

# Introduction to CFD using OpenFOAM



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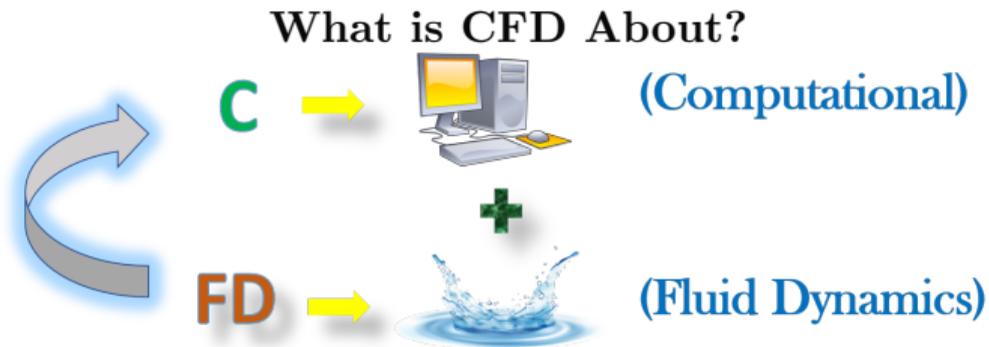
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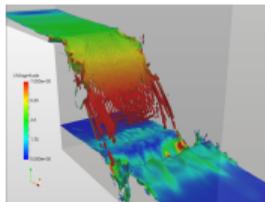
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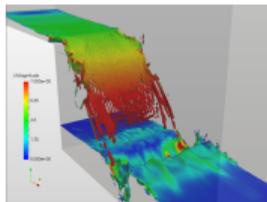
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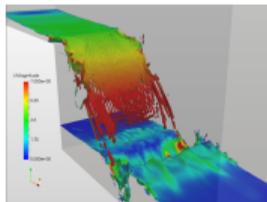


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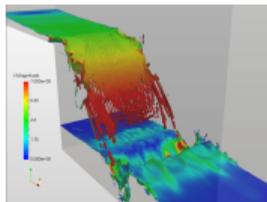


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Application for specific problem Eg. Flow over cylinder



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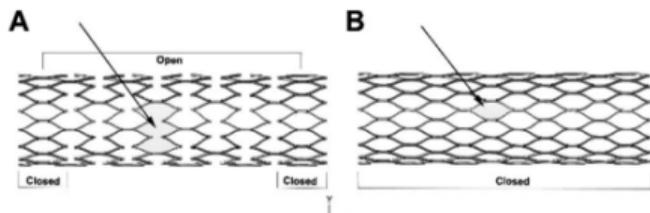
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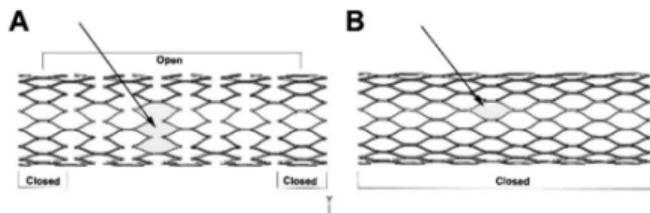
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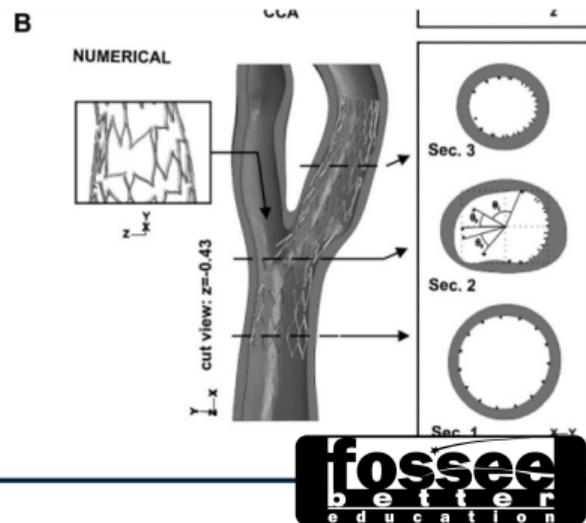
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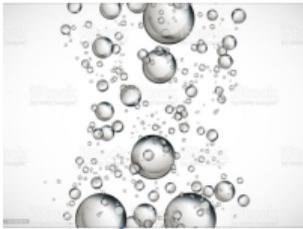
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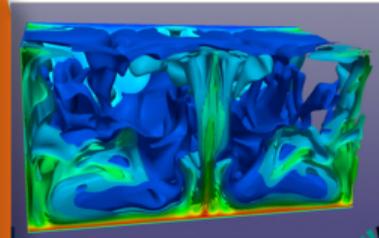


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## Heat Transfer Study:

- Differences in temperature may lead to fluid flow variation and variation in flow velocity effects temperature.
- This 2-way interaction finds application in geophysical flows, heat exchangers etc.



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- ▶ Many Solvers are available like Fluent (ANSYS), ADINA, COMSOL etc... But these softwares need to be purchased.
- ▶ OpenFOAM is an open-source software ... So... It's free of cost ! Also, we can tweak the codes to suit our problem statement.

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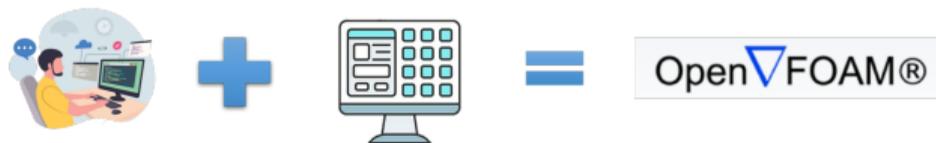


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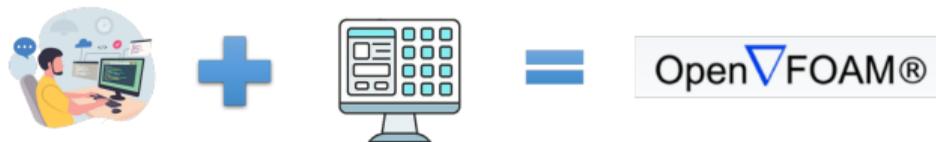
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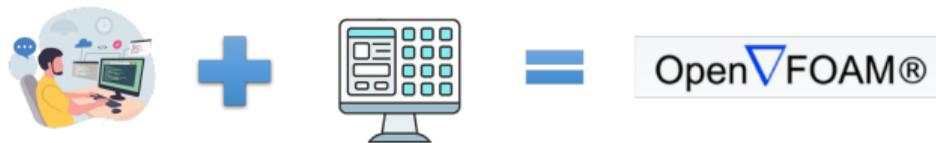


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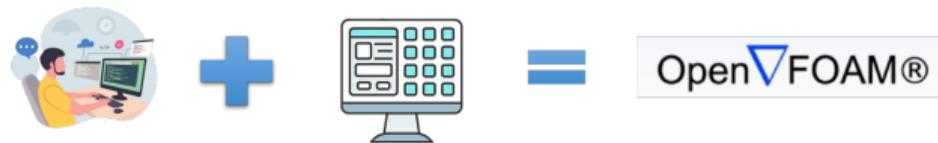
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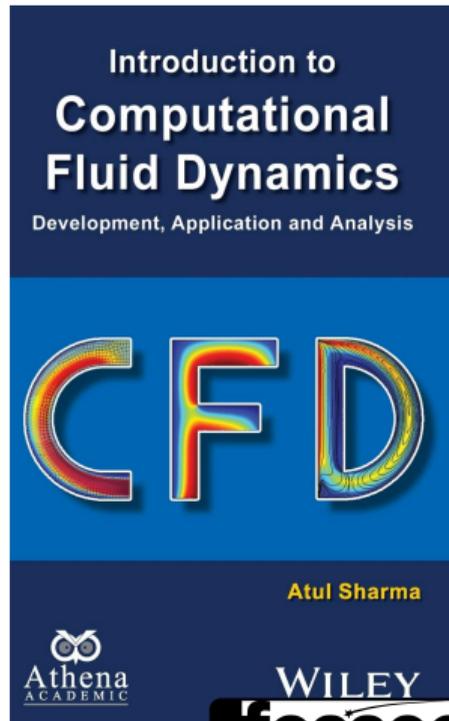
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