Lattice Boltzmann approach for acoustic manipulation

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We employ a lattice Boltzmann method to compute the acoustic radiation force produced by standing waves on a compressible object for the density matched case. Instead of simulating the fluid mechanics equations directly, the proposed method uses a lattice Boltzmann model that reproduces the wave equation, together with a kernel interpolation scheme, to compute the first-order perturbations of the pressure and velocity fields on the object's surface and, from them, the acoustic radiation force. The procedure reproduces with excellent accuracy the theoretical expressions by Gor'kov and Wei for the sphere as the 3D case and an infinitely long cylinder as the 2D case, respectively, even with a modest number of lattice Boltzmann cells. The proposed method shows to be a promising tool for simulating phenomena where the acoustic radiation force plays a relevant role, like acoustic tweezers or the acoustic manipulation of microswimmers, with applications in medicine and engineering.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The manipulation of particles by acoustic oscillating fields in aqueous media has won relevance in recent years because of its applications in biotechnology, health, and marine research, among others [1-4]. Just like optical tweezers [5,6], standing acoustic waves can push objects immersed in a fluid to the nodes (or antinodes) of the oscillating field, with many practical advantages. Indeed, particles can be manipulated by using acoustic standing waves that only require $\simeq 10^5$ times less power than their optical counterpart [7]. Indeed, acoustic tweezers can move objects from 100 nm to 10 mm in size by using acoustic wave intensities between 10^{-2} and 10 W/cm^2 [8]. Recently, acoustic transducers were used to extract kidney stones from a pig in noninvasive surgery, demonstrating the potential of acoustical tweezers in medicine [9]. Many experiments showed the possibility of particle manipulation and confinement, such as those by Crum [10] and Apfel [11], where agreement with theoretical results was possible [12]. In

another application, Zhang *et al.* showed how nodal planes of acoustic standing waves can be used as virtual walls to induce a rolling motion of self-assembled microswimmers [13]. Acoustic radiation pressure can also be used to study resonant modes on cylindrical capillary bridges, as shown in Refs. [14,15]. More applications for acoustic tweezers can be found in a recent review [16].

Historically, after the seminal work of King [17,18], in 1955 Yosioka and Kawasima [19] generalized the analysis for compressible small objects, and in 1962 L. P. Gor'kov developed [20] a multipole expansion for the calculation of the time-averaged force by a plane standing acoustic wave on a spherical particle immersed in an ideal (nonviscous, isentropic, and irrotational) fluid. The nonviscous approximation is valid if the object is large enough (Appendix D), and has been successfully used for 60 years [19]. Interestingly, when the wavelength is much larger than the particle size, the acoustic force can be cast into an effective potential, the so-called Gor'kov potential. The two-dimensional case was studied by Wu et al. in 1990 [21] and later by Wei et al. in 2004 [22], who used scattering theory to solve the wave equation for a compressible cylinder of infinite height in a standing wave (for theoretical reviews, see Refs. [23–27]).

All these theoretical studies rely on the assumption that the relevant macroscopic fields, like pressure and velocity, can

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be written as a perturbative expansion, where the first-order contributions p_1 for the pressure, and \vec{u}_1 for the velocity, satisfy the wave equation. Although the acoustic radiation force depends on second-order contributions, they can be written in terms of p_1 and \vec{u}_1 , opening the possibility of solving the wave equation—instead of the Navier-Stokes equations (NSEs)–for p_1 and \vec{u}_1 , and use those results to compute the acoustic radiation force. Because the wave equation can be easily solved with large precision, such a procedure will require less computational effort than a direct NSE simulation (where p_1 and \vec{u}_1 are just first-order perturbations of the computed pressure and velocity fields), allowing us to simulate complex shapes in 2D and 3D as required for today's microfluidics applications.

Here we show how to use a lattice Boltzmann method (LBM) that simulates the wave equation [28] to compute the acoustic radiation force on an object immersed in an inviscid fluid. Our approach reproduces with great accuracy the theoretical predictions by Gor'kov [20] and Wei et al. [22] at much lower computational costs than previous LBM approaches simulating the full Navier-Stokes equations [29,30]. The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section II presents the acoustic radiation force as derived by King [17]. Next, Sec. III reviews the theoretical deduction of Gor'kov's potential, together with an analogous development by us for the 2D case in Sec. IV. Then, Chopard's LBM model for waves is briefly explained in Sec. V, with some benchmarks to validate the implementation in our simulation code. Our results for the acoustic radiation force in the 3D case, where the particle is defined from now on as a sphere and the acoustic radiation force per length in the 2D case for an infinitely long cylinder, are reported in Sec. VII, showing that the computed forces follow the theoretical predictions with excellent accuracy.

II. THE SECOND-ORDER ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE

The results in this section were developed by King [17]. Hereby, we present a summary of that work. Consider an inviscid and compressible fluid in an irrotational flow with pressure *P*, density ρ , velocity \vec{u} , and momentum $\vec{J} = \rho \vec{u}$. The fluid is described by the mass conservation law,

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{J} = 0, \tag{1}$$

and Euler's equation, which can be rewritten as a momentum conservation law:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial t} = -\vec{\nabla}P + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{u} \otimes \vec{J}) = -\nabla \cdot \Pi.$$
(2)

Here, Π is the momentum flux density tensor, described as

$$\Pi = \mathbb{I}P + \vec{u} \otimes \vec{J}. \tag{3}$$

By second Newton's law, the force \vec{F} acting on a static object immersed in the fluid equals the momentum exchange of the fluid across a volume control around the object [[31], Appendix A]

$$\vec{F} = \int \frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial t} dV = -\oint \Pi \cdot \vec{dS}.$$
 (4)

Acoustic waves propagate in the fluid as small variations in pressure, density, and velocity around steady values. So, the three fields can be written as follows:

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \rho_1, \quad P = p_0 + p_1, \quad \vec{u} = 0 + \vec{u}_1,$$
(5)

where p_1 , ρ_1 , and \vec{u}_1 are first-order perturbations mentioned in Sec. I, and we assume $u_0 = 0$ (that is, the fluid is at rest). Since acoustic waves in a fluid are adiabatic compressions [32], the first-order pressure and density fluctuations are related as [[33], p. 120]

$$p_1 = c_0^2 \rho_1, (6)$$

where c_0^2 is the adiabatic speed of sound in the fluid. By taking first-order contributions only [as in Eqs. (5)], Eqs. (2) and (1) are linearized as

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_1 = 0, \tag{7a}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \rho_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{u}_1 = 0. \tag{7b}$$

By combining Eqs. (7), and (6), one obtains that p_1 fulfills a wave equation:

$$\frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 p_1}{\partial t^2} = \nabla^2 p_1. \tag{8}$$

Since the flow is irrotational, the velocity $\vec{u} = \vec{u}_1$ can be written as the gradient of a scalar velocity potential ϕ , and Eq. (7a) transforms to give

$$\vec{u}_1 = \nabla \phi, \quad p_1 = -\rho_0 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}.$$
 (9)

By replacing Eqs. (9) into Eq. (7b), and using Eq. (6), we obtain that the velocity potential also fulfills a wave equation:

$$\frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = \nabla^2 \phi \quad . \tag{10}$$

In most experiments, the timescale of the object's motion is much larger than the oscillation period, and, thus, only the time average of the acoustic radiation force $\langle \vec{F} \rangle$ is relevant for particle's dynamics. If only first order fluctuations were considered (5), acoustic radiation force (4) would reduce to

$$\vec{F} = -\oint P\vec{dS} \tag{11}$$

because the term $\vec{u} \otimes \vec{J}$ is second order. Since the pressure perturbation oscillates harmonically in time, $p_1 \propto e^{i\omega t}$, the time average of (11) automatically vanishes, and there is no first-order contribution to the time-averaged force. The origin of that force lies, therefore, in higher-order contributions. By extending the fluctuations up to second order,

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \rho_1 + \rho_2, \tag{12a}$$

$$P = p_0 + p_1 + p_2$$
 and (12b)

$$\vec{u} = \vec{0} + \vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_2, \tag{12c}$$

one obtains that the gradient for the perturbations in the pressure field can be written in terms of first-order contributions



FIG. 1. Decomposition into incident and scattering fields.

only (please see Appendix A for details) as

$$\boldsymbol{\nabla}(P - p_0) = \boldsymbol{\nabla}\left(\frac{p_1^2}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} - \frac{\rho_0}{2}u_1^2 - \rho_0\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right), \quad (13)$$

leading to the following expression for the acoustic radiation force, written in index notation:

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -\oint \left\langle \left(-\rho_0 \frac{u_1^2}{2} + \frac{p_1^2}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \right) \delta_{ij} + \rho_0 u_{1i} u_{1j} \right\rangle dS_j, \quad (14)$$

where the triangular brackets $\langle \cdot \rangle$ denote time averages. The contribution of the term $\rho_0 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}$ in Eq. (13) vanishes because the velocity potential $\phi \propto e^{i\omega t}$ is also harmonic. Equation (14) allows us to compute the time-averaged acoustic radiation force (or force per length in the 2D case) on an immersed object from the pressure (p_1) and velocity (\vec{u}_1) fields obtained by simulating the acoustic waves directly [Eqs. (8) and (7a)] instead of solving the full Navier-Stokes equations.

III. ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE ON A SPHERE

The results presented in this section were deducted by Yosioka and Kawasima [19] by using a Hankel functions expansion, and by Gor'kov via a multipole expansion [20,31]. We aim to compute the average force by acoustic waves acting on a spherical object immersed in a liquid. Let us assume that the object's radius R_p is much smaller than the wavelength λ , i.e., $R_p \ll \lambda$ or $kR_p \ll 1$. Also, it is assumed that the viscous penetration depth $\delta = \sqrt{2\nu/\omega}$, with ν the kinetic viscosity, is much smaller than R_p , so the condition $\delta/R_p \ll 1$ is satisfied. Under such condition, viscosity can be neglected (for a more detailed discussion on the effects of viscosity, see Appendix D). Note that larger values of kR_p would also break the validity of the presented model. Improved models on the acoustic radiation force using expansions to greater orders in kR_p are found in Refs. [34,35]. With this approximation, it is possible to solve Eq. (10) by dividing the potential, pressure, and velocity fields into an incident and a scattered part as shown in Fig. 1 [20], that is,

$$\phi = \phi_{\rm in} + \phi_{\rm sc}, \quad p_1 = p_{\rm in} + p_{\rm sc}, \quad \vec{u}_1 = \vec{u}_{\rm in} + \vec{u}_{\rm sc}.$$
 (15)

The incident fields (in) are the solution for the ongoing waves as if there was no spherical particle, while the scattered fields



FIG. 2. The object's pulsating expansions and contractions induce spherical waves coinciding with the monopole term of the scattered velocity potential field.

(sc) are the differences between the total fields and the incident ones. By replacing (15) into (14), three main terms appear: The first one only depends on the incident fields and does not contribute to the force; the second one depends on the scattered field ϕ_{sc} only, which will be proportional to R_p^6 and thus vanishes because of $R_p \ll \lambda$. The last and only surviving term depends on both ϕ_{in} and ϕ_{sc} , and the force reduces to (see Appendix B for details)

$$\langle \vec{F} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle \vec{u}_{\rm in} \left(\nabla^2 \phi_{\rm sc} - \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_{\rm sc}}{\partial t^2} \right) \right\rangle dV.$$
(16)

The term between parenthesis is not zero because the object acts as a local source for the scattered field. Thus, a retarded-time multipolar expansion is proposed as a solution for ϕ_{sc} ,

$$\phi_{\rm sc} = -\frac{a(t')}{r'} - \frac{\vec{A}(t') \cdot \vec{r}'}{r'^3} + \cdots$$
$$\approx \phi_{\rm mp} + \phi_{\rm dip}, \tag{17}$$

where $\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \vec{v}t$ is the position of the center of the sphere, moving with velocity \vec{v} , and t' = t - r/c is a retarded time (with $t' \approx t$ close to the object) [36,37]. If kR_p is greater enough, more terms should be considered in (17) in this expansion. Corrections for larger kR_p are not reviewed in this paper, but the reader should refer to Refs. [34,35].

The monopole term $\phi_{mp} = a(t)/r'$ can be found by assuming that the particle is able to compress and expand isotropically as shown in Fig. 2, changing its volume V_p in response to the incident perturbations p_{in} as

$$dp_{\rm in} = -B_p \frac{dV_p}{V_p}$$
 or $\frac{\partial p_{\rm in}}{\partial t} = -\frac{B_p}{V_p} \frac{dV_p}{dt}$, (18)

with $B_p = c_p^2 \rho_p$ the particle's bulk modulus, c_p the particle's speed of sound, and ρ_p the particle's density. Thus, by using (6):

$$\frac{dV_p}{dt} = -V_p \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2} \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t}.$$
(19)

Now, let us consider a spherical region Ω of radius R_{Ω} concentric to the sphere of radius R_p , with $\lambda \gg R_{\Omega} > R_p$. When the sphere expands, the mass flux leaving Ω through its surface

 $\partial \Omega$ equals the rate at which the sphere pushes fluid out of it,

$$\dot{m} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [(\rho_0 + \rho_{\rm in}) V_p]$$
(20)

$$= \int_{\Omega} \dot{\rho} dV = \oint_{\partial \Omega} (\rho_0 \nabla \phi_{\rm mp}) \cdot \hat{r} dS = 4\pi a(t) \rho_0, \quad (21)$$

with \hat{r} the radial unitary vector. By (18) and (19), the total derivative in (20) becomes

$$\dot{m} = -V_p \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\rho_0 \rho_{\rm in} + \frac{1}{2} \rho_{\rm in}^2 \right) + V_p \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t}.$$
 (22)

Because the incident density is a perturbation of the total density of the fluid (i.e., $\rho_0 \gg \rho_{in}$) the term $\frac{1}{2}\rho_{in}^2$ is much smaller than $\rho_0\rho_{in}$ and can be vanished. Therefore,

$$\dot{m} = 4\pi a(t)\rho_0 = V_p \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_0 c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2} \right), \qquad (23)$$

and a(t) turns out to be

$$a(t) = \frac{R_p^3}{3\rho_0} f_1 \frac{\partial \rho_{\text{in}}}{\partial t}, \quad \text{with} \quad f_1 = 1 - \frac{\rho_0 c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2}.$$
 (24)

The dipole term

$$\phi_{\rm dip} = -\vec{A} \cdot \vec{r}' / r'^3 \tag{25}$$

comes into play when the sphere moves with a changing velocity \vec{v} in a fluid with velocity \vec{u}_1 . The velocity potential for this situation is the sum of the one for a sphere at rest in a fluid approaching with velocity \vec{u}_1 plus the one of a sphere moving with velocity \vec{v} in a fluid at rest [38]:

$$\phi = \left(1 + \frac{R_p^3}{2r^{3}}\right)(\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}') - \frac{R_p^3}{2r^{3}}(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r}').$$
(26)

The potential can be rearranged as

$$\phi = -\frac{R_p^3}{2r^{\prime 3}}(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1) \cdot \vec{r}' + (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}'), \qquad (27)$$

where the last term is easily identified as the incident potential ϕ_{in} , and the first term, as the one of a sphere moving in a fluid at rest with velocity $(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1)$ (see Fig. 3). Indeed, by comparing ϕ_{in} in (27) with (25), one can identify

$$\vec{A}(r') = -\frac{R_p^3}{2}(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1).$$
(28)

On the one side and according to Ref. [38], the force on the sphere produced by that potential is

$$F_{\rm sc} = -M_a \left(\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} \right), \tag{29}$$

with

$$M_a = \frac{2}{3}\pi R_n^3 \rho_0 \tag{30}$$

the *added mass* for the sphere. On the other hand, if the sphere was made of fluid, it would move with velocity $\vec{v} = \vec{u}_1$ and, therefore, the force on the sphere from a potential $\phi = \vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}'$ must be exactly the one we need to move that fluid sphere with



FIG. 3. The accelerated motion of the object pushes the surrounding fluid and induces an *added mass*, i.e., a drag force proportional to the acceleration. That force allows to compute the dipole term of the scattered velocity potential field.

an acceleration $\frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}$:

$$F_{\rm in} = M_f \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}, \quad \text{with} \quad M_f = \frac{4}{3} \pi R_p^3 \rho_0.$$
 (31)

The total force acting on the sphere of density ρ_p and mass $M_p = 4\pi R_p^3/3\rho_p$ is the sum of those two forces. Thus,

$$M_p \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} = -M_a \left(\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} \right) + M_f \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}.$$
 (32)

By replacing the expressions for the masses, we obtain

$$\left(\rho_p + \frac{\rho_0}{2}\right)\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} = \frac{3}{2}\rho_0\frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}.$$
(33)

If we assume that $\vec{v} = 0$ when $\vec{u}_1 = 0$, integrating with respect to time t gives us

$$\vec{v} = \frac{3\rho_0}{2\rho_p + \rho_0} \vec{u}_1$$
(34)

and the vector field $\vec{A}(t)$ becomes

$$A(t) = \frac{R_p^3}{2} f_2 \vec{u}_1, \quad \text{with} \quad f_2 = \frac{2(\rho_p - \rho_0)}{2\rho_p + \rho_0}.$$
 (35)

By plugging (24) and (35) into (17) and (16), and by solving the integration (see Appendix C for details), we have

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -\partial_i V_p \left(f_1 \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \langle p_{\rm in}^{\prime 2} \rangle + \frac{3}{4} \rho_0 f_2 \langle v_{\rm in}^2 \rangle \right) = -\nabla U, \quad (36)$$

where the potential U is defined as

$$U = V_p \left(f_1 \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \langle p_{\rm in}'^2 \rangle + \frac{3}{4} \rho_0 f_2 \langle v_{\rm in}^2 \rangle \right), \tag{37}$$

that is, the Gor'kov potential. This potential is commonly used for acoustic levitation of small objects, even regardless of the object's shape as soon as $R_0 \ll \lambda$ is satisfied. In the particular case of incident stationary waves,

$$p_1(x,t) = P_a \sin(\omega t)(\cos kx), \qquad (38)$$

with P_a the pressure amplitude, Eqs. (9) give us the velocity as

$$u_{1x}(x,t) = -\frac{P_a}{c_0\rho_0}\cos\omega t\sin kx.$$
 (39)

By plugging (38) and (9) into the Gor'kov potential and solving the time-average integration, this potential for standing waves becomes

$$U = \frac{V_p P_a^2}{4\rho_0 c_0^2} \left(f_1 \cos^2 kx + \frac{3}{2} f_2 \sin^2 kx \right).$$
(40)

The force can be gathered using (36), (24), and (35), leading to

$$F_x = -\frac{\pi R_p^3 P_a^2 k}{3\rho_0 c_0^2} \Phi(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\kappa}) \sin 2kx, \qquad (41)$$

where $\tilde{\rho} = \rho_p / \rho_0$, $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa_p / \kappa_0$ and $\Phi(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\kappa})$ is defined as

$$\Phi(\tilde{\rho},\tilde{\kappa}) = \frac{5\tilde{\rho}-2}{2\tilde{\rho}+1} - \tilde{\kappa}.$$
(42)

This is the theoretical result to compare with in 3D.

IV. ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE PER LENGTH ON A CYLINDER

The results of this section were developed by Wei *et al.* [22]. Nevertheless, instead of following the deduction by Wei *et al.*, let us develop the same procedure as in the previous section, but in two dimensions, a procedure that will give the same results. As in (16), the acoustic radiation force per length is computed from the scattered potential as

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle u_{\rm in}^i \left(\nabla^2 \phi_{\rm sc} - \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_{\rm sc}}{\partial t^2} \right) \right\rangle dA.$$
(43)

Because the cylinder is infinite in height, (43) computes a force per unit length since the cylinder would get an infinite surface and the integration is done along the circular boundary of its cross section. A retarded time multipolar expansion is also a good approximation in 2D,

$$\phi_{\rm sc} = -a(t')\ln r - \frac{\bar{A}(t')\cdot \bar{r}'}{{r'}^2} + \cdots,$$
 (44)

with $\vec{r}' = \vec{r} - \vec{v}t$ and $t' = t - r/c \approx t$.

As in the 3D case, the scalar field a(t) in the monopole term $\phi_{mp} = -a(t') \ln r$ can be found by assuming an isotropic compression and expansion of the cylinder due to the incident field p_{in} by

$$dp_{\rm in} = -B_p^{\rm 2D} \frac{dA_p}{A_p}$$
 or $\frac{\partial p_{\rm in}}{\partial t} = -\frac{B_p^{\rm 2D}}{A_p} \frac{dA_p}{dt}$, (45)

with A_p the cylinder's area, $B_p^{2D} = -AdP/dA = c_p^2 \rho_p$ the particle's bulk modulus in 2D. Furthermore, since $p_{in} = \rho_{in} c_0^2$, with c_0 the speed of sound in the fluid:

$$\frac{dA_p}{dt} = -A_p \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2} \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t}.$$
(46)

Consider a circular region Σ of radius R_{Σ} concentric to the cylinder with $\lambda \gg R_{\Sigma} > R_p$. On the one side, the mass flux leaving Σ through its boundary $\partial \Sigma$ equals the rate at which the cylinder pushes fluid out of it,

$$\dot{m} = \oint_{\partial \Sigma} (\rho_0 \vec{\nabla} \phi_{\rm mp}) \cdot \hat{r} dl = 2\pi a(t) \rho_0.$$
(47)

On the other hand,

$$\dot{m} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [(\rho_0 + \rho_{\rm in})A_p] \approx A_p \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t} \left(1 - \frac{\rho_0 c_0^2}{\rho_p c_p^2}\right), \qquad (48)$$

where we used (45) and (46). By equaling (47) and (48) by taking into account once again that $\frac{1}{2}\rho_{in}^2$ is much smaller than $\rho_0\rho_{in}$, we finally get

$$a(t) = \frac{R_p^2}{2\rho_0} \frac{\partial \rho_{in}}{\partial t} f_1, \quad \text{with} \quad f_1 = 1 - \frac{\kappa_p}{\kappa_0}.$$
(49)

Like in the 3D case, the velocity potential around a cylinder traveling with velocity \vec{v} in a fluid moving with velocity \vec{u}_1 is [38]

$$\phi = (1 + \frac{R_p^2}{r^{\prime 2}}) \left(\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}' \right) - \frac{R_p^2}{r^{\prime 2}} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{r}'), \tag{50}$$

that can be rearranged as

$$\phi = -\frac{R_p^2}{r'^2}(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1) \cdot \vec{r}' + e(\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}').$$
(51)

Here, again, the last term is the incident potential ϕ_{in} , and the first term, the one of a cylinder moving in a fluid at rest with velocity $(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1)$. By comparing ϕ_{in} in (51) with the dipole potential $\phi_{dip} = -\frac{\vec{A}(t)\cdot\vec{r}'}{r'^2}$, we identify

$$\vec{A}(r') = -R_p^2(\vec{v} - \vec{u}_1).$$
(52)

The force on the cylinder produced by that potential is

$$F_{\rm sc} = -M_a \left(\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} \right), \quad \text{with} \quad M_a = \pi R_p^2 \rho_0 \qquad (53)$$

the added mass for the cylinder [39].

As in the 3D case, if the cylinder were made of fluid, it would move with velocity $\vec{v} = \vec{u}_1$ and, therefore, the force on the cylinder from a potential $\phi = \vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{r}'$ must be exactly the one we need to move that fluid cylinder with an acceleration $\frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}$:

$$F_{\rm in} = M_f \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}, \quad \text{with} \quad M_f = \pi R_p^2 \rho_0. \tag{54}$$

The total force per length acting on the cylinder of density ρ_p and mass $M_p = \pi R_p^2 \rho_p$ is the sum of those two contributions. Thus,

$$M_p \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} = -M_a \left(\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} \right) + M_f \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}.$$
 (55)

By replacing the expressions for the masses, we obtain

$$(\rho_p + \rho_0)\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} = 2\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t}.$$
(56)

If we assume that $\vec{v} = 0$ when $\vec{u}_1 = 0$, integrating with respect to time t gives us

$$\vec{v} = \frac{2\rho_0}{\rho_0 + \rho_p} \vec{u}_1$$
(57)

and the vector field $\vec{A}(t)$ becomes

$$A(t) = R_p^2 f_2 \vec{u}_{in}, \quad \text{with} \quad f_2 = \frac{\rho_0 - \rho_p}{\rho_0 + \rho_p}.$$
 (58)



FIG. 4. D3Q7 (a) and D2Q5 (b) velocity sets and their corresponding weights.

After plugging in (49) and (58) into (43) and using the same standing incident wave written in (38) and (39), the two-dimensional Gor'kov's potential takes the form deducted by Wei *et al.*,

$$U = \frac{A_p p_0^2}{4\rho_0 c_0^2} (f_1 \cos^2 kx + f_2 \sin^2 kx),$$
(59)

and the acoustic radiation force per length is

$$F_x = -\frac{\pi R_p^2 P_a^2 k}{4\rho_0 c_0^2} \Phi(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\kappa}) \sin 2kx, \tag{60}$$

where $\tilde{\rho} = \rho_p / \rho_0$, $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa_p / \kappa_0$, and $\Phi(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\kappa})$ is defined as

$$\Phi(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\kappa}) = \frac{3 - \tilde{\rho}}{1 + \tilde{\rho}} - \tilde{\kappa}.$$
(61)

This last expression of the force-per-length (60) coincides with Eqs. (18) and (22) of the paper of Wei *et al.* [[22], p. 204], validating this shorter deduction.

V. LATTICE-BOLTZMANN FOR ACOUSTICS

In an LBM, space is divided into cells, and a set of velocity vectors \vec{v}_i allows for transport from each cell to the neighboring ones (Fig. 4). At each cell position \vec{x} and associated with each velocity vector \vec{v}_i , there is at least one variable $f_i(\vec{x}, t)$, called a *distribution function*, which represents the density of some hypothetical particles there, moving with that velocity and transporting information from cell to cell. At each time step, the f_i are, first, mixed inside every cell into new values f_i^{new} by using Boltzmann's transport equation (collision) and then transported to the neighboring cells along the vector they are associated with (advection). Because all the information for the collision is inside the cell itself and the advection is blind, all cells can evolve each time step in a fully independent way. That makes the LBM suitable to run in parallel on multiple CPUs or graphic cards [40,41].

In an LBM for acoustics [28], the fluid density ρ_1 , the momentum $\vec{J}_1 = \rho_0 \vec{u}_1$, and the pressure p_1 at any cell are computed as

$$\rho_1 = \sum_i f_i, \quad \vec{J}_1 = \sum_i \vec{v}_i f_i, \quad p_1 = c^2 \rho_1,$$
(62)

where c is the speed of sound for the fluid. At each time step Δt , every cell computes new values f_i^{new} for the distribution functions by using Boltzmann's transport equation in the BGK (Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook) approximation,

$$f_i^{\text{new}}(\vec{x},t) = \left(1 - \frac{\Delta t}{\tau}\right) f_i + \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}\right) f_i^{\text{eq}}, \quad \text{with} \quad \tau = \frac{1}{2},$$
(63)

where the equilibrium values f_i^{eq} are computed from the macroscopic fields (62). In contrast with LBM schemes for fluids, $\tau = 1/2$ is perfectly stable for acoustics and other linear equations [42,43]. Next, the new values f_i^{new} are transported to the neighboring cells as

$$f_i(\vec{x} + \Delta t \vec{v}_i) = f_i^{\text{new}}(\vec{x}, t).$$
(64)

By performing a Chapman-Enskog expansion, it is shown that the macroscopic fields (62) satisfy in the continuous limit the following conservative equations [44]:

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot J_1 = 0, \qquad (65a)$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{J}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \Pi^{(0)} = 0, \qquad (65b)$$

with

$$\Pi^{(0)} = \sum_{i} \vec{v}_i \otimes \vec{v}_i f_i^{\text{eq}} \quad . \tag{66}$$

If the equilibrium distribution functions f_i^{eq} are chosen in such a way that $\Pi^{(0)}$ becomes diagonal,

$$\Pi^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & 0\\ 0 & p_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \nabla \cdot \Pi^{(0)} = \nabla p_1, \tag{67}$$

taking divergence on both sides of (65b) and using (67) and (65b) shows us that the pressure fulfills

$$\frac{\partial^2 \rho_1}{\partial t^2} + \nabla^2 \rho_1 = 0. \tag{68}$$

We can diagonalize $\Pi^{(0)}$ by choosing a velocity set \vec{v}_i with weights w_i such that

$$\sum_{i} w_{i} = 1, \qquad \sum_{i} w_{i} v_{i\alpha} v_{i\beta} = c_{s}^{2} \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \tag{69}$$

$$\sum_{i} \omega_{i} v_{i\alpha} = \sum_{i} \omega_{i} v_{i\alpha} v_{i\beta} v_{i\gamma} = 0,$$
(70)

where $v_{i\alpha}$ is the α th component ($\alpha \in x, y, z$) of \vec{v}_i and c_s^2 is a constant. The equilibrium distribution functions

$$f_i^{\text{eq}} = \begin{cases} \rho_1 \left(1 + \left(1/c_s^2 \right) c_0^2 (\omega_0 - 1) \right) & \text{if } i = 0\\ \left(1/c_s^2 \right) \omega_i \left(c_0^2 \rho_1 + \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{J}_1 \right) & \text{if } i \neq 0 \end{cases}$$
(71)

make $\Pi^{(0)}$ diagonal [Eq. (67)], as desired. Here, c_s is the speed of sound and w_0 is the weight associated with the null vector $\vec{v}_0 = (0, 0)$. Examples are D2Q5, D2Q9, and D3Q19 with $c_s^2 = 1/3$, and D3Q7, with $c_s^2 = 1/4$ (Fig. 4). The method has been extended to curvilinear cells and has been employed to simulate the normal modes in trumpets and even in the human cochlea [43]. Boundary conditions, like a vibrating wall at $x_0 = 0$, can be set, first, by computing the equilibrium functions f_i^{eq} with the desired value $\rho_1(x_0 = 0, y, z) = \rho_a \sin(\omega t)$ for the density [whereas \vec{J}_1 is computed from Eq. (62), as usual] and, next, by overwriting f_i^{new} with that equilibrium value. This operation, which we call *imposing fields*, is performed after collision and before advection, i.e.,

$$f_i^{\text{new}}(\vec{x},t) = f_i^{\text{eq}}(\rho_1(x_0=0,y,z), \vec{J}_1(\vec{x},t)).$$
(72)

The same procedure is employed to set the initial conditions. Other boundary conditions, like partially absorbing walls at $x_n = Lx - 1$ with Lx the length of the simulation domain in the *x* direction, are set by performing a bounce-back step (instead of the usual collision),

$$f_i(\vec{x}_n, t_{n+1}) = \Phi f_j(\vec{x}_n, t_n), \tag{73}$$

where *j* is the index satisfying $\vec{v}_j = -\vec{v}_i$ and $\Phi \in [0, 1)$ is a damping factor, which we set as $\Phi = 0.99$. Finally, the results are plotted from the values f_i^{new} after imposing fields and before advection.

The described LBM for waves was implemented in 2D on a self-developed C++ code (available in Github [45]), while for 3D simulations, the software 3NSKOG [46] was modified to include this LB model as an additional feature. A first numerical test to validate the code was to simulate the density field in 3D produced by an oscillating point source at the origin, described by the inhomogeneous wave equation

$$\nabla^2 \rho - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial t^2} = \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \rho_0 \sin(\omega t), \tag{74}$$

with ω the angular frequency. The solution is found through Green's functions [[37], Sec. 6.4] and takes the form

$$\rho(\vec{x},t) = \frac{\rho_0 \sin(\omega t - kr)}{4\pi kr},\tag{75}$$

where $r = |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|$ is the distance from the source position to the measurement point \vec{x} . Because the source term of (74) is proportional to $\sin(\omega t)$, the initial condition $\rho_1(x, t = 0) = 0$ everywhere coincides with the source and will not cause numerical instabilities. Figures 5 and 6 show a good agreement between the analytical solution (75) and the 3D implementation and on a cubic domain of $64 \times 64 \times 64$ lattice cells.

A relevant test for our application is the simulation of an interface between two media with different sound speeds c_0 and c_p The interface is modeled just by setting a smooth change in the speed of sound along the x axis (to avoid numerical instabilities),

$$c(x) = \frac{c_p - c_0}{2} \tanh\left(\frac{x - L_x/2}{w}\right) + \frac{c_p + c_0}{2},$$
 (76)

with $c_0 = 0.5$ and $c_p = 0.25$, as shown in Figs. 7 and 9. This kind of boundary condition generates a typical refraction of waves entering in two media, which is sufficient to reproduce the Gor'kov force. By setting a traveling pulse as the initial condition, one expects that both pressure and the normal velocity must be continuous at the interface, i.e., that $p_{1,I} + p_{1,R} = p_{1,T}$ and $u_{1x,I} + u_{1x,R} = u_{1x,T}$, with u_{1x} the *x* component of the velocity and the subindexes *I*, *R*, and *T* representing the incident, reflected, and transmitted values at the interface, respectively. By simulating the interface in a domain



FIG. 5. Lattice Boltzmann simulation of the 3D spherical waves produced by a point source after 60 time steps.

of Lx = cells, we obtain that those continuity conditions are fulfilled with 1% accuracy.

VI. WAVE-PARTICLE INTERACTION AND INTERPOLATION

To describe the wave-particle interaction in our LBM scheme, it is useful to write the acoustic radiation force (14) in terms of the quantities $\vec{J_1} = \rho_0 \vec{u_1}$ and $\rho_1 = p_1/c_0^2$ that are computed by the LBM for waves, that is,

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \oint \left\langle \left(-\frac{J_1^2}{2} + \frac{\rho_1^2 c_0^2}{2} \right) \delta_{ij} + J_{1i} J_{1j} \right\rangle dS_j.$$
(77)

This expression seems to be just a function of the density ρ_0 and the speed of sound c_0 in the fluid, but the values \vec{J}_1 and ρ_1 depend on the way the interface is modeled. The boundary conditions for the acoustic wave at the interface are that the



FIG. 6. Density profile along the positive x semiaxis and comparison with the analytical solution for the spherical waves of Fig. 5.



FIG. 7. Incident waves in LBM.

pressure p_1 and the normal velocity $\vec{u}_1 \cdot \hat{n}$ (with \hat{n} a vector normal to the surface) must be continuous. Those conditions are equivalent to

$$\rho_1^{(0)} c_0^2 = \rho_1^{(p)} c_p, \quad \frac{\vec{J}_1^{(0)} \cdot \hat{n}}{\rho_0^{(0)}} = \frac{\vec{J}_1^{(p)} \cdot \hat{n}}{\rho_0^{(p)}}, \tag{78}$$

where the superscripts (0) and (*p*) identify the values of the fields \vec{J}_1 and ρ_1 at the fluid side and the object side, respectively.

For the sake of ease, we choose a much simpler approach, assuming that mean densities on both media are equal $(\rho_0^{(0)} = \rho_0^{(p)})$ and that only the speed of sound changes, as

$$c(\vec{r}) = c_0 - \frac{c_0 - c_p}{2} \left(1 + \tanh\left(\frac{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|^2 - R_p^2}{d}\right) \right), \quad (79)$$

where $\vec{r} = (x, y, z)$, $\vec{r}' = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and *d* is the square thickness of the interface, which was set as d = 4 for our simulations. In Fig. 8, a three-dimensional density map of function (79) is illustrated. This approach is enough to verify that our procedure reproduces Gor'kov and Wei theoretical expressions for the acoustic radiation force on a sphere (3D) and a cylinder (2D), as we will see in the following section.

The acoustic radiation force (77) is computed by dividing the object's boundary into N surface elements (which are segments in 2D and triangles in 3D) and by computing the normal vector \hat{n} and the fields ρ_1 and $\vec{J_1}$ at the center $\vec{R_k}$ of each element, but those points do not usually coincide with the nodes \vec{R}^{LB} of the LB mesh (Fig. 10). To calculate the fields at $\vec{R_k}$, we use kernel interpolation [47,48], expressing those fields as a weighted sum on the neighboring cells,

$$\rho_{\rm I}(\vec{R}_k) = \sum_l \rho_1 \left(\vec{R}_l^{\rm LB} \right) \delta\left(\left| \vec{R}_l^{\rm LB} - \vec{R}_k \right| \right),\tag{80}$$

$$\vec{J}_{\mathrm{I}}(\vec{R}_{k}) = \sum_{l} \vec{J}_{\mathrm{I}}\left(\vec{R}_{l}^{\mathrm{LB}}\right) \delta\left(\left|\vec{R}_{l}^{\mathrm{LB}} - \vec{R}_{k}\right|\right),\tag{81}$$



FIG. 8. Three-dimensional density map and mesh for the immersed sphere in 3NSKOG.

with weights depending on the distance $r = |\vec{R}_l^{\text{LB}} - \vec{R}_k|$ through the kernel function [49]

$$\delta(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}(5-3|r| - \sqrt{-3(1-|r|)^2 + 1}) & |r| \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] \\ \frac{1}{3}(1+\sqrt{-3r^2 + 1}) & |r| \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$
(82)

VII. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

To compute the acoustic radiation force on a sphere and a cylinder and to compare the results with the Gor'kov and Wei



FIG. 9. Reflected and transmitted waves in LBM.



FIG. 10. Kernel interpolation scheme.

et al. solutions, respectively, the simulation domain is a box with $L_v = L_z = 64$ cells along the y and z axes in 3D and $L_v =$ 64 cells in 2D. The length Lx along the x axis is chosen such that $Lx = \lambda/2 + 3$, with $100 \le \lambda \le 2560$ the wavelength in cell units (Fig. 11). The object, a sphere or a cylinder of radius R_p , is placed with its center at $\vec{r}_0 = (x_0, L_v/2, L_z/2)$ and the speed of sound was chosen at every cell by using (79). The default values for the mean density ρ_0 , the wavelength λ , the object's radius R_p , the speed of sound in the fluid c_0 and in the object, c_p , are listed in Table I. The default value for kR_p in all tests where neither k nor R_p were varied is 0.125. This value is small enough to compare with Gor'kov solutions. The left wall, chosen as source, is built with two extra sheets: one partial absorbing wall at x = 0 and one source of plane waves at x = 1, forcing the density to oscillate as $\rho_a \sin(\omega t)$ [Eq. (72)]. The right wall, at $x = L_x + 2$ (i.e., the last cells in the x axis) is chosen as a partially absorbing reflector [Eq. (73)]. In addition, periodic boundary conditions are set on y and z directions. The result is a standing wave with a single nodal plane at $x = L_x/2 + 1$.



FIG. 11. Simulation's domain and setup.

TABLE I. Default fixed values for the relevant quantities of the acoustic radiation force.

Parameter	Value
C_p	0.25
c_0	0.24
p_0	1.00
λ	500
R_p	10
kR_p	0.125
x	$\lambda/8$

Each simulation runs for more than 10*T* time steps, with $T = \lambda/c_0$ the period of acoustic oscillations. The acoustic radiation force is measured at every time step using (77), giving us a curve of $F_x(t)$ versus time that stabilizes after around ten oscillations. Once it stabilizes, $\langle F_x \rangle$ is measured as that signal's average (Fig. 12).

The measurements are compared with the theoretical expressions (41) and (60) for the sphere and the cylinder, respectively, with equal mean densities for the fluid and the object, that we rewrote as

$$\langle F_x \rangle_{3\mathrm{D}} = -\frac{\pi R_p^3 P_a^2 k}{3\rho_0} \Psi(c_0, c_p) \sin 2kx, \qquad (83a)$$

$$F_x\rangle_{2D} = -\frac{\pi R_p^2 P_a^2 k}{4\rho_0} \Psi(c_0, c_p) \sin 2kx.$$
 (83b)

Hereby we have defined the contrast factor $\Psi(c_0, c_p)$ as

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$$\Psi(c_0, c_p) = \frac{1}{c_0^2} - \frac{1}{c_p^2}.$$
(84)

Simulations were performed by varying one at a time the physical parameters the force depends on, whereas the other parameters remain fixed to default values (Table I). The varied parameters are the axial position of the object *x*, the pressure acoustic amplitude P_a , the radius of the object R_p , and the wave number $k = 2\pi/\lambda$. The contrast factor $\Psi(c_0, c_p)$ is also properly changed to find out its linear relationship with the force.



FIG. 12. Different curves of the time-dependent force varying the object's axial position.



FIG. 13. Acoustic radiation force of the sphere (3D) for several pressure amplitudes P_a , sphere's radii R_p , and wave numbers k. For k curve kR_p were from 0.02 to 0.62, while for R_p from 0.04 to 0.10.

Figure 14 shows that the simulated force follows a behavior proportional to sin(2kx) for both 3D and 2D cases, being the force zero when the object is at $x = 8L/16 = \lambda/4$ where the node is (see Fig. 12). When $\Psi(c_0, c_p) > 0$, this is a confining force at the nodal plane. Concerning R_p , k and P_a , we can see from (83) that a power-law relationship with the force is expected for each one of them. Figures 13 and 15 show that this is the case for both the sphere and the cylinder, with correlation coefficients close to 0.99. The measured exponents for those power laws show excellent agreement with the expected values (Tables II and III). As noticed in Fig. 13, the linear relation for k has some deviations in the last points from the fitted curve, and the measured parameters k and R_p differ in 8% and 3% from their theoretical values (Table II). In Fig. 13, the kR_p values for the $\langle F \rangle$ vs k curve run from 0.02 to 0.62, and from 0.04 to 0.10 for the $\langle F \rangle$ vs R_p curve. Since the theoretical results we acompared with are based on the assumption $kR_p \ll 1$, one could expect some deviations of the theory from the computational results. Better theoretical models, as those proposed by Marston in Ref. [35], include higher order expansions in kR_p . A comparison with high order expressions can be a future continuation of this work. The influence of resolution has not been studied in this paper, but



FIG. 14. Acoustic radiation forces in 2D and 3D along the x axis showing a $\sin 2kx$ dependence.



FIG. 15. Acoustic radiation force of the cylinder (2D) for several pressure amplitudes P_a , cylinder's radii R_p and wave numbers k. For k curve kR_p were from 0.02 to 0.62, while for R_p from 0.04 to 0.10.

we find it plausible to see a reduction of the relatives errors reported in Tables II and III.

Regarding the contrast factor, we expect a linear relationship between $\langle F_x \rangle$ and $\Psi(c_0, c_p)$ [Eq. (83)]. For this test, the speed of sound for the fluid was set to $c_0 = 0.25$, whereas c_p was adjusted so the factor Ψ changes uniformly. Figures 16 and 17 confirm that linear behavior for both the sphere and the cylinder, with $R^2 = 0.994$ and $R^2 = 0.999$ for the 3D and 2D cases, respectively.

Summarizing, our simulations show that the proposed method to compute the acoustic radiation force reproduces with great precision both the theoretical expressions by Gor'kov and Wei *et al.*

VIII. CONCLUSIONS

We employed a lattice Boltzmann model that reproduces the wave equation to compute the acoustic radiation force on a compressible object immersed in an inviscid fluid. Instead of simulating the full NSEs, our proposal relies on the solution of the wave equation from which, via an interpolation scheme, the first-order perturbations in the velocity \vec{u}_1 and the pressure p_1 are computed on the object's surface and, from them, the force. We tested our numerical approach by computing the acoustic radiation force on a cylinder (in 2D) and on a sphere (in 3D) produced by a standing wave with a single nodal plane. All tests were done in the density-matched case. The method reproduces with excellent accuracy the theoretical predictions by Gor'kov [20] and Wei *et al.* [22] for the sphere and the cylinder, respectively, in all studied cases. The procedure to compute the acoustic radiation force from

TABLE II. Power-law exponents comparison in 3D.

Parameter	Expected	Measured	Rel. err. (%)
$\overline{P_a}$	2.0000	1.9999	10 ⁻¹³
k	1.0000	0.9222	7.7783
R_p	3.0000	3.0814	2.7119

TABLE III. Power law exponents comparison in 2D.

Parameter	Expected	Measured	Rel. err. (%)
$\overline{P_a}$	2.0000	1.9994	0.0302
k	1.0000	0.9569	4.3108
R_p	2.0000	2.0127	0.6373

the fields p_1 and \vec{u}_1 is general and can be performed with any numerical method for solving the wave equation.

One of the advantages of our numerical approach is that it computes p_1 and \vec{u}_1 , with second-order accuracy, and hence it needs fewer cells to compute the acoustic radiation force than other methods simulating the full Navier-Stokes equations. Actually, widely used LBMs for fluids compute with secondorder accuracy the zeroth order density and velocity fields and, with only first-order accuracy the perturbative fields p_1 and \vec{u}_1 . Accordingly, our method obtains excellent results by using grids of just 250×64 cells for the 2D case and $250 \times 64 \times 64$ for the 3D one, whereas a previous work using a LBM for the full NSE [29] requires 600×600 cells to obtain reliable results in 2D. Our method is also very fast. When implemented in C++, it takes up to 3 min on a laptop with a single Intel Core-i5 processor to compute the acoustic radiation force on a cylinder with the simulation domain described above. Similarly, when implemented in our 3D solver 3NSKOG it takes no longer than 30 min by running on four processors to compute the acoustic radiation force on a sphere.

The values of p_1 and \vec{u}_1 on the object's surface and the acoustic radiation force computed from them rely on the boundary conditions employed to model the object itself. For simplicity, in our tests we used just a smooth change in the speed of sound when crossing from the fluid to the object, assuming that the mean densities in both media are equal (which is the density-matched case). On the one hand, such an approximation can be enough for nearly buoyant particles. On the other hand, this strategy assures that both the pressure and the normal velocity are continuous at the interface. The actual boundary conditions [Eqs. (78)] relate both the momenta and the densities on both sides of the interface. Finding the way to implement those more general boundary conditions in our LBM will be an interesting subject for future work.







FIG. 17. Acoustic radiation force of the cylinder (2D) for several values of the contrast factor Ψ [Eq. (84)] with $kR_p = 0.125$.

The proposed approach can be used to compute the acoustic radiation force on an object of any shape in 2D or 3D, like microbots or self-assembled microswimmers. Moreover, it can be coupled with standard numerical integration algorithms to compute the three-dimensional movement of such objects due to acoustic radiation forces and introducing viscous drag forces when needed, according to Ref. [50]. This opens a broad spectrum of future applications in the acoustic manipulation of many objects. In addition, being able to have both waves and fluids in the same LBM code allows us to simulate multiphysics applications efficiently. For example, the method could be employed for the study of systems like acoustic-driven bubbles or reactions among fluids pushed by microparticles of solid catalyst driven by acoustic forces, just to mention a few. All these are interesting subjects for future research.

The present paper introduces a fast and accurate numerical procedure to compute the acoustic radiation force on an object immersed in an inviscid fluid. The proposed procedure shows to be a promising tool for the study of the many phenomena in medicine and engineering where that force plays a relevant role.

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APPENDIX A: DEDUCTING THE SECOND-ORDER ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE

By replacing the second-order expansion written in (12) into the mass [Eq. (1)] and momentum [Eq. (2)] conservation law, using Eqs. (7) and taking the second-order terms only, we obtain

$$\frac{\partial \rho_2}{\partial t} + \rho_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{u}_2 + \nabla \cdot (\rho_1 \vec{u}_1) = 0, \quad (A1a)$$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} + \rho_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_2 + \rho_0 (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \nabla) \vec{u}_1 = 0.$$
 (A1b)

The last term of the left side of Eq. (A1b) can be rewritten by using the following mathematical property:

$$\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\nabla}(\vec{u}_1\cdot\vec{u}_1) = (\vec{u}_1\cdot\boldsymbol{\nabla})\vec{u}_1 + \vec{u}_1\times(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\times\vec{u}_1), \qquad (A2)$$

where the term $\vec{u}_1 \times (\nabla \times \vec{u}_1) = 0$, because the flow is irrotational. Then (A1b) becomes

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} + \rho_1 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_2 + \frac{\rho_0}{2} \nabla \left(u_1^2 \right) = 0.$$
 (A3)

By using Eqs. (6) and (7a), the second term of the left-hand side may be written as

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} - \frac{p_1}{\rho_0 c^2} \nabla p_1 + \nabla p_2 + \frac{\rho_0}{2} \nabla \left(u_1^2 \right) = 0$$
(A4)

and, using the product derivative property for gradients, we end up with

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} + \nabla p_2 = \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \nabla \left(p_1^2 \right) - \frac{\rho_0}{2} \nabla \left(u_1^2 \right). \tag{A5}$$

Because we are interested in writing the total velocity and pressure fields in terms of only first-order terms, let us add Eq. (7a) as a null term such that, by using (12b) and (12c), we have

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_2}{\partial t} + \rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}_1}{\partial t} + \nabla p_2 + \nabla p_1 = \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \nabla \left(p_1^2 \right) - \frac{\rho_0}{2} \nabla \left(u_1^2 \right),$$

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla (P - p_0) = \nabla \left(\frac{1}{2\rho_0 c^2} p_1^2 - \frac{\rho_0}{2} u_1^2 \right).$$
(A6)

By using (9), we end up with a total nonstatic pressure

$$\nabla(P - p_0) = \nabla\left(\frac{p_1^2}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} - \frac{\rho_0}{2}u_1^2 - \rho_0\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right),\tag{A7}$$

written also in (13).

APPENDIX B: INCIDENT, SCATTERED, AND INTERFERENCE TERMS

With the velocity potential divided into an incident and a scattered field, the average force Eq. (4) has three contributions. The first one, due to ϕ_{in} only,

$$\langle F_{i,\mathrm{IN}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \oint \left\langle \left(\left(-\frac{\rho_0}{2} |\nabla \phi_{\mathrm{in}}|^2 + \frac{\rho_0}{2c_0^2} \left[\frac{\partial \phi_{\mathrm{in}}}{\partial t} \right]^2 \right) \delta_{ij} + \rho_0 \partial_i \phi_{\mathrm{in}} \partial_j \phi_{\mathrm{in}} \right\rangle dS_i, \tag{B1}$$

should be zero because the incident field (which is the solution in the absence of the object) does not receive any physical effect from the particle. In the case of plane waves, the incident field $\phi_{in} = \phi_0 \cos(\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t)$ is spatially homogeneous, implying a symmetry over the surface, and the closed integral will yield zero [[31], p. 79] [[27], p. 1016]. The other two contributions containing information about the scattered wave are

$$\langle F_{i,\text{sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \oint \left\langle \left(-\frac{\rho_0}{2} |\nabla \phi_{\text{sc}}|^2 + \frac{\rho_0}{2c_0^2} \left[\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{sc}}}{\partial t} \right]^2 \right) \delta_{ij} + \rho_0 \partial_i \phi_{\text{sc}} \partial_j \phi_{\text{sc}} \right\rangle dS_i$$
(B2)

and

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \oint \left\langle \left(\left(-\rho_0 \nabla \phi_{\text{in}} \cdot \nabla \phi_{\text{sc}} + \frac{\rho_0}{c_0^2} \left[\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{in}}}{\partial t} \right] \left[\frac{\partial \phi_{\text{sc}}}{\partial t} \right] \right) \delta_{ij} + \rho_0 \partial_i \phi_{\text{in}} \partial_j \phi_{\text{sc}} + \rho_0 \partial_i \phi_{\text{sc}} \partial_j \phi_{\text{in}} \right) dS_i.$$
(B3)

The contribution $\langle F_{i,sc} \rangle$ is much smaller than the interference term $\langle F_{i,in-sc} \rangle$ because the scattering cross section of a spherical particle is proportional to $(kR_p)^4$, which is negligible due to $R_p \ll \lambda$, and because the scattered potential field solution is proportional to R_p^3 , as will be shown later. Thus, the interference term (B3) is the most relevant, and that is the one to be developed next [[31], p. 79]. By using (9),

$$\nabla \phi_{\rm in} \cdot \nabla \phi_{\rm sc} = \vec{u}_{\rm in} \cdot \vec{u}_{\rm sc},\tag{B4a}$$

$$\frac{\rho_0}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial \phi_{\rm in}}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \phi_{\rm sc}}{\partial t} = \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \rho_{\rm in} \rho_{\rm sc}, \quad \text{and}$$
(B4b)

$$\partial_i \phi_{\rm in} \partial_j \phi_{\rm sc} = u^i_{\rm in} u^j_{\rm sc},$$
 (B4c)

the interference term becomes

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \oint \left\langle \left(-\rho_0 \vec{u}_{\text{in}} \cdot \vec{u}_{\text{sc}} + \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \rho_{\text{in}} \rho_{\text{sc}} \right) \delta_{ij} + \rho_0 u_{\text{in}}^i u_{\text{sc}}^j + \rho_0 u_{\text{sc}}^i u_{\text{in}}^j \right\rangle dS_i.$$
(B5)

By using Gauss's theorem, the surface integral transforms into a volume integral:

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle \left(-\rho_0 \left(\partial_i u_{\text{in}}^m \right) u_{\text{sc}}^m - \rho_0 \left(\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^m \right) u_{\text{in}}^m + \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \partial_i \rho_{\text{in}} \rho_{\text{sc}} + \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \rho_{in} \partial_i \rho_{sc} \right) \delta_{ij} \right. \\ \left. + \rho_0 \left(\partial_i u_{\text{in}}^i \right) u_{\text{sc}}^j + \rho_0 u_{\text{in}}^i \left(\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^j \right) + \rho_0 \left(\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^i \right) u_{\text{in}}^j + \rho_0 u_{\text{sc}}^i \left(\partial_i u_{\text{in}}^j \right) \right\rangle dV.$$

$$\tag{B6}$$

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The first two terms may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{i}u_{\mathrm{in}}^{m} \end{pmatrix} u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{m} + \left(\partial_{i}u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{m}\right)u_{\mathrm{in}}^{m} &= (\partial_{i}\partial_{m}\phi_{\mathrm{in}})u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{m} + (\partial_{i}\partial_{m}\phi_{\mathrm{sc}})u_{\mathrm{in}}^{m}, \\ &= (\partial_{m}\partial_{i}\phi_{\mathrm{in}})u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{m} + (\partial_{m}\partial_{i}\phi_{\mathrm{sc}})u_{\mathrm{in}}^{m}, \\ &= \left(\partial_{m}u_{\mathrm{in}}^{i}\right)u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{m} + \left(\partial_{m}u_{\mathrm{sc}}^{i}\right)u_{\mathrm{in}}^{m}, \end{aligned} \tag{B7}$$

and the interference term simplifies to

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \partial_j \rho_{\text{in}} \rho_{\text{sc}} + \frac{c_0^2}{\rho_0} \rho_{\text{in}} \partial_j \rho_{\text{sc}} + \rho_0 (\partial_i u_{\text{in}}^i) u_{\text{sc}}^j + \rho_0 (\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^i) u_{\text{in}}^j \right\rangle dV.$$
(B8)

Now, by using (7) for the incident and scattered fields on all terms but the last one, we obtain

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle -\frac{\partial u_{\text{in}}^j}{\partial t} \rho_{sc} - \frac{\partial u_{\text{sc}}^j}{\partial t} \rho_{in} - \frac{\partial \rho_{\text{in}}}{\partial t} u_{\text{sc}}^j + \rho_0 (\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^i) u_{\text{in}}^j \right\rangle dV - \int \left\langle -\frac{\partial u_{\text{in}}^j}{\partial t} \rho_{\text{sc}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_{\text{sc}}^j \rho_{\text{in}}) + \rho_0 (\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^i) u_{\text{in}}^j \right\rangle dV.$$
(B9)

Since

$$-\frac{\partial u_{\rm in}^j}{\partial t}\rho_{\rm sc} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(u_{\rm in}^j \rho_{\rm sc} \right) + u_{\rm in}^j \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm sc}}{\partial t}, \qquad (B10)$$

the averaged force simplifies to

$$\langle F_{i,\text{in-sc}} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(u_{\text{sc}}^j \rho_{\text{in}} + u_{\text{in}}^j \rho_{\text{sc}} \right) + u_{\text{in}}^j \frac{\partial \rho_{\text{sc}}}{\partial t} + \rho_0 \left(\partial_i u_{\text{sc}}^i \right) u_{\text{in}}^j \right\rangle dV.$$
(B11)

Because the time average of the time derivatives of any periodic function is identically zero, the force simplifies further to

$$\langle \vec{F} \rangle = -\rho_0 \int \left\langle \vec{u}_{\rm in} \left(\nabla^2 \phi_{\rm sc} - \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_{\rm sc}}{\partial t^2} \right) \right\rangle dV. \tag{B12}$$

Therefore, the time-averaged force on the small sphere can be found if we compute the scattered velocity potential ϕ_{sc} .

APPENDIX C: INTEGRATING THE ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE TO OBTAIN THE GOR'KOV POTENTIAL

With (24) and (35), it is now possible to write a particular solution for the scattered velocity potential previously defined in terms of a(t') and $\vec{A}(t')$ [Eq. (17)]. It becomes

$$\phi_{\rm sc}(r,t) = -f_1 \frac{R_p^3}{3\rho_0 r} \dot{\rho_{\rm in}} - f_2 \frac{R_p^3}{2r^2} \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{u}_{\rm in}}{r}\right).$$
(C1)

This potential actually satisfies a nonhomogeneous wave equation. By applying the D'Alembert operator, as in (16), the following source is gathered:

$$\nabla^2 \phi_{\rm sc} - \frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi_{\rm sc}}{\partial t^2} = f_1 \frac{V_p}{\rho_0} \dot{\rho_{\rm in}} \delta(\vec{r}) + f_2 \frac{3V_p}{2} \nabla \cdot (\vec{u}_{\rm in} \delta(\vec{r})).$$
(C2)

After plugging in (C2) into (16), we have

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -V_p \int \left\langle f_1 \dot{\rho_{\text{in}}} u_{\text{in}}^i \delta(\vec{r}) + f_2 \frac{3\rho_0}{2} u_{\text{in}}^i \partial_k \left(u_{\text{in}}^k \delta(\vec{r}) \right) \right\rangle dV$$

$$= -f_2 \frac{3\rho_0 V_p}{2} \left(\oint \left\langle u_{\text{in}}^i u_{\text{in}}^k \delta(\vec{r}) \right\rangle dS_k$$

$$- \int \left\langle \left(u_{\text{in}}^k \partial_k \right) u_{\text{in}}^i \delta(\vec{r}) \right\rangle dV \right) - f_1 V_p \left\langle \frac{\partial \rho_{\text{in}}}{\partial t} u_{\text{in}}^i \right\rangle.$$
(C3)

Because the Dirac's delta of the second term does not contain the surface, the whole integrand is identically zero, leading to

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -f_1 V_p \left(\frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t} u^i_{\rm in} \right) + f_2 \frac{3 \rho_0 V_p}{2} \left(\left(u^k_{\rm in} \partial_k \right) u^i_{\rm in} \right).$$
(C4)

As a final step, we can exchange the time derivative in the first term, because the derivative of the whole product is identically zero (just because the incident field oscillates harmonically); thus

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial \rho_{\rm in}}{\partial t} u_{\rm in}^i \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_o^2} \langle \partial_i p_{\rm in}^2 \rangle,\tag{C5}$$

where (7) was considered. By using (A2) in the second term of (C4) and by replacing the previous result, the Gor'kov Force takes its definitive form,

$$\langle F_i \rangle = -\partial_i V_p \left(f_1 \frac{1}{2\rho_0 c_0^2} \langle p_{\rm in}^2 \rangle + f_2 \frac{3\rho_0}{4} \langle u_{\rm in}^2 \rangle \right) = -\nabla U, \quad (C6)$$

written in (36).

APPENDIX D: COMMENTS ON THE ACOUSTIC RADIATION FORCE IN VISCOUS FLUIDS

The case of a compressible sphere in a viscous fluid was first studied by Doinikov in 1994 [51]. He defined a viscous penetration depth as

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{2\nu}{\omega}} \tag{D1}$$

with ν the kinematic viscosity and ω the sound angular frequency. For $\delta \ll R_p$, the viscosity effects can be neglected,



FIG. 18. Viscosity can be neglected to compute the acoustic radiation force when the particle radius is larger than the penetration depth.

thus the dimensionless factor

$$\frac{\delta}{R_p} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2\nu}{cR_0}}}{\sqrt{kR_p}} \tag{D2}$$

is useful to determine if viscosity must be included or not [[34], p. 3048]. In Fig. 18, we show the regimes for which

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the viscosity can be neglected (green shaded region). On top of that, we also report the constraint imposed by our linear expansion in R_p/λ (dashed line). While our numerical approach is valid in the region between the lines, experimental results have shown that viscosity can be neglected in the full shaded area [52]. Additionally, Danilov and Mironov [50] showed that the particle can experience drag forces during its motion that may contribute significantly to the total motion dynamics of the sphere, but they do not affect the acoustic radiation force. Other viscous correction for the acoustic radiation force for spheres was proposed by Settnes and Bruus in 2012 [53] where the dipole coefficient f_2 is modified as follows:

$$f_2 = \frac{2(\rho_p - \rho_0)(1 - \zeta(\delta))}{2\rho_p + \rho_0 - 3\rho_0\zeta(\delta)},$$
 (D3)

where

$$\zeta(\delta) = -\frac{3}{2} \left[1 + i \left(1 + \frac{\delta}{R} \right) \right] \frac{\delta}{R}.$$
 (D4)

The imaginary part of (D3) was corrected by Marston in 2016, showing in Eq. (13) of Ref. [54] that a factor of 2 was missing in the Settnes and Bruus formula (Eq. (49) of Ref. [53]). For the case of cylinders, proposed corrections can be found in Ref. [55], where acoustic forces and torques are calculated, and Ref. [56] where the force on a cylinder close to a boundary in a viscous fluid is computed.

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