Generation of Multiple Turbulent Flow States for the Simulations With Ensemble Averaging



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High-fidelity turbulent flow simulations assumes:

- Eddy-resolving methods (DNS / LES / DES)
- Huge computational grids (10⁶-10¹⁰-...)
- Long time integration to collect turbulent statistics (10⁴-... time steps)

Typical DNS / LES simulation



Overall simulation: $T = T_T + T_A$

*Evolution of integral velocity perturbations amplitude in a straight pipe 3/19



Parallelization in time







Ensemble averaging (1)

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- *m* independent runs
- Speedup due to increase of computational resources





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Generalized» velocity & pressure:

 $\mathbf{U} = {\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m}$ $P = {p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m}$

Pressure Poisson equation with multiple right-hand sides



PPE with multiple RHSs

Basic aspects for Krylov subspace & Multigrid methods:

- Sparse matrix storage formats (e.g., CSR)
- Operations with vectors (linear operations, scalar products)
 - memory bound (e.g., STREAM benchmark)

Sparse Matrix-Vector multiplications (SpMV)

memory bound



Generalized SpMV with multiple RHSs allows to significantly increase the performance due to increase of the computational intensity (flop per byte ratio)



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Simultaneous modelling of **m** states in a single run

Speedup due to memory traffic reduction when solving pressure Poisson equation

Simulation speedup theoretical estimates (1)

$$P_m = \frac{1+\beta}{m+\beta} \frac{5m}{5m-3\theta(m-1)}$$

Three parameters:

$\beta = T_A/T_T$	Time intervals ratio; determined by the problem statement				
heta	SLAE solver time ratio; determined by the choice of the numerical methods used				
m	Number of simultaneously modelled flow states				



Simulation speedup theoretical estimates (2)

Simulation speedup as a function of a number of flow states:



 $\theta = 0.85$



Generation of multiple flow states



Introducing perturbations at the transition stage (T_B): $T_T - T_B \gtrsim T_{corr}$



Influence on the simulation speedup

	16	0.23	0.32	0.55	0.81	1.12	1.40	16	0.60	0.77	1.10	1.37	1.58	1.73
E	8	0.40	0.54	0.83	1.10	1.35	1.54	8	0.83	1.01	1.30	1.49	1.62	1.71
w states,	4	0.65	0.81	1.08	1.27	1.42	1.51	4	1.01	1.15	1.35	1.46	1.53	1.57
Flo	2	0.89	1.01	1.15	1.23	1.28	1.31	2	1.07	1.15	1.24	1.28	1.31	1.33
	1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
		1	2	5 Times	10 ratio, β	20	40		1	2	5 Times	10 ratio, β	20	40

 $T_B = 0$

 $T_B/T_T = 0.75$



Computational codes

Software:

Linear solver for SLAEs with multiple RHSs: BiCGStab + Algebraic Multigrid (hybrid MPI + Posix Shared Memory programming model)

In-house code for Direct Numerical Simulation of turbulent flows, allowing simultaneous modelling of multiple flow states*

* N. Nikitin. Finite-difference method for incompressible Navier-Stokes equations in arbitrary orthogonal curvilinear coordinates // JCP, 217(2), 759-781, 2006.

Test problem

Flow in a channel with a matrix of wall-mounted cubes:

- No-slip bc at the channel and cube walls
 Periodic bc at lateral faces
 Reynolds number: $\operatorname{Re}_b = \frac{U_b h}{\nu} = 3854$
- Integration intervals: $T_T = 100$; $T_A = 2000$



	Grid 1	Grid 2	Grid 3		
Grid size	144 x 112 x 144	240 x 168 x 240	360 x 252 x 360		
Cube	52 x 38 x 52	100 x 74 x 100	150 x 120 x 150		
h_x, h_z	0.0065h - 0.054h	0.0031h - 0.038h	0.0024h - 0.023h		
h_y	0.0054h - 0.07h	0.003h - 0.044h	0.0023h - 0.03h		
Overall size	2.32 M	9.68 M	32.7 M		



Simulation results

Test case: Grid 1, 2.32 M cells

32 nodes, "Lomonosov-2" (448 cores)

Flow states, m	T_B / T_T	CPU time, min	Expected speedup	Actual speedup
1	-	1088	-	-
4	0	790	1.42	1.38
4	0.77	729	1.53	1.49
8	0.77	695	1.63	1.57

Cross-correlation for different flow states

Cross-correlation of the time series for the longitudinal velocity components of 4 flow states





The methodology of generation multiple uncorrelated turbulent flow states based on introducing perturbations during the transition stage has been investigated

- The performance gain theoretical estimate has been extended to cover the simulation scenario of interest
- Actual simulation speedup agrees with the proposed estimates
- The proposed methodology:
 - Extends the range of applicability for the ensemble averaging approach
 - Provides additional 20% simulation speedup



List of publications

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