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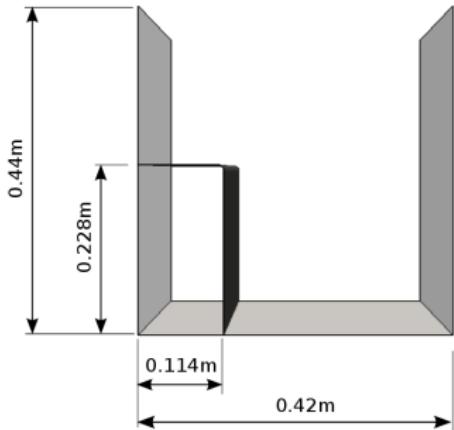
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# Outline

- Breaking of a dam problem
  - Problem description
  - Objective
- Governing Equations
- Results
  - Snapshots
  - Liquid interface evolution
- Conclusions

# Breaking of Dam Problem



Water properties

$$\rho = 1000 \text{ Kg/m}^3$$

$$\nu = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

Air properties

$$\rho = 1 \text{ Kg/m}^3$$

$$\nu = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

Experiments: Cruchaga et al. Collapse of a liquid column: Numerical simulation and experimental validation. *Computational Mechanics*, 2007; 39(4):453-476

Simulations: OpenFOAM 2.2.1 (interFoam)

# Governing Equations

## Indicator function

$$\frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U} \gamma) + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{U}_r \gamma (1 - \gamma)) = 0$$

## Weighted properties

$$\rho = \rho_l \gamma + \rho_g (1 - \gamma) \quad \mu = \mu_l \gamma + \mu_g (1 - \gamma)$$

## Momentum equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{U} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{U})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}) = -\nabla p + \rho \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{f}_\sigma + \nabla \cdot \tau$$

where:  $\tau = \mu_{eff} [\nabla \mathbf{U} + (\nabla \mathbf{U})^T]$ ,  $\mu_{eff} = \rho(\nu_t + \nu)$ , and  $\nu = \mu/\rho$

Turbulence models selected: Spalart-Allmaras and  $k - \varepsilon$

# Results

## ① Snapshots

- Mesh size convergence without turbulence model
- Mesh size convergence with  $k - \varepsilon$  turbulence model
- Turbulence model comparison ( $k - \varepsilon$  vs Spalart-Allmaras)

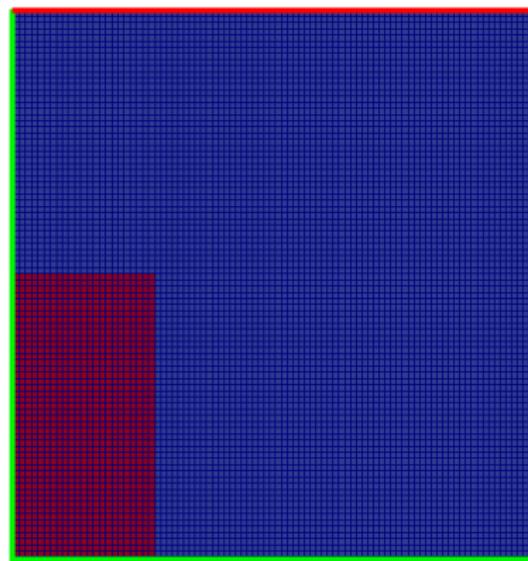
## ② Interface position

- Interface detection strategy
- Positions without turbulence model
- Positions with  $k - \varepsilon$  turbulence model

## ③ Tridimensional Results

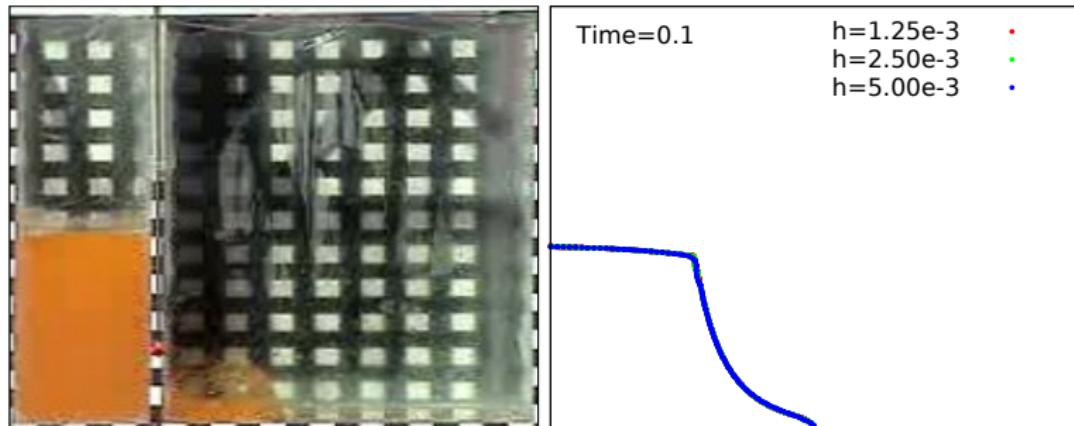
## Results: Mesh details

Mesh size $h$ [m]	Hor. $\times$ Vert.	Total
$1.25 \times 10^{-3}$	$355 \times 353$	7921
$2.50 \times 10^{-3}$	$177 \times 178$	31506
$5.00 \times 10^{-3}$	$89 \times 89$	125315



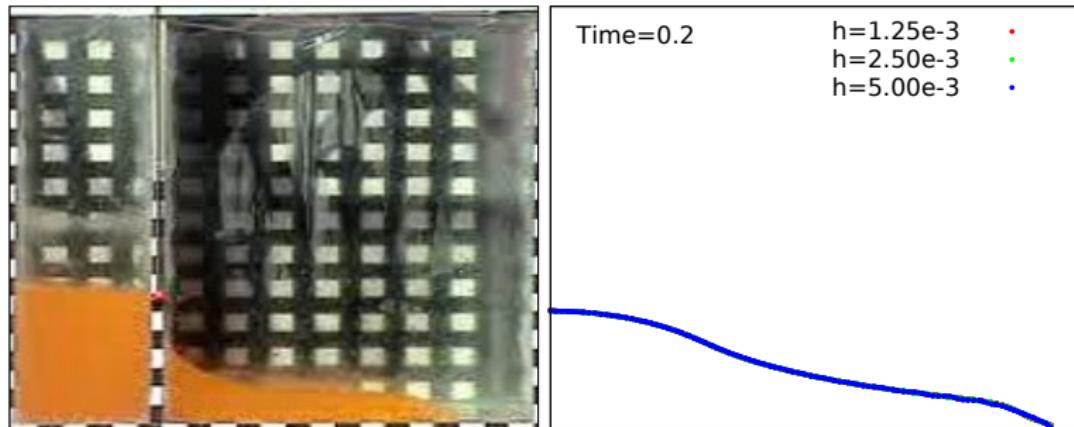
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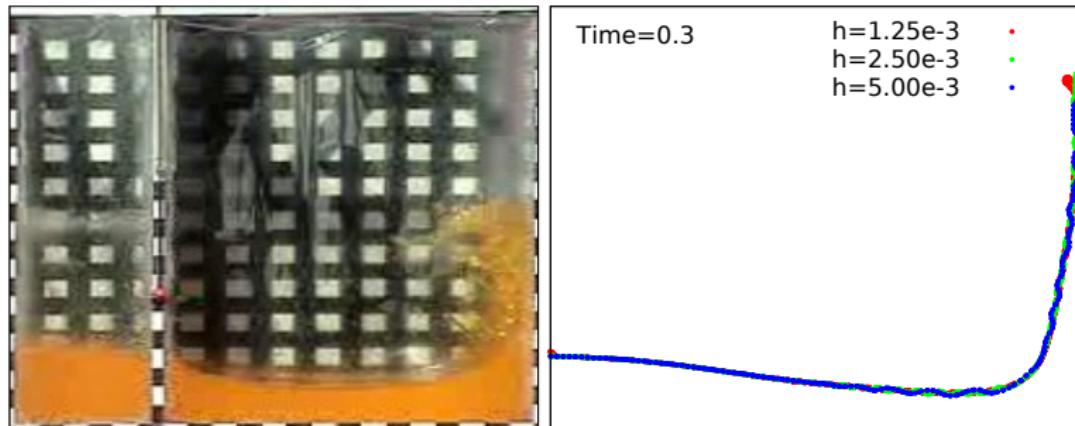
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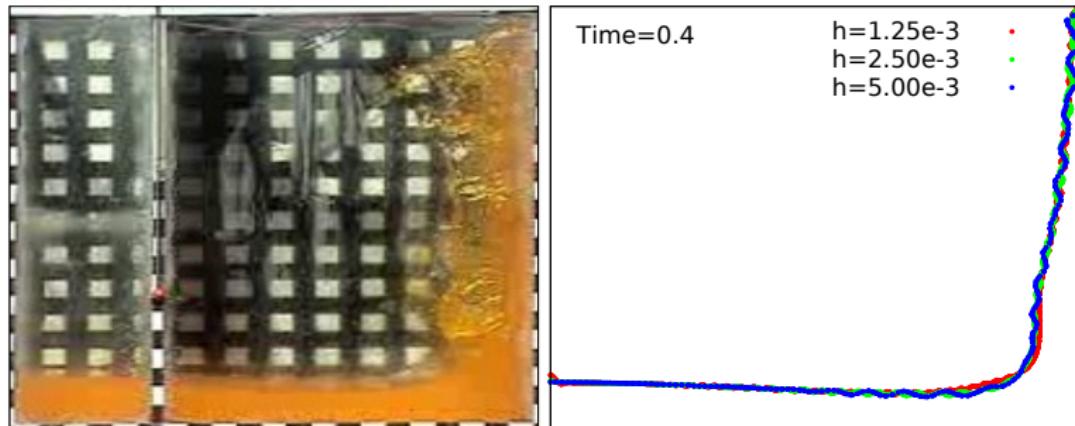
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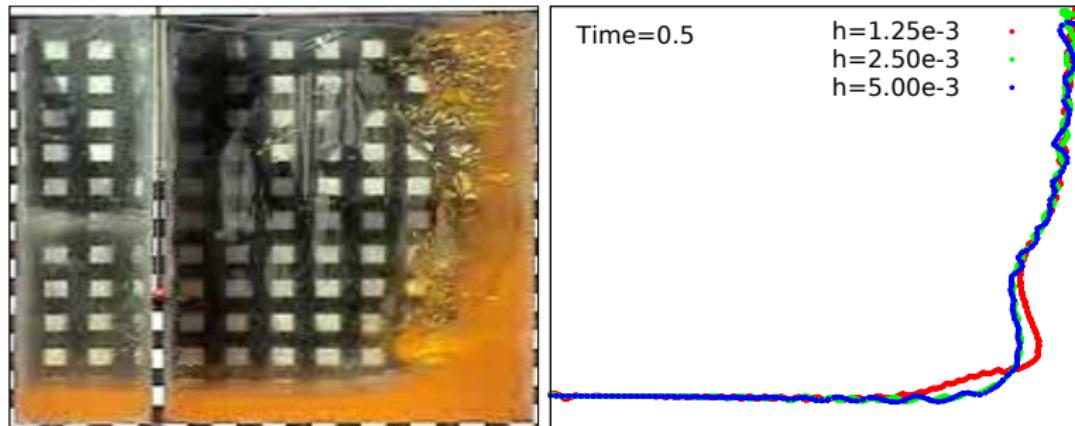
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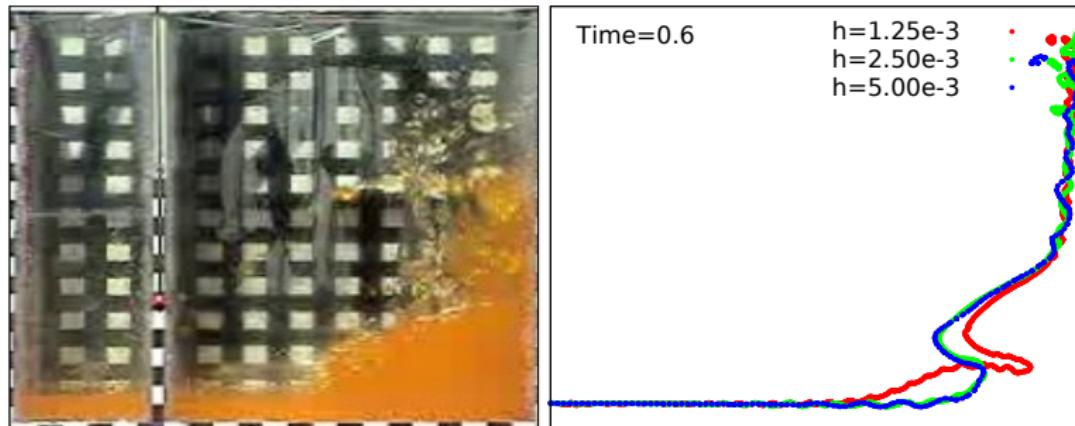
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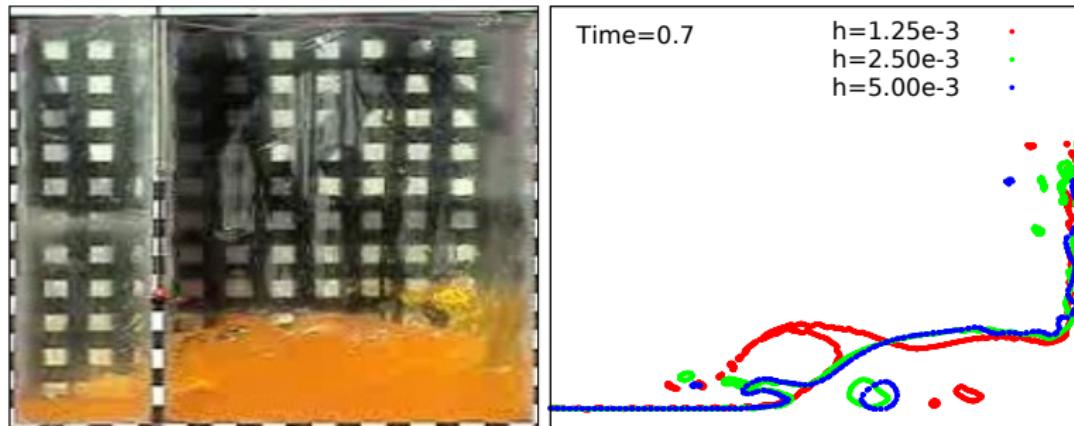
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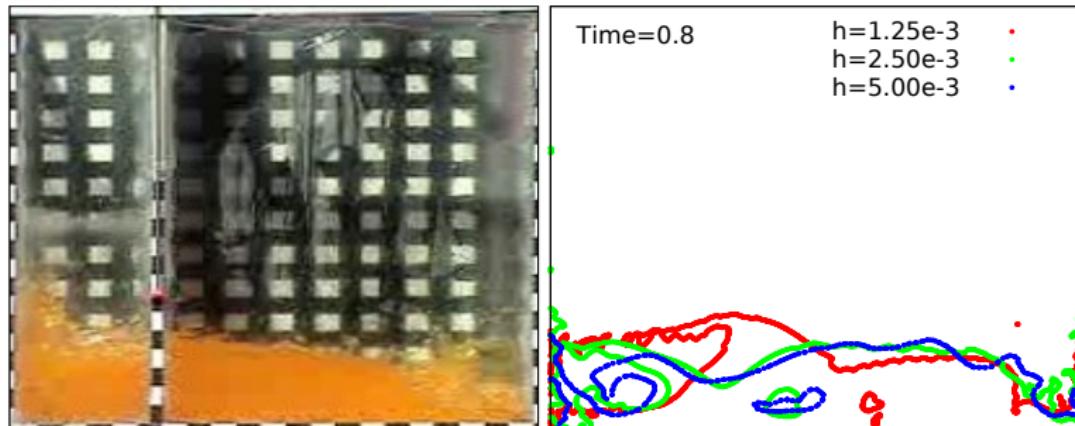
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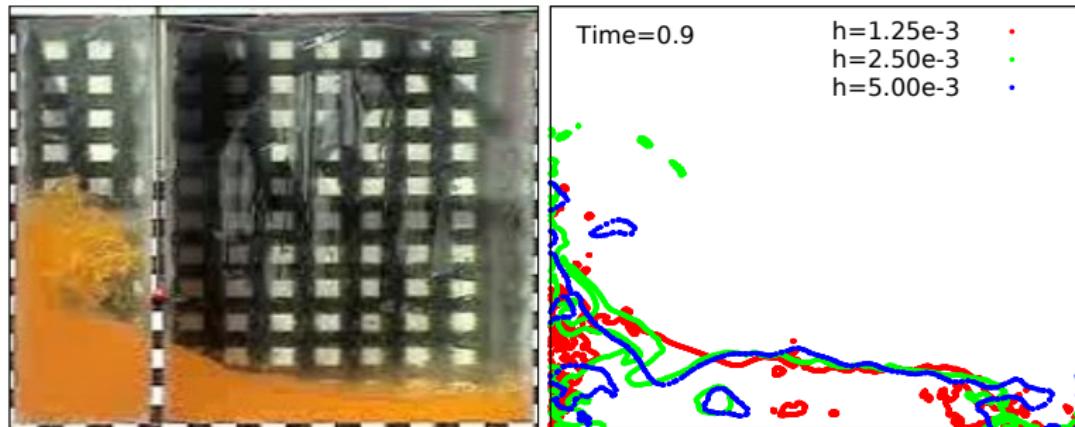
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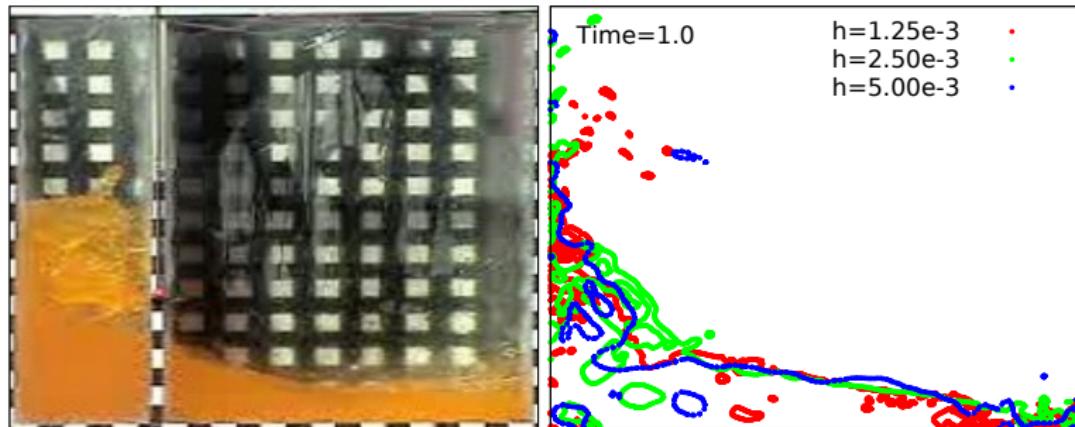
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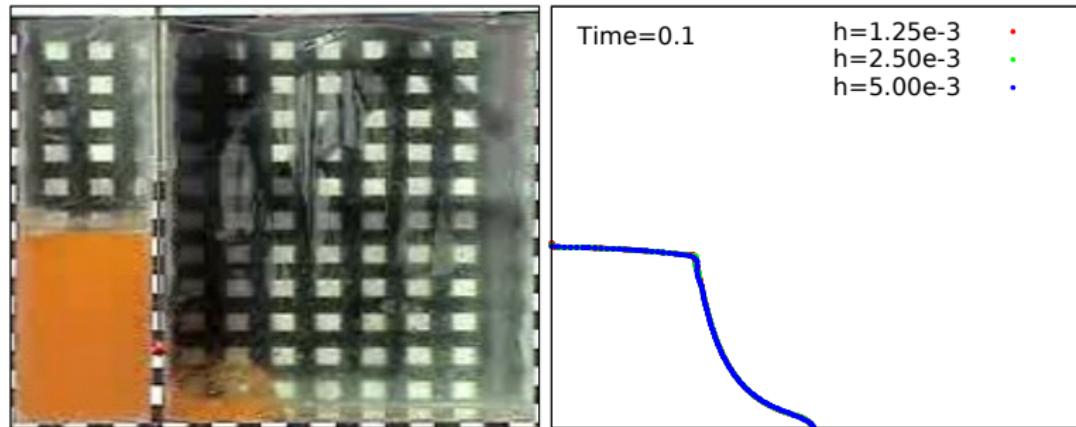
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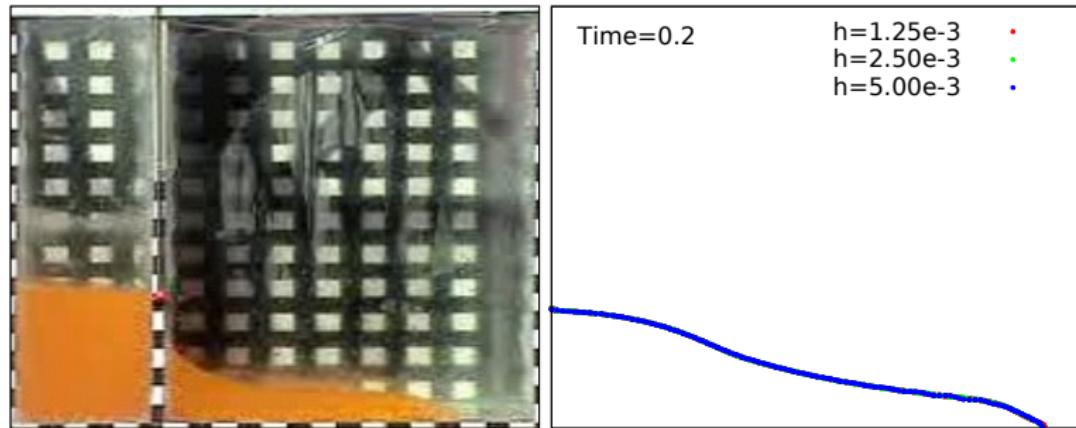
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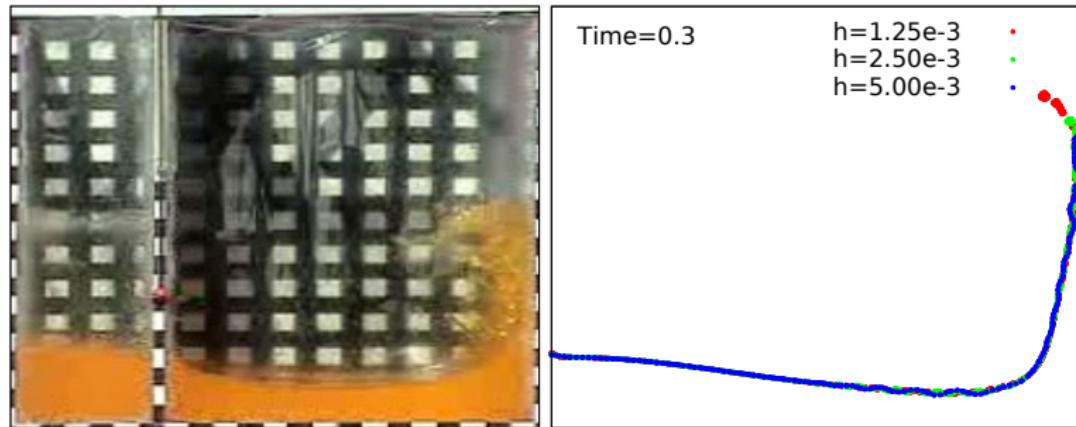
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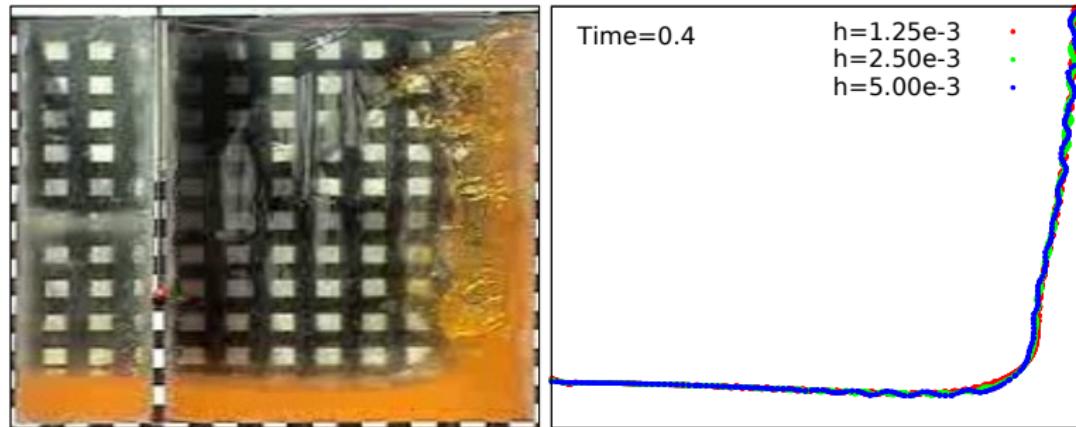
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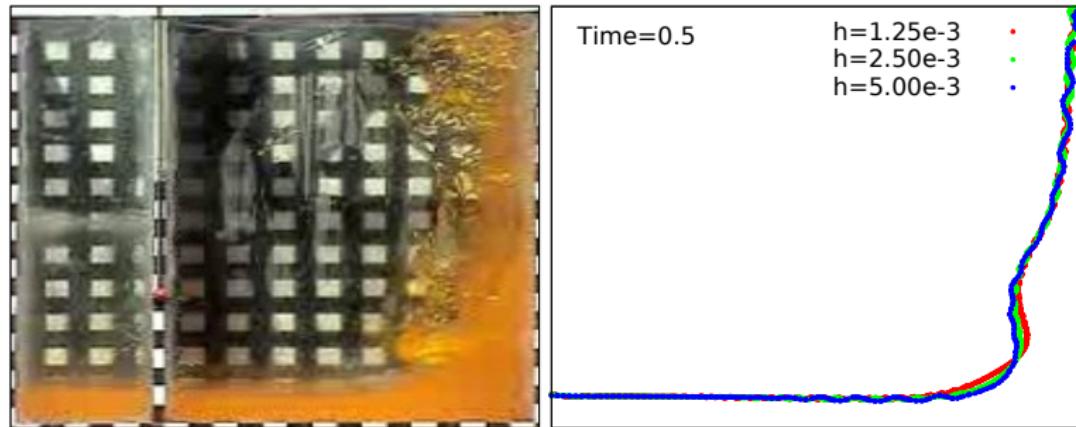
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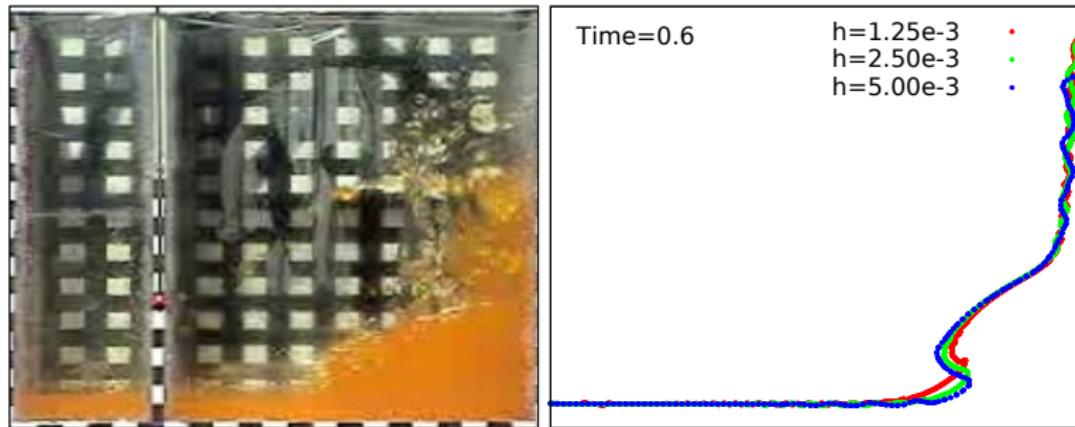
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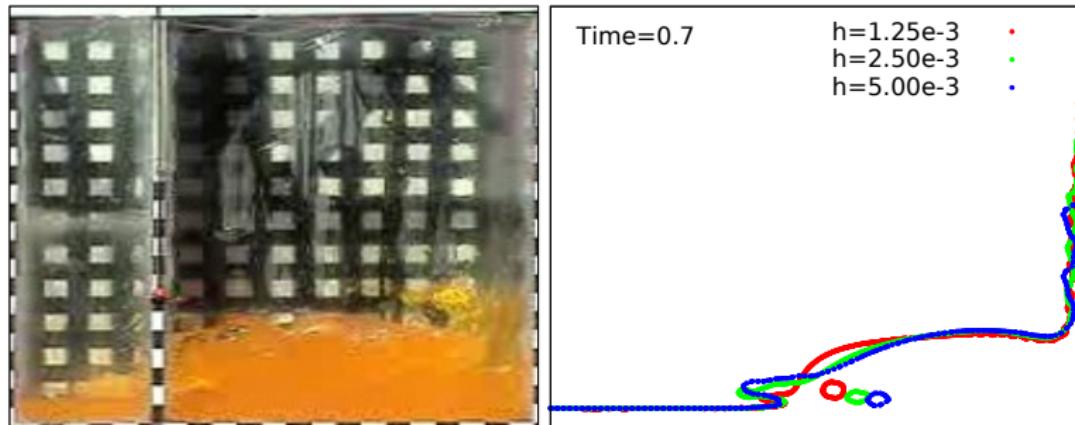
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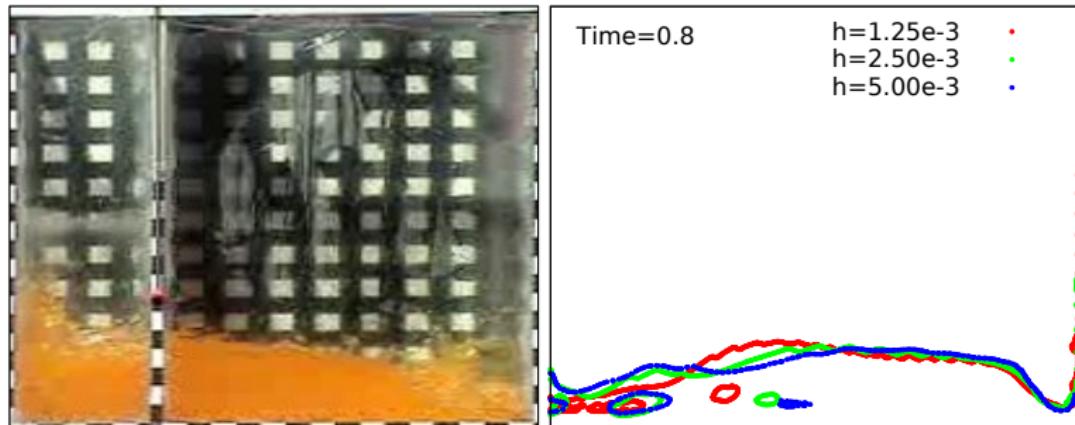
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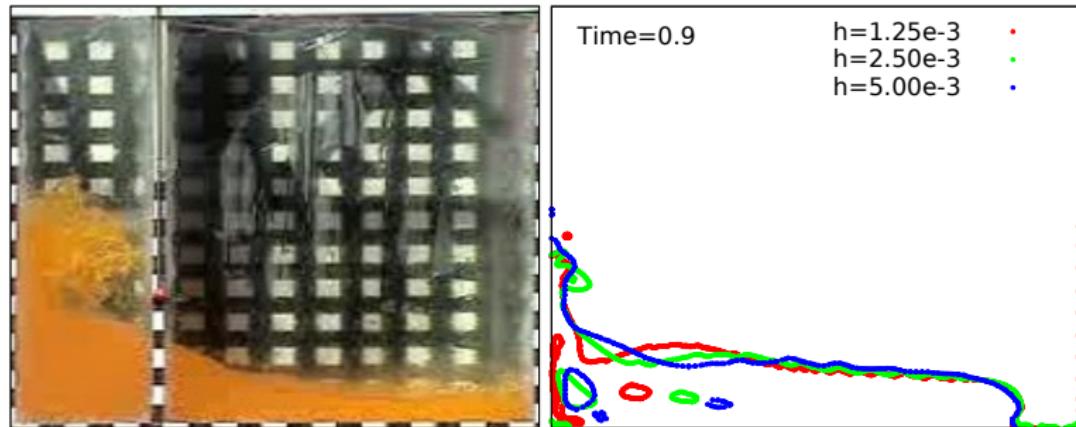
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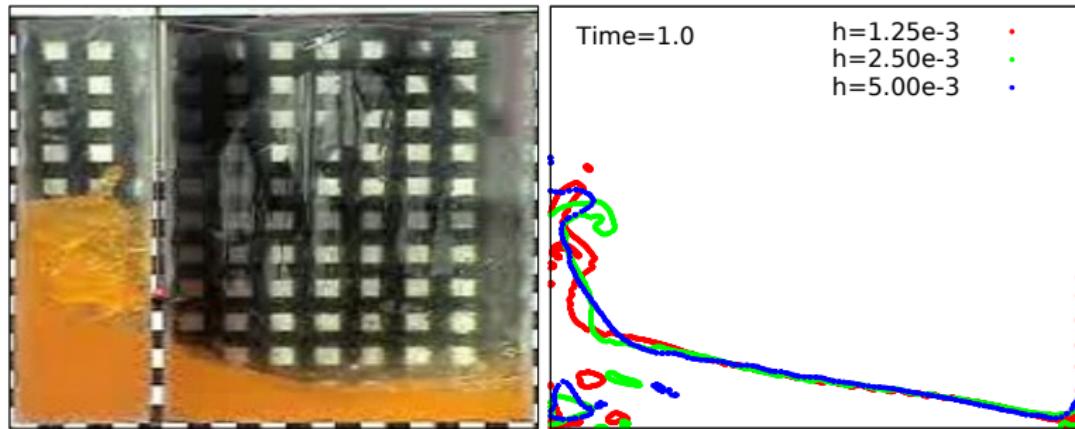
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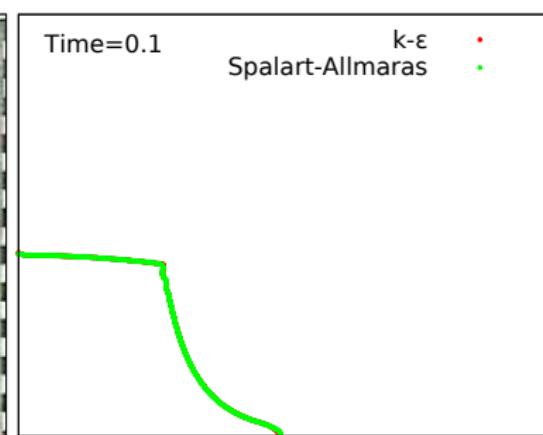
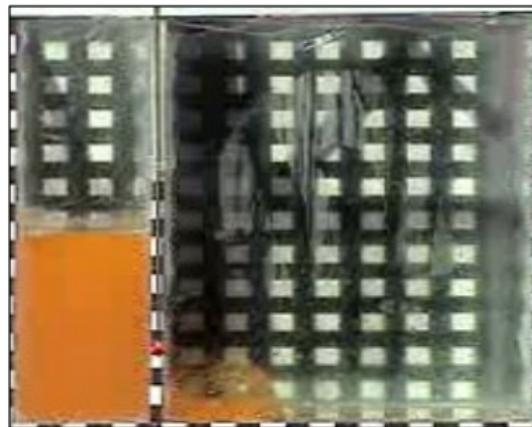
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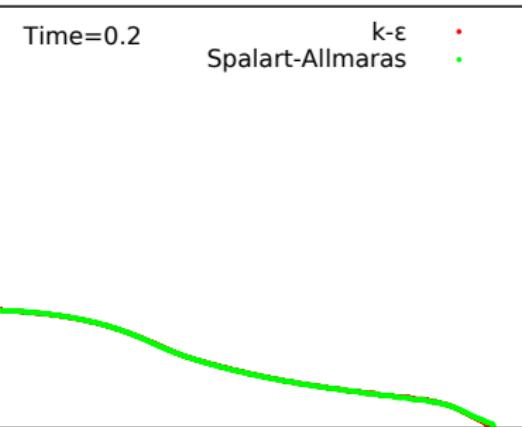
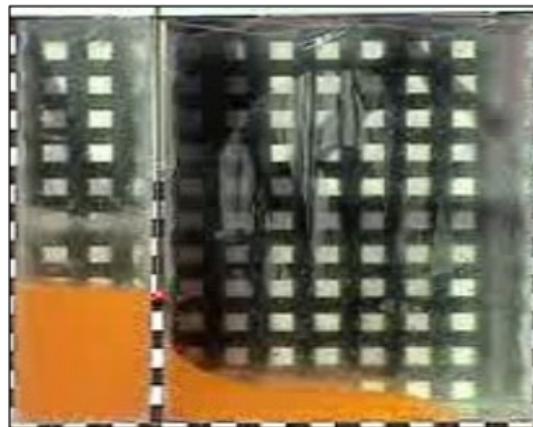
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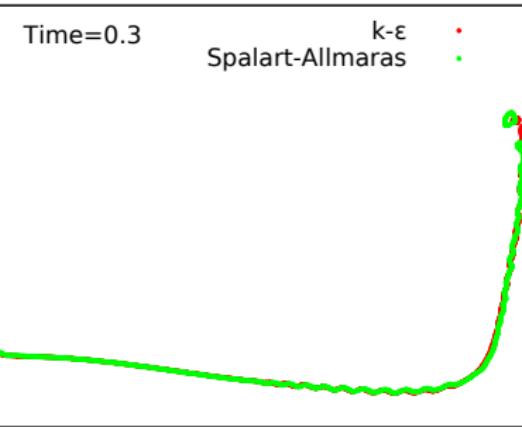
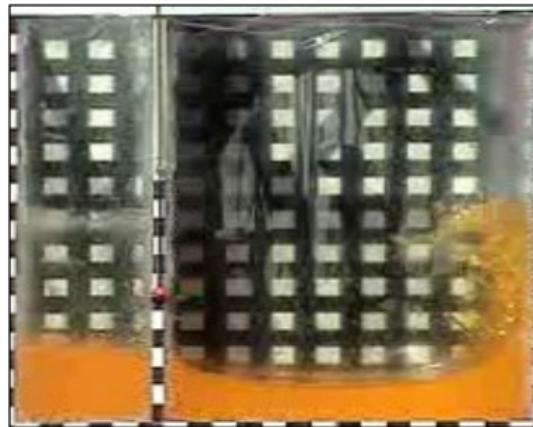
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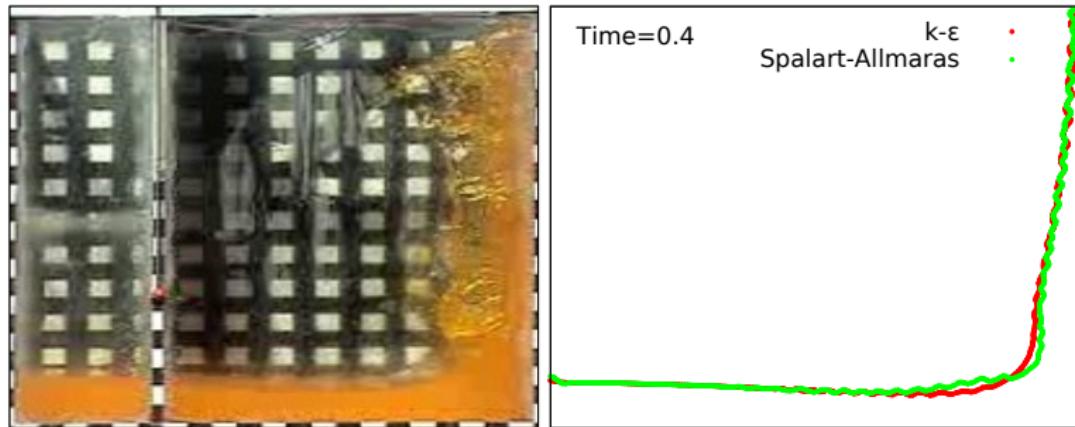
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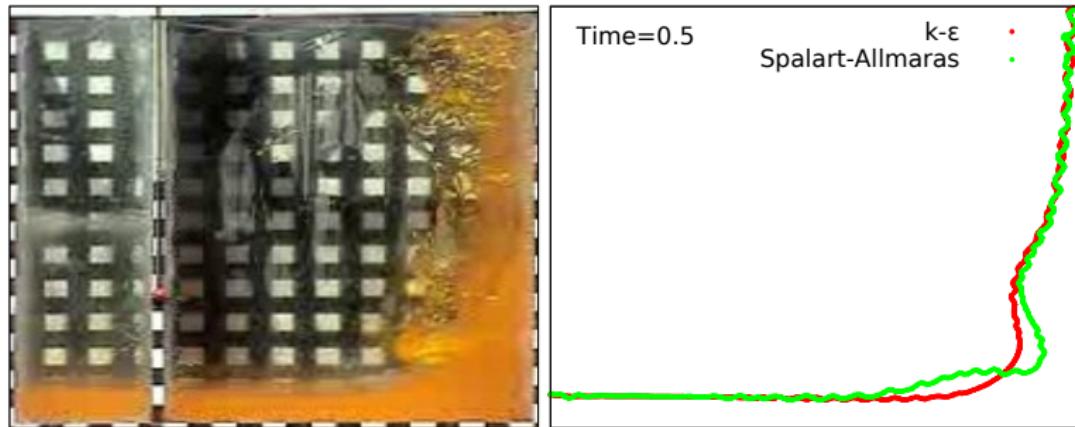
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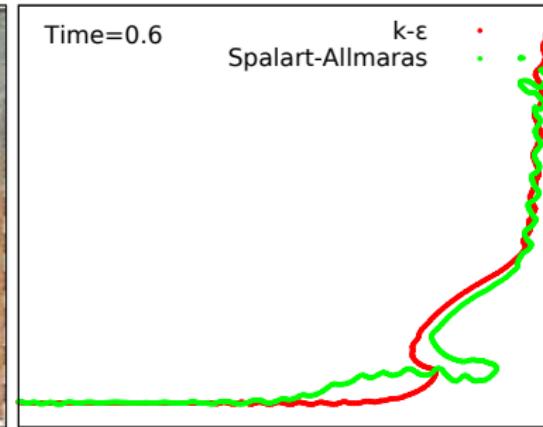
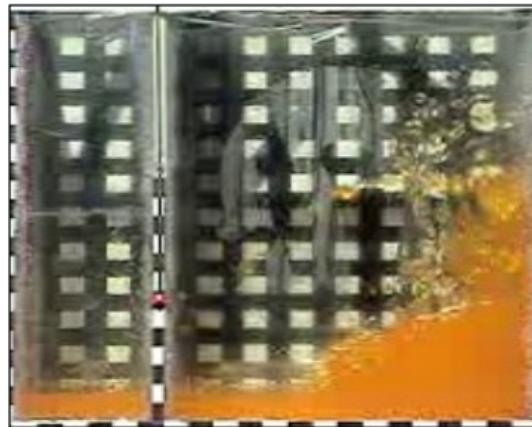
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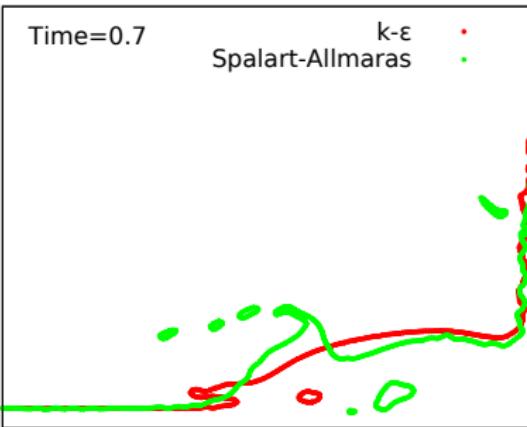
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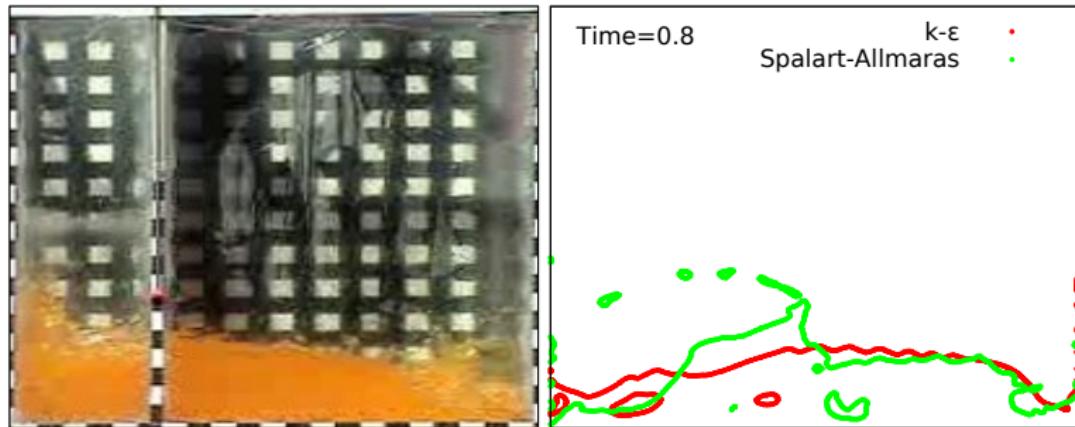
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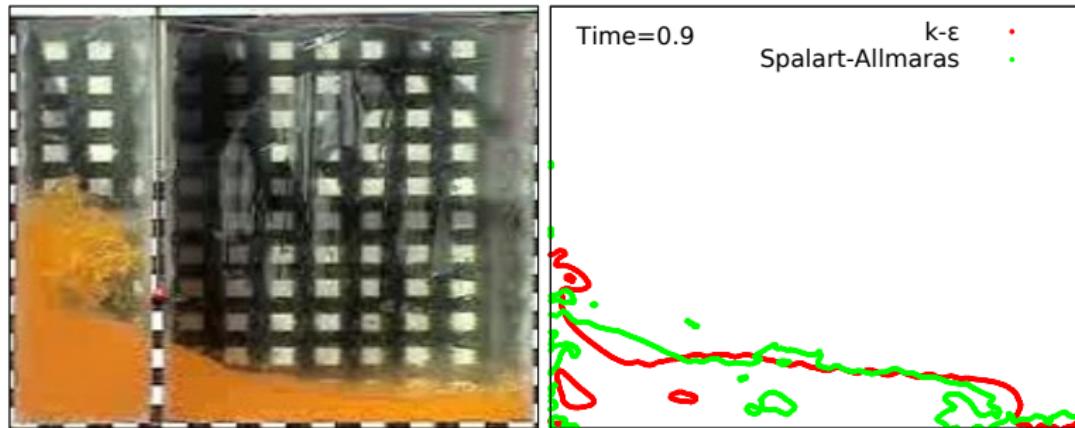
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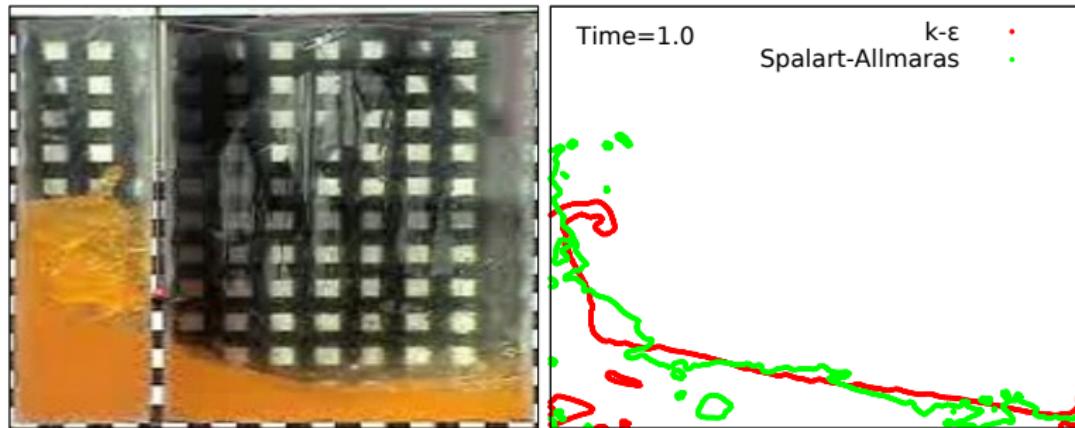
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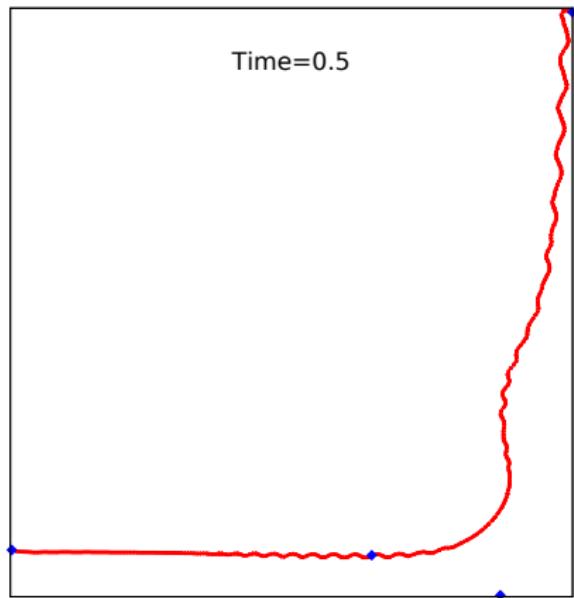
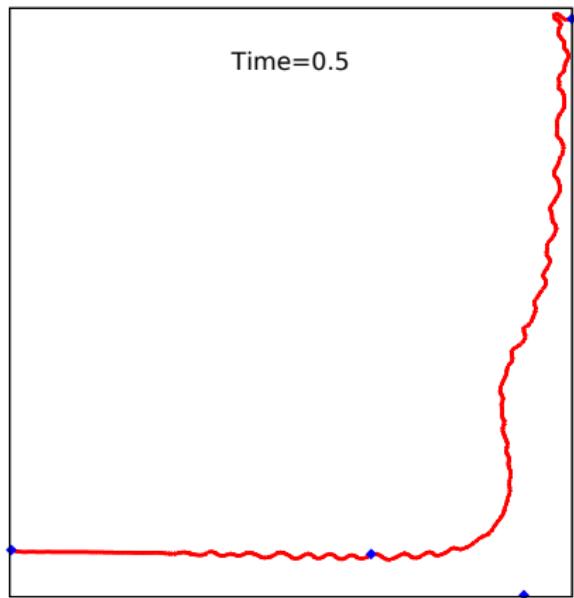
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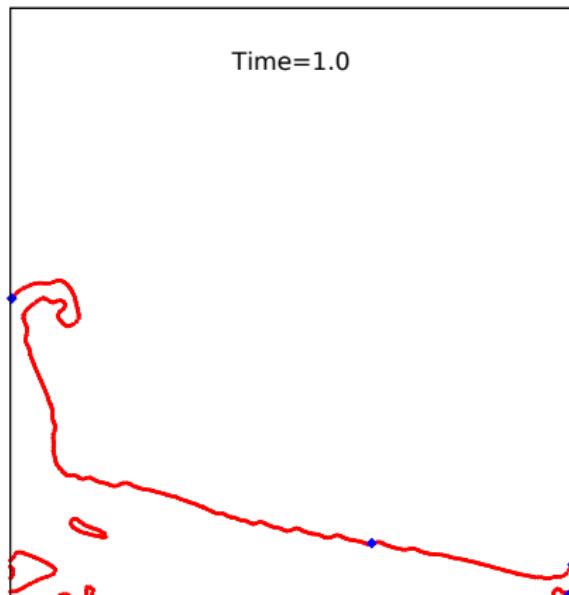
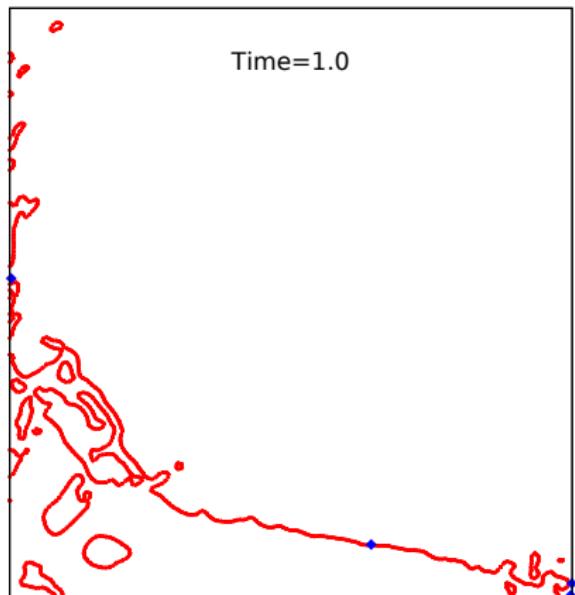
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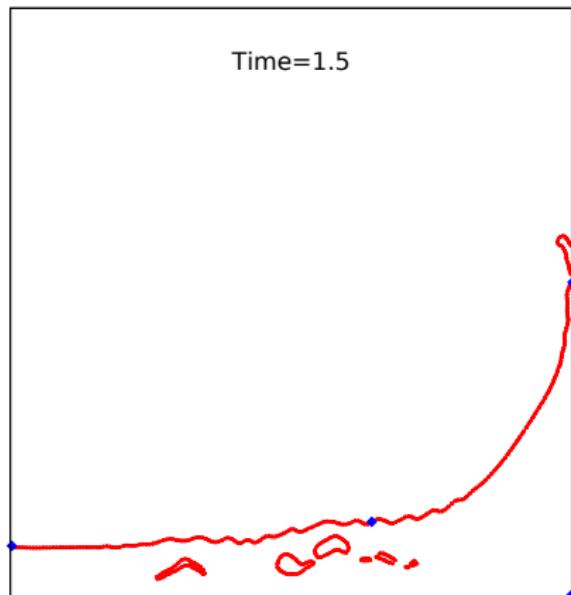
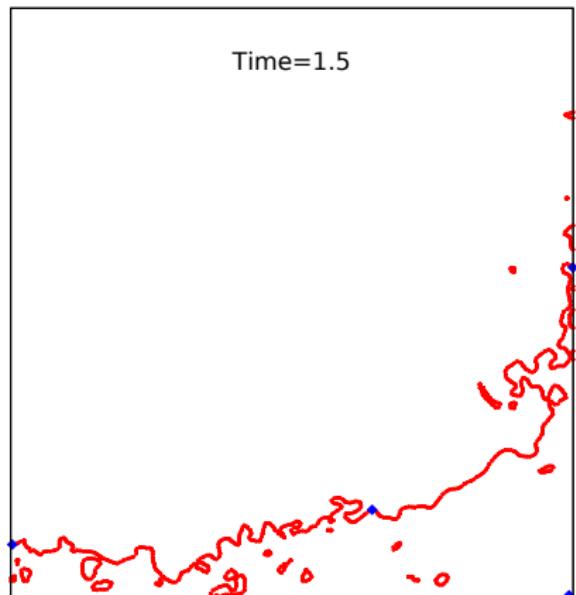
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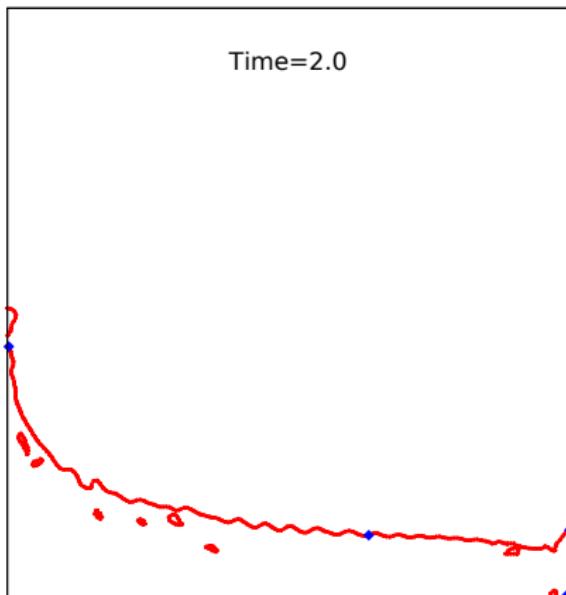
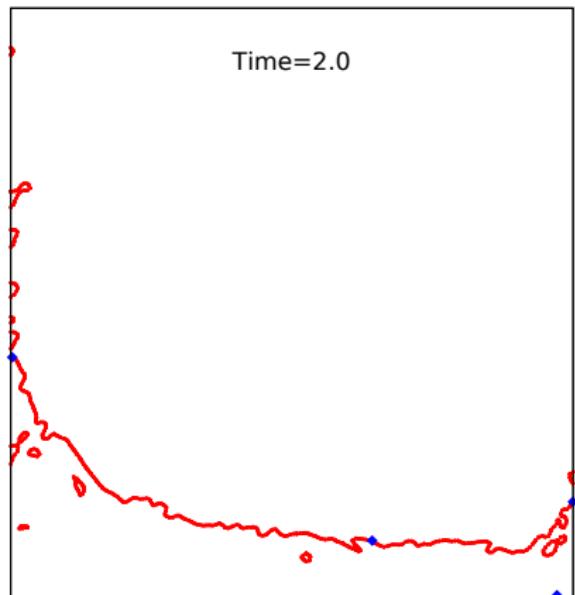
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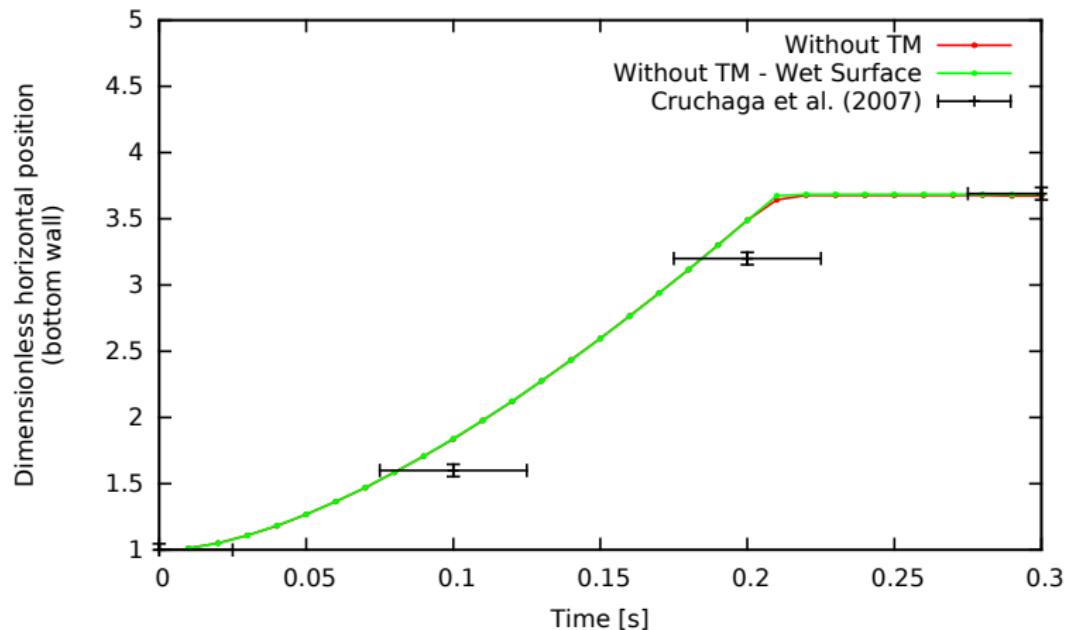
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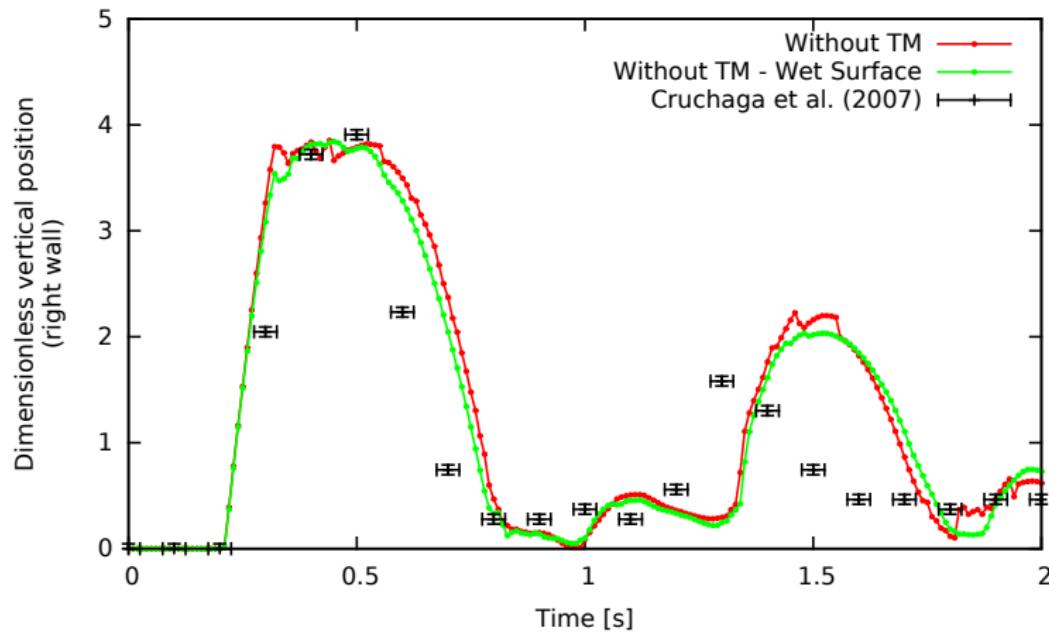
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Interface without turbulence model over the Floor



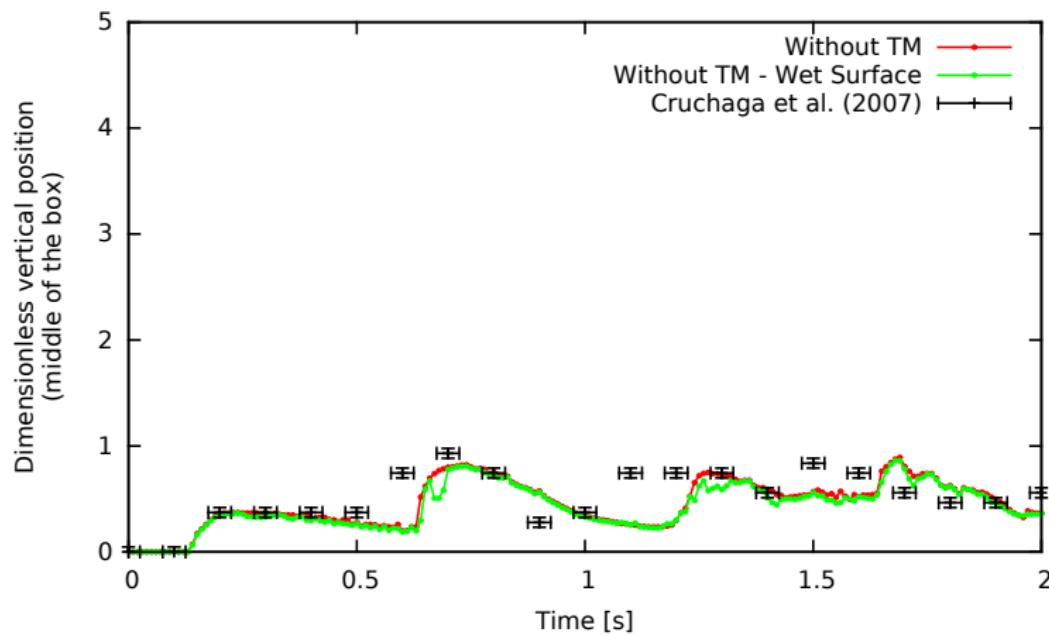
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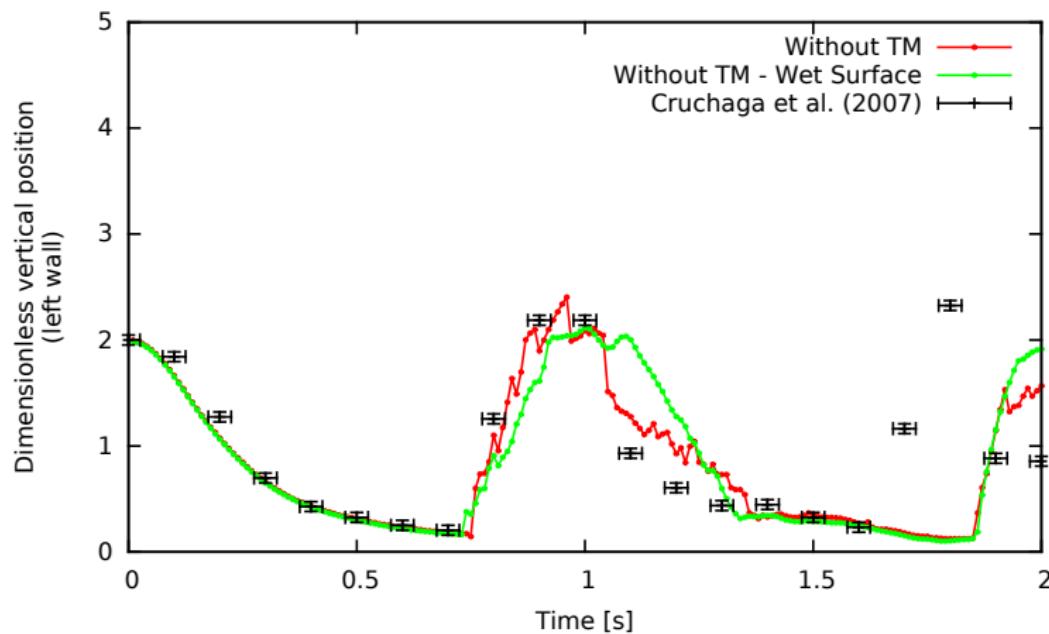
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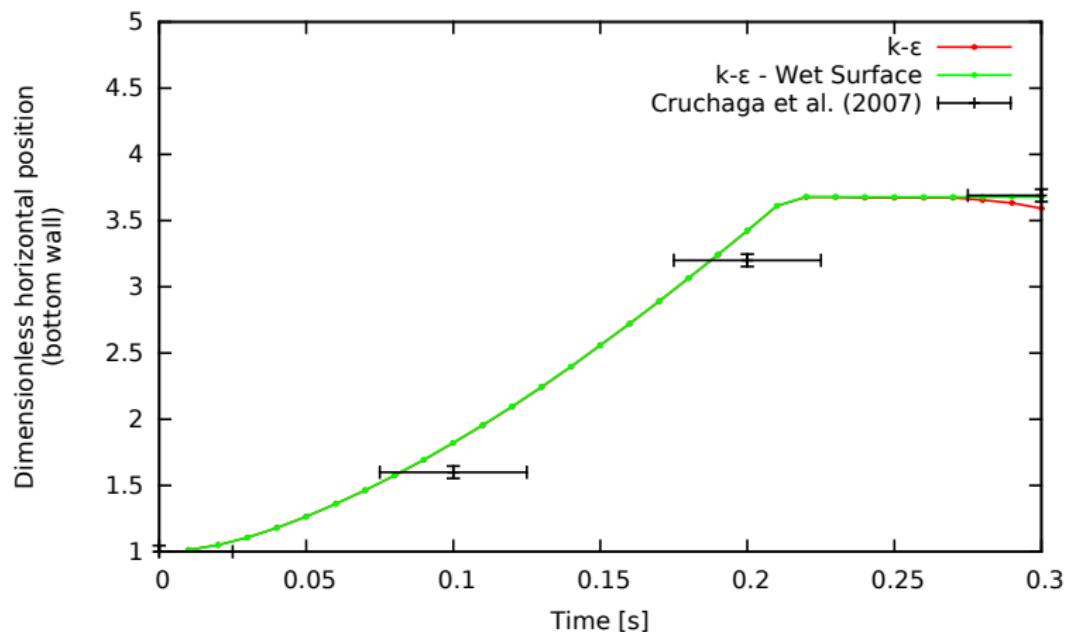
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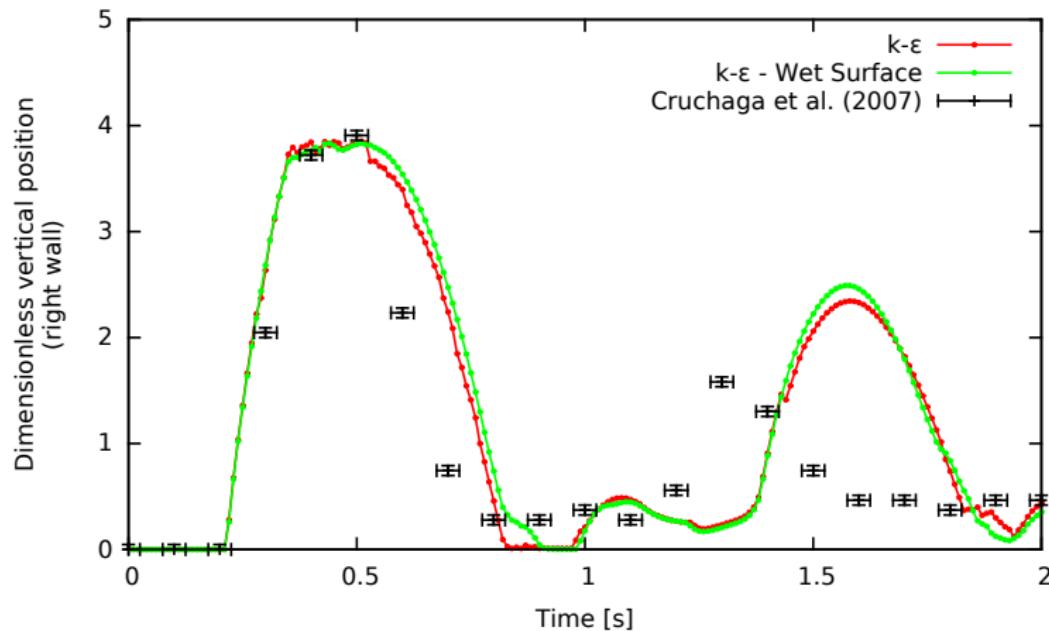
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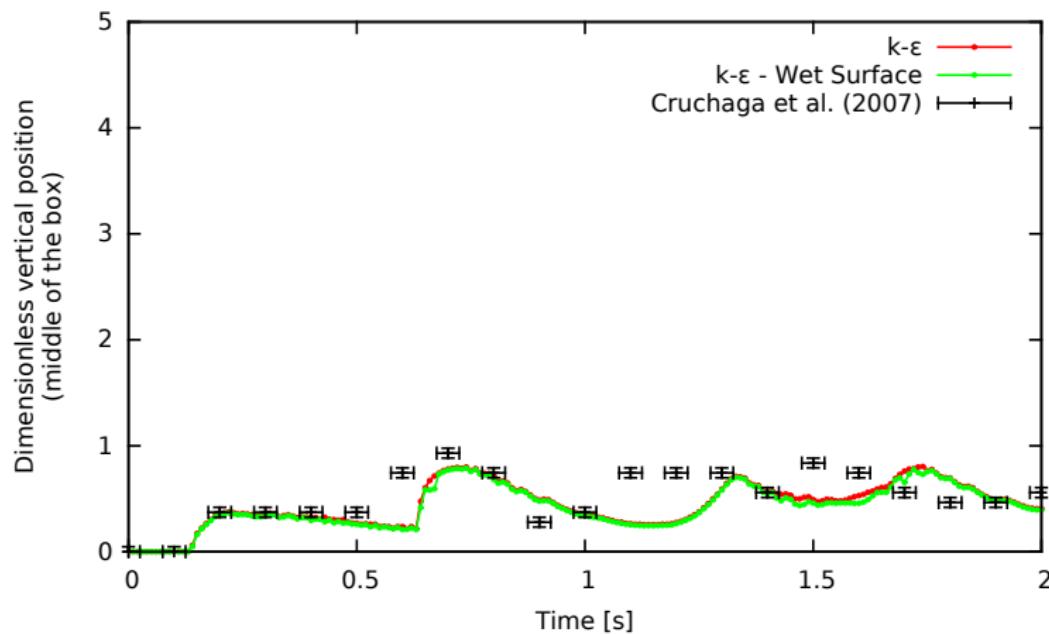
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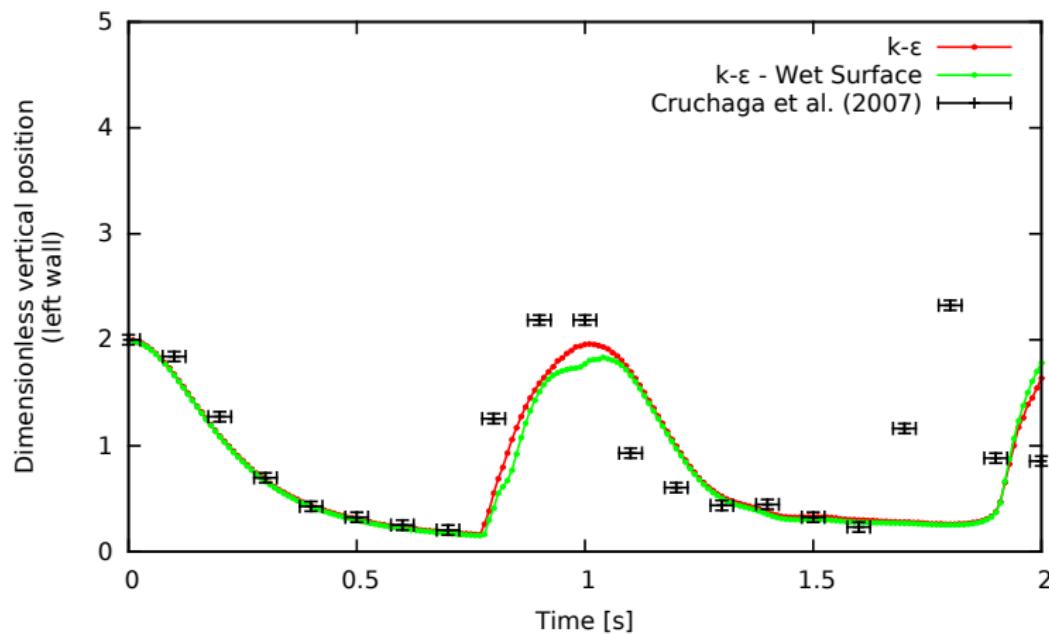
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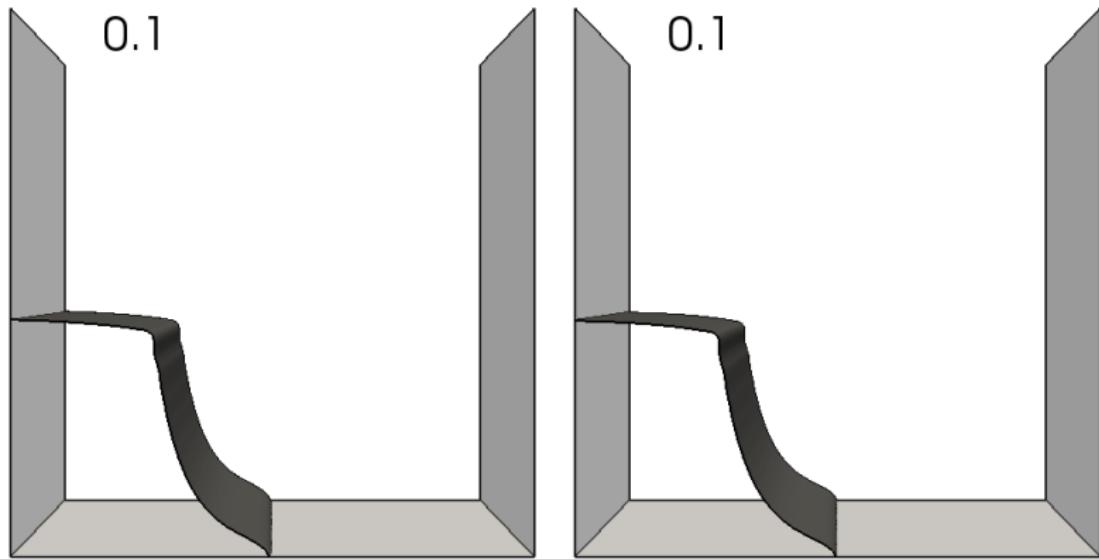
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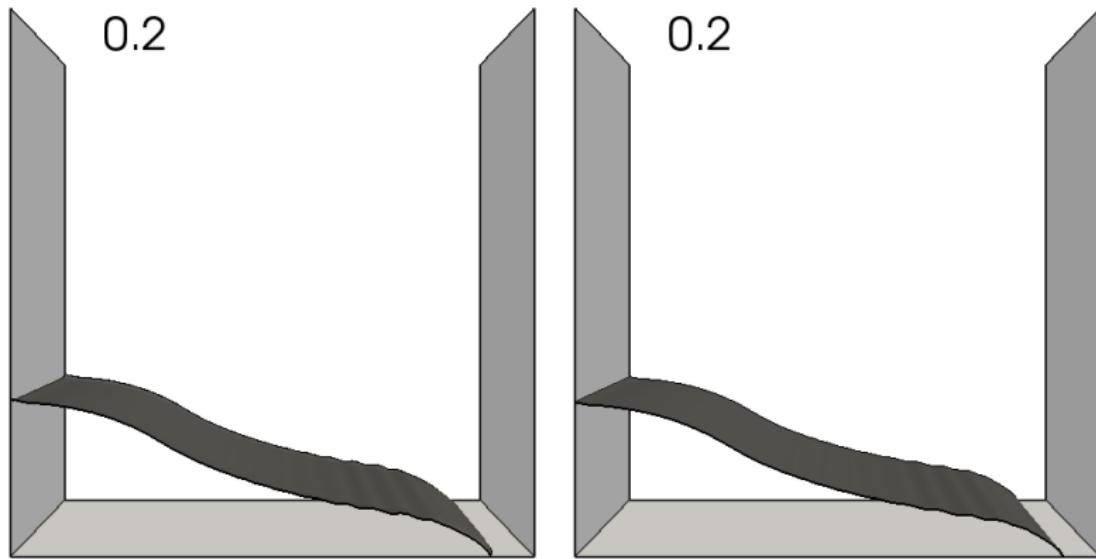
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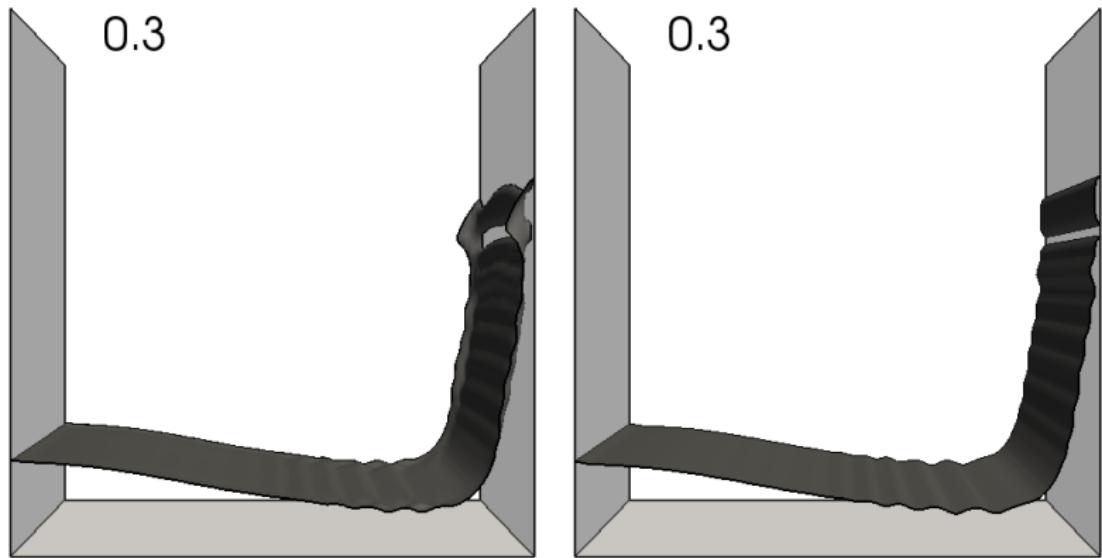
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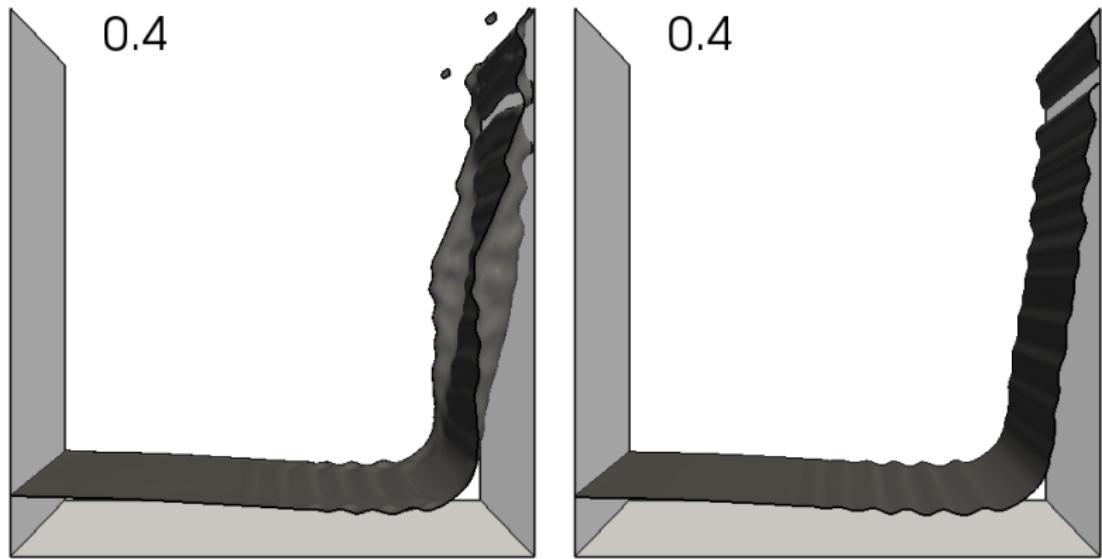
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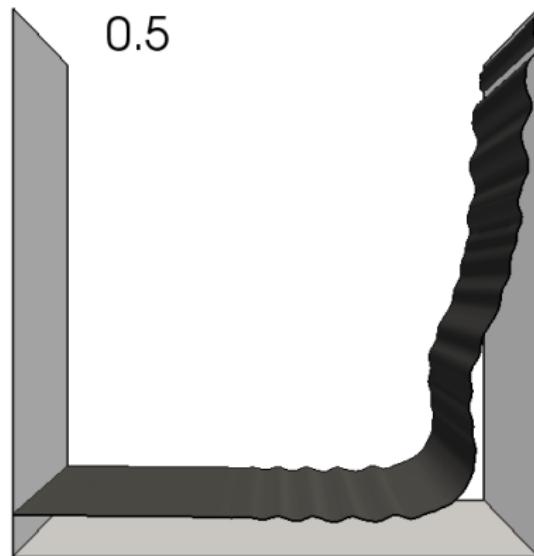
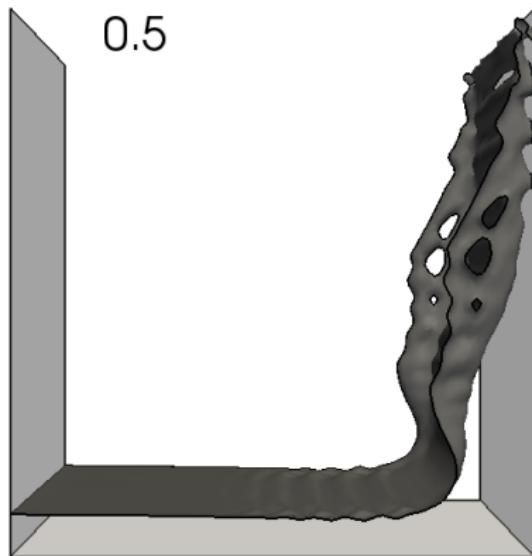
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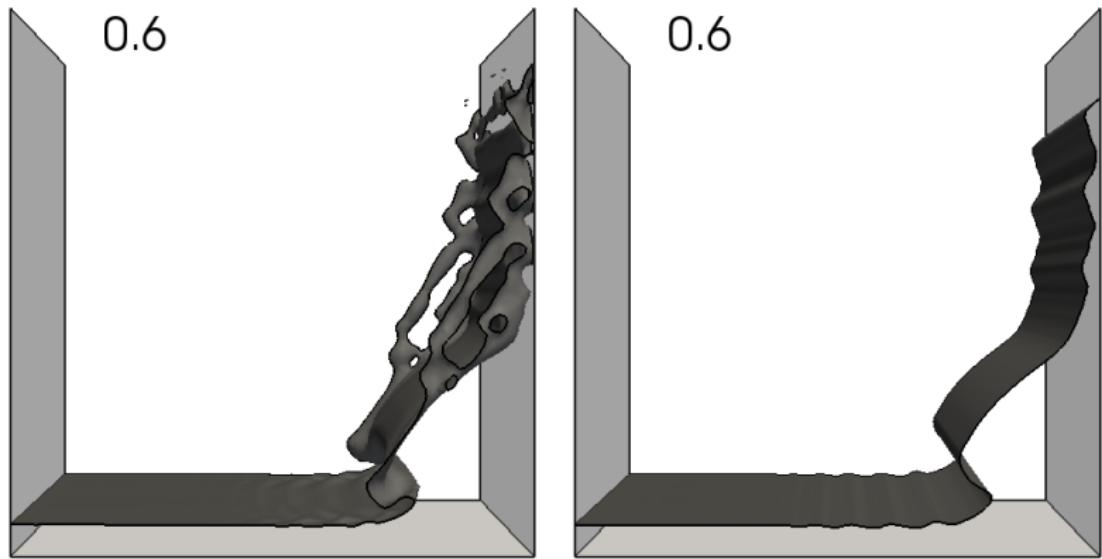
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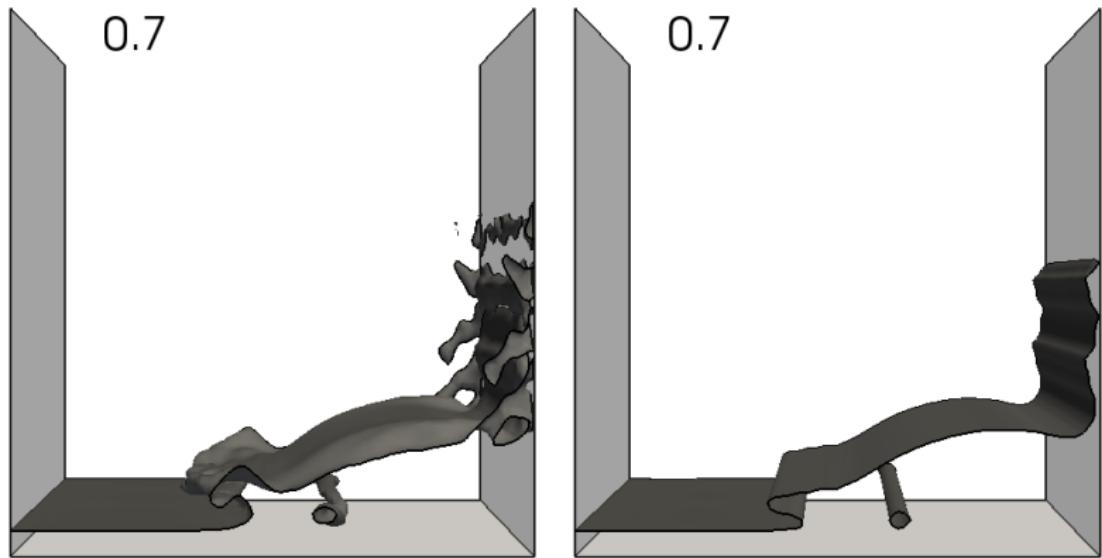
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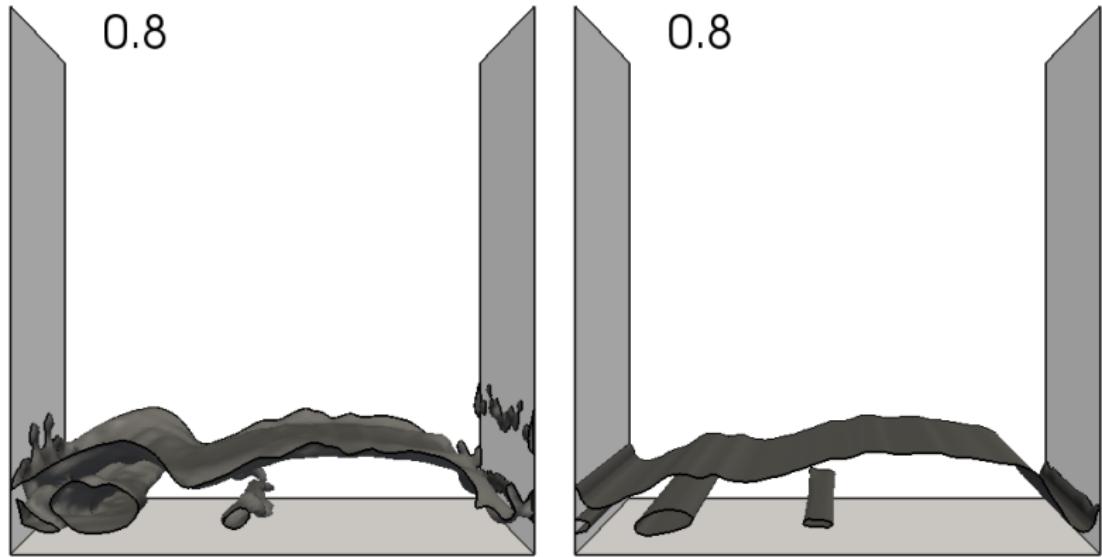
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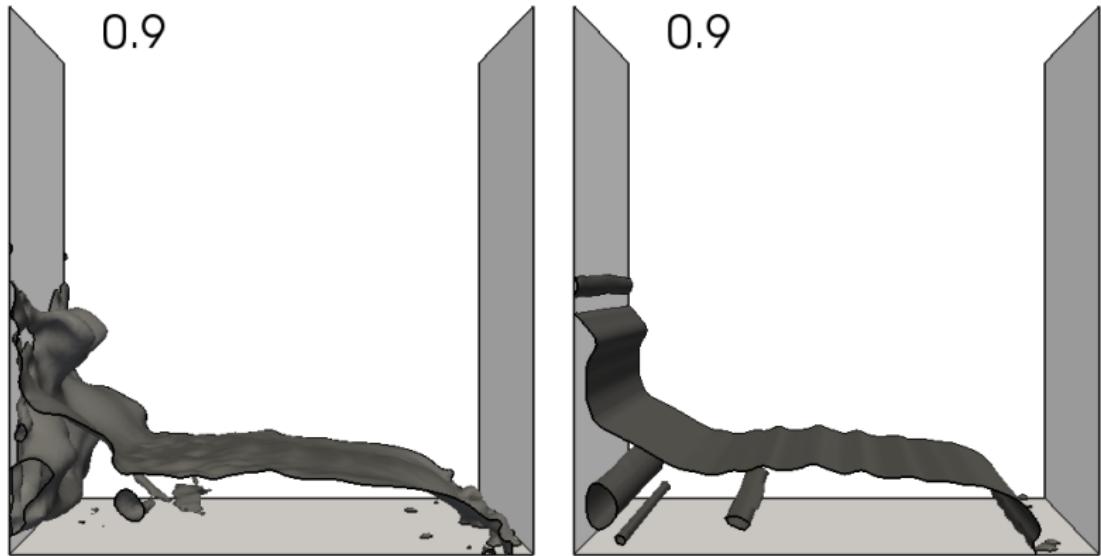
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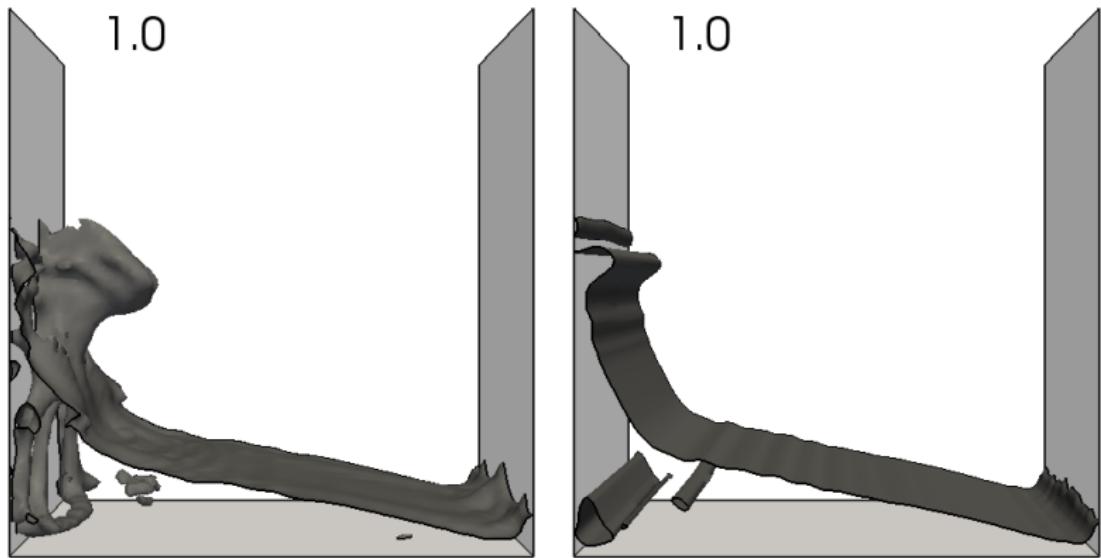
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# Conclusions

- Simulations without turbulence model show a strong mesh dependence.
- A semiautomatic algorithm was developed to identify the interface evolution
- The interface evolution over some selected lines has a good agreement with the experiment in the early moments.
- 3D an 2D simulations results are similar at the middle plane until the walls effect reach this plane.

# Thank you

## Questions?

# EXTRAS

# Simulation Details

Case description	Time Step [s]			Mesh Size
	Min	Max	Mean	
Without turbulence model	$1.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.4 \times 10^{-5}$	125315
	$3.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-4}$	31506
	$5.7 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-4}$	7921
$k - \varepsilon$ turbulence model	$2.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.8 \times 10^{-5}$	125315
	$4.0 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-4}$	31506
	$6.7 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-4}$	7921
Spalart-Allmaras	$2.8 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-4}$	31506
Without TM + ST	$4.2 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-4}$	31506
$k - \varepsilon$ TM + ST	$4.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-4}$	31506
3D no-slip sides	$5.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-4}$	372287
3D slip sides	$9.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.1 \times 10^{-4}$	372287