
Five lectures & five sets of lecture notes

- Kinetic theory
 - Distribution functions*
 - Boltzmann equation*
 - Transport equations
- Lattice-Boltzmann (LB) method
 - Discrete space, time & velocity
 - An LB algorithm
 - Chapman-Enskog analysis*
- Practical aspects of the LB method
 - Dimensional analysis
 - Boundary conditions
 - Coding
- Forces, collision operators
- Multiphase flow
 - Free energy LBM & interfaces*
 - Volume-averaged Navier-Stokes equation

Distribution function

mass of molecules at location \mathbf{x} at moment t
traveling with velocity ξ

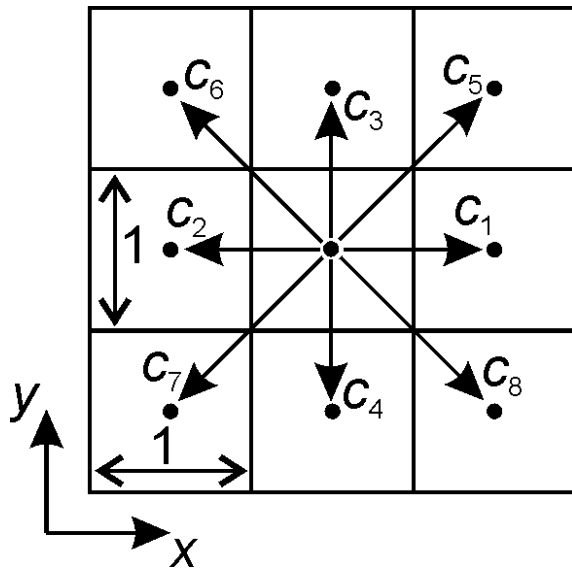
$$f(\mathbf{x}, \xi, t)$$

& its discrete counterpart

$$f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \quad \text{with a velocity set } \mathbf{c}_i = (c_{ix}, c_{iy}, c_{iz})$$

integrations become
summations:

$$\rho = \sum_i f_i \quad \rho \mathbf{u} = \sum_i \mathbf{c}_i f_i$$



D2Q9

$\Delta t = 1$ streaming: from lattice site to lattice site

$\Delta x = 1$

collisions $f_i^*(\mathbf{x}, t) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) + \Omega(\mathbf{x}, t)$
 post-collision pre-collision collision operator

streaming $f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) = f_i^*(\mathbf{x}, t)$

BGK

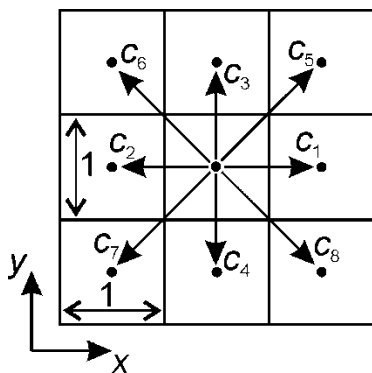
$$\Omega_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = \Omega_i(f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_i - f_i^{eq})$$

need a discrete version of the equilibrium distribution function

$$f_i^{eq} = w_i \rho \left[1 + \frac{u_\alpha c_{i\alpha}}{c_s^2} + \frac{(u_\alpha c_{i\alpha})^2}{2c_s^4} - \frac{u_\alpha u_\alpha}{2c_s^2} \right]$$

D2Q9

$$w_0 = 4/9 \quad w_{1-4} = 1/9 \quad w_{5-8} = 1/36 \quad c_s^2 = 1/3$$



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LBE to “Navier-Stokes”

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{\tau} \left(f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - f_i^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right)$$

Chapman-Enskog analysis

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_\beta) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\alpha}(\rho u_\alpha u_\beta) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_\beta} + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\alpha} \left(\rho \left[\frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial u_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \right] \right)$$

with $p = c_s^2 \rho$ $\nu = c_s^2 \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2} \right)$

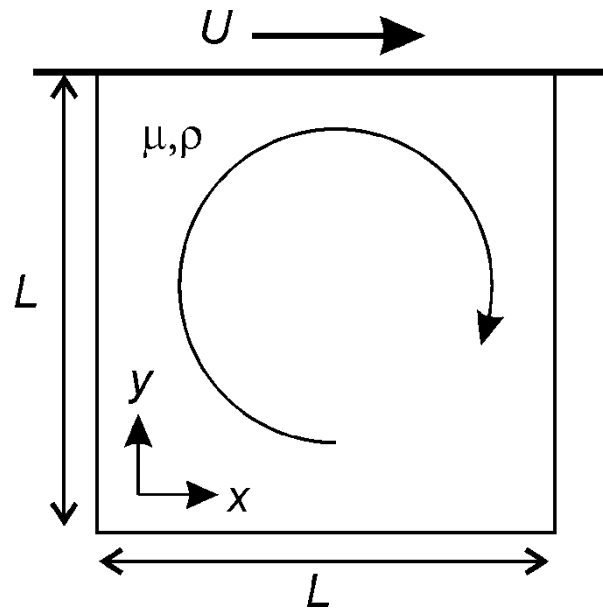
if ρ were constant, this would be incompressible Navier-Stokes
....but ρ is not constant

(in)compressibility

$$\rho \approx \text{constant if } \text{Ma} = |\mathbf{u}|/c_s \ll 1$$

keep flow velocities *in lattice units* well below speed of sound in *lattice units*

“Scaling”



two square lid-driven cavity flow systems
(e.g. a physical one and an LB one) are the
same* if they have the same Re

*the same in dimensionless variables

$$\tilde{x} = x/L, \tilde{y} = y/L, \tilde{t} = tU/L, \tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{u}/U$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{t})$$

$$\text{Re} = \frac{\rho UL}{\mu} = \frac{UL}{\nu}$$

designing an LB simulation

- choose U based on compressibility constraint
- choose L based on required resolution
- determine ν to match Re

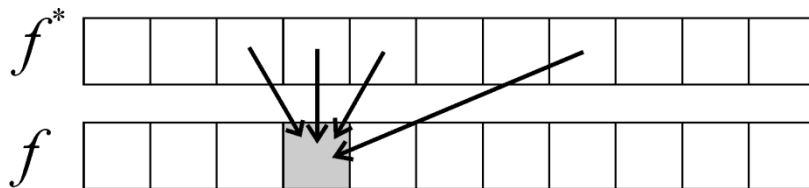
Coding

put some thought in your program e.g. streaming

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) = f_i^*(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

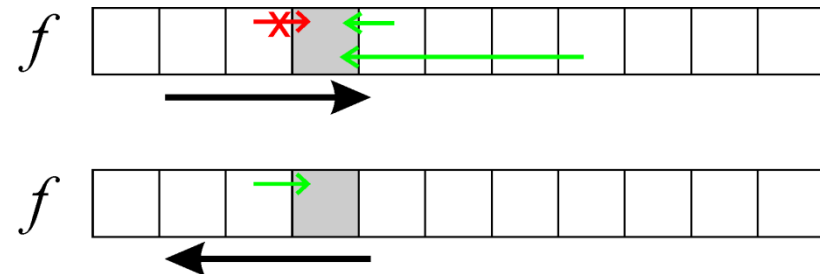
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for j=1:ny
  for i=1:nx
    f(0,i,j)=fstar(0,i,j)
    f(1,i,j)=fstar(1,i-1,j)
    f(2,i,j)=fstar(2,i+1,j)
    f(3,i,j)=fstar(3,i,j-1)
    f(4,i,j)=fstar(4,i,j+1)
    f(5,i,j)=fstar(5,i-1,j-1)
    f(6,i,j)=fstar(6,i+1,j-1)
    f(7,i,j)=fstar(7,i+1,j+1)
    f(8,i,j)=fstar(8,i-1,j+1)
  end
end
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needs two large arrays

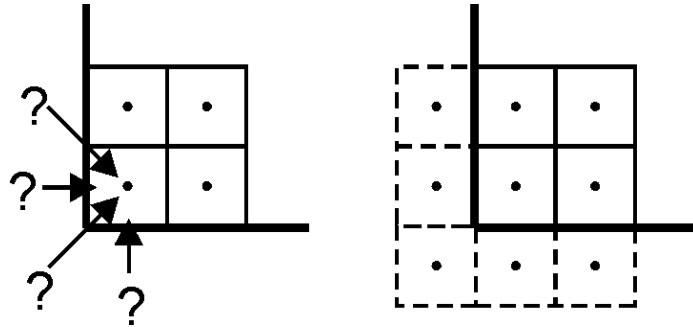


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for j=1:ny
  for i=1:nx
    f(2,i,j)=f(2,i+1,j)
    f(4,i,j)=f(4,i,j+1)
    f(7,i,j)=f(7,i+1,j+1)
    f(8,i,j)=f(8,i-1,j+1)
  end
end
for j=ny:-1:1
  for i=nx:-1:1
    f(1,i,j)=f(1,i-1,j)
    f(3,i,j)=f(3,i,j-1)
    f(5,i,j)=f(5,i-1,j-1)
    f(6,i,j)=f(6,i+1,j-1)
  end
end
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needs one large array

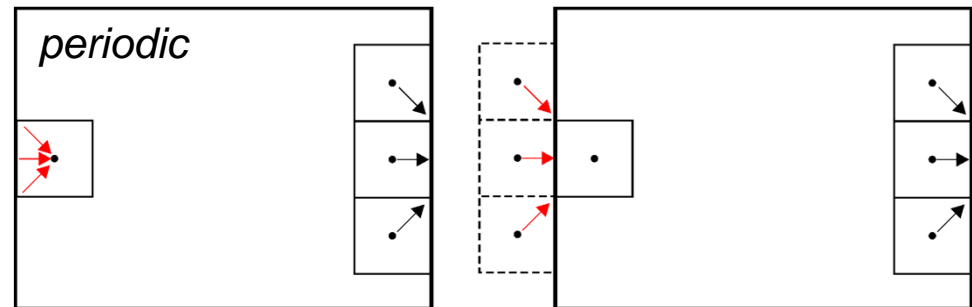
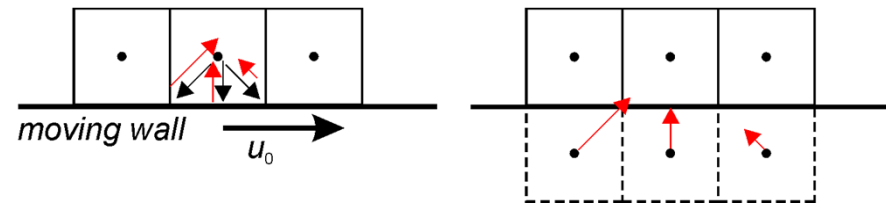
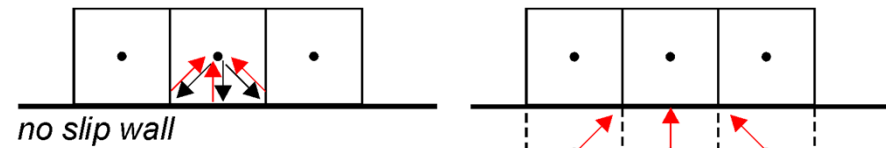


Boundary conditions



a ghost cell framework

- fill ghost cells with the appropriate f^*
- then stream towards all “real” cells



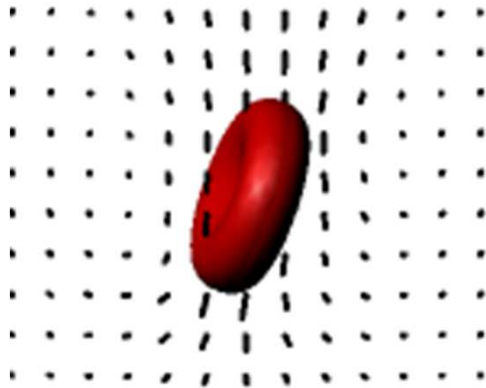
all Cartesian-based – flat surfaces or staircases

Immersed boundary conditions

want to do off-grid boundaries

immersed boundary method

can be implemented through forcing the fluid to a desired velocity at a desired (of lattice) location and so achieve **no-slip**



first need to know how to incorporate **forces** in LBM

Incorporating forces in LBGK

$$\rho \frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial t} + \rho u_\beta \frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_\alpha} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\beta} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial u_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \right) \right] + F_\alpha$$

options:

1. go via the collision operator no forces: $\sum_i \Omega_i c_{i\alpha} = 0$ with forces: $\sum_i \Omega_i c_{i\alpha} = F_\alpha$
2. include a new term in the LBE equation $f_i^* = f_i + \Omega_i + S_i$

$$S_i = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau} \right) w_i \left(\frac{c_{i\alpha}}{c_s^2} + \frac{(c_{i\alpha} c_{i\beta} - c_s^2 \delta_{\alpha\beta}) u_\beta}{c_s^4} \right) F_\alpha$$

this is pretty complicated, e.g. note the double summation convention

$$c_{i\alpha} c_{i\beta} u_\beta F_\alpha = c_{ix} c_{ix} u_x F_x + c_{iy} c_{ix} u_x F_y + c_{ix} c_{iy} u_y F_x + c_{iy} c_{iy} u_y F_y$$

Incorporating forces in LBGK – 2

this needs a “force correction” for momentum; density does not need a correction

$$\rho u_\alpha = \sum_i f_i c_{i\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} F_\alpha \quad \rho = \sum_i f_i$$

this all can be derived through Chapman-Enskog analysis

Immersed boundary method – in words

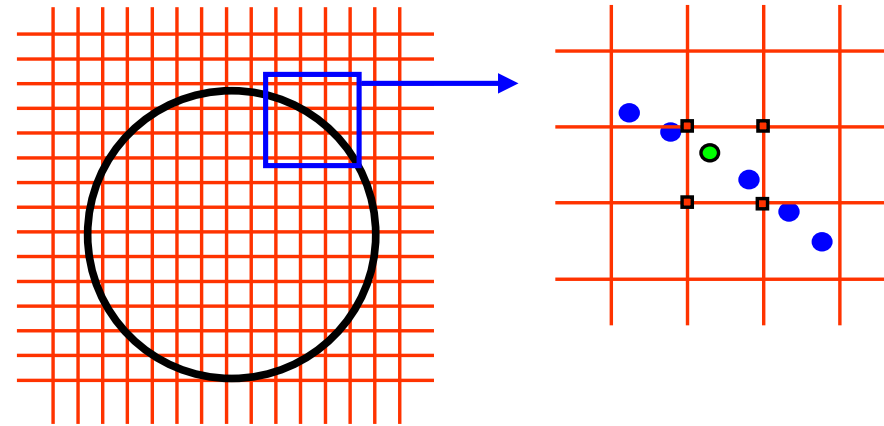
represent an off-grid surface
through marker points

interpolate velocity to the marker
points

determine the difference between
interpolated velocity and the
desired velocity at the marker
point

calculate a force at the marker
point that opposes the velocity
difference

distribute the force over the
surrounding lattice nodes



spacing marker points < 1

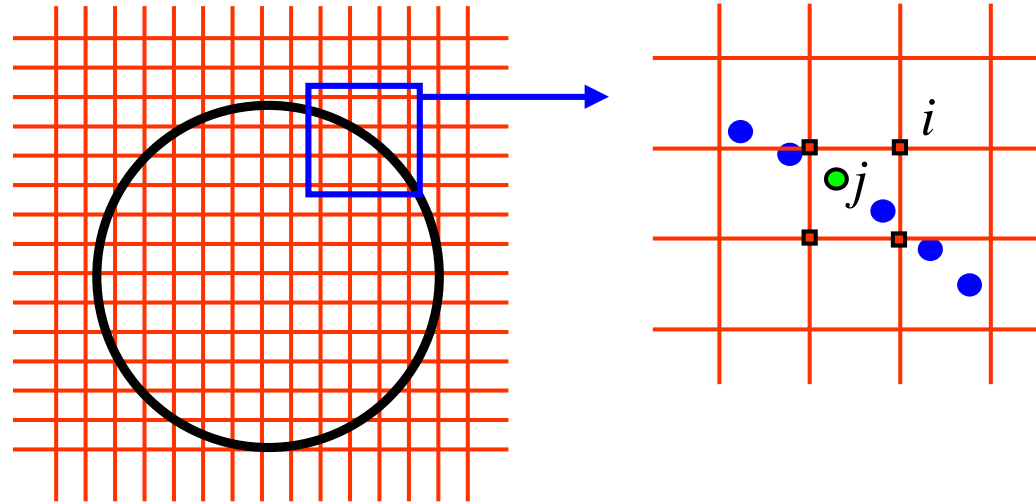
linear interpolation works well

Immersed boundary method – in eq's

$$\mathbf{w}_j = \sum_i I(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) \mathbf{u}_i$$

$$\mathbf{F}_j = \alpha \mathbf{F}_j^{\text{old}} - \beta (\mathbf{w}_j - \mathbf{v}_j)$$

$$\mathbf{F}_i = I(\mathbf{r}_{ij}) \mathbf{F}_j$$



i lattice point

j marker point

\mathbf{u}_i lattice velocity

\mathbf{w}_j interpolated velocity at marker point

\mathbf{v}_j desired velocity at marker point

\mathbf{F}_j marker point force

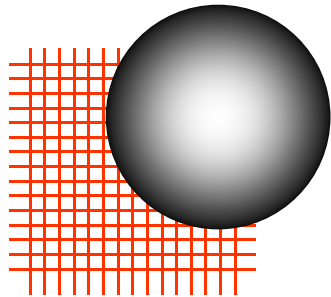
\mathbf{F}_i lattice point force

α β empirical constants

another issue is the order in which we go over the marker points

An application: particle-resolved simulations

a small excursion into *three* dimensions



suppose the marker points
lie on a spherical surface

$\sum_{all \bullet} \mathbf{F}$ is the force acting on the fluid to impose no-slip at the particle surface

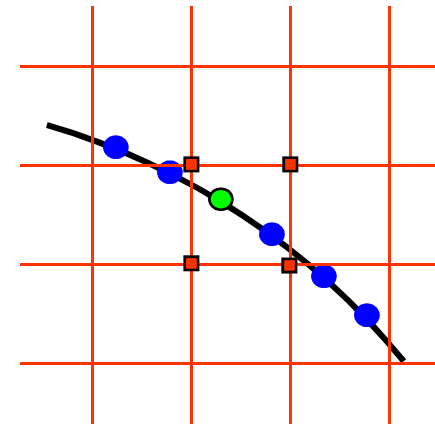
$$\sum_{all \bullet} \mathbf{F} = -\mathbf{F}_{f \rightarrow p}$$

$$\text{similarly } \mathbf{T}_{f \rightarrow p} = -\sum_{all \bullet} \mathbf{F} \times (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_p)$$

particles have internal fluid

\mathbf{v}_j desired velocity at marker point

$$\mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{u}_p + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_p \times (\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_{cp})$$



Dealing with internal fluid

for rigid particle dynamics

$$\rho_p V_p \frac{d\mathbf{u}_p}{dt} = \oint_S \mathbf{t} dS + \mathbf{g}V (\rho_p - \rho)$$

$$\int_V \mathbf{f} dV = -\oint_S \mathbf{t} dS + \rho V_p \frac{d\mathbf{u}_p}{dt}$$

$$(\rho_p - \rho) V_p \frac{d\mathbf{u}_p}{dt} = -\int_V \mathbf{f} dV + \mathbf{g}V (\rho_p - \rho)$$

$$\mathbf{I} \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}_p}{dt} = \mathbf{M}_h + \boldsymbol{\omega}_p \times (\mathbf{I} \boldsymbol{\omega}_p)$$

$$(\rho_p - \rho) \mathbf{I} \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}_p}{dt} = \rho_p \mathbf{S}^{-1} \int_V [\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_p] \times \mathbf{f} dV + (\rho_p - \rho) \boldsymbol{\omega}_p \times (\mathbf{I} \boldsymbol{\omega}_p)$$

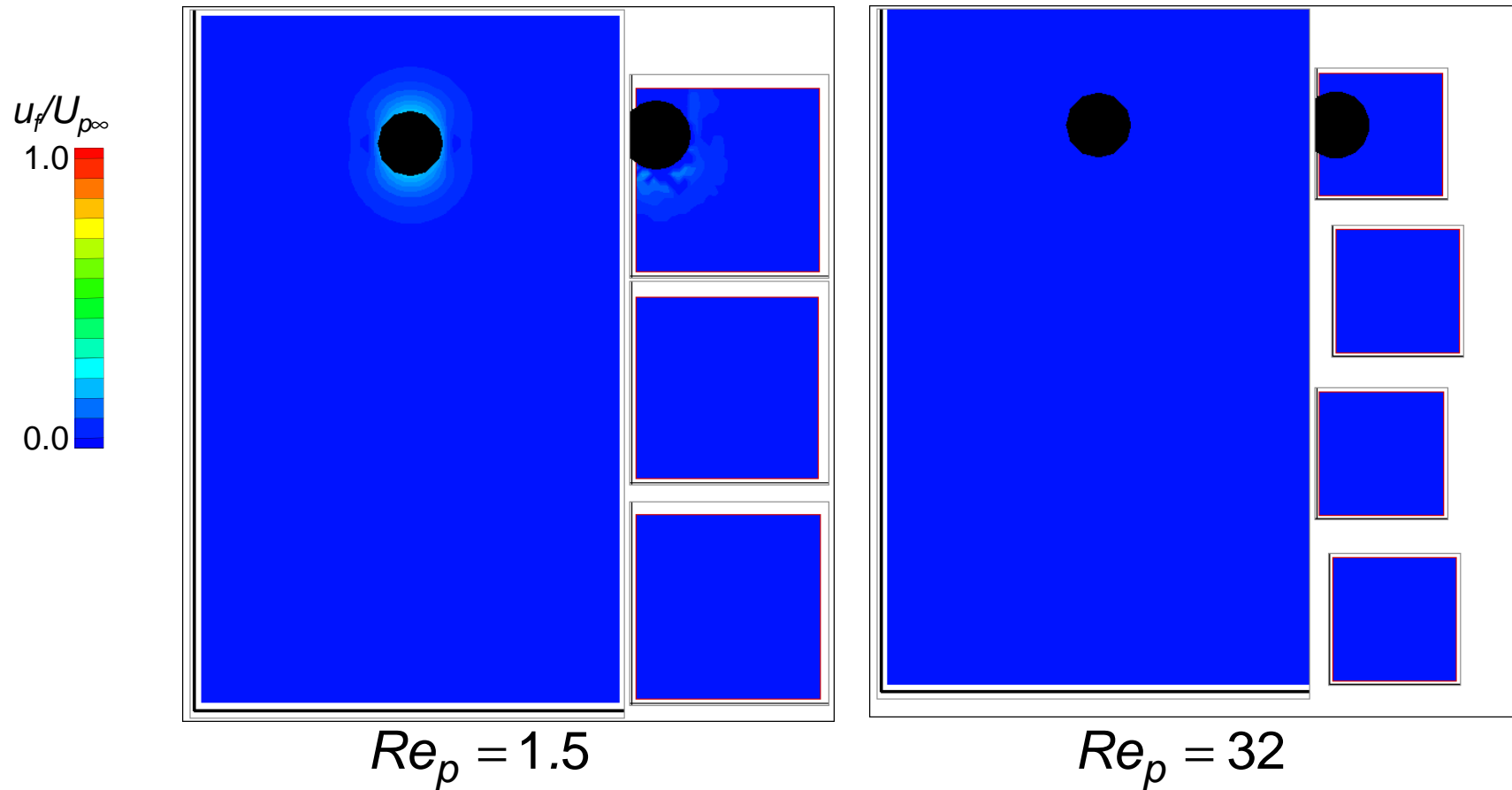
- f**: body force **on** fluid (internal + external due to immersed boundary method)
- t** traction **on** solid particle

in a reference frame aligned with the principal axes of the particle

\mathbf{S}^{-1} coordinate transform

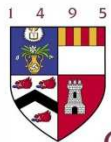
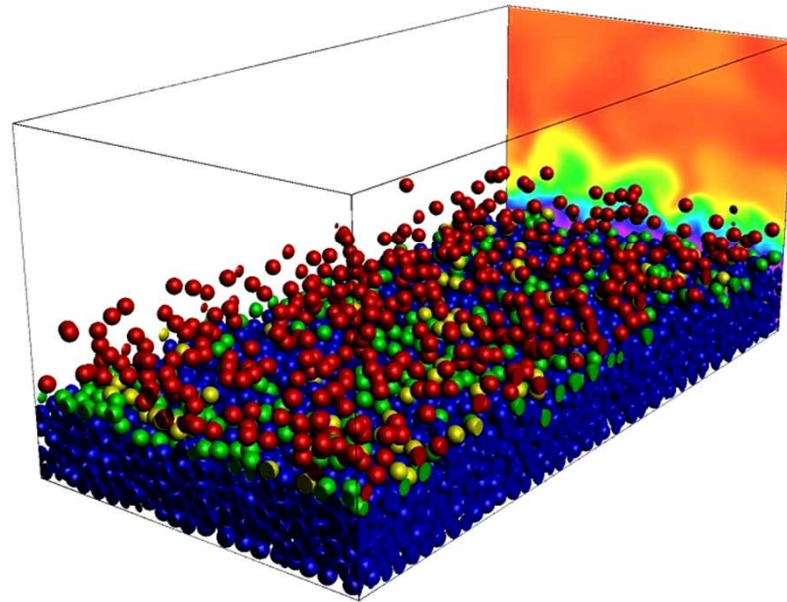
Simulation versus experiment

some dynamics



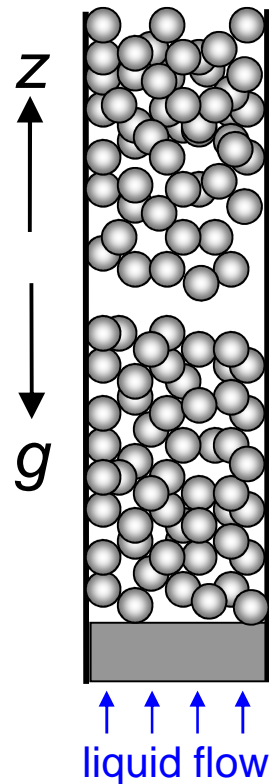
An application: particle-resolved simulations

sediment
transport

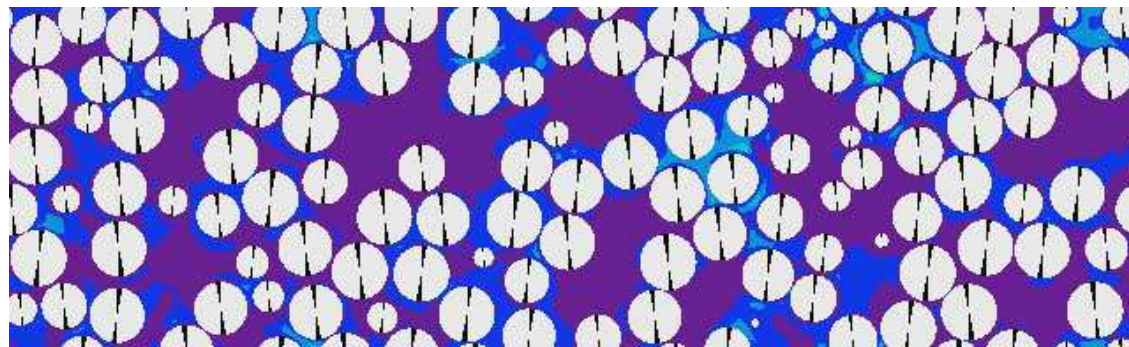


An application: particle-resolved simulations

typically: 1 mm
glass beads in
water



liquid-solid fluidization



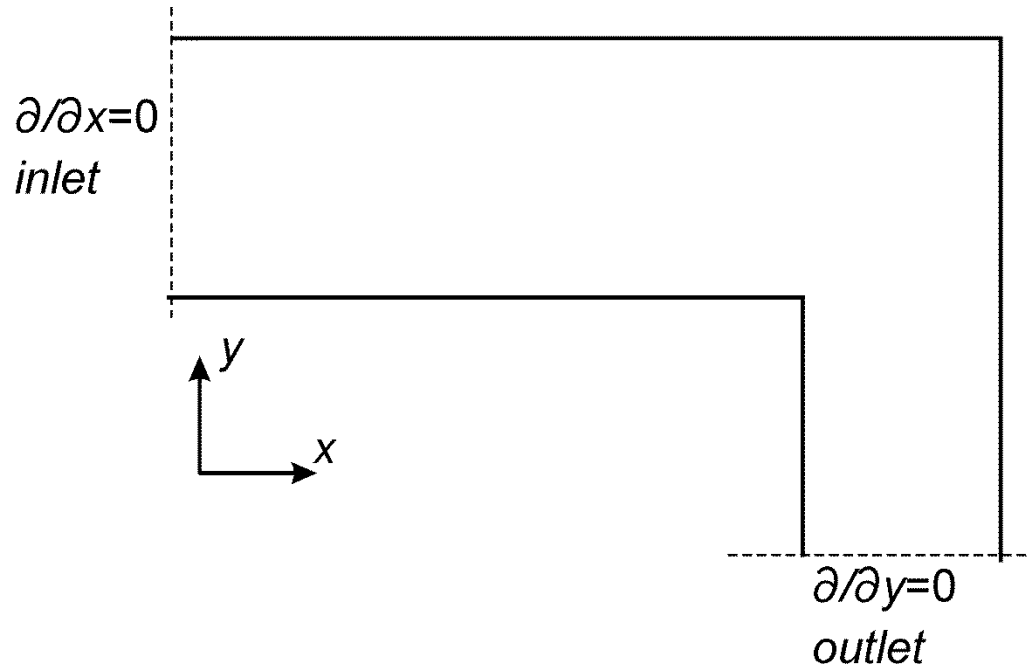
body force on fluid \longrightarrow \longleftarrow gravity

periodic boundary conditions
cross section through 3D domain



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Inlet / outlet



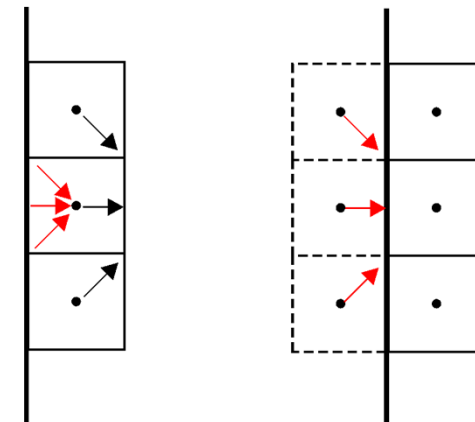
$$* \phi_{m,in} = \int_{inlet} \rho u_x dy$$

$$** \phi_{m,out} = - \int_{outlet} \rho u_y dx$$

$$F_{outlet,y}^{(k+1)} = F_{outlet,y}^{(k)} + \alpha (\phi_{m,out} - \phi_{m,in})$$

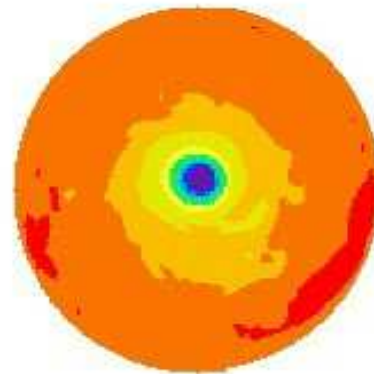
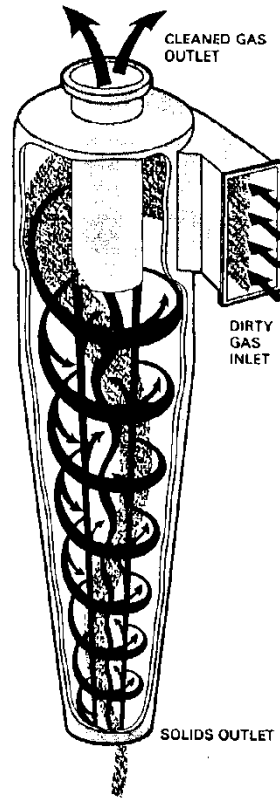
$\alpha > 0$ control algorithm α empirical

at the inlet: impose uniform velocity through IBM
 every time step: calculate the mass influx*
 apply a uniform force (in y-direction) that makes the
 mass outflux equal to the influx**

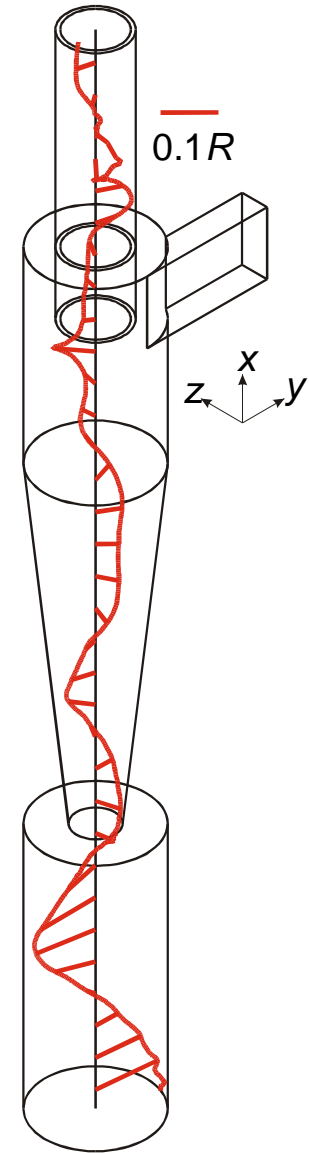
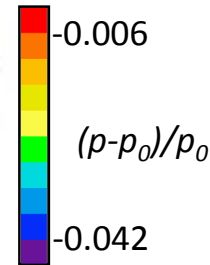


Inlet / outlet – an application

cyclones for gas-solid separation



pressure field
(horizontal cross section)



Revisit the collision operator

BGK

$$\Omega_i(f) = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_i - f_i^{eq})$$

issues with BGK

- stability (at low viscosity)
- accuracy, e.g. $u_\alpha u_\beta u_\gamma = O(u^3)$

no a priori reason why all distribution functions would relax at the same rate, i.e. with the same time constant

Multiple Relaxation Time operator

let different *velocity moments* of the distribution function relax at different rates

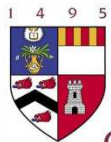
velocity moments are linear combinations of f_i 's

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{f}$$

$$\mathbf{f} = (f_0, f_1 \cdots f_8)^{trans}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{00} & m_{01} & \cdots & m_{08} \\ m_{10} & m_{11} & \cdots & m_{18} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ m_{80} & m_{81} & \cdots & m_{88} \end{bmatrix}$$

a constant
coefficient
matrix



From BGK to MRT

$$f_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\omega [f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - f_i^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)] \text{ with } \omega = 1/\tau$$

in vector form

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\omega [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{f}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{M}\omega [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{f}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1}\omega [\mathbf{M}\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{f}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1}\omega [\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{m}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

define $\mathbf{S} = \omega\mathbf{I}$

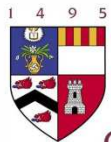
$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{S}[\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{m}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

From BGK to MRT – 2

$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) - f(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{S} [\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{m}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

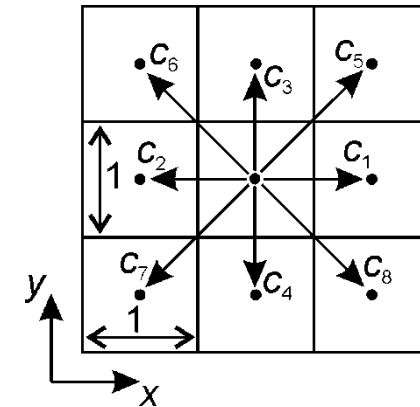
now we can assign different relaxation rates to different velocity moments

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \omega_8 \end{bmatrix}$$



Velocity moments – D2Q9

“Gram-Schmidt procedure”



$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & -2 & -2 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0: \rho^{eq} = \rho$$

$$1: e^{eq} = \rho - 3\rho(u_x^2 + u_y^2)$$

$$2: \varepsilon^{eq} = 9\rho u_x^2 - 3\rho(u_x^2 + u_y^2) + \rho$$

$$3: j_x^{eq} = \rho u_x$$

$$4: q_x^{eq} = 3\rho u_x^3 - \rho u_x$$

$$5: j_y^{eq} = \rho u_y$$

$$6: q_y^{eq} = 3\rho u_y^3 - \rho u_y$$

$$7: p_{xx}^{eq} = \rho(u_x^2 - u_y^2)$$

$$8: p_{xy}^{eq} = \rho u_x u_y$$



Relaxation rates

$$\mathbf{S} = \text{diag}(0, \omega_e, \omega_\varepsilon, 0, \omega_q, 0, \omega_q, \omega_\nu, \omega_\nu)$$

density and momentum have zero relaxation rates

we get closer to the Navier-Stokes eq.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_\beta) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\alpha}(\rho u_\alpha u_\beta) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\alpha} \left(\mu \left[\frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial u_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \right] + \left(\mu_b - \frac{2}{3} \mu \delta_{\alpha\beta} \right) \frac{\partial u_\gamma}{\partial x_\gamma} \right)$$

$$p = c_s^2 \rho \quad \mu = \rho c_s^2 \left(\frac{1}{\omega_\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad \mu_b = \rho c_s^2 \left(\frac{1}{\omega_e} - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \mu$$

“free” parameters

$$\omega_e = \omega_q = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0: \rho^{eq} &= \rho \\ 1: e^{eq} &= \rho - 3\rho(u_x^2 + u_y^2) \\ 2: \varepsilon^{eq} &= 9\rho u_x^2 - 3\rho(u_x^2 + u_y^2) + \rho \\ 3: j_x^{eq} &= \rho u_x \\ 4: q_x^{eq} &= 3\rho u_x^3 - \rho u_x \\ 5: j_y^{eq} &= \rho u_y \\ 6: q_y^{eq} &= 3\rho u_y^3 - \rho u_y \\ 7: p_{xx}^{eq} &= \rho(u_x^2 - u_y^2) \\ 8: p_{xy}^{eq} &= \rho u_x u_y \end{aligned}$$



An LB – MRT algorithm

start with a set of f_i 's on a lattice

1. determine $\rho = \sum_i f_i$ $\rho \mathbf{u} = \sum_i \mathbf{c}_i f_i$
2. determine \mathbf{m}^{eq} (needs density & velocity)
3. determine $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{f}$
4. perform the collision $\mathbf{f}^*(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{S} [\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathbf{m}^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$
5. take care of boundary conditions
6. stream $f_i^*(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$

Turbulence

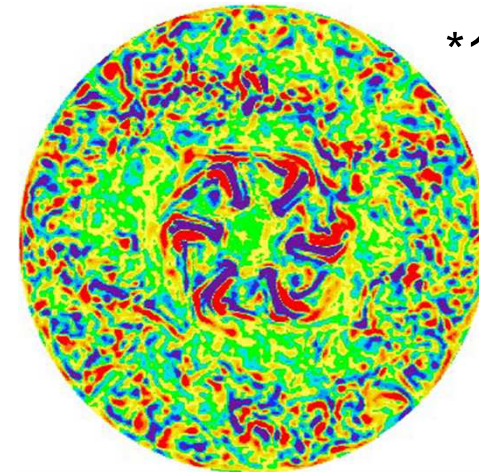
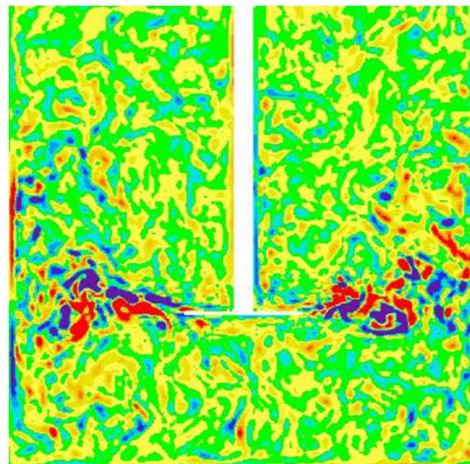
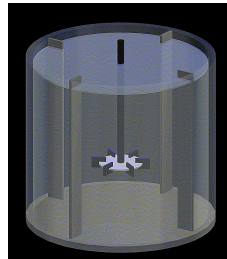
why (not) perform turbulence simulations with the lattice-Boltzmann method

why not:

- uniform & cubic grid
 - no local grid refinement
- small time steps
 - no point in doing RANS with LBM

why ~~not~~:

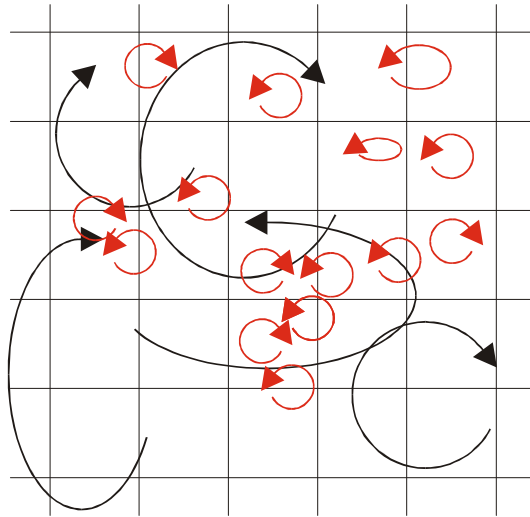
- if only for fun*
- geometric flexibility
 - moving boundaries (IBM)
- “easy” to do large-eddy simulations



*1998



Large-eddy simulations of turbulence



unresolved eddies
resolved eddies

the trouble with (numerical simulations of)
turbulence:
resolutions of the fine length (and time) scales

Kolmogorov length scale

$$\frac{\eta_K}{L} \propto \text{Re}^{-3/4} \rightarrow \text{if } \text{Re} = 10^6 \rightarrow \eta_K \approx 3 \cdot 10^{-5} L$$

$$\Delta \approx \eta_K \approx 3 \cdot 10^{-5} L \approx \frac{L}{3 \cdot 10^4} \quad N \approx (3 \cdot 10^4)^3 \approx 3 \cdot 10^{13}$$

mitigate this issue through a subgrid-scale model & perform LES

$$\nu_{eddy} = (c_s \Delta)^2 \sqrt{2 \bar{S}_{\alpha\beta} \bar{S}_{\alpha\beta}} \quad \text{with } \bar{S}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \right)$$

LES (in LBM)*

$$\bar{S}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \right)$$

is readily available in LBM
(at least in LBGK)

$$\frac{\partial u_\alpha}{\partial x_\beta} + \frac{\partial u_\beta}{\partial x_\alpha} \approx$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{\rho c_s^2 \tau} \sum_i c_{i\alpha} c_{i\beta} (f_i - f_i^{eq})$$

note the overbars

start with a set of f_i 's on a lattice

1. determine $\rho = \sum_i f_i$ $\rho \mathbf{u} = \sum_i \mathbf{c}_i f_i$

2. determine f_i^{eq} (needs density & velocity)

2a. determine $S_{\alpha\beta}$, ν_{eddy} , $\tau = 3(\nu_{eddy} + \nu) + \frac{1}{2}$

3. perform the collision

$$f_i^*(\mathbf{x}, t) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{\tau} [f_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - f_i^{eq}(\mathbf{x}, t)]$$

5. take care of boundary conditions

6. stream $f_i^*(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_i, t + 1) = f_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$

* note that turbulence is inherently three-dimensional

