

FluidDyn project: open-source collaborative Python software for fluid dynamics



Community-driven software for fluid dynamics?

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- Open-source Python software for research and teaching in fluid dynamics
- In practice, for my research
 - Geophysical turbulence
 - Lab experiments and numerical simulations
- ~ 10 years of development !

Few packages based on the scientific Python ecosystem



Fluidlab

Fluidimage

Fluidsim

Formattex
Formatbibtex
Fluidfoam

Fluiddyn

Transonic

Fluidfft

Ipython
Jupyter
mpi4py
OpenCV
Qt
PyVista/VTK
Textual

Matplotlib

H5py

Pandas

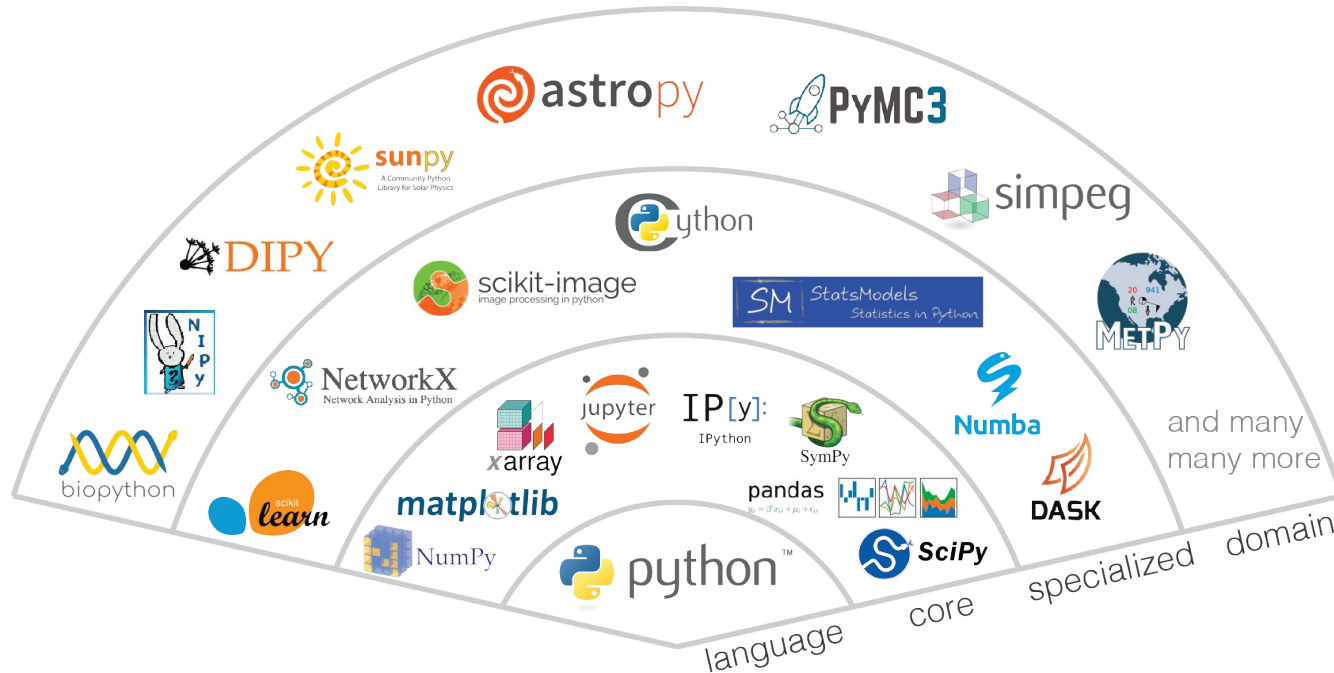
Scipy

Numpy

Pythran

Python success in 10 years

- First language for several indices (TIOBE, ...)
- Basis known by all students



AI & deep learning

- Scikit-learn
- TensorFlow
- PyTorch

Supported/used by

- Microsoft
- Google
- Facebook

And in 10 years ?

Fluiddyn: good quality software

- Documented
 - <https://fluiddyn.readthedocs.io>
 - <https://fluidhowto.readthedocs.io>
- Versioned: Mercurial (easier/better than Git)
- Hosted on <https://foss.heptapod.net/fluiddyn/> (like Gitlab)
 - Issue tracker, ...
- Tested (continuous integration)
- Simple installation (`pip install ...`)

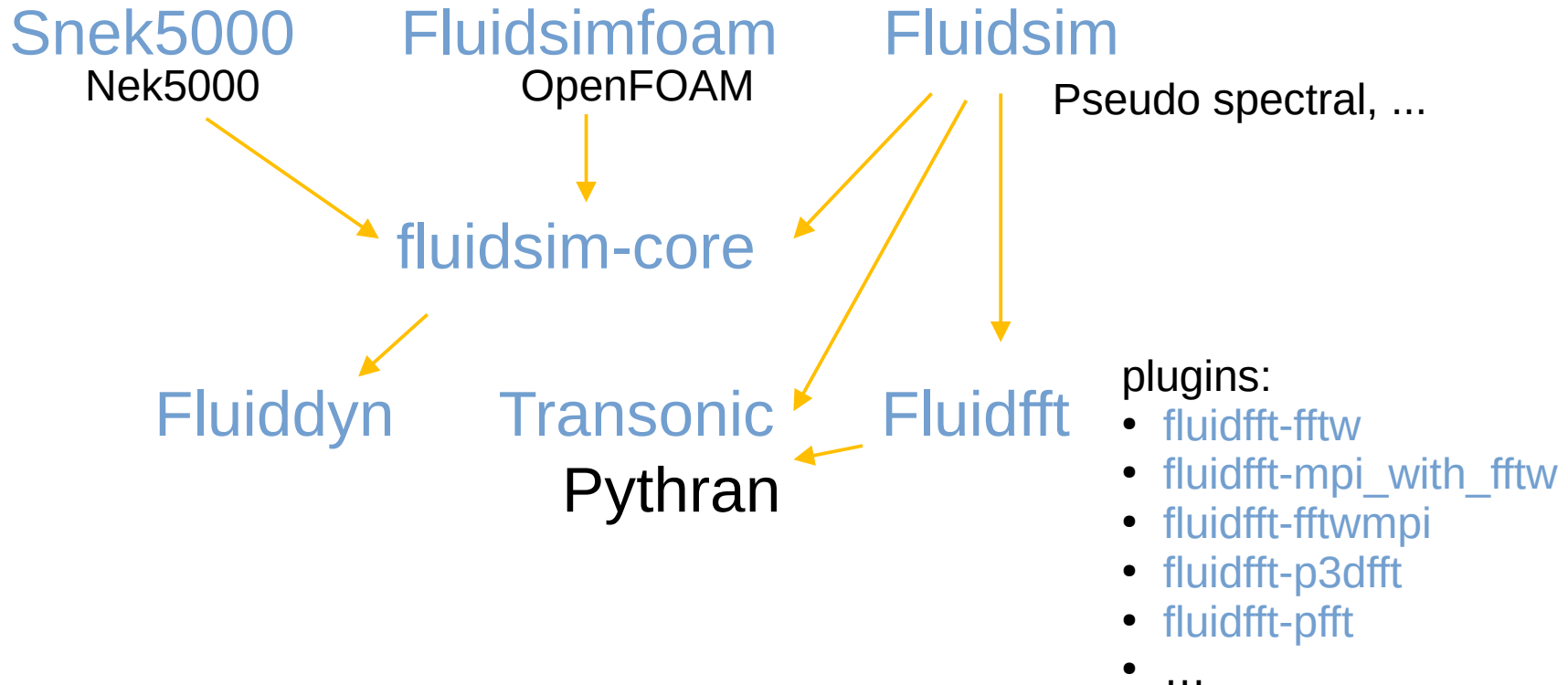
Zoom on Transonic

- Python performance not good enough for HPC
- Need acceleration for some parts
- A lot of projects (Numba, Pythran, JAX, Pyccl, ...)
- Transonic helps us to accelerate Python-Numpy code with compilers (in particular Pythran)
- Nearly invisible for users!



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Our ecosystem for numerical simulations



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Split the workflow in steps:

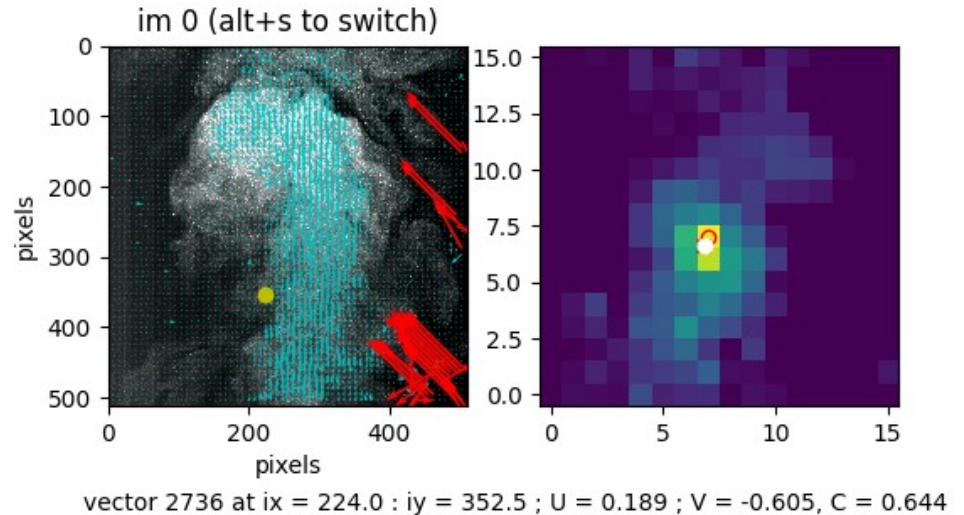
- 1) Describe in Python sets of similar simulations (equations, methods, parameters...),
- 2) Launch/restart multiple simulations (scripts or commands)
- 3) Load simulations to read the associated parameters/data and produce figures/movies.

FluidSim

Zoom on Fluidimage

Processing of images of fluids (PIV, BOS, LIF, ...)

- Efficient (algorithms, parallel, ...)
- Easy, desktops and clusters



Conclusions



- FluidDyn packages
 - Good quality
 - Recent improvements, technical maturity
 - Research programs, easy enough for teaching
 - A framework
- Building a FluidDyn community?
 - Community-driven software for fluid dynamics?
 - People agree with the project? Support? Invest?