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A simple weighted integration method for calculating surface tension force to suppress parasitic flow in the level set approach

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