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Symmetrical Mathematical Computation in Fluid Dynamics

Message from the Guest Editors

Symmetry is a ubiquitous phenomenon in natural and engineered complex systems. This phenomenon emerges from the physical laws of nature and serves as an important mathematical tool for understanding the properties of physics-based dynamical systems, such as fluid mechanics. Computational fluid dynamics has in recent years experienced extensive progress due to the rapid growth of computational power and the fast-changing development of mathematical algorithms. Leveraging high-fidelity models and fine resolution, symmetric evolutions can be observed in flow simulations. In return, symmetry-preserving and symmetry-constrained models provide extra guarantees in accurate and effective reduced-order modelings. This Special Issue emphasizes phenomena based on the combinatory concepts of symmetry and the mathematical computation of fluid dynamics. For example, the manifestation of symmetries and symmetry breaking in the route to the turbulence of convective flows have driven the study of flow stability and bifurcation. Symmetry constraints added to reduced-order models enhance the predictive capabilities of large-scale coherent structures in complex flows.

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Symmetry is ultimately the most important concept in natural sciences. It is not surprising then that very basic and fundamental research achievements are related to symmetry. For instance, the Nobel Prize in Physics 1979 (Glashow, Salam, Weinberg) was received for a unified symmetry description of electromagnetic and weak interactions, while the Nobel Prize in Physics 2008 (Nambu, Kobayashi, Maskawa) was received for the discovery of the mechanism of spontaneous breaking of symmetry, including CP symmetry. Our journal is named *Symmetry* and it manifests its fundamental role in nature.

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