

# SUNDIALS: Suite of Nonlinear and Differential/Algebraic Equation Solvers

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# SUite of Nonlinear and **DIfferential-ALgebraic Solvers**



- Suite of time integrators and nonlinear solvers
  - ODE and DAE time integrators with forward and adjoint sensitivity capabilities, Newton-Krylov nonlinear solver
  - Written in C with interfaces to Fortran and Matlab
  - Designed to be incorporated into existing codes
  - Modular implementation: users can supply own data structures
    - Linear solvers / preconditioners
    - Vector structures core data structure for all the codes
    - Supplied with serial and MPI parallel structures
- Freely available, released under BSD license

https://computation.llnl.gov/casc/sundials/main.html

















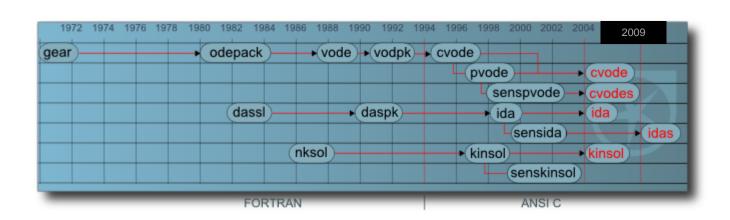




# LLNL has a strong history of nonlinear solver and time integration research

#### SUNDIALS package evolved from innovation in methods and software

- KINSOL: Newton solvers evolved from the first Newton-Krylov method and code for PDEs
- CVODE(S): ODE codes from odepack (> 200K downloads)
- IDA(S): DAE codes from DASSL























#### **CVODE** solves $\dot{y} = f(t, y)$

Variable order and variable step size Linear Multistep Methods

$$\sum_{j=0}^{K_1} \alpha_{n,j} y_{n-j} + \Delta t_n \sum_{j=0}^{K_2} \beta_{n,j} \dot{y}_{n-j} = 0$$

- Adams-Moulton (nonstiff);  $K_1 = 1$ ,  $K_2 = k$ , k = 1,...,12
- Backward Differentiation Formulas [BDF] (stiff);  $K_1 = k$ ,  $K_2 = 0$ , k = 1,...,5
- Optional stability limit detection based on linear analysis only
- The stiff solvers execute a predictor-corrector scheme:

#### Explicit predictor to give $y_{n(0)}$

$$y_{n(0)} = \sum_{j=1}^{q} \alpha_j^p y_{n-j} + \Delta t \beta_1^p \dot{y}_{n-1}$$

#### Implicit corrector with $y_{n(0)}$ as initial iterate

$$y_n = \sum_{j=1}^{q} \alpha_j y_{n-j} + \Delta t \beta_0 f_n(y_n)$$





















# Convergence and errors are measured against user-specified tolerances

- An absolute tolerance is specified for each solution component, ATOLi
- A relative tolerance is specified for all solution components, RTOL
- Norm calculations are weighted by:

$$ewt^i = \frac{1}{RTOL|y^i| + ATOL^i}$$

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  $||y||_{WRMS} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (ewt^{i} \cdot y^{i})^{2}}$ 

Bound time integration error with:

$$||y_n - y_{n(0)}|| < \frac{1}{6}$$





















# Time steps are chosen to minimize the local truncation error

- Time steps are chosen by:
  - Estimate the error:  $E(\Delta t) = C(y_n y_{n(0)})$ 
    - Accept step if  $||E(\Delta t)||_{WRMS} < 1$
    - Reject step otherwise
  - Estimate error at the next step,  $\Delta t'$ , as

$$E(\Delta t') \approx (\Delta t'/\Delta t)^{q+1} E(\Delta t)$$

- Choose next step so that  $||E(\Delta t')||_{WRMS} < 1$
- Choose method order by:
  - Estimate error for next higher and lower orders
  - Choose the order that gives the largest time step meeting the error condition





















# Nonlinear systems at each time step will require nonlinear solves

- Use predicted value as the initial iterate for the nonlinear solver
- Nonstiff systems: Functional iteration

$$y_{n(m+1)} = \beta_0 \Delta t_n f(y_{n(m)}) + \sum_{i=1}^{q} \alpha_{n,i} y_{n-i}$$

Stiff systems: Newton iteration

$$M\left(y_{n(m+1)} - y_{n(m)}\right) = -G\left(y_{n(m)}\right)$$

ODE 
$$\dot{y} = f(y)$$
 $M \approx I - \gamma \partial f / \partial y$   $\gamma = \beta_0 \Delta t_n$ 
 $G(y_n) \equiv y_n - \beta_0 \Delta t_n f(t, y_n) - \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_{n,i} y_{n-i} = 0$ 

DAE 
$$F(\dot{y}, y) = 0$$

$$M \approx \partial F/\partial y + \gamma \partial F/\partial \dot{y} \qquad \gamma = 1/(\beta_0 \Delta t_n)$$

$$G(y_n) \equiv F\left(t, (\beta_0 \Delta t_n)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_{n,i} y_{n-i}, y_n\right) = 0$$





















# We are adding Runge-Kutta (RK) ODE time integrators to SUNDIALS via ARKode

- RK methods are multistage: allow high order accuracy without long step history (enabling spatial adaptivity)
- Additive RK methods apply a pair of explicit (ERK) and implicit (DIRK) methods to a split system, allowing accurate and stable approximations for multi-rate problems.
- Can decompose the system into "fast" and "slow" components to be treated with DIRK and ERK solvers
- ARKode provides 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> order ARK, 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> order DIRK and 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> order ERK methods; also supports user-supplied methods.
- Implicit RK methods require multiple nonlinear solves per time step
- Applies advanced error estimators, adaptive time stepping, Newton and fixed-point iterative solvers
- ARKode will be released with SUNDIALS later this year

http://faculty.smu.edu/reynolds/arkode





















# ARKode solves $M\dot{y} = f_E(t,y) + f_I(t,y)$

Variable step size additive Runge-Kutta Methods:

$$egin{aligned} Mz_i &= My_{n-1} + h_n \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} A_{i,j}^E f_E(t_{n-1} + c_j h_n, z_j) + h_n \sum_{j=0}^i A_{i,j}^I f_I(t_{n-1} + c_j h_n, z_j), \ My_n &= My_{n-1} + h_n \sum_{i=0}^s b_i \left( f_E(t_{n-1} + c_i h_n, z_i) + f_I(t_{n-1} + c_i h_n, z_i) 
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ight). \end{aligned}$$

- ERK methods use  $A^{I}=0$ ; DIRK methods use  $A^{E}=0$ ,
- $z_i$ , i = 1,...,s are the inner stage solutions,
- $y_n$  is the time-evolved solution, and
- $\tilde{y}_n$  is the embedded solution (used for error estimation),
- M may be the identity (ODEs) or a non-singular mass matrix (FEM).





















# Initial value problems (IVPs) come in the form of ODEs and DAEs

The general form of an IVP is given by

$$F(t, \dot{x}, x) = 0$$
$$x(t_0) = x_0$$

- If  $\partial F / \partial \dot{x}$  is invertible, we solve for  $\dot{x}$  to obtain an ordinary differential equation (ODE), but this is not always the best approach
- Else, the IVP is a differential algebraic equation (DAE)
- A DAE has differentiation index i if i is the minimal number of analytical differentiations needed to extract an explicit ODE





















# IDA solves F(t, y, y') = 0

- C rewrite of DASPK [Brown, Hindmarsh, Petzold]
- Variable order / variable coefficient form of BDF (no Adams)
- Targets: implicit ODEs, index-1 DAEs, and Hessenberg index-2 DAEs
- Optional routine solves for consistent values of  $y_0$  and  $y_0$ '
  - Semi-explicit index-1 DAEs
  - differential components known, algebraic unknown OR
  - all of y<sub>0</sub>' specified, y<sub>0</sub> unknown
- Nonlinear systems solved by Newton-Krylov method (no functional iteration)
- Optional constraints:  $y^i > 0$ ,  $y^i < 0$ ,  $y^i \ge 0$ ,  $y^i \le 0$





















# CVODE and IDA are equipped with a rootfinding capability

- Finds roots of user-defined functions,  $g_i(t,y)$  or  $g_i(t,y,y')$
- Important in applications where problem definition may change based on a function of the solution
- Roots are found by looking at sign changes, so only roots of odd multiplicity are found
- Checks each time interval for sign change
- When sign changes are found, apply a modified secant method with a tight tolerance to identify root
- If  $g_i(t^*,y) = 0$  for some  $t^*$ 
  - $g_i(t^*+\delta,y)$  is computed for some small  $\delta$  in direction of integration
  - Integration stops if any  $g_i(t+\delta,y)=0$
  - Ensures values of  $g_i$  are nonzero at some past value of t, beyond which a search for roots is done





















# Sensitivity Analysis

- Sensitivity Analysis (SA) is the study of how the variation in the output of a model (numerical or otherwise) can be apportioned, qualitatively or quantitatively, to different sources of variation in inputs.
- Applications:
  - Model evaluation (most and/or least influential parameters), Model reduction, Data assimilation, Uncertainty quantification, Optimization (parameter estimation, design optimization, optimal control, ...)
- Approaches:
  - Forward sensitivity analysis augment state system with sensitivity equations
  - Adjoint sensitivity analysis solve a backward in time adjoint problem (user supplies the adjoint problem)















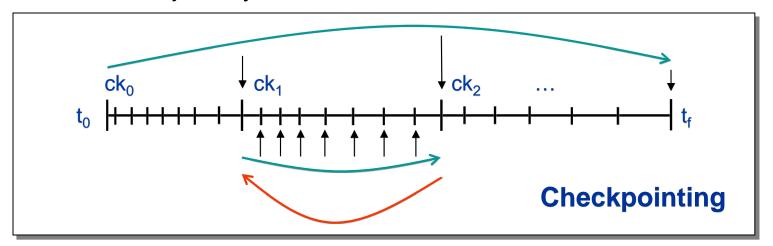






# **Adjoint Sensitivity Analysis Implementation**

Solution of the forward problem is required for the adjoint problem  $\rightarrow$ need predictable and compact storage of solution values for the solution of the adjoint system



- Cubic Hermite or variable-degree polynomial interpolation
- Simulations are reproducible from each checkpoint
- Force Jacobian evaluation at checkpoints to avoid storing it
- Store solution and first derivative
- Computational cost: 2 forward and 1 backward integrations





















## KINSOL solves F(u) = 0

- C rewrite of Fortran NKSOL (Brown and Saad)
- Inexact Newton solver: solves  $\int \Delta u^n = -F(u^n)$  approximately
- Modified Newton option (with direct solves) this freezes the Newton matrix over a number of iterations
- Optional constraints:  $u_i > 0$ ,  $u_i < 0$ ,  $u_i \ge 0$  or  $u_i \le 0$
- Can scale equations and/or unknowns
- Backtracking and line search options for robustness
- Dynamic linear tolerance selection for use with iterative linear solvers

$$||F(x^k) + J(x^k)s^{k+1}|| \le \eta^k ||F(x^k)||$$





















# Fixed point and Picard iteration will be added to KINSOL in the next release

Define an iterative scheme to solve F(h) = h - G(h) = 0 as,

Initialize 
$$h^0$$
.  
For  $k = 0,1,...$ , until  $\|F(h^k)\| < F$ .  
Set  $h^{k+1} = G(h^k)$ .  
end

Picard iteration is a fixed point method formed from writing F as the difference of a linear, Lu, and a nonlinear, N(u), operator

$$F(u) = Lu - N(u); \quad L^{-1}N(u) = u - L^{-1}F(u) \equiv G(u)$$
$$u^{k+1} \approx u^k - L^{-1}F(u^k) = G(u^k)$$

Like Newton with L approximating J

- Fixed point iteration has a global but linear convergence theory
- Requires G to be a contraction  $||G(x)-G(y)|| \le \gamma ||x-y||$ ,  $\gamma < 1$

KINSOL will have both Picard and fixed point iterations with acceleration





















# SUNDIALS provides many options for linear solvers

- Iterative Krylov linear solvers
  - Result in inexact Newton solver
  - Scaled preconditioned solvers: GMRES, Bi-CGStab, TFQMR
  - Only require matrix-vector products

$$J(y)v \approx \frac{G(y+\epsilon v) - G(y)}{\epsilon}$$

- Require preconditioner for the Newton matrix, M
- Two options require serial environments and some pre-defined structure to the data
  - Direct dense
  - Direct band
- Jacobian information (matrix or matrix-vector product) can be supplied by the user or estimated with finite difference quotients





















# Our next release of SUNDIALS will include interfaces to sparse direct solvers

- Requires serial vector kernel now only for transfer of RHS information for Jacobian systems
- Will generalize to more generic vector interface in the future
- Matrix information is passed via new SUNDIALS sparse\_matrix structure which utilizes a compressed sparse column format
- First release of this capability will support
  - SuperLU\_MT (multi-threaded version of SuperLU)
  - KLU (serial)
- Also considering PARDISO (threaded) for future releases





















# Preconditioning is essential for large problems as Krylov methods can stagnate

- Preconditioner P must approximate Newton matrix, yet be reasonably efficient to evaluate and solve.
- Typical P (for time-dep. ODE problem) is  $I \gamma \widetilde{J}$ ,  $\widetilde{J} \approx J$
- The user must supply two routines for treatment of P:
  - Setup: evaluate and preprocess P (infrequently)
  - Solve: solve systems Px=b (frequently)
- User can save and reuse approximation to J, as directed by the solver
- Band and block-banded preconditioners are supplied for use with the supplied vector structure
- SUNDIALS offers hooks for user-supplied preconditioning
  - Can use hypre or PETSc or ...





















# The SUNDIALS vector module is generic

- Data vector structures can be user-supplied
- The generic NVECTOR module defines:
  - A content structure (void \*)
  - An ops structure pointers to actual vector operations supplied by a vector definition
- Each implementation of NVECTOR defines:
  - Content structure specifying the actual vector data and any information needed to make new vectors (problem or grid data)
  - Implemented vector operations
  - Routines to clone vectors
- Note that all parallel communication resides in reduction operations: dot products, norms, mins, etc.















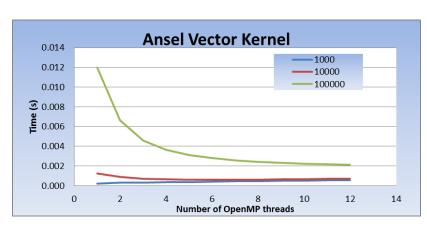


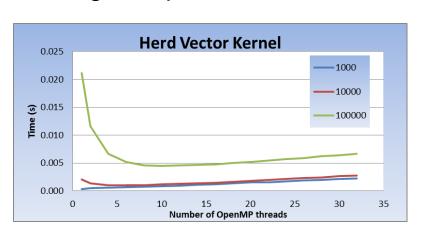




# SUNDIALS provides serial and parallel NVECTOR implementations

- Use is optional
- Vectors are laid out as an array of doubles (or floats)
- Appropriate lengths (local, global) are specified
- Operations are fast since stride is always 1
- All operations provided for both serial and MPI parallel cases
- Can serve as templates for creating a user-supplied vector
- OpenMP and pThreads vector kernels in next release. Preliminary performance tests indicate that 10K length required to see benefit

























## **SUNDIALS** provides Fortran interfaces

- CVODE, IDA, and KINSOL
- Cross-language calls go in both directions:
- Fortran user code  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  interfaces  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  CVODE/KINSOL/IDA
- Fortran main  $\rightarrow$  interfaces to solver routines
- Solver routines  $\rightarrow$  interface to user's problem-defining routine and preconditioning routines
- For portability, all user routines have fixed names
- Examples are provided





















## SUNDIALS provides Matlab interfaces

- CVODES, KINSOL, and IDAS
- The core of each interface is a single MEX file which interfaces to solver-specific user-callable functions
- Guiding design philosophy: make interfaces equally familiar to both SUNDIALS and Matlab users
  - all user-provided functions are Matlab m-files
  - all user-callable functions have the same names as the corresponding C functions
  - unlike the Matlab ODE solvers, we provide the more flexible SUNDIALS approach in which the 'Solve' function only returns the solution at the next requested output time.
- Includes complete documentation (including through the Matlab help system) and several examples





















# SUNDIALS code usage is similar across the suite

For CVODE with parallel vector implementation and GMRES solver:

```
#include "cvode.h"
#include "cvode_spgmr.h"
#include "nvector_parallel.h"
y = N VNew Parallel(comm, local n, NEQ);
cvmem = CVodeCreate(CV BDF,CV NEWTON);
flag = CVodeSet*(...);
flag = CVodeInit(cvmem,rhs,t0,y,...);
flag = CVSpgmr(cvmem,...);
flag = CVSpilsSet*(cvmem, ...);
for(tout = ...) {
   flag = CVode(cvmem, ...,y,...);
NV Destroy(y);
CVodeFree(&cvmem);
```





















# Set/Get routines also customization of solver parameters and output information

#### Some CVODE optional inputs

Optional Input	Function Name	Default
User data	CVodeSetUserData	NULL
Max. int. order	CvodeSetMaxOrd	5 (BDF)
Enable stability limit detection	CVodeSetStabLimDet	FALSE
Initial step size	CVodeSetInitStep	Est.
Min. step size	CVodeSetMinStep	0.0
Max. step size	CVodeSetMaxStep	infinity
Precond. Fcns	CVSpilsSet Preconditioner	NULL, NULL
Ratio between lin. & nonlin. tols	CVSpilsSetEpsLin	0.05
Max. Krylov subspace size	CVSpilsSetMaxl	5

```
cvmem = CVodeCreate(...);
flag = CVodeSet*(cvmem,...);
flag = CVodeInit(cvmem,...);
```

```
flag = CVSpgmr(cvmem,...);
flag =
  CVSpilsSet*(cvmem, ...);
flag =
  CVSpilsSetPreconditioner(
  cvmem,PrecondSet,PSolve);
```





















A food web population model, with predator-prey interaction and diffusion on the unit square in 2D. The dependent variable vector is the following:

$$c = (c^1, c^2, ..., c^{ns})$$

and the PDE's are as follows for i = 1, ..., ns:

$$0 = d(i) * (c_{xx}^{i} + c_{yy}^{i}) + f_{i}(x, y, c)$$

where

$$f_i(x, y, c) = c^i * (b(i) + \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} (a(i, j) * c^j))$$

Solved on unit square with  $\nabla c \cdot n = 0$  B.C. and constant initial iterate

The number of species is ns = 2 \* np, with the first np being prey and the last np being predators. The coefficients a(i,j), b(i), d(i) are:

$$a(i,i) = -AA$$
, all i;  $a(i,j) = -GG$ ,  $i \le np$ ,  $j > np$ ;  $a(i,j) = EE$ ,  $i > np$ ,  $j \le np$   
 $b(i) = BB(1 + \alpha xy)$ ,  $i \le np$ ;  $b(i) = -BB(1 + \alpha xy)$ ,  $i > np$   
 $d(i) = DPREY$ ,  $i \le np$ ;  $d(i) = DPRED$ ,  $i > np$ 





















```
#include <kinsol/kinsol.h>
#include <kinsol/kinsol_spgmr.h>
#include <nvector/nvector_parallel.h>
#include <sundials/sundials_dense.h>
#include <sundials/sundials_types.h>
#include <sundials/sundials_math.h>
#include <mpi.h>
```

#define NPEX 2
#define NPEY 2
#define MXSUB 10
#define MYSUB 10

#define MX (NPEX\*MXSUB)
#define MY (NPEY\*MYSUB)

#define NEQ (NUM\_SPECIES\*MX\*MY)

/\* Type : UserData contains preconditioner blocks, pivot arrays, and problem param \*/

```
typedef struct {
 realtype **P[MXSUB][MYSUB];
 long int *pivot[MXSUB][MYSUB];
 realtype **acoef, *bcoef;
 N Vector rates:
 realtype *cox, *coy;
 realtype ax, ay, dx, dy;
 realtype uround, sqruround;
 int mx, my, ns, np;
 realtype cext[NUM_SPECIES *
    (MXSUB+2)*(MYSUB+2)];
 int my_pe, isubx, isuby, nsmxsub,
    nsmxsub2;
 MPI Comm comm;
 *UserData:
```





















/\* Functions Called by the KINSol Solver \*/

static int funcprpr(N\_Vector cc, N Vector fval, void \*user data);

static int Precondbd(N\_Vector cc, N\_Vector cscale, N\_Vector fval, N Vector fscale, void \*user data, N Vector vtemp1, N Vector vtemp2);

static int PSolvebd(N\_Vector cc, N\_Vector cscale, N\_Vector fval, N Vector fscale, N Vector vv, void \*user data, N Vector vtemp); /\* Private Helper Functions \*/

**AllocUserData** InitUserData **FreeUserData SetInitialProfiles PrintHeader PrintOutput PrintFinalStats** WebRate **DotProd Bsend BRecvPost BRecvWait** ccomm fcalcprpr













check flag









```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
/* Get processor number and total
number of pe's */
MPI_Init(&argc, &argv);
comm = MPI COMM WORLD;
MPI_Comm_size(comm, &npes);
MPI_Comm_rank(comm, &my_pe);
/* Set local vector length */
local N =
NUM SPECIES*MXSUB*MYSUB;
/* Allocate and init, user data*/
data = AllocUserData();
InitUserData(my_pe, comm, data);
/* Set global strategy flag */
globalstrategy = KIN_NONE;
```

```
/* Allocate and initialize vectors */
cc = N_VNew_Parallel(comm, local_N, NEQ);
sc = N_VNew_Parallel(comm, local_N, NEQ);
data->rates = N VNew Parallel(comm,
local_N, NEQ);
constraints = N_VNew_Parallel(comm,
local_N, NEQ);
N_VConst(ZERO, constraints);
SetInitialProfiles(cc, sc);
fnormtol=FTOL; scsteptol=STOL;
/* Call KINCreate/KINInit to initialize KINSOL:
A pointer to KINSOL problem memory is
returned and stored in kmem. */
kmem = KINCreate();
```





















```
/* Vector cc passed as template vector.
*/
flag = KINInit(kmem, funcprpr, cc);
flag = KINSetNumMaxIters(kmem, 250);
flag = KINSetUserData(kmem, data);
flag = KINSetConstraints(kmem, constraints);
flag = KINSetFuncNormTol(kmem, fnormtol);
flag = KINSetScaledStepTol(kmem, scsteptol);
```

/\* We no longer need the constraints vector since KINSetConstraints creates a private copy for KINSOL to use. \*/
N\_VDestroy\_Parallel(constraints);

/\* Call KINSpgmr to specify the linear solver KINSPGMR with preconditioner routines Precondbd and PSolvebd, and the pointer to the user data block. \*/

```
maxl = 20; maxlrst = 2;
```

```
flag = KINSpgmr(kmem, maxl);
flag = KINSpilsSetMaxRestarts(kmem,
maxlrst);
flag =
KINSpilsSetPreconditioner(kmem,
Precondbd, PSolvebd);
```





















```
/* Call KINSol and print output profile */
flag = KINSol(kmem, /* KINSol memory*/
    cc, /* initial guess input; sol'n output*/
    globalstrategy, /* nonlinear strategy*/
    sc, /* scaling vector for variable cc */
    sc); /* scaling vector for function vals*/
/* Print final statistics and free memory */
if (my pe == 0) PrintFinalStats(kmem);
N_VDestroy_Parallel(cc);
N_VDestroy_Parallel(sc);
KINFree(&kmem);
FreeUserData(data);
MPI_Finalize();
return(0);
```















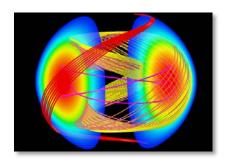




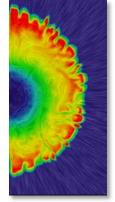


#### SUNDIALS has been used worldwide in applications from research and industry

- Power grid modeling (RTE France, ISU)
- Simulation of clutches and power train parts (LuK GmbH & Co.)
- Electrical and heat generation within battery cells (CD-adapco)
- 3D parallel fusion (SMU, U. York, LLNL)
- Implicit hydrodynamics in core collapse supernova (Stony Brook)
- Dislocation dynamics (LLNL)
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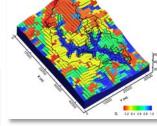
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