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Massively Parallel Numerical Simulation of Hydrodynamics and Transfers in a Polydispersed Reactive Gas-Particle Fluidized Bed at Industrial Scale

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Présentation du système de calcul de CALMIP : OLYMPE

- Cluster Atos Bull SEQUANA X1000
- Nombre total de nœuds : **374**
- Nombre total de cores (Skylake 6140) : **13464**
- Nombre total Carte GPU (Nvidia V100) : **48**
- Téraflopp Crête 1365 TF
- Conso Linpack : 199 Kw
- Calendrier
 - Mai 2018 : Installation (Bâtiment : Espace Clément Ader)
 - Juin-Juillet 2018 : Mésochallenges (4)
 - Juillet-Aout 2018 : Vérification de Service Régulier
 - Septembre 2018 : En production



« OLYMPE » : SYSTEME DE CALCUL CALMIP 2018-2022

The image shows a series of server racks labeled 'Rack Calcul', 'Rack Interconnecte', and 'Rack Extension'. The racks are filled with server blades, some of which are labeled '45 lames' and '45 lames max'. The racks are arranged in a row, and the image is overlaid with several callout boxes providing technical specifications.

- Rack Calcul (Left):**
 - 360 SKL nodes (bi-socket)
 - 2 x 18 cores SKYLAKE 6140 / node
 - 192 GB RAM / node
 - 2,65 TF / node
- Rack Calcul (Right):**
 - 12 GPU nodes
 - 4 GPU Nvidia Volta(V100) / node
 - 2 x 18 cores SKYLAKE 6140 / node
 - 384 GB RAM / node
 - 33,8 TF / node
- 2 Nœuds grande mémoire:**
 - 2 x 18 cores SKYLAKE 6140 / noeud
 - 1536 Go RAM / noeud
- Stockage Temporaire (Lustre):**
 - 1,5 Po
 - 40 GB/s
- Visualisation à distance:**
 - Virtual GL/ Turbo VNC

OLYMPE : Mésochallenges CALMIP 2018

- **Principe** : mise à disposition d'Olympe pour relever un défi scientifique (et technique!)
- **Appel à projets** (contrainte technique : application scalable > 4096 cœurs)
9 projets reçus => 4 projets sélectionnés

Spectroscopie in-silico de cyanines
Porteur : Michel Caffarel, LCPQ

Impact des fines échelles spatiales sur la dynamique océanique en Méditerranée
(JCAD) 2018)
Porteuse : Claude Estournel LA

Collision oblique de deux sphères dans un fluide visqueux
Porteuse : Annaïg Pedrono, IMFT

Simulation numérique massivement parallèle de l'hydrodynamique et des transferts d'un réacteur à lit fluidisé gaz-particule réactif polydisperse à l'échelle industrielle (>1 000 000 000 mailles)
Porteur : Hervé Neau, IMFT

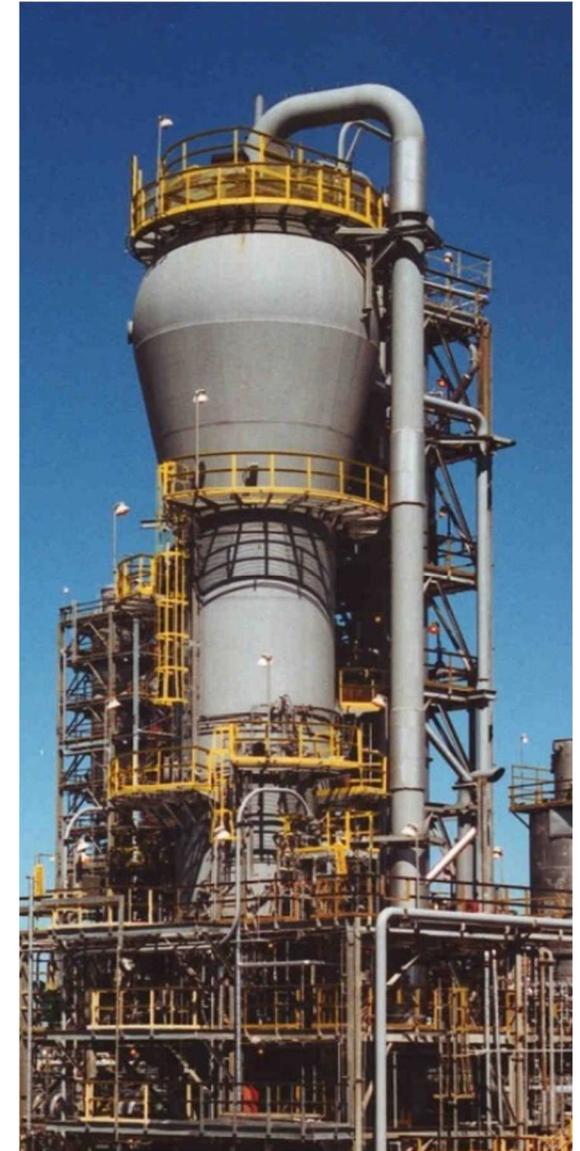
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Fluidized beds are widely used in industry

- Polymerization of olefin
- Uranium fluorination
- Coal/biomass combustion (CO₂ capture/chemical looping)
- Production of pharmaceutical drugs
- ...

The standard modeling Eulerian approach for industrial-scale geometries exhibits a sensitivity with respect to mesh size.

**A First Worldwide Numerical Simulation
of industrial fluidized bed with a very refined mesh
using the whole new CALMIP supercomputer OLYMPE
(Atos Bull SEQUANA X1000)**

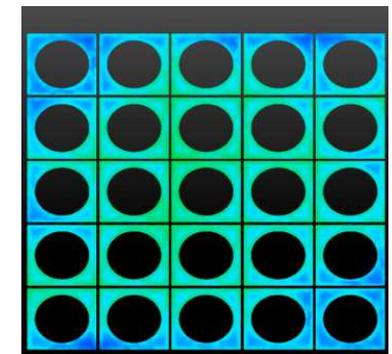
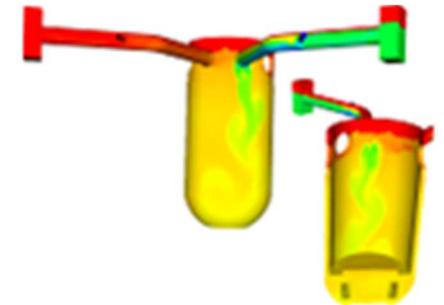
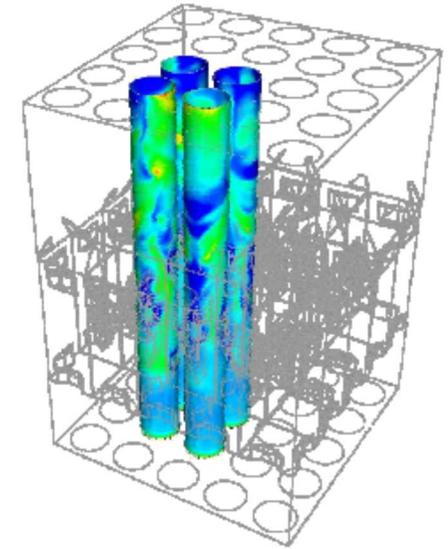


NEPTUNE_CFD code



- **Finite Volume Eulerian multi-phase solver** developed jointly by EDF and CEA with financial support of IRSN and FRAMATOME, in the framework of the NEPTUNE project.
- **Massively parallel code (MPI) to compute 3D reactive turbulent unsteady multiphase flows => HPC capabilities**
C/C++, QT-Python graphical-user interface, parallel multi-grid solver, MPI I/O
- **From laboratory-scale up to complex industrial-scale geometries**
- NEPTUNE_CFD is proprietary, based on open-sourced Code_Saturne

<http://code-saturne.org>



Pr. O. Simonin, Dr P. Fede, Dr R. Ansart, Dr E. Masi, Eng. H. Neau

- **Modeling approach**

Unsteady multi-fluid modeling approach (N-Euler) developed and implemented by IMFT for **polydispersed particle-laden turbulent reactive flows** (turbulence, four-way coupling, polydispersed model, interfacial transfers and chemical reactions)

- **Numerical methods: semi-implicit solver**

- **Massive Parallel** code: distributed-memory by domain decomposition (**MPI**)

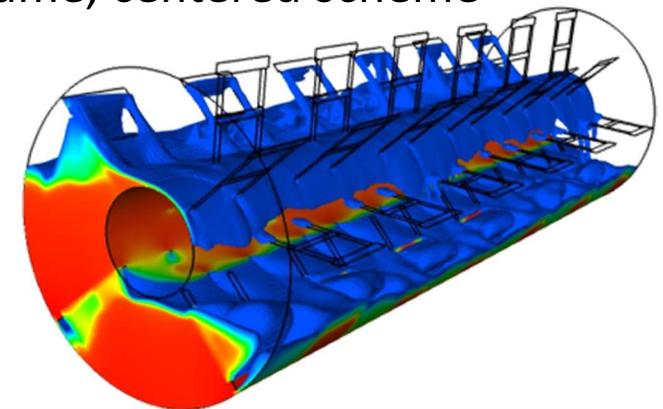
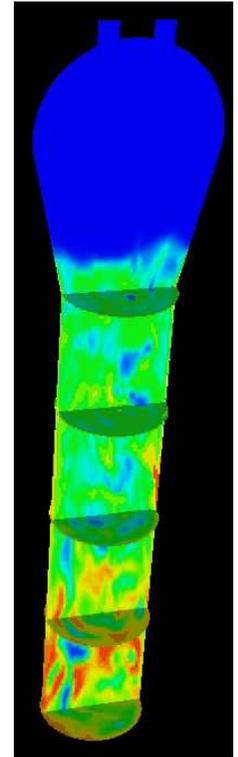
- parallel reading of meshes
- parallel partitioning
- MPI I/O
- parallel multigrid solver for pressure

- Numerical schemes

- Time integration: 1st-order fractional-step method
- Spatial discretization: 2nd-order unstructured finite-volume, centered scheme

- Unstructured meshing:

- Non-matching meshes
- Rotating meshes

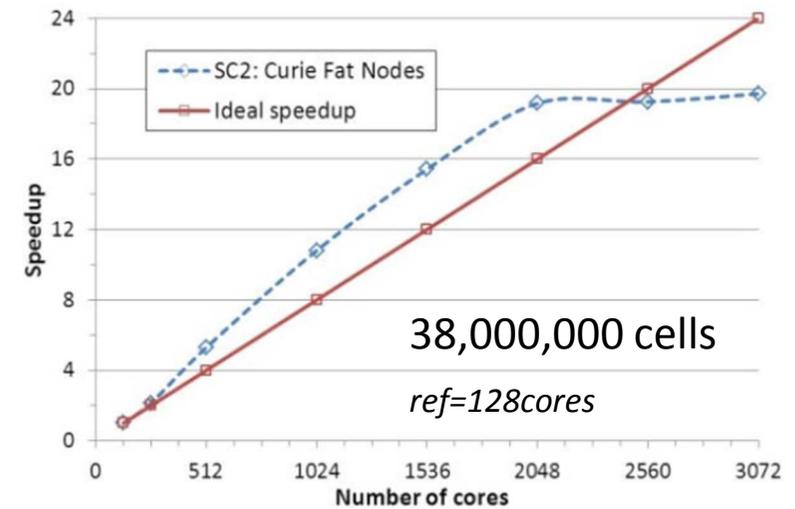
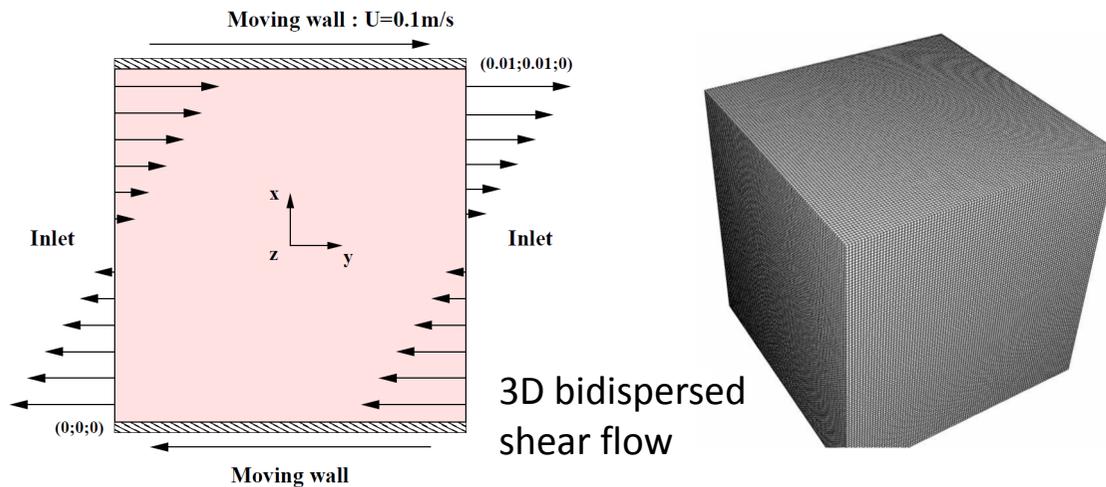


« NEPTUNE_CFD » HPC capabilities

NEPTUNE_CFD parallel performances demonstrated up to 2,560 cores: super linear speedup

Neau H. et al., High performance computing (HPC) for the fluidization of particle-laden reactive flows, Fluidization XIV, 2013

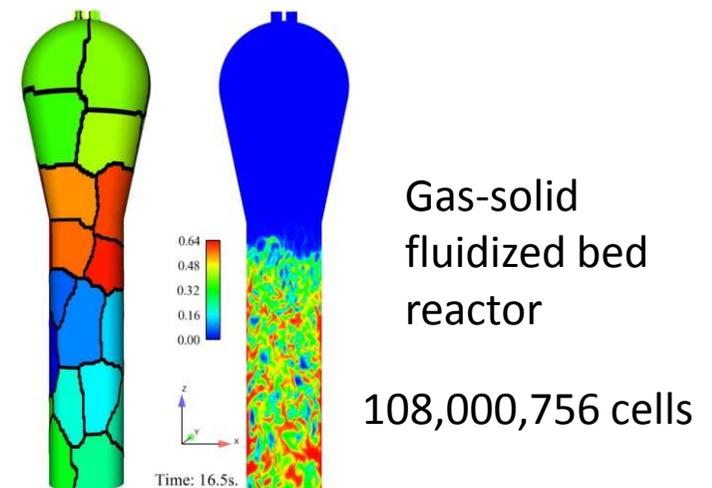
Hamidouche Z. et al., Numerical Simulation of Multiphase Reactive Flows, Advances in Chemical Engineering, vol. 52, 2018



NEPTUNE_CFD massively parallel computation capabilities established up to 4,000 cores during CALMIP

Mesochallenge (2014) on a fluidized bed at industrial scale

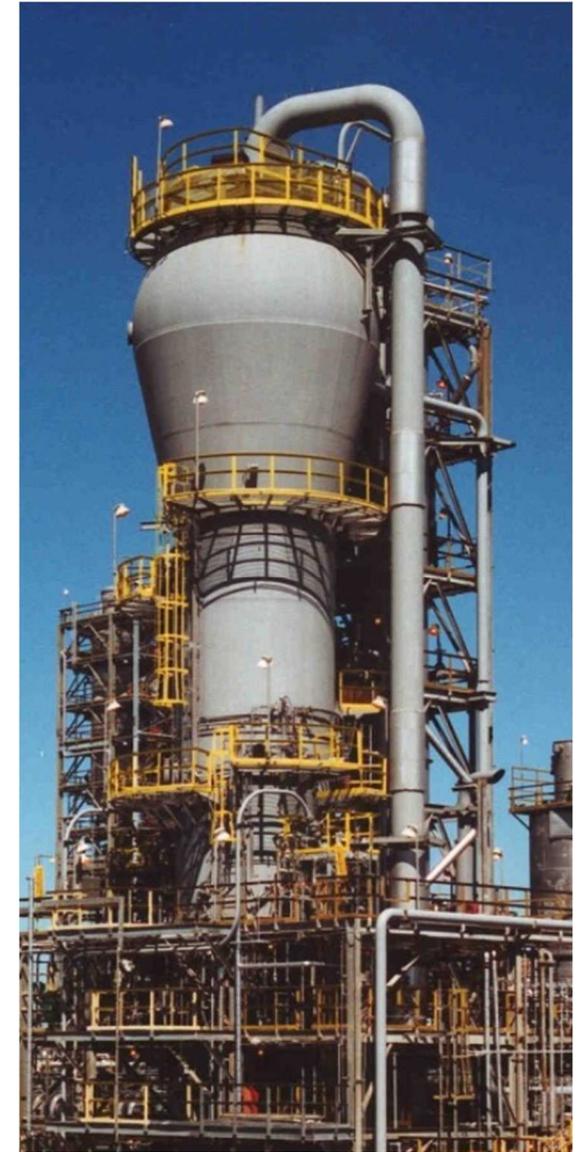
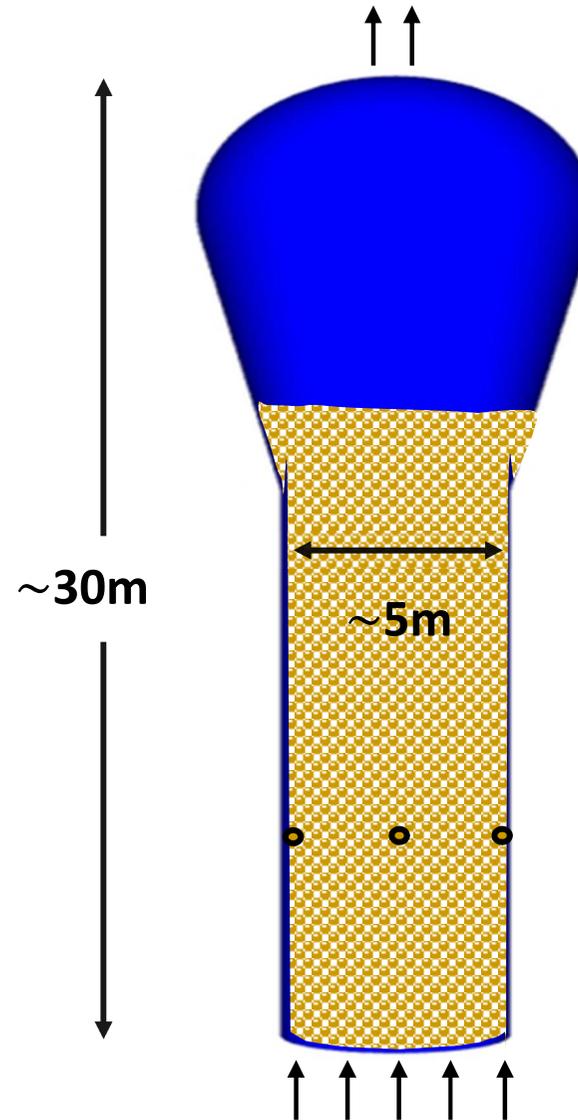
Ideal speedup for number of cells per core over 25,000 cells



Actual industrial geometry

- $H \sim 30\text{m}$ and $D \sim 5\text{m}$
- Gas + 2 types of particles
- Injection of fine particles
- Heat transfers between gas and particles
- Exothermic reaction
- Multi-scale complex flow:

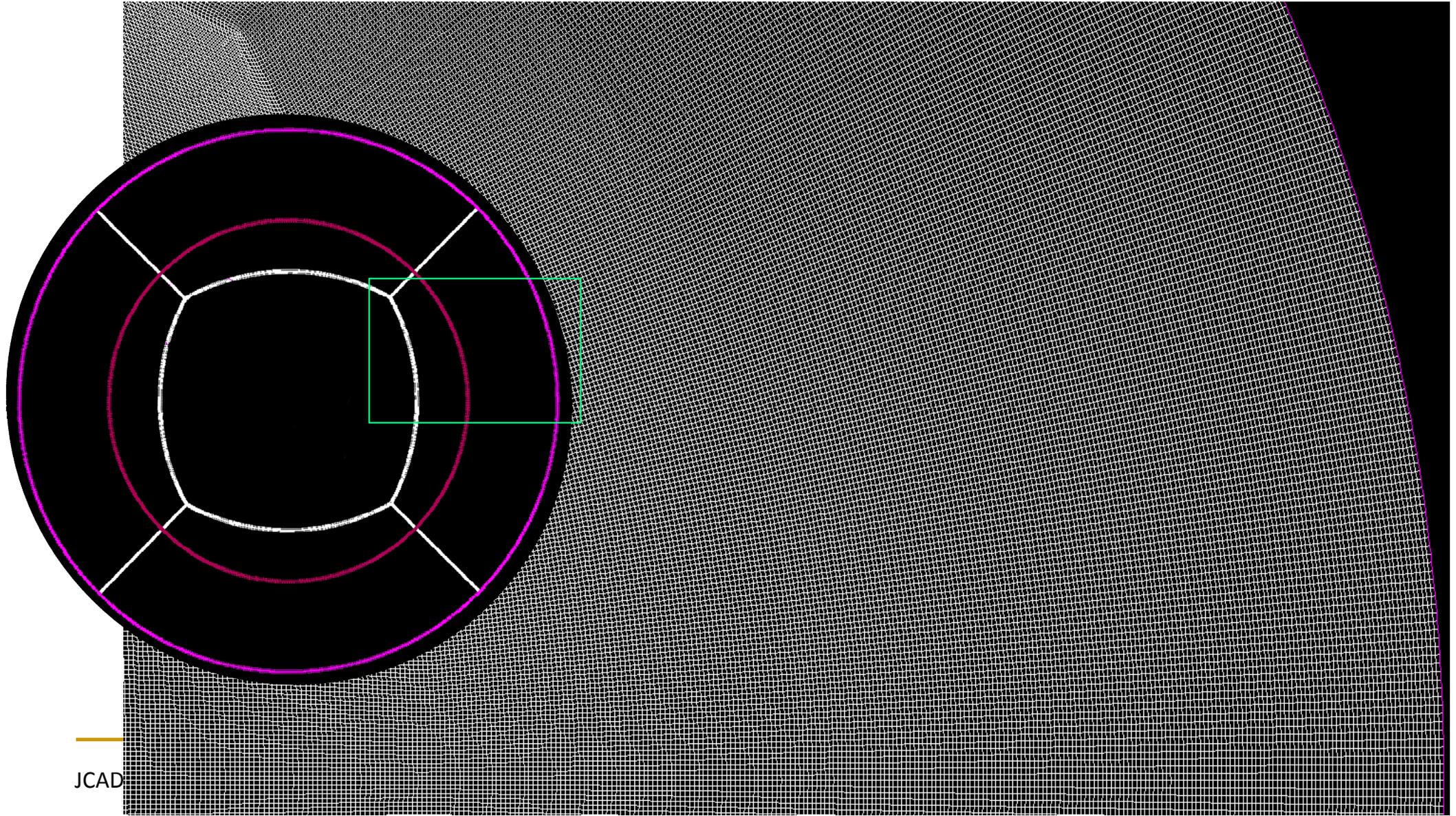
$$\frac{D_{\text{reactor}}}{d_{\text{particles}}} > 10^4$$



1st challenge: create the very large unstructured mesh

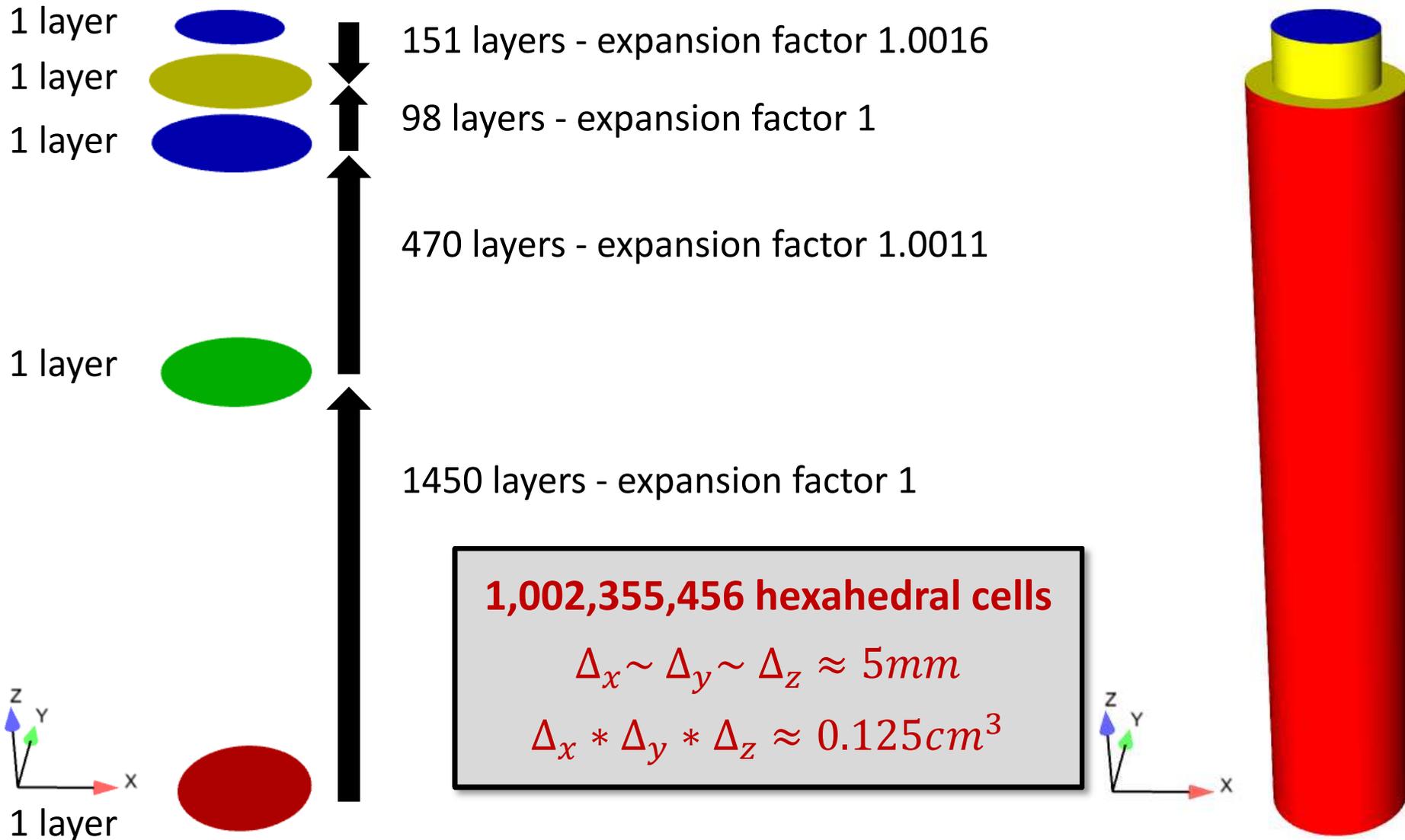
Simail mesher: creation of 5 pseudo-2D meshes (1 layer) - **850 cells over diameter**

Extended O-grid meshes: 4 meshes with 476,928 hexahedral rectangular cells each
1 mesh with 253,184 hexahedral rectangular cells



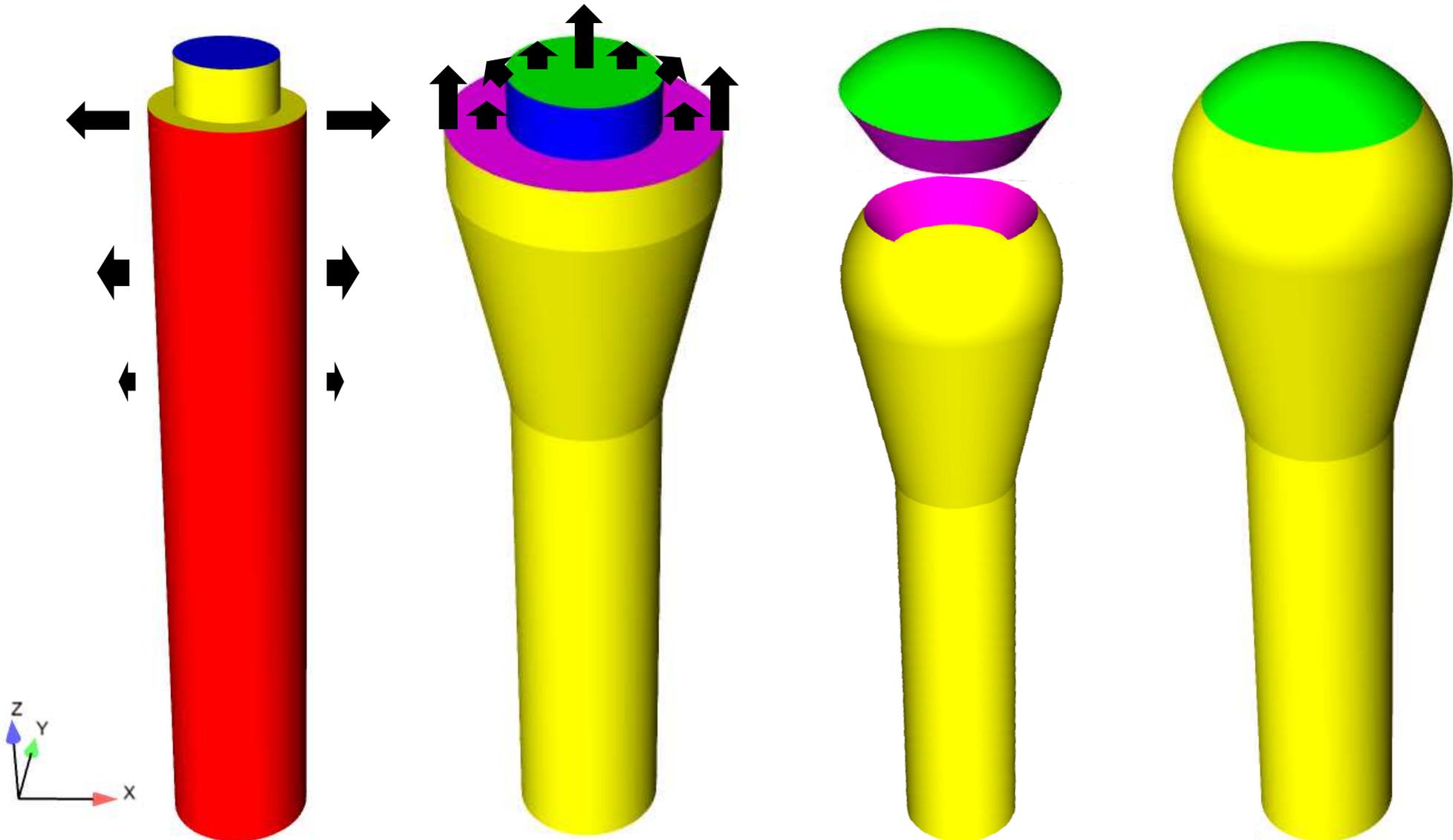
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Using **Code_Saturne** in preprocessing mode, (i) extrude 4 meshes and (ii) merge all meshes
90 nodes (2*12cores) on **Occigen/CINES** => 2160 cores - 3.9To - 5400s CPU per core

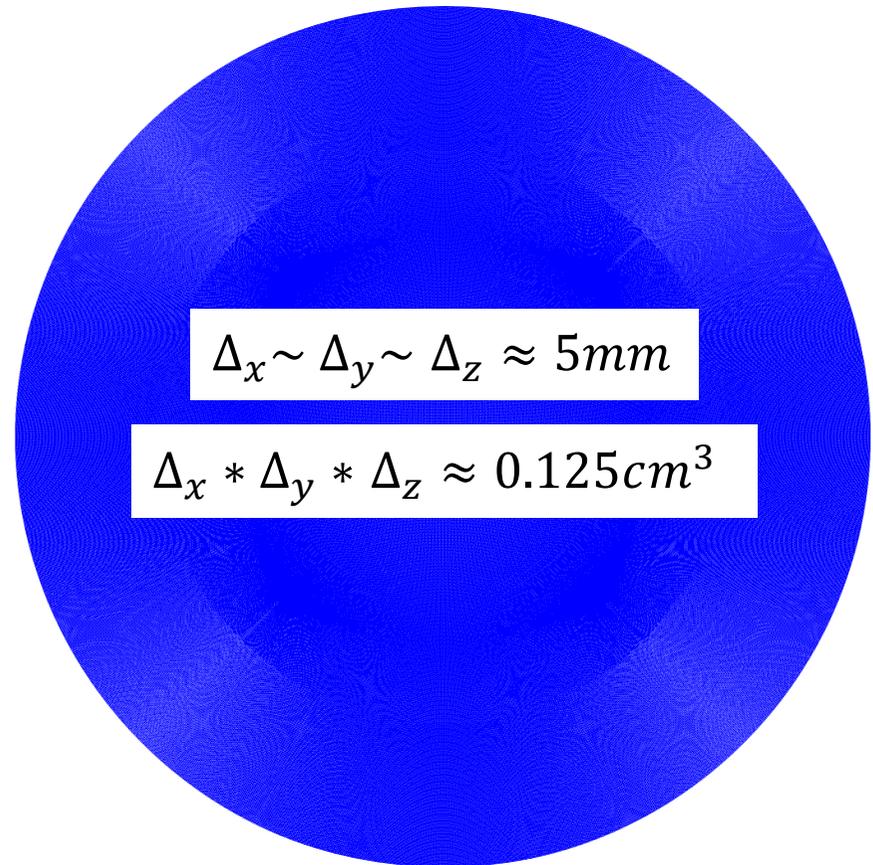
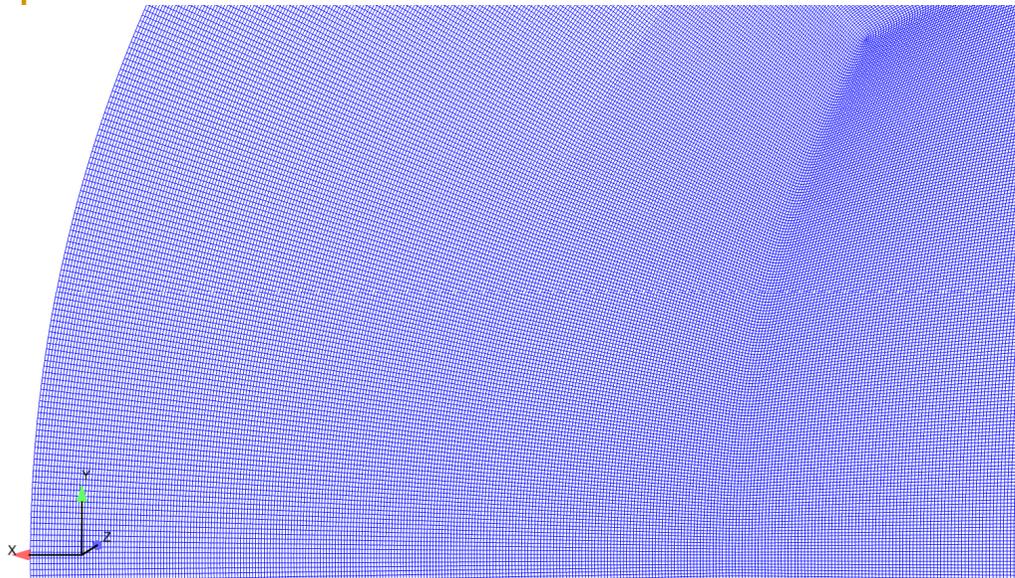


1st challenge: create a very large unstructured mesh

Using **Code_Saturne**, in preprocessing mode, modify the geometry: (i) dilatation, (ii) coordinates transformations to create the 2 parts of the bulb and (iii) final merge

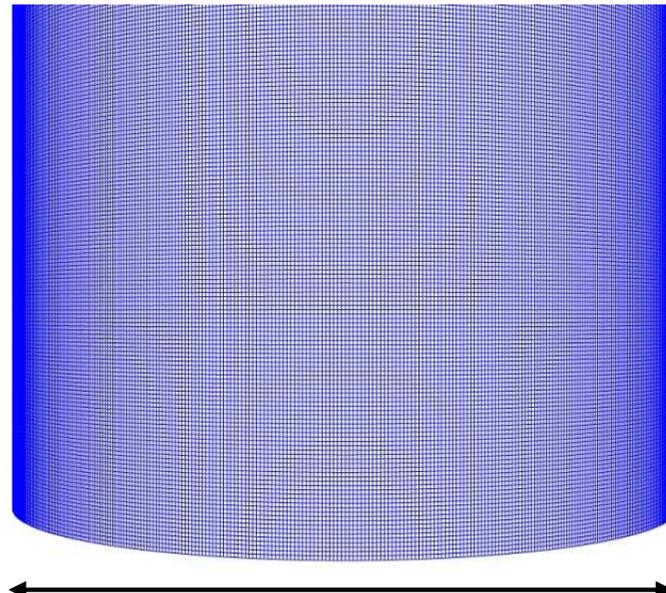
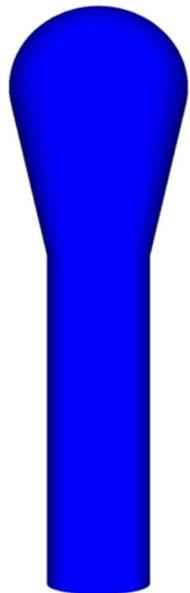


1st challenge: create a very large unstructured mesh



$$\Delta_x \sim \Delta_y \sim \Delta_z \approx 5\text{mm}$$

$$\Delta_x * \Delta_y * \Delta_z \approx 0.125\text{cm}^3$$



$$\approx 850 \Delta_x$$

Binary Final Mesh: 209 Go
1,002,355,456 hexahedrons
3,008,918,880 faces
1,004,210,878 nodes
generated with Simail/Code_Saturne
Human time: 4 weeks

2nd challenge: Domain partitioning

Objective: create partitioning before run from 2,160 up to 13,032 cores

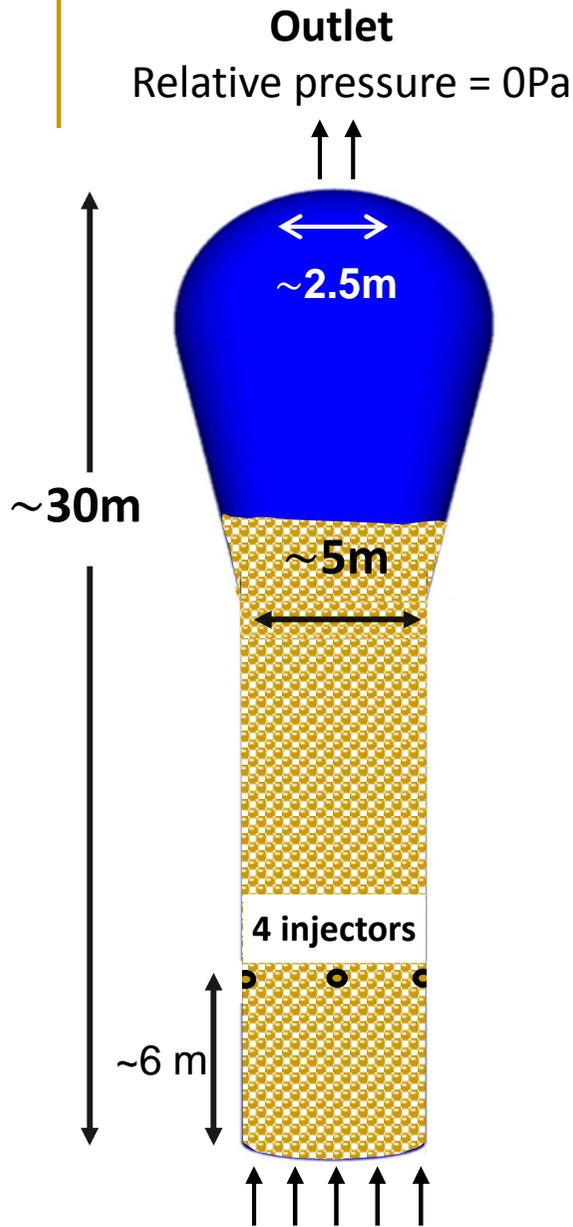
	PT-SCOTCH	ParMETIS	Morton curve	Hilbert curve	Block
Stability	Only on a limited number of cores even to create a lot of domains otherwise crash	No (mesh too big? Too much domains to create?)	yes	yes	yes
CPU time efficiency	No slower than using old supercomputer (ATOS-Bull doesn't solve this problem) 5x slower than Morton curve	--	yes	yes	no
Domain unbalance	~20% * Random seed algorithm	--	<<1% *	<<1%	~10%
Neighboring unbalance	Excellent (5-23)	--	Good (10-43)	Good	Bad
Ghost cell unbalance	Very good (31200-63700)	--	Good (54270-116000)	Good	Bad
Computation CPU time	Good	--	Good	Good	--

Final choice: Morton curve

*: creating 11520 domains

Case description

Gas/Powder properties	Gas	Large part.	Fine part.
Density (kg/m ³)	22	850	850
Viscosity x10 ⁻⁵ (Pa.s)	1.54	--	--
Mean diameter (μm)	--	1600	80
Initial solid mass (kg)	--	100,000	0
Restitution coefficient	--	0.9	0.9
Specific heat (J/kg/K)	1728.65	2000	2000
Thermal conductivity W/m/K	0.04	--	--



Injection of gas and fine particles through 4 injectors of ~0.03 m²

- Gas inlet: $Q_{inj_gas} = 21.5$ kg/s (i.e. 77.3 t/h), $T_{inj_gas} = 50^\circ\text{C}$
- Fine particles inlet: $Q_{inj_fine} = 0.2$ kg/s (i.e. 720 kg/h), $T_{inj_fine} = 50^\circ\text{C}$
- Large particles: wall

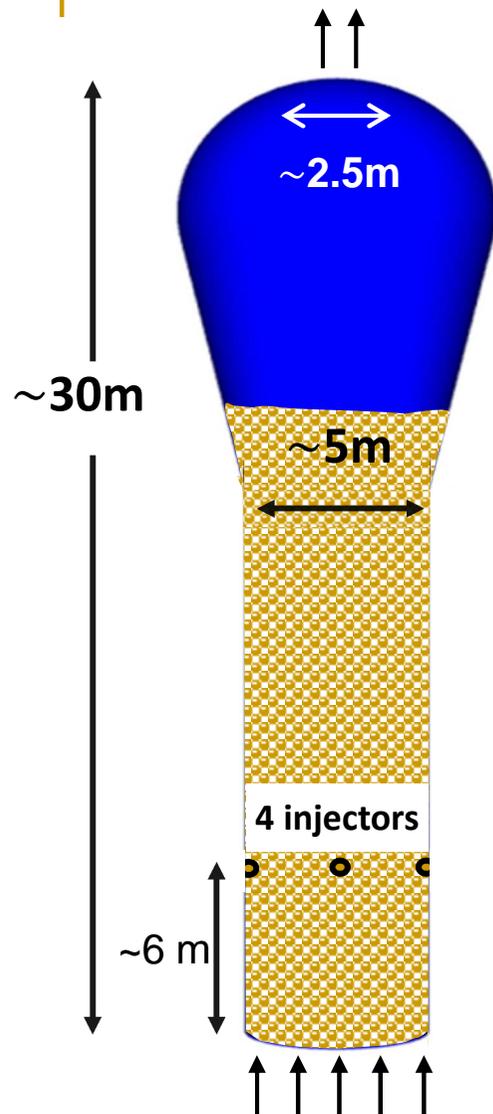
Fluidization inlet

- Gas inlet: $V_f = 0.6$ m/s ($Q_f = 210$ kg/s), $T_{in} = 50^\circ\text{C}$
- Large/fine particles: wall

Wall boundary conditions (zero flux for enthalpy)

- Gas: wall with friction
- Large/fine particles: wall with no slip condition

Case description



Initialization parameters

- Mass of large particles = 100,000 kg (if $z < 18\text{m}$, $\alpha_{\text{large part.}} = 0.402$)
- Mass of fine particles = 0 kg
- Gas and large/fine particles temperature = 100°C

Operating point

- Exothermic reaction: $Q_{\text{reaction}} = 20\text{MW}$
- Input temperature: $T_{\text{in}} = 50\text{ °C}$
- Expected outlet temperature: $T_{\text{out}} \approx 100\text{ °C}$

Physical models

- **Turbulence** (Four way coupling): Gas \Leftrightarrow k- ϵ - Particles \Leftrightarrow q_p - q_{fp}
- **Drag: Wen & Yu** for particles
- **Large and fine particle interactions:**
frictional model, granular model, kinetic model and polydispersed model
- **Thermal transfers:** gas / large, gas / fine

Thermal source terms: Fine particles 30 x more reactive than larges

- Large particles: $TS_{\text{large}} = \alpha_{\text{large}} * \rho_{\text{large}} * Q_{\text{reaction}} / M_{\text{large}}$
- Fine particles: $TS_{\text{fine}} = \alpha_{\text{fine}} * \rho_{\text{fine}} * Q_{\text{reaction}} / M_{\text{large}} * 30$

Principal metrics

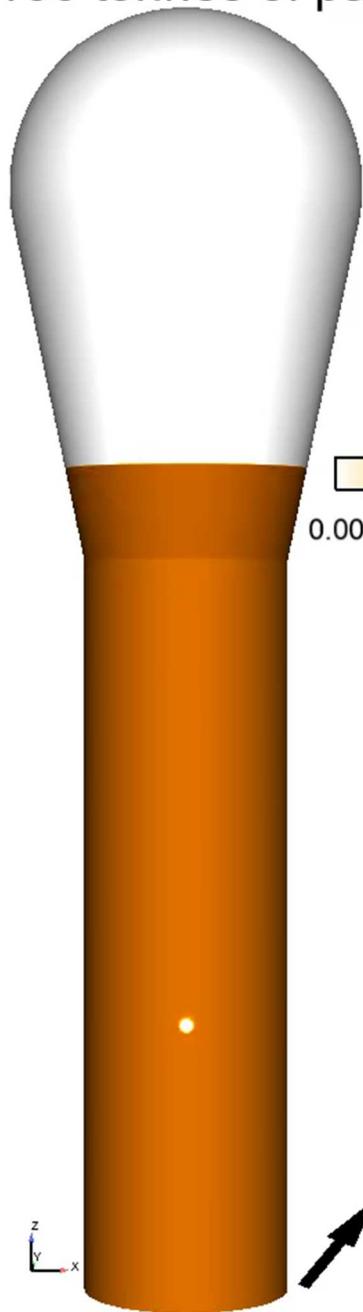
- Hexahedral unstructured mesh: **1,002,355,456 cells**
- Binary mesh size: **209 Go**
- True industrial geometry: $H \sim 30\text{m}$ and $D \sim 5\text{m} \Rightarrow V \sim 600 \text{ m}^3$
- Reading time for mesh, partitioning and restart file in NEPTUNE_CFD: **13 minutes**
- Checkpoint Restart file size: **1.34 To**
- Post-processing: Generated data size (EnSight Gold binary) over 600 time steps $\Rightarrow \sim 10 \text{ To}$
 - saving 10 variables on all mesh elements every 25ms $\Rightarrow 2.5 \text{ Po}$
 - Data saved only on 12 selected thick planes and cylinders and external surface
- Whole generated data (restart files, ...): **$\sim 120 \text{ To}$**
- **NEPTUNE_CFD V4.0.1 + Compiler Intel 18.2 + IntelMPI 18.21**
21 coupled PDE solved for each time step

Runs from 60 nodes (2,160 cores) up to 362 nodes (13,032 cores) during 2018 summer

- **5 millions of CPU hours \Leftrightarrow 15 days (elapsed time) \Leftrightarrow 16.5s of physical time**
- **88,349 iterations with $\sim 55\text{s}$ CPU per iteration using 120 nodes (4320 cores – 1/3 Olympe)**

Industrial Scale Bidispersed Reactive Fluidized Bed Reactor

100 tonnes of particles - $D \sim 5\text{m}$ - $H \sim 30\text{m}$ - Unstructured Mesh: 1,002,355,456 cells



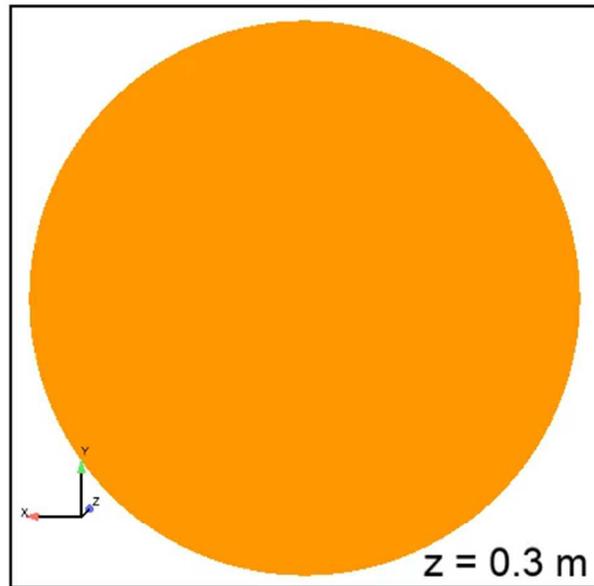
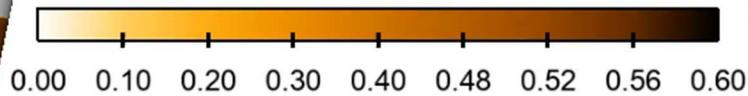
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HPC Center: 13 032 cores

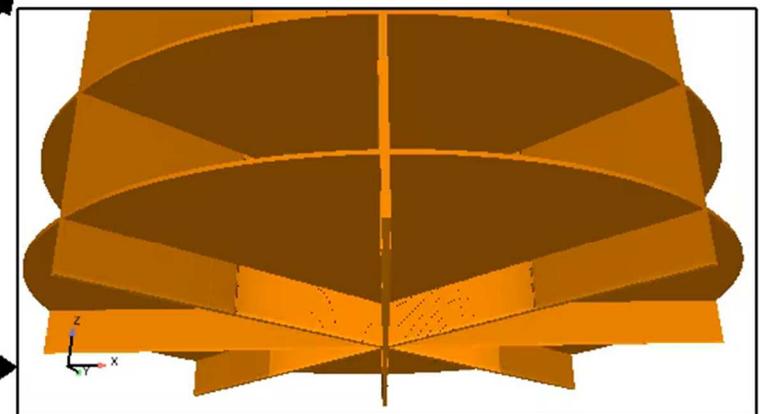
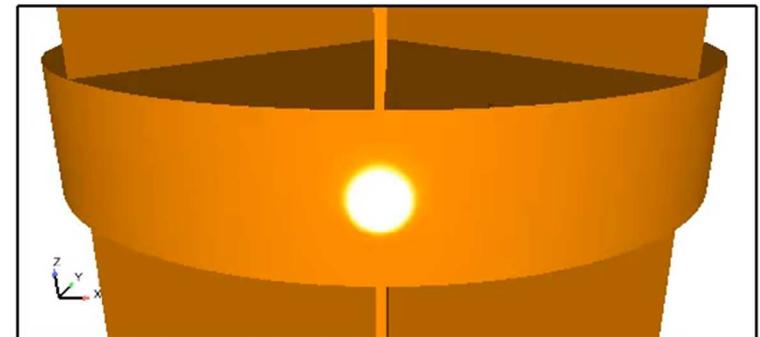
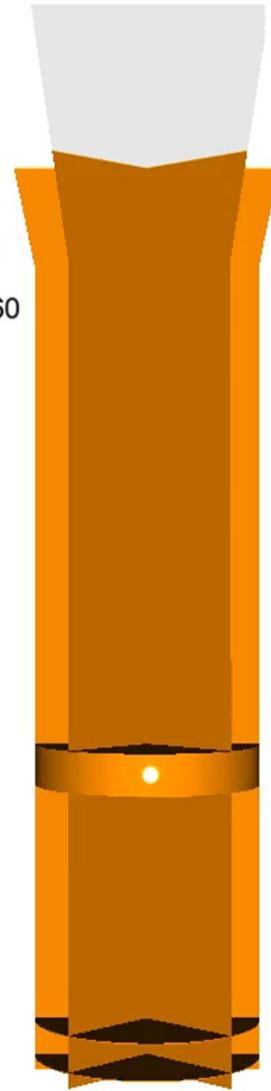
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Solid Volume Fraction



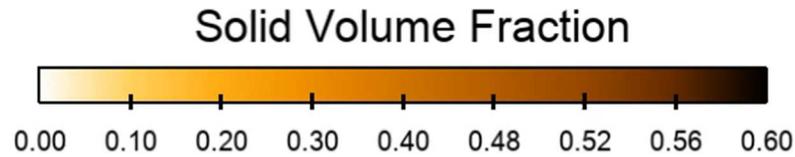
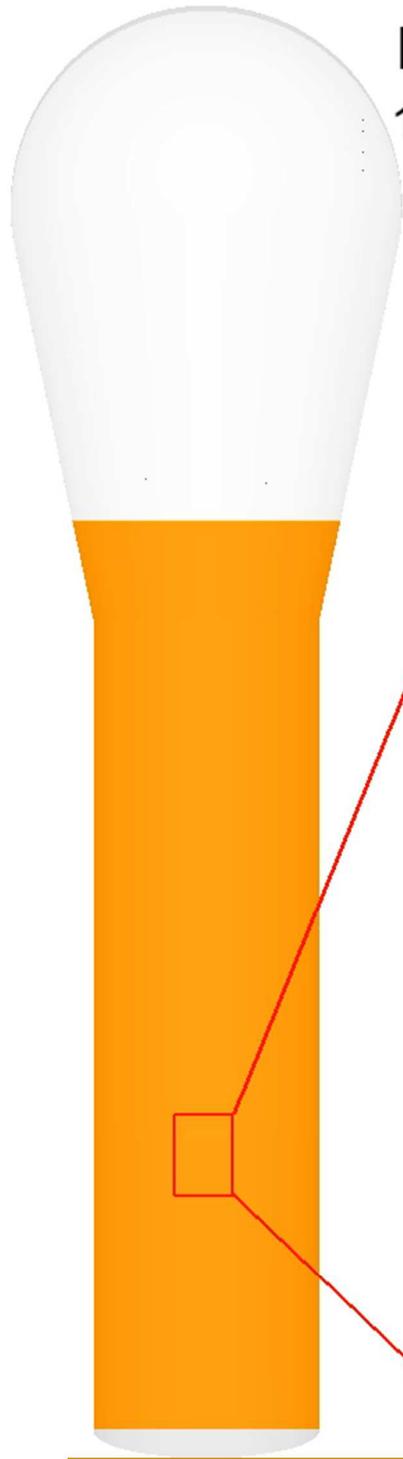
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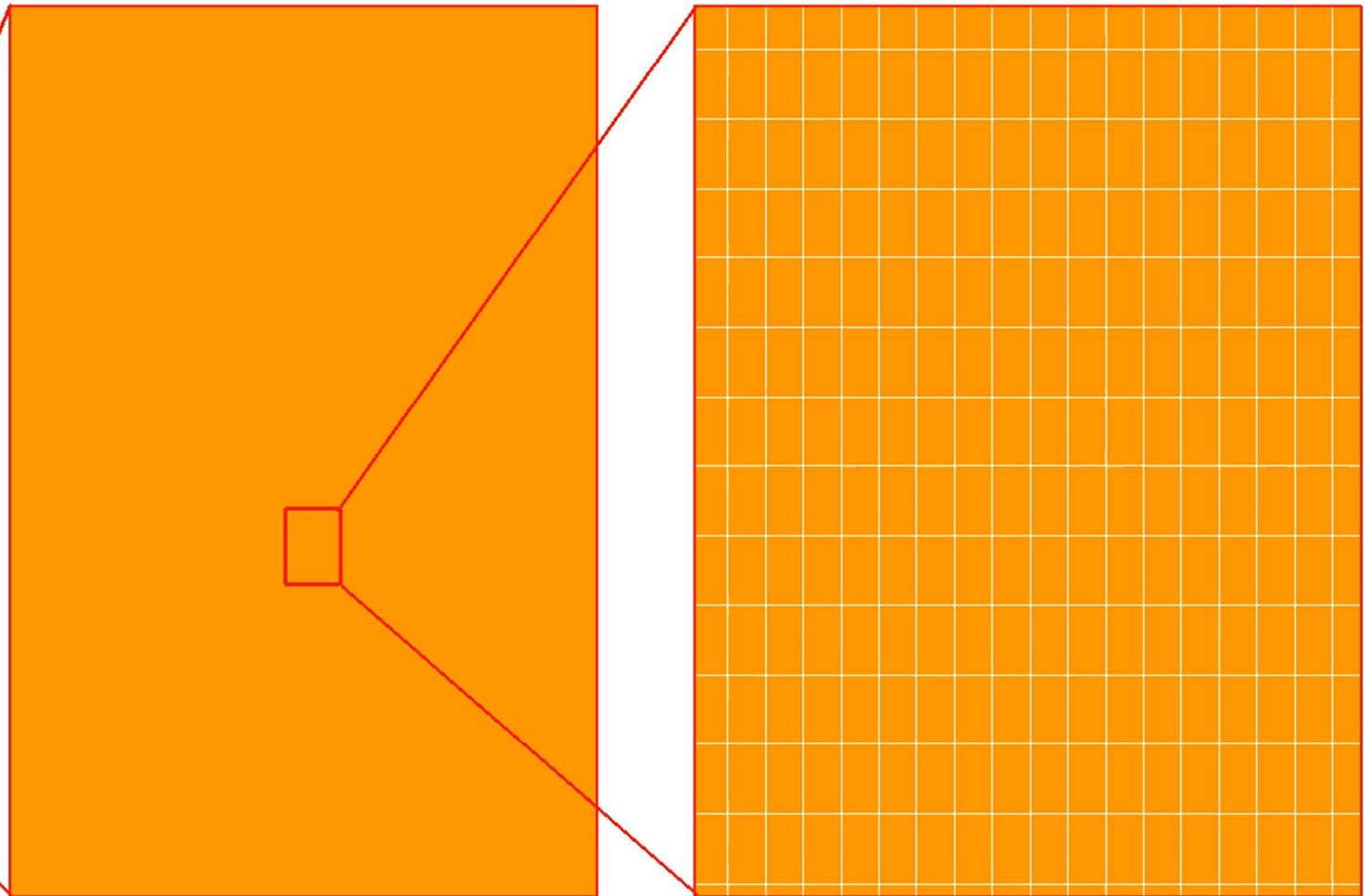
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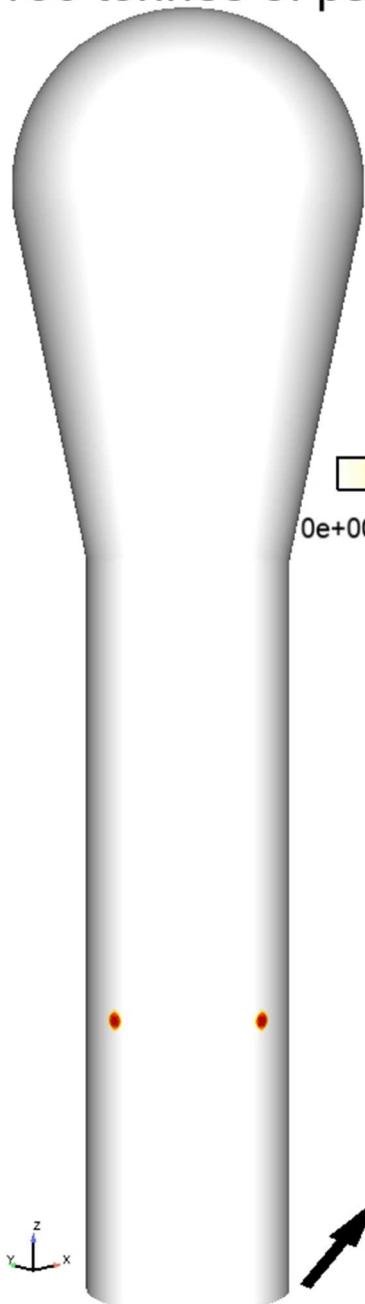


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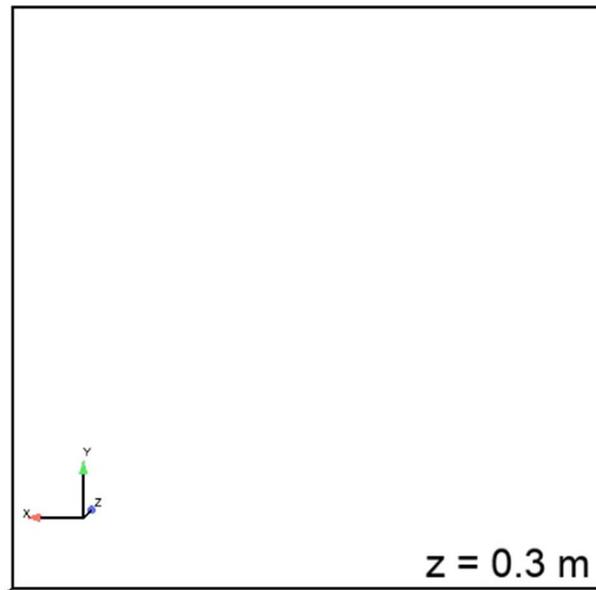
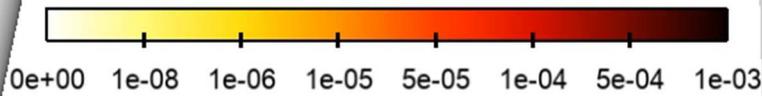
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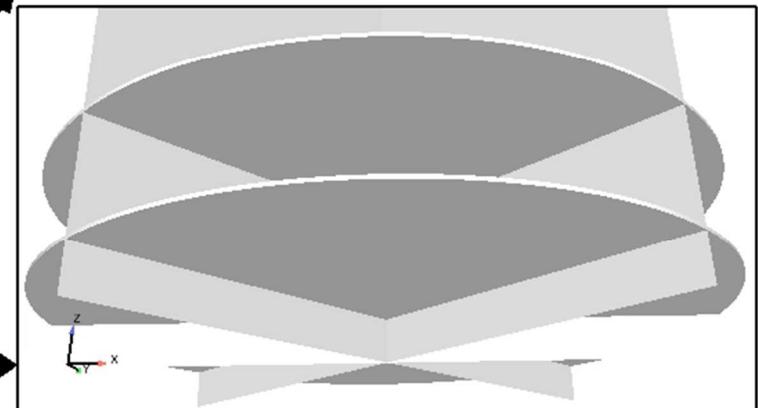
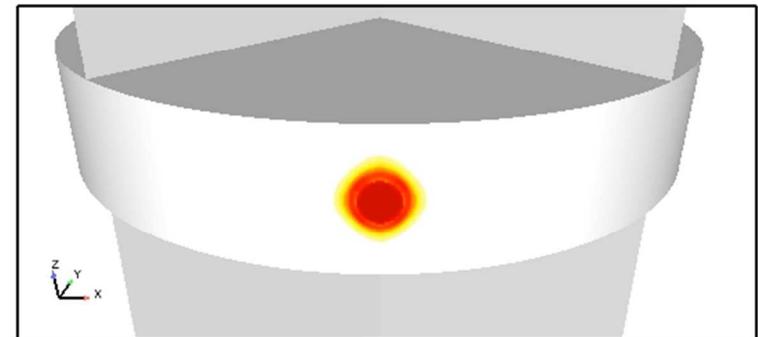
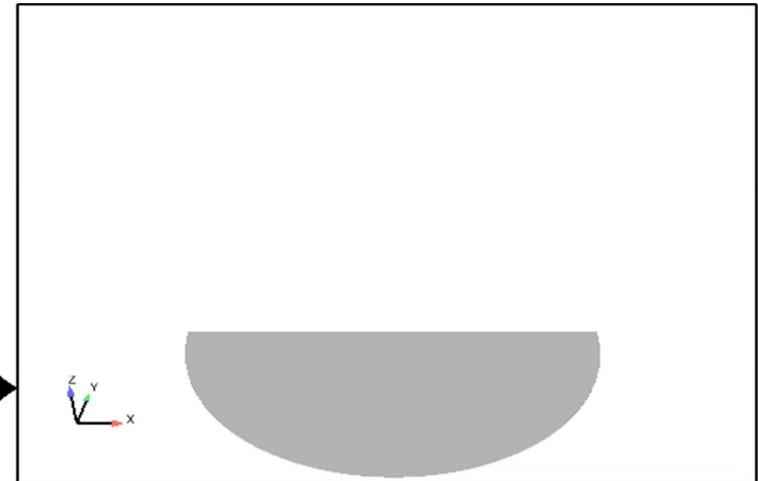
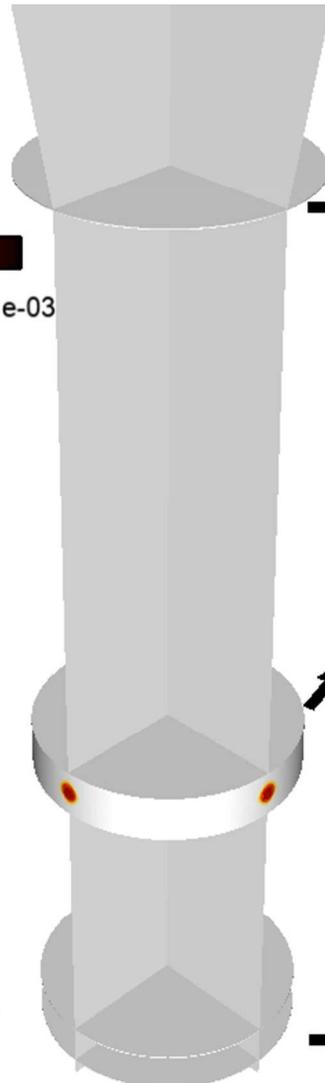
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Fine Solid Volume Fraction

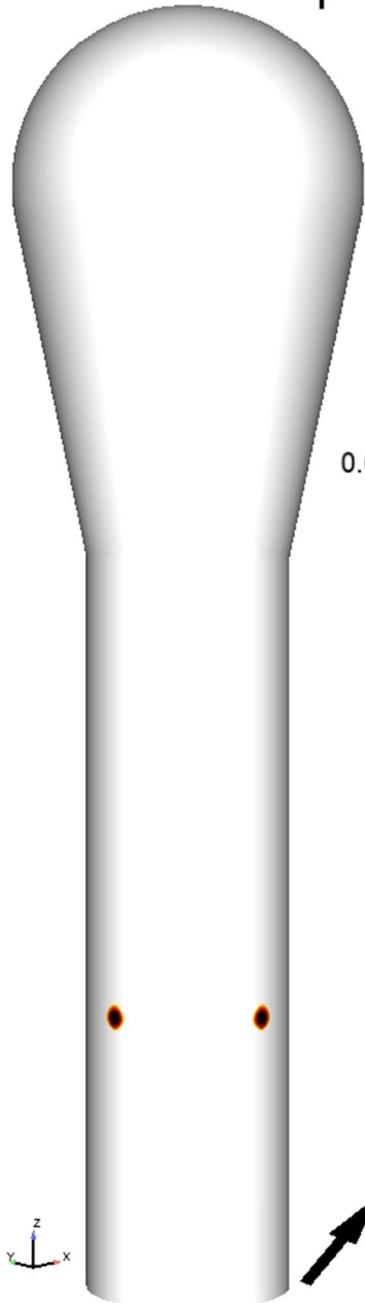


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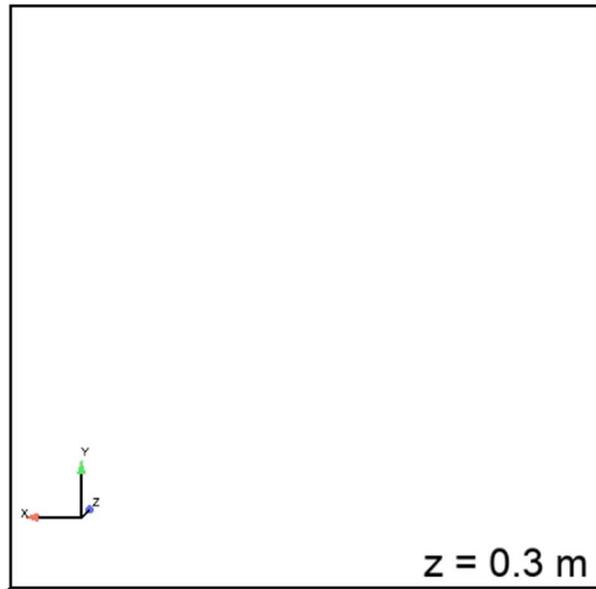
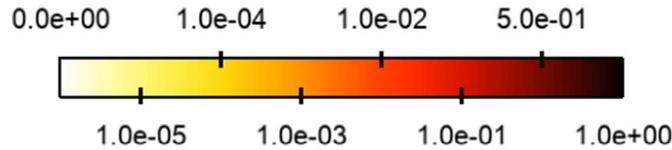
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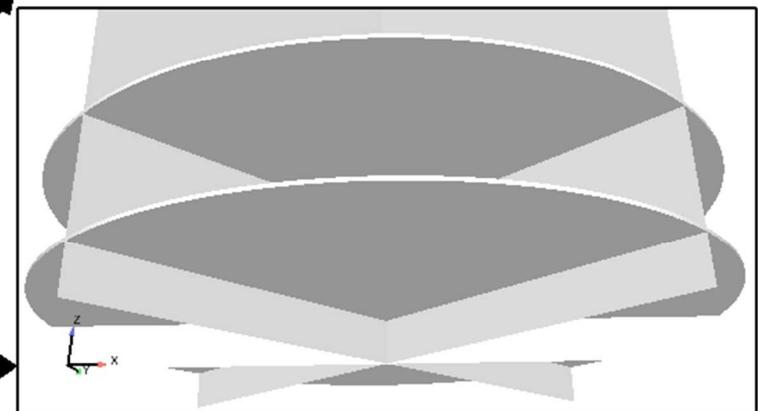
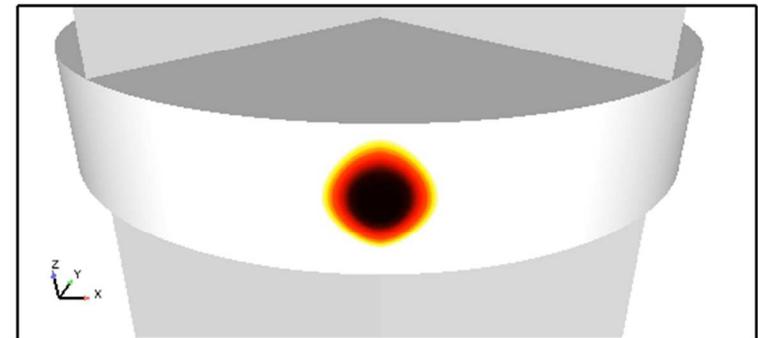
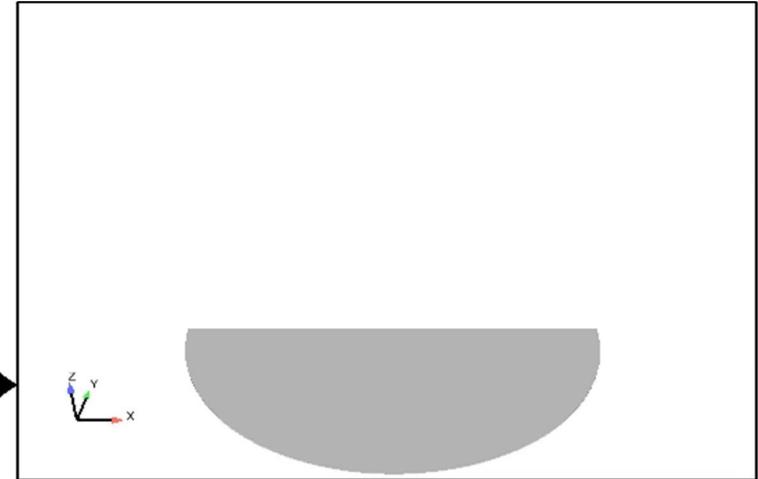
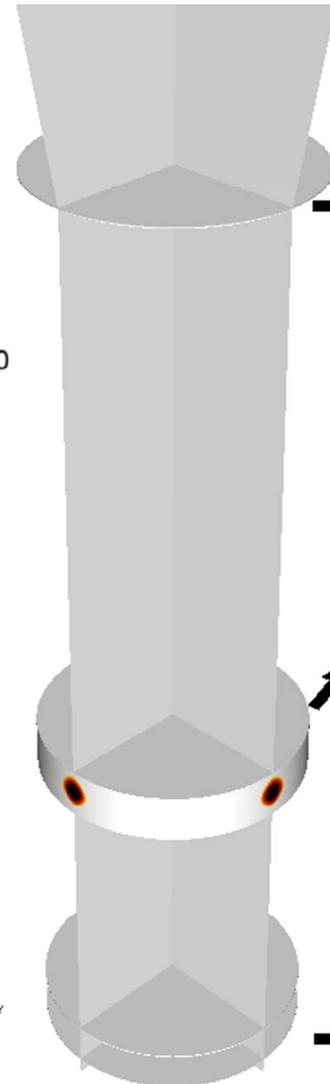
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Gas Scalar



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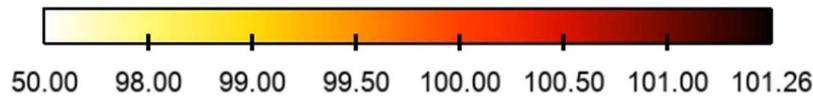
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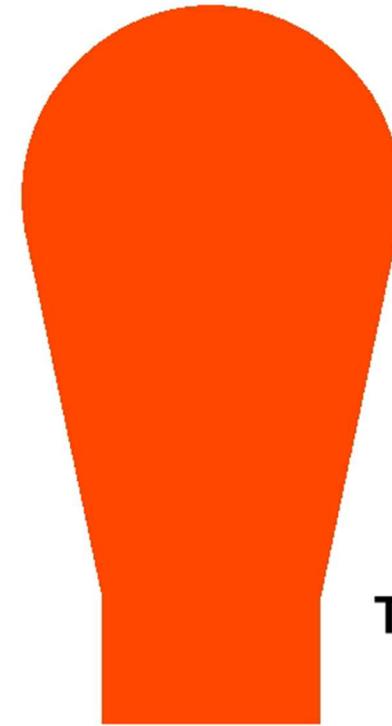
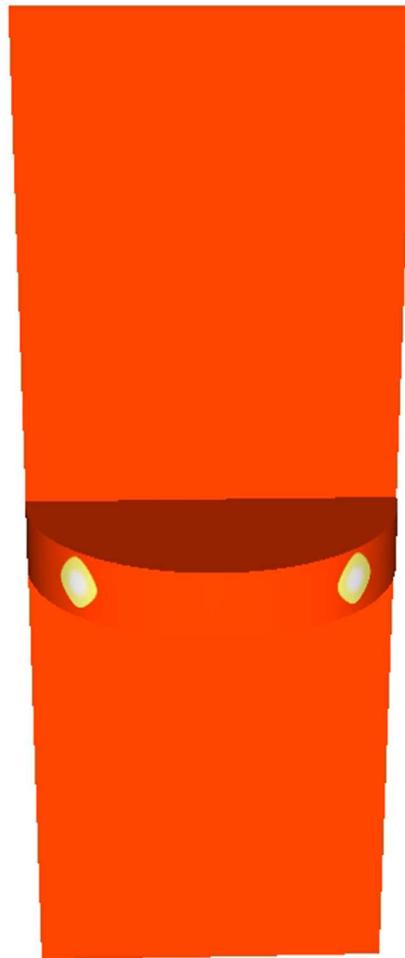
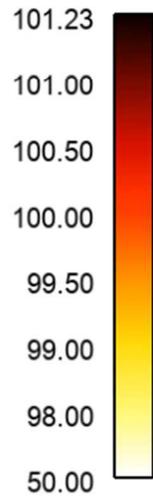
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Fine particle temperature (°C)



Gas temp. (°C)



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CALMIP 2018 NEPTUNE_CFD Mesochallenge overview

A **Worldwide Premiere highly-detailed Numerical Simulation of industrial reactive fluidized-bed** using the **whole new CALMIP supercomputer OLYMPE (Atos Bull SEQUANA)**

=> Challenge tackled thanks to very **efficient parallel software, NEPTUNE_CFD** and **fine meshing** (more than 1 000 000 000 elements) and advanced physical models

Operating challenges:

- Occurring **hardware failures**: unresponsive nodes, data recovery, ...
- Handling large-cluster **MPI issues**: fine tuning for ALLREDUCE operations through env. variables

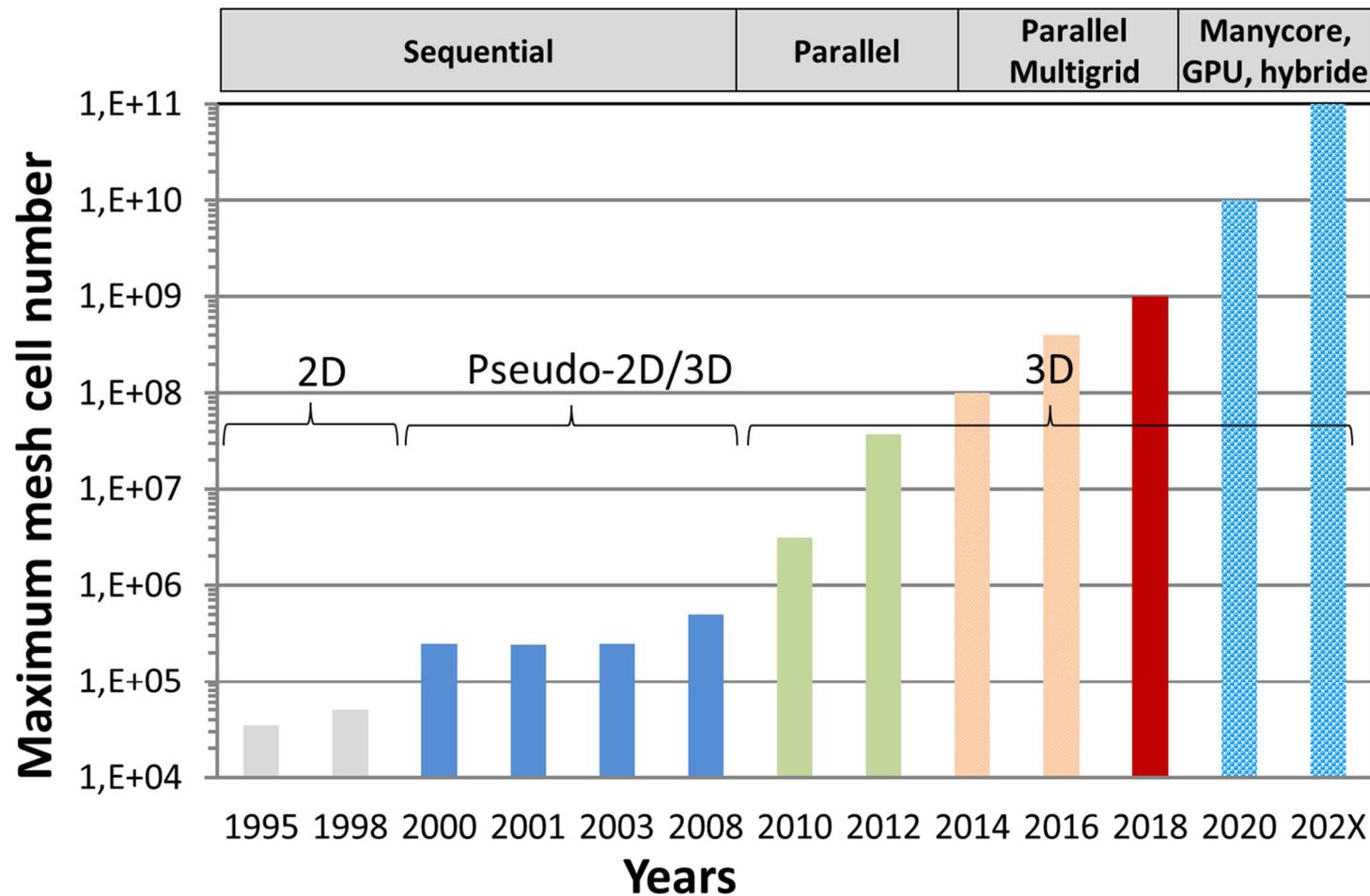
Academic and industrial interests:

- **Simulation of gas-particle flows with fine meshing (small scales)**
Model predictions highly sensitive to small-scale structures (particle clusters, « pockets », ...) due to their major impact on local mechanisms: mass, momentum and heat transfer, chemical reactions
- **Accounting for industrial complex geometries**: e.g. centimeter-scale injectors in large-volume
- **Generating reference simulation sets**:
Simulation results insensitive to mesh refinements at industrial scales
 - Local phenomenon analysis, accurate understanding of local mechanisms
 - Development of sub-mesh relevant models: aiming at lower-cost simulation with coarser meshes while encompassing local phenomenon

Prospects

Big Mesochallenge on CALMIP: “Grand challenge” candidate on national centers or Prace

Next step (dec-2018) EDF Grand challenge on their new super computer with 40,000 cores



Benchmark: maximum mesh size for { 20s unsteady reactive gas-particle simulation
2 weeks simulation time