



# LATEST NEWS AND PROSPECTS IN *Code\_Saturne*

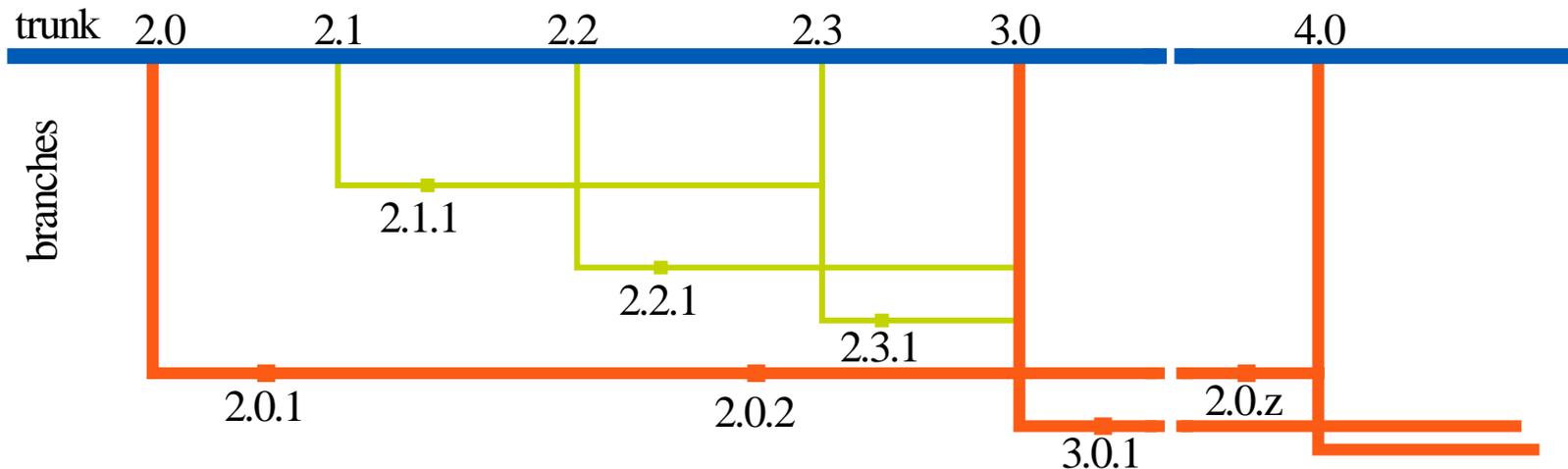
From version 3.0 to 3.3, on the road to 4.0

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# Code\_Saturne versioning scheme reminder

- From version 2.0 on, different kinds of versions “x.y.z” are released
  - **Production** version every two years (x increasing)
    - With the **release of a Verification & Validation summary report**
  - An **intermediate** version every six months (y increasing)
    - With **non-regression tests** to ensure the code quality
  - **Corrective** versions when needed (z increasing)
    - To make sure the users are provided with **bug fixes and ports**
    - XML and user subroutines **remain compatible**, so upgrading is encouraged



# Code\_Saturne version history

## ■ Pre-open source versions

- 1998: prototype (long time EDF in-house experience, ESTET-ASTRID, N3S, ...)
- 2000: **version 1.0** (basic modeling, wide range of meshes)
  - 2001: Qualification for single phase nuclear thermal-hydraulic applications
- 2004: **version 1.1** (complex physics, LES, parallel computing)
- 2006: **version 1.2** (state of the art turbulence models, GUI)

## ■ Open source (GPL) versions (**retired**, **old stable**, **stable**, **intermediate**)

- 2008/11: **version 1.3** (massively parallel, ALE, code coupling, ...)
  - 2008/11: **version 1.4** (parallel I/O, multi-grid, atmospheric, cooling towers, ...)
- 2010/08: **version 2.0** (parallel joining, code coupling, easier install, extended GUI)
  - 2011/10: **version 2.1** (parallel mesh partitioning, dynamic memory, improved scripts, coupling with Syrthes 4)
  - 2012/03: **version 2.2** (EBRSM, ALE improvements)
  - 2012/07: **version 2.3** (many physical model additions, Cp handling, BC formulation changes, coupled velocity)
- 2013/03: **version 3.0** (AFM, DFM thermal wall laws)
  - 2013/06: **version 3.1** (Lagrangian additions and post-processing,  $k-\omega$  robustness, radiative quadratures)
  - 2013/12: **version 3.2** (Joining-based rotor-stator, Lagrangian coal combustion, atmospheric chemistry)

# Code\_Saturne version 3.0

- **Released March 22, 2013**
  - Just before last year's user meeting
  - Now at patch release 3.0.3
    - 3.0.4 will be released very soon
  - Check NEWS file to see if you should upgrade
    - [http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3\\_0/](http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3_0/)
- **Described in detail in 2013 user meeting**



## PRODUCTION VERSION

- **Current stable**
  - recommended for most studies under quality assurance
  - will become "old stable" when version 4.0 is released (April 2015)
  - will be maintained until release of version 5.0 (2017)
- **Old stable is 2.0**
  - will be retired when 4.0 is released (April 2015)

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.1 (1/4)

## ▪ Released **June 2013**

- shortly after version 3.0
- contains mainly developments that could have gone into 3.0, but did not make it in time before feature freeze

## ▪ **General changes**

- documentation updates
- improve  $k-\omega$  robustness with low  $y^+$ 
  - fixes longstanding bug, detectable on diffuser test case
    - versions 1.3 and 2.0 forced relaxation to work around this, at the expense of unsteady computations
    - version 3.0 identified the issue, forcing relaxation only in affected cases
      - » fix is not merged into 3.0, as it is deemed too intrusive
- hybrid parallelism (OpenMP)
  - add numbering options for threads
- optional support for NEPTUNE's Equations of State Library

## ▪ **radiative model**

- add new S4 S6 S8 and Tn quadratures

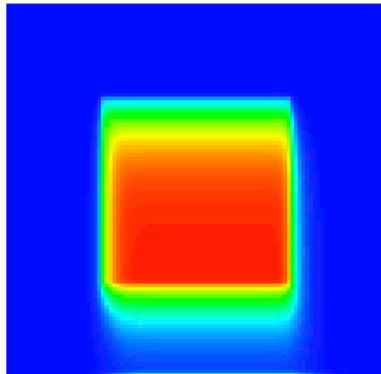
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## ■ Coal combustion

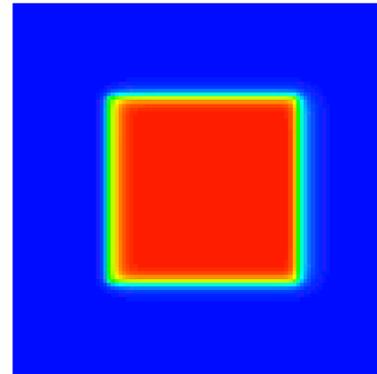
- increase max coals to 5, add coke composition
- remove old coal combustion model

## ■ add a drift model

- first used for coal combustion
- general framework (radionuclide transport, ...)



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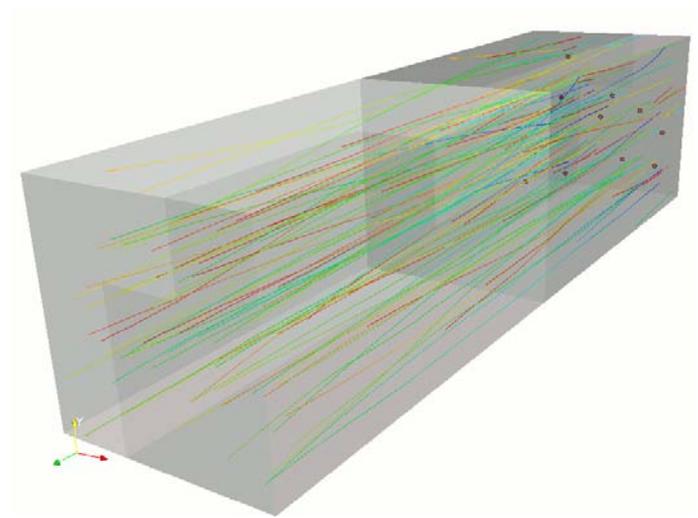
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## ■ GUI and scripts

- prepare for Windows (with features useful for all, and essential to windows population)
  - handle whitespace in paths
  - cases may now be created (not just edited) directly from the GUI
- using CFD\_Study, display the monitoring points on the SALOME VTK viewer

## ■ Lagrangian model

- add zero-flux particle boundary condition to be applied with Eulerian symmetries.
- with combustion, use a formulation of the coal density local to a particle and improve the numerics.
- add a particle resuspension model.
- implement a wall law for fluid velocity,  $k$  and  $\varepsilon$  for the deposition sub-model
- implement a BC based on the DLVO theory
- full rewrite of the postprocessing output
  - now based on the standard mechanisms ;  
no restrictions for parallel runs
  - trajectories are now really usable



# Code\_Saturne Version 3.1 (4/4)

- **Autovnv improvements**

- global postprocessing
- prescribe results name,
- many other useful additions

- **Automatic installer changes**

- The installer is now in the top-level directory, and does not download *Code\_Saturne* anymore
  - download code sources `code_saturne_x.y.z.tar.gz` file first, the installer is inside
- The setup file template is generated by a first call to `install_saturne.py`.
- MPI should now be installed upstream, but PT-SCOTCH and ParMetis are now handled.

- **For more details, see NEWS file in:**

- [http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3\\_1/](http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3_1/)

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (1/6)

- Released **December 2013**

- **General changes**

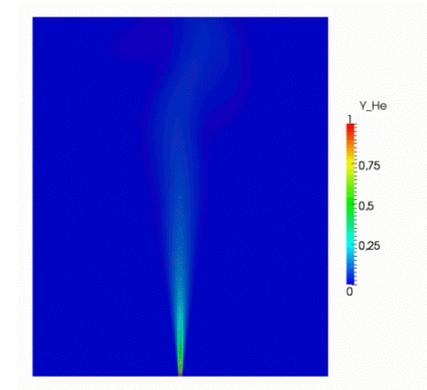
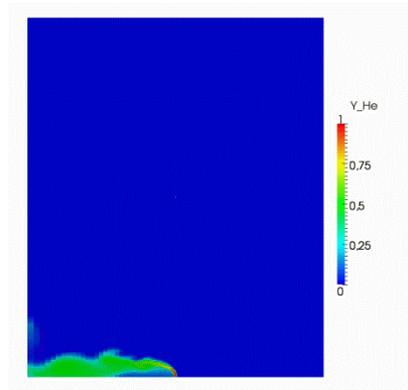
- Remove uncoupled velocity solver (`ivelco = 0`), deprecated since version 3.0

- add a new Boundary Condition type for free inlet

- can be used for natural convective flows in free atmosphere for instance (plumes, flame, etc.).

- Turbulence:

- Major change in Rij-epsilon models:
      - the Daly Harlow model on the diffusive term is now by default for SSG
      - the GGDH brick is used for all the models (LRR, SSG, EBRSM)
      - the "diffusivity\_tensor" is added as a field key word
      - Rij-epsilon routines are cleaned up and documented using Doxygen.



- **Turbomachinery modeling:**

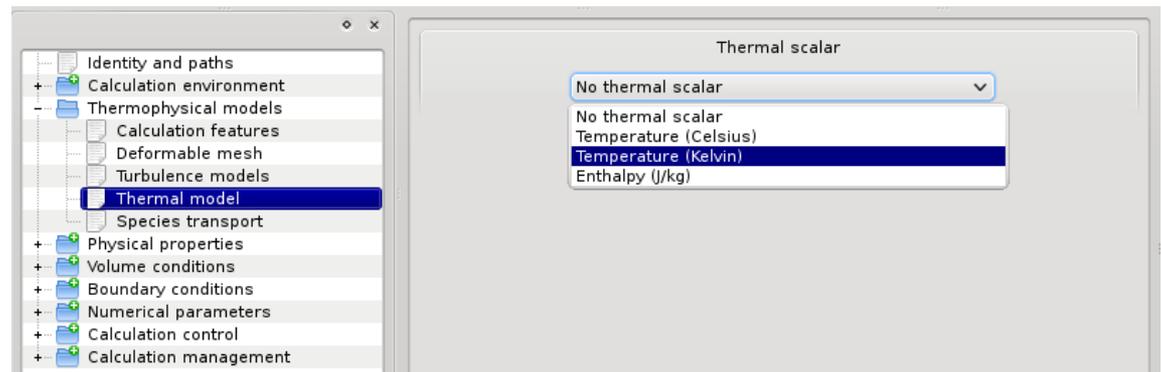
- add a rotor-stator model based on mesh joining.

- [see specific presentations on this subject today](#)

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (2/6)

## ■ Thermal model

- the **thermal model** is now defined by the "itherm" keyword/variable, which replaces `iscsth(iscalt)`.
  - In the case of temperature, the scale used is defined by a separate variable (`itpscal`). For additional user scalars, a new array `iscacp` is defined, such that `iscacp(iscal)` defines whether the scalar behaves like a temperature, so the possibility of modeling multiple passive "temperatures" is not lost.
- This change allows for better consistency between the standard and specific physics, as the thermal variable is now always a "model" scalar, and user scalars remain separate.
  - so `nscape = 1` using a thermal model but no specific physical model
  - It also allows better consistency between the GUI and user subroutines logic
  - It also allows querying the thermal model with one less indirection.



# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (3/6)

## ■ Atmospheric module:

- add gaseous chemistry models.
- plug the Size REsolved Aerosol Model (SIREAM).
- see general presentation on atmospheric module today

## ■ Particle tracking module:

- add a modeling of the drying phase of the coal particle combustion
- add a new boundary condition to simulate coal fouling mechanism
- implementation of a particle discretization in the coal combustion model:
  - backwards compatibility is ensured (set nlayer = 1)
  - computation of intra-particle thermal gradients
  - adaptation of chemical source terms to temperature discretization
  - reworked the particle injection for coal (clear difference between standard and user-defined coal composition)
  - adapted the particles and trajectories export routines to be able to output variable information for a specific layer

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (4/6)

## ■ Compressible module:

- change the compressible algorithm from a density formulation to a pressure formulation
- merge the compressible algorithm with the coupled velocity components algorithm
- adapt standard operators (`codits`, `bilsc*`) in order to make them compatible with the compressible algorithm
- implement analytical flux boundary condition
  - plus a new total enthalpy / total pressure boundary condition with a fixed point algorithms, generalization of the subsonic outlet
- new set of BC coefficients for the convection operator for compressible flows
- density is now a property only, not a solved variable

## ■ Coal combustion module:

- added new NOx model for coal combustion;
- introduction of the coal thermal conductivity
  - for the calculation of intra particle gradients in particle-tracking module

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (5/6)

## ■ Documentation

- moved tutorials outside the codebase
  - this allows looser synchronization with the code base, as tutorials may be updated somewhat less frequently
  - for non-EDF users, pdf's are available on the web site; to contribute, please contact us
- Progress in Doxygen documentation
  - Fortran modules
  - user examples
  - Fortran routines
  - install Doxygen documentation from tarball (as built by "make dist")

## ■ Post-processing

- Added experimental ParaView Catalyst co-processing output option
  - developed with the SALOME visualization team
  - see [STFC presentation today](#)
- for CFD\_Study
  - update to PARAVIS instead of VISU.

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.2 (6/6)

## ■ Programming changes

- moved to PyQt API 2 to plan for future Python version upgrades
  - leads to some issues in complex combinations, such as with SALOME, so version 3.3 will add a compatibility layer to handle both API 1 and API 2
- replaced `propfa` and `propfb` arrays by distinct fields
  - use `field_get_val_...` functions to access values
  - for cell properties, more work remains before `propce` may be removed, but use of field API is recommended to avoid requiring future changes
- added `cs_c_bindings.f90` module for general definitions of C bindings
  - For large modules, it is recommended to use separate files (see `field.f90` and `post.f90` for example), but for smaller modules, this avoids requiring the definition of specific module files
- added `cs_field_pointer` API for quick access to main fields from C
- moved the convection-diffusion balance (`bilsc2.f90`) to C

## ■ For more details, see NEWS file in:

- [http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3\\_2/](http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/branches/Version3_2/)

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.3 (1/2)

- **Version 3.3 to be released late April 2014**

- Automated test cases will be run

- **Lagrangian module**

- Improvements in roughness and resuspension models
  - added a user keyword for roughness surface (calculation of the energy barrier in the case of rough wall)
  - consideration of the electrostatic force in the adhesion force for the resuspension
  - mass flux update for particles rolling on the wall

- **Atmospheric module**

- Add imbrication module (boundary condition coefficients interpolation)

- **Rewrite of temporal moments handling.**

- Moments handling is now more modular, and allows for variances in addition to means.
- Numerically stable recurrence relations are used to update moments, whose values are now directly usable at any given time.
  - Weight accumulators are handled inside the module, and not seen as fields anymore.
- Also, support for user functions is added.
- Currently, this is mapped to the legacy data setup, and tested only in this context, but the added functionality will be exposed with future changes in case setup.

# Code\_Saturne Version 3.3 (2/2)

## ■ Code Architecture

- Sharing in C of many Fortran keywords
- Migration to C of many finite volume operators
  - allows for future increased sharing of code with NEPTUNE\_CFD
  - C's local variable declarations allow for safer OpenMP hybrid parallelism deployment
  - handling of structures is much simpler
  - handling of optional arguments is much simpler and safer
    - test for NULL
  - easier for many tools, such as Doxygen and debuggers

```
const cs_lnum_2_t *i_face_cells = (const cs_lnum_2_t *)m->i_face_cells;
const cs_lnum_t *b_face_cells = (const cs_lnum_t *)m->b_face_cells;

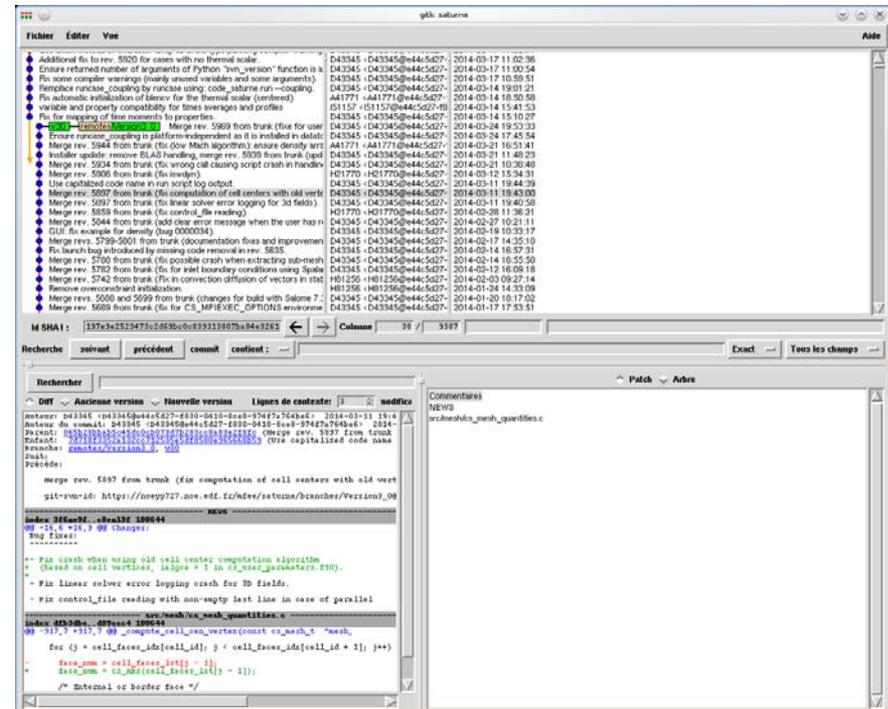
const cs_real_t *cell_vol = fvq->cell_vol;
const cs_real_3_t *diipb = (const cs_real_3_t *)fvq->diipb;
const cs_real_t *b_face_surf = (const cs_real_t *)fvq->b_face_surf;

/* Get physical fields */
const cs_real_t *dt = CS_F(dt)->val;
const cs_real_t *rho = CS_F(rho)->val;
const cs_field_t *h = cs_field_by_name_try("enthalpy");

/*-----
 * This example computes energy balance relative to enthalpy
 * We assume that we want to compute balances (convective and diffusive)
```

## ■ For further details, browse

- <http://code-saturne.org/viewvc/saturne/trunk>
- or checkout the code
  - `git svn clone \`  
`http://code-saturne.org/svn/saturne/trunk \`  
`code_saturne`



# On the road to *Code\_Saturne* 4.0

- **4.0 feature freeze with branching of version 4.0 in November 2014**
  - branch will be known as “4.0 beta”, until it is deemed ready for “4.0 release candidate” status
    - all test cases must run successfully to come out of beta
    - snapshots will be released regularly (every 2 weeks or so)
    - when 4.0.0 is released, support for beta and rc versions is discontinued
  
- **Focus on verification and validation**
  - version 3.0 brought versioned test case setups and automated runs
  - version 4.0 will leverage those tests, which are run frequently in the development process
    - in general, the earlier a bug is detected, the less costly it is to fix it
      - and the less time it has to annoy users
  
- **Distributed inside EDF as part of SALOME\_CFD**

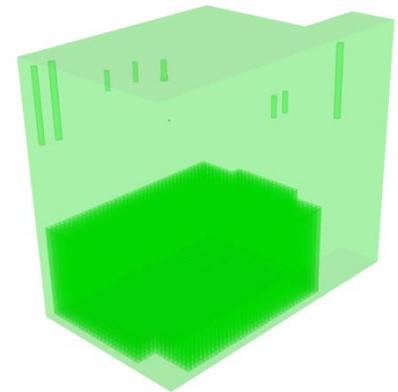
# On the road to *Code\_Saturne* 4.0

## ■ Feature list not frozen yet, but should include

- postprocessing output improvements
  - rewrite of probes and profiles output, using a consistent writer / submesh paradigm
  - zone-based balance computation and extraction
- additional physical models
- additional HPC oriented features
  - optional use of external linear solver packages (targeting PETSC)
  - more cache and thread-friendly mesh numbering
  - deployment of hybrid MPI-OpenMP builds
    - already functional today, but need more systematic testing within the AutoVnV framework

## ■ And after that ?

- Additions to code structure to prepare for new numerical schemes may start appearing shortly after 4.0
  - will require time and effort, so start as early as possible





# Organisation

- **New internal EDF quality assurance manual to be released soon**
  - clarifies roles of core development team and contributors
  - builds on identified best practices
    - based on feedback of the last couple of years, versus older projects
- **We realize we ask more of contributors than several years ago**
  - with more users and developments, integration work needs to be spread to more people, or better prepared by contributors.
  - The old way of doing things did not scale
    - at least not without proportionately increasing the development team
    - or integrating unrevised code
      - would lead to rapid accumulation of technical debt and skyrocketing support issues 1 to 3 years later
- **To help with this, we added a 1 day developer's course this year**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> “test” session in 2014
    - thanks to our participants for their patience for this first try
  - expect 1 session per year
    - we'll be happy to help you make the best use of the code

**THANK YOU**

# Reminder:

## best practices to cope with version changes

- **GUI vs. user subroutines**
  - GUI advantage: mostly automatic update from one version to the next
  - User subroutine advantage: slightly less layers, so slightly lower risk of bugs
    - we are progressively aligning user subroutines with the GUI logic so as to make these layers thinner, and avoid GUI translation bugs altogether.
- **Recommended approach**
  - do as much as possible using the GUI, and only the rest using user subroutines
    - for example, for a complex inlet boundary condition, you may define all conditions using the GUI, except the complex one
      - reducing the size of the code that may need updating
      - enhancing its readability
- **Validation test cases are versioned**
  - Updated regularly
  - EDF intranet only