

# Space-time Discontinuous Galerkin Methods for Compressible Flows

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## Space-Time Discontinuous Galerkin Finite Element Methods

### Motivation of research:

- In many applications one encounters moving and deforming flow domains:
  - ▶ Aerodynamics: helicopters, manoeuvring aircraft, wing control surfaces
  - ▶ Fluid structure interaction
  - ▶ Two-phase and chemically reacting flows with free surfaces
  - ▶ Water waves, including wetting and drying of beaches and sand banks
- A key requirement for these applications is to obtain an accurate and conservative discretization on moving and deforming meshes



## Motivation of Research

### Other requirements

- Improved capturing of vortical structures and flow discontinuities, such as shocks and interfaces, using  $hp$ -adaptation.
- Capability to deal with complex geometries.
- Excellent computational efficiency for unsteady flow simulations.

These requirements have been the main motivation to develop a space-time discontinuous Galerkin method.



## Overview of Lecture

- Space-time discontinuous Galerkin finite element discretization for the compressible Navier-Stokes equations
  - ▶ main aspects of discretization
  - ▶ efficient solution techniques
- Applications in aerodynamics
- Concluding remarks



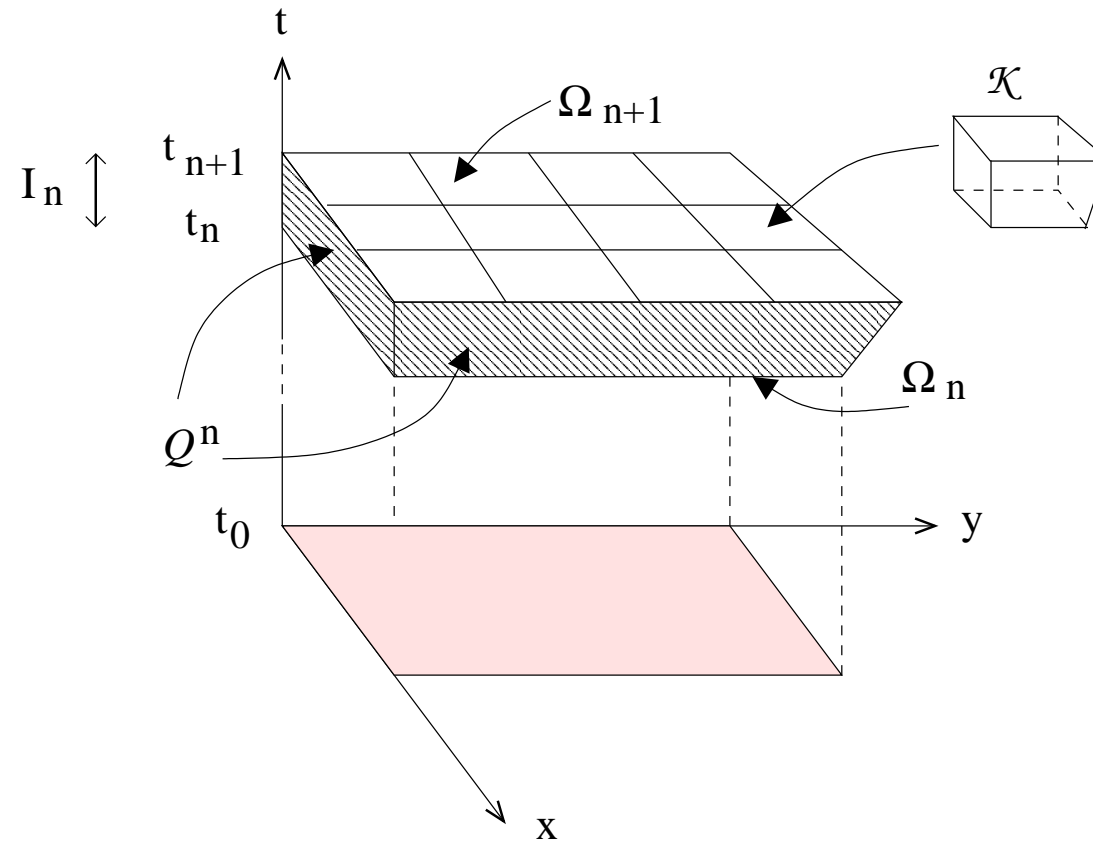
## Space-Time Approach

### Key feature of a space-time discretization

- A time-dependent problem is considered directly in four dimensional space, with time as the fourth dimension



## Space-Time Domain



Sketch of a space-time mesh in a space-time domain.



## Benefits of Space-Time Approach

**A space-time discretization of time-dependent problems has as main benefits**

- The problem is transformed into a steady state problem in space-time which makes it easier to deal with time dependent boundaries. No extrapolation or interpolation of (boundary) data
- A conservative numerical discretization is obtained on deforming and locally refined meshes



## Compressible Navier-Stokes Equations

- Compressible Navier-Stokes equations in space-time domain  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_0} + \frac{\partial F_k^e(U)}{\partial x_k} - \frac{\partial F_k^v(U, \nabla U)}{\partial x_k} = 0$$

- Conservative variables  $U \in \mathbb{R}^5$  and inviscid fluxes  $F^e \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3}$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u_j \\ \rho E \end{bmatrix}, \quad F_k^e = \begin{bmatrix} \rho u_k \\ \rho u_j u_k + p \delta_{jk} \\ \rho h u_k \end{bmatrix}$$





## Compressible Navier-Stokes Equations

- Viscous flux  $F^v \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3}$

$$F_k^v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_{jk} \\ \tau_{kj}u_j - q_k \end{bmatrix}$$

with the total stress tensor  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$  defined as:

$$\tau_{jk} = \lambda \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \delta_{jk} + \mu \left( \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} + \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

and the heat flux vector  $q \in \mathbb{R}^3$  given by:

$$q_k = -\kappa \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_k}$$



## Compressible Navier-Stokes Equations

- The viscous flux  $F^v$  is homogeneous with respect to the gradient of the conservative variables  $\nabla U$ :

$$F_{ik}^v(U, \nabla U) = A_{ikrs}(U) \frac{\partial U_r}{\partial x_s}$$

with the homogeneity tensor  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3 \times 5 \times 3}$  defined as:

$$A_{ikrs}(U) := \frac{\partial F_{ik}^v(U, \nabla U)}{\partial (\nabla U)}$$

- The system is closed using the equations of state for an ideal gas.



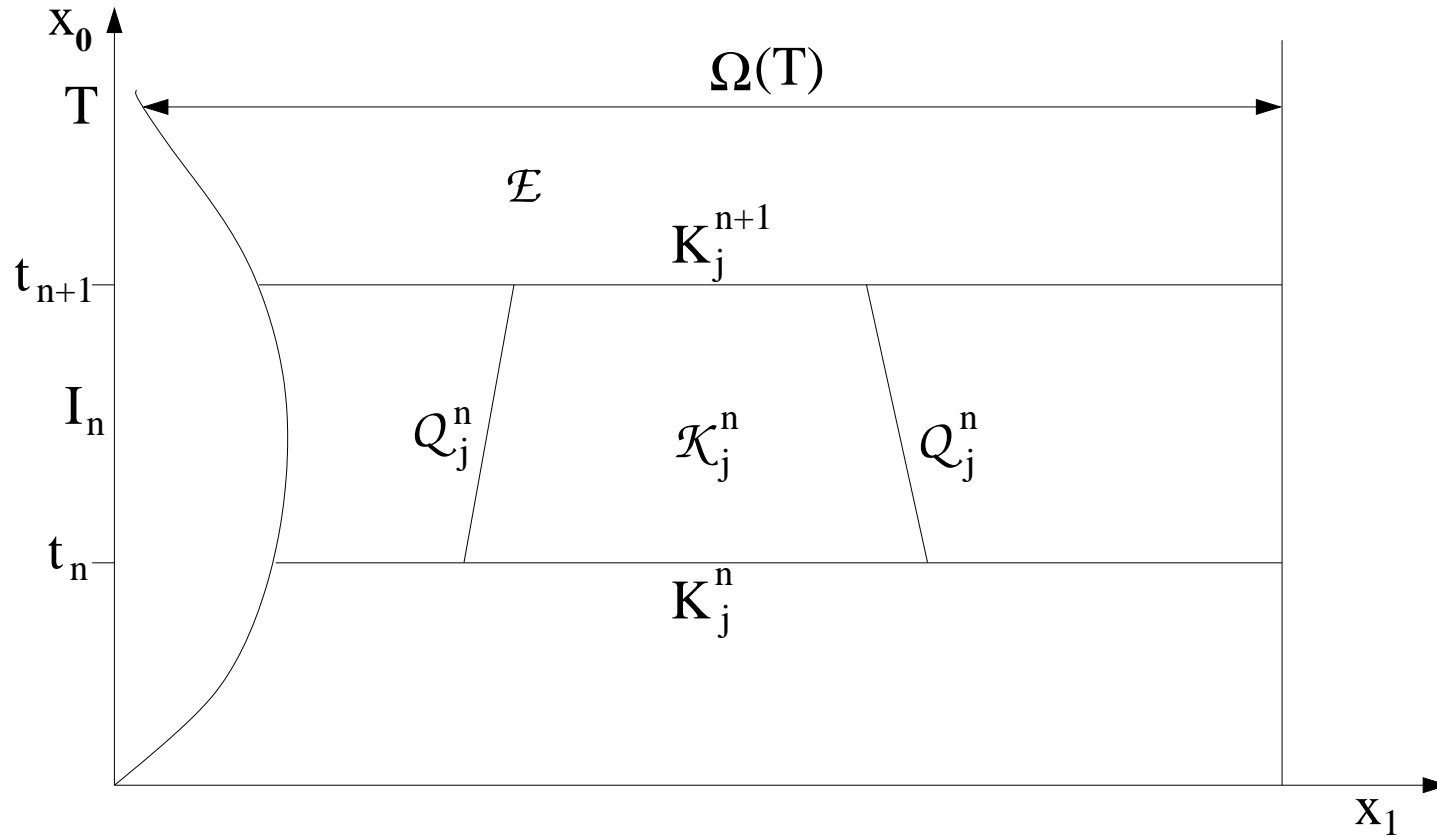
## Space-Time Discontinuous Galerkin Discretization

### Main features of a space-time DG approximation

- Basis functions are discontinuous in space and time
- Weak coupling through numerical fluxes at element faces
- Discretization results in a coupled set of nonlinear equations for the DG expansion coefficients



## Space-Time Slab



Space-time slab with elements in a space-time domain.



## Benefits of Space-Time DG Discretization

### Main benefits of a space-time DG approximation

- The space-time DG method results in a very local discretization, which is beneficial for:
  - ▶  $hp$ -mesh adaptation
  - ▶ parallel computing
- The space-time discretization is conservative on moving and deforming meshes and also on locally adapted meshes



## Discontinuous Finite Element Approximation

### Approximation spaces

- The finite element space associated with the tessellation  $\mathcal{T}_h$  is given by:

$$W_h := \{W \in (L^2(\mathcal{E}_h))^5 : W|_{\mathcal{K}} \circ G_{\mathcal{K}} \in (P^k(\hat{\mathcal{K}}))^5, \quad \forall \mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

- We will also use the space:

$$V_h := \{V \in (L^2(\mathcal{E}_h))^{5 \times 3} : V|_{\mathcal{K}} \circ G_{\mathcal{K}} \in (P^k(\hat{\mathcal{K}}))^{5 \times 3}, \quad \forall \mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h\}.$$

- Note the fact that  $\nabla_h W_h \subset V_h$  is essential for the discretization.



## First Order System

- Rewrite the compressible Navier-Stokes equations as a first-order system using the auxiliary variable  $\Theta$ :

$$\frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_0} + \frac{\partial F_{ik}^e(U)}{\partial x_k} - \frac{\partial \Theta_{ik}(U)}{\partial x_k} = 0,$$

$$\Theta_{ik}(U) - A_{ikrs}(U) \frac{\partial U_r}{\partial x_s} = 0.$$



## Weak Formulation

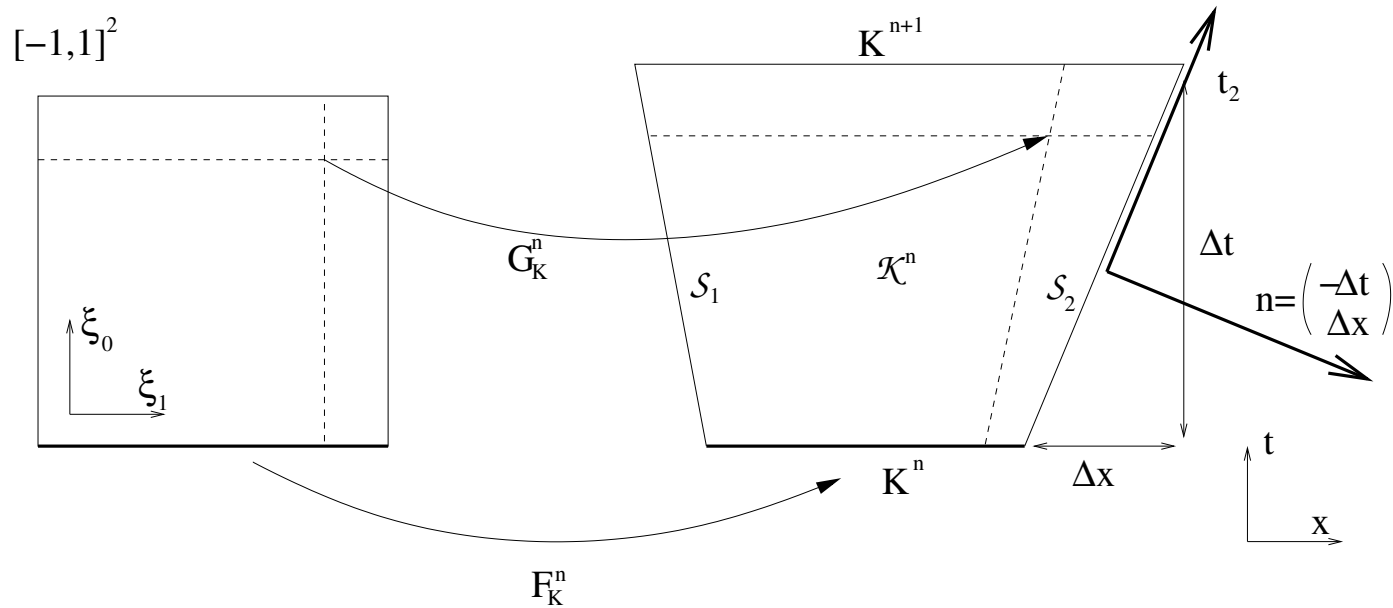
- Weak formulation for the compressible Navier-Stokes equations

Find a  $U \in W_h$ ,  $\Theta \in V_h$ , such that for all  $W \in W_h$  and  $V \in V_h$ , the following holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & - \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{\mathcal{K}} \left( \frac{\partial W_i}{\partial x_0} U_i + \frac{\partial W_i}{\partial x_k} (F_{ik}^e - \Theta_{ik}) \right) d\mathcal{K} \\ & \quad + \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{\partial\mathcal{K}} W_i^L (\hat{U}_i + \hat{F}_{ik}^e - \hat{\Theta}_{ik}) n_k^L d(\partial\mathcal{K}) = 0, \\ & \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \int_{\mathcal{K}} V_{ik} \Theta_{ik} d\mathcal{K} = \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \int_{\mathcal{K}} V_{ik} A_{ikrs} \frac{\partial U_r}{\partial x_s} d\mathcal{K} \\ & \quad + \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \int_{\mathcal{Q}} V_{ik}^L A_{ikrs}^L (\hat{U}_r - U_r^L) \bar{n}_s^L d\mathcal{Q} \end{aligned}$$



## Geometry of Space-Time Element



Geometry of 2D space-time element in both computational and physical space.



## Transformation to Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian form

- The space-time normal vector on a grid moving with velocity  $\vec{v}$  is:

$$n = \begin{cases} (1, 0, 0, 0)^T & \text{at } K(t_{n+1}^-), \\ (-1, 0, 0, 0)^T & \text{at } K(t_n^+), \\ (-v_k \bar{n}_k, \bar{n})^T & \text{at } Q^n. \end{cases}$$

- The boundary integral then transforms into:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{\partial K} W_i^L (\hat{U}_i + \hat{F}_{ik}^e - \hat{\Theta}_{ik}) n_k^L d(\partial K) \\ &= \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left( \int_{K(t_{n+1}^-)} W_i^L \hat{U}_i dK + \int_{K(t_n^+)} W_i^L \hat{U}_i dK \right) \\ &+ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_Q W_i^L (\hat{F}_{ik}^e - \hat{U}_i v_k - \hat{\Theta}_{ik}) \bar{n}_k^L dQ \end{aligned}$$



## Numerical Fluxes

- The numerical flux  $\hat{U}$  at  $K(t_{n+1}^-)$  and  $K(t_n^+)$  is defined as an upwind flux to ensure causality in time:

$$\hat{U} = \begin{cases} U^L & \text{at } K(t_{n+1}^-), \\ U^R & \text{at } K(t_n^+), \end{cases}$$

- At the space-time faces  $\mathcal{Q}$  we introduce the HLLC approximate Riemann solver as numerical flux:

$$\bar{n}_k(\hat{F}_{ik}^e - \hat{U}_i v_k)(U^L, U^R) = H_i^{\text{HLLC}}(U^L, U^R, v, \bar{n})$$



## ALE Weak Formulation

- The ALE flux formulation of the compressible Navier-Stokes equations transforms now into:

Find a  $U \in W_h$ , such that for all  $W \in W_h$ , the following holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & - \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \int_{\mathcal{K}} \left( \frac{\partial W_i}{\partial x_0} U_i + \frac{\partial W_i}{\partial x_k} (F_{ik}^e - \Theta_{ik}) \right) d\mathcal{K} \\ & + \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \left( \int_{K(t_{n+1}^-)} W_i^L U_i^L dK - \int_{K(t_n^+)} W_i^L U_i^R dK \right) \\ & + \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_h^n} \int_{\mathcal{Q}} W_i^L (H_i^{\text{HLLC}}(U^L, U^R, v, \bar{n}) - \hat{\Theta}_{ik} \bar{n}_k^L) d\mathcal{Q} = 0. \end{aligned}$$



## Ensuring Monotonicity of Second and Higher Order DG Discretizations

- For flow discontinuities a stabilization operator is added to the weak formulation

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N_n} \int_{\mathcal{K}_j^n} (\nabla W_h)^T \cdot \mathfrak{D}(U_h) : \nabla U_h d\mathcal{K}$$

The dyadic product is defined as  $A : B = A_{ij}B_{ij}$  for  $A, B \in R^{n \times m}$ .

- Both the jumps at element faces and the element residual are used to define the artificial viscosity (Jaffre, Johnson and Szepessy model).
- A stabilization operator results in a numerical scheme which can converge to steady state. This is not possible with a slope limiter.



## Efficient Solution of Nonlinear Algebraic System

- The space-time DG discretization results in a large system of nonlinear algebraic equations:

$$\mathcal{L}(\hat{U}^n; \hat{U}^{n-1}) = 0$$

- This system is solved by marching to steady state using pseudo-time integration and multigrid techniques:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{U}}{\partial \tau} = -\frac{1}{\Delta t} \mathcal{L}(\hat{U}; \hat{U}^{n-1})$$



## Benefits of Coupled Pseudo-Time and Multigrid Approach

- The locality of the DG discretization is preserved, which is beneficial for parallel computing and  $hp$ -adaptation.
- In comparison with a Newton method the memory overhead is considerably smaller
- The algorithm has good stability and convergence properties and is not sensitive to initial conditions



## EXI Runge-Kutta Scheme

- **Explicit Runge-Kutta method for inviscid flow with Melson correction.**

1. Initialize  $\hat{V}^0 = \hat{U}$ .
2. For all stages  $s = 1$  to 5 compute  $\hat{V}^s$  as:

$$(I + \alpha_s \lambda I) \hat{V}^s = \hat{V}^0 + \alpha_s \lambda (\hat{V}^{s-1} - \mathcal{L}(\hat{V}^{s-1}; \hat{U}^{n-1})).$$

3. Return  $\hat{U} = \hat{V}^5$ .

- Runge-Kutta coefficients:  $\alpha_1 = 0.0791451$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 0.163551$ ,  $\alpha_3 = 0.283663$ ,  $\alpha_4 = 0.5$  and  $\alpha_5 = 1.0$ .
- The factor  $\lambda$  is the ratio between the pseudo- and physical-time step:  
 $\lambda = \Delta\tau / \Delta t$ .





## EXV Runge-Kutta Scheme

- **Explicit Runge-Kutta method for viscous flows.**

1. Initialize  $\hat{V}^0 = \hat{U}$ .
2. For all stages  $s = 1$  to 4 compute  $\hat{V}^s$  as:

$$\hat{V}^s = \hat{V}^0 - \alpha_s \lambda \mathcal{L}(\hat{V}^{s-1}; \hat{U}^{n-1}).$$

3. Return  $\hat{U} = \hat{V}^4$ .

- Runge-Kutta coefficients:  $\alpha_1 = 0.0178571$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 0.0568106$ ,  $\alpha_3 = 0.174513$  and  $\alpha_4 = 1.0$ .



## Combined EXI-EXV Runge-Kutta Scheme

- Time accuracy is not important in pseudo-time, we apply therefore local pseudo-time stepping and deploy whichever scheme gives the mildest stability constraint.
- The EXI scheme has the mildest stability constraint for relatively high cell Reynolds numbers and the EXV scheme for relatively low cell Reynolds numbers.
- The pseudo-time Runge-Kutta schemes act as smoother in a multigrid algorithm.



## Stability Analysis

- Stability analysis is conducted for the linear advection-diffusion equation with periodic boundary conditions

$$u_t + au_x = du_{xx}, \quad t \in (0, T), \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

with  $a > 0$  and  $d > 0$  constant.

- The domain is divided into uniform rectangular elements  $\Delta t$  by  $\Delta x$ .
- The discretization depends on the CFL number

$$CFL_{\Delta t} = a\Delta t/\Delta x$$

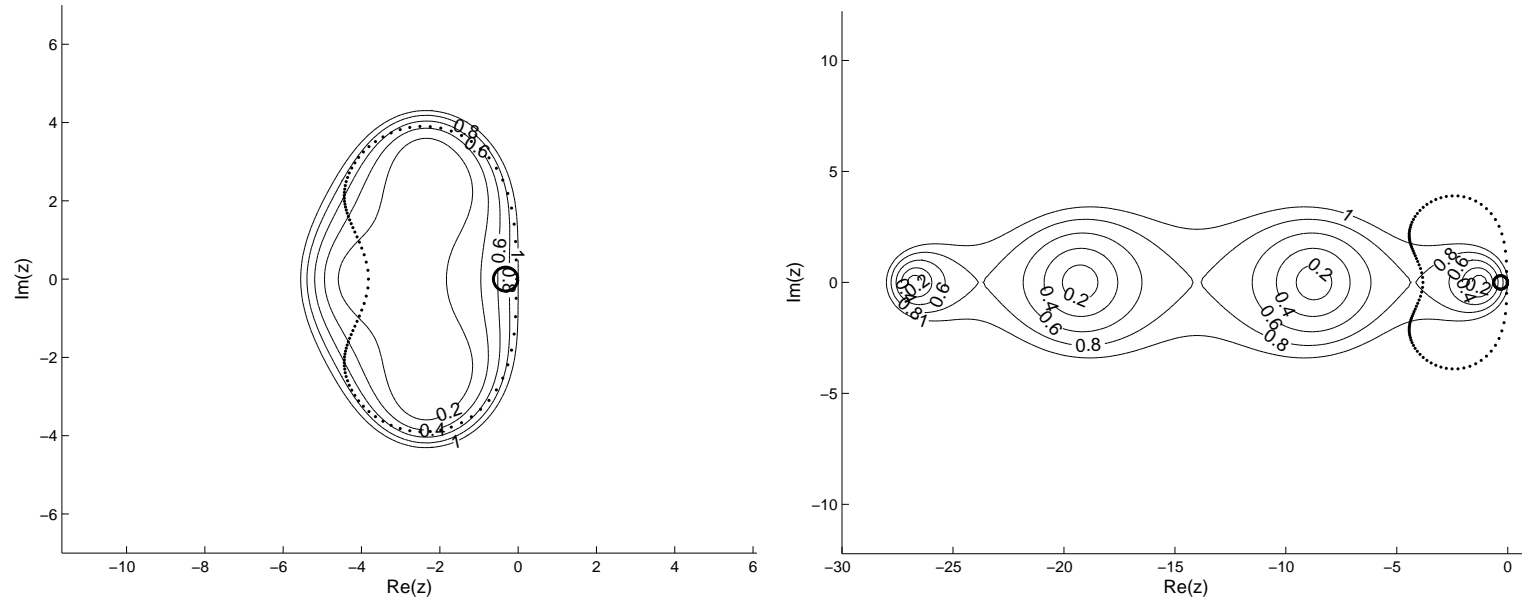
the diffusion number

$$\beta = d\Delta t/(\Delta x)^2$$

and the stabilization coefficient  $\eta$ .



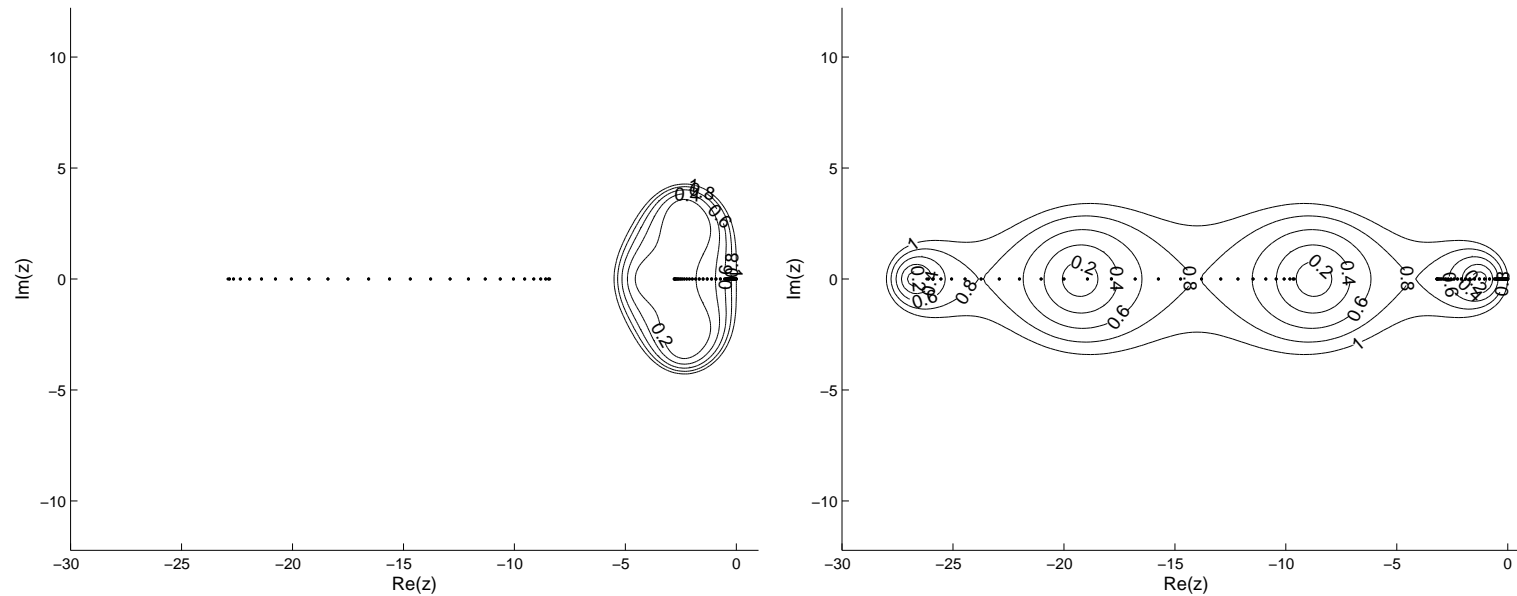
## Stability Analysis for Steady State Inviscid Problems



Eigenvalues and stability domain for the EXI method (L) and EXV method (R) in the steady-state inviscid flow regime ( $\lambda = 1.8 \cdot 10^{-2}$ ,  $CF L_{\Delta t} = 1.8$ ).



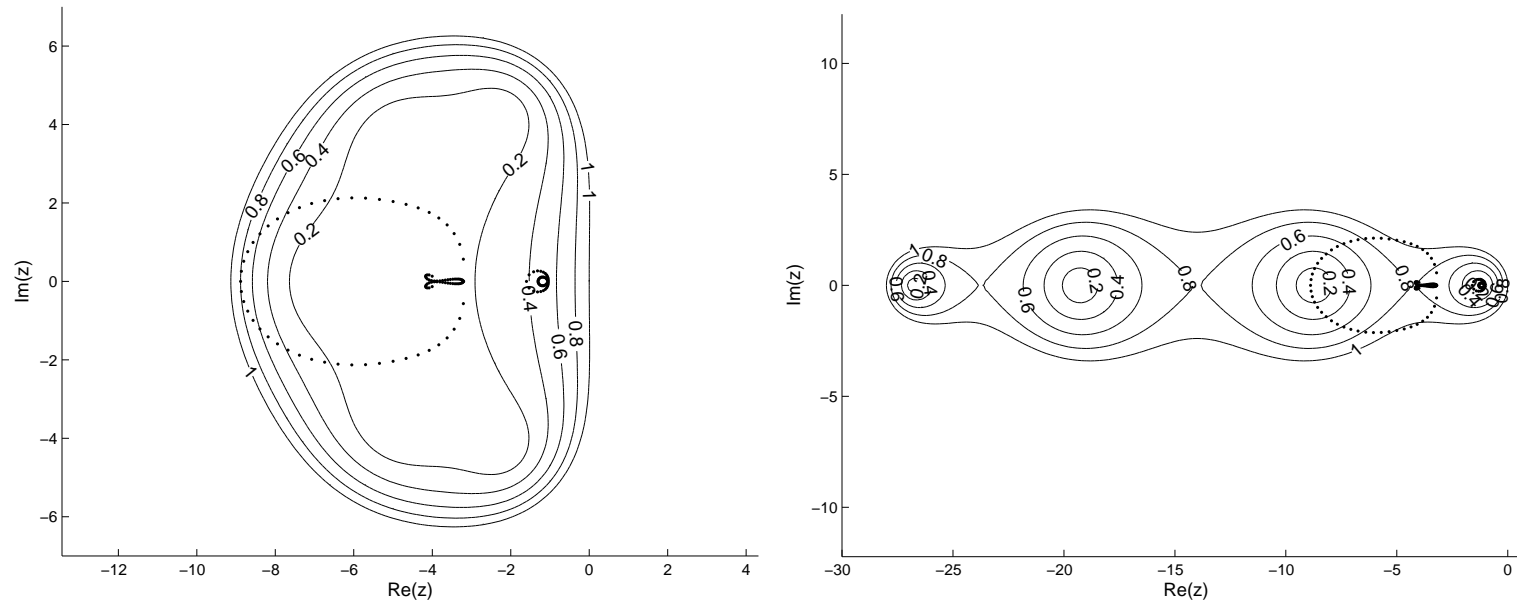
## Stability Analysis for Steady State Viscous Problems



Eigenvalues and stability domain for the EXI method (L) and EXV method (R) in the steady-state viscous flow regime ( $\lambda = 8 \cdot 10^{-5}$ ,  $\beta = 0.8$ ).



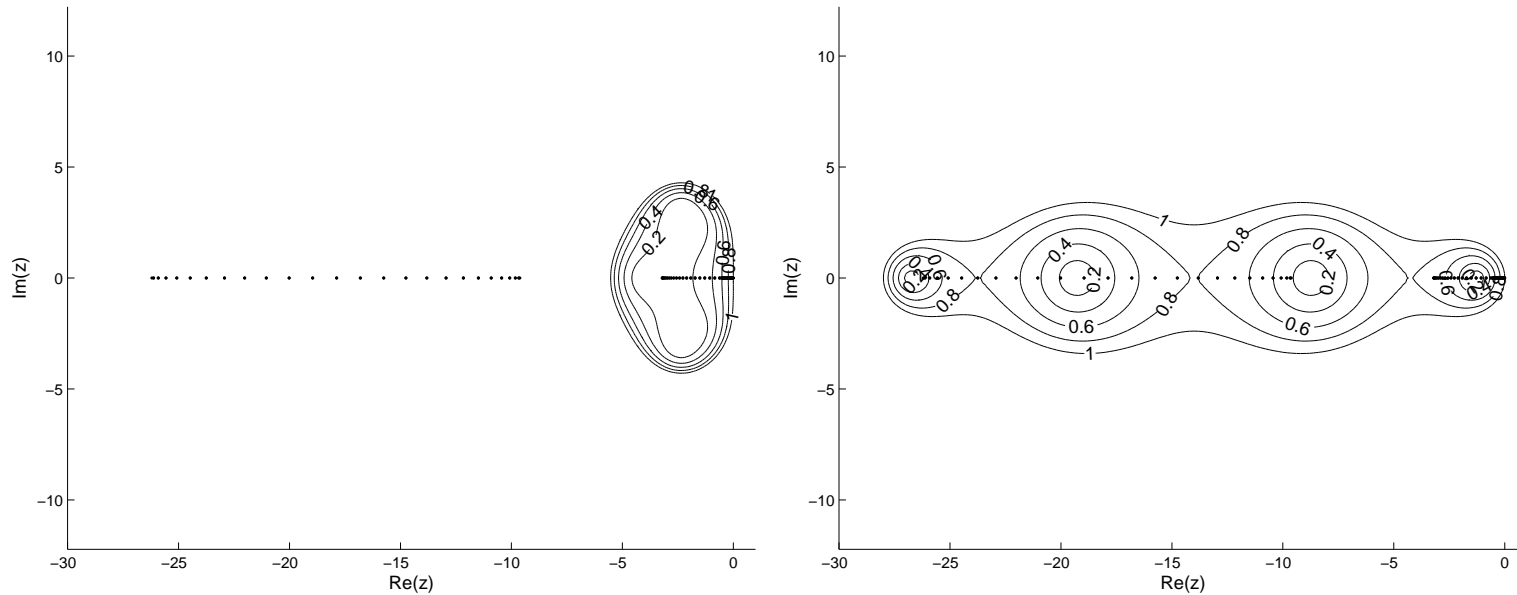
## Stability Analysis for Time-Dependent Inviscid Problems



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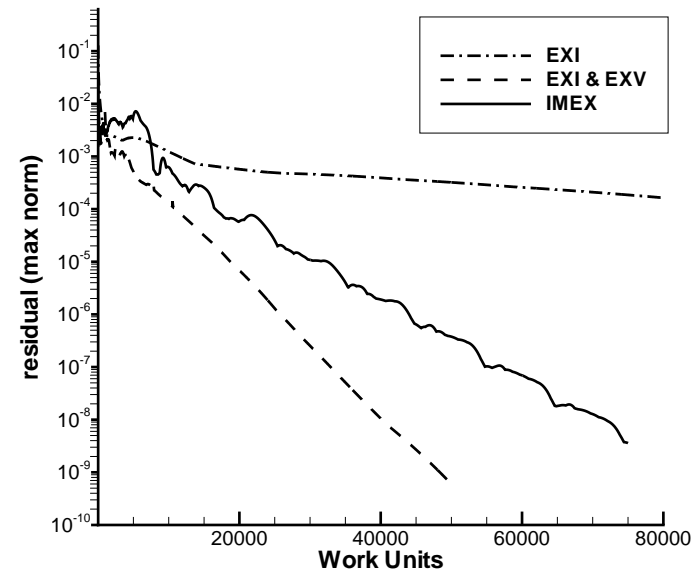
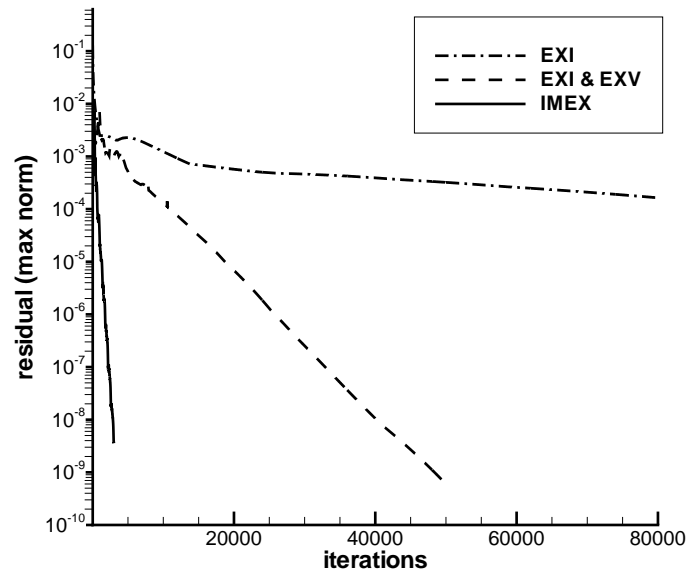
## Stability Analysis for Time-Dependent Viscous Problems



Eigenvalues and stability domain for the EXI method (L) and EXV method (R) in the time-dependent viscous flow regime ( $\lambda = 8 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ,  $\beta = 0.8$ ).



## Performance of Pseudo-Time Integration Schemes

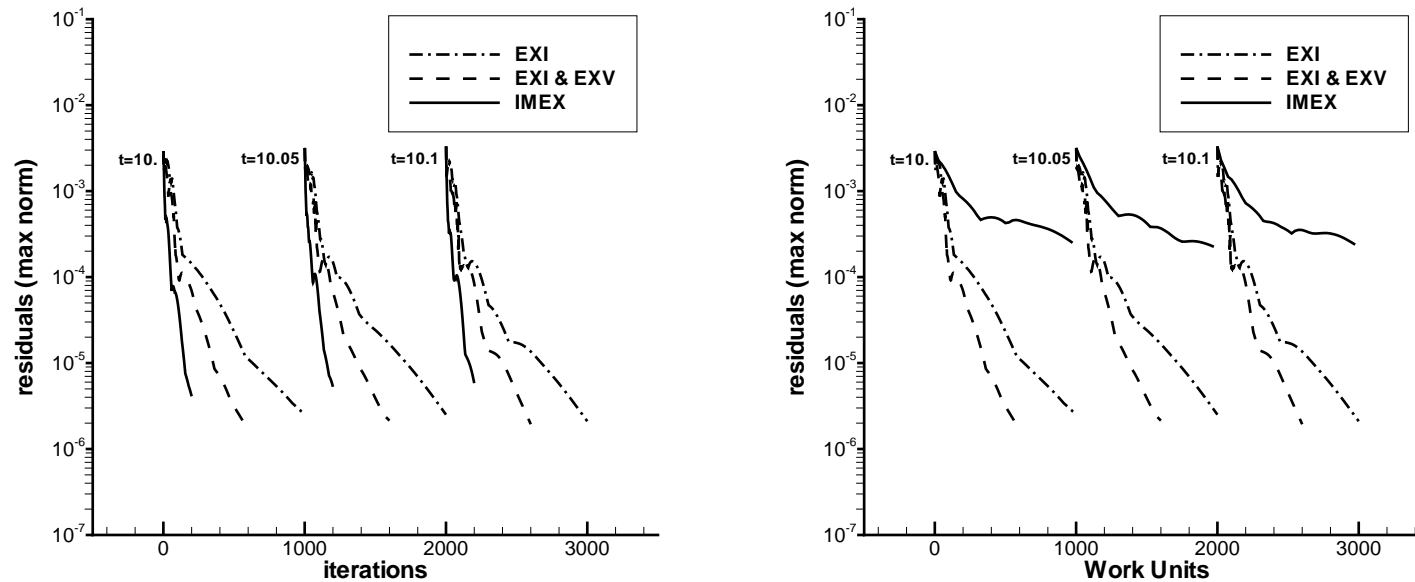


Convergence to steady state for the GAMM A1 case ( $M_\infty = 0.8$ ,  $Re_\infty = 73$ ,  $\alpha = 12^\circ$ ,  $112 \times 38$  grid).





## Performance of Time Integration Schemes



Convergence in pseudo-time for three physical time steps in the GAMM A7 case ( $M_\infty = 0.85$ ,  $Re_\infty = 10^4$ ,  $\alpha = 0^\circ$ ,  $224 \times 76$  grid).



## Two-Level $h$ -Multigrid Algorithm

- At the core of any multigrid method is the two-level algorithm.
- Subscripts  $(\cdot)_h$  and  $(\cdot)_H$  denote a quantity  $(\cdot)$  on the fine and coarse grid.
- Define:
  - ▶  $\hat{U}$  an approximation of the solution  $\hat{U}^n$
  - ▶  $R$  the restriction operator for the solution
  - ▶  $\bar{R}$  the restriction operator for the residuals
  - ▶  $P$  the prolongation operator
- The  $h$ -multigrid algorithm is applied only in space, hence the time-step is equal on both levels; but multi-time multi-space multigrid is also feasible.



## Two-level $h$ -Multigrid Algorithm

### Two-level algorithm.

1. Take one pseudo-time step on the fine grid with the combined EXI and EXV methods, this gives the approximation  $\hat{U}_h$ .
2. Restrict this approximation to the coarse grid:  $\hat{U}_H = R(\hat{U}_h)$ .
3. Compute the forcing:

$$F_H \equiv \mathcal{L}(\hat{U}_H; \hat{U}_H^{n-1}) - \bar{R}(\mathcal{L}(\hat{U}_h; \hat{U}_h^{n-1})).$$

4. Solve the coarse grid problem for the unknown  $\hat{U}_H^*$ :

$$\mathcal{L}(\hat{U}_H^*; \hat{U}_H^{n-1}) - F_H = 0,$$

5. Compute the coarse grid error  $E_H = \hat{U}_H^* - \hat{U}_H$  and correct the fine grid approximation:  $\hat{U}_h \leftarrow \hat{U}_h + P(E_H)$ .



## Two-level $h$ -Multigrid Algorithm

- Solving the coarse grid problem at stage four of the multigrid algorithm can again be done with the two-level algorithm.
- This recursively defines the V-cycle multi-level algorithm in terms of the two-level algorithm.
- It is common practice to take  $\nu_1$  pseudo-time pre-relaxation steps at stage one and another  $\nu_2$  post-relaxation pseudo-time steps after stage five.
- The exact solution of the problem on the coarsest grid is not always feasible; instead one simply takes  $\nu_1 + \nu_2$  relaxation steps.



## Inter-Grid Transfer Operators

- The inter-grid transfer operators stem from the  $L_2$ -projection of the coarse grid solution  $U_H$  in an element  $\mathcal{K}_H$  on the corresponding set of fine elements  $\{\mathcal{K}_h\}$ .
- The solution  $U_h$  in element  $\mathcal{K}_h$  can be found by solving:

$$\int_{\mathcal{K}_h} W_i U_i^h d\mathcal{K} = \int_{\mathcal{K}_h} W_i U_i^H d\mathcal{K}, \quad \forall W \in W_h.$$

- This relation supposes the embedding of spaces, i.e.  $W_H \subset W_h$ , to ensure that  $U_H$  is defined on  $\mathcal{K}_h$ .



## Prolongation Algorithm

- Introducing the polynomial expansions of the test and trial functions, we obtain the prolongation operator  $P : U^H \rightarrow U^h$ :

$$\hat{U}_{im}^h = (M_h^{-1})_{ml} \left( \int_{\mathcal{K}_h} \psi_l^h \psi_n^H d\mathcal{K} \right) \hat{U}_{in}^H.$$

with the mass matrix  $M_h$  of element  $\mathcal{K}_h$

- The restriction operator for the residuals is defined as the transpose of the prolongation operator:  $\bar{R} = P^T$ .
- The restriction operator  $R$  for the solution is defined as  $R = P^{-1}$ , such that the property  $U_H = R(P(U_H))$  holds, meaning that the inter-grid transfer does not modify the solution.



## Error Amplification Operator

- The error amplification operator of the two-level algorithm  $M_h^{\text{TLA}}$ , is given by:

$$M_h^{\text{TLA}} = M_h^{\text{CGC}} M_h^{\text{REL}},$$

with  $M_h^{\text{REL}}$  the error amplification operator associated with either the EXI or EXV scheme.

- The coarse grid correction (CGC) of the multigrid algorithm is given by:

$$M^{\text{CGC}} = I - P\mathcal{L}_H^{-1}\bar{R}\mathcal{L}_h.$$

- The convergence behaviour of the two-level algorithm for the space-time DG discretization is given by the spectral radius of the error amplification operator  $\rho(M_h^{\text{TLA}})$ .



## Stability Parameters

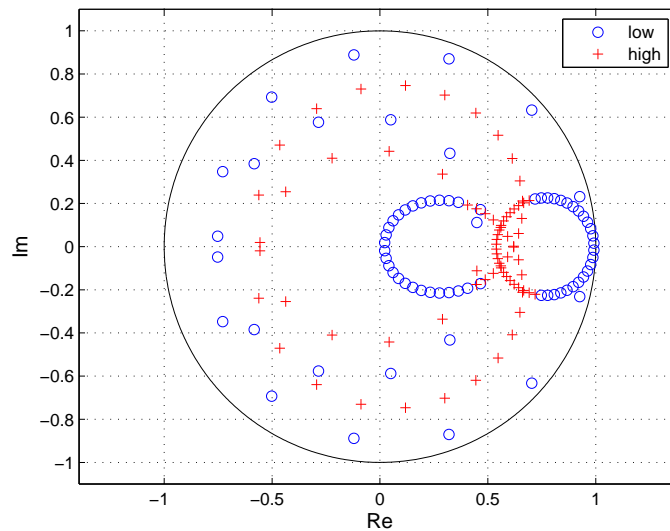
- The space-time DG discretization is implicit in time and unconditionally stable.
- The Runge-Kutta methods are explicit in pseudo time and their stability depends on the ratio  $\lambda$  between the pseudo time step and the physical time step  $\lambda = \Delta\tau / \Delta t$ .
- The stability condition is expressed in terms of the pseudo-time CFL number  $\sigma_{\Delta\tau}$  and the pseudo-time diffusive Von Neumann condition  $\delta_{\Delta\tau}$ :

$$\Delta\tau \leq \Delta\tau^a \equiv \frac{\sigma_{\Delta\tau} h}{a} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta\tau \leq \Delta\tau^d \equiv \frac{\delta_{\Delta\tau} h^2}{d}.$$

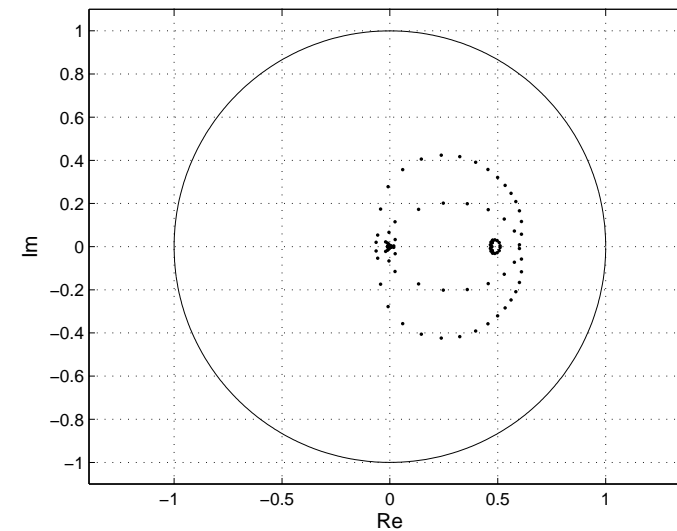
The pseudo-time CFL number is given by  $\sigma_{\Delta\tau} = \lambda\sigma$  and the pseudo-time diffusive Von Neumann number by  $\delta_{\Delta\tau} = \lambda\sigma / \text{Re}_h$



## Eigenvalue Spectra Two-Level Algorithm with EXI Smoother (Steady Case)



(a) EXI

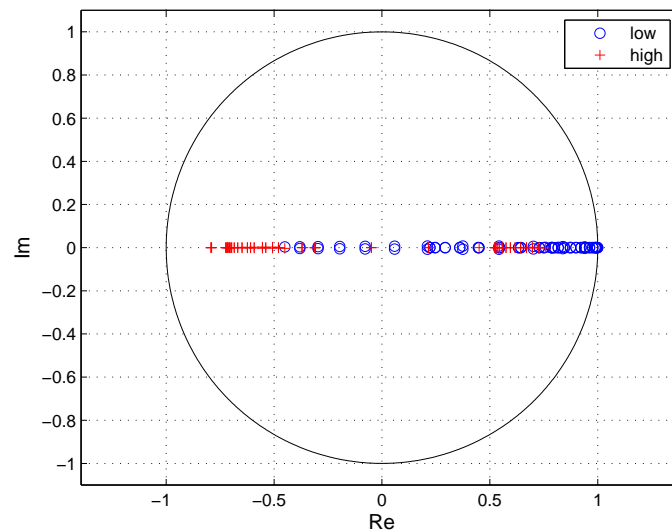


(b) TLA with EXI

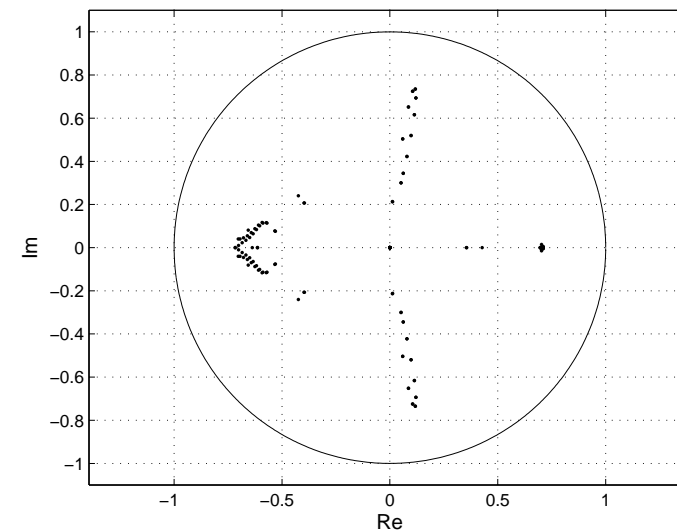
Eigenvalue spectra of the EXI smoother and two-level algorithm in the steady advection dominated case ( $\sigma = 100$  and  $Re_h = 100$ ).



## Eigenvalue Spectra Two-Level Algorithm with EXV Smoother (Steady Case)



(c) EXI

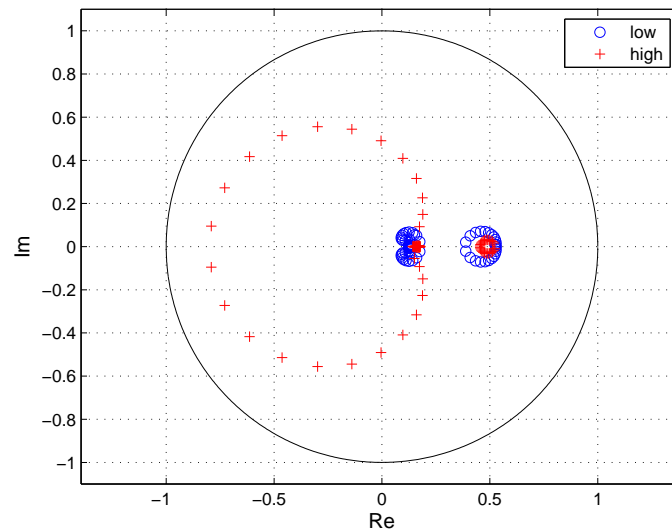


(d) TLA with EXI

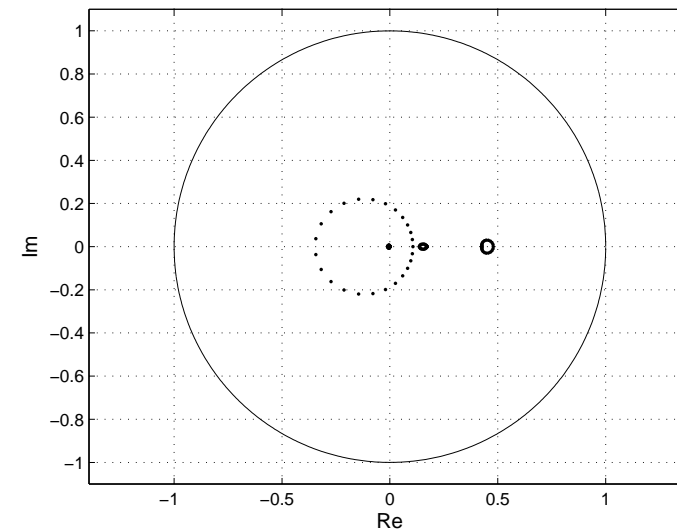
Eigenvalue spectra of the EXV smoother and two-level algorithm in the steady diffusion dominated case ( $\sigma = 100$  and  $Re_h = 0.01$ ).



## Eigenvalue Spectra Two-Level Algorithm with EXI Smoother (unsteady case)



(e) EXI

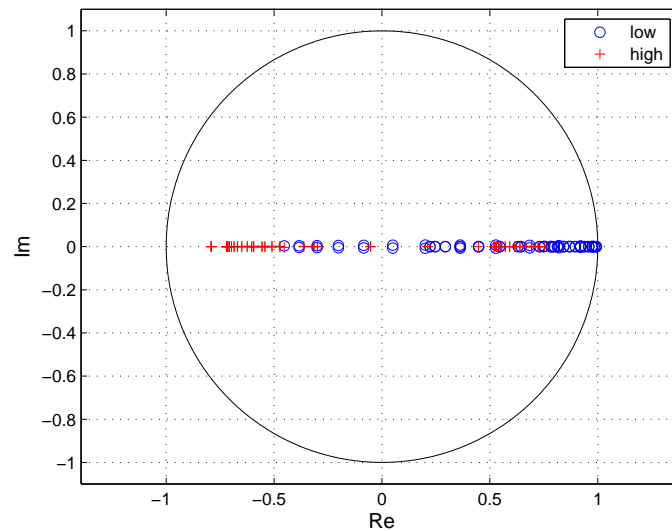


(f) TLA with EXI

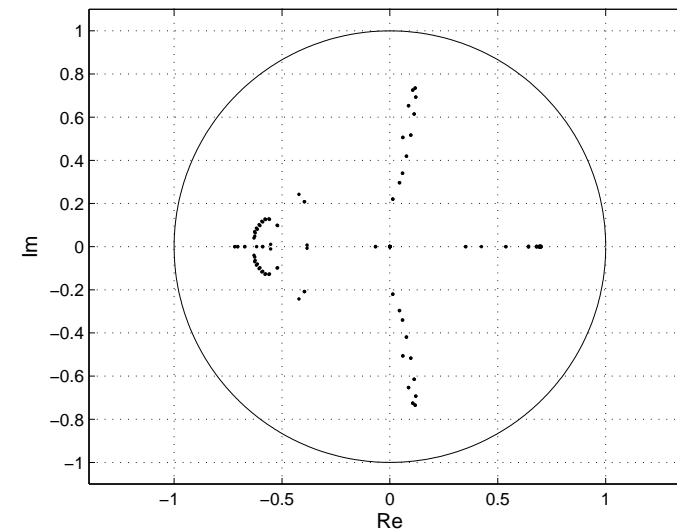
Eigenvalue spectra of the EXI smoother and two-level algorithm in the unsteady advection dominated case ( $\sigma = 1$  and  $Re_h = 100$ ).



## Eigenvalue Spectra Two-Level Algorithm with EXV Smoother (unsteady case)



(g) EXI



(h) TLA with EXI

Eigenvalue spectra of the EXV smoother and two-level algorithm in the unsteady diffusion dominated case ( $\sigma = 1$  and  $Re_h = 0.01$ ).



## Spectral Radii of Two-Level Algorithm for Steady Problems ( $\sigma = 100$ )

### EXI smoother

$Re_h$	$\Delta\tau/\Delta t$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{EXI}})$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{TLA}})$
100	1.8e-02	0.991	0.622
10	8.0e-03	0.996	0.716
1	1.4e-03	0.999	0.906

### EXV smoother

$Re_h$	$\Delta\tau/\Delta t$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{EXV}})$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{TLA}})$
100	2.0e-03	0.999	0.914
10	3.0e-03	0.998	0.871
1	7.0e-03	0.996	0.697



## Spectral Radii of Two-Level Algorithm for Unsteady Problems ( $\sigma = 1$ )

### EXI smoother

$Re_h$	$\Delta\tau/\Delta t$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{EXI}})$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{TLA}})$
100	1.6e-00	0.796	0.479
10	8.0e-01	0.918	0.599
1	1.4e-01	0.904	0.837

### EXV smoother

$Re_h$	$\Delta\tau/\Delta t$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{EXV}})$	$\rho(M_h^{\text{TLA}})$
100	1.0e-00	0.924	0.660
10	7.0e-01	0.812	0.704
1	7.0e-01	0.805	0.719

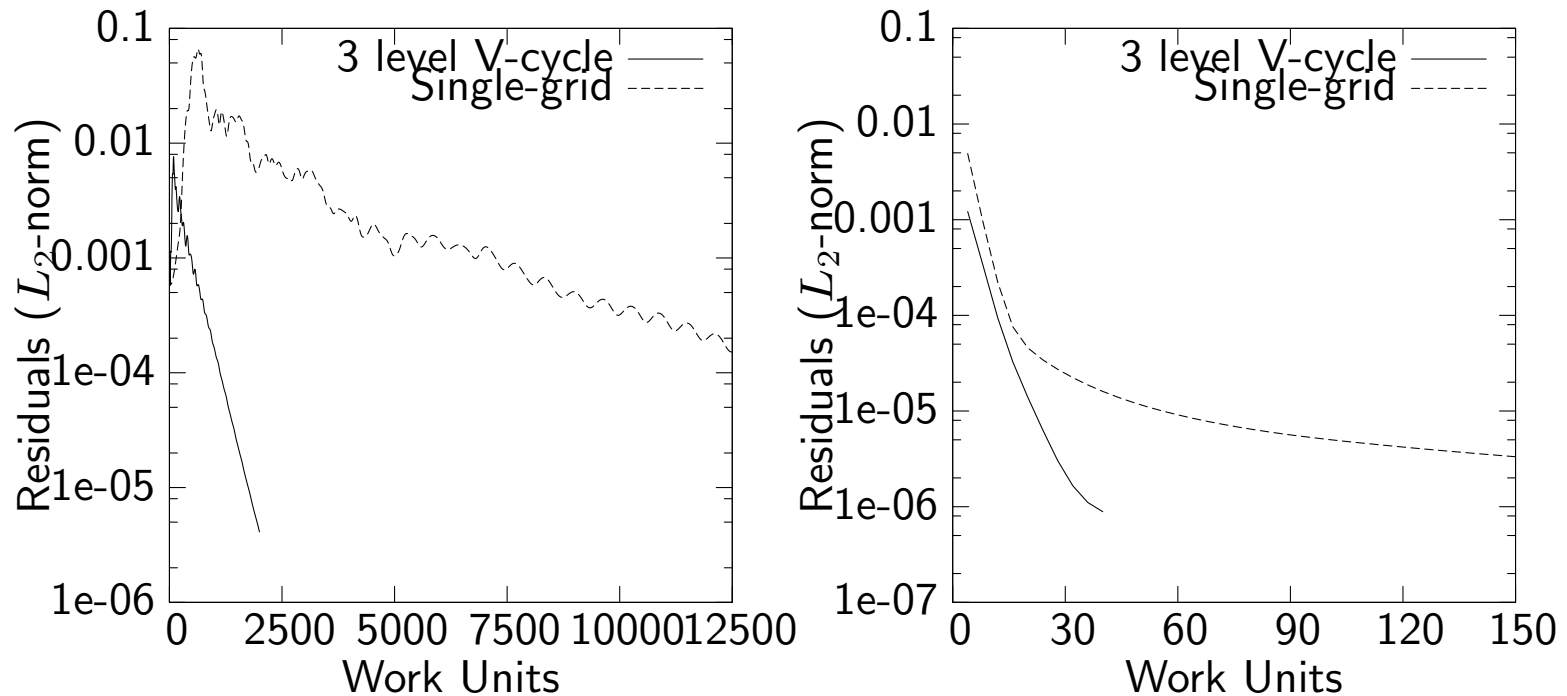


## Numerical Simulations

- Definition of work units:
  - ▶ One work unit corresponds to one Runge-Kutta step on the fine grid.
  - ▶ The work on a one times coarsened mesh is  $\frac{1}{8}$  of the work on the fine grid ( $\frac{1}{4}$  in 2D).



## Convergence Rate for Flow about a Circular Cylinder



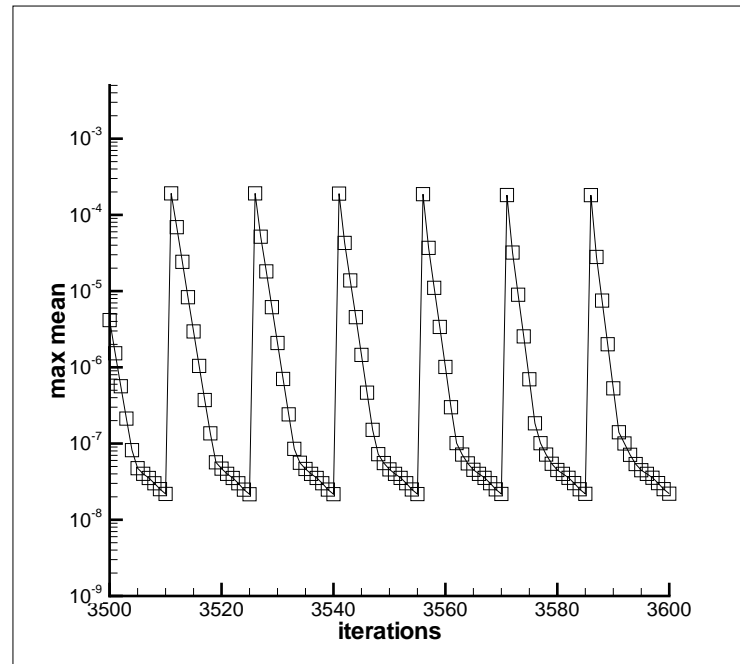
Steady-state (L) and time-accurate (R)

$M_\infty = 0.3$ ,  $Re_\infty = 40$ ,  $64 \times 64$  mesh (L) and  $80 \times 84$  mesh (R)





## Convergence Rate for Unsteady Flow about Circular Cylinder



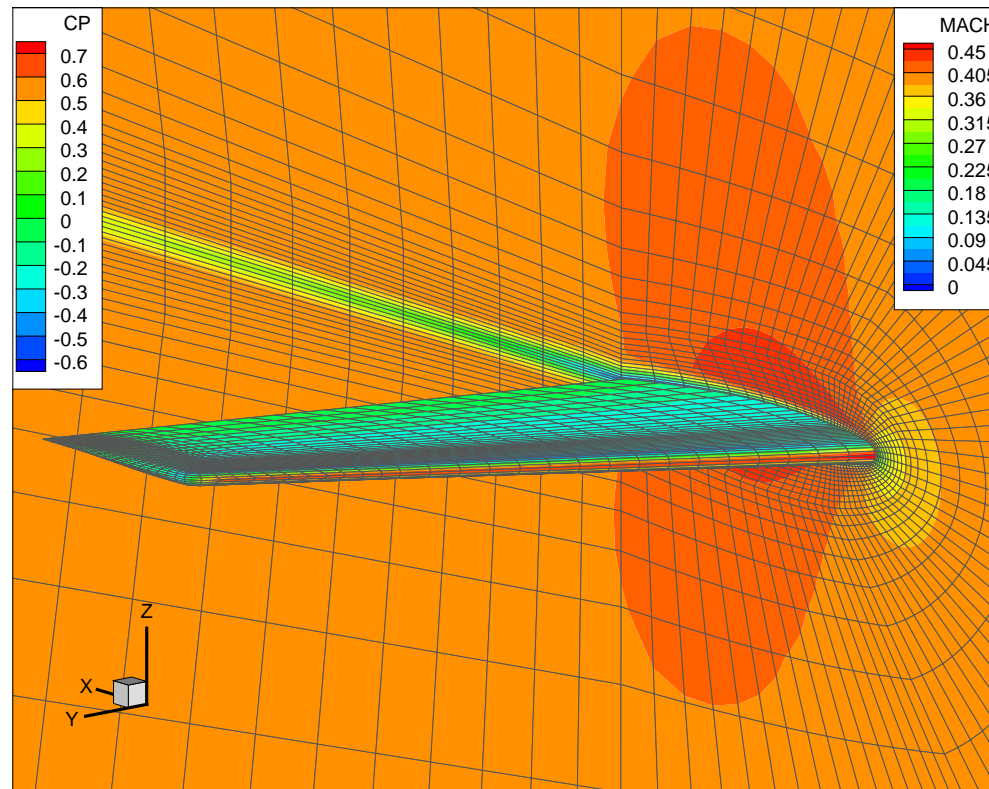
$M_\infty = 0.3$ ,  $Re_\infty = 1000$  on a  $128 \times 128$  mesh  
Multigrid: 3 level V-cycle, 4 relaxation steps on each level.



## Flow about ONERA M6 Wing

- Steady laminar flow about the ONERA M6 wing at  $M_\infty = 0.4$ ,  $Re_\infty = 10^4$  and angle of attack  $\alpha = 1^\circ$ .
- Fine grid consists of 125 000 hexahedral elements.
- Multigrid iteration consisting of 3 level V- or W-cycles.
- The V-cycle has a total of 4 relaxations on each grid level, while the W-cycle has 4 relaxations on the fine grid and 8 on the medium and coarse grid.

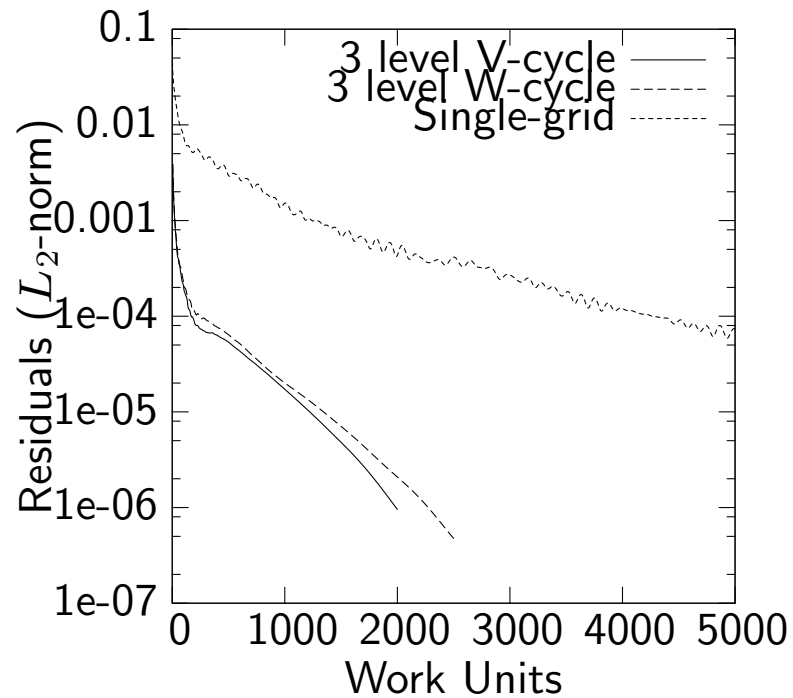
## Grid and Flow about ONERA M6 Wing



Mach number isolines and the pressure coefficient  $C_p$  on the ONERA M6 wing  
 $M_\infty = 0.4$ ,  $Re_\infty = 10^4$  and  $\alpha = 1^\circ$ .



## Convergence Rate for ONERA M6 Wing



Convergence in pseudo-time for the ONERA M6 wing  
 $M_\infty = 0.4$ ,  $Re_\infty = 10^4$ ,  $\alpha = 1^\circ$ .



## Summary of Computational Effort for Different Cases

Case	Single-grid performance	Multigrid performance	Cost reduction
cylinder (steady)	2 orders in 12 500 WU	3 orders in 2000 WU	9.4
cylinder (unsteady)	3 orders in 150 WU	3 orders in 30 WU	5.0
ONERA M6	2 orders in 5000 WU	3 orders in 2000 WU	3.7

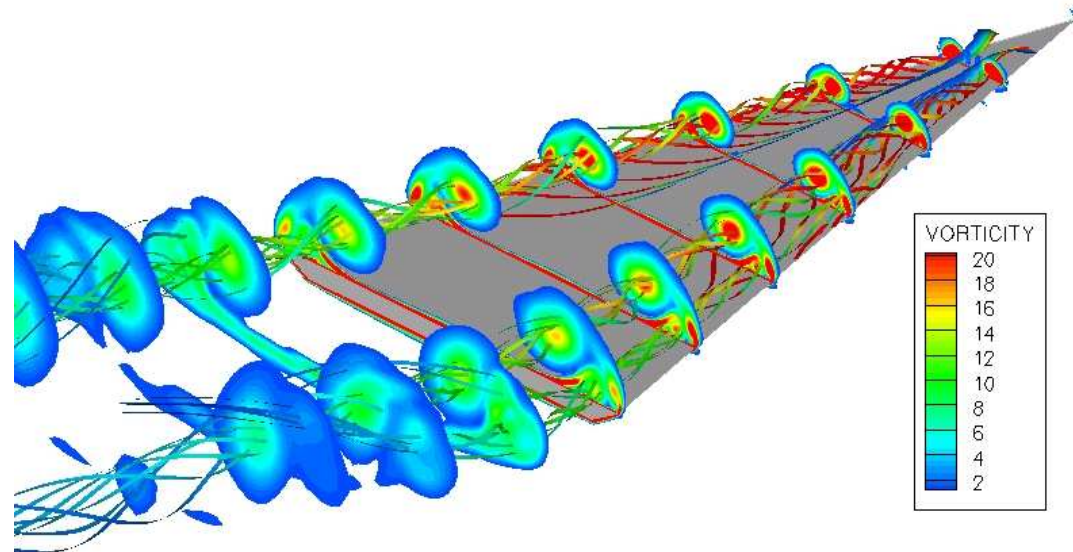
Summary of computational effort for cylinder and ONERA M6 wing.



## Delta Wing Simulations

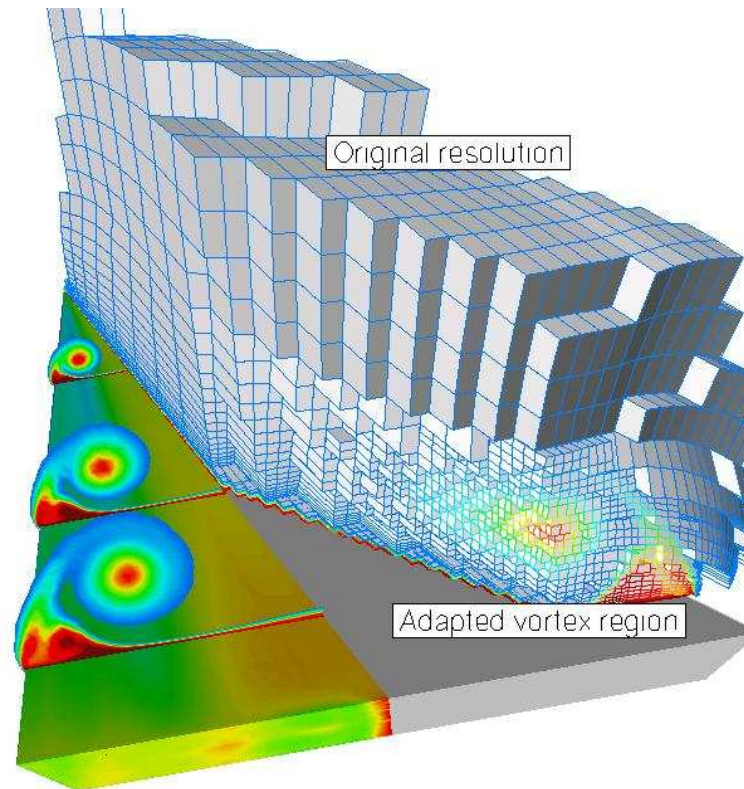
- Simulations of viscous flow about a delta wing with  $85^\circ$  sweep angle.
- Conditions
  - ▶ Angle of attack  $\alpha = 12.5^\circ$ .
  - ▶ Mach number  $M = 0.3$
  - ▶ Reynolds numbers  $Re = 40.000$  and  $Re = 100.000$  (LES)
  - ▶ Unadapted fine grid mesh 1.600.000 elements, 40.000.000 degrees of freedom
  - ▶ Adapted mesh for LES with 1.919.489 elements, 47.987.225 degrees of freedom

## Delta Wing Simulations



Streaklines and vorticity contours in various cross-sections

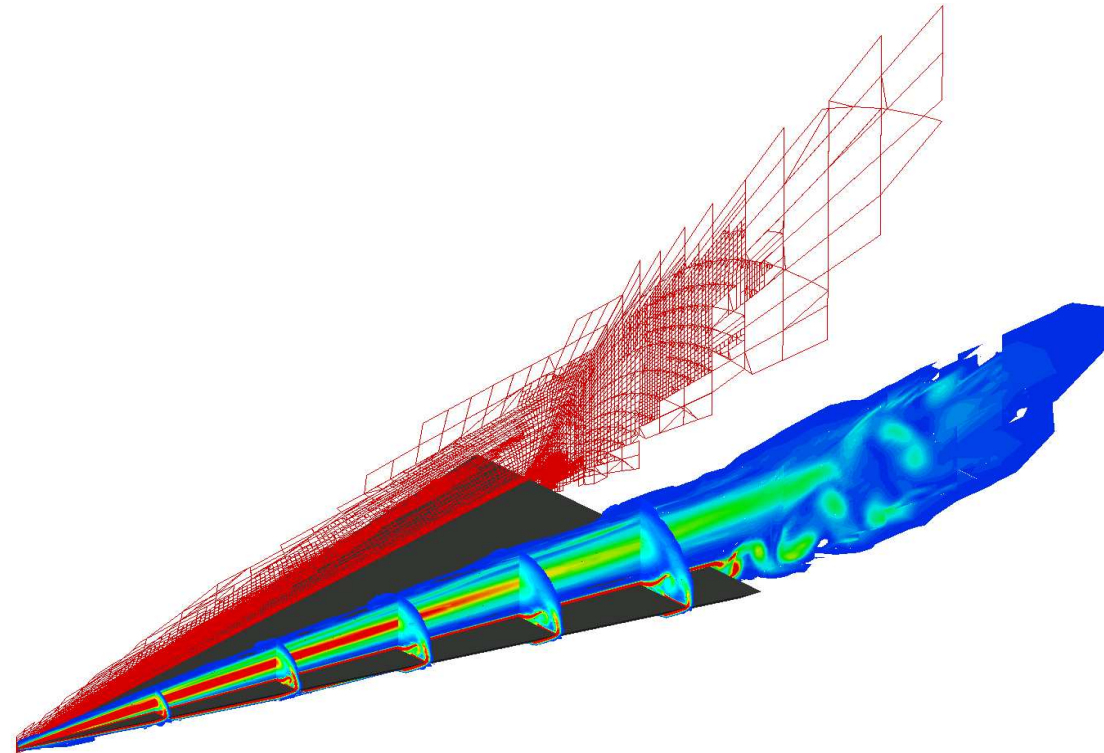
## Delta Wing Simulations



Impression of the vorticity based mesh adaptation

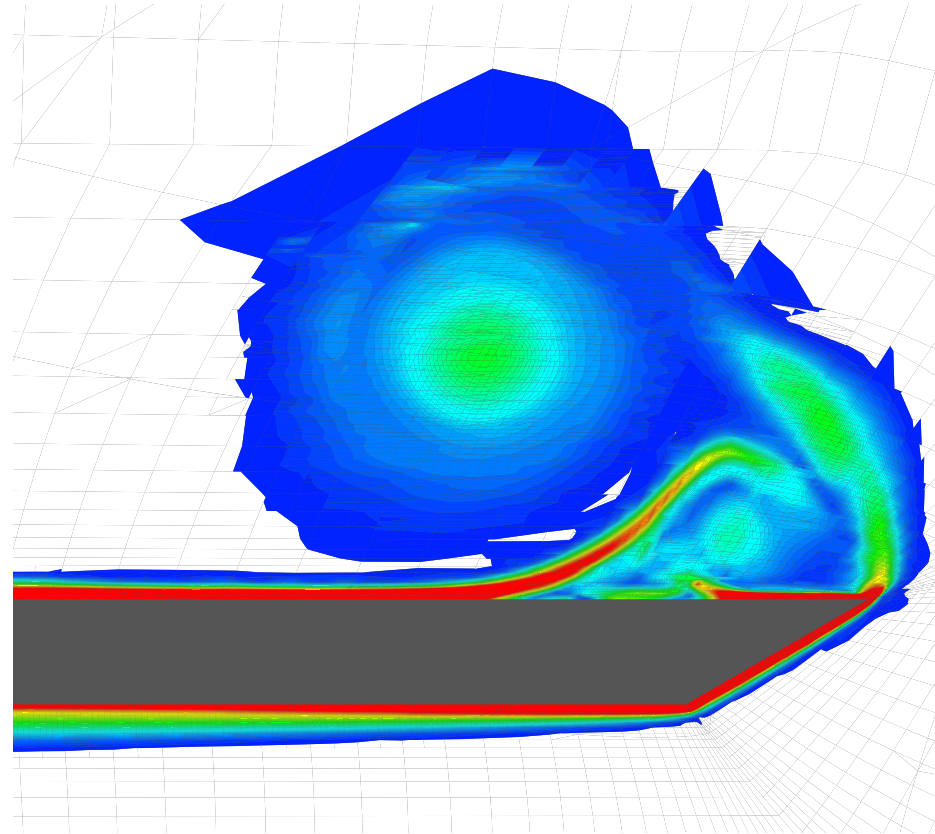


## Delta Wing Simulations



Adapted mesh and vorticity field in primary vortex and cross-sections of a delta wing ( $Re_c = 100.000$ ,  $Ma = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha = 12.5$  degrees).

## Delta Wing Simulations



Vorticity field near leading edge of delta wing at  $x = 0.9c$   
( $Re_c = 100.000$ ,  $Ma = 0.3$ ,  $\alpha = 12.5$  degrees)



## NACA0012 Airfoil in Laminar Dynamic Stall

Conditions:

- Free stream Mach number  $M_\infty = 0.2$
- Reynolds number 10000
- Pitch axis is situated at 25% from the leading edge
- Angle of attack  $\alpha$  evolves as:

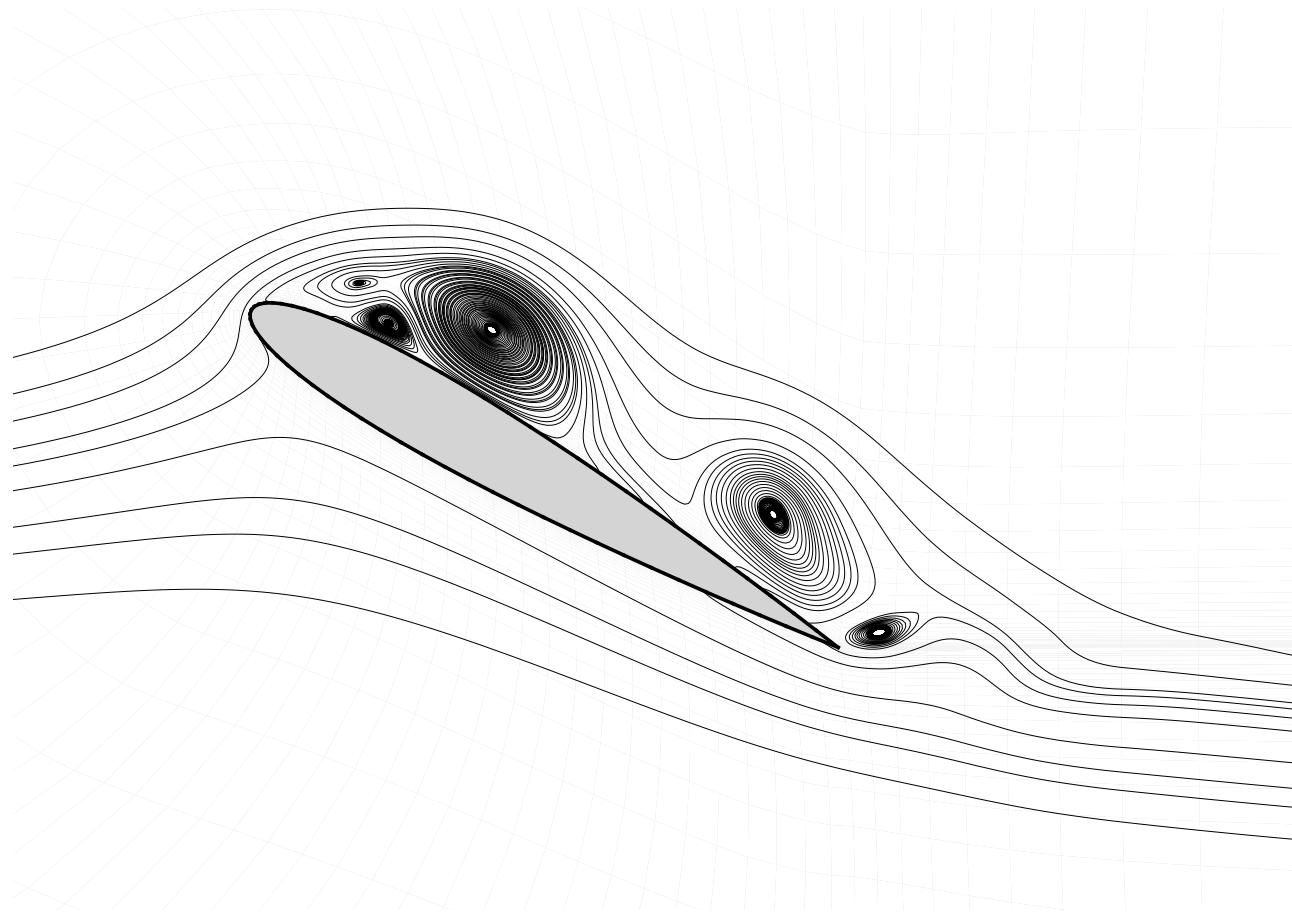
$$\alpha(t) = a + bt - a \exp(-ct),$$

with coefficients  $a = -1.2455604$ ,  $b = 2.2918312$ ,  $c = 1.84$  and time  $t \in [0, 25]$ .

- Time step  $\Delta t = 0.005$
- C-type mesh with  $112 \times 38$  elements with 14 elements in the boundary layer

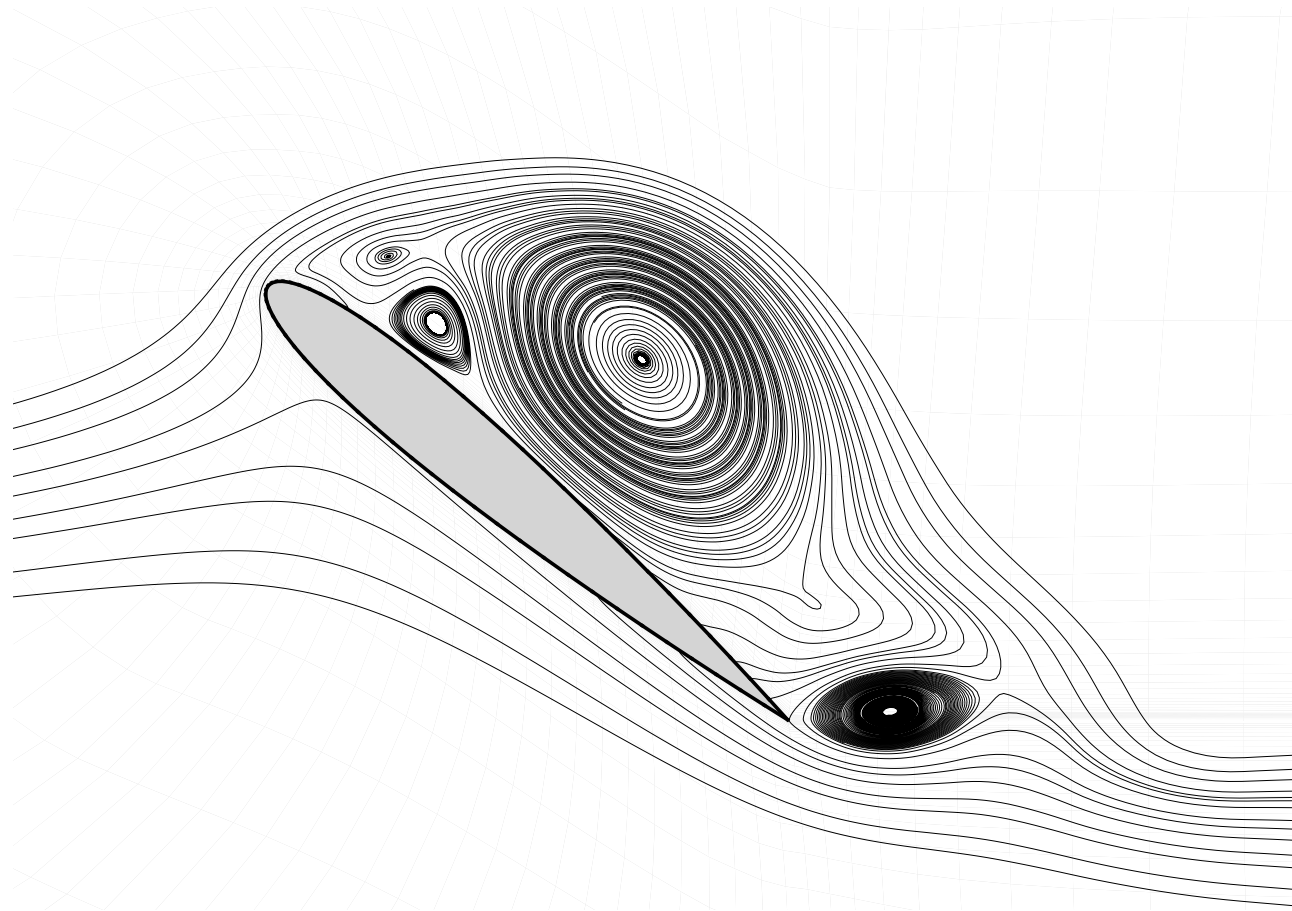


## NACA0012 Airfoil in Laminar Dynamic Stall



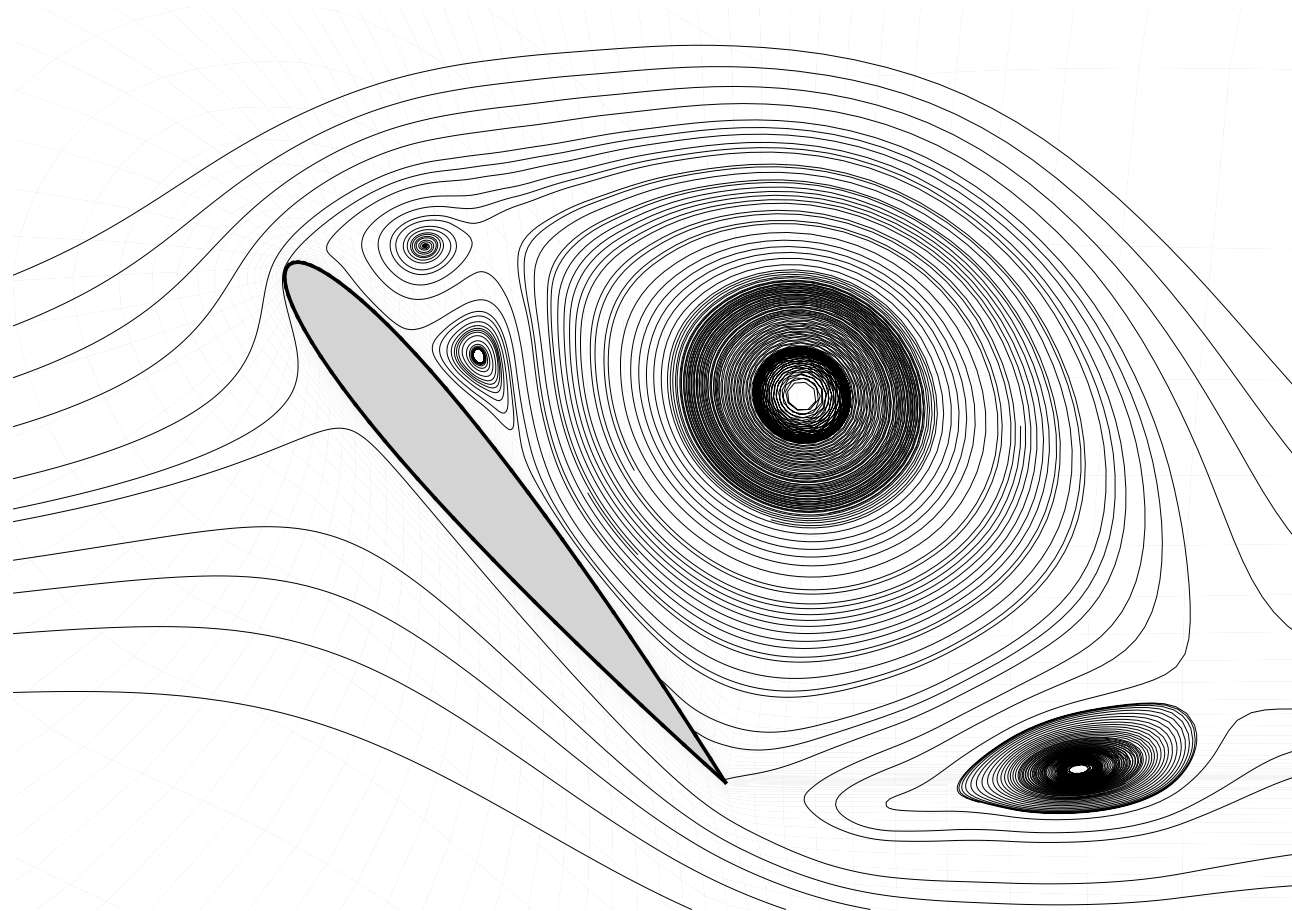
Streamlines around NACA 0012 airfoil in dynamic stall at  $\alpha = 30^\circ$ .

## NACA0012 Airfoil in Laminar Dynamic Stall



Streamlines around NACA 0012 airfoil in dynamic stall at  $\alpha = 40^\circ$ .

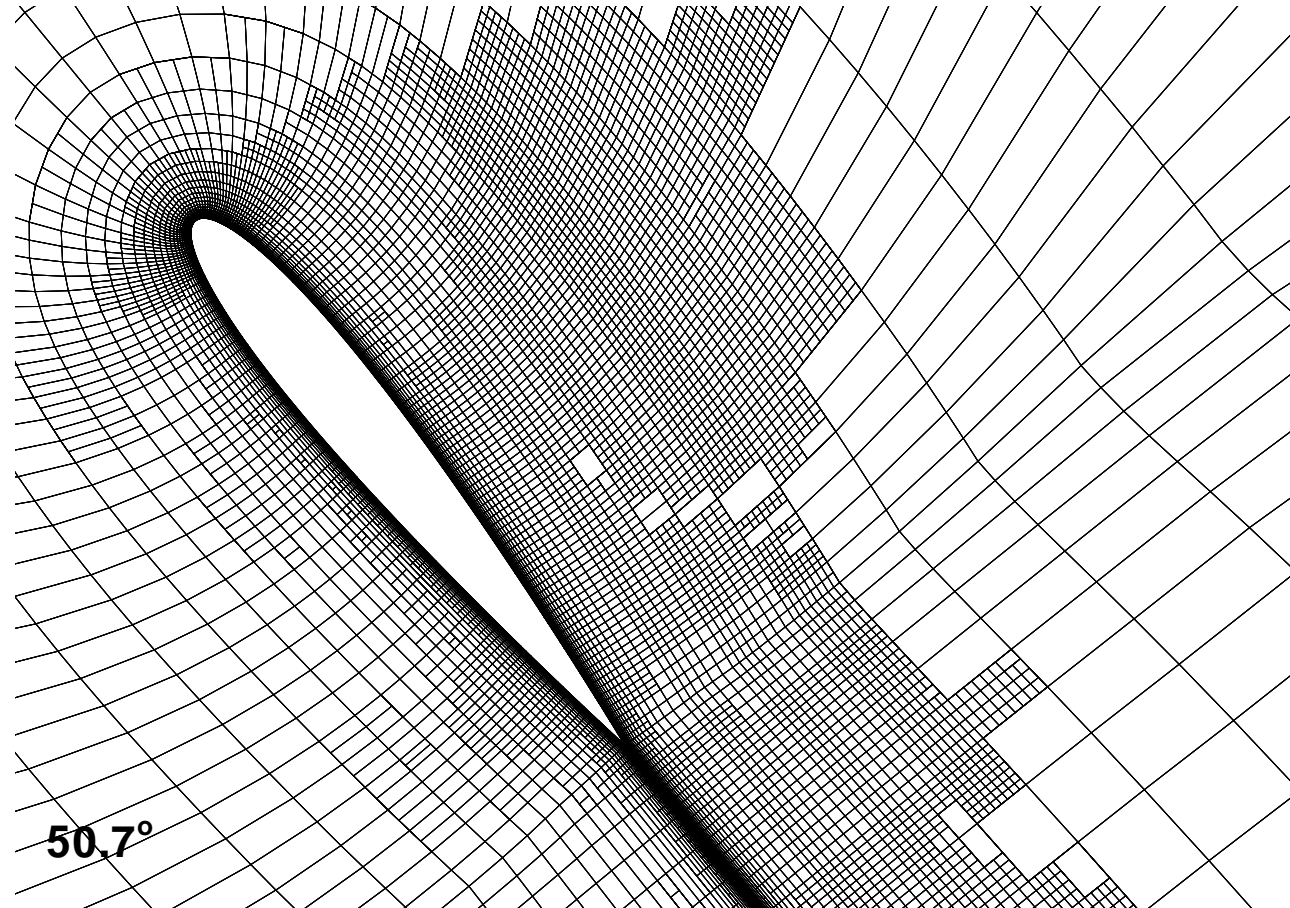
## NACA0012 Airfoil in Laminar Dynamic Stall



Streamlines around NACA 0012 airfoil in dynamic stall at  $\alpha = 50^\circ$ .



## NACA0012 Airfoil in Laminar Dynamic Stall



Adapted mesh around NACA 0012 airfoil in dynamic stall at  $\alpha = 50.7^\circ$ .



## Conclusions

The space-time discontinuous Galerkin method has the following interesting properties:

- Accurate, unconditionally stable scheme for the compressible Navier-Stokes equations.
- Conservative discretization on moving and deforming meshes which satisfies the geometric conservation law.
- Local, element based discretization suitable for  $h$ -( $p$ ) mesh adaptation.
- Optimal accuracy proven for advection-diffusion equation.





## Conclusions

- Runge-Kutta pseudo-time integration methods in combination with multigrid are an efficient technique to solve the nonlinear algebraic equations originating from the space-time DG method.
- Two-level Fourier analysis of the space-time DG discretization for the scalar advection-diffusion equation shows good convergence factors.
- The construction of intergrid transfer operators is based on the  $L_2$  projection of the coarse grid solution on the fine grid and assumes embedding of spaces.

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