

# A STRUCTURE-PRESERVING SCHEME FOR A HYPERBOLIC APPROXIMATION OF THE NAVIER-STOKES-KORTEWEG EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We present an explicit second-order accurate structure-preserving finite volume scheme for the hyperbolic approximation of the Navier-Stokes-Korteweg equations. The model combines the unified Godunov-Peshkov-Romenski model of continuum mechanics with a recently proposed hyperbolic reformulation of the Euler-Korteweg system. The considered PDE system includes an evolution equation for a gradient field that is by construction endowed with a curl-free constraint. The numerical scheme presented here relies on the use of vertex-based staggered grids and is proven to preserve the curl constraint *exactly* at the discrete level, up to machine precision. We show evidence of this property via a set of numerical tests, including non-condensing bubbles as well as non-stationary Ostwald ripening test cases with several bubbles. We present quantitative and qualitative comparisons of the numerical solution, both, when the new structure-preserving discretization is applied and when it is not. In particular we show that some numerical solutions blow up in finite time when the curl-free constraint is not respected.

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