

## LPT with random walk model And interPhaseChangeFoam with non-homogeneous nuclei distribution.

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# INTRODUCTION

Cavitation in hydro-turbines

- Travelling bubble
- Attached cavitation
  - Sheet cavitation
  - Cloud cavitation
- Supercavitation
- Vortex cavitation

 $\rightarrow$  interPhaseChangeFoam (based on Sauer model)













- Sauer model
- Nuclei distribution
- Sauer model with a non-uniform nuclei distribution



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# **SAUER MODEL - Achievements**

The mechanisms of the unsteady behavior are well simulated.



. Re-entrant jet

. Attached cavity

#### . Cloud transported downstream

#### . Vapor shedding



# **SAUER MODEL - Limitations**





. Transition between the attached cavity and the cloud of vapor —



#### . The break-off with many small structures





. Compressibility  $\rightarrow$  collapse, shock wave, erosion

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→ numerical simulations?





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Mean flow data (Converged, steady state solution – RANS) ➡ U

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$$(\mathbf{P}) \quad x_p, D_p, U_p, m_p$$





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$$U^{fluct} = \psi \sqrt{2k/3}$$
N(0, 1)
Eddy life time
$$t_e = \frac{l_e}{u_e} = \frac{C_{\mu}^{0.63} k^{3/2} / \epsilon}{\sqrt{2k/3}}$$
Particle transit time
$$t_{tr} = -\tau_P \ln (1 - \frac{l_e}{\tau_P |U - U_P|})$$
Interaction time
$$t_{inter} = \min(t_e, t_{tr})$$



## **NUCLEI DISTRIBUTION – Problem Set Up**



NR \* SIGIL







average of the number of particles



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 $\rightarrow$  sensitivity of Sauer model to a non uniform nuclei content?





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# NON UNIFORM NUCLEI CONTENT

- InterPhaseChangeFoam n0=1e8
- Nuclei density



- MyInterPhaseChangeFoam
  - volScalarField n0nonunif
  - funkySetField (1e-6 or 1e-4 in the domain, and 1 in the layer).
  - n0  $\rightarrow$  n0nonunif . n0

#### NON UNIFORM NUCLEI CONTENT

	$\delta_N=0.5$	$\delta_N=1$	$\delta_N=2$	$\delta_N=4$
$N=10^2$	case 1	case 2	case 3	case 4
$N=10^4$	case 5	case 6	case 7	case 8





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### NON UNIFORM NUCLEI CONTENT

Uniform  $N = 10^8$ 

$$N=10^4, \delta_N$$
=2 mm)  $\Lambda$ 

$$N=10^2, \delta_N=2 \text{ mm}$$





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# CONCLUSIONS

- Performances/limitations of Sauer model
- Non uniform nuclei content
  - $\rightarrow$  inception,
  - $\rightarrow$  thickness and velocity of the re-entrant jet,
  - $\rightarrow$  shape of the cavitating structures and volume of vapor.

