

# High-resolution finite element schemes for (magneto)hydrodynamics

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# Outline

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- Finite element approximation
- Flux-correction algorithm

## 2 Applications

- Idealized Z-pinch implosion model
- Ideal MHD equations

## 3 Efficient implementation

- Blocking and parallelization

- Weak formulation

$$\int_{\Omega} W \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} - \nabla W \cdot \mathbf{F}(U) \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Gamma} W \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{F}(U) \, ds = 0, \quad \forall W \in \mathcal{W}$$

- Group representation<sup>1</sup>

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- Semi-discrete high-order scheme

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- Semi-discrete low-order scheme

$$m_i \frac{dU_i}{dt} + \sum_{j \neq i} G_{ij} + D_{ij}(U_j - U_i) = 0 \quad m_i = \sum_j m_{ij}$$

- Flexibility in the choice of  $D_{ij}$  (Roe-/Rusanov-type)
  - Low-order scheme must satisfy physical constraints

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- Conservative flux decomposition  $m_i(U_i^H - U_i^L) = \sum_{j \neq i} \dot{F}_{ij}$

$$\dot{F}_{ij} = m_{ij} \left( \frac{dU_i}{dt} - \frac{dU_j}{dt} \right) + D_{ij}(U_i - U_j), \quad \dot{F}_{ji} = -\dot{F}_{ij}$$

- Predictor:** Compute the low-order solution  $U^L$  and  $\dot{U}^L \approx \frac{dU}{dt}$   
and linearize the raw antidiffusive flux  $F_{ji}^L = -F_{ij}^L$

$$F_{ij}^L = \Delta t \left[ m_{ij}(\dot{U}_i^L - \dot{U}_j^L) + D_{ij}(U_i^L - U_j^L) \right]$$

- Corrector:** Apply the limited *conservative* antidiffusive fluxes

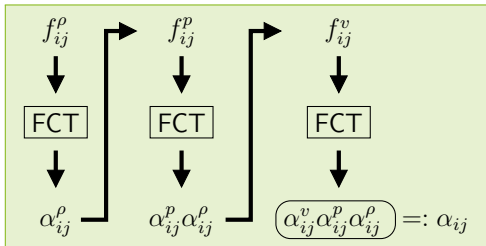
$$m_i U_i = m_i U_i^L + \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} F_{ij}^L \quad \alpha_{ji} = \alpha_{ij} \in [0, 1]$$



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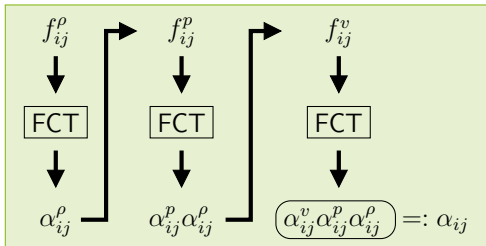
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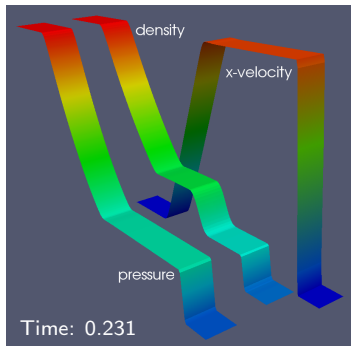
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# Benchmark: Sod's shock tube problem

- Transient compressible Euler equations in 2D
- Rusanov-type dissipation
- FCT:  $\alpha_{ij} = \alpha_{ij}^p \alpha_{ij}^\rho$
- $10n \times n$  grid,  $Q_1$  FEs



numerical convergence-order

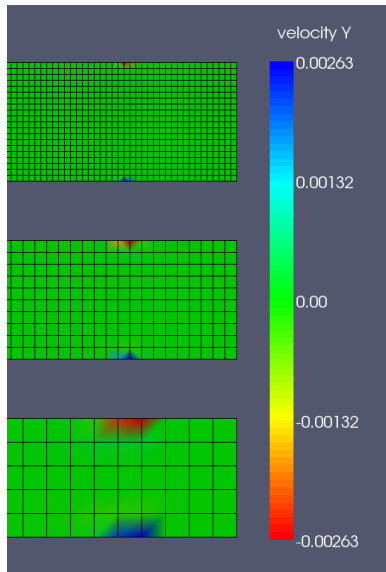
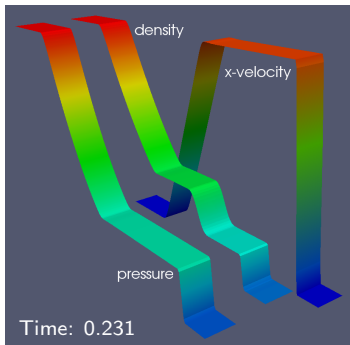
$$\kappa_u = \log \frac{\|u_{2h} - u_{4h}\|_1}{\|u_h - u_{2h}\|_1} / \log 2$$

Crank Nicolson time stepping				
FCT				
Low-order				
$n_{\text{fine}}$	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$
20	0.624	1.027	0.193	0.623
40	0.970	1.003	0.421	0.671
80	1.079	1.005	0.575	0.701
160	1.073	1.005	0.624	0.730

Backward Euler time stepping				
FCT				
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20	0.671	0.982	0.190	0.619
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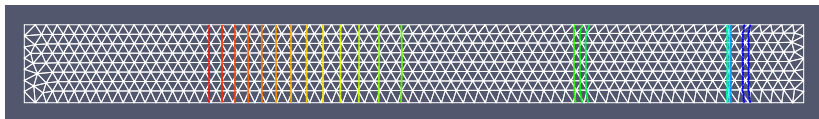
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Omitting the group FE representation in the boundary integral may lead to boundary errors!



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Coarse mesh with contour plot of density variable at time  $t = 0.231$

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18,176	0.925	0.876	0.364	0.665	0.955	0.841	0.357	0.662
72,704	0.874	0.800	0.539	0.679	0.820	0.732	0.536	0.679
290,816	0.806	0.934	0.614	0.718	0.765	0.875	0.616	0.719
1,163,264	0.948	0.966	0.641	0.739	0.889	0.905	0.642	0.740

Linearized FCT algorithm yields accurate and non-oscillatory solutions using  $P_1$  and  $Q_1$  finite elements on structured and unstructured meshes, respectively.

# Idealized Z-pinch implosion model<sup>6</sup>

- Generalized Euler system coupled with scalar tracer equation

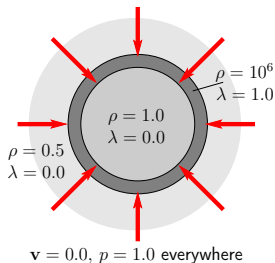
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \rho E \\ \rho \lambda \end{bmatrix} + \nabla \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \rho \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v} + p \mathcal{I} \\ \rho E \mathbf{v} + p \mathbf{v} \\ \rho \lambda \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{f} \\ \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Equation of state

$$p = (\gamma - 1)\rho(E - 0.5|\mathbf{v}|^2)$$

- Non-dimensional Lorentz force

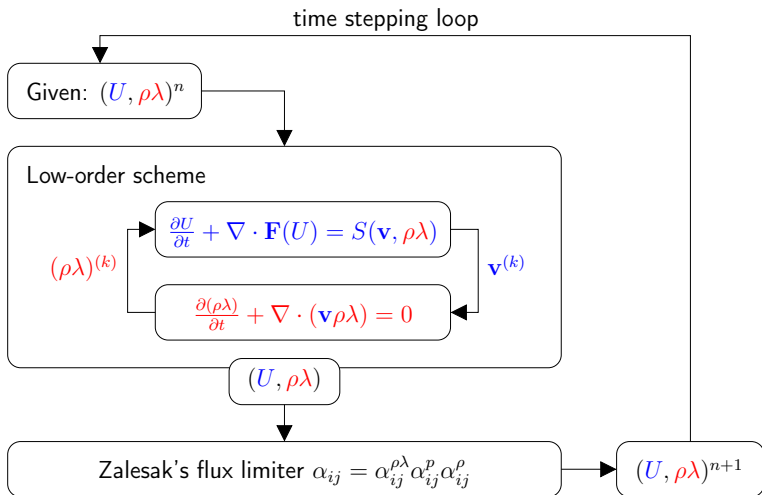
$$\mathbf{f} = (\rho \lambda) \left( \frac{I(t)}{I_{\max}} \right)^2 \frac{\hat{\mathbf{e}}_r}{r_{\text{eff}}}, \quad 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$$



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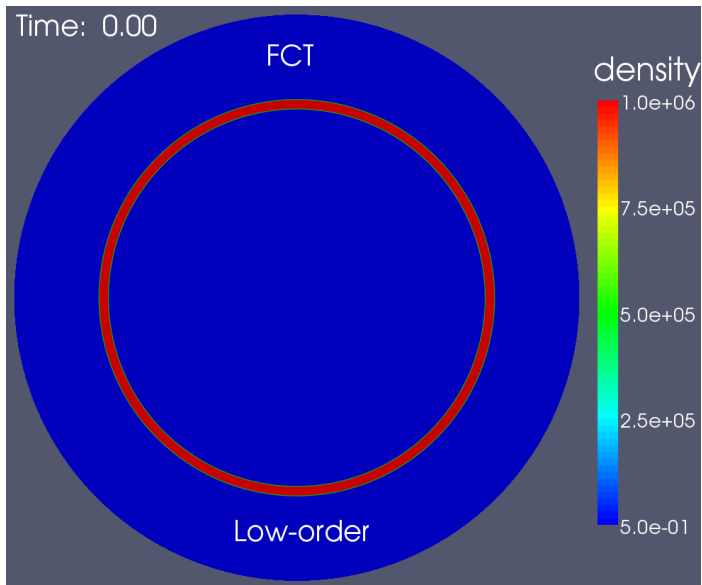
# Coupled solution algorithm

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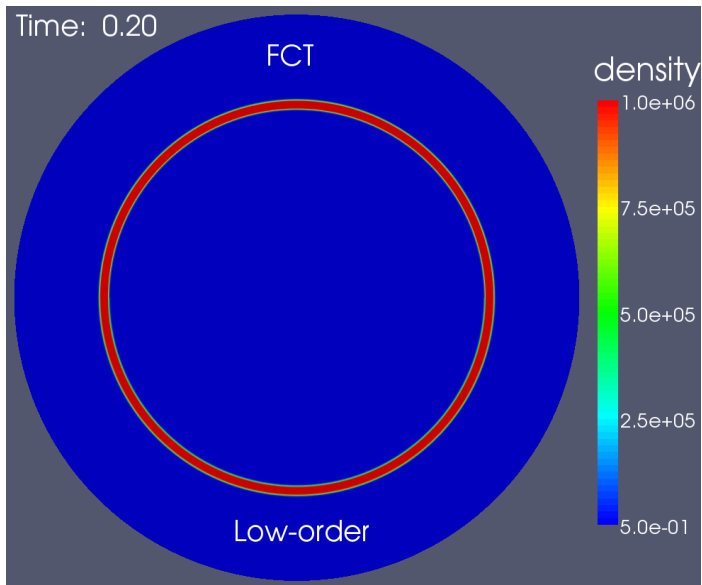
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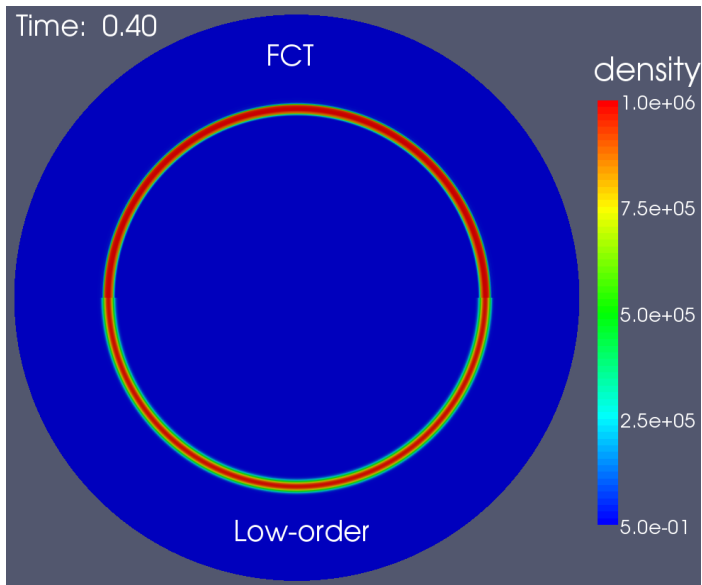
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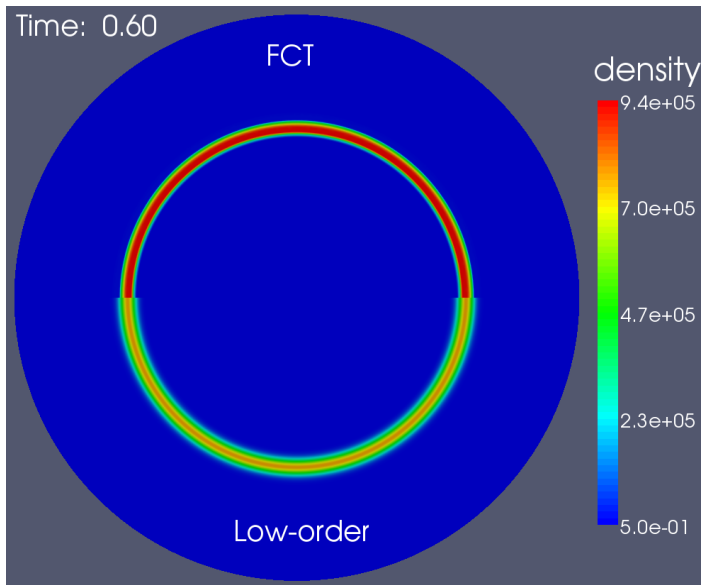
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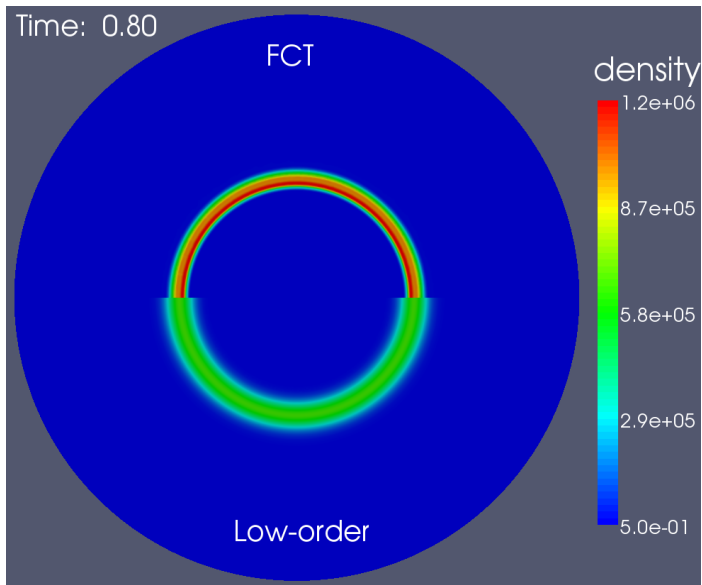
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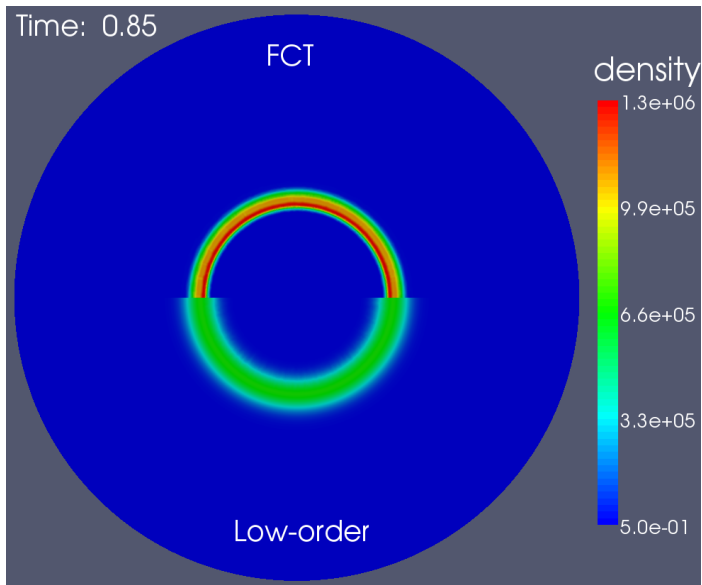
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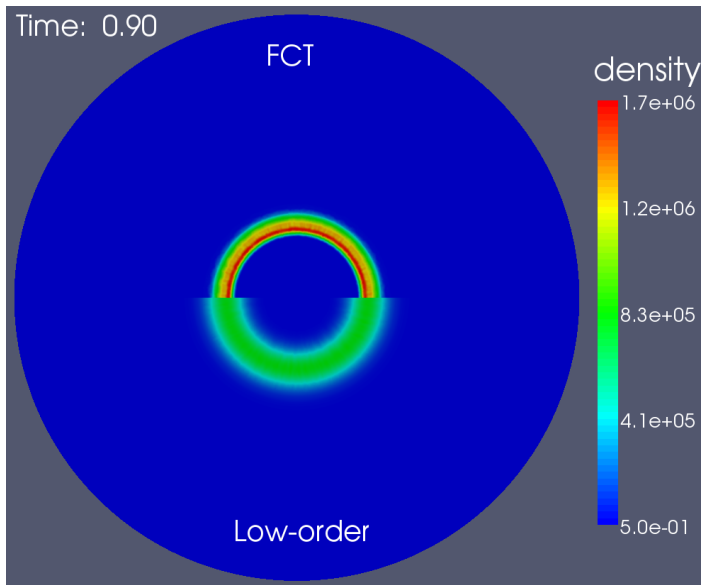
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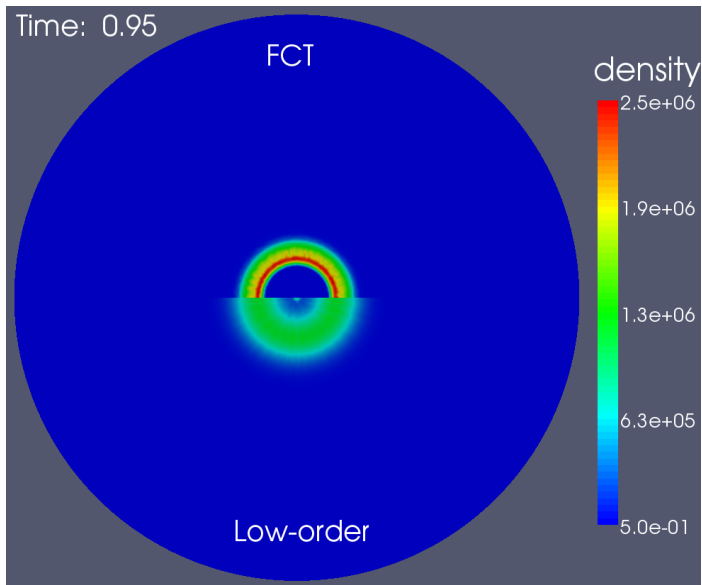
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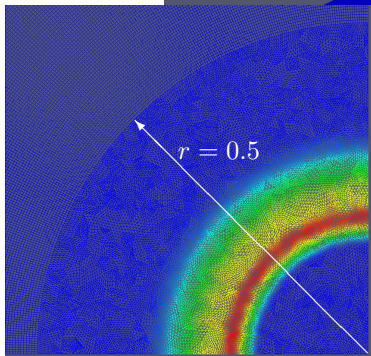
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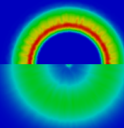


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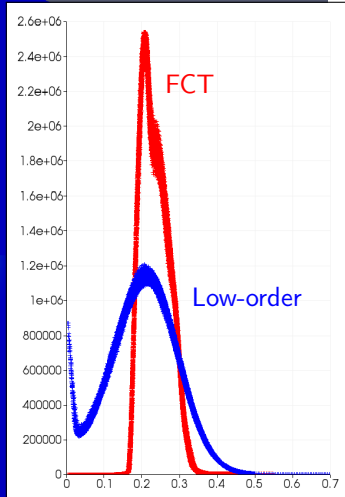
Time: 0.95



FCT



Low-order





# Ideal MHD equations

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- Idealized MHD equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{B} \\ \rho E \end{bmatrix} + \nabla \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \rho \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{v} + p \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{v} \\ \rho E \mathbf{v} + p \mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

subject to  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

- Divergence involution in 1D:  $\partial_x B_x = 0 \Rightarrow B_x = \text{const}$
- Hyperbolic conservation laws for 7 variables:  $\rho, \mathbf{v}, B_y, B_z, \rho E$
- Roe matrix (for arbitrary  $\gamma$ ) by Cargo and Gallice<sup>7</sup>
- FCT limiter is applied to control variables  $\rho, p, B_y$  and  $B_z$

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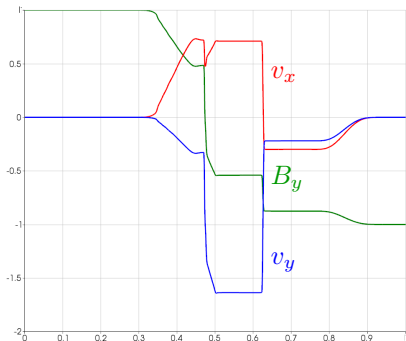
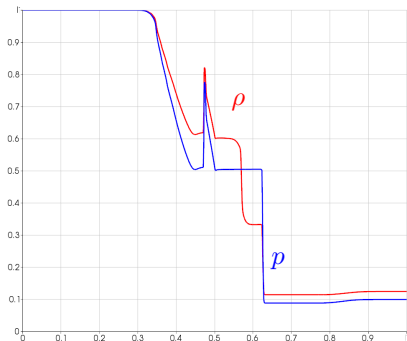
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# Benchmark: Shock tube problem

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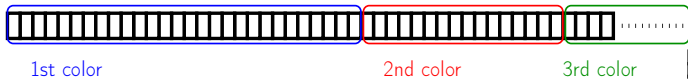
- $\gamma = 1.4$ ,  $B_x = 0.75$ ,  $t_{\text{fin}} = 0.1$ , 800 grid points

$$(\rho, \mathbf{v}, B_y, B_z, p)^T = \begin{cases} (1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0)^T & \text{if } x \leq 0.5 \\ (0.125, 0.0, -1.0, 0.0, 0.1)^T & \text{if } x > 0.5 \end{cases}$$



# Parallel edge-based assembly

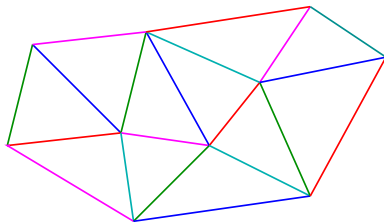
groups of precomputed edge coefficients  $\mathbf{c}_{ij}, \mathbf{c}_{ji}, \mathbf{m}_{ij}, \dots$



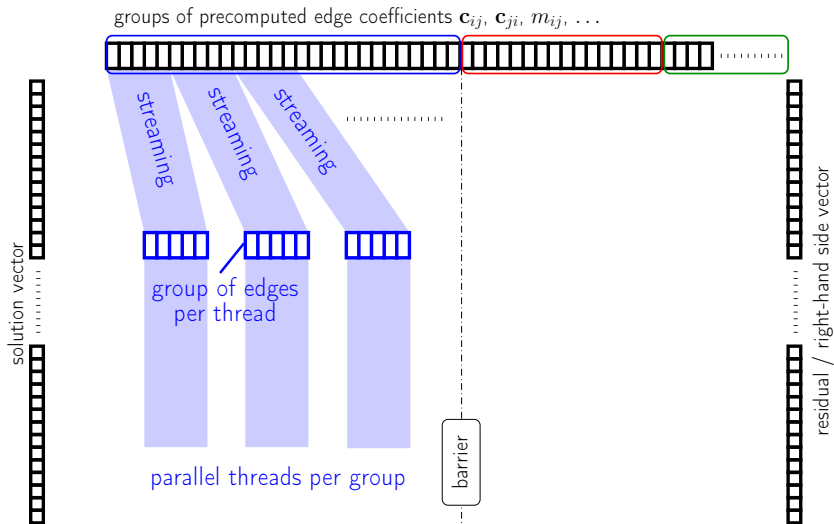
Perform edge-coloring of the FE sparsity graph such that all endpoints of all edges in one group are different and can be treated simultaneously.

solution vector

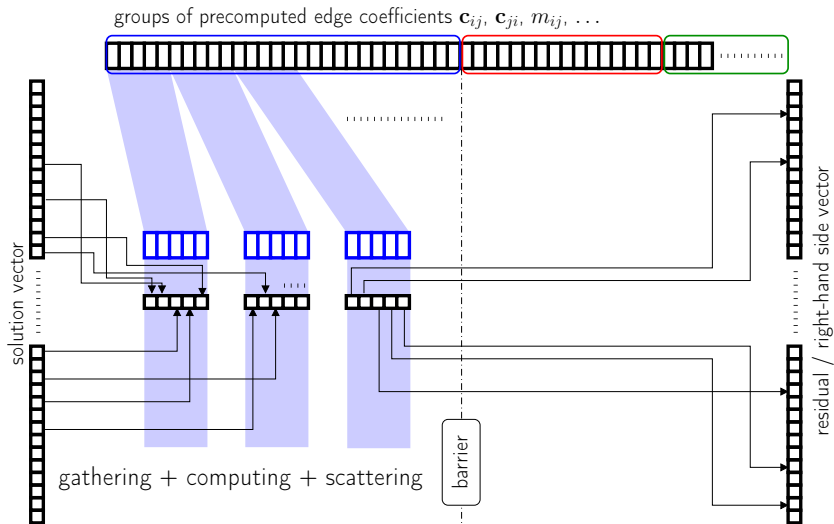
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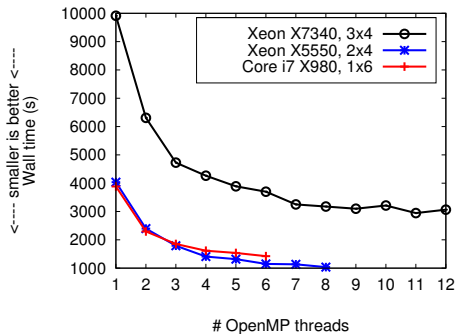


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# Computational efficiency

- 2D-Shock tube problem
- Roe-type dissipation
- FCT:  $\alpha_{ij} = \alpha_{ij}^p \alpha_{ij}^\rho$
- 290,816 triangles
- 2,310 time steps BE
- 800 edges per thread



Edge-based formulation leads to an efficient assembly of vectors/matrices

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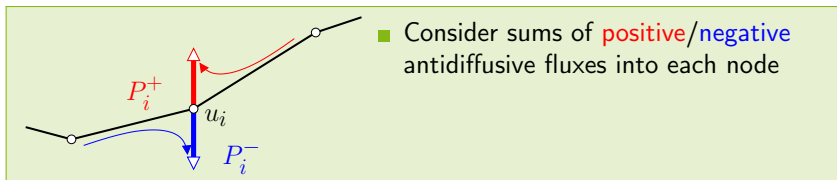
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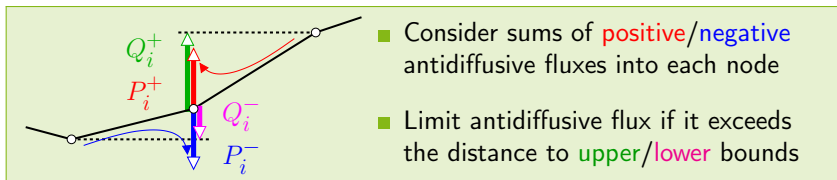
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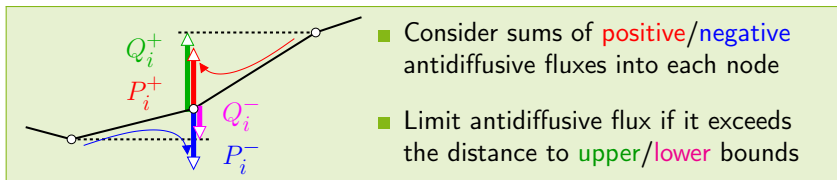
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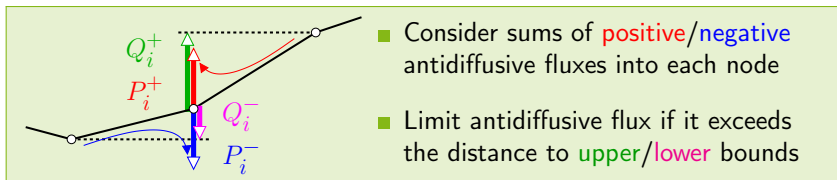
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$$\alpha_{ij} = \begin{cases} \min\{R_i^+, R_j^-\} & \text{for positive fluxes} \\ \min\{R_i^-, R_j^+\} & \text{for negative fluxes} \end{cases}$$

## Extended version of Zalesak's FCT limiter

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Input: auxiliary solution  $u^L$  and antidiffusive fluxes  $f_{ij}^u$ , where  $f_{ji}^u \neq f_{ij}^u$

- 1 Sums of positive/negative antidiffusive fluxes into node  $i$

$$P_i^+ = \sum_{j \neq i} \max\{0, f_{ij}^u\}, \quad P_i^- = \sum_{j \neq i} \min\{0, f_{ij}^u\}$$

- 2 Upper/lower bounds based on the local extrema of  $u^L$

$$Q_i^+ = m_i(u_i^{\max} - u_i^L), \quad Q_i^- = m_i(u_i^{\min} - u_i^L)$$

- 3 Correction factors  $\alpha_{ij}^u = \alpha_{ji}^u$  to satisfy the FCT constraints

$$\alpha_{ij}^u = \min\{R_{ij}, R_{ji}\}, \quad R_{ij} = \begin{cases} \min\{1, Q_i^+/P_i^+\} & \text{if } f_{ij}^u \geq 0 \\ \min\{1, Q_i^-/P_i^-\} & \text{if } f_{ij}^u < 0 \end{cases}$$

# Node-based transformation of control variables

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- Conservative variables: density, momentum, total energy

$$U_i = [\rho_i, (\rho \mathbf{v})_i, (\rho E)_i], \quad F_{ij} = [f_{ij}^\rho, \mathbf{f}_{ij}^{\rho v}, f_{ij}^{\rho E}], \quad F_{ji} = -F_{ij}$$

- Primitive variables  $V = TU$ : density, velocity, pressure

$$V_i = [\rho_i, \mathbf{v}_i, p_i], \quad \mathbf{v}_i = \frac{(\rho \mathbf{v})_i}{\rho_i}, \quad p_i = (\gamma - 1) \left[ (\rho E)_i - \frac{|(\rho \mathbf{v})_i|^2}{2\rho_i} \right]$$

$$G_{ij} = [f_{ij}^\rho, \mathbf{f}_{ij}^v, f_{ij}^p] = T(U_i)F_{ij}, \quad T(U_j)F_{ji} = G_{ji} \neq -G_{ij}$$

- Raw antidiffusive fluxes for the velocity and pressure

$$\mathbf{f}_{ij}^v = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{ij}^{\rho v} - \mathbf{v}_i f_{ij}^\rho}{\rho_i}, \quad f_{ij}^p = (\gamma - 1) \left[ \frac{|\mathbf{v}_i|^2}{2} f_{ij}^\rho - \mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{f}_{ij}^{\rho v} + f_{ij}^{\rho E} \right]$$