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1 Introduction

The fluid-structure problem is extensively studied. To tackle the challenges posed by fluid-structure interaction (FSI), researchers have proposed the Immersed Boundary Method (IBM). Liao et al. [1] developed the velocity-interpolation forcing method to predict the velocity field near the immersed boundary and directly compute the body force. This approach maintains second-order accuracy. For incompressible flow, the projection method [2] is prevalently used to couple the pressure and velocity fields. However, this method is time-consuming due to the solution of the pressure Poisson equation. To address this issue, Toutant [3] developed the General Pressure Equation (GPE) to achieve more accurate results. In the current study, the IBM, based on Liao et al. and combined with GPE, is employed to simulate two classic moving-body problems: the oscillating cylinder in a fluid at rest and the freely settling sphere problem. Both cases are implemented on a multi-GPU cluster to accelerate the simulation process.

2 Problem Statement

In the present study, two velocity and pressure coupling approaches are selected. The first is General Pressure Equation [3], the continuity equation is replaced by a general pressure equation to couple the pressure and velocity fields:

$$
\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \rho c_s^2 \nabla \mathbf{u} = \frac{\gamma v}{Pr} \nabla^2 p
$$

where c_s represents the artificial speed of sound, γ is the heat capacity ratio, ν is the kinematic viscosity. The second is projection method [2]. To implement this method on GPU, the four steps fractional-step method is used [4]. The fractional step method divides Navier-stokes equation into four steps:

$$
\frac{u^* - u^n}{\Delta t} = -\nabla \cdot (u^n u^n) - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p^n + v \nabla^2 u^n
$$

$$
\frac{u^{**} - u^*}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p^n
$$

$$
\frac{1}{\Delta t} \nabla \cdot u^{**} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla^2 p^{n+1}
$$

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\frac{u^{n+1}-u^*}{\Delta t}=-\frac{1}{\rho}\nabla p^{n+1}
$$

where u^* , u^{**} are intermediate velocities. First step, solve intermediate velocity u^* by Navier-Stokes equation with $3rd$ order explicit Runge-Kutta scheme. Second, the intermediate velocity u^* is obtained by removing pressure field. Third, the n+1 time step pressure field is solved by sub-iterating pressure Poisson equation. Finally, the new pressure field is added to revise the intermediate velocity.

To solve the velocity near the solid boundary, the velocity-interpolation forcing method developed by Liao et al. [1] is adopted. In [Fig. 1](#page-2-0) (a), the definition of each point is illustrated, while Fig. 1 (b) represents the u_F , which is interpolated from \hat{u}_A and u_{move} . Here, \hat{u}_A is the predicted velocity calculated from ordinary Navier-Stokes equation, and U_{move} is the moving velocity of solid body. The interpolated \mathbf{u}_F is then utilized to estimate the immersed boundary force:

Figure 1: The schematic of velocity interpolation forcing method. (a) The location of nodes; (b) the velocity vectors.

3 Preliminary Results

The first result compares the oscillating cylinder in a fluid at rest with the experimental result from Düstch et al. [5]. In Fig. 2, the velocity profile results with Ma = 0.01 are more closer to the reference result than the Ma = 0.05 case. The second result examines the settling sphere problem in comparison with the experimental result from Ten Cate et al. [6]. Fig. 3 shows the position and velocity profiles at four Reynolds numbers. There is not much different between the results of two velocity-pressure coupling methods.

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Figure 2: The velocity profiles of different Mach numbers (Ma = U_{max}/c_s) in GPE equation, solid line for Ma = 0.01 ; dashed line for Ma = 0.05 , symbols are Ten Cate et al. experimental result. (a) u velocity; (b) v velocity; (c) extracted position

Figure 3: The (a) position, (b) velocity, and (c) schematic of single sphere settling problem.

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