

# Trailing Edge Noise of Wind Turbine Blades - TENwinds

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## Motivation



TEN is a significant contributor to noise emissions  
→ Study & understand flow-induced TEN mechanisms

- $Re_c \sim O(10^6)$  & elements  $\sim Re_c^3$  (DNS)
- Computational costs
- Scale with  $Re_c$
- Dependent on resolved scales

Efficient simulation of trailing-edge noise with as little modelling as possible utilizing the Lattice-Boltzmann Method (LBM).

## Status

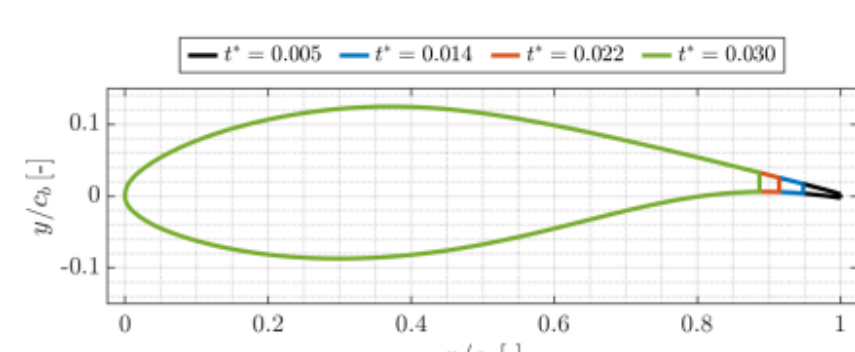
Preliminary results from:

- Wind tunnel experiments
- Very large eddy simulations (VLES)
- Validation of VLES with wind tunnel experiments with:
  - Static pressure distribution
  - Far-field noise
  - Unsteady surface pressure

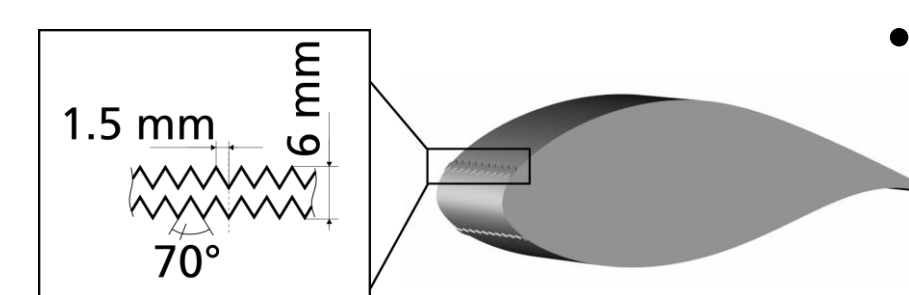
Optimization of LBM solver Musubi

- Improved scaling by using non-blocking collectives
  - Tuning on HAWK
- Determine setup & operational parameters

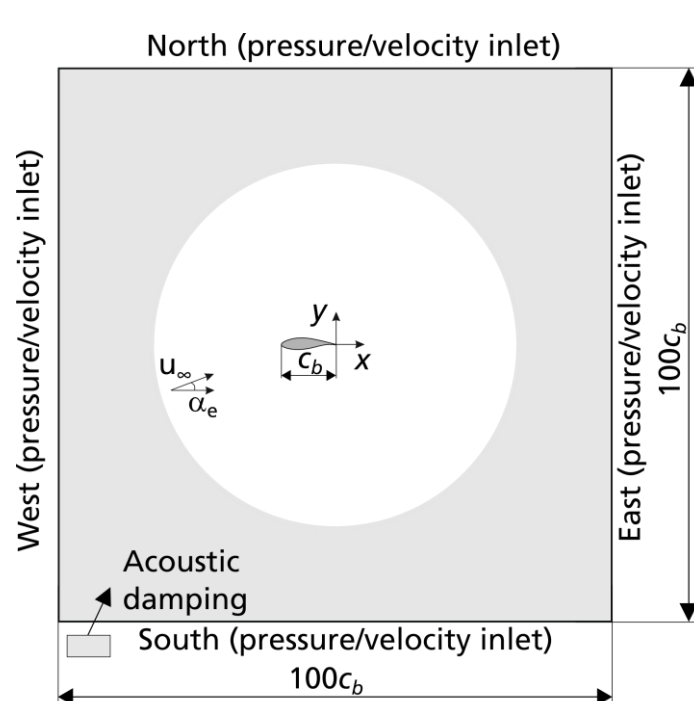
## Airfoil and parameters



- Cambered airfoil DU93W210
- Truncation of airfoil → Different degrees of bluntness  $t^*$
- From moderate to high  $Re_c$
- Fully turbulent boundary layer

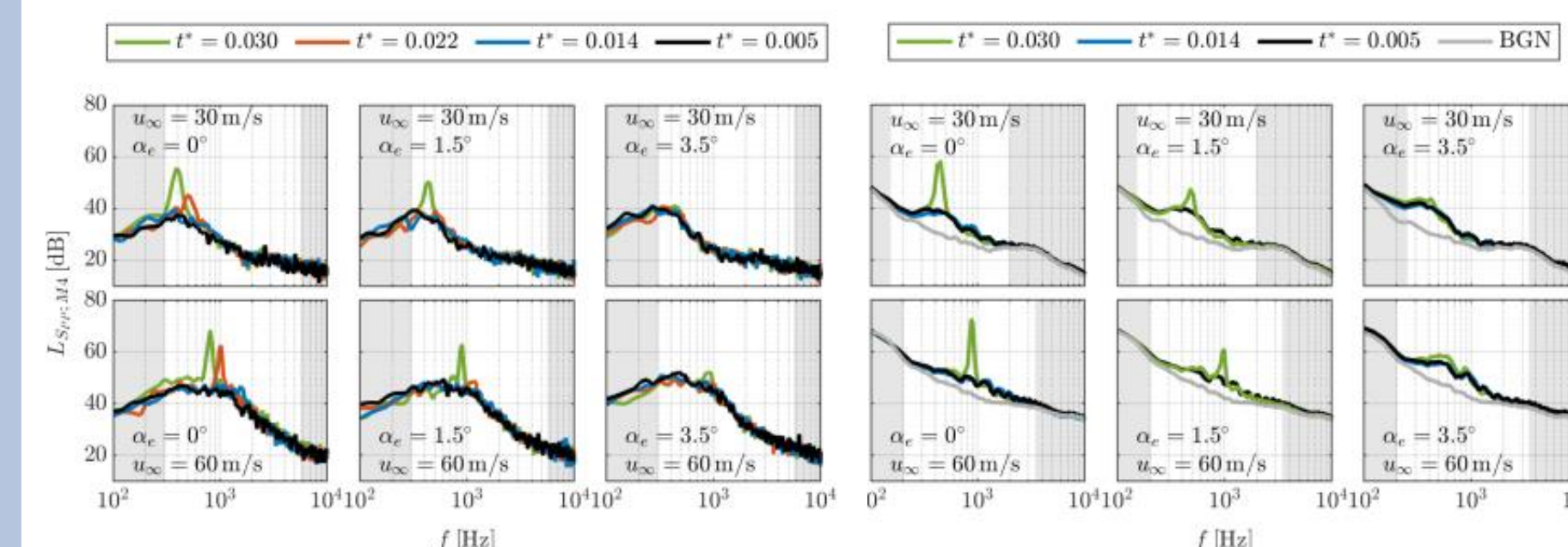


## Numerical and experimental setup



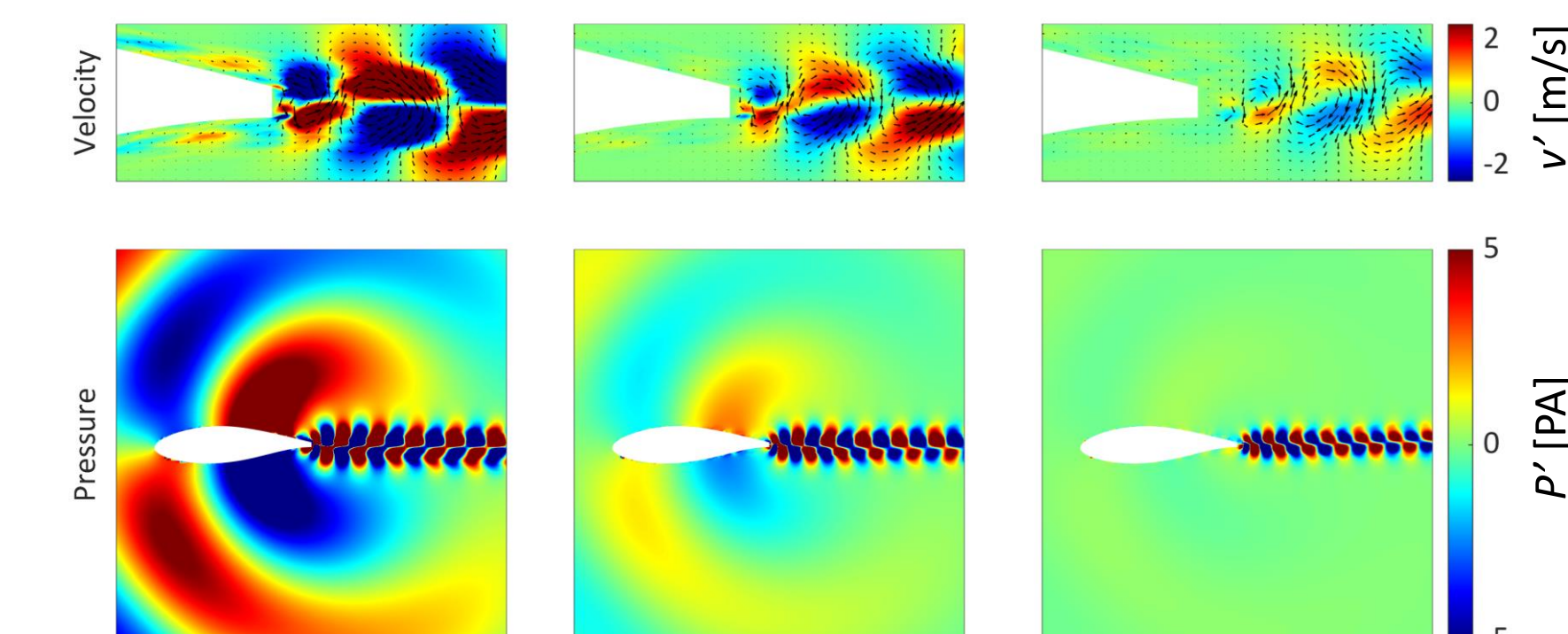
Numerical setup for lattice-Boltzmann simulation (l.) and experimental setup in the aeroacoustic wind tunnel at the University of Siegen (r.)

## Acoustic results



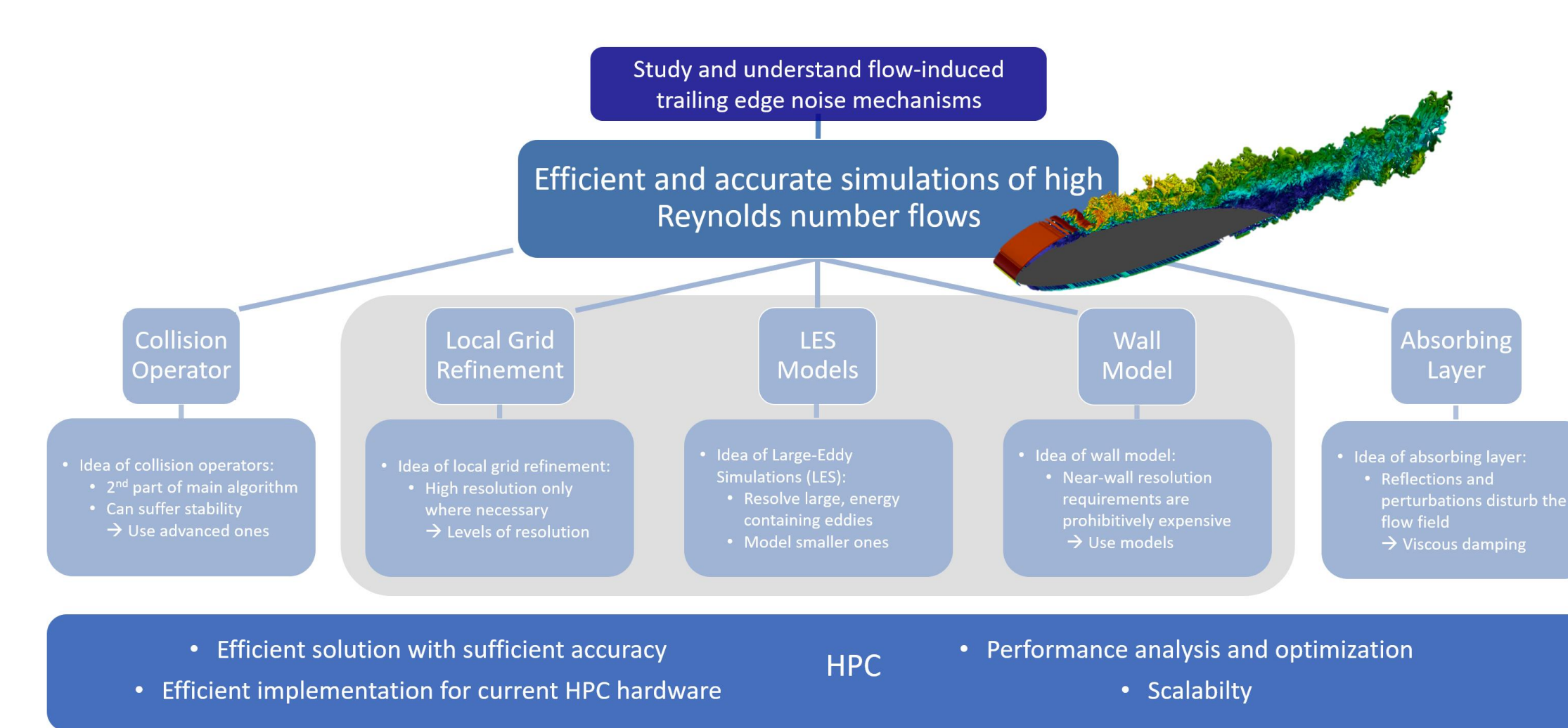
Power spectral density of numerical predicted (l.) and experimental measured (r.) far-field noise captured at microphone position M4: Effect on degree of bluntness  $t^*$ ,  $Re_c$ , and angle of attack  $\alpha_e$ .

## Transient flow field results

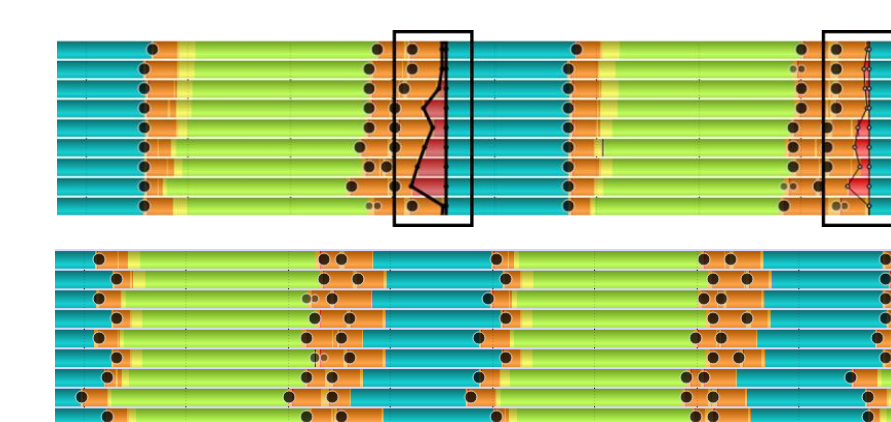


Reconstructed velocity and pressure field at peak frequency for  $t^*=0.03$ ,  $u_\infty=60$  m/s and angles of attack  $\alpha_e=0^\circ$ ,  $1.5^\circ$ , and  $3.5^\circ$  (from left to right)

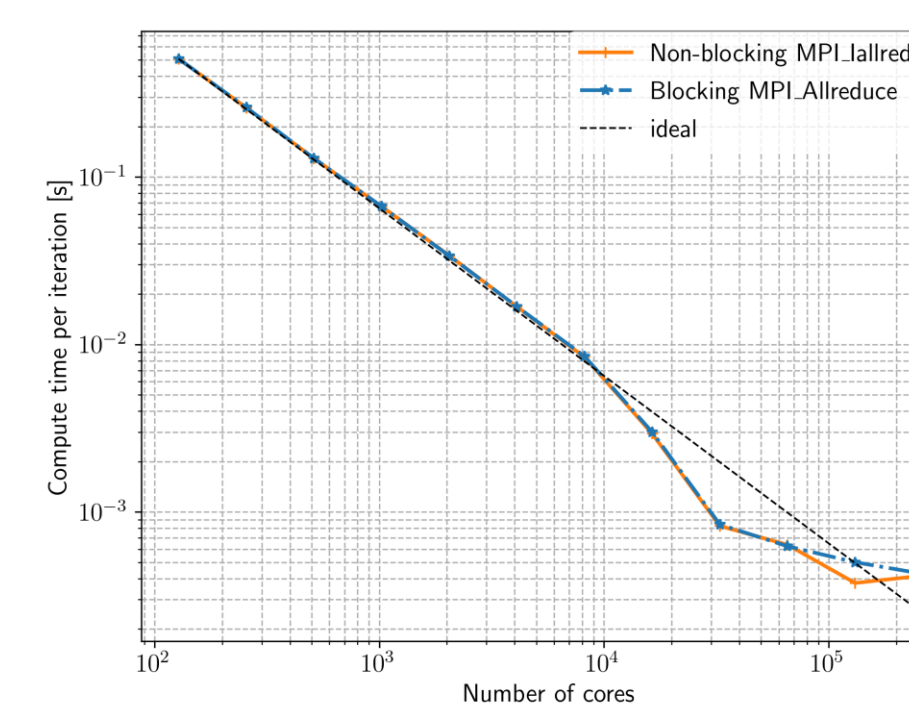
## Efficient and economical computational modeling



## New feature: non-blocking collectives for health checks

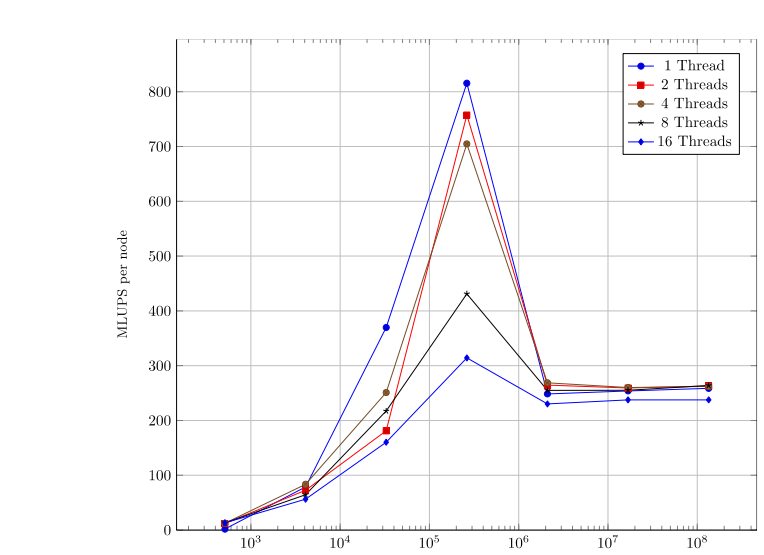


Comparison of traces for blocking (top) & non-blocking (bottom, delayed) health check. Computations are green & blue, communication brown, Allreduce red.



Compute time per iteration of *Musubi* on *Hawk* using 1 to 2,048 nodes. Strong scaling measurement for 134, 217, 728 elements with non-blocking (orange) and blocking (blue) reduction. A dashed black line indicates ideal scaling.

## Performance measurements



Performance map on a single node for different number of threads utilizing all 128 cores.

### Operational parameters

- 8 *OpenMP* threads per process
- 512 nodes
- Roughly 2 million elements per node
- Non-blocking reduction in health checks
- Interval length 5

Efficiency of *Musubi* on *Hawk* using 1 to 256 nodes for different check intervals: 1 (left) and 5 (right). Strong scaling measurement for 16,777,216 elements with non-blocking (orange) and blocking health check (blue).

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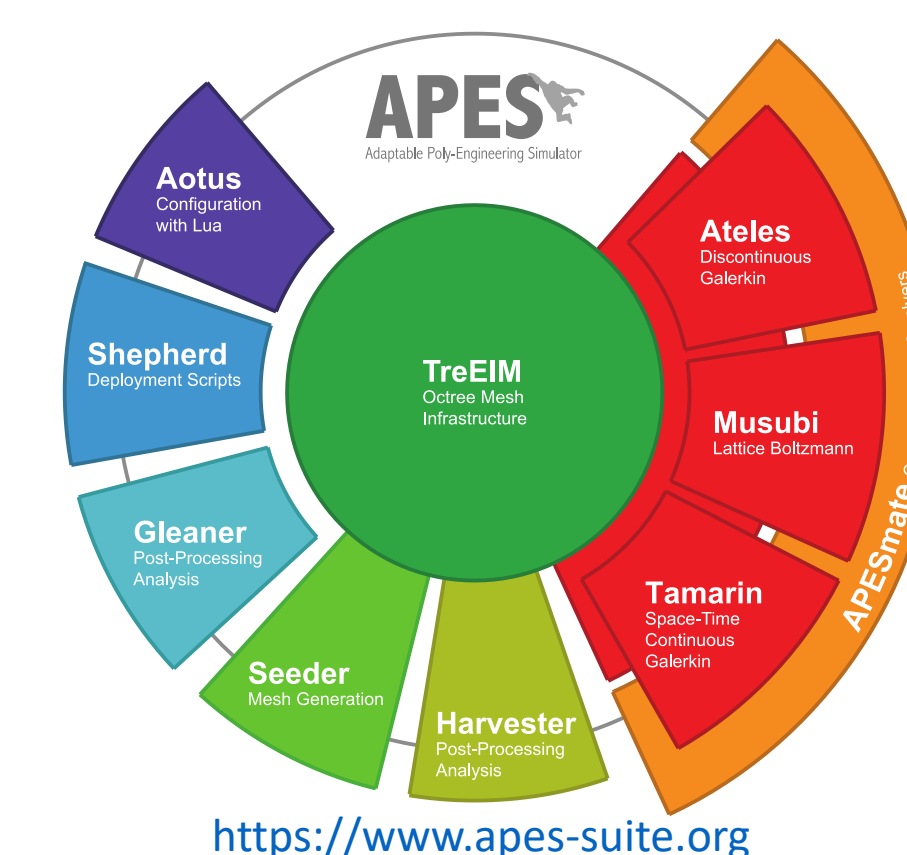
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## Software

APES – Adaptable Poly-Engineering Simulator – is a massively parallel CFD framework providing pre- and post-processing tools. APES relies on a common octree-based library and follows a modular approach with dedicated tools for different purposes like the Lattice-Boltzmann solver *Musubi*.

Preliminary simulations with: SIMULIA PowerFLOW™, version 2020 R1



<https://www.apes-suite.org>

## Next Steps

High-fidelity runs utilizing *Musubi* with:

- Vreman LES model
- Musker wall model
- MRT & Cumulant collision scheme
- Refinement of the mesh → ~ 1 billion elements
- Domain extension in spanwise direction