

GPU-based mesh-less CFD modeling of free surface flows and wave-structure interaction

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This talk introduces emerging GPU-based, mesh-less computational fluid dynamics (CFD) models, particularly focusing on turbulent free surface flows and fluid-structure interactions. This modeling framework directly captures the complex dynamics of multi-body structures like Wave Energy Converters (WECs), along with their interactions with surrounding turbulent flows under various sea states. By adopting a mesh-less approach, we eliminate common challenges associated with mesh-based models, such as difficulties in surface tracking and mesh interpolation. Our GPU-based framework marks a significant advancement in the design process of WECs, offering substantially faster and more efficient computations than traditional CPU-based CFD models.