



Space–Time Computational FSI Techniques

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Happy 60th Birthday, Tony!





FSI Modeling of Spacecraft Parachutes



- Parachute structure is light and sensitive to changes in fluid forces.
- Ringsail parachutes have hundreds of gaps and slits.
- Parachutes are used in clusters, with contact between them.
- Parachute operation involves disreefing from one stage to next.





Flapping-Wing Aerodynamics of an Actual Locust Video-Captured Data





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Computational Results

45 mm



Flapping: 20 Hz

- Correct lift force calculation requires correct flapping motion.
- The computational domain has near topology changes in a flapping cycle.



Deforming-Spatial-Domain/Stabilized Space–Time Formulation (DSD/SST) (ST-SUPS)

$$\int_{Q_n} \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}^h}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u}^h \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^h - \mathbf{f}^h \right) dQ + \int_{Q_n} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{w}^h) : \boldsymbol{\sigma}(p^h, \mathbf{u}^h) \ dQ - \int_{(P_n)_h} \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \mathbf{h}^h \ dP$$

+
$$\int_{Q_n} q^h \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h \, dQ + \int_{\Omega_n} (\mathbf{w}^h)_n^+ \cdot \rho \left((\mathbf{u}^h)_n^+ - (\mathbf{u}^h)_n^- \right) d\Omega$$

$$+ \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \frac{1}{\rho} \left[\tau_{\text{SUPG}} \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}^h}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u}^h \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}^h \right) + \tau_{\text{PSPG}} \nabla q^h \right] \cdot \left[\mathcal{L}(p^h, \mathbf{u}^h) - \rho \mathbf{f}^h \right] dQ$$
$$+ \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \nu_{\text{LSIC}} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}^h \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h dQ = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}(q^h, \mathbf{w}^h) = \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}^h}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u}^h \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \mathbf{w}^h \right) - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}(q^h, \mathbf{w}^h)$$





ST Finite Element

$$N_a^{\alpha} = T^{\alpha}(\theta) N_a(\boldsymbol{\xi}), \ a = 1, 2, \dots, n_{en},$$
$$\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, n_{ent},$$



- High spatial and temporal accuracy
- Advantages in space-time framework



ST-VMS (DSD/SST-VMST) Method

Advective Form

$$\begin{split} &\int_{Q_n} \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}^h}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u}^h \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^h - \mathbf{f}^h \right) dQ + \int_{Q_n} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{w}^h) : \boldsymbol{\sigma}(p^h, \mathbf{u}^h) dQ \\ &- \int_{(P_n)_h} \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \mathbf{h}^h dP + \int_{Q_n} q^h \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^h dQ + \int_{\Omega_n} (\mathbf{w}^h)_n^+ \cdot \rho \left((\mathbf{u}^h)_n^+ - (\mathbf{u}^h)_n^- \right) d\Omega \\ &- \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \left[\rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{w}^h}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u}^h \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}^h \right) + \nabla q^h \right] \cdot \mathbf{u}' dQ - \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}^h p' dQ \\ &+ \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \mathbf{w}^h \cdot \rho(\mathbf{u}' \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^h) dQ - \sum_{e=1}^{(n_{el})_n} \int_{Q_n^e} \rho \mathbf{u}' \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{w}^h) \cdot \mathbf{u}' dQ = 0 \end{split}$$







FSI Modeling of Spacecraft Parachutes ST-SUPS



- Large displacements
- Near contact
- Near topology changes
- "Nearness" is sufficiently "near" for the purpose of solving this problem





Flapping-Wing Aerodynamics of an Actual Locust ST-VMS



- Large displacements
- Near topology changes





Mixed Interface-Tracking/Interface-Capturing Technique (MITICT)

T. Tezduyar, "Finite element methods for flow problems with moving boundaries and interfaces", *Archives of Computational Methods in Engineering*, **8** (2001) 83–130.

- Track the fluid–solid interfaces with a moving mesh.
- Capture over that moving mesh the fluid–fluid interfaces you cannot track.



J.E. Akin, T. Tezduyar and M. Ungor, "Computation of flow problems with the Mixed Interface-Tracking/Interface-Capturing Technique (MITICT)", *Computers & Fluids*, **36** (2007) 2–11.



Fluid–Solid Interface-Tracking/Interface-Capturing Technique (FSITICT)

T. Tezduyar, K. Takizawa, C. Moorman, S. Wright, and J. Christopher, "Space-time finite element computation of complex fluid-structure interactions", *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids*, **64** (2010) 1021–1218.

- Track the interfaces you can with a moving mesh.
- Capture over that moving mesh the interfaces you cannot track.





Method Supreme

Has the...

- Accuracy of interface-tracking (moving-mesh) methods Better resolution of boundary layers
- Flexibility of being able to deal with TC in the fluid mechanics mesh Allow actual contact between moving solid surfaces
- Computational practicality of accomplishing these in 3D analysis Realistic meshes and computing times





ST Interface-Tracking with Topology Change (ST-TC) Method Supreme

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Solution of Fully-Discretized Equations





Solution of Fully-Discretized Equations Block-Iterative Coupling

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_1}{\partial \mathbf{d}_1} \Big|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)} \left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_1^i\right) &= \mathbf{F}_1 - \mathbf{N}_1 \left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right) \\ \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_2}{\partial \mathbf{d}_2} \Big|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)} \left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_2^i\right) &= \mathbf{F}_2 - \mathbf{N}_2 \left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right) \end{split}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_3}{\partial \mathbf{d}_3} \right|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)} \left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_3^i
ight) \ = \ \mathbf{F}_3 - \mathbf{N}_3 \left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i
ight)$$





Flow-Induced Vibrations of a Cantilevered Pipe



S. Mittal and T.E. Tezduyar, "Parallel finite element simulation of 3D incompressible flows – fluid-structure interactions", *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids*, 21 (1995) 933-953.





FSI Modeling of a Parachute PMA Retraction



Before Retraction

After Retraction

T.E. Tezduyar, S. Sathe, R. Keedy and K. Stein, "Space-time finite element techniques for computation of fluid-structure Interactions", *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 195 (2006) 2002-2027.



Solution of Fully-Discretized Equations Quasi-Direct Coupling

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_1}{\partial \mathbf{d}_1}\Big|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)}\left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_1^i\right) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_1}{\partial \mathbf{d}_2}\Big|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)}\left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_2^i\right) = \mathbf{F}_1 - \mathbf{N}_1\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_2}{\partial \mathbf{d}_1} \right|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)} \left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_1^i \right) + \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_2}{\partial \mathbf{d}_2} \right|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)} \left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_2^i \right) = \mathbf{F}_2 - \mathbf{N}_2 \left(\mathbf{d}_1^i, \ \mathbf{d}_2^i, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i \right)$$

$$\left.\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}_3}{\partial \mathbf{d}_3}\right|_{\left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)}\left(\Delta \mathbf{d}_3^i\right) = \mathbf{F}_3 - \mathbf{N}_3\left(\mathbf{d}_1^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_2^{i+1}, \ \mathbf{d}_3^i\right)$$

SELECTIVE SCALING ON 1+2 BLOCK



Ringsail Parachute

Homogenized Modeling of Geometric Porosity (HMGP-FG)

Dynamic Area Changes in FSI



A₁ : Fluid Surface Area

 A_F : Fabric Area A_G : Gap Area

$$u_n = -(k_F)_J \frac{A_F}{A_1} \Delta p - (k_G)_J \frac{A_G}{A_1} sgn(\Delta p) \sqrt{\frac{|\Delta p|}{\rho}}$$



HMGP-FG

n-Gore Fluid Mechanics Computation







HMGP-FG

Shape Dependency in a Breathing Cycle

Shape varies with breathing:



Slit Geometries

Shapes determined by structure-only computation using symmetrized pressure coming from a coarse-mesh FSI.





FSI Modeling of Spacecraft Parachutes Opening ("Disreefing") From Stage 2 to Stage 3







Aerodynamics of Flapping Wings Smooth-Surface and Motion Representations



K. Takizawa, B. Henicke, A. Puntel, T. Spielman and T.E. Tezduyar, "Space-time computational techniques for the aerodynamics of flapping wings", *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, **79**, 010903 (2012).





Solution to Experiment Limitations

- Video-capturing limitations
 - Not enough tracking points
 - Error and uncertainty





Tracking Points

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Aerodynamics of Flapping Wings Actual Locust and Computer Model







Mesh Moving and Remeshing With NURBS Representation in Time

Mesh Motion







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