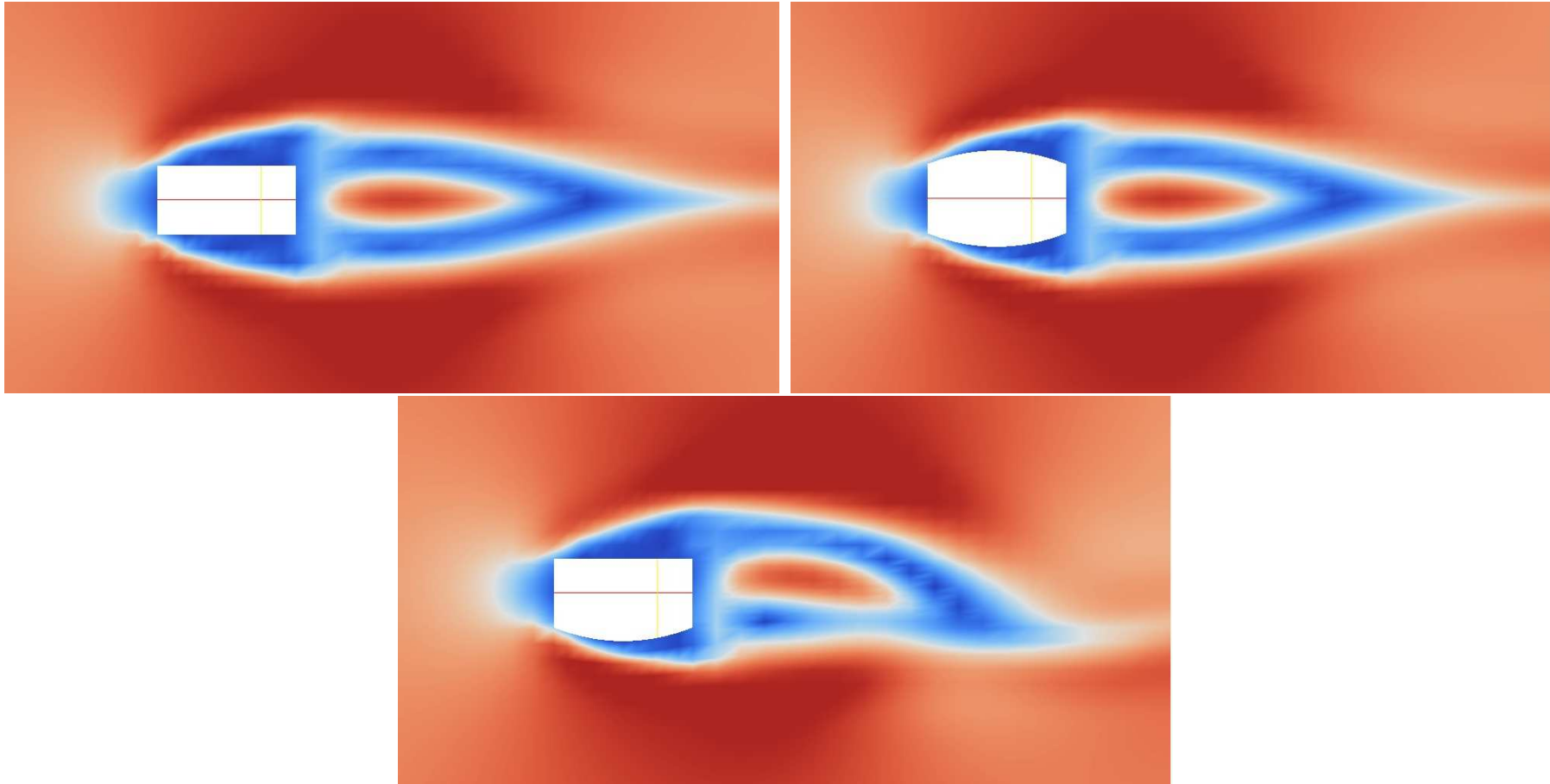


Tutorial: Point-wise deformation of mesh patches



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Why?

- Easily change shape of an object.
- Can be used for shape optimization.
- Active flow control with icoDyMFOAM solver.

What will be shown in this tutorial:

- How to create a library that enables point-wise deformation.
- Control the shape of a patch with a function.
- Implement periodic patch shape deformation.
- Use point-wise deformation on a squared cylinder.

Extract the library and case file:

- `tar -xvf EH_PatchDeform.tar.gz`

Creating the library (1/2)

- Start by finding something that is close to what you want.

```
$FOAM_SRC/fvMotionSolver/pointPatchFields/derived/angularOscill.../
```

The `angularOscillatingVelocity` rotates patches around a defined axis.

- Copy it to your run directory

```
cp -r $FOAM_SRC/fvMotionSolver/pointPatchFields/derived/angularOscill...  
$FOAM_RUN/
```

- Change filename, class name and function names:

```
sed -e 's/angularOscillating/libMyPolynom/g' \  
libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.C > tmp.C  
mv tmp.C libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.C  
sed -e 's/angularOscillating/libMyPolynom/g' \  
libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.H > tmp.H  
mv tmp.H libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.H
```

- **Edit** `Make/file` to only include `libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.C` and change the name of the library to

```
LIB = $(FOAM_USER_LIBBIN)/libfvMotionSolvers
```

Creating the library (2/2)

- **Edit** Make/options **and add** `-I$FOAM_SRC/fvMotionSolver/lnInclude` to `EXE_INC`
- **Quick look** at the input variables that control the deformation. They are defined in the first time step in the case folder.

```
vi 0/pointMotionU
```

Now on to the library: `cd ../libMyPolynomVelocity`

- The input variables are initialized in `libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.H`

```
vi libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.H
```

- The deformation is calculated and set in `libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.C`

```
vi libMyPolynomVelocityPointPatchVectorField.C
```

- **After looking at the** `constructor` **and the** `updateCoeffs()` **function**
Close and compile the library

```
wmake libso
```

The case

Dimensions of the cylinder are length 20 cm, width 30 cm and height 10 cm.

- Lets start by running the case, it takes a few minutes and in the meantime look at the case files

```
icoDyMFoam > log &
```

- To be able to use solvers that move the mesh we need a `dynamicMeshDict` in the constant folder. Controls mesh manipulation.

```
vi constant/dynamicMeshDict
```

- OpenFOAM needs to be told about the new library, that is done by adding

```
libs ("libMyPolynomVelocity.so"); at the bottom of system/controlDict
```

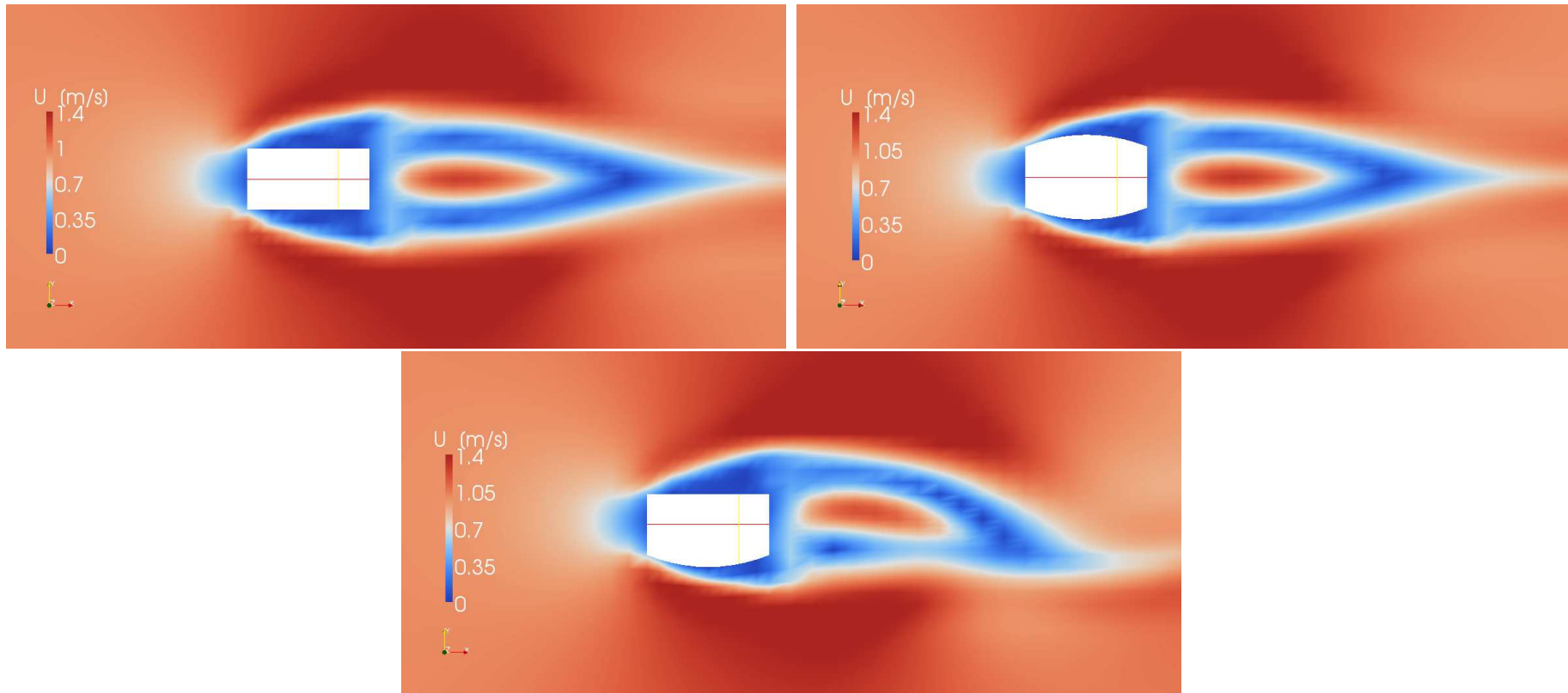
- Lets now look again at the `0/pointMotionU`. The constants set in `CubeY` and `CubeYMinus` describe the shape of the plane that the patch will be deformed to.

$$z = X2 \cdot x^2 + X1 \cdot x + Y2 \cdot y^2 + Y1 \cdot y + Cconst$$

- The deformation takes 0.2 seconds in both cases but for the `CubeY` it is periodic and returns to origin in another 0.2 sec.
- Run `paraFoam` and check the results.

Results

Flow after 2.0 sec:



Thank you!

Questions?