Computation of MHD Flows using the Lattice Boltzmann Method

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Main Topics

Lattice Boltzmann Models for MHD

New Lattice Boltzmann Model for high Hartmann number MHD

➢Simulation results in 2D and 3D

Summary and Conclusions

Magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) Equations

Fluid dynamical equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho u) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (uu) = -\nabla p + NF_{Lorentz} + \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \nabla \cdot \Pi_{visc}$$
Lorentz force $F_{Lorentz} = J \times B$
Magnetic induction equation
$$\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (uB - Bu) = \frac{1}{\text{Re}_m} \nabla^2 B \qquad \nabla \cdot B = 0$$

Dimensionless numbers

Reynolds number
$$\operatorname{Re} = \frac{u_0 L}{v}$$
 Interaction parameter or $N = \frac{\sigma B_0^2 L}{\rho u_0}$
Hartmann number $Ha = \sqrt{N \operatorname{Re}}$
Magnetic Reynolds number $\operatorname{Re}_m = \frac{u_0 L}{\eta}, \ \eta = \frac{1}{\sigma \mu_{mag}}$ Magnetic diffusivity

Lattice Boltzmann Model for MHD

I. Hydrodynamics

Scalar distribution function for hydrodynamics

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}, t + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau_{f}}(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq})$$

streaming

collision



Coincident lattices

$$e_{\alpha}, \alpha = 0, 1, ..., 14$$

$$\Xi_{\beta}, \beta = 0, 1, \dots, 6$$

Equilibrium distribution functions

$$f_{\alpha}^{eq} = f_{\alpha}^{eq} \left(\rho, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{B}, \mu_{mag} \right)$$

functions of macro fields

Macroscopic fields

$$\rho = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{b} f_{\alpha} \qquad \rho \boldsymbol{u} = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{b} f_{\alpha} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} \qquad p = \frac{1}{3}c^{2}\rho$$

moments of distribution function

Lattice Boltzmann Model for MHD (cont...)

II. Magnetic induction

Vector distribution function for magnetic induction

$$\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{\Xi}_{\beta}\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}, t + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}) - \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau_{m}}(\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta} - \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}^{eq})$$

streaming collision



Coincident lattices

 $e_{\alpha}, \alpha = 0, 1, ..., 14$

Equilibrium distribution functions

 $\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{eq} = \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{eq} \left(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{B} \right)$ functions of macro fields

Macroscopic fields

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \sum_{\beta=0}^{b_m} \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}$$

$$\left(\boldsymbol{J}\right)_k = \frac{1}{\mu_{mag}} \left(\boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{B} \right)_k = -\frac{N_m}{c^2 \tau_m \mu_{mag}} \varepsilon_{ijk} \left[\sum_{\beta=0}^{b_m} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha i} \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta j} - \left(\boldsymbol{u}_i \boldsymbol{B}_j - \boldsymbol{B}_i \boldsymbol{u}_j \right) \right] \qquad N_m = \begin{cases} 3, 2D \\ 4, 3D \end{cases}$$

moments of distribution function

Lattice Boltzmann Model for MHD (cont...)



Advantages of LBM for MHD flows

>Avoids *time-consuming* solution of Poisson-type pressure equation

All information obtained *locally*

Naturally amenable for implementation on parallel computers
Efficient calculation procedure for handling large problems

➤Well suited to MHD flows in complex geometries

➢Other advantages

- Complete field formulation
- Calculated fields solenoidal to machine round-off error
- Current density as higher moment of the distribution function (no finite differencing)

MHD Results in 2D

Orszag -Tang vortex



 $u_x(x, y, 0) = u_0 \sin y$ $u_y(x, y, 0) = u_0 \sin x$ $B_x(x, y, 0) = -b_0 \sin y$ $B_y(x, y, 0) = -b_0 \sin(2x)$

(Orszag and Tang, J. Fluid Mech., 90: 129 (1979))

 $\operatorname{Re} = \operatorname{Re}_m = 765$

MHD Results in 2D

Orszag -Tang vortex

Time evolution



$$\boldsymbol{J} = j\hat{\boldsymbol{k}} = \frac{1}{\mu_{mag}} \nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}$$

Current density



$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \hat{\boldsymbol{k}} = \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{u}$$

Vorticity

MHD Results in 2D - II

Hartmann Flow



MHD Results in 2D -III

MHD Lid-driven Cavity



Fluid flow Domain: 128×128 Electromagnetic domain:

162×162

Induced magnetic fields set to zero on the electromagnetic boundary

Streamlines: Re = 100, Ha = 15.2, $Re_m = 100$

MHD Results in 2D -III

MHD Lid-driven Cavity



A new LB model for high Ha MHD flows - I

> High Hartmann number (*Ha*) flows require the resolution of various thin viscous boundary or shear layers

□Hartmann layers
$$\delta_{m_1} \sim \frac{1}{Ha}$$

□Side layers $\delta_{m_2} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{Ha}}$

Ludford free shear layers from sharp bends

Standard LB MHD model restricted to uniform lattice grids

Standard LB MHD model uses a single relaxation time (SRT), which restricts stability for a given resolution

A new Multiple Relaxation Time (MRT) Interpolation Supplemented Lattice Boltzmann Model (ISLBM) developed for non-uniform or stretched grids with improved stability

A new LB model for high Ha MHD flows - II

Scalar distribution function for hydrodynamics

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t}) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}(f_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq}) + \left(I_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2}\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}\right)S_{\beta}$$

streaming collision Forcing term representing
Lorentz force

 $\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}$ Components of the MRT matrix

Vector distribution function for magnetic induction

$$\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{\Xi}_{\beta}\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}, t + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}) - \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau_{m}}(\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta} - \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}^{eq})$$

Interpolation step

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t + \delta_{t}) = F\left(f_{\alpha}(\{\boldsymbol{x}_{neighbors}\} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t})\right)$$
$$\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x}, t + \delta_{t}) = G\left(\boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}(\{\boldsymbol{x}_{neighbors}\} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t})\right)$$



Second order Interpolation of distribution functions

A new LB model for high Ha MHD flows - III

Hartmann Flow



Velocity profile (*Ha* = 700)

Non-uniform grid with simple step-changes in grid resolutions

A new LB model for high Ha MHD flows - IV

0.008 0.007 Ha = 1000 - Analytical 0.006 ° new LBM model 0.005 Non-uniform grid with u_x(y) 0.004 simple step-changes in grid resolutions 0.003 0.002 0.001 Ð -1.2 -0.8 -0.6 -0.2 0.2 0.4 0.6 1.2 -1 -0.4 0.8 1 Δ -0.001 y/L

Hartmann Flow

Velocity profile (Ha = 1000)

Boundary layer stretching transformations (e.g. Roberts transformation) can be used to further increase *Ha*



Velocity profile

Induced magnetic field profile

Hartmann walls – perfectly insulating, Side walls - perfectly insulating (Ha = 30)

3D MHD Flows - I

Developed MHD duct flow



Velocity profile

Induced magnetic field profile

Hartmann walls – conducting, Side walls - perfectly insulating (Ha = 30)

3D MHD Flows - II

3D Developing MHD Duct Flow – Sterl problem



Streamwise sharp gradient in the applied magnetic field

Pressure Variation along streamwise direction (Ha = 44)

3D MHD Flows - II

3D Developing MHD Duct Flow – Sterl problem



Velocity profile at the exit plane

Induced magnetic field at the exit plane

Summary and Conclusions

Lattice Boltzmann simulations for for 2D and 3D MHD performed

Simulations of MHD test problems in 2D and 3D show qualitative and quantitative agreement

➤A new multiple relaxation time (MRT) interpolation supplemented lattice Boltzmann model (ISLBM) for simulating high *Ha* MHD flows

Ongoing and Future Work

Code Version 1 Capabilities

➤MHD flows at intermediate Hartmann numbers

➤Multiphase flows

Heat transfer with non-uniform thermal conductivities

➤Complex geometries

➢Parallel processing using MPI

➢Pre-processor: Cart3D from NASA

➢Post-processor: FieldView

Code Release by end of June, 2005

Code will be implemented on a smaller cluster at MetaHeuristics and a larger cluster at National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA)

On-going and Future Work

Code Version 2 Additional Capabilities

>MHD flows at high Hartmann numbers

≻Non-uniform grids

Turbulence modeling capability using Smagorinsky type large eddy simulation (LES) model

Code Release by end of October, 2005

Multiphase Flow Capabilities

Example Problem - I: Rayleigh Instability and Satellite Droplet Formation



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Liquid Cylindrical Column perturbed by <u>shorter</u> wavelength surface disturbance Liquid Cylindrical Column perturbed by *longer* wavelength surface disturbance

Example Problem - II: Drop Collisions



Head-on collision resulting in reflexive separation

Off-center collision resulting in stretching separation

Supplementary Slides

Pre-conditioning LBM for Accelerating Convergence to Steady State

New Pre-conditioned LB MHD Model for Acceleration to Steady-State

Evolution equations

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{f}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t}) - \overline{f}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) &= -\frac{1}{\tau}(\overline{f}_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq}) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\tau}\right)S_{\alpha}\delta_{t} \quad S_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{eq}\frac{(\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{u})\cdot\boldsymbol{F}}{\rho c_{s}^{2}}\frac{1}{\gamma_{f}} \\ \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \Xi_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t}) - \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) &= -\frac{1}{\tau_{m}}(\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{eq}) \\ \text{Equilibrium distribution functions} & \text{Pre-conditioning parameters:} \\ f_{\alpha}^{eq} &= w_{\alpha}\rho \left[1 + \frac{\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\cdot\boldsymbol{u}}{c_{s}^{2}} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{f}}\left\{\frac{(\boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\cdot\boldsymbol{u})^{2}}{2c_{s}^{4}} - \frac{\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\boldsymbol{u}}{2c_{s}^{2}}\right\}\right] & 0 < \gamma_{f} \leq 1 \\ \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{eq} &= W_{\alpha} \left[\boldsymbol{B} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{m}}\frac{\Xi_{\alpha}\cdot\underline{\Delta}^{(0)}}{\theta}\right] & \underline{\Delta}_{\alpha}^{(0)} = \boldsymbol{u}\boldsymbol{B} - \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{u} & 0 < \gamma_{m} \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Macroscopic Fields

$$\rho = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{b} f_{\alpha} \qquad \rho \boldsymbol{u} = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{b} f_{\alpha} \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\gamma_{f}} \boldsymbol{F} \delta_{t} \qquad p = \gamma_{f} \frac{c^{2}}{3} \rho \qquad \boldsymbol{B} = \sum_{\beta=0}^{b_{m}} \boldsymbol{g}_{\beta}$$

Transport coefficients

$$\nu = \frac{c^2}{3} \gamma_f \left(\tau_f - \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta_t \qquad \eta = \frac{c^2}{N_m} \gamma_m \left(\tau_m - \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta_t$$

Local Grid Refinement Technique for LB MHD model

New Local Grid Refinement Schemes for LBM with Forcing Terms and SRT/MRT Models - I

LBE with forcing term with single relaxation time (SRT) model

 $\overline{f}_{\alpha}^{(f)} = f_{\alpha}^{(eq)} + \frac{1}{m} q^{-1} \left(\overline{f}_{\alpha}^{(c)} - f_{\alpha}^{(eq)} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(q^{-1} - 1 \right) S_{\alpha} \delta_{tf}$



developed for the vector distribution function representing magnetic induction

New Local Grid Refinement Schemes for LBM with Forcing Terms and SRT/MRT Models - II

LBE with forcing term with multi relaxation time (MRT) model

$$\overline{f}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_{\alpha}\delta_{t}, t + \delta_{t}) - \overline{f}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\overline{f}_{\beta} - f_{\beta}^{eq}) + \left(I_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2}\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}\right)S_{\beta}\delta_{t}$$
where forcing term is given by $S_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}^{eq} \frac{(\mathbf{e}_{\alpha} - \mathbf{u}) \cdot F}{\rho c_{s}^{2}}$

$$\widehat{\Lambda} = \mathbf{T}^{-1}\Lambda\mathbf{T} = diag(s_{0}, s_{1}, s_{2}, ..., s_{8})$$
Grid refinement factors
$$m = \frac{\delta_{xc}}{\delta_{xf}} = \frac{\delta_{tc}}{\delta_{tf}}$$

$$\frac{1}{s_{if}} = \frac{1}{2} + m\left(\frac{1}{s_{ic}} - \frac{1}{2}\right), i = 0, 1, 2, ..., b$$

$$P = \left(\Lambda_{c}^{-1} - I\right)\left(\Lambda_{f}^{-1} - I\right)^{-1}$$

$$Q = \Lambda_{c}^{-1}\Lambda_{f}$$

New Local Grid Refinement Schemes for LBM with Forcing Terms and SRT/MRT Models - III

LBE with forcing term with multi relaxation time (MRT) model (cont...)

Transformation Relations

$$\tilde{\bar{f}}^{(c)} = f^{(eq,f)} + mP\left(\tilde{\bar{f}}^{(f)} - f^{(eq,f)}\right) + \frac{1}{2}(I - P)S\delta_{tc}$$
$$\tilde{\bar{f}}^{(f)} = f^{(eq,c)} + \frac{1}{m}P^{-1}\left(\tilde{\bar{f}}^{(c)} - f^{(eq,c)}\right) + \frac{1}{2}(I - P^{-1})S\delta_{tf}$$

$$\overline{f}^{(c)} = f^{(eq)} + mQ(\overline{f}^{(f)} - f^{(eq)}) + \frac{1}{2}(Q-1)S\delta_{tc}$$

$$\overline{f}^{(f)} = f^{(eq)} + \frac{1}{m}Q^{-1}(\overline{f}^{(c)} - f^{(eq)}) + \frac{1}{2}(Q^{-1} - 1)S\delta_{tf}$$

Here, tilde refers to post-collision value

Curved Boundary Treatment for MHD Flows using LBM

New Curved Boundary Treatment - I



New Curved Boundary Treatment - II

Vector LBE

$$\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{\Xi}_{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}, t + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}) = \tilde{\boldsymbol{g}}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) \equiv \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) - \frac{1}{\tau_{m}}(\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha} - \boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{eq})$$

Here, tilde refers to post-collision value

 $\tilde{\boldsymbol{g}}_{\bar{\alpha}}(\boldsymbol{x}_{b},t) \equiv (1-\chi_{m})\tilde{\boldsymbol{g}}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}_{f},t) + \chi_{m}\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{(*)}(\boldsymbol{x}_{b},t) + \frac{2W_{\alpha}}{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\Xi_{\bar{\alpha}}\cdot\underline{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_{w}^{(0)}$ Reconstructed distribution function from the solid side $+W_{\alpha}\zeta_{m}\left[(\boldsymbol{B}_{w}-\boldsymbol{B}_{f})+s(\boldsymbol{B}_{bf}-\boldsymbol{B}_{f})\right]$ $\boldsymbol{g}_{\alpha}^{(*)}(\boldsymbol{x}_{b},t) = W_{\alpha} \left[\boldsymbol{B}_{bf} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\Xi}_{\alpha} \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}_{bf}^{(0)}}{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right]^{T} \qquad \underline{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}_{\alpha}^{(0)} = \boldsymbol{u}\boldsymbol{B} - \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{u}$

where

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{B}_{bf} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{\Delta}\right) \boldsymbol{B}_{f} + \frac{1}{\Delta} \boldsymbol{B}_{w} \\ \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{bf}^{(0)} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{\Delta}\right) \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{f}^{(0)} + \frac{1}{\Delta} \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{w}^{(0)} \\ \boldsymbol{\chi}_{m} &= \frac{2\Delta - 1}{\tau_{m}} \\ \boldsymbol{\zeta}_{m} &= \frac{\tau_{m} + (1 - \chi_{m})(\tau_{m} - 1) - \chi_{m}}{\Delta + s} \end{split} \\ \boldsymbol{B}_{bf} &= \boldsymbol{B}_{ff} \\ \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{bf}^{(0)} &= \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{ff}^{(0)} \\ \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{bf}^{(0)} &= \underline{\boldsymbol{A}}_{ff}^{(0)} \\ \boldsymbol{\Delta} &\geq \frac{1}{2} \quad \boldsymbol{\chi}_{m} = \frac{2\Delta - 1}{\tau_{m} - 2} \\ \boldsymbol{\zeta}_{m} &= \frac{\tau_{m} + (1 - \chi_{m})(\tau_{m} - 1) - \chi_{m}}{\Delta - s} \end{aligned} \\ \boldsymbol{A} &\geq \frac{1}{2} \quad \boldsymbol{\chi}_{m} = \frac{\tau_{m} + (1 - \chi_{m})(\tau_{m} - 1) - \chi_{m}}{\Delta - s} \\ \boldsymbol{A} &\leq \frac{1}{2} \quad \boldsymbol{\chi}_{m} = \frac{\tau_{m} + (1 - \chi_{m})(\tau_{m} - 1) - \chi_{m}}{\Delta - s} \end{aligned}$$

Sub Grid Scale (SGS) Turbulence Modeling for MHD Flows using LBM

Sub Grid Scale (SGS) Modeling of MHD Turbulent Flows For LES using LBM

Evolution equation of "coarse-grained" LBE

$$f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{e}_{\alpha}\boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}, t + \boldsymbol{\delta}_{t}) - f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau}(f_{\alpha} - f_{\alpha}^{eq})$$

Total relaxation time $\tau = \tau_0 + \tau_t$

Laminar kinematic viscosity

$$\nu_o = \frac{c^2}{3} \left(\tau_o - \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta_t$$

Smagorinsky SGS eddy viscosity

$$v_{Smag} = (C_s \Delta)^2 \overline{S}, \quad \overline{S} = \sqrt{S_{ij}S_{ij}}, \quad C_s \sim 0.09$$

Effective Eddy viscosity due to magnetic field

$$v_{eddy} = v_{Smag} \times \exp\left[-\frac{\left|\boldsymbol{B}^{a}\right|^{2}}{\rho\eta\left(C_{m}\Delta\right)^{2}v_{Smag}}\right], C_{m} \sim 0.2$$

Magnetic damping factor (Shimomura, Phys. Fluids., 3: 3098 (1991))

Total kinematic "viscosity"

$$v_{total} = v_0 + v_{eddy} = \frac{c^2}{3} \left(\tau - \frac{1}{2}\right) \delta_t$$