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## Abstract

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# We are interested in cell-centered hydro (CCH) as a possible alternative to staggered-grid hydro (SGH)

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## Background

- Staggered Lagrangian methods (SGH) have been a practical tool for large-scale simulations since before 1950
- Nevertheless, SGH has many known flaws with respect to: mesh imprinting, spurious vorticity, shock capturing, symmetry preservation, and energy conservation
- Cell-centered Eulerian hydro formulations have been around for many years
- Earliest suggestion for cell-centered Lagrangian (CCH) seems to have been by Ruppel & Harlow in 1981, leading to the CAVEAT code
- Recently there has been renewed interest in CCH (Barlow, Burton, Despres, Luttwak, Maire, Shashkov, & others)

To be a viable alternative to SGH, CCH must have comparable capabilities in the areas of:

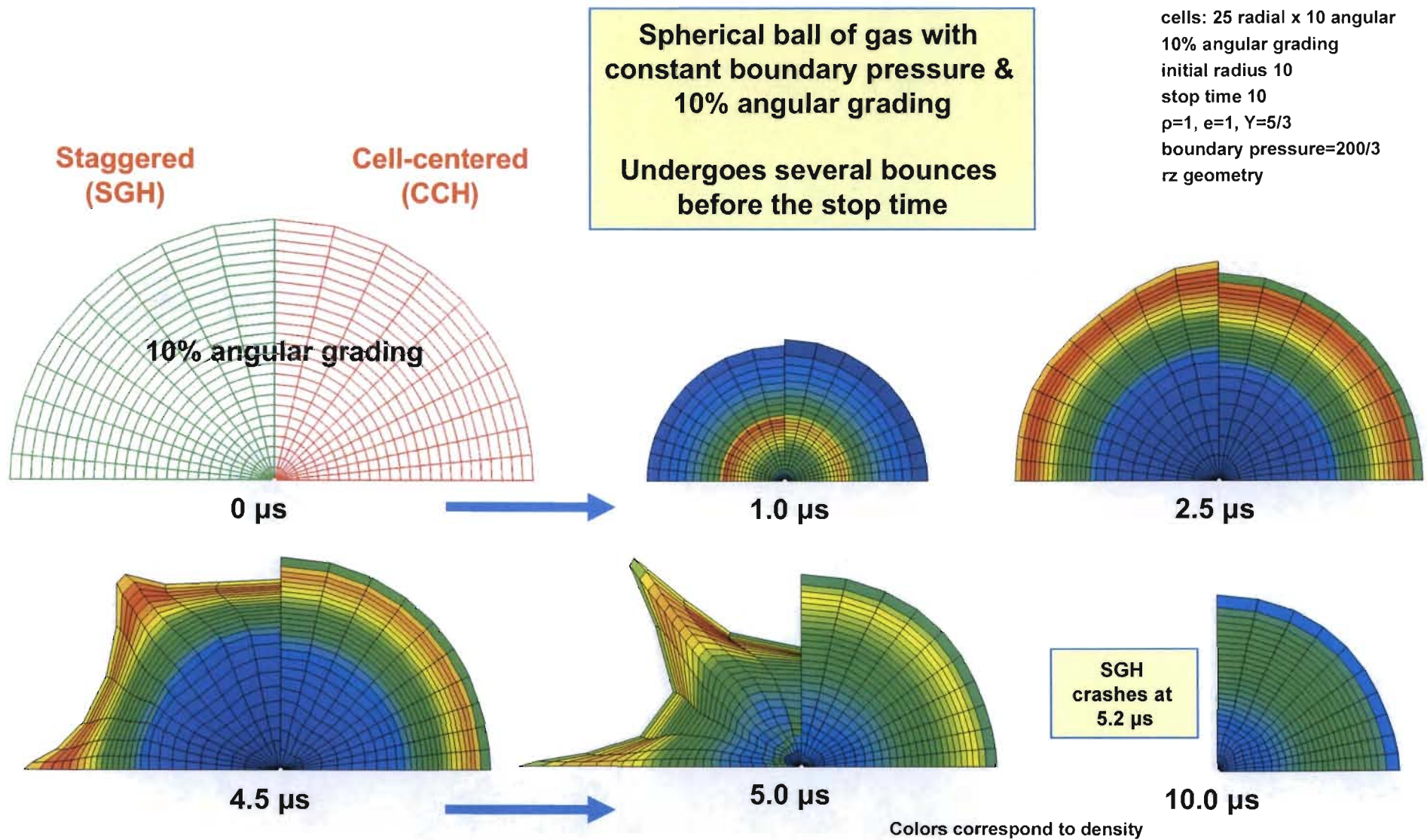
- Material strength
- Multi-material cells
- Unstructured polytopal grids
- Multi-dimensional formulation with curvilinear geometry
- Advection
- etc.

We will demonstrate some of these capabilities, but the presentation will focus on:

- Mimetic derivation of the difference equations



## Interest in alternatives to SGH is motivated by problems like the Pressurized Ball that suggest CCH is more stable



## Because we are in relatively unexplored territory, we used a mimetic approach to guide the derivation of the difference scheme

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### Motivation:

- Areas of interest (strength, multi-material cells, ...) have not been widely investigated in a CCH context
- Our preliminary implementations of CCH seemed to be sensitive (or surprisingly insensitive) to algorithmic variations

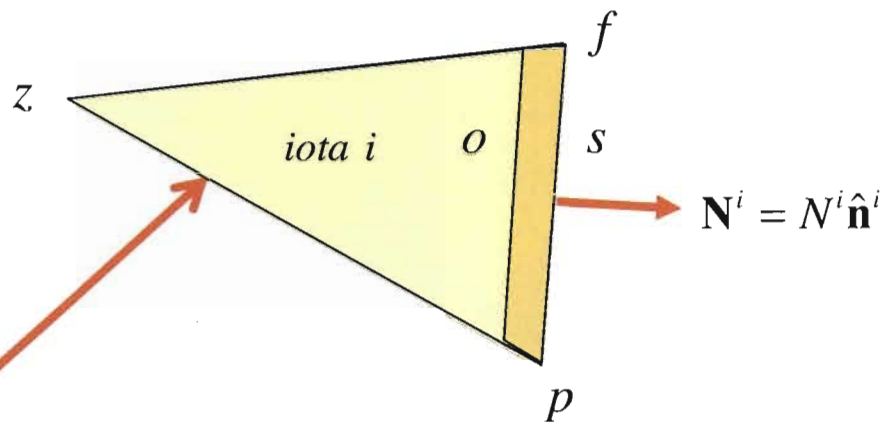
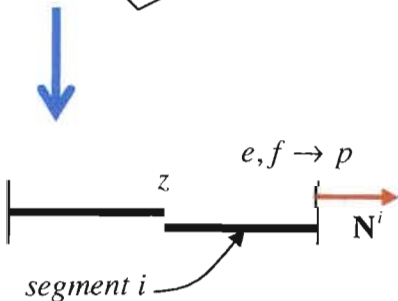
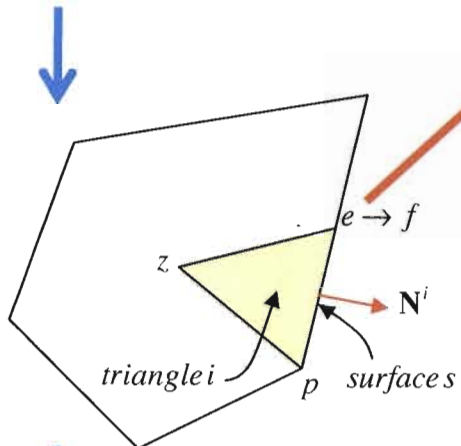
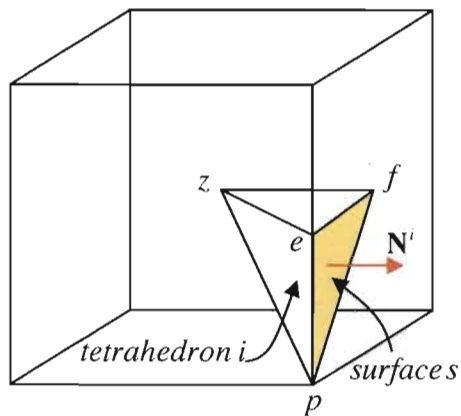
The **mimetic approach** considers not only the finite volume differencing of

- Evolution equations
- Flux conservation equations

but also ancillary relationships that place constraints on the formulation

- Geometric volume conservation
- Curl & divergence identities
- Angular momentum
- Entropy production

## Polytopal grids are described by connectivity that collapses naturally from 3D to 2D & 1D



The basic connectivity structure is called an “**iota**”

Variables are located relative to the iota; e.g.,

$\mathbf{u}_z^i$  is the cell center velocity relative to iota i

$\sigma_s^i$  is the surface stress tensor for iota i

$\mathbf{N}^i = N^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i$  is the outward surface normal

Sums are usually over iotas connected to points or cells; e.g.,

The sum of surface vectors about a cell is

$$\sum_i \mathbf{N}^i = 0$$

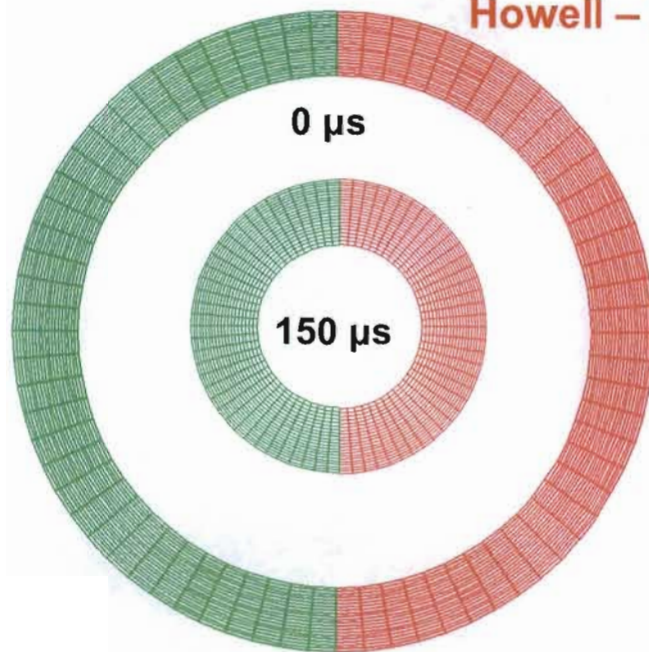
and that about a point is

$$\sum_i \mathbf{N}^i = 0$$



# The Howell (2Dxy) and Verney (3D) problems demonstrate both multi-dimensional and strength capabilities

Howell – 2Dxy



Elastic-plastic shell coasts inward until it stops

- 4 cm cylindrical
- 3 cm spherical

Initial velocity field is divergence-free

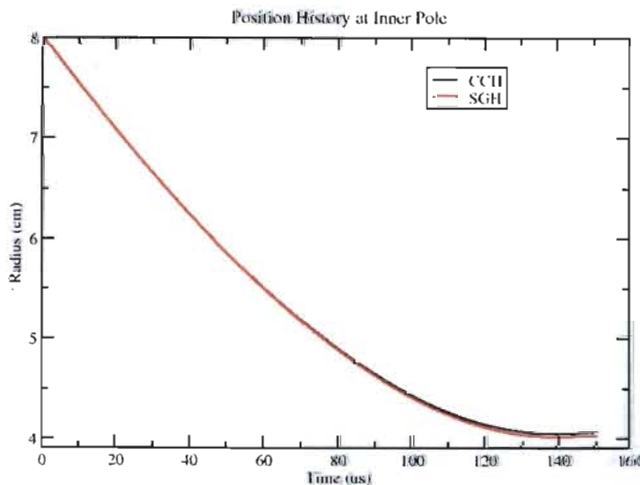
$$u(r) = u_0 \left( \frac{R_{outer}}{r} \right)^{\alpha-1}$$

Solid model

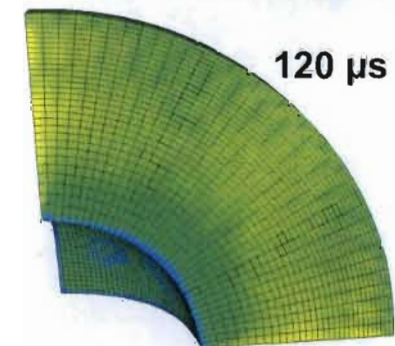
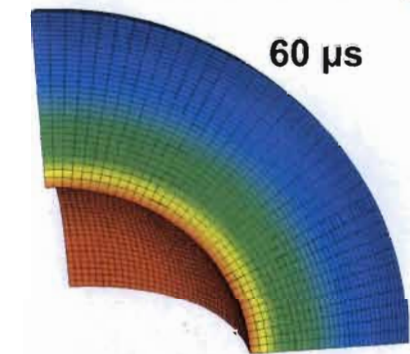
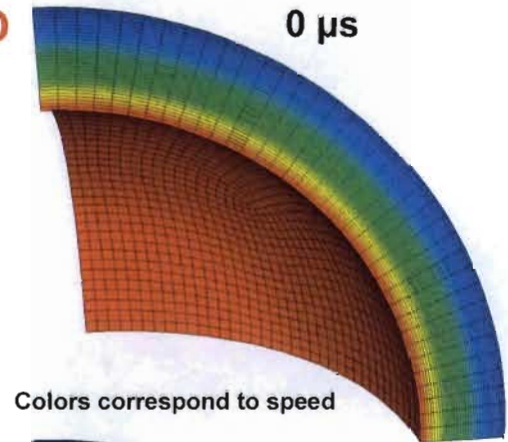
- Generic hypo-elastic plastic

Hugoniot

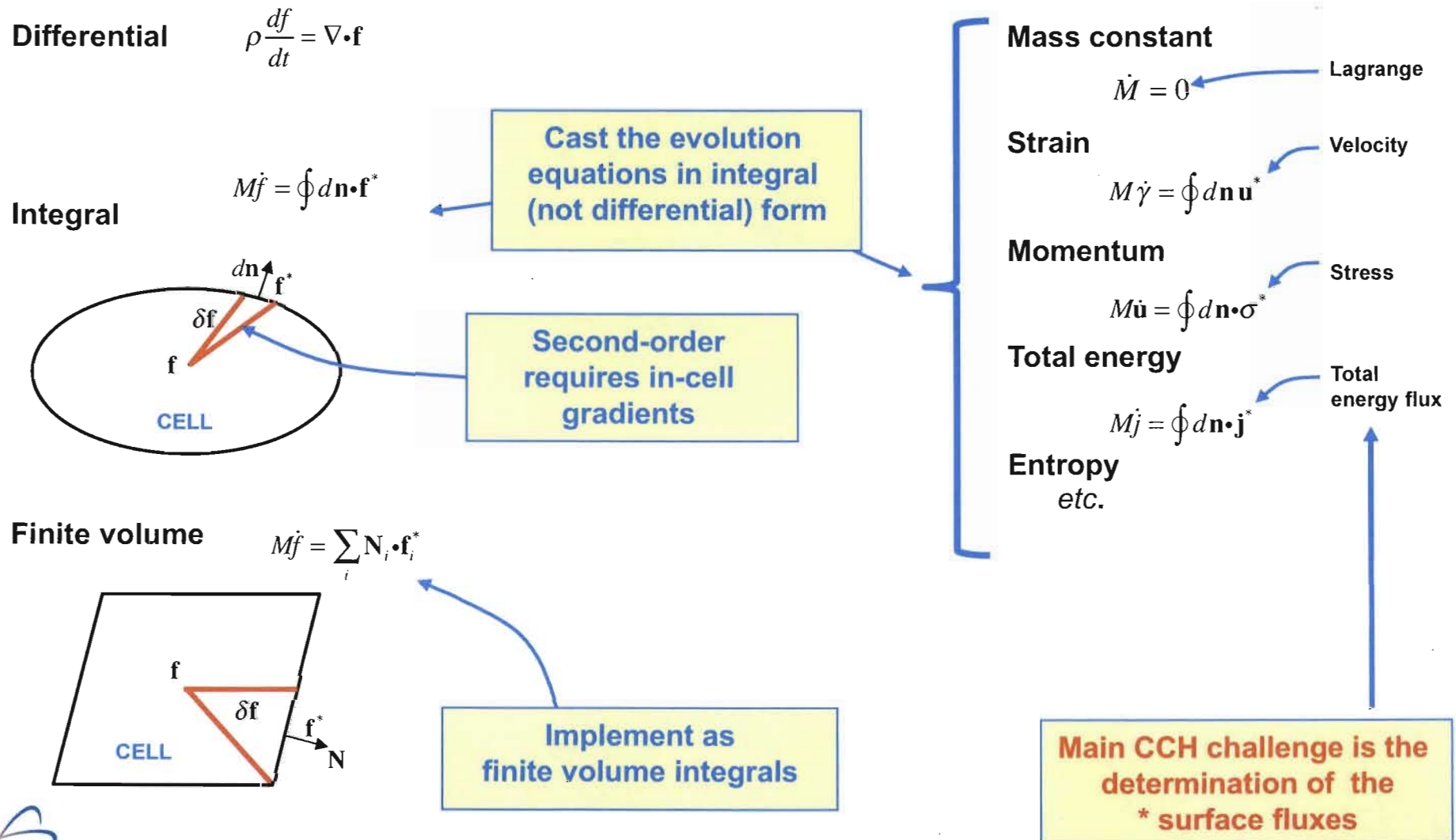
- Approximated by Dukowicz form



Verney – 3D



# The mimetic approach begins with a conservative finite volume method



# To determine the surface fluxes, we must consider more than the evolution equations

## Finite volume

## Ancillary equations

### Mass

$$\dot{M}_z = 0$$

### Strain

$$\rho \dot{\gamma} = \nabla \mathbf{u}$$

$$M_z \dot{\gamma}_z = \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

$$0 = \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

### Momentum

$$\rho \dot{\mathbf{u}} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$M_z \dot{\mathbf{u}}_z = \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i$$

$$0 = \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i$$

### Total energy

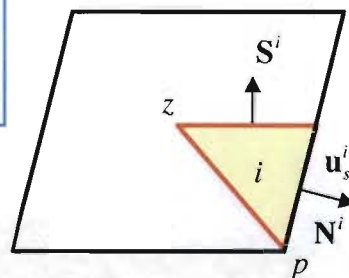
$$\rho \dot{j} = \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{u})$$

$$M_z \dot{j} = \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

$$0 = \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

Evolution

Conservation



### Curl & divergence identities

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

$$\nabla_p \times \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i = 0$$

$$\nabla_p \cdot \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \times \mathbf{u}_s^i = 0$$

$$\nabla_p \times \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i = 0$$

$$\nabla_p \cdot \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i = 0$$

etc.

### Geometric volume compatibility

$$\rho \dot{v} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

$$M_z \dot{v}_z = \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

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### Angular momentum

$$\dot{\mathbf{L}}_z = \sum_i^z \mathbf{r}_s^i \times (\mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i)$$

$$0 = \sum_i^p \mathbf{r}_s^i \times (\mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i)$$

### Second law of thermodynamics

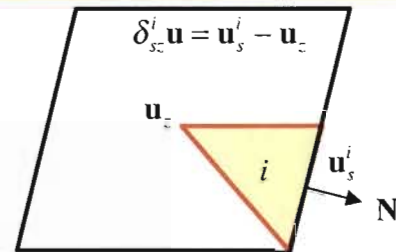


# To incorporate the Second Law into the discretization, we must first decompose the energy equation

Alternative variable  
(not a linearization)

$$\sigma_s = \sigma_z + \delta_{sz} \sigma$$

$$\mathbf{u}_s = \mathbf{u}_z + \delta_{sz} \mathbf{u}$$



$$\begin{aligned} M_z \dot{j}_z &= \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot (\sigma_s^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i) \\ &= \left[ \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \sigma_s^i \right] \cdot \mathbf{u}_z + \sigma_z : \left[ \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \mathbf{u}_s^i \right] + \left[ \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot (\delta_{sz}^i \sigma \cdot \delta_{sz}^i \mathbf{u}) \right] \\ &= M_z [\dot{k}_z + \dot{w}_z + \dot{d}_z] \end{aligned}$$

Total energy

Kinetic energy

Internal energy

$$\dot{e}_z = \begin{cases} \dot{j}_z - \dot{k}_z \\ \dot{w}_z + \dot{d} \end{cases}$$

"Work"

"Dissipation"

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{k}_z &= \frac{1}{M_z} \left[ \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \sigma_s^i \right] \cdot \mathbf{u}_z \\ &= \dot{\mathbf{u}}_z \cdot \mathbf{u}_z \end{aligned}$$

Momentum equation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{w}_z &= \frac{1}{M_z} \sigma_z : \left[ \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \mathbf{u}_s^i \right] \\ &= \sigma_z : \dot{\gamma} \end{aligned}$$

Strain equation

$$\dot{d}_z = \frac{1}{M_z} \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot (\delta_{sz}^i \sigma \cdot \delta_{sz}^i \mathbf{u})$$

## The Second Law

In a closed system ( $\dot{j} = 0$ ), the kinetic energy must dissipate into the internal, suggesting

$$\dot{d}_z \geq 0$$

It is sufficient (but not necessary) that

$$d^i = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \delta_{sz}^i \sigma \cdot \delta_{sz}^i \mathbf{u} \geq 0$$

which is the "entropy condition"

Dissipation models similar to

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \delta_{sz}^i \sigma \sim \mu \delta_{sz}^i \mathbf{u}$$

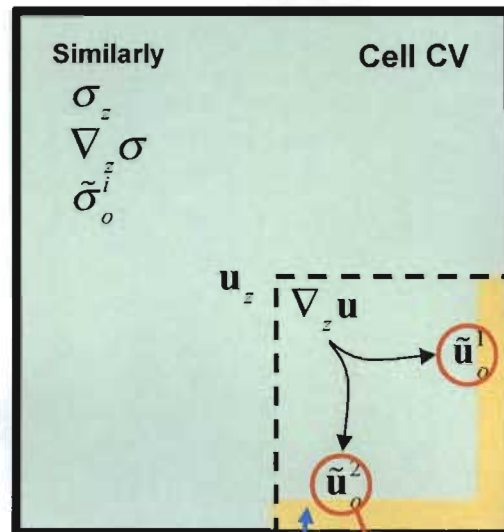
are invoked to satisfy the entropy condition



# Algorithmic roadmap

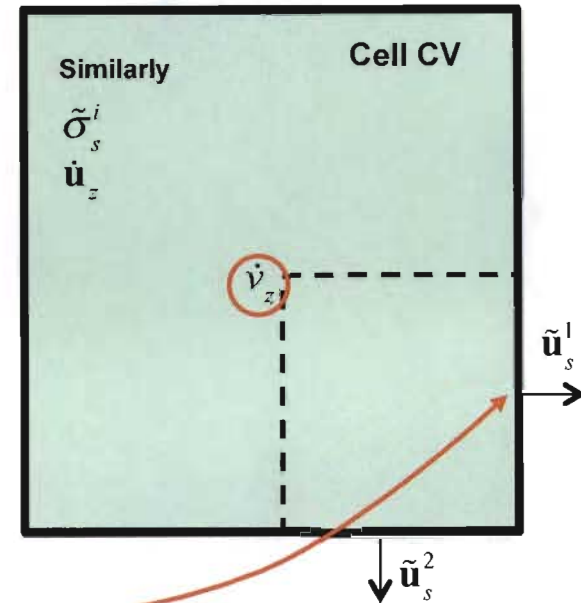
## We begin with a description in terms of surface fluxes

Linear construction from cell center to cell surface



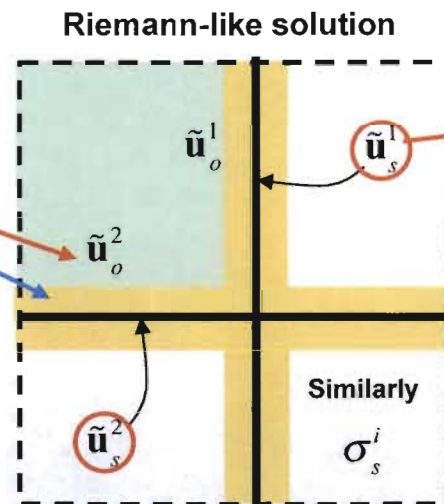
The objective is to learn how the ancillary equations constrain the fluxes

Integration of fluxes



Nodal CV = Dissipation region

Nodal CV



## Cells are divided into an equilibrium “core” and possibly non-equilibrium “shell” regions

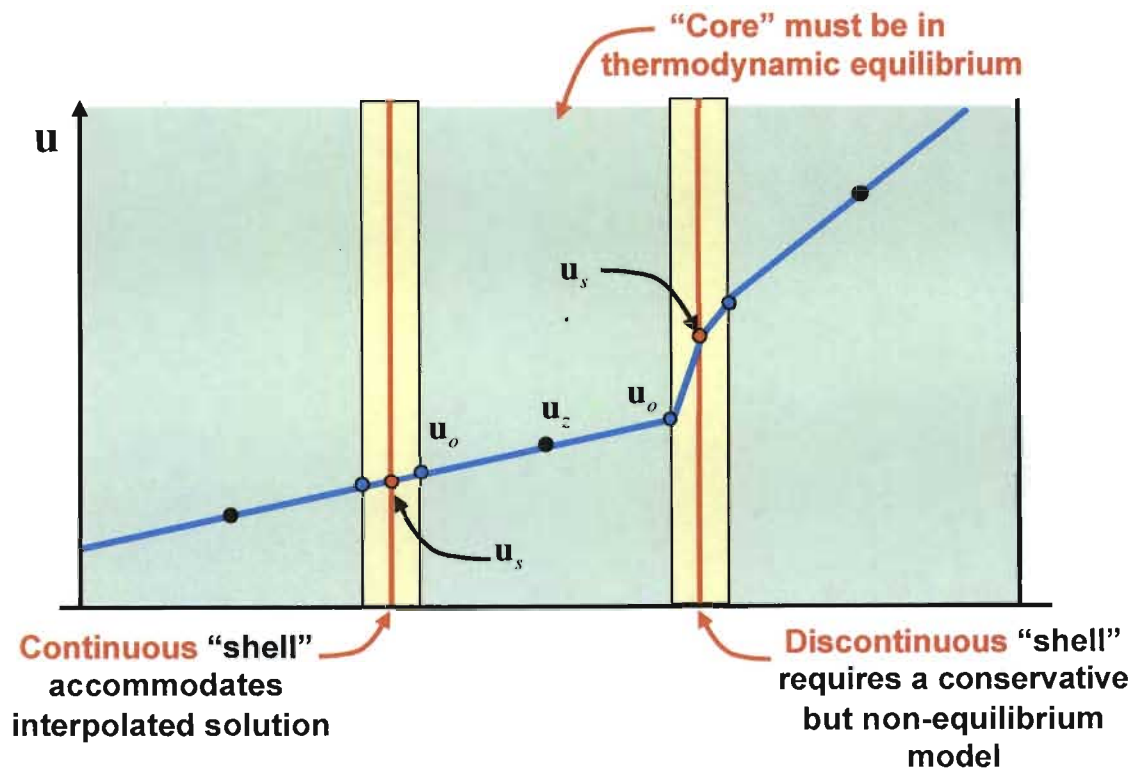
The finite volume integrals conserve momentum, but do not specify a functional form for velocity

Within the core, the velocity field can be a linear function through the center of mass (CM), without altering the cell average

Slopes within cells are determined by fitting a linear solution to adjacent cells

Continuity of the function and slope between cells determines the discontinuities (jumps)

These must be treated with a non-equilibrium model



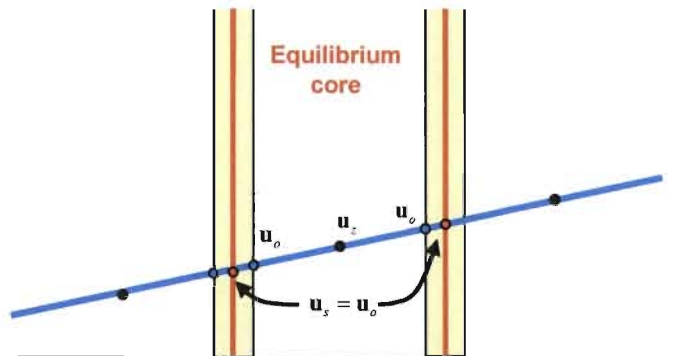
# Velocity and stress cannot be distributed independently in the core without giving rise to unintended dissipation

The core is not a modeling abstraction, but represents the state of the cell under conditions of smooth flow when there should be no entropy production

Since stress is not conserved, what functional form should it have?

A linear distribution is often assumed

The requirement for thermodynamic equilibrium in the core places constraints on this



In the absence of discontinuities, the surface fluxes reduce to

$$\sigma_s^i \rightarrow \sigma_o^i \quad \& \quad \mathbf{u}_s^i \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_o^i$$

the numerical entropy condition for the cell should vanish

$$\dot{D}_z = \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot (\sigma_o^i - \sigma_z^i) \cdot (\mathbf{u}_o^i - \mathbf{u}_z^i) \rightarrow 0$$

Since this is the divergence of

$$\mathbf{d}_z = (\sigma_o^i - \sigma_z^i) \cdot (\mathbf{u}_o^i - \mathbf{u}_z^i)$$

the integral will vanish if

$$\mathbf{d}_z = \text{constant}$$

at the surface of the cell

If velocity is linear, then the stress is constrained by the above relationship

In our calculations, we satisfy this by assuming a constant stress in the cell

$$\sigma_o^i = \sigma_z^i$$

# The curl and divergence identities constrain the fluxes on the nodal control volume - consider the curl of the velocity gradient

We need to show that the difference equations satisfy

$$\nabla_z \times \nabla_p \mathbf{u}_o = 0$$

The second-order operators are evaluated on a staggered grid

$$\nabla_z \times \nabla_p \mathbf{u}_o \rightarrow \frac{1}{V_z} \sum_c \frac{1}{V_{p(c)}} \left[ \mathbf{N}^c \times \left( \sum_j S^j \mathbf{u}_o^j \right) \right]$$

If there exists a corner velocity such that

$$S^c \mathbf{u}_o^c = \sum_j S^j \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_o^j$$

then each term vanishes because  $\mathbf{N}^c$  &  $S^c$  are parallel

$$\mathbf{N}^c \times \left( \sum_j S^j \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_o^j \right) \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^c \times S^c \mathbf{u}_o^c$$

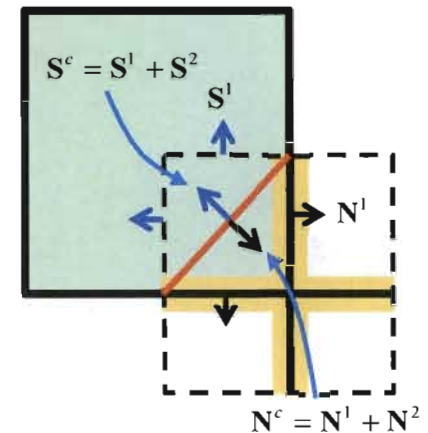
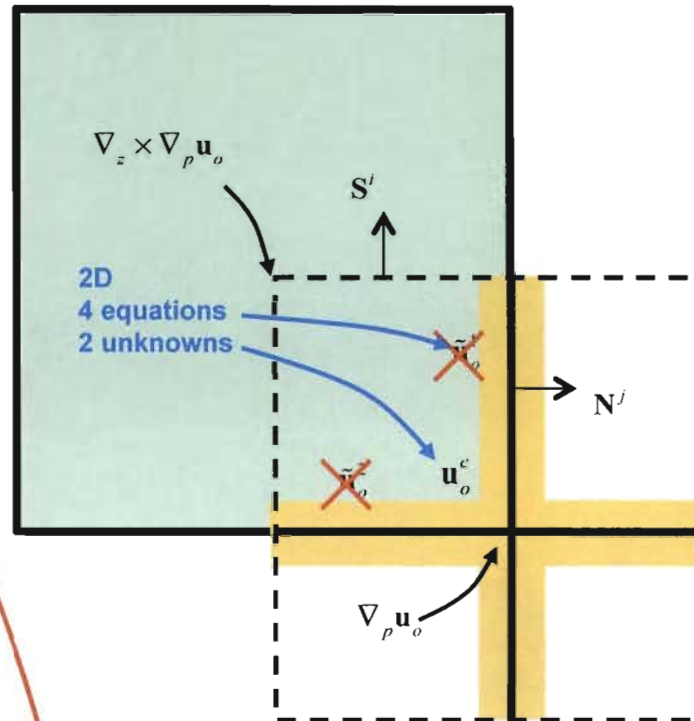
The terms vanish if the fluxes are replaced by a corner velocity

$$\mathbf{u}_o^j \neq \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_o^j$$

$$\mathbf{u}_o^j = \mathbf{u}_o^c \quad \forall j \in c$$

Then

$$\nabla_z \times \nabla_p \mathbf{u}_o = 0$$



$$S^c \equiv \sum_j S^j$$

$$\mathbf{N}^c \equiv \sum_j \mathbf{N}^j = -S^c$$

This means that the fluxes cannot be specified independently and some information must be discarded

$\mathbf{u}_o^c$  is the fundamental quantity



## Nodal control volume: Constraints imposed by the ancillary equations change the conceptual picture of the differencing scheme

### Relation

$$\nabla_z \times (\nabla_p \mathbf{u}_o) = 0$$

$$\nabla_z \cdot (\nabla_p \times \mathbf{u}_o) = 0$$

Rotational  
equilibrium

$$\nabla_z \times (\nabla_p \cdot \sigma_o) = 0$$

$$\nabla_z \cdot (\nabla_p \times \sigma_o) = 0$$

Thermodynamic  
equilibrium in core

### Constraint

$$\mathbf{u}_o^j \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_o^c$$

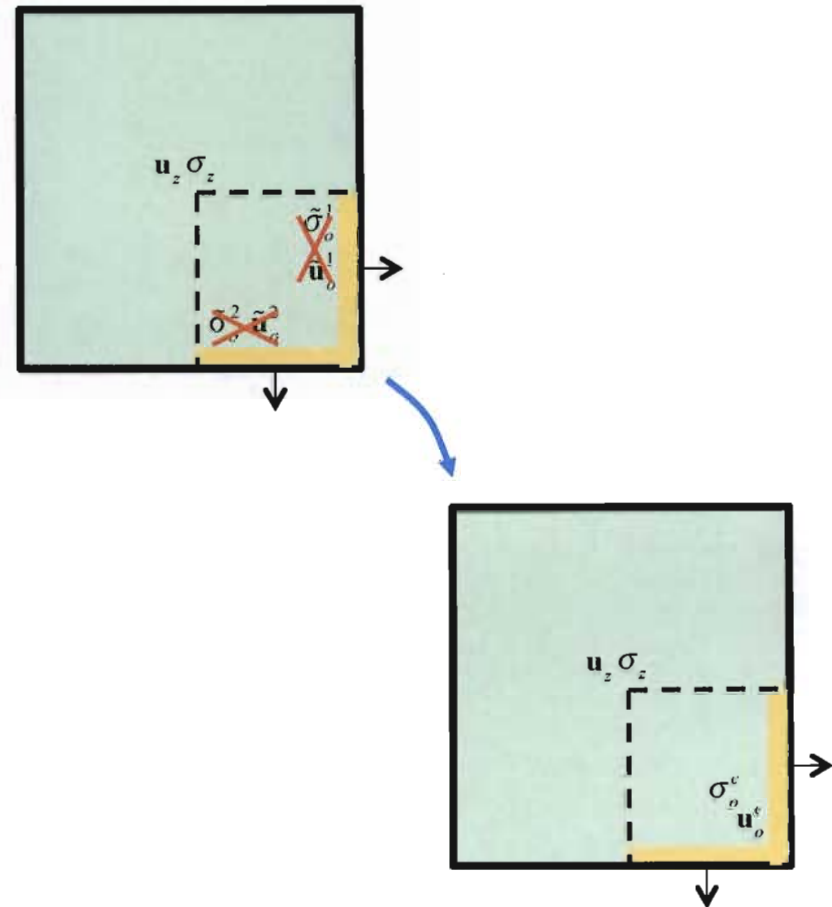
$$\mathbf{u}_o^j \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_o^c$$

$\sigma$  symmetric

$$\sigma_o^j \rightarrow \sigma_o^c \text{ symmetric}$$

$$\sigma_o^j \rightarrow \sigma_o^c \text{ symmetric}$$

$$(\sigma_o^i - \sigma_z^i) \cdot (\mathbf{u}_o^i - \mathbf{u}_z^i) = \text{constant}$$



First order case

$$\mathbf{u}_o^c \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_z$$

## We will compare 2 methods to calculate the corner velocity – neither of which is completely satisfactory (see test problems)

### Divergence method

This method demands only consistency with the divergence integral

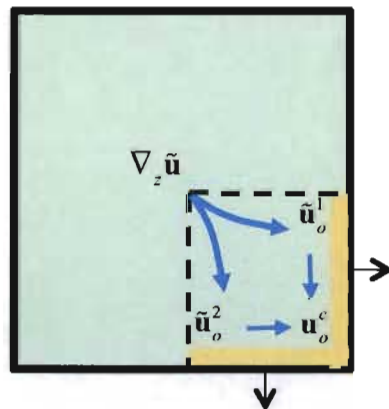
$$\begin{aligned} V_z \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_o^c \\ &= \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_o^i \end{aligned}$$

This results in a simple set of equations

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_o^c = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_o^i$$

that is easily solved in each corner

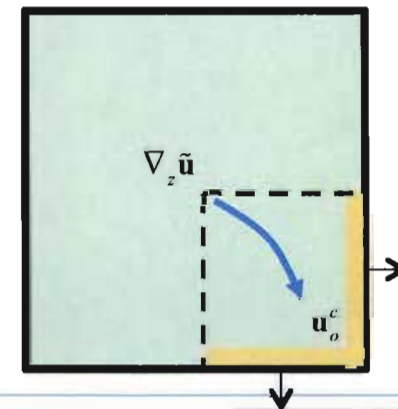
Note that tangential information is discarded



### Gradient method

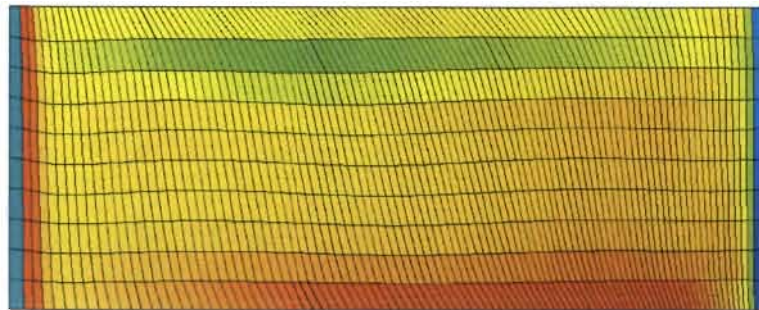
From monotonic reconstruction directly calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}_z &= \nabla_z \tilde{\mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{u}_o^c &= \mathbf{u}_z + (\mathbf{x}_p - \mathbf{x}_z) \cdot \mathbf{g}_z \end{aligned}$$



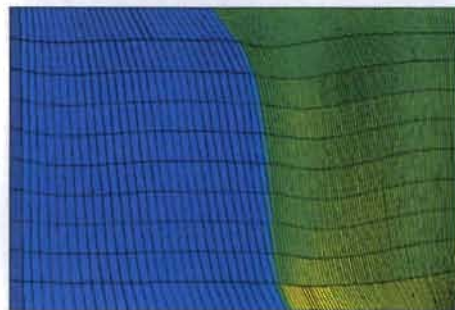
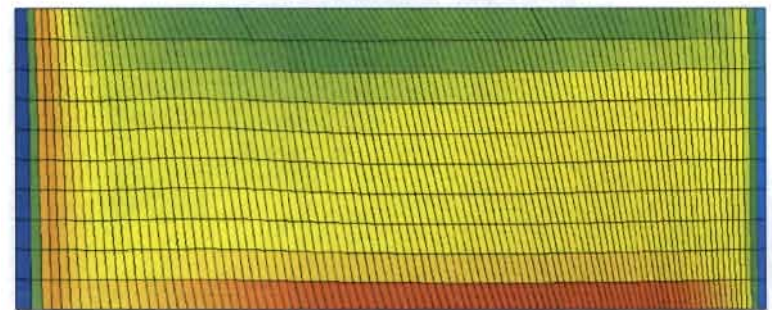
# The Gradient method performs significantly better on the Saltzman problem - but there are issues (later)

Divergence method

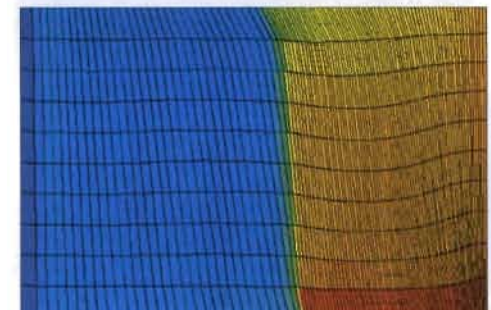


0.75

Gradient method



0.85



0.90



These are xy results,  
rz are visually identical

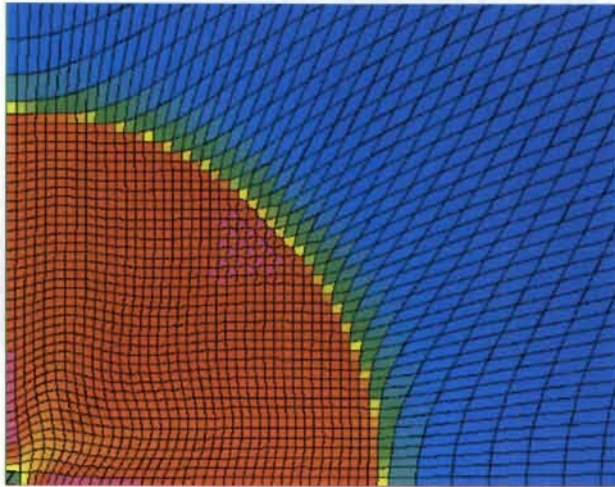
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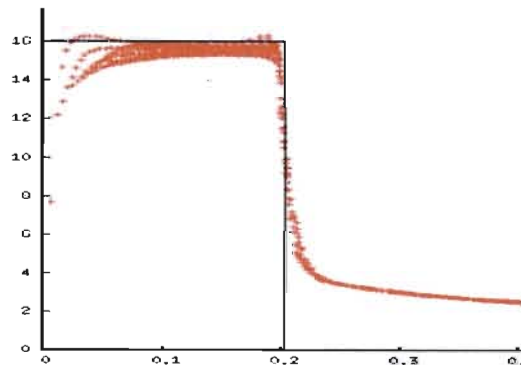
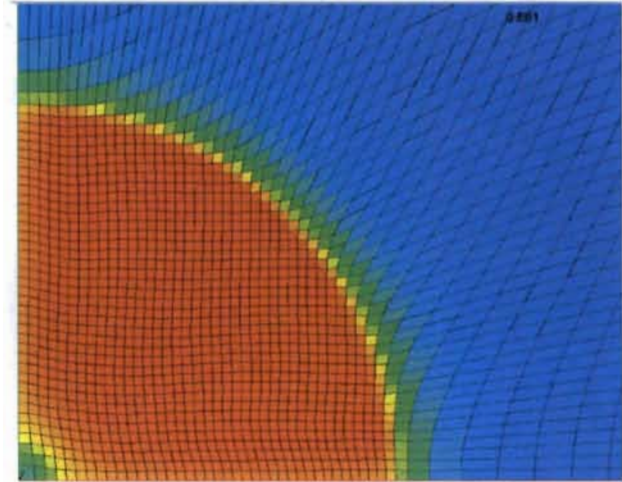
## The Gradient method also significantly improves results on the Noh (xy) problem on a box grid

Divergence method

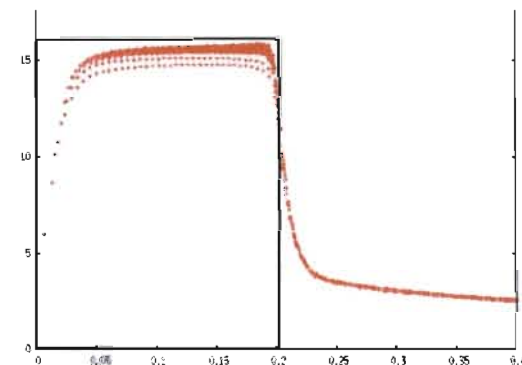


Density

Gradient method



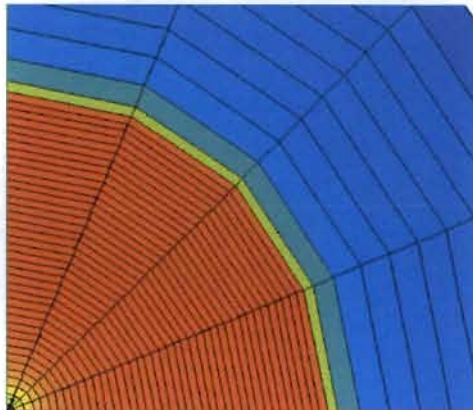
Density  
vs  
Distance





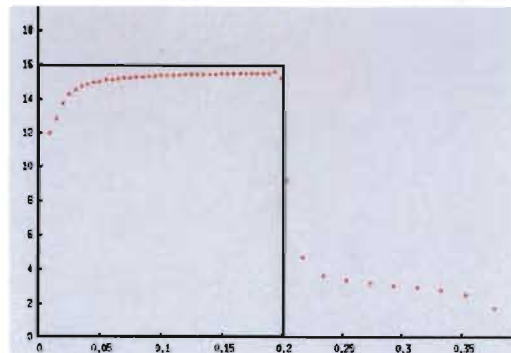
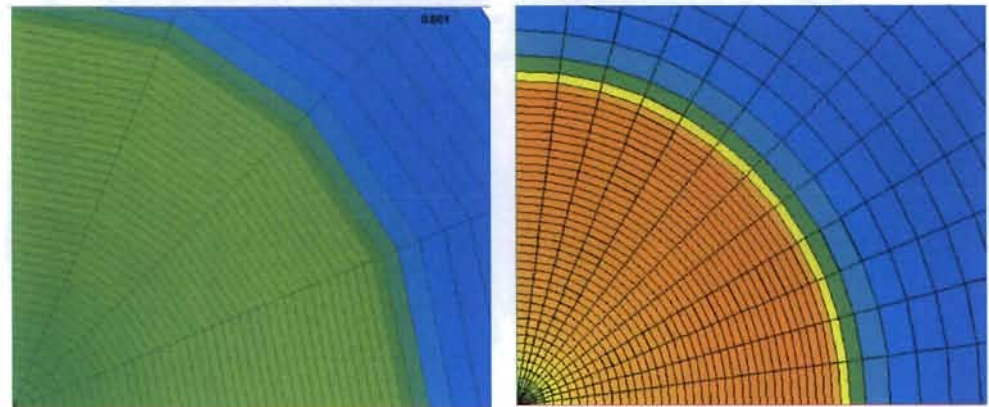
## However, the Gradient results were disappointing on the Noh (xy) problem on a polar grid

Divergence method  
good even at poor  
angular resolution

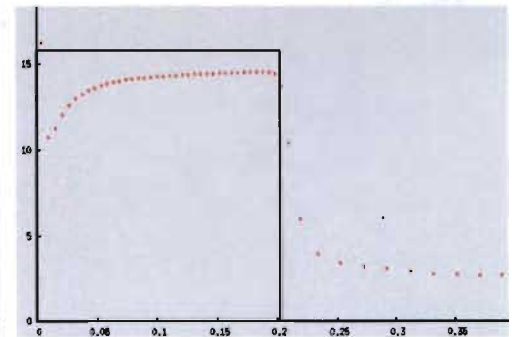
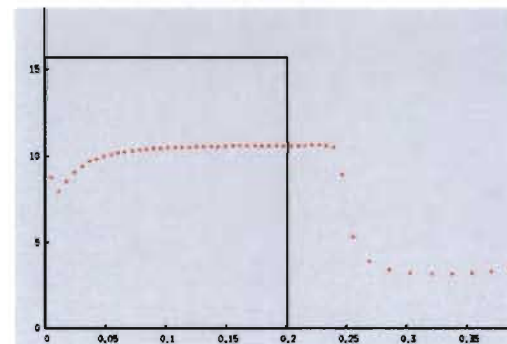


Density

Gradient method  
converges with increasing  
angular resolution



Density  
vs  
Distance



# The curl and divergence identities also constrain the fluxes on the cell control volume – consider the curl of the momentum equation

We need to show that the difference equations satisfy  $\rho \dot{\mathbf{u}} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$

$$\nabla \times (\rho \dot{\mathbf{u}}) = \nabla \times \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = 0$$

The second-order operators are evaluated on a staggered grid

$$\nabla_p \times (\nabla_z \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{V_p} \sum_c \frac{1}{V_{z(c)}} \left[ \mathbf{S}^c \times \left( \sum_j \mathbf{N}^j \cdot \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_s^j \right) \right]$$

If we can show there exists a corner stress tensor such that

$$\mathbf{N}^c \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^c = \sum_j \mathbf{N}^j \cdot \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_s^j$$

then the stress factors out and each term vanishes

$$\mathbf{S}^c \times \left( \sum_j \mathbf{N}^j \cdot \tilde{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_s^j \right) \rightarrow \mathbf{S}^c \times \mathbf{N}^c \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}^c = 0$$

because  $\mathbf{N}^c$  &  $\mathbf{S}^c$  are parallel

The terms vanish if the tensor is **non-symmetric**. Then

$$\nabla_p \times (\nabla_z \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = 0$$

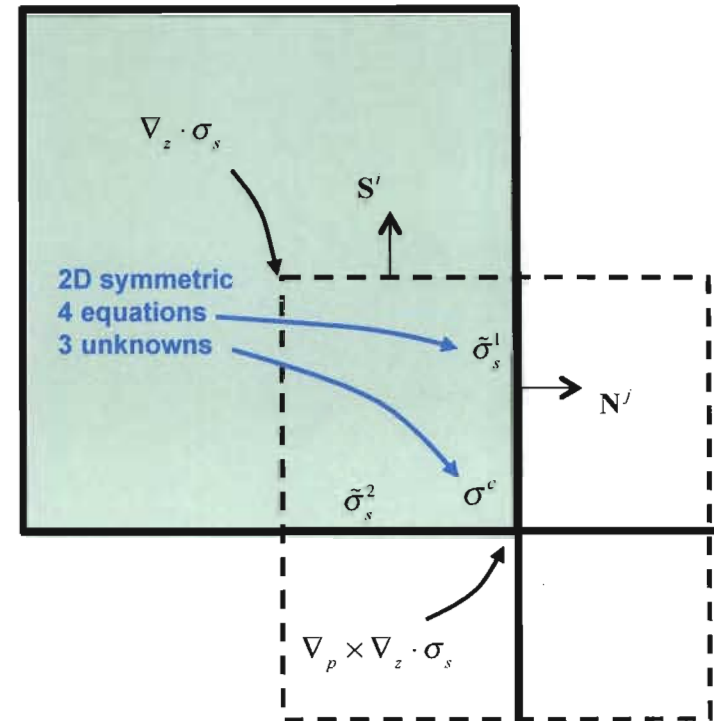
for

$$\sigma_s^j = \tilde{\sigma}_s^j$$

If we require **symmetry**, the system is over determined and the terms vanish only if we replace the fluxes by a corner stress

$$\sigma_s^j \neq \tilde{\sigma}_s^j$$

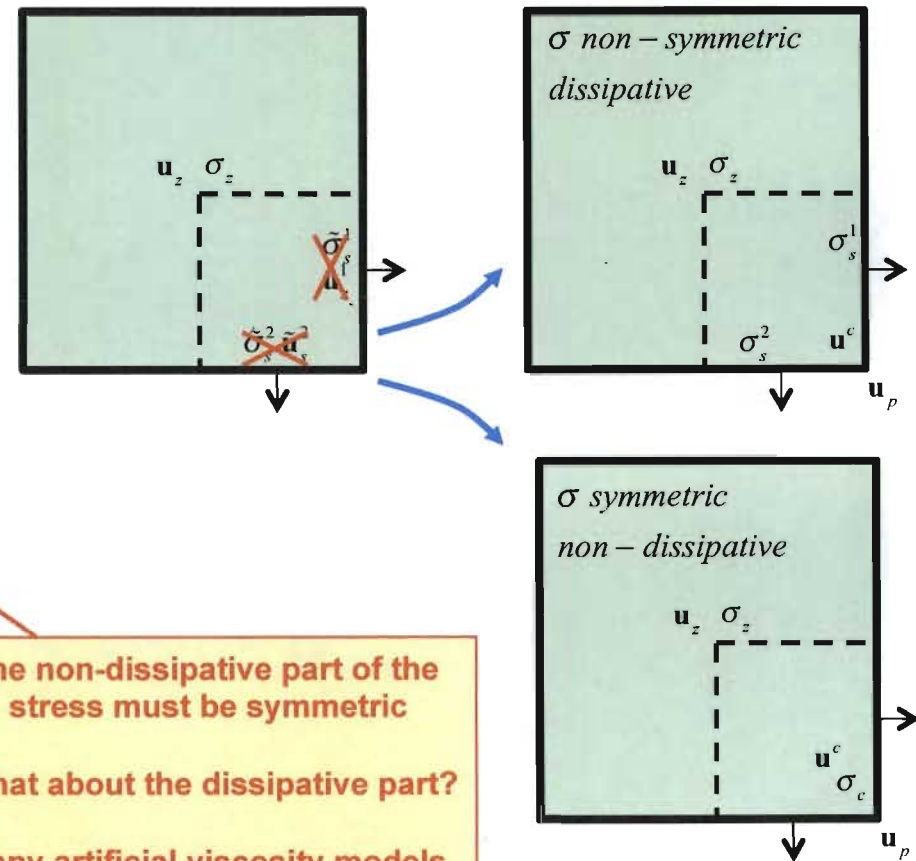
$$\sigma_s^j = \sigma^c \quad \forall j \in c$$



To satisfy rotational equilibrium, at least the **non-dissipative** part of the stress must be symmetric

# Cell control volume: Constraints imposed by the ancillary equations change the conceptual picture of the differencing scheme

Relation	Constraint
<b>Geometric volume compatibility</b>	$\mathbf{u}_s \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p$
$\nabla_p \times (\nabla_z \mathbf{u}_s) = 0$	$\mathbf{u}_s \rightarrow \mathbf{u}^c$
$\nabla_p \cdot (\nabla_z \times \mathbf{u}_s) = 0$	$\mathbf{u}_s \rightarrow \mathbf{u}^c$
<b>Rotational equilibrium</b>	$\sigma \text{ symmetric}(S)$
$\nabla_p \times (\nabla_z \cdot \sigma_s) = 0$	$\sigma_s \rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{\sigma}_s & NS \\ \sigma^c & NS \text{ or } S \end{cases}$
$\nabla_p \cdot (\nabla_z \times \sigma_s) = 0$	$\sigma_s \rightarrow \begin{cases} \tilde{\sigma}_s & NS \\ \sigma^c & NS \text{ or } S \end{cases}$



**The non-dissipative part of the stress must be symmetric**

**What about the dissipative part?**

**Many artificial viscosity models are NS, but theoretical justification needs work**



# Geometric volume compatibility (GVC) constrains not only the velocity flux $\mathbf{u}_s^i$ but also the surface area vectors $\mathbf{N}^i$

The fluxed volume change must be constrained to equal the geometric volume change of the cell

$$\Delta V_z = \sum_i^z \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

In plane (xy) geometry this can be accomplished by constraining

$$\mathbf{u}_s^i \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_p^i$$

$$\mathbf{N}^i = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{N}^n + \mathbf{N}^{n+1})$$

**KEY POINT**

The compatible surface areas are

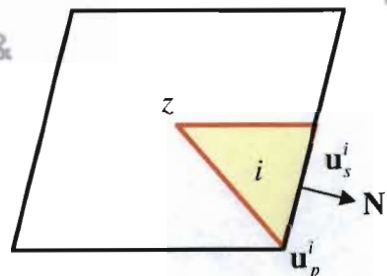
$$\mathbf{N}^i = \begin{cases} \mathbf{A} & 1D \text{ planar} \\ \frac{1}{2} (r^{n+1} + r^n) \mathbf{A} & 1D \text{ cylindrical} \\ \frac{1}{3} \left[ (r^{n+1})^2 + (r^n)^2 + (r^{n+1} r^n) \right] \mathbf{A} & 1D \text{ spherical} \\ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{A}^{n+1} + \mathbf{A}^n) & 2D \text{ xy} \\ \frac{1}{6} \left[ 2(\bar{r}^{n+1} \mathbf{A}^{n+1} + \bar{r}^n \mathbf{A}^n) + \bar{r}^{n+1} \mathbf{A}^n + \bar{r}^n \mathbf{A}^{n+1} \right] & 2D \text{ rz} \\ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{A}^{n+1} + \mathbf{A}^n) & 3D \text{ xy} \end{cases}$$

in which

$$\bar{r}^i = \frac{1}{3} (2r_p + r_{p \pm 1}) = \frac{1}{3} (r_p + 2r_j)$$

In curvilinear geometry, things are much more complicated, especially for axi-symmetric (rz) geometry

The problem was solved in seminal work by Whalen with later contributions from Loubere & Shashkov



and

$$\mathbf{A}^i = \begin{cases} \pm \hat{\mathbf{x}} & 1D \text{ planar} \\ \pm \hat{\mathbf{r}} & 1D \text{ cylindrical} \\ \pm \hat{\mathbf{r}} & 1D \text{ spherical} \\ L^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i & 2D \text{ xy} \\ L^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i & 2D \text{ rz} \\ A^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i & 3D \text{ xy} \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_i \mathbf{A}^i = 0$$

$$\sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \neq 0$$

Expressions in 3D are actually more complicated



# 1D Coggeshall problem is an example of adiabatic compression - It is a severe test of slope limiters and **curvilinear formulation**

The results should be  
flat and they are

Initial  
conditions

Coarse zoning: 20 cells  
dtmax=1e-3

$$u_p^{00} = -x_p^{00}$$

$$\rho_z^{00} = 1$$

$$e_z^{00} = 10^{-6}$$

$$p_z^{00} = (\gamma - 1) \rho_z^{00} e_z^{00}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{5}{3}$$

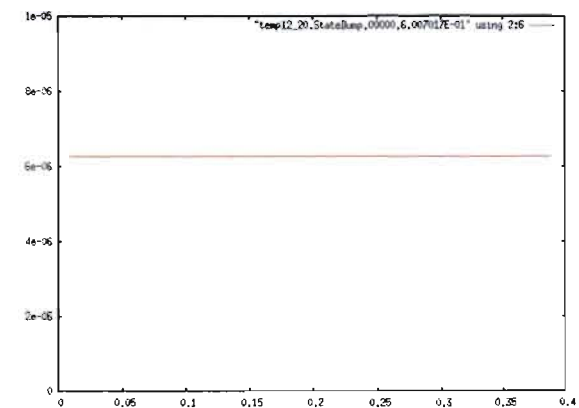
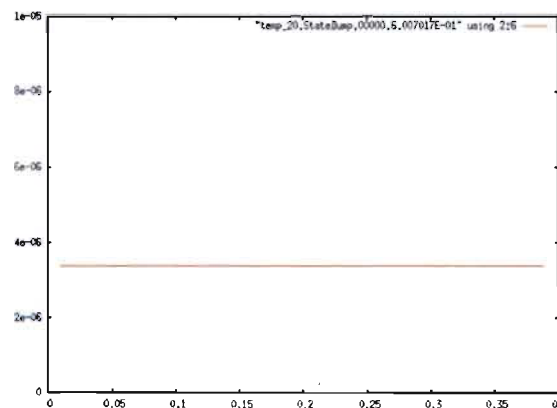
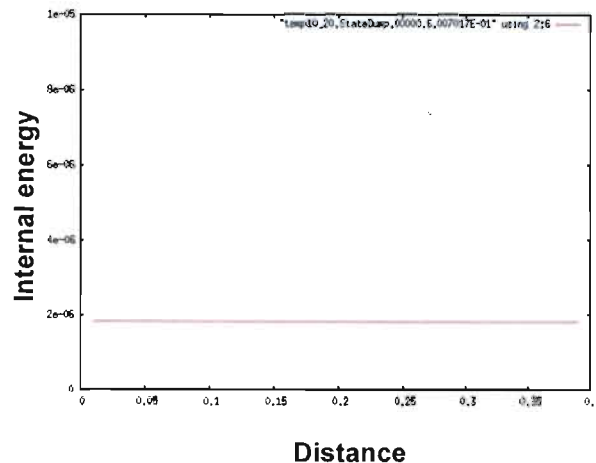
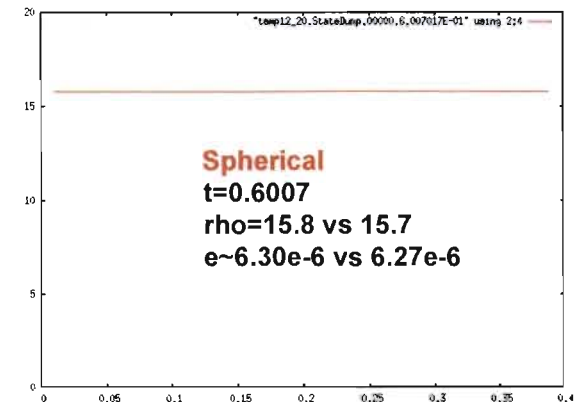
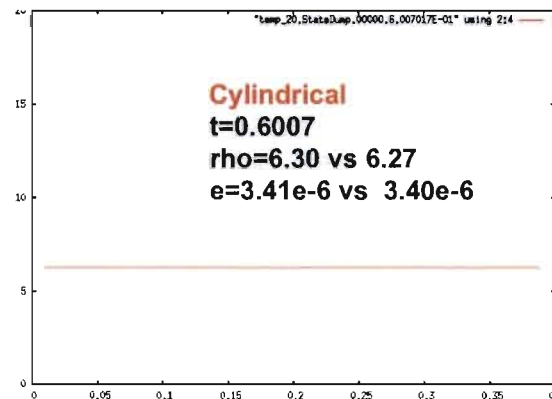
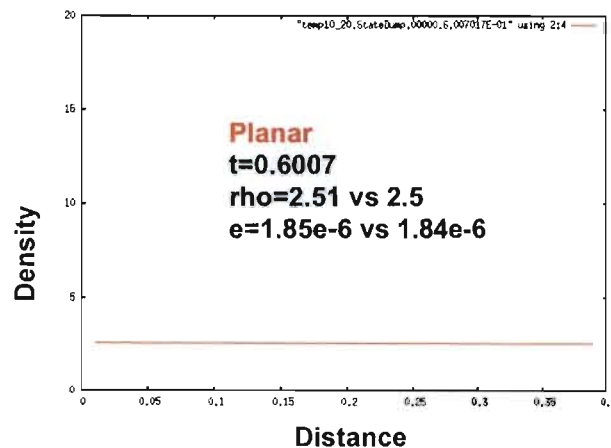
Analytic  
solution

$$u_p(t) = -x_p^{00}$$

$$\rho_z(t) = \rho_z^0 / (1-t)^\alpha$$

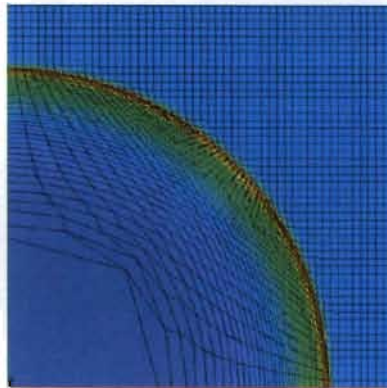
$$e_z(t) = e_z^0 / (1-t)^{\alpha(\gamma-1)}$$

$$\alpha = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

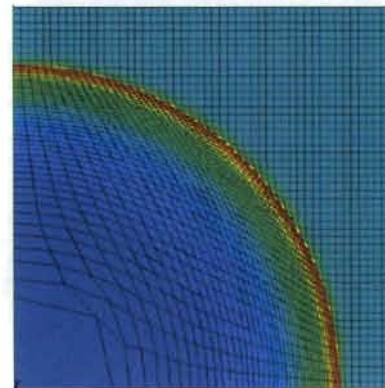


The Sedov problem is a sensitive test of the curvilinear formulation, volumetric compatibility, energy conservation, as well as robustness

Divergence method  
xy result



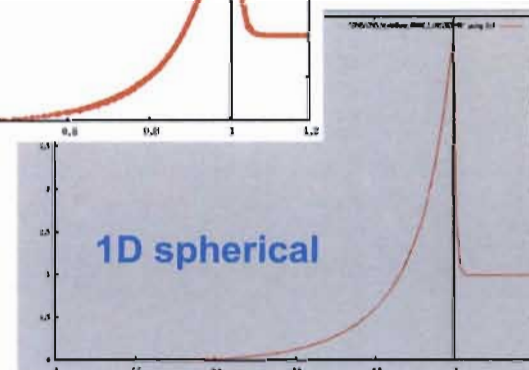
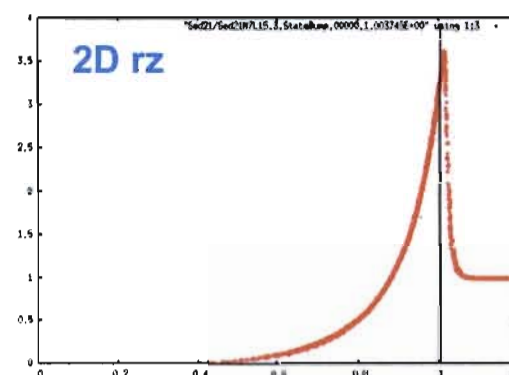
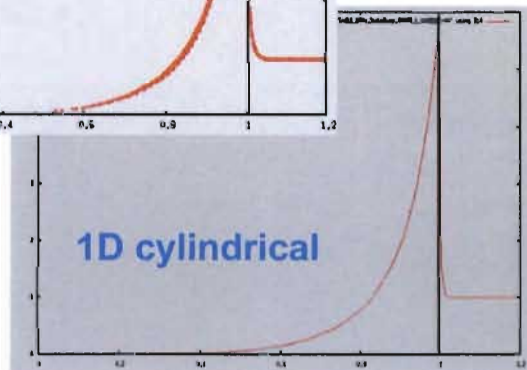
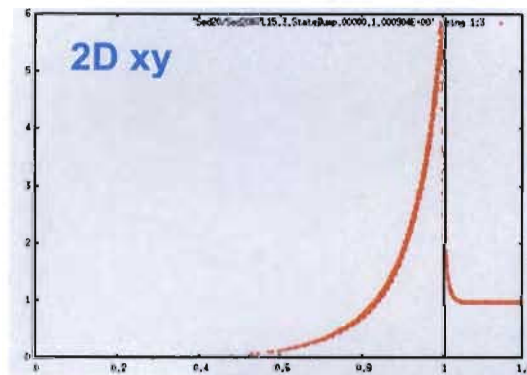
Divergence method  
rz result



Gradient method  
was unable to run  
the problem

Density

Density  
vs  
Distance



## A simplified tensor dissipation model is used for now – but should be replaced by a more physically inappropriate model

The stress jump at the discontinuity is assumed to be proportional to the strain rate

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\sigma &= \dot{\sigma}\delta t \\ &= (\kappa \cdot \dot{\epsilon})\delta t = (\kappa \cdot \epsilon)\end{aligned}$$

In the **principal frame of the strain rate tensor**, the pre-shock thickness in each direction is

$$L = a_i \delta t$$

in which  $a_i$  is the signal velocity

The deformation is

$$\delta L = \delta u_i \delta t$$

so that the strain tensor is

$$\epsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \delta u_1/a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta u_2/a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta u_3/a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The modulus tensor is of the form

$$\kappa = \begin{bmatrix} \rho a_1^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho a_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \rho a_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

so the stress jump is

$$\delta\sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \rho a_1 \delta u_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho a_2 \delta u_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \rho a_3 \delta u_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

This can be expressed in an impedance form

$$\delta\sigma = \underline{\mu} \cdot \delta \mathbf{w}$$

In the **principal frame of the strain rate tensor**, the impedance tensor is

$$\underline{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho a_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \rho a_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \rho a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\delta \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta u_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta u_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta u_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We use a simplification that corresponds to the assumptions:

- the most compressive strain rate is in the direction of the surface normal
- shear wave velocities in the tangential directions are negligible

$$\underline{\mu} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mu = \rho a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

so that the normal stress jump can be expressed

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}\hat{\mathbf{n}} : \delta\sigma = \mu \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u}$$

and the force density as

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta\sigma = \mu \hat{\mathbf{n}} (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u})$$

## The nodal solution is analogous to that of Maire but extended to tensors & multi-materials (not shown)

Substitute the **dissipation expression**

$$\mathbf{u}_s^i = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p^i$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_o^c + \mu^i (\mathbf{u}_p^i - \mathbf{u}_o^c) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i$$

into the **flux conservation law**

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i \\ &= \mathbf{u}_p \cdot \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i \mu^i (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i) + \sum_i^p \mathbf{N}^i (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_o^c - \mu^i \mathbf{u}_o^c) \\ &= [\mathbf{A}] [\mathbf{u}_p] - [\mathbf{B}] \end{aligned}$$

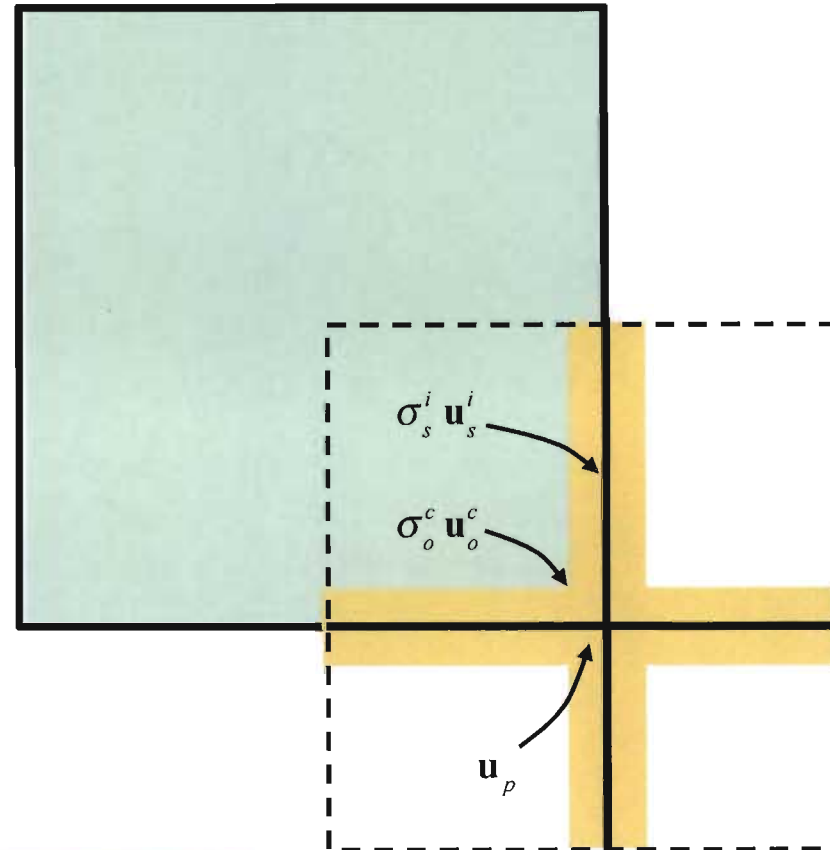
and solve for velocity

$$[\mathbf{u}_p] = [\mathbf{A}]^{-1} [\mathbf{B}]$$

then go back to solve for force

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_o^c + \mu^i (\mathbf{u}_p^i - \mathbf{u}_o^c) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i \hat{\mathbf{n}}^i$$

Satisfies the rotational equilibrium requirement providing  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_o^c$  is symmetric





# The final algorithmic details

## Predictor-corrector scheme

### Advance coordinates & areas

$$\mathbf{x}_z^{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_z^n + \delta t \mathbf{u}_p$$

$$\mathbf{N}^i \sim \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{N}^n + \mathbf{N}^{n+1})$$

## Integrate evolution equations

### Strain & volume

$$M_z \dot{\gamma}_z = \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

$$M_z \dot{v}_z = \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

$$v_z^{n+1} = v_z^n + \delta t \dot{v}_z$$

### Momentum

$$M_z \dot{\mathbf{u}}_z = \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i$$

$$\mathbf{u}_z^{n+1} = \mathbf{u}_z^n + \delta t \dot{\mathbf{u}}_z$$

$$\mathbf{u}_z = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{u}_z^{n+1} + \mathbf{u}_z^n)$$

### Total energy

$$M_z \dot{j}_z = \sum_i \mathbf{N}^i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_s^i \cdot \mathbf{u}_s^i$$

$$j_z^{n+1} = j_z^n + \delta t \dot{j}_z$$

## Calculate the energy partition

### Kinetic energy

$$\dot{k}_z = \dot{\mathbf{u}}_z \cdot \mathbf{u}_z$$

### Internal energy

$$\dot{e}_z = \dot{j}_z - \dot{k}_z$$

$$e_z^{n+1} = e_z^n + \delta t \dot{e}_z$$

### Constitutive model

$$\sigma_z^{n+1} \sim \sigma_z^n + \delta t f(v, e, \gamma)$$

Necessary for kinetic energy definition

## **Summary:** Because we are in relatively unexplored territory, we used a mimetic approach to guide the derivation of the difference scheme

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The mimetic approach led to a much better understanding of what works or does not. In particular it constrained:

- Surface fluxes for cell & nodal control volumes
- Gradients in the equilibrium core
- Symmetry vs. non-symmetry of stress tensor
- Nodal velocity & entropy conditions
- Tensor impedance & entropy conditions

Historically, the weakest link in CCH has been the nodal solver

- It now lies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> order velocity construction that drives the Riemann solution
- The optimal solution remains to be determined

The test problems demonstrated:

- Elastic-plastic material: Verney, Howell
- Adiabatic flow: Coggeshall
- Robustness: pressurized ball, Saltzmann
- Multi-dimensional curvilinear formulation

3D: Verney

2D xy & rz: Sedov, Noh

1D planar, cylindrical, spherical: Coggeshall, Sedov