

Open Boundary Conditions: New Developments, Capabilities and Practical Examples

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Outline

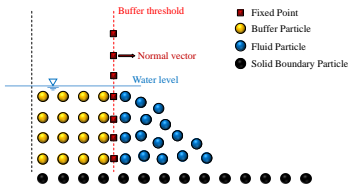
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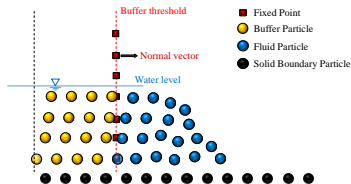
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Open Boundary Algorithm: Features

Implementation Scheme: Initial Configuration



Implementation Scheme: Particle Transition



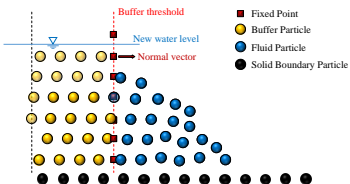
Sketch of the proposed boundary algorithm in DualSPHysics.

Buffer particles are created by extruding from a threshold curve or surface made of fixed points, along the normal direction to this curve/surface. Based on their movement, different scenarios can occur:

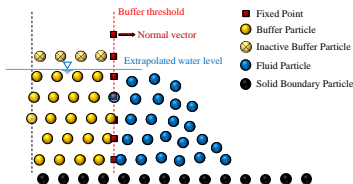
- 1 When a buffer particle crosses the fixed threshold, it is converted to fluid and a new particle is initialized in the buffer at a distance equal to the buffer width
- 2 When a fluid particle crosses the threshold, it is converted to a buffer particle
- 3 When a buffer particle crosses the domain edge, it is automatically eliminated and its array values are purged

Open Boundary Algorithm: Features

Implementation Scheme: Enforcing the Water Depth



Implementation Scheme: Extrapolating the Water Depth



Sketch of the proposed boundary algorithm in DualSPHysics.

When the velocity, density, and/or free-surface BCs are assigned by the user:

- Fluid properties can be frozen to constant values at the boundary, or...
- ...space- and time-dependent profiles can be easily assigned at the boundary, or...
- ...buffer variables can be assigned from external file/software

Templates: Inlet/Outlet Creation

`_FmtXML_InOut.xml`

```

<special>
  <!-- <inout reuseids="false" resizetime="0.5">
    <useboxlimit value="true" comment="In/out process is only applied to InOut zones delimited
  by BoxLimit (default=true)">
      <freecentre x="2" y="0" z="0" comment="Centre of zone where InOut is not applied
  (default=centre of simulation domain)" units_comment="m" />
    </useboxlimit>
    <userefilling value="true" comment="Use advanced refilling algorithm but slower. It is
  necessary when outflow becomes inflow (default=false)" />
    <determlimit value="1e+3" |comment="Use 1e-3 for first_order or 1e+3 for zeroth_order
  (default=1e+3)" />
    <extrapolatemode value="1" comment="Calculation mode for rhop and velocity extrapolation
  from ghost nodes 1:fast-single, 2:single, 3:double (default=1)" /> -->
</special>

```

All properties of buffer areas are defined in the tag `<special>`

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(default=1e+3)" />
    <extrapolatemode value="1" comment="Calculation mode for rhop and velocity extrapolation
from ghost nodes 1:fast-single, 2:single, 3:double (default=1)" />
<!-- [MORE HERE ...] -->
  </inout>
</special>
```

Options available before creating the buffer geometry:

- *reuseid*: Obsolete, will be removed.
- *resizetime*: Frequency of memory allocation. Performance parameter.
- *useboxlimit*: Flags the areas where I/O algorithm is activated
- *userefilling*: Allows dual inlet/outlet behavior in the buffer area
- *determlimit*: Determines the accuracy of the transport to/from ghost nodes
- *extrapolatemode*: Double precision is enforced in different portions of the code

Templates: Inlet/Outlet Creation

`_FmtXML_InOut.xml`

```
<special>
  <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
  <inoutzone>
    <convertfluid value="true" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area
(default=true)" />
    <layers value="8" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
    <!-- [GEOMETRY OF THE BUFFER IS CREATED HERE] -->
    <imposevelocity mode="0-or-1-or-2-or-3" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable
value, 2:Extrapolated velocity, 3:Interpolated velocity (default=0)">
    <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
    <imposevelocity>
    <imposerhop mode="0-or-1-or-2" comment="Outlet rhop 0:Imposed fixed value,
1:Hydrostatic, 2:Extrapolated from ghost nodes (default=0)">
    <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
    <imposerhop>
    <imposezsurf mode="0-or-1-or-2" comment="Inlet Z-surface 0:Imposed fixed value, 1:Imposed
variable value, 2:Calculated from fluid domain (default=0)">
    <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
    </imposezsurf>
    </inoutzone>
  </inout>
</special>
```

A new buffer is created via the tag `<inoutzone>`, then the user has two options before choosing the geometry:

- *layers*: Number of particle layers forming the buffer from the threshold
- *convertfluid*: Fluid going into the buffer area is converted into buffer particles

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  <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
  <inoutzone>
    <!-- [GEOMETRY OF THE BUFFER IS CREATED HERE] -->
    <imposevelocity mode="0-or-1-or-2-or-3" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable
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variable value, 2:Calculated from fluid domain (default=0)">
        <!-- [MORE HERE] -->
          </imposezsurf>
        </inoutzone>
      </inout>
    </special>
```

Geometry is created (we will see in the examples) and then, for every buffer area, the user has to handle three flow properties:

- *imposerhop*: Density of buffer particles (three options)
- *imposevelocity*: Velocity of buffer particles (four options)
- *imposezsurf*: Water depth within the buffer region (three options)

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2-D Flow Past a Cylinder: Use of BoundCorr

The OBC algorithm is used to extrapolate the density of lower and upper boundaries:

```
-->      <!-- THE GHOST NODES ARE USED FOR THE DENSITY EXTRAPOLATION OF DBP FORMING THE UPPER AND LOWER BOUNDARIES
-->
<boundcorr>
  <determlimit value="1e+3" comment="Use 1e-3 for first_order or 1e+3 for zeroth_order" />
  <mkzone mkbound="1">
    <limitpoint x="0" y="0" z="-0.995" /> <!-- THIS IDENTIFIES THE SEPARATING LINE BETWEEN THE
BOUNDARY AND FLUID, AT dp/2 DISTANCE FROM BOTH -->
    <direction x="0" y="0" z="1" comment="Direction to fluid" /> <!-- THIS IDENTIFIES THE DIRECTION
ALONG WHICH GHOST NODES WILL BE PLACED -->
  </mkzone>
</boundcorr>
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  <determlimit value="1e+3" comment="Use 1e-3 for first_order or 1e+3 for zeroth_order" />
  <mkzone mkbound="2">
    <limitpoint x="0" y="0" z="0.995" /> <!-- THIS IDENTIFIES THE SEPARATING LINE BETWEEN THE BOUNDARY
AND FLUID, AT dp/2 DISTANCE FROM BOTH -->
    <direction x="0" y="0" z="-1" comment="Direction to fluid" /> <!-- THIS IDENTIFIES THE DIRECTION
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  </mkzone>
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</special>
```


2-D Open-Channel Flow

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2-D Open-Channel Flow

Here we initialize the fluid with a parabolic velocity ...

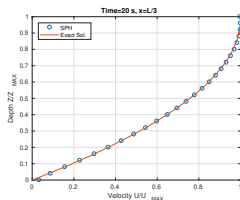
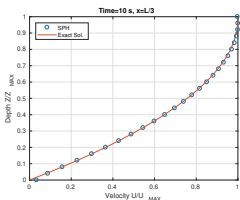
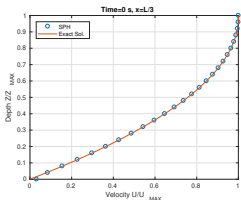
```
<special>
  <initialize>
    <fluidvelocity mkfluid="0">
      <direction x="1" y="0" z="0" />
      <velocity3 v="0" v2="6" v3="8" z="0" z2="0.5" z3="1" comment="Parabolic inlet velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
    </fluidvelocity>
  </initialize>
```

2-D Open-Channel Flow

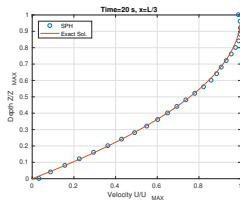
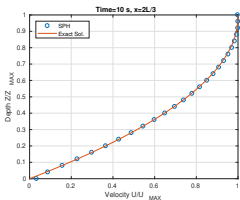
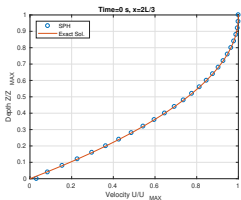
... and we assign the same velocity profile at the inlet

```
<inoutzone>
  <layers value="4" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone2d comment="Input zone for 2-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="1" direction="right" />
  </zone2d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity3 v="0" v2="6" v3="8" z="0" z2="0.5" z3="1" comment="Parabolic inlet velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
```

2-D Open-Channel Flow



Velocity profile at $L/3$.



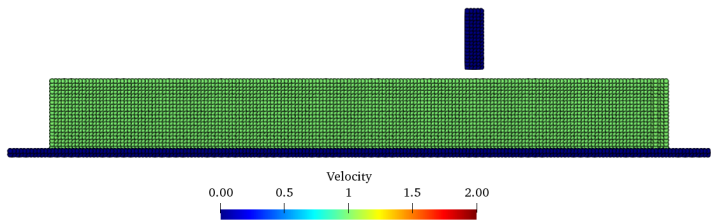
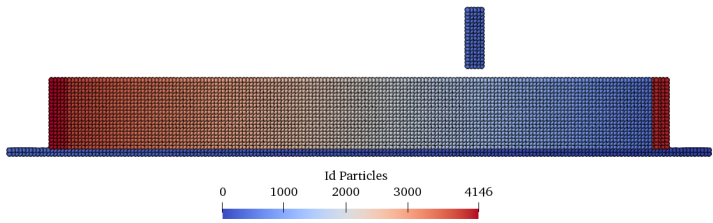
Velocity profile at $2L/3$.

2-D Open-Channel Flow with Reversion

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2-D Open-Channel Flow with Reversion



2-D Open-Channel Flow with Reversion

Here the left buffer is chosen to drive the changes in velocity sign

```
<inoutzone>
  <layers value="5" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone2d comment="Input zone for 2-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="1" direction="right" />
  </zone2d>
  <imposevelocity mode="1" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocitytimes comment="Uniform inlet velocity in time">
      <timevalue time="0" v="1" />
      <timevalue time="8" v="0" />
      <timevalue time="9" v="-1" />
      <timevalue time="15" v="0" />
      <timevalue time="15.5" v="1" />
      <timevalue time="20.5" v="1" />
    </velocitytimes>
  </imposevelocity>
```

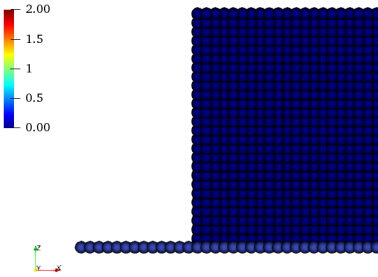
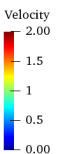
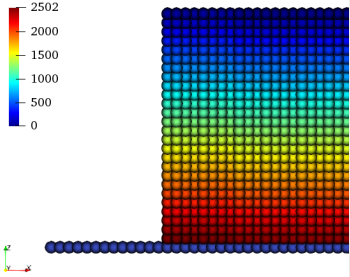
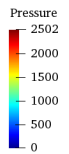
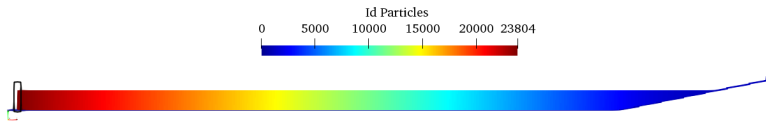
while everything else at the two boundaries is extrapolated from the fluid via the ghost nodes!

2-D Wave Generation

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2-D Wave Generation



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To achieve proper wave generation, the velocity of the particles in the left (and only) buffer is assigned via an external file with values computed from Stokes' theory:

```
<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="true" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="8" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone2d comment="Inlet/Outlet zone for 2-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="1" direction="right" />
  </zone2d>
  <imposevelocity mode="1" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocityfile file="waves.csv" comment="Uniform inlet velocity data (time;v)" />
  </imposevelocity>
```

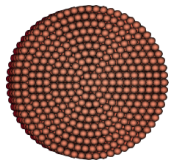
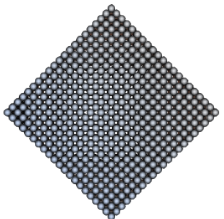
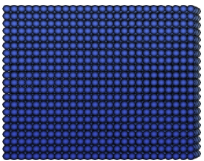
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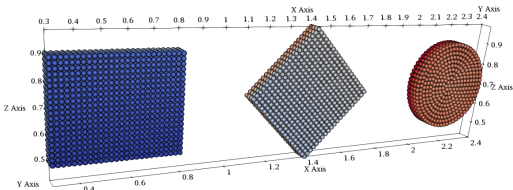
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3-D Buffer Shapes



Different shape options for buffer regions.

3-D Buffer Shapes: Square



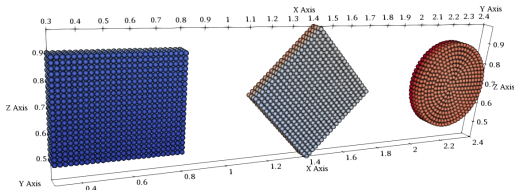
Square

```

<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="4" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <box>
      <point x="0.3" y="2.8" z="0.5" />
      <size x="0.5" y="0" z="0.4" />
      <direction x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
    </box>
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
</inoutzone>

```

3-D Buffer Shapes: Diamond



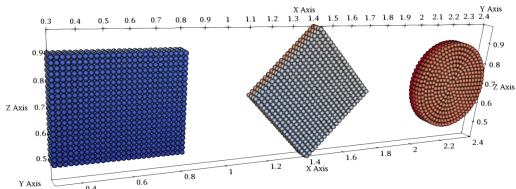
Diamond

```

<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="4" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <box>
      <point x="1.2" y="2.8" z="0.5" />
      <size x="0.4" y="0" z="0.4" />
      <direction x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
      <rotateaxis angle="-45" anglesunits="degrees">
        <point1 x="1.4" y="0" z="0.7" />
        <point2 x="1.4" y="1" z="0.7" />
      </rotateaxis>
    </box>
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
</inoutzone>

```


3-D Buffer Shapes: Circle



Circle

```

<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="4" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <circle>
      <point x="2.2" y="2.8" z="0.7" />
      <radius v="0.2" />
      <direction x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
    </circle>
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
</inoutzone>

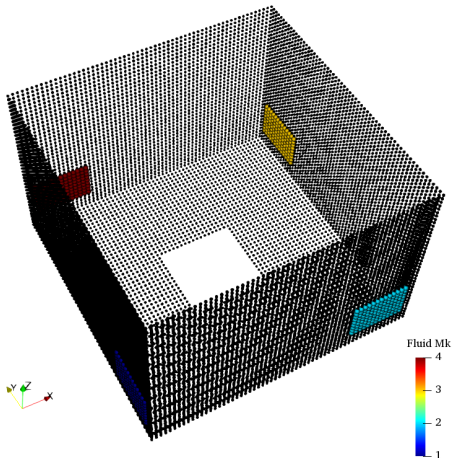
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3-D Multi-Inlet Single-Outlet Flow



Multi-inlet single-outlet water flow in a cubical tank (semi-permeable inlet boundary)

3-D Multi-Inlet Single-Outlet Flow

```
<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="6" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="0" direction="right" />
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
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  <layers value="6" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="1" direction="back" />
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
</inoutzone>
<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="6" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="2" direction="left" />
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
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<inoutzone>
  <convertfluid value="false" comment="Converts fluid in inlet/outlet area (default=true)" />
  <layers value="6" comment="Number of inlet/outlet particle layers" />
  <zone3d comment="Input zone for 3-D simulations">
    <particles mkfluid="3" direction="front" />
  </zone3d>
  <imposevelocity mode="0" comment="Imposed velocity 0:fixed value, 1:variable value, 2:Extrapolated value (default=0)">
    <velocity v="2" comment="Uniform velocity" units_comment="m/s" />
  </imposevelocity>
</inoutzone>
```

3-D Flow Past a Boat Hull

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Folders of test cases in "examples/inletoutlet".

3-D Flow Past a Boat Hull

Inlet

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3:Interpolated velocity (default=0)">
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(default=0)" />
  <imposezsurf mode="0" comment="Inlet Z-surface 0:Imposed fixed value, 1:Imposed variable value, 2:Calculated from
fluid domain (default=0)">
    <zbottom value="0" comment="Bottom level of water (used for Hydrostatic option)" units_comment="m" />
    <zsurf value="0.2" comment="Characteristic inlet Z-surface (used for Hydrostatic option)" units_comment="m" />
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</inoutzone>

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Outlet

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</inoutzone>

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