

Reynolds OpenFoam GUI using Blender

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QUICK BLENDER INTRO

Games and Graphics domains

3D Modeling, Animation

Python API for customization with add-ons



SOLVING CAVITY TUTORIAL

ICOFOAM SOLVER

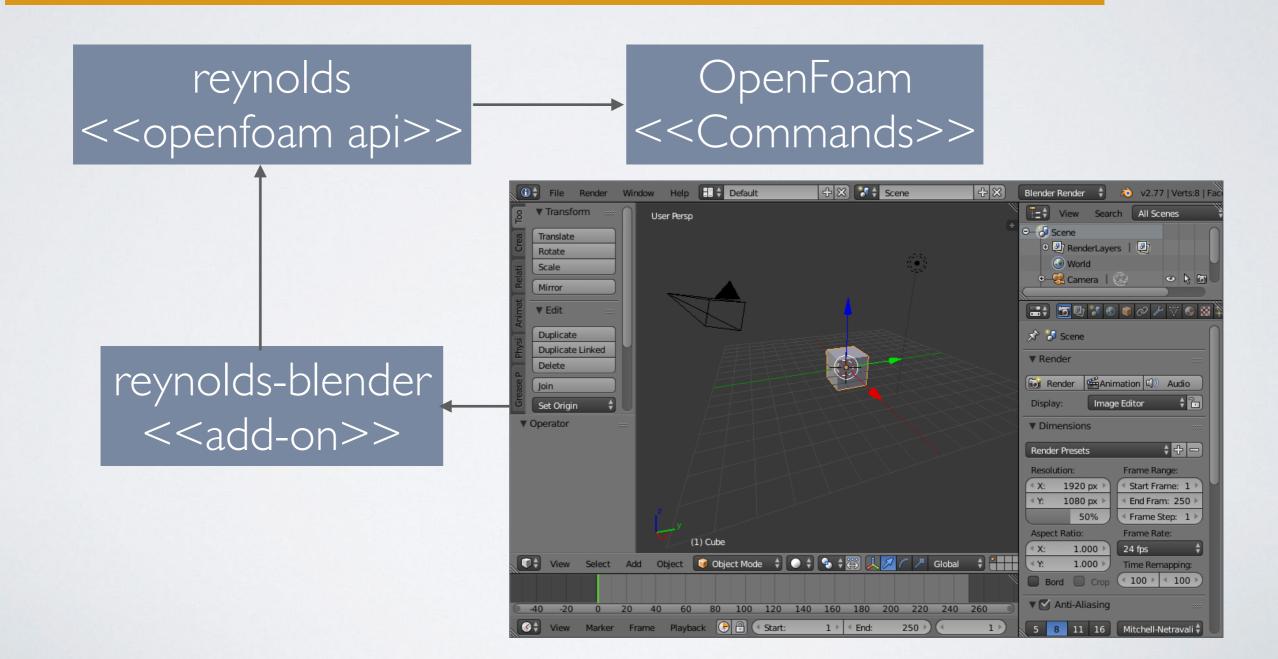


WHY BLENDER?

PYTHON API PYTHON Package for OpenFoam 3D Graphics - No Reinventing the Wheel Advanced 3D Modeling Support



REYNOLDS DESIGN



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reynolds-blender
    Panel
                                      <<add-on>>
class BlockMeshDictPanel(Panel):
   bl_idname = "of_bmd_panel"
   bl_label = "BlockMesh"
   bl_space_type = "VIEW_3D"
   bl_region_type = "TOOLS"
   bl_category = "Tools"
   bl_context = "objectmode"
   def draw(self, context):
      layout = self.layout
      scene = context.scene
      row = layout.row()
      row.operator(BlockMeshAddOperator.bl_idname, text='', icon='PLUS')
      row.operator(BlockMeshCellsOperator.bl_idname, text='', icon='LATTIC
      row.operator(BlockMeshRegionsOperator.bl_idname, text='', icon='MESF
      row.operator(ShowMeshObjOperator.bl_idname, text='', icon='FACESEL_F
        # Render Block Panel using YAML GUI Spec
        gui_renderer = ReynoldsGUIRenderer(scene, layout,
                                   'block_mesh_panel.yaml')
      gui_renderer.render()
    # register and unregister
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```

1	attrs:
2	blockmesh_executed:
3	type: Bool
4	name: "blockMesh executed"
5	description: "blockMesh executed"
6	default: false
7	
8	operators:
9	reynolds.generate_bmd:
10	operator_type: Operator
11	class_name: BMDGenerateDictOperator
12	label: Generate Dict
13	description: Generate block mesh dict
14	execute_func: generate_blockmeshdict
15	reynolds.block_mesh_runner:
16	operator_type: Operator
17	class_name: BMDBlockMeshRunnerOperator
18	label: Run
19	description: Run blockMesh command
20	execute_func: run_blockmesh
21	reynolds.generate_time_props:
22	operator_type: Operator
23	class_name: BMDTimePropsOperator
24	label: Generate Time Props
25	description: Generate time props
26	execute_func: generate_time_props
27	
28	gui:
29	- box:
30	- row:
31	- operator:
32	<pre>id: reynolds.block_mesh_runner</pre>
33	icon: FILE_TEXT
34	- operator:

id: reynolds.generate_time_props icon: FILE_TEXT

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reynolds
<<openfoam api>>
    class FoamCmdRunner(object):
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         ....
33
         Runs the foam command given the cmd name for a given case.
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         .....
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37
         def __init__(self, cmd_name, case_dir=None, cmd_flags=[]):
             ....
38
             Creates a foam command runner for a given command with a case directory.
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40
             :param cmd_name: The command name, with correct case
41
             :param case_dir: The absolute path to the case directory on disk
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             . . .
43
             self.cmd_name = cmd_name
44
             self.case_dir = case_dir
45
             self.cmd_flags = cmd_flags
46
             self.run_status = False
47
48
         def run_command(self):
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             .....
50
             Runs the command in the case directory.
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             :return: True, if solving succeeds, False otherwise.
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             .....
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             with Popen([self.cmd_name, '-case', self.case_dir] + self.cmd_flags,
55
                        stdout=PIPE,
56
                        bufsize=1,
57
                        universal_newlines=True) as p:
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                 for info in p.stdout:
59
                     lines = info.splitlines()
60
                     for line in lines:
61
                         if len(line) > 0 and not line.isspace():
62
                             yield line.rstrip('\n')
63
             return p.returncode == 0
64
```

<u>tests += 1</u>

```
def test_blockmesh_with_cavity_tutorial(self):
   # _____
   # Initialization
   # _____
   self.check_addon_loaded()
   self.start_openfoam()
   obj = self.scene.objects['Plane']
   self.switch_to_edit_mode(obj)
   self.select_case_dir(self.temp_tutorial_dir)
   # _____
   # Steps to solve case
   # _____
   self.scene.block_cells_pg.convert_to_meters = 0.1
   self.set_number_of_cells(20, 20, 1)
   self.set_grading(1, 1, 1)
   # _____
   # Configure case
   # _____
   self.set_solver_name('icoFoam')
   self._generate_fv_schemes()
```

ADD-ON TESTING

reynolds / reynolds / dict / templates /	
icoFoam	
laplacianFoam	
README.md	
T.foam	
U.foam	
□initpy	
blockMeshDict.foam	
controlDict.foam	
p.foam	
snappyHexMeshDict.foam	
surfaceFeatureExtractDict.foam	
reynolds_blender / yaml / panels /	
icoFoamSolution.yaml	
IaplacianFoamSchemes.yaml	
laplacianFoamSolution.yaml	

```
default
           Gauss linear orthogonal;
}
interpolationSchemes
{
           linear;
  default
}
snGradSchemes
{
  default
           orthogonal;
}
// ></
attrs:
 foam_started:
  type: Bool
         .....
  name:
  description: "Foam Started"
  default: false
 solver_name:
  type: Enum
  name: "Solver Type:"
```

```
description: "Solver Name"
default: laplacianFoam
```

items:

- icoFoam

```
    icoFoam
```



USING BLENDER? CONS ...

Users need on-boarding due to Blender interface learning curve

Blender has it's own GUI ToolKit

Not integrable in your own app as Python 3D interface



THANKYOU

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