

Scalable High-Order Finite Elements for Compressible Hydrodynamics

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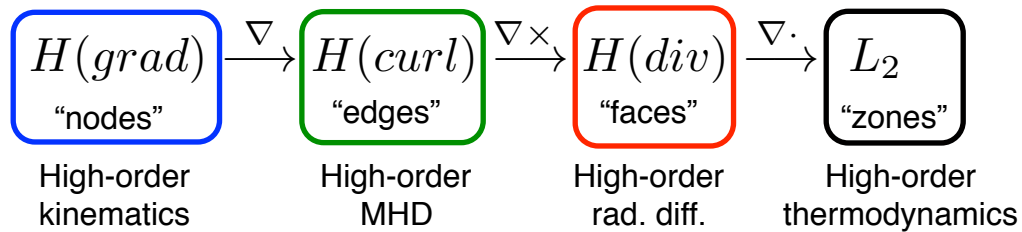
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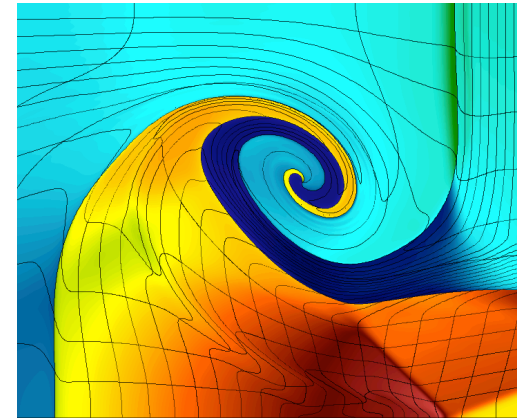
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High-order finite elements are a good foundation for next-generation scalable multi-physics simulations

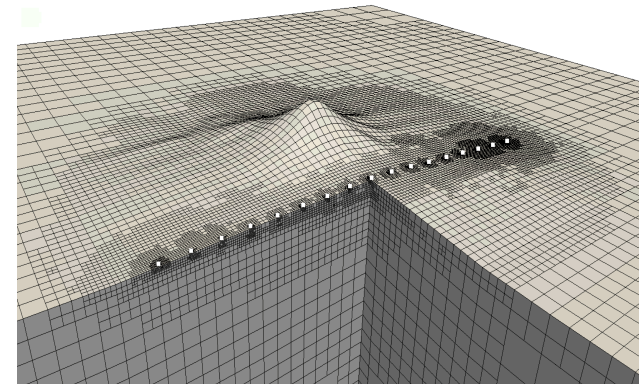
- Large-scale parallel multi-physics simulations
 - radiation diffusion
 - electromagnetic diffusion
 - compressible hydrodynamics
- Finite elements naturally connect different physics



- High-order finite elements on high-order meshes
 - increased accuracy for smooth problems
 - sub-element modeling for problems with shocks
 - bridge unstructured/structured, sparse/dense
 - FLOPs/bytes increase with the order
- Need new (interesting!) R&D for full benefits
 - meshing, discretizations, solvers, AMR, UQ, visualization, ...



8th order Lagrangian hydro simulation of a shock triple-point interaction



High-order $H(\text{curl})$ AMR in geophysics modeling of subsurface electric conductivity

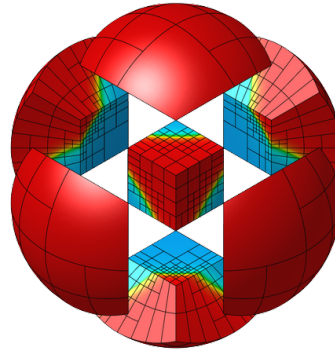
Our scalable high-order finite element simulation pipeline

hypr: Scalable linear solvers library



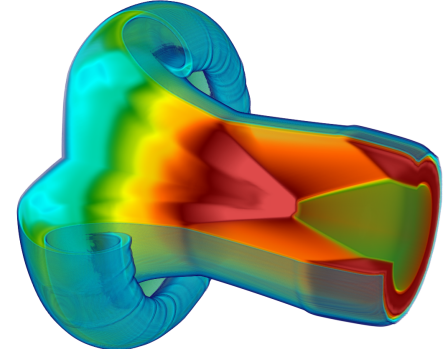
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MFEM: Modular finite element methods library



mfem.org

BLAST: High-order ALE shock hydrodynamics research code

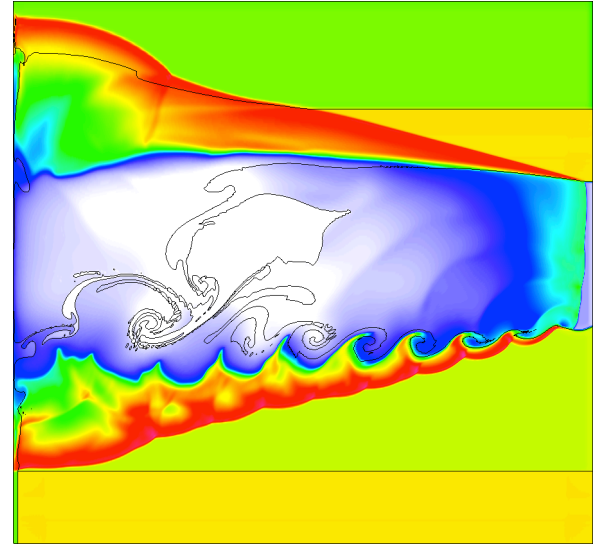


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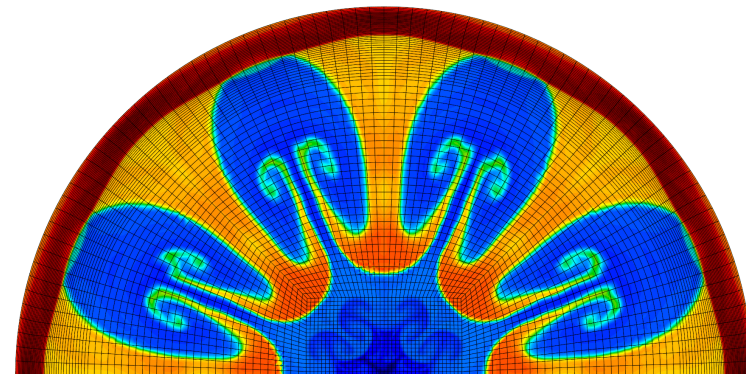
- FE research and fast application prototyping – **MFEM**
- High-order hydrodynamics and multi-physics – **BLAST**
- Scalable solvers for radiation, electromagnetic diffusion – **hypr**

Compressible shock hydrodynamics

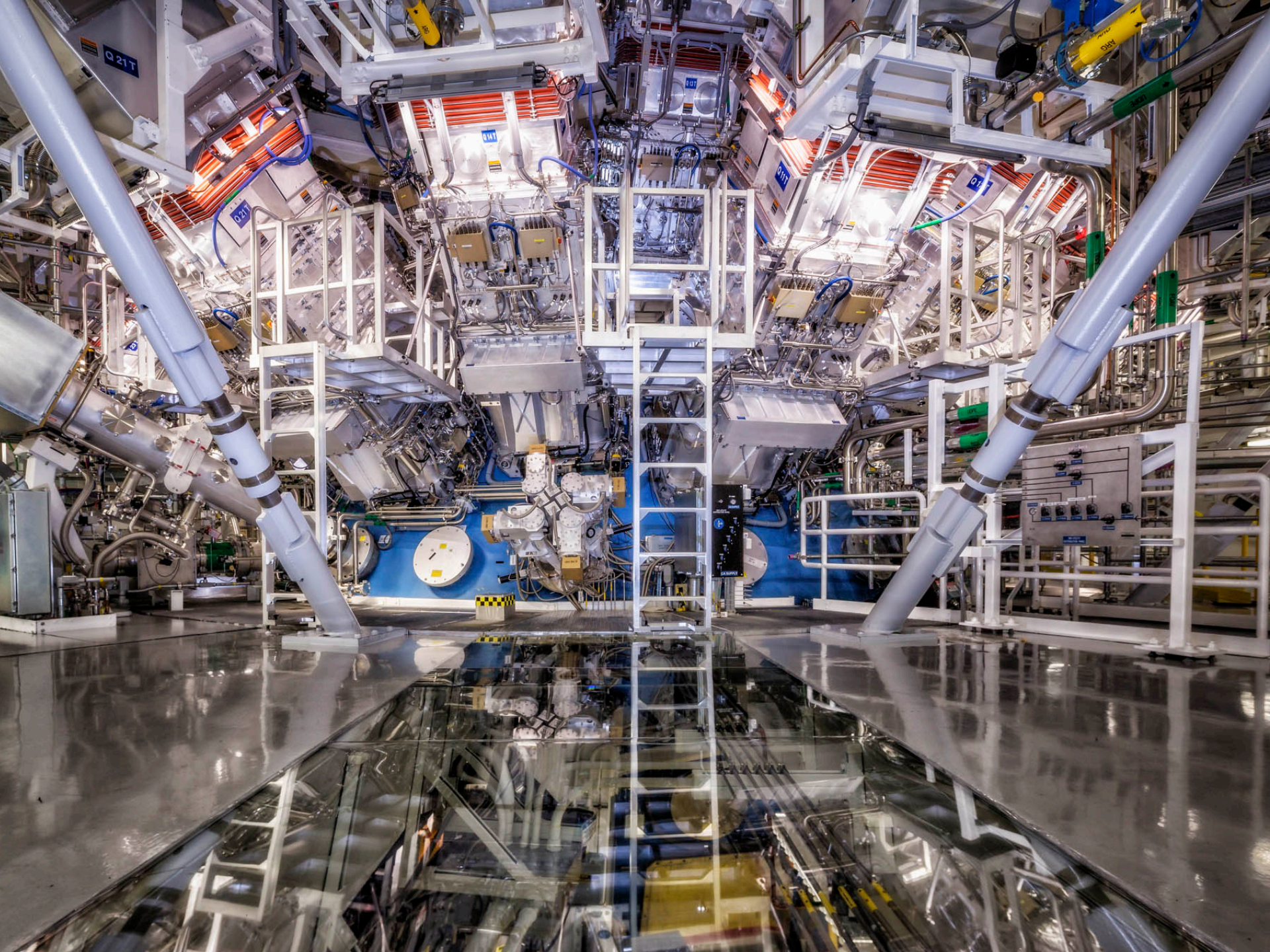
- Compressible Hydrodynamics describes flows where the density changes in response to pressure.
- This is the case in gases, or liquids with large energies and/or pressure changes.
- Many applications at LLNL/DOE, e.g. implosion in the National Ignition Facility.
- Mathematical challenges:
 - shock waves
 - handling of discontinuous solutions
 - moving meshes
 - multi-material flow
 - coupling with other physics



*Laser-driven high energy-density
plasma computation*



Inertial Confinement Fusion



ALE Discretizations for Large-Scale Hydrodynamic Simulations

The Arbitrary Lagrangian-Eulerian (ALE) framework is the foundation of many large-scale simulation codes.

ALE Equations

Momentum Conservation: $\rho \left(\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} + \vec{c} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} \right) = \nabla \cdot \sigma$

Mass Conservation: $\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \vec{c} \cdot \nabla \rho = -\rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$

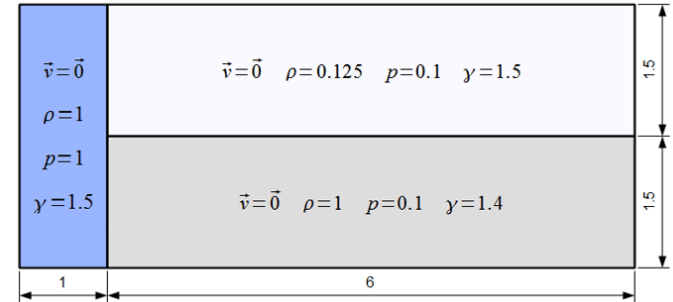
Energy Conservation: $\rho \left(\frac{de}{dt} + \vec{c} \cdot \nabla e \right) = \sigma : \nabla \vec{v}$

Equation of State: $p = EOS(e, \rho)$

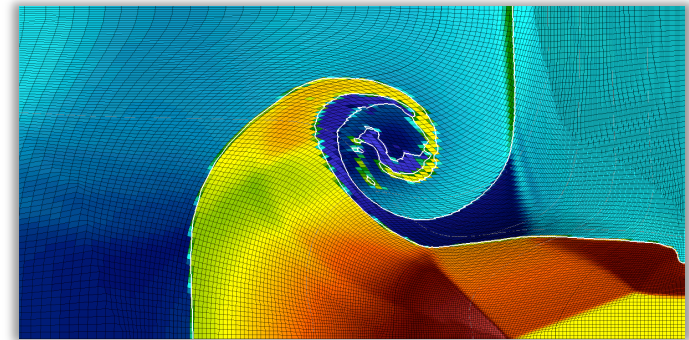
Equation of Motion: $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} + \vec{c} = \vec{v}$

Typical ALE approaches for shock hydro consist of:

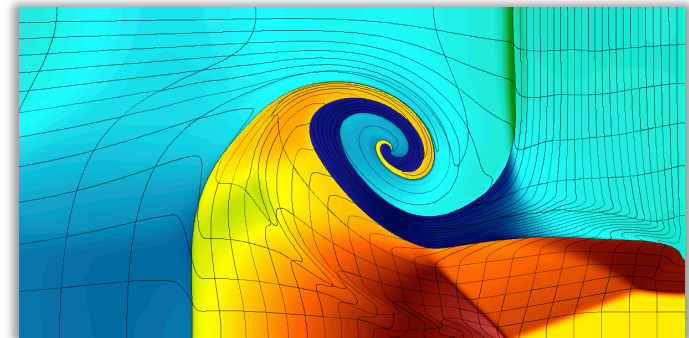
- Lagrangian phase
 - Moving computational mesh
- Advection phase
 - Mesh optimization
 - Conservative field remap
 - Monotonicity
- Multi-material element treatment



Triple-point shock interaction problem



Traditional ALE simulation

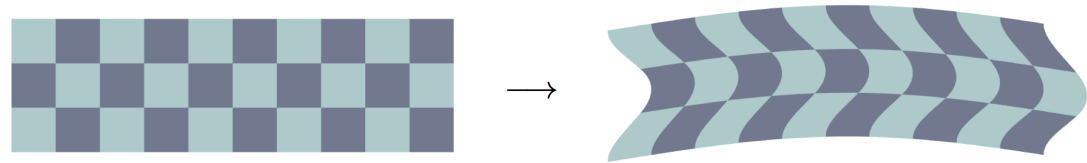


High-order Lagrangian simulation

The BLAST code discretizes the ALE fields and geometry with high-order finite elements

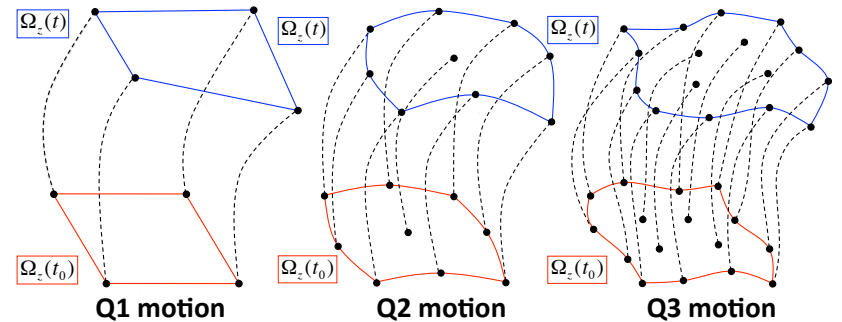
BLAST – novel simulation code combining:

- *High-order finite elements* +
- *High-order meshes* +
- *ALE hydrodynamics*



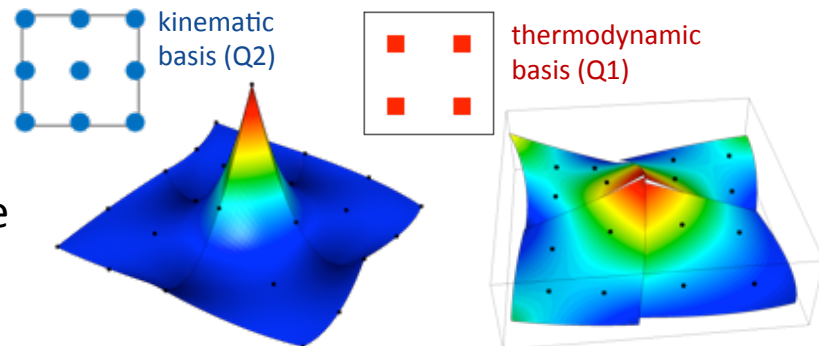
Lagrange Phase

- Solve hydro PDEs on moving curvilinear mesh
- Continuous HO kinematics
- Discontinuous HO materials and thermodynamics
- HO extension of classical SGH



Remap Phase

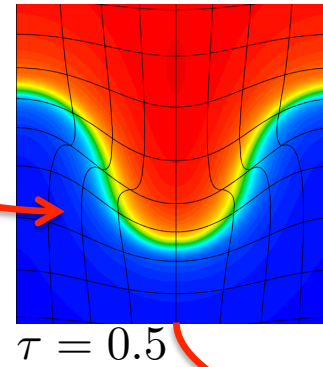
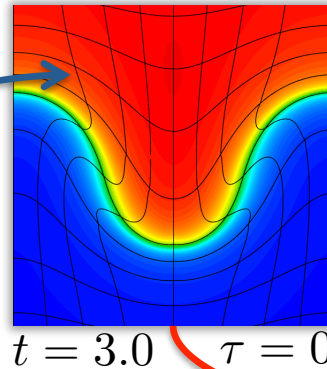
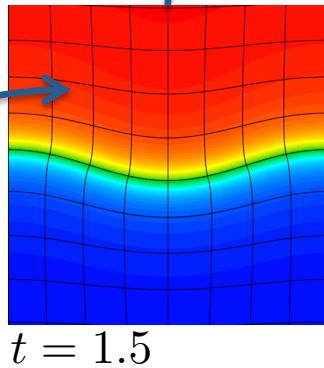
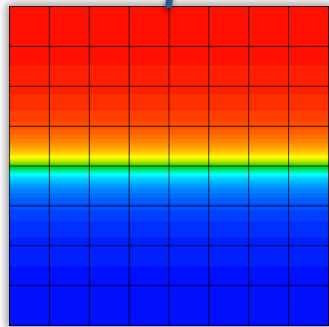
- HO mesh optimization
- Field remap by solving advection in pseudo-time
- Ensure conservation and HO monotonicity



We model shock hydrodynamics using high-order FEM in both Lagrangian and Remap phases

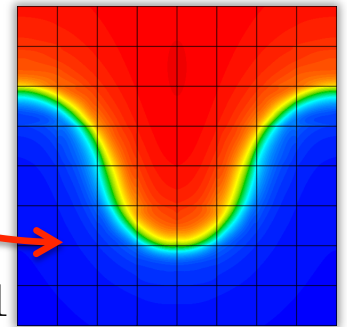
Lagrangian phase

- ❖ mesh motion determined by physical velocity
- ❖ time t evolution



Remap phase

- ❖ artificial mesh motion, defining the mesh velocity
- ❖ “pseudo-time” τ evolution



Lagrangian phase ($\vec{c} = \vec{0}$)

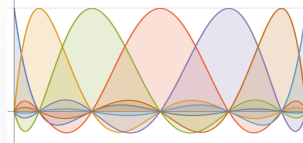
Momentum Conservation: $\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \nabla \cdot \sigma$

Mass Conservation: $\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$

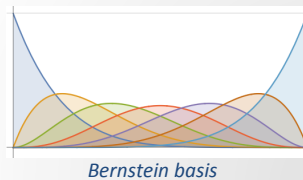
Energy Conservation: $\rho \frac{de}{dt} = \sigma : \nabla \vec{v}$

Equation of Motion: $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \vec{v}$

Galerkin FEM



DG FEM



Advection phase ($\vec{c} = -\vec{v}_m$)

Momentum Conservation: $\frac{d(\rho\vec{v})}{d\tau} = \vec{v}_m \cdot \nabla(\rho\vec{v})$

Mass Conservation: $\frac{d\rho}{d\tau} = \vec{v}_m \cdot \nabla\rho$

Energy Conservation: $\frac{d(\rho e)}{d\tau} = \vec{v}_m \cdot \nabla(\rho e)$

Mesh velocity: $\vec{v}_m = \frac{d\vec{x}}{d\tau}$

We represent different materials as high-order material indicator functions

- Mixed cells appear after remap or due to shaping
 - ✓ *different material properties, but one velocity*

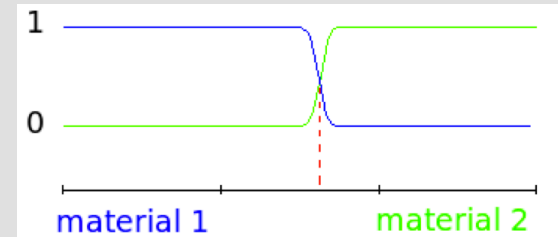
- We track materials with **material indicator functions**:

$$\eta_k \approx \frac{V_k}{V}, \quad \sum_k \eta_k = 1, \quad 0 \leq \eta_k(x, t) \leq 1.$$

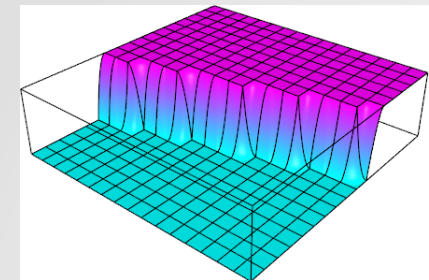
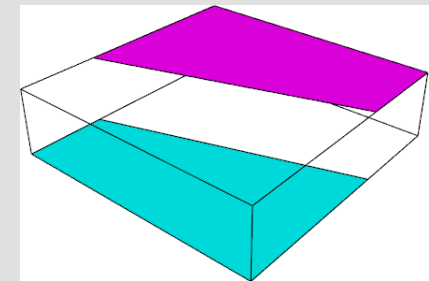
- ✓ Finite element functions or sub-cell point values
 - ✓ High-order generalization of “volume fractions”
- Volume change is controlled by the volumetric strain

$$\beta_k \approx \frac{dV_k}{dV}, \quad \sum_k \beta_k = 1$$

- ✓ *Lagrangian indicators: $\beta_k = \eta_k$*
- ✓ *Closure models: sub-zonal strain evolution*



Indicators for a two-material problem in 1D



Simple material indicator function and its monotone projection with a Bernstein basis

Lagrange phase solves a system of conservation laws in physical time using Galerkin finite elements

Continuous Lagrange

Material indicators

$$\frac{d\eta_k}{dt} = (\beta_k - \eta_k) \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Material mass

$$\int_V \eta_k \rho_k = \int_{V^0} \eta_k^0 \rho_k^0$$

Material energy

$$\eta_k \rho_k \frac{de_k}{dt} = \eta_k \sigma_k : \nabla \mathbf{v}$$

Momentum

$$\rho \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

Position

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}$$

Total density

$$\rho \equiv \sum_k \eta_k \rho_k$$

Total internal energy

$$\rho e \equiv \sum_k \eta_k \rho_k e_k$$

Total stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \equiv \sum_k \eta_k \boldsymbol{\sigma}_k$$

Material mass

$$M_k = \int_{\Omega} \eta_k \rho_k$$

Material internal energy

$$IE_k = \int_{\Omega} \eta_k \rho_k e_k$$

Material volume

$$V_k = \int_{\Omega} \eta_k$$

Semi-discrete Lagrange

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{d\boldsymbol{\eta}_k}{dt} = \mathbf{b}_k$$

HO closure model

$$\eta_k \rho_k |\mathbf{J}| = \eta_k^0 \rho_k^0 |\mathbf{J}^0|$$

Strong mass conservation

$$\mathbf{M}_e \frac{de_k}{dt} = \mathbf{F}_k^T \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Dense solve

$$\mathbf{M}_v \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{1}$$

Sparse solve

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}$$

Mesh update

Zonal thermodynamic mass matrix

$$(\mathbf{M}_{e,k})_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \eta_k \rho_k \phi_i \phi_j$$

Generalized corner forces

$$\mathbf{F} = \sum_k \mathbf{F}_k$$

Global kinematic mass matrix

$$(\mathbf{M}_v)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \rho w_j w_i$$

Material corner forces

$$(\mathbf{F}_k)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} (\eta_k \boldsymbol{\sigma}_k : \nabla w_i) \phi_j$$

We have developed a high-order “pseudo-time” DG advection algorithm for conservative and accurate remap

Advection-based remap

- Continuous transition in pseudo-time from the old to the new, optimized, mesh
- Preserve (discontinuous) fields in physical space while the mesh is moving

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \tau} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{d\rho}{d\tau} = u \cdot \nabla \rho} \quad u = \frac{dx}{d\tau}$$

Accuracy & Conservation

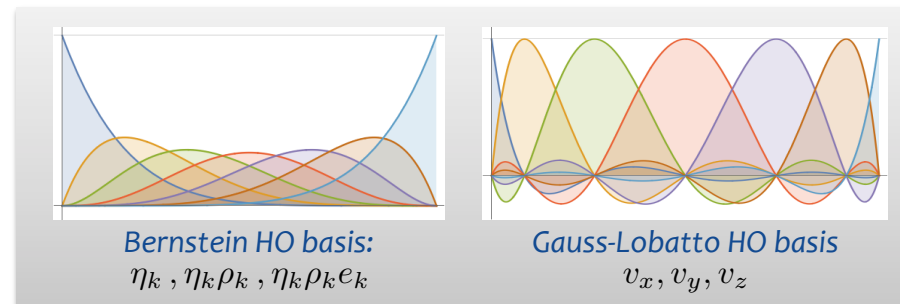
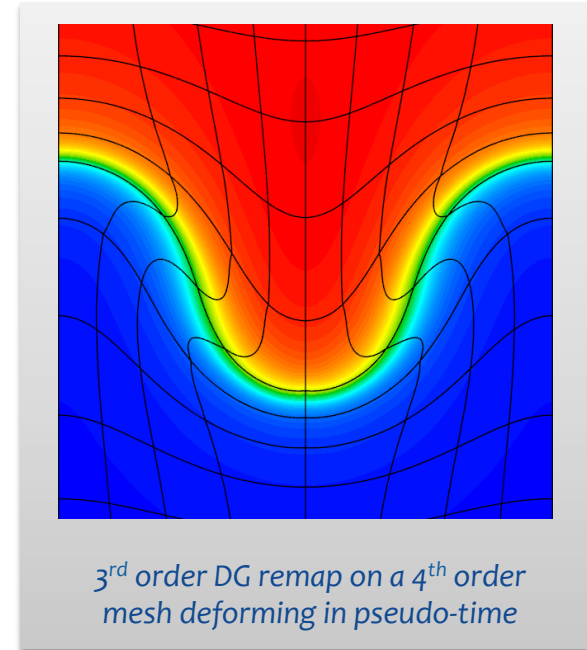
- Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) discretization, upwind flux

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \int_{\Omega} \rho \psi = - \sum_T \int_T \rho u \cdot \nabla \psi + \sum_f \int_f \{ \rho u \cdot n \}_* [\psi]$$

- Remap by ODE integration (swept volumes)
- Order independent, no interface reconstruction

Monotonicity

- Preserve bounds, no spurious oscillations
- Enforced at degrees of freedom
- Different approaches: LSD, FCT, and OBR



Remap phase solves a system of advection equations in pseudo time using Discontinuous Galerkin finite elements

Continuous Remap

Material indicators

$$\frac{d\eta_k}{d\tau} = u \cdot \nabla \eta_k$$

Material mass

$$\frac{d(\eta_k \rho_k)}{d\tau} = u \cdot \nabla (\eta_k \rho_k)$$

Material energy

$$\frac{d(\eta_k \rho_k e_k)}{d\tau} = u \cdot \nabla (\eta_k \rho_k e_k)$$

Momentum

$$\frac{d(\rho v)}{d\tau} = u \cdot \nabla (\rho v)$$

Remesh velocity

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau} = u$$

Semi-discrete Remap

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{d\boldsymbol{\eta}_k}{d\tau} = \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\eta}_k$$

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{d(\boldsymbol{\eta} \boldsymbol{\rho})_k}{d\tau} = \mathbf{K} (\boldsymbol{\eta} \boldsymbol{\rho})_k$$

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{d(\boldsymbol{\eta} \boldsymbol{\rho} \mathbf{e})_k}{d\tau} = \mathbf{K} (\boldsymbol{\eta} \boldsymbol{\rho} \mathbf{e})_k$$

$$\mathbf{M}_v \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{d\tau} = \mathbf{K}_v \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{d\tau} = \mathbf{u}$$

Assembly & dense solve

Assembly & sparse solve

Remesh update

Zonal thermodynamic mass matrix

$$\mathbf{M}_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \phi_j \phi_i$$

Thermodynamic advection matrix

$$\mathbf{K}_{ij} = \sum_z \int_z \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi_j \phi_i - \sum_f \int_f (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}) [[\phi_j]] (\phi_i)_d$$

Global kinematic mass matrix

$$(\mathbf{M}_v)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \rho w_j w_i$$

Kinematic advection matrix

$$(\mathbf{K}_v)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla w_j \cdot w_i$$

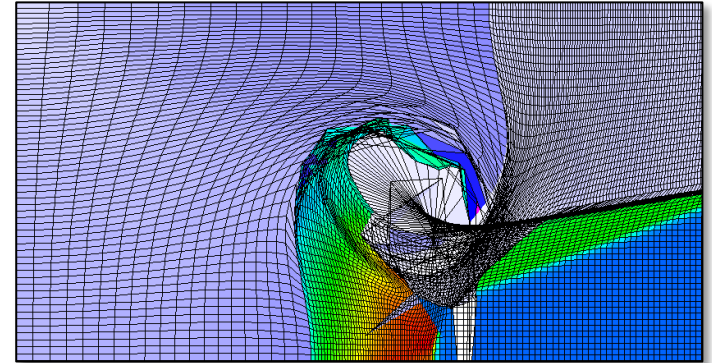
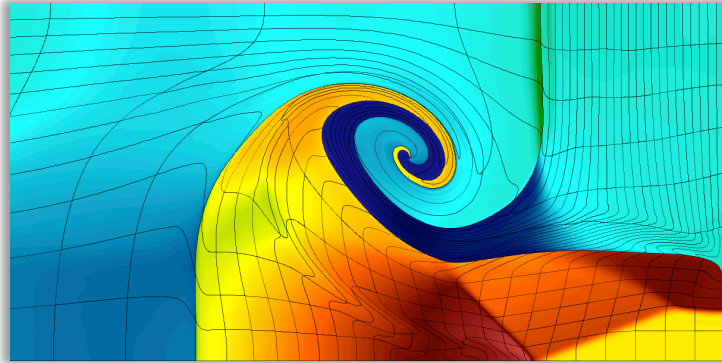
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High-order FE on high-order meshes lead to more robust and reliable Lagrangian simulations

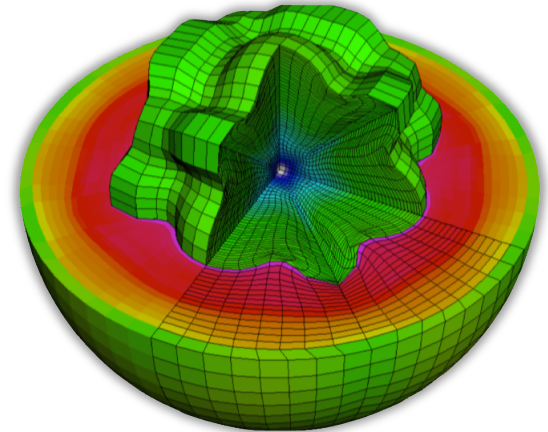
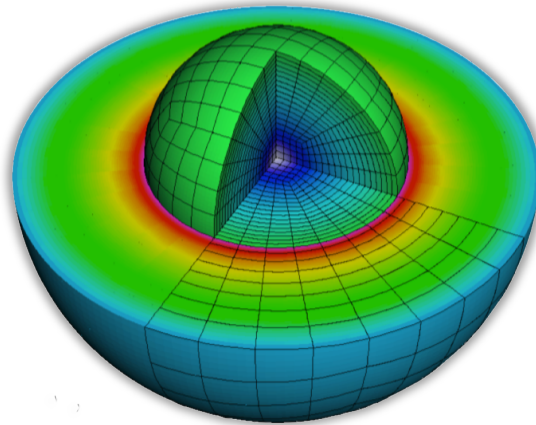
High-order

Low-order SGH

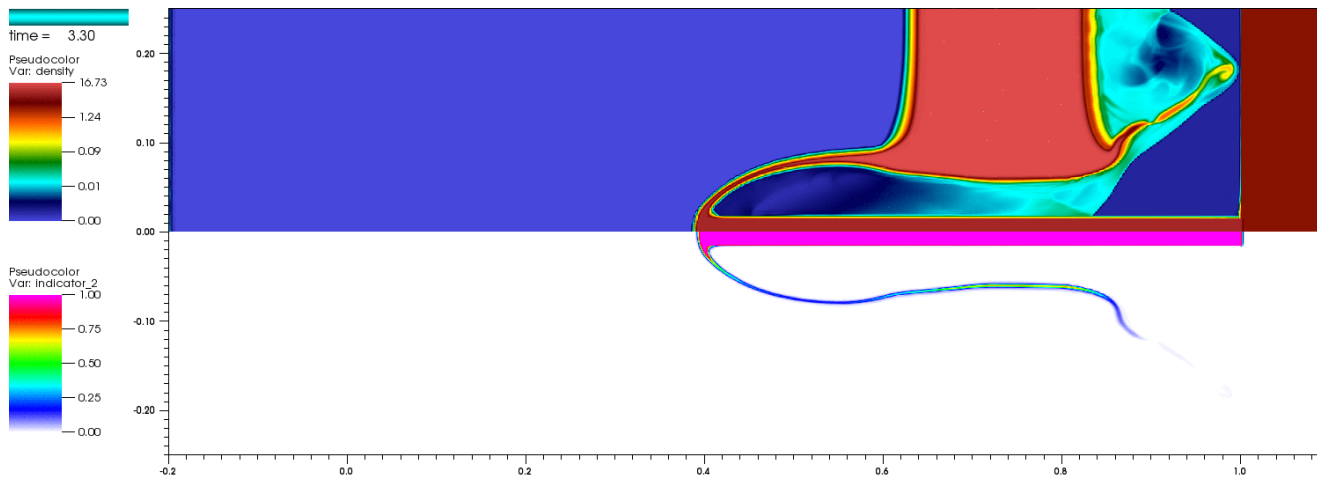
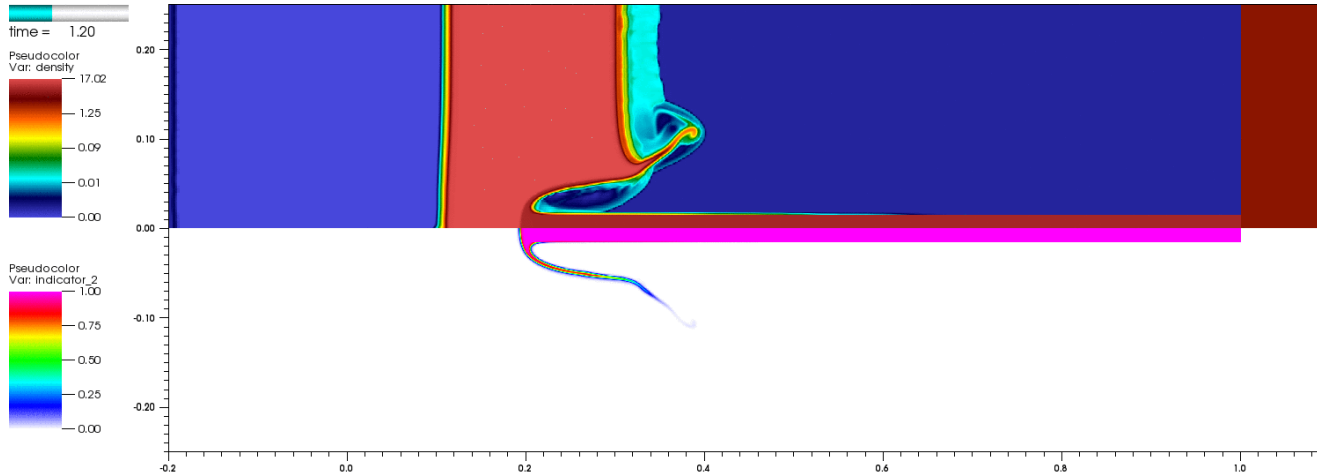
Robustness



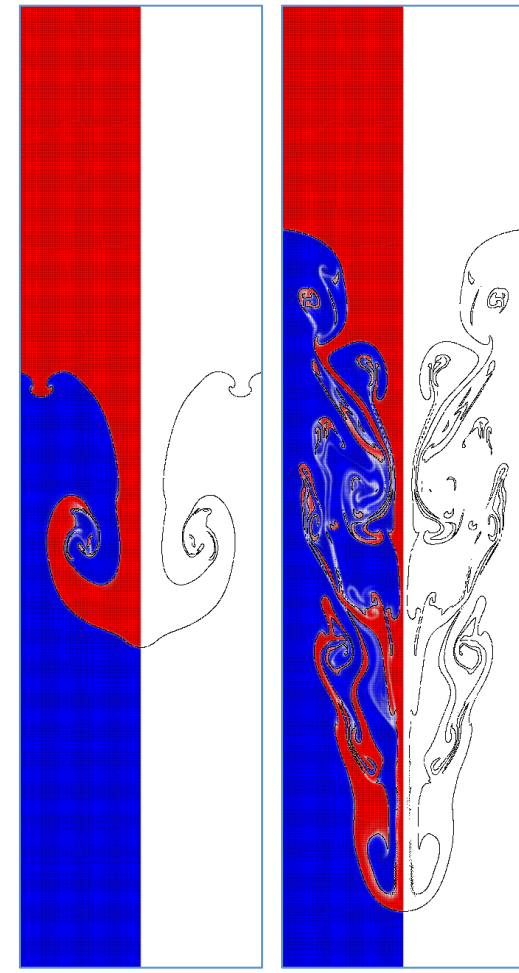
Symmetry preservation



High-order methods perform well on a variety of challenging multi-material ALE problems

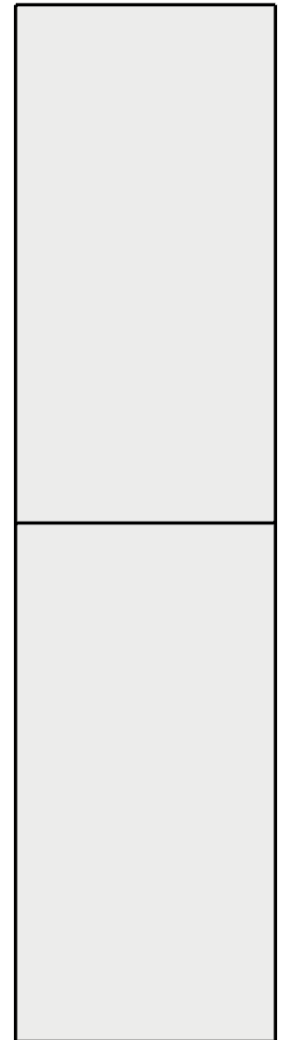
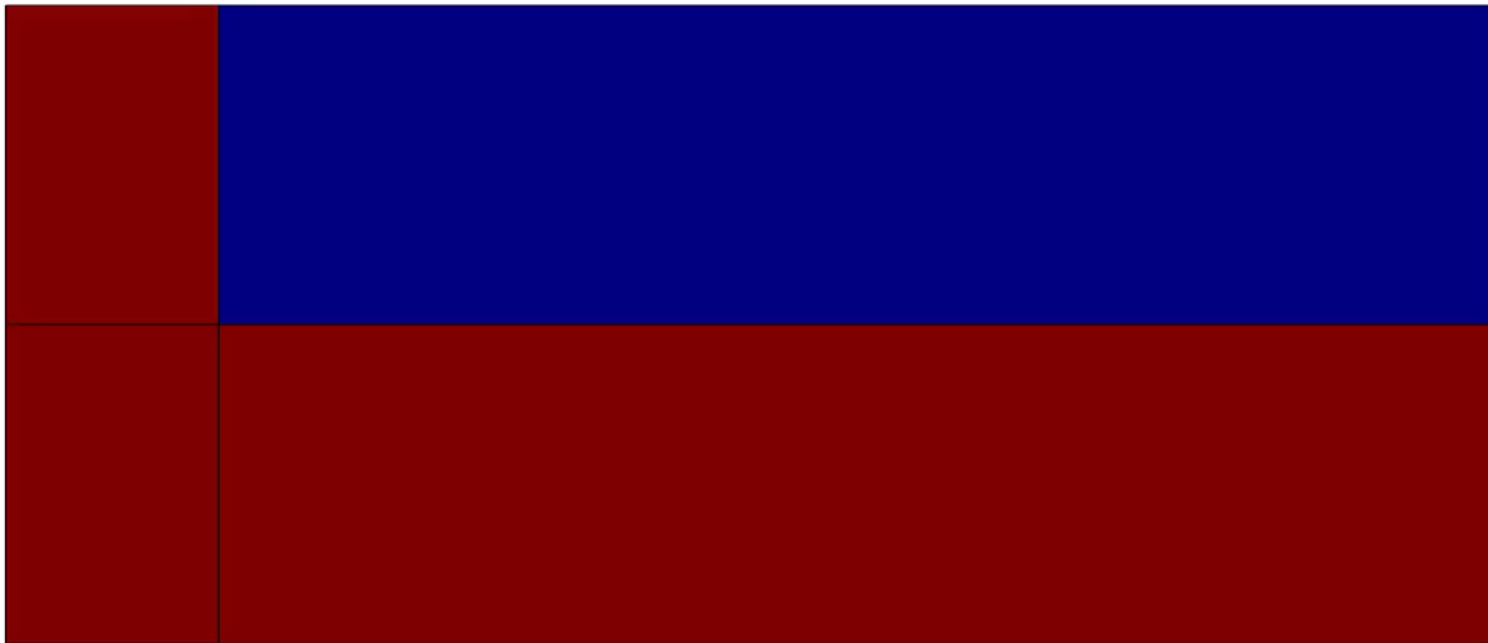


4-material axisymmetric high-velocity plate/rod impact

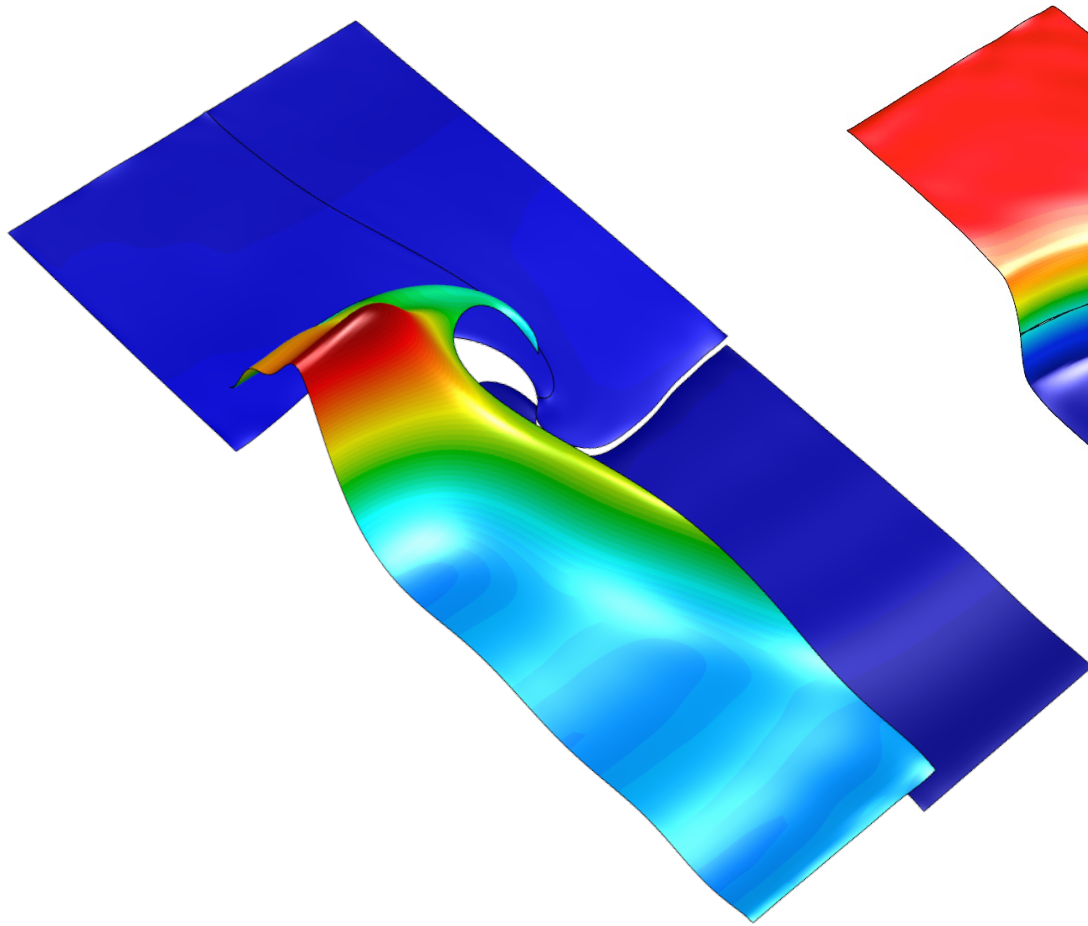


2-material RT instability

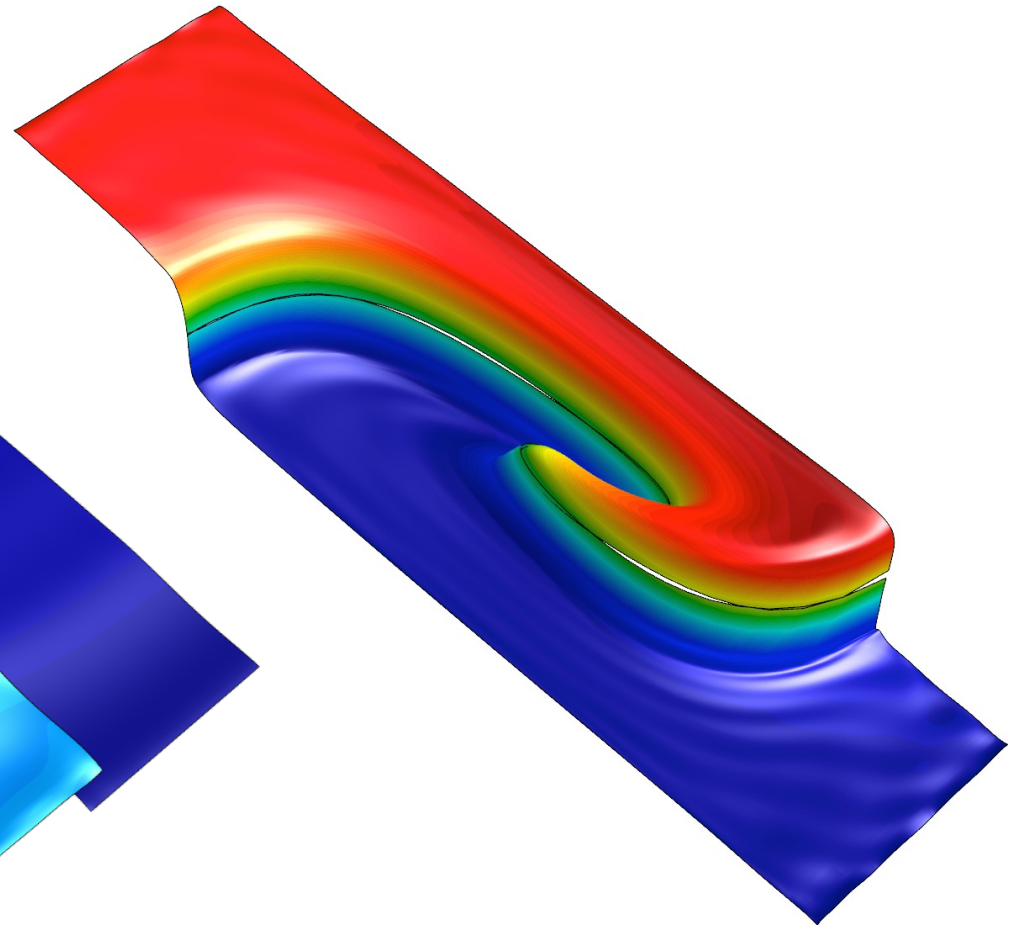
Lagrangian simulations on coarse meshes with Q12-Q11 finite elements



Lagrangian simulations on coarse meshes with Q12-Q11 finite elements



Shock triple-point interaction (4 elements)



Smooth RT instability (2 elements)

Semi-discrete Lagrangian phase and its finite element numerical kernels

Lagrangian algorithm in BLAST

$$\mathbf{M}_v \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{1}$$

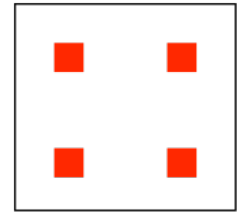
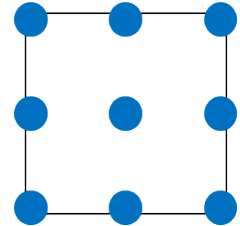
$$\mathbf{M}_e \frac{d\mathbf{e}}{dt} = \mathbf{F}^T \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}$$

Generalized force matrix

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij} = \int_{\Omega(t)} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} : \nabla \vec{w}_i) \phi_j$$

18×4 for Q2-Q1,
32×9 for Q3-Q2,...



Kernel 1: Assembly/evaluation of the zonal corner forces:

$$(\mathbf{F}_z)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega_z(t)} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} : \nabla \vec{w}_i) \phi_j = \sum_k \alpha_k \hat{\sigma}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) : \mathbf{J}_z^{-1}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) \hat{\nabla} \hat{w}_i(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) \hat{\phi}_j(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) |\mathbf{J}_z(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k)|$$

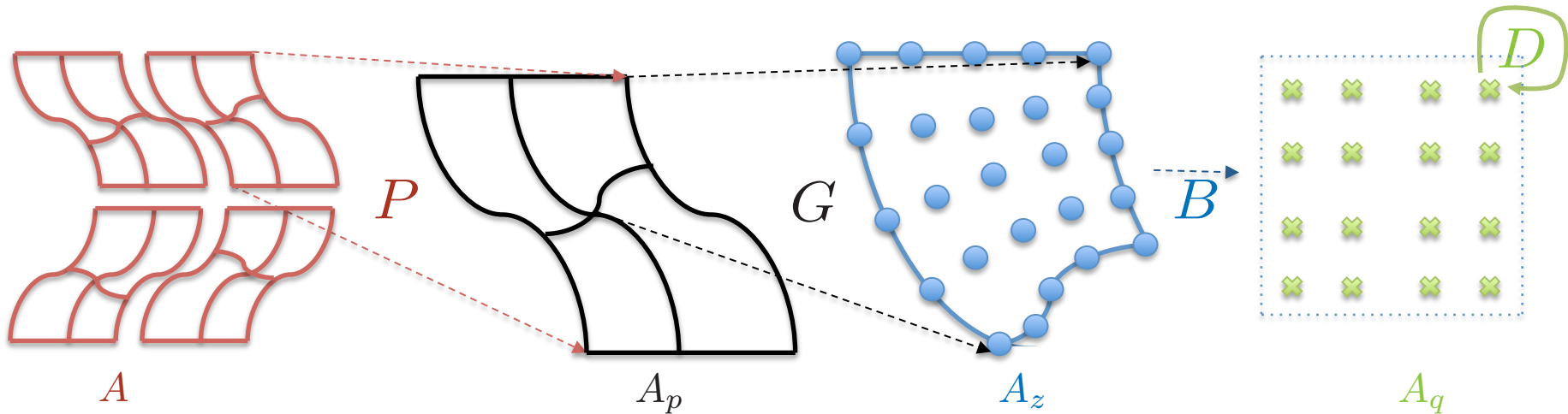
Kernel 2: Inversion of the (global) kinematic mass matrix:

$$(\mathbf{M}_v)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega_z} \rho \vec{w}_i \cdot \vec{w}_j = \sum_k \alpha_k \hat{\rho}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) \hat{w}_i(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) \cdot \hat{w}_j(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k) |\mathbf{J}_z(\hat{\mathbf{q}}_k)|$$

Kernel 1: Partial assembly and evaluation of bilinear forms

$$A = P^T G^T B^T D B G P$$

The finite element assembly/evaluation of general bilinear forms (matrices) can be decomposed into *parallel*, *mesh topology*, *FE basis*, and *geometry/physics* components:

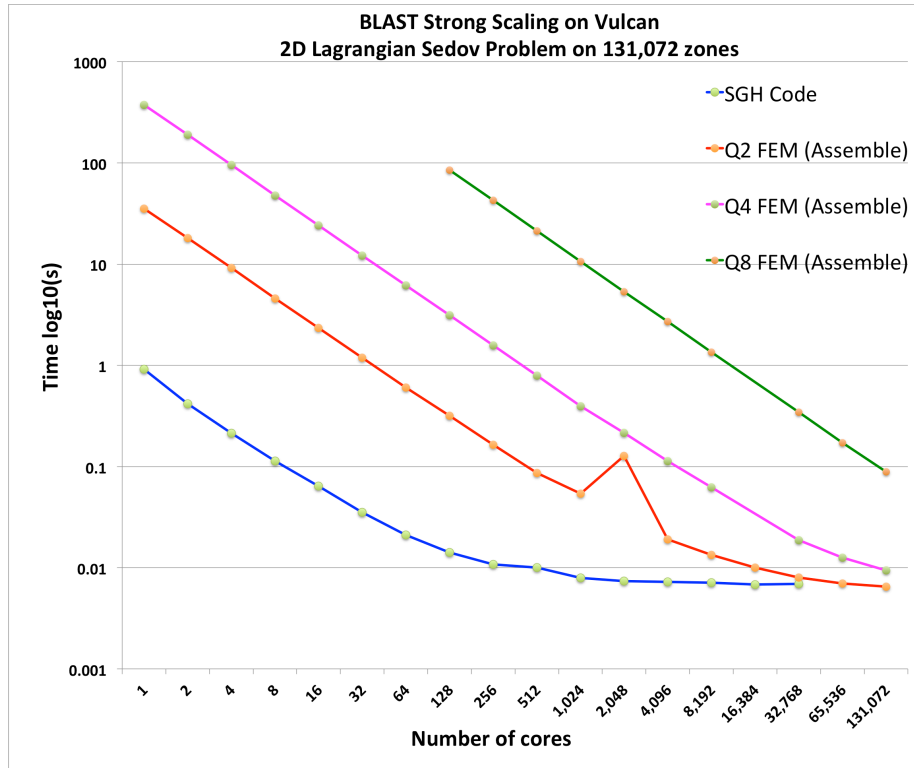


Storage options:

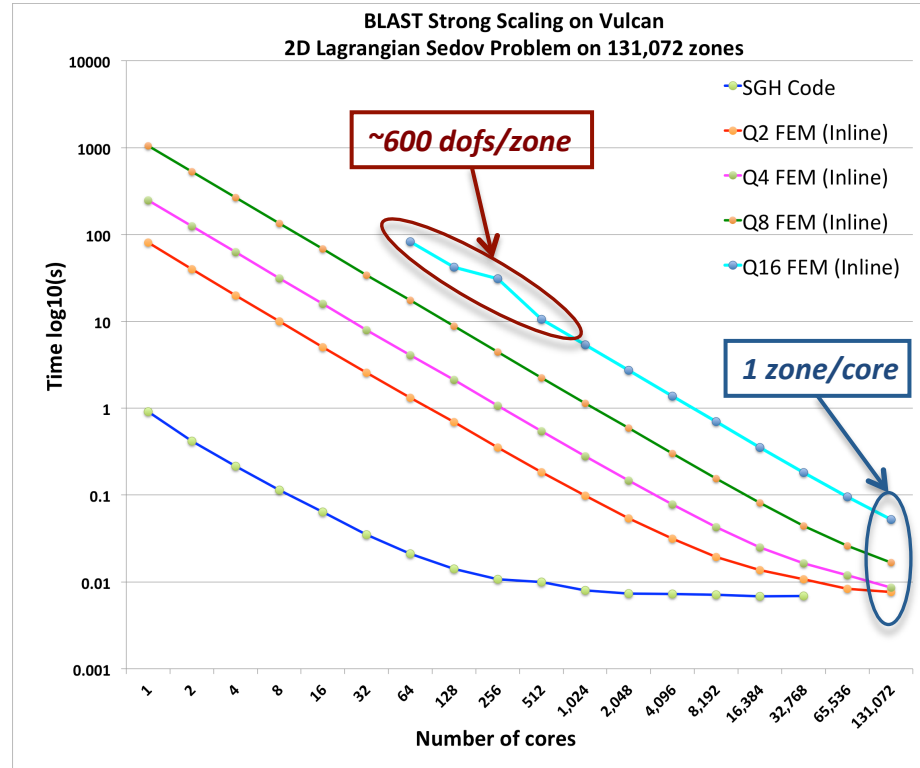
1. A_p, A : standard global matrices (e.g. in CSR/ParCSR format)
2. A_z : local stiffness matrices (e.g. for high-order methods)
3. D : quadrature point data only (independent of basis order)
4. *none*: action-only evaluation (e.g. for explicit methods)

Large-scale strong scalability with partial assembly

Full assembly



Quadrature-point storage only (D_E)



- p-refinement on 512×256 mesh, strong scaling down to 1 elem/core, high-order results in low order run time at 32K cores
- Newer result have much earlier cross-over point
- Quadrature-point storage in mass/corner force matrices, Jacobi preconditioning

Kernel 2: Stationary linear iteration (SLI) approximation

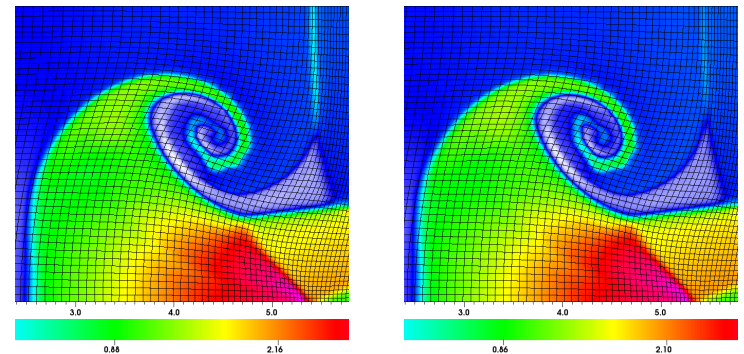
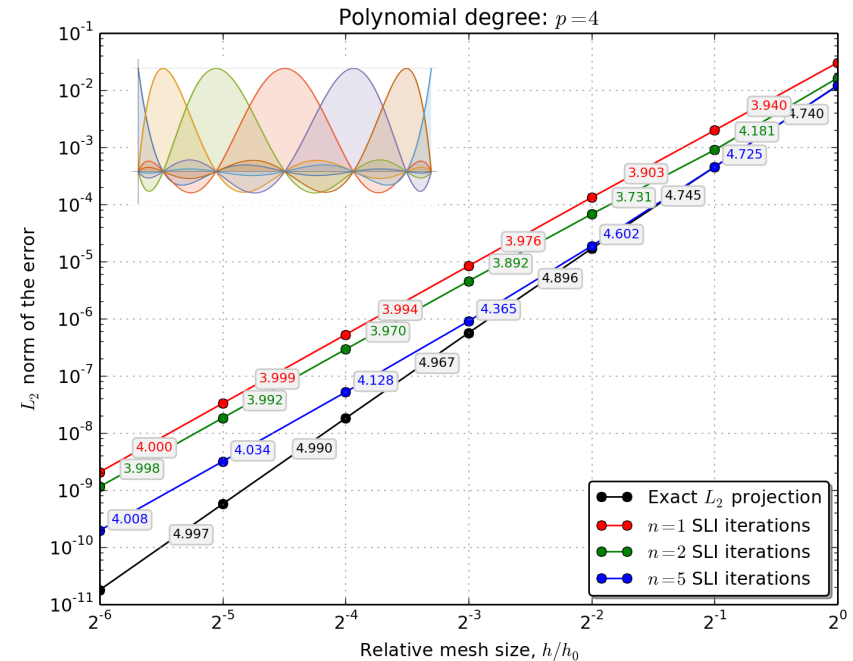
Lumped mass matrix in the Gauss-Lobatto basis is close to the full mass matrix.

A sequence of improving approximations:

- $B_1 = M_L^{-1}$
- $B_2 = 2M_L^{-1} - M_L^{-1}MM_L^{-1}$
- ...
- $I - B_nM = (I - M_L^{-1}M)^n$

Properties:

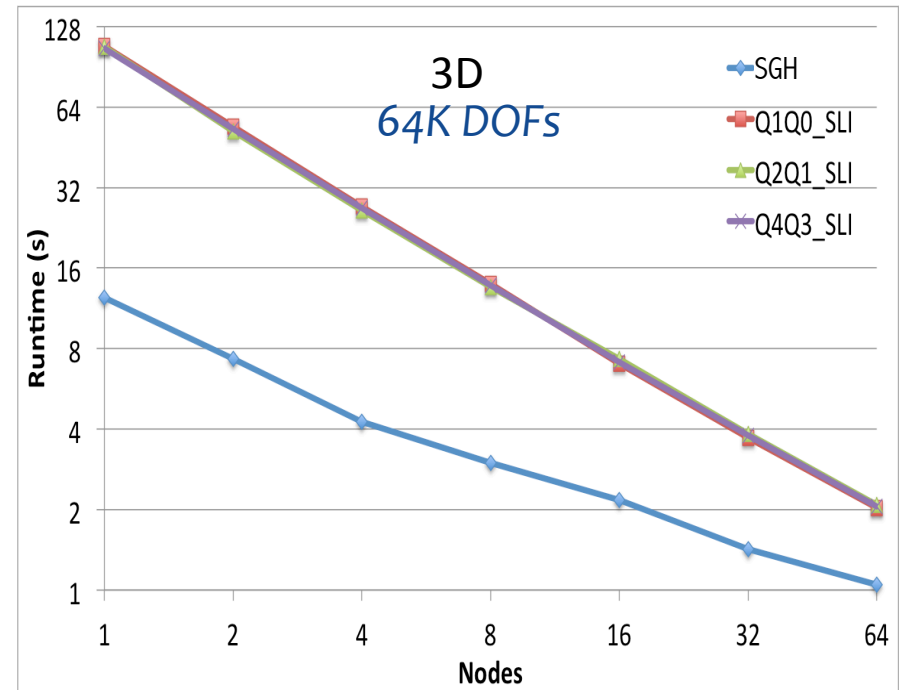
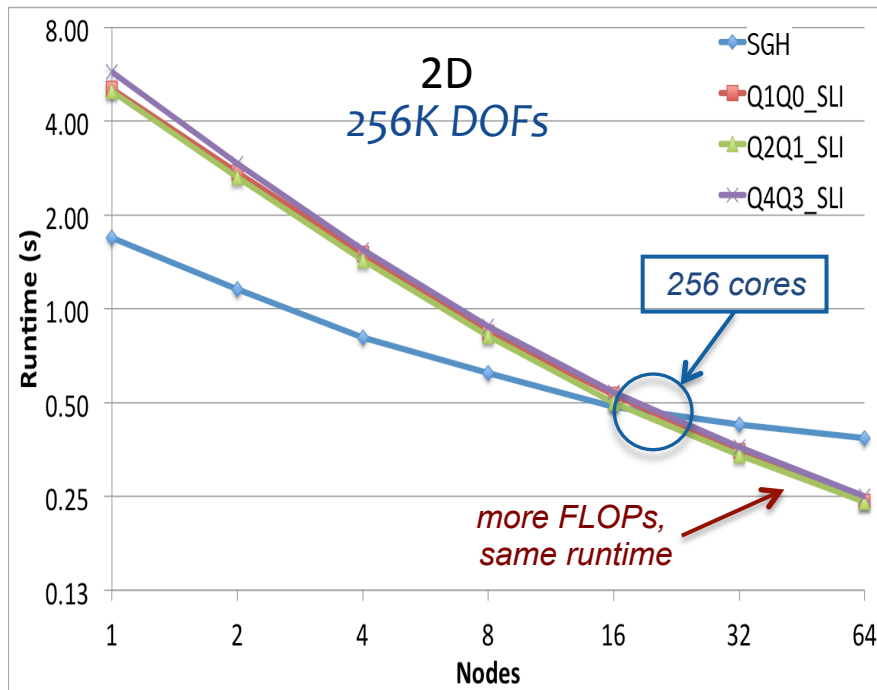
- mass conserving: $1^t B_n \rho = 1^t M \rho$
- limited spread of information
- converge to exact inverse: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n = M^{-1}$
- equivalent to fixed numbers of stationary linear iterations: $x_n = B_n b$ is the same as $x_0 = 0, \quad x_{k+1} = x_k + M_L^{-1}(b - Mx_k)$ for $k = 1, \dots, n$.



2Drz, 2nd order ALE, PCG (left) vs SLI, $n=4$ (right)

Recent strong scalability on a BG/Q node with SLI

Lagrangian Sedov problem with **fixed number of DOFs** (different meshes)



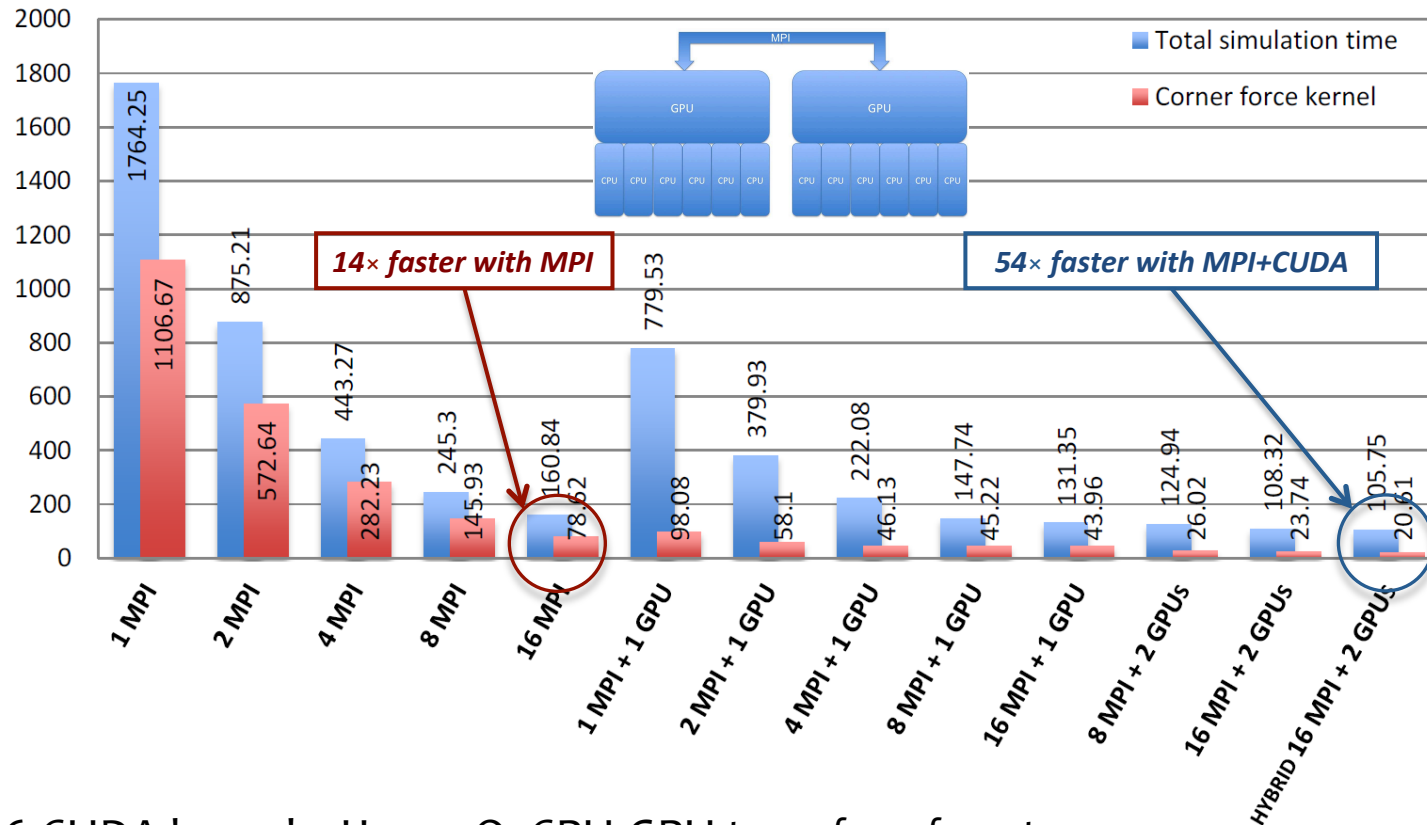
BLAST has good strong scaling properties

High-order finite element kernels are well-suited for GPU acceleration

BLAST results on a single node of SNL's Shannon testbed

3D Q2Q1 Sedov blast on 32x32x32 mesh, timed 300 corner force calls

2GPUs: Tesla K20X, CPU: Sandy bridge E5-2670@2.6GHz, optimized Intel compiler

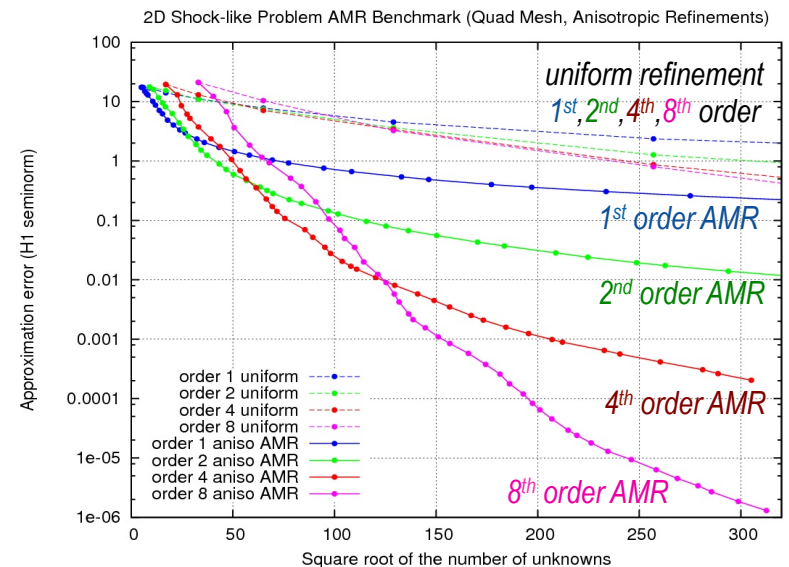
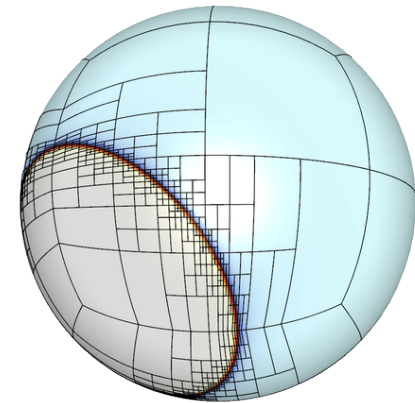


- 6 CUDA kernels, Hyper-Q, CPU-GPU transfer of vectors

* T. Dong, V. Dobrev, Tz. Kolev, R. Rieben, S. Tomov, J. Dongarra, "A step towards energy efficient computing: redesigning a hydrodynamic application on CPU-GPU", IEEE PDPS, 2014

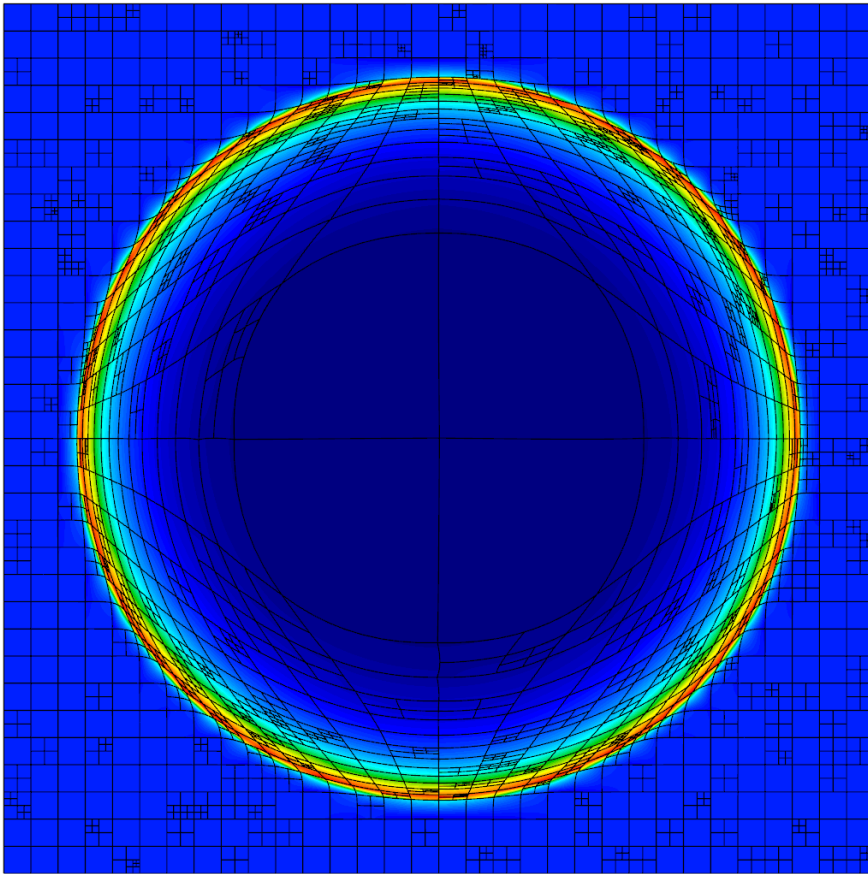
General adaptive mesh refinement on high-order curved meshes

- Non-conforming refinement for quad/hex meshes is actively developed in [MFEM](#).
 - Implemented by generalizing G, P
 - h-refinement with fixed p
- Powerful and general:
 - any (high-order) finite element space on any (high-order) curved mesh
 - arbitrary order hanging nodes
 - anisotropic refinement
 - serial and parallel (limited)
 - independent of the physics (easy to incorporate in [BLAST](#), etc.)
- **Top:** Adaptation to a shock-like solution.
- **Bottom:** relative AMR error for the 2D problem improves significantly with the order (approaching full h-p refinement)

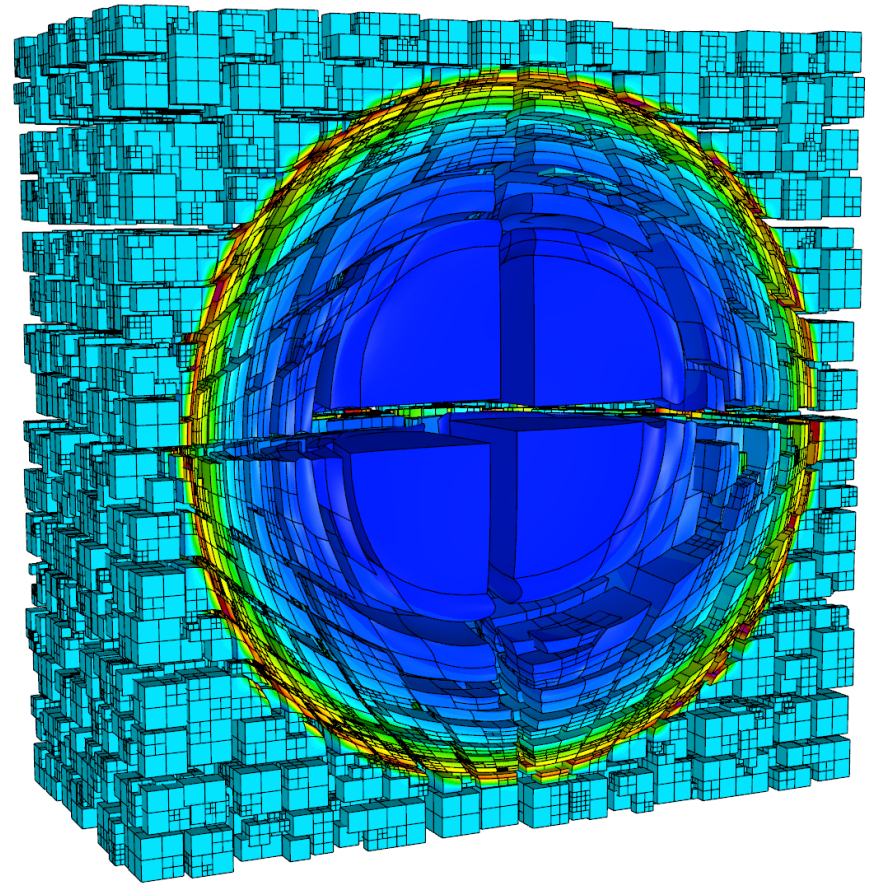


Static parallel NMR, Lagrangian Sedov problem

8 cores, random non-conforming ref.

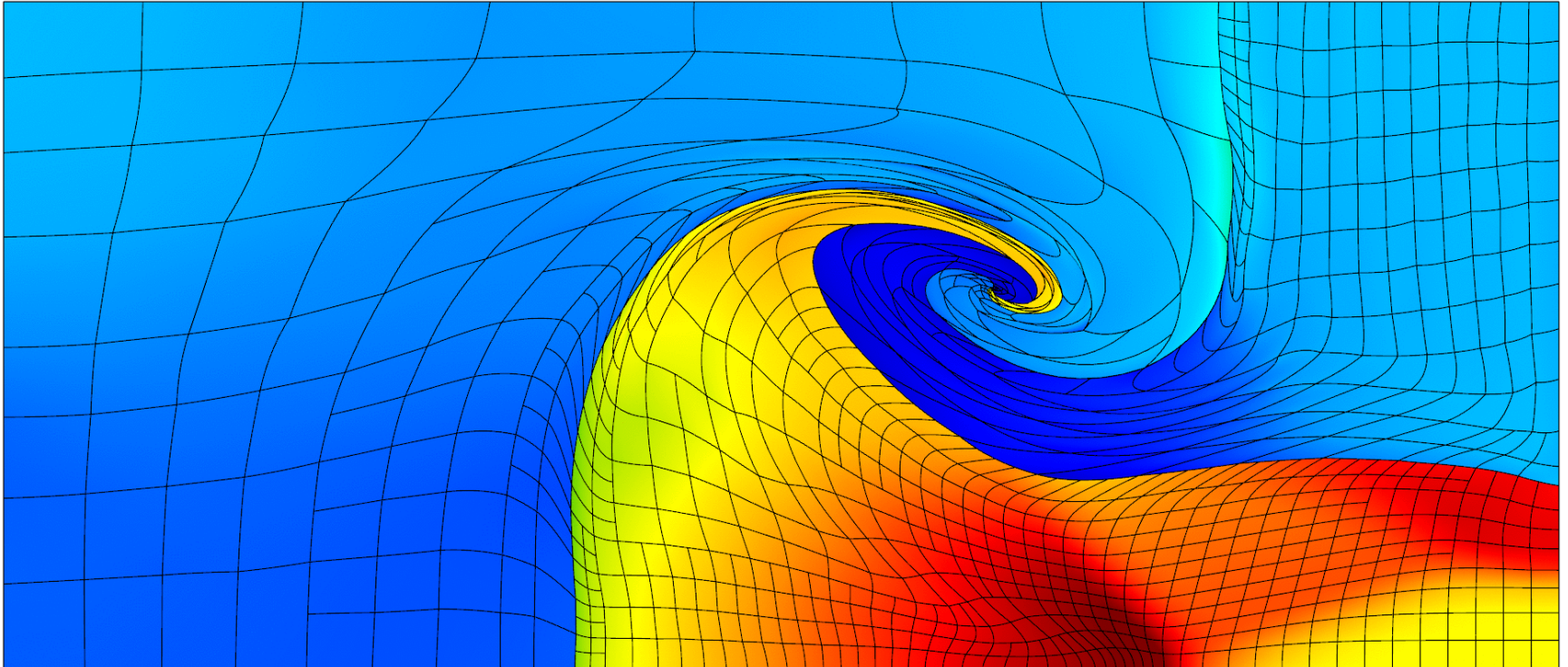


4096 cores, random non-conforming ref.



Shock propagates through non-conforming zones without imprinting

Static parallel AMR, Lagrangian shock triple-point



Anisotropic AMR aiming for “square” elements at $t=5.0$

Simple anisotropic AMR for high-order H1 and H(curl) problems

- ZZ for (high-order) H1 problems

$$-\nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla u) = f$$

$$F = \rho \nabla u \quad \eta_K = \|F - F_{avg}\|_{L_2(K)}$$

- Anisotropic version

$$(\nu_K)_{x,y,z} = \|(F - F_{avg}) \cdot J_K e_{x,y,z}\|_{L_2(K)}$$

- Simple and close to using exact error

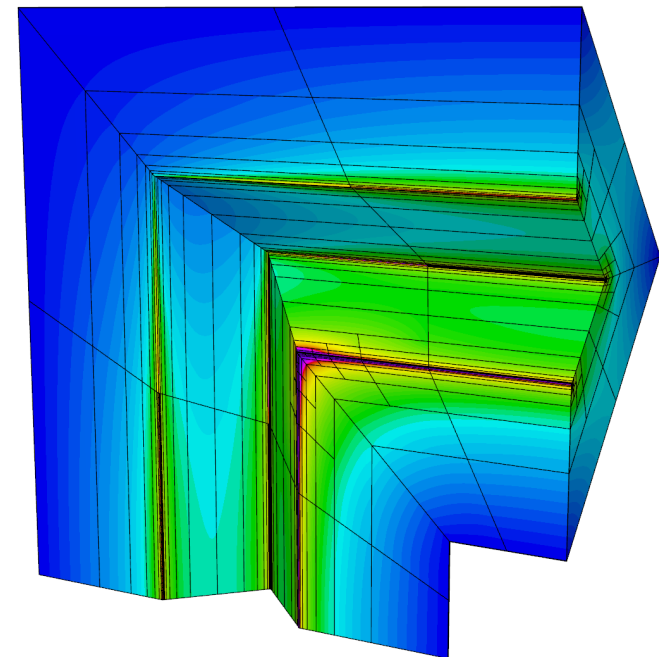
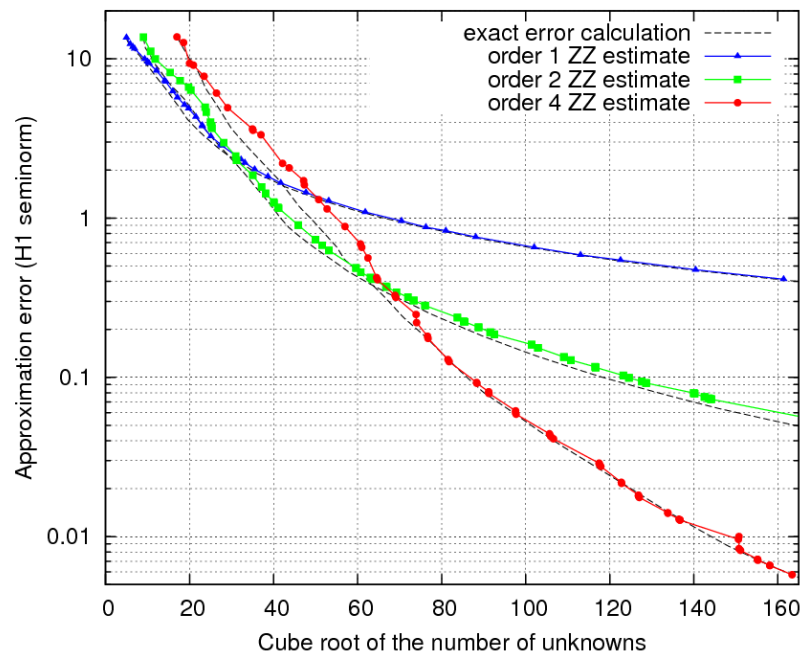
- H(curl) EM problems can really benefit from high-order AMR

- MFEM supports it “out of the box”

- Working on extending the anisotropic ZZ estimator to H(curl)

- Preliminary magnetostatic results:

3D Shock-like Problem ZZ Estimator Test (Hex Mesh, Aniso Refinements)



Magnetic field magnitude in an angled pipe problem

H(curl) diffusion is difficult to solve

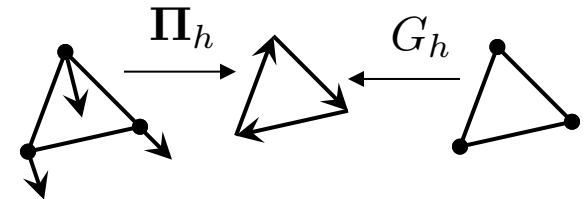
EM diffusion modeled by second order definite Maxwell

$$\nabla \times \alpha \nabla \times E + \beta E = f \quad \mapsto \quad A_h x = b$$

Challenging due to large “near-nullspace”: $\nabla \times (\nabla p_h) = 0$

Hiptmair-Xu decomposition for Nedelec elements

$$u_h = v_h + G_h p_h + \Pi_h z_h$$



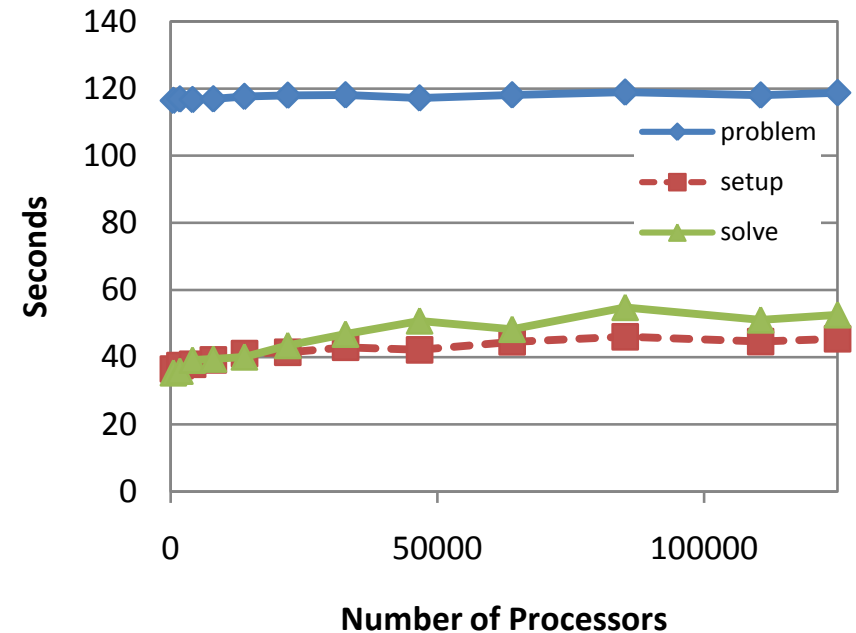
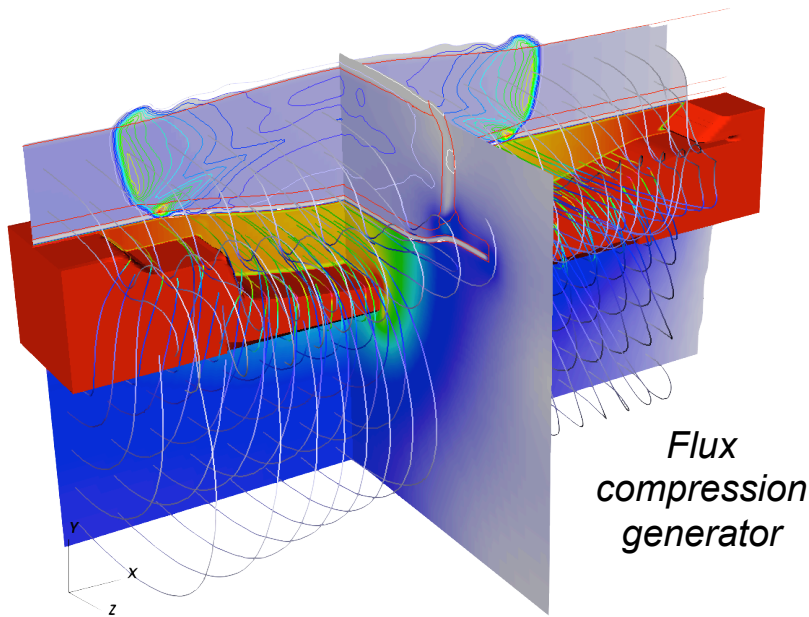
The Auxiliary-space Maxwell Solver (AMS) achieves scalability through reduction to the nodal subspaces

$$B_h = R_h + G_h B_{v,h} G_h^t + \Pi_h B_{v,h} \Pi_h^t$$

Point smoother for A_h
AMG solver for $G_h^t A_h G_h$
AMG solver for $\Pi_h^t A_h \Pi_h$

AMS has been highly scalable for low-order discretizations on conforming meshes

AMS implementation in *hypr* requires minimal additional fine-grid information, that *MFEM* can generate and pass automatically.



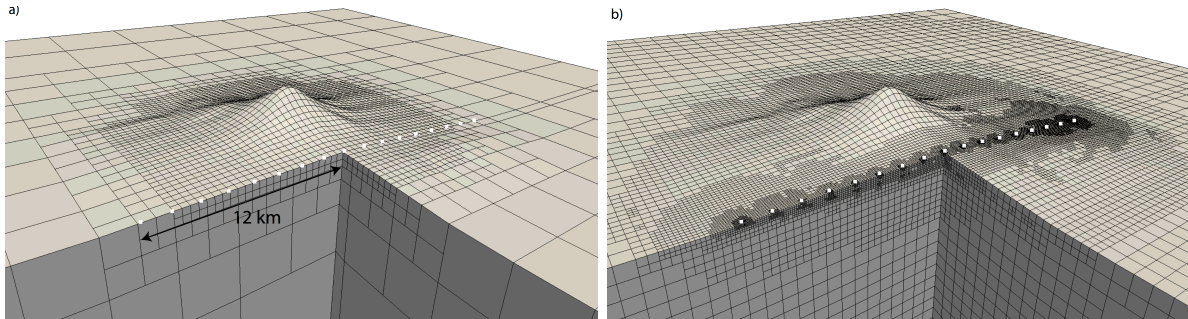
- Significantly outperforms previous solvers → up to 25x speedup
- Scaled up to 125K cores (12B unknowns)
- Solves previously intractable problems

We recently applied AMS to high-order non-conforming AMR geo-electromagnetics

- In the high-order case, G_h and $\mathbf{\Pi}_h$ are more complicated and depend on the choice of H1 and H(curl) bases
 - MFEM** has general objects to evaluate these in parallel
- Discrete gradient in the non-conforming case is defined by commutativity:

$$G_{c,h} = \mathbf{R}_V G_{nc,h} \mathbf{P}_S \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} S_c(\mathbb{T}) & \xrightarrow{G_{c,h}} & \mathbf{V}_c(\mathbb{T}) \\ \mathbf{P}_S \updownarrow \mathbf{R}_S & & \mathbf{P}_V \updownarrow \mathbf{R}_V \\ S_{nc}(\mathbb{T}) & \xrightarrow{G_{nc,h}} & \mathbf{V}_{nc}(\mathbb{T}) \end{array}$$

- Magnetotelluric application $\nabla \times \alpha \nabla \times E + i\beta E$ (with A. Grayver, ETH)



2nd order AMR for a Kronotsky volcano model with ~12K-170K cells

Refinement step	# DoFs	N_{iter}	\bar{N}_{iter}^{CG}
0	647 544	22	3
6	786 436	22	3
12	2 044 156	23	3
18	9 291 488	24	4

AMS iterations (\bar{N}_{iter}^{CG}) for 1e-2 tolerance

* A. Grayver, Tz. Kolev, “Large-scale 3D geo-electromagnetic modeling using parallel adaptive high-order finite element method”, Geophysics, 2015

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- Multi-material single group equations (Grey diffusion)

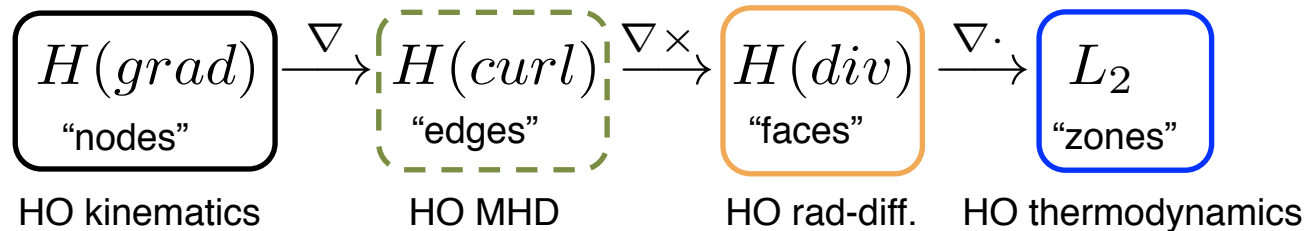
$$\text{Material energy} \quad \eta_k \rho_k \frac{de_k}{dt} = \eta_k \sigma_k : \nabla v + c \eta_k \sigma_{p,k} (E - a T_k^4)$$

$$\text{Radiation energy} \quad \frac{dE}{dt} + \nabla \cdot \vec{F} = -c \sum_k \eta_k \sigma_{p,k} (E - a T_k^4) - E \nabla \cdot v$$

$$\text{Radiation flux} \quad \frac{1}{3} \nabla E = -\frac{1}{c} \sum_k \eta_k \sigma_{r,k} \vec{F}$$

$$c \mathcal{A} E - \mathcal{B} \vec{n} \cdot \vec{F} = \mathcal{C} \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega$$

- De Rham complex: $H(\text{div})$ fluxes match L_2 hydro thermodynamics



- Explicit-implicit coupling allows for generic time integration


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- Newton step for Backward Euler slopes:

$$\mathbf{k}^n = \mathbf{k}^{n-1} - [\partial\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{k}^{n-1})]^{-1}\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{k}^{n-1})$$

- Jacobian matrix

$$\partial\mathcal{N}(k) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{\rho_{\mathbf{k}}} + \partial\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{k}} & & -c\Delta t\mathbf{M}_{\sigma_{\mathbf{k}}} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ -\partial\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{k}} & \dots & \mathbf{M} + c\Delta t \sum_k \mathbf{M}_{\sigma_{\mathbf{k}}} & & \mathbf{D} \\ 0 & \dots & \frac{1}{3}\Delta t\mathbf{D}^T & & \frac{1}{c}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{F}} + \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{n}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k}_{\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{k}}} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{k}_{\mathbf{E}} \\ \mathbf{F} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Energies are discontinuous so their blocks can be eliminated locally
- Jacobian solve reduces to a global system for the fluxes F
- We take advantage of the scalable algebraic H(div) solver from : ADS

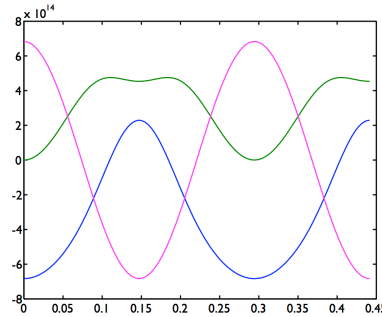
Initial coupled high-order radiation-hydrodynamics in BLAST: convergence, “crooked pipe”

$$T_{mat}(r, t) = T_0 \left(1 - \frac{e^{-\tau t}}{2} \cos(\omega r) \right)$$

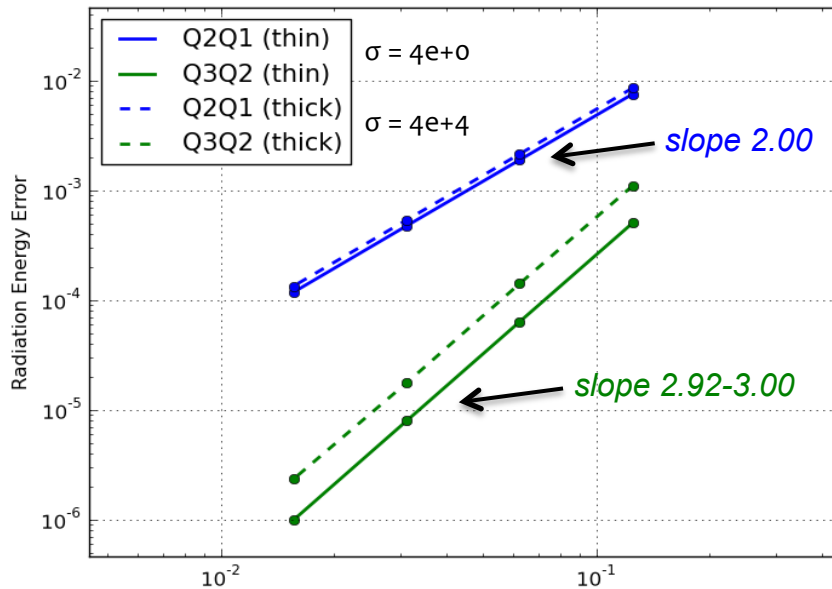
$$E(r, t) = aT_{rad}^4 \left(1 + \frac{e^{-\tau t}}{2} \cos(\omega r) \right)$$

$$T_{rad}(r, t) = T_0 \left(1 + \frac{e^{-\tau t}}{2} \right)$$

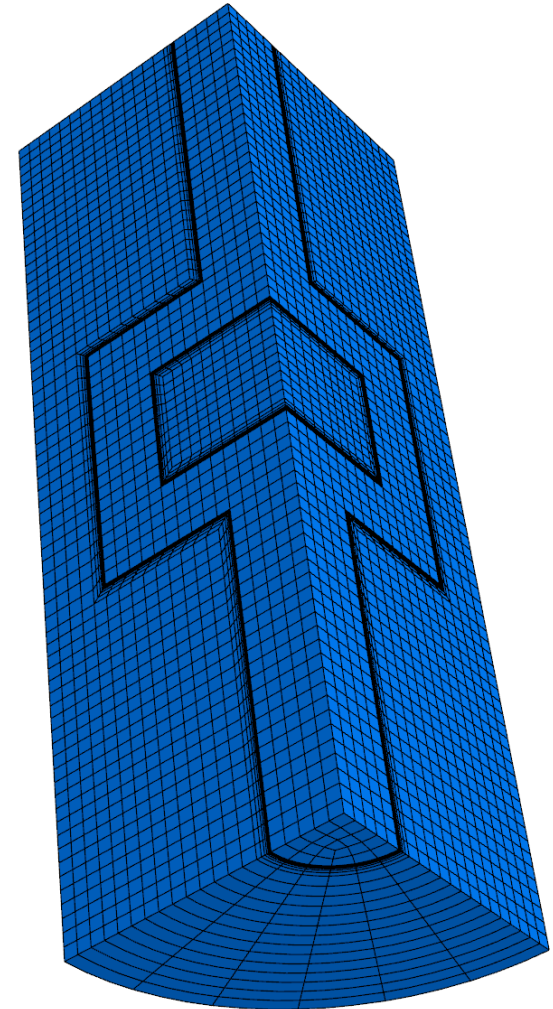
Brunner’s smooth nonlinear manufactured solution



Equation terms of similar magnitudes



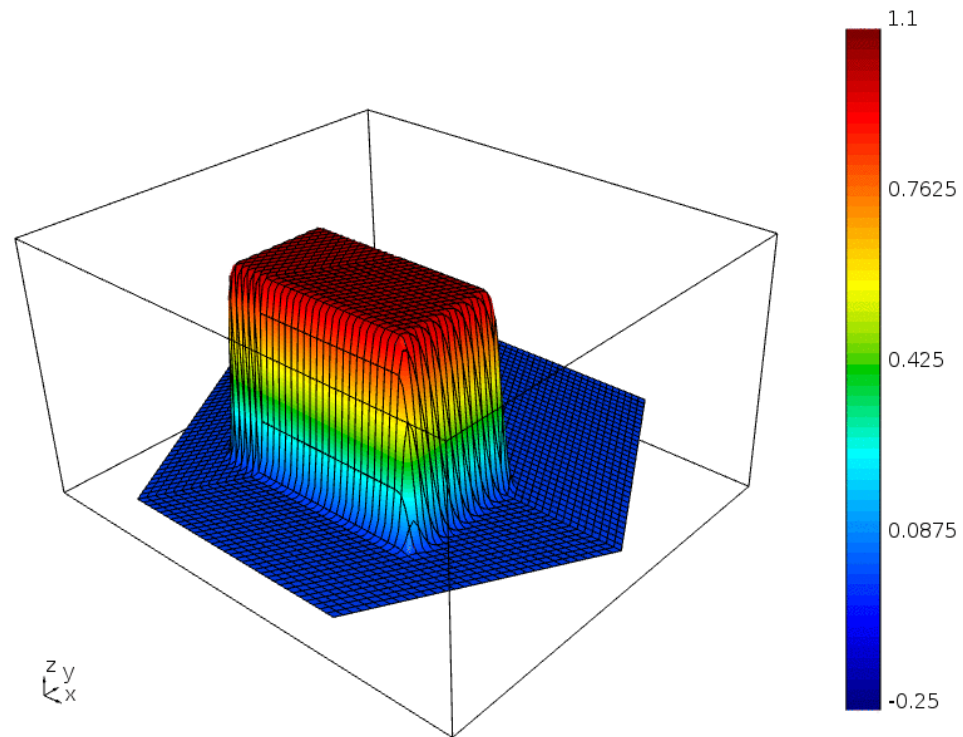
High-order convergence in thick & thin limits!



Crooked pipe, Q2-Q1 simulation

XBraid: Parallel Time Integration of High-Order Finite Element Advection-Diffusion

- 2D advection $u_t = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla u + \gamma \Delta u$
 - Periodic mesh
 - Stability determined by convection (convection dominated)
 - Diffusion term 0.001
 - Modified MFEM example targeting DG remap in BLAST
- **Sequential Time Stepping**
 - Sharp profile is transported over 1100 time steps
 - 3rd order explicit method
 - 3-level XBraid hierarchy

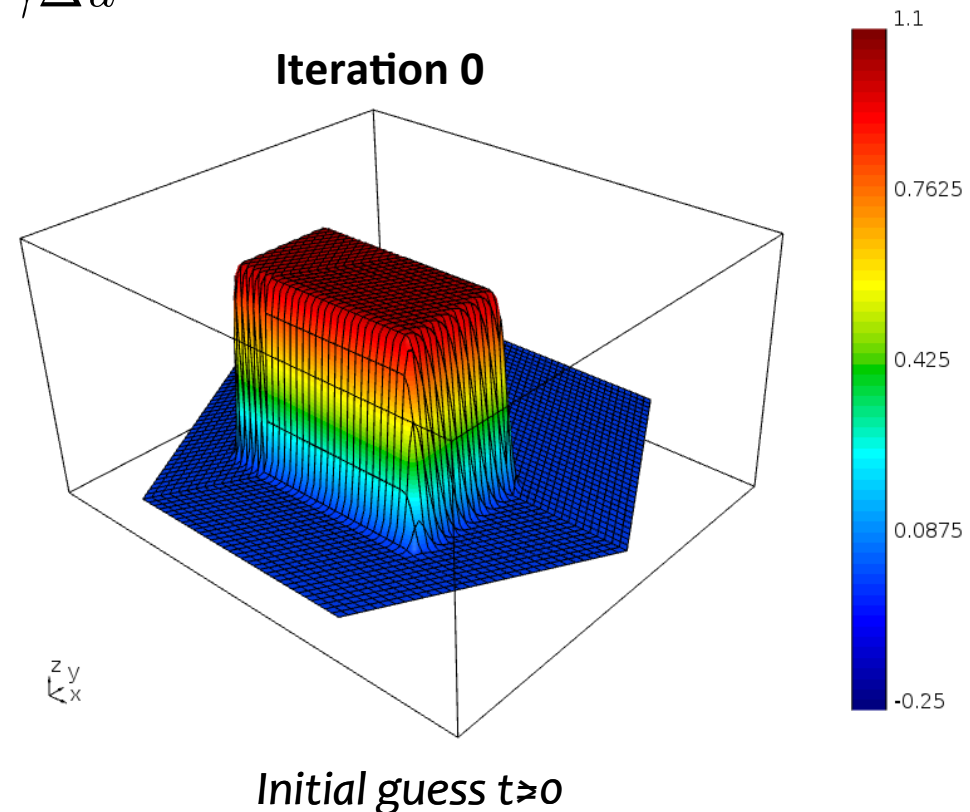


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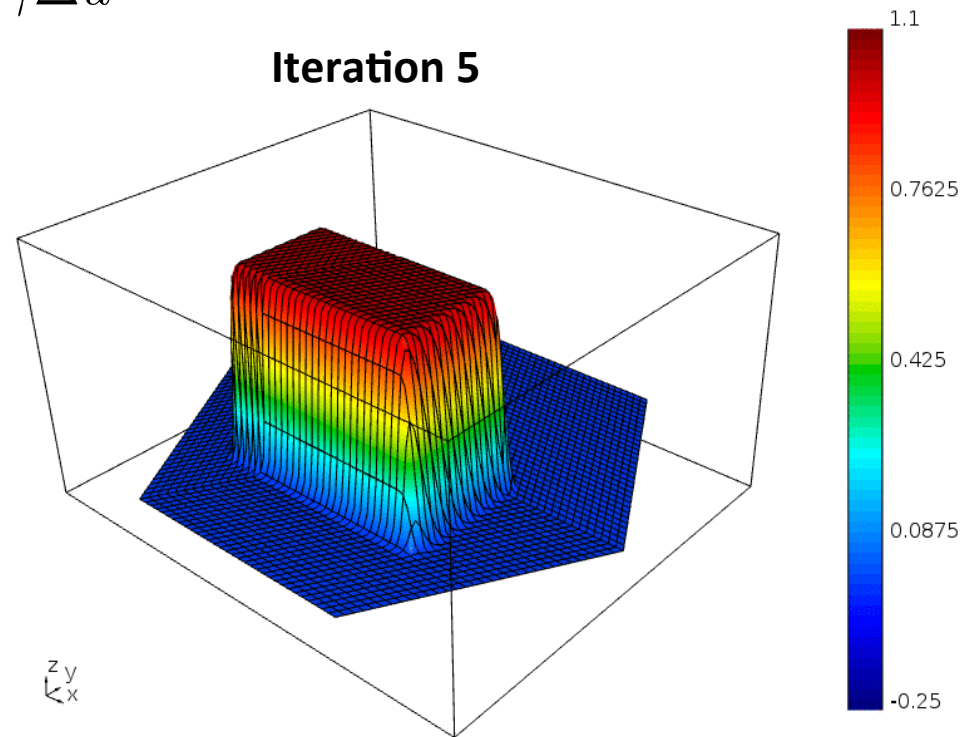


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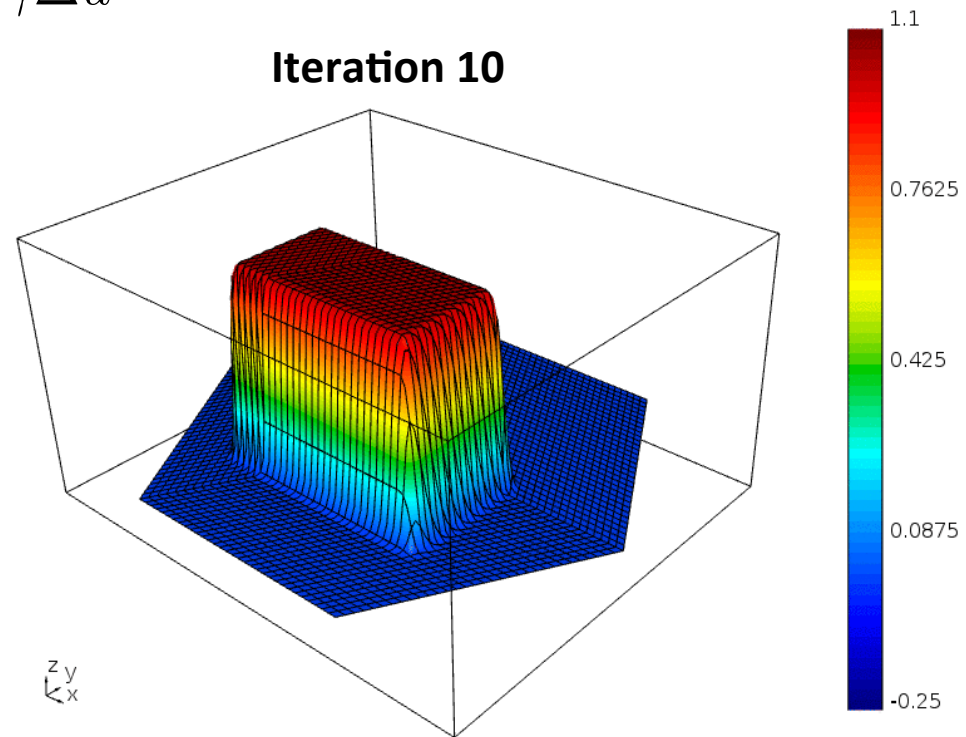


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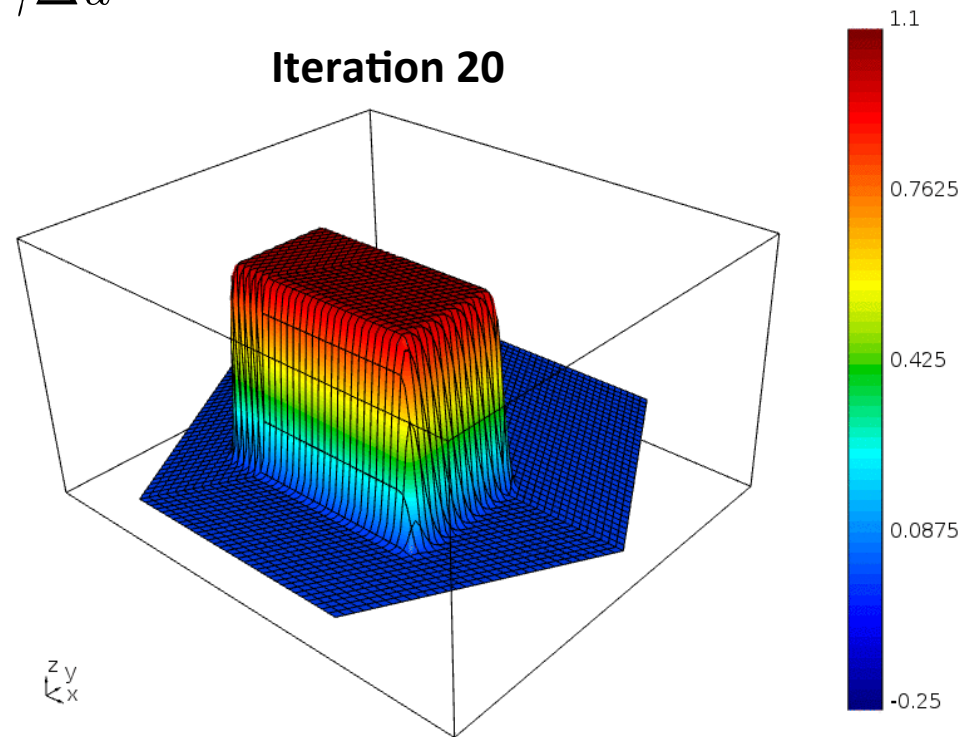


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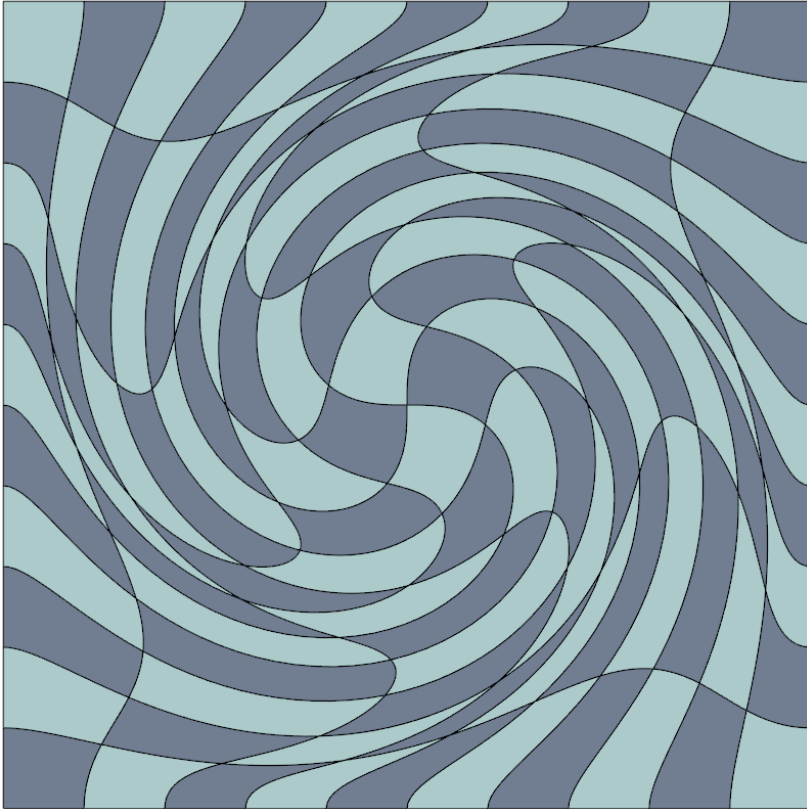
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 - improve convergence (relaxation, coarse-grid equations)
 - pure advection

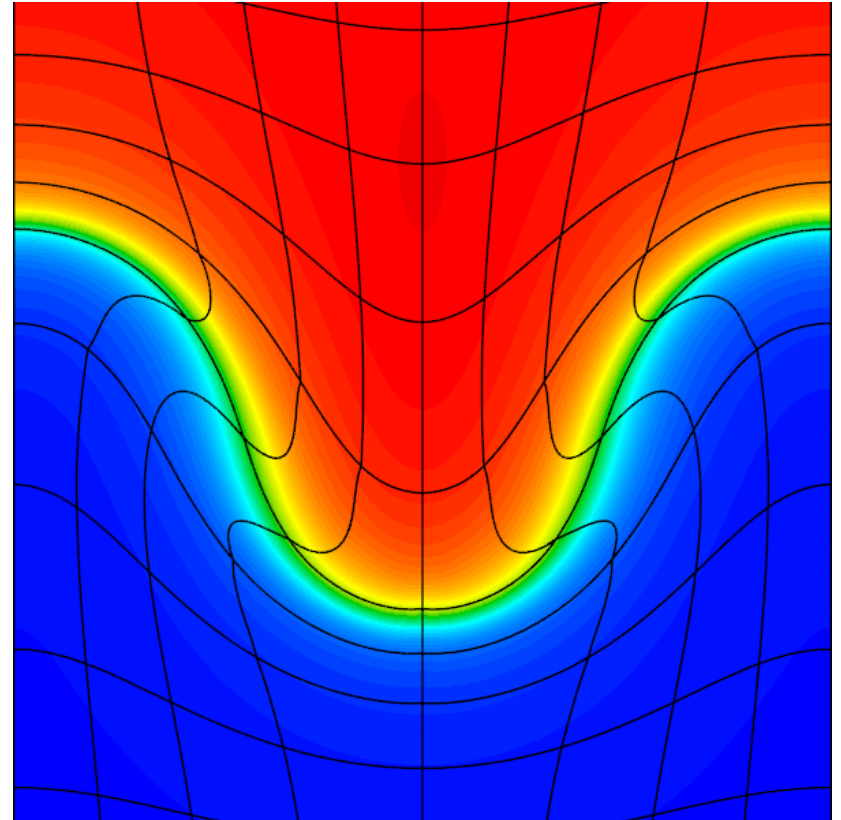


We are developing general tools for HO mesh optimization and high-quality interpolation between meshes

We target *high-order curved elements + unstructured meshes + moving meshes*



High-order mesh relaxation in *MFEM* (neo-Hookean evolution)

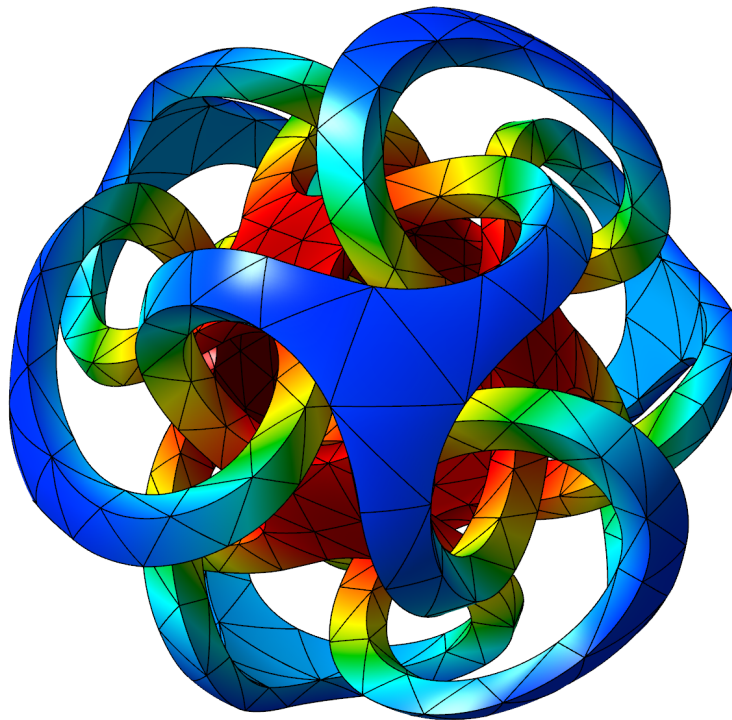


Advection-based interpolation (DG pseudo-time remap in *BLAST*)

We are developing general tools for accurate and flexible finite element visualization

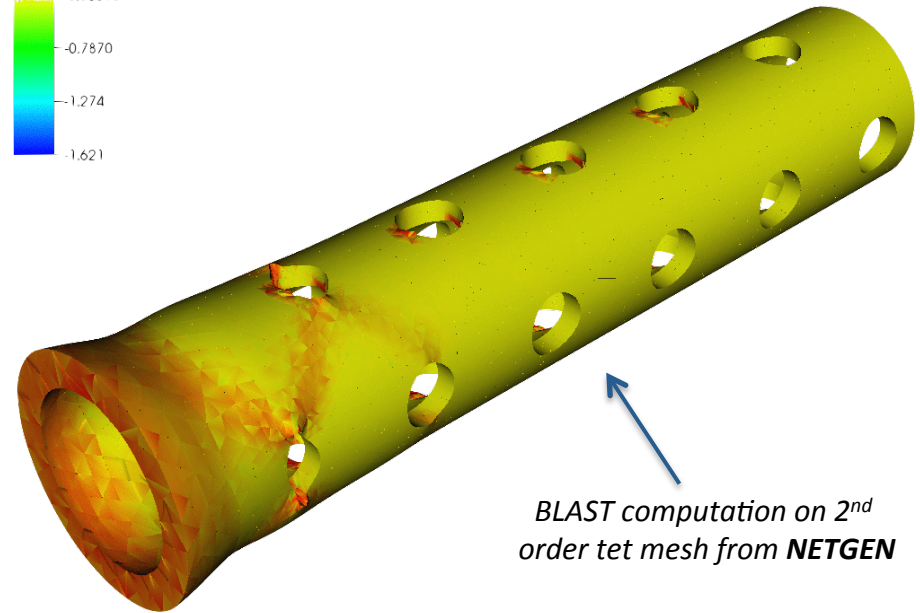
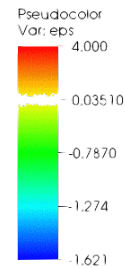
Two visualization options for high-order functions on high-order meshes.

GLVis: native MFEM lightweight OpenGL visualization tool



glvis.org

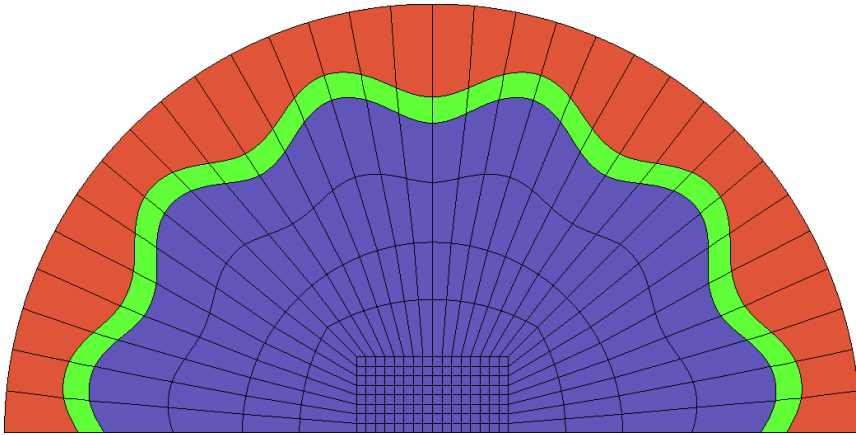
Visit: general data analysis tool, MFEM support since version 2.9



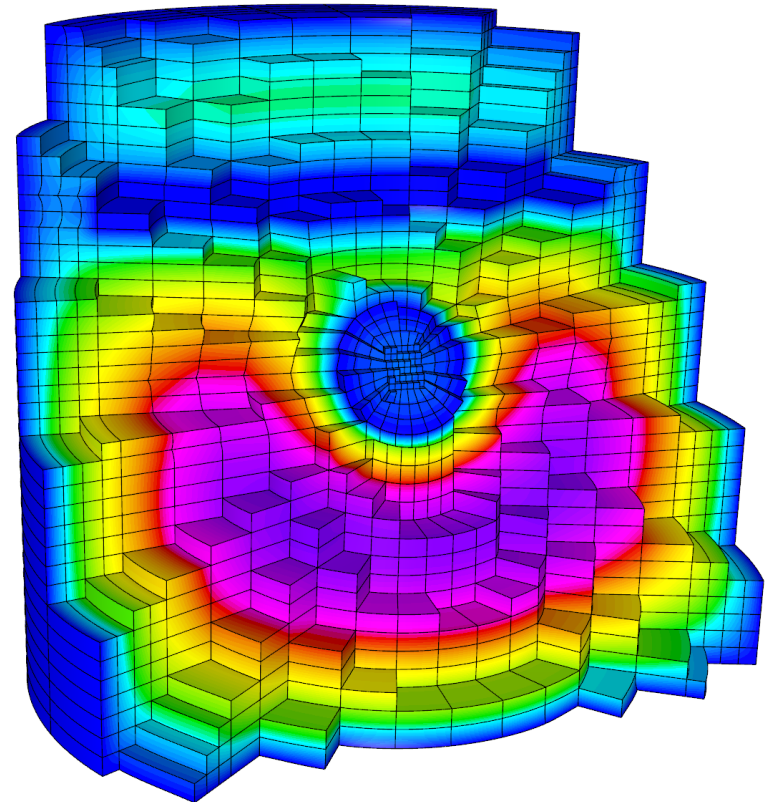
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NURBS support in MFEM allows for accurate geometry description with relatively coarse meshes

NURBS meshes generated by the PMESH project at LLNL

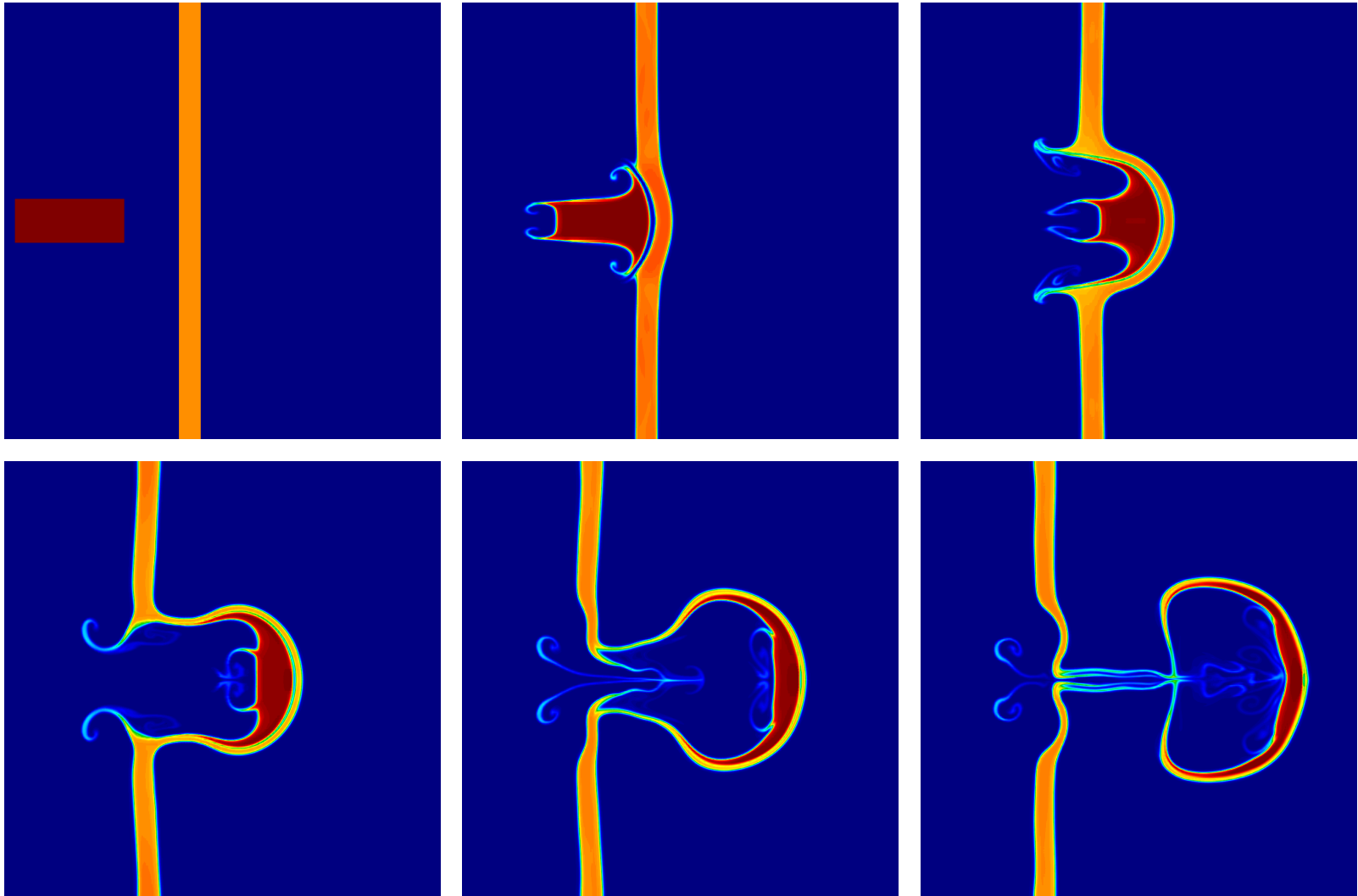


2D mesh with 3 material attributes; the interface is represented exactly



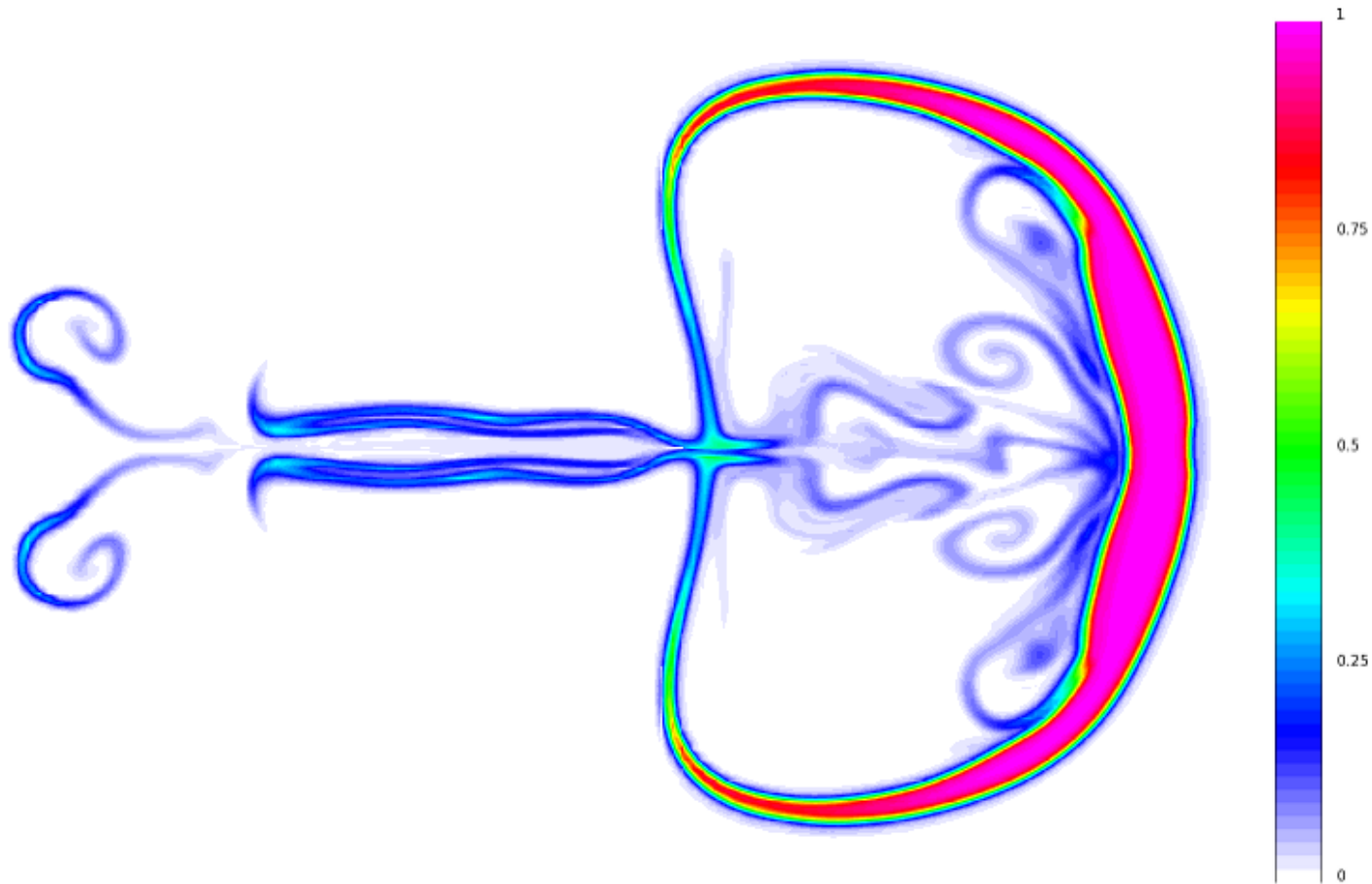
FEM solution of the Laplace equation on a 3D NURBS mesh

High-order closure model essential for problems with vastly different materials



Total density profile of gas impact test at times $t=0, 2, 4, 6, 8$ and 10

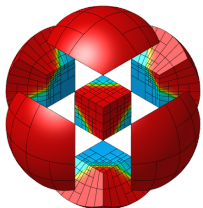
Closure model enables high-resolution material representation without interface reconstruction



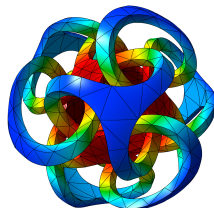
Material indicator function of the gas impactor at final time

Current and future work

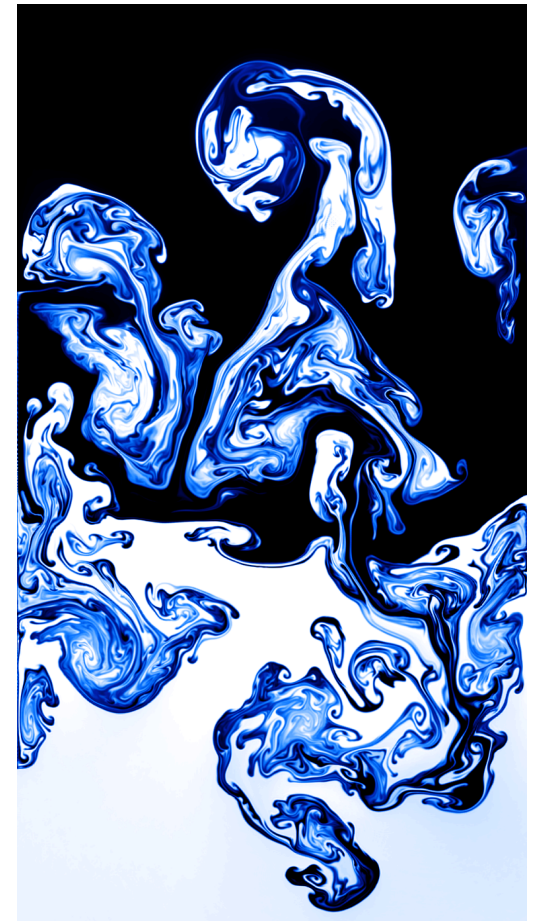
- High-order finite elements show promise for scalable multi-physics ALE simulations
- Some ongoing research:
 - improve artificial viscosity, closure model and monotonicity methods
 - port and optimize our software stack for upcoming architectures
 - extend AMR to parallel DG and load balancing
 - develop solvers for partially assembled operators
 - parallelize in time (XBraid project)
- Papers and additional details:
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- Open-source finite element software:



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