

# Mass conservation of the finite element immersed boundary method

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Nonstandard Discretizations for Fluid Flows

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## IBM – Immersed boundary method

Introduced by Peskin for the simulation of the blood flow in the heart.

<Peskin '72-'77>

<McQueen–Peskin '83->

<Peskin '02>

Successfully applied to many biological problems, where a fluid interacts with a flexible structure.

The main feature is that the structure is considered as a part of the fluid by introducing suitable additional forces and masses. The Navier–Stokes equations are solved in the whole domain (fluid + solid) by *finite differences* and the interaction with the structure is obtained by means of singular force and mass terms defined by a Dirac delta function localized in the solid domain.

## Finite elements for IBM

At the beginning, we used *finite elements* mainly because we thought this would simplify the mathematical analysis. Indeed, it turned out that this is a good choice also from the practical point of view.

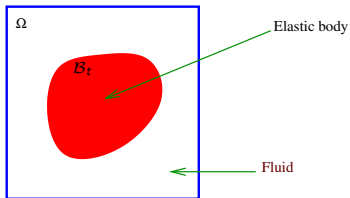
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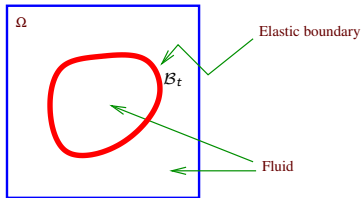
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- No need to approximating the Dirac delta functions, since the variational formulation takes care of it in a natural way
- Better interface approximation (less diffusion, sharp pressure jump)
- The fluid equations can be approximated with standard mixed schemes ( $Q_2 - P_1$ , Hood-Taylor,  $P_{1\text{iso}}P_2 - P_1^c$ , ...)

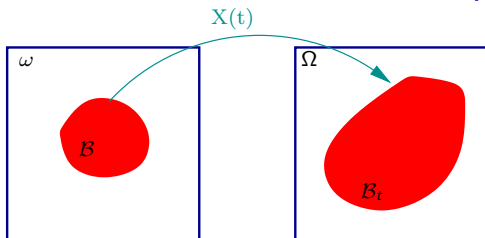
## Immersed elastic bodies



Immersed body of  
codimension 0  
the fluid domain and the  
immersed body have the  
same dimension



Immersed body of  
codimension 1  
the immersed body is either a  
curve in 2D or a surface in 3D



$\Omega$  fluid + solid  
 $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d = 2, 3$   
 $\mathbf{x}$  Euler. var. in  $\Omega$

$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)$  fluid velocity  
 $p(\mathbf{x}, t)$  fluid pressure

$\mathcal{B}_t$  deformable structure domain  
 $\mathcal{B}_t \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $m = d, d - 1$   
 $s$  Lagrangian var. in  $\mathcal{B}$

$\mathcal{B}$  reference domain  
 $\mathbf{X}(\cdot, t) : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_t$  position of the solid  
 $\mathbb{F} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial s}$  deformation grad. ( $\det \mathbb{F} > 0$ )

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}(s, t) \text{ where } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}(s, t)$$

From conservation of momenta, in absence of external forces, it holds

$$\rho \dot{\mathbf{u}} = \rho \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \right) = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

In our case the Cauchy stress tensor has the following form

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f & \text{in } \Omega \setminus \mathcal{B}_t \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s & \text{in } \mathcal{B}_t \end{cases}$$

- Incompressible fluid:  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f = -p\mathbb{I} + \mu(\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T)$
- Visco-elastic material:  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s$  with  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_s$  elastic part of the stress

Moreover, if the structural material has a density  $\rho_s$  different from the fluid density  $\rho_f$ , we have

$$\rho = \begin{cases} \rho_f & \text{in } \Omega \setminus \mathcal{B}_t \\ \rho_s & \text{in } \mathcal{B}_t \end{cases}$$

## Virtual work principle ( $\rho_s = \rho_f$ )

Assume for simplicity that  $\rho_s = \rho_f = \rho$ , then

$$\int_{\Omega} \rho \dot{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} = - \int_{\mathcal{B}_t} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{v}$$

The elastic stress  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_s$  can be expressed in Lagrangian variables by means of the Piola-Kirchhoff stress tensor by:

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{s}, t) = |\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{s}, t)| \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s(\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{s}, t), t) \mathbb{F}^{-T}(\mathbf{s}, t), \quad \mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{B}$$

So that

$$\int_{\Omega} \rho \dot{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P} : \nabla_{\mathbf{s}} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{s}, t)) d\mathbf{s}$$



## Strong formulation

### Navier–Stokes

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \right) - \mu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{t} \quad \text{in } \Omega \times ]0, T[$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times ]0, T[$$

### Force density in $\Omega \times ]0, T[$

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{\mathcal{B}} \nabla_s \cdot \mathbb{P}(s, t) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds$$

$$\mathbf{t}(\mathbf{x}, t) = - \int_{\partial \mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P}(s, t) \mathbf{N}(s) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds$$

### Immersed structure motion

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}(s, t) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}(s, t), t) \quad \text{in } \mathcal{B} \times ]0, T[$$

### Initial and boundary condition

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad \mathbf{X}(s, 0) = \mathbf{X}_0(s) \quad \text{in } \mathcal{B}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0 \quad \text{su } \partial \Omega \times ]0, T[$$

## Variational formulation

### Source term

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{g} + \mathbf{t}) \cdot \mathbf{v} \, d\mathbf{x} &= \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\nabla_s \cdot \mathbb{P}) \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \, ds \\ &\quad - \int_{\partial\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P} \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \, dA \\ &= - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P} : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \, ds\end{aligned}$$

### Lemma

For any  $t \in [0, T]$ , let  $\partial\mathcal{B}_t$  be  $C^1$  and  $\mathbb{P}$  be  $W^{1,\infty}$ . Then, for any  $t \in ]0, T[$ , the force density  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{t}$  is a distribution belonging to  $H^{-1}(\Omega)^d$  defined as follows: for any  $\mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d$

$$H^{-1} \langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle_{H_0^1} = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{F}(s, t)) : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) \, ds \quad \forall t \in ]0, T[$$

## Final form of the variational formulation

- Navier–Stokes

$$\rho \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) + a(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) - (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}, p(t)) \\ = \langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d$$

$$(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}(t), q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in L_0^2(\Omega)$$

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \mu(\nabla \mathbf{u}, \nabla \mathbf{v})$$

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{\rho}{2} ((\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}))$$

- $\langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{F}(s, t)) : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d$
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}(s, t) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}(s, t), t) \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{B}$
- $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega, \quad \mathbf{X}(s, 0) = \mathbf{X}_0(s) \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{B}.$

## Virtual work principle ( $\rho_s \neq \rho_f$ )

*Excess Lagrangian mass density:* we assume  $\rho = \rho_s$  in  $\mathcal{B}_t$  and  $\rho = \rho_f$  in  $\Omega - \mathcal{B}_t$ , with  $\rho_s - \rho_f \geq 0$  (might be relaxed)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \rho_f \dot{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \\ = - \int_{\mathcal{B}_t} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \dot{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\mathcal{B}_t} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \end{aligned}$$

Using the Lagrangian description in the solid domain, there is no need for convective terms and the material derivative is the same as the time derivative, hence  $\dot{\mathbf{u}} = \partial^2 \mathbf{X} / \partial t^2$ , and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \rho_f \dot{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_f : \nabla \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x} \\ = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{X}}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P} : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds \end{aligned}$$

Then the variational formulation reads (with the same definition as above):

- Navier–Stokes

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_f \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) + a(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{v}) - (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}, p(t)) \\ = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{X}}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds \\ + \langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d \end{aligned}$$

$$(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}(t), q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in L_0^2(\Omega)$$

- $\langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{F}(s, t)) : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega)^d$

- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}(s, t) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}(s, t), t) \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{B}$

- $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega, \quad \mathbf{X}(s, 0) = \mathbf{X}_0(s) \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{B}.$

## Stability

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Recalling that

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}(s, t) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}(s, t), t) \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{B}$$

it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\rho_f}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\mathbf{u}(t)\|_0^2 + \mu \|\nabla \mathbf{u}(t)\|_0^2 + \frac{d}{dt} E(\mathbf{X}(t)) \\ + \frac{1}{2} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{d}{dt} \left\| \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t} \right\|_B^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

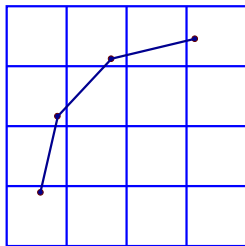
where  $E$  is the total elastic potential energy

$$E(\mathbf{X}(t)) = \int_{\mathcal{B}} W(\mathbb{F}(s, t)) ds$$

## Finite element approximation

- Uniform background grid  
 $\mathcal{T}_h$  for the domain  $\Omega$   
(meshsize  $h_x$ )
- Inf-sup stable finite  
element pair

$$\begin{aligned}V_h &\subset H_0^1(\Omega)^d \\ Q_h &\subset L_0^2(\Omega)\end{aligned}$$



- Grid  $\mathcal{S}_h$  for  $\mathcal{B}$  (meshsize  $h_s$ )
- Piecewise linear finite element space for  $\mathbf{X}$   
 $\mathcal{S}_h = \{\mathbf{Y} \in C^0(\mathcal{B}; \Omega) : \mathbf{Y} \in P1\}$

### Notation

- $T_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, M_e$  elements of  $\mathcal{S}_h$
- $\mathbf{s}_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, M$  vertices of  $\mathcal{S}_h$
- $\mathcal{E}_h$  set of the edges  $e$  of  $\mathcal{S}_h$

## Discrete source term

Source term:

$$\langle \mathbf{F}(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{F}_h(s, t)) : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h(s, t)) ds \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h$$

$\mathbf{X}_h$  p.w. linear  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{F}_h, \mathbb{P}_h$  p.w. constant

By integration by parts

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{F}_h(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle_h &= - \sum_{k=1}^{M_e} \int_{T_k} \mathbb{P}_h : \nabla_s \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) ds \\ &= - \sum_{k=1}^{M_e} \int_{\partial T_k} \mathbb{P}_h \mathbf{N} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) dA \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\langle \mathbf{F}_h(t), \mathbf{v} \rangle_h = - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e [[\mathbb{P}_h]] \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}(s, t)) dA$$

$[[\mathbb{P}]] = \mathbb{P}^+ \mathbf{N}^+ + \mathbb{P}^- \mathbf{N}^-$  jump of  $\mathbb{P}$  across  $e$  for internal edges

$[[\mathbb{P}]] = \mathbb{P} \mathbf{N}$  jump when  $e \subset \partial \mathcal{B}$



The *semidiscrete* problem becomes: find

$(\mathbf{u}_h, p_h) : ]0, T[ \rightarrow V_h \times Q_h$  and  $\mathbf{X}_h : [0, T] \rightarrow S_h$  such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_f \frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{u}_h(t), \mathbf{v}) + a(\mathbf{u}_h(t), \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}_h(t), \mathbf{u}_h(t), \mathbf{v}) \\ -(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}, p_h(t)) = - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{X}_h}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h(s, t)) ds \\ - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e [[\mathbb{P}_h]] \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h(s, t)) dA \\ (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}_h(t), q) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h \\ \forall q \in Q_h \end{array}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{X}_{hi}}{dt}(t) = \mathbf{u}_h(\mathbf{X}_{hi}(t), t) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, M$$

$$\mathbf{u}_h(0) = \mathbf{u}_{0h} \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{hi}(0) = \mathbf{X}_0(s_i) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, M$$

## Fully discrete problem

Backward Euler – BE

Find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1}) \in V_h \times Q_h$  e  $\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1} \in S_h$  such that

$$\langle \mathbf{F}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h = - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e [\mathbb{P}_h]^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1}(s)) dA \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h$$

$$\text{NS} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_f \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1} - \mathbf{u}_h^n}{\Delta t}, \mathbf{v} \right) + a(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) \\ - (\text{div } \mathbf{v}, p_h^{n+1}) = \\ - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1} - 2\mathbf{X}_h^n + \mathbf{X}_h^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1}(s)) ds \\ + \langle \mathbf{F}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h \\ (\text{div } \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in Q_h; \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{X}_{hi}^{n+1} - \mathbf{X}_{hi}^n}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}(\mathbf{X}_{hi}^{n+1}) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, M.$$

## Fully discrete problem

Modified backward Euler – MBE

$$\text{Step 1. } \langle \mathbf{F}_h^n, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h = - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e [\mathbb{P}_h]^n \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^n(s, t)) \, dA \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h$$

Step 2. find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1}) \in V_h \times Q_h$  such that

$$\text{NS} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_f \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1} - \mathbf{u}_h^n}{\Delta t}, \mathbf{v} \right) + a(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) \\ - (\text{div } \mathbf{v}, p_h^{n+1}) = \\ - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1} - 2\mathbf{X}_h^n + \mathbf{X}_h^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^n(s)) \, ds \\ + \langle \mathbf{F}_h^n, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h \\ (\text{div } \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in Q_h; \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{Step 3. } \frac{\mathbf{X}_{hi}^{n+1} - \mathbf{X}_{hi}^n}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}(\mathbf{X}_{hi}^n) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, M.$$

Using **Step 3** in **Step 2** we get:

**Step 1.**  $\langle \mathbf{F}_h^n, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h = - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e \llbracket \mathbb{P}_h \rrbracket^n \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^n(s, t)) dA \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h$

**Step 2.** find  $(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1}) \in V_h \times Q_h$  such that

$$\text{NS} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_f \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1} - \mathbf{u}_h^n}{\Delta t}, \mathbf{v} \right) + a(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}) \\ - (\text{div } \mathbf{v}, p_h^{n+1}) = \\ - \int_{\mathcal{B}} (\rho_s - \rho_f) \frac{\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}(\mathbf{X}_h^n(s)) - \mathbf{u}_h^n(\mathbf{X}_h^{n-1}(s))}{\Delta t} \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{X}_h^n(s)) ds \\ + \langle \mathbf{F}_h^n, \mathbf{v} \rangle_h \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in V_h \\ (\text{div } \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in Q_h; \end{array} \right.$$

**Step 3.**  $\frac{\mathbf{X}_{hi}^{n+1} - \mathbf{X}_{hi}^n}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}(\mathbf{X}_{hi}^n) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, M.$

# Discrete Energy Estimate

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## Artificial Viscosity Theorem

Let  $\mathbf{u}_h^n$ ,  $p_h^n$  and  $\mathbf{X}_h^n$  be a solution to the FE-IBM, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\rho_f}{2\Delta t} (\|\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}\|_0^2 - \|\mathbf{u}_h^n\|_0^2) + (\mu + \mu_a) \|\nabla \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}\|_0^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{\Delta t} (E[\mathbf{X}_h^{n+1}] - E[\mathbf{X}_h^n]) \\ & + \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (\rho_s - \rho_f) (\|\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}(\mathbf{X}_h^n)\|_{0,\mathcal{B}}^2 - \|\mathbf{u}_h^n(\mathbf{X}_h^{n-1})\|_{0,\mathcal{B}}^2) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

**CFL Conditions:**  $\mu + \mu_a \geq 0$ ,  $\rho_s \geq \rho_f$  (might be relaxed)

## CFL condition

BE is unconditionally stable, while MBE requires the term  $\mu_a$  to be not too large

$$\mu_a = -\kappa_{max} C \frac{h_s^{(m-2)} \Delta t}{h_x^{(d-1)}} L^n$$

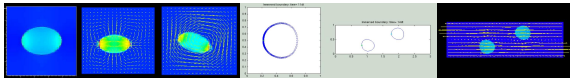
space dim.	solid dim.	CFL condition
2	1	$L^n \Delta t \leq Ch_x h_s$
2	2	$L^n \Delta t \leq Ch_x$
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3	3	$L^n \Delta t \leq Ch_x^2 / h_s$

## Some numerical results

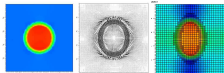
Original 2D code in Fortran 77, ported to DEAL.II (c++)  
([www.dealii.org](http://www.dealii.org)) by L. Heltai ( $Q_2 - P_1$ )

### 2D

#### Codimension 1

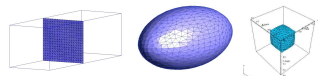


#### Codimension 0



### 3D

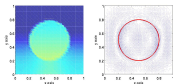
#### Codimension 1



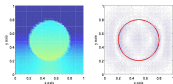
## More numerical results

Fortran 90 code written by N. Cavallini ( $P_1$ iso $P_2 - P_1^c$ )

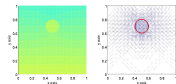
Densities:  $\rho_s = 21$  and  $\rho_f = 1$



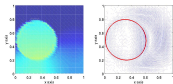
$\kappa = 1$



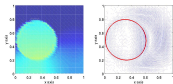
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# Mass conservation of the IBM

<B.–Cavallini–Gardini–Gastaldi '10>

Well-known and studied problem

The discrete divergence free condition is imposed in a weak sense

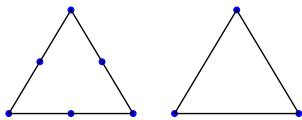
$$\int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}_h q_h \, d\mathbf{x} = 0 \quad \forall q_h \in Q_h$$

which is not exact unless  $\operatorname{div}(V_h) \subset Q_h$

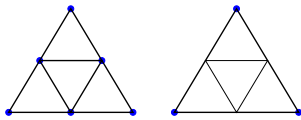
Basic remark

*Discontinuous* pressure schemes enjoy *local* mass conservation properties (average of divergence is zero element by element)

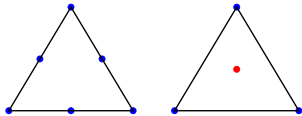
## Our elements



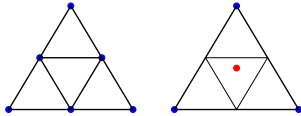
Hood-Taylor



$P_1 \text{iso} P_2 - P_1^c$



Enhanced Hood-Taylor



Enhanced  $P_1 \text{iso} P_2 - P_1^c$

We actually considered generalized Hood-Taylor in two and three dimensions  $P_{k+1} - P_k^c$  ( $k \geq 1$ )

Not a new idea

Local mass conservation is guaranteed by extra degree of freedom: add piecewise constant pressures

# Analysis of our elements

## Known facts

### Hood–Taylor

- Introduced in 1973 <Hood–Taylor '73>
- First analysis <Bercovier–Pironneau '79, Verfürth '84>
- Full analysis with some restrictions on boundary elements <Scott–Vogelius '85, Brezzi–Falk '91>
- General analysis for the  $P_{k+1} - P_k^c$  element with no restrictions (mesh contains at least 3 elements) <B. '94>

### $P_1$ iso $P_2 - P_1^c$

- Same analysis as for the Hood–Taylor element can be carried on <Bercovier–Pironneau '79, Brezzi–Fortin '91>
- Error estimates are suboptimal (unbalanced spaces); ease of implementation makes it appealing, in particular in 3D

## Analysis of our elements (cont'ed)

### Pressure enhancement

- Numerical evidence for lowest order Hood-Taylor (triangles and squares)

<Gresho–Lee–Chan–Leone '80>

<Griffiths '82>

<Tidd–Thatcher–Kaye '88>

- Proof of inf-sup for lowest order Hood-Taylor (triangles and squares)

<Thatcher '90>

<Pierre '94>

<Quin–Zhang '05>

## Analysis of our elements (cont'ed)

### Theorem (B.–Cavallini–Gardini–Gastaldi '10)

*The generalized enhanced Hood-Taylor scheme*

$$P_{k+1} - (P_k^c + P_0)$$

*in two ( $k \geq 1$ ) and three ( $k \geq 2$ ) dimensions and the enhanced*

$$P_1 \text{ iso } P_2 - (P_1^c + P_0)$$

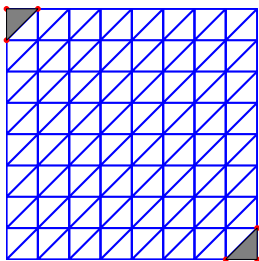
*in two dimensions satisfy the inf-sup condition*

Minimal restriction on the mesh: each element has at least one internal vertex.

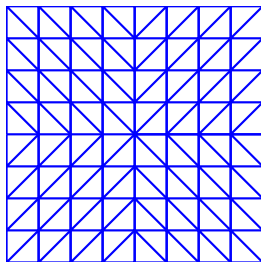
## Mesh restrictions

2D: let us understand the restrictions

- Standard schemes: the mesh needs at least three elements
- Enhanced schemes: each element needs at least an internal vertex



Uniform mesh



Symmetric mesh

## Numerical results

$$\Omega = ]0, 1[ \times ]0, 1[$$

**f** chosen such that exact solution is

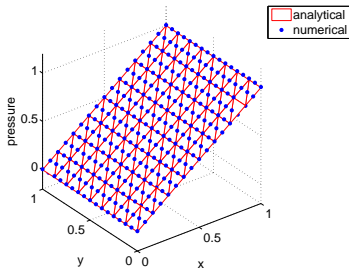
$$\mathbf{u}(x, y) = \mathbf{rot} \varphi(x, y)$$

$$\varphi(x, y) = x^2(x-1)^2y^2(1-y)^2$$

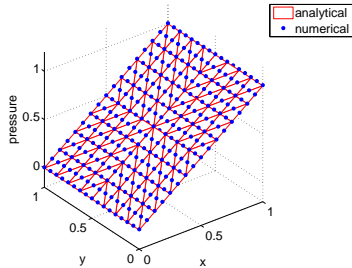
$$p(x, y) = x$$

Solution computed with the four different schemes on uniform and symmetric meshes, successively refined

# Hood-Taylor



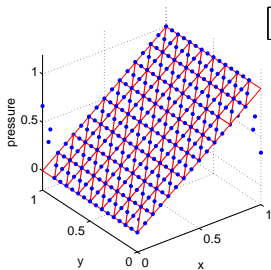
Uniform mesh



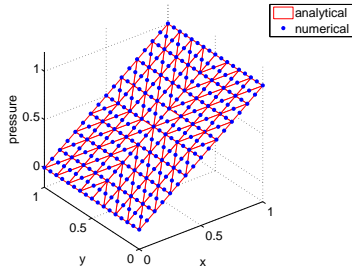
Symmetric mesh



# Enhanced Hood-Taylor

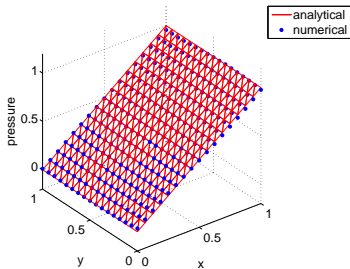


Uniform mesh

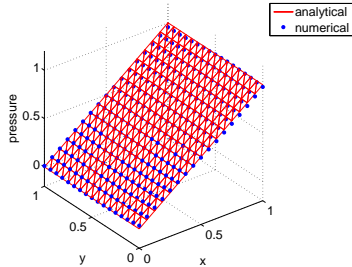


Symmetric mesh

$$P_1 \text{iso} P_2 - P_1^c$$

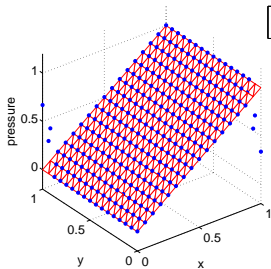


Uniform mesh

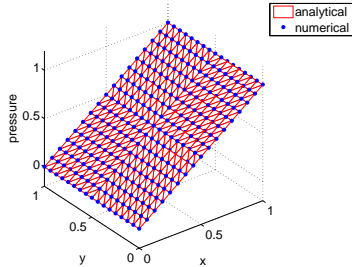


Symmetric mesh

# Enhanced $P_1$ iso $P_2 - (P_1^c + P_0)$

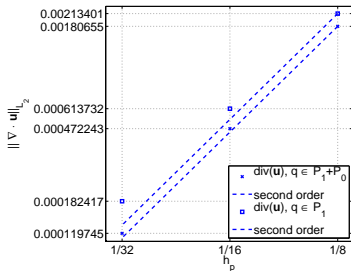


Uniform mesh

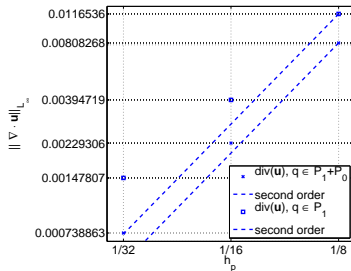


Symmetric mesh

# Divergence error: Hood-Taylor

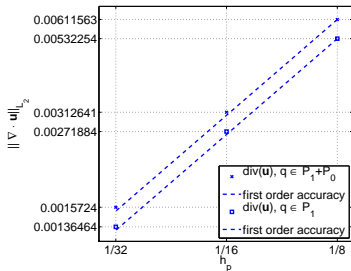


$L^2(\Omega)$ -error

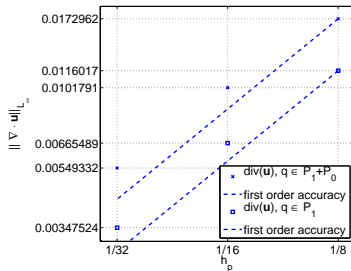


$L^\infty(\Omega)$ -error

# Divergence error: $P_1$ iso $P_2$



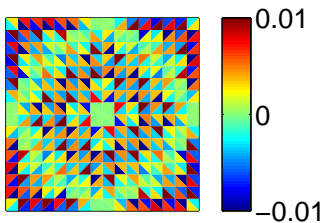
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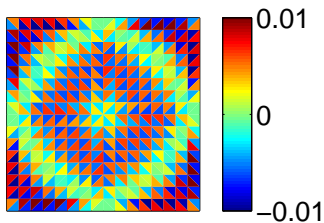
$L^\infty(\Omega)$ -error

## Enhanced $P_1$ iso $P_2 - (P_1^c + P_0)$

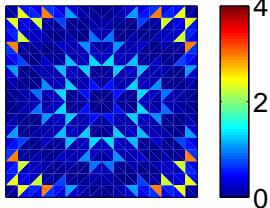
$\text{div}(\mathbf{u}), q \in P_1 + P_0$



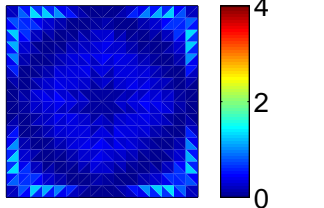
$\text{div}(\mathbf{u}), q \in P_1$



$\text{div}(\mathbf{u})^2, q \in P_1 + P_0$



$\text{div}(\mathbf{u})^2, q \in P_1$



## Iterative solver

Number of iterations needed to reach convergence when using conjugate gradient à la Glowinski

Element type	Iterations		
	$h_p = 1/8$	$h_p = 1/16$	$h_p = 1/32$
$P_2 - P_1^c$	130	169	172
$P_2 - (P_1^c + P_0)$	25	29	29
$P_1 \text{iso} P_2 - P_1^c$	19	24	24
$P_1 \text{iso} P_2 - (P_1^c + P_0)$	30	35	35

## Conclusions

- 1 The finite element Immersed Boundary Method provides interesting results for the approximation of fluid-structure interaction problems. Rigorous proof of a CFL condition shows that modified BE scheme can be successfully used in this framework
- 2 We performed a rigorous analysis of locally mass preserving Stokes element in a general setting