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# Optimization-Based Mesh Correction

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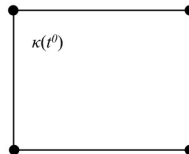


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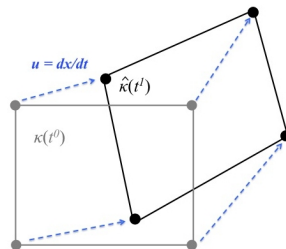
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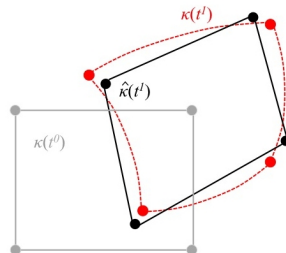
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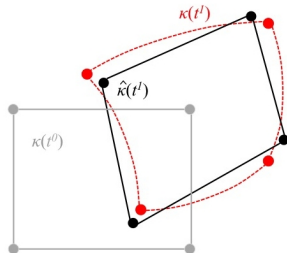
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Consider  $\rho = \text{const}$

Let cell mass  $M_{\kappa}(t) = \int_{\kappa(t)} \rho dV$  and cell density  $\rho_{\kappa} = \frac{M_{\kappa}(t)}{|\kappa(t)|}$ ,  
where  $|\kappa(t)| = \int_{\kappa(t)} dV$

$$\rho_{\kappa}(t^1) = \frac{M_{\kappa}(t^1)}{|\hat{\kappa}(t^1)|} \neq \frac{M_{\kappa}(t^0)}{|\kappa(t^0)|} = \rho_{\kappa}(t^0)$$

*Cannot maintain a constant density!*



# Geometric Conservation Law (GCL)

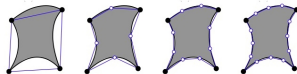
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\kappa_i(t)} dV = \int_{\partial \kappa_i(t)} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds$$

Some recent work:

## Use more Lagrangian points

- Enforces GCL approximately

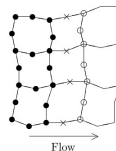
Lauritzen, Nair, Ullrich, A conservative semi-Lagrangian multi-tracer transport scheme on the cubed-sphere grid, *JCP* 229/5 (2010).



## Heuristic mesh adjustment procedure

- No theoretical assurance of completion

Arbogast, Huang, A fully mass and volume conserving implementation of a characteristic method for transport problems, *SISC* 28 (6) (2006).



- Adjusted point to remain fixed at this stage.
- Points adjusted simultaneously in the direction of the characteristic.
- Points adjusted "side-ways" to the flow.

## Monge-Ampere trajectory correction

- Requires nontrivial solution of the nonlinear MAE

Cossette, Smolarkiewicz, Charbonneau, The Monge-Ampere trajectory correction for semi-Lagrangian schemes, *JCP* (2014).

$$\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{ij}^{corr} = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{ij} + (t - t_n) \nabla \phi;$$

$$\det \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}_{ij}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 1$$

# Optimization-Based Solution

Given a *source mesh*  $\tilde{K}(\Omega)$ , and *desired cell volumes*  $c_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^m c_{0,i} = |\Omega| \quad \text{and} \quad c_{0,i} > 0 \forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

Find a *volume compliant mesh*  $K(\Omega)$  such that

- 1  $K(\Omega)$  has the same connectivity as the source mesh
- 2 The volumes of its cells match the volumes prescribed in  $c_0$
- 3 Every cell  $\kappa_i \in K(\Omega)$  is valid or convex
- 4 Boundary points in  $K(\Omega)$  correspond to boundary points in  $\tilde{K}(\Omega)$

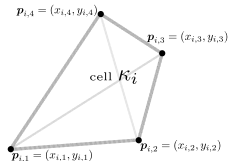
# For Quadrilateral Cells We Need

*Oriented volume of quad cell:*

$$c_i(K(\Omega)) = \frac{1}{2}((x_{i,1}-x_{i,3})(y_{i,2}-y_{i,4})+(x_{i,2}-x_{i,4})(y_{i,3}-y_{i,1}))$$

*Partitioning of quad into triangles:*

$$(a_r, b_r, c_r) = \begin{cases} (1, 2, 4) & r = 1 \\ (2, 3, 4) & r = 2 \\ (1, 3, 4) & r = 3 \\ (1, 2, 3) & r = 4. \end{cases}$$



*Oriented volume of triangle cell:*

$$t_i^r(K(\Omega)) = \frac{1}{2}(x_{i,a_r}(y_{i,c_r}-y_{i,b_r})-x_{i,b_r}(y_{i,a_r}-y_{i,c_r})-x_{i,c_r}(y_{i,b_r}-y_{i,a_r})).$$

*Convexity indicator for a quad cell:*

$$\mathcal{I}_i(K(\Omega)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \forall t_i^r \in \kappa_i, |t_i^r| > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Optimization Problem

## Objective:

Mesh distance  $J_0(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2}d(K(\Omega), \tilde{K}(\Omega))^2 = |\mathbf{p} - \tilde{\mathbf{p}}|_2^2$

## Constraints:

- (1) Volume equality  $\forall \kappa_i \in K(\Omega), |\kappa_i| = c_{0,i}$
- (2) Cell convexity  $\forall \kappa_i \in K(\Omega), \forall t_i^r \in \kappa_i, |t_i^r| > 0$
- (3) Boundary compliance  $\forall p_i \in \partial\Omega, \gamma(p_i) = 0$

### Nonlinear programming problem (NLP)

$$\mathbf{p}^* = \arg \min \{ J_0(\mathbf{p}) \text{ subject to (1), (2), and (3)} \}$$

# Simplified Formulation

*For polygonal domains*

- boundary compliance can be subsumed in the volume constraint
- convexity can be enforced weakly by logarithmic barrier functions

*Objective:*

Mesh distance - log barrier  $J(\mathbf{p}) = J_0(\mathbf{p}) - \beta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{r=1}^4 \log \mathbf{t}_i^r(\mathbf{p})$

$$J_0(\mathbf{p}) = |\mathbf{p} - \tilde{\mathbf{p}}|_{l^2}^2$$

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# Scalable Optimization Algorithm

Based on the *inexact trust region* sequential programming (SQP) method with key properties:

- Fast local convergence
- Use of 'inexact' solvers
- Requires efficient preconditioner

Linear systems of optimization iterate  $\mathbf{p}^k$  are of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & \nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k)^T \\ \nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}^1 \\ \mathbf{v}^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}^1 \\ \mathbf{b}^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $C(\mathbf{p}^k)$  is a polynomial matrix function of coordinates.

Preconditioner

$$\pi^k = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & (\nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k) \nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k)^T + \epsilon I)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\epsilon > 0$  small parameter  $10^{-8}h$
- $\nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k) \nabla C(\mathbf{p}^k)^T$  formed explicitly
- Smoothed aggregation AMG used for inverse

Heinkenschloss, Ridzal, A matrix-free trust-region SQP method for equality constrained optimization SIOPT 24/3 (2000).

# Scalability Test

*To challenge the algorithm we test performance as follows:*

- Start with uniform  $n \times n$  mesh and advance to final time using velocity field
- Apply algorithm to the deformed mesh at the final time using initial mesh volumes

## Analytic Hessian

$n$	SQP	CG	GMRES tot.	GMRES av.	CPU	% ML time
64	5	15	101	2.8	2.475	66
128	4	9	106	4.1	8.799	78
256	5	5	130	5.0	45.733	83
512	6	1	100	3.8	184.446	83

## Gauss-Newton Hessian

$n$	SQP	CG	GMRES tot.	GMRES av.	CPU	% ML time
64	5	5	64	2.5	1.666	63
128	4	4	79	3.8	6.466	82
256	5	5	126	4.8	43.241	86
512	6	6	100	3.8	183.697	86

- Almost **constant GMRES iterations**
- CPU per SQP iteration **scales linearly with problem**
- CPU and inner CG **iteration counts are mesh independent**
- The algorithm inherits its scalability from the AMG solver

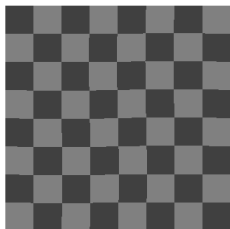
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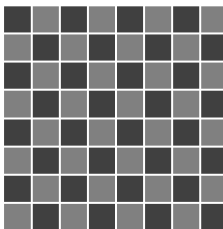
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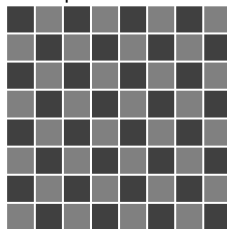
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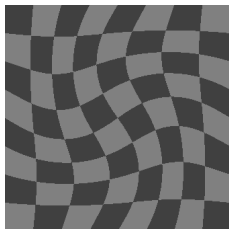
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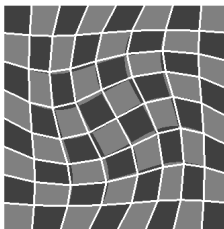
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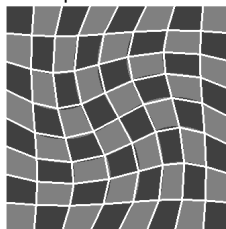
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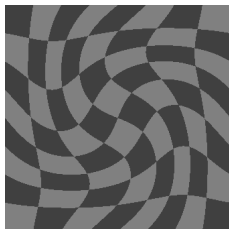
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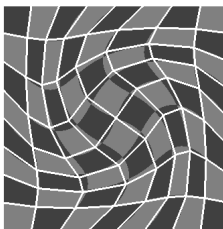
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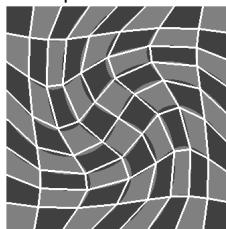
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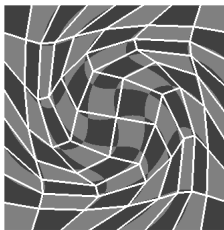
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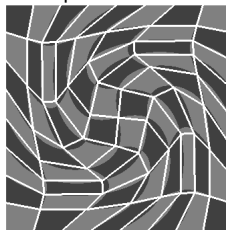
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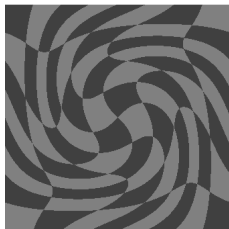
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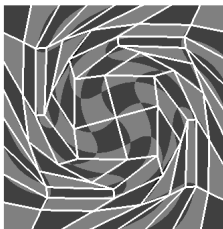
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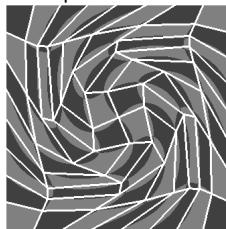
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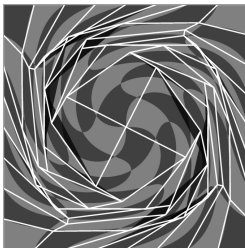
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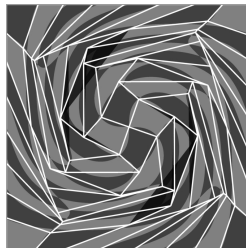
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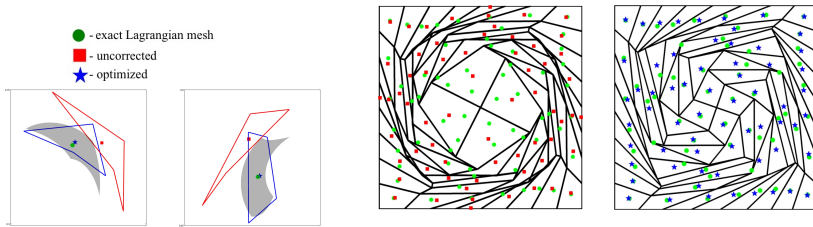
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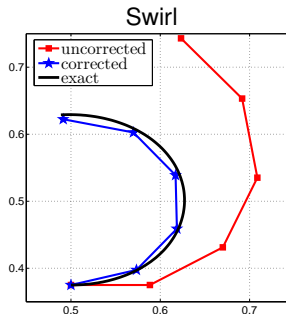
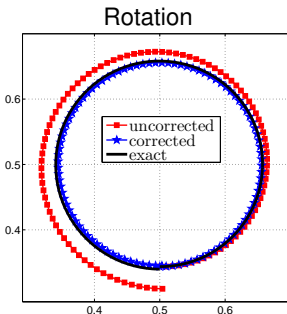
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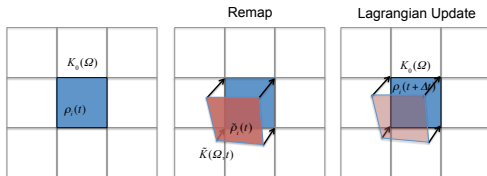
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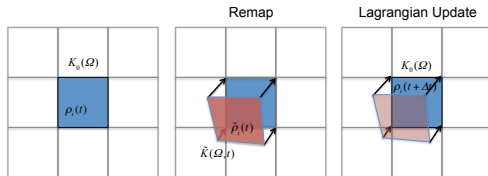
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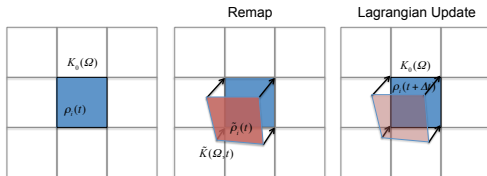
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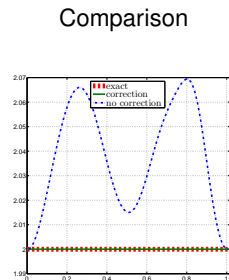
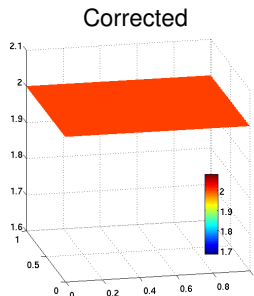
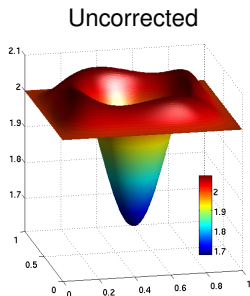
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*We use linear reconstruction of density with Van Leer limiting for remap.*

Dukowicz and Baumgardner, Incremental remapping as a transport/advection algorithm, *JCP* 2000.

# Semi-Lagrangian Transport Results

*Constant density, rotational flow*



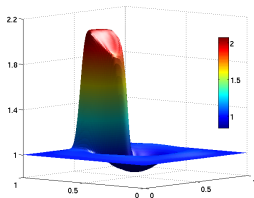
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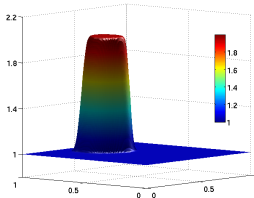
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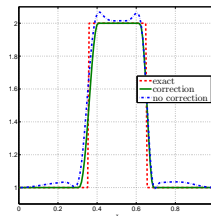
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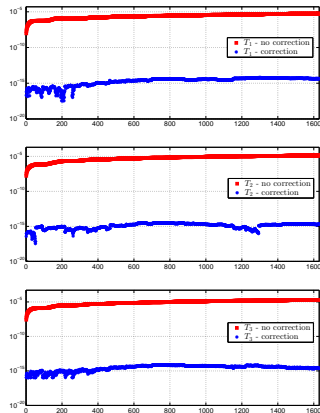
# Multi-Material Semi-Lagrangian Transport

Consider transport of volume fraction of material  $s$

$$\frac{\partial T_s}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (T_s \mathbf{u}) = 0, \quad s = 1, \dots, S,$$

$$T_{s,i}(t) = \frac{\int_{\kappa_i(t)} T_s dV}{\int_{\kappa_i(t)} dV} = \frac{|\kappa_{s,i}(t)|}{|\kappa_i(t)|}$$

3 material, swirling velocity



$$|\Omega_s^n| = \sum_{i=1}^m T_{s,i}^n |\kappa_i|$$

# Conclusions

Presented a new approach for improving the accuracy and physical fidelity of numerical schemes that rely on Lagrangian mesh motion

- Optimization-based volume correction
  - Is computationally efficient
  - Provides significant geometric improvements in corrected meshes
  - Enables semi-Lagrangian transport methods to preserve volumes and constant densities
- Future work
  - Further development of mesh quality constraints and rigorous enforcement of mesh validity
  - Investigate utility of algorithm for mesh quality improvement