

# Fully Lagrangian Approach in OpenFOAM: implementation and preliminary results

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*Vortex rings and related problems*

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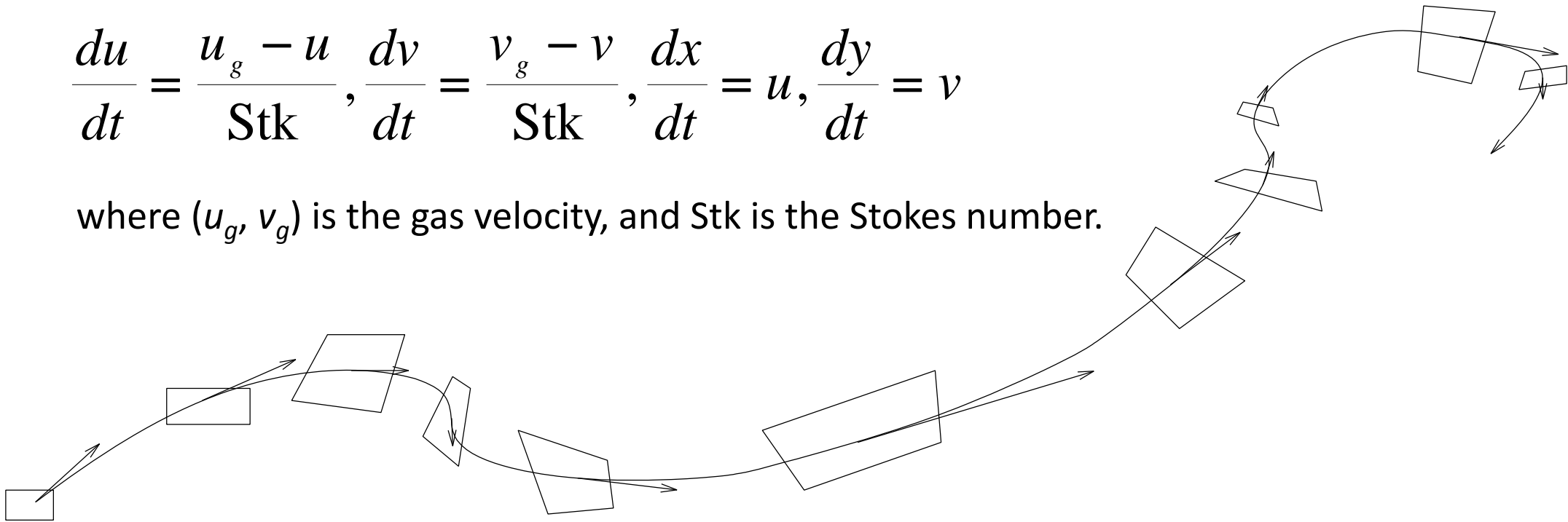
# Overview

- Fully Lagrangian approach (FLA)
- FLA in ANSYS Fluent and why OpenFOAM?
- Overview of FLA implementation into OpenFOAM Lagrangian subsystem
- Test case: number density of particles in a flow around cylinder

# Fully Lagrangian approach (FLA)

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{u_g - u}{Stk}, \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{v_g - v}{Stk}, \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = u, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = v$$

where  $(u_g, v_g)$  is the gas velocity, and  $Stk$  is the Stokes number.



$$n(x_0, y_0, t) = \det \|J\| n(x_0, y_0, 0)$$

# Fully Lagrangian approach (FLA)

$$J_{11} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial x_0}, J_{12} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial y_0}, J_{21} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_0}, J_{22} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial y_0}$$

$$\frac{dJ_{11}}{dt} = w_{11}, \frac{dJ_{12}}{dt} = w_{12}, \frac{dJ_{21}}{dt} = w_{21}, \frac{dJ_{22}}{dt} = w_{22}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dw_{11}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\text{Stk}} \left( J_{11} \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial x} + J_{21} \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial y} - w_{11} \right), & \frac{dw_{12}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\text{Stk}} \left( J_{12} \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial x} + J_{22} \frac{\partial u_g}{\partial y} - w_{12} \right), \\ \frac{dw_{21}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\text{Stk}} \left( J_{11} \frac{\partial v_g}{\partial x} + J_{21} \frac{\partial v_g}{\partial y} - w_{21} \right), & \frac{dw_{22}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\text{Stk}} \left( J_{12} \frac{\partial v_g}{\partial x} + J_{22} \frac{\partial v_g}{\partial y} - w_{22} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

# FLA in ANSYS Fluent CFD

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A model for heating and evaporation of a droplet cloud and its implementation into ANSYS Fluent

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FLA implemented as dll  
extension using User  
Defined Functions

**THE FULLY LAGRANGIAN APPROACH TO THE  
ANALYSIS OF PARTICLE/DROPLET DYNAMICS:  
IMPLEMENTATION INTO ANSYS FLUENT AND  
APPLICATION TO GASOLINE SPRAYS**

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# Why not ANSYS Fluent?

- Low control and flexibility (closed source)
- Two-way coupling is tricky
- Poor reproducibility (manual case setup in GUI, can't easily compare parameters of cases)

# Why OpenFOAM?

- Full control (Open Source)
- Great reproducibility (case settings are defined in plaintext files)

# FLA in OpenFOAM: implementation strategy for steady-state two-way coupled solver

- **Case level:**
  - Let user choose initial conditions for  $J$  and  $\boldsymbol{w}$  (Omega)
  - Handle IO (saving results, restarting calculations)
  - Integrate with existing postprocessing tools (ParaFoam)
- **Solver level** (high level combination of existing building blocks):
  - Iterate between calculations for carrier and dispersed phases
  - Calculate  $\mathbf{grad}(\mathbf{U})$  and pass it to Lagrangian particle tracker
- **Lagrangian library level** (building block):
  - Add  $J$  and  $\boldsymbol{w}$  (Omega) as particle properties
  - Integrate  $J$  and  $\boldsymbol{w}$  (Omega) along the particle trajectory
  - Update appropriate source terms in the cell containing the particle

# Solver level: modify existing SIMPLE solver

```
basicKinematicCloud\  
    parcels("kinematicCloud", rhoInf, U, mu, GradU, g);  
while (simple.loop(runTime))  
{  
    parcels.evolve();  
  
    // --- Pressure-velocity SIMPLE corrector  
    {  
        #include "UEqn.H"  
        #include "pEqn.H"  
    }  
    // @tz need this for FLA, is used by parcels  
    GradU = fvc::grad(U);  
  
    laminarTransport.correct();  
    turbulence->correct();  
    runTime.write();  
}
```



# Lagrangian library level

- **Cloud** is a collection of parcels with different physical properties.
- **Parcel** is a collection of particles with the same physical properties.
- **Particle** is responsible for tracking position in the mesh.

**Actual physics is in the parcel.**

Relevant files are located at:

OpenFOAM/src/lagrangian/intermediate/parcels/Templates/Kinematic  
Parcel/

# KinematicParcel.H: J, Omega

```
class KinematicParcel
{
    // @tz components of the
    // Jacobian and auxiliary variables
    tensor J_;
    tensor Omega_;

    inline const tensor& J() const;
    inline const tensor& Omega()
    const;
    inline tensor& J();
    inline tensor& Omega();
}

Access to carrier phase properties in
the cell:

class trackingData
{
    // @tz We need the continuous phase
    // velocity gradient in the cell
    tensor GradUc_;
    inline const interpolation<tensor>&
    GradUInterp() const;
    inline const tensor& GradUc()
    const;
    inline tensor& GradUc();
}
```

# KinematicParcel.C: KinematicParcel::calc

```
void Foam::KinematicParcel<ParcelType>::calc
{
    // Linearised momentum source coefficient
    scalar Spu = 0.0;
    this->U_ = calcVelocity(cloud, td, dt, Re, td.muc(), mass0, Su,
        dUTrans, Spu);

    this->Omega_.xx() = this->Omega_.xx() + Spu*(
        this->J_.xx()*td.GradUc().xx()
        + this->J_.yx()*td.GradUc().xy()
        - this->Omega_.xx());
    // repeat for all components of Omega

    this->J_ = this->J_ + this->Omega_*dt;
    // Accumulate carrier phase source terms
    // {...}
}
```

# KinematicParcel.C: KinematicParcel::calc

```
// Accumulate carrier phase source terms
// ~~~~~
if (ccloud.solution().coupled())
{
    scalar n_d = 1./ fabs(det(this->J_));

    // Update momentum transfer
    ccloud.UTrans()[this->cell()] += n_d*np0*dUTrans;

    // Update momentum transfer coefficient
    ccloud.UCoeff()[this->cell()] += n_d*np0*Spu;
}
```

# KinematicParcel: Constructors + IO

- **KinematicParcel.H**

Modify all constructors to account for J, Omega

Implement access functions for J, Omega

- **KinematicParcelIO.H**

Modify all input-output functions to account for J, Omega

- **KinematicParcelTrackingData.H**

Modify constructor to account for GradUInterp and GradUc

Implement access functions for GradUInterp and GradUc

# FLA injection model: J0, Omega0

Located at:

lagrangian/intermediate/submodels/Kinematic/InjectionModel/PatchInjection/

## PatchInjection.H

```
class PatchInjection
{
    //- @tz
    const tensor J0_;
    const tensor Omega0_;
}
```

## PatchInjection.C

```
Foam::PatchInjection<CloudType>::PatchInjection
:
    J0_(this->coeffDict().lookup("J0")),
    Omega0_(this->coeffDict().lookup("Omega0"))

void
Foam::PatchInjection<CloudType>::setProperties
{
    parcel.J() = J0_;
    parcel.Omega() = Omega0_;
}
```

# What does this give us?

- Two-way coupled steady state solver for kinematic particles in fluid flow
- OpenFOAM takes care of under-relaxation of fluid flow equations (don't have to worry about source terms being too big)
- Library code can be reused as it is to build transient solvers
- Integration with OpenFOAM case structure (no hardcoded parameters that require recompilation to change)
- Integration with ParaFoam (postprocessing)

# Ongoing work

- Validation and verification
- Equations for Omega can be rewritten in more general tensor form
- More general approach to setting J/Omega integration schemes (currently there is only hardcoded Euler scheme)



# Flow around cylinder

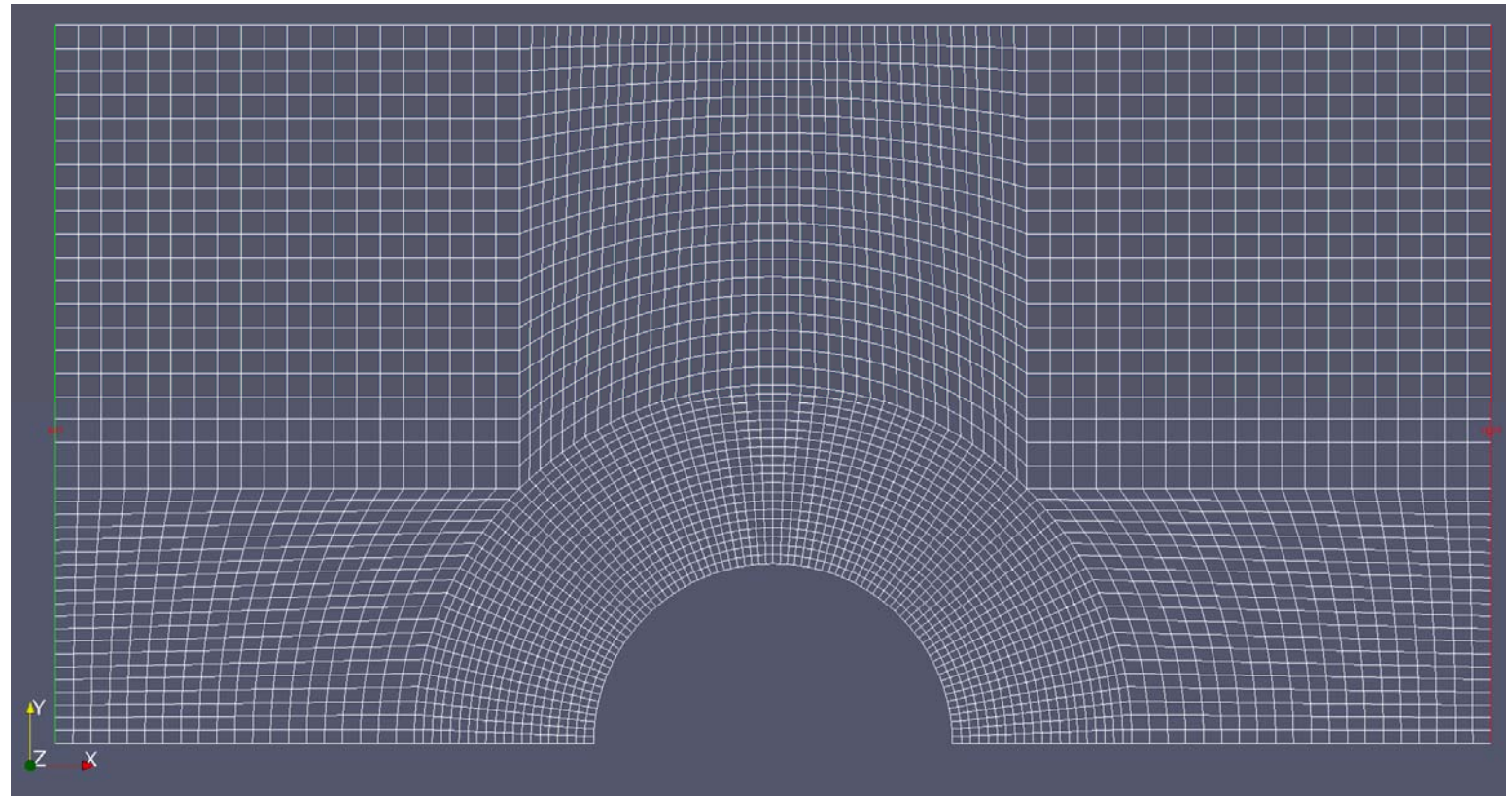
Cylinder radius:  
 $R = 0.05 \text{ m}$

Domain height  $0.2 \text{ m}$   
Domain width  $0.4 \text{ m}$

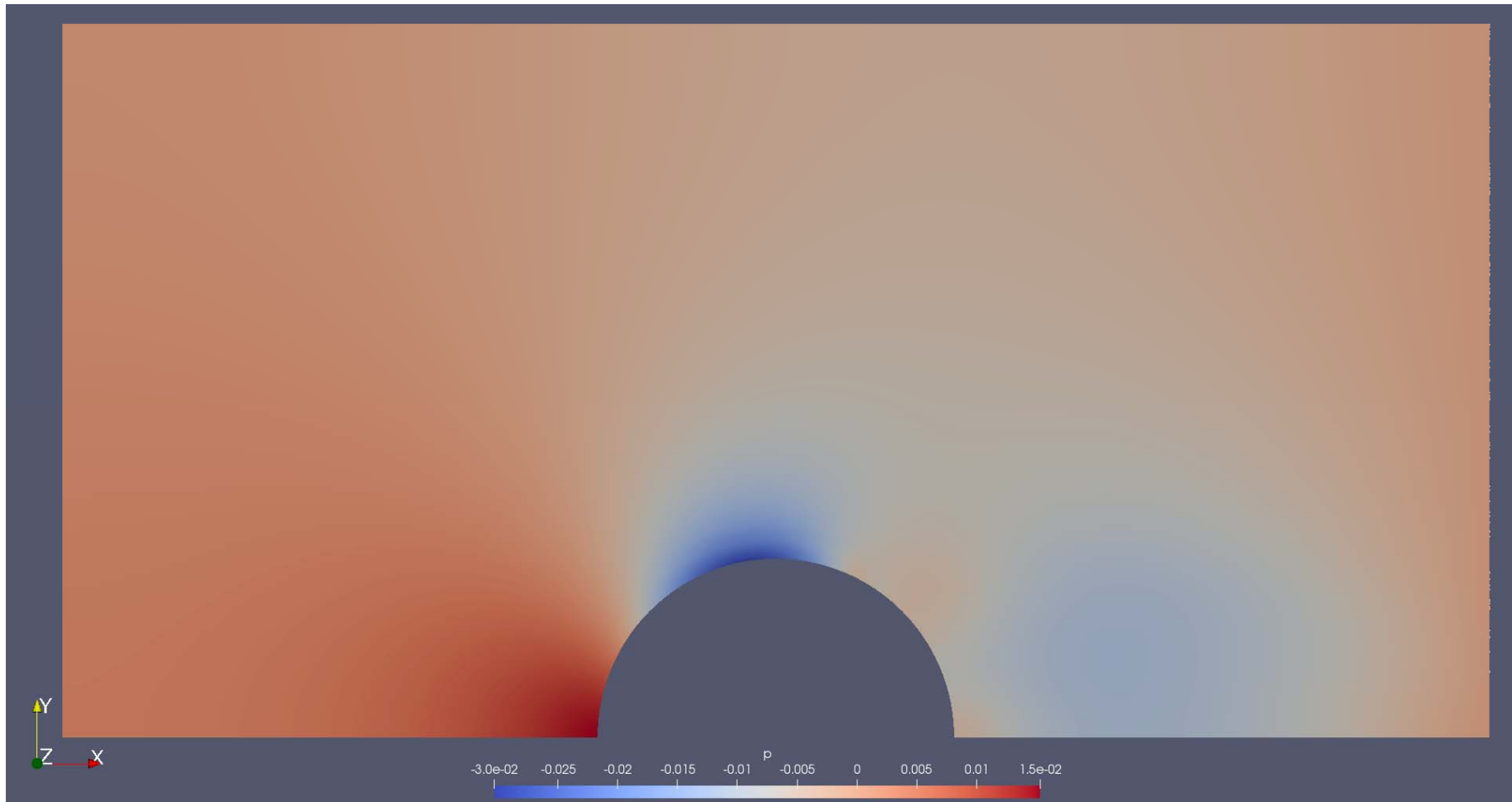
left (green):  
 $U_0 = 0.15 \text{ m/s}$

right (red):  
 $P = 0$

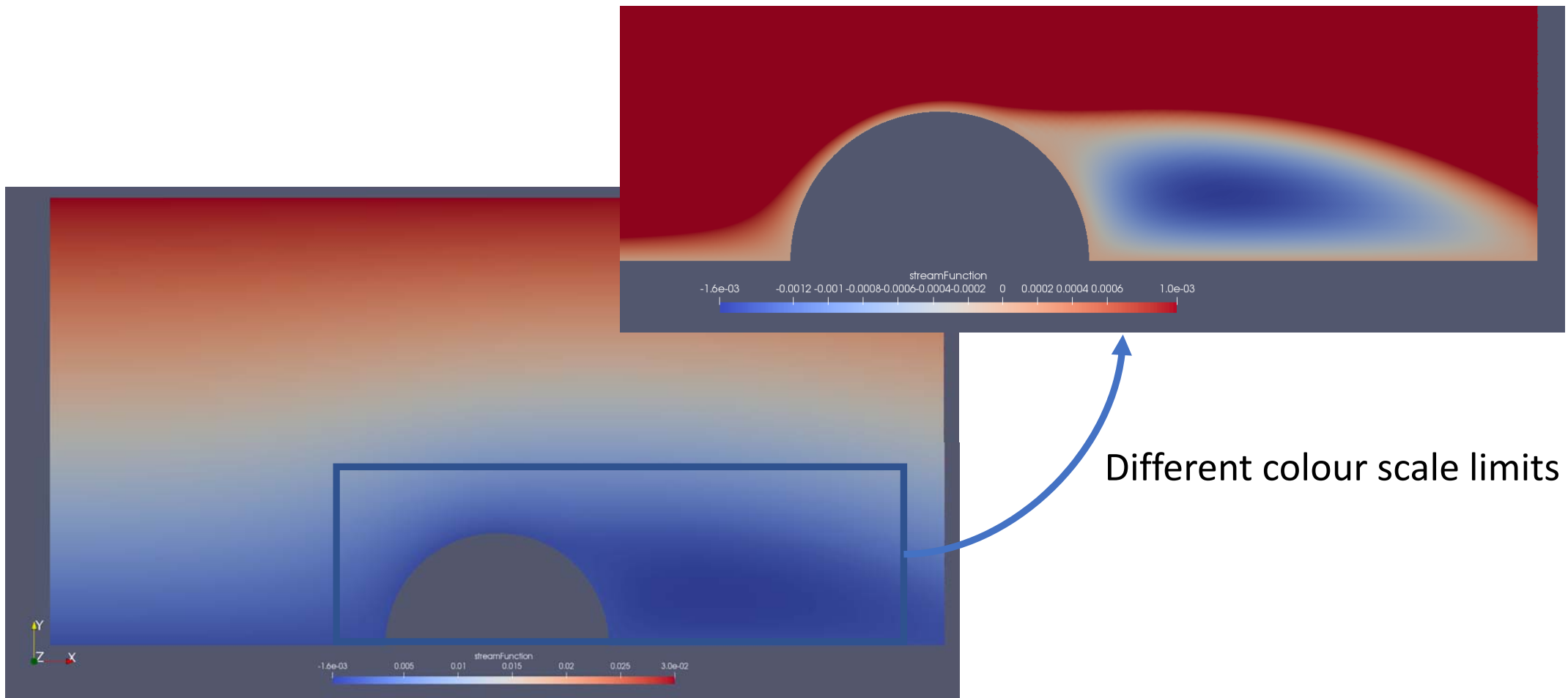
Symmetry at all other  
boundaries.



# Pressure contour



# Stream function contour

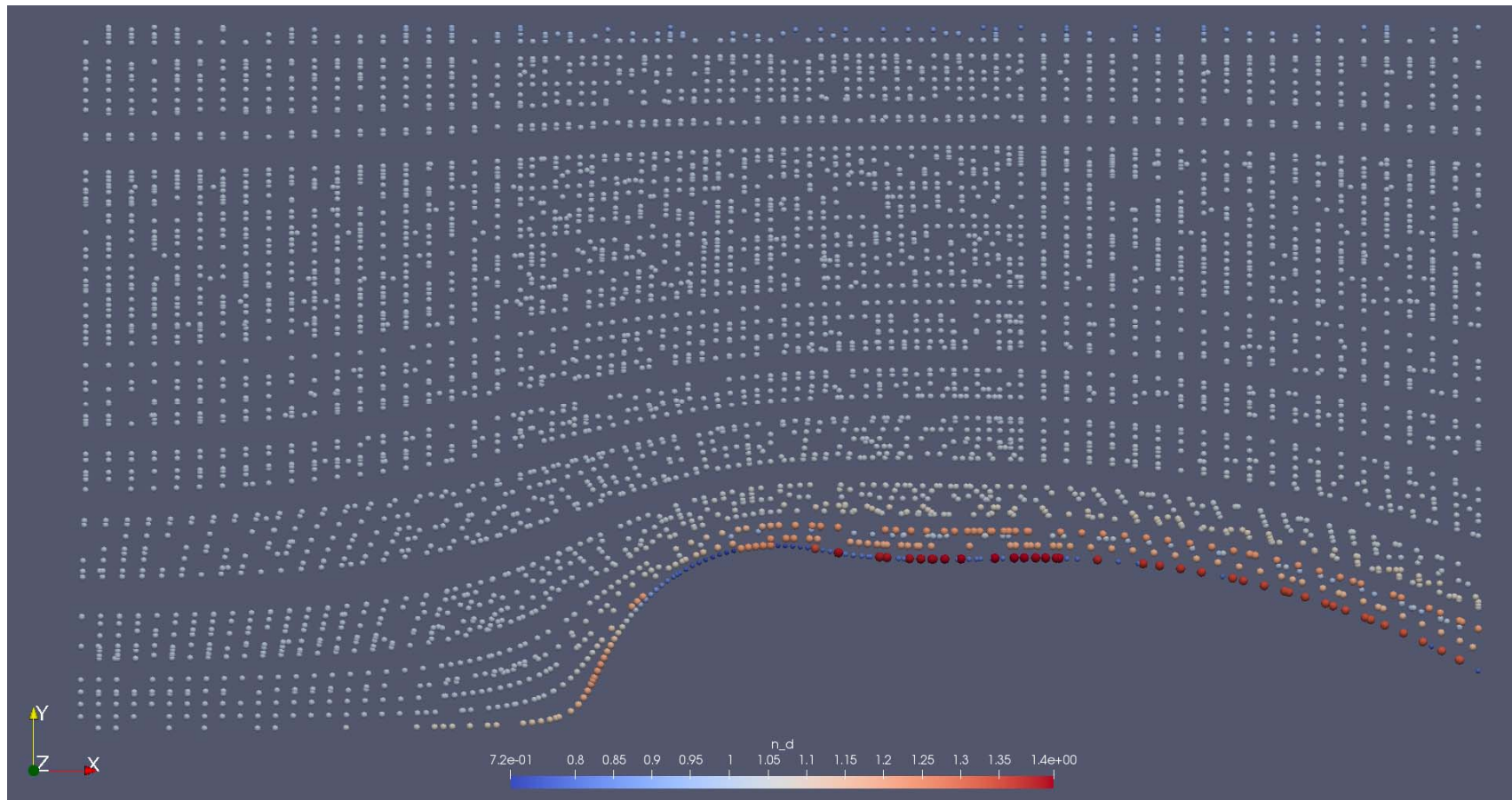


# Particle trajectories coloured by number density

Starting at  
the left  
boundary  
with  
 $V_0 = 0.15 \text{ m/s}$

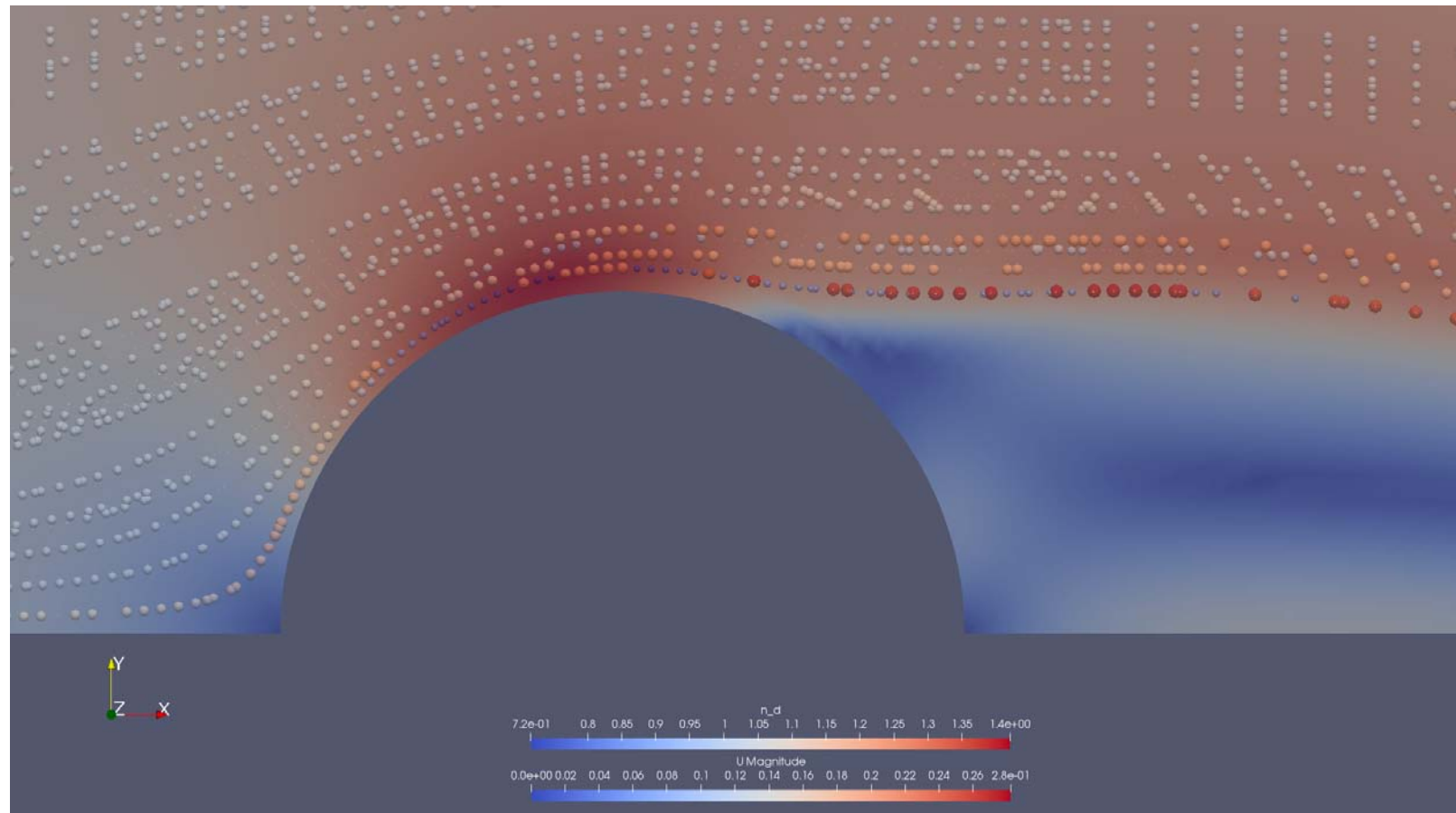
Material:  
water

Diameter:  
 $5e-5 \text{ m}$



# Particle trajectories on top of flow velocity magnitude contour

Number density represented by size and colour of the spheres



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