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An immersed boundary-thin shell finite element framework for fluid-structure interaction simulation of non-linear material¹ HOSSEIN ASADI, IMAN BORAZJANI, Texas AM University — A three-dimensional fluidstructure interaction (FSI) framework has been implemented for deformable tissues by coupling the sharp-interface curvilinear immersed boundary (CURVIB) incompressible Navier-Stokes flow solver with a large-deformation, rotation-free, Kirchhoff-Love thin shell finite element (FE) structure solver, which is based on Loop's subdivision surfaces. A set of Fung-elastic constitutive laws for in-plane and bending responses are implemented separately and is shown to be in good agreement with experimental results. A set of standard dynamic validation studies is performed to show the accuracy of the structure solver. The FSI solver uses a strongly-coupled approach which is stabilized using under-relaxation enhanced with Aitken acceleration technique. The coupled CURVIB-FE-FSI solver is validated by applying it to simulate an FSI problem. Finally, the capabilities of the framework is demonstrated by simulating the complex cardiovascular flow of a bio-prosthetic heart valve (BHV) and validating against experimental measurements. An efficient kinematic contact handling method is used to manage the closing phase of the leaflets.

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