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Nucleate Boiling: a coupled MD-CFD case

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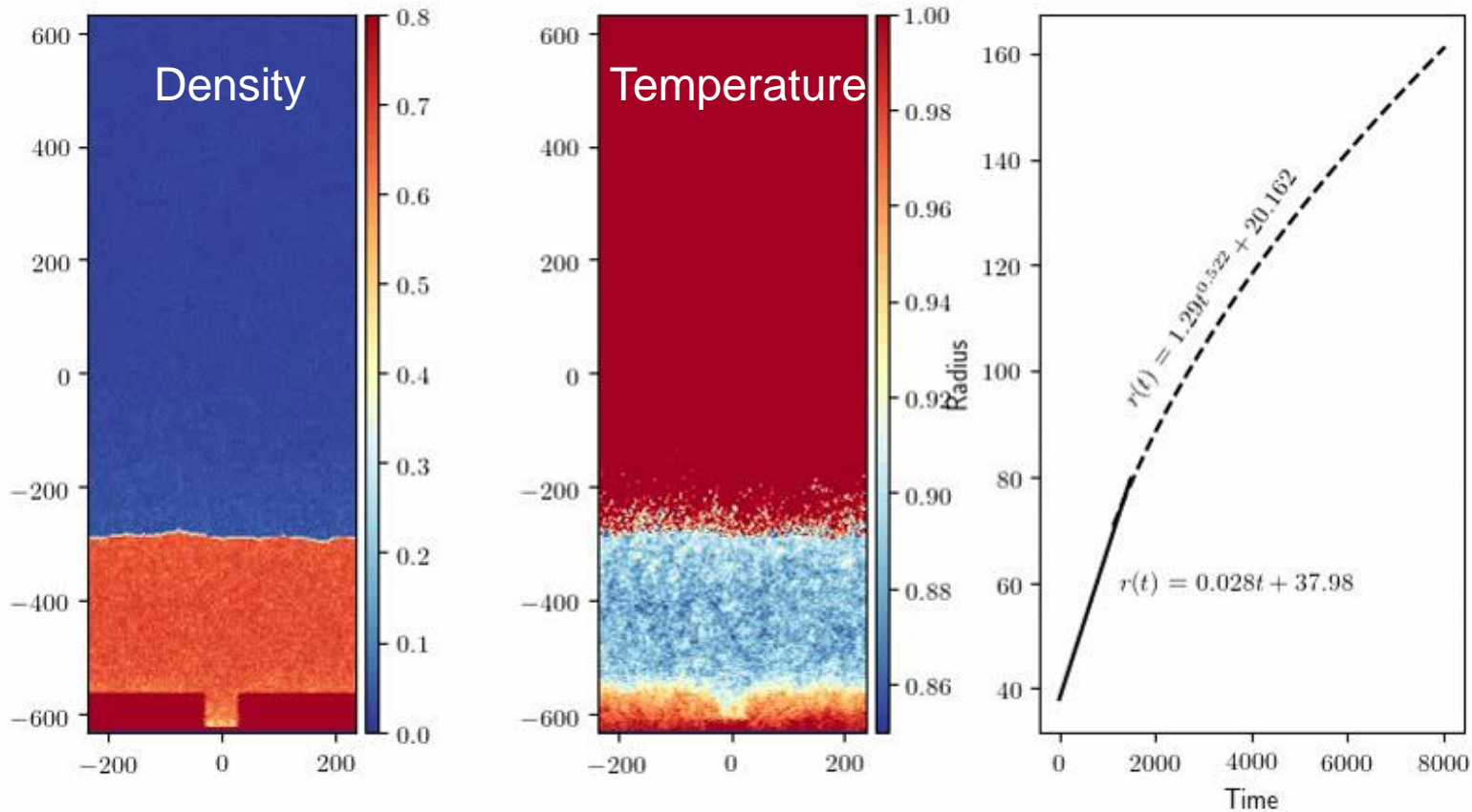
Outline

- Problem description
- Case setup
- Overview of the configuration files
- Demo
- Results

Problem description

- Nucleate bubble in a heated cavity
- Data generated using flowmol

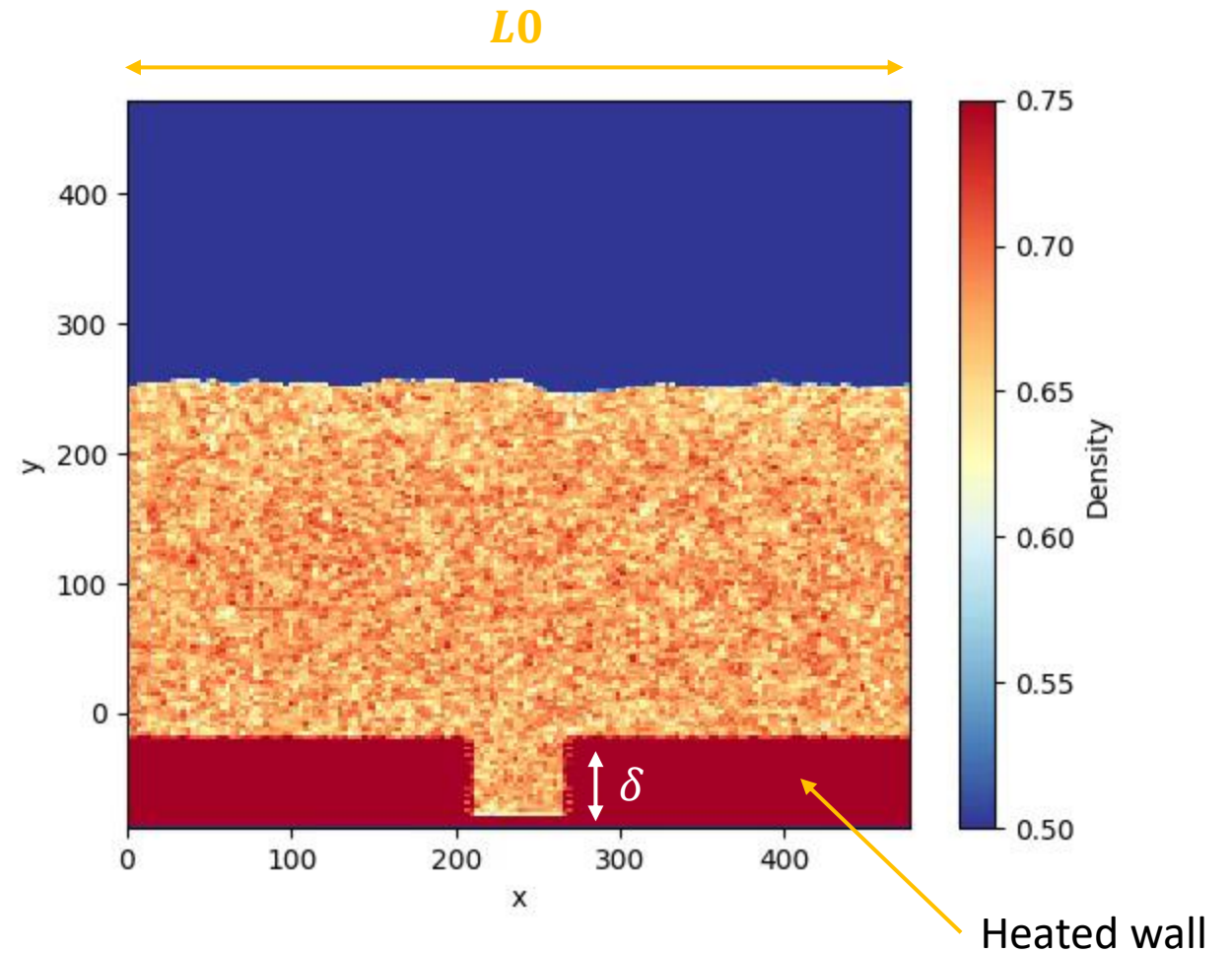
(github.com/edwardsmith999/flowmol)



- Conversion factors
 - Length - 1 = 0.34 nm
 - Temp. - 1 = 125 K
 - Density - 0.7 = 1160 kg m⁻³

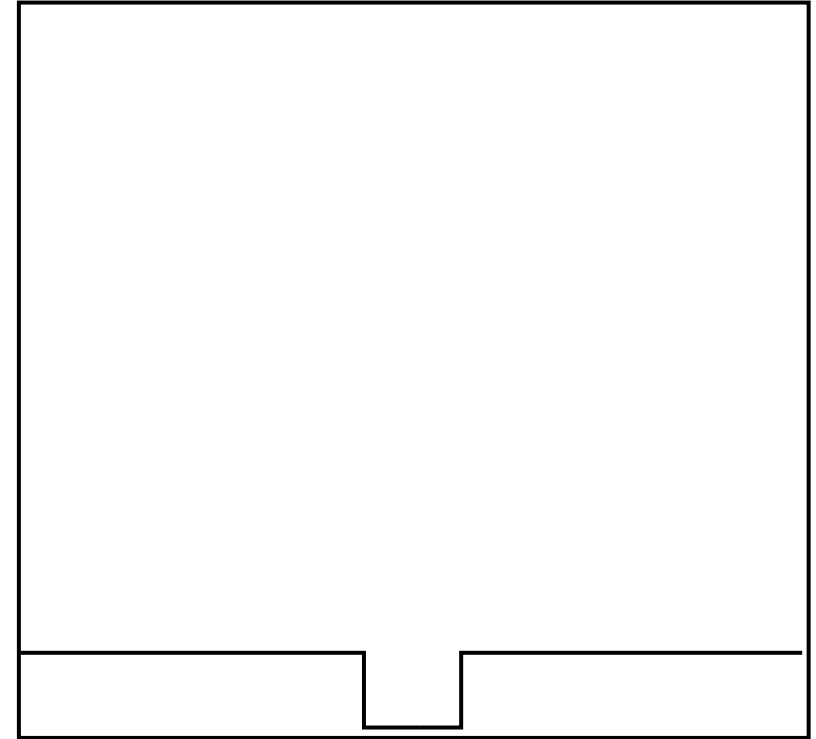
Problem description

- Nucleate bubble in a heated cavity
- Properties and dimensions:
 - Fluid: Argon
 - Domain size, $L_0 = 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$ m
 - Cavity size, $\delta = 2.1 \times 10^{-8}$ m



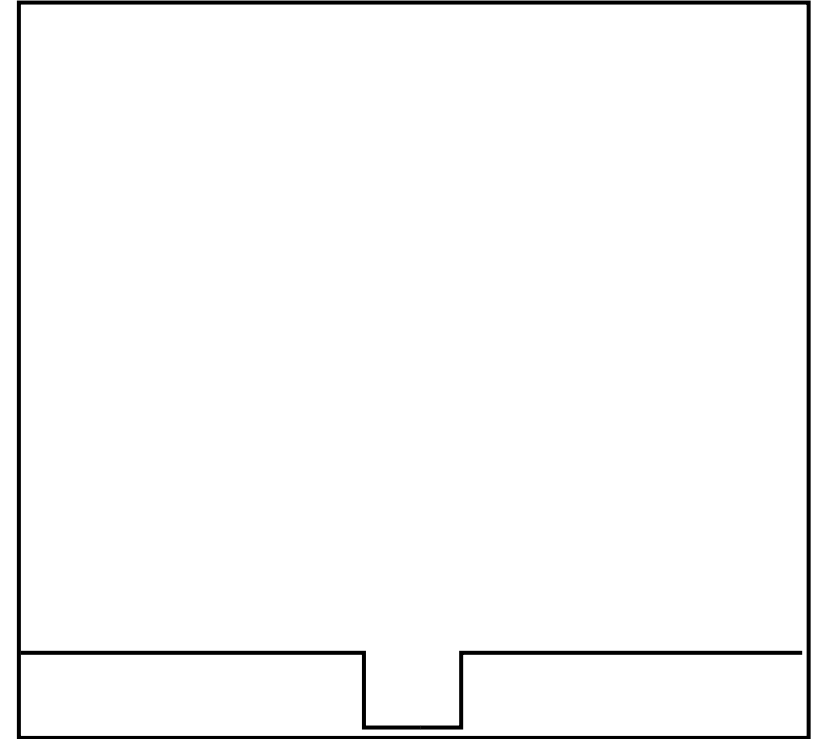
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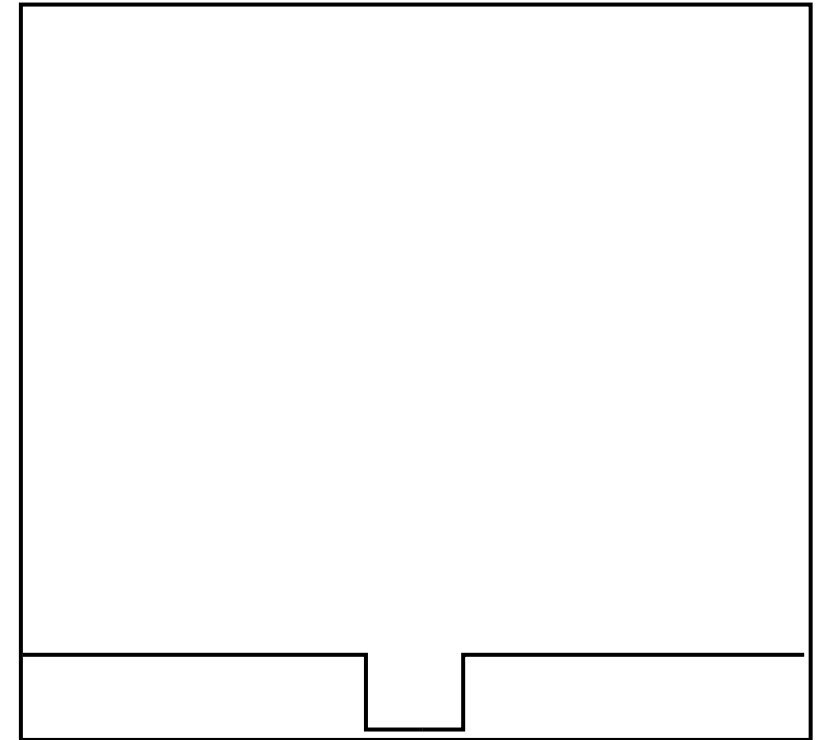
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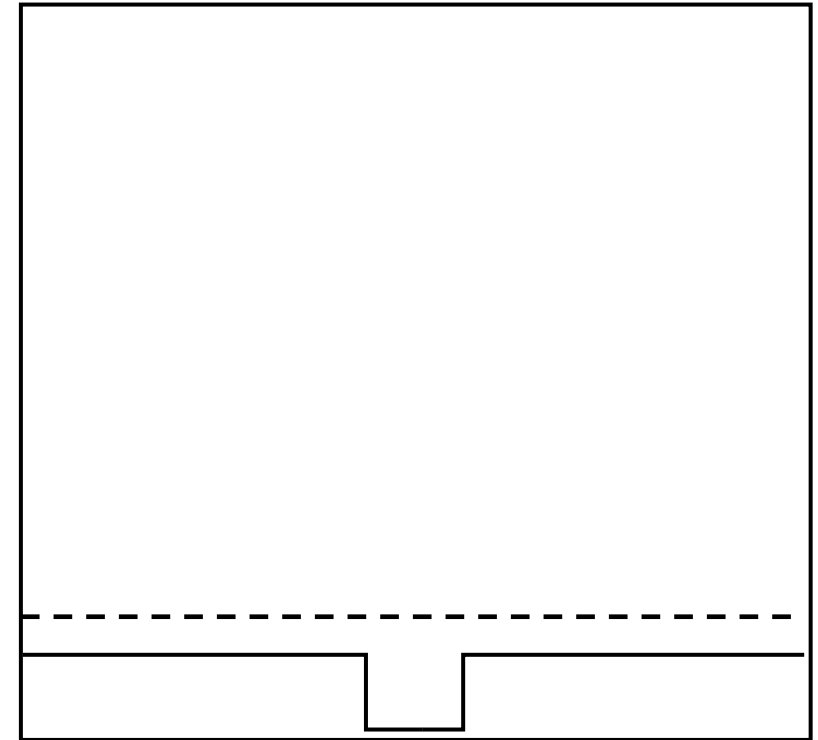
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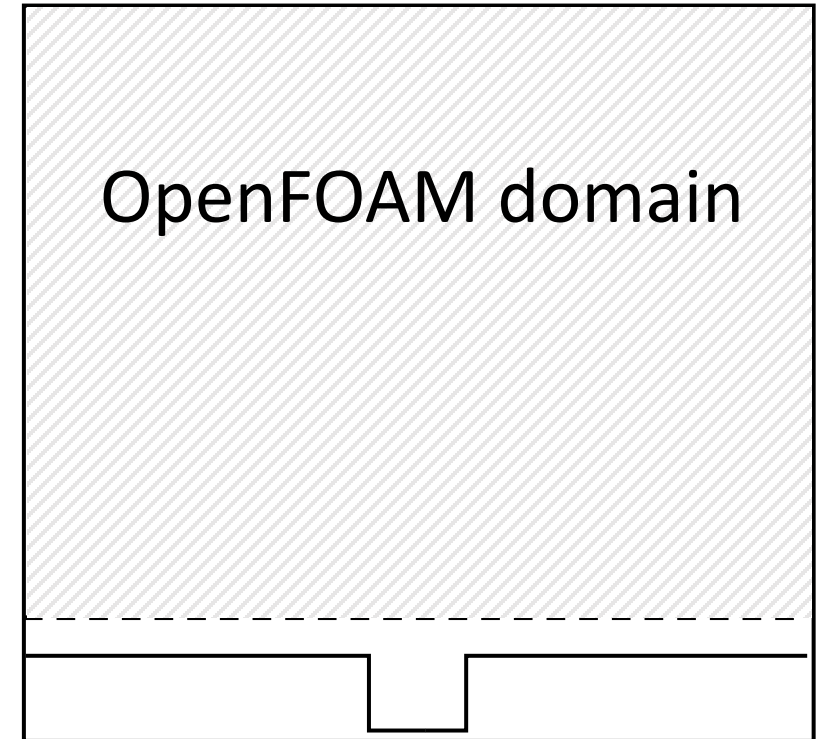
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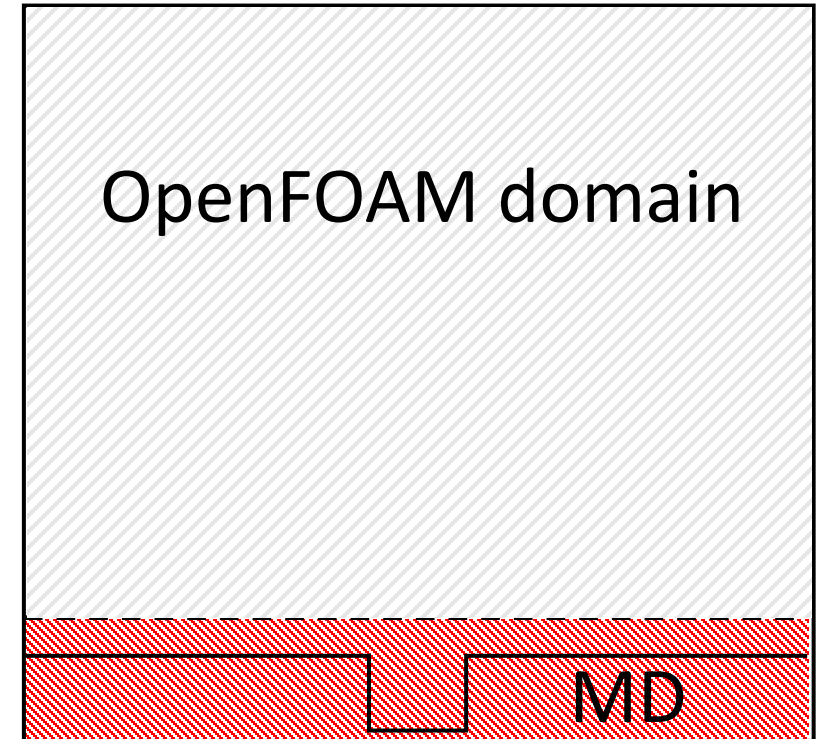
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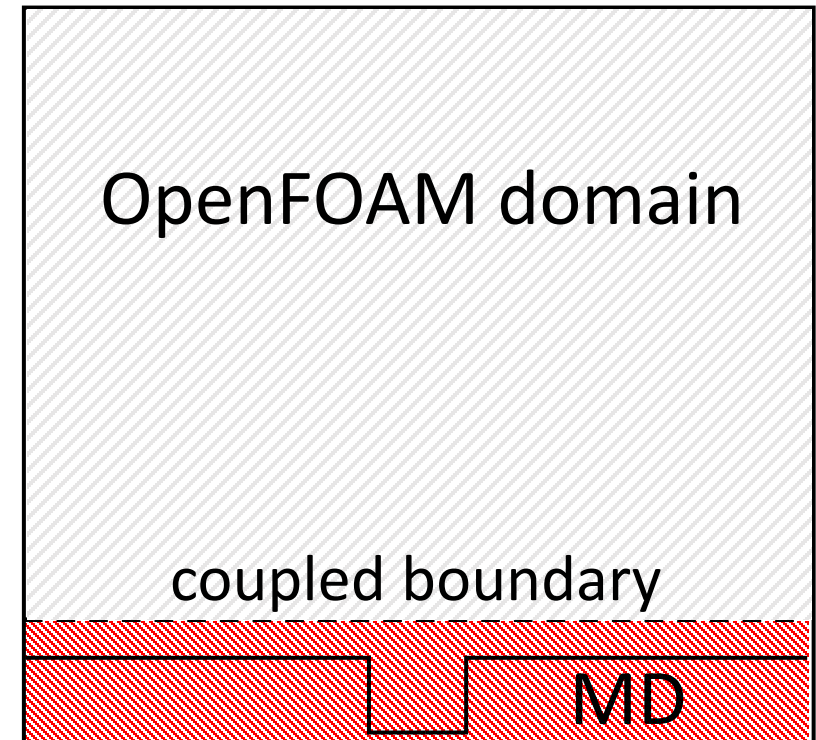
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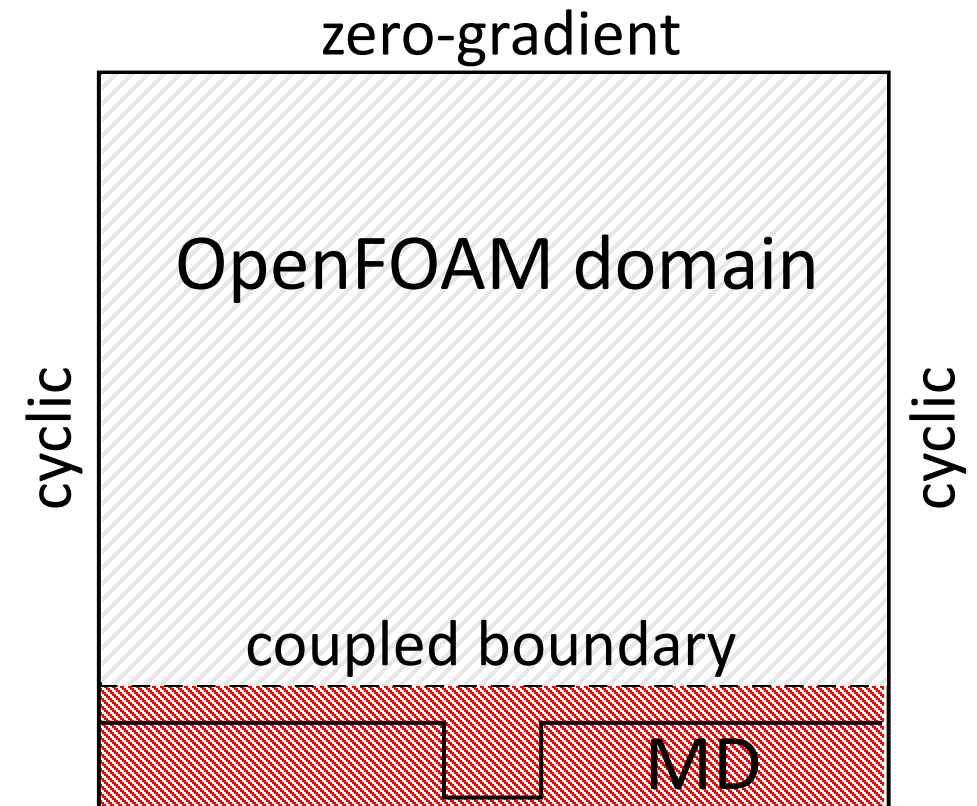
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Overview of the configuration files (1/8)

➤ Example available on Github

(https://github.com/Crompulence/CPL_APP_OPENFOAM.git)

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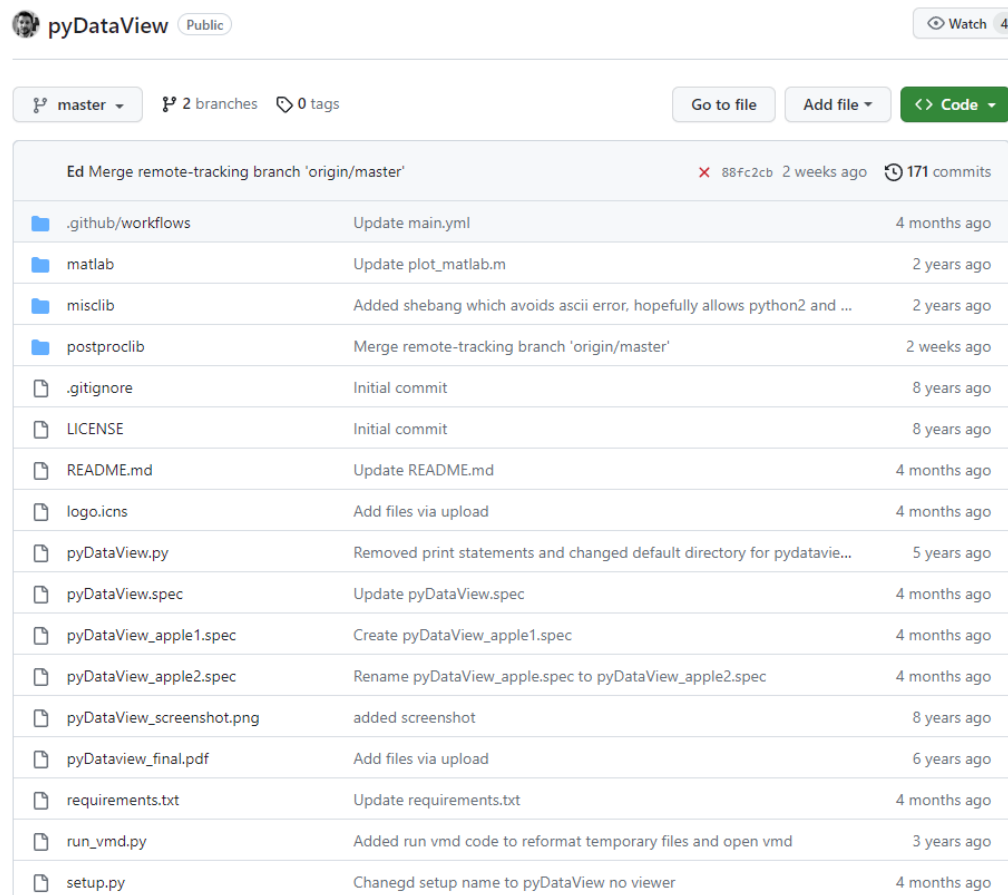
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Overview of the configuration files (2/8)

➤ pyDataView is used to load MD data

(<https://github.com/edwardsmith999/pyDataView.git>)



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LICENSE	Initial commit	8 years ago
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logo.icns	Add files via upload	4 months ago
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README.md

pyDataView

"A graphical user interface for people who hate graphical user interfaces"

If you know how to read your data by writing Python code, PyDataView simply provides a way to quickly explore the data with a slider/file viewer. Once you see something you like, click Save Script to generate a starting point for further analysis.

Introduction

A Data Viewer GUI written in python, wxpython and matplotlib.

This is a lightweight interface for quick insight into scientific data. Data can be explored as a matplotlib lineplot or contour using sliders to traverse the range of existing records and bins. For more detailed analysis, a figure can be saved, the data output as a csv file or a minimal python script generated. The emphasis of this project is the provision of a simple reader to get data into python, a minimal GUI to get quick insight into that data and generation of python scripts for more detailed analysis.

Quickstart

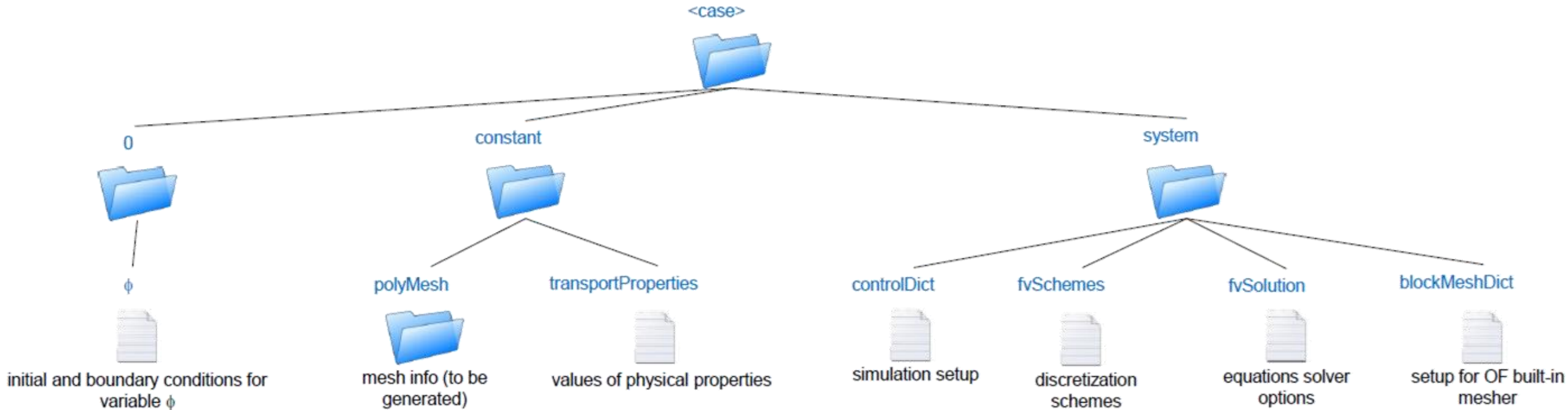
Clone the repository

On linux, you need Python3, numpy, scipy, wxpython, matplotlib and vispy installed. You can then clone the repository and run pyDataView from the command line,

```
python3 pyDataView.py -d ./path/to/dir
```

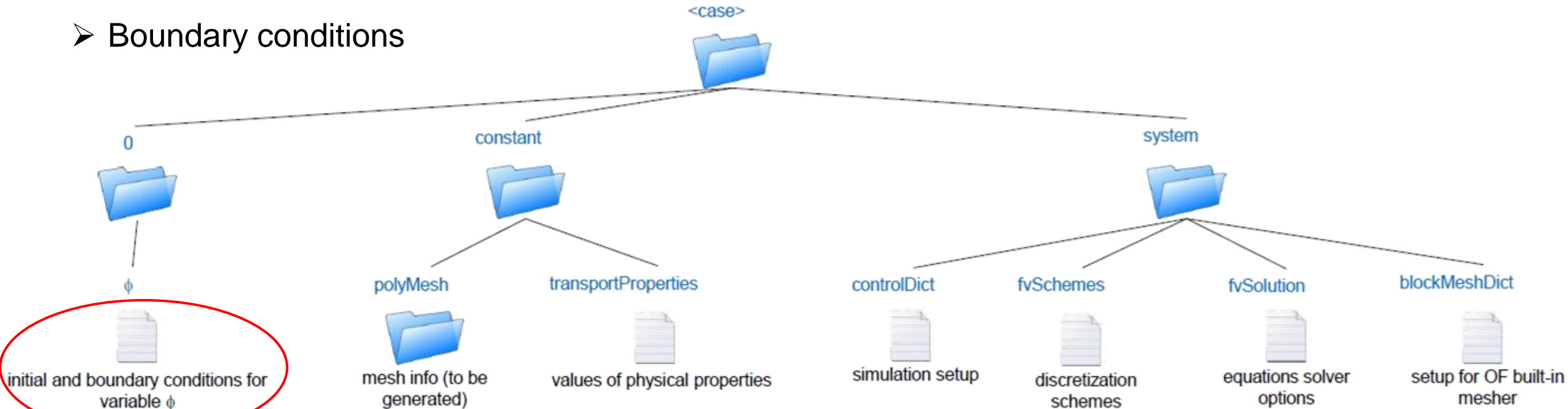
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- Typical folder tree structure of any OpenFOAM simulation



Overview of the configuration files (3/8)

- Typical folder tree structure of any OpenFOAM simulation
- Boundary conditions



In 0.orig/U:

```
boundaryField
{
  CPLReceiveMD
  {
    type    fixedValue;
    value   $internalField;
  }
}
```

In 0.orig/T:

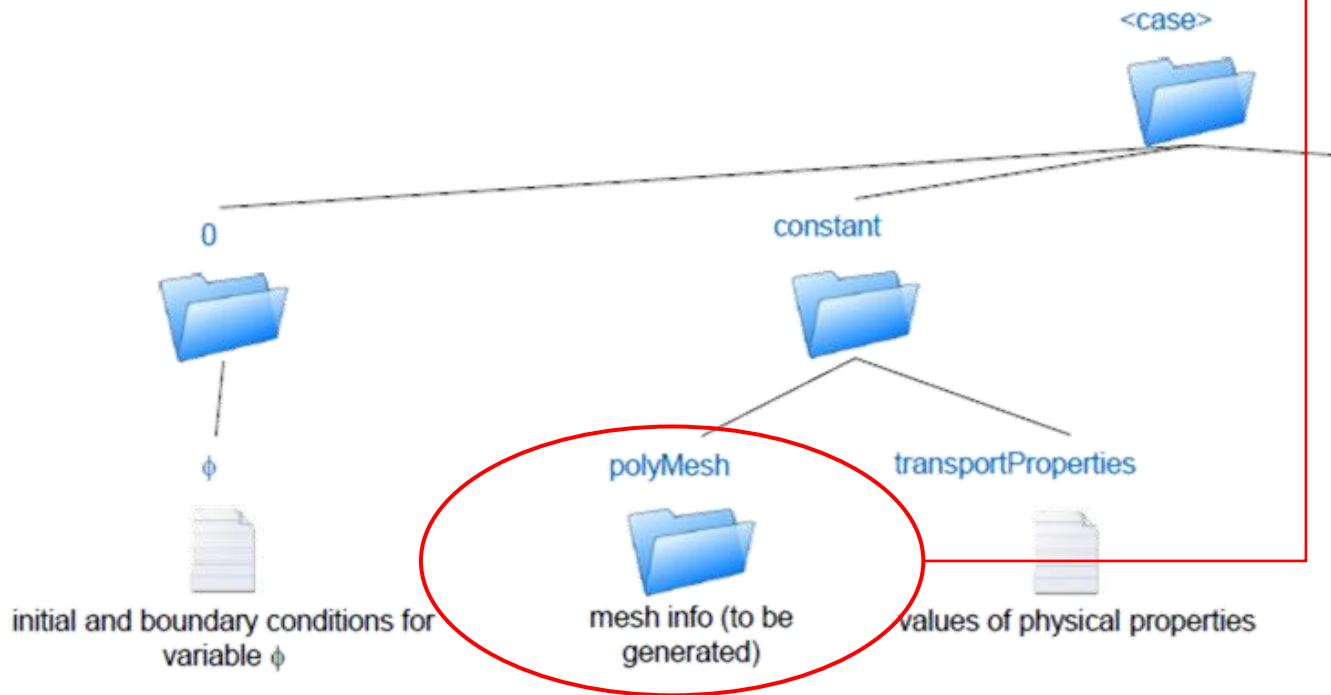
```
boundaryField
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}
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In 0.orig/alpha.liquid:

```
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  {
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    value   $internalField;
  }
}
```


Overview of the configuration files (4/8)

➤ Mesh



In constant/polyMesh/blockMeshDict

```
scale 476.22031559046;
```

```
vertices
```

```
(
  (0 0 0)
  (1.0 0 0)
  (1.0 1.0 0)
  (0 1.0 0)
  (0 0 0.02)
  (1.0 0 0.02)
  (1.0 1.0 0.02)
  (0 1.0 0.02)
);
```

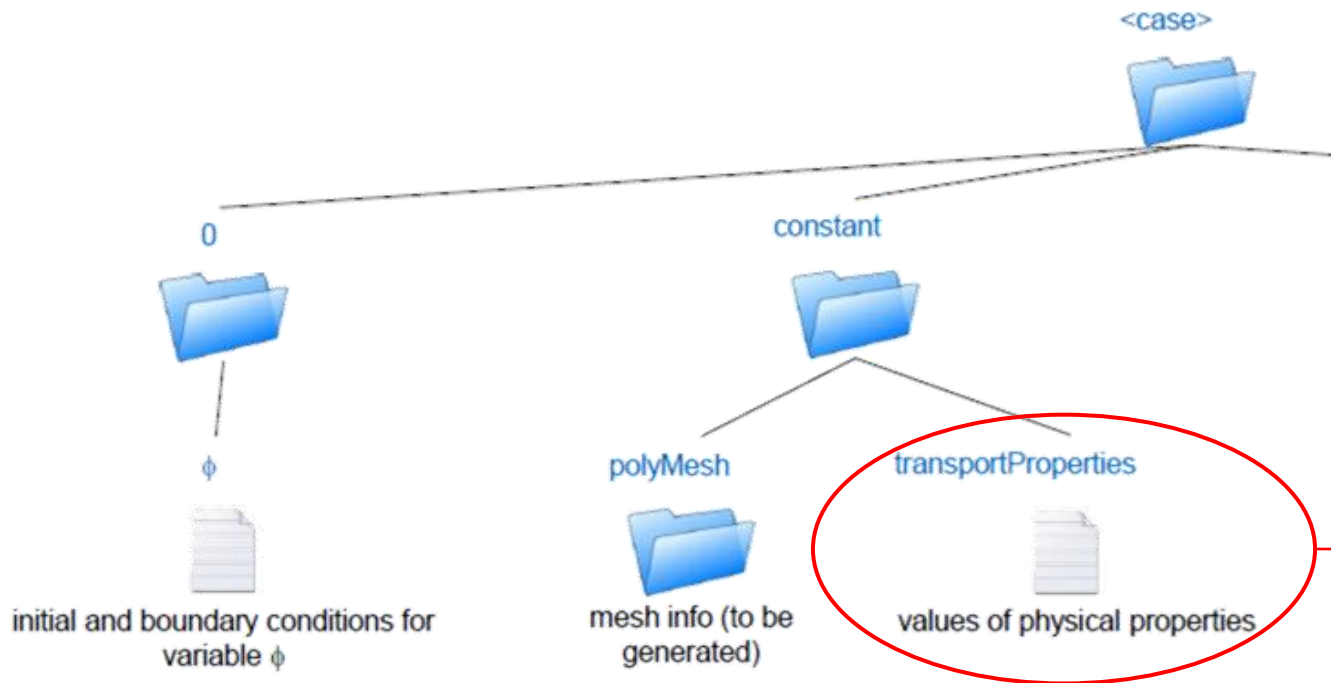
```
...
```

```
boundary
```

```
(
  ...
  CPLReceiveMD
  {
    type patch;
    faces
    (
      (1 5 4 0)
    );
  }
)
```

Overview of the configuration files (5/8)

➤ Properties



In constant/transportProperties

```

liquid
{
  transportModel Newtonian;
  nu          nu [ 0 2 -1 0 0 0 0 ]      1.76;
  rho         rho [ 1 -3 0 0 0 0 0 ]     0.69;
  Cp          Cp [ 0 2 -2 -1 0 0 0 ]     6.74;
  kappa       kappa [ 1 1 -3 -1 0 0 0 ]  4.64;
  Hf          Hf [ 0 2 -2 0 0 0 0 ]      6.54;
}

vapour
{
  ...
}

PhaseChangeProperties
{
  model       hardtSimple;
  Tsat        Tsat [ 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 ]     0.92;
  R           R [ 0 2 -2 -1 0 0 0 ]      1.053;
  sigmaEvap   sigmaEvap [ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ] 1.0;
  sigmaCond   sigmaCond [ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ] 1.0;
  DmDot       DmDot [ 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 ]    500.0;
}
  
```

Phase-change model*

$$\dot{m} = \frac{2\gamma}{2 - \gamma} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi R_g} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\rho_v H_f}{T_{sat}^{3/2}} (T - T_{sat}); R = \frac{R_g}{M}$$

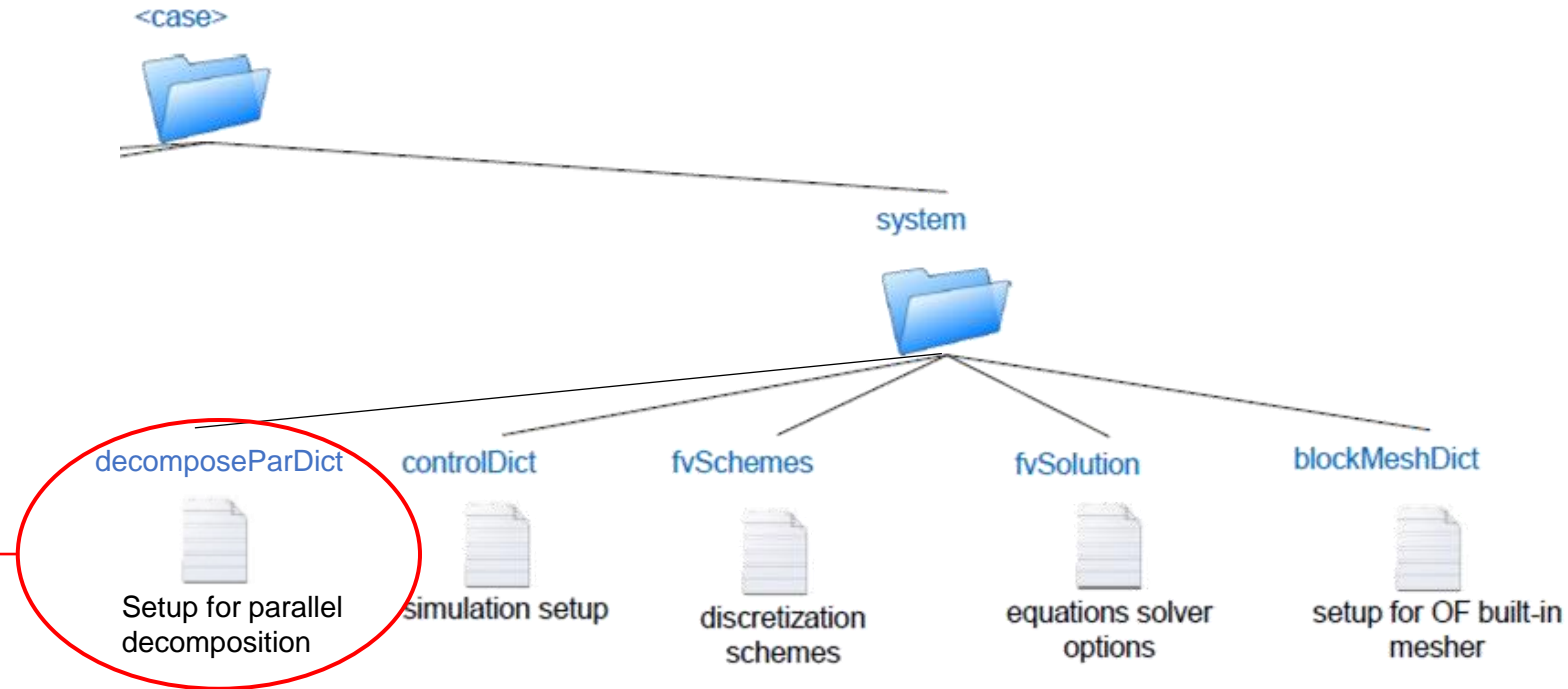
* Ferrari, A., Magnini, M. and Thome, J.R. (2018). Numerical analysis of slug flow boiling in square microchannels. *International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer*, 123, pp.928–944.

Overview of the configuration files (6/8)

➤ Domain parallel decomposition

In `system/decomposeParDict`

```
numberOfSubdomains 2;  
method simple;  
simpleCoeffs  
{  
  n (2 1 1);  
  delta 0.001;  
}
```



Overview of the configuration files (7/8)

- Python script to load and send MD data to OpenFOAM

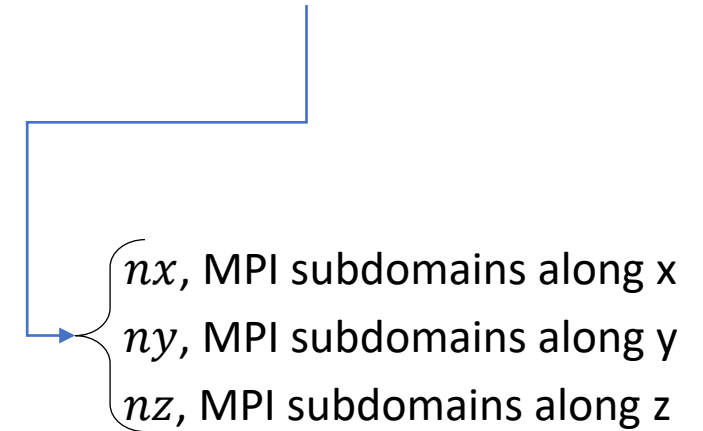
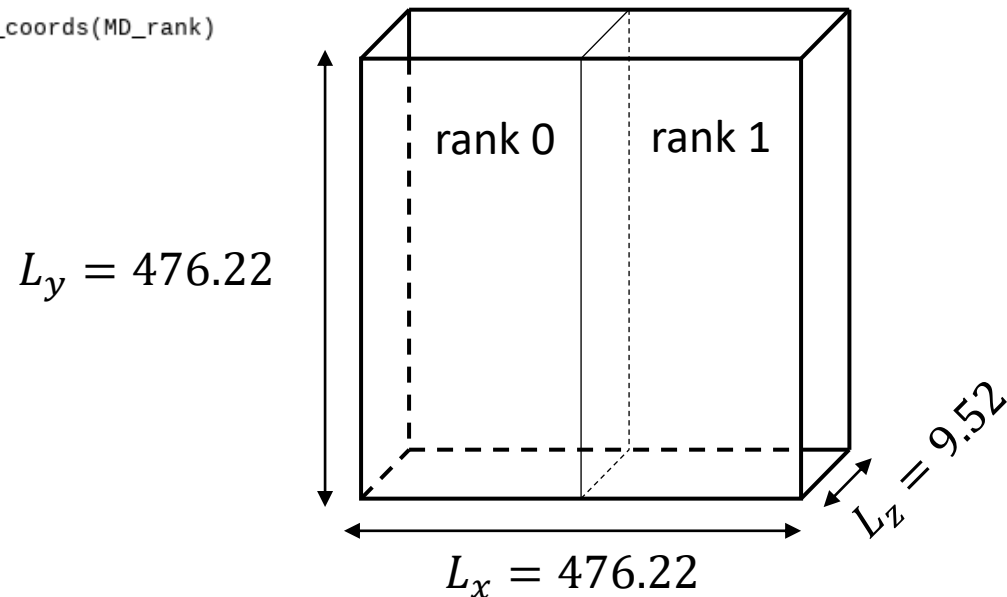
(load_and_send_MD_data.py)

```
#Start coupled run
comm = MPI.COMM_WORLD
CPL = CPL()

MD_COMM = CPL.init(CPL.MD_REALM)
MD_Cart_COMM = MD_COMM.Create_cart([2, 1, 1])
CPL.setup_md(MD_Cart_COMM,
            xyzL=[476.22031559046, 476.22031559046, 9.5244063118092],
            xyz_orig=[0.0, 0.0, 0.0])

MD_rank = MD_COMM.Get_rank()
MD_coords = MD_Cart_COMM.Get_coords(MD_rank)
```

- xyzL = Domain extension
- MD_COMM.Create_cart([nx, ny, nz])



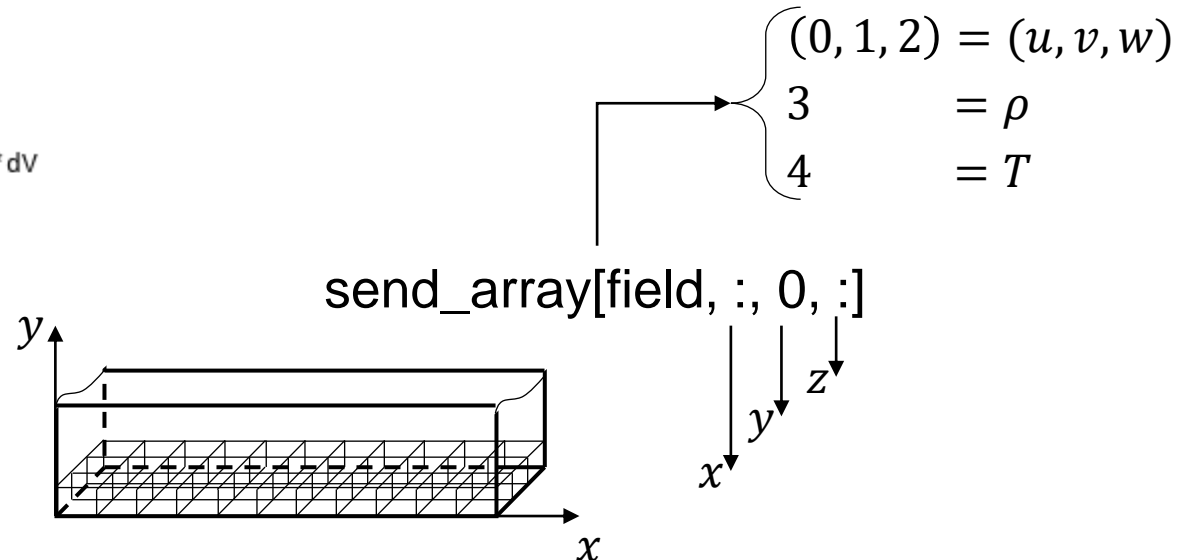
Overview of the configuration files (8/8)

➤ Python script to load and send MD data to OpenFOAM

(load_and_send_MD_data.py)

```
for timestep in range(1, n timestep):  
    if MD_rank == 0:  
        print("CFD timestep = ", timestep, "MD record loaded=", mdrec, flush=True)  
  
    if timestep % timestep_ratio == 0:  
        mdrec = mdrec + 1  
  
    recv_array, ierr = CPL.recv(recv_array)  
  
    #Get density bottom boundary condition  
    MDrho = rhoObj.read(startrec=mdrec, endrec=mdrec)  
    MDrhoBC = np.mean(MDrho[:, yloc, :, :, :], (2, 3))  
  
    MDu = uObj.read(startrec=mdrec, endrec=mdrec)  
    MDuBC = np.mean(MDu[:, yloc, :, :, :], (2))  
  
    Npercell = MDrhoBC[portion[0]:portion[1]+1, portion[4]:portion[5]+1] * dV  
    send_array[3, :, 0, :] = Npercell  
  
    uvw = MDuBC[portion[0]:portion[1]+1, portion[4]:portion[5]+1, :]  
    send_array[0, :, 0, :] = uvw[:, :, 0] * Npercell  
    send_array[1, :, 0, :] = uvw[:, :, 1] * Npercell  
    send_array[2, :, 0, :] = uvw[:, :, 2] * Npercell  
  
    MDT = TObj.read(startrec=mdrec, endrec=mdrec)  
    MDTBC = np.mean(MDT[:, yloc, :, :, :], (2))  
    T = MDTBC[portion[0]:portion[1]+1, portion[4]:portion[5]+1, 0]  
    send_array[4, :, 0, :] = T  
    CPL.send(send_array)
```

- MDrho, MDu, MDT are density, velocity and temperature, respectively, from the MD simulation.
- Boundary conditions are evaluated at the horizontal line $y = yloc$.
- Data is sent to OpenFOAM through *send array*



The image shows a presentation slide on the left and a terminal window on the right. The slide is titled "Running OpenFOAM and LAMMPS coupled by CPLibrary on ARCHER2" and is by Gavin J. Pringle from EPCC, University of Edinburgh, dated 6 July 2023. It includes a table of contents with links to various sections. The terminal window shows a file explorer on the left and a terminal output on the right. The terminal output lists system information for Ubuntu 20.04, including the Linux distribution, Windows drive mounting, WSL DISPLAY redirection, and WSL filesystem access. The terminal prompt is `ezxgg4@du ip76371:~$`.

Running OpenFOAM and LAMMPS coupled by CPLibrary on ARCHER2

Gavin J. Pringle
EPCC, University of Edinburgh
6 July 2023

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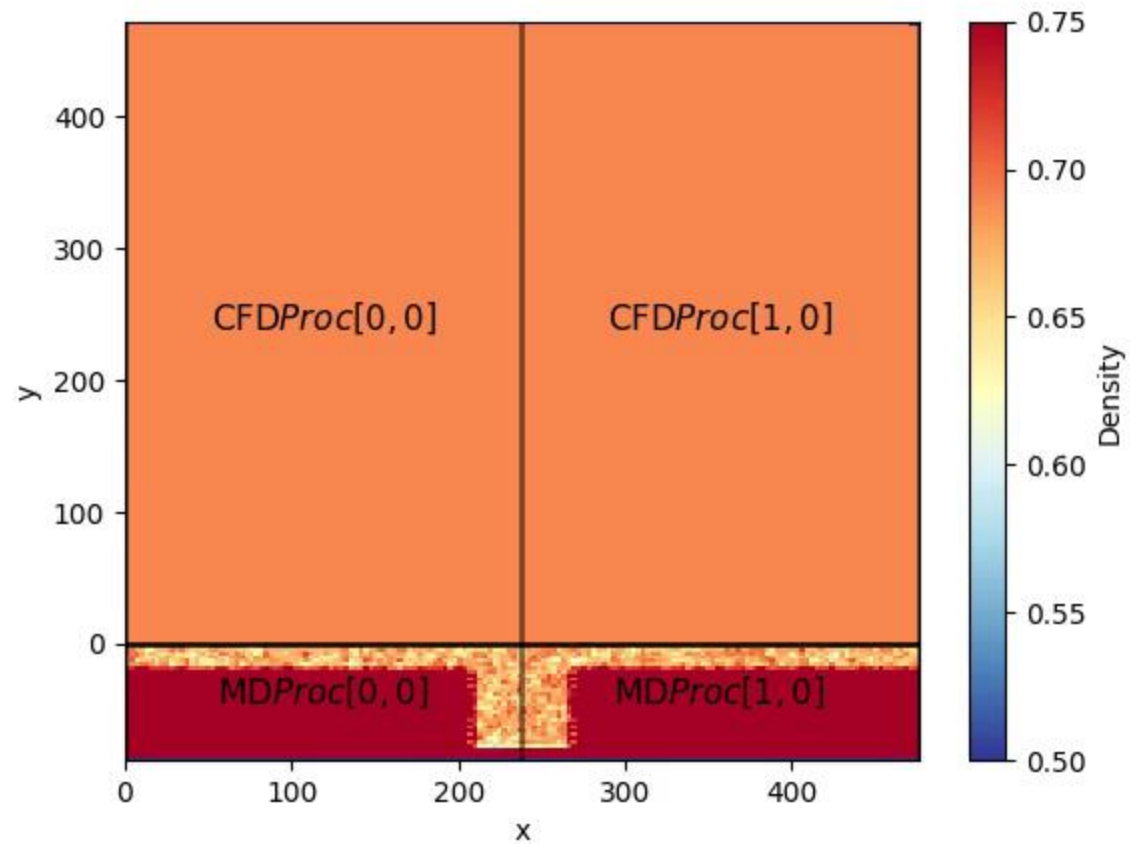
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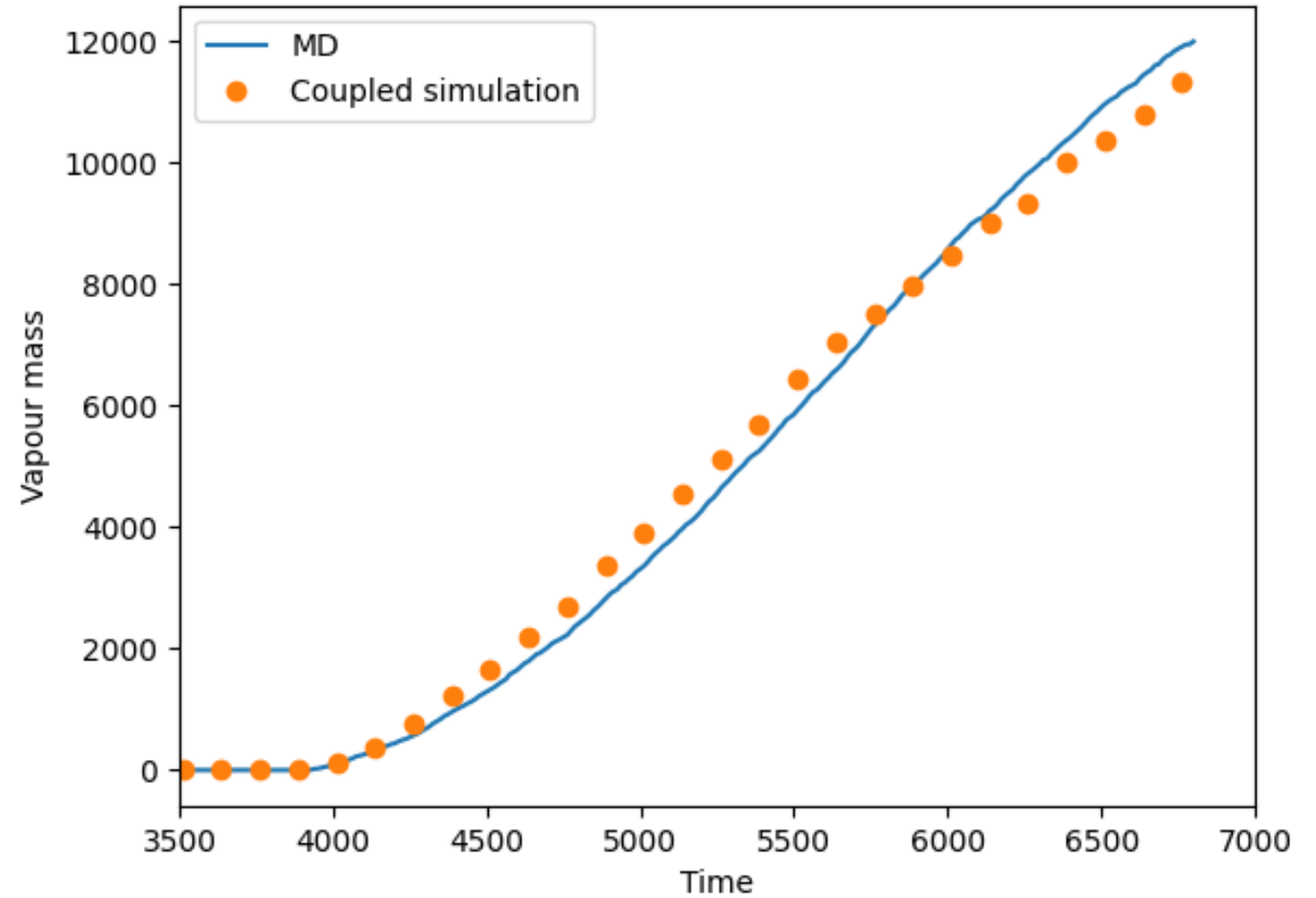
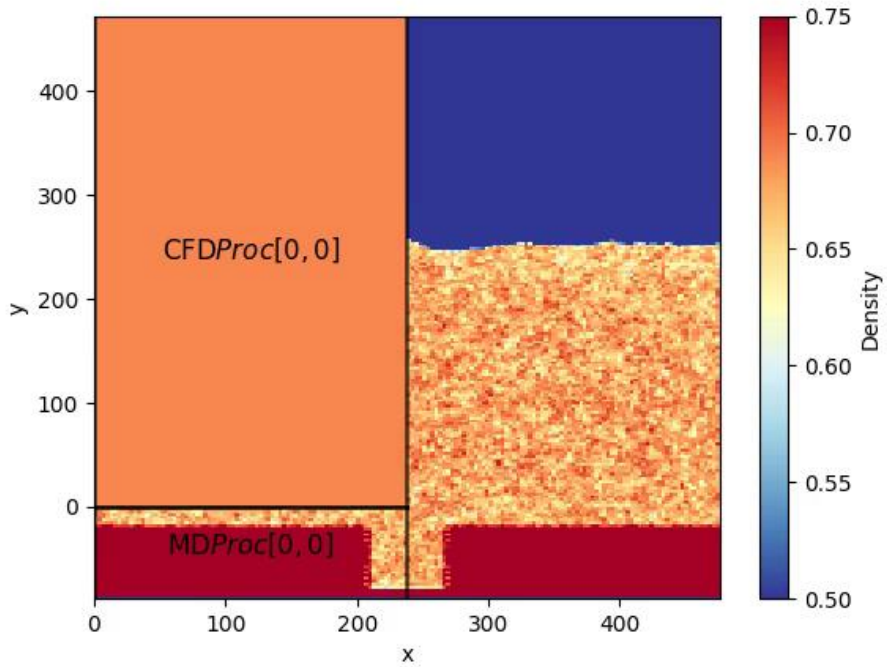
Results (1/2)

- Coupled simulation: contours of density



Results (2/2)

➤ Coupled simulation Vs MD



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- If you don't have an account on Archer2, you can still run this case using the minimal example (minimal_MD.py), where a uniform jet of vapor is injected at the coupled boundary instead of the actual MD data.

```
recv_array, send_array = CPL.get_arrays(recv_size=3, send_size=5)
uwall = 0.; vwall = 0.5
olap_limits = np.zeros(6); portion = np.zeros(6)
olap_limits = CPL.get_olap_limits()
portion = CPL.my_proc_portion(olap_limits)
dV = CPL.get("dx")*CPL.get("dy")*CPL.get("dz")
for time in range(501):
    recv_array, ierr = CPL.recv(recv_array)
    for i in range(send_array.shape[0]):
        for k in range(send_array.shape[2]):
            ig = i + portion[0]
            print(time, i, k, ig)
            if (ig > 60 and ig < 90):
                rho = 0.02;
                send_array[3,i,0,k] = rho*dV
                send_array[0,i,0,k] = uwall*send_array[3,i,0,k]
                send_array[1,i,0,k] = vwall*send_array[3,i,0,k]
            else:
                rho = 0.7;
                send_array[3,i,0,k] = rho*dV
                send_array[0,i,0,k] = uwall*send_array[3,i,0,k]
                send_array[1,i,0,k] = 0.0*send_array[3,i,0,k]
            send_array[4,i,0,k] = 0.95
    CPL.send(send_array)
```

Velocity components of
the vapor jet

Uniform vertical flow of
vapor with fixed velocity

Liquid region at the
bottom boundary