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Current Developments: Variable Resolution - Boundary Conditions

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Part 1: Variable resolution (SPHERIC Grand Challenge #4)

Computational time for SPH with uniform resolution (1)



Rubble mound Breakwater: On a GPU GTX 480 the simulation with 2 x 10⁶ particles ($\Delta x=0.15$ m) requires 21 hours of computational time for 55 seconds of physical time

Altomare et al. Computers & Structures (2014)

Computational time for SPH with uniform resolution (2)



Vajont rockslide: On a GPU GTX 580, 4 x 10⁶ particles ($\Delta x=5$ m) requires 62 hours of computational time for 21 min of physical time Vacondio et al. Advances in Water Resources (2013)

Motivation

- Despite the huge effort in parallelizing SPH codes (MPI+CUDA) long runtimes are still an issue.

- In Eulerian models variable resolution achieved using (dynamically adaptive) unstructured meshes:





Due to its Lagrangian nature, this is more challenging for SPH:

SPHERIC Grand Challenge #4: Can we achieve the same efficiency in SPH ?

Previous works about variable resolution in SPH :

Remeshing:

- Koumoutsakos Ann. Rev. Fluid Mech. (2005): applied remeshing idea to SPH
- Multiblock space discretization: *Børve et al. JCP (2005)*

Static refinement:

- Different initial resolution zones, no splitting: Oger et al. JCP (2006) and Omidvar et al. IJNMF (2012).

Dynamic refinement:

- Particle insertion and removal in 1D: Lastiwka et al. IJNMF (2005)
- Particle splitting: Feldman and Bonet IJNME (2007), Lopez et al. Comput Mech (2013),
- Splitting and coalescing: *Barcarolo et al. JCP (2014), Spreng et al. Comp. Part. Mech. (2014)*

Static particle distribution with different mass

- 3D simulations of energy device under extreme wave conditions



Numerical model	Uniform particle distrib	<i>Variable mass ratio 1:8</i>	
# of particles	918'000	139'000	
Computational time	7 days	1.5 days	
Δx max (m)	0.02	0.04	
Δx min (m)	0.02	0.02	

Omidvar et al. IJNMF (2012)

WC-SPH variationally consistent scheme with variable *h*

WC-SPH formulation

Vacondio et al. 2013 CMAME:

- It is variationally derived
- It conserves both mass and momentum

$$\frac{d \rho_{i}}{d t} = \sum_{j} m_{j} \left(\mathbf{u}_{i} - \mathbf{u}_{j} \right) \cdot \nabla W_{j} \left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, h_{j} \right) + 2 \delta h_{i} \sum_{j} m_{j} \overline{c}_{ij} \left(\frac{\rho_{i}}{\rho_{j}} - 1 \right) \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij}}{\mathbf{r}_{ij}^{2} + \eta^{2}} \cdot \nabla W_{j} \left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, h_{j} \right)$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}_{i}}{dt} = \sum_{j} \frac{m_{j}}{\rho_{j}\rho_{i}} \left[p_{i}\nabla W_{j}\left(x_{i},h_{j}\right) - p_{j}\nabla W_{i}\left(x_{j},h_{i}\right) \right] + \sum_{j} \frac{m_{j}}{\rho_{j}\rho_{i}} \left(\Pi_{ij} \cdot \nabla W_{j}\left(x_{i},h_{j}\right) \right) + \mathbf{g}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d} \mathbf{x}_{i}}{\mathrm{d} t} = \mathbf{v}_{i}$$

 $p = B \begin{bmatrix} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rho \\ \rho \\ \rho \\ \rho \\ \rho \end{bmatrix}^{\gamma} + 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Time integration with Simpletic scheme, Wendland kernel, δ – SPH

Increasing the resolution: particle splitting



Splitting procedure (1)

Key idea: split one particle into M daughter particles.

- Mass, position, velocity, density and smoothing length must be defined for each daughter particle
- Mass, momentum and energy conservation should be enforced



- Number of daughter particles: ideal numbers is 4 in 2D (it doubles the resolution) but it is not very convenient (see later)
- to reduce the degrees of freedom: we defined a priori the stencil and the smoothing length of the daughter particles
- the mass distribution of the daughter particles is obtained by minimizing the density error

Feldman and Bonet IJNME (2007), Vacondio et al. IJNMF (2012)

Splitting procedure (2)



Feldman and Bonet IJNME (2007), Vacondio et al. IJNMF (2011)

Density error minimization

Local density error:
$$e(\mathbf{x}) = \rho(\mathbf{x}) - \rho^*(\mathbf{x}) = m_N W_N(x, h_N) - \sum_{k=1}^{n} m_k^* W_k(x, h_N)$$

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Global density error:
$$\mathbf{E} = \int_{\Omega} e(\mathbf{x})^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

After some algebra ... the best mass distribution is calculated as follows:

$$E^{*} = \min_{\lambda} \left\{ \vec{C} - 2\lambda^{T}\vec{b} + \lambda^{T}\vec{Q}\lambda \right\} \qquad \lambda_{k} = \frac{m_{k}}{m_{N}}$$

With constraint for mass conservation:
$$\sum_{j=1}^{M} \lambda_{j} = 1$$

State of the art of splitting in SPH

To dynamically vary the resolution in 2D: splitting and coalescing procedures are available





Naïve approach: the Cube

- One particle split in 9 Daughter Particles
- First DP in the cube centre (position of the original particle) and 8 particles in the cube vertices
- Wendland kernel
- ε and α parameters are varied between 0.3 and 0.9 to obtain a global density error matrix:

$$\mathbf{E}^{*} = \mathbf{E}^{*} (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$$



Naïve approach: the Cube (2)



Non-dimensional global density error

Min. global density error is small, but just for $\alpha \approx 0.9$

Platonic solids (spherical symmetry):



Dodecahedron (20 vertices)



Global density error for given α , ϵ is smaller than in the cube pattern

Icosahedron (12 vertices)



Similar to the Dodecahedron, but with less particles

Which is the best stencil?



Cubic is not the best stencil: error small only for h_k =0.9 h_M This means a lot of neighbors in the high resolution zone.





The global density error matrix obtained for Icosahedron and Dodecahedron are similar, but the **Icosahedron is more efficient** because it creates less daughter particles (12 vertices instead of 20)

To Reduce the resolution: Particle Coalescing (merging)



The same algorithm used in 2D and 3D (Vacondio et al. 2013 CMAME):

- Particles are coalesced in pairs
- mass and momentum conservation gives mass position and velocity of the new particle *M*
- The smoothing length h_M is obtained by enforcing zero density error.
- No further coalescing is possible for particle M in the same time iteration.

Parallel implementation (CPU & GPU)



Variable res. formulation overheads: *h* and *m* different for each particle, more memory access, and more floating point operation

Variable resolution Test cases

2-D still water tank

 Δx_0 =0.025 m, (Np=4800) size of the box 2x1.5 m Low artificial viscosity: α =0.01



Pressure field





Vertical distribution of pressure at last instant (t=5s, after 54k steps)



2-D wave experiment

Experimental campaign in Blankenberge Marina, Altomare et al. 2015(⁺), model scale 1:5



Two simulations:

- high resolution, no adaptivity (with $\Delta x_0 = 0.01$ m)
- Initial coarse resolution ($\Delta x_0 = 0.02$ m), splitting activated close to the wall.

(+) Altomare et al. Coastal Engineering, 2015







Forces obtained with experiments, SPH and SPH-adaptive



Runtimes

	SPH	SPH-adaptivity
Δx_0	0.01m	0.02m
Initial number of particles	135,883	35,670
Split particles	-	8,670
CPU runtime	29.82h	5.81h
GPU runtime	42.40 min	18.77 min

CPU speedup: 5.13 – GPU speedup: 2.26



Adaptivity overheads are more relevant for the GPU code (more registers, non coalesced memory access etc.)

2D-Falling sphere



- 2-D sphere with radius=1 m
- density=1,200 kg/m³
- be compared against VOF: Fekken (2004)
- SPH with $\Delta x_0 = 0.03$ m and no adaptivity
- SPH with ∆x₀=0.05 m and dynamic adaptivity

dynamic adaptive region is used

Fekken G. Numerical simulation of free surface flow with moving rigid bodies, Ph.D. Thesis, University of Groningen, 2004

High resolution $\Delta x_0=0.03 \text{ m}$ no adaptivity

Low Res $\Delta x_0 = 0.05 \text{ m}$ dynamic adaptivity





SPHERIC Benchmark Case #2.

Two simulations:

- No adaptivity, $\Delta x_0 = 0.008m$
- Adaptivity (splitting and coalescing) $\Delta x_0 = 0.015$ m







SPHERIC Benchmark Case #2.

Two simulations:

- no adaptivity: blue
- Adaptivity: green



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SPHERIC Benchmark Case #2.

	SPH	SPH-adaptivity
Δx_0	0.008m	0.015m
Initial number of particles	1,262,816	184,275
New daughters by splitting	-	2.2 10 ⁶
Coalesced particles	-	3,9 10 ⁶
CPU runtime	173 h	85 h
GPU runtime	3.60h	1.99h

of fluid particles





Conclusion on variable resolution

- Open Source Parallel SPH code with variable resolution and adaptivity has been presented
- Both 2D and 3D
- OpenMP and CUDA versions of the code have been developed,
 Speedup / overheads have been discussed
- Code validated in 2D and 3D against experiments and numerical simulation
- Formulation is adapted for particles with different size with negligible errors at interface between different resolution

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Part 2: Boundary Conditions (SPHERIC Grand Challenge #3)

Different type of Boundary Conditions

- (i) Boundary repulsive force
- (ii) Fluid extensions to the solid boundary
- (iii) Boundary integral (analytical or semi-analytical)



Dynamic boundaries (DBC)



- same continuity equation as for the fluid particles
- computationally efficient
- Kernel truncation error which prevents convergence
- Over repulsion of fluid particles

$$\frac{d\rho_i}{dt} = \sum_j \rho_i \frac{m_j}{\rho_j} \boldsymbol{v}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_i W_{ij}$$

Local Uniform Stencil (LUST) Concept



- No kernel truncation
- It can deal with complex boundary
- Approximately first order consistent
- Computationally more expensive than DB

- Regular stencil of fictitious particles is centered around fluid particles

- Fictitious particles in the fluid domain are deleted.

- The remaining fictitious particles, are used to solve cont. and momentum equations

Local Uniform Stencil (LUST)

The density of the fictitious particles is corrected hydrostatically based on the density of the fluid particle.

$$\rho_{k} = \rho_{i} + \left[\rho_{0} \sqrt[7]{\frac{\rho_{0} g_{z} \mathbf{x}_{ik} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{v}}{B}} + 1 - \rho_{0} \right],$$

The pressure is then evaluated through the EOS.

$$P_{k} = B\left(\left(\frac{\rho_{k}}{\rho_{0}}\right)^{7} - 1\right).$$

The velocities of the fictitious particles are assigned according to Takeda et al.'s anti-symmetric mirroring formulation.

$$\mathbf{u}_{k} = (\mathbf{u}_{i} - \mathbf{u}_{v}) \frac{\mathbf{x}_{vk} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{v}}{\mathbf{x}_{iv} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{v}} - \mathbf{u}_{v}.$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Momentum} \\ \text{equation} \\ \text{equation} \\ \end{array} \quad \left\langle \frac{\mathrm{d} \mathbf{u}}{\mathrm{d} t} \right\rangle_{i} = -\sum_{j \in \Omega_{f}} m_{j} \left(\frac{P_{i}}{\rho_{i}^{2}} + \frac{P_{j}}{\rho_{j}^{2}} + \Pi_{ij} \right) \nabla W_{ij} - \sum_{k \in \Omega_{b}} m_{k} \left(\frac{P_{i}}{\rho_{i}^{2}} + \frac{P_{k}}{\rho_{k}^{2}} + \Pi_{ik} \right) \nabla W_{ik}, \\ \\ \text{Continuity} \\ \text{equation} \\ \end{array} \quad \left\langle \frac{\mathrm{d} \rho}{\mathrm{d} t} \right\rangle_{i} = \sum_{j \in \Omega_{f}} m_{j} (\mathbf{u}_{i} - \mathbf{u}_{j}) \cdot \nabla W_{ij} + \sum_{k \in \Omega_{b}} m_{k} (\mathbf{u}_{i} - \mathbf{u}_{k}) \cdot \nabla W_{ik}. \end{array}$

Boundary Integral (INTEGRAL)

Numerical approximation of the integral



SPH interpolant

Continuous formulation

$$\langle f(\mathbf{x}) \rangle = \frac{1}{\gamma_h(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathbf{y} \in \Omega} f(\mathbf{y}) W_h(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$$

 $\gamma_h(\mathbf{x}) := \int_{\mathbf{y} \in \Omega} W_h(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}.$

Discrete formulation



Integrals along the boundary are replaced by a sum of area elements

Boundary Integral (INTEGRAL)

SPH differential operator

Continuous formulation

$$\begin{split} \langle \mathcal{D}f(\mathbf{x}) \rangle &= \frac{1}{\gamma_h(\mathbf{x})} \int_{\mathbf{y} \in \Omega} \mathcal{D}f(\mathbf{y}) \, W_h(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}, \qquad \langle \mathcal{D}f(\mathbf{x}) \rangle = \frac{1}{\gamma_h(\mathbf{x})} \left(\int_{\mathbf{y} \in \Omega} f(\mathbf{y}) \cdot \nabla W_h(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \\ &+ \int_{\mathbf{y} \in \partial \Omega} f(\mathbf{y}) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{y}) W_h(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{y} \right) \\ & \blacksquare \\ \\ \text{Discrete formulation} \\ \langle \mathcal{D}f \rangle_i &= \frac{1}{\gamma_i} \left(\sum_{j \in \text{Fluid}} \frac{f_j}{\rho_j} \cdot \nabla W_{ij} \, m_j + \sum_{j \in \text{Boundary}} f_j \cdot \mathbf{n}_j W_{ij} \, s_j \right) \end{split}$$

Variable resolution Test cases

Can you guess which is the first test case?

TEST 1: Still water with a wedge (2-D)



- A low value of viscosity is used (α_{π} =0.01)
- No density filter
- h/dp=1.3

TEST 1: Still water with a wedge (2-D)

Convergence test



Results are analysed after 20 seconds of physical time (85,000 steps)

TEST 1: Still water with a wedge (2-D)



TEST 2: SPHERIC Benchmark Test Case #2

SPHERIC Benchmark Test Case #2

 δ -SPH is now employed to obtain smoothed density distribution

Dp=0.01, Np=800k, Time= 6.0 s



TEST 2: SPHERIC Benchmark Test Case #2



Dp=0.01, Np=800k, Time= 0.40 s



Experimental and numerical water heights measured at the probes H3 and H4 with dp=0.01m and h/dp=1.3



Experimental and numerical pressures measured at the sensors P1 and P6 with dp=0.01m and h/dp=1.3



Experimental and numerical pressures measured at the sensors P1 and P6 with h/dp=1.3, 2.6, 4.0

INTEGRAL



Performance Analysis

Test	BC type	Np	h/dp	Runtime
				(h)
	DBC	100k	1.3	0.13
		800k		1.47
TEST 2	LUST	100k	1.3	0.18
Dam break 3-		800k		1.99
D	INTEGRAL	100k	1.3	0.19
		800k		2.53

The ratio h/dp needs to be increased till 4 to get good results for INTEGRAL.

Conclusions

A comparison of three different boundary conditions has been performed.

DBC can be applied to arbitrary 2-D and 3-D geometries, BUT a high repulsive force is generated acting on the fluid particles resulting in a separation distance.

LUST BC is more computationally expensive than DBC but more accurate and it addresses most of the issues of DBC.

INTEGRAL methodology requires large number of neighbours within the support (as discussed in the consistency notes and demonstrated in the test cases) to obtain good accuracy.