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New variable resolution in DualSPHysics

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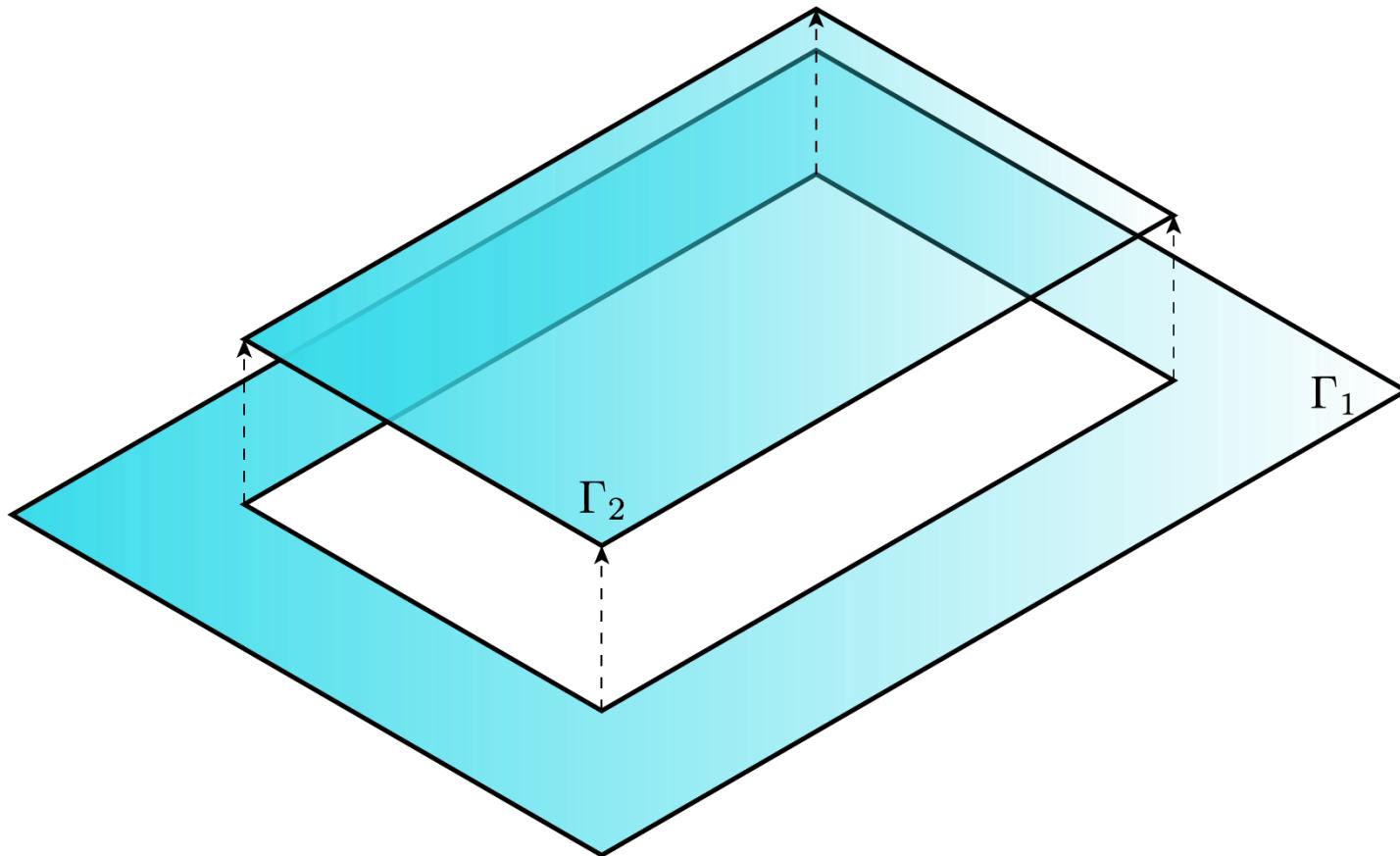
Outline

- Variable-Resolution formulation
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- Future Outlook



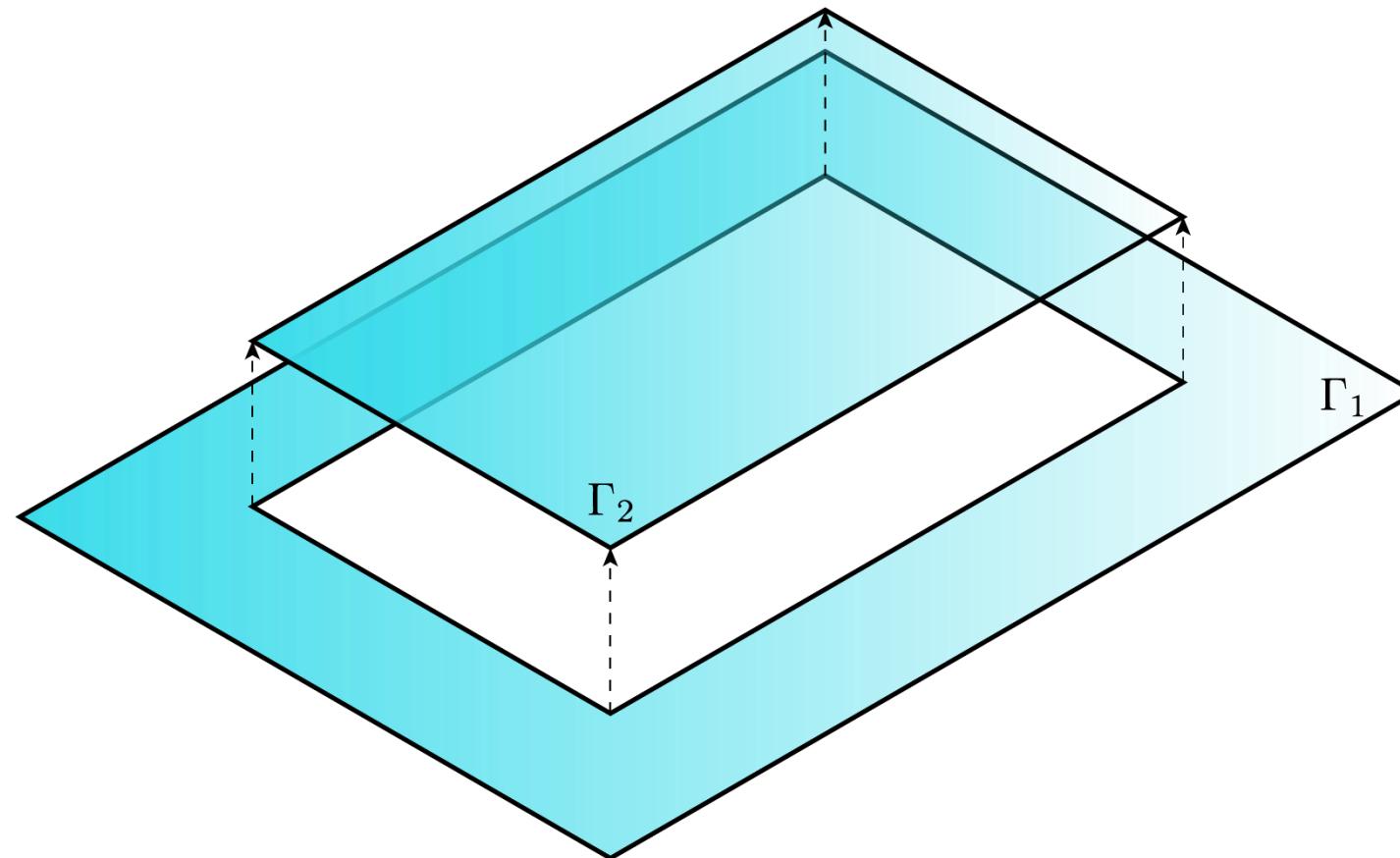
Numerical formulation

Domain coupling



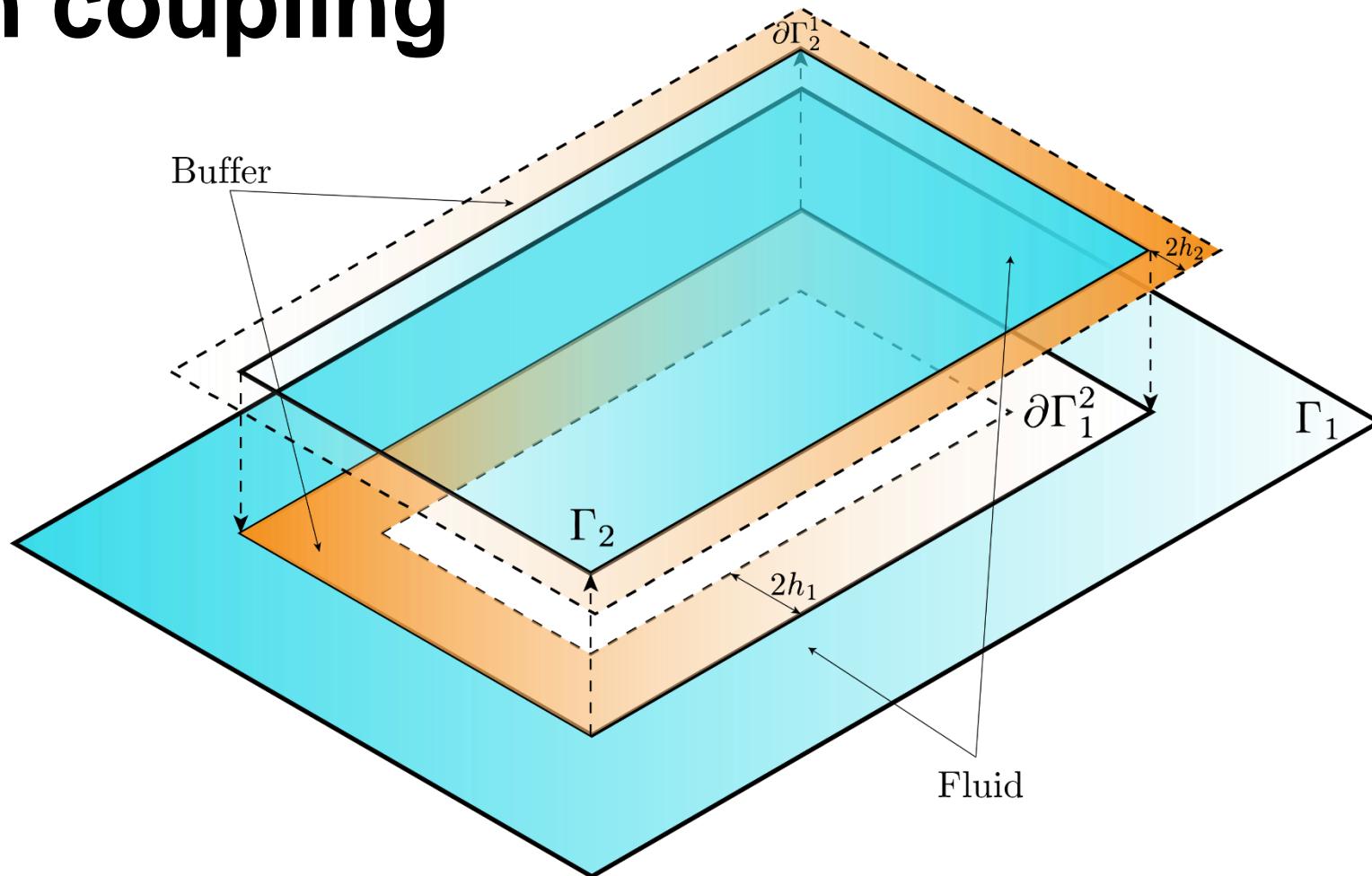
Computational domain is divided in sub-domains

Domain coupling



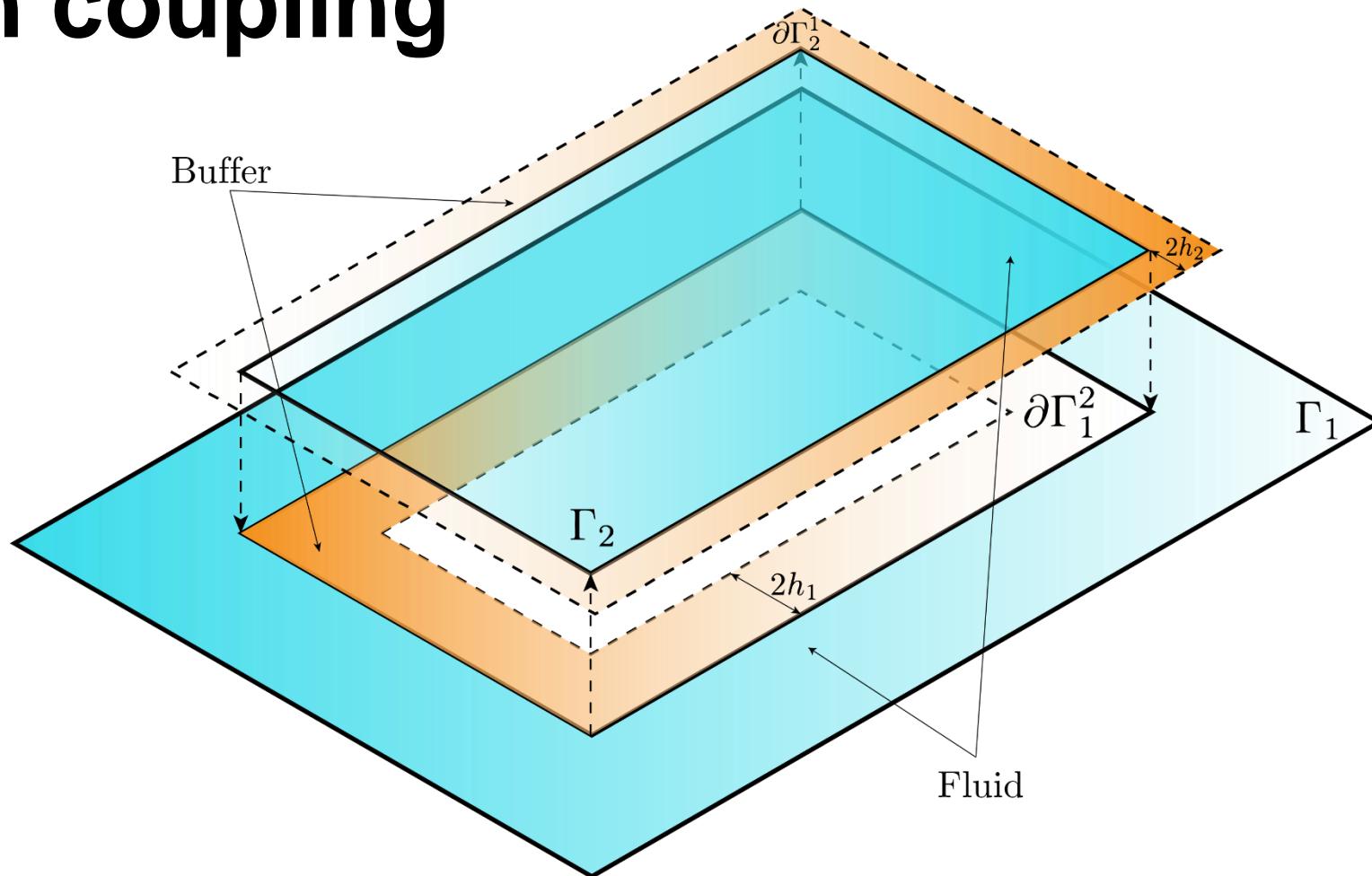
Each sub-domain has its own smoothing length h_i and initial particle distance d_{pi}

Domain coupling



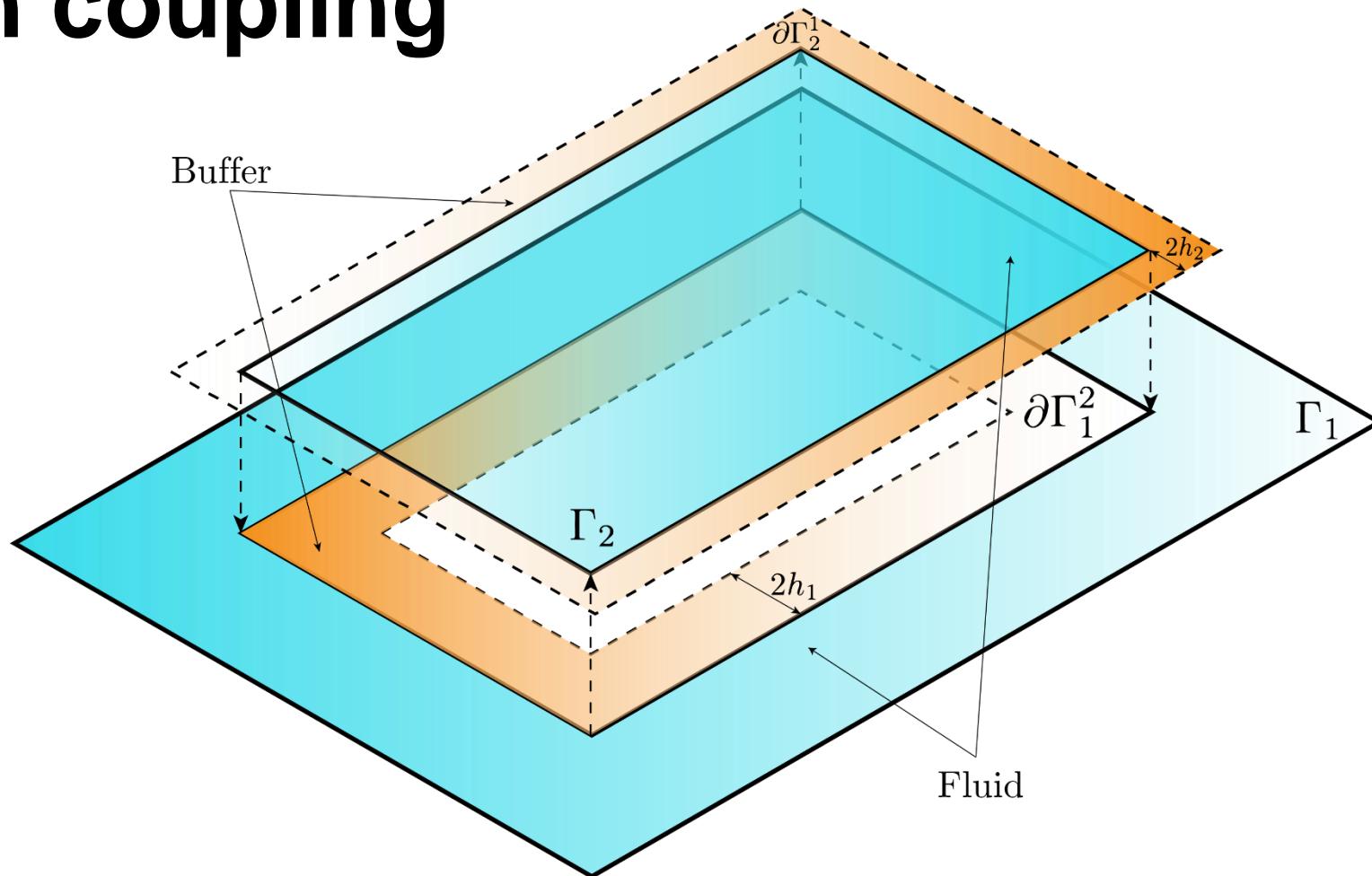
Each sub-domain is extended by a buffer region

Domain coupling



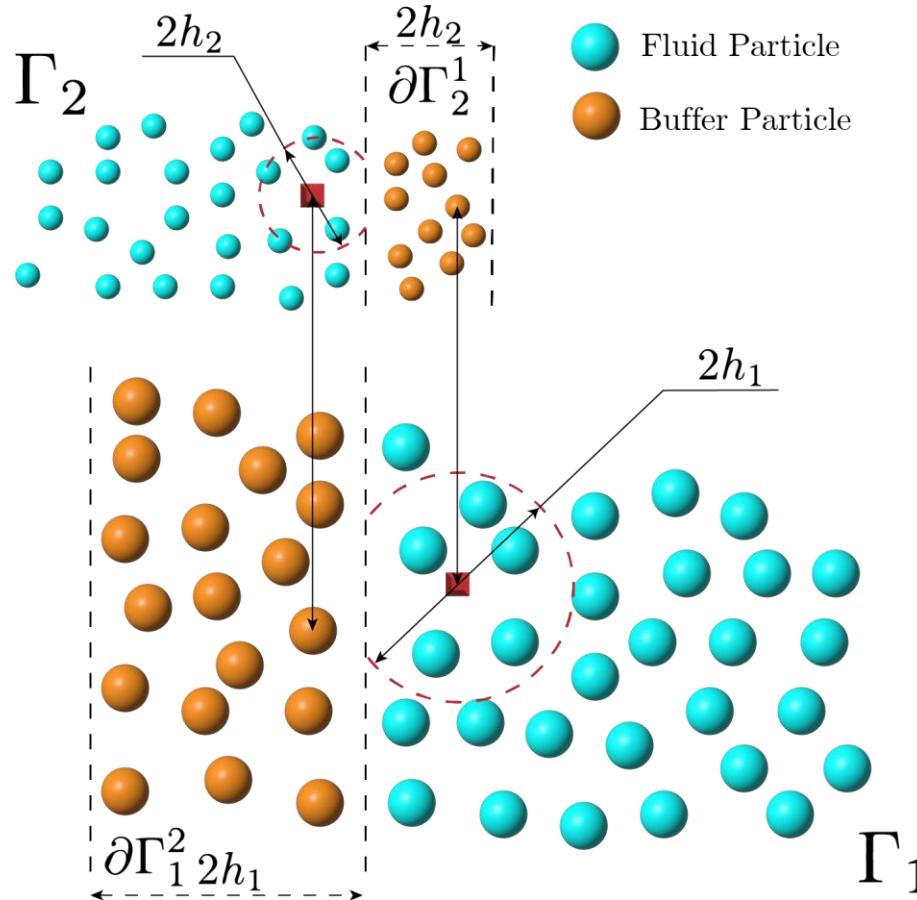
The buffer region act as Dirichlet boundary condition

Domain coupling



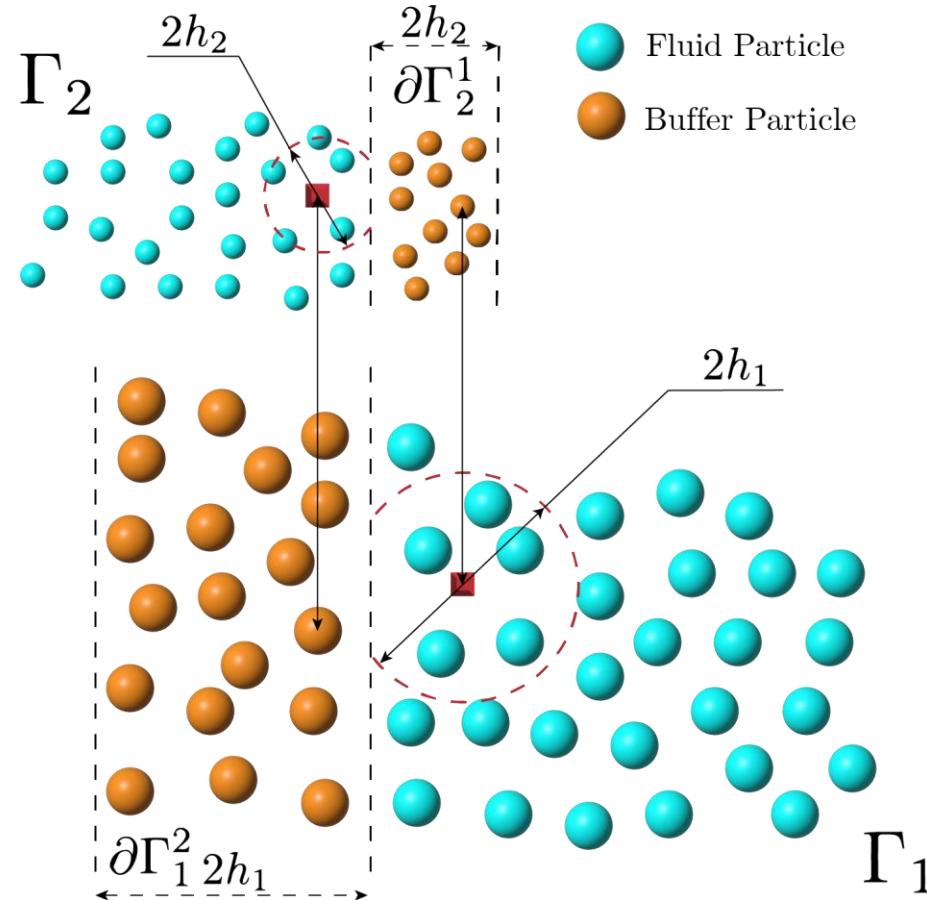
The buffer region is populated by buffer particles

Buffer interpolation



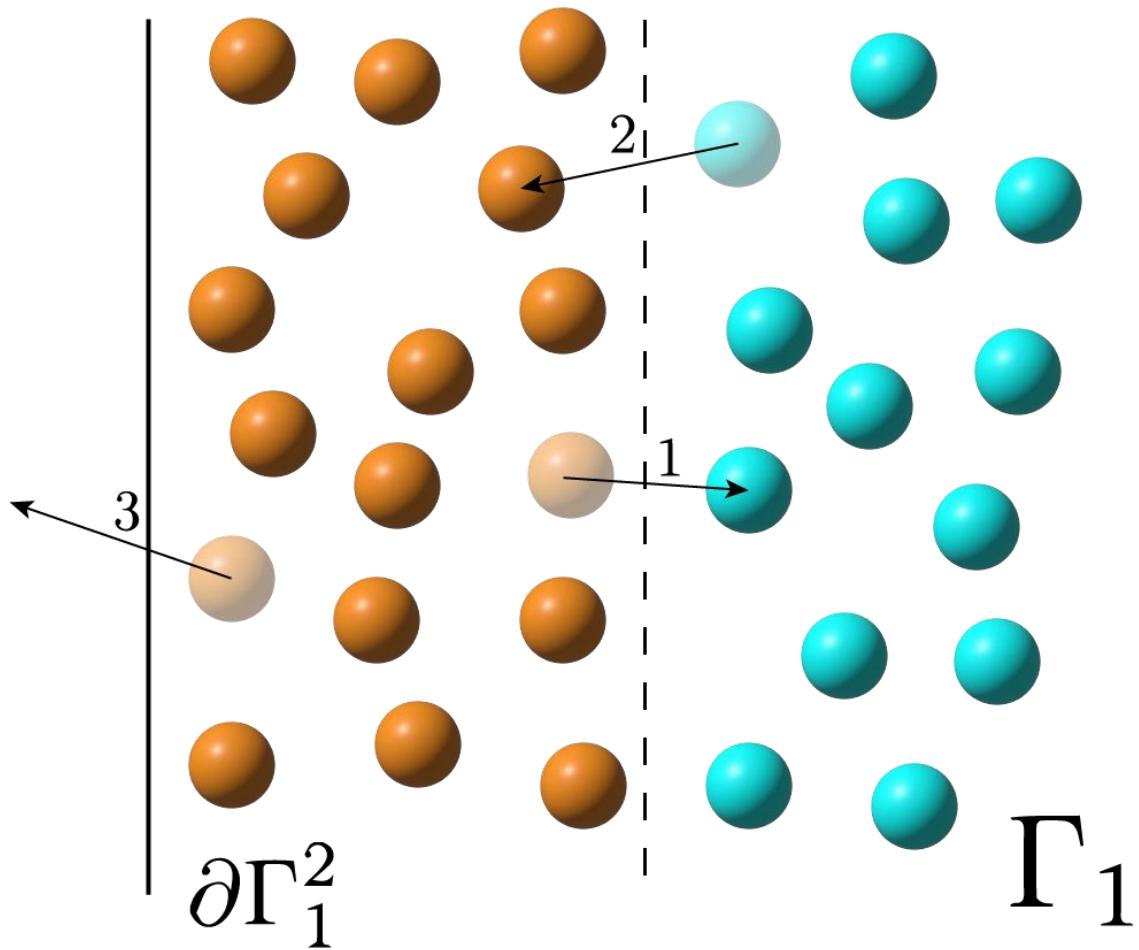
The buffer particles obtain their physical properties interpolating over the coupled sub-domain

Buffer interpolation

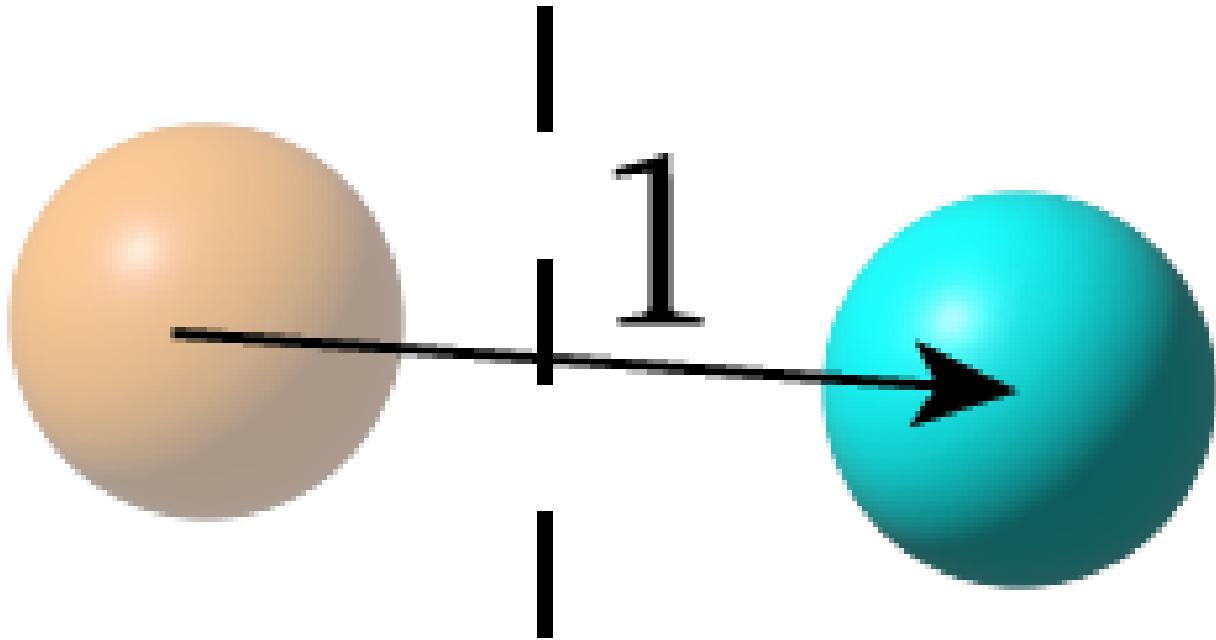


The buffer particles obtain their physical properties interpolating over the coupled sub-domain

Mass exchange

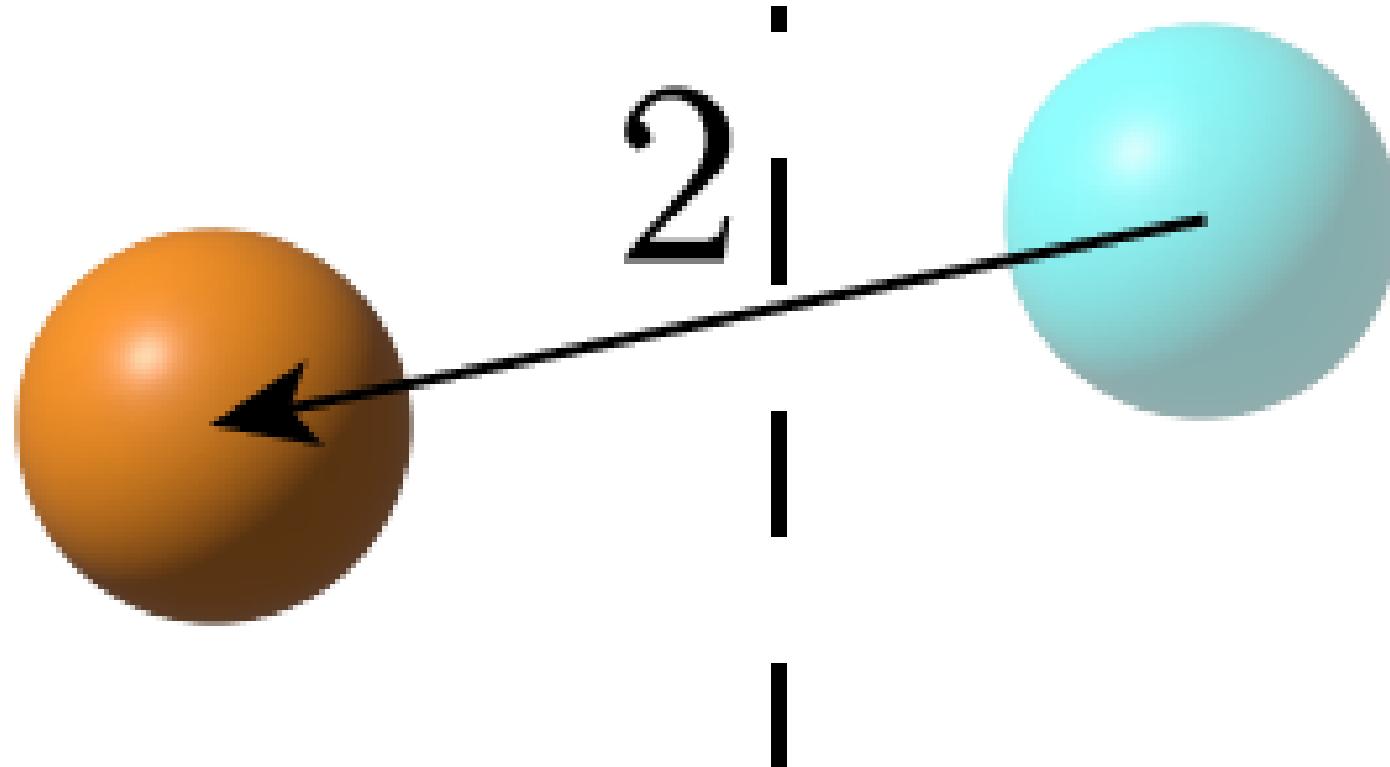


Mass exchange



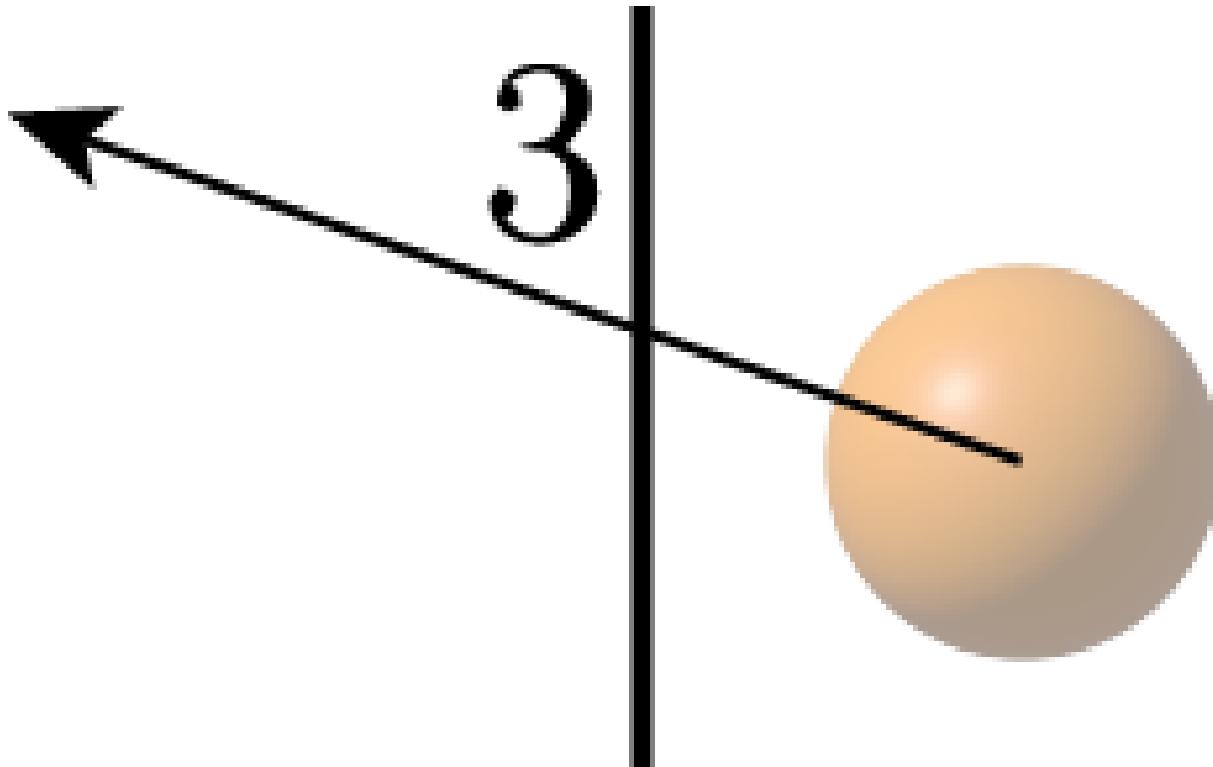
1. Buffer particle to fluid region become fluid particle

Mass exchange



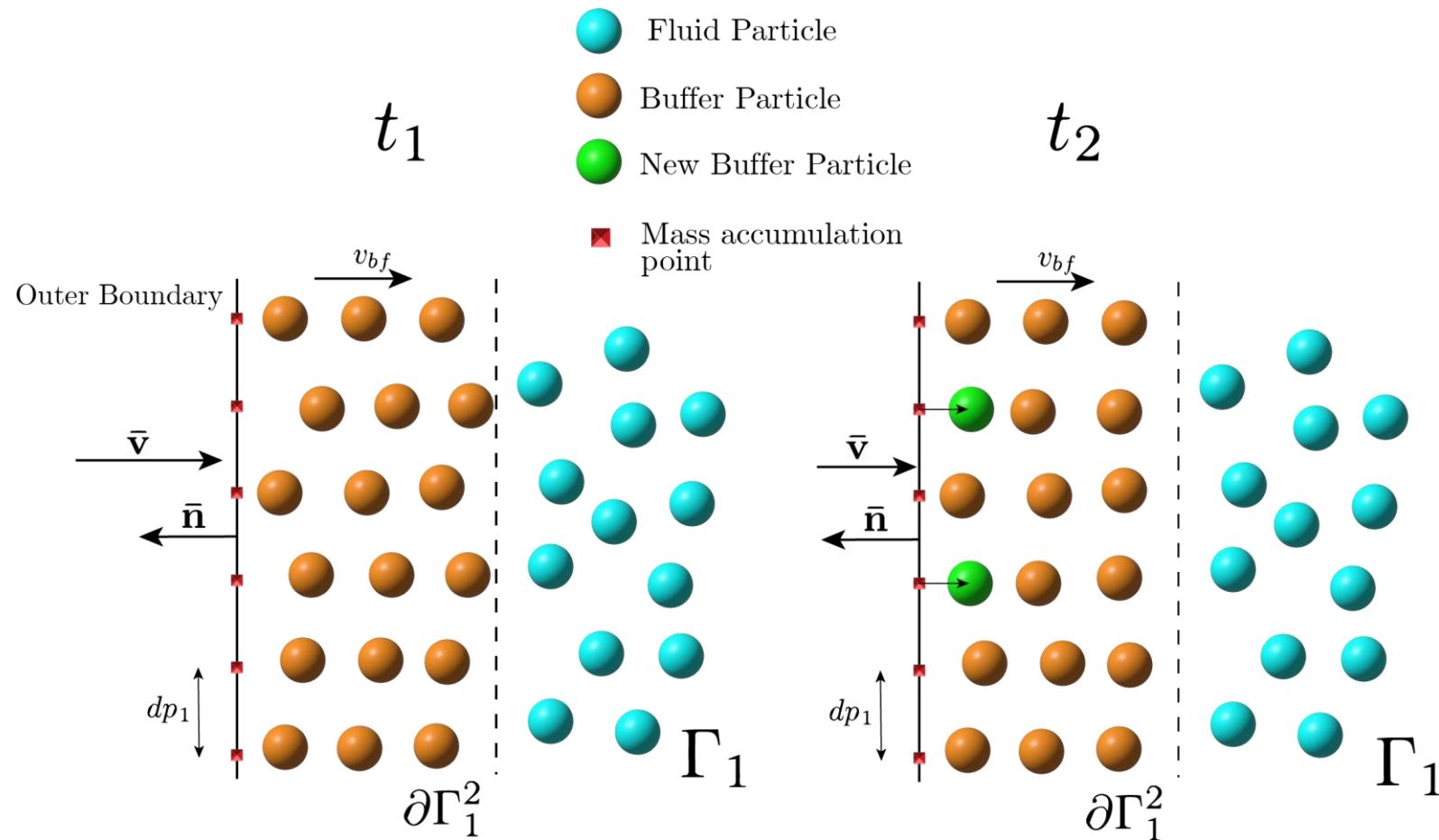
2. Fluid particle to buffer become fluid particle

Mass exchange



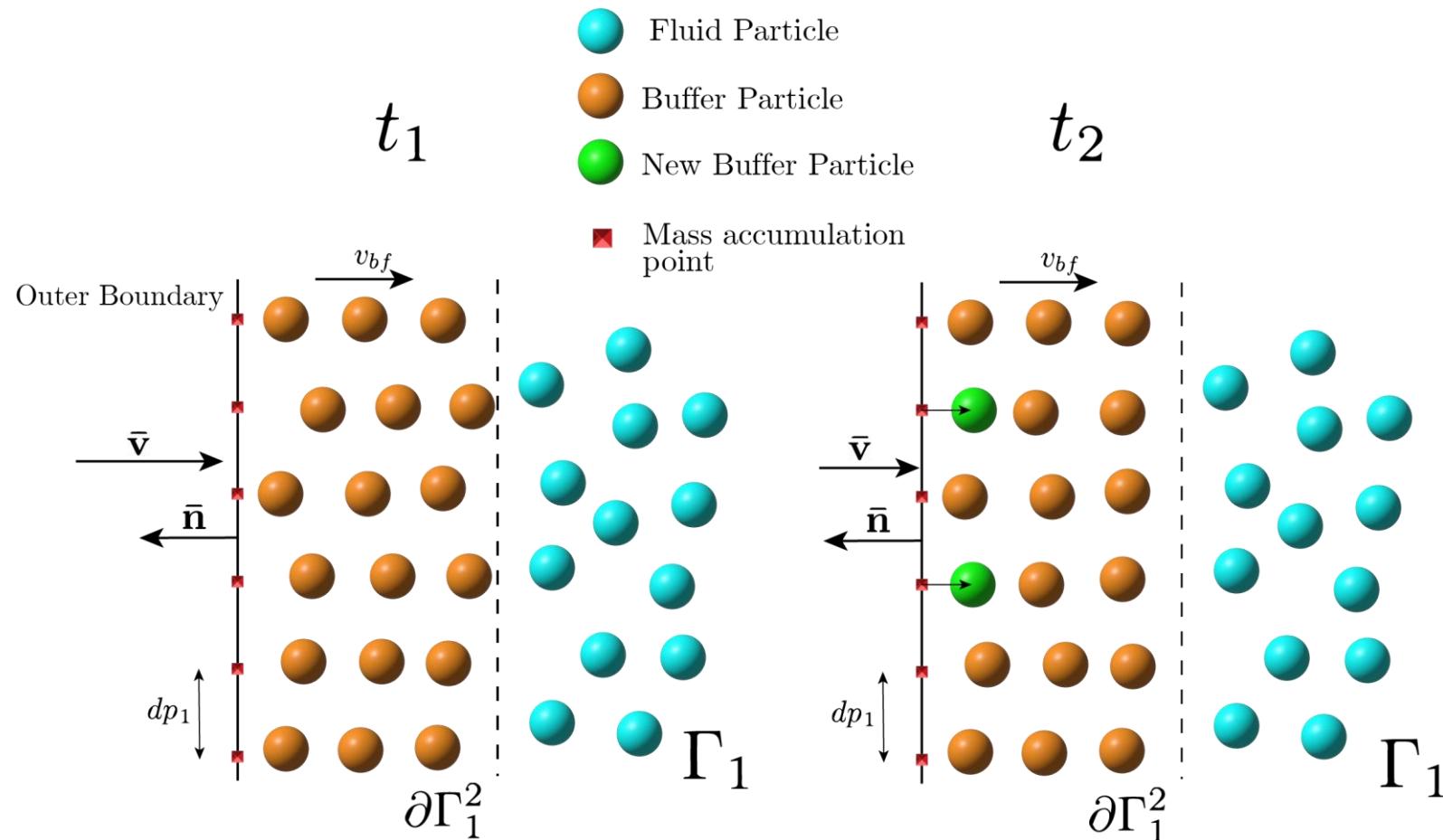
3. Buffer particles out of the domain domain is deleted

Mass exchange



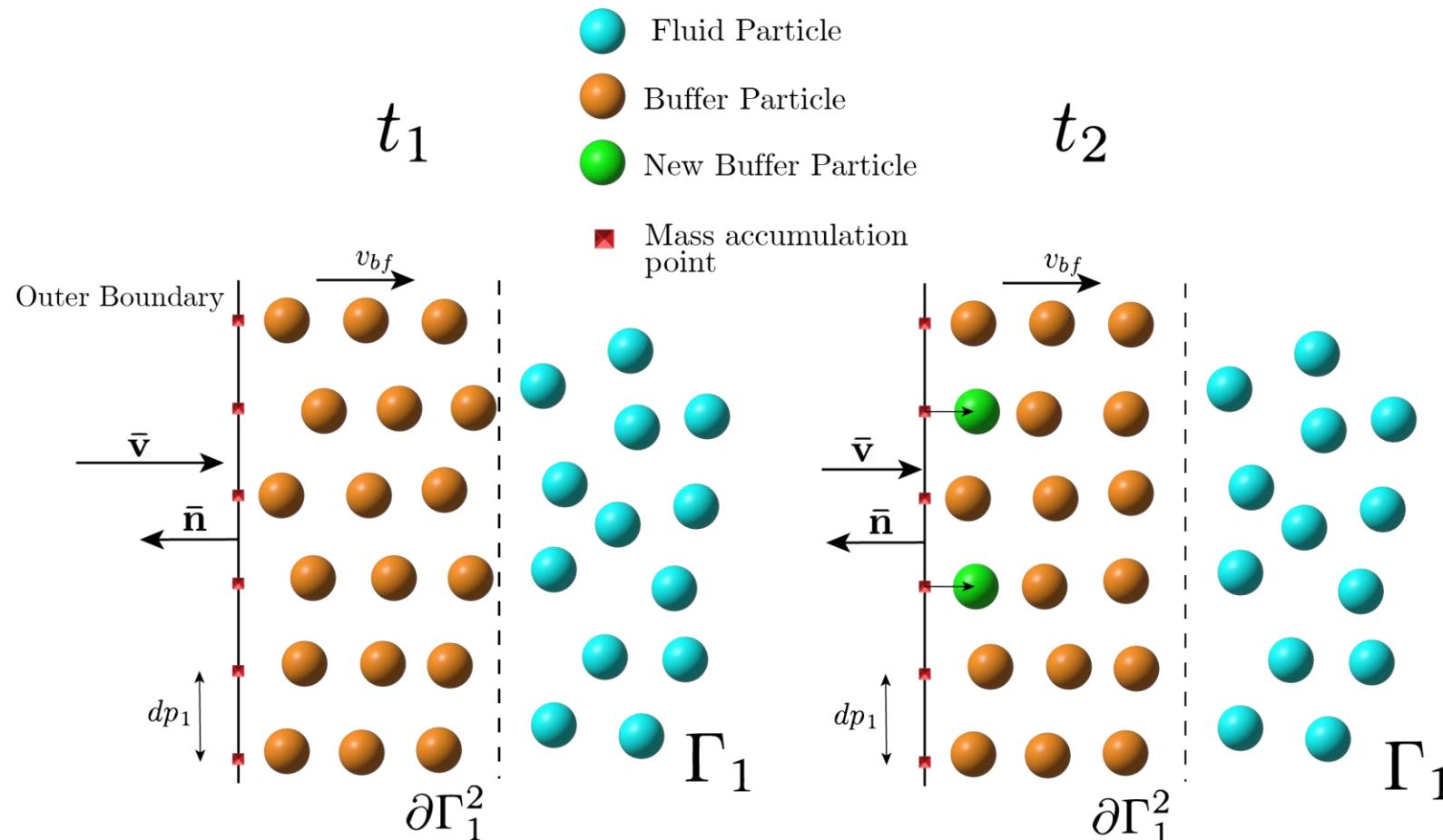
The outer boundary is divided in mass segments with dp .

Mass exchange



$$\dot{m}_a = \max(0, -\rho_{m_a} (v_{m_a} - v_{bf}) \cdot \mathbf{n} \, dp_i \, dt)$$

Mass exchange



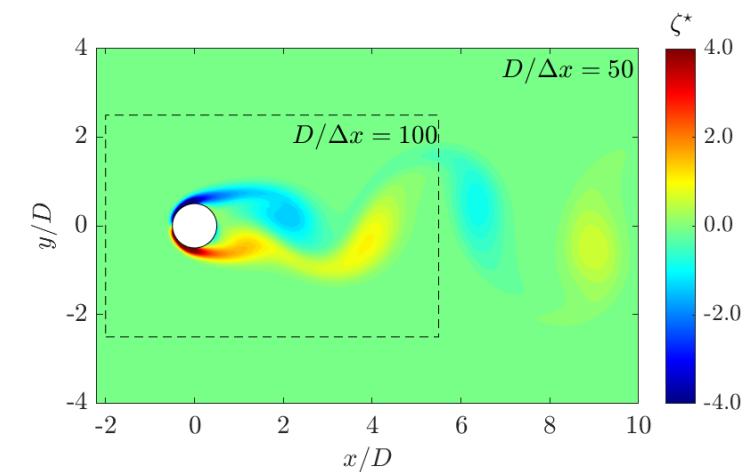
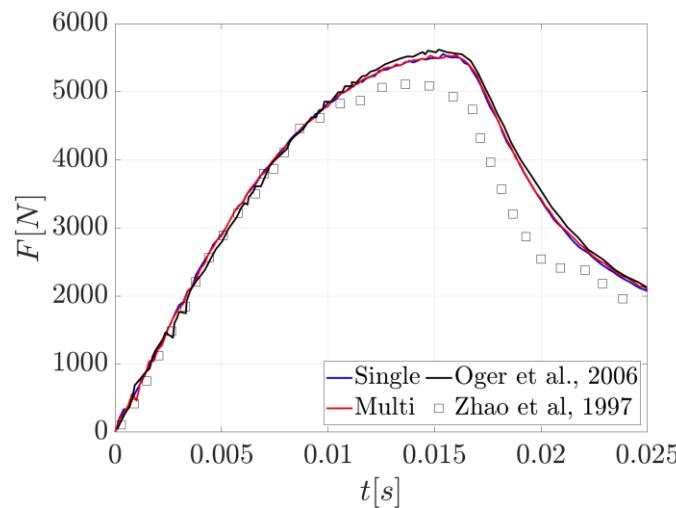
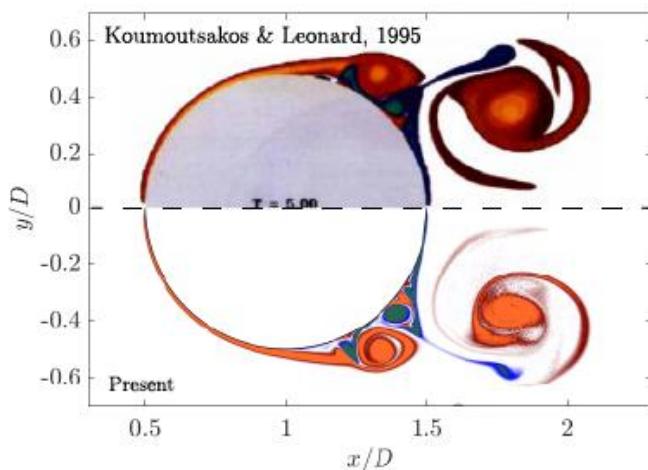
If $m_a \geq (dp)^D / \rho_0$ a new particle is created at $dp/2$

References

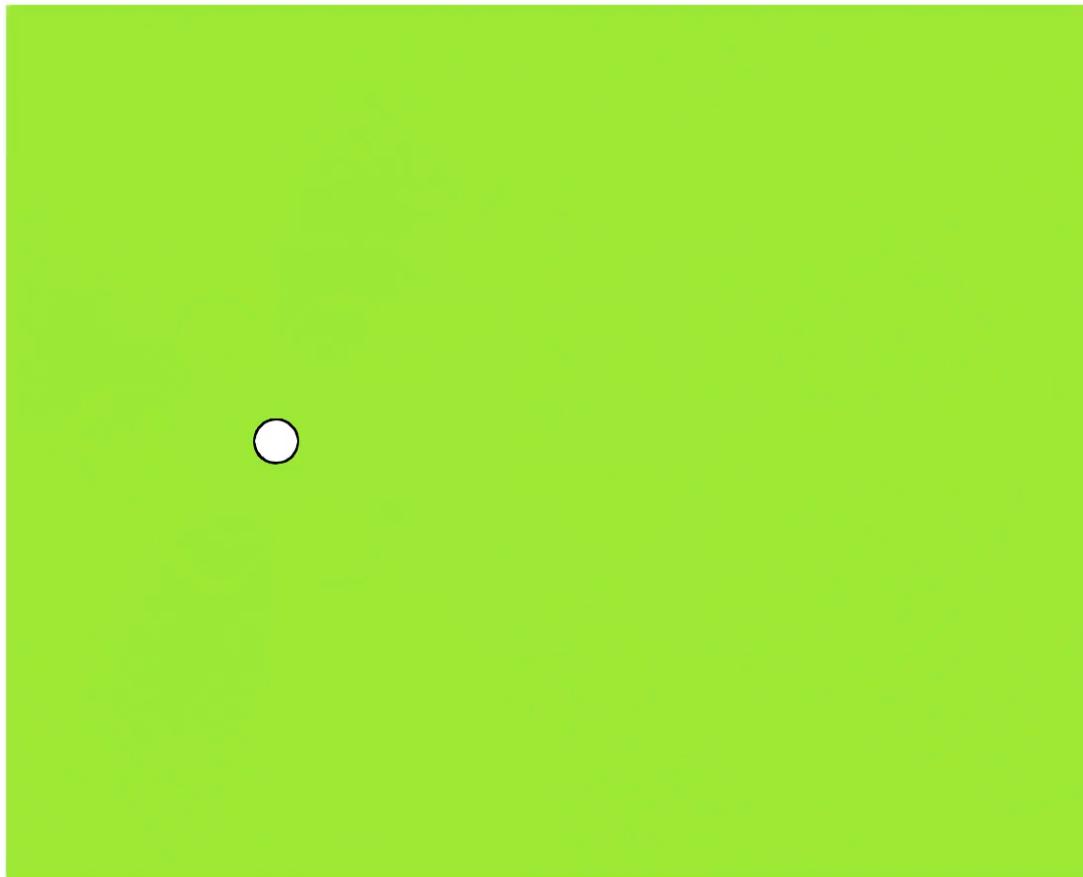
Main reference:

F. Ricci, R. Vacondio, and A. Tafuni. Multiscale smoothed particle hydrodynamics based on a domain-decomposition strategy. Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering, 418:116500, 2024.

Validation results on different two dimensional test cases:



References



What it's available in the beta and limitations

DualSPHysics_v5.4_BETA

Current limitations:

- 2D only
- GPU only
- Works only with mDBC solid boundary
- The Vres executable is not able to run single resolution simulation
- Executable only (no source code available)

DualSPHysics_v5.4_BETA Tools available

Pre- and Post-Processing tools have been updated for the Vres code

- GenCase
- PartVtk

PartVtk is able to visualize all the different sub-domains in the same vtk file (see the examples)

DualSPHysics_v5.4_BETA

The Vres code is updated with the DualSPHysics_V5.4

The only difference is the Particle Shifting Technique (Lind et al., 2012) instead of (Skillen et al., 2013):

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = -D \nabla C \quad D = Ah^2 \quad \nabla C = \sum_b \frac{m_b}{\rho_b} \nabla_a W_{ab}.$$

See the example for the reference values of the A coefficient (usually 1/50 respect to the Skillen formulation)

Test Case examples

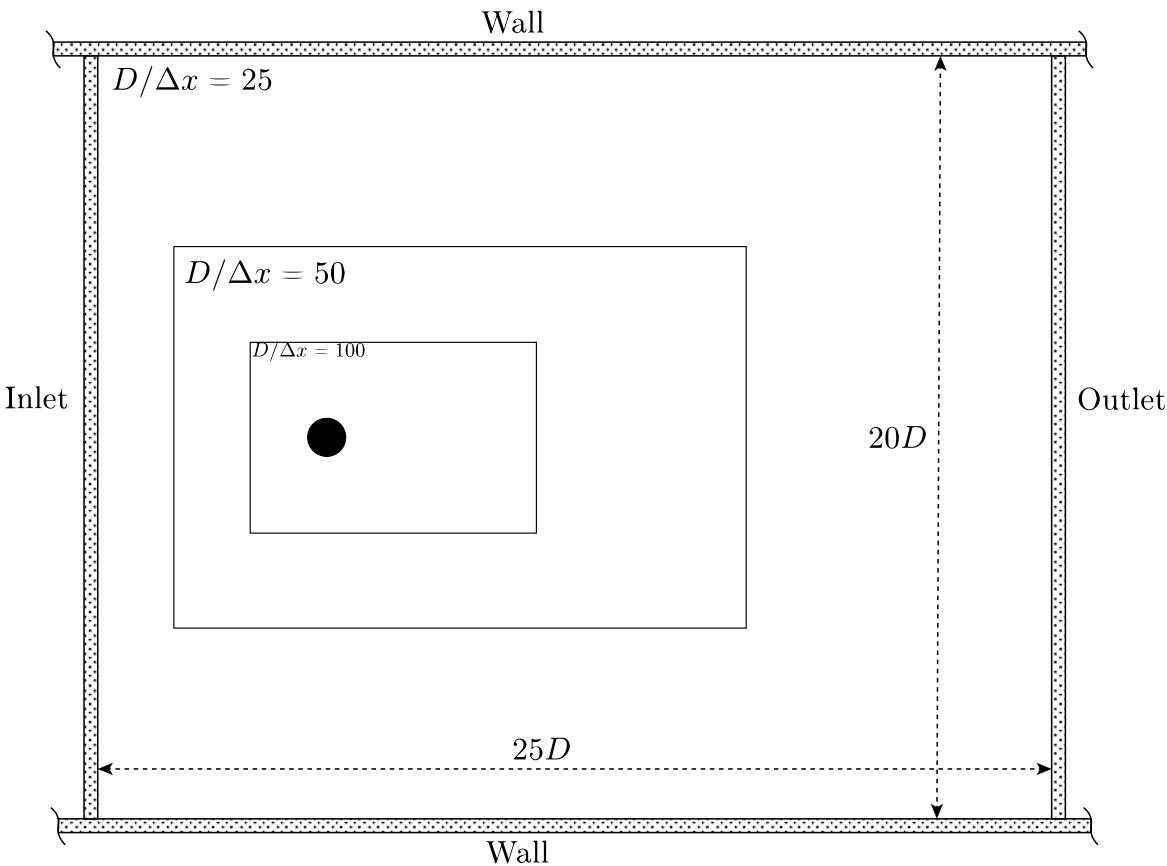
DualSPHysics_v5.4_BETA

Examples available in the package:

- 01_DamBreak2D
- 02_CaseFlowCylinder
- 03_CaseFlowCylinderTandem
- 04_FallingWedge2D

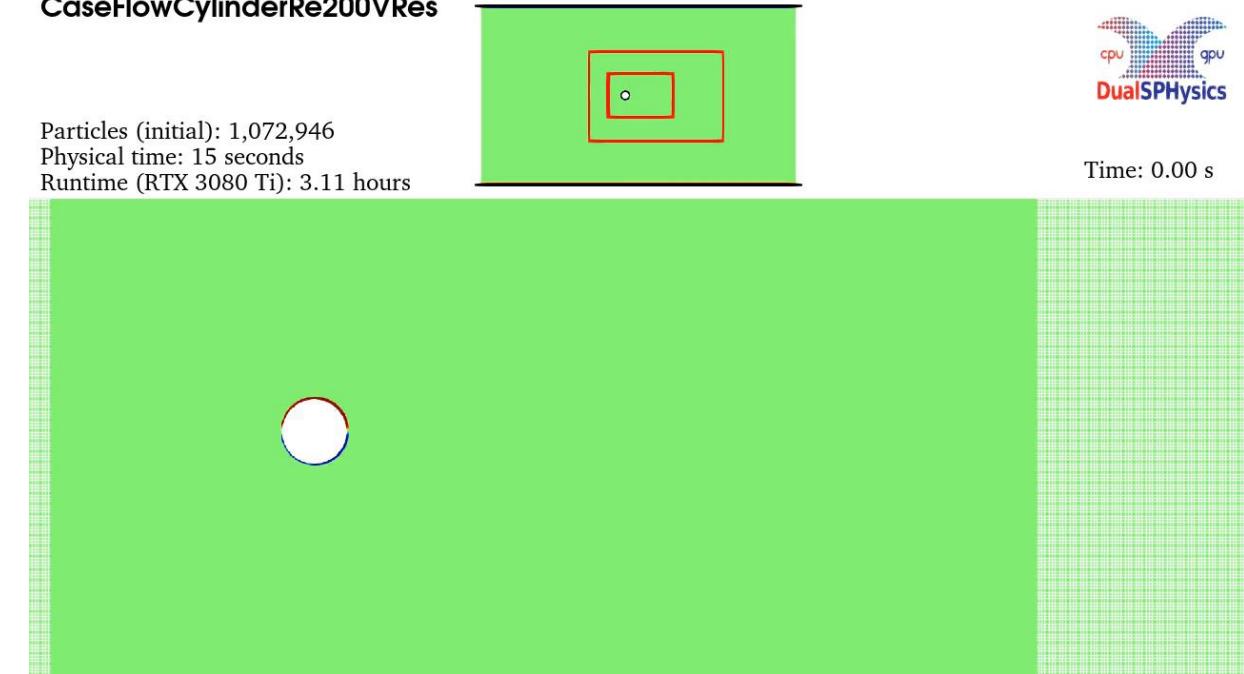


Example: CaseFlowCylinder_Re200



CaseFlowCylinderRe200VRes

Particles (initial): 1,072,946
Physical time: 15 seconds
Runtime (RTX 3080 Ti): 3.11 hours



Example: CaseFlowCylinder_Re200

```
<mainlist>
  <!-- SIMULATION DIMENSIONS AND OTHER CONFIGURATIONS -->
  <newvarcylinder xini="-1.510" xini="3.520" zini="2.000" zini="-zsize/2" rom="Fluid domain" />
  <newvarcylinder zoversize="0.050" zoversize="Dp*5" rom="Extra size for boundary domain" />
  <newvarcylinder cylx="0.1" cylz="0.0" cyradius="0.05" rom="Cylinder values" />
  <newvarcylinder fluidvel="1.0" rom="Fluid velocity" />
  <!-- BASIC CONFIGURATION -->
  <setshape mode="actual" | bound></setshape>
  <setdrawmode mode="full" />
  <!-- FLUID DOMAIN -->
  <setmkfluid ak="1" />
  <drawbox>
    <boxfill solid></boxfill>
    <point x="#xini" y="-0.1" z="#zini" />
    <size x="#zsize" y="0.2" z="#zsize" />
  </drawbox>
  <!-- OPEN BOUNDARIES -->
  <setmkfluid ak="2" />
  <drawbox>
    <boxfill left></boxfill>
    <point x="#xini" y="-0.1" z="#zini" />
    <size x="#zsize" y="0.2" z="#zsize" />
  </drawbox>
  <setmkfluid ak="3" />
  <drawbox>
    <boxfill right></boxfill>
    <point x="#xini" y="-0.1" z="#zini" />
    <size x="#zsize" y="0.2" z="#zsize" />
  </drawbox>
  <setmkbound ak="1" />
  <drawbox>
    <boxfill solid></boxfill>
    <point x="#xini-zoversize" y="-0.1" z="#zini-zoversize" />
    <size x="#zsize+zoversize*2" y="0.2" z="#zoversize" />
  </drawbox>
  <setmkbound ak="2" />
  <drawbox>
    <boxfill solid></boxfill>
    <point x="#xini-zoversize" y="-0.1" z="#zini" />
    <size x="#zsize+zoversize*2" y="0.2" z="#zoversize" />
  </drawbox>
  <!-- CYLINDER -->
  <setfdrawmode auto="true" />
  <drawcylinder radius="#cyradius-Dp/2">
    <point x="#cyl1" y="0" x="#cyl1" />
    <point x="#cyl1" y="0.1" x="#cyl1" />
  </drawcylinder>
  <setmkvoid ak="0" />
  <setfdrawmode auto="true" />
  <drawcylinder radius="#cyradius-Dp*5">
    <point x="#cyl1" y="0" x="#cyl1" />
    <point x="#cyl1" y="0.1" x="#cyl1" />
  </drawcylinder>
  <setfdrawmode auto="false" />
  <!-- END -->
  <setshape file="" />
</mainlist>
</commands>
</geometry>
<vres active="true">
  <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
  <bufferbox>
    <!-- Refinement level 1 -->
    <point x="-0.30" y="0" z="-0.51" />
    <size x="1.5" y="0.0" z="1" />
    <dpratio v="2" comment="Refinement ratio." />
  <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
  <bufferbox active="true">
    <!-- Refinement level 2 -->
    <point x="-0.10" y="0" z="-0.250" />
    <size x="0.75" y="0.0" z="0.5" />
    <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio." />
  </bufferbox>
</bufferbox>
</vres>
</casedef>
</casedef>
```



Example: CaseFlowCylinder_Re200

- A new section is added in the `<casedef></casedef>` section of the xml file
- The `<vres></vres>` section is structured to reflect the hierarchical structures of nested region.
- The definition of a variable resolution zone is done in `<bufferbox></bufferbox>` section.
- In order to define a refinement region nested inside another region, a `<bufferbox></bufferbox>` section must be inserted inside the previously defined `<bufferbox></bufferbox>` section.

```
<vres>
    <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
    <bufferbox>
        <!-- Refinement level 1 -->
        <point x="-0.30" y="0" z="-0.51" />
        <size x="1.5" y="0.0" z="1" />
        <dpratio v="2" comment="Refinement ratio." />
        <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
        <bufferbox active="true">
            <!-- Refinement level 2 -->
            <point x="-0.10" y="0" z="-0.250" />
            <size x="0.75" y="0.0" z="0.5" />
            <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio." />
        </bufferbox>
    </bufferbox>
</vres>
```

The diagram illustrates the hierarchical structure of the XML code. It shows three levels of nesting indicated by curly braces:

- Definition zone 3 (innermost):** This brace groups the innermost `<bufferbox active="true">` section, which contains two refinement levels (level 1 and level 2).
- Definition zone 2 (middle):** This brace groups the first `<bufferbox>` section, which contains the initial refinement level 1 and its associated buffer size definition.
- Outermost section:** This brace groups the entire `<vres>` section, which contains both bufferbox definitions.

Annotations on the right side of the diagram indicate specific parameters:
Definition zone 3: D/dx=100
Definition zone 2: D/dx=50

Example: Vres parameters

point starting point of a variable resolution zone.

size define the extension of the variable resolution zone. It also possible to use **endpoint** to define the ending point of the Vres domain.

dpratio refinement ratio between parent and child domain. A value $0.5 < v < 2.0$ is recommended

buffsizeh Buffer size according to smoothing length h. The default value is **v=2**

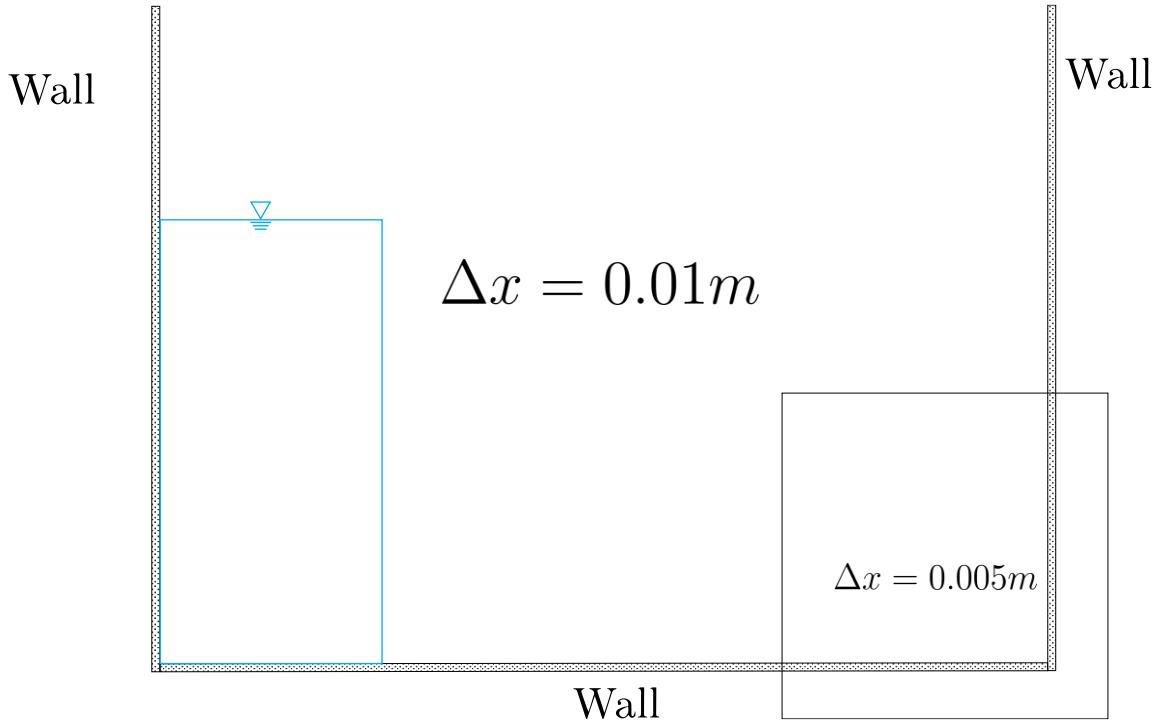
overlappingh Extension of the overlapping region according to length h. Only applied when **overlappingh** is explicitly declared in the Vres domain definition. Recommended when interface between Vres regions crosses solid boundaries and/or in presence of free-surface flows.

tracking If enabled, the Vres domain moves according the translational motion of the moving or floating body specified by the **mkbound** value.

Example: DamBreak2D

Geometry definition

```
<definition dp="0.01" units_comment="metres (m)">
  <pointref x="#Dp/2" y="0" z="#Dp/2" />
  <pointmin x="-0.1" y="0" z="-0.4" />
  <pointmax x="4.2" y="0" z="3.5" />
</definition>
<commands>
  <list name="GeometryForNormals">
    <setactive drawpoints="0" drawshapes="1" />
    <setshapemode>actual | bound</setshapemode>
    <setnormalinvert invert="true" />
    <!-- Tank -->
    <setmkbound mk="0" />
    <drawbox>
      <boxfill>bottom | left | right</boxfill>
      <point x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
      <size x="#sizex" y="2" z="#sizez" />
    </drawbox>
    <shapeout file="hdp" />
    <resetdraw />
  </list>
  <mainlist>
    <!-- Actual geometry at dp/2 -->
    <runlist name="GeometryForNormals" />
    <!-- Particles -->
    <setdrawmode mode="full" />
    <!-- Fluid -->
    <setmkfluid mk="1" />
    <drawbox>
      <boxfill>solid</boxfill>
      <point x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
      <size x="1" y="2" z="2" />
    </drawbox>
    <!-- Tank -->
    <setmkbound mk="0" />
    <drawbox>
      <boxfill>bottom | left | right</boxfill>
      <point x="0" y="-1" z="0" />
      <size x="#sizex" y="2" z="#sizez" />
      <layers vdp="0.5,1.5,2.5,3.5" />
    </drawbox>
  </mainlist>
</commands>
```



When is present a solid boundary that is crossed by an variable-resolution interface, is suggested to set:

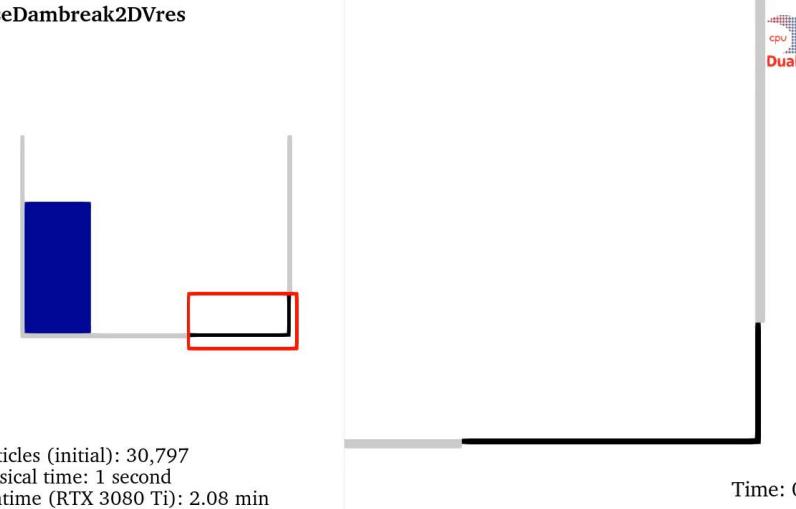
<pointref x="#Dp/2" y="0" z="#Dp/2" />

This allow the correct definition of solid boundaries with different resolutions.

Example: DamBreak2D

```
<vres active="true">
  <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
  <bufferbox>
    <point x="2.5" y="0" z="-0.20" />
    <endpoint x="4.1" y="0" z="0.60" />
    <dpratio v="2" comment="Refinement ratio." />
    <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
    <overlappingh v="2" comment="Overlapping size according to H (H*v) (default v=0)" />
  </bufferbox>
</vres>
```

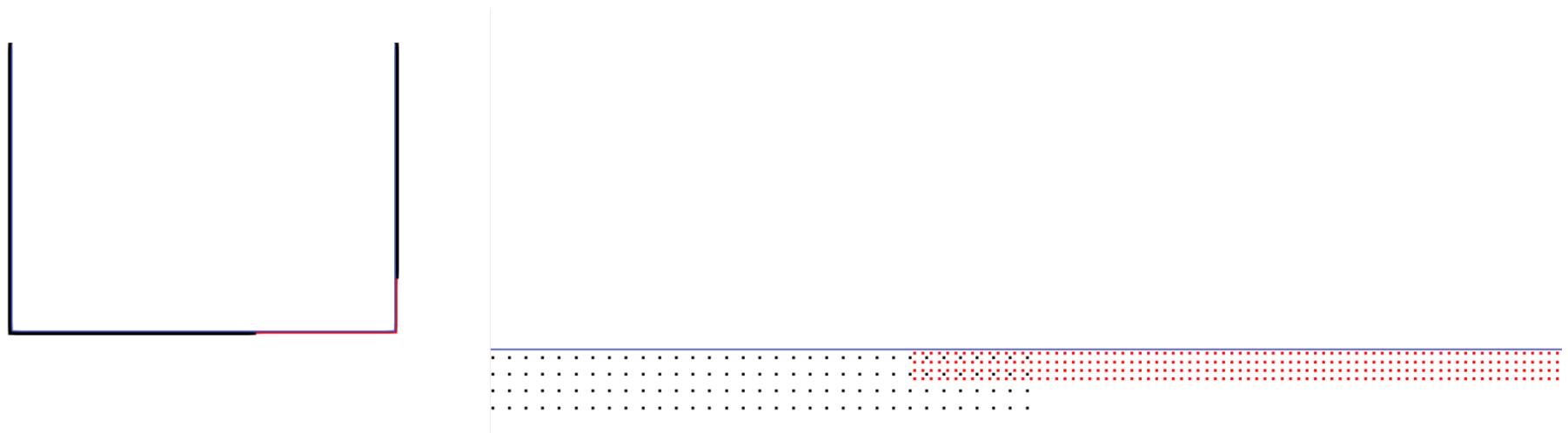
CaseDambreak2DVres



overlappingh Extension of the overlapping region according to length h.

Particles (initial): 30,797
Physical time: 1 second
Runtime (RTX 3080 Ti): 2.08 min

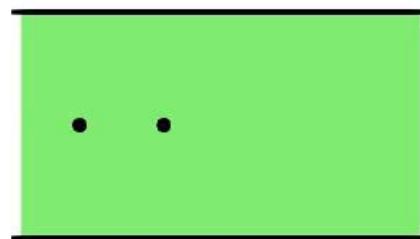
Example:



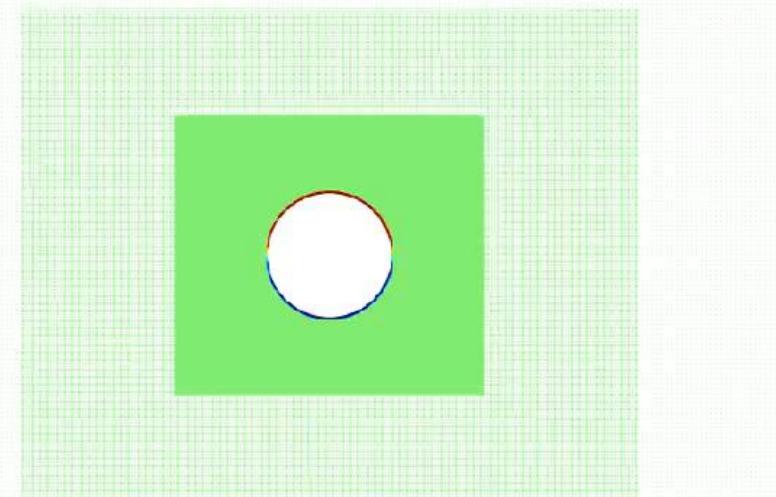
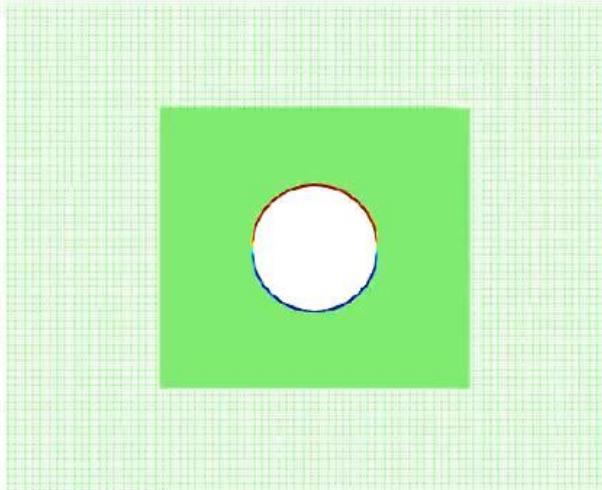
Example: CaseFlowCylinderTandem

CaseFlowCylinderTandemVRes

Particles (initial): 660,048
Physical time: 10 seconds
Runtime (RTX 3080 Ti): 2.45 hours



Time: 0.000 s



Example: CaseFlowCylinderTandem

```
<vres active="true">
  <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
  <!-- Refinement for cylinder 1 -->
  <bufferbox>
    <point x="#cylx-5*cylradius" y="0" z="#cylz-4*cylradius" />
    <size x="#cylradius*10" y="0.0" z="#cylradius*8" />
    <dpratio v="2" comment="Refinement ratio." />
    <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
    <tracking mkbound="1" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
  <bufferbox>
    <point x="#cylx-2.5*cylradius" y="0" z="#cylz-2.25*cylradius" />
    <size x="#5*cylradius" y="0.0" z="#4.5*cylradius" />
    <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio." />
    <tracking mkbound="1" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
  </bufferbox>
  </bufferbox>
  <!-- Refinement for cylinder 2 -->
  <bufferbox>
    <point x="#cylx2-5*cylradius" y="0" z="#cylz-4*cylradius" />
    <size x="#10*cylradius" y="0.0" z="#8*cylradius" />
    <dpratio v="2" comment="Refinement ratio." />
    <buffsizeh v="2" comment="Buffer size according to H (H*v) (default v=2)" />
    <tracking mkbound="2" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
  <bufferbox>
    <point x="#cylx2-2.5*cylradius" y="0" z="#cylz-2.25*cylradius" />
    <size x="#5*cylradius" y="0.0" z="#4.5*cylradius" />
    <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio." />
    <tracking mkbound="2" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
  </bufferbox>
  </bufferbox>
</vres>
```



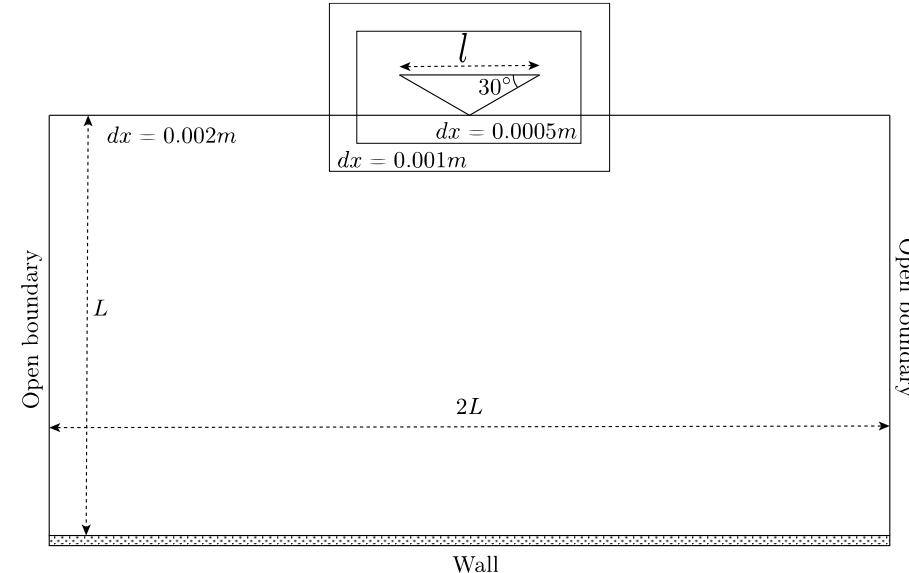
Example: CaseFlowCylinderTandem

Wedge Geometry definition

```
<setfrdrawmode auto="true" />
<setmkbound mk="51" />
<drawextrude closed="true">
    <extrude x="0" y="1" z="0" />
    <point x="0" y="-0.5" z="1.5" />
    <point x="0.25" y="-0.5" z="1.64433" />
    <point x="-0.25" y="-0.5" z="1.64433" />
    <layers vdp="0,1,2,3" />
</drawextrude>
<setfrdrawmode auto="false" />
```

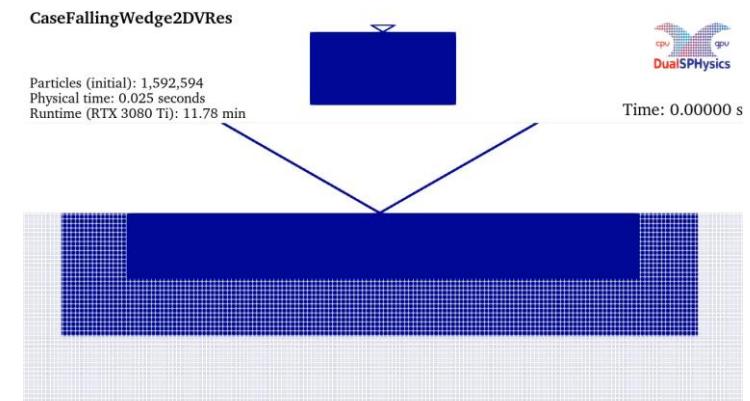
Floating object definition

```
<floatings>
    <floating mkbound="51">
        <massbody value="241" />
        <linearvelini x="0" y="0" z="-6.15" />
    </floating>
</floatings>
```



```
<vres>
    <bufferbox>
        <point x="-0.49" y="0" z="1.31" />
        <size x="0.98" y="0" z="0.59" />
        <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio" />
        <overlapping v="2" comment="Overlapping size according to H (H*v) (default v=0)" />
        <tracking mkbound="51" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
    <bufferbox>
        <point x="-0.39" y="0" z="1.40" />
        <size x="0.79" y="0" z="0.398" />
        <dpratio v="2.0" comment="Refinement ratio" />
        <overlapping v="2" comment="Overlapping size according to H (H*v) (default v=0)" />
        <tracking mkbound="51" comment="Reference to moving or floating object inside refinement region." />
    </bufferbox>
</bufferbox>
</vres>
```

The two refinement regions defined are tracking the solid object with `<mkbound="51">`



Future outlook

Future Outlook

- Validation of the present formulation for 3D application and release of the source code.
- Update of the post-processing tools (Compute_forces, MeasureTool) for Variable-resolution simulations.
- Integration of the multi-resolution model with other features available in DualSPHysics.