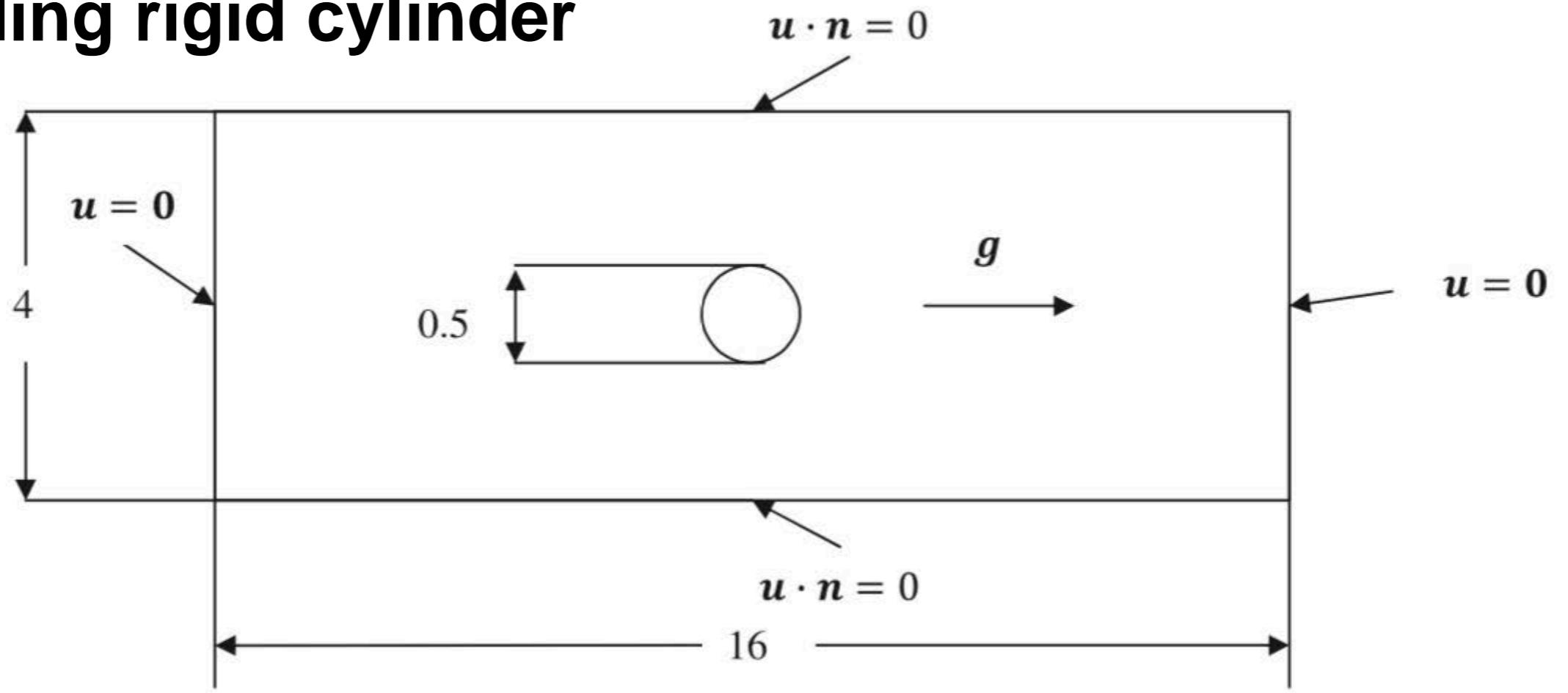


Solid displacement



Fluid velocity

## Free falling rigid cylinder



**Fluid density**

$$\rho_f = 1.0 \text{ [g/cm}^3\text{]}$$

**Newtonian Fluid**

$$\sigma_f = -pI + \mu_f \frac{(\nabla^T v_f + \nabla v_f)}{2}$$

$$\mu_f = 1.0 \text{ dyne/cm}^2 s$$

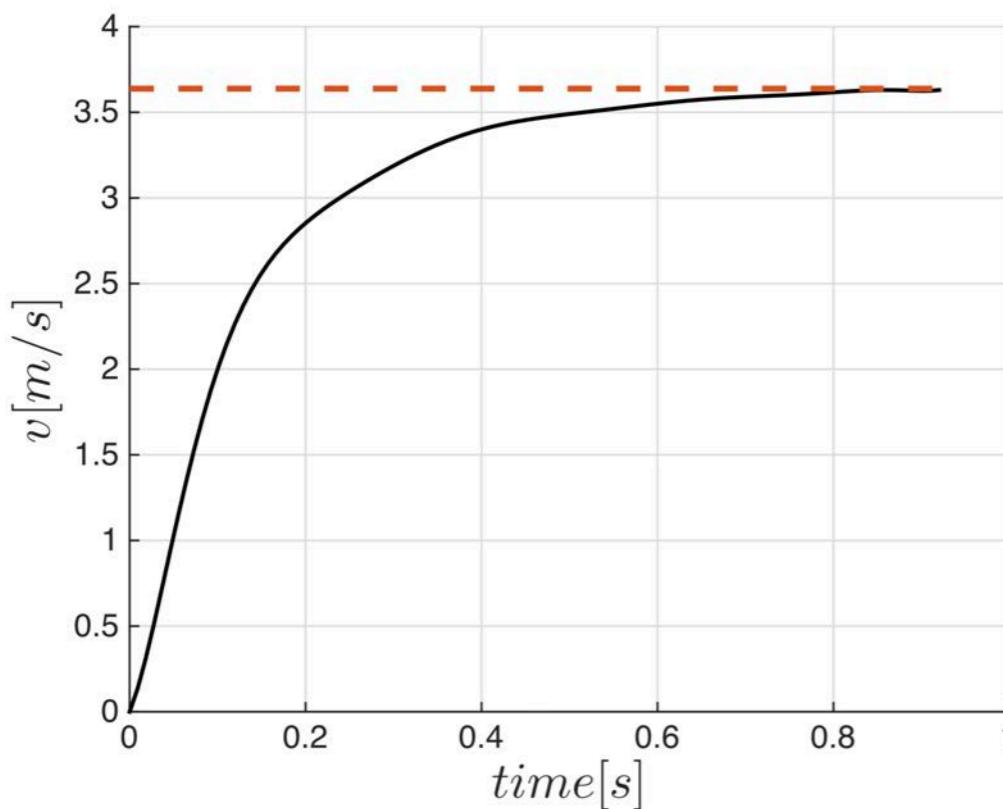
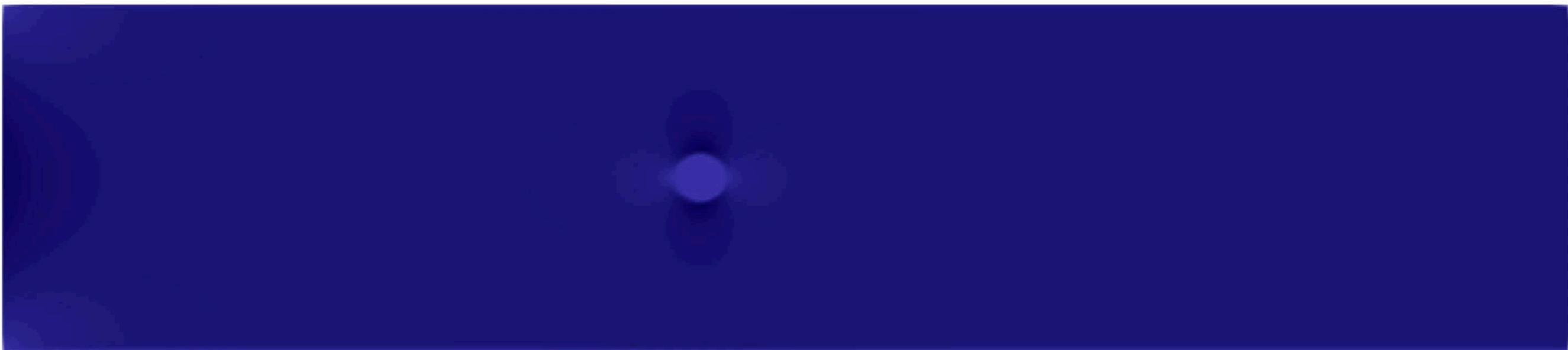
**Solid density**

$$\rho_s = 1.20 \text{ [g/cm}^3\text{]}$$

**Linear Elastic**

$$\mu_s = 3846.1538 \text{ dyne/cm}^2$$

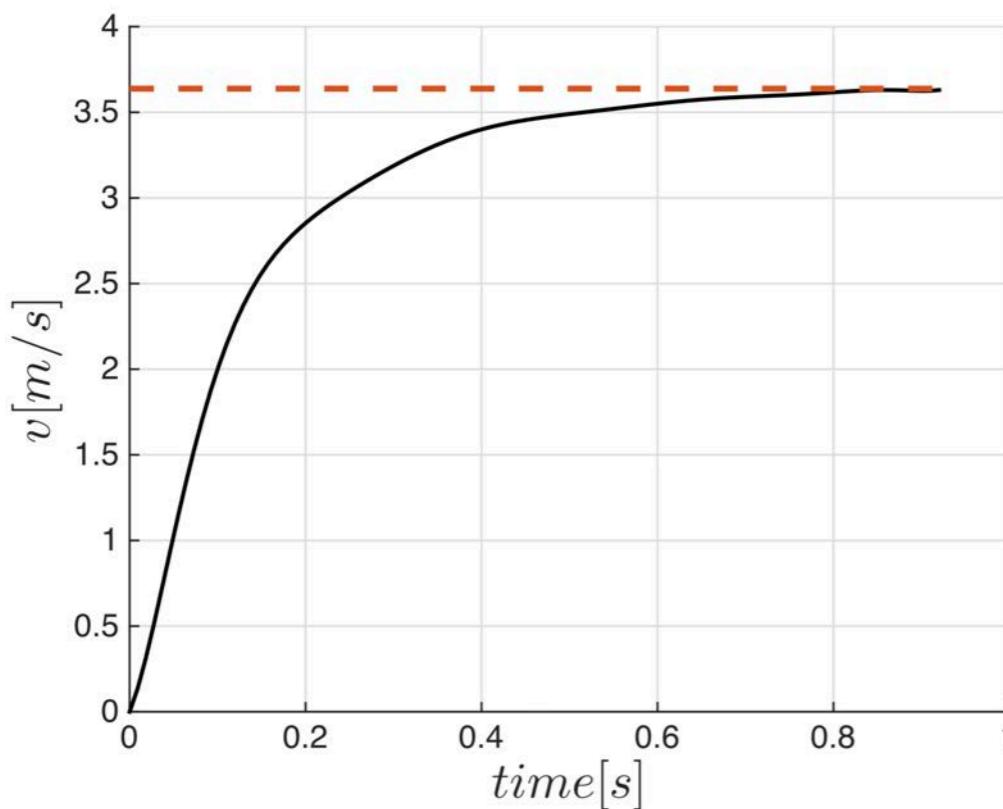
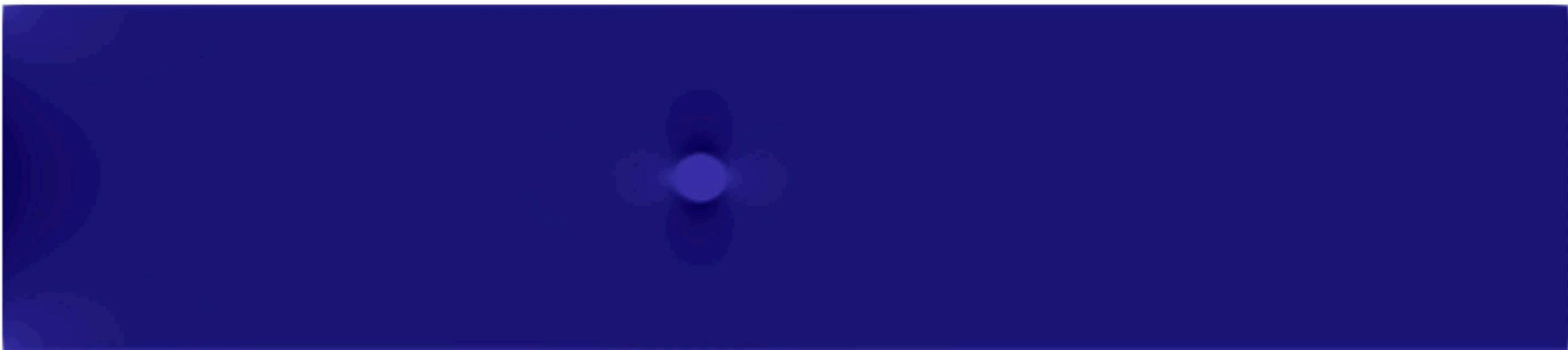
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$$\frac{(\rho_s - \rho_f)ga^2}{4\mu} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{L}{a} \right) - 0.9157 + 1.7244 \left( \frac{a}{L} \right)^2 - 1.7302 \left( \frac{a}{L} \right)^4 \right]$$

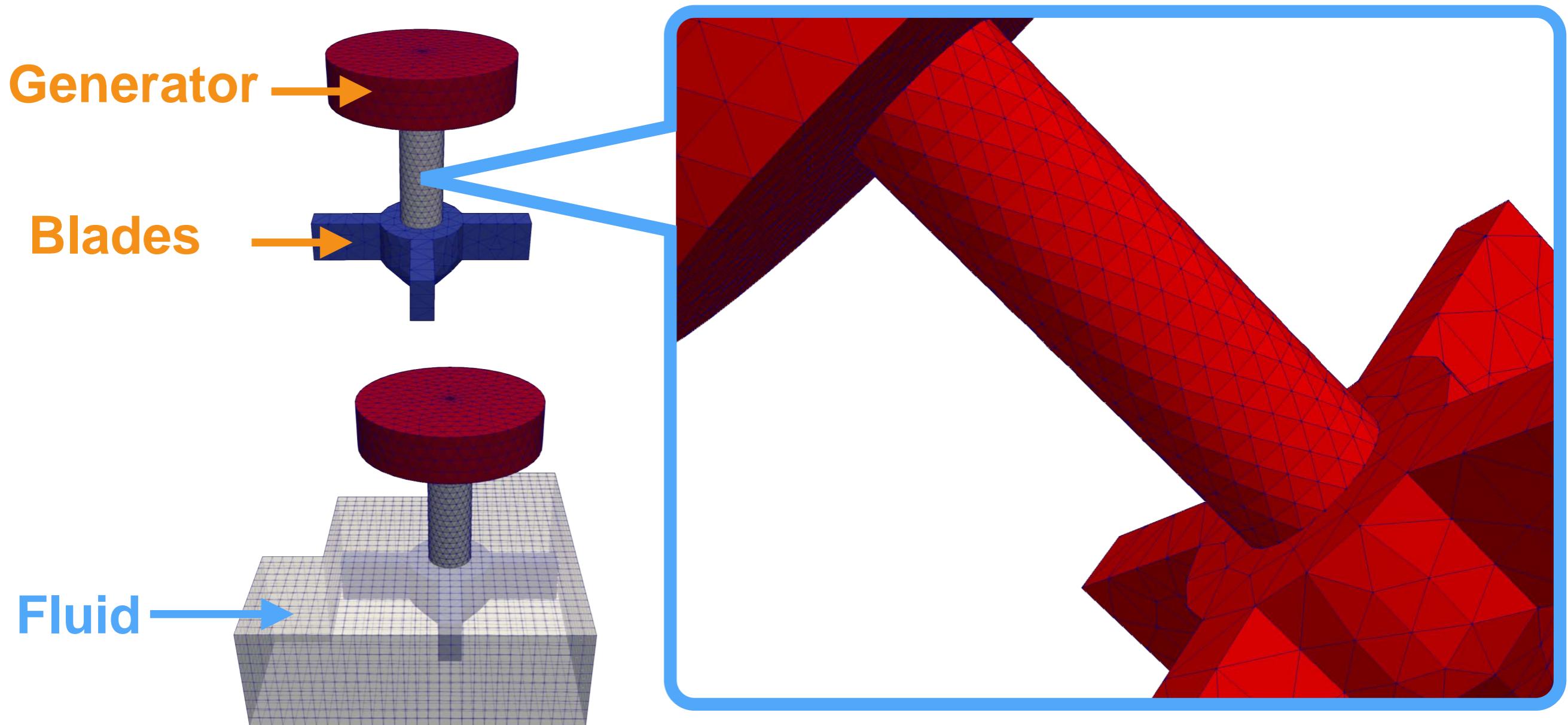
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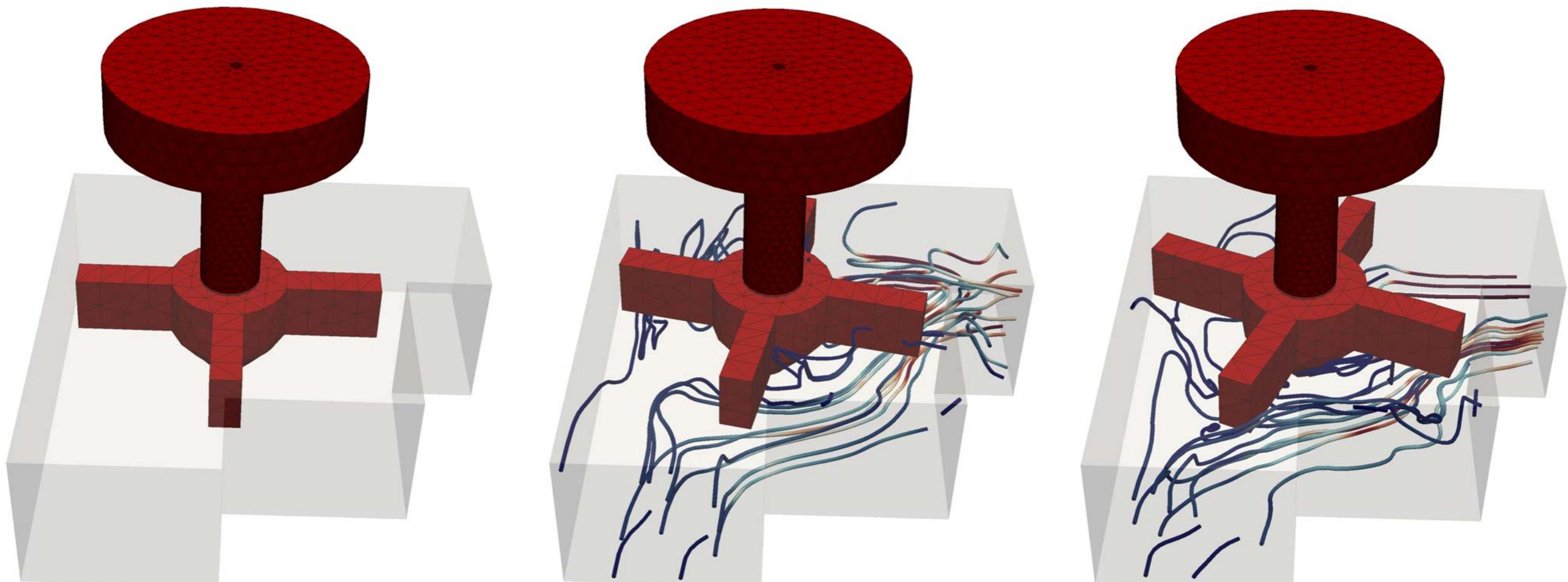
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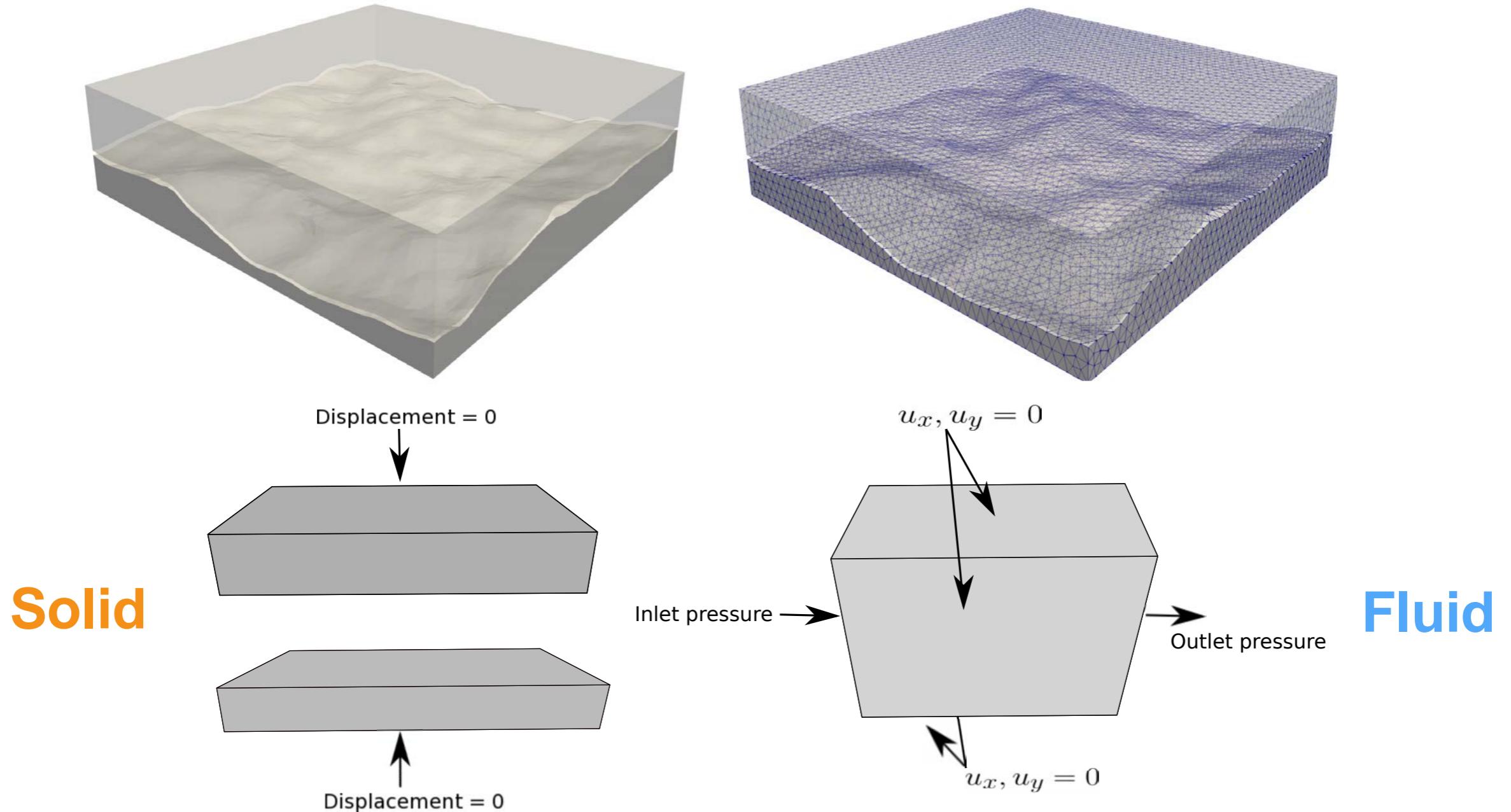
Proof of concept

# Numerical examples

## Mesh-tying and FSI on idealised turbines (2)



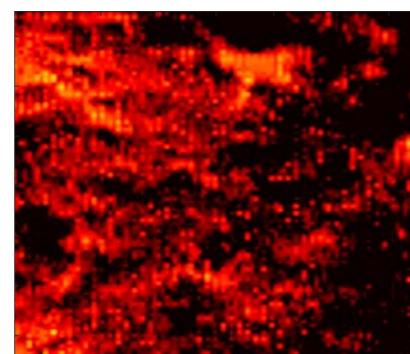
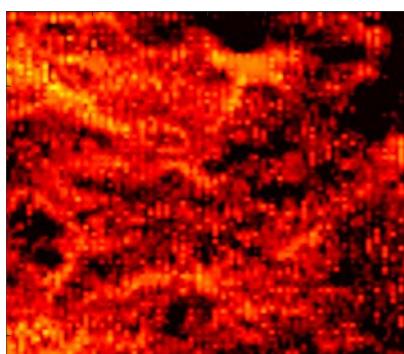
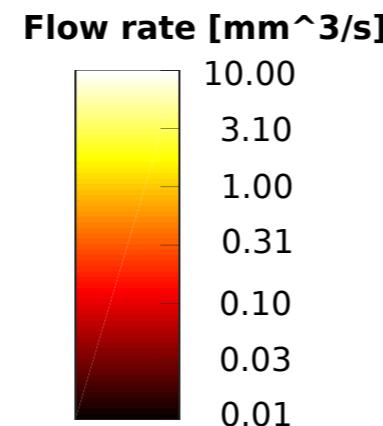
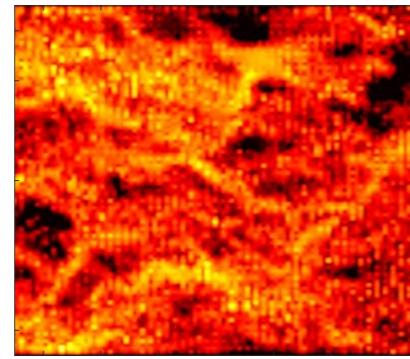
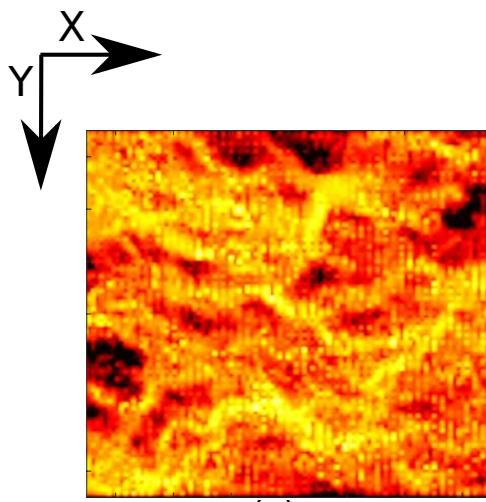
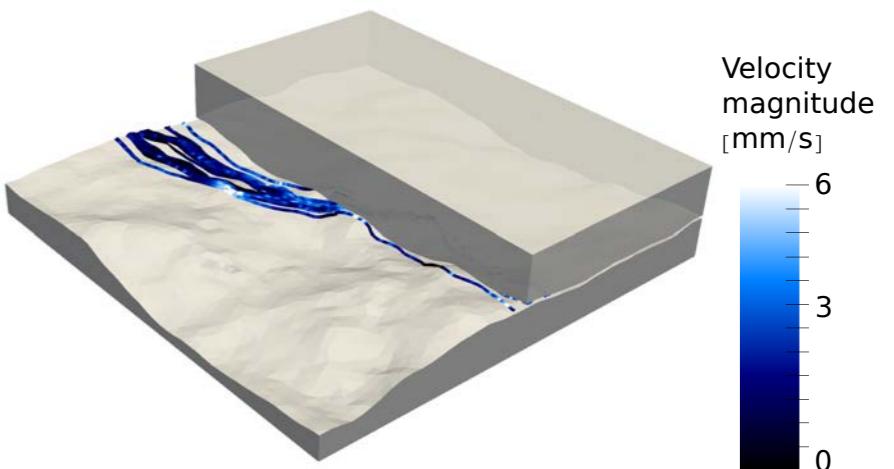
## FSI in rough rock fractures (set-up)



Literature: C. v. Planta and others. **Simulation of hydro-mechanically coupled processes in rough rock fractures using an immersed boundary method and variational transfer operators.** To be submitted.

# Numerical examples

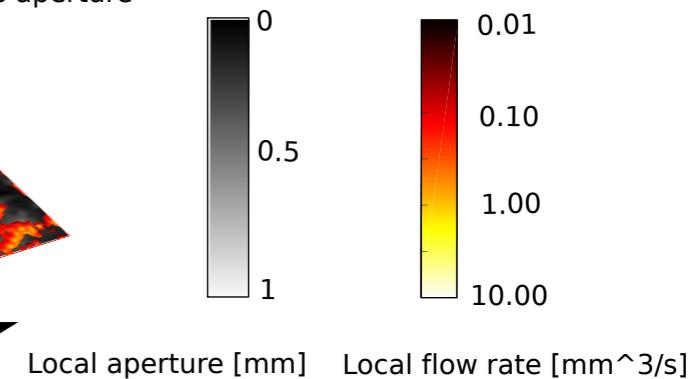
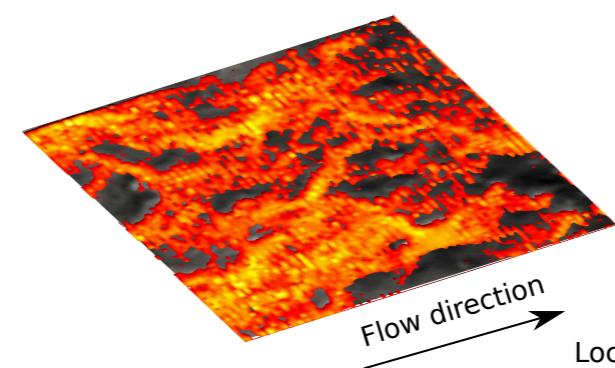
## FSI in rough rock fractures



(a) Aperture distribution

(b) Fluid flow

(c) Channeling flow in the heterogeneous aperture

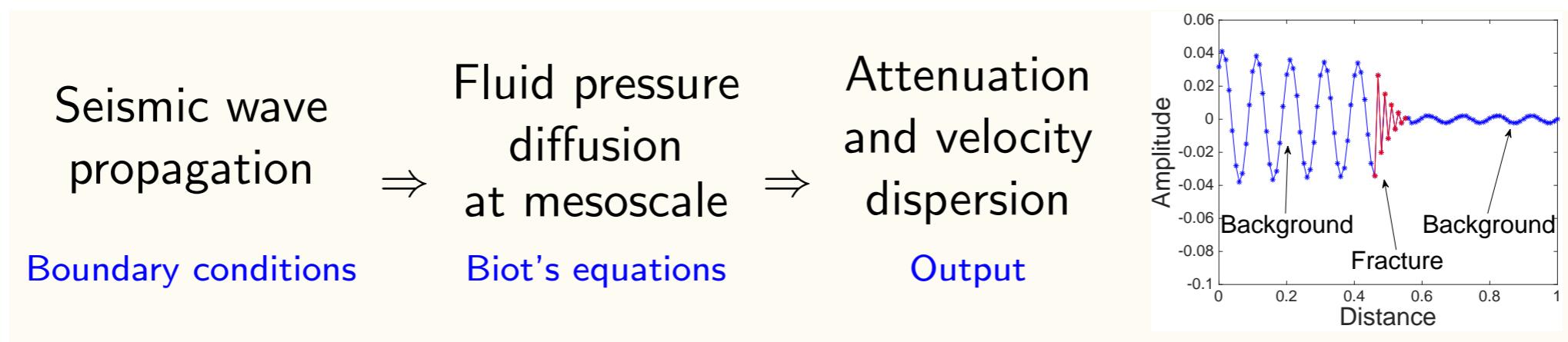


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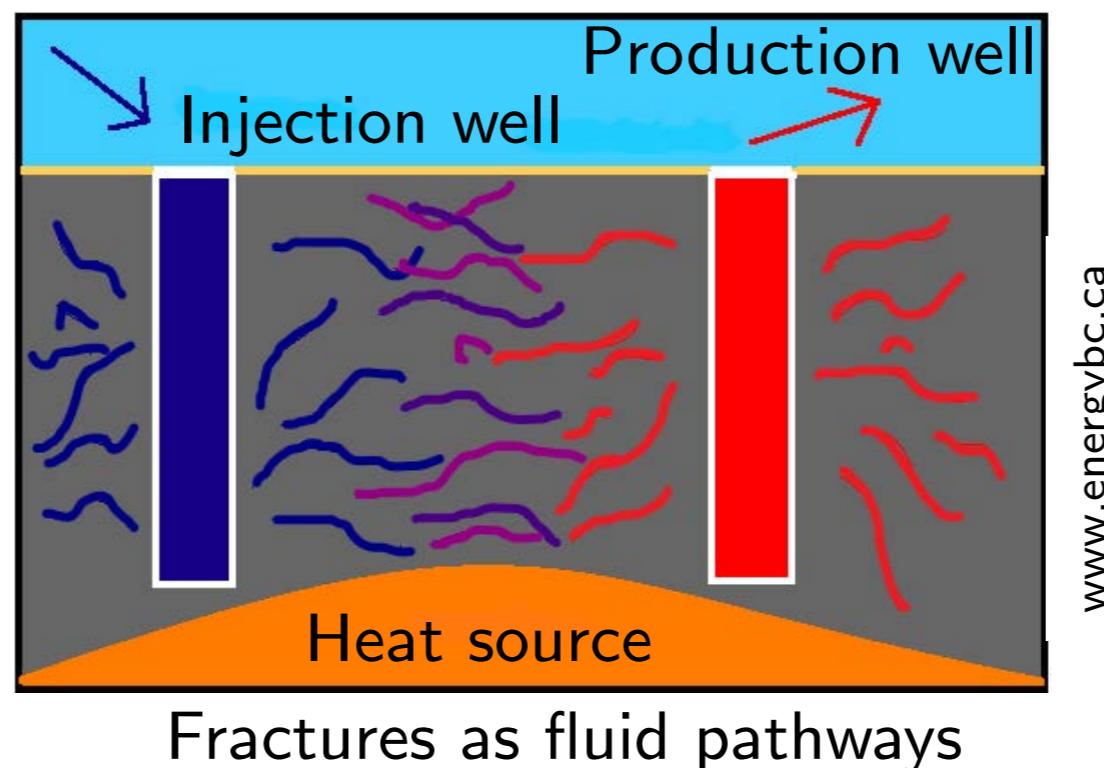
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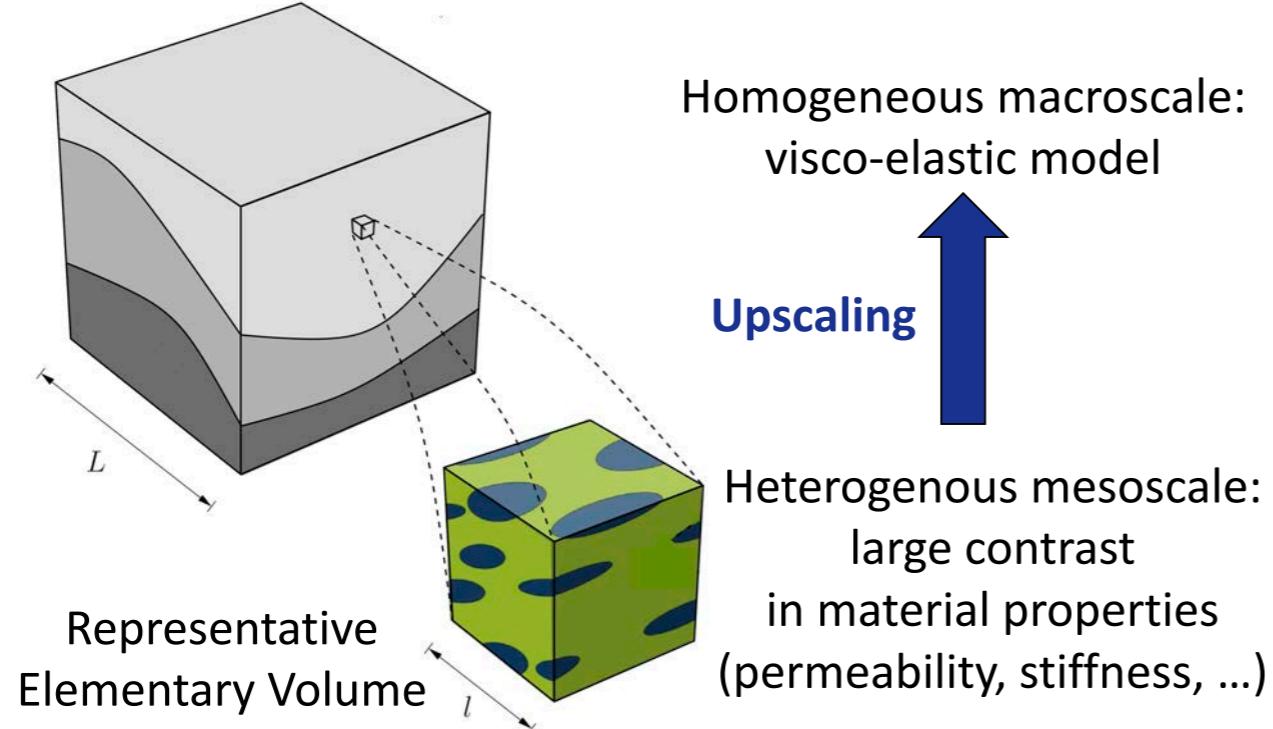
## Fluid-saturated fractured porous rocks



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geometric + mechanical + hydraulic properties  
of fracture networks in rock formations

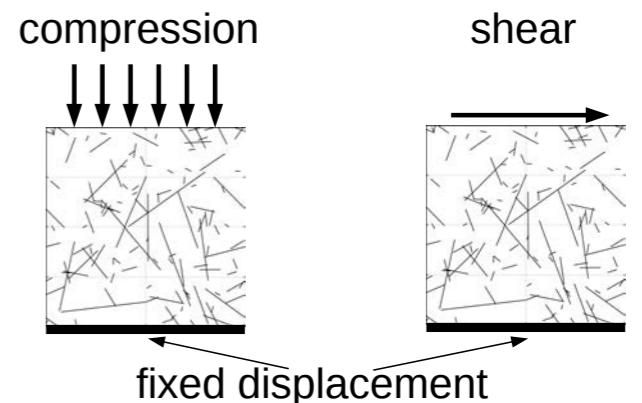


# Hydro-mechanical coupled models



Adapted from Jänicke et al. (2015)

## Numerical Upscaling Experiments



periodic: displacement, stress, fluid pressure and the flux of the pore fluid

↓  
to evaluate frequency-dependent

- attenuation
- velocity dispersion }  $\gamma_\omega$

Hybrid-dimensional model:  
lower dimensional fractures

- simplified physics
- simple geometries

Biot's equations:  
“thick” fractures ✓

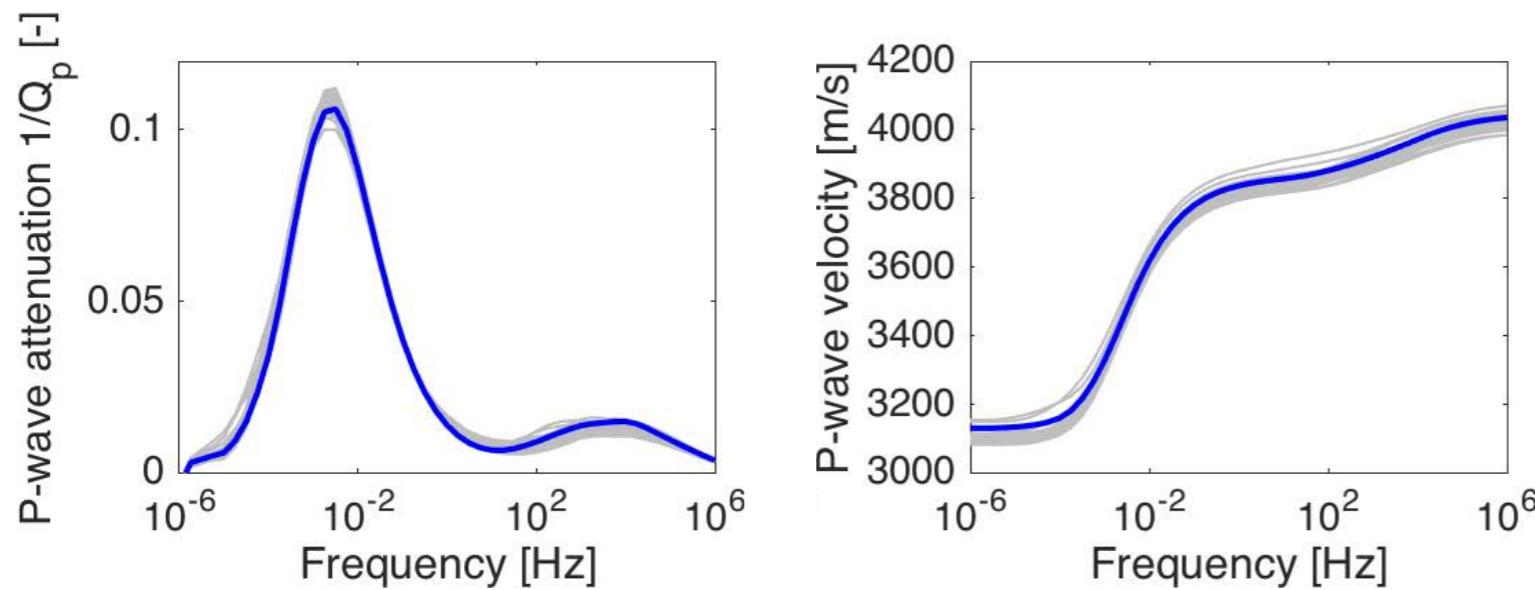
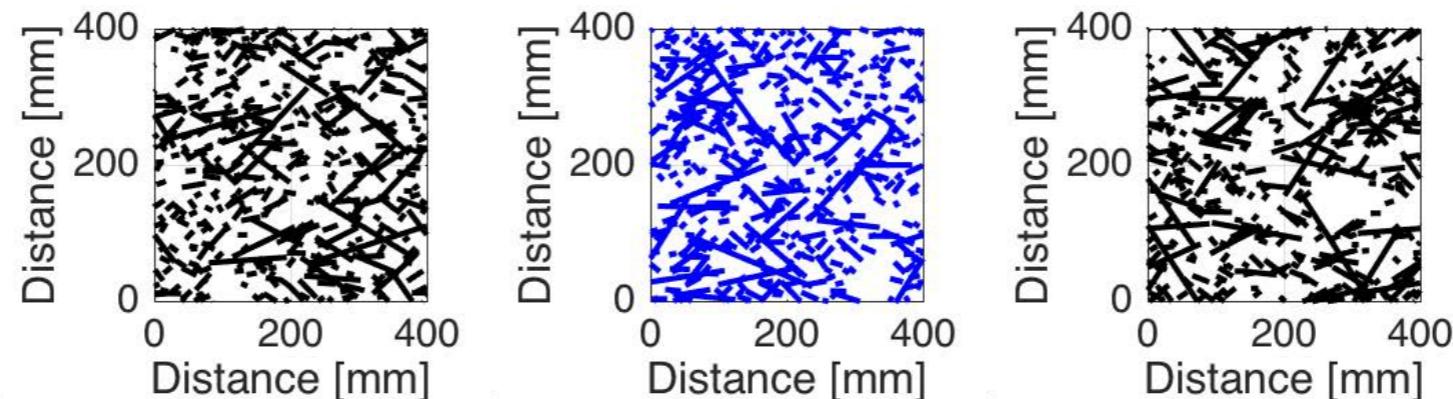
- complete coupled physics
- complex fracture geometries

# Mathematical framework for homogenisation

## Fracture distribution in a Representative Elementary Volume

- deterministic information not available or insufficient  $\times$
- statistical properties  $\checkmark$

**Monte Carlo method:**  $N$  samples to estimate  $\mathbb{E}(Y_\omega)$



Monte Carlo  
approximation

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N Y_\omega^n$$

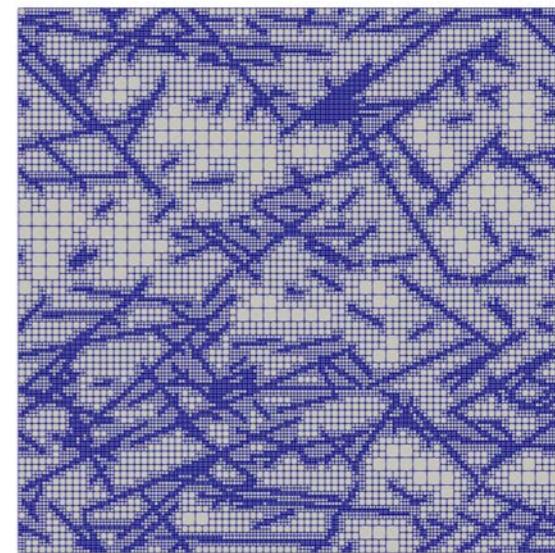
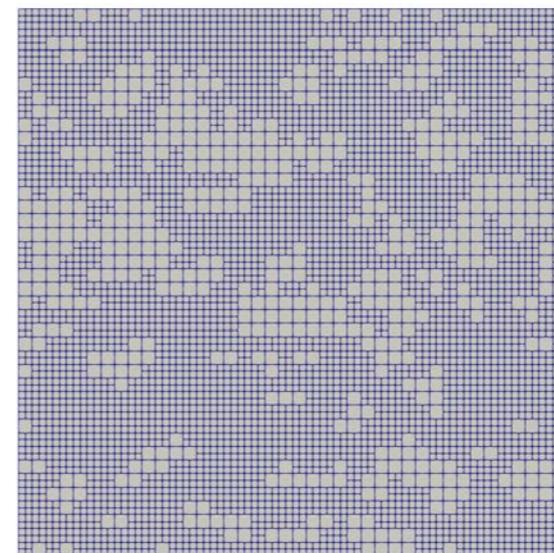
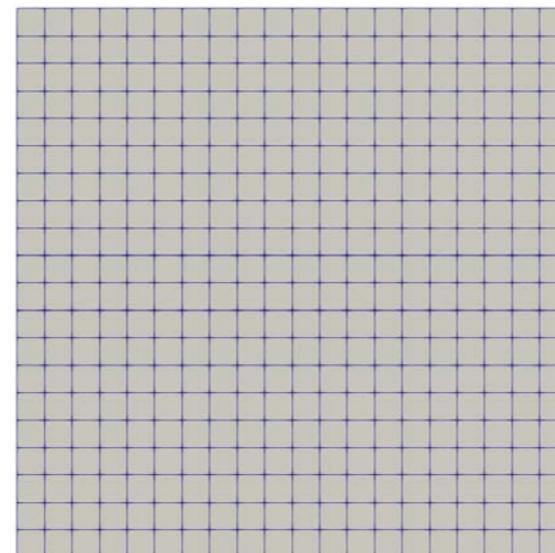
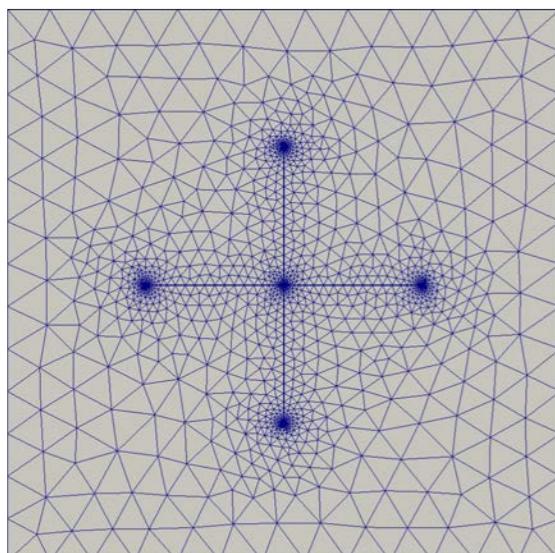
# Adaptive algorithm for mesh generation

## Multi-scale problem

- Fracture thickness  $0.1\%$  of domain size
- 50 to 200 fractures
- **Conforming mesh generation**
  - Hands-on
  - Time consuming

## • Adaptive mesh-refinement

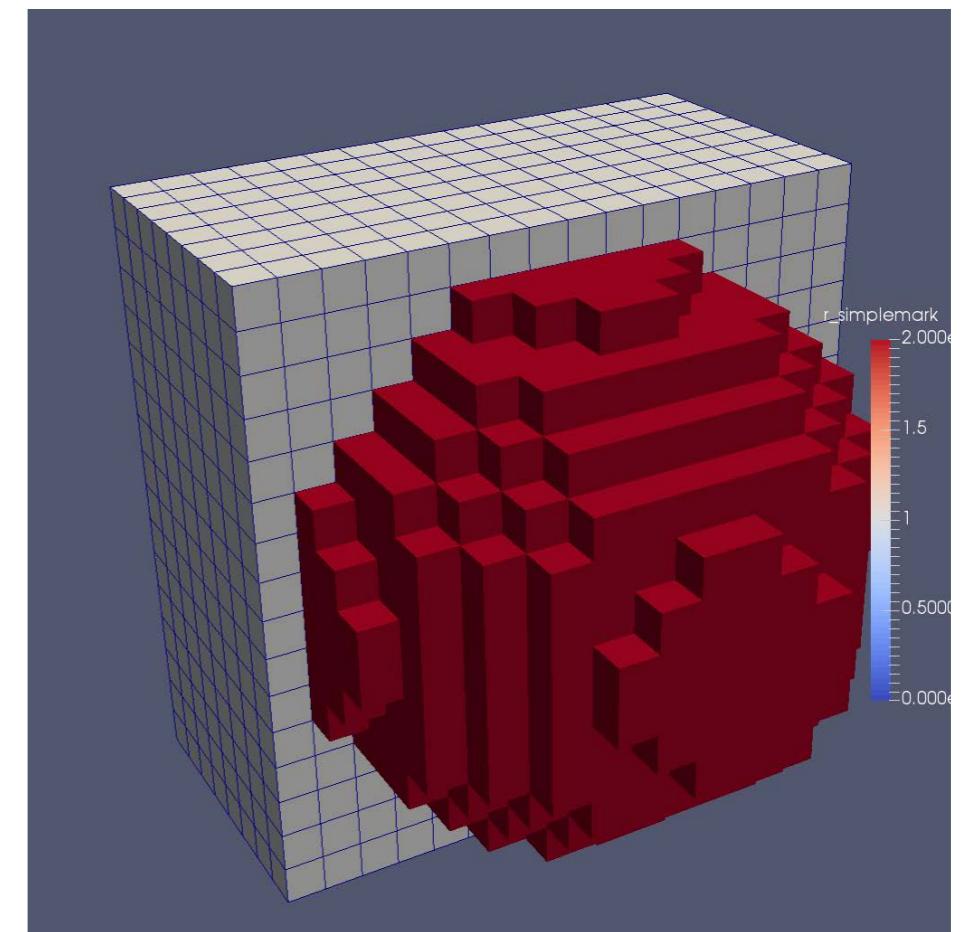
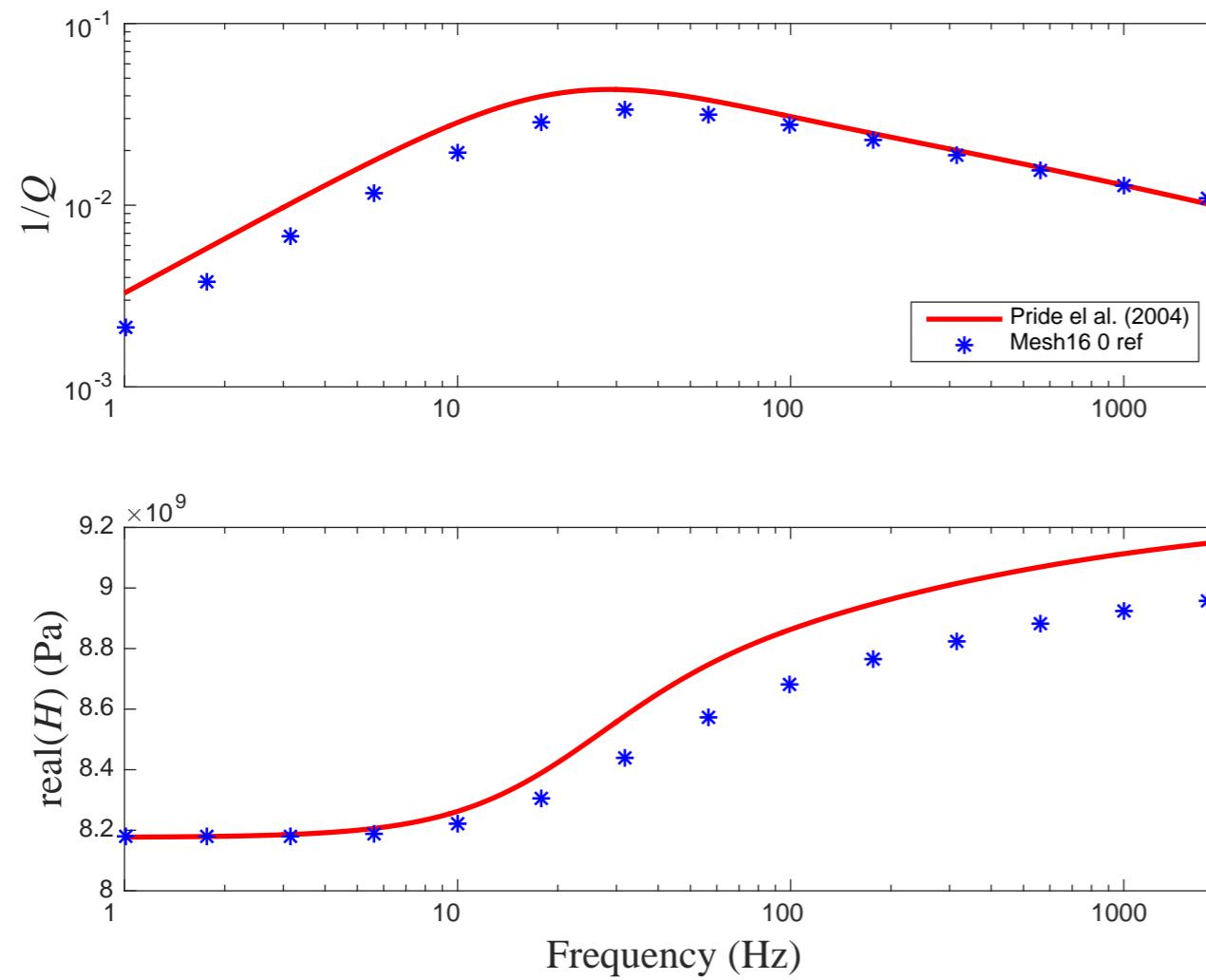
- Automatic
- Complex fracture networks



Literature: Burstedde et al. 2011

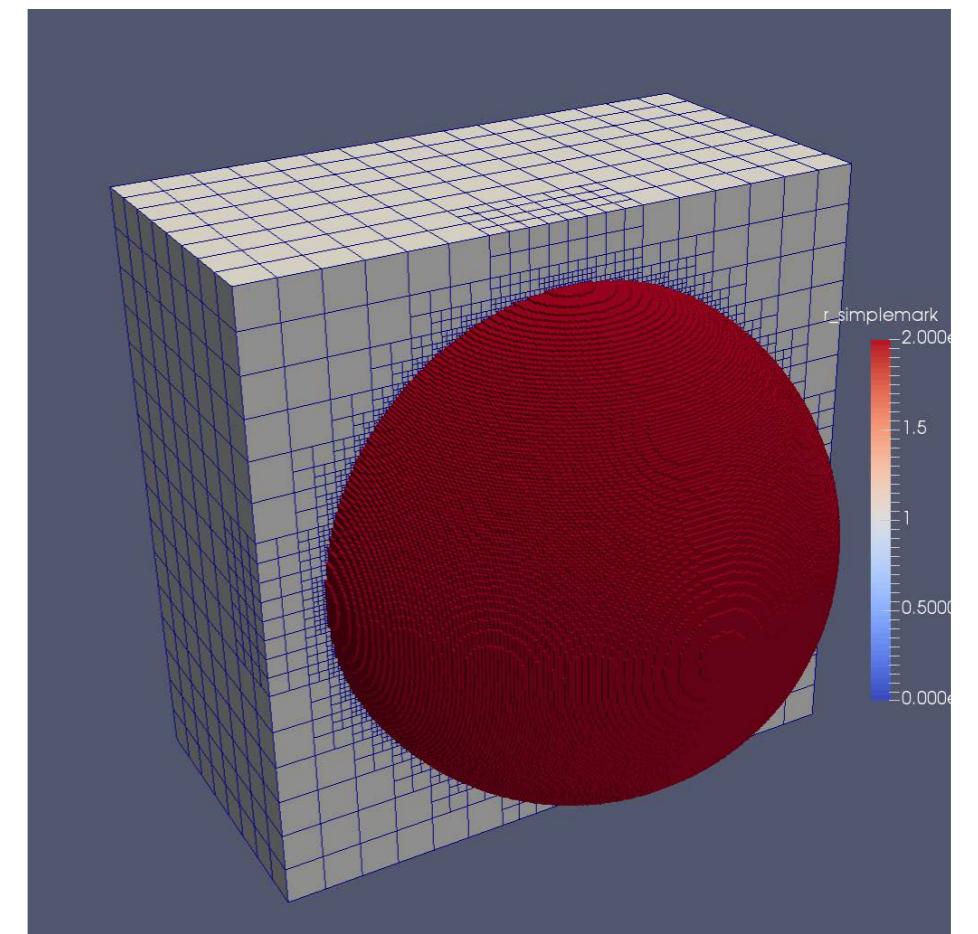
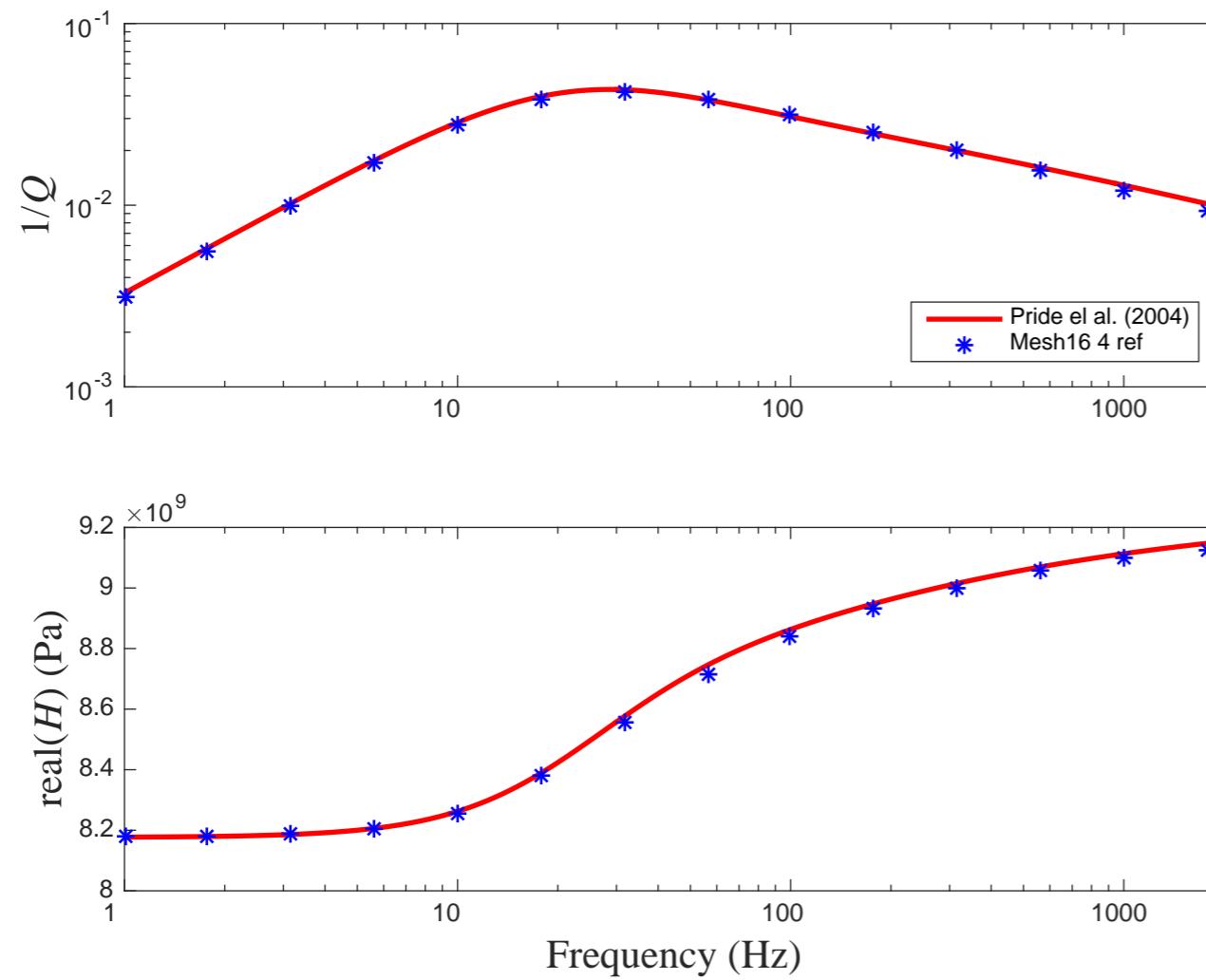
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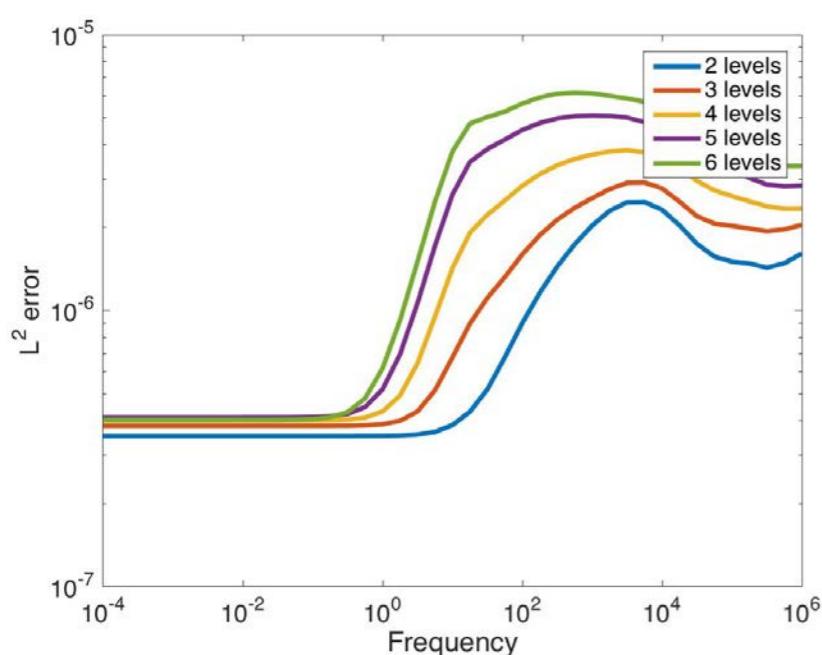
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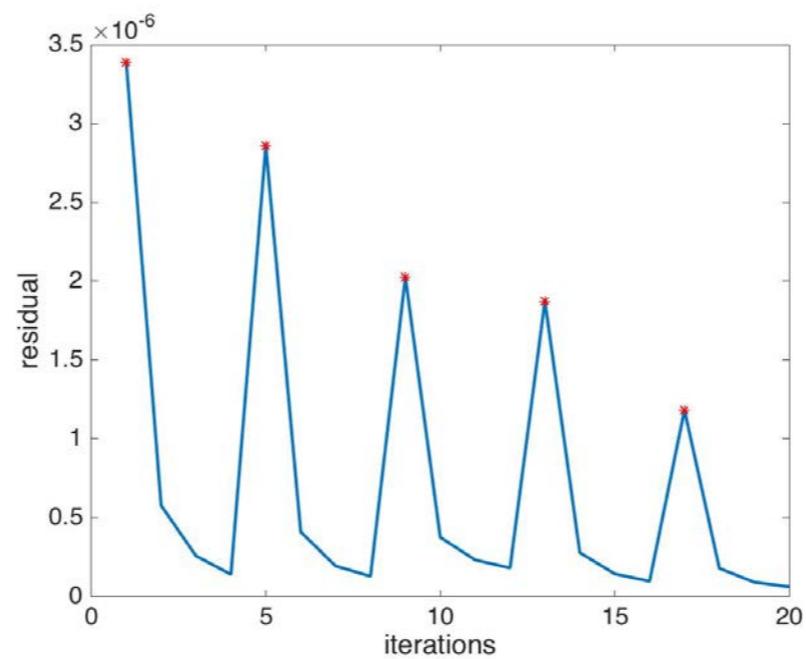
# Cascadic multigrid (preliminary results)

## Sequence of solution exploiting refinement levels

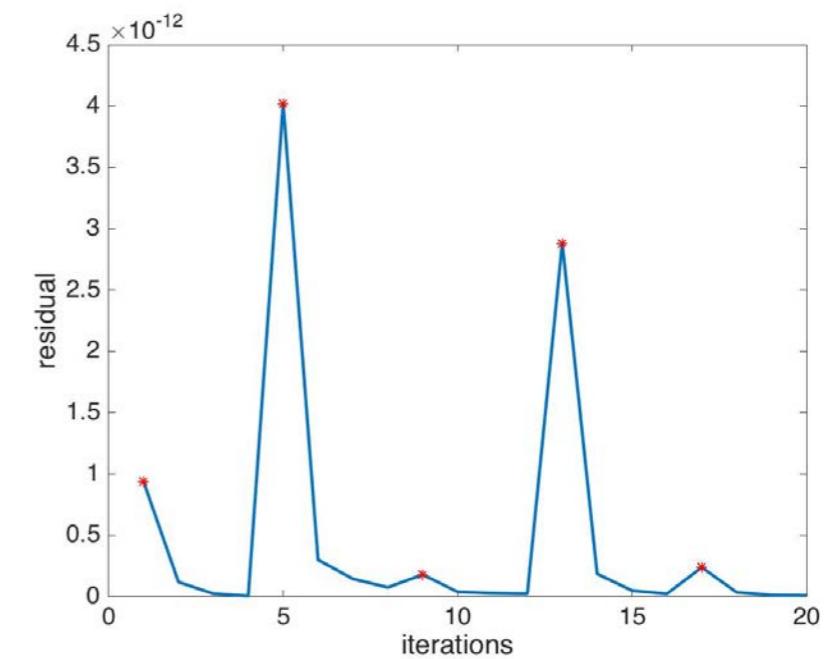
- Solution for coarsest space
- Coarse space solution is projected (**L<sup>2</sup>—projection**) onto the fine-space
- 3-post-smoothing steps of Block-Gauss-Seidel algorithm



**L<sup>2</sup>—error** direct solver vs. MG

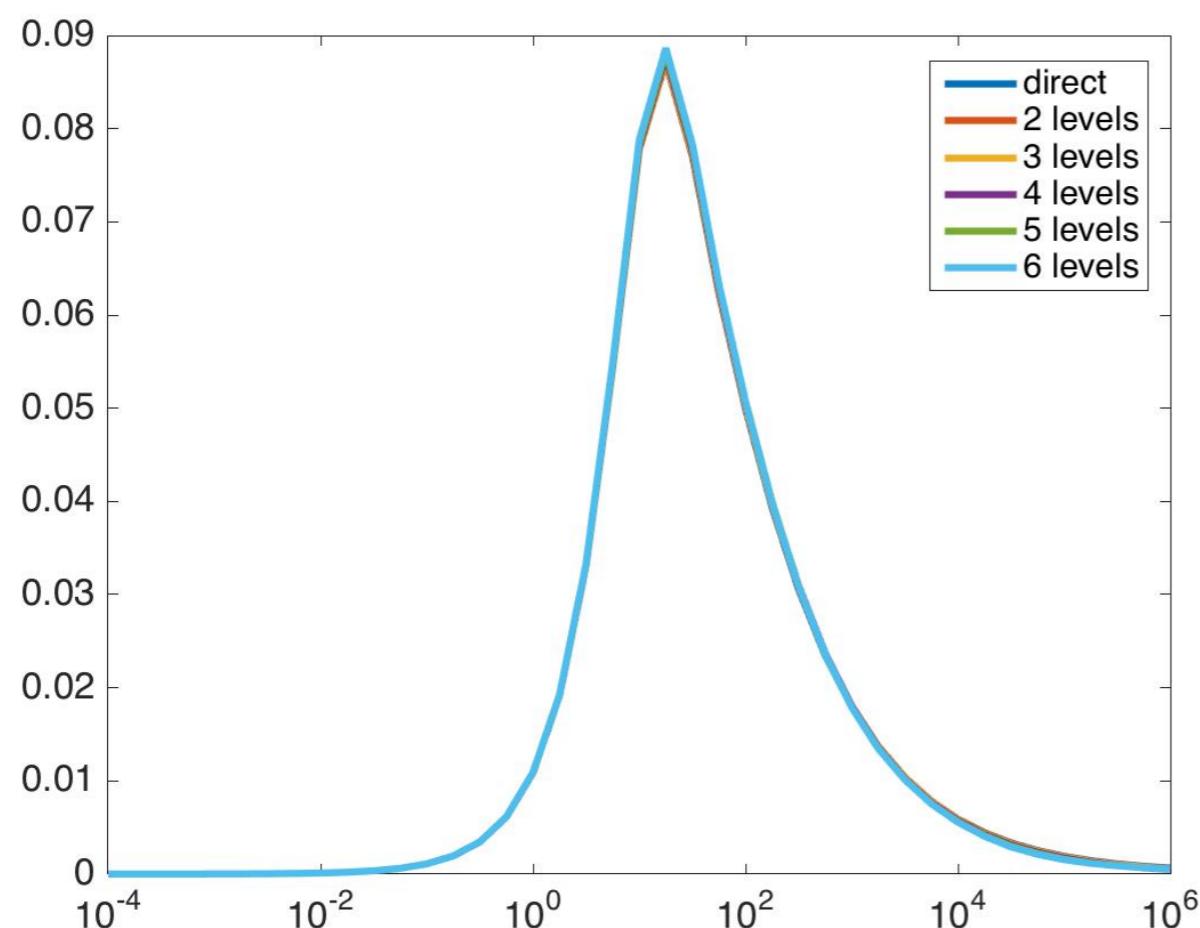


**Residual—error history** low freq — high freq

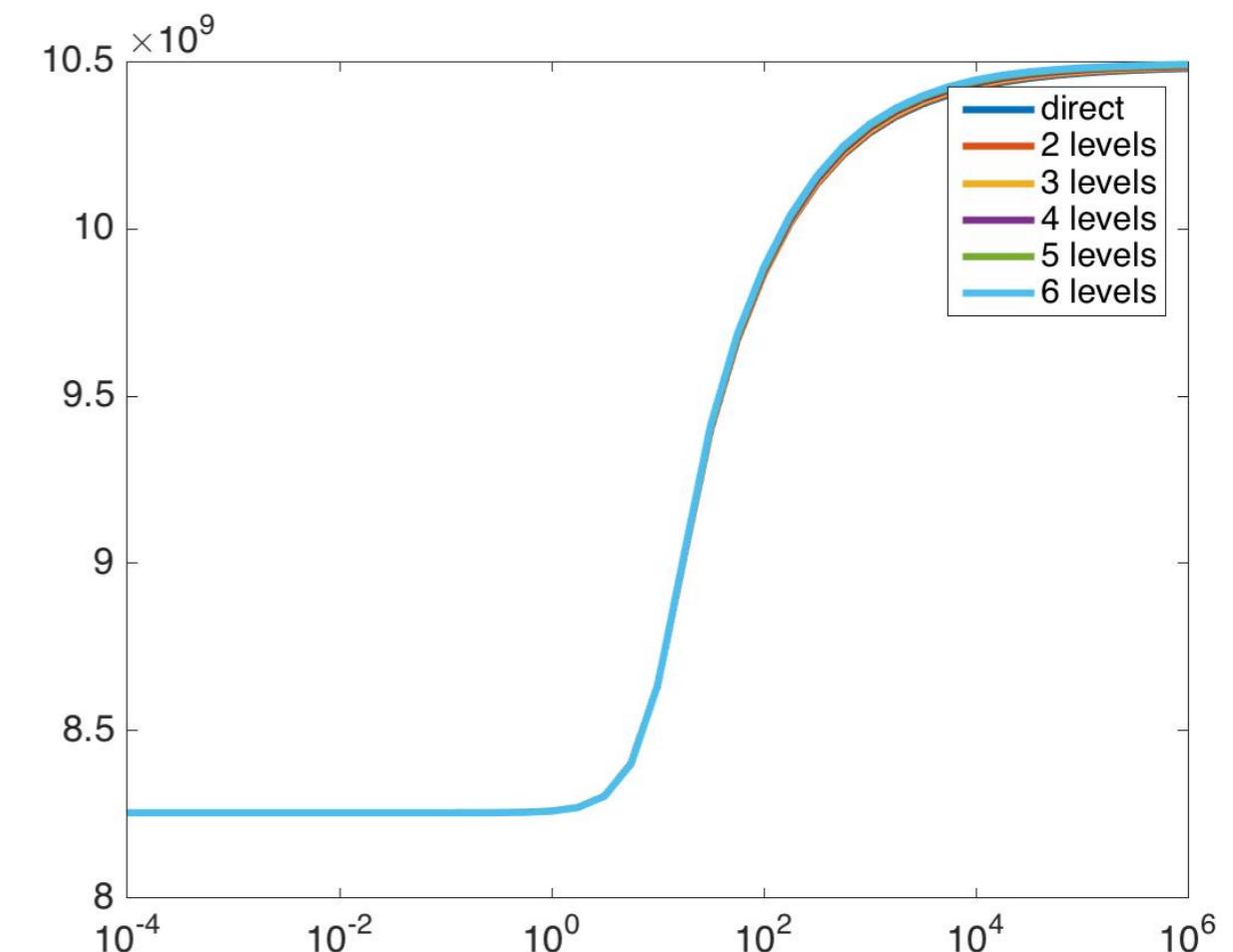


# Cascadic multigrid (preliminary results)

**Adaptivity and low-cost MG strategy and uniform and direct solver strategy** provide same P-wave attenuation and velocity dispersion curves



P-wave attenuation



Velocity dispersion

# Publicly available codes

Utopia

[bitbucket.org/zulianp/utopia](https://bitbucket.org/zulianp/utopia)



**cscs**

Centro Svizzero di Calcolo Scientifico  
Swiss National Supercomputing Centre

ParMOONoLith

[bitbucket.org/zulianp/par\\_moonolith](https://bitbucket.org/zulianp/par_moonolith)

MFEM-MOONoLith

[github.com/mfem/mfem/tree/  
moonolith-dev](https://github.com/mfem-mfem/tree/moonolith-dev)



In collaboration with

## Presented today

- **Fictitious domain**/mortar element method for FSI
- Parallel  **$L^2$ —projection** for volume and surface coupling
- **Multilevel** method for **stochastic fracture** networks,  
validated for sphere inclusion

## Software

- **Moonolith + Utopia** ( $L^2$ —projections)
- **Parrot** (Poro-elasticity for fractures)
- **MOOSE** (FEM)

## Future work

- **Multigrid** method for realistic fracture networks and  
**Multilevel Monte Carlo**

# Thank you for your attention

See you in Lugano at



## Important Dates

Opening of minisymposia proposals	August 15, 2018
Minisymposia acceptance notification	November 15, 2018
Opening of abstract submissions	November 15, 2018
Deadline for abstract submissions	January, 15, 2019
Abstract acceptance notification	February 15, 2019

## Articles related to this talk

***A Parallel Approach to the Variational Transfer of Discrete Fields between Arbitrarily Distributed Unstructured Finite Element Meshes.*** Rolf Krause and Patrick Zulian. SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing, 2016.

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