

Overview of OpenFOAM

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- ▶ **It is licensed under** GNU General Public Licence **by** OpenCFD Ltd.



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Henceforth, in this series, whenever OpenFOAM is mentioned it indicates OpenFOAM®



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- ▶ OpenFOAM **is available for** Linux, Mac **and** Windows **operating systems**



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- ▶ **For example, a** `fluent` `mesh` **is converted using the**
`fluentMeshToFoam` **utility**



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ParaView

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- ▶ **ParaView is the most commonly used software for post-processing OpenFOAM results**



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About the Spoken Tutorial Project

- ▶ Watch the video available at https://spoken-tutorial.org/What_is_a_Spoken_Tutorial
- ▶ It summarises the Spoken Tutorial project
- ▶ If you do not have good bandwidth, you can download and watch it



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- ▶ Conducts workshops using spoken tutorials
- ▶ Gives certificates to those who pass an online test
- ▶ For more details, please write to contact@spoken-tutorial.org



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- ▶ **The FOSSEE team coordinates solving feasible CFD problems of reasonable complexity using OpenFOAM**
- ▶ **We give honorarium and certificates to those who do this**
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