

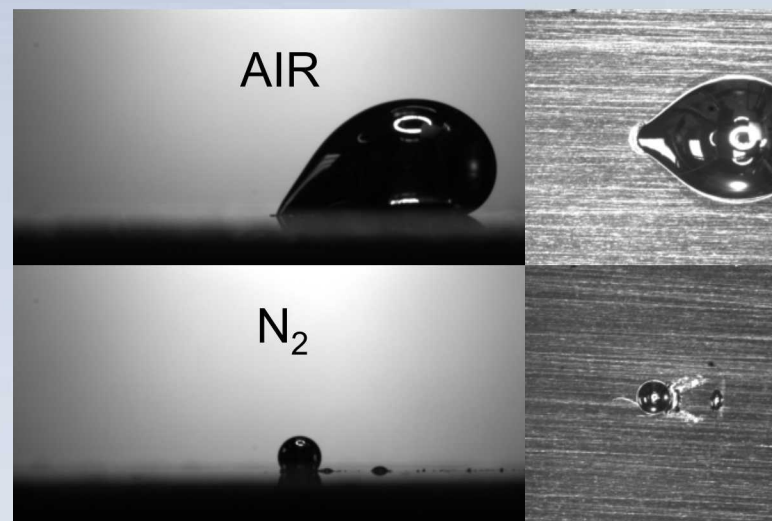


Motivation

- **Sandia has the responsibility to design and qualify NW system safety in abnormal thermal environments**
 - This is a unique engineering challenge
- **Probabilistic assessments require a high degree of confidence in simulation results**
- **We must model extremely challenging environments with many complicated, interacting physical phenomena**
 - Melting and decomposition are two important examples

Thermal Pool Fire Test at Sandia National Laboratories SAND2015-7376PE

Placing a package 40 inches above a pool of burning fuel for 30 minutes at 800 degrees Celsius or (1475 degrees Fahrenheit).



Cerrolow-117 metal droplets on incline, C. Brooks (2012)

Point Collocation RKPM



$$\sum_{\text{NP}}^{I=1} \bar{w}_p(x - x_I, y - y_I) u(x_I, y_I) \Delta V_I = u_a(x, y)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_a^n = f \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$g_a^n = g \text{ on } \Gamma_g$$

$$h_a^n = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \Gamma_h} \text{ on } \Gamma_h$$



Novel Convolution-based Approach

- Compare math, meets Q2 milestone, prototype results, 1D FD consistency, relationship between filtered and un-filtered, stress points

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} w(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) \nabla u(\mathbf{y}) \cdot \mathbf{n} dS_{\mathbf{y}} - \int_{\Omega} \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} w(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla u(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\Omega} w(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$$

$$A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$$

$$\mathbf{f}_i = \sum_{n=1}^N w(\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{x}_n) f(\mathbf{y}_n) \Delta V_n$$

$$A_{ij} = \sum_{n=1}^N \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} w(\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{x}_n) \cdot \mathbf{D}_{j,\mathbf{y}_n} \Delta V_n$$

$$u(\mathbf{x}) =$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N_n} w(\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{x}) u(\mathbf{y}_n) \Delta V_n - \alpha \sum_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} w(\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{x}) \Delta V_n (y_{n,i}^0 - x_i)$$

$$- \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i x_j} \sum_{n=1}^{N_n} w(\mathbf{y}_n - \mathbf{x}) \Delta V_n (y_{n,i}^0 - x_i)(y_{n,j}^0 - x_j) + O(\alpha^3)$$



Quadrature & Solution Error

- Holistic analysis, solution error terms and conditions**

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} w(y-x)g(y)dy &= \int_{\Omega} w(y-x) \left(g(x) + g'(x)(y-x) + \frac{g''(x)}{2}(y-x)^2 + O((y-x)^3) \right) dy \\ &= g(x) \int_{\Omega} w(y-x)dy + g'(x) \int_{\Omega} w(y-x)(y-x)dy + \frac{g''(x)}{2} \int_{\Omega} w(y-x)(y-x)^2dy + \dots\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} \nabla_y w(y-x)dy &= w(y_{\max} - x) - w(y_{\min} - x) \equiv 0 \\ \int_{\Omega} \nabla_y w(y-x)(y-x)dy &= \int_{\Omega} w(y-x)dy \\ \int_{\Omega} \nabla_y w(y-x)(y-x)^2dy &= \int_{\Omega} w(y-x)(y-x)dy\end{aligned}$$



Interfacial Melting Dynamics

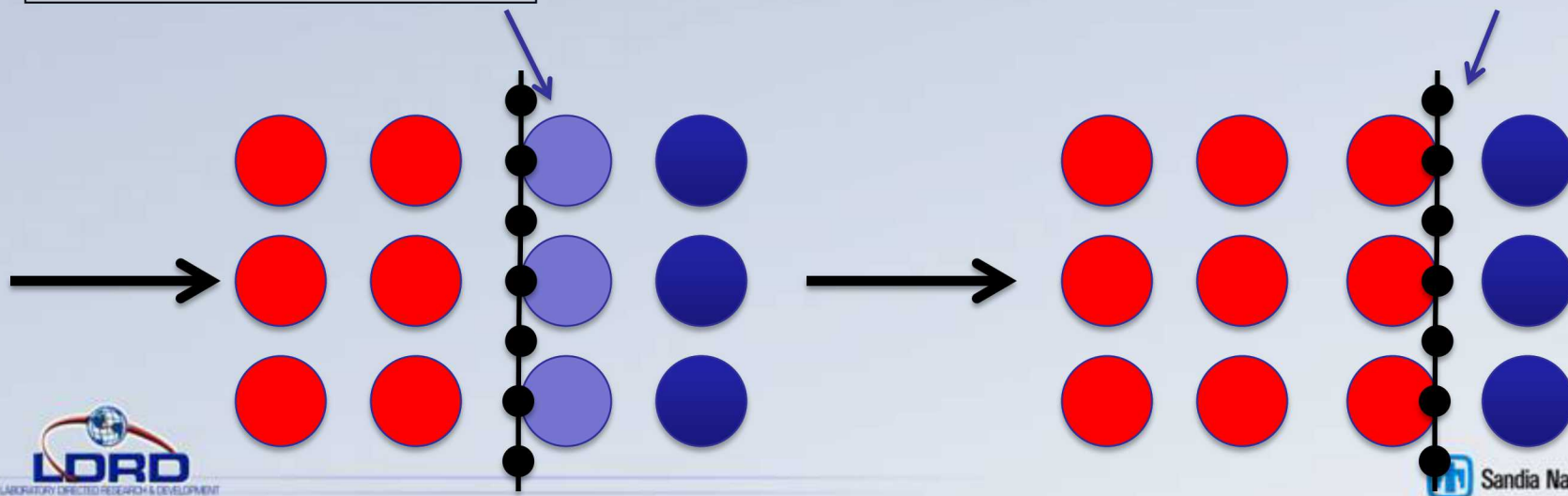
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Key Objectives

- **Demonstrate a verifiable mesh-free method**

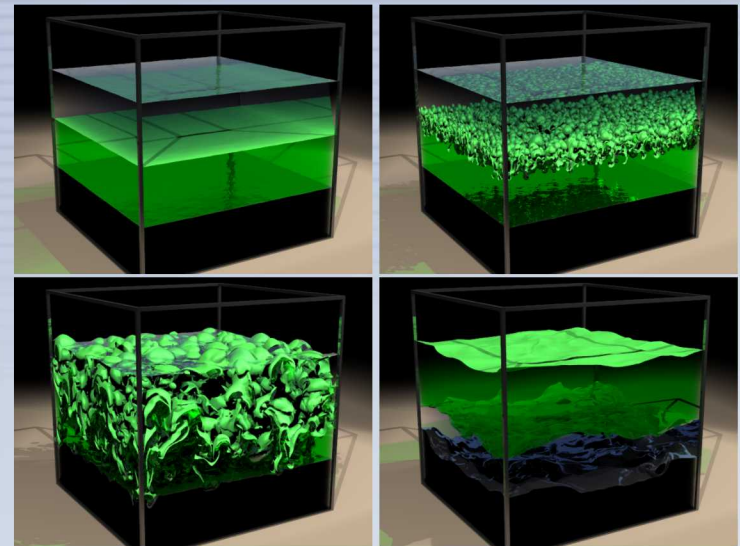
- Quadrature error estimates
- Adaptive quadrature
- Verification demonstration

- **Free surface effects**

- Nearest neighbor identification
- Error estimates and adaptivity
- Oxidation model

- **Solid/Fluid phase change**

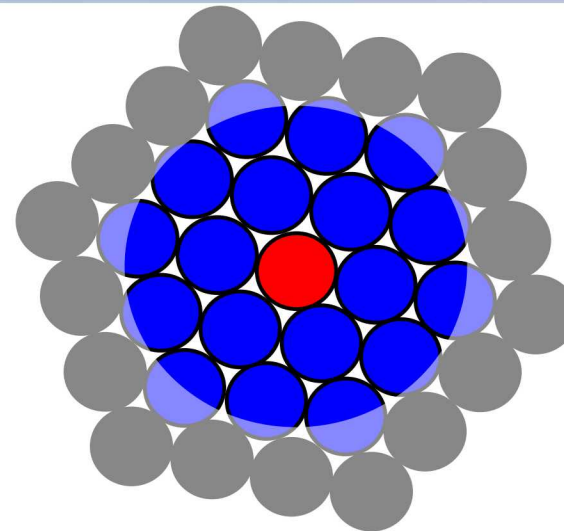
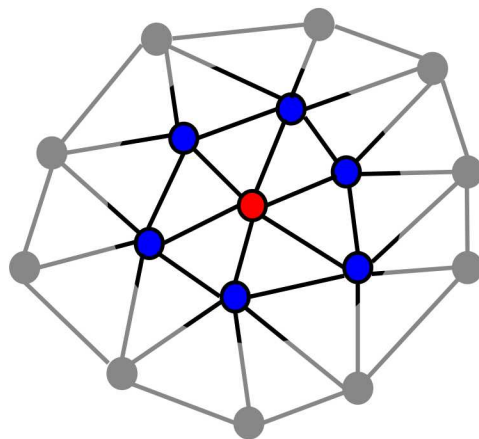
- Particle level-set method
- Mesh-free solid model
- Progress-variable melting model
- Interfacial kernel adaptivity



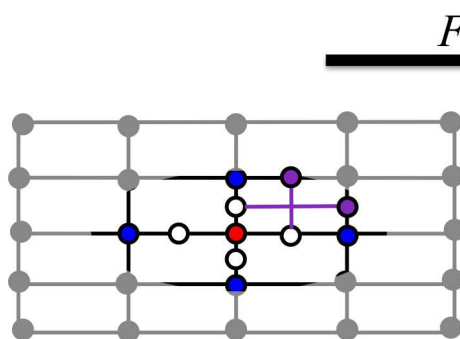
SPH Simulation of the
Rayleigh-Taylor Instability
Losasso et al. 2007



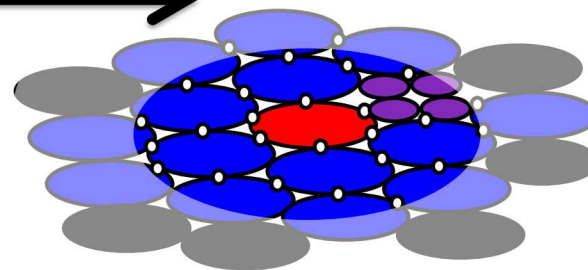
So What's New Here?



a) Geodesic Voronoi diagram (RKPM) **b)** Particle representation (SPH)



Flow Direction →

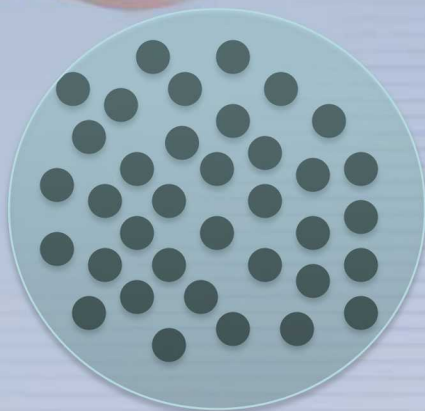


c) Mesh-based stencil (CFD) **d)** Proposed volume quadrature method

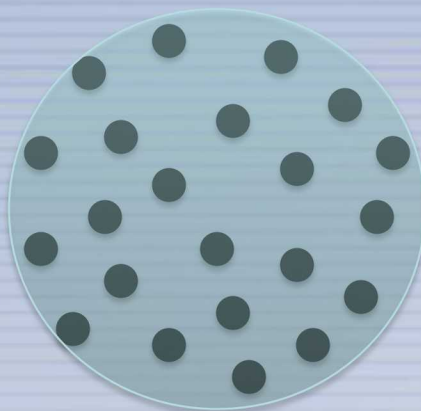


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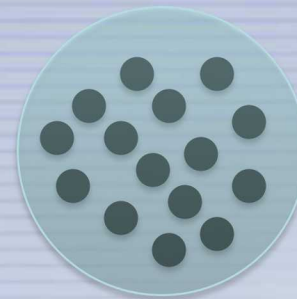
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Computational Approaches

- **Mesh-based**

- Advantages

- Can design mesh to minimize discretization errors
 - Clear theories regarding mesh convergence and numerical errors

- Challenges

- Difficult to account for large topological changes
 - Retaining high-quality elements as mesh deforms
 - Multiphysics code coupling necessitates cross-package interaction

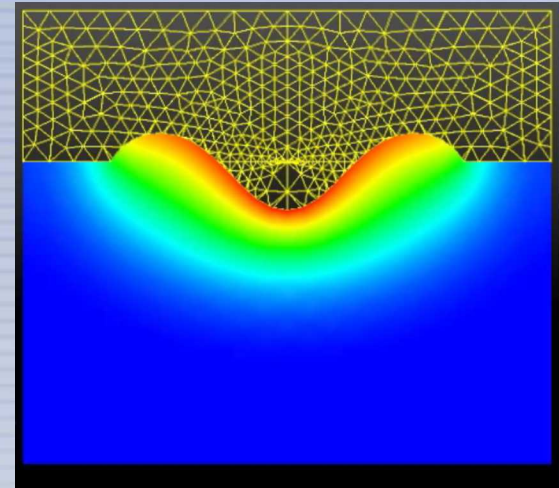
- **Mesh-free**

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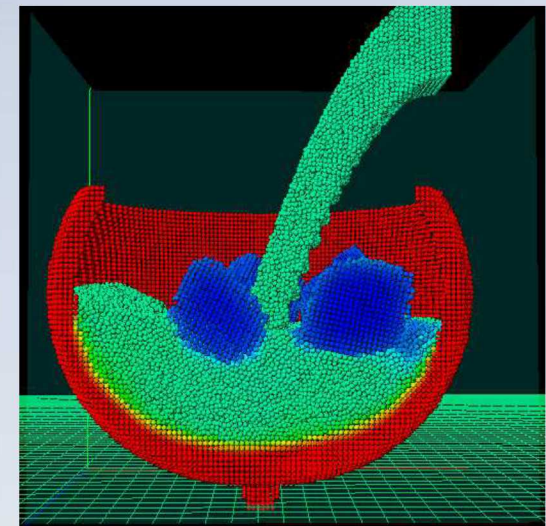
- Capable of tracking large deformations
 - Straightforward to model free-surface effects

- Challenges

- Limited error analysis
 - Difficulty maintaining high-order quadrature through flow
 - Phase transitions relatively unexplored



CDFEM of Laser Weld, D. Noble



SPH of melting ice, Iwasaki *et al.*, 2010



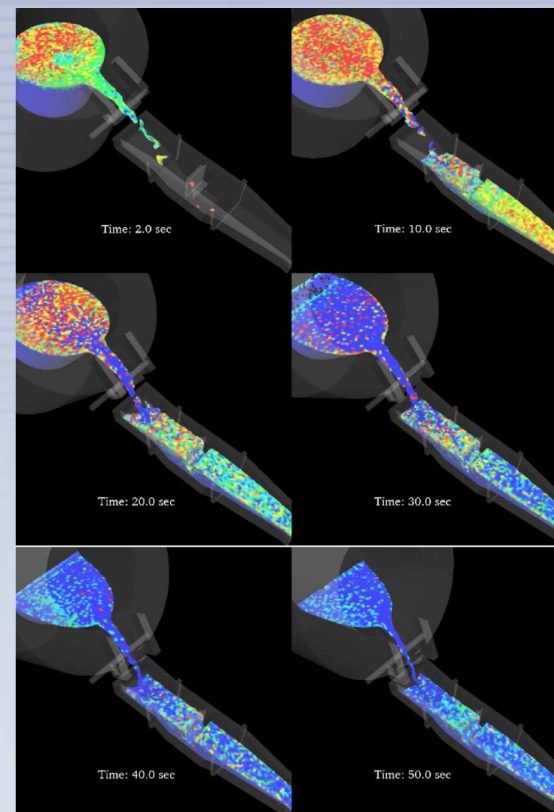
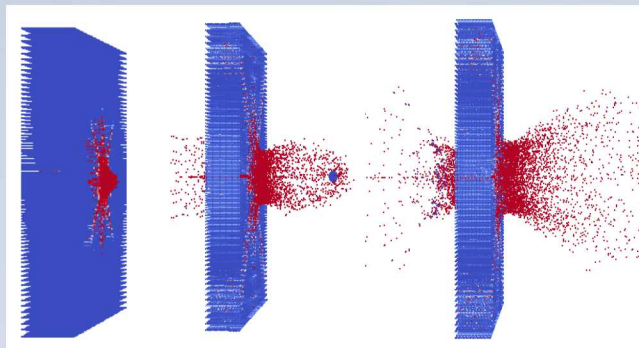
Existing Mesh-Free Methods

Motivating problem: Al melt, relocation, & oxidation

Particle methods (SPH, DPD, etc.) have had more impact on fluids, but tend to be less rigorous

Integral-based methods (RKPM, PD, etc.) are more rigorous, but have been more successfully used for solids

Particle Penetration using RKPM, Chen (2013)

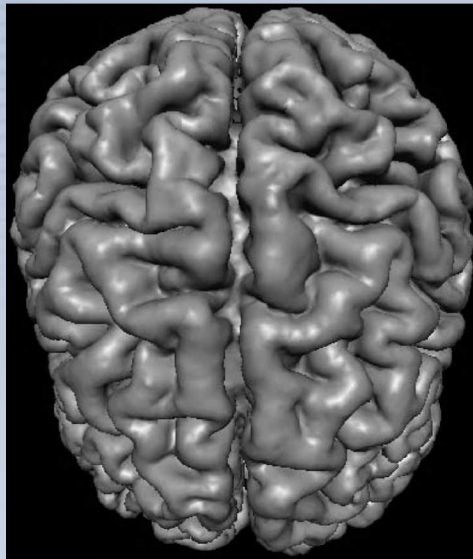


Cast house molten aluminum flow and oxidation using SPH, Prakash *et al.* (2009)

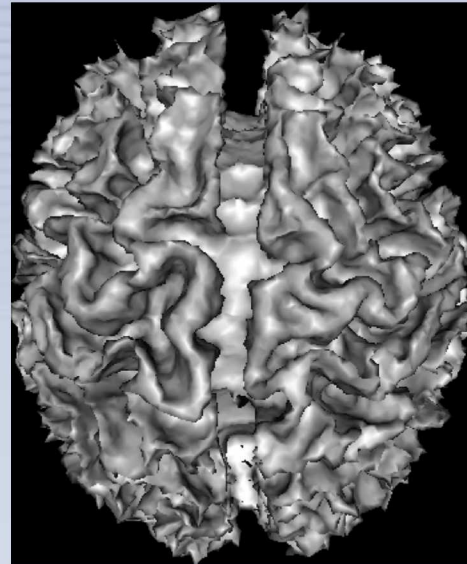


Free Surface Effects

Adaptive RKPM for Extraction of the Cortical Surface,
Xu et al. 2006

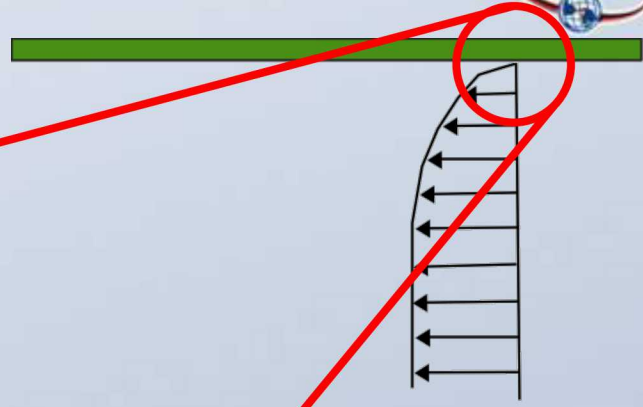
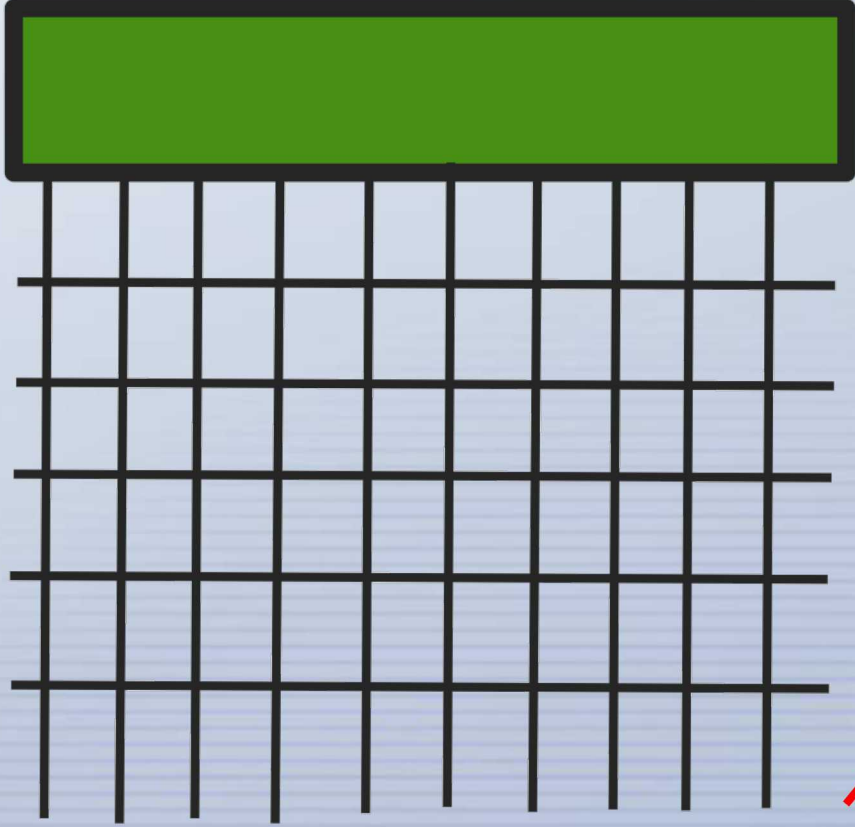


Cortical surface



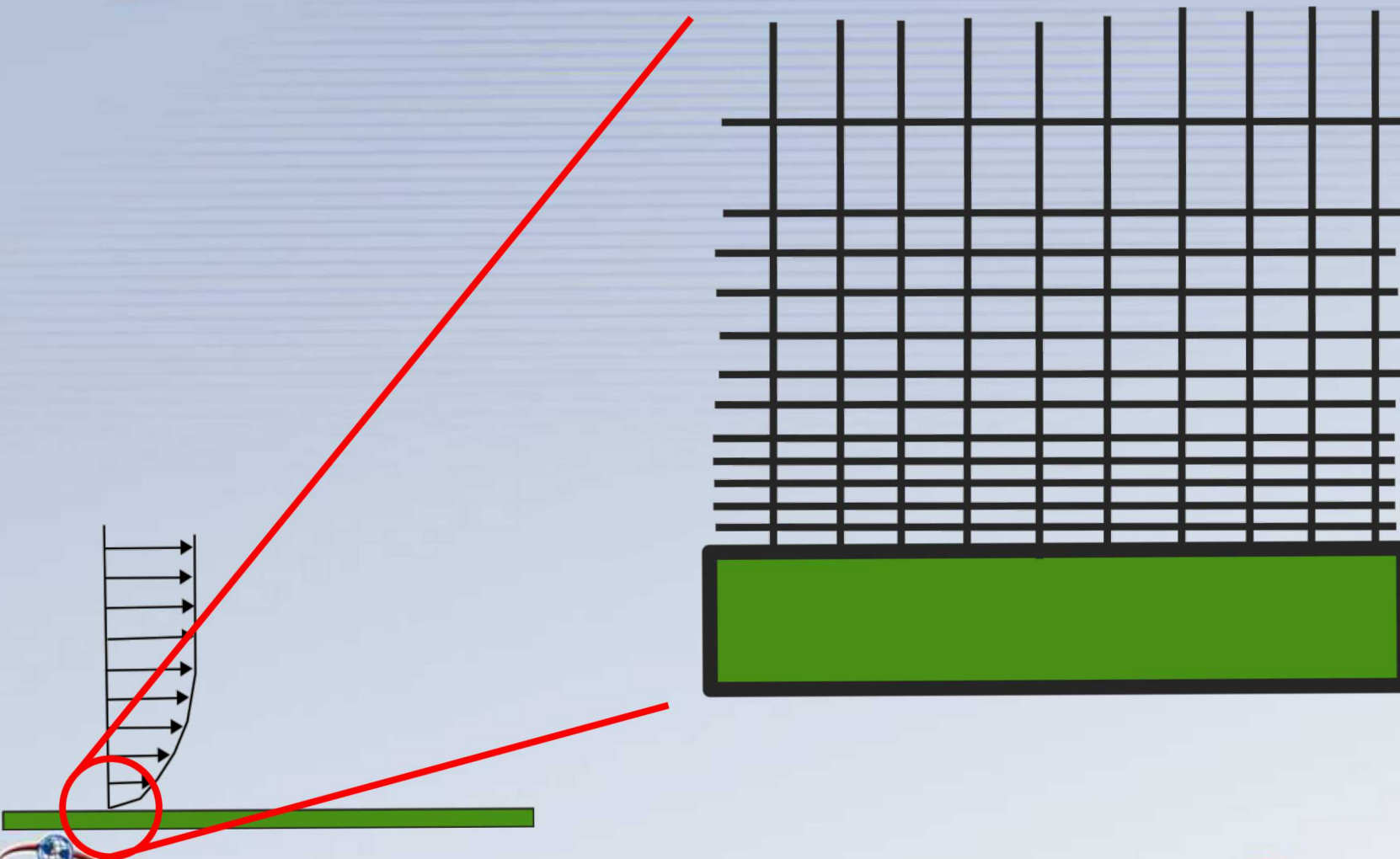
Extracted gray-white
matter surface

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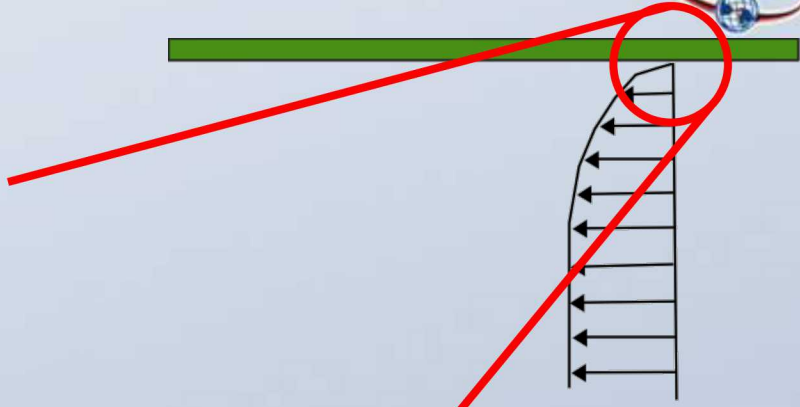
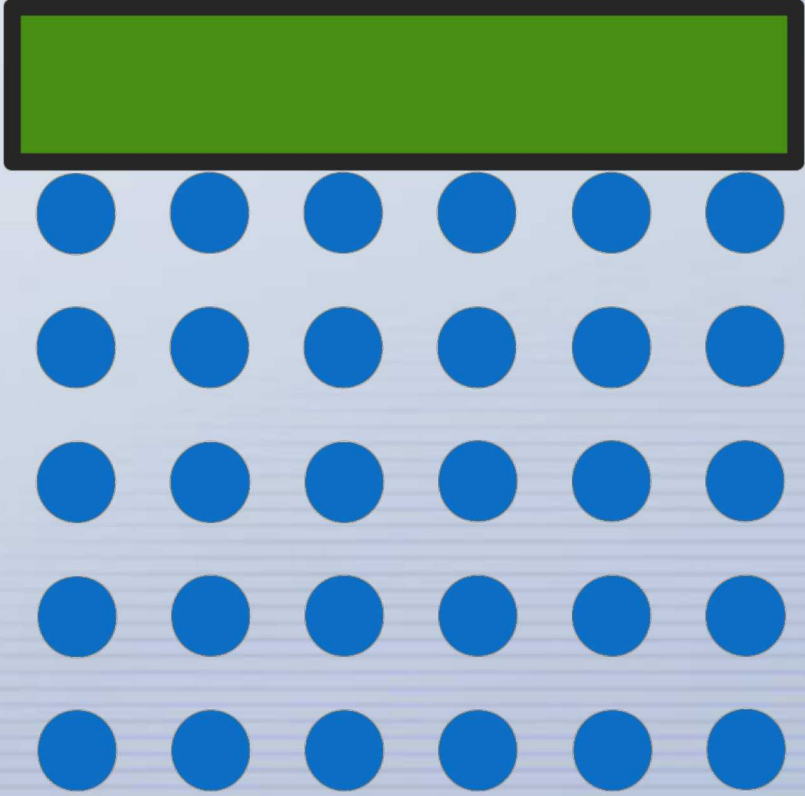




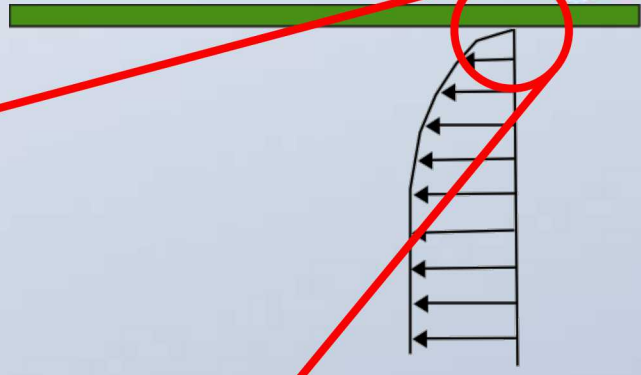
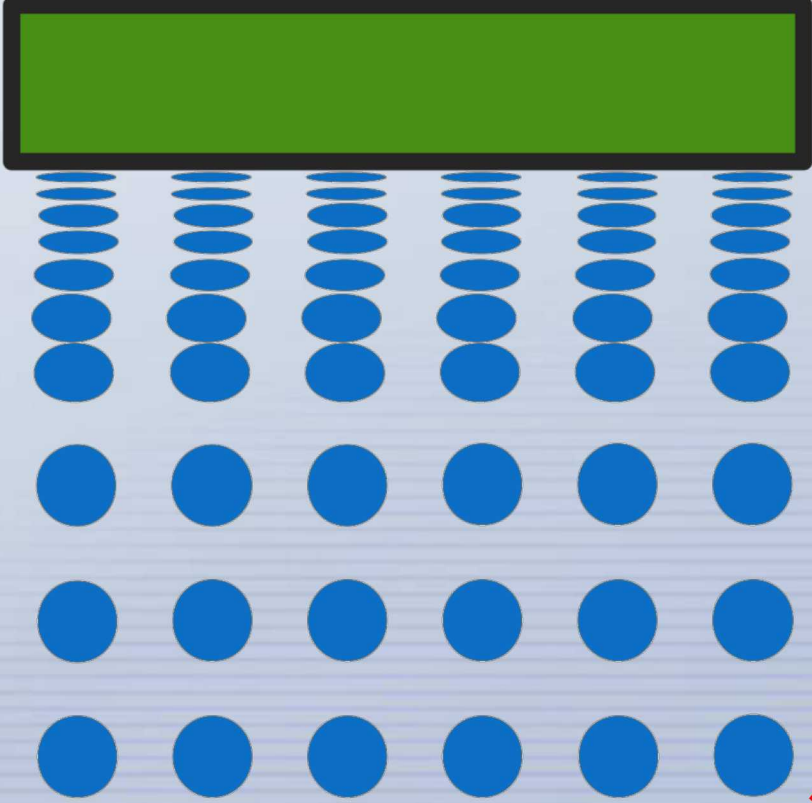
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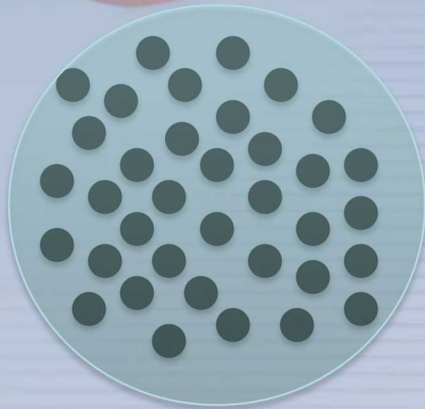
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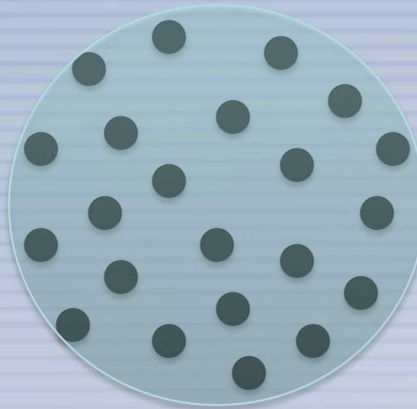


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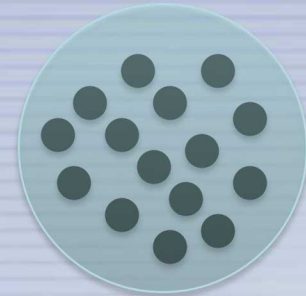
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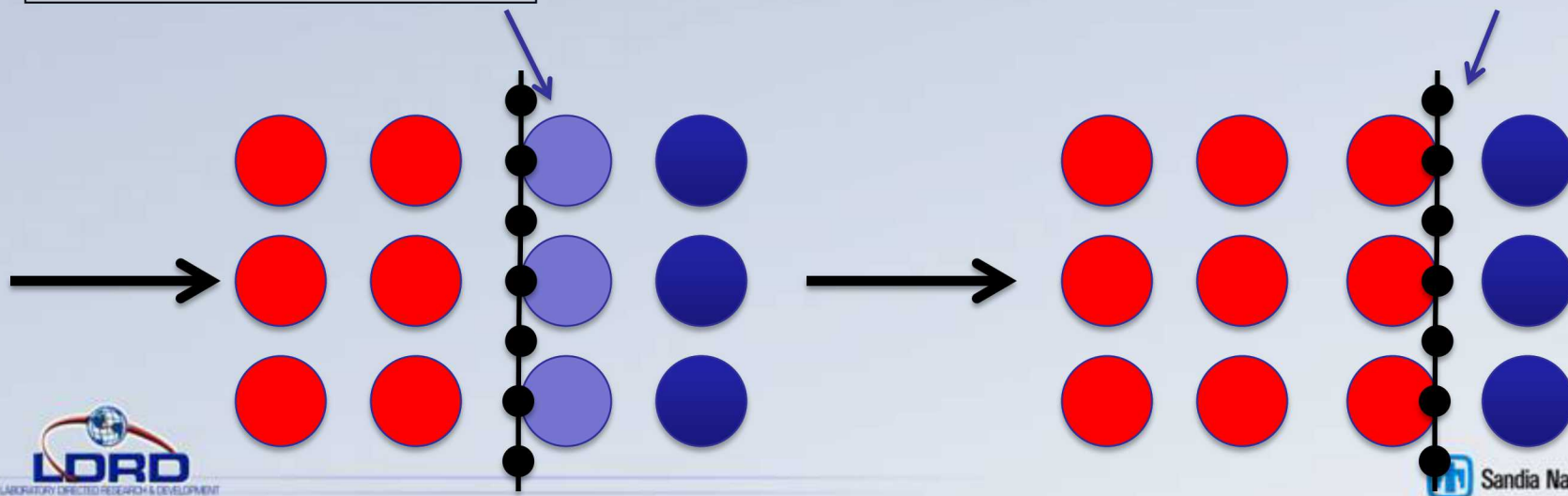
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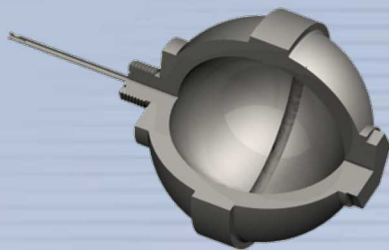
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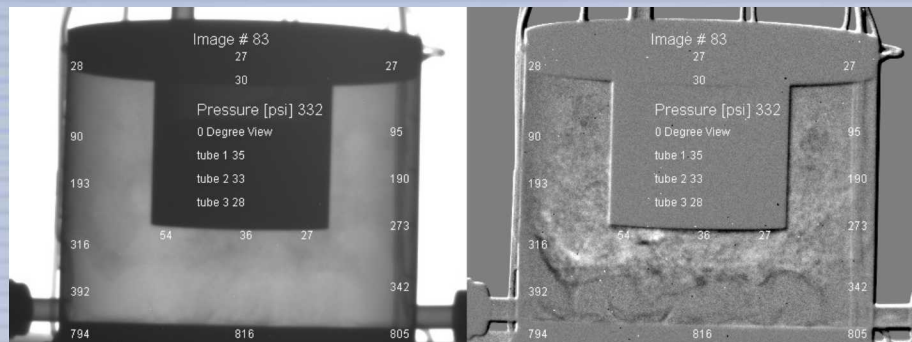




Impact and Future



Welding/Manufacturing



Foam decomposition



NW safety assessments



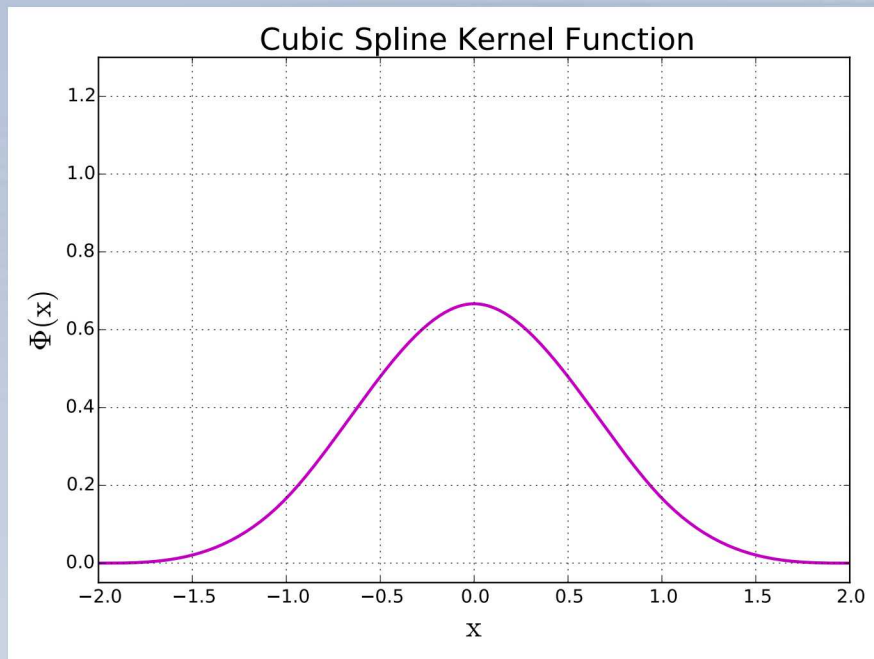
Liquid fuel spray break-up



Splash modeling



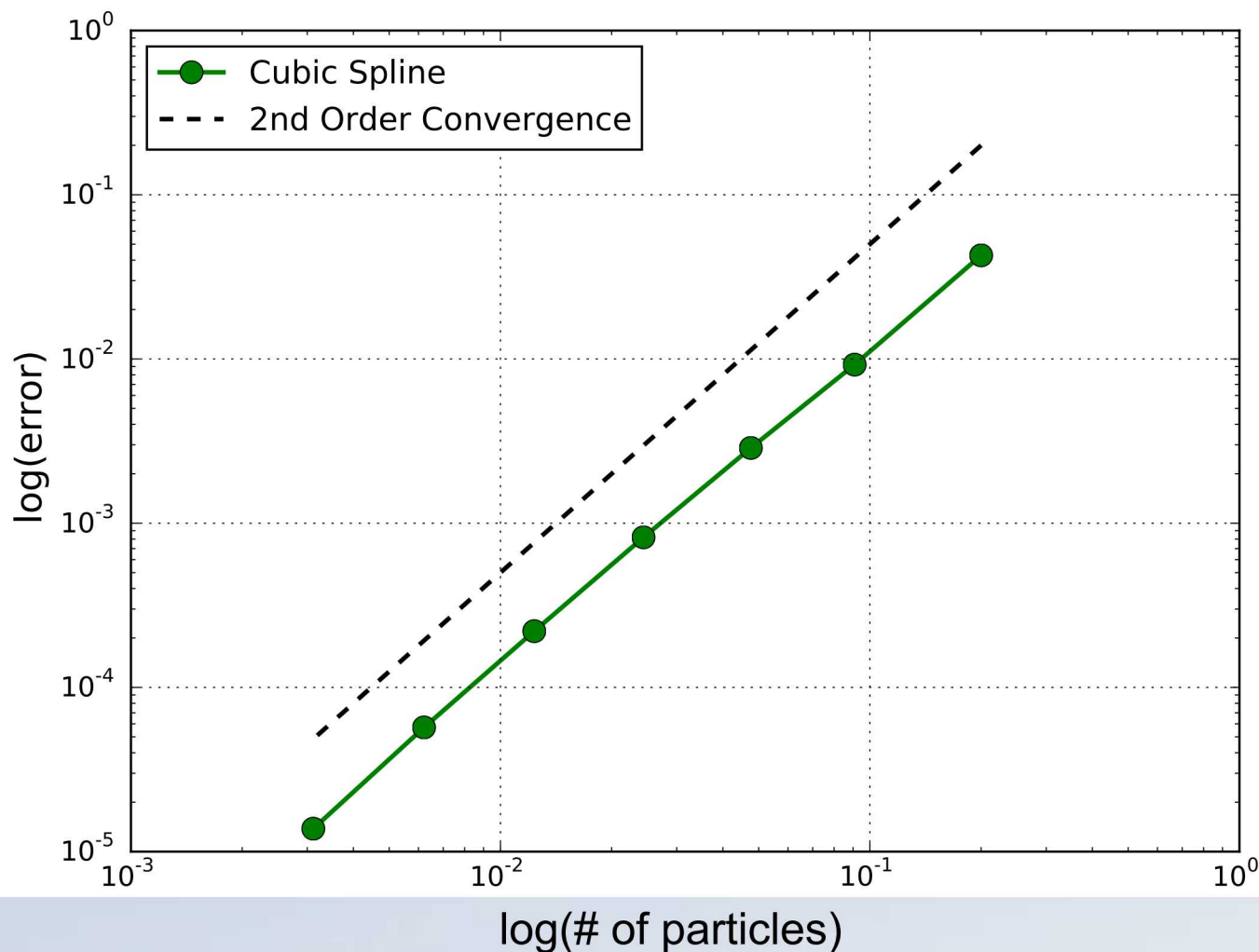
Quadrature Error for Kernel Functions



- Most widely used smoothing kernel function.
- Resembles a Gaussian functions while having a compact support
- Second derivative is a piecewise linear, which reduces stability properties



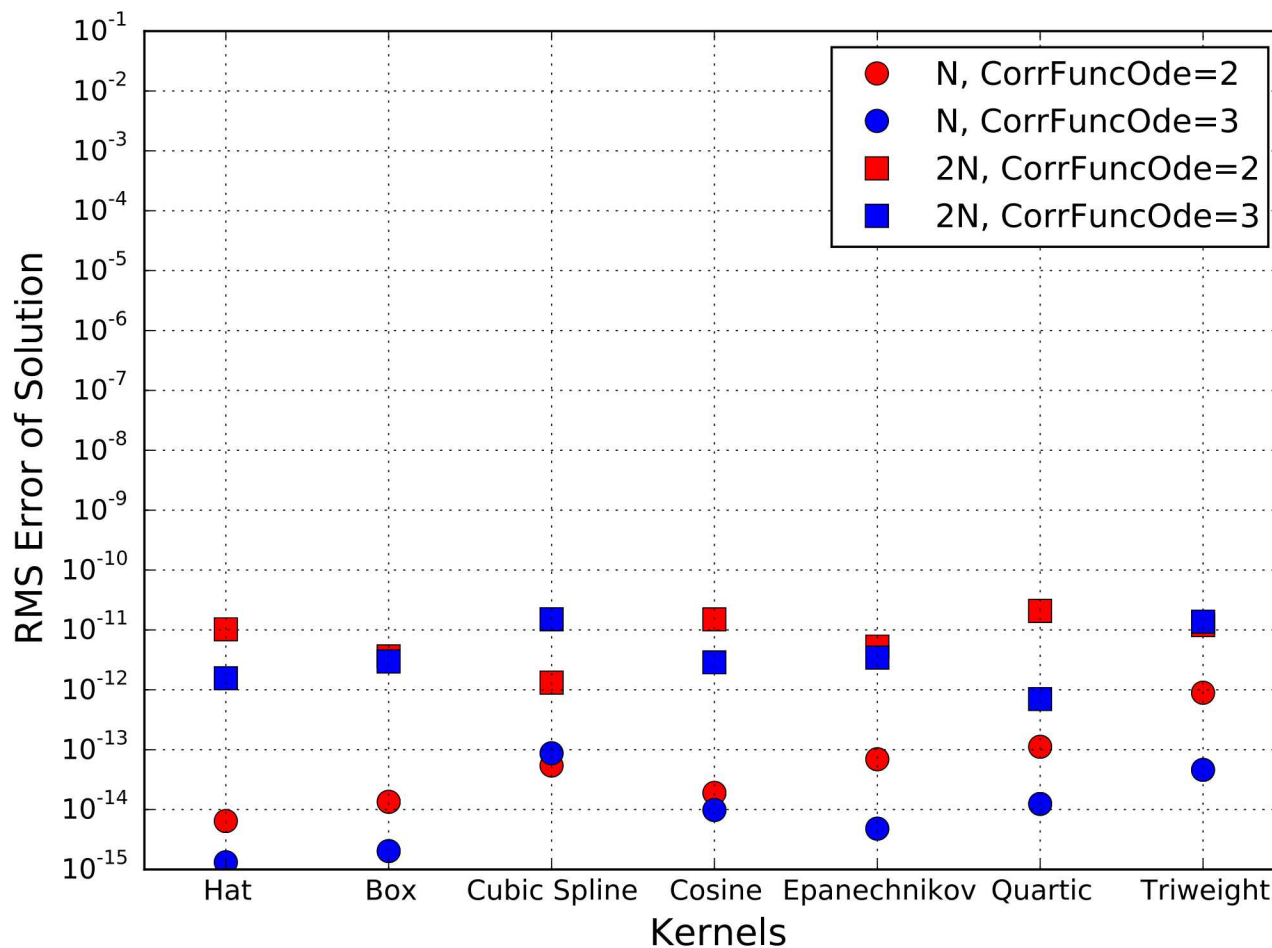
Convergence for 2nd Order PDE



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{105}{2}x^2 - \frac{15}{2}, \quad u(x=0) = 3/8, \quad u(x=1) = 17/2, \quad u = \frac{35}{8}x^4 - \frac{15}{4}x^2 + \frac{3}{8}$$



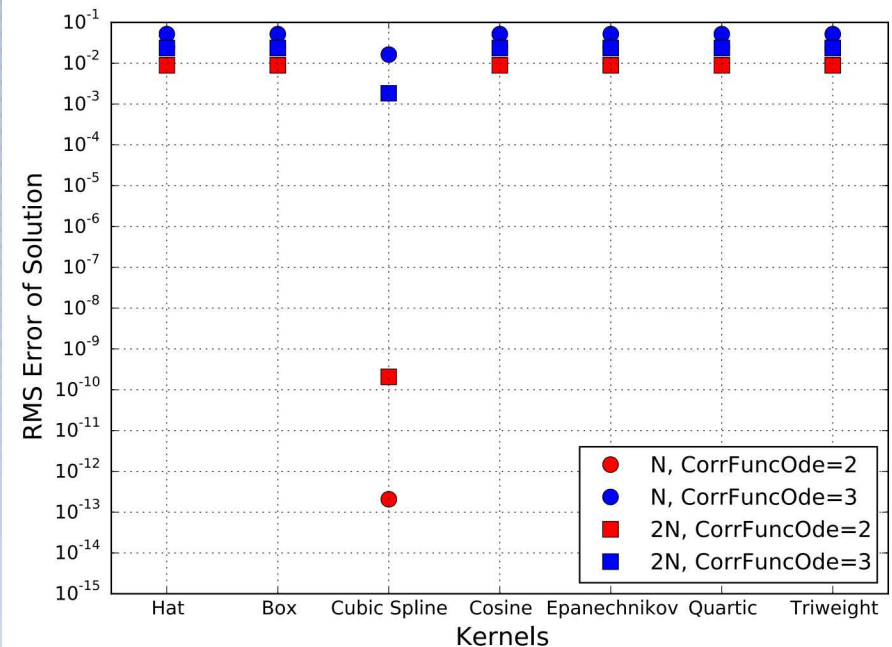
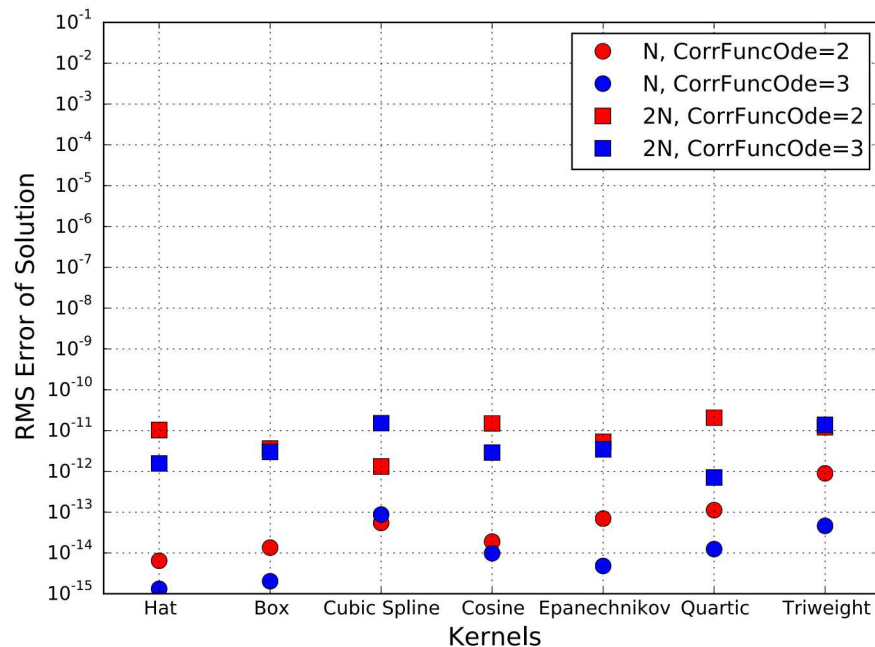
2nd Order PDE: Solution RMS Error



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Parameters Effects on PDE Solution RMS Error



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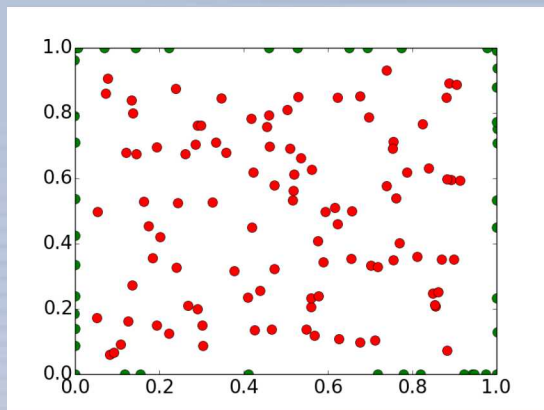
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 2, u(x=0) = 0, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x=1) = 1$$

- Lost accuracy for Neumann Boundary Conditions
- Similar behavior for 1st order PDE

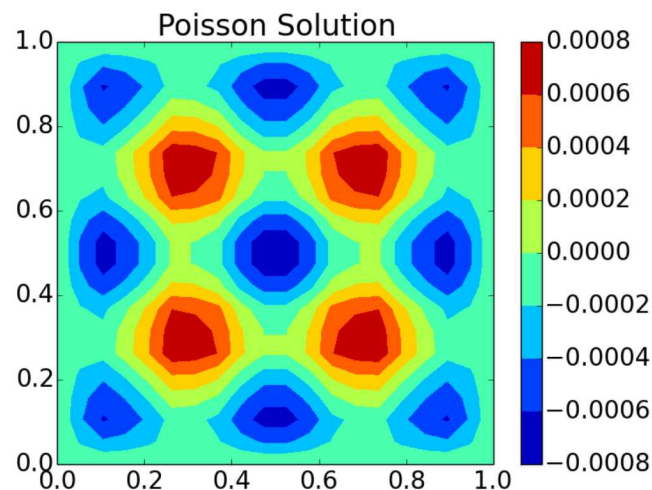
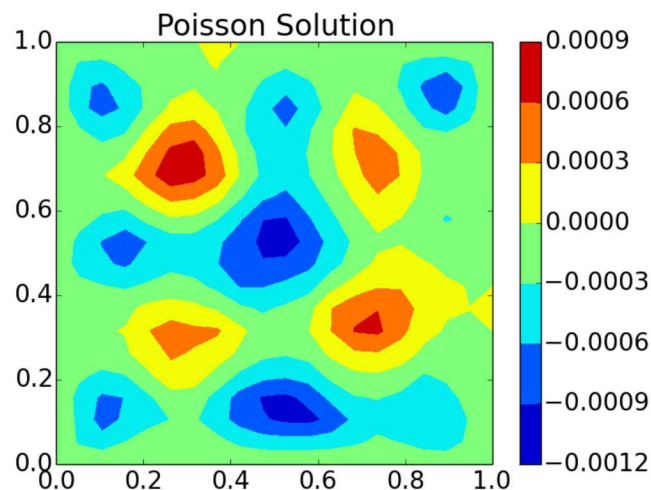
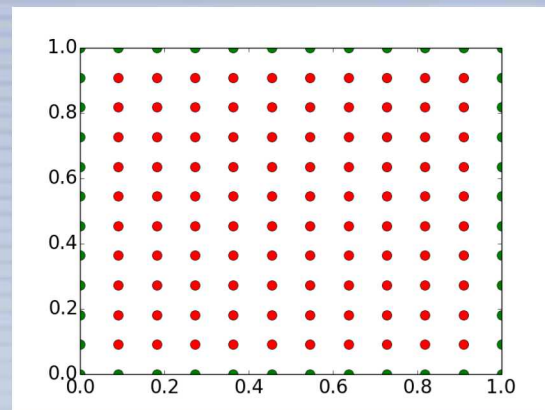


Adaptive Particle Motion

Fully Random

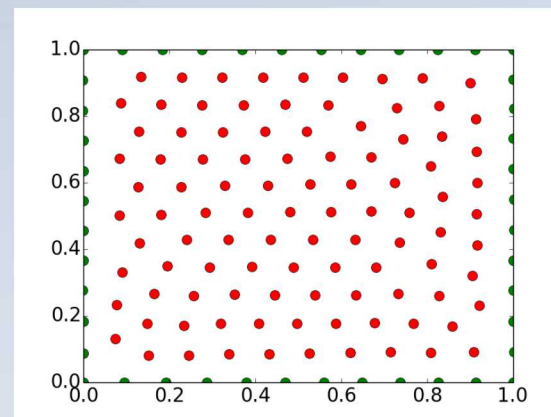
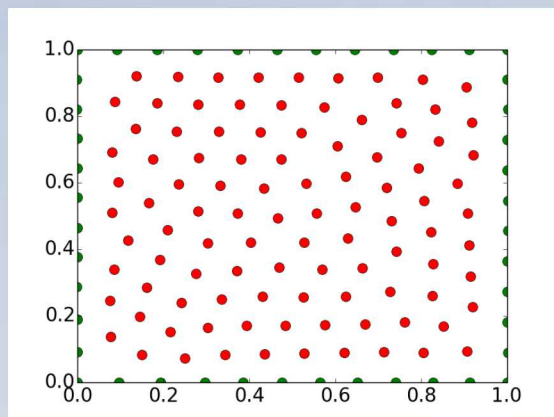
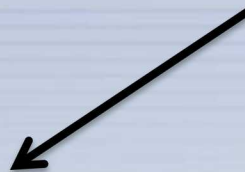
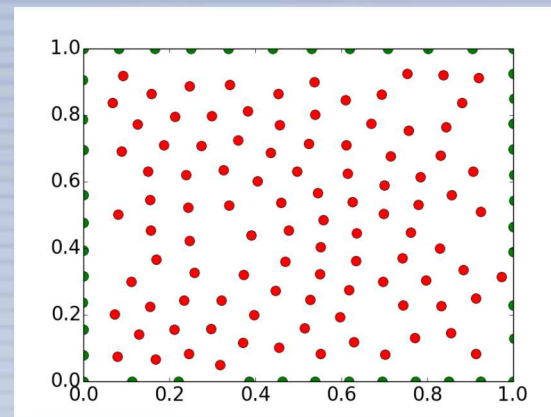
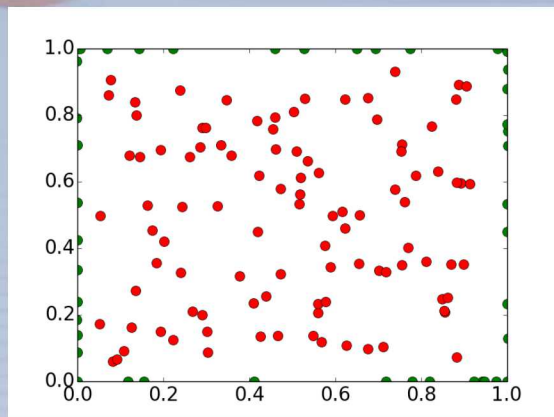


Fully Ordered



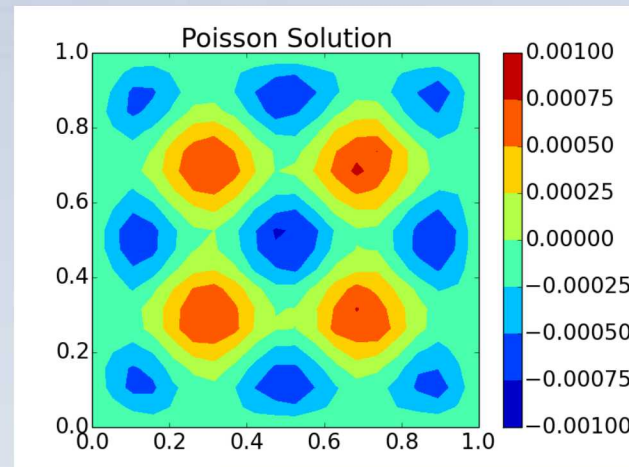
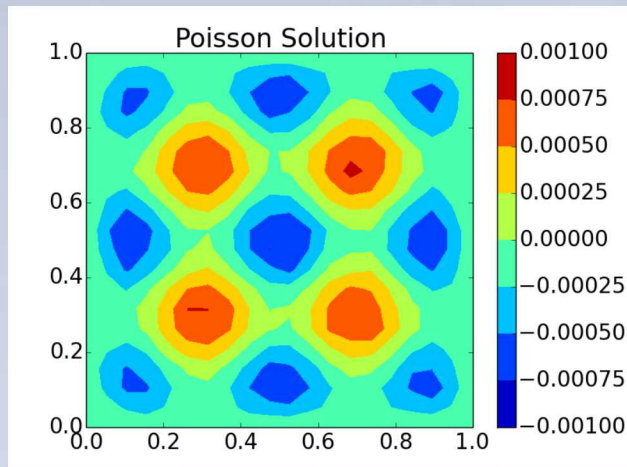
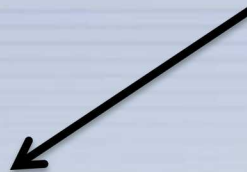
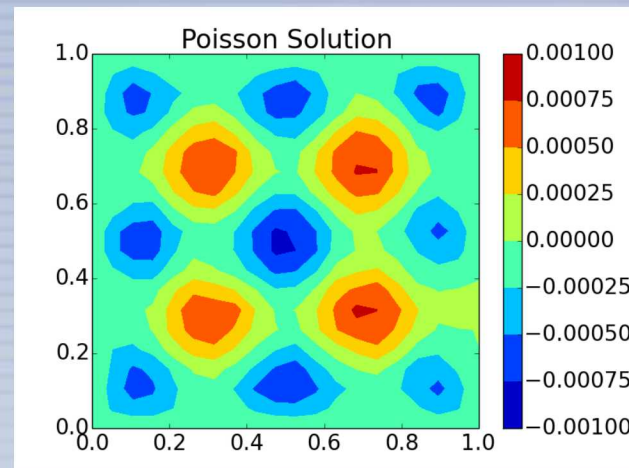
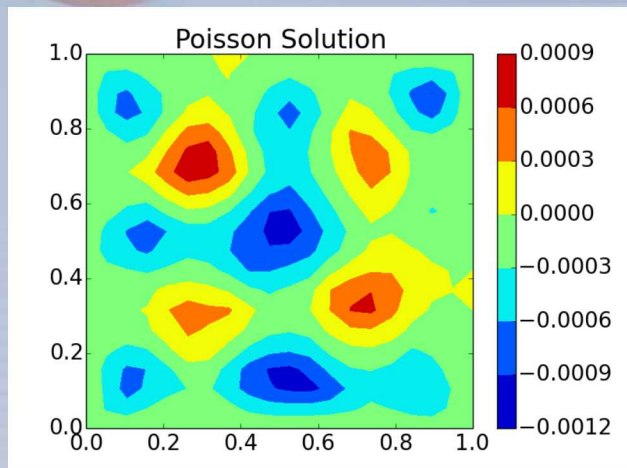


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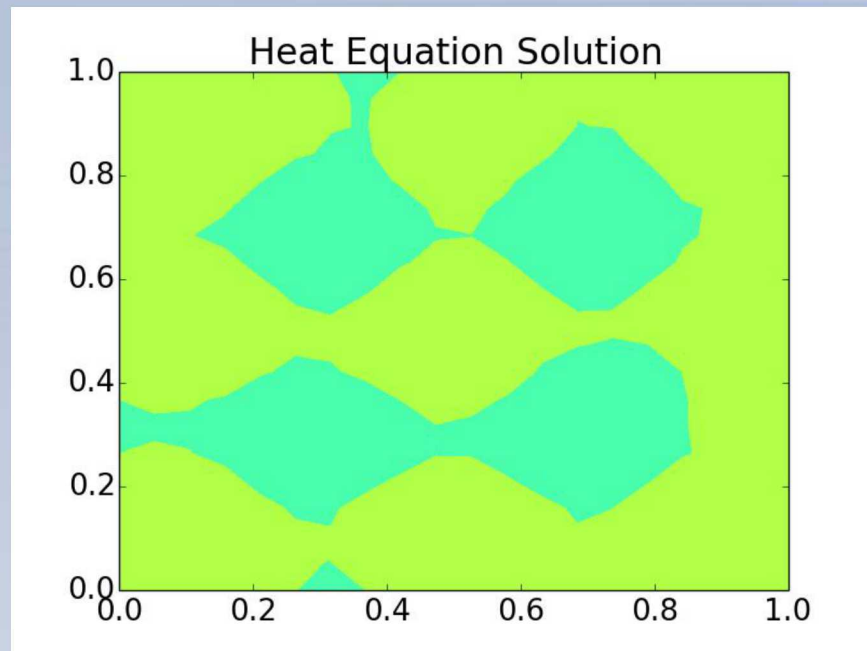
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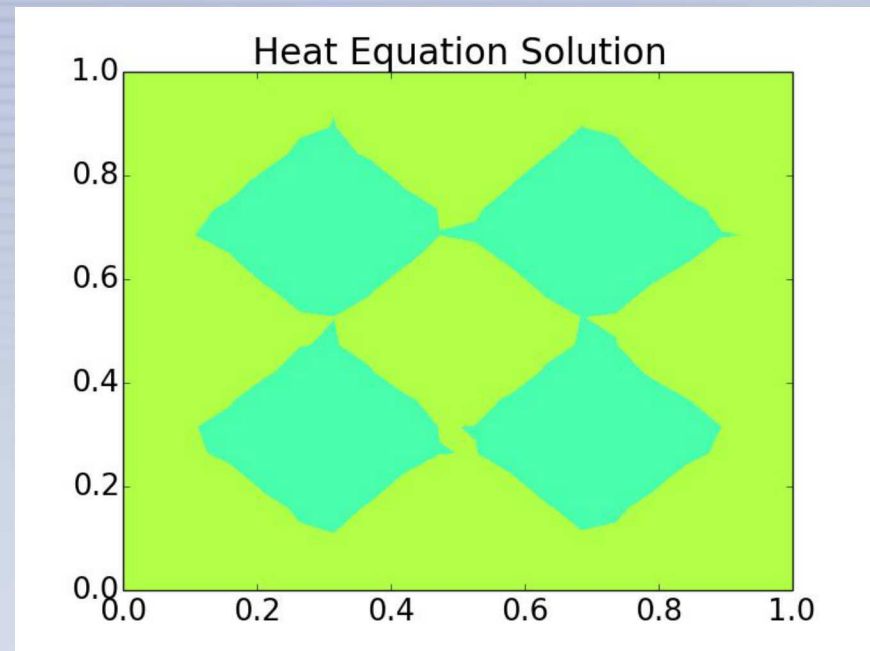


Similar Behavior for Transient Systems

Heat Equation: Initial Configuration

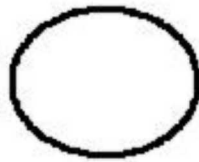


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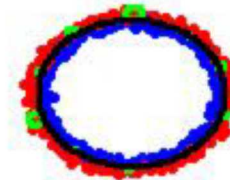




Particle level set method reduces the numerical diffusion of the level set method



Level set method



Level set method + particle correction

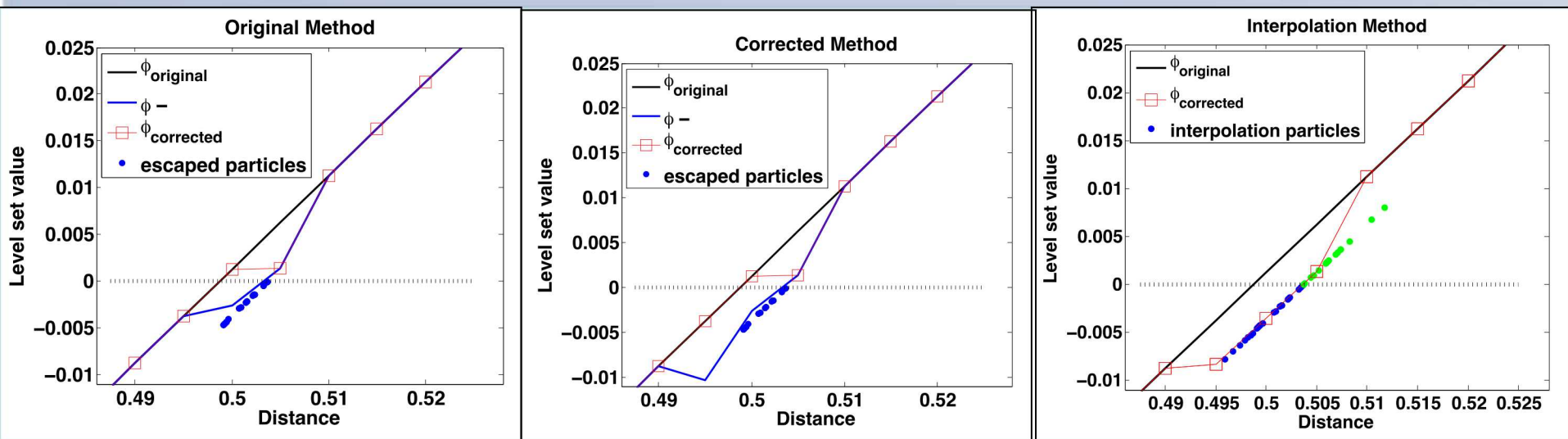
- PLS beats traditional level set method when tested on a single vortex problem
 - Limits numerical diffusion
 - Resolves thin filaments on the mesh scale



Particle Level Set Method Comparison

- Particle Level Set (PLS) Method¹
- Corrected PLS²
- Interpolative PLS³ **Most advanced in literature**

New Method



¹ Enright, Fedkiw, Ferziger, Mitchell, "A hybrid particle level set method for improved interface capturing," J. Comp. Phys. (2002).

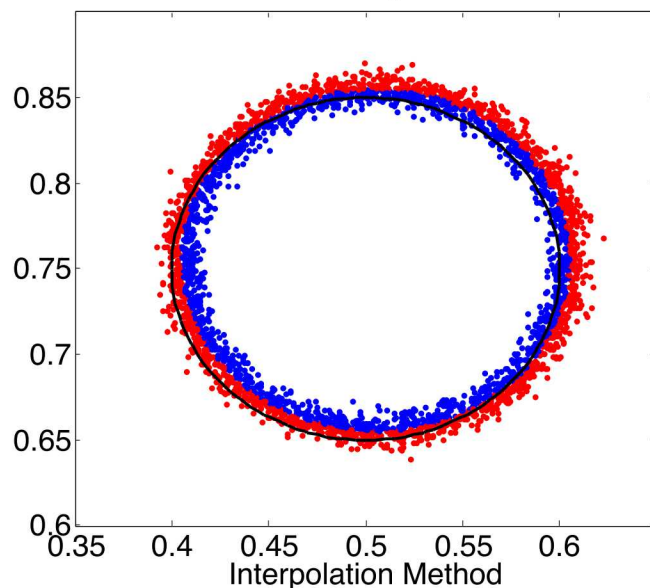
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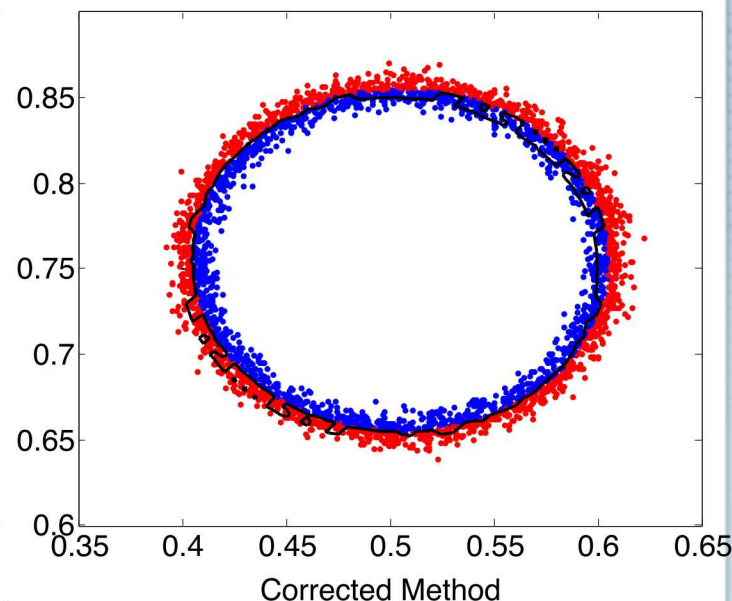


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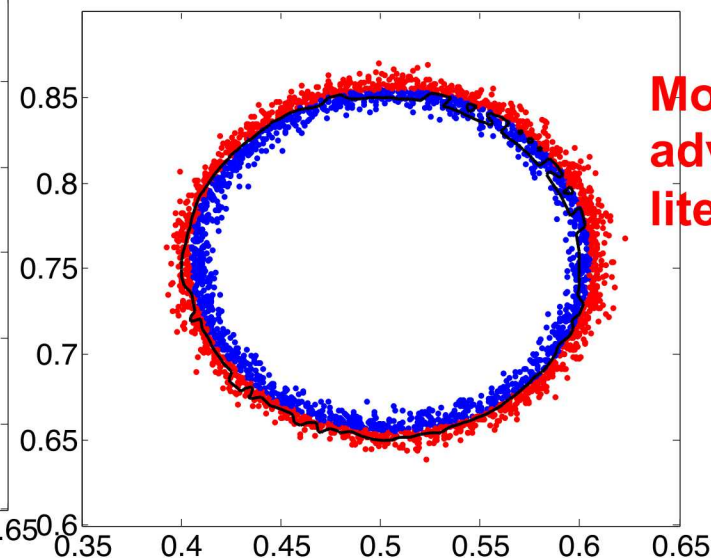
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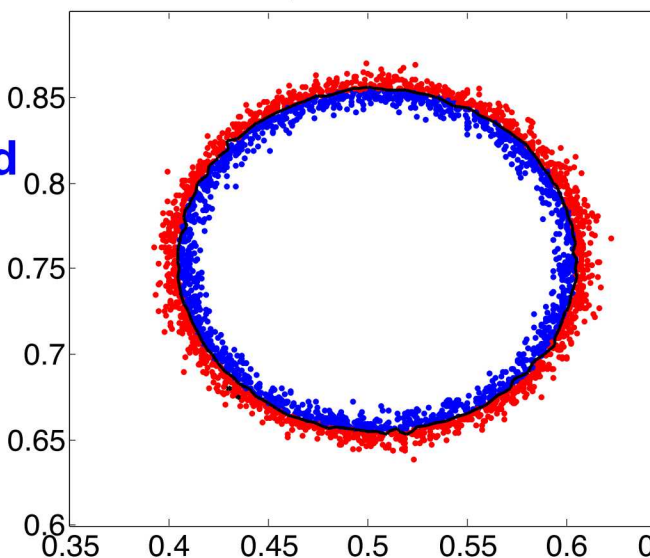


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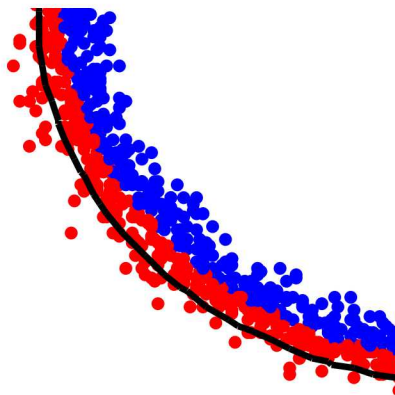
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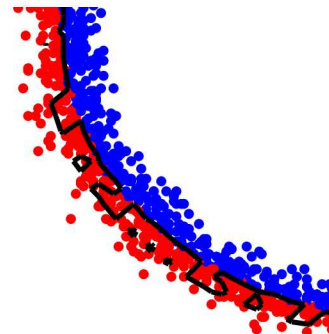


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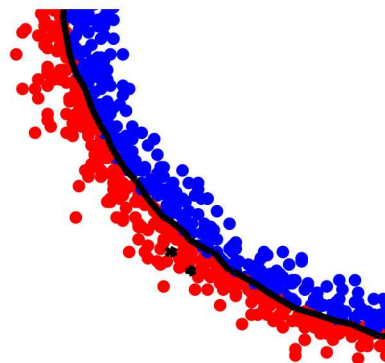
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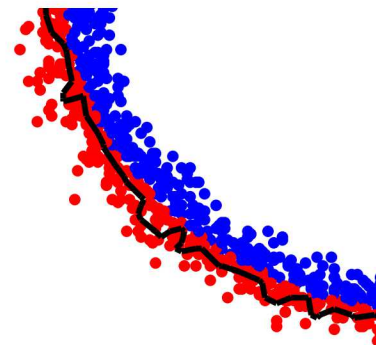
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Correction Method

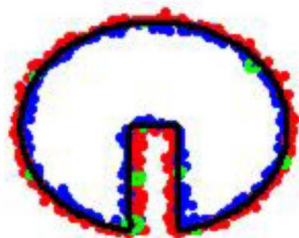


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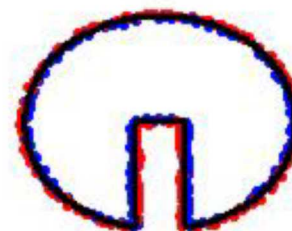
New Method



Rotating Zalesak's disk test



Level set method



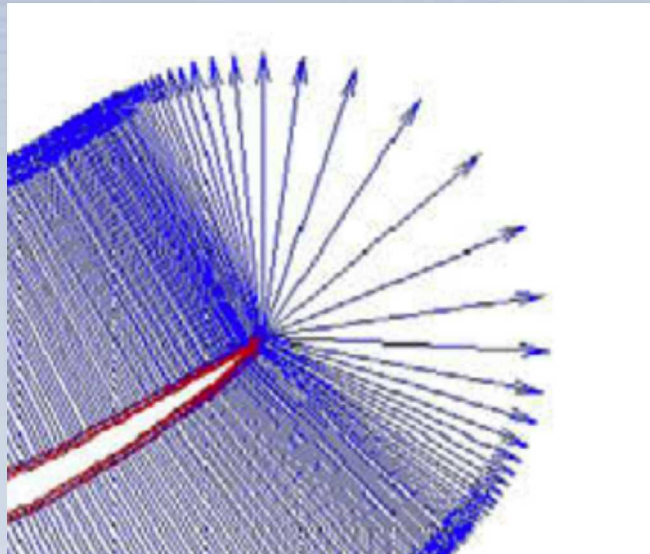
Level set method + particle interpolation

- Comparing numerical diffusion between traditional level set method and one using our particle interpolation procedure
 - Numerical diffusion taken care of
 - Errors away from boundary start developing



Oriented particle level set approach

- Alternatively, we could use an oriented particle approach¹
 - Particles lie exactly on interface
 - Separate governing equations for normal vector and curvature
 - No need for level set equation to evolve the interface



¹ Ianniello, Mascio, "A self-adaptive particles Level-Set method for tracking interfaces," J. Comp. Phys., 2010.



RKPM: Different Algorithms

- **Point Collocation Method**

$$u^a(x, y) = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}(x, y, x - s, y - t) \varphi(x - s, y - t) u(s, t) ds dt$$

- **Fixed Point Reproducing Kernel Method**

$$u^a = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}(x, y, s, t) \varphi(x_K - s, y_K - t) u(s, t) ds dt$$

- **Moving Reproducing Kernel Method**

$$u^a(x, y) = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}(x, y, s, t) \varphi(x - s, y - t) u(s, t) ds dt$$

- **Multiple Fixed Reproducing Kernel Method**

$$u^a(x, y) = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{C}(x, y, s, t) \varphi_{s,t}(s - x, t - y) u(s, t) ds dt$$

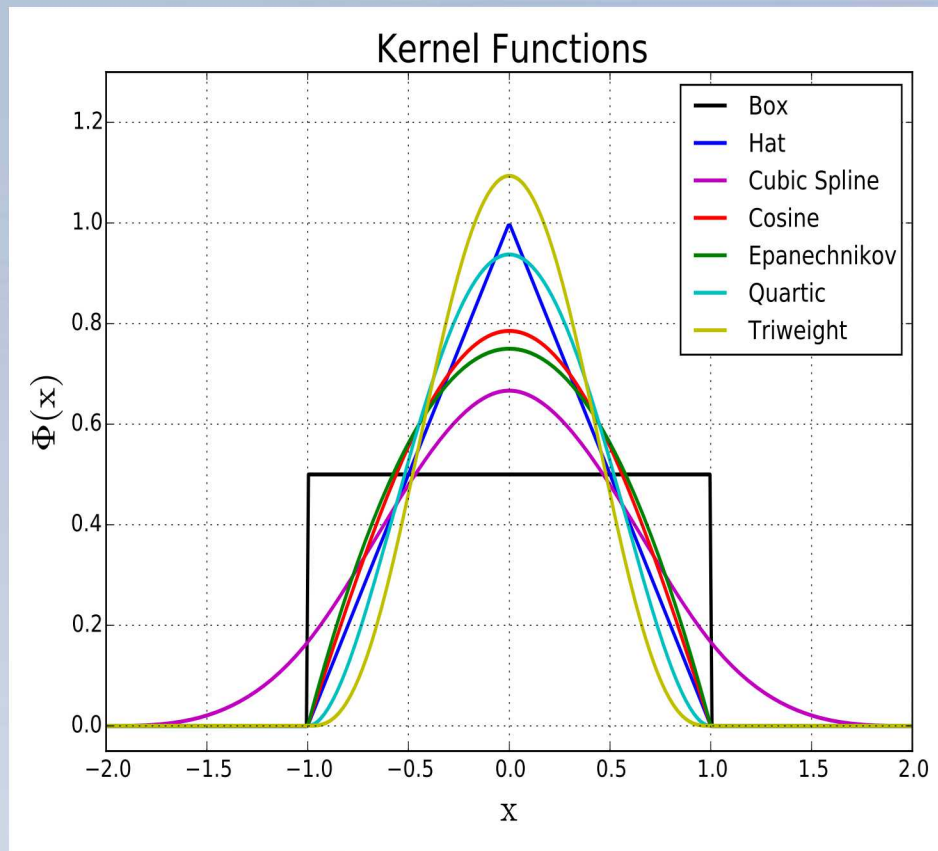
Correction Function: $\mathcal{C}(x, y, s, t)$

Kernel Function: φ

Unknown Function: $u(s, t)$



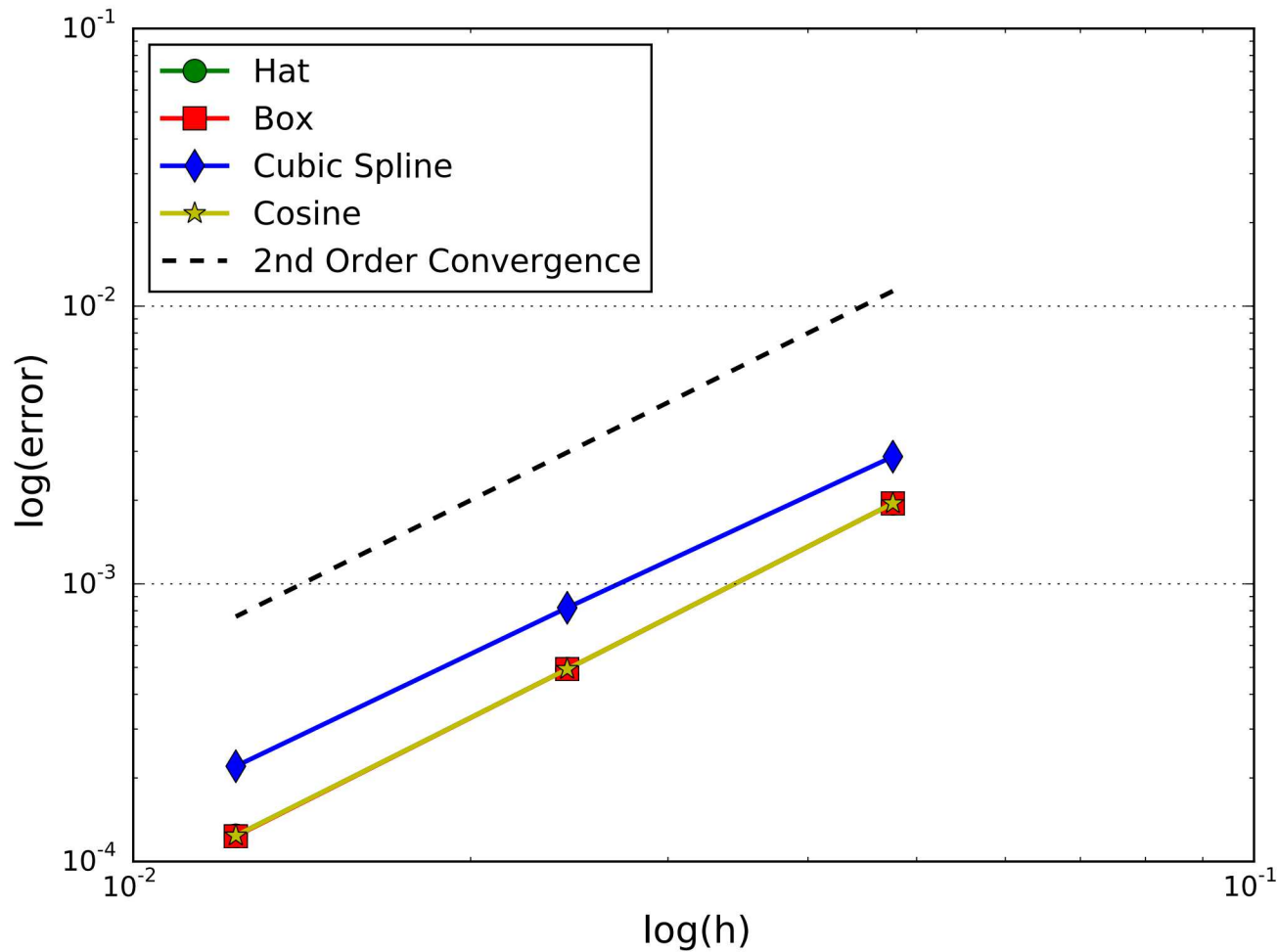
Implemented Kernel Functions



- Kernel Function Properties:
 - Normalized over its support domain
 - Compactly supported
 - Positive for any point within the support domain
 - Kernel value for a particle monotonically decreases with increasing distance away from the particle
 - Satisfies the dirac delta function condition as the smoothing length approaches zero.
 - Even and symmetric function
 - Smooth function



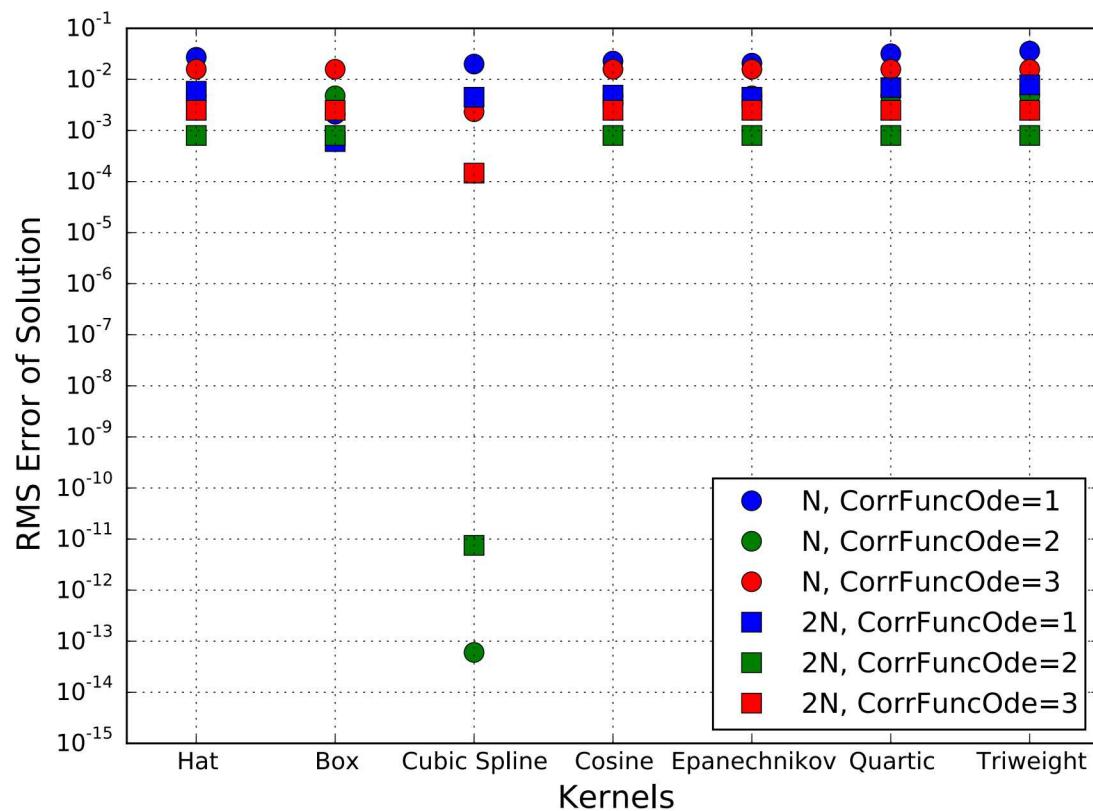
Convergence for 2nd Order PDE



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{105}{2}x^2 - \frac{15}{2}, \quad u(x=0) = 3/8, \quad u(x=1) = 17/2, \quad u = \frac{35}{8}x^4 - \frac{15}{4}x^2 + \frac{3}{8}$$



First order ODE displays anomalous results



$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x, u(x = 0) = 0, u(x = 1) = 1$$



RKPM: Algorithms Properties

- **Point Collocation Method**
 - Computationally intensive due to additional system solve for moment matrix and its derivative
- **Fixed Point Reproducing Kernel Method**
 - Reduced computation and algorithm complexity by fixing the kernel evaluation
 - Shape function derivatives are independent of the kernel function
 - Requires dealing with multi-valued Shape functions
- **Moving Reproducing Kernel Method**
 - Shape functions are not multi-valued
 - Shape function derivatives are kernel function dependent
- **Multiple Fixed Reproducing Kernel Method**
 - Shape functions are not multi-valued they can be computed uniquely
 - Shape function derivatives are kernel function dependent
 - Different kernel functions can be used at each point.



Solving the Stefan problem for melting solids

- Solving the heat equation for a solidifying liquid
- The interface is defined at the melt temperature

