# Numerical Simulation of Cavitation Bubbles by Compressible Two-Phase Fluids

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# Outline

- Motivation
- Modelling of Two-Phase Fluid Flows
- Numerical Discretization
- Numerical Results
- Outlook

# **Cavitation in Liquids**

- Phenomena
  - Growing of previously inviscible small gas bubbles due to pressure drop
  - Forming of vapor bubbles if pressure drops below vapor pressure, e.g. very high acceleration
- Occurence
  - at ship propellers (famous explanation of cavitation damaging by Lord Rayleigh)
  - in oil pumps and liquid injectors
  - in medical applications, e.g. lithotripsy
- Basic experiments
  - Laser induced single bubbles far from and near solid boundaries of different stiffness (Courtesy of Lauterborn; Brujan, Nahen, Schmidt, Vogel JFM2001)
- Observed Processes
  - Bubble collapse accompanied by strong shock waves in the bubble and the liquid as well
  - Interactions of shock/rarefaction waves with phase boundaries
  - Bubble oscillation, splitting and coalescing
  - Formation of liquid jets

### **Cavitation near a Solid**



## **Goals of the Project**

#### • Experiments with laser induced bubbles

Group of Lauterborn/Kurz (Göttingen)

- high speed photographic observations
- flow field measurements (PIV)
- shock wave visualization and measurement

#### Numerical investigation

Group of Ballmann/M. (Aachen), Helluy (Strasbourg)

- pressure and density contours
- velocity vectors

#### → Expected Results

- better understanding of complicated flow dynamics
- mechanism of material damage

## **Modelling of Two-Phase Flows**

- I. Requirements
- II. Phase Boundary Motion
- III. Two-Phase Flow Model

## Requirements

- Basic analysis
  - spherical bubble collapse using 2 equations of state taking both phases as compressible (Hanke)
  - Results:
    - Extreme changes of state due to compression and shocks in gas and liquid
    - Inhomogeneous fields even in small bubbles due to strong wave processes
    - \* Shocks can be formed in the gas as well as in the liquid
- Consequences for modelling
  - real gas and compressible liquid approach with two equations of state
  - extended by non-equilibrium thermodynamics including phase transition

## **Phase Boundary Motion**

#### I. Lagrangian approach (interface-tracking)

- particle methods, front tracking methods, marker methods

#### – Disadvantages

- \* extremely difficult and expensive in multi-dimensions
- \* the extreme jump of the acoustic impedance  $[
  ho\,c]$
- \* topological changes due to deformation, splitting, coalescing of p.b.

#### II. Eulerian approach (interface-capturing)

- evolution equation for interface position
  - \* colour function, levet set function, fraction of phase
- Problem: Pressure oscillation at interface
  - \* quasi-conservative formulation Abgrall (96), Saurel/Abgrall (99), Abgrall/Karni (01))
  - \* ghost fluid method (Fedkiv et al. (99))
  - \* two-flux method (Abgrall/Karni (01))

#### **Two-Phase Flow Model**

#### **Compressible Navier-Stokes Equations:**

$$\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div} (\rho \mathbf{v}) = 0$$
  

$$\partial_t (\rho \mathbf{v}) + \operatorname{div} (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}^T + p \mathbf{I}) = \operatorname{div} (\tau_v) + \gamma \kappa \,\delta(d) \,\mathbf{n}$$
  

$$\partial_t (\rho E) + \operatorname{div} (\rho \mathbf{v} (E + p/\rho)) = \operatorname{div} (\tau_v \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{q}) + \gamma \kappa \,\delta(d) \,\mathbf{v}^T \,\mathbf{n}$$

**Vaporization Model**:

$$\partial_t \varphi + \mathbf{v}^T \operatorname{grad} \varphi = \mu$$
  
 $0 \le \varphi \le 1$  (gas fraction)

**Equation of State:** 

$$p = p(\rho, e, \varphi)$$

Modelling

## **Mixture of Fluids**

• pressure law behaves as a stiffened gas

$$p = (\gamma(\varphi) - 1) \rho e - \gamma(\varphi) \pi(\varphi), \quad e = c_v T + \pi(\varphi) / \rho$$

• linear interpolation

$$\begin{cases} \beta_1 = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} \\ \beta_2 = \frac{\gamma \pi}{\gamma - 1} \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \gamma = 1 + \frac{1}{\beta_1} \\ \pi = \frac{\beta_2}{1 + \beta_1} \end{cases}$$

$$\beta_1(\varphi) = \varphi \beta_1(1) + (1 - \varphi) \beta_1(0),$$
  
$$\beta_2(\varphi) = \varphi \beta_2(1) + (1 - \varphi) \beta_2(0).$$

## **Discretization of Fluid Equations**

- Finite volume discretization of conserved quantities  $(\rho, \rho v, \rho E)$ 
  - explicit time discretization
  - 2nd order reconstruction of primitive variables  $(\rho, \boldsymbol{v}, p, \boldsymbol{\beta})$
  - exact Riemann solver
- Upwind discretization of non-conservative transport equation for gas fraction (Abgrall/Saurel)
  - Idea: Preserve constant pressure and velocity fields
- Multiscale-based grid adaptation
- Multilevel time stepping

# Conclusion

- Discretization of Stiffened Gas Model
  - higher order reconstruction
  - multiscale-based grid adaptation
  - multilevel time stepping
    - $\rightsquigarrow$  locally high resolution of physical effects
    - $\rightsquigarrow$  efficient computations
- Application: Bubble Collapse near to a Rigid Wall
  - Interaction of shock/rarefaction waves with phase boundary
  - Formation of liquid jets
  - Bubble splitting and moving
- Future
  - enhanced physical model
    - \* viscosity and heat conduction
    - \* surface tension
    - \* phase transition
  - sharp interface model using level set method