

# Robust discontinuous Galerkin methods for incompressible fluid flows

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# The Navier-Stokes equations

Consider the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \nabla p - \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{f}, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \mathbf{u} &= 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega,\end{aligned}$$

with initial condition

$$\mathbf{u}(x, 0) = \mathbf{u}_0(x) \quad \forall x \in \Omega.$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{u}$ : velocity,  $p$ : pressure,  $1 \gg \nu \geq 0$ : viscosity.
- ▶  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ : a polygonal domain.
- ▶ The initial velocity  $\mathbf{u}_0(x)$  is assumed to be divergence-free.

# (very) Brief background on numerical methods for NS

## Sequential methods

- ▶ Vorticity based formulation  
FD: (Fromm, 63), Spectral (Orszag, 71), Compact FD/FE (E & Liu, 95–01)...
- ▶ Fractional step methods (Projection methods)  
(Chorin,68),(Temam,69), (Guermond, Mineev, Shen,06)...

Pro: efficient solver

Con: numerical boundary conditions

## Coupled methods

- ▶ Finite elements/discontinuous Galerkin  
(Crouzeix & Raviart, 73), (Hood & Taylor, 74), (Arnold & Brezzi, 84)...  
(Arnold & Qin, 92), (Zhang, 05), (Cockburn, Kanschat, Schötzau, 04-09)...
- ▶ Splines/IGA  
(Awanou & Lai, 05), (Evans & Hughes, 13)...
- ▶ Least-squares (Hughes et al. 89)...

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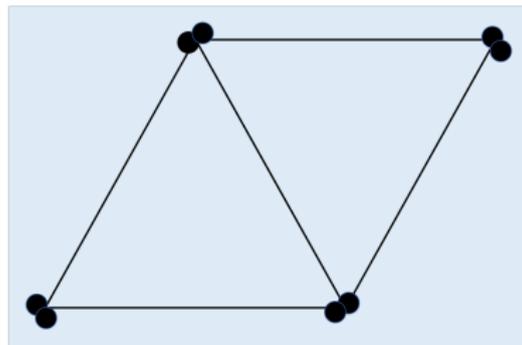
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**Obstacle: construction of finite element subspaces for  $\mathbf{V}_0$**

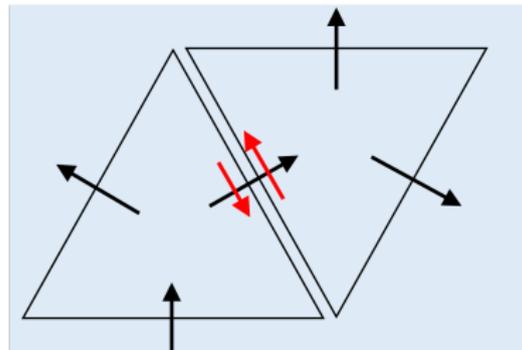
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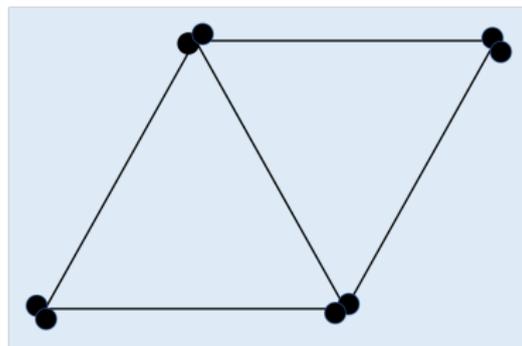


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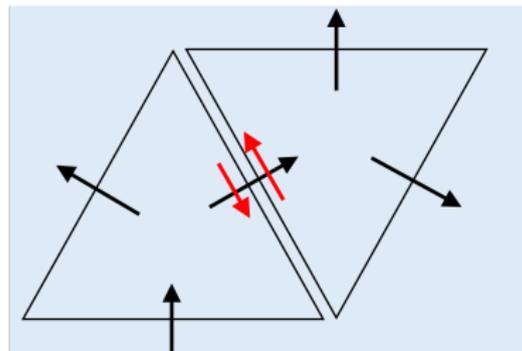
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- The div-free DG scheme: find  $\mathbf{u}_h \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$  such that

$$(\partial_t \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{C}_h(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) - \nu \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}} \quad (2)$$

- Nonlinear convective operator (**upwinding DG**):

$$\mathcal{C}_h(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T (\mathbf{u}_h \otimes \mathbf{u}_h) : \nabla \mathbf{v} \, dx - \int_{\partial T} \underbrace{(\mathbf{u}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{u}_h^-}_{\text{upwinding flux}} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, ds$$

- Second-order viscous term (**symmetric interior penalty DG**):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) := & \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T \nabla \mathbf{u}_h : \nabla \mathbf{v} \, dx - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \{\{\nabla \mathbf{u}_h\}\} [\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{n}] \, ds \\ & - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \{\{\nabla \mathbf{v}\}\} [\mathbf{u}_h \otimes \mathbf{n}] \, ds + \int_F \frac{\alpha k^2}{h} [\mathbf{u}_h \otimes \mathbf{n}] [\mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{n}] \, ds. \end{aligned}$$

# The div-free DG scheme: properties

- (1) Exact mass conservation:  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_h = 0$  pointwise
- (2) Natural *upwinding* discretization of convection term:  
no need of additional stabilization or skew-symmetrization

$$\mathcal{C}_h(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{v}_h, \mathbf{v}_h) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F |\mathbf{u}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}| (|\llbracket \mathbf{v}_h \rrbracket|^2) \, ds \geq 0,$$

- (3) Energy-stability:  
minimal amount of numerical dissipation

$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_t (\mathbf{u}_h(t), \mathbf{u}_h(t)) = \underbrace{-\mathcal{C}_h(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{u}_h)}_{\text{num. disp.}} - \underbrace{\nu \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{u}_h)}_{\text{phy. disp.}} \leq 0$$

- (4) Pressure robustness (John et al., SIAM Rev., 17)  
velocity estimates independent of pressure regularity
- (5) High-order accuracy

# Time discretization: explicit Runge-Kutta

- ▶ The semi-discrete scheme (2) can be written as

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where  $M$  is the mass matrix for the space  $\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$ , and  $L(\mathbf{u}_h)$  the spatial discretization operator.

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apply  $M^{-1} \Leftrightarrow$  elliptic Poisson solver (fast!)

## Example 1: double shear layer problem (Euler) [\(Bell et al., 87\)](#)

Consider the incompressible Euler equations ( $\nu = 0$ )

- ▶ Periodic domain:  $[0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$
- ▶ Initial condition:

$$u_1(x, y, 0) = \begin{cases} \tanh((y - \pi/2)/\rho) & y \leq \pi \\ \tanh((3\pi/2 - y)/\rho) & y > \pi \end{cases},$$
$$u_2(x, y, 0) = \delta \sin(x),$$

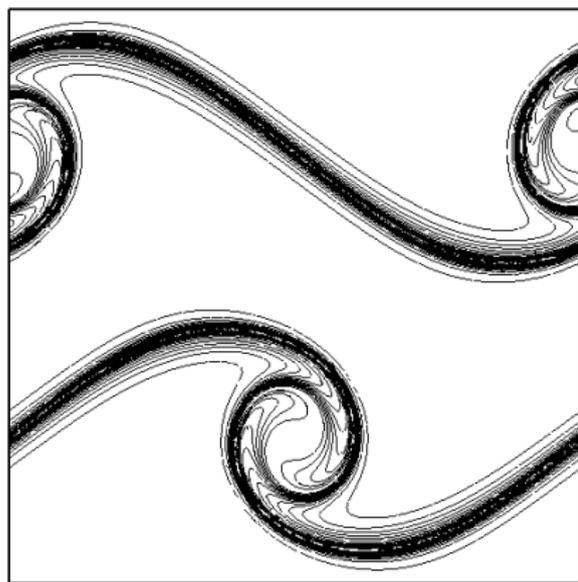
with  $\rho = \pi/15$  and  $\delta = 0.05$ .

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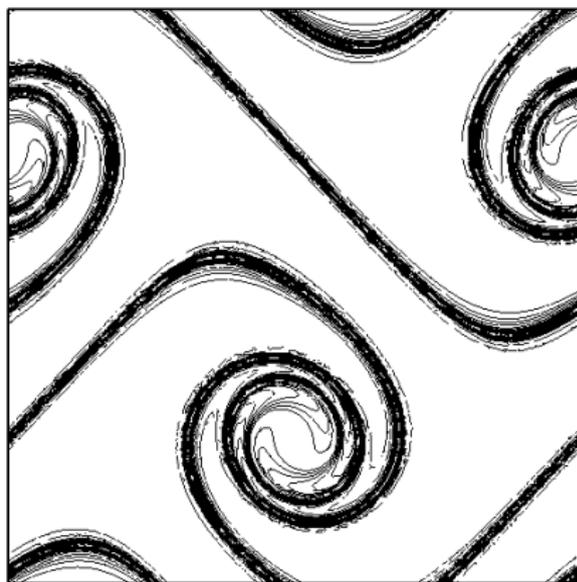
- Polynomial deg.  $k = 3$ , triangular mesh  $h = 2\pi/80$

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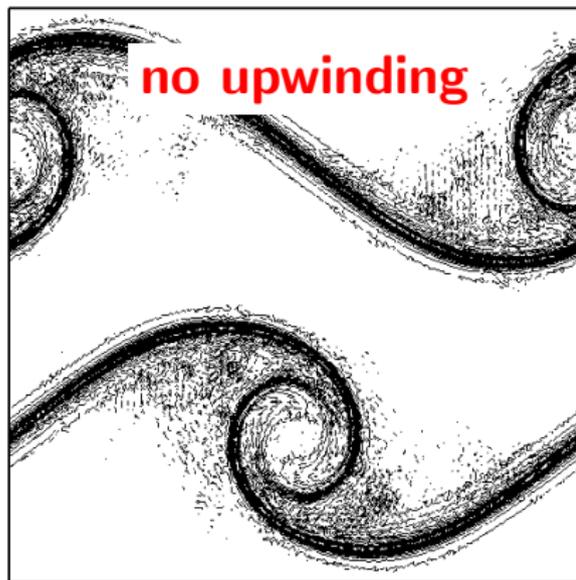


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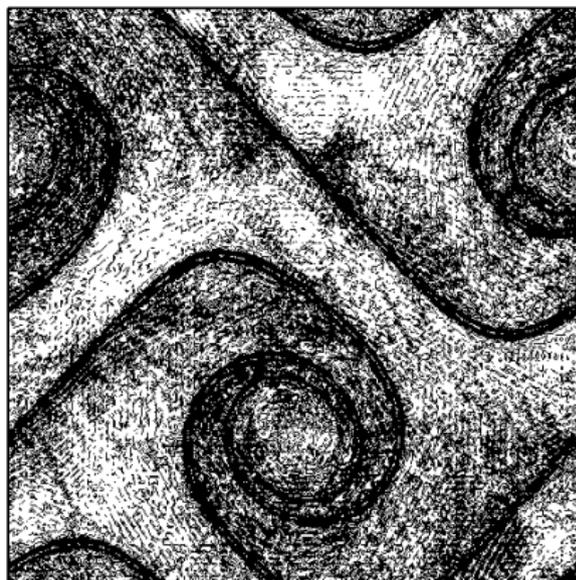
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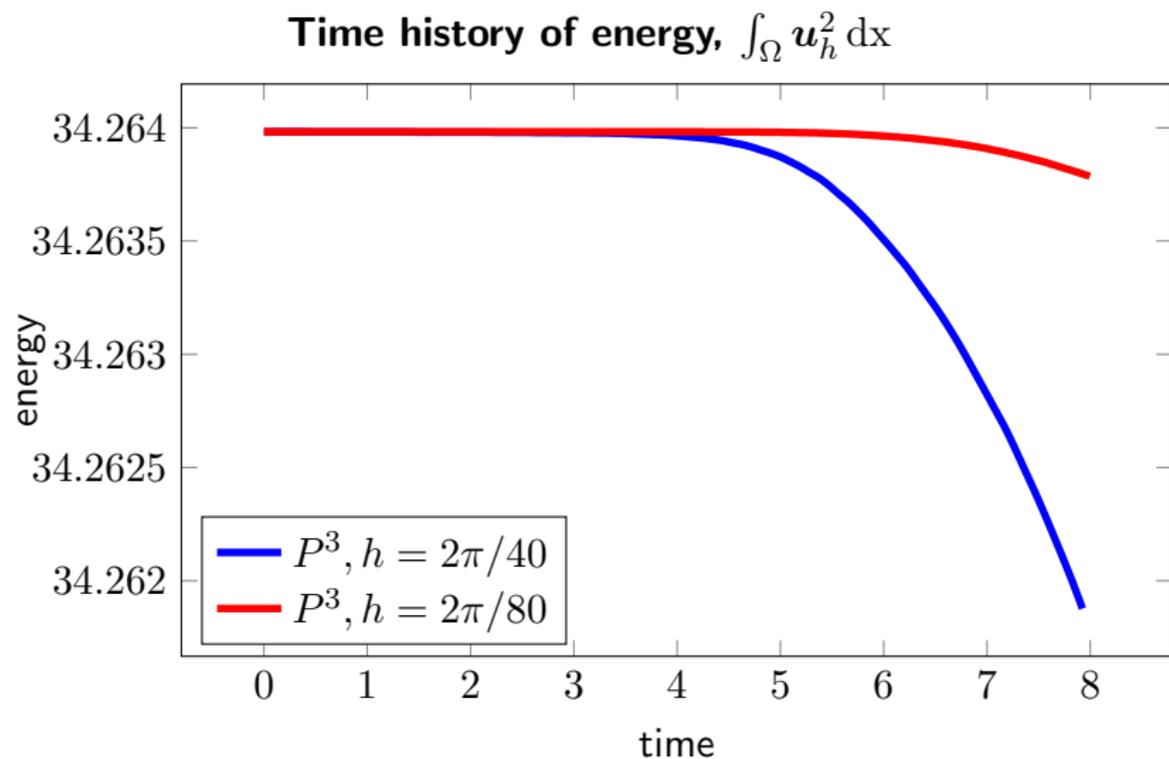
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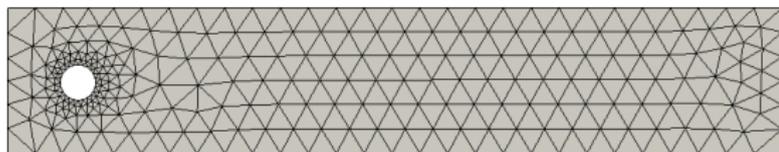


## Example 2: flow around a cylinder (NS) (Schäfer et al., 96)

Consider the Navier-Stokes equations with Reynolds number  $Re = 100$

- Domain: a rectangular channel without an almost vertically centered circular obstacle

$$\Omega := [0, 2.2] \times [0, 0.41] \setminus \{ \|(x, y) - (0.2, 0.2)\|_2 \leq 0.05 \}.$$



- Inflow boundary,  $\Gamma_{in} := \{x = 0\}$ :

$$\mathbf{u}(0, y, t) = (6y(0.41 - y)/0.41^2, 0),$$

Outflow boundary,  $\Gamma_{out} := \{x = 2.2\}$ :  $(-\nu \nabla \mathbf{u} + pI)\mathbf{n} = 0$ ,

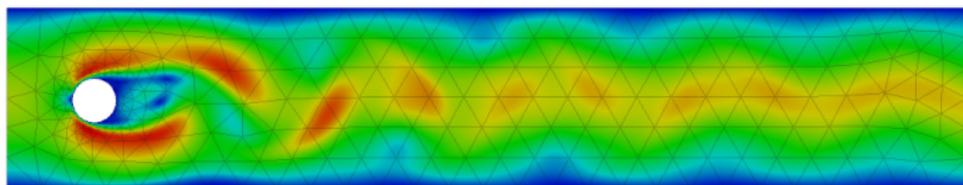
No-slip boundary,  $\Gamma_{wall} = \partial\Omega \setminus (\Gamma_{in} \cup \Gamma_{out})$ :  $\mathbf{u} = 0$ .

- The quantities of interest: (maximal and minimal) drag and lift forces  $c_D$ ,  $c_L$  that act on the disc:

$$[c_D, c_L] = 20 \int_{\Gamma_o} (\nu \nabla \mathbf{u} - pI)\mathbf{n} ds$$

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- The flow turns into a time-periodic behavior with a vortex shedding behind the cylinder. A typical solution for velocity magnitude:



	#dof local	#dof global	max $c_D$	min $c_D$	max $c_L$	min $c_L$
k=2	5 368	2 316	3.132939	3.074858	0.935284	-0.884771
k=3	7 808	3 088	3.229686	3.170424	0.969323	-0.965982
k=4	10 736	3 860	3.226865	3.163545	0.986497	-1.018691
<a href="http://www.featflow.de">www.featflow.de</a>		167 232	3.22662	3.16351	0.98620	-1.02093
$Q_2 - P_1^{\text{disc}}$		667 264	3.22711	3.16426	0.98658	-1.02129

# Implementation: basis functions for $\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$

## de Rham complex property (2D)

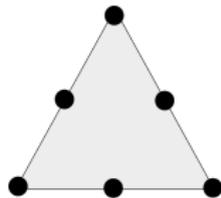
There holds  $\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}} = \nabla \times \Phi_h^{k+1}$ , with  $\Phi_h^{k+1} \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  given by

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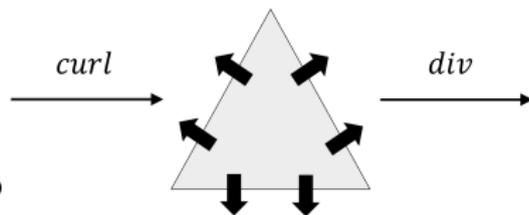
$\Rightarrow$  mass matrix for  $\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$  equals stiffness matrix for  $\Phi_h^{k+1}$ .

- ▶ Mass matrix inversion  $\Leftrightarrow$  Poisson solver (fast)
- ▶ 3D basis construction is much more complicated

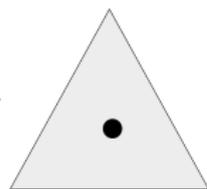
$$H^1 - \mathcal{P}^2(T)$$



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$$L^2 - \mathcal{P}^0(T)$$



# Alternative formulation: the mixed Poisson Solver

- ▶ Relax the divergence-free condition in velocity space:

$$\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{V}_h^{\text{div}} = \{\mathbf{w} \in H_0(\text{div}, \Omega) : \mathbf{w}|_T \in \mathcal{P}^k(T) \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

- ▶ Use a Lagrange multiplier to reinforce the divergence-free condition:

$$W_h = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V}_h^{\text{div}} = \{w \in L_0^2(\Omega) : w|_T \in \mathcal{P}^{k-1}(T) \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

## Forward Euler+div-free

Find  $\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1} \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$  such that

$$(\mathbf{u}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}_h) = F^n(\mathbf{v}_h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$$

where

$$F^n(\mathbf{v}_h) = (\mathbf{u}_h^n, \mathbf{v}_h) + \Delta t \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{u}_h^n; \mathbf{u}_h^n, \mathbf{v}_h) \\ - \Delta t \nu \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h^n, \mathbf{v}_h) + \Delta t (\mathbf{f}^n, \mathbf{v}_h)$$

## "Relaxed" div-free

Find  $(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{n+1}, p_h^{n+1}) \in \mathbf{V}_h^{\text{div}} \times W_h$  such that

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h^{n+1}, \mathbf{v}_h) - \left( \frac{p_h^{n+1}}{\Delta t}, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_h \right) = F^n(\mathbf{v}_h),$$

$$(\nabla \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_h, w_h) = 0,$$

for all  $(\mathbf{v}_h, w_h) \in \mathbf{V}_h^{\text{div}} \times W_h$ .

## Alternative formulation: hybrid-mixed Poisson solver

- ▶ Relax the divergence-conformity condition in velocity space:

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- ▶ Use a Lagrange multiplier to reinforce normal continuity:

$$M_h = \{\hat{w} \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_h) : \hat{w}|_F \in \mathcal{P}^k(F) \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F}_h\} \quad (\text{hybrid space})$$

“Relaxed” div-conformity  $\Rightarrow$  SPD system for the hybrid unknowns

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$$\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle \mathbf{u}_h^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{n}, \hat{w}_h \rangle_{\partial T} = 0, \quad \leftarrow \text{global solver for } \hat{p}_h^{n+1}$$

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$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

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$$(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}),$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}) = \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{B}),$$

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- ▶ Energy stability:

$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_t \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{u}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2) dx = - \int_{\Omega} (\nu \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{u} + \eta \nabla \mathbf{B} : \nabla \mathbf{B}) dx \leq 0$$

# The div-free DG scheme (Fu, JSC, 19)

- The div-free DG scheme: find  $\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{B}_h \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}(\partial_t \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) &= -\mathcal{C}_{uu}(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) + \mathcal{C}_{bb}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{B}_h, \mathbf{v}) - \nu \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}), \\(\partial_t \mathbf{B}_h, \phi) &= -\mathcal{C}_{ub}(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{B}_h, \phi) + \mathcal{C}_{bu}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \phi) - \eta \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{B}_h, \phi),\end{aligned}$$

for all test function  $\mathbf{v}, \phi \in \mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{\text{div}}$ .

- Second-order viscous/resistive terms: **SIP DG**,  $\mathcal{B}_h(\cdot, \cdot)$
- Nonlinear convective terms: **upwinding DG**, next 2 slides

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{C}_{uu} &\leftrightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}), & \mathcal{C}_{bb} &\leftrightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B}), \\ \mathcal{C}_{ub} &\leftrightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{B}), & \mathcal{C}_{bu} &\leftrightarrow \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{u}).\end{aligned}$$

# Upwinding DG for convection (I)

The four convection terms

$$\underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u})}_{\text{vel. driven}}, \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B}), \quad \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{B})}_{\text{vel. driven}}, \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{u})$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{uu}(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T -(\mathbf{u}_h \otimes \mathbf{u}_h) : \nabla \mathbf{v} \, dx + \int_{\partial T} (\mathbf{u}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{u}_h^- \cdot \mathbf{v} \, ds,$$

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Stability property:

$$\mathcal{C}_{uu}(\mathbf{u}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{u}_h) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F |\mathbf{u}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}| [[\mathbf{u}_h]]^2 \, ds \geq 0,$$

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# Upwinding DG for convection (II)

The four convection terms

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}), \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B})}_{\text{mag. driven}}, \quad \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{B}), \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{u})}_{\text{mag. driven}}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{bb}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{B}_h, \mathbf{v}) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T -(\mathbf{B}_h \otimes \mathbf{B}_h) : \nabla \mathbf{v} \, dx + \int_{\partial T} (\mathbf{B}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}) \hat{\mathbf{B}}_h \cdot \mathbf{v} \, ds,$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{bu}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \phi) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T -(\mathbf{B}_h \otimes \mathbf{u}_h) : \nabla \phi \, dx + \int_{\partial T} (\mathbf{B}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}) \hat{\mathbf{u}}_h \cdot \phi \, ds,$$

with numerical fluxes:  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_h = \{\{\mathbf{u}_h\}\} + \frac{1}{2}[[\mathbf{B}_h]]$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_h = \{\{\mathbf{B}_h\}\} + \frac{1}{2}[[\mathbf{u}_h]]$ .

Stability property:

$$\begin{aligned} & -\mathcal{C}_{bb}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{B}_h, \mathbf{u}_h) - \mathcal{C}_{bu}(\mathbf{B}_h; \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{B}_h) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F |\mathbf{B}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}| ([[\mathbf{u}_h]]^2 + [[\mathbf{B}_h]]^2) \, ds \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

# The div-free DG scheme: properties

- (1) Exactly divergence-free:  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_h = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}_h = 0$  pointwise
- (2) Natural *upwinding* discretization of convection terms:  
no need of additional stabilization or skew-symmetrization
- (3) Energy-stability:  
minimal amount of numerical dissipation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \partial_t (\|\mathbf{u}_h\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B}_h\|^2) &= - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F (|\mathbf{B}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}| + |\mathbf{u}_h \cdot \mathbf{n}|) ([\mathbf{u}_h]^2 + [\mathbf{B}_h]^2) \, ds}_{\text{num. disp.}} \\ &\quad - \underbrace{(\nu \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{u}_h) + \eta \mathcal{B}_h(\mathbf{B}_h, \mathbf{B}_h))}_{\text{phy. disp.}} \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (4) Pressure robustness/High-order accuracy
- (5) Efficient solver (coupled with explicit time integrator)

# Example 1: Orszag-Tang vortex problem (MHD)

(Orszag and Tang, 98)

Consider the incompressible, resistive MHD equations

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B}) + \nabla p_{\text{tot}} - \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} &= 0, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, \\ \partial_t \mathbf{B} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{u}) - \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{B} &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

with periodic boundary conditions on  $\Omega = [0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$ .

- ▶  $\mathbf{u}$ : velocity,  $\mathbf{B}$ : magnetic field.
- ▶  $\nu$ : viscosity,  $\eta$ : resistivity.
- ▶ Initial condition:

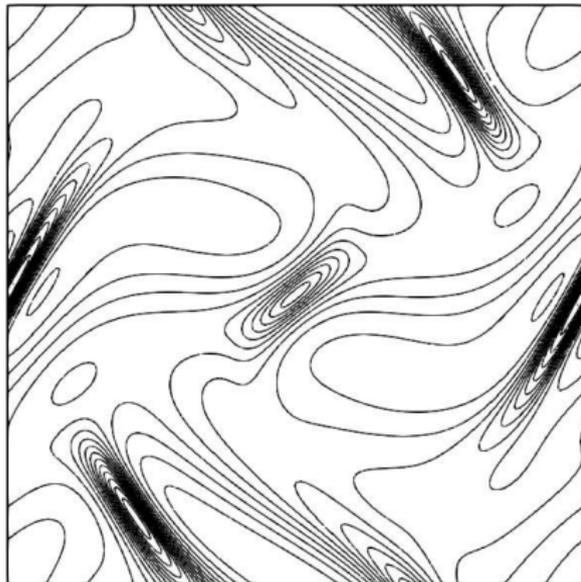
$$\begin{aligned}u_1(x, y, 0) &= -\sin(y), & u_2(x, y, 0) &= \sin(x), \\ B_1(x, y, 0) &= -\sin(y), & B_2(x, y, 0) &= \sin(2x).\end{aligned}$$

# Example 1: Orszag-Tang vortex problem (MHD)

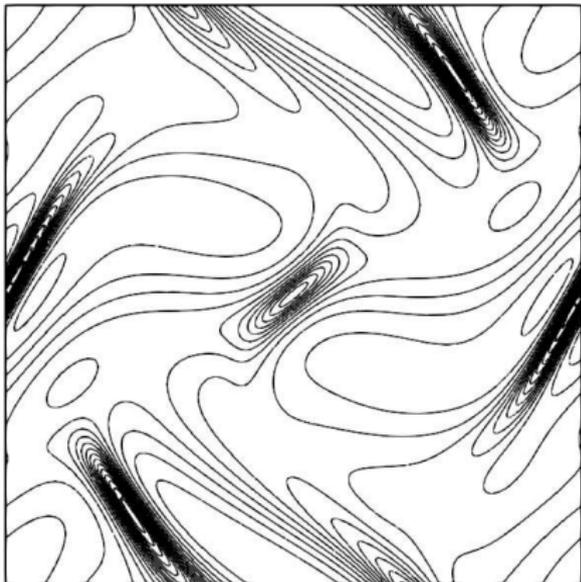
- Polynomial deg.  $k = 3$ , triangular mesh  $h = 2\pi/80$

## Vorticity contour lines at time $t=1$

viscous case  $\nu = \eta = 0.005$



inviscid case  $\nu = \eta = 0$

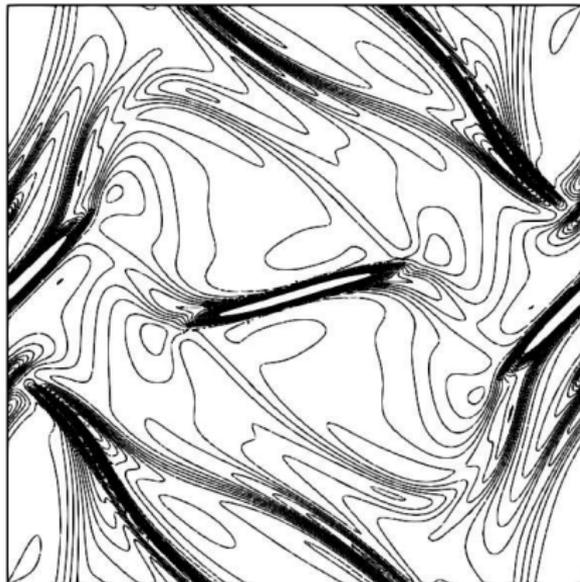


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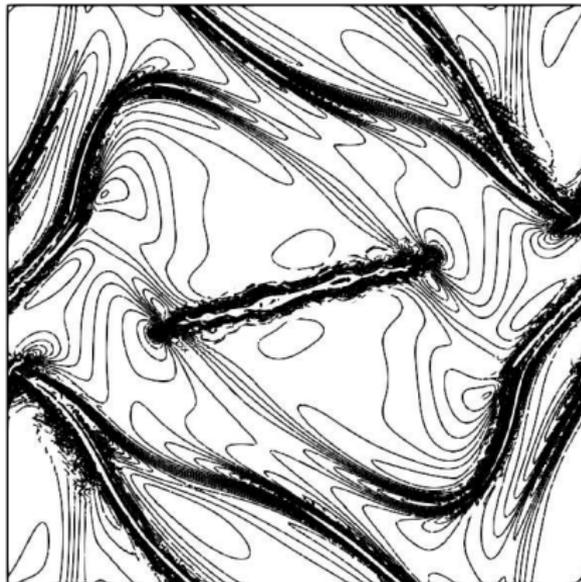
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## Vorticity contour lines at time $t=2$

viscous case  $\nu = \eta = 0.005$

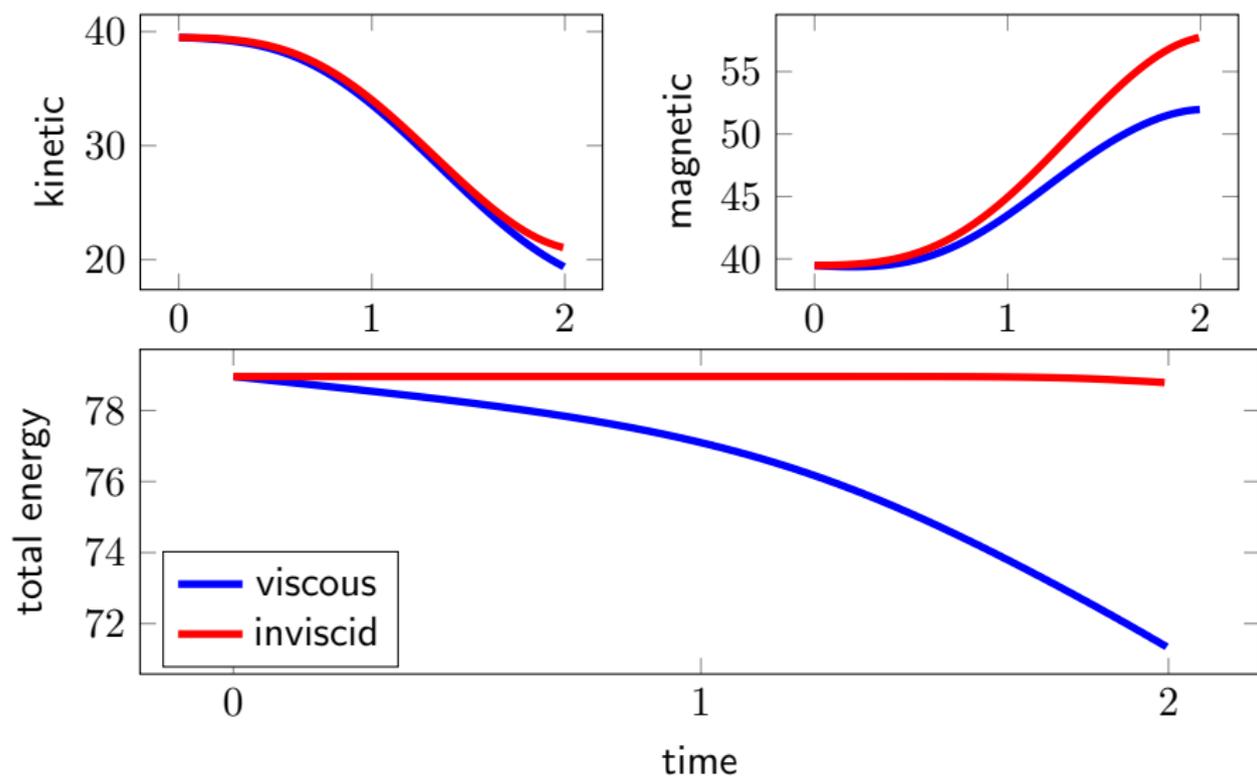


inviscid case  $\nu = \eta = 0$



# Example 1: Orszag-Tang vortex problem (MHD)

## Time history of kinetic, magnetic, and total energy



## Example 2: MHD Kelvin-Helmholtz instability (Frank et al., 96)

Consider incompressible, inviscid, ideal MHD ( $\nu = \eta = 0$ )

- ▶ Domain:  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Periodic boundary condition in  $x$ -direction, and the no-flow boundary condition in  $y$ -direction.
- ▶ Initial conditions:

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y, 0) = \left( -\frac{1}{2} \tanh(20(y - 0.5)), 0 \right) + 10^{-3} \nabla \times \psi(x, y),$$

$$\mathbf{B}(x, y, 0) = \left( \frac{1}{M_A}, 0 \right),$$

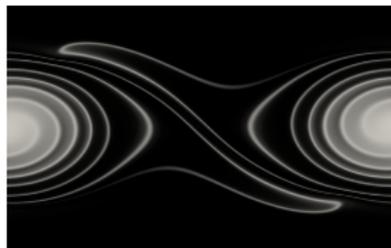
with corresponding stream function

$$\psi(x, y) = \exp(-400(y - 0.5)^2) \cos(2\pi x).$$

Here  $M_A$  is the Alfvénic Mach number.

## Example 2: MHD Kelvin-Helmholtz instability

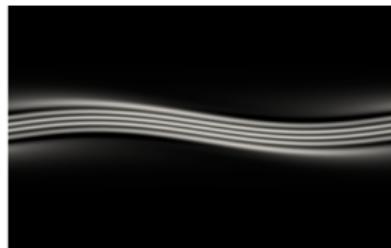
$P^3$  scheme on a  $256 \times 256$  rectangular mesh. **Vorticity contour at  $t=6$**



Hydrodynamic case ( $M_A = \infty$ )

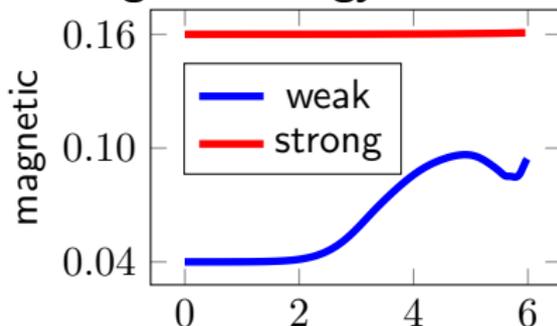
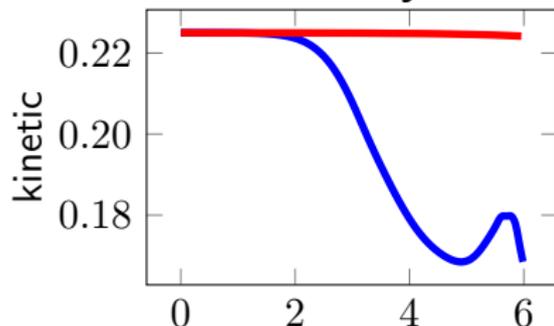


Weak magnetic case ( $M_A = 5$ )



Strong magnetic case ( $M_A = 2.5$ )

### Time history of kinetic and magnetic energy



# ALE div-free HDG for free surface flow (Fu, JCP, 20)

- **HDG**: a DG scheme with reduced DOFs coupling (more efficient linear system solver)

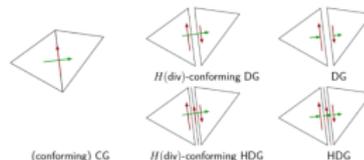
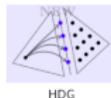
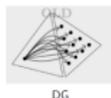
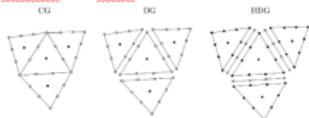


Figure 2.1.1: tangential and normal continuity for different methods

- **Test case**: solitary wave propagation

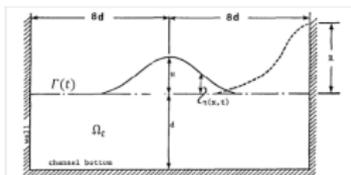


FIGURE 2. The free-boundary domain.

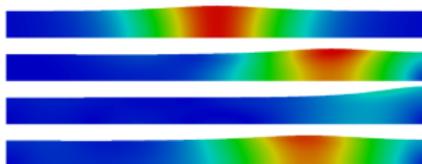


FIGURE 3. Velocity magnitude (from left to right and top to bottom) at time  $t = 0, 4.8, \text{ and } 12$ .

	Duarte [13]	Ramaswamy [43]	HDG
Height	14.27	14.48	14.33
Time	7.7	7.6	7.65
Pressure	130	131.66	131.89

TABLE 2. Comparison table: height, time and pressure.

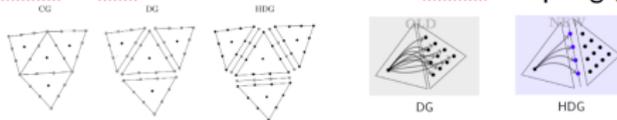
**ALE-div-free-HDG with moving mesh**  
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## Features

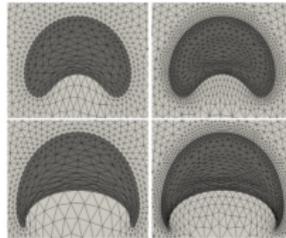
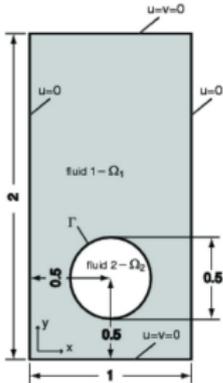
- **ALE moving mesh** with node redistribution
- **Exact mass conservation**:
- **Upwinding (H)DG discretization** of nonlinear convection
- **Semi-discrete energy stability** with minimal amount of numerical dissipation
- **High-order accurate** (also low order)

# HDG for Incompressible two-phase flow

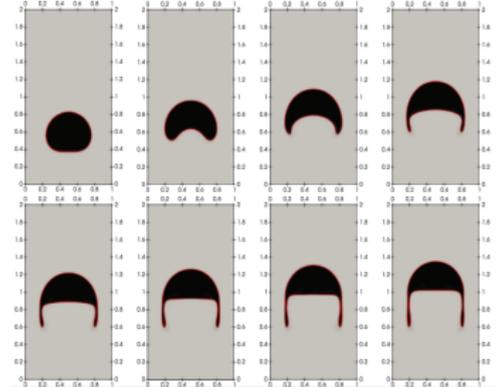
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- **Test case 1**: a rising bubble problem



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# HDG for phase-field model of incompressible two-phase flow

- **Test case 2: Rayleigh-Taylor instability**

**Div-free HDG** for a Cahn-Hilliard-NS phase-field model (Fu, CMAME 2020)

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \phi + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi &= \nabla \cdot (M(\phi) \nabla \mu), \\ \mu &= \tilde{\sigma}(\epsilon^{-1} W'(\phi) - \epsilon \Delta \phi), \\ \rho(\phi)(\partial_t(\mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u})) &= \nabla \cdot (2\nu(\phi) \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{u})) - \nabla p + \rho \mathbf{f} + \mu \nabla \phi, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

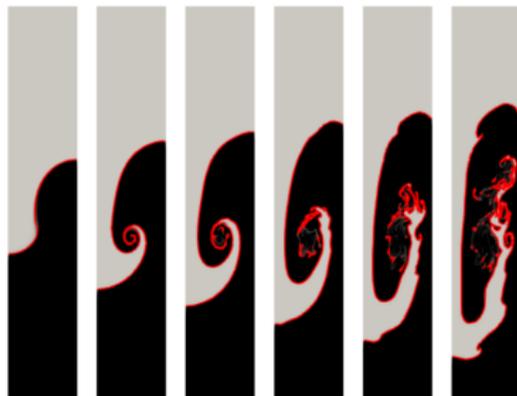


Figure:  $Re = 5000$ . Contour of the RTI at time  $t = 1, 1.5, 1.75, 2.0, 2.25, 2.5$ .  $h = 2^{-7}, k = 2$ . Red contour line: the interface  $\phi_h = 0$ .

- ▶ Embedded DG for the phase-field equations
- ▶ Divergence-free HDG for flow equation
- ▶ The divergence-free velocity space on 2D rectangular meshes:

$$\mathbf{V}_{h,0}^{div} = \nabla \times \{ \xi \in H_0^1(\mathcal{T}_h) : \xi|_T \in \mathcal{Q}^{k+1}(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}.$$

- ▶ Upwinding treatment for the convection terms
- ▶ No pressure approximation needed:
- ▶ Crank-Nicolson based implicit explicit time stepping.

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# The shallow water equations

- SWEs is a system of nonlinear balance law that has been widely used to model flow in the river, near shore ocean, and earth's atmosphere.
- The 2D inviscid SWEs takes the following form:

$$h_t + \nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}) = 0,$$
$$(h\mathbf{u})_t + \nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + \frac{1}{2}g\nabla(h^2) = -gh\nabla b,$$

- Main features of SWEs includes:
  - 1) **Entropy condition:** the total energy (entropy) does not increase over time.
  - 2) **Steady state and well-balanced property:** lake at rest steady state .
  - 3) **Positivity of water height:** .
  - 4) **Conservation property:** conservation for water height and discharge, and .
- **Goal:** design a DG scheme for SWEs that satisfies all these properties.

# Entropy-stable DG for SWEs (Fu, arXiv:2201.13040)

- Main ideas: **(1)** work on a skew-symmetric formulation (for discharge), **(2)** use velocity and water height as the main approximation unknowns.

$$h_t + \nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}) = 0,$$
$$(h\mathbf{u})_t + \nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u}) + gh\nabla(h + b) - \frac{1}{2}h_t\mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{2}\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u})\mathbf{u} = 0.$$

skew-symmetrization

- The designed DG spatial discretization is (1) **entropy stable**, (2) **locally conservative**, and (3) **well-balanced**.
- Combined with explicit SSP-RK temporal discretization, we can guarantee **positive** of water height with the help of a scaling limiter under a usual condition.
- Use characteristic-wise TVB limiter on troubled cells with the previous troubled-cell indicator to handle strong shocks.
- Apply the following **wetting/drying treatment** for velocity computation near dry areas:
  - 1) Identify dry cells as those with small water height cell average . Go back to piecewise constant approximations on these dry cells.
  - 2) Set a threshold velocity value , if the compute velocity in a cell is larger than , replace it with an average of the neighboring velocities.

# Entropy-stable DG for SWEs (Fu, arXiv:2201.13040)

- **Test case 1:** circular dam break problem. (DG-P2 with RK3)

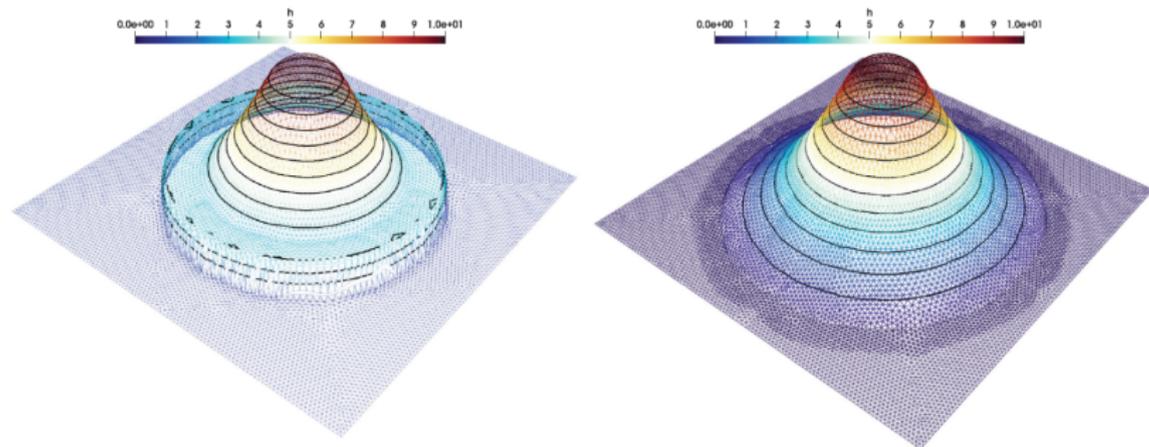


FIGURE 7. Example 4.9. Contour and surface plots of water height for the circular dam-break problem at  $t = 0.69$ . Left: web bed. 11 uniform contour lines from 2 to 9.4; Right dry bed. 12 uniform contour lines from 0.01 to 8.9.

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- **Test case 2: dam break over three mounds. (DG-P2 with RK3)**

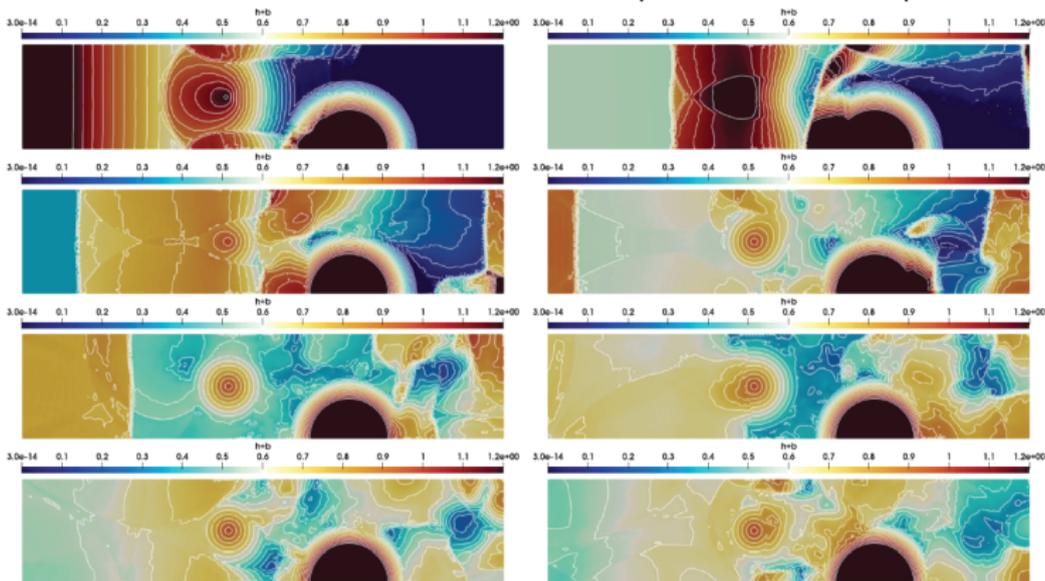


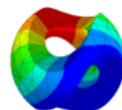
FIGURE 8. Example 4.10. Contour and surface plots of water surface for the dam-break problem on a closed channel. 20 uniform contour lines from 0 to 1.2. Left to right, top to bottom:  $t = 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40$ .

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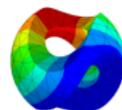
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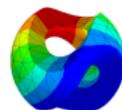
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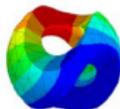


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Thank you for your attention! Any questions?

# Backup: Netgen/NGSolve



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- **All in one**

Netgen/NGSolve provides the full workflow of finite element simulation: The constructive solid geometry module supports geometric modeling. Alternatively, geometric models can be imported from different formats. The Netgen mesh generator automatically generates high quality tetrahedral meshes. The NGSolve finite element library discretizes many physical models, and efficiently solves the arising systems of equations. The built-in visualization library allows fast and interactive visualization of the solution.

- **Flexible**

The Python frontend NGS-Py provides a flexible way to setup and combine various physical models. The input is provided in the natural mathematical language of variational formulations, where trial- and test-functions are chosen from all usual function spaces.

- **High-order Finite elements**

High order finite element spaces of  $H^1$ ,  $H\text{Div}$ ,  $H\text{Curl}$ ,  $L^2$ , skeleton types for all common cell types (segm, trig, quad, tet, prism, pyramid, hex). The order can be individually adapted for every edge, face, and cell of the mesh supporting **hp-adaptive** simulations. Netgen/NGSolve supports **surface PDEs** and **curved elements** of arbitrary order.

- **High performance/open source**