

```

    "<root0>"
    "<root1>"
    ...
);

```

where `<nRoots>` is the number of roots.

Each of the *processorN* directories should be placed in the case directory at each of the root paths specified in the *decomposeParDict* dictionary. The *system* directory and *files* within the *constant* directory must also be present in each case directory. Note: the files in the *constant* directory are needed, but the *polyMesh* directory is not.

### 3.4.5 Post-processing parallel processed cases

When post-processing cases that have been run in parallel the user has two options:

- reconstruction of the mesh and field data to recreate the complete domain and fields, which can be post-processed as normal;
- post-processing each segment of decomposed domain individually.

#### 3.4.5.1 Reconstructing mesh and data

After a case has been run in parallel, it can be reconstructed for post-processing. The case is reconstructed by merging the sets of time directories from each *processorN* directory into a single set of time directories. The `reconstructPar` utility performs such a reconstruction by executing the command:

```
reconstructPar
```

When the data is distributed across several disks, it must be first copied to the local case directory for reconstruction.

#### 3.4.5.2 Post-processing decomposed cases

The user may post-process decomposed cases using the `paraFoam` post-processor, described in section 6.1. The whole simulation can be post-processed by reconstructing the case or alternatively it is possible to post-process a segment of the decomposed domain individually by simply treating the individual processor directory as a case in its own right.

## 3.5 Standard solvers

The solvers with the OpenFOAM distribution are in the `$FOAM_SOLVERS` directory, reached quickly by typing `sol` at the command line. This directory is further subdivided into several directories by category of continuum mechanics, *e.g.* incompressible flow, combustion and solid body stress analysis. Each solver is given a name that is reasonably descriptive, *e.g.* `icoFoam` solves incompressible, laminar flow. The current list of solvers distributed with OpenFOAM is given in the following Sections.

### 3.5.1 ‘Basic’ CFD codes

laplacianFoam Solves a simple Laplace equation, e.g. for thermal diffusion in a solid.

potentialFoam Potential flow solver which solves for the velocity potential, to calculate the flux-field, from which the velocity field is obtained by reconstructing the flux.

scalarTransportFoam Solves the steady or transient transport equation for a passive scalar.

### 3.5.2 Incompressible flow

adjointShapeOptimizationFoam Steady-state solver for incompressible, turbulent flow of non-Newtonian fluids with optimisation of duct shape by applying "blockage" in regions causing pressure loss as estimated using an adjoint formulation.

boundaryFoam Steady-state solver for incompressible, 1D turbulent flow, typically to generate boundary layer conditions at an inlet, for use in a simulation.

icoFoam Transient solver for incompressible, laminar flow of Newtonian fluids.

nonNewtonianIcoFoam Transient solver for incompressible, laminar flow of non-Newtonian fluids.

pimpleFoam Transient solver for incompressible, turbulent flow of Newtonian fluids, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

SRFPimpleFoam Large time-step transient solver for incompressible, turbulent flow in a single rotating frame.

pisoFoam Transient solver for incompressible, turbulent flow, using the PISO algorithm.

shallowWaterFoam Transient solver for inviscid shallow-water equations with rotation.

simpleFoam Steady-state solver for incompressible, turbulent flow, using the SIMPLE algorithm.

porousSimpleFoam Steady-state solver for incompressible, turbulent flow with implicit or explicit porosity treatment and support for multiple reference frames (MRF).

SRFSimpleFoam Steady-state solver for incompressible, turbulent flow of non-Newtonian fluids in a single rotating frame.

### 3.5.3 Compressible flow

rhoCentralFoam Density-based compressible flow solver based on central-upwind schemes of Kurganov and Tadmor with support for mesh-motion and topology changes.

rhoPimpleFoam Transient solver for turbulent flow of compressible fluids for HVAC and similar applications, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

rhoSimpleFoam Steady-state solver for turbulent flow of compressible fluids.

rhoPorousSimpleFoam Steady-state solver for turbulent flow of compressible fluids, with implicit or explicit porosity treatment and optional sources.

### 3.5.4 Multiphase flow

**cavitatingFoam** Transient cavitation code based on the homogeneous equilibrium model from which the compressibility of the liquid/vapour "mixture" is obtained, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

**compressibleInterFoam** Solver for 2 compressible, non-isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes including adaptive re-meshing.

**compressibleInterFilmFoam** Solver for 2 compressible, non-isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach and surface film modelling.

**compressibleMultiphaseInterFoam** Solver for  $n$  compressible, non-isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach.

**driftFluxFoam** Solver for 2 incompressible fluids using the mixture approach with the drift-flux approximation for relative motion of the phases.

**interFoam** Solver for 2 incompressible, isothermal immiscible fluids using a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes including adaptive re-meshing.

**interMixingFoam** Solver for 3 incompressible fluids, two of which are miscible, using a VOF method to capture the interface, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes including adaptive re-meshing.

**interPhaseChangeFoam** Solver for 2 incompressible, isothermal immiscible fluids with phase-change (e.g. cavitation). Uses a VOF (volume of fluid) phase-fraction based interface capturing approach, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes including adaptive re-meshing.

**multiphaseEulerFoam** Solver for a system of any number of compressible fluid phases with a common pressure, but otherwise separate properties. The type of phase model is run time selectable and can optionally represent multiple species and in-phase reactions. The phase system is also run time selectable and can optionally represent different types of momentum, heat and mass transfer.

**multiphaseInterFoam** Solver for  $n$  incompressible fluids which captures the interfaces and includes surface-tension and contact-angle effects for each phase, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

**potentialFreeSurfaceFoam** Incompressible Navier-Stokes solver with inclusion of a wave height field to enable single-phase free-surface approximations, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

**twoLiquidMixingFoam** Solver for mixing 2 incompressible fluids.

**twoPhaseEulerFoam** Solver for a system of 2 compressible fluid phases with one phase dispersed, e.g. gas bubbles in a liquid including heat-transfer.

### 3.5.5 Direct numerical simulation (DNS)

`dnsFoam` Direct numerical simulation solver for boxes of isotropic turbulence.

### 3.5.6 Combustion

`chemFoam` Solver for chemistry problems, designed for use on single cell cases to provide comparison against other chemistry solvers, that uses a single cell mesh, and fields created from the initial conditions.

`coldEngineFoam` Solver for cold-flow in internal combustion engines.

`engineFoam` Transient solver for compressible, turbulent engine flow with a spray particle cloud.

`fireFoam` Transient solver for fires and turbulent diffusion flames with reacting particle clouds, surface film and pyrolysis modelling.

`PDRFoam` Solver for compressible premixed/partially-premixed combustion with turbulence modelling.

`reactingFoam` Solver for combustion with chemical reactions.

`rhoReactingBuoyantFoam` Solver for combustion with chemical reactions using a density based thermodynamics package with enhanced buoyancy treatment.

`rhoReactingFoam` Solver for combustion with chemical reactions using density based thermodynamics package.

`XiEngineFoam` Solver for internal combustion engines.

`XiFoam` Solver for compressible premixed/partially-premixed combustion with turbulence modelling.

### 3.5.7 Heat transfer and buoyancy-driven flows

`buoyantPimpleFoam` Transient solver for buoyant, turbulent flow of compressible fluids for ventilation and heat-transfer.

`buoyantSimpleFoam` Steady-state solver for buoyant, turbulent flow of compressible fluids, including radiation, for ventilation and heat-transfer.

`chtMultiRegionFoam` Solver for steady or transient fluid flow and solid heat conduction, with conjugate heat transfer between regions, buoyancy effects, turbulence, reactions and radiation modelling.

`thermoFoam` Solver for energy transport and thermodynamics on a frozen flow field.

### 3.5.8 Particle-tracking flows

`coalChemistryFoam` Transient solver for compressible, turbulent flow, with coal and limestone particle clouds, an energy source, and combustion.

`DPMFoam` Transient solver for the coupled transport of a single kinematic particle cloud including the effect of the volume fraction of particles on the continuous phase, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

`MPPICFoam` Transient solver for the coupled transport of a single kinematic particle cloud including the effect of the volume fraction of particles on the continuous phase. Multi-Phase Particle In Cell (MPPIC) modeling is used to represent collisions without resolving particle-particle interactions, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

`particleFoam` Transient solver for the passive transport of a single kinematic particle cloud, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

`reactingParcelFoam` Transient solver for compressible, turbulent flow with a reacting, multiphase particle cloud, and surface film modelling.

`rhoParticleFoam` Transient solver for the passive transport of a particle cloud.

`simpleReactingParcelFoam` Steady state solver for compressible, turbulent flow with reacting, multiphase particle clouds and optional sources/constraints.

`sprayFoam` Transient solver for compressible, turbulent flow with a spray particle cloud, with optional mesh motion and mesh topology changes.

### 3.5.9 Discrete methods

`dsmcFoam` Direct simulation Monte Carlo (DSMC) solver for, transient, multi-species flows.

`mdEquilibrationFoam` Solver to equilibrate and/or precondition molecular dynamics systems.

`mdFoam` Molecular dynamics solver for fluid dynamics.

### 3.5.10 Electromagnetics

`electrostaticFoam` Solver for electrostatics.

`magneticFoam` Solver for the magnetic field generated by permanent magnets.

`mhdFoam` Solver for magnetohydrodynamics (MHD): incompressible, laminar flow of a conducting fluid under the influence of a magnetic field.

### 3.5.11 Stress analysis of solids

`solidDisplacementFoam` Transient segregated finite-volume solver of linear-elastic, small-strain deformation of a solid body, with optional thermal diffusion and thermal stresses.

`solidEquilibriumDisplacementFoam` Steady-state segregated finite-volume solver of linear-elastic, small-strain deformation of a solid body, with optional thermal diffusion and thermal stresses.