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Apply Alpha-Shape Algorithm

(Alpha-Shape Algorithm)



- $h_{\rm u}$  : Reference size
  - r: Circumradius
- $\alpha$ : Alpha Shape

$$\alpha = \frac{r}{h_{\rm u}} = 1.02$$



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#### **PFEM-AS**

Particle Finite Element Method based on Alpha-Shapes

#### **PFEM-LS**

Particle Finite Element Method based on Level-Sets





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(weakly coupled staggered scheme)

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