

Couple OpenFOAM with other solvers for Multi-Physics simulations using preCICE

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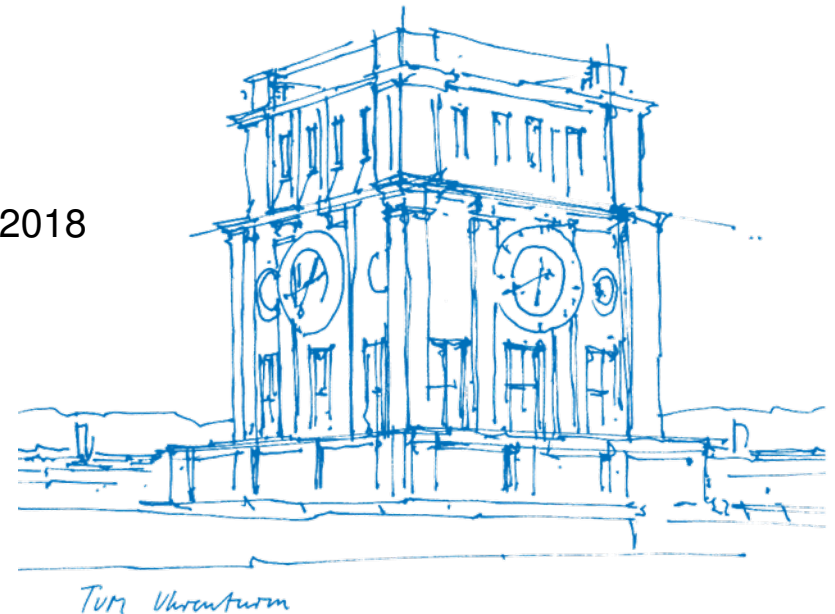
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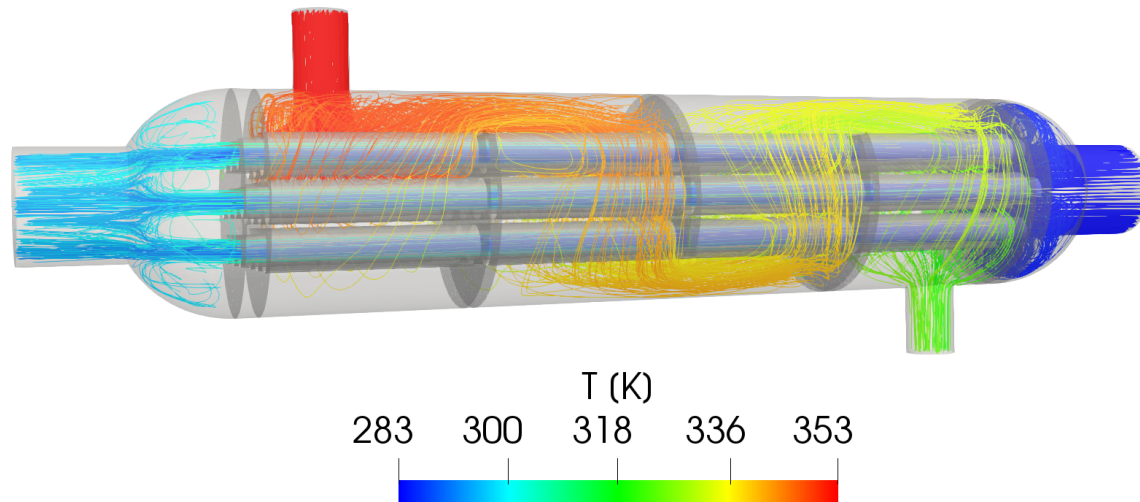
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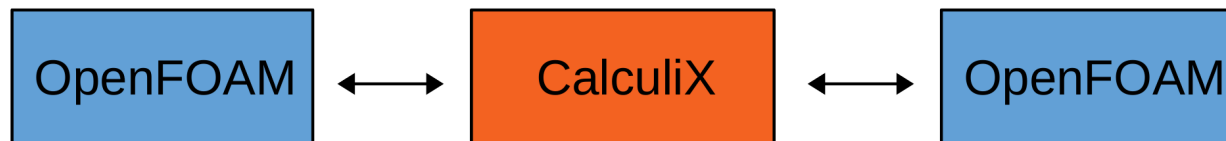


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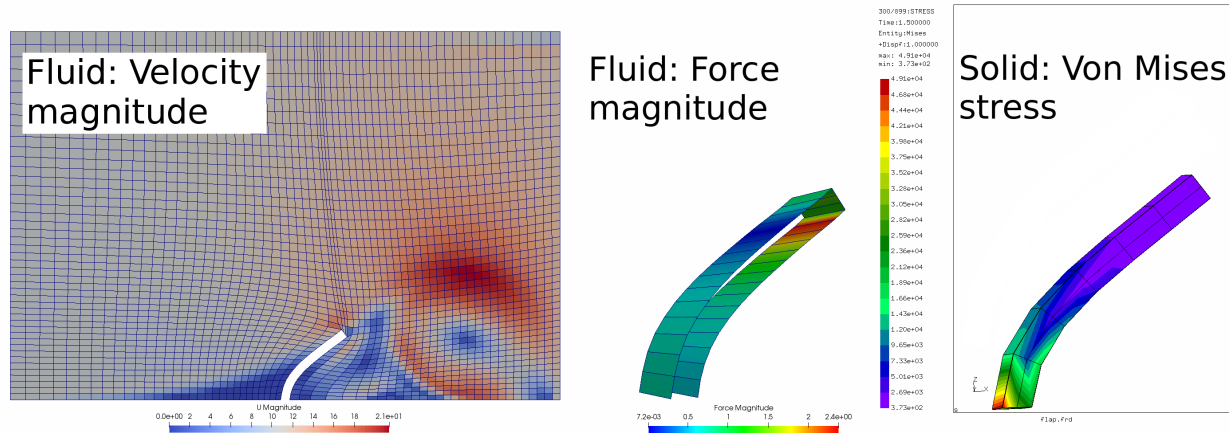


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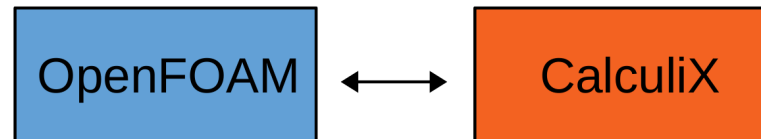


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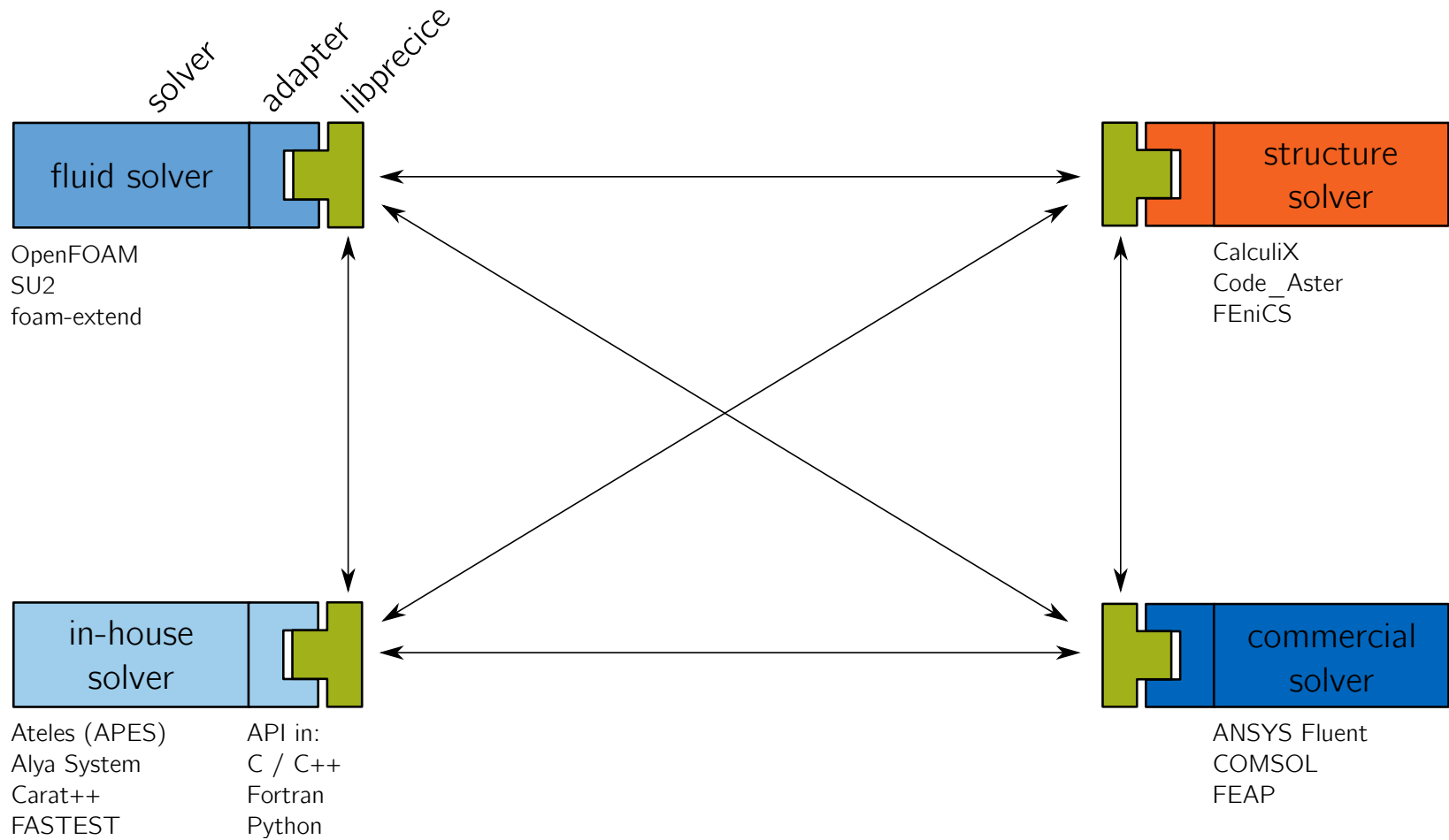
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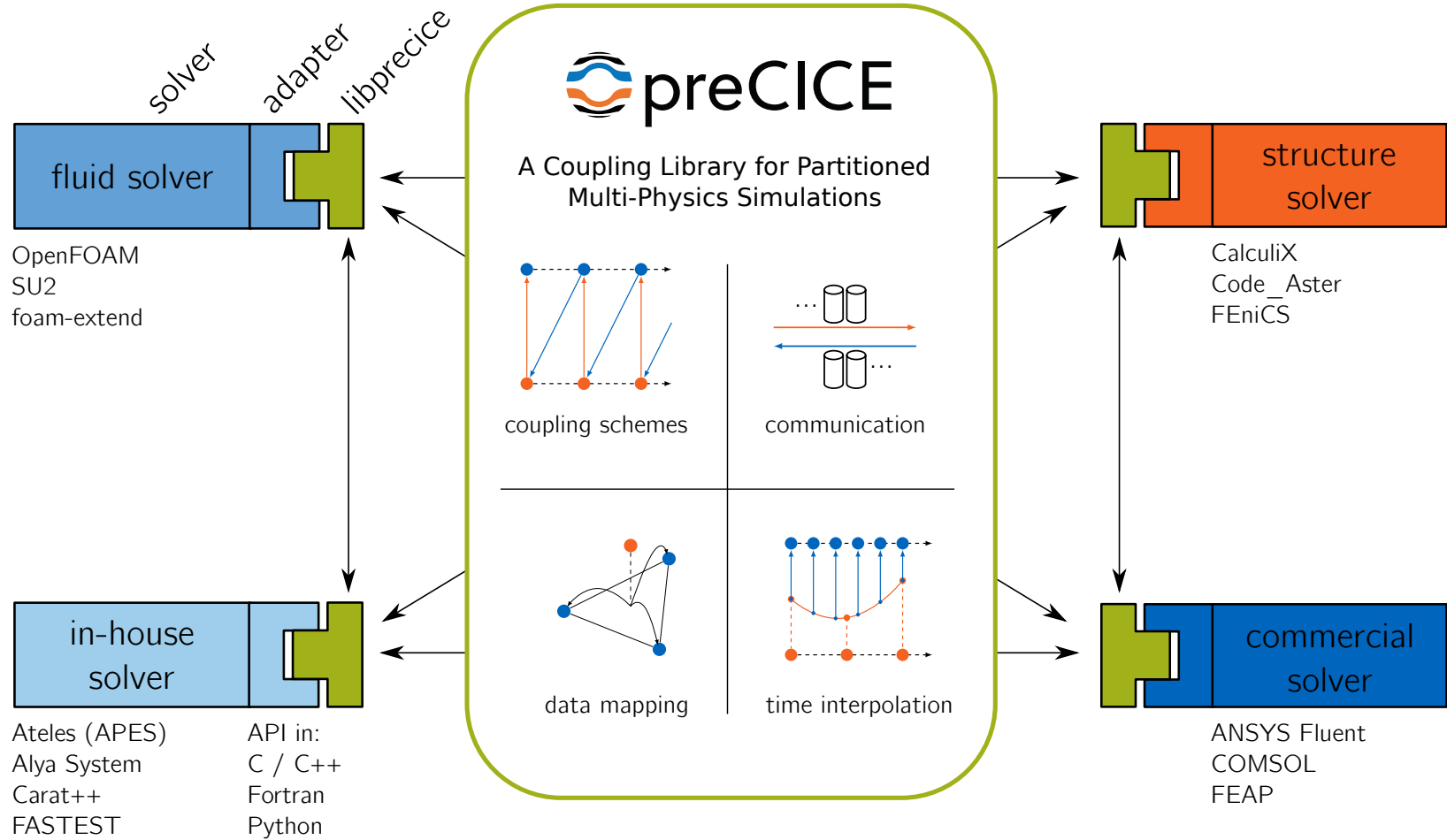
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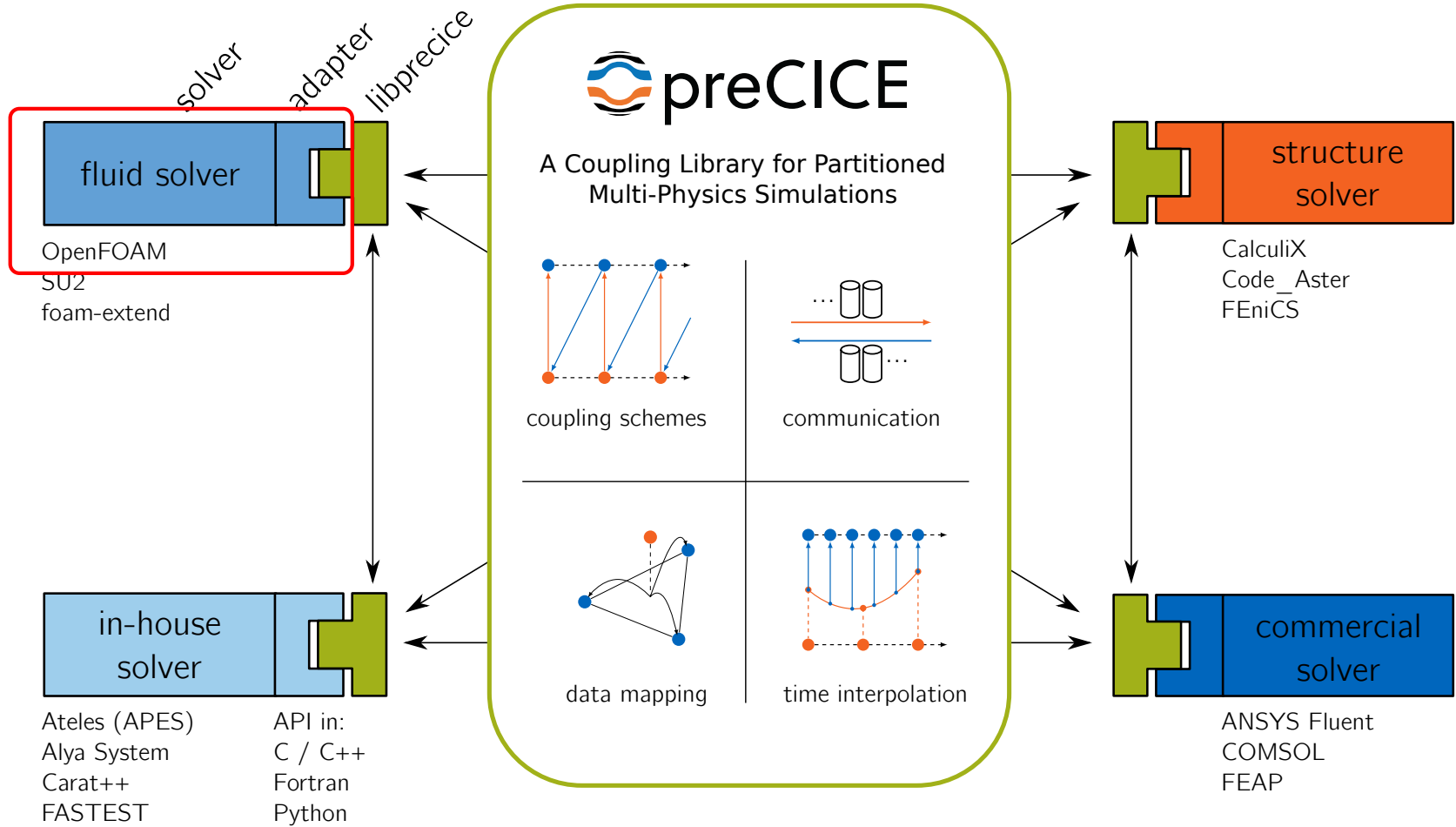
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How to couple my own solver?

```

1 precice::SolverInterface precice("FluidSolver",rank,size);
2 precice.configure("precice-config.xml");
3 precice.setMeshVertices();
4 precice.initialize();
5
6 while (precice.isCouplingOngoing()) { // main time loop
7     solve();
8
9     precice.writeBlockVectorData();
10    precice.advance();
11    precice.readBlockVectorData();
12
13    endTimeStep(); // e.g. write results, increase time
14 }
15
16 precice.finalize();

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Timesteps, most arguments and less important methods omitted. Full example in the wiki.

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An adapted OpenFOAM solver

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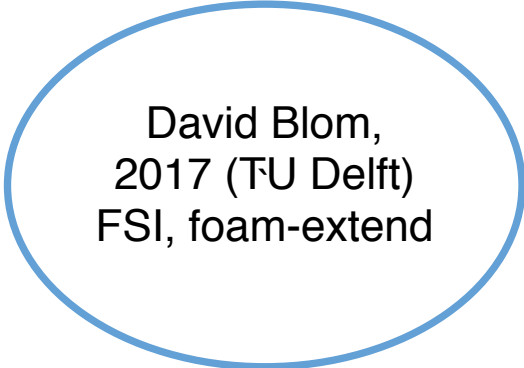
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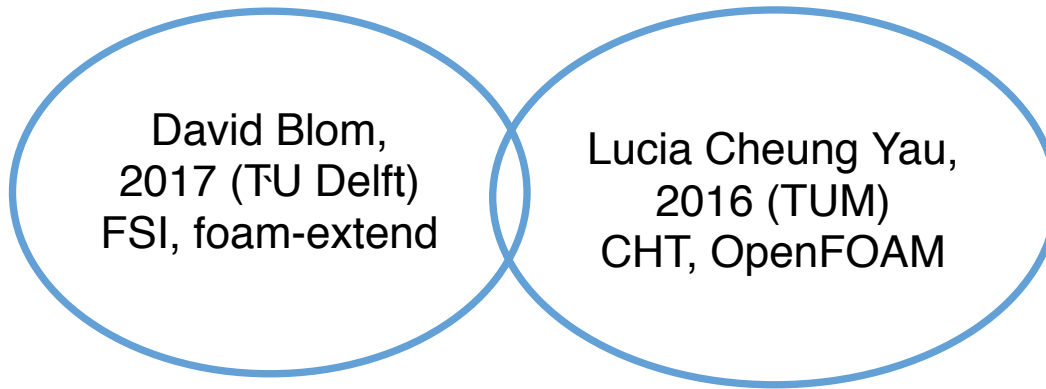
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David Blom,
2017 (TU Delft)
FSI, foam-extend

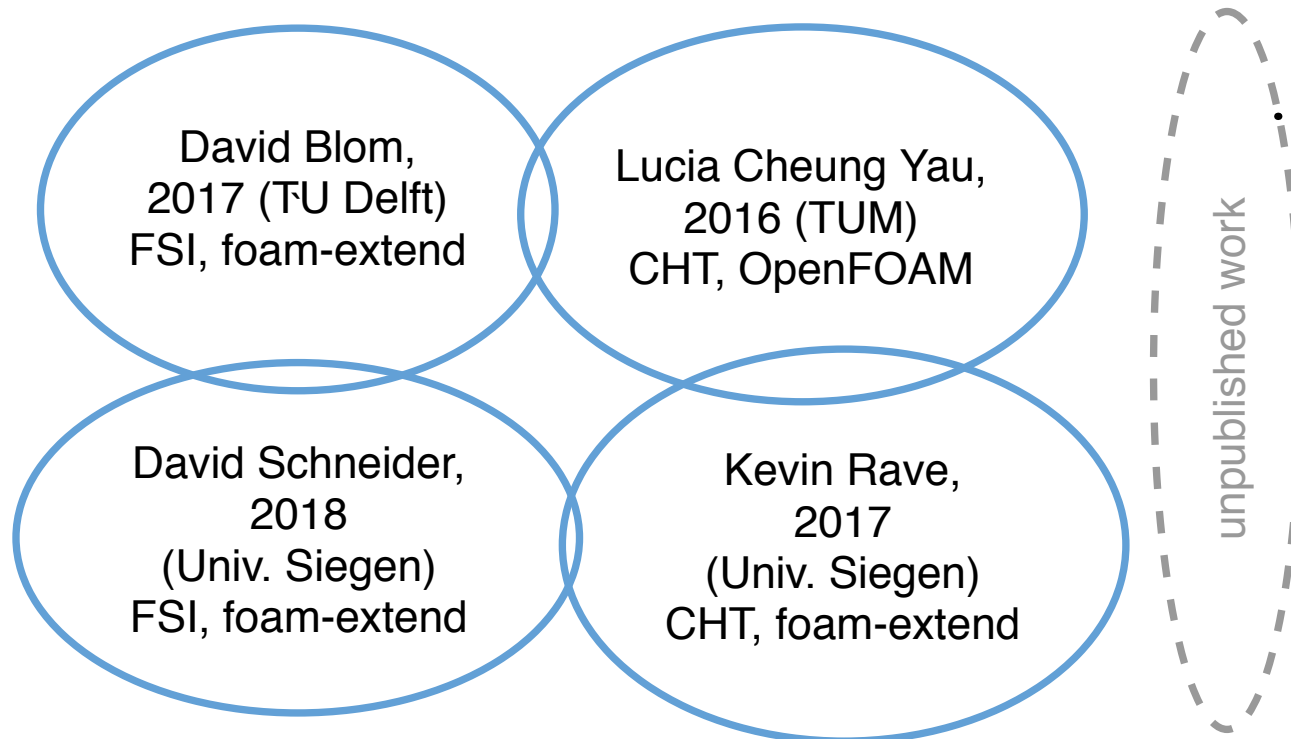
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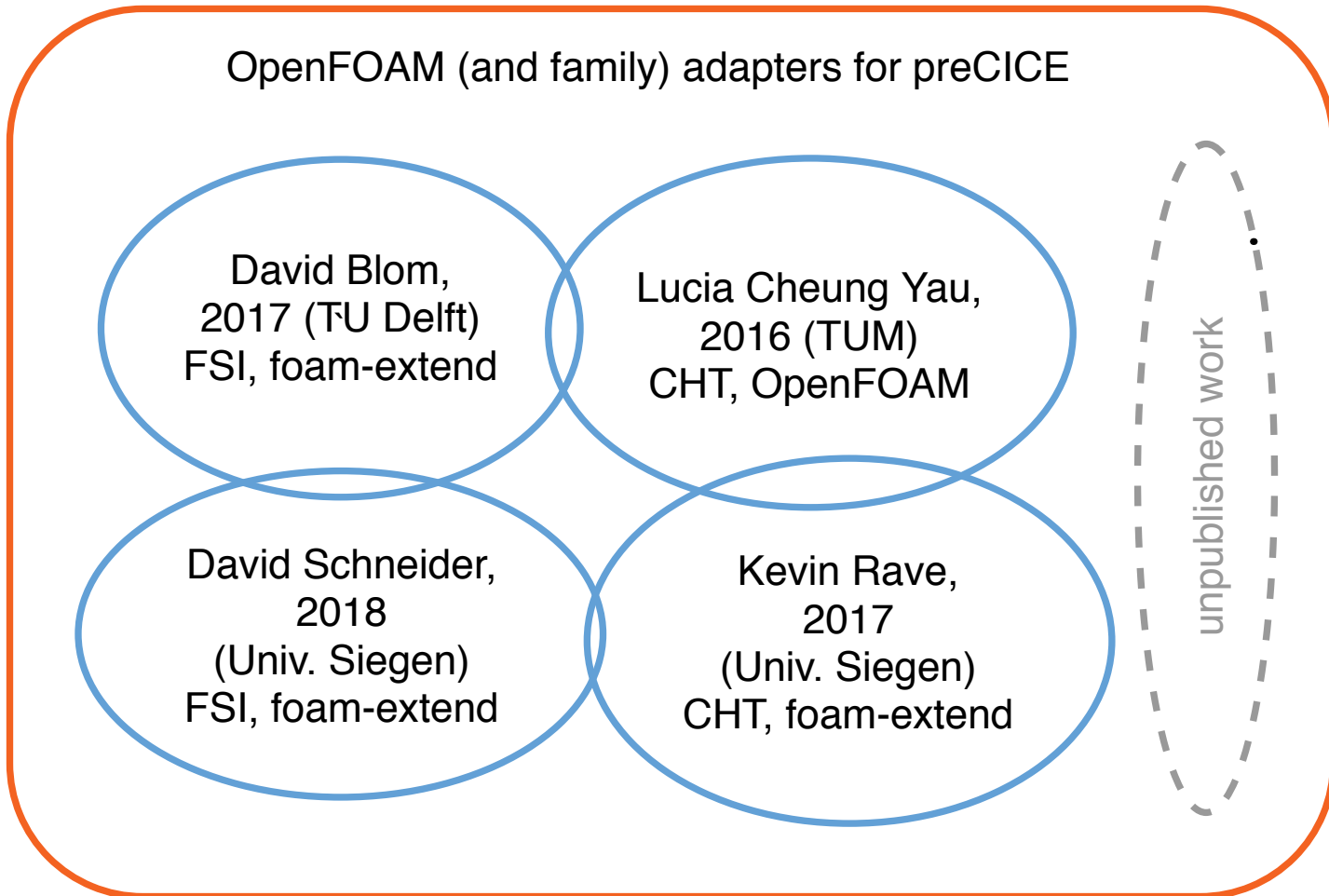
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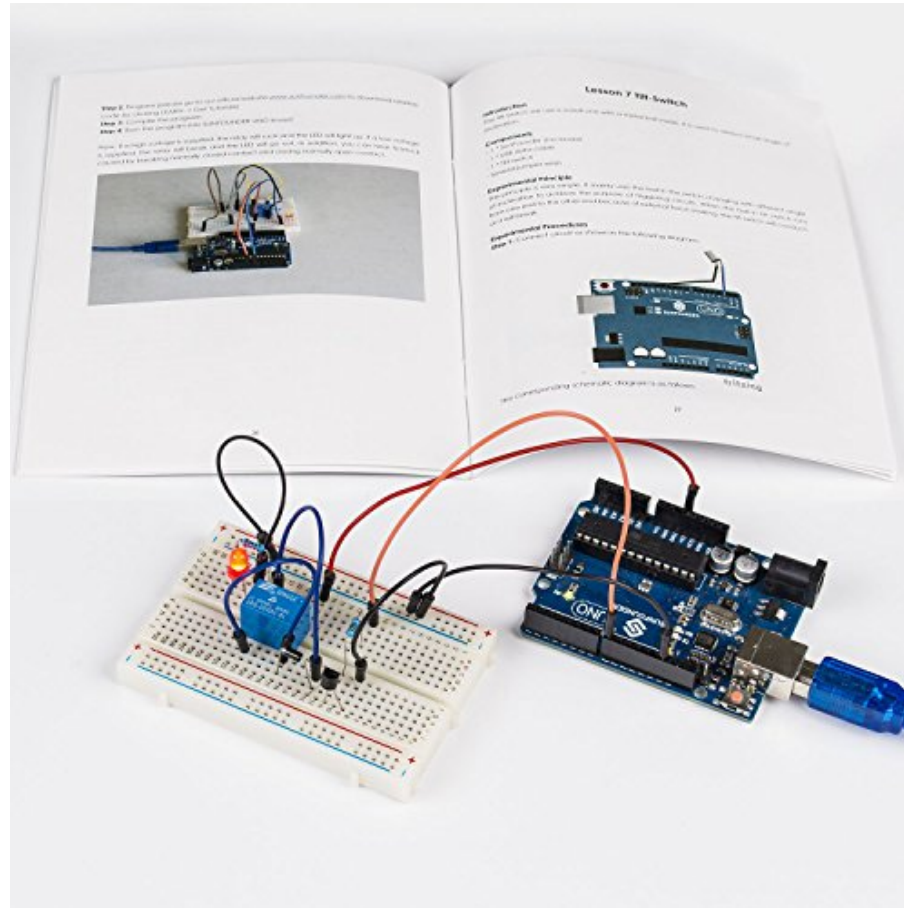


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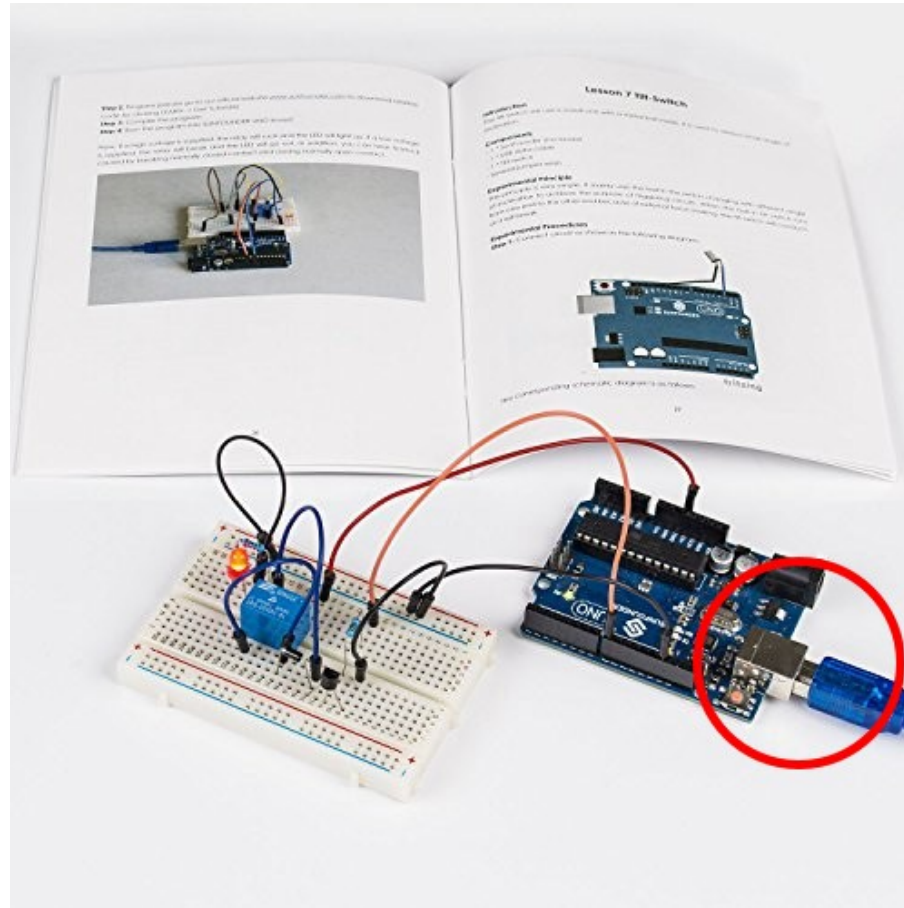
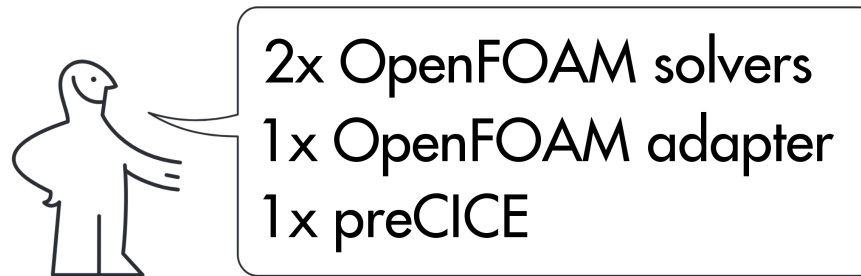


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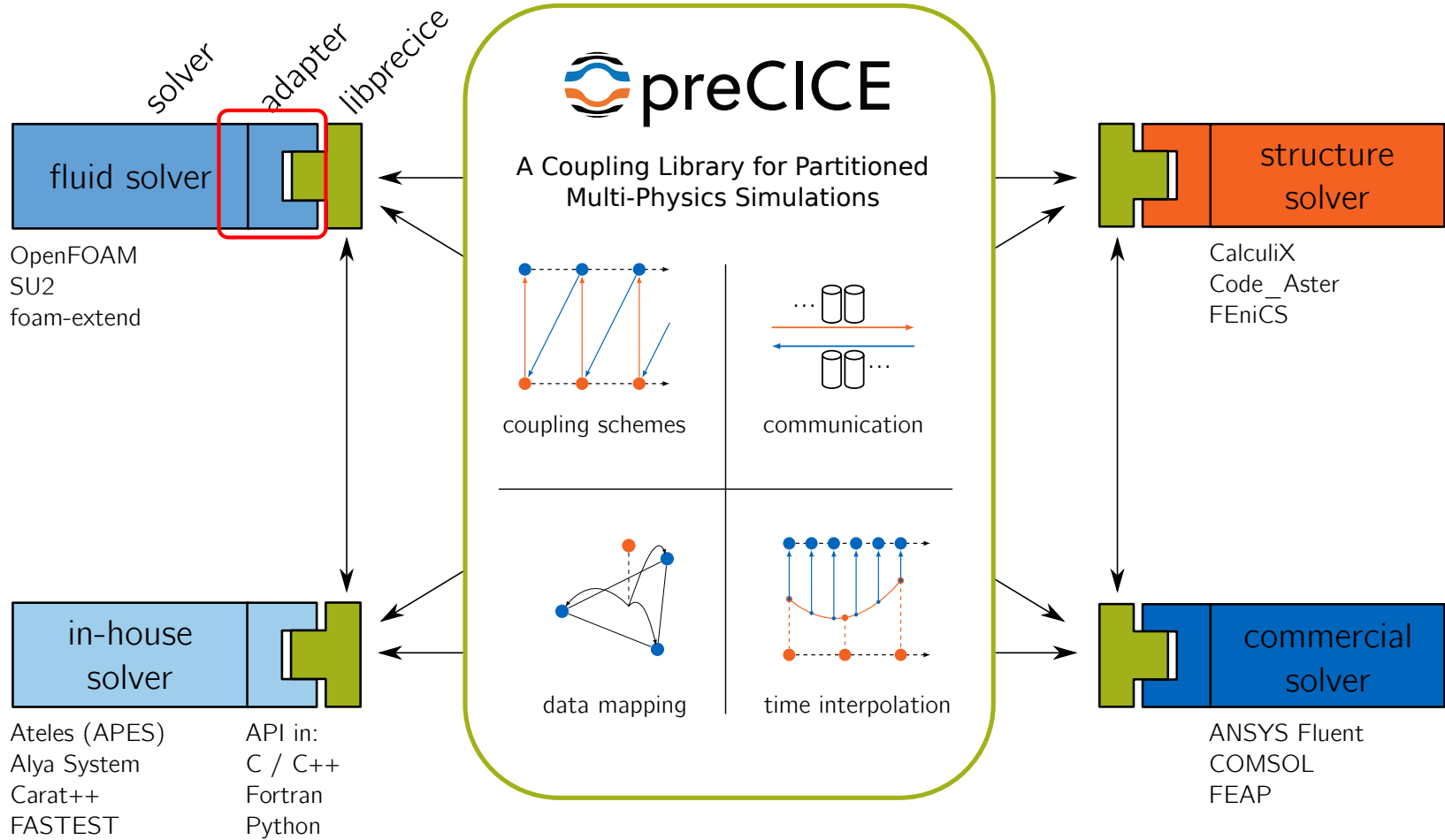
Now: A user-friendly, plug-and-play adapter

KOPPLAD



The human-like figure is a property of ikea.com.

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1  // 0/T OpenFOAM config file
2  interface
3  {
4      type          fixedValue;
5      value         uniform 300;
6  }
7  // other types: fixedGradient, mixed

```

Coupling boundary patches, problem & solver
type: precice-adapter-config.yml

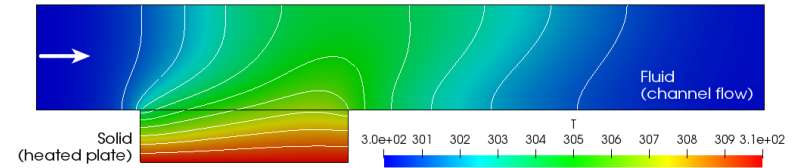
Todo: Convert to an OpenFOAM dictionary.

Tutorials

On www.precice.org/resources (step-by-step):

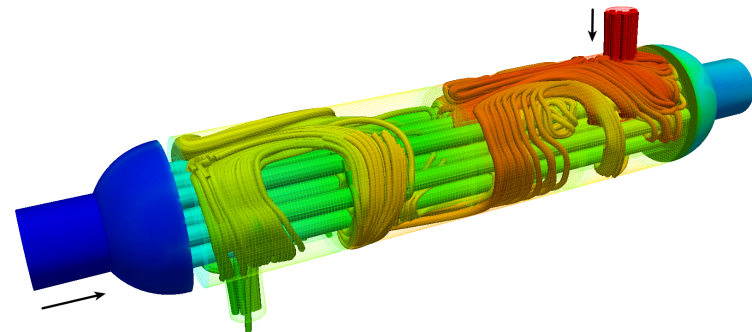
Flow above a heated plate

- Demo case, bundled with the adapter
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- Learn how to use the OpenFOAM adapter



Shell-and-Tube Heat Exchanger

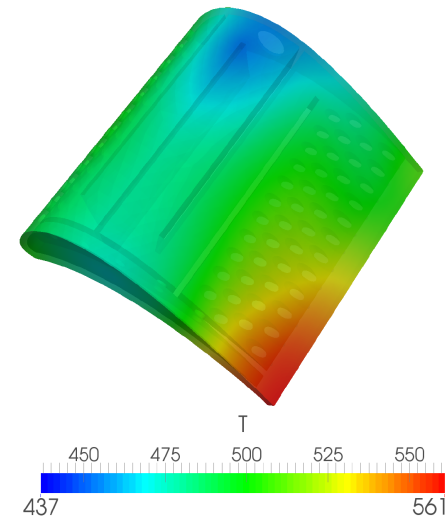
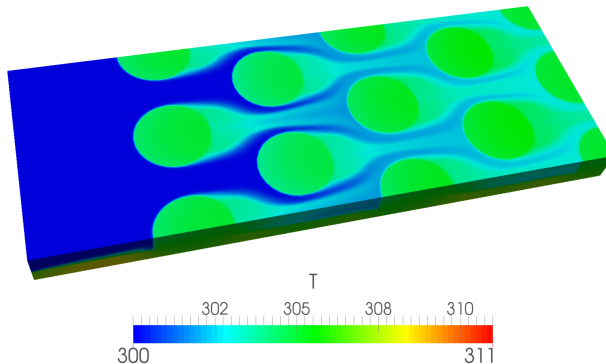
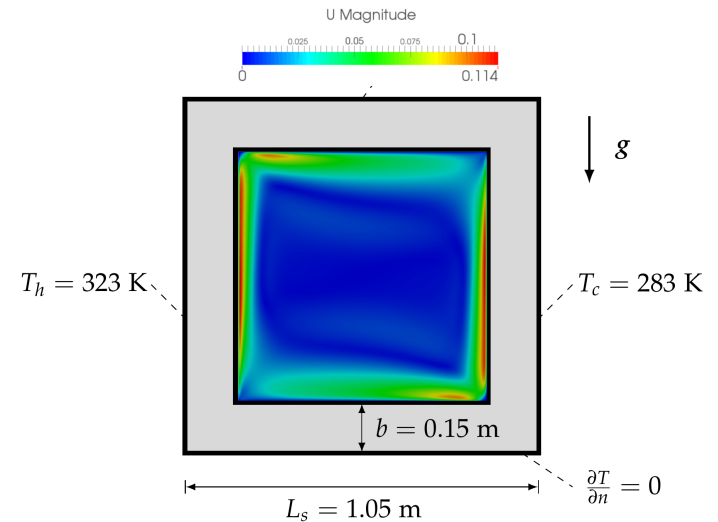
- Larger case, in `precice/tutorials`
- buoyantSimpleFoam (x2) + CalculiX
- Learn how to do multi-coupling



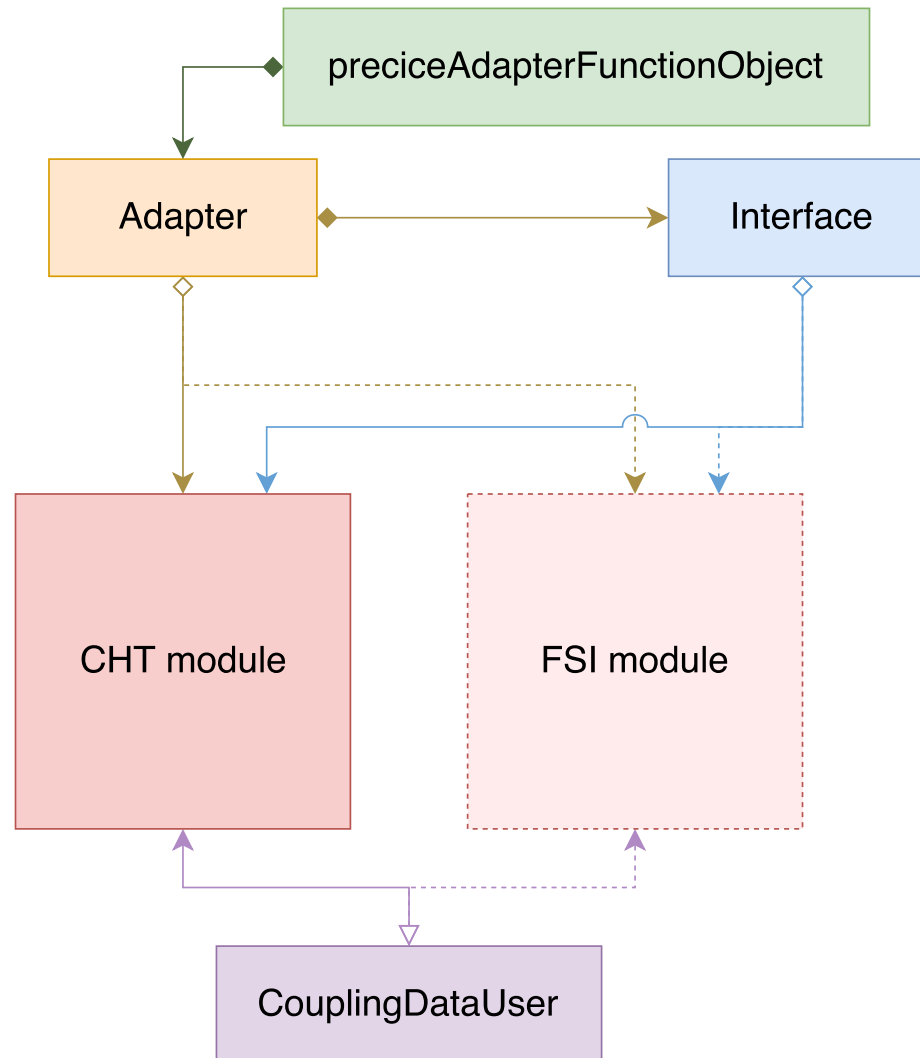
More CHT examples with OpenFOAM

- **Natural convection cavity**
 - OpenFOAM + CalculiX
 - Transient
 - Robin-Robin serial-implicit coupling, IQN-ILS
- **Pin-Fin cooling system**
 - OpenFOAM + CalculiX
 - Steady-state
 - Robin-Robin parallel-implicit coupling, IQN-ILS
- **Cooling of a turbine blade**
 - OpenFOAM + CalculiX (or Code_Aster)
 - Steady-state
 - Robin-Robin parallel-explicit coupling

(simulations by L. Cheung Yau, 2016)



A modular design



Adding new features: Fluid-Structure Interaction

```
1 | openfoam-adapter/  
2 | - preciceAdapterFunctionObject.C  
3 | - Adapter.C  
4 | - CouplingDataUser.C  
5 | - CHT/  
6 |   | - CHT.C  
7 |   | - HeatFlux.C  
8 |   | - HeatTransferCoefficient.C  
9 |   | - KappaEffective.C  
10 |   | - SinkTemperature.C  
11 |   | - Temperature.C  
12 |   | - ...  
13 | - FSI/  
14 |   | - Displacement.C  
15 |   | - Force.C  
16 |   | - FSI.C  
17 |   | - ...  
18 | - Interface.C  
19 | - Utilities.C  
20 | ...
```

Create a module for fluid-structure interaction #7

 Open MakisH opened this issue on Nov 27, 2017 · 6 comments



MakisH commented on Nov 27, 2017 · edited ▾

Member + 👤 ...

In order to support mechanical fluid-structure interaction, we need a module similar to the one for conjugate heat transfer. The adapter also needs a few additions that can also be tested in this type of problem.

Roughly, the following sub-tasks are required:

- ✓ Resize the data buffers for vector data (see the methods `preciceAdapter::Interface::addCouplingDataWriter` and `preciceAdapter::Interface::addCouplingDataReader` in the [Interface.C](#)).
- ✓ Create the files `FSI.H` and `FSI.C`, similarly to the [CHT.H](#) and [CHT.C](#). They should declare and define the methods `configure(const YAML::Node adapterConfig)`, `addWriters(std::string dataName, Interface * interface)`, and `addReaders(std::string dataName, Interface * interface)`. These methods must be called in the [Adapter.C](#) in two places (see comments with `NOTE`). A distinction among different solver types may need to be defined (most probably different than the one for CHT). Everything should be in the `FSI` namespace.
- ✓ Create dummies of the new boundary conditions or *coupling data users*. These classes need to inherit from the `CouplingDataUser` class and to define the `write(double * buffer)` and `read(double * buffer)` methods. They should be in the namespace `FSI`.
- ✓ Create a second mesh (point-mesh) for reading the displacements.
- ✓ Create an `IOObject` to store forces (for validation).
- ✓ Implement the new coupling data users: Force.
- ✓ Implement the new coupling data users: Displacement.
- ✓ Create objects of the new coupling data users, according to the adapter's configuration file.
- ✓ Add an option to enable the FSI module in the `preciceAdapter::Adapter::configFileRead()`.

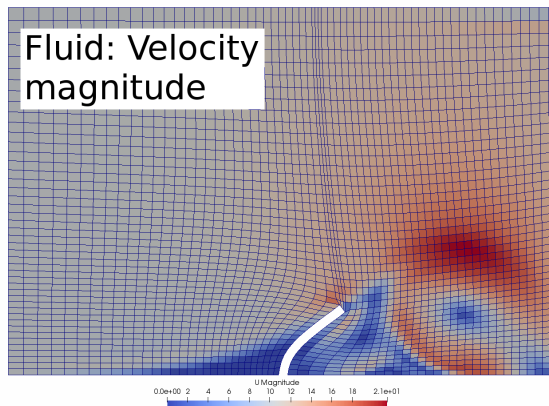
You can contribute! Comment, open issues, submit pull requests.

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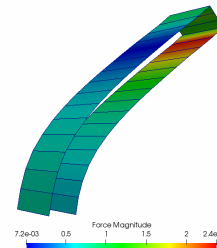
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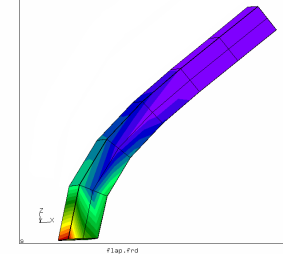


Fluid: Force magnitude



300/899 STRESS
Time: 1.000000
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min: 3.78e+02

Solid: Von Mises stress

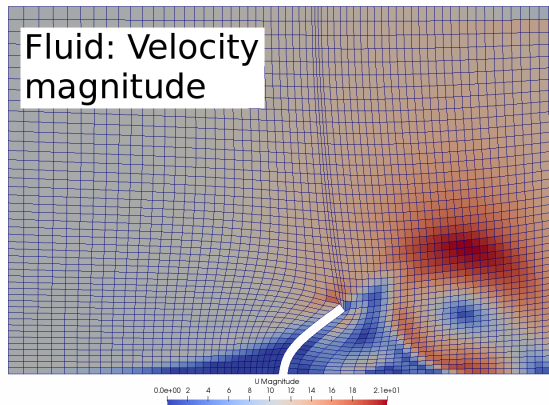


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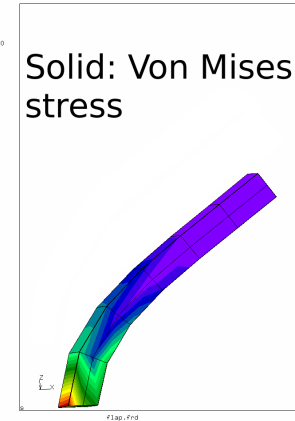
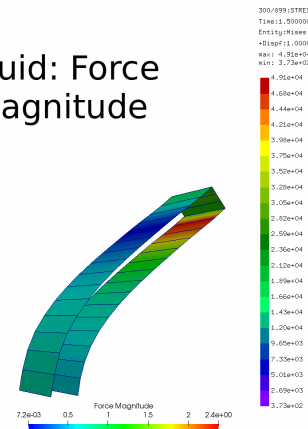
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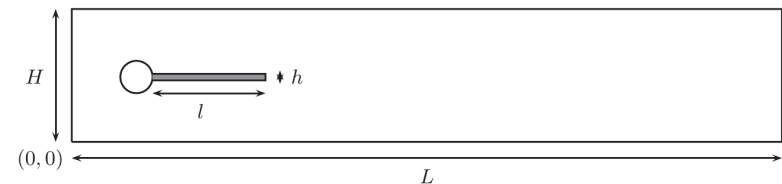


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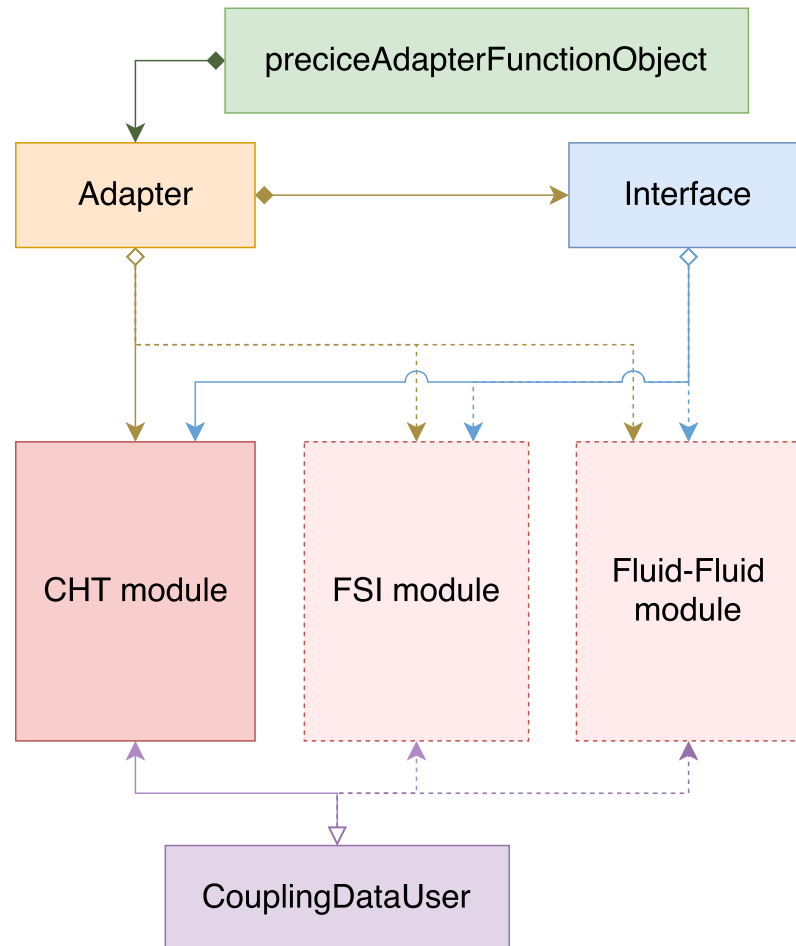
Current work: Turek-Hron FSI3 Benchmark

- Standard case for incompressible FSI
- pimpleDyMFoam + CalculiX



From S. Turek and J. Hron (2006): Proposal for numerical benchmarking of fluid-structure interaction between an elastic object and laminar incompressible flow.

Planned: Fluid-Fluid coupling



Long-term plan: couple 1D – 3D or 2D – 3D solvers.

Does it work with “chocolate” OpenFOAM?

Known to work with:

ESI - OpenCFD: v1706 – v1806

The OpenFOAM Foundation: 4.0 – dev

Currently does not work with:

ESI - OpenCFD: $\leq$ v1606+

The OpenFOAM Foundation: $\leq$ 3.0

FOAM-extend: any version



Question: How to support multiple flavors and versions with the same code in the long term?
(please comment on issue #32)

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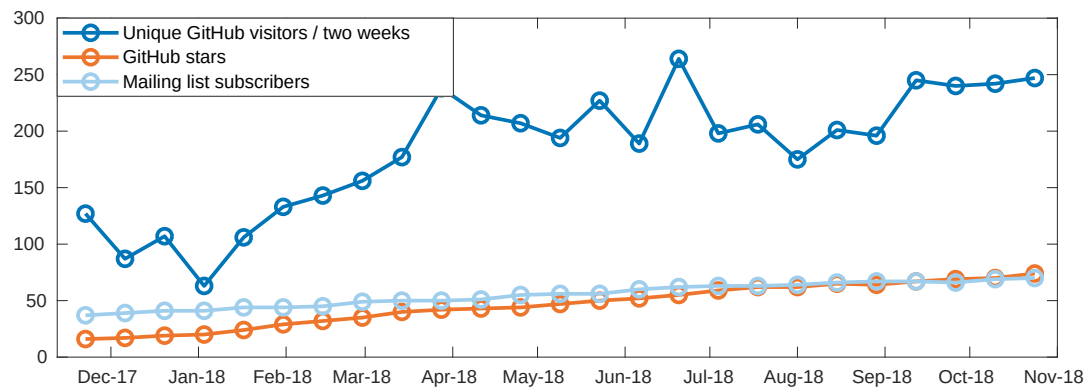
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preCICE is even where we don't expect it to be!

держивает программную модель, близкую к MPI и позволяет работать с неструктурированными сетками и планировщиками коммуникаций, обеспечивающие параллельные обмены между матрицами приложений $M \times N$.

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preCICE [3] – это программное обеспечение для решения задач взаимодействия твердого тела с жидкостью или газом. Может работать только на ~~структурированных~~ сетках. Для коммуникаций использует MPI.

* Работа поддержана грантом РФФИ 14-31-00024.

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