

# **SD Numerical Simulation Technique for Hydrodynamic Flow Gas-Solids Mixing**

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# Abstract

We formulate a new mathematical model for a combustion chamber hydrodynamic fluid bed system (CFB) in thermal coal or solid waste power plants.

This mixture model is based in conservation equations (mass and momentum). This model gas - solid is obtained from two-phase hydrodynamic model, which takes into account a parameter  $\varepsilon$  (ratio densities gas/solid), it generates a free boundary problem.

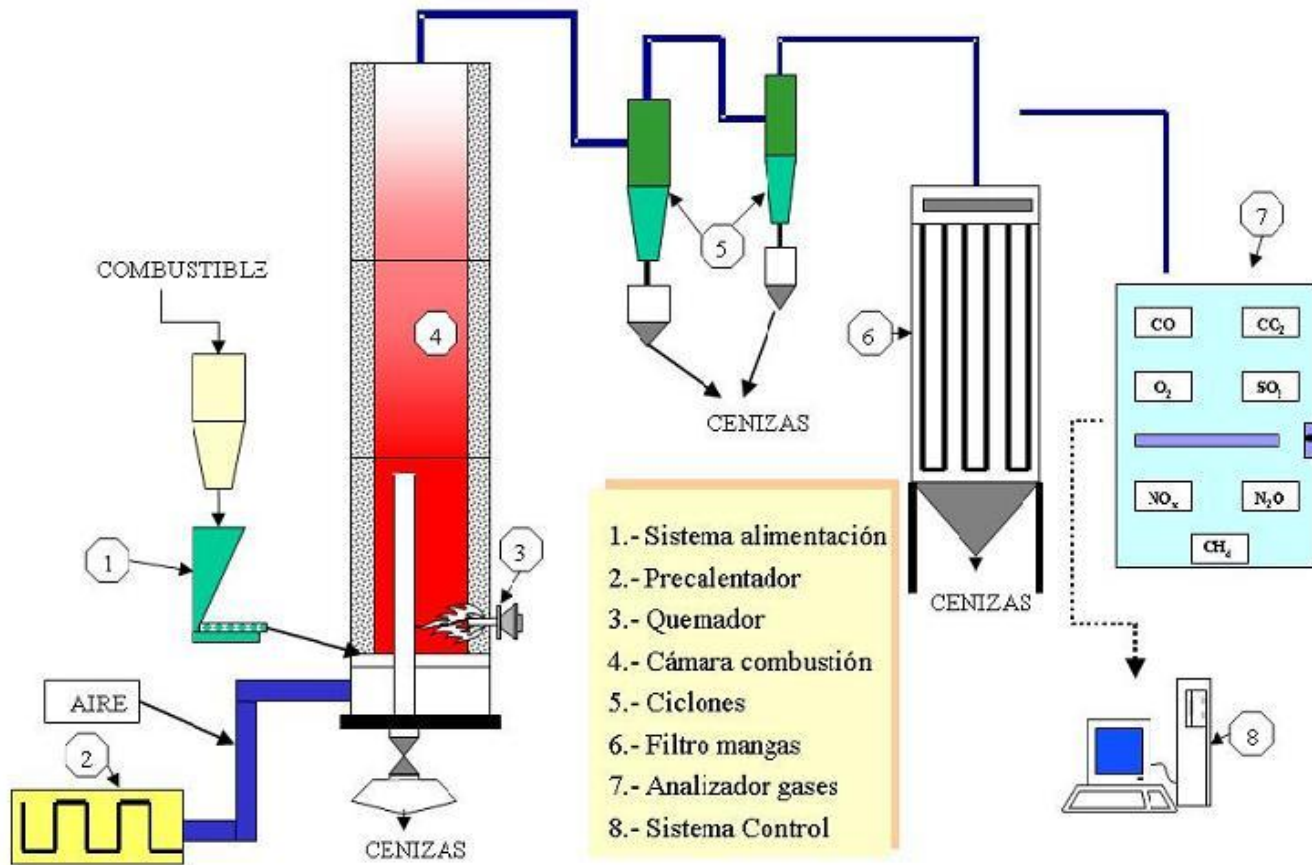
Making an asymptotic adjustment and uncoupling of the dependent variables, then this problem has solution. The numerical simulation in 2D is implemented with COMSOL Multiphysics.

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# INTRODUCTION

## SQUEME SYSTEM CFB [6]



# 1. Problem Formulation

**Antecedent:** The interphase momentum transfer between the two phases represented by the drag force, play an important role in any multiphase flow approach. Due to its high relevance, this phenomenon was frequently investigated in the literature. The ultimate goal of these work was to get an optimum drag model for better fluidized bed hydrodynamics.

The volume fractions conservation equations are related as:

$$\epsilon_s + \epsilon_g = 1$$

# Equations two phases of Gidaspow, Syamlal & O'Brien

- Mass conservation equations

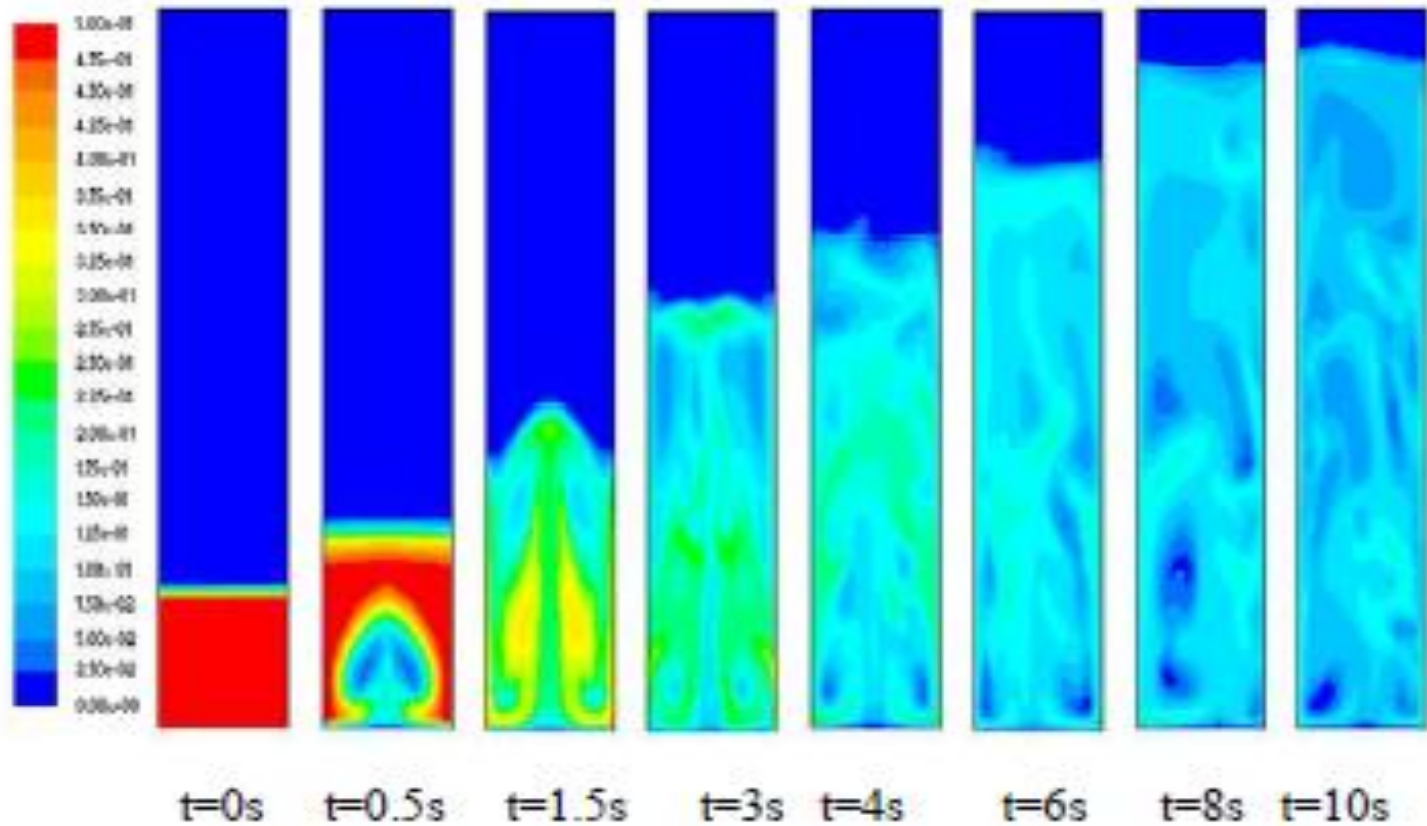
$$\frac{\partial(\varepsilon_g \rho_g)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_g \rho_g \mathbf{u}_g) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial(\varepsilon_s \rho_s)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{u}_s) = 0$$

- Momentum conservation equations

$$\frac{\partial(\varepsilon_g \rho_g \mathbf{u}_g)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_g \rho_g \mathbf{u}_g \mathbf{u}_g) = \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\tau}_g) - \varepsilon_g \nabla P - \beta(\mathbf{u}_g - \mathbf{u}_s) + \varepsilon_g \rho_g \mathbf{g}$$
$$\frac{\partial(\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{u}_s)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{u}_s \mathbf{u}_s) = \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\tau}_s) - \varepsilon_s \nabla P - \nabla P_s - \beta(\mathbf{u}_g - \mathbf{u}_s) + \varepsilon_s \rho_s \mathbf{g}$$

The simulation results showed that the drag models of Gidaspow and Syamlal & O'Brien highly overestimate the gas-solid drag force for the CFB the particles could not predict the formation of dense phase in the fluidized bed [2].

The conditions are characteristic of fast fluidization [1 ], [4]



# A gas injection grid of Chamber CFB



Grid of pipes



Inlet



# Two Phases Model Drew [2]

- *Phase Gas:*

- $\partial_t n + \text{div}(nu) = 0$  (1)

- $\partial_t(nu) + \text{div}(nu \otimes u + p_g I) = \text{div}(2\nu_g n D(u)) + ng - qm(u-v)$  (2)

- *Phase Particle*

- $\partial_t m + \text{div}(mu) = 0$  (3)

- $\partial_t(mv) + \text{div}(mv \otimes v + p_p I) = \text{div}(2\nu_p m D(v)) + mg + qm(u-v)$  (4)

- $\varepsilon = \rho_g / \rho_p, \rho = \rho_p \alpha; n = n(\varepsilon), m = m(\varepsilon), u = u(\varepsilon), v = v(\varepsilon)$

- $D(w) = \frac{1}{2}[\text{grad}(w) + (\text{grad}(w))^T]$

## 2. Theoretical Analysis and Contribution

Assuming the existence of an indicator that measures the ratio of proportionality between the densities of the two phases, in particular the parameter  $\varepsilon$  such that  $0 \ll \varepsilon < 1$ .

$$\varepsilon = \rho_g / \rho_p, \quad \rho = \rho_p \alpha; \quad n = n(\varepsilon), \quad m = m(\varepsilon), \quad u = u(\varepsilon), \quad v = v(\varepsilon).$$

When  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , result the following *mathematical model which is compressible apparently.*

$$\partial_t \rho + \text{div}(\rho v) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\partial_t(\rho v) + \text{div}(\rho v \otimes v) + \nabla P = \text{div}(\rho D(v)) + \rho g \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla p_h = -\rho q(\rho)(u-v) \quad (7)$$

$$\text{div}((1-\rho)u + \rho v) = 0 \quad (8)$$

where  $P = p_c + p_h$ .

$$D(w) = \frac{1}{2}[\text{grad}(w) + (\text{grad}(w))^T] \quad (9)$$

- **Equation of state**

- $p_c(\rho) = \rho^{\gamma_0} \exp[k\rho/(\rho^* - \rho)], \gamma_0 \geq 1, 0 \leq \rho \leq \rho^* < 1 \quad (10)$

- **Equation for the drag force between phases:**

- $q(\rho) = C_d / (1 - \rho)^s, s > 0, s \in [1.4, 3.6] \quad (11)$

- Let  $\Omega_t$  an open subset of  $[R^3_+ \times [0, \infty[$ ,
- $\Gamma_0 = \{ \underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, t) \in R^3 / t > 0 \}, \quad (2.1)$
- $\Omega_t = \{ (x_1, x_2, t) \in R^3 / (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega, 0 \leq t < \infty \}, \quad (2.2)$

$$\Omega \subset R^2$$

- The problem is to find the volume fraction of particles  $\rho \in C^1(\Omega_t) \cap C^0(\bar{\Omega}_t)$ , velocity of the

- solid particles velocity  $v \in C^{2,1}(\Omega_t) \cap [C^{1,0}(\Omega_t)]^d$ , and gas velocity represented by  $u \in [C^{1,0}(\Omega_t)]^d \cap [C^{1,0}(\Omega_t)]^d$ .
- The problem is considered hydrodynamic pressure  $p_h \in C^{1,0}(\Omega_t) \cap C^0(\Omega_t)$ , from the state equation (5)- (9), to  $d= 2$ ,  $d$  is the dimension of the space of the dependent variables, this vector functions that vary in space and time, which satisfy the system of equations

# Conservative Form Two phase Compressible Model

$$\bar{\varphi} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho v_1 \\ \rho v_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \\ \varphi_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{F}(\bar{\varphi}) = \left( \begin{pmatrix} \rho v_1 \\ p_c + \rho v_1^2 \\ \rho v_1 v_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho v_2 \\ \rho v_1 v_2 \\ p_c + \rho v_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \right)^T,$$

$$\bar{G}(\bar{\varphi}) = \frac{2\mu}{3\text{Re}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ 2 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial y} & 2 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x} \\ 2 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x} & 2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mu = \rho \nu$$

$$\bar{S}(\bar{\varphi}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \rho \left( \frac{q(\rho)}{1-\rho} \left( M(t) - \frac{\partial p_h}{\partial x} \right) - g_x \right) \\ \rho \left( \frac{q(\rho)}{1-\rho} \left( M(t) - \frac{\partial p_h}{\partial y} \right) - g_y \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $\mathbf{v}=(v_1, v_2)=0$

- $\nabla p_c = \rho g$  (*colitional pression gradient*)
- $\nabla p_h = -\rho q(\rho)u$  (*hydrodinamic pression gradient*)
- $\text{div}((1-\rho)u) = 0$
- $M = ((1-\rho)u)$
- $P = 0$

# Contribution 1: Non conservative of the mixture model

$$U(x, y, t) = (u_1 = \rho, u_2 = \rho v, u_3 = \rho u)$$

$$R_t + \operatorname{div}RU = 0$$

$$(RU)_t + \operatorname{div}(RU \otimes U) + \operatorname{grad}\left(\varepsilon(1 - \rho) \frac{p_g}{\rho_g} + \rho \frac{p_p}{\rho_p}\right) =$$

$$\operatorname{div}\left(\varepsilon(1 - \rho) \frac{\tau_g}{\rho_g} + \rho \frac{\tau_p}{\rho_p}\right) - \operatorname{div}(\varepsilon(1 - \rho)(u - v) \otimes (u - v) +$$

$$R\vec{g}; R = \rho + \varepsilon(1 - \rho); \varepsilon \rightarrow 0, R = \rho,$$

$$0 < \varepsilon = \frac{\rho_g}{\rho_p} \ll 1$$



- **Boundary conditions**

- $[(1-\rho)u + \rho v] \cdot \mathbf{n} = M > 0 \in C^0(\Gamma_0 \times [0, \infty))$  (2.3)

- $[\rho v] \cdot \mathbf{n} = m_0 \in C^0(\Gamma_0 \times [0, \infty))$  (2.4)

- $[\rho v \otimes v + P I - \rho D(v)] \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \in C^0(\Gamma_0 \times [0, \infty))$

*Is this a boundary free problem*

- **Initial conditions**

- $\rho(\underline{x}, 0) = \rho^0(x, y) \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^2_+ \times \{0, T\})$  (2.5)

- $v(\underline{x}, 0) = v^0(x, y) \in [C^0(\mathbb{R}^2_+ \times \{0, T\})]^2$  (2.6)

Cauchy problem

# Contribution 2: Conditions to solve

$$\text{grad}(P_h) = \text{grad}\left(\varepsilon(1-\rho)\frac{p_g}{\rho_g} + \rho\frac{p_p}{\rho_p}\right) = \frac{1}{Fr} \frac{R}{(1-R)^m} (u - v)$$

$$\text{Slip} = (u - v)$$

$$R\vec{g} = \frac{1}{Fr} Rg \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, M = U + \frac{1-R}{R} \rho(u - v)$$

$$\text{div}(M) = 0$$

# 3. Numerical Analysis

- The work consists of the construction of a numerical model for the quantitative study of the problem. This includes formulation of decoupling techniques. The solution of the variational problem in space-time, singularized the discrete instability in time during the process computational.
- To overcome this difficulty we have used the Galerkin method with a numerical technique to capture the discontinuities in the Stream Lines Diffusion (SD) with finite elements of type  $P1 + P2$  ([5], [6]).

In the two-dimensional case, after a process dimensionless introducing a vector function of states , thus the Conservative system in variational form convective-diffusive-reactive flow in the domain located in a rectangular geometry region  $\Omega = ((0,L) \times (0,H)) \times [0,T)$

Boundary condition: Inlet (input) and Wall

Initial condition: Step

Stabilization : SD Numerical Method , this is expressed by:

# Application: Discretization Stream Diffusion capturing Method ( [3], [6])

Set  $U(x, y, t^0)$

$$\phi(v(x, y, t^0)) = v + \delta(v_t + \psi(v))\partial_i v$$

$$\text{Find : } U_h^n \in \prod_{n=0}^{N-1} H_0^{1+2}(S_n)$$

$$B(U, \phi) = L(\phi)$$

$$B(U_h, \phi) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left\{ U_h^n + \partial_R f(U_h^n) \partial_i U_h^n, v^n + \delta(v_t^n + \psi(v^n)) \partial_i v^n \right\} +$$

$$(U_+ - U_-, \phi_+) + \int_{\Gamma_n} U_+ \phi_+ dt; U_{+,-} = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^{+,-}} U(x, y, t + s)$$

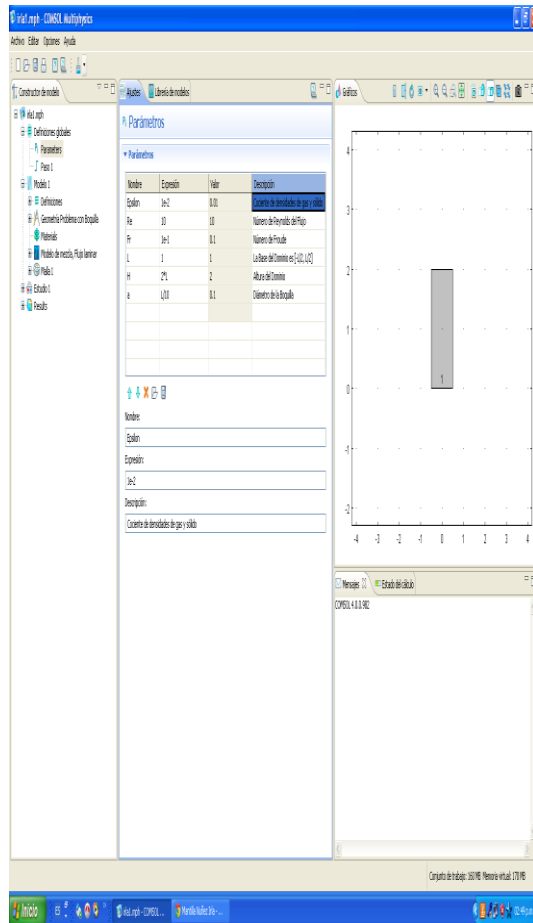
$$L(\phi) = (U^0, \phi_+) + \int_{\Gamma_n} U_+ \phi_+ dt$$

$$U_h = \left\{ u_i \in H^{1+2}(\Omega_i^n) / U_K \in P^{1+2}_K(x, y), K \in \mathfrak{T}_h^n \right\}$$

# Numerical Resolution: Using COMSOL Multiphysics

- In the two-dimensional case approximates the solution of the problem, then the method Galerkin stabilized stream Diffusion (SD) and a difference scheme (BDF) for the variable explicit Capture and temporal discontinuities of singularities in the streamlines of the convective flow, can be improved with a remesh evolutive with  $h = \{10^{-4}, 10^{-3}\}$  side length element maximum and minimum and with a resolution of 0.25 of curvature.

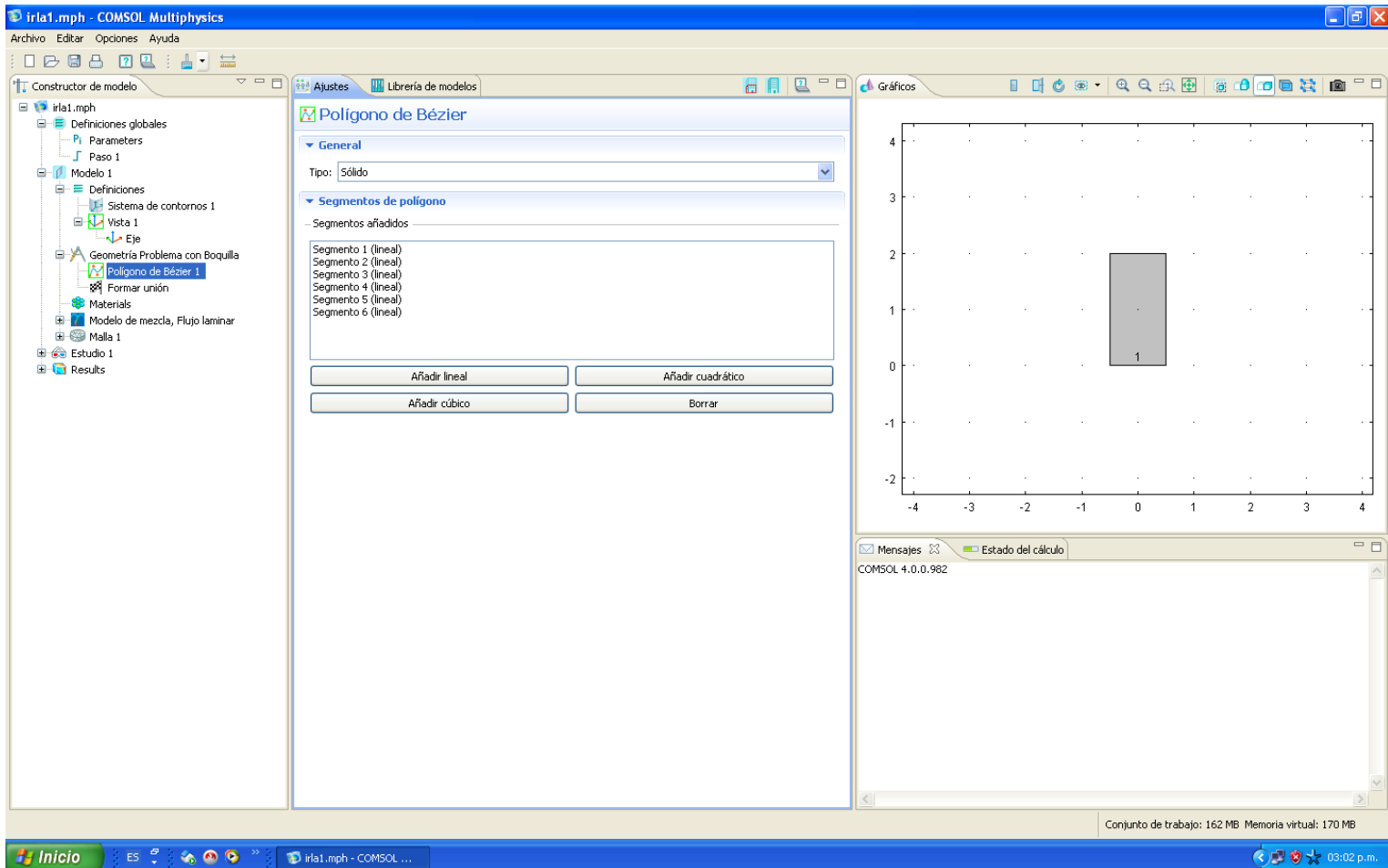
# 4. RESULTS



DATOS	Valor	Descripción
h0	1	Unidad de Longitud (Altura del Lecho en Reposo)
L	1/h0	Base Adimensional [-L/2, L/2]
H	2*L	Altura Adimensional
Db	L/10	Diámetro Adimensional de la Boquilla
Epsilon	1e-2	Cociente entre Densidades de las Fases
Ng_Np	1	Cociente entre las Viscosidades Cinemáticas (gas sólido)
Fr	1, 5, 10	número Froude
Re	1e+2, 4x1e+2, 5x1e+2	número Reynolds
Dp	1e-4	Diámetro de partícula
ro_max	pi/6	Fracción Volumétrica de Sólidos Máxima
Vsoplado	0.2	vel. de soplado

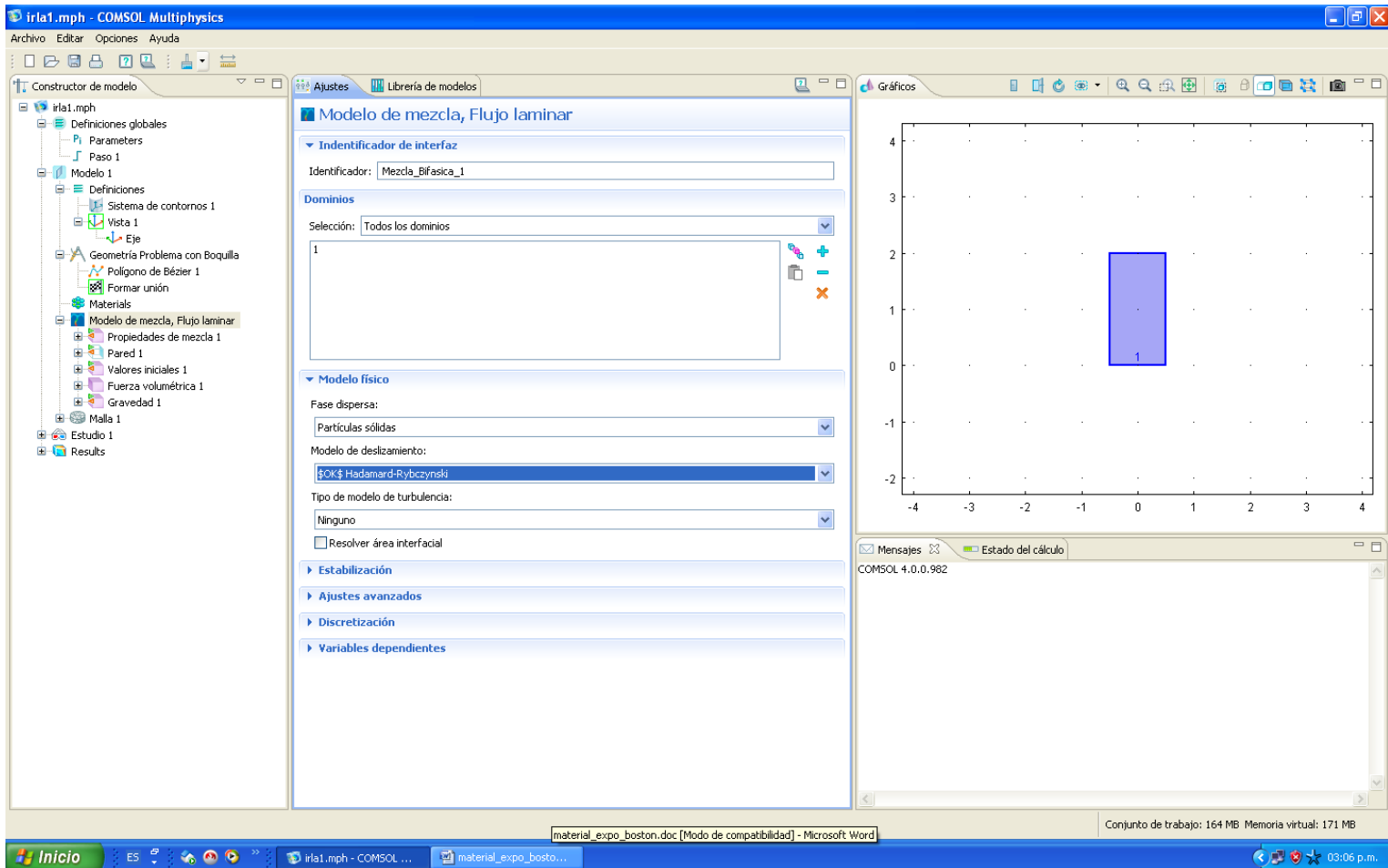
Parameters

# Geometry

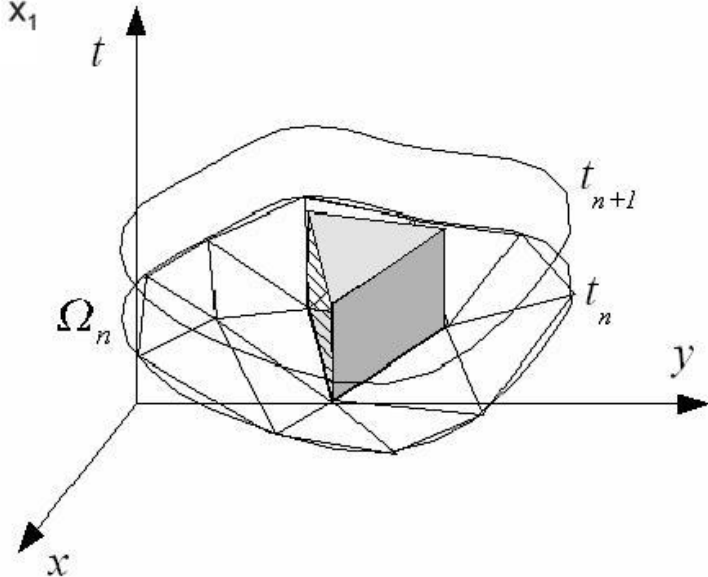
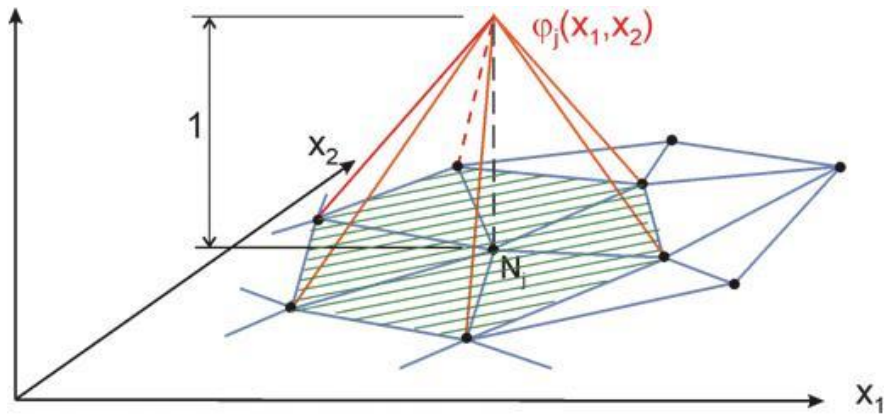




# Hadamard R. Model Type



# Finite Element type P1+P2



# Finite Elements, shape function

irla1.mph - COMSOL Multiphysics

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Constructor de modelo

- irla1.mph
  - Definiciones globales
    - Parameters
    - Paso 1
  - Modelo 1
    - Definiciones
      - Sistema de contornos 1
      - Vista 1
      - Eje
      - Geometría Problema con Boquilla
        - Polígono de Bézier 1
        - Formar unión
      - Materials
      - Modelo de mezcla, Flujo laminar
        - Propiedades de mezcla 1
          - Vista de la ecuación
        - Pared 1
        - Valores iniciales 1
        - Fuerza volumétrica 1
        - Gravedad 1
        - Malla 1
        - Estudio 1
        - Results

Ajustes Librería de modelos

Vista de la ecuación

Variables

Nombre	Expresión	Unidad	Descripción
Mezcla...diam	0.0010	m	Diámetro de ...las/gotitas
Mezcla...rhoc	Epsilon	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Densidad, fase continua
Mezcl...1.muc	Epsilon	Pa*s	Viscosidad d...se continua
Mezcla...rhod	1	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Densidad, fase dispersa
Mezcla...phic	1-rho	1	Fracción vo...se continua
Mezcl...1.rho	Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rh...cla_Bifasica_1.phic	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Densidad, mezcla
Mezcl...1.mu	1/Re	Pa*s	Viscosidad dinámica

Funciones de forma

Nombre	Función de forma	Unidad	Descripción
U	shlag	m/s	Campo de velocidad, mezcla, componente x
V	shlag	m/s	Campo de velocidad, mezcla, componente y
Ph	shlag	Pa	Presión
rho	shlag	1	Fracción volumétrica, fase dispersa

Expresiones débiles

Expresión débil
-Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rho*(Ut*test(U)+Vt*test(V))
(-2*Mezcla_Bifasica_1.mu*Ux+Ph-Mezcla_Bifasica...ica_1.cd)*Mezcla_Bifasica_1.uslipy^2)*test(Vy)
Mezcla_Bifasica_1.Fx*test(U)+Mezcla_Bifasica...(U)-Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rho*(Vx*U+Vy*V)*test(V)
((Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rhoc-Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rho...hod)+Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rhoc*(Ux+Vy))*test(Ph)
-rho*test(rho)
rho*(test(rhoc)*Mezcla_Bifasica_1.udx+test(rhoy)*Mezcla_Bifasica_1.udy)
-Mezcla_Bifasica_1.mdc*test(rho)/Mezcla_Bifasica_1.rhod

Restricciones

Restricción	Fuerza de restricción	Función de forma

Gráficos

Mensajes Estado del cálculo

COMSOL 4.0.0.982

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# Stabilization SD

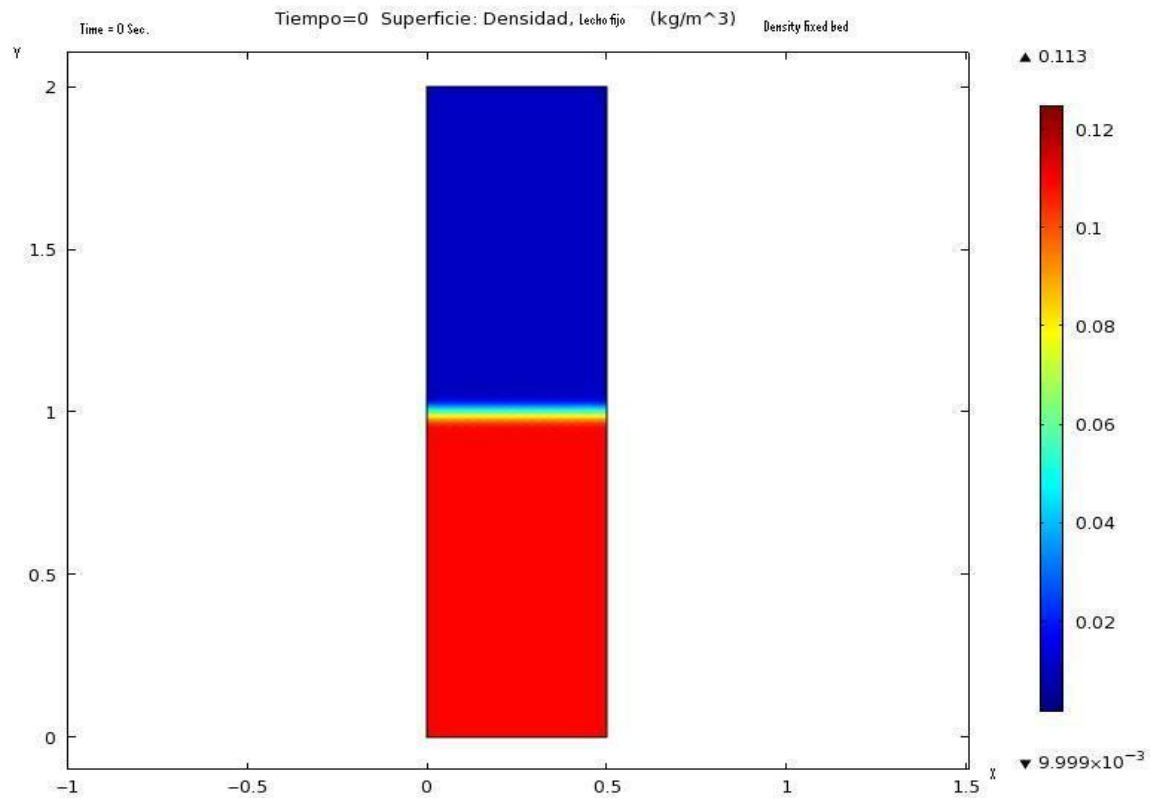
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- Constructor de modelo:** A tree view on the left showing the model's structure, including 'Modelo 1' and 'Estudio 1'.
- Ajustes:** The central panel shows settings for the physical model and stabilization. Under 'Modelo físico', 'Fase dispersa' is set to 'Partículas sólidas' and 'Modelo de deslizamiento' is set to '\$OK\$ Hadamard-Rybczynski'. Under 'Estabilización', 'Difusión de líneas de corriente' is checked, and 'Difusión anisotrópica' is selected. The 'Parámetro de sintonización' is set to 0.25.
- Gráficos:** A plot window on the right showing a 2D coordinate system with a blue rectangular region centered at the origin, representing the domain of interest.
- Mensajes:** A message window at the bottom right showing the COMSOL version: 'COMSOL 4.0.0.982'.

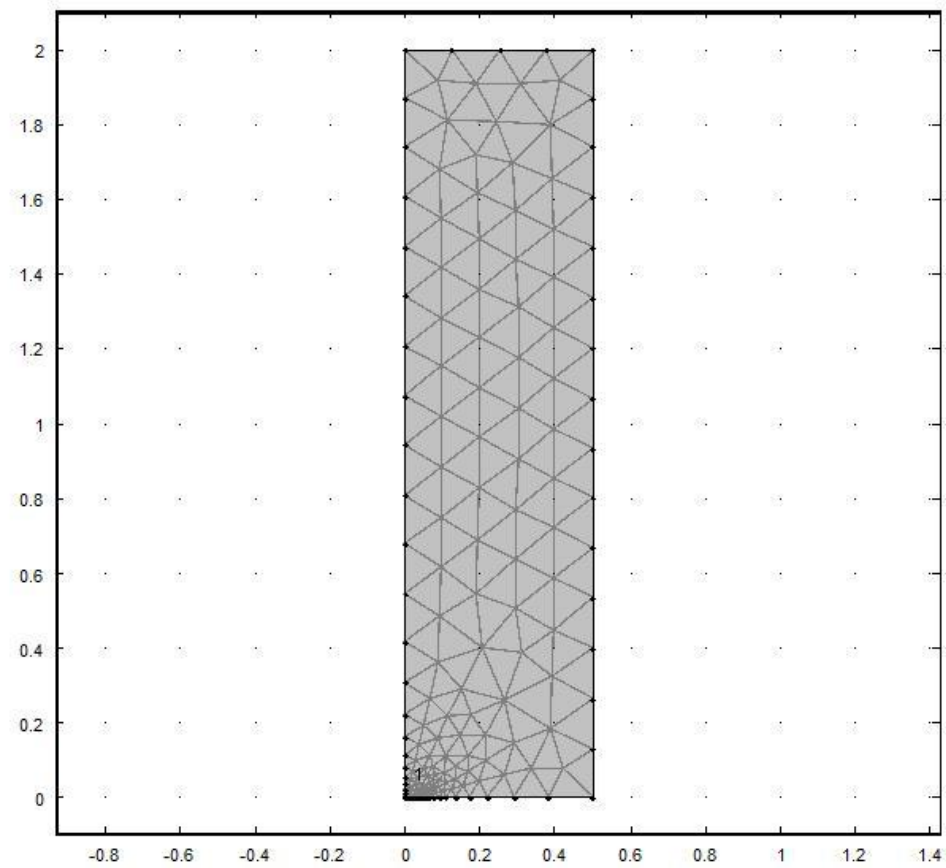
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# Domain fixed CFB

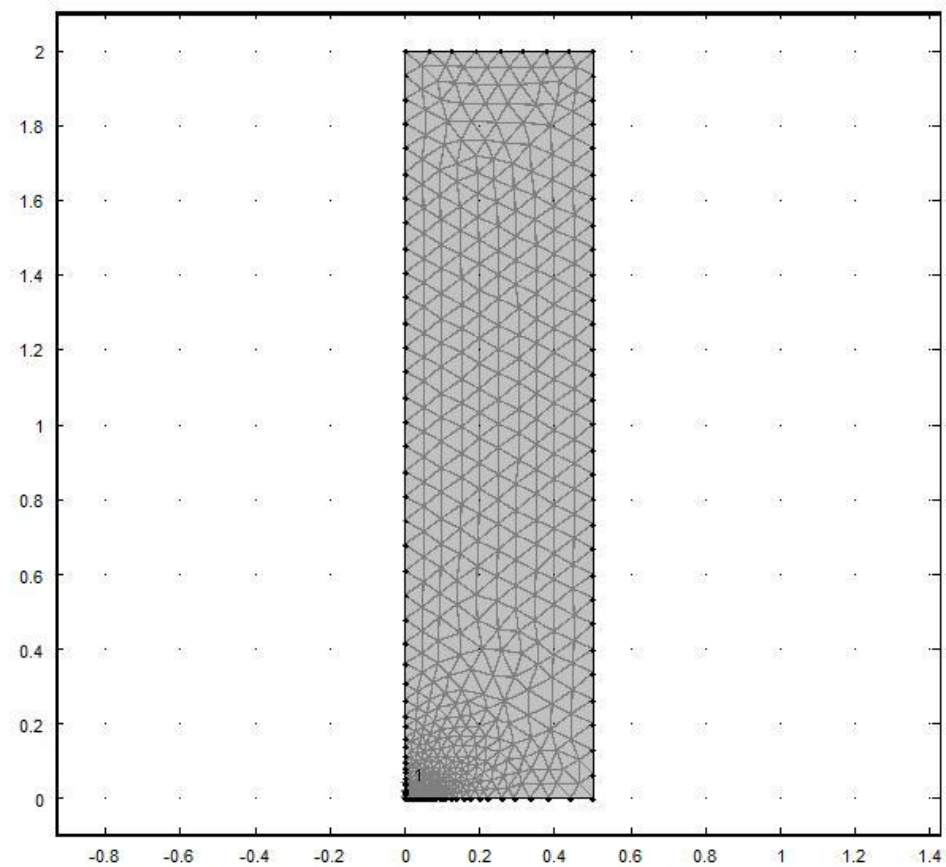
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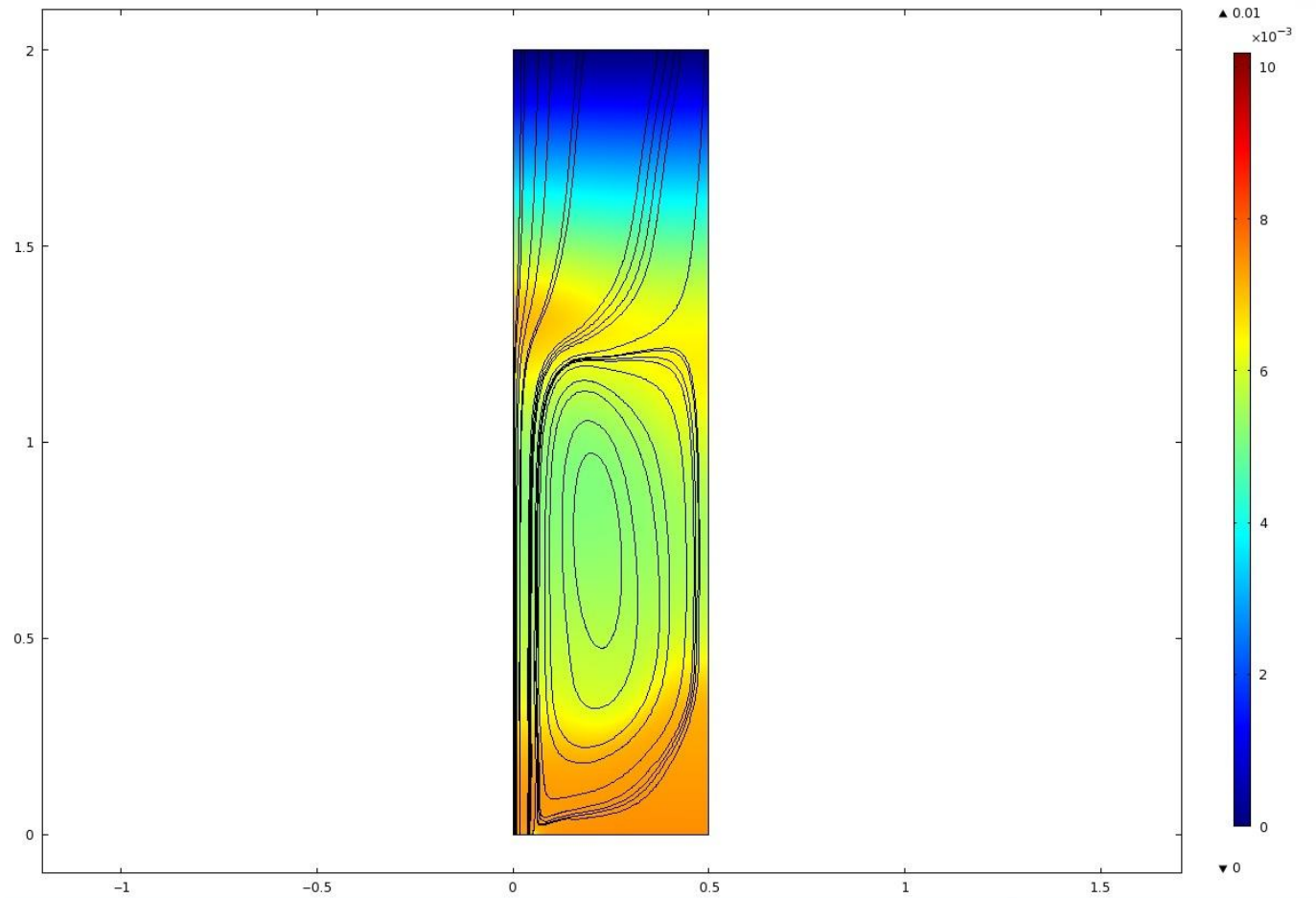
# Initial mesh



# Remeshing finite Element

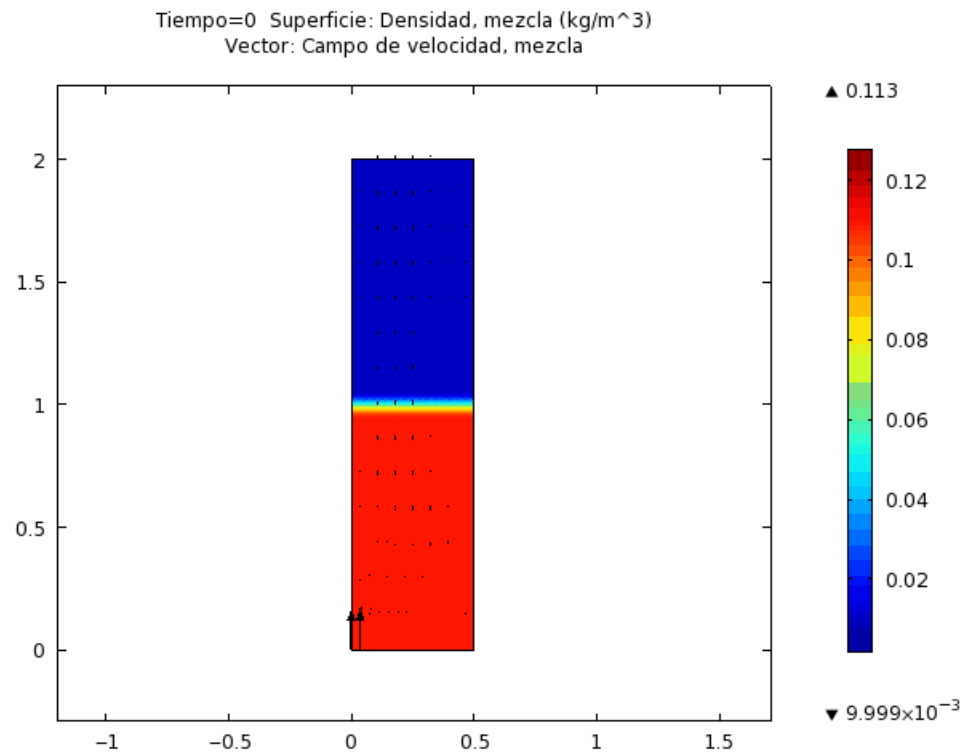


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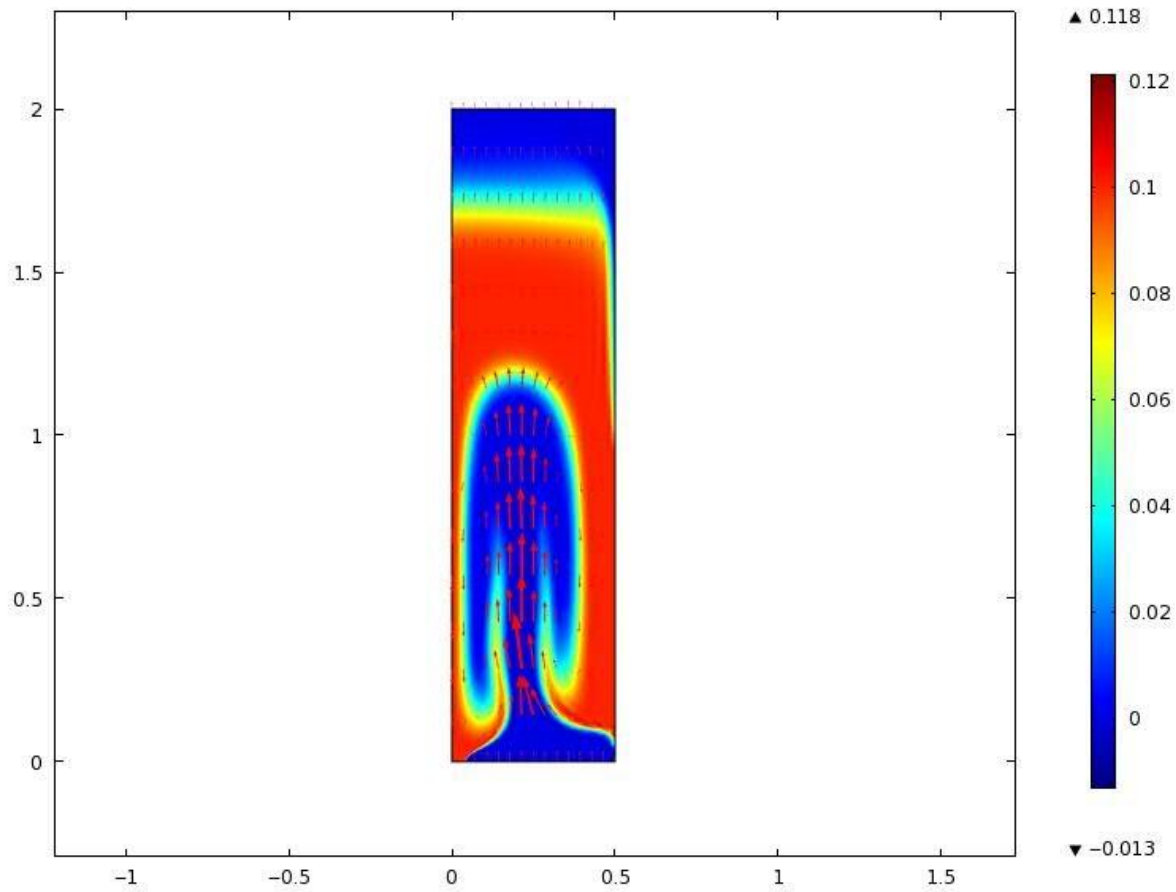


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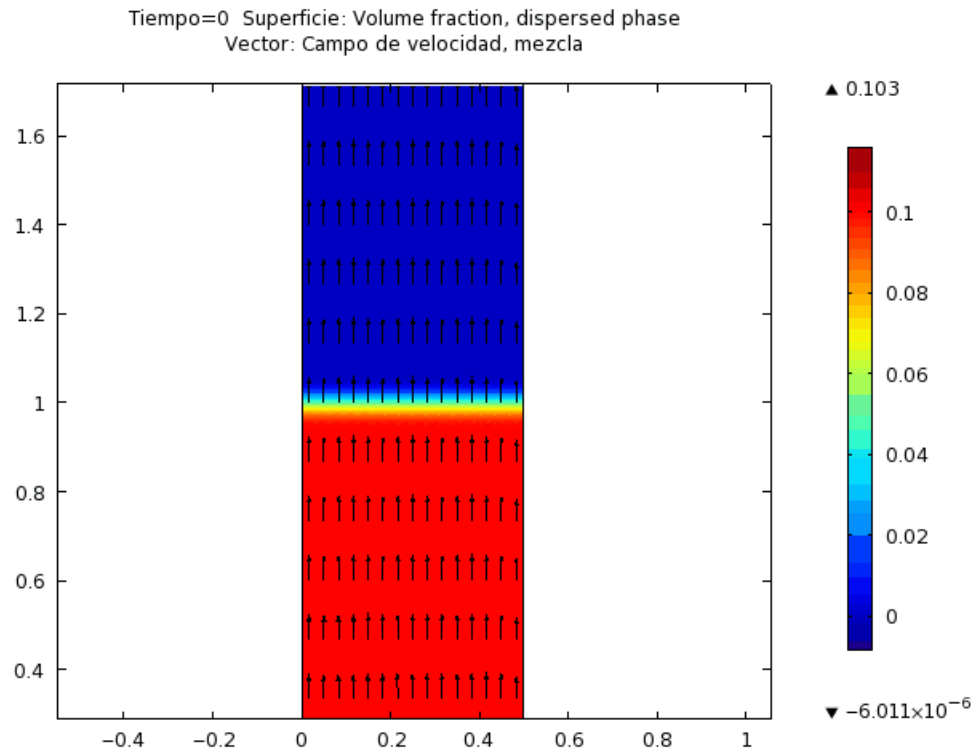


# Multiple nozzles

Tiempo=3.86622 Superficie: Fracción volumétrica, fase dispersa Vector: Campo de velocidad, mezcla



# Multiple nozzles



# Conclusion

1. The spectrum of the color palette, particles (red) and only gas flows (blue), a speed minimum fluidization of the results observed with the increase in the flow in bed, manifests a state of suspension caused by the upward flow gas by one and multiple nozzles. This flow creates drag force (inertial force) which balances gravity and terminal velocity which is manifested in the rate of free of the disperse phase.
2. The minimum speed is observed when bubbling the first bubble ppears, this is important because it causes the homogeneity mixing Solid -Gas.

3. The convergence criteria is obtained when there expansion homogeneous mixture, ie.

$$\delta = c * h, h \neq 0$$

$$c = \left\| U \right\| \frac{\Delta t}{h} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$$

$$Fr \approx 10^{-3}$$

$$Re = (400,500)$$

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