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Explanation of `dynamicRefineFVMesh` for adaptive mesh refinement with an extension for independent bulk and interface mesh refinement for two phase simulations.

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Learning outcomes

The main requirements of a tutorial in the course is that it should teach the four points: How to use it, The theory of it, How it is implemented, and How to modify it. Therefore the list of learning outcomes is organized with those headers.

The reader will learn:

How to use it:

- How Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR) works in the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial and the mesh refinement settings in this tutorial.

The theory of it:

- The entries of the `dynamicMeshDict` for the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class will be explained in detail with reference to the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial.

How it is implemented:

- How the AMR algorithm is called within a solver.
- The details of the code that executes the mesh refinement processes
- How the user specified inputs in the `dynamicMeshDict` are used in the AMR updates

How to modify it:

- The steps required to extend the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class to allow for multiple field refinement will be elucidated.
- How to use the created `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class to achieve independent mesh refinement in one phase of a two-phase flow and that the phase interface in the `damBreakWithObstacle` case.

Prerequisites

The reader is expected to know the following in order to get maximum benefit out of this report:

- How to run standard tutorials like the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial.
- Fundamentals of Computational Methods for Fluid Dynamics, Book by J. H. Ferziger and M. Peric
- How to customize a solver and do top-level application programming.
- Basic understanding of C++ in the context of OpenFOAM object oriented programming
- Some understanding of the Volume of Fluid Method for simulating two phase flow.

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Nomenclature

Acronyms

AMR	Adaptive Mesh Refinement
CFD	Computational Fluid Dynamics
RIJ	Reactive Inkjet Printing
VOF	Volume of Fluid

Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Background

At present, the OpenFOAM simulation code allows users to resolve only one evolving region using adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) algorithms. Further to this in OpenFOAM 9 multiple static regions with independent refinements levels can be utilised, however it is not possible to have two independent levels of refinement for different evolving regions in a simulation. This limits the efficiency of many multi-physics problems that require computational modelling. Achieving this is the primary work of this project.

Adaptive mesh refinement is a technique of changing the structure of a computational mesh in a localised area during a simulation. In many physical problems that require numerical modelling, a uniform computational mesh, does not result in a uniform accuracy in the obtained solution. AMR provides a framework in which regions of a simulation that need higher resolution to preserve the precision of the solution can be adapted, whereas regions that do not require as much resolution remain unchanged. Consider the case of high Reynolds number flow around a cylinder. A uniform mesh may not capture the vortex shedding in the wake of the cylinder. Rather than refining the whole mesh which will result in a large increase in the computational expense of the simulation, AMR allows the refinement of the mesh in just the wake of the cylinder to capture the vortices, but not adversely effect the intensity of the simulation.

The accuracy of solution is not the only way in which regions in a simulation can be identified for mesh refinement. In OpenFOAM, the user specifies a single scalar field present in the simulation. For example the user may request that regions above a threshold pressure should be refined. However currently in OpenFOAM there is no way to prescribe mesh refinement using on two (or more) fields within the simulation. For example there is not in-built method to refine both regions of high temperature and high pressure, or even regions of both low and high pressure. Here the first steps towards addressing this drawback will be explained.

There have been a number of previous studies that concern adapting the AMR in OpenFOAM. Many such investigations arise from reports in the CFD with OpenSource Software course. Early projects concern amalgamating AMR into solvers that did not at the time support dynamic mesh refinements. Kusters [1] showed that simulations run with the `dieselFoam` solver are highly mesh dependent, hence implemented dynamic mesh refinements into the solver, in order to better resolve the key physics present in the simulation. Similarly Nygren [2] added AMR to a moving mesh within the `sprayDyMFoam` solver. Both of these reports were published in a time when AMR was only implemented in a small selection of solvers, hence these projects mainly concerned understanding a certain solver and where to implement the AMR code rather than adapting the AMR process itself. More recently, Lindblad [3] implemented a run-time mesh refinement for the $k - \omega$ SST DES turbulence model. This extension to the OpenFOAM source code was applied to the study of flow past an aerofoil. This report gave a concise description of the `update` function used to achieve AMR

in a simulation, which provides a basis for a more thorough explanation of the AMR code to be presented. One main focus of the current study is to use the AMR source code to justify the description of the parameters that the user can set to carry the dynamic mesh refinements in an OpenFOAM simulation. Finally, Eltard-Larsen [4] completed a similar task to Nygren [2] by merging two existing OpenFOAM dynamic mesh classes. Nygren merged the `dynamicMotionSolverFvMesh` and the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` classes to form the `dynamicMotionRefineFvMesh` class. This report demonstrated a solid methodology of first understanding the two dynamic mesh classes, then exemplifying in detail how to merge the two classes together. A similar process will be explored in this project in order to create a class in which AMR on two independent fields is possible. Most notably, Tobias Holzmann [5] adapted the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class in a way such that it is possible to use two parameter sets for refining the interface and bulk of a two phase simulation in two different ways. This bespoke class was originally posted on his personal website [6] however has since been taken down, therefore the exact changes to the code are no longer available. Further to this Rettenmaier *et al* [7] contributed heavily to advancing AMR capabilities of OpenFOAM, by introducing load balanced 2D and 3D adaptive mesh refinement in OpenFOAM. The key deliverable from this work was the ability to re-decompose an adaptive mesh throughout the simulation to ensure that an even distribution of memory on the processors used in a parallel simulation. Despite this focus, the library created for this output contained amendments to the AMR implementation, which allowed users to refine the mesh simultaneously using the gradient or the curl of a vector field present in the simulation. The work presented here provides inspiration for future directions in which the developments here can be adapted.

The purpose of this document is to elucidate the AMR code in OpenFOAM in order to allow readers to follow the modifications described in Chapter 4 of this document in order to achieve independent adaptive mesh refinement on two fields in a computational fluid dynamics (CFD) simulation. In particular this adaptation will be used to achieve two distinct levels of mesh refinement in a two-phase flow simulation. The bulk of one of the phases of interest will be refined more than the other phase and in addition to this the interface between the two phases will be subject to mesh refinements. Further to this the AMR code will be adapted to support an alternative method to unrefining the mesh. This itself will also be a novel contribution to the OpenFOAM source code.

In order to achieve this extension to the existing source code, the current AMR capabilities will be illustrated using a standard OpenFOAM tutorial case. After this a detailed explanation of the AMR code will be given in order to understand how mesh refinements are carried out by an example OpenFOAM solver. This will aid in understanding how the user inputs are used by the AMR algorithm. Then, the modifications to the AMR code will be undertaken; with description of the additions, in order to extend the current AMR method to allow for refinement on two fields. Finally the tutorial case will be revisited, and the new AMR functionality will be demonstrated and explained.

1.2 Motivation

The motivation for this extension to the OpenFOAM source code stems from understanding the mixing that occurs in coalescing droplets. Chemical reactions in coalescing droplets are used in many emerging technologies to create new materials in-situ. This process is exploited heavily in the Reactive Inkjet Printing (RIJ) industry. Experimental studies are hindered by the fact that the droplets used in RIJ printing are too small to be able to visualise and understand the internal mixing dynamics [8, 9, 10]. This motivates the use of CFD in order to understand the motion within coalescing droplets. With CFD the parameter regime that RIJ processes spans can be investigated in order to better understand and quantify the mixing that occurs.

In many previous studies on coalescing droplets, the focus is on the external dynamics of the free surface [11, 12, 13]. This is since the motion of the free surface is the dominant factor controlling the movement of the droplet. Hence in many numerical studies, the focus has just been on increasing

the mesh resolution at the interface the droplets. Instead of using a high resolution mesh across the whole simulation domain, in order to reduce the number of mesh elements/cells in a CFD simulation AMR is used to focus on increasing the resolution of the mesh around the free surface, without having unnecessary cells in places that do not need high resolution.

OpenFOAM allows for the AMR of cells at a fluid–fluid interface, which makes it a good choice of simulation method for two–phase flow problems like droplet coalescence. However, when studying the internal mixing dynamics of coalescing droplets the bulk fluid inside the droplet is just as important to resolve as the free surface. Hence being able to resolve the bulk to a certain level of resolution like the free surface is desirable in CFD simulations. Since the free surface dynamics influence the bulk motion of the droplets, it is advantageous to refine the interface of the droplet to a high level, and the bulk fluid of the droplet to level that is greater than the background mesh in the passive outer phase in the simulation but less than or equal to the level of the interface refinement. In this way the internal dynamics of the coalescing droplets can be accurately understood, while the computational expense of the simulation is minimised as much as possible.

1.3 Document Outline

This guide is centered around understanding the current AMR methods that are responsible for refining CFD simulations, with an extension to allow for dual-field refinement. To allow the reader to understand the motivation of this project, the existing AMR capabilities and how to create a mesh refinement class that can refine in two regions the following sections have been created.

- **Chapter 2** – A brief introduction to AMR in OpenFOAM using an example tutorial to understand the current capabilities of AMR in OpenFOAM.
- **Chapter 3** – Discussion of how the dynamic mesh is created and updated in an example solver and detailed explanation of AMR code.
- **Chapter 4** – Explanation of modifications needed to achieve dual–field refinement.
- **Chapter 5** – Demonstration of new AMR methods, revisiting the example tutorial.

Chapter 2

Using dynamicRefineFvMesh for AMR

To begin, and give motivation for the modifications that will be undertaken later, we begin by using the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial to illustrate how the user can employ AMR in an OpenFOAM simulation.

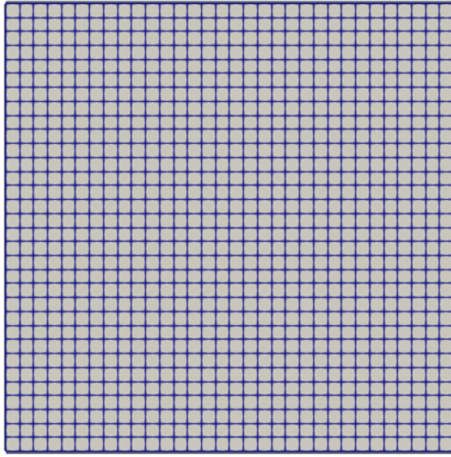
2.1 The `damBreakWithObstacle` Case

After sourcing OpenFOAM 9, the `damBreakWithObstacle` case can be copied to the user’s working directory, in order to run the simulation, by executing the following:

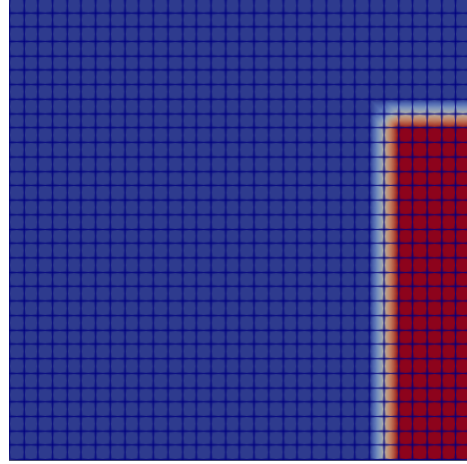
```
cd $FOAM_RUN
cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/multiphase/interFoam/laminar/damBreakWithObstacle .
cd damBreakWithObstacle
./Allrun
```

Once the simulation has completed the results can be visualised using Paraview. The AMR that takes place during the simulation can be viewed by setting the direction of the view in the camera controls to +X, the visual to be “Surface With Edges” in the Representation Toolbar and keeping the Active Variable as “Solid Colour”. Figure 2.1a shows the visual that is obtained from these settings and Figure 2.1b shows the visual that is obtained by changing the active variable to `alpha.water`. Figure 2.1b shows the initial conditions of the `damBreakWithObstacle` of the simulation in which a vertical column of water is held stationary until the simulation begins and the force of gravity causes the column to collapse.

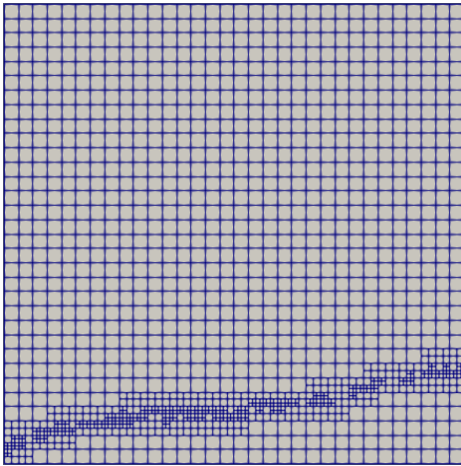
The mesh present at the start of the simulation is the uniform $32 \times 32 \times 32$ regular hexahedral mesh specified in the `system/blockMeshDict` file of the case directory, which was created when the `Allrun` script executed the `blockMesh` utility. Selecting an arbitrary write time, the changes to the mesh can be inspected. Figure 2.2a shows the mesh at 0.4s into the simulation, and Figure 2.2b shows the mesh, with the surfaces of the mesh cells coloured by the phase fraction (`alpha.water`). At 0.4s into the simulation the mesh is no longer a uniform grid. Instead some cells have been divided to create smaller cells. This dividing of cells is the adaptive mesh refinement. By colouring the mesh surface by the phase fraction, we see that the region coloured white/gray is the region in which the mesh has been refined. This corresponds to the region in which `alpha.water` is such that $0 < \alpha.water < 1$. The phase fraction `alpha.water` is used in the Volume of Fluid (VOF) method to distinguish between the phases, present in a multiphase flow. In this case the value of the phase fraction is one in all cells that contain solely water (coloured red), zero in all cells that contain solely air (coloured blue), and cells which have a value of alpha between zero and one are said to contain the air–water interface. We can conclude that throughout the simulation the mesh is being refined



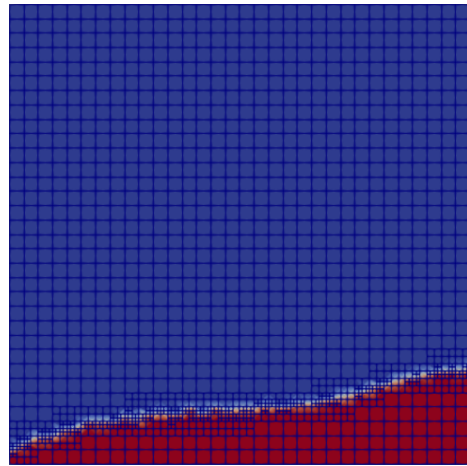
(a) Uncoloured mesh



(b) Mesh coloured by phase fraction

Figure 2.1: Mesh of the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial at time $t = 0$ s.

(a) Uncoloured mesh



(b) Mesh coloured by phase fraction

Figure 2.2: Mesh of the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial at time $t = 0.4$ s.

at the air–water interface. The reader is encouraged to look at data from different `writeTimes` to convince themselves of this.

The mesh has been refined throughout this simulation due to the presence of the `dynamicMeshDict` file that is present in the `constant` directory of the simulation case files. This file specifies an OpenFOAM class that refines the mesh in the simulation. The class used in this simulation is called `dynamicRefineFvMesh`. This refines and unrefines the mesh, by adding or removing points, faces and cells, in the mesh. To explain how the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class is utilised, and understand its capabilities for mesh refinement, we shall examine and explain the entries in the `dynamicMeshDict` file.

2.2 The `dynamicMeshDict` file

The `dynamicMeshDict` file for the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial case is provided in Appendix A.1. The reader is encouraged to refer to this while reading the description in this section. To understand this dictionary and how the settings correspond to mesh refinements seen in the `damBreakWithObstacle` simulation, each of the entries shall be explained and their impact on the mesh refinement will be linked back to the tutorial case.

2.2.1 Sub-Class declaration

The `dynamicMeshDict` begins by indicating which `dynamicFvMesh` subclass will be used in the simulation.

```
17 dynamicFvMesh    dynamicRefineFvMesh;
```

For completeness the subclasses of `dynamicFvMesh` are:

- `dynamicInkjetFvMesh`
- `dynamicInterpolatedFvMesh`
- `dynamicMotionSolverFvMesh`
- `dynamicRefineFvMesh`

The entries contained within the `dynamicMeshDict` depend on which subclass is selected. The details of all the sub-classes are out of the scope for this project, since we are only concerned with understanding the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class in order to modify it.

2.2.2 `refineInterval`

The `refineInterval` parameter controls how often the mesh is refined during the simulation. Re-meshing a simulation domain is quite a computationally expensive procedure. By giving the user the ability to reduce the frequency of mesh refinements this cost can be reduced dramatically. `refineInterval` specifies the number of time-steps that should elapse before the mesh is refined/un-refined. In the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial, `refineInterval` is set to 1.

```
20 refineInterval 1;
```

Therefore every time-step the mesh is updated.

2.2.3 `field`

This is simply the variable that will be used to decide if the mesh needs refining. In all versions of OpenFOAM it must be a scalar value, therefore variables like velocity cannot be used. Instead if the user would like to refine in regions of high velocity, one component of velocity must be used, or indeed the velocity magnitude, must be calculated and stored during the simulation. In

the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial, the phase fraction (`alpha.water`) will be used to define the criteria in which the mesh is refined.

```
23 field      alpha.water;
```

It will be explained in the next section how using this field, the user can refine the mesh at the air–water interface through the simulation.

2.2.4 `lowerRefineInterval` and `upperRefineInterval`

Specifying the scalar values of `lowerRefineInterval` and `upperRefineInterval` defines the criteria in which cells are refined throughout the simulation. In general a cell will be refined if the value of the cell field specified in the `field` entry is greater than the `lowerRefineLevel` and less than the `upperRefineLevel`, i.e. for the i -th cell in the computational domain, the cell is refined if

$$\text{lowerRefineLevel} < \text{field} < \text{upperRefineLevel}.$$

The values of `lowerRefineLevel` and `upperRefineLevel` set in the `damBreakWithObstacle` case are 0.001 and 0.999 respectively

```
26 lowerRefineLevel 0.001;
27 upperRefineLevel 0.999;
```

hence in the tutorial, cells will be refined if they satisfy the condition

$$0.001 < \text{alpha.water} < 0.999.$$

Recalling that the value of the phase fraction is between zero and one in all cells that contain the free surface of a two–phase flow, this confirms the qualitative conclusion that the mesh is being refined in the regions that contain the air–water interface.

2.2.5 `unrefineLevel`

The `unrefineLevel` input controls the mesh unrefinement. For a point in the mesh, if the value of the field selected to refine on is less than `unrefineLevel` in all the cells that surround that point i.e.

$$\text{field} < \text{unrefineLevel},$$

then the point is removed, thus unrefining the mesh, unless the point has just been added in order to refine the mesh at this time–step in the simulation. In the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial the `unrefineLevel` is set to 10.

```
30 unrefineLevel 10;
```

Hence all points where the phase fraction is less than 10 are considered for unrefinement. Notice, from the theory of the VOF method, that the phase fraction will always be greater than or equal to zero and less than or equal to one. Therefore in this simulation all of the cells/points in the computational domain are considered for unrefinement. We shall explore in greater detail later, why the cells that fulfill the refinement criteria are not unrefined even though they satisfy the unrefinement criteria.

2.2.6 `nBufferLayers`

In order to avoid sharp changes in the mesh grading, the `nBufferLayers` parameter prescribes a number of layers that must “bridge” the gap between refined and unrefined regions of the mesh. The larger the value of `nBufferLayers` the larger this intermediate layer is. In the `damBreakWithTutorial` case the `nBufferLayers` parameter is set to 1.

```
33 nBufferLayers 1;
```

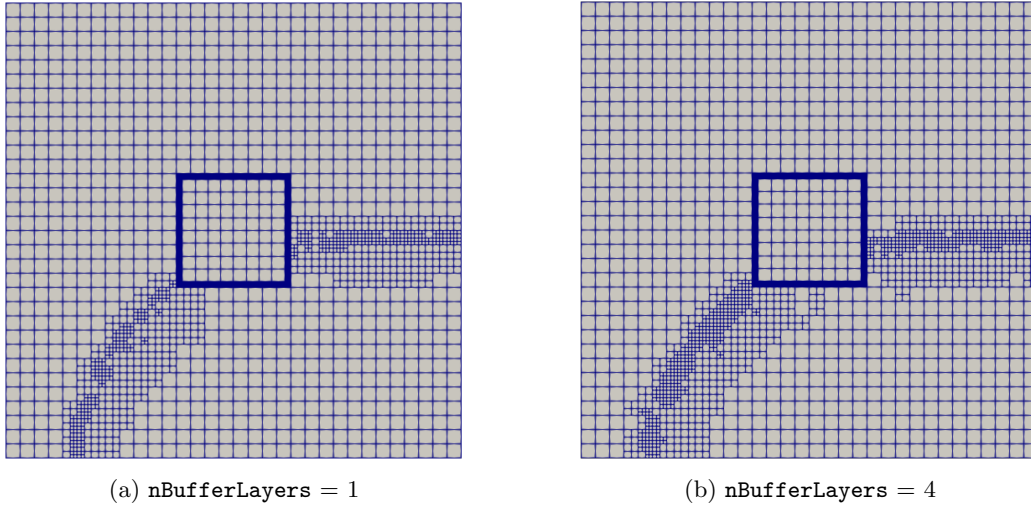


Figure 2.3: Comparison of the cells around the interface in the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial at 0.2s showing the effect of increasing the `nBufferLayers` parameter.

This produces a modest but adequate layer of cells around the interface. This can be more easily seen by using the +Z camera view in Paraview. Indeed if the `nBufferLayers` parameter is increased, then the zone of cells around the interface extends. Figure 2.3 shows a comparison of the mesh at 0.2s into the simulation between the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial with the `nBufferLayers` parameter set to 1 and 4.

2.2.7 `maxRefinement`

Examining Figure 2.2a again, it is possible to see that some of the cells from the $32 \times 32 \times 32$ mesh have been split, and split again. Before the simulation is executed a cell in the computational mesh has a `cellLevel` of zero. When a cell is refined, the value of the `cellLevel` for the resulting cells that are created is increased by one. The `maxRefinement` entry sets the maximum number of times an initial cell in the mesh before the simulation can be refined by defining the largest `cellLevel` any future mesh cell may have. In the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial, `maxRefinement` is set to 2

```
36 maxRefinement 2;
```

Therefore the initial cells in the computational mesh will be refined a maximum of twice in the simulation. This explains the observation in Figure 2.2a that some cells look like they have been split twice over.

2.2.8 `maxCells`

The core concept of AMR is reducing computational expense by reducing the overall number of mesh cells in the simulation. However splitting one cell results in seven new cells in the computational domain, therefore in some cases the number of cells in the simulation can grow exponentially. The `maxCells` parameter limits the total number of cells in the mesh, to ensure that the expense of the simulation is not compromised by a blow up in the number of cells. Once the total number of cells in the computational domain reaches `maxCells` refinement of the mesh stops and only unrefinement can occur until the number of cells in the computational domain is less than `maxCells`. In the `damBreakTutorial` the `maxCell` parameter is set to 200000

```
39 maxCells 200000;
```

There is no rubric on setting this parameter since it is highly case dependent.

2.2.9 correctFluxes

The `correctFluxes` entry in the `dynamicMeshDict` is a dictionary that contains a list of the fluxes on the cell faces in the simulation and corresponding velocity field. Fluxes on faces that change within the mesh get recalculated by interpolating the velocity field. For fluxes that do not need to be re-interpolated the `none` keyword can be used. This feature is mostly used in the mesh refinement classes that alter the mesh topology. Listing 2.1 shows an example of how the fluxes are re-calculated in the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::refine` function. This is done by taking the scalar product of the cell face normals (`Sf()`) and the interpolated value of the field at the faces of the cell (`fvc::interpolate()`).

```
const surfaceScalarField phiU
(
    fvc::interpolate
    (
        lookupObject<volVectorField>(UName)
    )
    & Sf()
);
```

Listing 2.1: Example section of the code used to re-interpolate the fluxes on mesh faces

In the case of the `damBreakWithObstacle` simulation, since the initial mesh is a regular hexahedral mesh, the refinements do not cause the orientation of the faces in the mesh to be altered. Therefore no re-interpolation is required. The `correctFluxes` table is given by

```
44 correctFluxes
45 (
46     (phi none)
47     (nHatf none)
48     (rhoPhi none)
49     (alphaPhi0.water none)
50     (ghf none)
51 );
```

2.2.10 dumpLevel

The last entry in the `dynamicRefineDict` is a boolean input called, `dumpLevel`. This input gives the user the optional to write out the `cellLevel` for each cell in the simulation. This allows the user to visualise the `cellLevel` in Paraview alongside the other standard simulation data such velocity, pressure etc. The code that executes this is found in the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::writeObject` function

```
if (dumpLevel_)
{
    volScalarField scalarCellLevel
    (
        IOobject
        (
            "cellLevel",
            time().timeName(),
            *this,
            IOobject::NO_READ,
            IOobject::AUTO_WRITE,
            false
        ),
        *this,
        dimensionedScalar(dimless, 0)
    );

    const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();

    forAll(cellLevel, celli)
```

```
{
    scalarCellLevel[celli] = cellLevel[celli];
}

writeOk = writeOk && scalarCellLevel.write();
}
```

An `IObject` called `cellLevel` that will be written out during the simulation is created and the `cellLevel()` member function of the `hexRef8` classes is used to access the `cellLevel` of all cells in the mesh. The `cellLevel` obtained from the mesh is then stored in the `IObject` `cellLevel` which is written out in the simulation. This functionality is convenient since it allows the user to assess whether AMR is suited for the simulation problem. If the regions of high `cellLevel` are quite static, then a graded mesh or an over-set mesh, may be more appropriate for the simulation, rather than a dynamically evolving mesh.

Now that we have investigated an example of using AMR in a multiphase simulation and understood how to control the mesh refinements on the user level, we see that refinement using only one field is possible. Therefore the next step is to understand how the source code of the solver invokes the `dynamicFvMesh` class and updates the mesh during the simulation. After which we will be in a position to make amendments to the source code.

Chapter 3

Dynamic meshing code

Before examining the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class, in order to understand how AMR is achieved in OpenFOAM, we shall begin with a top down approach to identify the lines of code that initialise the dynamic mesh and cause it to be updated. In this way we can restrict our attention to the core pieces of code that need to be examined.

When a simulation is carried out using OpenFOAM, we execute only the solver to begin the simulation. Therefore the solver must carry out the AMR routine. Examining the solver source code will allow us to determine how the mesh refinements are accomplished in an OpenFOAM simulation. Since in the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial the `interFoam` solver is used, we shall use this solver as an example to examine how dynamic mesh refinements are hard-coded into the solver source code. Though we examine the `interFoam` solver specifically in this report, we shall see that the AMR routine is called in a general way, which is very similar across many of the OpenFOAM solvers that that boast AMR capabilities.

3.1 The `interFoam` source code

The code that defines the `interFoam` solver is found in the `interFoam.C` file. The full `interFoam.C` file can be found in Appendix B.1. To understand how the dynamic mesh is created in the simulation, it is first useful to examine the files that are included within the beginning of the source code. Listing 3.1 shows the main files included within the `interFoam.C` file.

```
35 #include "fvCFD.H"
36 #include "dynamicFvMesh.H"
37 #include "CMULES.H"
38 #include "EulerDdtScheme.H"
39 #include "localEulerDdtScheme.H"
40 #include "CrankNicolsonDdtScheme.H"
41 #include "subCycle.H"
42 #include "immiscibleIncompressibleTwoPhaseMixture.H"
43 #include "noPhaseChange.H"
44 #include "kinematicMomentumTransportModel.H"
45 #include "pimpleControl.H"
46 #include "pressureReference.H"
47 #include "fvModels.H"
48 #include "fvConstraints.H"
49 #include "CorrectPhi.H"
50 #include "fvcSmooth.H"
51
52 // * * * * *
53
54 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
55 {
56     #include "postProcess.H"
57
```

```

58  #include "setRootCaseLists.H"
59  #include "createTime.H"
60  #include "createDynamicFvMesh.H"
61  #include "initContinuityErrs.H"
62  #include "createDyMControls.H"
63  #include "createFields.H"
64  #include "createFieldRefs.H"
65  #include "createAlphaFluxes.H"
66  #include "initCorrectPhi.H"
67  #include "createUfIfPresent.H"

```

Listing 3.1: The included files in the *interFoam* solver

From these files we can begin to identify and investigate the generation of the dynamic mesh.

3.1.1 dynamicFvMesh.H

The first file that concerns the creation of the dynamic mesh, is the *dynamicFvMesh.H* header file. This file is included in order to define the base class *dynamicFvMesh*, which all the dynamic mesh classes listed in Section 2.2.1 inherit from. The *dynamicFvMesh* itself inherits from the *fvMesh* class, which is the class used for standard static mesh simulations. *dynamicFvMesh* extends upon the capabilities of the *fvMesh* class by providing the features that allow for a changing mesh during the run time of a simulation. An example of such features is being able to read and return the dictionary that defines the changes to the dynamic mesh, and also an update function that will execute changes to the dynamic mesh for mesh motion and topological mesh changes.

3.1.2 createDynamicFvMesh.H

This inclusion allows the addition of a small section of code that calls the *dynamicFvMesh::New* function, which is defined in *dynamicFvMeshNew.C*. The section of code is presented in Listing 3.2. The *dynamicFvMesh::New* function creates a dynamic mesh object by reading the *dynamicFvMesh* sub-class that is specified in the *dynamicMeshDict* file in the case directory and creating a mesh of that type.

```

Info<< "Create mesh for time = "
      << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

autoPtr<dynamicFvMesh> meshPtr
(
    dynamicFvMesh::New
    (
        IOobject
        (
            dynamicFvMesh::defaultRegion,
            runTime.timeName(),
            runTime,
            IOobject::MUST_READ
        )
    )
);

dynamicFvMesh& mesh = meshPtr();

```

Listing 3.2: *createDynamicFvMesh.H* file

For example in the *damBreakWithObstacle* case because the class *dynamicRefineFvMesh* was declared at the beginning of the *dynamicMeshDict*, a *dynamicRefineFvMesh* object was created. After the *dynamicFvMesh::New* function is called, a reference called *mesh* is created. This reference is to the *dynamicFvMesh* type that was just created by the *dynamicFvMesh::New* function. With this in mind when the object *mesh* is used within the code from now on, we understand that it is a reference to an object from a subclass of *dynamicFvMesh*.

3.1.3 createDyMControls.H

Again, this included file is to insert a small section of code into the solver. Namely,

```
#include "createControl.H"
#include "createTimeControls.H"

bool correctPhi
(
    pimple.dict().lookupOrDefault("correctPhi", mesh.dynamic())
);

bool checkMeshCourantNo
(
    pimple.dict().lookupOrDefault("checkMeshCourantNo", false)
);

bool moveMeshOuterCorrectors
(
    pimple.dict().lookupOrDefault("moveMeshOuterCorrectors", false)
);
```

Listing 3.3: createDyMControls.H file

In this case the section of code concerns reading some of the settings from the PIMPLE dictionary from the case directory in the `system/fvSolution` file. The code creates three boolean objects:

- `correctPhi`
- `checkMeshCourantNo`
- `moveMeshOuterCorrectors`

The value of these boolean objects is determined by using the `lookupOrDefault` function. If any of these keywords are found in the PIMPLE dictionary, then the value from the dictionary is assigned to the value here, if they are not found in the dictionary, then the values are assigned a default value specified in this section of code. The details of these controls are beyond the scope of this project, so more detail will not be provided.

3.1.4 Time Loop

After the inclusion of the files presented in Listing 3.1, the dynamic mesh has been selected, constructed and made accessible through the `mesh` reference object. After which the time loop begins (line 78 of `interFoam.C`) and within the time loop first the dynamic mesh controls that were created in the `createDyMControls.H` file are read for use within the solution procedure.

```
78     Info<< "\nStarting time loop\n" << endl;
79
80     while (pimple.run(runTime))
81     {
82         #include "readDyMControls.H"
83
84         if (LTS)
85         {
86             #include "setRDeltaT.H"
87         }
88         else
89         {
90             #include "CourantNo.H"
91             #include "alphaCourantNo.H"
92             #include "setDeltaT.H"
93         }
94
95         runTime++;
96
```

```

97     Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;
98
99     // --- Pressure-velocity PIMPLE corrector loop
100     while (pimple.loop())
101     {
102         if (pimple.firstPimpleIter() || moveMeshOuterCorrectors)
103         {
104             // Store divU from the previous mesh so that it can be mapped
105             // and used in correctPhi to ensure the corrected phi has the
106             // same divergence
107             tmp<volScalarField> divU;
108
109             if
110             (
111                 correctPhi
112                 && !isType<twoPhaseChangeModels::noPhaseChange>(phaseChange)
113             )
114             {
115                 // Construct and register divU for mapping
116                 divU = new volScalarField
117                 (
118                     "divU0",
119                     fvc::div(fvc::absolute(phi, U))
120                 );
121             }
122
123             fvModels.preUpdateMesh();
124
125             mesh.update();

```

Listing 3.4: The beginning of the `interFoam` time-loop

The reason the mesh controls are re-read at the start of each time-step is to allow the user the ability to change the dynamic mesh controls in the PIMPLE dictionary during the run time of the simulation. An advantage of OpenFOAM is the flexibility in having many run-time modifiable settings. Next, the time step is set, the Courant number is calculated and this information along with the current simulation time is printed to the output stream. After this the first call to the `mesh` reference is on line 125 of the `interFoam.C` code. On this line the `update()` function is executed, which is a member function of the `mesh` object. Since this is a pointer to the `dynamicFvMesh` subclass that was created in `createDynamicFvMesh.H` file, it is seen that the code `mesh.update()` is really a call to the `dynamicFvMesh::update()` function.

In the case of the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial, since a `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class is declared as the type for the dynamic mesh, then the `mesh` object created in the `createDynamicFvMesh.H` file is a reference to a `dynamicRefineFvMesh` object. Therefore, when the `mesh.update()` function is called, in actuality the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()` function is called. Since this project concerns making modifications to the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class, we shall restrict attention to the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()` function, in order to understand what this function does and how it accomplishes AMR within `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class, before going on to make modifications to this class.

3.2 `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()`

As will be elucidated, the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()` function is responsible for carrying out the dynamic mesh refinements when the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class is used. For brevity, henceforth the function will be referred to as the `update()` function, since this report concerns the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class. A flow chart outlining the key steps in the function is provided in Figure 3.1. A detailed description of these key steps will be given in order to understand how the mesh refinement is carried out, when using the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class and corresponding `dynamicMeshDict`.

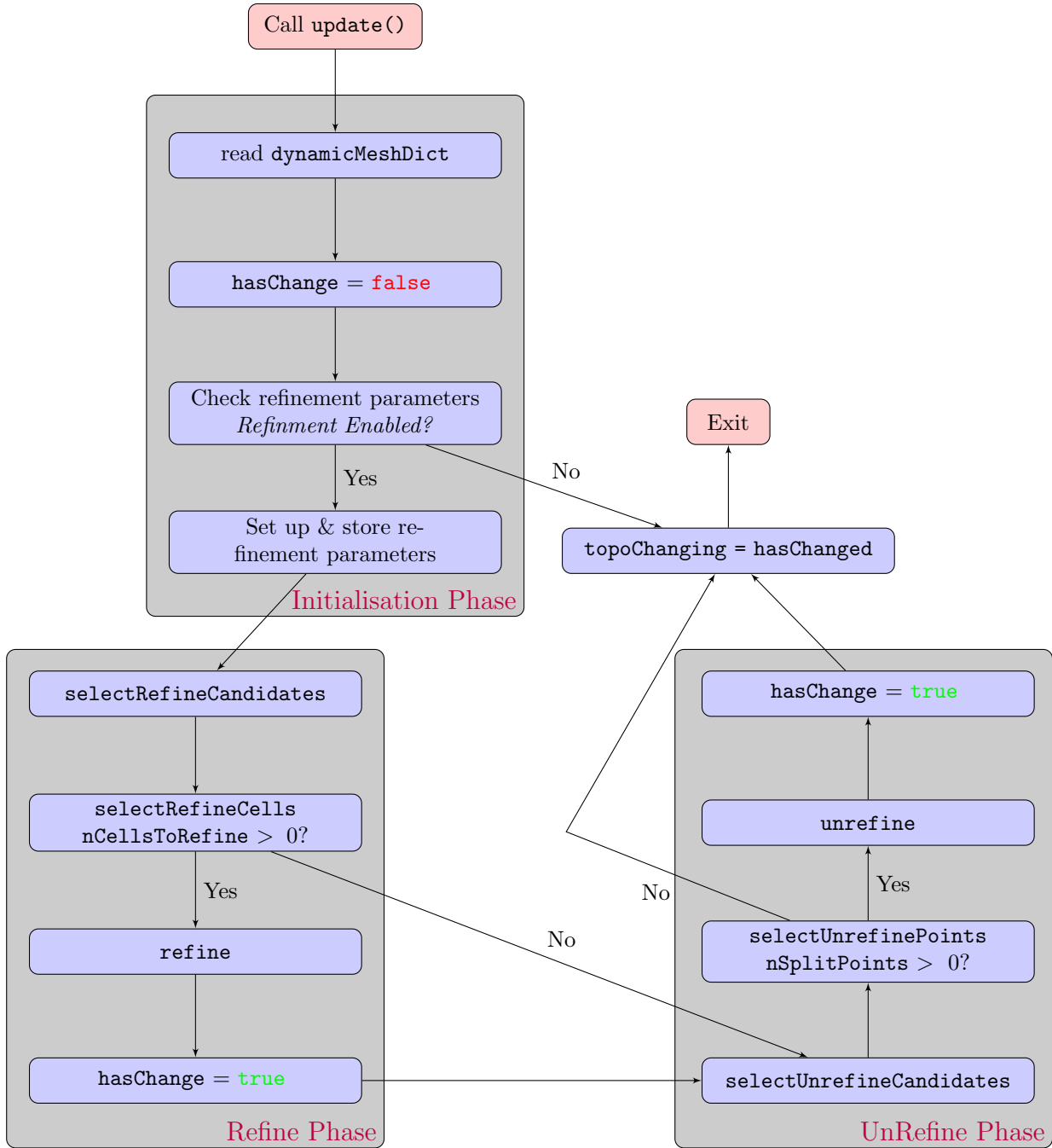


Figure 3.1: A flow diagram, outlining the key process and steps in the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update` function.

3.2.1 Initialisation Phase

To begin the `update()` function reads in the `dynamicMeshDict` from the case directory and stores it locally as a dictionary called `refineDict`.

```
1331     const dictionary refineDict
1332     (
1333         dynamicMeshDict().optionalSubDict(typeName + "Coeffs")
1334     );
```

Notice that the `dynamicMeshDict` is re-read every time-step (since the `update()` function is called each time-step) in order to allow for run-time modifications to the AMR strategy throughout the simulation.

In order to indicate when adaptations to the mesh have been made the function uses a `boolean` variable `hasChanged`. This is initially set to `false` since during the initialisation phase of the function no changes to the mesh have been undertaken.

```
1338     bool hasChanged = false;
```

We shall see in later phases of the `update()` function the value of `hasChanged` is reassigned when alterations to the mesh have been completed.

The next stage of the initialisation phase is to check the refinement parameters. This is done by looking up the entries in the `refineDict` (recall this is a local copy of `dynamicMeshDict` at a given time-step). First a label for the `refineInterval` is created and assigned the value of the `refineInterval` in the `refineDict`.

```
1336     label refineInterval = refineDict.lookup<label>("refineInterval");
```

The function now proceeds to determine whether mesh refinement is enabled.

```
1340     if (refineInterval == 0)
1341     {
1342         topoChanging(hasChanged);
1343
1344         return false;
1345     }
1346     else if (refineInterval < 0)
1347     {
1348         FatalErrorInFunction
1349             << "Illegal refineInterval " << refineInterval << nl
1350             << "The refineInterval setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1351             << " be >= 1." << nl
1352             << exit(FatalError);
1353     }
```

If the refinement variable `refineInterval` is set to zero then mesh refinements are disabled and the function ceases operation. This is useful in situations such as finding a steady state solution before enabling refinements to the mesh. If the `refineInterval` is less than zero, a warning will be passed to the output stream since this is an invalid value for `refineInterval` and the solver will also terminate execution. In the case that `refineInterval` is defined appropriately (`refineInterval` is greater than zero), then the function moves on to storing a local version of the `maxCell` parameter.

```
1360     label maxCells = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxCells");
```

Again this parameter is checked in order to make sure that it is properly defined since a non-positive value of `maxCells` does not make physical sense.

```
1362     if (maxCells <= 0)
1363     {
1364         FatalErrorInFunction
1365             << "Illegal maximum number of cells " << maxCells << nl
1366             << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
```

```

1367         << " be > 0." << nl
1368         << exit(FatalError);
1369     }

```

The final part of the initialisation phase is to create and store a local value of the the `nBufferLayers` parameter

```

1371     const label nBufferLayers =
1372         refineDict.lookup<label>("nBufferLayers");

```

3.2.2 Refinement Phase

The refinement phase of the `update()` function begins with the identification of which cells in the computational mesh should be refined based on the criteria set out in the `refineDict` and the assignment of the `maxRefinement` parameter. These two tasks are both carried out by the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates` function. The `selectRefineCandidates` functions are defined on lines 684-804 of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file (See Appendix B.2). The `maxRefinement` parameter is assigned and checked in a similar way to the `refineInterval` and `maxCells` parameters in the initialisation phase.

```

766     const label maxRefinement = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxRefinement");

```

It too cannot have a non-positive value, hence an error warning is output in the cases when the user specifies an invalid value of the `maxRefinement` parameter.

```

768     if (maxRefinement <= 0)
769     {
770         FatalErrorInFunction
771             << "Illegal maximum refinement level " << maxRefinement << nl
772             << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
773             << " be > 0." << nl
774             << exit(FatalError);
775     }

```

As well as returning the `maxRefinement` value, this function creates a lists of cells that are candidates for refinement. The `selectRefineCandidates` identifies cells as candidates for refinement by using the local `error` function (defined on lines 635–655 of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file). The error of each cell in the computational mesh is calculated by the function

$$\text{error}_i = \min\{\text{field}_i - \text{lowerRefineLevel}, \text{upperRefineLevel} - \text{field}_i\}, \quad (3.1)$$

where the subscript i denotes the i -th cell in the computational mesh. The error function gives a way to quantify the closest distance to either of the `upperRefineLevel` and `lowerRefineLevel` limits. This information is not used elsewhere in the update function, however it lays the foundation for prioritising cells with higher error to be the ones refined first. Since these cells are furthest from both `upperRefineLevel` and `lowerRefineLevel`. As we shall see later this will be beneficial in cases in which all the candidates for refinement cannot be refined due to the maximum allowable number of cells in the mesh being exceed. The `selectRefineCandidates` function identifies cells that should be refined, by measuring the cells error and its `cellLevel`. If the error of the cell is great than zero, and the `cellLevel` is less than the `maxRefinement` parameter then the cell is identified as a candidate to be refined.

```

695     const scalarField cellError
696     (
697         error(vFld, lowerRefineLevel, upperRefineLevel)
698     );
699
700     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
701
702     // Mark cells that are candidates for refinement.
703     forAll(cellError, celli)

```

```

704 {
705     if
706     (
707         cellLevel[celli] < maxRefinement
708         && cellError[celli] > 0
709     )
710     {
711         candidateCells.set(celli, 1);
712     }
713 }

```

From the definition of the error function in equation 3.1, we can see that the cell error is non-negative whenever

$$\text{lowerRefineLevel} < \text{field} < \text{upperRefineLevel}. \quad (3.2)$$

which confirms the statement in Section 2.2.4.

Before beginning the actual refinement procedure and turning the list of candidate cells for refinement into a definitive list of cells that will be refined, a trivial check that the number of cells in the computational mesh domain is less than `maxCells` is completed.

```

1404     if (globalData().nTotalCells() < maxCells)

```

If this is not the case then the refinement process is skipped and the function proceeds to the unrefinement sub-routine. If the number of cells in the simulation is less than `maxCells`, then the refinement takes place. In order to avoid undergoing a mesh refinement that would result in creating too many cells, The number of cells that can be refined is calculated, assuming that each refined cell creates seven new cells. This is done by using the `selectRefineCells` function (defined on lines 807–891 of `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C`)

```

815     label nTotToRefine = (maxCells - globalData().nTotalCells()) / 7;

```

After which the number of cells that have been marked for refinement is checked against this estimation

```

831     if (nCandidates < nTotToRefine)

```

There are two situations that can occur. The first being that the number of cells after refinement will not exceed `maxCells`. In this case refinement will occur to all marked cells. The second case occurs when the number of cells after refinement is more than `maxCells`. In this case, cells are refined until the number of cells in the mesh becomes larger than `maxCell`. The order in which cells are chosen in this case is just in the order they are listed in the candidates array. There is scope here to use the data gathered from the `error` function in order to rank the cells that should be refined first. This final check gives a list `nCellsToRefine` which contains all the cells that will be refined this time-step.

If `nCellsToRefine` is greater than zero, the refinement procedure begins by calling the `refine` function. Briefly this function creates the new mesh by splitting the cells that need to be refined by introducing a point in the middle of the cell. The cell fields are then mapped and the flux is approximated on the newly created faces. Notice that the flux correction will only occur if specified in the `correctFluxes` dictionary in the `dynamicMeshDict` file.

At the end of the refinement procedure, the boolean `hasChanged` is set to `true`, since in the case that `nCellsToRefine` is greater than zero, the mesh has been updated. The function now moves onto the unrefinement sub-routine.

```

1463     hasChanged = true;

```

3.2.3 Unrefinement Phase

The phase starts by selecting the points that should be unrefined. This is done by calling the `selectUnrefineCandidates` function (defined on lines 894–983 of `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C`). It is noted here that when talking about unrefinement of the mesh, a computational cell itself cannot be unrefined, but rather a common point/corner of a set of cells can be removed to create a larger cell. Hence when selecting candidates to unrefine the mesh, we consider points in the computational mesh, rather than cells.

The `selectUnrefineCandidates` function works by considering the cells around a point in the mesh.

```

901     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
902     {
903         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
904
905         scalar maxVal = -great;
906         forAll(pCells, i)
907         {
908             maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
909         }
910
911         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
912             unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < unrefineLevel;
913     }

```

It finds the largest value of the field that has been selected to control the refinement of the mesh (`field`) in the cells surrounding a point and stores that as the variable `maxVal`. Then if

$$\text{maxVal} < \text{unRefineLevel}, \quad (3.3)$$

the point is made a candidate for removal, thereby giving a way to unrefine the mesh by removing points.

Again, not all the candidates for unrefinement are passed on to actually be unrefined, in this case the `selectUnrefinePoints` function is used to ensure that points that have been identified as candidates to be removed are not part of protected cells, or the intermediate layer that is created to have guarantee a smooth mesh level transition between refined and unrefined regions. The `selectUnrefinePoints` function also takes the `refineCells` array as an input, to ensure that any cells that have been refined on this iteration of the mesh refinement algorithm are not immediately unrefined in the same time-step. This is why in the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial despite setting all cells to be unrefined (by setting `unRefineLevel` to 10), those cells that have been refined are not immediately unrefined in the same time-step. Once the `selectUnrefinePoints` function has approved the points that can be removed from the mesh, the finalised list of points that are to be removed are stored in the `nSplitPoints` variable. Another trivial check that the number of `nSplitPoints` is greater than zero is completed before executing the unrefinement procedure.

```

1511     if (nSplitPoints > 0)

```

The `unrefine` function executes the removal of the `nSplitPoints` in the mesh. As before, the fields are also mapped and the fluxes are recreated approximately on the new faces. Also as before, the fluxes will only be recreated if they are listed under `correctFluxes` in the `dynamicMeshDict`. The full details of the `unrefine` function are out of the scope for this project.

The last stage of the unrefinement procedure is to change the boolean `hasChanged` to true. This could already have a `true` value the mesh has been refined during the refinement phase, but since the `update` function allows for refinement without unrefinement and vice versa, the `hasChanged` value must also be changed here also.

```

1516     hasChanged = true;

```

After the unrefinement procedure, the update function then passes the value of `hasChanged` to the `topoChanging` boolean. The `topoChanging` variable is returned by the call to `mesh.update()` and the value is used later on in the `interFoam.C` code.

This concludes the description of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()` function. It is now possible to adapt the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class in order to add the capabilities to refine on two fields within the CFD simulation. The instructions and details of the adaptations necessary are described in the next chapter.

Chapter 4

Creating dynamicDualRefineFvMesh

4.1 Introduction

In order to establish the ability to refine on two fields in a CFD simulation using OpenFOAM a new `dynamicFvMesh` subclass needs to be implemented. This will primarily be achieved by adapting the the source code of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class and building on the mesh refinement algorithms and processes described in Chapter 3. The new `dynamicFvMesh` subclass will be named `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`, since the core principle of the new class is to add the functionality to refine on two fields in a simulation. The report shall focus on using the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class to refine the mesh of a separated two-phase flow, but reader is encouraged to apply the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class to other investigations. The finished class is provided in the accompanying files, but the reader is encouraged to understand and carry out the changes to the source code.

We shall begin by copying the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` source code, compiling into our own library, then checking that this library is accessible by running the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial again. After which the alterations to the code will be undertaken and the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` will be created and compiled.

4.2 Creating dynamicDualRefineFvMesh

In order to create a user modifiable version of `dynamicRefineFvMesh` which will be the basis of `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`, we shall make a copy of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` directory (located in `$FOAM_SRC/dynamicFvMesh`) in the user directory. To do this we can execute the following commands (after sourcing the OpenFOAM).

```
cd $WM_PROJECT_USER_DIR
mkdir src/dynamicFvMesh/dynamicDualRefineFvMesh
cd src/dynamicFvMesh/dynamicDualRefineFvMesh
cp -r $FOAM_SRC/dynamicFvMesh/dynamicRefineFvMesh/dynamicRefineFvMesh* .
```

We shall begin by renaming the class files to match the new class that will be implemented as part of this report, as well as renaming all the occurrences of the class names in the header and main files. Now we must rename the class files and their occurrences.

```
mv dynamicRefineFvMesh.H dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.H
mv dynamicRefineFvMesh.C dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.C
sed -i 's/dynamicRefineFvMesh/dynamicDualRefineFvMesh/g' dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.*
```

In order to compile this class, we must create a `Make` directory with the corresponding `files` and `options` files. The simplest way to create this is to copy the `Make` folder that compiles the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class located in the `$FOAM_SRC/dynamicFvMesh` directory

```
cp -r $FOAM_SRC/dynamicFvMesh/Make .
```

Notice that the copied `Make/files` file, is used to compile `dynamicFvMesh` and all of its sub-classes. Hence, in order to compile solely the user created `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class, the `Make/files` file must be changed to

`Make/files`

```
1 dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.C
2
3 LIB = $(FOAM_USER_LIBBIN)/libdynamicDualRefineFvMesh
```

Here we also note that the library is saved in the `$FOAM_USER_LIBBIN` since users do not have the ability to compile libraries in the `$FOAM_LIBBIN`. Since we have moved the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` library away from the base class `dynamicFvMesh`, we must ensure that the compiled base class can be accessed. Therefore an additional set of lines needs to be added to the `Make/options` file:

`Make/options`

```
1 EXE_INC = \
2   -I$(LIB_SRC)/triSurface/lnInclude \
3   -I$(LIB_SRC)/meshTools/lnInclude \
4   -I$(LIB_SRC)/dynamicMesh/lnInclude \
5   -I$(LIB_SRC)/finiteVolume/lnInclude \
6   -I$(LIB_SRC)/dynamicFvMesh/lnInclude
7
8 LIB_LIBS = \
9   -ltriSurface \
10  -lmeshTools \
11  -ldynamicMesh \
12  -lfiniteVolume \
13  -ldynamicFvMesh
```

Finally, it is possible to ensure that any users are aware that a non-standard library is being used in the simulation. The `dynamicDualRefineMesh::update()` function can be amended to print out a statement to the output stream to alert the user that the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` is being used.

```
1326 bool Foam::dynamicDualRefineFvMesh::update()
1327 {
1328     Info<< "Using dynamicDualRefineFvMesh" << endl;
```

We can now compile the code and check that this class is accessible by the OpenFOAM solver. Recall to compile the class we can use

```
wclean
wmake
```

4.2.1 Testing

Since no modifications to the bespoke class have been made apart from changing the name of the class, the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class should run and produce just as the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class did in Chapter 2. In order to test that the renaming and recompiling procedure has resulted in a new class that is accessible by the OpenFOAM solvers, the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial will be executed. In order to use the newly created class, we can copy a new version of the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial in the users run directory and call it `testDamBreak`.

```
cd $FOAM_RUN
cp -r $FOAM_TUTORIALS/multiphase/interFoam/laminar/damBreakWithObstacle ./testDamBreak
cd testDamBreak
```

To use the newly created `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` the `dynamicFvMesh` type specified in the `dynamicMeshDict` must be changed from `dynamicRefineFvMesh` to `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`.

```
sed -i 's/dynamicRefineFvMesh/dynamicDualRefineFvMesh/g' constant/dynamicMeshDict
```

And the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` library must be added to the `system/controlDict` file

```
echo 'libs ("libdynamicDualRefineFvMesh.so");' >> system/controlDict
```

Since the objective of this part of the tutorial is only to ensure that the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` is accessed by the `interFoam` solver, we shall forego creating the obstacle that is part of the original `damBreakWithObstacle` simulation. To test the access of the class we run

```
blockMesh
setFields
interFoam
```

From the output stream we can see that the “Using `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`” message is printed, and hence the `interFoam` solver is using the user compiled `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class in order to conduct the mesh refinement in the simulation.

4.3 Adding Dual-Field Refinement

4.3.1 Methodology

Despite the motivation for this project stemming from the desire to have a refined interface and bulk phase in multiphase simulation, the adaptations to the source code can be applied to a myriad of situations. Hence what will be implemented is a class that can handle mesh refinements on in two regions, defined by the same or independent scalar fields present in the CFD simulation. The method of generating dual-field refinement, will be to create two distinct parts to the `update` function, one section will refine and unrefine one field, and the latter part will focus on refining and unrefining the second field. For ease of explanation, the changes to the variables in the source code will be denoted with a suffix 1 or 2, depending on which of the fields the code concerns. The changes made in this report are not the most efficient implementation to produce the required result, however they are seen as first proof of concept implementation to demonstrate the capabilities of OpenFOAM, in part to understand and prove that minimal changes to the code are needed, just a reshaping of the mesh refinement algorithms. Further to this the current implementation will not be capable of dealing with the `refinementRegions` that one can define in OpenFOAM-9 for static regions of mesh refinement. Therefore the following adaptations will remove and not consider some of the differences to the code that this entails.

4.3.2 Initialisation Phase

As discussed in Section 3.2.1, the `update` function which conducts the mesh refinement undergoes an initialisation phase, in which the parameters specified in the `constant/dynamicMeshDict` are read, stored and checked to ensure they are correctly defined. The first step towards implementing two field refinement is to amend the initialisation phase of the `update` function in order to ensure that the parameters for both fields that will be refined on during the simulation are well-defined. In this implementation parameters for each field that will be refined on must be created. For reference the original initialisation phase of `dynamicRefineFvMesh` is given in Listing 4.1.

```
1331     const dictionary refineDict
1332     (
1333         dynamicMeshDict().optionalSubDict(typeName + "Coeffs")
1334     );
1335
1336     label refineInterval = refineDict.lookup<label>("refineInterval");
```

```

1337
1338     bool hasChanged = false;
1339
1340     if (refineInterval == 0)
1341     {
1342         topoChanging(hasChanged);
1343
1344         return false;
1345     }
1346     else if (refineInterval < 0)
1347     {
1348         FatalErrorInFunction
1349             << "Illegal refineInterval " << refineInterval << nl
1350             << "The refineInterval setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1351             << " be >= 1." << nl
1352             << exit(FatalError);
1353     }
1354
1355     // Note: cannot refine at time 0 since no V0 present since mesh not
1356     // moved yet.
1357
1358     if (time().timeIndex() > 0 && time().timeIndex() % refineInterval == 0)
1359     {
1360         label maxCells = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxCells");
1361
1362         if (maxCells <= 0)
1363         {
1364             FatalErrorInFunction
1365                 << "Illegal maximum number of cells " << maxCells << nl
1366                 << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1367                 << " be > 0." << nl
1368                 << exit(FatalError);
1369         }
1370
1371         const label nBufferLayers =
1372             refineDict.lookup<label>("nBufferLayers");

```

Listing 4.1: Original Initialisation phase

Whereas, in the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.C` file, the initialisation of the `update` function is given in Listing 4.2.

```

1603     Info<< "Using dynamicDualRefineFvMesh" << endl;
1604     // Re-read dictionary. Chosen since usually -small so trivial amount
1605     // of time compared to actual refinement. Also very useful to be able
1606     // to modify on-the-fly.
1607     const dictionary refineDict
1608     (
1609         dynamicMeshDict().optionalSubDict(typeName + "Coeffs")
1610     );
1611
1612     label refineInterval1 = refineDict.lookup<label>("refineInterval1");
1613     label refineInterval2 = refineDict.lookup<label>("refineInterval2");
1614
1615     bool hasChanged = false;
1616
1617     if (refineInterval1 == 0 && refineInterval2 == 0)
1618     {
1619         topoChanging(hasChanged);
1620
1621         return false;
1622     }
1623     else if (refineInterval1 < 0 || refineInterval2 < 0)
1624     {
1625         FatalErrorInFunction
1626             << "Illegal refineInterval " << refineInterval1
1627             << " | " << refineInterval2 << nl
1628             << "The refineInterval setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"

```

```

1629         << " be >= 1." << nl
1630         << exit(FatalError);
1631     }
1632     // Note: cannot refine at time 0 since no V0 present since mesh not
1633     // moved yet.
1634
1635     if (time().timeIndex() > 0
1636         && time().timeIndex() % refineInterval1 == 0
1637         && time().timeIndex() % refineInterval2 == 0)
1638     {
1639         label maxCells1 = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxCells1");
1640         label maxCells2 = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxCells2");
1641
1642         if (maxCells1 <= 0 || maxCells2 <= 0)
1643         {
1644             FatalErrorInFunction
1645             << "Illegal maximum number of cells " << maxCells1
1646             << " | " << maxCells2 << nl
1647             << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1648             << " be > 0." << nl
1649             << exit(FatalError);
1650         }
1651
1652         const label nBufferLayers1 =
1653             refineDict.lookup<label>("nBufferLayers1");
1654         const label nBufferLayers2 =
1655             refineDict.lookup<label>("nBufferLayers2");

```

Listing 4.2: New Initialisation phase

In general all the assignments in the initialisation phase need to be duplicated to account for the two fields that will be refined on in the simulation. In addition to this the checks for the well defined nature of the parameters need to be amended, so the the error prints out both the values to the output stream.

Since we have named the fields we shall refine with the 1 and 2 suffix respectively, the changes that will be made to the source code will be analogous for both fields. Hence for brevity, the changes for one of the fields will be explained and detailed, with the changes for the second field following suit. All that will be needed is a trivial change from the suffix 1 to the suffix 2. The alterations to the code will be described according to whether they appear in the refinement or unrefinement phase of the `update` function.

4.3.3 Alterations for Refinement Phase

As with creating the key parameters for the initialisation phase of the `update` function, we put the suffix 1 on the key parameters, functions and data types in the refinement phase of the code. The full refinement phase of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class, which is contained in the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file is found on lines 1375–1465 (Appendix B.2). The new refinement phase that is used in the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class is given in Listing 4.3.

```

1657     // --- Field 1 --- //
1658
1659     // Cells marked for refinement or otherwise protected from unrefinement.
1660     PackedBoolList refineCells1(nCells());
1661
1662     label maxRefinement1 = 0;
1663
1664     maxRefinement1 = selectRefineCandidates1(refineCells1, refineDict);
1665
1666     if (globalData().nTotalCells() < maxCells1)
1667     {
1668         // Select subset of candidates. Take into account max allowable
1669         // cells, refinement level, protected cells.
1670         labelList cellsToRefine1

```

```

1671     (
1672         selectRefineCells
1673         (
1674             maxCells1,
1675             maxRefinement1,
1676             refineCells1
1677         )
1678     );
1679
1680     label nCellsToRefine1 = returnReduce
1681     (
1682         cellsToRefine1.size(), sumOp<label>()
1683     );
1684     if (nCellsToRefine1 > 0)
1685     {
1686         // Refine/update mesh and map fields
1687         autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = refine(cellsToRefine1);
1688
1689         // Update refineCells. Note that some of the marked ones have
1690         // not been refined due to constraints.
1691         {
1692             const labelList& cellMap = map().cellMap();
1693             const labelList& reverseCellMap = map().reverseCellMap();
1694
1695             PackedBoolList newRefineCell(cellMap.size());
1696
1697             forAll(cellMap, celli)
1698             {
1699                 label oldCelli = cellMap[celli];
1700
1701                 if (oldCelli < 0)
1702                 {
1703                     newRefineCell.set(cellc, 1);
1704                 }
1705                 else if (reverseCellMap[oldCelli] != celli)
1706                 {
1707                     newRefineCell.set(cellc, 1);
1708                 }
1709                 else
1710                 {
1711                     newRefineCell.set(cellc, refineCells1.get(oldCelli));
1712                 }
1713             }
1714             refineCells1.transfer(newRefineCell);
1715         }
1716
1717         // Extend with a buffer layer to prevent neighbouring points
1718         // being unrefined.
1719         for (label i = 0; i < nBufferLayers1; i++)
1720         {
1721             extendMarkedCells(refineCells1);
1722         }
1723
1724         hasChanged = true;
1725     }
1726 }

```

Listing 4.3: New Refinement Phase

Table 4.1 shows all the parameters, labels, functions, etc that need to be changed and their new name in the section of code. It is observed that the `selectRefineCandidates` function has to be changed to `selectRefineCandidates1`; this is because the `selectRefineCandidates` function reads in the refinement parameters from the `dynamicMeshDict`. Since the parameter names have changed to account for the two fields that will be refined, then the `selectRefineCandidates` function needs to be adapted.

In order to do this, we can copy the `selectRefineCandidates` function defined on line 751 of

Table 4.1: List of the renamed parameters in the refinement phase of the `update` function with the type of the parameter also identified.

Original Name	New Name	Type
<code>refineCells</code>	<code>refineCells1</code>	<code>PackedBoolList</code>
<code>maxRefinement</code>	<code>maxRefinement1</code>	<code>label</code>
<code>selectRefineCandidates</code>	<code>selectRefineCandidates1</code>	<code>function</code>
<code>maxCells</code>	<code>maxCells1</code>	<code>label</code>
<code>nCellsToRefine</code>	<code>nCellsToRefine1</code>	<code>label</code>
<code>cellsToRefine</code>	<code>cellsToRefine1</code>	<code>labelList</code>
<code>nBufferLayers</code>	<code>nBufferLayers1</code>	<code>label</code>

`dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` (See Appendix B.2) and paste it into the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.C` file at line 806. The original set of `selectRefineCandidates` functions are found on lines 684 – 804 in the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file (Appendix B.2) We shall create the `selectRefineCandidates1` function in order to read the parameters that will govern the mesh refinement for the first field in the CFD simulation. After pasting `selectRefineCandidates` function from line 751 of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file, to line 806 of the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.C` file all that needs to be changed is the names of the parameters read from the `dynamicMeshDict` in order to ensure the correct parameters are read in. First the name of the function must be changed to reflect the new class that the function is a member of, and also the change in name to signal that this function will read the data from the first refinement field.

```
806 Foam::scalar Foam::dynamicDualRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates1
```

After this the field name

```
812     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field1"));
```

`lowerRefineLevel`, `upperRefineLevel`

```
816     const scalar lowerRefineLevel =
817         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerRefineLevel1");
818     const scalar upperRefineLevel =
819         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperRefineLevel1");
```

and `maxRefinement`

```
821     const label maxRefinement = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxRefinement1");
```

are all updated to ensure that the proper fields are read from the `dynamicMeshDict` that is stored locally as the `refineDict` dictionary in the `update` function. After this the `selectRefineCandidates` function can be unaltered since the refinement criteria and procedure for the field is the same as in the existing `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class. The newly created `selectRefineCandidates1` function is presented in Listing 4.4.

```
806 Foam::scalar Foam::dynamicDualRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates1
807 (
808     PackedBoolList& candidateCells,
809     const dictionary& refineDict
810 ) const
811 {
812     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field1"));
813
814     const volScalarField& vFld = lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName);
815
816     const scalar lowerRefineLevel =
817         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerRefineLevel1");
818     const scalar upperRefineLevel =
819         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperRefineLevel1");
820 }
```

```

821     const label maxRefinement = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxRefinement1");
822
823     if (maxRefinement <= 0)
824     {
825         FatalErrorInFunction
826             << "Illegal maximum refinement level " << maxRefinement << nl
827             << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
828             << " be > 0." << nl
829             << exit(FatalError);
830     }
831
832     // Determine candidates for refinement (looking at field only)
833     selectRefineCandidates
834     (
835         candidateCells,
836         lowerRefineLevel,
837         upperRefineLevel,
838         maxRefinement,
839         vFld
840     );
841
842     return maxRefinement;
843 }

```

Listing 4.4: New `selectRefineCandidates1` function

Since we have defined a new member function `selectRefineCandidates1`, we must ensure it is declared in the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.H` file. We are able to copy the declaration of the `selectRefineCandidates` function from the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.H` file for this, since the new function takes in the same input parameters as the old function, then all that must change is the name.

The code added to the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.H` file is give in Listing 4.5

```

266     virtual scalar selectRefineCandidates1
267     (
268         PackedBoolList& candidateCell,
269         const dictionary& refineDict
270     ) const;

```

Listing 4.5: Declaration of `selectRefineCandidates1` function

4.3.4 Alterations for Unrefinement Phase

The unrefinement phase of the `update` function will be adapted in a similar manner to the refinement phase of the code as presented in the previous section. Similarly, the changes here are analogous to the changes that are made the second field, in which the user will change the suffix 1 to 2. In addition, the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class will be extended to allow for the unrefinement of a field, if the value of of the field chosen to refine the mesh on is larger then a specified value. The original unrefinement phase of the `update` function is found in lines 1467–1518 of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file (See Appendix B.2). The new refinement phase for one of the fields in the simulation for the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class is given in Listing 4.6.

```

1729     boolList unrefineCandidates1(nPoints(), true);
1730
1731     selectUnrefineCandidates1
1732     (
1733         unrefineCandidates1,
1734         refineDict
1735     );
1736
1737     {
1738
1739         // Select unrefineable points that are not marked in refineCells

```

```

1740     labelList pointsToUnrefine1
1741     (
1742         selectUnrefinePoints
1743         (
1744             refineCells1,
1745             unrefineCandidates1
1746         )
1747     );
1748
1749     label nSplitPoints1 = returnReduce
1750     (
1751         pointsToUnrefine1.size(),
1752         sumOp<label>()
1753     );
1754
1755     if (nSplitPoints1 > 0)
1756     {
1757         // Refine/update mesh
1758         unrefine(pointsToUnrefine1);
1759         hasChanged = true;
1760     }
1761 }

```

Listing 4.6: New Unrefinement Phase

We can notice again, that all that changes are the names of some of the key parameters and variables in the unrefinement phase. A list of the changed names in the unrefinement part of the function is given in Table 4.2. In similar fashion to the refinement phase, the key adaptation to the unrefinement phase, is the change to the `selectUnrefineCandidates` function. Once again we change this to handle the reading of the changed parameters name, but crucially we shall change this to add the capabilities of more flexible unrefinement.

4.4 New `selectUnrefineCandidates` function

The `selectUnrefineCandidates` functions are on lines 894–983 of the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.C` file (Appendix B.2). We shall add flexibility to this function to allow the user to unrefine the mesh if the field selected to control the mesh refinements is greater than a user defined threshold value. This threshold value will be named `upperUnrefineLevel`, with the previous variable `unrefineLevel` now being named `lowerUnrefineLevel`. At present, it is possible to unrefine the mesh only if the field chosen to control the mesh refinements in the cells around a point is less than the `unrefineLevel` parameter. The `upperUnrefineLevel` parameter will be introduced in order to achieve the unrefinement of a the mesh if the field chosen to control the mesh in the cells around a point is greater than the `upperUnrefineLevel` parameter.

Recall that when unrefining the computational mesh, we consider removing points in the mesh to make larger cells. In order to implement this we need to find the value of the refinement field in the cells that surround a point in the mesh. We can use the `pointCells()` function in order to loop

Table 4.2: List of the renamed parameters in the unrefinement phase of the `update` function with the type of the parameter also identified.

Old Name	New Name	Type
<code>unrefineCandidates</code>	<code>unrefineCandidates1</code>	<code>boolList</code>
<code>selectUnrefineCandidates</code>	<code>selectUnrefineCandidates1</code>	<code>function</code>
<code>pointsToUnrefine</code>	<code>pointsToUnrefine1</code>	<code>labelList</code>
<code>nSplitPoints</code>	<code>nSplitPoints1</code>	<code>label</code>
<code>refineCells</code>	<code>refineCells1</code>	<code>PackedBoolList</code>
<code>unrefineLevel</code>	<code>lowerUnrefineLevel</code>	<code>label</code>

through all the cells that border a point in the computational mesh in order to find the field value of those cells. The code to do this is given in Listing 4.7

```
forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
{
    const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];

    scalar minVal = great;
    forAll(pCells, i)
    {
        minVal = min(minVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
    }
}
```

Listing 4.7: Code for finding the minimum value of a certain volume field in the cells surrounding a point in the computational mesh.

In this code we loop over all points in the computational mesh, for each point we store a list of all the cells that border that point in the `pCells` variable. Then an arbitrary value for the `minVal` parameter is created, this is set to be `great` since in the coming for-loop this value will be ensured to be overwritten, because in a stable simulation all values of any volume field should be finite valued. Next we loop over all the border cells of that point and find the minimum value of that field in the cells around that points. Hence `minVal` ends as the minimum of all the cells around a point in the computational mesh. In order to unrefine the mesh, all points such that the `minVal` is greater than the `upperUnrefineLevel` are marked as candidates to unrefine.

```
unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
    unrefineCandidates[pointi] && minVal > upperUnrefineLevel
```

To make the selection of the refinement flexible, the `selectUnrefineCandidates1` function of the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class will be adapted so that the user can other specify one or both of the `lowerUnrefineLevel` and `upperUnrefineLevel`. To introduce this change in the `selectUnrefineCandidates1` function, the code given in Listing 4.7 needs to be added to the function. In addition to this a series of logical statements can be added to the function so the either the mesh is unrefined in places such that `field < lowerUnrefineLevel` and `upperUnrefineLevel < field` or `upperUnrefineLevel < field` or `field < lowerUnrefineLevel`, depending on which of `lowerUnrefineLevel` and `upperUnrefineLevel` are defined in the `dynamicMeshDict`. The new `selectUnrefineCandidates` function is given in Listing 4.8. We can see that the handling of different unrefinement criteria is selected using the multiple `if` statements, depending on the entries that appear in the `dynamicMeshDict`.

```
1062 void Foam::dynamicDualRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefineCandidates1
1063 (
1064     boolList& unrefineCandidates,
1065     const dictionary& refineDict
1066 ) const
1067 {
1068     if (refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel1")
1069         && refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel1"))
1070     {
1071         const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field1"));
1072         const volScalarField& vFld
1073         (
1074             lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1075         );
1076
1077         const scalar lowerUnrefineLevel =
1078             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerUnrefineLevel1");
1079
1080         const scalar upperUnrefineLevel =
1081             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperUnrefineLevel1");
1082
1083         forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1084         {
1085             const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
```

```

1086         scalar maxVal = -great;
1087         forAll(pCells, i)
1088         {
1089             maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1090         }
1091
1092         scalar minVal = great;
1093         forAll(pCells, i)
1094         {
1095             minVal = min(minVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1096         }
1097
1098         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1099             (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < lowerUnrefineLevel)
1100             || (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && minVal > upperUnrefineLevel);
1101     }
1102 }
1103
1104
1105 if (refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel1")
1106     && !refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel1"))
1107 {
1108     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field1"));
1109     const volScalarField& vFld
1110     (
1111         lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1112     );
1113
1114     const scalar lowerUnrefineLevel =
1115         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerUnrefineLevel1");
1116
1117     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1118     {
1119         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1120
1121         scalar maxVal = -great;
1122         forAll(pCells, i)
1123         {
1124             maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1125         }
1126
1127         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1128             (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < lowerUnrefineLevel);
1129     }
1130 }
1131
1132
1133 if (!refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel1")
1134     && refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel1"))
1135 {
1136     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field1"));
1137     const volScalarField& vFld
1138     (
1139         lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1140     );
1141
1142     const scalar upperUnrefineLevel =
1143         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperUnrefineLevel1");
1144
1145     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1146     {
1147         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1148
1149         scalar minVal = great;
1150         forAll(pCells, i)
1151         {
1152             minVal = min(minVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1153         }

```

```

1154         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1155         (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && minVal > upperUnrefineLevel);
1156     }
1157 }
1158 }
1159 }
1160
1161
1162 void Foam::dynamicDualRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefineCandidates2
1163 (
1164     boolList& unrefineCandidates,
1165     const dictionary& refineDict
1166 ) const
1167 {
1168     if (refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel2")
1169         && refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel2"))
1170     {
1171         const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field2"));
1172         const volScalarField& vFld
1173         (
1174             lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1175         );
1176
1177         const scalar lowerUnrefineLevel =
1178             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerUnrefineLevel2");
1179
1180         const scalar upperUnrefineLevel =
1181             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperUnrefineLevel2");
1182
1183         forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1184         {
1185             const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1186
1187             scalar maxVal = -great;
1188             forAll(pCells, i)
1189             {
1190                 maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1191             }
1192
1193             scalar minVal = great;
1194             forAll(pCells, i)
1195             {
1196                 minVal = min(minVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1197             }
1198
1199             unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1200                 (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < lowerUnrefineLevel)
1201                 || (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && minVal > upperUnrefineLevel);
1202         }
1203     }
1204     if (refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel2")
1205         && !refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel2"))
1206     {
1207         const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field2"));
1208         const volScalarField& vFld
1209         (
1210             lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1211         );
1212
1213         const scalar lowerUnrefineLevel =
1214             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerUnrefineLevel2");
1215
1216         forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1217         {
1218             const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1219
1220             scalar maxVal = -great;

```

```

1222         forAll(pCells, i)
1223         {
1224             maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1225         }
1226
1227         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1228             (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < lowerUnrefineLevel);
1229     }
1230 }
1231
1232 if (!refineDict.found("lowerUnrefineLevel2")
1233     && refineDict.found("upperUnrefineLevel2"))
1234 {
1235     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field2"));
1236     const volScalarField& vFld
1237     (
1238         lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
1239     );
1240
1241     const scalar upperUnrefineLevel =
1242         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperUnrefineLevel2");
1243
1244     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1245     {
1246         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1247
1248         scalar minVal = great;
1249         forAll(pCells, i)
1250         {
1251             minVal = min(minVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
1252         }
1253
1254         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
1255             (unrefineCandidates[pointi] && minVal > upperUnrefineLevel);
1256     }
1257 }
1258 }

```

Listing 4.8: New `selectUnrefineCandidates` function

Again, since we have defined a new member function `selectUnrefineCandidates1` in the class `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` then we must ensure it is declared in the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.H` file. For this we are able to copy the declaration of the `selectUnrefineCandidates` function from the `dynamicRefineFvMesh.H` file. Since the new function takes in the same input parameters as the old function, then all that must change is the name. The code added to the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh.H` file is give in Listing 4.9

```

312     void selectUnrefineCandidates1
313     (
314         boolList& unrefineCandidates,
315         const dictionary& refineDict
316     ) const;

```

Listing 4.9: Declaration of `selectUnrefineCandidates1` function

4.5 Summary

The adaptations completed in this section are to create one field of refinement for the AMR algorithm in OpenFOAM. As stated in the introduction to this chapter, the same procedure in creating the refinement code for `field1` is applied for `field2`. All that changes is the suffix 1 to 2 in all the variables listed in Table 4.1 and Table 4.2. Since this is a trivial matter, the details will not be stated explicitly. The full `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class code is provided in the supplementary material of the report files. In order to compile the library from the provided materials without

going through the changes to the source code explained in this chapter, the user can unzip the class from the provided materials and use the **Allwmake** script to compile the library in a directory of their choosing. At this point we are in a position to test the **dynamicDualRefineFvMesh** class library, and apply it to our problem of choice to demonstrate its capabilities.

Chapter 5

Using dynamicDualRefineFvMesh

5.1 Modifying the tutorial

We shall use the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial case in order to demonstrate the capabilities of the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class created in Chapter 4. To use the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class, we shall return to the test case created in Section 4.2.1. If the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` library is intended to be used on any other case, then the library must be linked in the `controlDict` file as illustrated in Section 4.2.1. After the library has been linked to the case, all that is left to do is to add the entries for `field 1` and `field 2` in the `dynamicMeshDict`.

5.1.1 The dynamicMeshDict

The changes made to the `dynamicMeshDict` are such that most entries in the dictionary must be duplicated in order to specify the refinement parameters for the first and second refinement fields (`field1` and `field2`). In addition to this the `lowerUnrefineLevel` and `upperUnrefineLevel` can be added to the dictionary for each phase due to the new unrefine functionality added to the class.

An example `dynamicMeshDict` used for the demonstration of the two field refinement capabilities of `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` is given in Listing 5.1

```
1  /*----- C++ -----*/
2  =====
3  \\      / F ield      | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD Toolbox
4  \\      / O peration  | Website: https://openfoam.org
5  \\      / A nd        | Version: 9
6  \\\\    M anipulation |
7  /*-----*/
8  FoamFile
9  {
10     format      ascii;
11     class       dictionary;
12     location    "constant";
13     object      dynamicMeshDict;
14 }
15 // *****
16
17 dynamicFvMesh  dynamicDualRefineFvMesh;
18
19 // --- Field 1 -- Interface --- //
20 // How often to refine
21 refineInterval 1;
22
23 // Field to be refinement on
24 field1        alpha.water;
25
26 // Refine field in between lower..upper
```

```

27 lowerRefineLevel1 0.001;
28 upperRefineLevel1 0.999;
29
30 // If value < unrefineLevel unrefine
31 lowerUnrefineLevel1 0;
32 upperUnrefineLevel1 0.4;
33
34 // Have slower than 2:1 refinement
35 nBufferLayers1 2;
36
37 // Refine cells only up to maxRefinement levels
38 maxRefinement1 2;
39
40 // Stop refinement if maxCells reached
41 maxCells1 200000;
42
43
44 // --- Field 2 -- Bulk Water --- //
45 // How often to refine
46 refineInterval2 1;
47
48 // Field to be refinement on
49 field2 alpha.water;
50
51 // Refine field in between lower..upper
52 lowerRefineLevel2 0.4;
53 upperRefineLevel2 1.1;
54
55 // If value < unrefineLevel unrefine
56 lowerUnrefineLevel2 0.5;
57
58 // Have slower than 2:1 refinement
59 nBufferLayers2 1;
60
61 // Refine cells only up to maxRefinement levels
62 maxRefinement2 1;
63
64 // Stop refinement if maxCells reached
65 maxCells2 200000;
66
67 // Flux field and corresponding velocity field. Fluxes on changed
68 // faces get recalculated by interpolating the velocity. Use 'none'
69 // on surfaceScalarFields that do not need to be reinterpolated.
70 correctFluxes
71 (
72     (phi none)
73     (nHatf none)
74     (rhoPhi none)
75     (alphaPhi0.water none)
76     (ghf none)
77 );
78
79 // Write the refinement level as a volScalarField
80 dumpLevel false;

```

Listing 5.1: `dynamicMeshDict` example for `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`

Hence it is seen that most of the original entries of the `dynamicMeshDict` are duplicated to account for the two fields that will be refined on in the simulation.

5.1.2 Using `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` to generate independent bulk and interface mesh refinement

The motivation of this project is to create a mesh class such that one phase within a two phase flow can be refined, but also an independent refinement level can be generated at the interface of the flow. In this section we shall demonstrate how the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` class can be used

to do this. We shall use `field1` to refine the air–water interface in the `testDamBreak` simulation, and `field2` to refine/unrefine the bulk of the water phase. The `dynamicMeshDict` shown in Listing 5.1 shows an example of the parameter settings that can be used to conduct the mesh refinement desired.

5.1.2.1 Interface Refinement

Listing 5.2, shows the parameters used in the `dynamicMeshDict` In order to refine the air–water interface of the `testDamBreak` simulation using `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`.

```

1 // --- Field 1 -- Interface --- //
2 // How often to refine
3 refineInterval1 1;
4
5 // Field to be refinement on
6 field1          alpha.water;
7
8 // Refine field in between lower..upper
9 lowerRefineLevel1 0.001;
10 upperRefineLevel1 0.999;
11
12 // If value < lowerUnrefineLevel unrefine
13 lowerUnrefineLevel1 0;
14
15 // If value > upperUnrefineLevel unrefine
16 upperUnrefineLevel1 0.4;
17
18 // Have slower than 2:1 refinement
19 nBufferLayers1 2;
20
21 // Refine cells only up to maxRefinement levels
22 maxRefinement1 2;
23
24 // Stop refinement if maxCells reached
25 maxCells1      200000;

```

Listing 5.2: Interface Field Refinement Paramters

In order to refine the mesh around the interface, we shall use the standard entries that were present in the original `damBreakWithObstacle` case. We use the `alpha.water` field, with `lowerRefineLevel` and `upperRefineLevel` set to 0.001 and 0.999 respectively to ensure refinement on all cells that contain the multiphase interface. In addition to this we shall use the new `lowerUnrefineLevel` and `upperRefinementLevel` functionality. To ensure that any cells that lie in bulk of the two phases in the simulation are unrefined from the interface refinement level. To ensure the interface is more refined than the bulk we set the `maxRefinement` parameter for the interface to 2, and the `nBufferLayers` parameter will be set to 2 in order emphasize the mesh resolution around the interface.

5.1.2.2 Bulk Refinement

Listing 5.3 shows the parameters we use to carry out the wanted refinement in the bulk of the `alpha.water` phase.

```

1 // --- Field 2 -- Bulk Water --- //
2 // How often to refine
3 refineInterval2 1;
4
5 // Field to be refinement on
6 field2          alpha.water;
7
8 // Refine field in between lower..upper
9 lowerRefineLevel2 0.4;
10 upperRefineLevel2 1.1;
11

```

```

12 // If value < unrefineLevel unrefine
13 lowerUnrefineLevel2 0.001;
14
15 // Have slower than 2:1 refinement
16 nBufferLayers2 2;
17
18 // Refine cells only up to maxRefinement levels
19 maxRefinement2 1;
20
21 // Stop refinement if maxCells reached
22 maxCells2 200000;

```

Listing 5.3: Bulk Field Refinement Paramters

To refine the mesh around in the bulk, we shall use the `alpha.water` field, with `lowerRefineLevel` and `upperRefineLevel` set to 0.999 and 1.1 respectively. Recall the `alpha.water` phase should be bounded between 0 and 1, with the cells containing the `alpha.water` having value 1. We increase the limit to 1.1 to account for the numerical error that is introduced in the Finite Volume discretisation. This way all bulk water cells will be accounted for. In addition to this we shall solely use the `lowerUnrefineLevel` functionality to control the unrefinement of the bulk phase. To ensure that no cells that contain only the air phase in the simulation are refined the `lowerUnrefineLevel` is set to 0.001. Since we desire a level of mesh refinement higher than the background mesh that is found in the air phase, but lower than the level on the interface we set the `maxRefinement` parameter for the bulk water phase to 1. Again the `nBufferLayers` parameter is also set to 2 in order to more easily visualise the transition regions of the mesh.

5.2 Results

To run the simulation with the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`, we shall execute

```

blockMesh
setFields
interFoam

```

It is noted here that we do not use the `Allrun` script that is provided with the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial, for one because some amendments to this script are needed to ensure it calls the user created library, but also since the evolution of the water over the obstacle is not necessarily of interest in the report, but demonstrating the changes to the mesh are. In its current state, the tutorial case crashes around 1.1s into the simulation, the nature of this is not fully understood at present. The current theory is that there is some interference between the refinement procedures of the two fields used in the simulation. Changing the refinement parameters in the `dyanmicMeshDict` causes a difference in the run-time of the simulation before it crashes. Further work would be needed to understand if this is a case specific problem and determine a solution. Once the simulation results can still be viewed in Paraview. Figure 5.1 shows a comparison of the mesh at time $t = 0.4s$ in the simulation, using the same visualisation view as in Chapter 2 when using the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` and `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` classes to handle to the AMR in the simulation. From Figure 5.1 we can see that indeed the mesh refinement we desired has been generated. We find the initial mesh is preserved in the air phase, one level of mesh refinement in the water phase and two levels of refinement at the air–water interface.

5.3 Conclusion

Figure 5.1 shows it is possible with a very small adaptation of the OpenFOAM source code to refine on multiple evolving fields in a CFD simulation. In addition to this we have shown it is possible to employ this adaptation to the source code, such that any two fields can be refined on in the simulation. The reader is encouraged to experiment with the `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh` library in other tutorial cases to explore the limits of its capabilities.

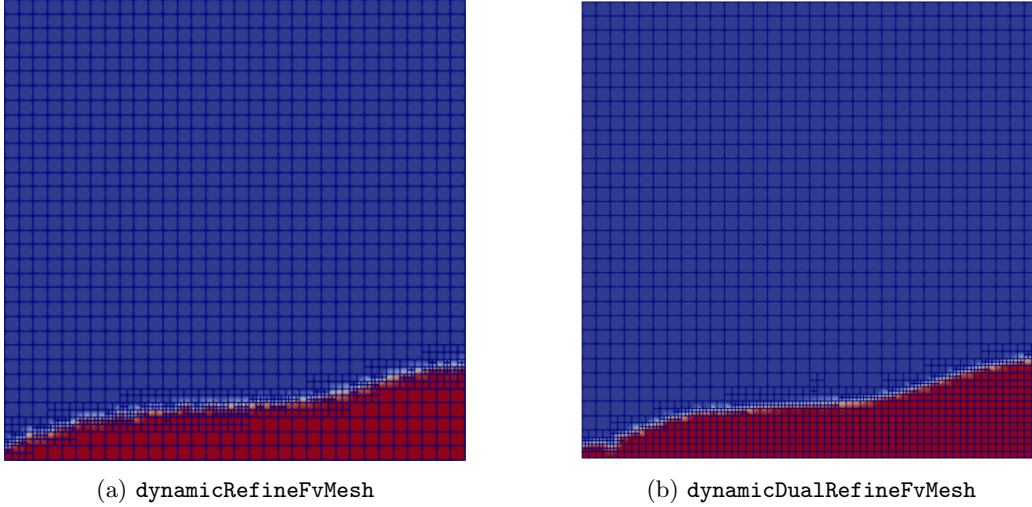


Figure 5.1: Comparison of the mesh on the +X face of the simulation for the `damBreakWithObstacle` tutorial at time $t = 0.4$ s using either `dynamicRefineFvMesh` and `dynamicDualRefineFvMesh`.

It is noted that the implementation of this library is not the most efficient or general, but the purpose of this report was to create a proof of concept library to understand how to create a method of generating two-field refinement in an OpenFOAM simulation. The library can be made more effective and flexible by using dictionary inputs like the `refinementRegions` functionality in OpenFOAM 9 does for static regions of mesh refinement. In this was the implementation can be made more general, by allowing multiple refinement fields, which will be handled by a loop in the source code. This would be the main direction of future work to extend this library.

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Study questions

1. Which field should you use in the `damBreakWithTutorial` simulation to refine the air–water interface?
2. What setting should be used for `refineInterval` to ensure mesh refinement only takes place every 5 time steps?
3. Which keyword can be used to in the `correctFluxes` table for fluxes that do not need to be re-interpolated?
4. In what file is the `mesh` object created, and what is this object and instance of?
5. What type of fields can be refined on currently in OpenFOAM using the `dynamicRefineFvMesh` class? How would other fields be refined on?
6. What is the name of the local dictionary that the `dynamicMeshDict` is stored as during mesh refinement?
7. How do you find the maximum value of a field in the cells around a point in the CFD mesh?
8. What happens if the number of cells marked to be refined will cause the number of cells in the simulation to exceed `maxCells`— and how In the code is it estimated if this will occur?
9. In the unrefinement phase of the AMR code, why are points considered and not cells?

Appendix A

Dictionaries

A.1 damBreakWithObstacle dynamicMeshDict

```
dynamicMeshDict
1  /*----- C++ -----*/
2  ===== |
3  \ \ / F i e l d | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD Toolbox
4  \ \ / O p e r a t i o n | Website: https://openfoam.org
5  \ \ / A n d | Version: 9
6  \ \ / M a n i p u l a t i o n |
7  /*-----*/
8  FoamFile
9  {
10     format      ascii;
11     class        dictionary;
12     location     "constant";
13     object       dynamicMeshDict;
14 }
15 // ***** //
16
17 dynamicFvMesh  dynamicRefineFvMesh;
18
19 // How often to refine
20 refineInterval 1;
21
22 // Field to be refinement on
23 field          alpha.water;
24
25 // Refine field in between lower..upper
26 lowerRefineLevel 0.001;
27 upperRefineLevel 0.999;
28
29 // If value < unrefineLevel unrefine
30 unrefineLevel 10;
31
32 // Have slower than 2:1 refinement
33 nBufferLayers 1;
34
35 // Refine cells only up to maxRefinement levels
36 maxRefinement 2;
37
38 // Stop refinement if maxCells reached
39 maxCells      200000;
40
41 // Flux field and corresponding velocity field. Fluxes on changed
42 // faces get recalculated by interpolating the velocity. Use 'none'
43 // on surfaceScalarFields that do not need to be reinterpolated.
44 correctFluxes
```

```
45 (
46     (phi none)
47     (nHatf none)
48     (rhoPhi none)
49     (alphaPhi0.water none)
50     (ghf none)
51 );
52
53 // Write the refinement level as a volScalarField
54 dumpLevel      true;
55
56
57 // ***** //
```

Appendix B

Source Codes

B.1 interFoam.C

interFoam.C

```
/*-----*\
=====
\\      /  F ield      | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD Toolbox
\\      /  O peration   | Website:  https://openfoam.org
\\      /  A nd         | Copyright (C) 2011-2021 OpenFOAM Foundation
\\      /  M anipulation |
-----*/

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Application
    interFoam

Description
    Solver for 2 incompressible, isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF
    (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach,
    with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes including adaptive
    re-meshing.

/*-----*/

#include "fvCFD.H"
#include "dynamicFvMesh.H"
#include "CMULES.H"
#include "EulerDdtScheme.H"
#include "localEulerDdtScheme.H"
#include "CrankNicolsonDdtScheme.H"
#include "subCycle.H"
#include "immiscibleIncompressibleTwoPhaseMixture.H"
#include "noPhaseChange.H"
#include "kinematicMomentumTransportModel.H"
```

```

#include "pimpleControl.H"
#include "pressureReference.H"
#include "fvModels.H"
#include "fvConstraints.H"
#include "CorrectPhi.H"
#include "fvcSmooth.H"

// * * * * *

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    #include "postProcess.H"

    #include "setRootCaseLists.H"
    #include "createTime.H"
    #include "createDynamicFvMesh.H"
    #include "initContinuityErrs.H"
    #include "createDyMControls.H"
    #include "createFields.H"
    #include "createFieldRefs.H"
    #include "createAlphaFluxes.H"
    #include "initCorrectPhi.H"
    #include "createUfIfPresent.H"

    turbulence->validate();

    if (!LTS)
    {
        #include "CourantNo.H"
        #include "setInitialDeltaT.H"
    }

    // * * * * *
    Info<< "\nStarting time loop\n" << endl;

    while (pimple.run(runTime))
    {
        #include "readDyMControls.H"

        if (LTS)
        {
            #include "setRDeltaT.H"
        }
        else
        {
            #include "CourantNo.H"
            #include "alphaCourantNo.H"
            #include "setDeltaT.H"
        }

        runTime++;

        Info<< "Time = " << runTime.timeName() << nl << endl;

        // --- Pressure-velocity PIMPLE corrector loop
        while (pimple.loop())
        {
            if (pimple.firstPimpleIter() || moveMeshOuterCorrectors)
            {
                // Store divU from the previous mesh so that it can be mapped
                // and used in correctPhi to ensure the corrected phi has the
                // same divergence
                tmp<volScalarField> divU;

                if
                (
                    correctPhi
                    && !isType<twoPhaseChangeModels::noPhaseChange>(phaseChange)

```

```

    )
    {
        // Construct and register divU for mapping
        divU = new volScalarField
        (
            "divU0",
            fvc::div(fvc::absolute(phi, U))
        );
    }

    fvModels.preUpdateMesh();

    mesh.update();

    if (mesh.changing())
    {
        // Do not apply previous time-step mesh compression flux
        // if the mesh topology changed
        if (mesh.topoChanging())
        {
            talphaPhi1Corr0.clear();
        }

        gh = (g & mesh.C()) - ghRef;
        ghf = (g & mesh.Cf()) - ghRef;

        MRF.update();

        if (correctPhi)
        {
            #include "correctPhi.H"
        }

        mixture.correct();

        if (checkMeshCourantNo)
        {
            #include "meshCourantNo.H"
        }
    }

    divU.clear();
}

fvModels.correct();

surfaceScalarField rhoPhi
(
    IOobject
    (
        "rhoPhi",
        runTime.timeName(),
        mesh
    ),
    mesh,
    dimensionedScalar(dimMass/dimTime, 0)
);

#include "alphaControls.H"
#include "alphaEqnSubCycle.H"

mixture.correct();

#include "UEqn.H"

// --- Pressure corrector loop
while (pimple.correct())
{

```

```

        #include "pEqn.H"
    }

    if (pimple.turbCorr())
    {
        turbulence->correct();
    }
}

runTime.write();

Info<< "ExecutionTime = " << runTime.elapsedCpuTime() << " s"
    << " ClockTime = " << runTime.elapsedClockTime() << " s"
    << nl << endl;
}

Info<< "End\n" << endl;

return 0;
}

// *****

```

B.2 dynamicRefineFvMesh.C

dynamicRefineFvMesh.C

```

1  /*-----*\
2  |
3  | \ \ / F i e l d      | OpenFOAM: The Open Source CFD Toolbox
4  | \ \ / O peration    | Website:  https://openfoam.org
5  | \ \ / A nd          | Copyright (C) 2011-2021 OpenFOAM Foundation
6  | \ \ / M anipulation  |
7  |-----|
8  License
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14  (at your option) any later version.
15
16  OpenFOAM is distributed in the hope that it will be useful, but WITHOUT
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18  FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. See the GNU General Public License
19  for more details.
20
21  You should have received a copy of the GNU General Public License
22  along with OpenFOAM. If not, see <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/>.
23
24  \*-----*/
25
26  #include "dynamicRefineFvMesh.H"
27  #include "surfaceInterpolate.H"
28  #include "polyTopoChange.H"
29  #include "syncTools.H"
30  #include "pointFields.H"
31  #include "sigFpe.H"
32  #include "cellSet.H"
33  #include "addToRunTimeSelectionTable.H"
34
35  // * * * * * Static Data Members * * * * *
36
37  namespace Foam

```

```

38 {
39     defineTypeNameAndDebug(dynamicRefineFvMesh, 0);
40     addToRunTimeSelectionTable(dynamicFvMesh, dynamicRefineFvMesh, IOobject);
41 }
42
43 // * * * * * Protected Member Functions * * * * * //
44
45 Foam::label Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::count
46 (
47     const PackedBoolList& l,
48     const unsigned int val
49 )
50 {
51     label n = 0;
52     forAll(l, i)
53     {
54         if (l.get(i) == val)
55         {
56             n++;
57         }
58
59         // Debug also serves to get-around Clang compiler trying to optimise
60         // out this forAll loop under O3 optimisation
61         if (debug)
62         {
63             Info<< "n=" << n << endl;
64         }
65     }
66
67     return n;
68 }
69
70
71 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::calculateProtectedCells
72 (
73     PackedBoolList& unrefineableCells
74 ) const
75 {
76     if (protectedCells_.empty())
77     {
78         unrefineableCells.clear();
79         return;
80     }
81
82     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
83
84     unrefineableCells = protectedCells_;
85
86     // Get neighbouring cell level
87     labelList neiLevel(nFaces()-nInternalFaces());
88
89     for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
90     {
91         neiLevel[facei-nInternalFaces()] = cellLevel[faceOwner()[facei]];
92     }
93     syncTools::swapBoundaryFaceList(*this, neiLevel);
94
95
96     while (true)
97     {
98         // Pick up faces on border of protected cells
99         boolList seedFace(nFaces(), false);
100
101         forAll(faceNeighbour(), facei)
102         {
103             label own = faceOwner()[facei];
104             bool ownProtected = unrefineableCells.get(own);
105             label nei = faceNeighbour()[facei];

```

```

106         bool neiProtected = unrefineableCells.get(nei);
107
108         if (ownProtected && (cellLevel[nei] > cellLevel[own]))
109         {
110             seedFace[facei] = true;
111         }
112         else if (neiProtected && (cellLevel[own] > cellLevel[nei]))
113         {
114             seedFace[facei] = true;
115         }
116     }
117     for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
118     {
119         label own = faceOwner()[facei];
120         bool ownProtected = unrefineableCells.get(own);
121         if
122         (
123             ownProtected
124             && (neiLevel[facei-nInternalFaces()] > cellLevel[own])
125         )
126         {
127             seedFace[facei] = true;
128         }
129     }
130
131     syncTools::syncFaceList(*this, seedFace, orEqOp<bool>());
132
133     // Extend unrefineableCells
134     bool hasExtended = false;
135
136     for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
137     {
138         if (seedFace[facei])
139         {
140             {
141                 label own = faceOwner()[facei];
142                 if (unrefineableCells.get(own) == 0)
143                 {
144                     unrefineableCells.set(own, 1);
145                     hasExtended = true;
146                 }
147
148                 label nei = faceNeighbour()[facei];
149                 if (unrefineableCells.get(nei) == 0)
150                 {
151                     unrefineableCells.set(nei, 1);
152                     hasExtended = true;
153                 }
154             }
155         }
156     }
157     for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
158     {
159         if (seedFace[facei])
160         {
161             label own = faceOwner()[facei];
162             if (unrefineableCells.get(own) == 0)
163             {
164                 unrefineableCells.set(own, 1);
165                 hasExtended = true;
166             }
167         }
168     }
169     if (!returnReduce(hasExtended, orOp<bool>()))
170     {
171         break;
172     }
173 }

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174 }
175
176
177 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::readDict()
178 {
179     const dictionary refineDict
180     (
181         dynamicMeshDict().optionalSubDict(typeName + "Coeffs")
182     );
183
184     List<Pair<word>> fluxVelocities = List<Pair<word>>
185     (
186         refineDict.lookup("correctFluxes")
187     );
188     // Rework into hashtable.
189     correctFluxes_.resize(fluxVelocities.size());
190     forAll(fluxVelocities, i)
191     {
192         correctFluxes_.insert(fluxVelocities[i][0], fluxVelocities[i][1]);
193     }
194
195     dumpLevel_ = Switch(refineDict.lookup("dumpLevel"));
196 }
197
198
199 // Refines cells, maps fields and recalculates (an approximate) flux
200 Foam::autoPtr<Foam::mapPolyMesh>
201 Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::refine
202 (
203     const labellist& cellsToRefine
204 )
205 {
206     // Mesh changing engine.
207     polyTopoChange meshMod(*this);
208
209     // Play refinement commands into mesh changer.
210     meshCutter_.setRefinement(cellsToRefine, meshMod);
211
212     // Create mesh (with inflation), return map from old to new mesh.
213     // autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = meshMod.changeMesh(*this, true);
214     autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = meshMod.changeMesh(*this, false);
215
216     Info<< "Refined from "
217         << returnReduce(map().nOldCells(), sumOp<label>())
218         << " to " << globalData().nTotalCells() << " cells." << endl;
219
220     if (debug)
221     {
222         // Check map.
223         for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
224         {
225             label oldFacei = map().faceMap()[facei];
226
227             if (oldFacei >= nInternalFaces())
228             {
229                 FatalErrorInFunction
230                 << "New internal face:" << facei
231                 << " fc:" << faceCentres()[facei]
232                 << " originates from boundary oldFace:" << oldFacei
233                 << abort(FatalError);
234             }
235         }
236     }
237
238     // Update fields
239     updateMesh(map);
240
241     // Correct the flux for modified/added faces. All the faces which only

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242 // have been renumbered will already have been handled by the mapping.
243 {
244     const labelList& faceMap = map().faceMap();
245     const labelList& reverseFaceMap = map().reverseFaceMap();
246
247     // Storage for any master faces. These will be the original faces
248     // on the coarse cell that get split into four (or rather the
249     // master face gets modified and three faces get added from the master)
250     labelHashSet masterFaces(4*cellsToRefine.size());
251
252     forAll(faceMap, facei)
253     {
254         label oldFacei = faceMap[facei];
255
256         if (oldFacei >= 0)
257         {
258             label masterFacei = reverseFaceMap[oldFacei];
259
260             if (masterFacei < 0)
261             {
262                 FatalErrorInFunction
263                 << "Problem: should not have removed faces"
264                 << " when refining."
265                 << nl << "face:" << facei << abort(FatalError);
266             }
267             else if (masterFacei != facei)
268             {
269                 masterFaces.insert(masterFacei);
270             }
271         }
272     }
273     if (debug)
274     {
275         Pout<< "Found " << masterFaces.size() << " split faces " << endl;
276     }
277
278     HashTable<surfaceScalarField*> fluxes
279     (
280         lookupClass<surfaceScalarField>()
281     );
282     forAllIter(HashTable<surfaceScalarField*>, fluxes, iter)
283     {
284         if (!correctFluxes_.found(iter.key()))
285         {
286             WarningInFunction
287             << "Cannot find surfaceScalarField " << iter.key()
288             << " in user-provided flux mapping table "
289             << correctFluxes_ << endl
290             << " The flux mapping table is used to recreate the"
291             << " flux on newly created faces." << endl
292             << " Either add the entry if it is a flux or use ("
293             << iter.key() << " none) to suppress this warning."
294             << endl;
295             continue;
296         }
297
298         const word& UName = correctFluxes_[iter.key()];
299
300         if (UName == "none")
301         {
302             continue;
303         }
304
305         if (UName == "NaN")
306         {
307             Pout<< "Setting surfaceScalarField " << iter.key()
308             << " to NaN" << endl;
309         }

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310         surfaceScalarField& phi = *iter();
311
312         sigFpe::fillNan(phi.primitiveFieldRef());
313
314         continue;
315     }
316
317     if (debug)
318     {
319         Pout<< "Mapping flux " << iter.key()
320             << " using interpolated flux " << UName
321             << endl;
322     }
323
324     surfaceScalarField& phi = *iter();
325     const surfaceScalarField phiU
326     (
327         fvc::interpolate
328         (
329             lookupObject<volVectorField>(UName)
330         )
331         & Sf()
332     );
333
334     // Recalculate new internal faces.
335     for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
336     {
337         label oldFacei = faceMap[facei];
338
339         if (oldFacei == -1)
340         {
341             // Inflated/appended
342             phi[facei] = phiU[facei];
343         }
344         else if (reverseFaceMap[oldFacei] != facei)
345         {
346             // face-from-masterface
347             phi[facei] = phiU[facei];
348         }
349     }
350
351     // Recalculate new boundary faces.
352     surfaceScalarField::Boundary& phiBf =
353         phi.boundaryFieldRef();
354     forAll(phiBf, patchi)
355     {
356         fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhi = phiBf[patchi];
357         const fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhiU =
358             phiU.boundaryField()[patchi];
359
360         label facei = patchPhi.patch().start();
361
362         forAll(patchPhi, i)
363         {
364             label oldFacei = faceMap[facei];
365
366             if (oldFacei == -1)
367             {
368                 // Inflated/appended
369                 patchPhi[i] = patchPhiU[i];
370             }
371             else if (reverseFaceMap[oldFacei] != facei)
372             {
373                 // face-from-masterface
374                 patchPhi[i] = patchPhiU[i];
375             }
376
377             facei++;

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378     }
379 }
380
381 // Update master faces
382 forAllConstIter(labelHashSet, masterFaces, iter)
383 {
384     label facei = iter.key();
385
386     if (isInternalFace(facei))
387     {
388         phi[facei] = phiU[facei];
389     }
390     else
391     {
392         label patchi = boundaryMesh().whichPatch(facei);
393         label i = facei - boundaryMesh()[patchi].start();
394
395         const fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhiU =
396             phiU.boundaryField()[patchi];
397
398         fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhi = phiBf[patchi];
399
400         patchPhi[i] = patchPhiU[i];
401     }
402 }
403 }
404 }
405
406 // Update numbering of cells/vertices.
407 meshCutter_.updateMesh(map);
408
409 // Update numbering of protectedCells_
410 if (protectedCells_.size())
411 {
412     PackedBoolList newProtectedCell(nCells());
413
414     forAll(newProtectedCell, celli)
415     {
416         label oldCelli = map().cellMap()[celli];
417         newProtectedCell.set(celli, protectedCells_.get(oldCelli));
418     }
419     protectedCells_.transfer(newProtectedCell);
420 }
421
422 // Debug: Check refinement levels (across faces only)
423 meshCutter_.checkRefinementLevels(-1, labelList(0));
424
425 return map;
426 }
427
428
429 Foam::autoPtr<Foam::mapPolyMesh>
430 Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::unrefine
431 (
432     const labelList& splitPoints
433 )
434 {
435     polyTopoChange meshMod(*this);
436
437     // Play refinement commands into mesh changer.
438     meshCutter_.setUnrefinement(splitPoints, meshMod);
439
440
441     // Save information on faces that will be combined
442     // ~~~~~~
443
444     // Find the faceMidPoints on cells to be combined.

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446 // for each face resulting of split of face into four store the
447 // midpoint
448 Map<label> faceToSplitPoint(3*splitPoints.size());
449
450 {
451     forAll(splitPoints, i)
452     {
453         label pointi = splitPoints[i];
454
455         const labelList& pEdges = pointEdges()[pointi];
456
457         forAll(pEdges, j)
458         {
459             label otherPointi = edges()[pEdges[j]].otherVertex(pointi);
460
461             const labelList& pFaces = pointFaces()[otherPointi];
462
463             forAll(pFaces, pFacei)
464             {
465                 faceToSplitPoint.insert(pFaces[pFacei], otherPointi);
466             }
467         }
468     }
469 }
470
471 // Change mesh and generate map.
472 // autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = meshMod.changeMesh(*this, true);
473 autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = meshMod.changeMesh(*this, false);
474
475 Info<< "Unrefined from "
476     << returnReduce(map().nOldCells(), sumOp<label>())
477     << " to " << globalData().nTotalCells() << " cells."
478     << endl;
479
480 // Update fields
481 updateMesh(map);
482
483 // Correct the flux for modified faces.
484 {
485     const labelList& reversePointMap = map().reversePointMap();
486     const labelList& reverseFaceMap = map().reverseFaceMap();
487
488     HashTable<surfaceScalarField*> fluxes
489     (
490         lookupClass<surfaceScalarField>()
491     );
492     forAllIter(HashTable<surfaceScalarField*>, fluxes, iter)
493     {
494         if (!correctFluxes_.found(iter.key()))
495         {
496             WarningInFunction
497             << "Cannot find surfaceScalarField " << iter.key()
498             << " in user-provided flux mapping table "
499             << correctFluxes_ << endl
500             << " The flux mapping table is used to recreate the"
501             << " flux on newly created faces." << endl
502             << " Either add the entry if it is a flux or use ("
503             << iter.key() << " none) to suppress this warning."
504             << endl;
505             continue;
506         }
507
508         const word& UName = correctFluxes_[iter.key()];
509
510         if (UName == "none")
511         {
512             continue;
513         }

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514     }
515
516     if (debug)
517     {
518         Info<< "Mapping flux " << iter.key()
519             << " using interpolated flux " << UName
520             << endl;
521     }
522
523     surfaceScalarField& phi = *iter();
524     surfaceScalarField::Boundary& phiBf =
525         phi.boundaryFieldRef();
526
527     const surfaceScalarField phiU
528     (
529         fvc::interpolate
530         (
531             lookupObject<volVectorField>(UName)
532         )
533         & Sf()
534     );
535
536
537     forAllConstIter(Map<label>, faceToSplitPoint, iter)
538     {
539         label oldFacei = iter.key();
540         label oldPointi = iter();
541
542         if (reversePointMap[oldPointi] < 0)
543         {
544             // midpoint was removed. See if face still exists.
545             label facei = reverseFaceMap[oldFacei];
546
547             if (facei >= 0)
548             {
549                 if (isInternalFace(facei))
550                 {
551                     phi[facei] = phiU[facei];
552                 }
553                 else
554                 {
555                     label patchi = boundaryMesh().whichPatch(facei);
556                     label i = facei - boundaryMesh()[patchi].start();
557
558                     const fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhiU =
559                         phiU.boundaryField()[patchi];
560                     fvsPatchScalarField& patchPhi = phiBf[patchi];
561                     patchPhi[i] = patchPhiU[i];
562                 }
563             }
564         }
565     }
566 }
567
568
569 // Update numbering of cells/vertices.
570 meshCutter_.updateMesh(map);
571
572 // Update numbering of protectedCells_
573 if (protectedCells_.size())
574 {
575     PackedBoolList newProtectedCell(nCells());
576
577     forAll(newProtectedCell, celli)
578     {
579         label oldCelli = map().cellMap()[celli];
580         if (oldCelli >= 0)
581

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582         {
583             newProtectedCell.set(cellI, protectedCells_.get(oldCellI));
584         }
585     }
586     protectedCells_.transfer(newProtectedCell);
587 }
588
589 // Debug: Check refinement levels (across faces only)
590 meshCutter_.checkRefinementLevels(-1, labelList(0));
591
592 return map;
593 }
594
595
596 const Foam::cellZone& Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::findCellZone
597 (
598     const word& cellZoneName
599 ) const
600 {
601     const label cellZoneID = cellZones().findZoneID(cellZoneName);
602     bool cellZoneFound = (cellZoneID != -1);
603     reduce(cellZoneFound, orOp<bool>());
604     if (!cellZoneFound)
605     {
606         FatalErrorInFunction
607             << "cannot find cellZone " << cellZoneName
608             << exit(FatalError);
609     }
610
611     return cellZones()[cellZoneID];
612 }
613
614
615 Foam::scalarField
616 Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::cellToPoint(const scalarField& vFld) const
617 {
618     scalarField pFld(nPoints());
619
620     forAll(pointCells(), pointI)
621     {
622         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointI];
623
624         scalar sum = 0.0;
625         forAll(pCells, i)
626         {
627             sum += vFld[pCells[i]];
628         }
629         pFld[pointI] = sum/pCells.size();
630     }
631     return pFld;
632 }
633
634
635 Foam::scalarField Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::error
636 (
637     const scalarField& fld,
638     const scalar minLevel,
639     const scalar maxLevel
640 ) const
641 {
642     scalarField c(fld.size(), -1);
643
644     forAll(c, cellI)
645     {
646         scalar err = min(fld[cellI] - minLevel, maxLevel - fld[cellI]);
647
648         if (err >= 0)
649         {

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650         c[celli] = err;
651     }
652 }
653
654 return c;
655 }
656
657
658 Foam::scalarField Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::error
659 (
660     const scalarField& fld,
661     const labelList& cells,
662     const scalar minLevel,
663     const scalar maxLevel
664 ) const
665 {
666     scalarField c(fld.size(), -1);
667
668     forAll(cells, i)
669     {
670         const label celli = cells[i];
671
672         scalar err = min(fld[celli] - minLevel, maxLevel - fld[celli]);
673
674         if (err >= 0)
675         {
676             c[celli] = err;
677         }
678     }
679
680     return c;
681 }
682
683
684 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates
685 (
686     PackedBoolList& candidateCells,
687     const scalar lowerRefineLevel,
688     const scalar upperRefineLevel,
689     const scalar maxRefinement,
690     const scalarField& vFld
691 ) const
692 {
693     // Get error per cell. Is -1 (not to be refined) to >0 (to be refined,
694     // higher more desirable to be refined).
695     const scalarField cellError
696     (
697         error(vFld, lowerRefineLevel, upperRefineLevel)
698     );
699
700     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
701
702     // Mark cells that are candidates for refinement.
703     forAll(cellError, celli)
704     {
705         if
706         (
707             cellLevel[celli] < maxRefinement
708             && cellError[celli] > 0
709         )
710         {
711             candidateCells.set(celli, 1);
712         }
713     }
714 }
715
716
717 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates

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718 (
719     PackedBoolList& candidateCells,
720     const scalar lowerRefineLevel,
721     const scalar upperRefineLevel,
722     const scalar maxRefinement,
723     const scalarField& vFld,
724     const labelList& cells
725 ) const
726 {
727     // Get error per cell. Is -1 (not to be refined) to >0 (to be refined,
728     // higher more desirable to be refined).
729     const scalarField cellError
730     (
731         error(vFld, cells, lowerRefineLevel, upperRefineLevel)
732     );
733
734     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
735
736     // Mark cells that are candidates for refinement.
737     forAll(cellError, celli)
738     {
739         if
740         (
741             cellLevel[celli] < maxRefinement
742             && cellError[celli] > 0
743         )
744         {
745             candidateCells.set(celli, 1);
746         }
747     }
748 }
749
750
751 Foam::scalar Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCandidates
752 (
753     PackedBoolList& candidateCells,
754     const dictionary& refineDict
755 ) const
756 {
757     const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field"));
758
759     const volScalarField& vFld = lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName);
760
761     const scalar lowerRefineLevel =
762         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("lowerRefineLevel");
763     const scalar upperRefineLevel =
764         refineDict.lookup<scalar>("upperRefineLevel");
765
766     const label maxRefinement = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxRefinement");
767
768     if (maxRefinement <= 0)
769     {
770         FatalErrorInFunction
771             << "Illegal maximum refinement level " << maxRefinement << nl
772             << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
773             << " be > 0." << nl
774             << exit(FatalError);
775     }
776
777     if (refineDict.found("cellZone"))
778     {
779         // Determine candidates for refinement (looking at field only)
780         selectRefineCandidates
781         (
782             candidateCells,
783             lowerRefineLevel,
784             upperRefineLevel,
785             maxRefinement,

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786         vFld,
787         findCellZone(refineDict.lookup("cellZone"))
788     );
789 }
790 else
791 {
792     // Determine candidates for refinement (looking at field only)
793     selectRefineCandidates
794     (
795         candidateCells,
796         lowerRefineLevel,
797         upperRefineLevel,
798         maxRefinement,
799         vFld
800     );
801 }
802
803 return maxRefinement;
804 }
805
806 Foam::labelList Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectRefineCells
807 (
808     (
809         const label maxCells,
810         const label maxRefinement,
811         const PackedBoolList& candidateCells
812     ) const
813 {
814     // Every refined cell causes 7 extra cells
815     label nTotToRefine = (maxCells - globalData().nTotalCells()) / 7;
816
817     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
818
819     // Mark cells that cannot be refined since they would trigger refinement
820     // of protected cells (since 2:1 cascade)
821     PackedBoolList unrefineableCells;
822     calculateProtectedCells(unrefineableCells);
823
824     // Count current selection
825     label nLocalCandidates = count(candidateCells, 1);
826     label nCandidates = returnReduce(nLocalCandidates, sumOp<label>());
827
828     // Collect all cells
829     DynamicList<label> candidates(nLocalCandidates);
830
831     if (nCandidates < nTotToRefine)
832     {
833         forAll(candidateCells, celli)
834         {
835             if
836             (
837                 candidateCells.get(celli)
838                 && (
839                     unrefineableCells.empty()
840                     || !unrefineableCells.get(celli)
841                 )
842             )
843             {
844                 candidates.append(celli);
845             }
846         }
847     }
848     else
849     {
850         // Sort by error? For now just truncate.
851         for (label level = 0; level < maxRefinement; level++)
852         {
853             forAll(candidateCells, celli)

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854     {
855         if
856         (
857             cellLevel[celli] == level
858             && candidateCells.get(celli)
859             && (
860                 unrefineableCells.empty()
861                 || !unrefineableCells.get(celli)
862             )
863         )
864         {
865             candidates.append(celli);
866         }
867     }
868
869     if (returnReduce(candidates.size(), sumOp<label>()) > nTotToRefine)
870     {
871         break;
872     }
873 }
874 }
875
876 // Guarantee 2:1 refinement after refinement
877 labelList consistentSet
878 (
879     meshCutter_.consistentRefinement
880     (
881         candidates.shrink(),
882         true // Add to set to guarantee 2:1
883     )
884 );
885
886 Info<< "Selected " << returnReduce(consistentSet.size(), sumOp<label>())
887 << " cells for refinement out of " << globalData().nTotalCells()
888 << "." << endl;
889
890 return consistentSet;
891 }
892
893
894 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefineCandidates
895 (
896     boolList& unrefineCandidates,
897     const volScalarField& vFld,
898     const scalar unrefineLevel
899 ) const
900 {
901     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
902     {
903         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
904
905         scalar maxVal = -great;
906         forAll(pCells, i)
907         {
908             maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
909         }
910
911         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
912             unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < unrefineLevel;
913     }
914 }
915
916
917 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefineCandidates
918 (
919     boolList& unrefineCandidates,
920     const volScalarField& vFld,
921     const cellZone& cZone,

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922     const scalar unrefineLevel
923 ) const
924 {
925     const Map<label>& zoneMap(cZone.lookupMap());
926
927     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
928     {
929         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
930
931         scalar maxVal = -great;
932         forAll(pCells, i)
933         {
934             if (zoneMap.found(pCells[i]))
935             {
936                 maxVal = max(maxVal, vFld[pCells[i]]);
937             }
938         }
939
940         unrefineCandidates[pointi] =
941             unrefineCandidates[pointi] && maxVal < unrefineLevel;
942     }
943 }
944
945
946 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefineCandidates
947 (
948     boolList& unrefineCandidates,
949     const dictionary& refineDict
950 ) const
951 {
952     if (refineDict.found("unrefineLevel"))
953     {
954         const word fieldName(refineDict.lookup("field"));
955         const volScalarField& vFld
956         (
957             lookupObject<volScalarField>(fieldName)
958         );
959
960         const scalar unrefineLevel =
961             refineDict.lookup<scalar>("unrefineLevel");
962
963         if (refineDict.found("cellZone"))
964         {
965             selectUnrefineCandidates
966             (
967                 unrefineCandidates,
968                 vFld,
969                 findCellZone(refineDict.lookup("cellZone")),
970                 unrefineLevel
971             );
972         }
973         else
974         {
975             selectUnrefineCandidates
976             (
977                 unrefineCandidates,
978                 vFld,
979                 unrefineLevel
980             );
981         }
982     }
983 }
984
985
986 Foam::labelList Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::selectUnrefinePoints
987 (
988     const PackedBoolList& markedCell,
989     const boolList& unrefineCandidates

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990 ) const
991 {
992     // All points that can be unrefined
993     const labelList splitPoints(meshCutter_.getSplitPoints());
994
995     DynamicList<label> newSplitPoints(splitPoints.size());
996
997     forAll(splitPoints, i)
998     {
999         label pointi = splitPoints[i];
1000
1001         if (unrefineCandidates[pointi])
1002         {
1003             // Check that all cells are not marked
1004             const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1005
1006             bool hasMarked = false;
1007
1008             forAll(pCells, pCelli)
1009             {
1010                 if (markedCell.get(pCells[pCelli]))
1011                 {
1012                     hasMarked = true;
1013                     break;
1014                 }
1015             }
1016
1017             if (!hasMarked)
1018             {
1019                 newSplitPoints.append(pointi);
1020             }
1021         }
1022     }
1023
1024     newSplitPoints.shrink();
1025
1026     // Guarantee 2:1 refinement after unrefinement
1027     labelList consistentSet
1028     (
1029         meshCutter_.consistentUnrefinement
1030         (
1031             newSplitPoints,
1032             false
1033         )
1034     );
1035
1036     Info<< "Selected " << returnReduce(consistentSet.size(), sumOp<label>())
1037         << " split points out of a possible "
1038         << returnReduce(splitPoints.size(), sumOp<label>())
1039         << "." << endl;
1040
1041     return consistentSet;
1042 }
1043
1044
1045 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::extendMarkedCells
1046 (
1047     PackedBoolList& markedCell
1048 ) const
1049 {
1050     // Mark faces using any marked cell
1051     boolList markedFace(nFaces(), false);
1052
1053     forAll(markedCell, celli)
1054     {
1055         if (markedCell.get(celli))
1056         {
1057             const cell& cFaces = cells()[celli];

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1058         forAll(cFaces, i)
1059         {
1060             markedFace[cFaces[i]] = true;
1061         }
1062     }
1063 }
1064
1065 syncTools::syncFaceList(*this, markedFace, orEqOp<bool>());
1066
1067 // Update cells using any markedFace
1068 for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
1069 {
1070     if (markedFace[facei])
1071     {
1072         markedCell.set(faceOwner()[facei], 1);
1073         markedCell.set(faceNeighbour()[facei], 1);
1074     }
1075 }
1076 for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
1077 {
1078     if (markedFace[facei])
1079     {
1080         markedCell.set(faceOwner()[facei], 1);
1081     }
1082 }
1083 }
1084 }
1085
1086 void Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::checkEightAnchorPoints
1087 (
1088     PackedBoolList& protectedCell,
1089     label& nProtected
1090 ) const
1091 {
1092     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
1093     const labelList& pointLevel = meshCutter_.pointLevel();
1094
1095     labelList nAnchorPoints(nCells(), 0);
1096
1097     forAll(pointLevel, pointi)
1098     {
1099         const labelList& pCells = pointCells(pointi);
1100
1101         forAll(pCells, pCelli)
1102         {
1103             label celli = pCells[pCelli];
1104
1105             if (pointLevel[pointi] <= cellLevel[celli])
1106             {
1107                 // Check if cell has already 8 anchor points -> protect cell
1108                 if (nAnchorPoints[celli] == 8)
1109                 {
1110                     if (protectedCell.set(celli, true))
1111                     {
1112                         nProtected++;
1113                     }
1114                 }
1115
1116                 if (!protectedCell[celli])
1117                 {
1118                     nAnchorPoints[celli]++;
1119                 }
1120             }
1121         }
1122     }
1123 }
1124
1125

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1126     forAll(protectedCell, celli)
1127     {
1128         if (!protectedCell[celli] && nAnchorPoints[celli] != 8)
1129         {
1130             protectedCell.set(celli, true);
1131             nProtected++;
1132         }
1133     }
1134 }
1135
1136
1137 // * * * * * Constructors * * * * *
1138
1139 Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::dynamicRefineFvMesh(const IOobject& io)
1140 :
1141     dynamicFvMesh(io),
1142     meshCutter_(*this),
1143     dumpLevel_(false),
1144     nRefinementIterations_(0),
1145     protectedCells_(nCells(), 0)
1146 {
1147     // Read static part of dictionary
1148     readDict();
1149
1150     const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
1151     const labelList& pointLevel = meshCutter_.pointLevel();
1152
1153     // Set cells that should not be refined.
1154     // This is currently any cell which does not have 8 anchor points or
1155     // uses any face which does not have 4 anchor points.
1156     // Note: do not use cellPoint addressing
1157
1158     // Count number of points <= cellLevel
1159     // ~~~~~
1160
1161     labelList nAnchors(nCells(), 0);
1162
1163     label nProtected = 0;
1164
1165     forAll(pointCells(), pointi)
1166     {
1167         const labelList& pCells = pointCells()[pointi];
1168
1169         forAll(pCells, i)
1170         {
1171             label celli = pCells[i];
1172
1173             if (!protectedCells_.get(celli))
1174             {
1175                 if (pointLevel[pointi] <= cellLevel[celli])
1176                 {
1177                     nAnchors[celli]++;
1178
1179                     if (nAnchors[celli] > 8)
1180                     {
1181                         protectedCells_.set(celli, 1);
1182                         nProtected++;
1183                     }
1184                 }
1185             }
1186         }
1187     }
1188
1189     // Count number of points <= faceLevel
1190     // ~~~~~
1191     // Bit tricky since proc face might be one more refined than the owner since
1192     // the coupled one is refined.

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1194 {
1195     labelList neiLevel(nFaces());
1196
1197     for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
1198     {
1199         neiLevel[facei] = cellLevel[faceNeighbour()[facei]];
1200     }
1201     for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
1202     {
1203         neiLevel[facei] = cellLevel[faceOwner()[facei]];
1204     }
1205     syncTools::swapFaceList(*this, neiLevel);
1206
1207     boolList protectedFace(nFaces(), false);
1208
1209     forAll(faceOwner(), facei)
1210     {
1211         label faceLevel = max
1212         (
1213             cellLevel[faceOwner()[facei]],
1214             neiLevel[facei]
1215         );
1216
1217         const face& f = faces()[facei];
1218
1219         label nAnchors = 0;
1220
1221         forAll(f, fp)
1222         {
1223             if (pointLevel[f[fp]] <= faceLevel)
1224             {
1225                 nAnchors++;
1226
1227                 if (nAnchors > 4)
1228                 {
1229                     protectedFace[facei] = true;
1230                     break;
1231                 }
1232             }
1233         }
1234     }
1235
1236     syncTools::syncFaceList(*this, protectedFace, orEqOp<bool>());
1237
1238     for (label facei = 0; facei < nInternalFaces(); facei++)
1239     {
1240         if (protectedFace[facei])
1241         {
1242             protectedCells_.set(faceOwner()[facei], 1);
1243             nProtected++;
1244             protectedCells_.set(faceNeighbour()[facei], 1);
1245             nProtected++;
1246         }
1247     }
1248
1249     for (label facei = nInternalFaces(); facei < nFaces(); facei++)
1250     {
1251         if (protectedFace[facei])
1252         {
1253             protectedCells_.set(faceOwner()[facei], 1);
1254             nProtected++;
1255         }
1256     }
1257
1258     // Also protect any cells that are less than hex
1259     forAll(cells(), celli)
1260     {

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1262         const cell& cFaces = cells()[celli];
1263
1264         if (cFaces.size() < 6)
1265         {
1266             if (protectedCells_.set(celli, 1))
1267             {
1268                 nProtected++;
1269             }
1270         }
1271         else
1272         {
1273             forAll(cFaces, cFacei)
1274             {
1275                 if (faces()[cFaces[cFacei]].size() < 4)
1276                 {
1277                     if (protectedCells_.set(celli, 1))
1278                     {
1279                         nProtected++;
1280                     }
1281                     break;
1282                 }
1283             }
1284         }
1285     }
1286
1287     // Check cells for 8 corner points
1288     checkEightAnchorPoints(protectedCells_, nProtected);
1289 }
1290
1291 if (returnReduce(nProtected, sumOp<label>()) == 0)
1292 {
1293     protectedCells_.clear();
1294 }
1295 else
1296 {
1297
1298     cellSet protectedCells(*this, "protectedCells", nProtected);
1299     forAll(protectedCells_, celli)
1300     {
1301         if (protectedCells_[celli])
1302         {
1303             protectedCells.insert(celli);
1304         }
1305     }
1306
1307     Info<< "Detected " << returnReduce(nProtected, sumOp<label>())
1308         << " cells that are protected from refinement."
1309         << " Writing these to cellSet "
1310         << protectedCells.name()
1311         << "." << endl;
1312
1313     protectedCells.write();
1314 }
1315 }
1316
1317 // ***** Destructor ***** //
1318
1319 Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::~dynamicRefineFvMesh()
1320 {}
1321
1322 // ***** Member Functions ***** //
1323
1324 bool Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::update()
1325 {
1326     // Re-read dictionary. Chosen since usually -small so trivial amount
1327     // of time compared to actual refinement. Also very useful to be able

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1330 // to modify on-the-fly.
1331 const dictionary refineDict
1332 (
1333     dynamicMeshDict().optionalSubDict(typeName + "Coeffs")
1334 );
1335
1336 label refineInterval = refineDict.lookup<label>("refineInterval");
1337
1338 bool hasChanged = false;
1339
1340 if (refineInterval == 0)
1341 {
1342     topoChanging(hasChanged);
1343
1344     return false;
1345 }
1346 else if (refineInterval < 0)
1347 {
1348     FatalErrorInFunction
1349     << "Illegal refineInterval " << refineInterval << nl
1350     << "The refineInterval setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1351     << " be >= 1." << nl
1352     << exit(FatalError);
1353 }
1354
1355 // Note: cannot refine at time 0 since no V0 present since mesh not
1356 // moved yet.
1357
1358 if (time().timeIndex() > 0 && time().timeIndex() % refineInterval == 0)
1359 {
1360     label maxCells = refineDict.lookup<label>("maxCells");
1361
1362     if (maxCells <= 0)
1363     {
1364         FatalErrorInFunction
1365         << "Illegal maximum number of cells " << maxCells << nl
1366         << "The maxCells setting in the dynamicMeshDict should"
1367         << " be > 0." << nl
1368         << exit(FatalError);
1369     }
1370
1371     const label nBufferLayers =
1372         refineDict.lookup<label>("nBufferLayers");
1373
1374     // Cells marked for refinement or otherwise protected from unrefinement.
1375     PackedBoolList refineCells(nCells());
1376
1377     label maxRefinement = 0;
1378
1379     if (refineDict.isDict("refinementRegions"))
1380     {
1381         const dictionary& refinementRegions
1382         (
1383             refineDict.subDict("refinementRegions")
1384         );
1385
1386         forAllConstIter(dictionary, refinementRegions, iter)
1387         {
1388             maxRefinement = max
1389             (
1390                 selectRefineCandidates
1391                 (
1392                     refineCells,
1393                     refinementRegions.subDict(iter().keyword())
1394                 ),
1395                 maxRefinement
1396             );
1397         }

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1398     }
1399     else
1400     {
1401         maxRefinement = selectRefineCandidates(refineCells, refineDict);
1402     }
1403
1404     if (globalData().nTotalCells() < maxCells)
1405     {
1406         // Select subset of candidates. Take into account max allowable
1407         // cells, refinement level, protected cells.
1408         labelList cellsToRefine
1409         (
1410             selectRefineCells
1411             (
1412                 maxCells,
1413                 maxRefinement,
1414                 refineCells
1415             )
1416         );
1417
1418         label nCellsToRefine = returnReduce
1419         (
1420             cellsToRefine.size(), sumOp<label>()
1421         );
1422
1423         if (nCellsToRefine > 0)
1424         {
1425             // Refine/update mesh and map fields
1426             autoPtr<mapPolyMesh> map = refine(cellsToRefine);
1427
1428             // Update refineCells. Note that some of the marked ones have
1429             // not been refined due to constraints.
1430             {
1431                 const labelList& cellMap = map().cellMap();
1432                 const labelList& reverseCellMap = map().reverseCellMap();
1433
1434                 PackedBoolList newRefineCell(cellMap.size());
1435
1436                 forAll(cellMap, celli)
1437                 {
1438                     label oldCelli = cellMap[celli];
1439
1440                     if (oldCelli < 0)
1441                     {
1442                         newRefineCell.set(celli, 1);
1443                     }
1444                     else if (reverseCellMap[oldCelli] != celli)
1445                     {
1446                         newRefineCell.set(celli, 1);
1447                     }
1448                     else
1449                     {
1450                         newRefineCell.set(celli, refineCells.get(oldCelli));
1451                     }
1452                 }
1453                 refineCells.transfer(newRefineCell);
1454             }
1455
1456             // Extend with a buffer layer to prevent neighbouring points
1457             // being unrefined.
1458             for (label i = 0; i < nBufferLayers; i++)
1459             {
1460                 extendMarkedCells(refineCells);
1461             }
1462
1463             hasChanged = true;
1464         }
1465     }

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1466     boolList unrefineCandidates(nPoints(), true);
1467
1468     if (refineDict.isDict("refinementRegions"))
1469     {
1470         const dictionary& refinementRegions
1471         (
1472             refineDict.subDict("refinementRegions")
1473         );
1474
1475         forAllConstIter(dictionary, refinementRegions, iter)
1476         {
1477             selectUnrefineCandidates
1478             (
1479                 unrefineCandidates,
1480                 refinementRegions.subDict(iter().keyword())
1481             );
1482         }
1483     }
1484     else
1485     {
1486         selectUnrefineCandidates
1487         (
1488             unrefineCandidates,
1489             refineDict
1490         );
1491     }
1492 }
1493
1494 {
1495     // Select unrefineable points that are not marked in refineCells
1496     labelList pointsToUnrefine
1497     (
1498         selectUnrefinePoints
1499         (
1500             refineCells,
1501             unrefineCandidates
1502         )
1503     );
1504
1505     label nSplitPoints = returnReduce
1506     (
1507         pointsToUnrefine.size(),
1508         sumOp<label>()
1509     );
1510
1511     if (nSplitPoints > 0)
1512     {
1513         // Refine/update mesh
1514         unrefine(pointsToUnrefine);
1515
1516         hasChanged = true;
1517     }
1518 }
1519
1520 if ((nRefinementIterations_ % 10) == 0)
1521 {
1522     // Compact refinement history occasionally (how often?).
1523     // Unrefinement causes holes in the refinementHistory.
1524     const_cast<refinementHistory&>(meshCutter().history()).compact();
1525 }
1526 nRefinementIterations_++;
1527 }
1528
1529 topoChanging(hasChanged);
1530 if (hasChanged)
1531 {
1532     // Reset moving flag (if any). If not using inflation we'll not move,

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1534     // if are using inflation any follow on movePoints will set it.
1535     moving(false);
1536 }
1537
1538 return hasChanged;
1539 }
1540
1541
1542 bool Foam::dynamicRefineFvMesh::writeObject
1543 (
1544     IOstream::streamFormat fmt,
1545     IOstream::versionNumber ver,
1546     IOstream::compressionType cmp,
1547     const bool write
1548 ) const
1549 {
1550     // Force refinement data to go to the current time directory.
1551     const_cast<hexRef8>(meshCutter_).setInstance(time().timeName());
1552
1553     bool writeOk =
1554     (
1555         dynamicFvMesh::writeObject(fmt, ver, cmp, write)
1556         && meshCutter_.write(write)
1557     );
1558
1559     if (dumpLevel_)
1560     {
1561         volScalarField scalarCellLevel
1562         (
1563             IOobject
1564             (
1565                 "cellLevel",
1566                 time().timeName(),
1567                 *this,
1568                 IOobject::NO_READ,
1569                 IOobject::AUTO_WRITE,
1570                 false
1571             ),
1572             *this,
1573             dimensionedScalar(dimless, 0)
1574         );
1575
1576         const labelList& cellLevel = meshCutter_.cellLevel();
1577
1578         forAll(cellLevel, celli)
1579         {
1580             scalarCellLevel[celli] = cellLevel[celli];
1581         }
1582
1583         writeOk = writeOk && scalarCellLevel.write();
1584     }
1585
1586     return writeOk;
1587 }
1588
1589
1590 // *****

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