High Performance Computing for complex fluids simulation. Towards Blood Flow modeling. A FEEL++ Framework



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Image: A matrix





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Long term goals

Understand the physical mechanisms to some physio-cardiovascular diseases

Atherosclerosis, Stenosis, Drepanocytosis (Sickle Cells Anemia), ...

Blood characteristics

- RBCs are predominant from rheological point of view
- Blood \simeq plasma (Newtonian fluid) + RBCs
- A dense suspension of micron sized RBCs
- Arterial Elasticity
 - Support the pressure of blood flux
 - Regulate the pulse of the cardiac flow (large Red blo arteries)





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Challenges

- How to take into account the presence of RBCs? which models?
- Complex interactions at different levels :
 - Blood/Vessels
 - Plasma/RBCs
 - RBCs/RBCs
- Different kinds of deformations and different scales
 - Dynamic of RBCs in arteries
 - Deformation of RBCs in capillaries









Collaborations and Funding

VivaBrain¹ and FEEL++² communities

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Some words on FEEL++



Finite Element Embedded Library in C++

- A Domain Specific Language for PDEs embedded in C++ providing a syntax very close to the mathematical language.
- Supports generalized arbitrary order Galerkin methods (cG, dG) in 1D, 2D and 3D
- Supports simplex, hypercube, high order meshes and geometries
- Supports seamless parallel computing and seamless interpolation operator
- Supports large scale parallel linear and non-linear solvers (PETSc/SLEPc)







Architecture



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HPC FEEL++ Strategy. Seamless parallelization

Hybrid architectures

- many nodes, many cores, hybrid nodes
- MPI, multi-threads, GPU

MPI implementation :

- mesh partitioning
- dof table partitioning
- PETSc interface





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- The parallelism is completely transparent (implicit use)
- Parallelism can be also made explicit (control communications)

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A simple Example
                               #include <feel/feel.hpp>
                               int main(int argc, char** argv)
                                 using namespace Feel;
                                 Environment env (_argc=argc, _argv=argv,
                                                        _desc=feel_options());
                                 auto mesh = loadMesh(_mesh=new Mesh<Simplex<3> >);
                                 auto Vh = Pch<2>( mesh );
                                 auto u = Vh->element();
                                 auto v = Vh->element();
   Find u s.t.
                                 auto f = cst(1.0);
 \begin{cases} -\Delta u = f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega \end{cases}
                                 // Linear Form : \ell(v) = \int_{\Omega} fv
                                 auto l = form1(_test=Vh);
                                 1 = integrate(_range=elements(mesh),
                                                    _expr=f*id(v));
             ↥
                                 // Bilinear Form : a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v
                                 auto a = form2( trial=Vh, test=Vh);
                                 a = integrate( range=elements(mesh),
                                                    expr=inner(gradt(u), grad(v)));
\begin{cases} \mathsf{Find} \ u \in V \text{ s.t. } \forall v \in V \\ \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v = \int_{\Omega} fv \end{cases}
                                 // Boundary Conditions : u = 0 on \partial \Omega
                                 a+=on (_range=boundaryfaces (mesh),
                                         _rhs=l,_element=u,
                                         expr=cst(0.) );
                                 // Linear System Resolution : AU = F
                                 a.solve(_rhs=l,_solution=u);
                                 auto e = exporter( mesh=mesh );
                                 e->add( "u", u); e->save();
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Some success Stories

Consortium (Strasbourg University, UJF, University of Coimbra, CNRS and CNR)



- About 20 developers. Project leader: C. Prud'homme.
- Mesochallenge equip@meso 2013 prize for the project "HPC for Blood Flow Simulations in Complex Geometries"
- An article in HPCMagazine was published about this project
- 60 millions of core-hours computing (PRACE European call 2012/2013)
- 30 millions of core-hours computing (PRACE European call 2013/2014) in progress
- Best students' posters in various workshops







Feel++: Communication Tools

- Feel++ website:
 - http://www.feelpp.org
- Feel++ Git Repo: https://github.com/feelpp/feelpp.git
- Feel++ @ Google+: https:

//plus.google.com/u/0/communities/104696212880173187475

- Feel++ Google Groups: http://groups.feelpp.org
- Feel++ Publications: http://www.feelpp.org/publications
- Feel++ @ YouTube (videos):

http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnLX6kyV8j644isqhMpUN4Q

Feel++ @ Twitter (commits, youtube videos): https://twitter.com/feelpp



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Vesicle : A Simple RBC Model I





- Unilamellar vesicle : lipid bi-layer membrane
- Easy to produce in the laboratory
- Imitate some behaviors of red blood cells
 - passive mechanical properties
- Properties of the membrane :
 - Nonporous : Conservation of inner fluid's Volume
 - Non extensible : Conservation of the membrane surface (perimeter in 2D)

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• Bending Energy (Helfrich energy)







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Vesicle under shear flow. Tank treading motion

Small Viscosity Contrast Image Tank-Treading motion

- vesicle reaches a stationary angle
- rotation of the membrane



Experimental observation of a Tank-Treading motion [T. Podgorski]





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Vesicle under shear flow. Tumbling motion

High viscosity ratio Tumbling motion

- vesicle in quasi solid rotation
- rotation velocity depends on the angle



Experimental observation of a tumbling motion [T. Podgorski]







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Level set method

[V. Doyeux PhD Thesis]



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 $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ used to track an interface

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} dist(\mathbf{x}, \Gamma) & \mathbf{x} \in \Omega_1, \\ 0 & \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma, \\ -dist(\mathbf{x}, \Gamma) & \mathbf{x} \in \Omega_2, \end{cases}$$

Advection by a divergence-free velocity u

$$\frac{D\phi}{Dt} = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla\phi = 0$$





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Coupling with Navier Stokes equations

$$\rho_{\phi} \left(\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla \boldsymbol{u} \right) - \nabla \cdot (2\mu_{\phi} D(\boldsymbol{u})) + \nabla \boldsymbol{p} = \boldsymbol{F}_{\phi}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{0}$$
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla \phi = \boldsymbol{0}$$

- Level set advected by solution of Navier Stokes equations
- Fluid quantities depend on level set function ρ_{ϕ} , μ_{ϕ} , F_{ϕ}

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\rho_{\phi} &=& \rho^{-} + (\rho^{+} - \rho^{-}) H_{\epsilon}(\phi) \\
\mu_{\phi} &=& \mu^{-} + (\mu^{+} - \rho^{-}) H_{\epsilon}(\phi) \\
\boldsymbol{F}_{\phi} &=& \int_{\Gamma} \boldsymbol{F}_{s} = \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{F}_{s} \delta_{\epsilon}(\phi)
\end{array}$$







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Variational formulation

find $(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, \phi) \in H^1(\Omega)^2 \times L^2(\Omega) \times H^1(\Omega)$ which verify $\forall (\boldsymbol{v}, q, \psi) \in H^1_0(\Omega)^2 \times L^2_0(\Omega) \times H^1(\Omega)$:

$$\begin{split} \rho_{\phi} \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} + (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla) \boldsymbol{u} \right) \cdot \boldsymbol{v} + \mu_{\phi} \int_{\Omega_{f}} D(\boldsymbol{u}) : D(\boldsymbol{v}) & - \int_{\Omega} p \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{F}_{\phi} \cdot \boldsymbol{v}, \\ \int_{\Omega_{f}} q \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= 0, \\ \int_{\Omega} \partial_{t} \phi \psi + \int_{\Omega} (\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \nabla \phi) \psi + \int_{\{\Omega \text{ or } \Omega_{f}^{i}\}} \boldsymbol{S}(\phi, \psi) &= 0. \end{split}$$

with $S(\phi, \psi)$ a stabilization term (SUPG, GLS, SGS, CIP). Solved by FEM and using FEEL++ library







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Rising of a bubble in a viscous fluids. Benchmark from : [Hysing et al. (2009)]

External forces added to Navier Stokes equation

- Gravity : $\boldsymbol{F}_g = \rho_{\phi} \boldsymbol{g}$
- Surface tension : $\boldsymbol{F}_{st} = \int_{\Gamma} \sigma \kappa \boldsymbol{n}$



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Groups having done the benchmark

Group and affiliation	Code/Method
TU Dortmount, Inst. of Applied Math.	TP2D
S. Turek, D. Kuzmin, S. Hysing	FEM-Level Set Q_1 - $Q_0 Q_1$
EPFL Lausanne, Inst. of Analysis ans Sci. Comp. <i>E.Burman, N.Parolini</i>	FreeLIFE FEM-Level Set \mathbb{P}_2 - $\mathbb{P}_1 \mathbb{P}_2$
Uni. Magdeburg, inst. of Analysis and Num. Math.	MooNMD
L. Tobiska, S. Ganesan	FEM-ALE
Univ. Joseph Fourier, LIPhy.	Feel++
V.Doyeux, Y.Guyot, V.Chabannes	FEM-Level Set
C.Prud'homme, M.Ismail	\mathbb{P}_2 - $\mathbb{P}_1 \mathbb{P}_1$









High surface tension : ellipsoidal bubble



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Low surface tension : squirted bubble



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Handling many interfaces

Implicit handeling of many interfaces and topology changes Many falling drops

Many rising bubbles





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From 2D to 3D

[S. Priem PhD Thesis]



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The case of vesicles [V. Doyeux PhD thesis]

[JCAM 246, pp. 251-259 (2013)]

Curvature force derived from Helfrich energy

$$E_{h} = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{k_{B}}{2} \kappa^{2}$$
$$F_{b} = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{k_{B}}{2} \left[\frac{\kappa^{3}}{2} + t \cdot \nabla(t \cdot \nabla \kappa) \right] n$$

Membrane inextensibility

Add a Lagrange multiplier constraint

 $\nabla_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} - (\nabla \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = 0.$ [Laadhari PhD thesis (2011)]







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Variational formulation on Stokes equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu_{\phi} D(\boldsymbol{u})) + \nabla \boldsymbol{p} &= \boldsymbol{F}_{\phi} \text{ in } \Omega \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= 0 \text{ in } \Omega \\ \nabla_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} &= 0 \text{ on } \Gamma \end{aligned}$$

find $(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, \lambda) \in H^1(\Omega)^2 \times L^2(\Omega) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ which verify $\forall (\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{q}, \nu) \in H^1_0(\Omega)^2 \times L^2_0(\Omega) \times H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$:

$$\mu_{\phi} \int_{\Omega_{f}} D(\boldsymbol{u}) : D(\boldsymbol{v}) - \int_{\Omega} p \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} + \int_{\Gamma} \lambda \nabla_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{F}_{\phi} \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$
$$\int_{\Omega} q \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$$
$$\int_{\Gamma} \nu \nabla_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} = 0$$





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Equilibrium shapes

reduce area $\alpha = \frac{\text{area vesicle}}{\text{area circle with same perimeter}}$





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Comparison with another model

Comparison with boundary integral method from [Kaoui et al. 2011]



- Reduce area = 1
- Reduce area = 1



- Reduce area = 0.90
- •• Reduce area = 0.93









Comparison with another model

Comparison with boundary integral method from [Kaoui et al. 2011]

- Reduce area = 0.80
- Reduce area = 0.78

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- Reduce area = 0.60
- Reduce area = 0.61

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Tank treading motion



Angle vs. time for different α

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Tumbling motion











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Homogeneous and Heterogeneous Suspensions of Vesicles in a Bifurcation [V. Doyeux PhD Thesis]









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FSI applications and realistic geometries [V. Chabannes] Aorta



(e) Proximal pressure

Cerebral Aneurysm



Flow simulation in cerebrovenous network



(a) Pressure



(b) Streamlines

Stokes

- 29 inlets and 2 outlets.
- P2P1 Approximation
- 10 millions DOF

Prace/SuperMuC Computers

nProc	Assembly (t ₁)	Resolution (t ₂)	total $(t_1 + t_2)$	nlterations
512	2.15219	45.4506	47.6028	295
1024	1.33274	17.9034	19.2361	377
2048	1.06893	14.6693	15.7382	379

[ESAIM: Proc (2013)]

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Conclusions

- Unified framework for two-fluid flows (2D and 3D using FEEL++). Application to bubbles, drops and vesicles
- Validation using benchmarks and physical experiments
- ✓ Still some works to handle real applications



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