

Fast boundary integral solvers for Stokes flows: quadrature, periodization, adaptivity

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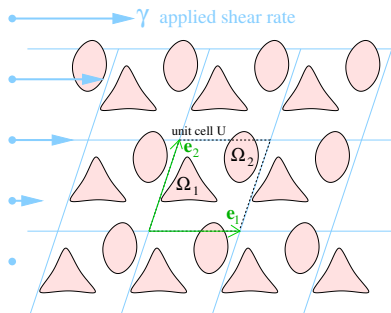
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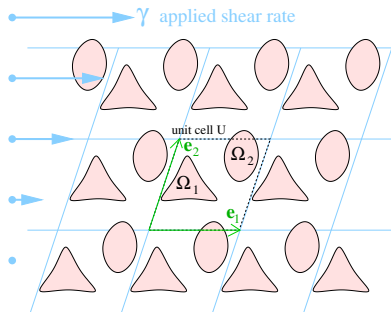
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What is bulk viscosity $\mu_{\text{eff}} := \frac{\text{mean force/length}}{\gamma}$?

i) quasi-static μ_{eff} at current configuration

ii) evolution of $\mu_{\text{eff}}(t)$ as bodies move under flow

statistical moments $\langle \mu_{\text{eff}}^P \rangle_t$, correlation decay in t , dependence on shape, vol. frac?

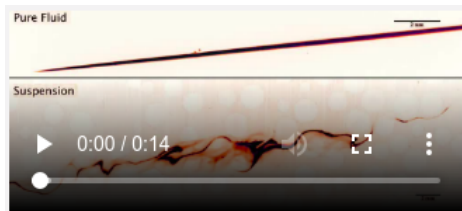
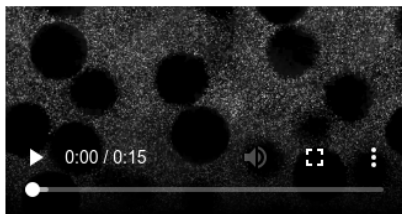
A homogenization problem. Applications:

- industrial processes, complex fluids (e.g. lattice of fibers into page), modeling non-periodic random suspensions, electro-rheology devices

Motivations for sheared suspensions

PIV and dye imaging, 3D spheres

dia $\sim 2\text{mm}$ vol. frac. $\phi = 0.35$ $Re \sim 10^{-4}$



(Souzy et al, '17)

observe: mixing, super-diffusion, turbulence, at $Re \approx 0$

Questions:

- time-evolution, 2-pt correlations of bodies, mixing...
transport: "rolling-coating" effect needs accurate numerical flow near surfaces
- effect of ϕ , validation of low- ϕ approx; shapes, jamming...

\exists little accurate numerical simulation for general shapes (even ellipses)

Goal: high-order solver, efficient, linear scaling w/ complexity in unit cell

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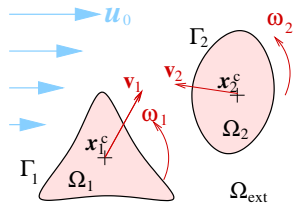
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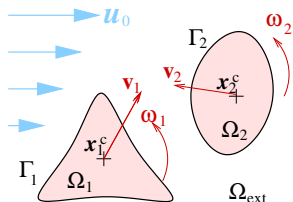
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BVP: exists a unique solution to...



$$-\mu\Delta\mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{in } \Omega_{\text{ext}} \quad \text{fluid force balance}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_{\text{ext}} \quad \text{incompressible}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{v}_j + \omega_j(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_j^c)^\perp \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_k \quad \text{rigid body motions}$$

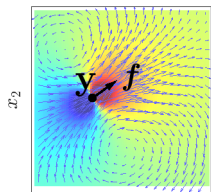
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$$|\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})| \rightarrow 0 \quad |\mathbf{x}| \rightarrow \infty$$

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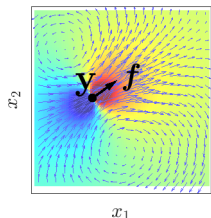
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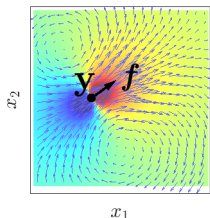
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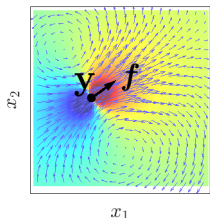
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with constraints: $\int_{\Gamma} \varphi ds = \mathbf{0}$ zero net force from φ on fluid

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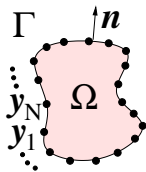
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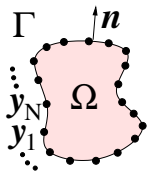
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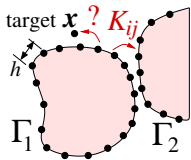
enforce BIE at each node & apply quad. rule to integral
get $N \times N$ linear system $A\varphi = \mathbf{f}$ $A = \frac{1}{2}I + K + L$

matrix els. ptwise samples of kernels, e.g. $K_{ij} = K(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{y}_j)w_j$, $i \neq j$

- Γ smooth \rightarrow kernels smooth \rightarrow spectrally accurate (Anselone, Kress)
- 2nd-kind BIE \Rightarrow well-cond. \Rightarrow rapid convergence of GMRES

So, for $N \gtrsim 10^3$ use FMM to apply A in iter. solver \rightarrow scaling $\mathcal{O}(N)$

Evaluating potentials close to source curve

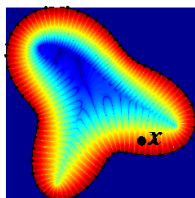


Now have samples $\{\varphi(\mathbf{y}_j)\}_{j=1}^N$, how eval $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$ near Γ ?
 Similarly, how fill matrix els. K_{ij} between close curves?

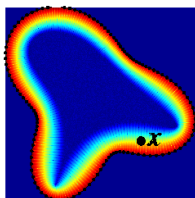
Naive: same quadr. rule $u(\mathbf{x}) \approx \sum_{j=1}^N w_j G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}_j) \cdot \varphi(\mathbf{y}_j)$
 $\#$ correct digits $\approx 2.7 \frac{\text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, \Gamma)}{h}$ *dist. $\lesssim h$ bad*

Demo: naive potential eval. interior to curve Γ

\log_{10} evaluation error in \mathbf{u} due to quadrature with N nodes:

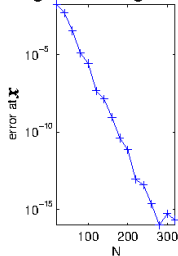


$N = 60$



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convergence at target:



Thm: analytic Γ , exp. rate = imag. part of preimage $\mathbf{z}^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$ of complexified param. (B '14)

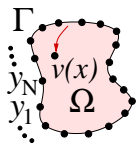
Better: Stokes pots. in terms of Laplace pots, in terms of Cauchy ints. . .

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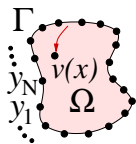


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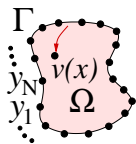
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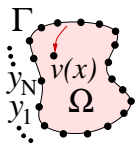
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uniformly accurate in $\bar{\Omega}$, if nodes resolved v on Γ (Ioakimidis '91, Helsing '08)

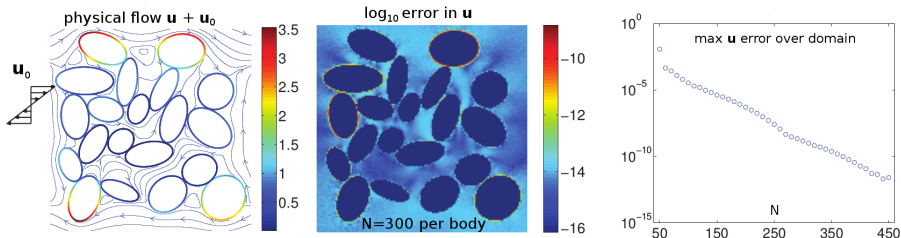
- no such trick in 3D :(\exists schemes: radial patches, QBX, adaptive...

Apply barycentric to 2D Stokes potentials

Built close-evaluation Stokes global quadratures on Laplace on Cauchy

- Cauchy enables double-layer; we generalized to single-layer

Use close-eval. for mat. els. K_{ij} and for flow eval: (B-Wu-Veerapaneni '14)



ext. Stokes, no-slip BCs, SLP+DLP formulation, $n = 20$ bodies, body separation $\delta \sim 10^{-4}$

- density φ peak width $\mathcal{O}(\delta^{1/2})$ (e.g. Sangani-Mo '94), good for $\delta \gtrsim h^2$
- for mobility prob: also traction of SLP (needs v'') (Wang-B, in prep.)

github: [ahbarnett/BIE2D](#), [dstein/pyBIE2D](#)

- for $\delta \rightarrow 0$, global quadr. scheme bad \rightarrow need adaptive (later!)

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(Rayleigh 1892; Hasimoto, Helsing, Greengard–Kropinski '04)

issues:

- regularization: setting divergent sums to opaque values
- spherically symm. expansions \rightarrow high aspect/skew, bad

B) Particle-Mesh Ewald $\text{can be spectrally accurate}$ (Lindbo–Tornberg '10, '11)

split G_{per} : local (spatial) + decaying in Fourier (spectral) (Ewald '21)

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recall discretized BIE on Γ : $A\varphi := (\frac{1}{2}I + K + L)\varphi = -\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{u}_0, p_0)$

could simply replace G by $G_{\text{per}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \sum_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} + m\mathbf{e}_1 + n\mathbf{e}_2)$?

minor problem: $G_{\text{per}} = \infty$ ($\log r \rightarrow \infty$)

but *can* periodize stokeslets when sum = $\mathbf{0}$: true since $\int_{\Gamma} \varphi = \mathbf{0}$

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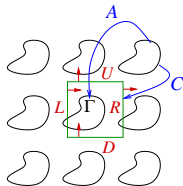
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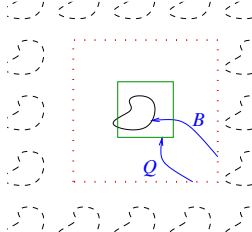
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sum (FMM) only the near images:



proxy sources account for the rest:



Here A is as before, but also sums nearby images to make proxies accurate

Get "extended lin. sys:"
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & Q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{density } \varphi \\ \text{proxy strengths} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{BC on } \Gamma \\ \text{mismatch btw 4 walls} \end{bmatrix}$$

stable & FMM-compat: tricky rank-2-pert. Schur compl. (B-Marple-Veerapaneni-Zhao '18)

- idea from Helmholtz (B-Greengard '10); implicit in (Larson-Higdon '80s)
- inspired cubical-unit-cell periodization of PVFMM (Yan-Shelley '18)

2D porous medium Stokes flow

given pressure drop

doubly-periodic

shown: one unit cell

$n = 10^3$

close-to-touching

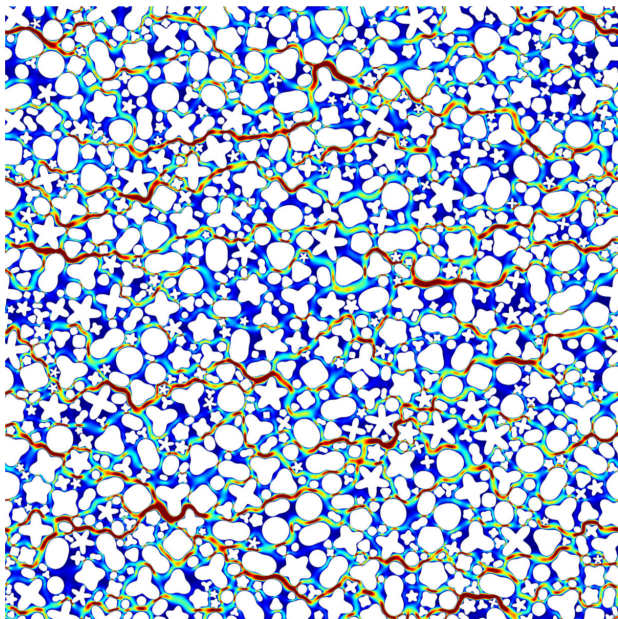
no-slip islands

error 10^{-8}

1 day CPU

$2N = 7 \times 10^5$

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Back to periodic mobility: quasi-static BVP

Fix bkgnd shear flow $\mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) = (\gamma x_2, 0)$

physical flow will be $\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}$

At time t : find $\{\mathbf{v}_k, \omega_k\}$, and (\mathbf{u}, p) periodic in current unit cell $\mathcal{U}(t)$, s.t.

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$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{v}_j + \omega_j (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_j^c)^\perp \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_k \quad \text{rigid body motions}$$

$$\int_{\Gamma_k} \mathbf{T} ds = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{zero net fluid force on bodies } k = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\int_{\Gamma_k} \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k^c)^\perp ds_{\mathbf{x}} = 0 \quad \text{zero net fluid torque, } k = 1, \dots, n$$

Then extract: $\mu_{\text{eff}}(t) = \frac{1}{\gamma |\mathbf{e}_1|} \int_D \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}, p) \cdot \mathbf{t} ds$

horiz. force on bottom wall; avoids cell avg $\langle \sigma \rangle_{\mathcal{U}}$ of (Brady, etc)

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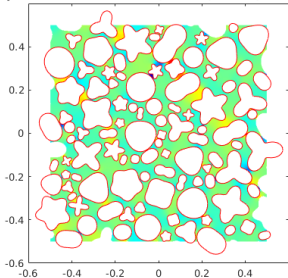
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 - FMM for near images + correction of wall mismatch via cheap "empty unit cell" BVP
 - "empty" BVP solved to 10^{-14} via method of fundamental solutions (proxy pts)
- kd-tree to find close targets needing special quadratures
- extract μ_{eff} via cheap far-field contour integral

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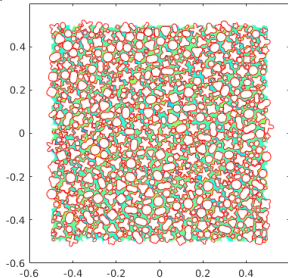


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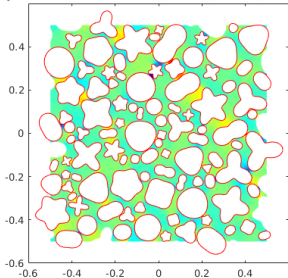


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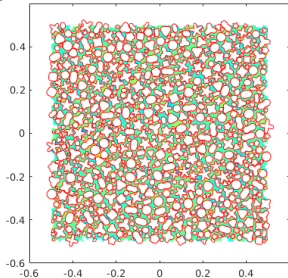


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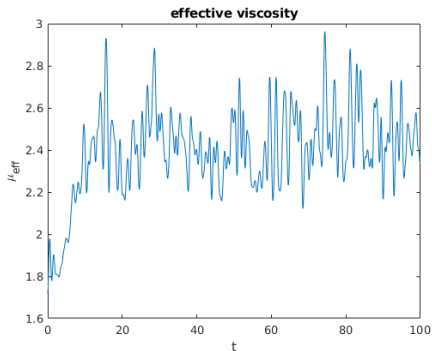
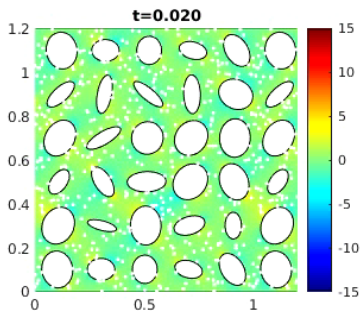
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wrap the quasi-static solve as evaluating $\{\mathbf{v}_k, \omega_k\} = \frac{d\mathbf{z}}{dt} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{z}(t))$
autonomous ODE system

Feed to favorite t -stepper: fixed- Δt Euler, or high-order adaptive

Results: time-evolution

$n = 25$ ellipses, run for 100 shear-times, apparently equilibrium...



- spatial solve error 10^{-10} , evolution typ. 10^{-4} ~ 1 s / step, FMM+GMRES
- we can run fwd-Euler, or adaptive RK4 (slows down)
- add short-range repulsive force, needed for higher ϕ ; in progress

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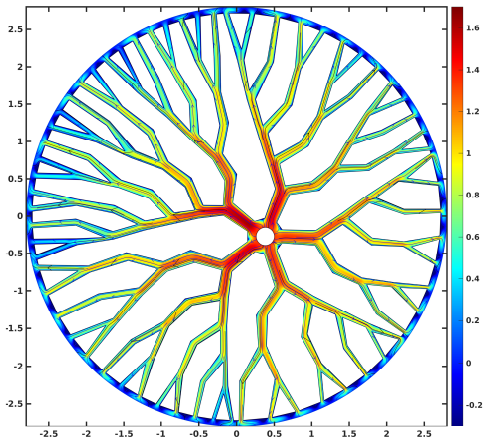
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vascular network model:

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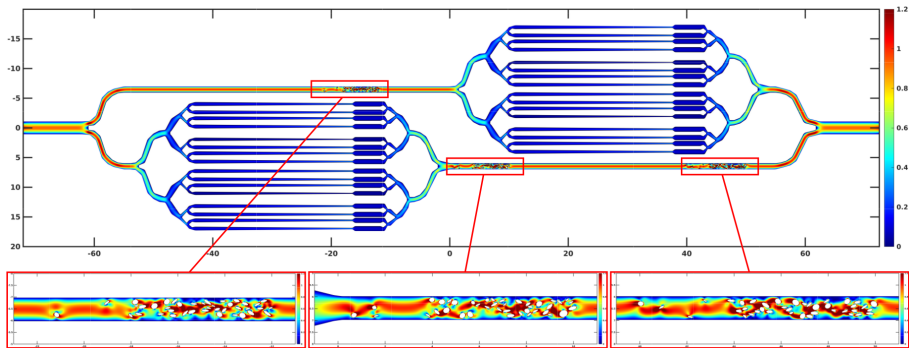


378 corners $2N = 3 \times 10^5$ 10 digits 2 hours

adaptivity: panels split until resolve geom to user-requested tolerance ϵ
panel order $p \approx \log_{10}(1/\epsilon)$

Panel quadratures and adaptivity II

microfluidic device design: “worm clamps” plus nearby particles



flow speed shown $2N = 1.2 \times 10^6$ 120 swimmer particles 6 digits 8 hrs

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- could factorize fixed walls via *fast direct solver*, cheap t-steps

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Conclusions

Flavor of efficient & accurate Stokes solvers, which need:

- special quadratures for close-evaluation
- new periodization tools for skewing unit cells
- adaptivity for complex devices

Numerical analysis philosophy: solve the actual BVP, to many digits

Software is harder, in progress at Flatiron for BIE in 2D, 3D

(Stein/Yan (CCB), Racch/Greengard/B (CCM), O'Neil/Malhotra (NYU)...))

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Although I haven't yet modeled swimming fish ($Re \gg 1$), thanks Mike for help over the years and helping guide me into fun fluids!

EXTRA SLIDES

Jamming?

Two 4-pointed smooth stars per unit cell:

jamming stars 1

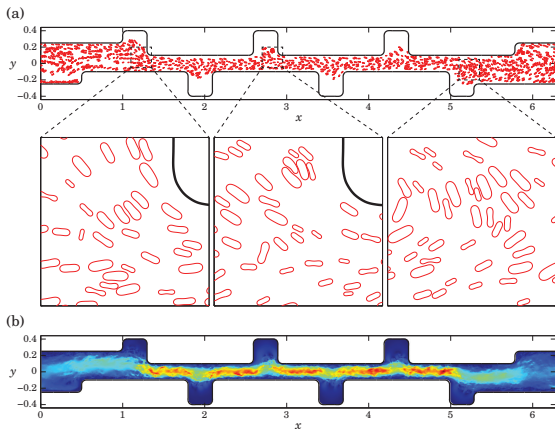
jamming stars 2

jamming stars 3

(we don't understand jamming yet. . .)

Singly-periodic pipe with vesicles

Fast direct solver factorizes pipe solve once and for all, cheap to apply:



1000 vesicles $N = 128000$ 1 min/timestep

(Marple-B-Gillman-Veerapaneni '16)