

## On a failsafe flux limiting approach for the Euler equations

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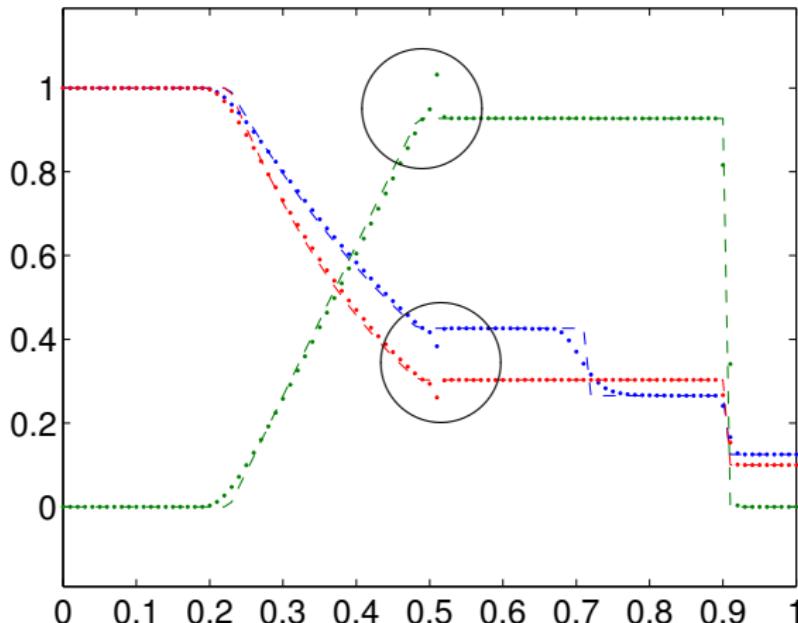
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# Motivation

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- High-resolution schemes yield accurate results. But . . .



Objective: to design flux corrected FEM with failsafe feature

# Outline

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## 1 High-resolution scheme

- Finite element approximation
- Flux-correction algorithm
- Failsafe post-processing

## 2 Applications

- Constrained initialization
- Idealized Z-pinch implosion model
- Ideal MHD equations

## 3 Conclusions

# Finite element approximation

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## ■ Weak formulation

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- Group representation<sup>1</sup>    $U_j(t) = U(\mathbf{x}_j, t), \quad \mathbf{F}_j(t) = \mathbf{F}(U_j(t))$

$$U(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \sum_j \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) U_j(t), \quad \mathbf{F}(U) \approx \sum_j \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{F}_j(t)$$

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$$m_i \frac{dU_i}{dt} = \sum_j (\mathbf{c}_{ji} - \mathbf{s}_{ij}) \cdot \mathbf{F}_j + \sum_{j \neq i} D_{ij} (U_j - U_i) \quad \forall i$$

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- Relation between high- and low-order schemes

$$\sum_j m_{ij} \frac{dU_j}{dt} = R_i^H \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad m_i \frac{dU_i}{dt} = R_i^L + \sum_{j \neq i} F_{ij}$$

- Raw antidiiffusive flux

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

Objective: *linearize* the raw antidiiffusive fluxes and *limit* them to prevent the generation of nonphysical under-/overshoots

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$$m_i U_i^{n+1} = m_i U_i^L + \Delta t \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} F_{ij}^L, \quad 0 \leq \alpha_{ij} = \alpha_{ji} \leq 1$$

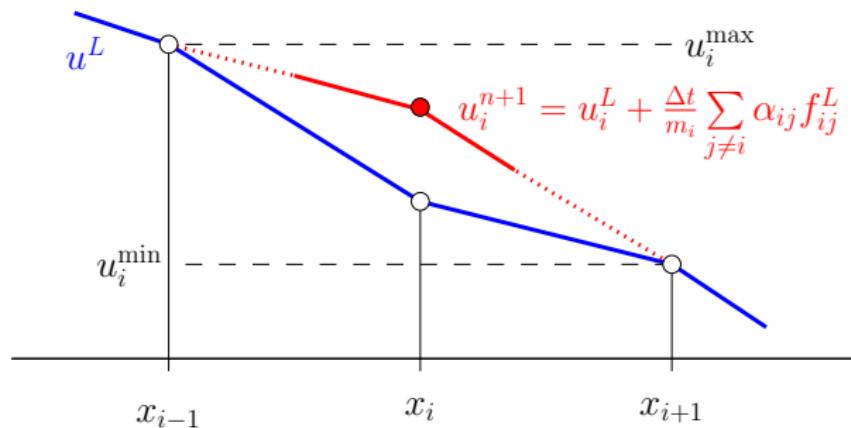
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## Flux limiting for scalar equations

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Zalesak's limiter<sup>3</sup> yields  $\alpha_{ij}$ 's such that the nodal values of the corrected solution are bounded by the local extrema of the low-order solution



<sup>3</sup>S. Zalesak, JCP 1979, 31(3), pp. 335–362

# Flux limiting for systems<sup>4</sup>

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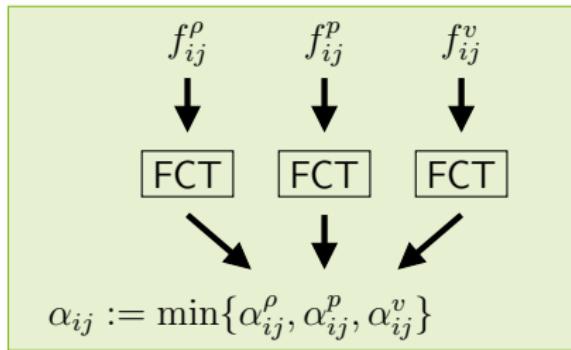
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- Apply correction factors to the *conservative* antidiffusive fluxes

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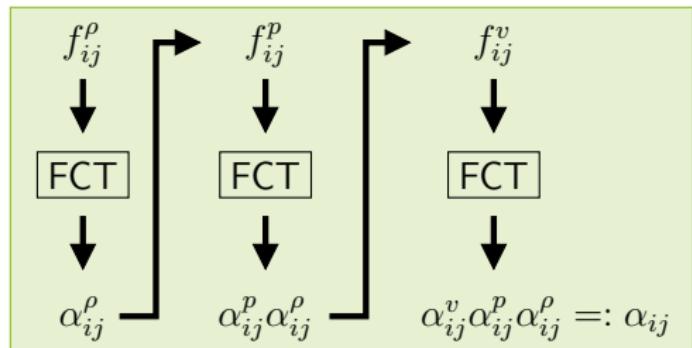
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## Flux limiting for systems<sup>4</sup>, cont'd

- Apply flux limiter to a set of control variables one after the other

Nodal transformation

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Remedy: enforce physically-motivated constraints by post-processing

$$\begin{aligned} m_i U_i^{FCT} &= m_i U_i^L + \Delta t \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} F_{ij}^L \\ \Leftrightarrow m_i U_i^L &= m_i U_i^{FCT} - \Delta t \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} F_{ij}^L \end{aligned}$$

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Example:  $\beta_{ij}^{(0)} \equiv 0$ ,  $\beta_{ij}^{(k)} := \begin{cases} k/K & \text{if failure is detected at } i, j \\ \beta_{ij}^{(k-1)} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

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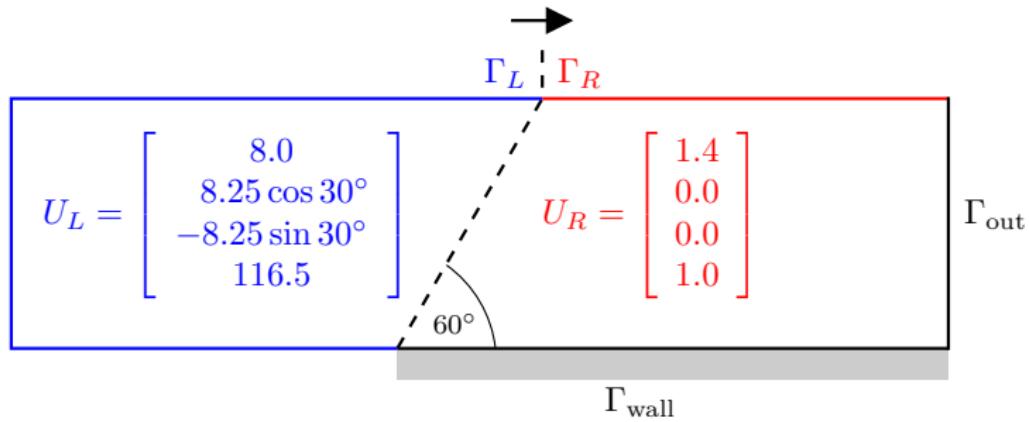
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# Double Mach reflection<sup>5</sup>

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Test: Roe-linearization + FCT, structured grid,  $Q_1$  finite elements

$T = 0.2$ , Crank Nicolson time stepping ( $\theta = 0.5$ ),  $\Delta t = 64h \cdot 10^{-4}$

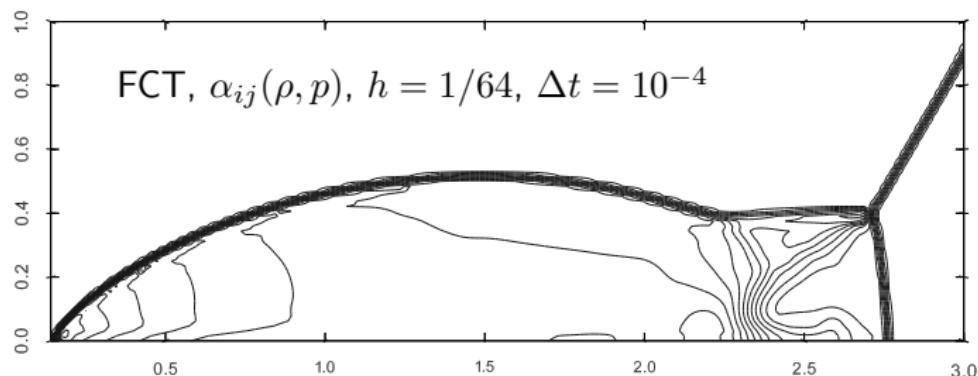
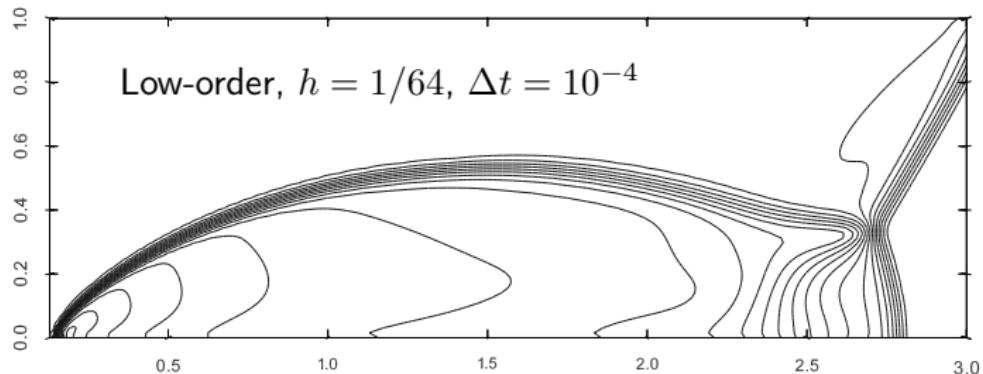


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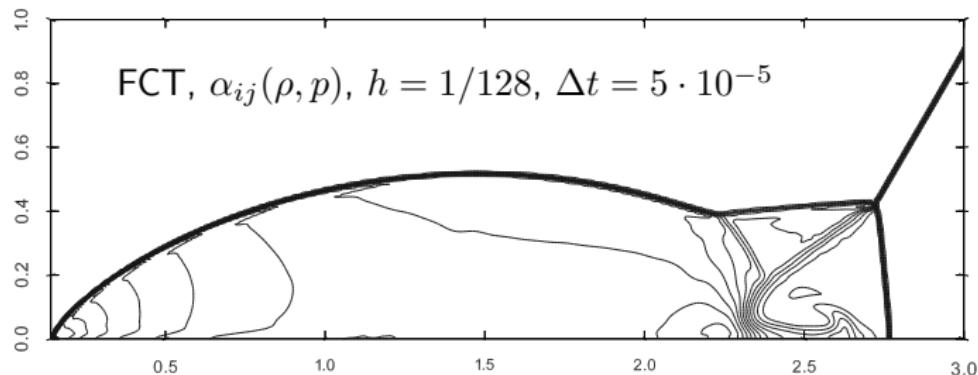
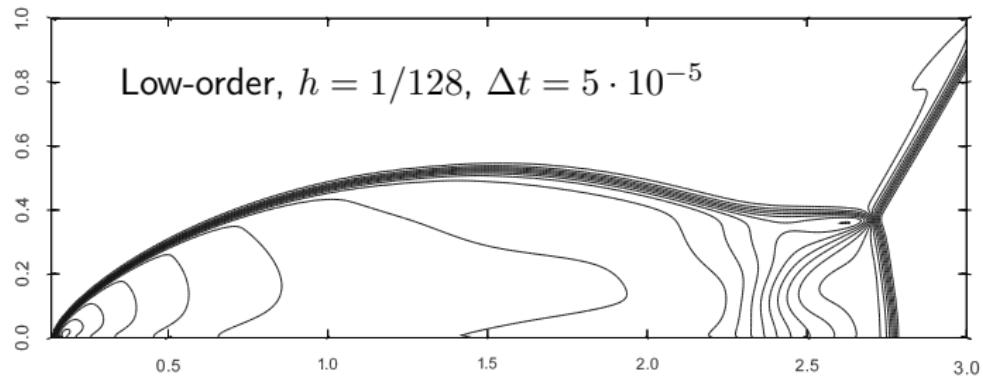
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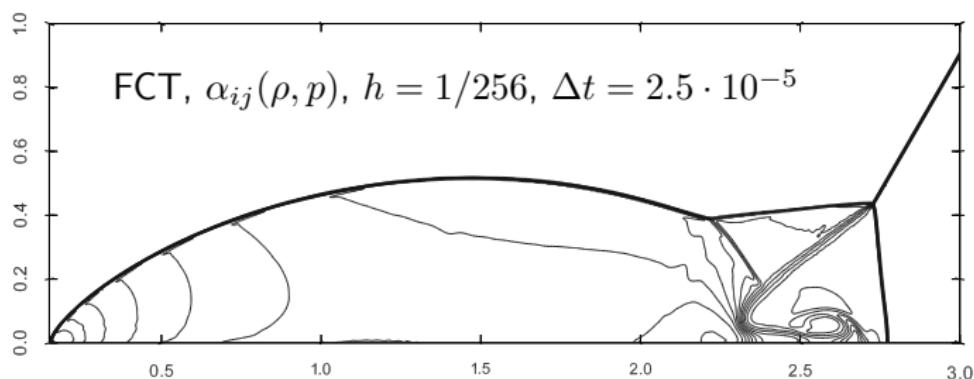
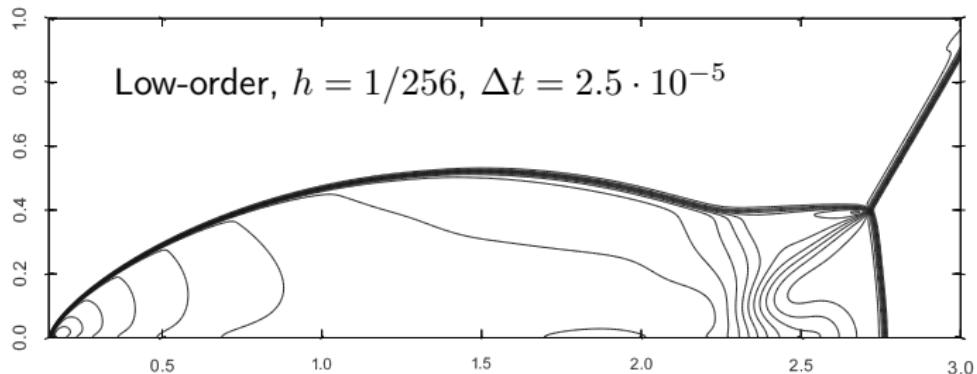
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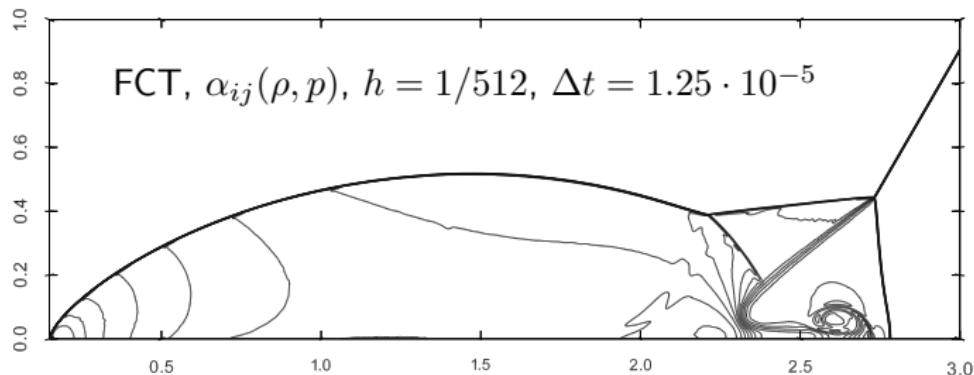
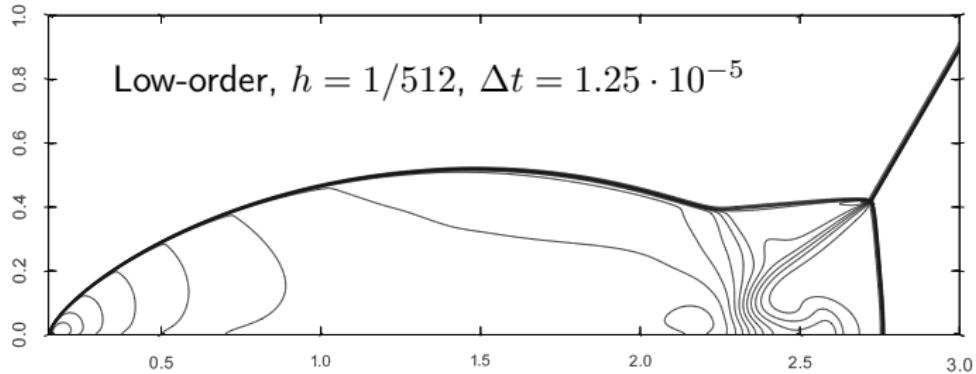
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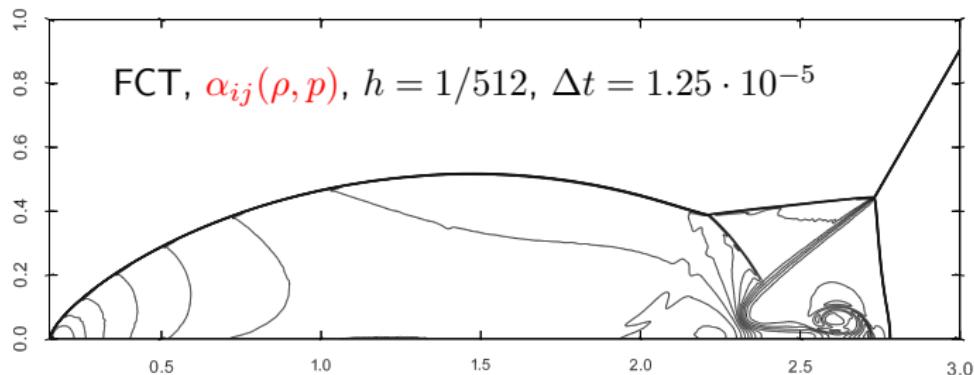
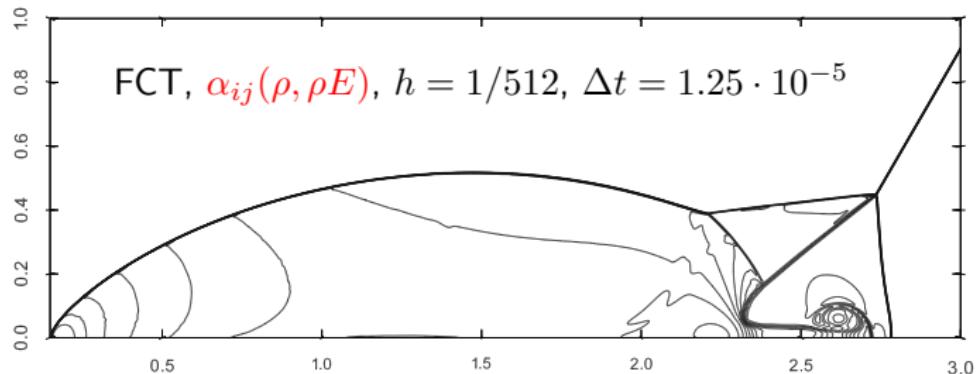
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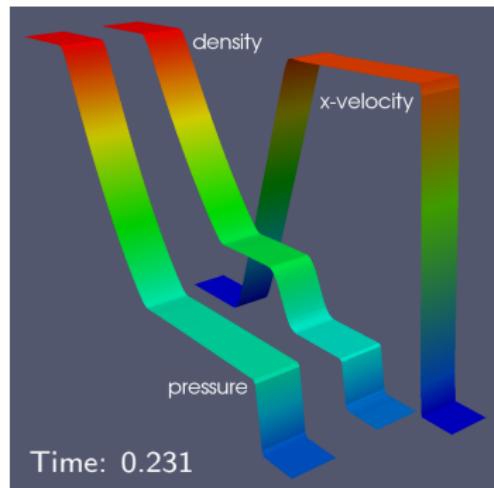


# Sod's shock tube problem

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Test: Rusanov-type dissipation + FCT,  $\alpha_{ij}(\rho, p)$ ,  $10n \times n$  grid,  $Q_1$  FEs

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

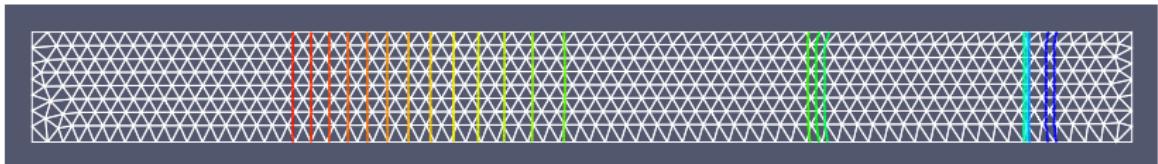


$n_{\text{fine}}$	Crank Nicolson time stepping			
	FCT		Low-order	
	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$
20	0.624	1.027	0.193	0.623
40	0.970	1.003	0.421	0.671
80	1.079	1.005	0.575	0.701
160	1.073	1.005	0.624	0.730

$n_{\text{fine}}$	Backward Euler time stepping			
	FCT		Low-order	
	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_\rho$	$\kappa_p$
20	0.671	0.982	0.190	0.619
40	0.980	0.950	0.416	0.669
80	0.977	0.947	0.575	0.701
160	0.981	0.945	0.624	0.730

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

#trias	Crank Nicolson time stepping				Backward Euler time stepping			
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	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$	$\kappa_p$
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.

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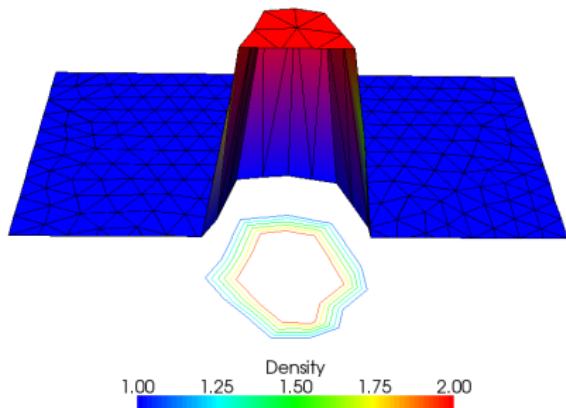
# Constrained initialization

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Test: discontinuous initial data with  $P_1$  FEs on unstructured mesh

$$\Omega = (-0.5, 0.5)^2, \quad \Omega_{\text{in}} = \{(x, y) \in \Omega \mid r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < 0.13\}$$

	$\Omega_{\text{in}}$	$\Omega \setminus \Omega_{\text{in}}$
$\rho_0$	2.0	1.0
$\mathbf{v}_0$	0.0	0.0
$p_0$	15.0	1.0



- Pointwise initialization

$$U_h(x_i, y_i) := U_0(x_i, y_i)$$

is not conservative!

$\int_{\Omega} \rho_0 \, d\mathbf{x}$	$\int_{\Omega} (\rho E)_0 \, d\mathbf{x}$	$\int_{\Omega} \rho_h \, d\mathbf{x}$	$\int_{\Omega} (\rho E)_h \, d\mathbf{x}$
1.05309	4.35825	1.04799	4.17949

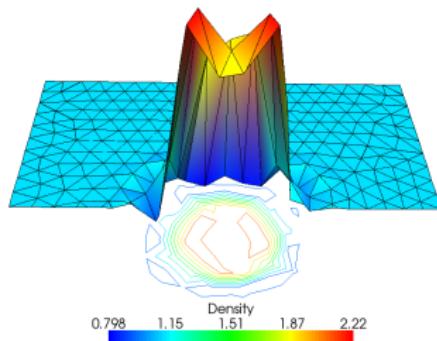
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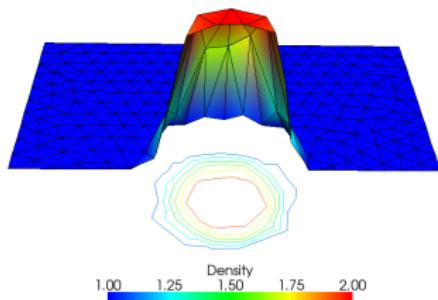
- Conservative initialization by  $L_2$  projection

$$U_h = \sum_j \varphi_j U_j : \quad \int_{\Omega} W_h U_h d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} W_h U_0 d\mathbf{x} \quad \forall W_h \in \mathcal{W}_h$$

Consistent mass matrix



Lumped mass matrix



$$\sum_j m_{ij} U_j^C = \int_{\Omega} \varphi_i U_0 d\mathbf{x}$$

$$m_i U_i^L = \int_{\Omega} \varphi_i U_0 d\mathbf{x}$$

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- Relation between consistent and lumped  $L_2$  projection

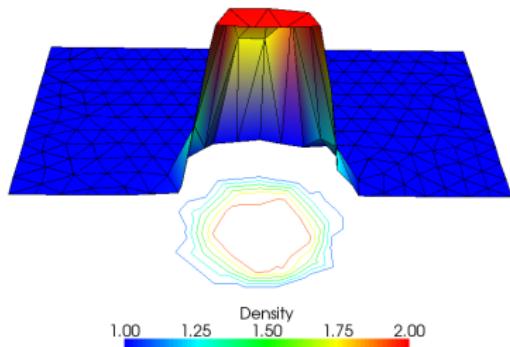
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- Constrained  $L_2$  projection

$$m_i U_i = m_i U_i^L + \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} F_{ij}$$

Apply failsafe flux correction  
machinery to compute

$$0 \leq \alpha_{ij} = \alpha_{ji} \leq 1$$



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

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- Generalized Euler system coupled with scalar tracer equation

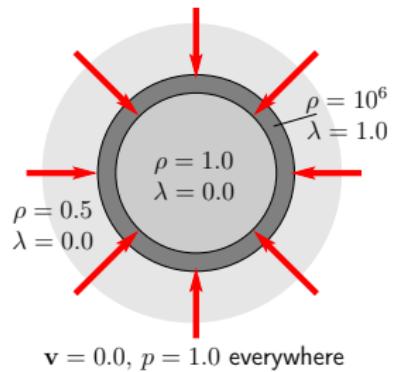
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- Equation of state

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

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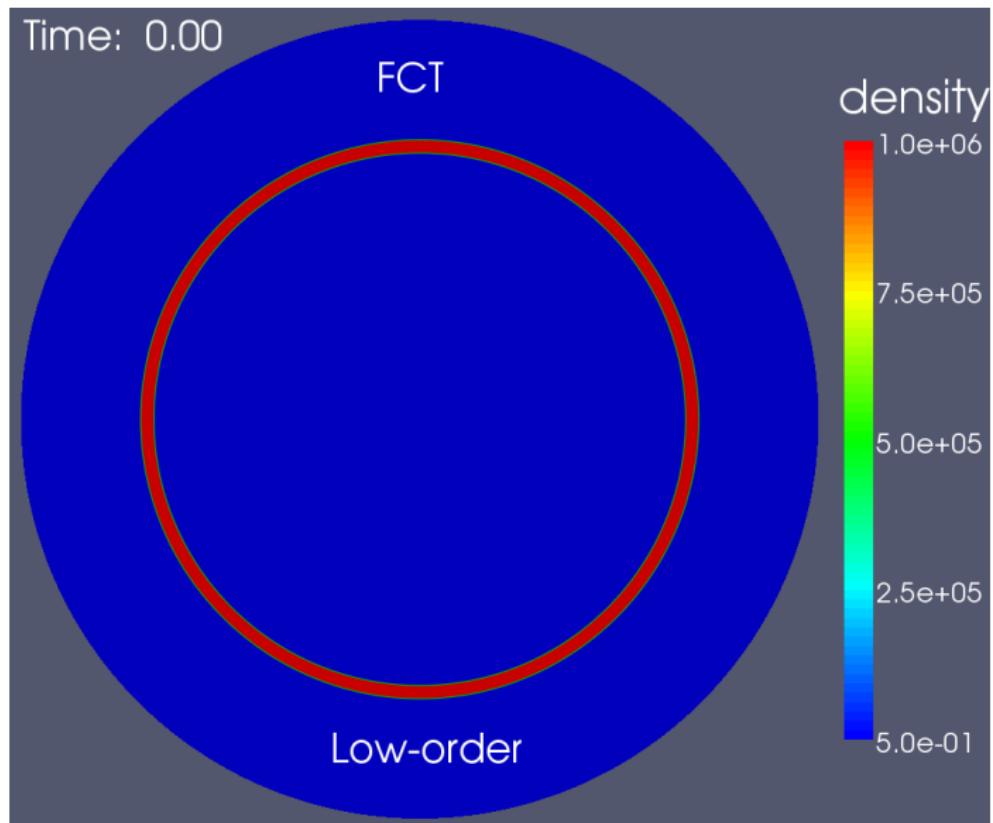


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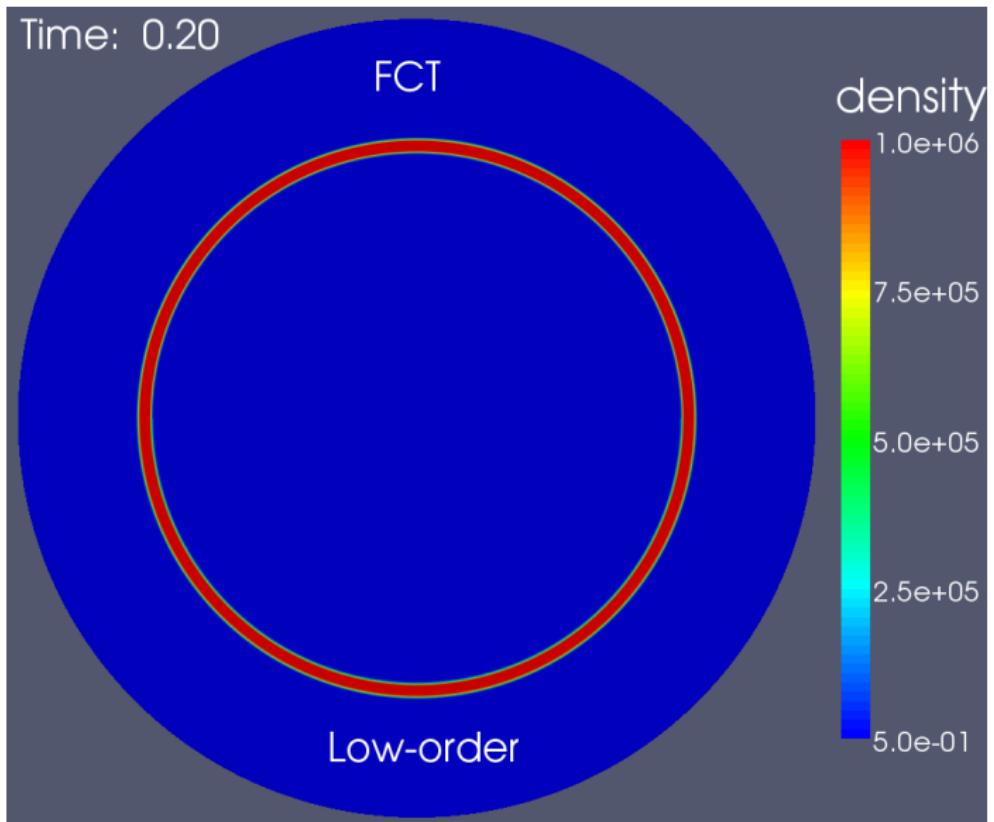
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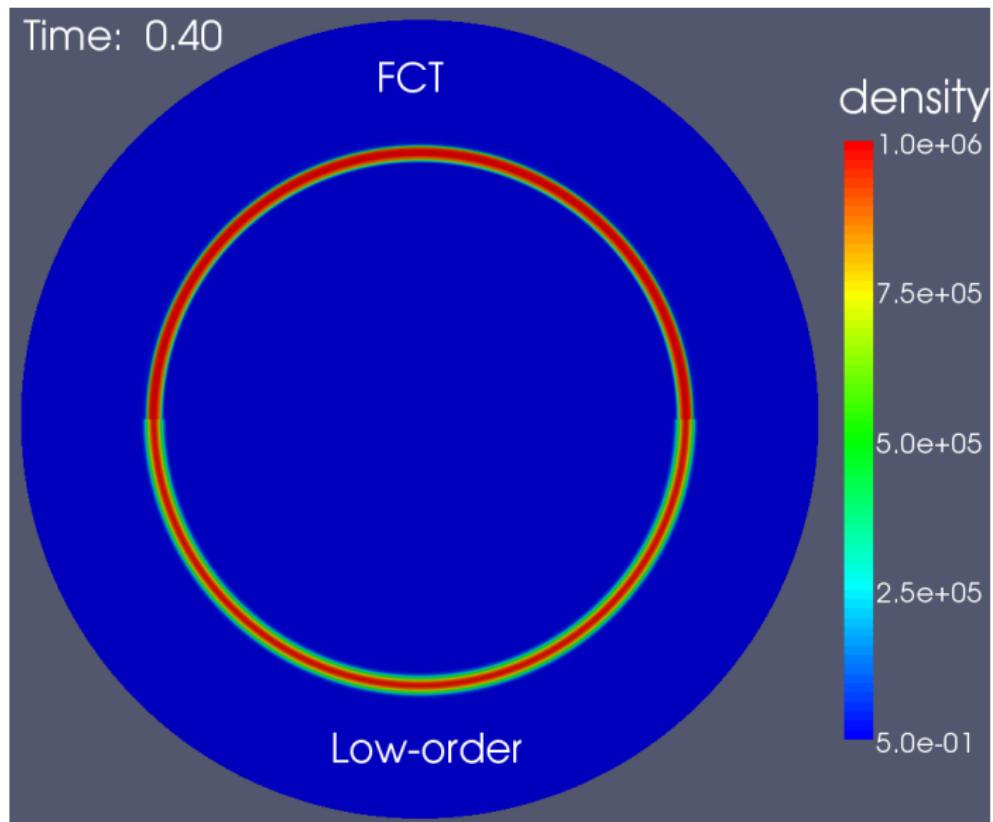
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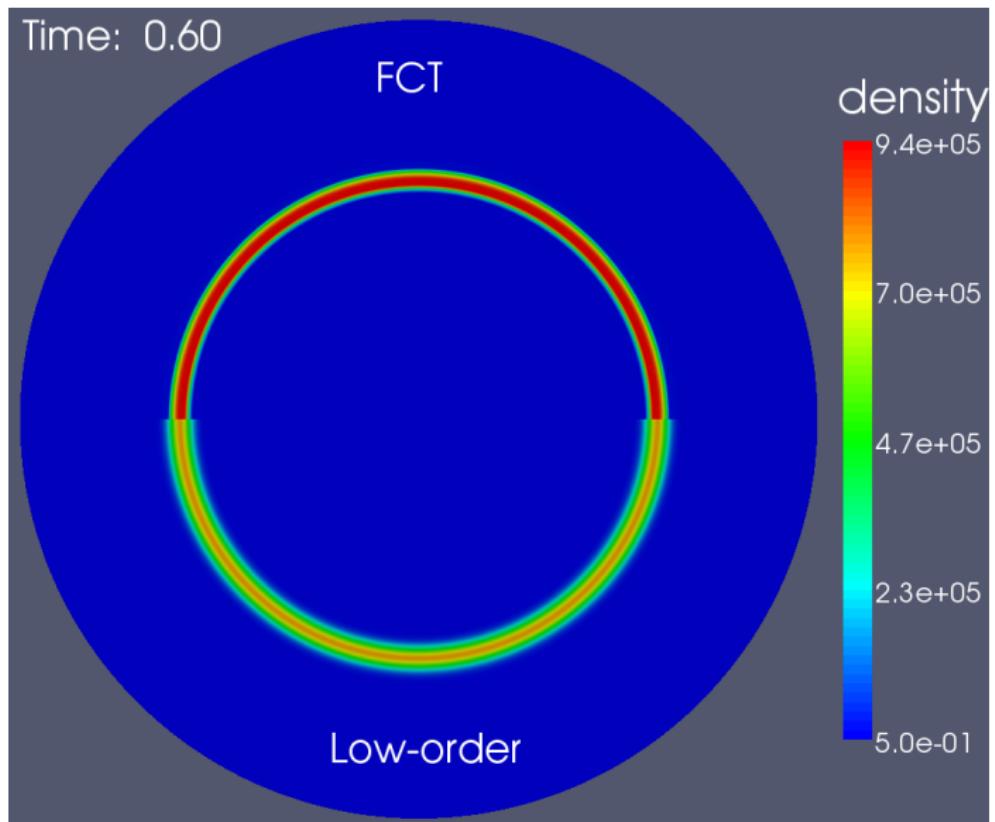
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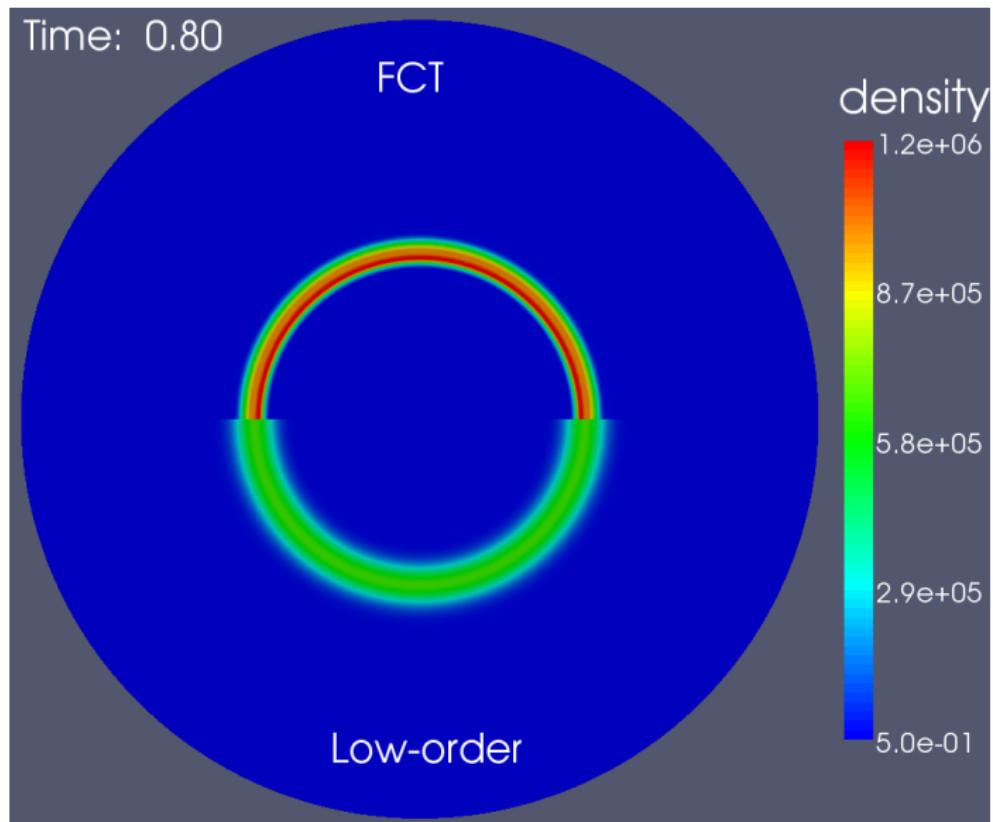
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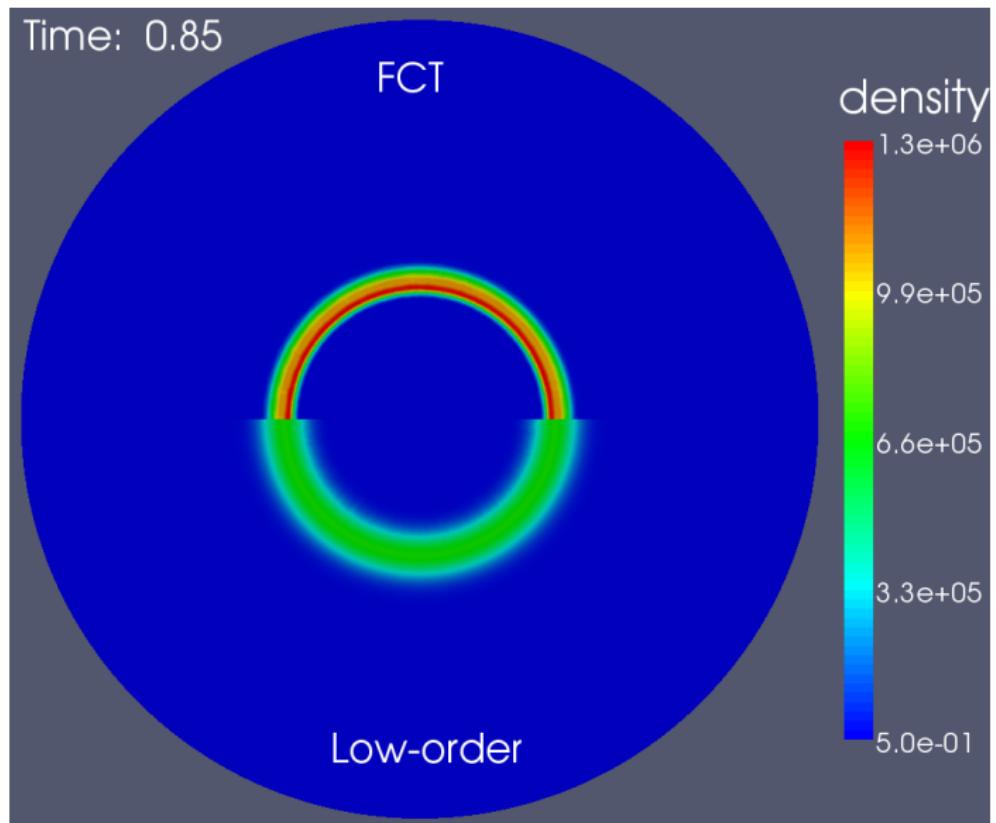
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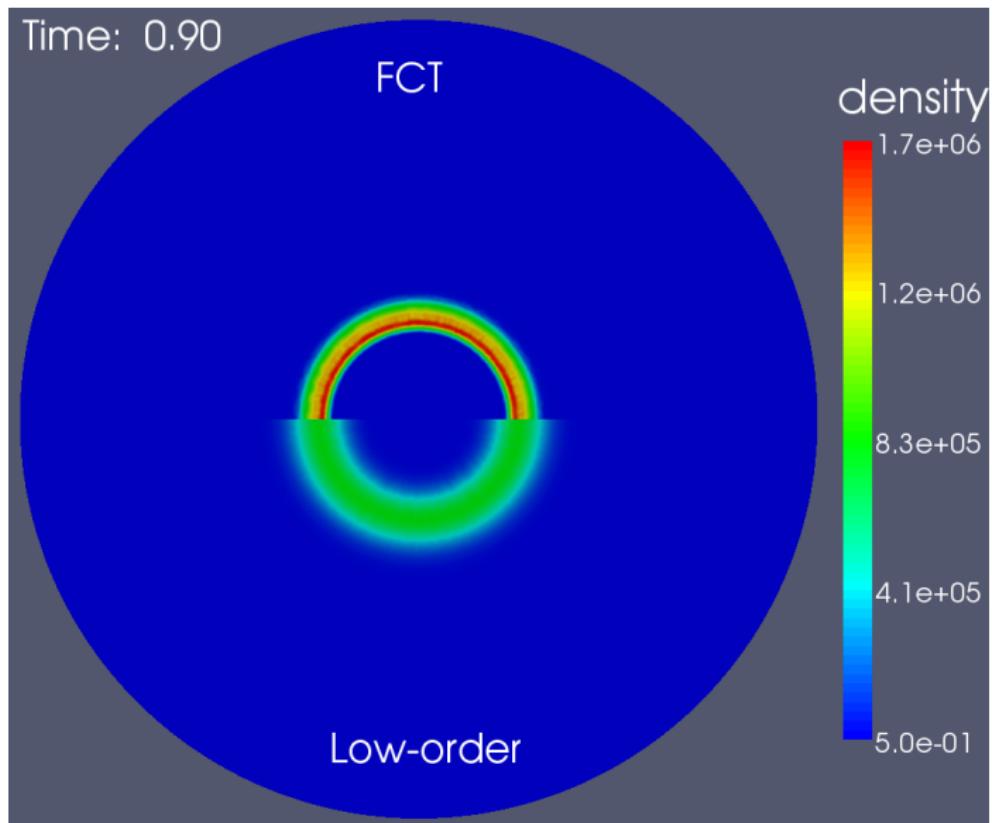
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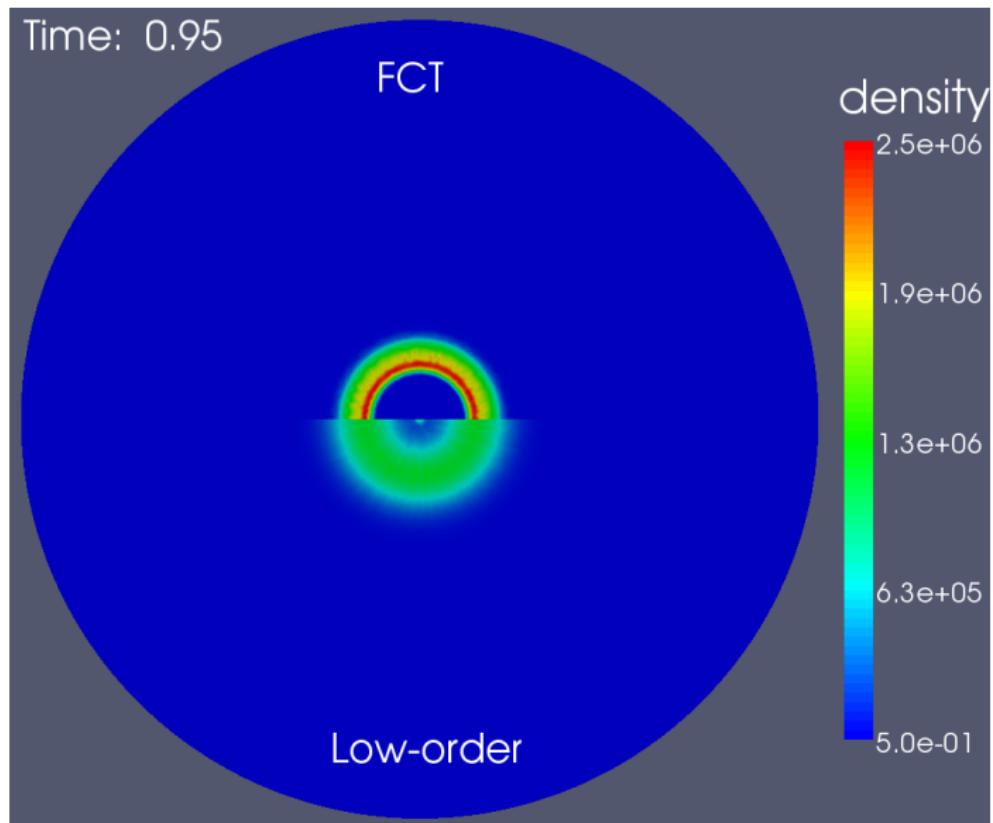
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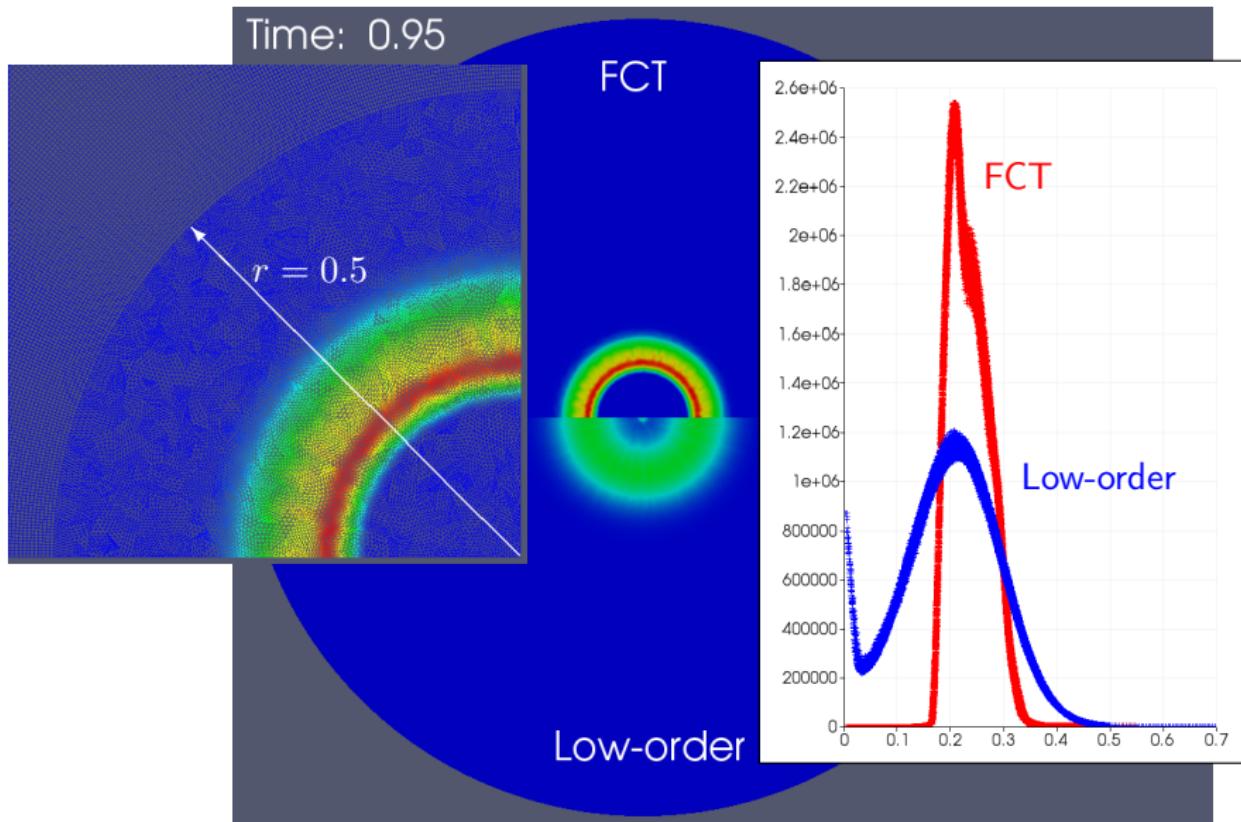
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subject to  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$

- Divergence involution in 1D:  $\partial_x B_x = 0 \Rightarrow B_x = const$
- 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>
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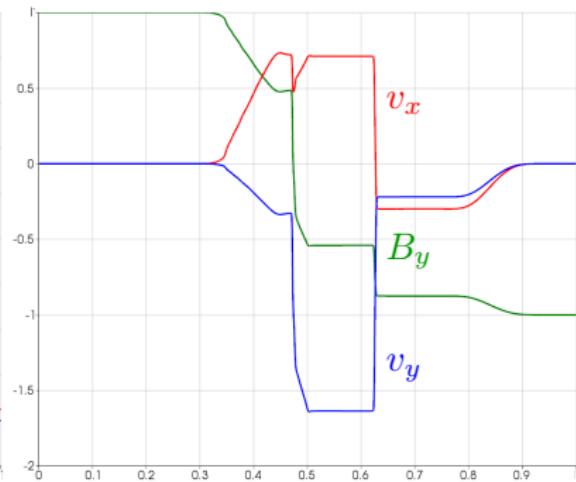
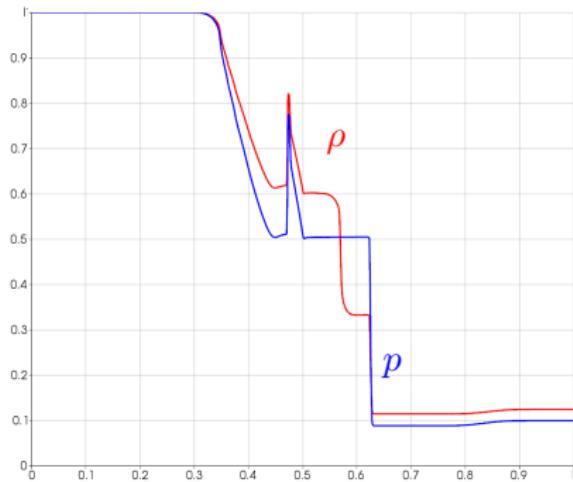
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# Shock tube problem

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

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



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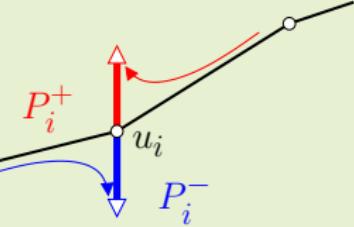
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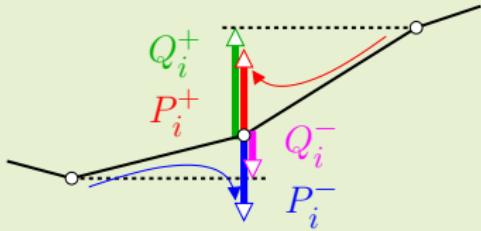
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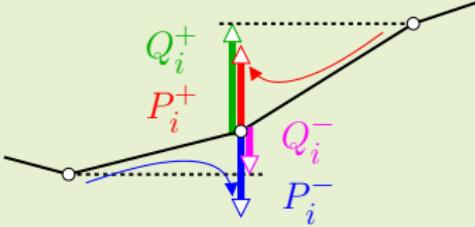
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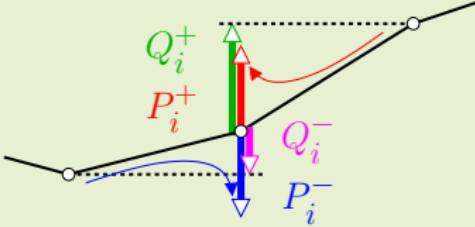
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$$\alpha_{ij} = \begin{cases} \min\{R_i^+, R_j^-\} & \text{for positive fluxes} \\ \min\{R_i^-, R_j^+\} & \text{for negative fluxes} \end{cases}$$

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# 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 antidiiffusive fluxes for the velocity and pressure

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