

# Abstraction and Composition in Modeling and Simulation

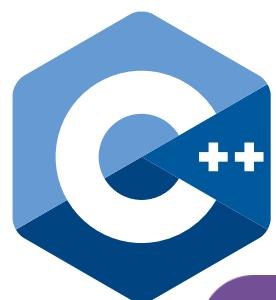
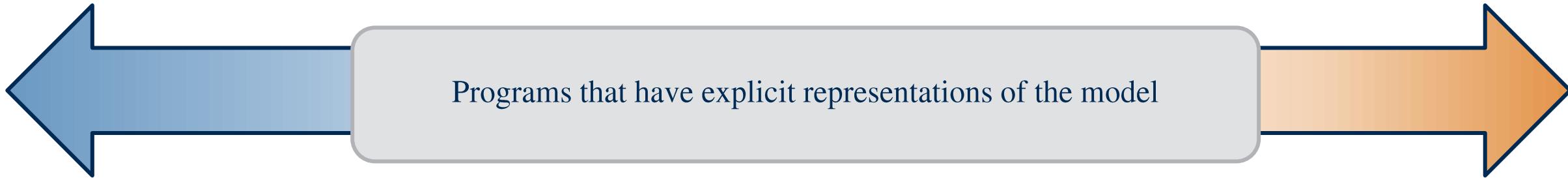
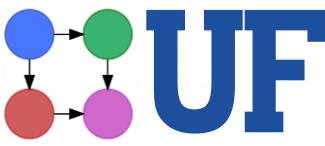
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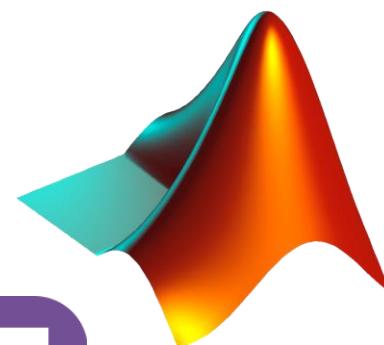
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# Spectrum of Scientific Computing Technology



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Code

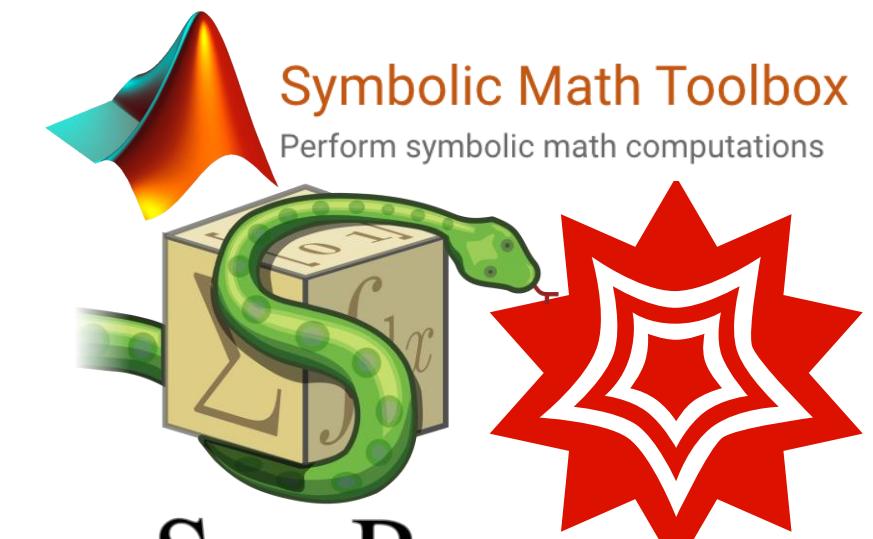


Domain  
Specific  
Languages

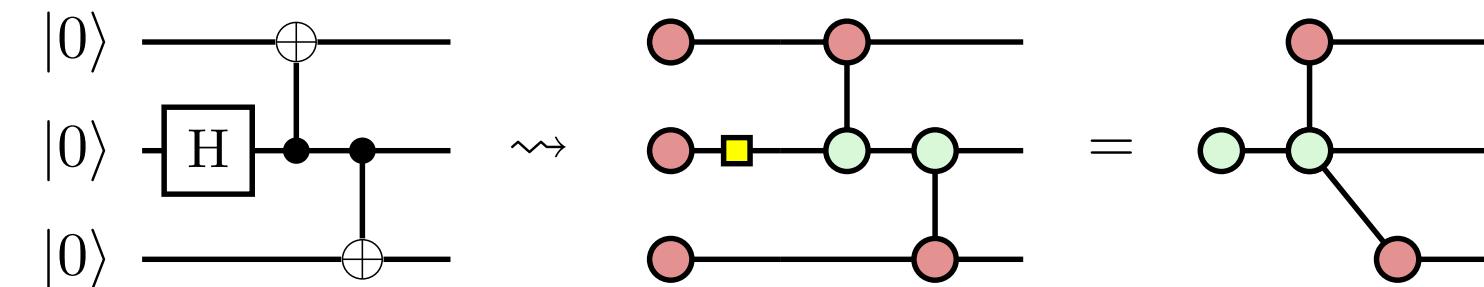
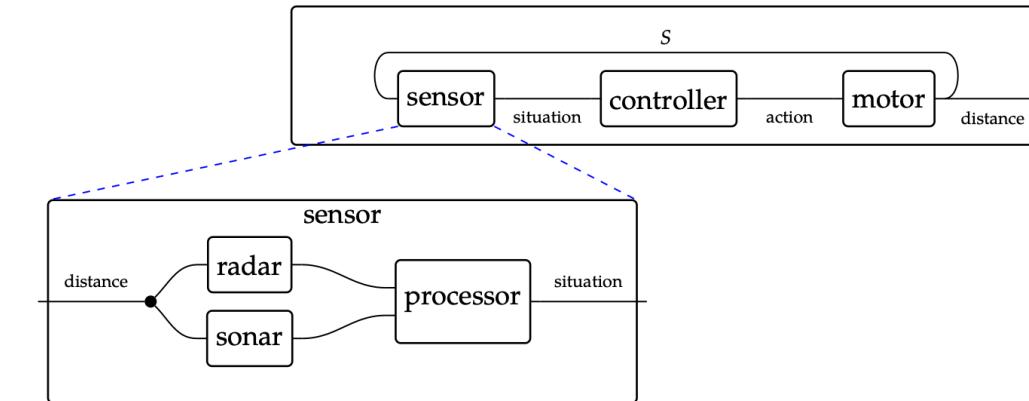
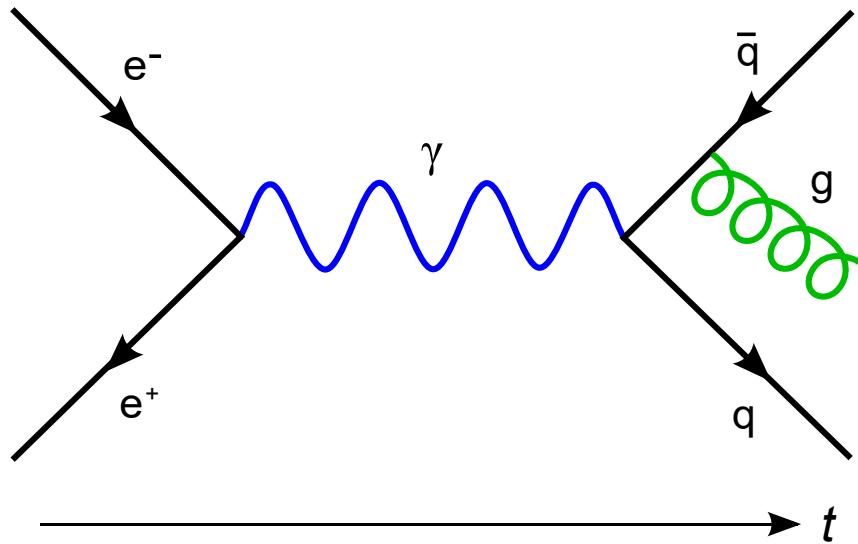
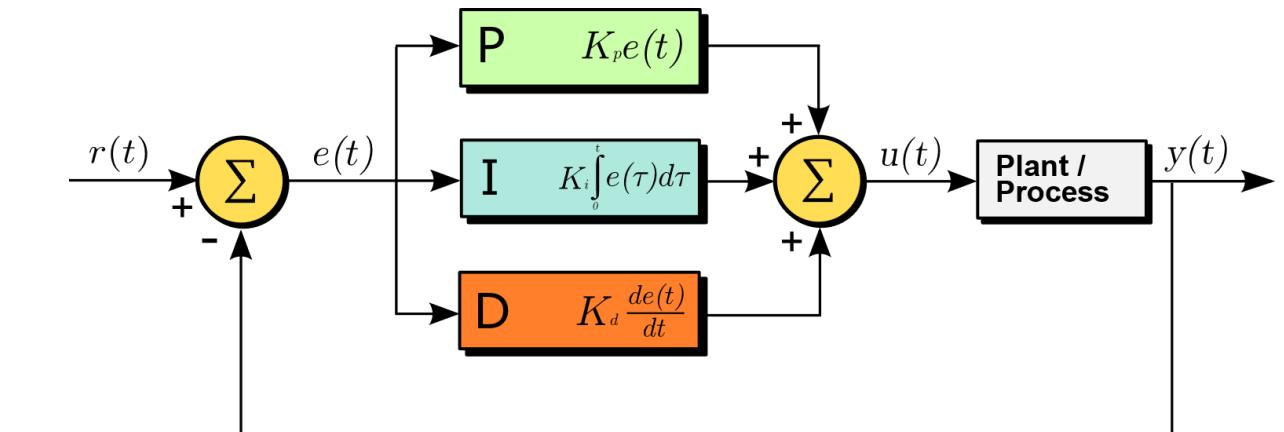
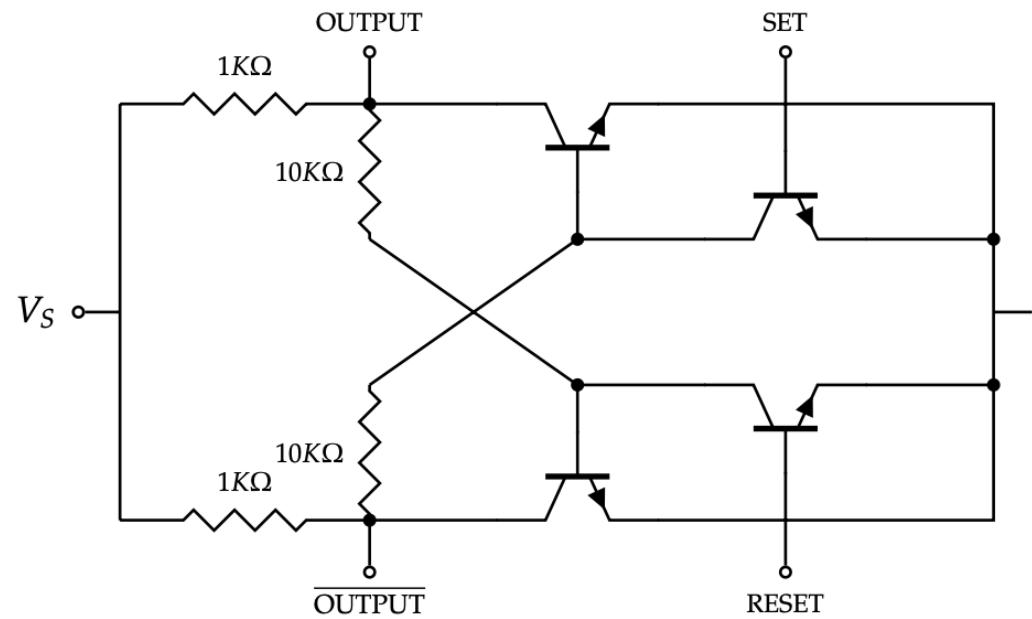
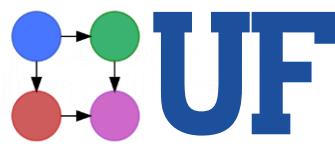


Modeling  
Frameworks

Computer  
Algebra  
Systems



# Formal Scientific Diagrams



# Category Theory

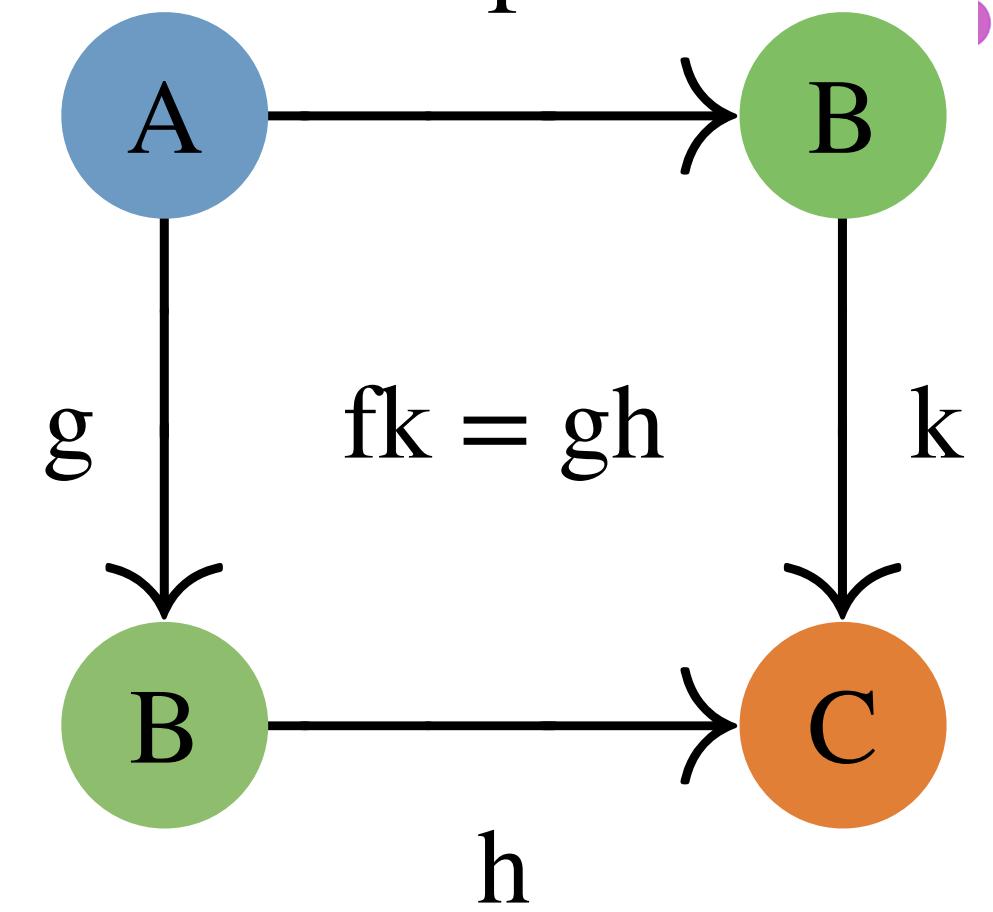
$$C = (Ob, Hom)$$

$$Ob : Set$$

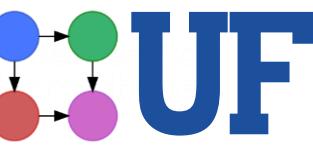
$$\forall A, B : Ob \vdash Hom(A, B) : Set$$

$$\forall A : Ob \vdash id(A) : Hom(A, A)$$

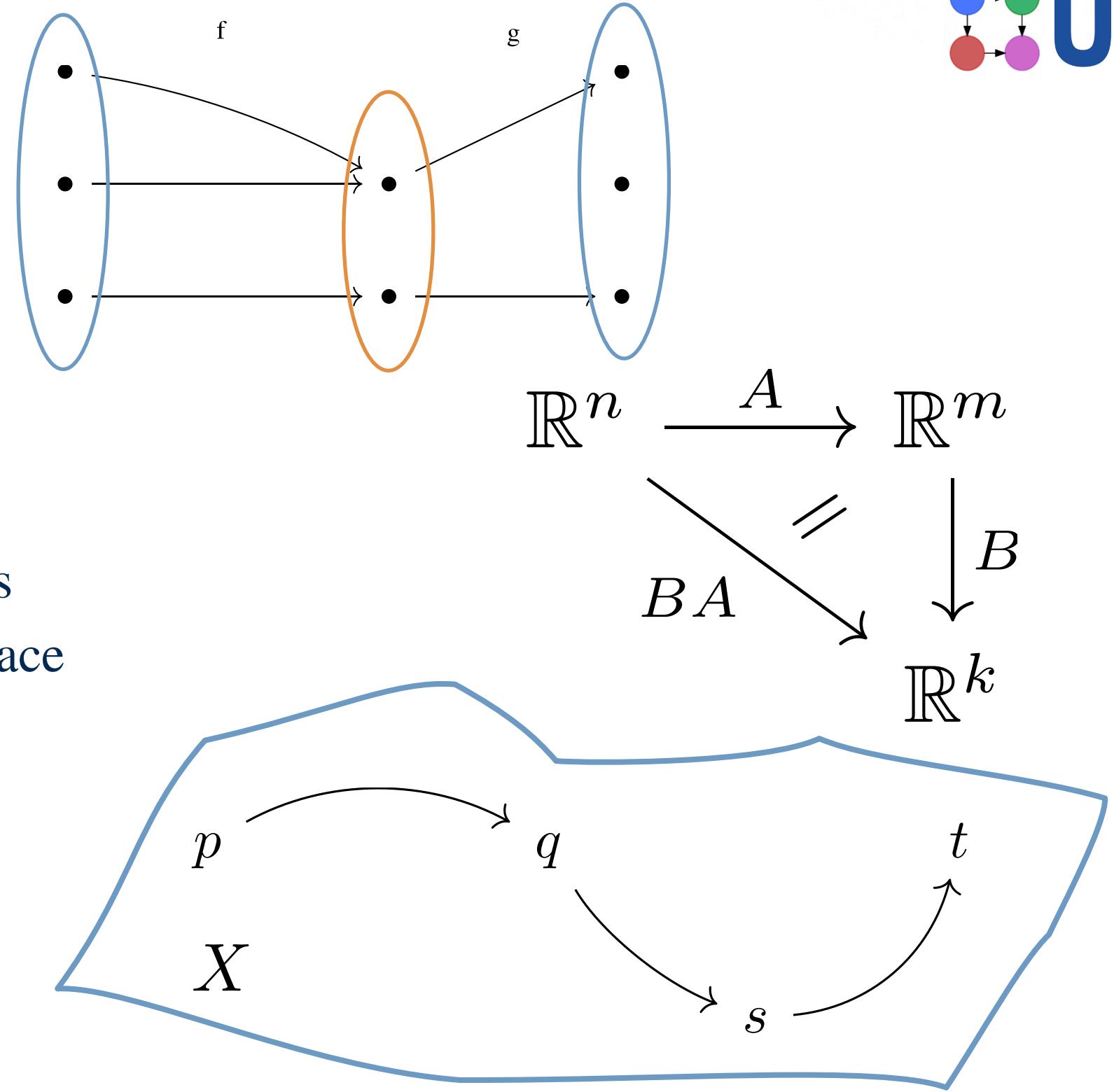
$$\forall A, B, C : Ob \vdash \circ_{A,B,C} : Hom(A, B) \times Hom(B, C) \rightarrow Hom(A, C)$$



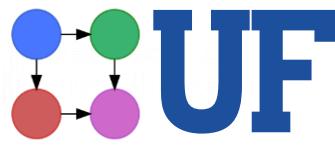
# Some Example Categories



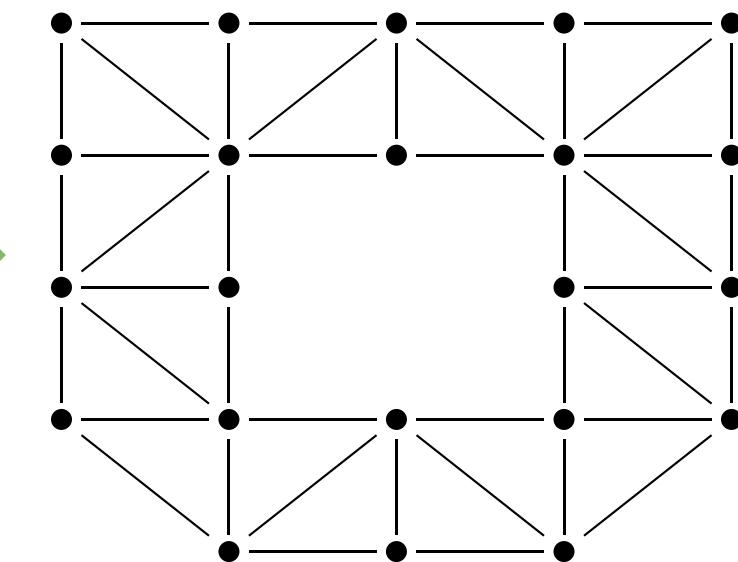
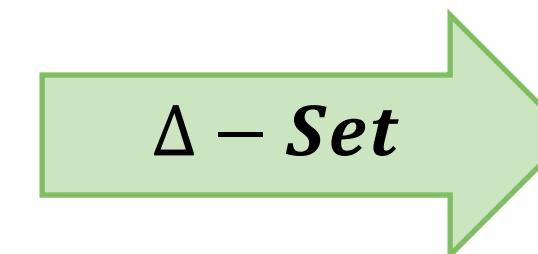
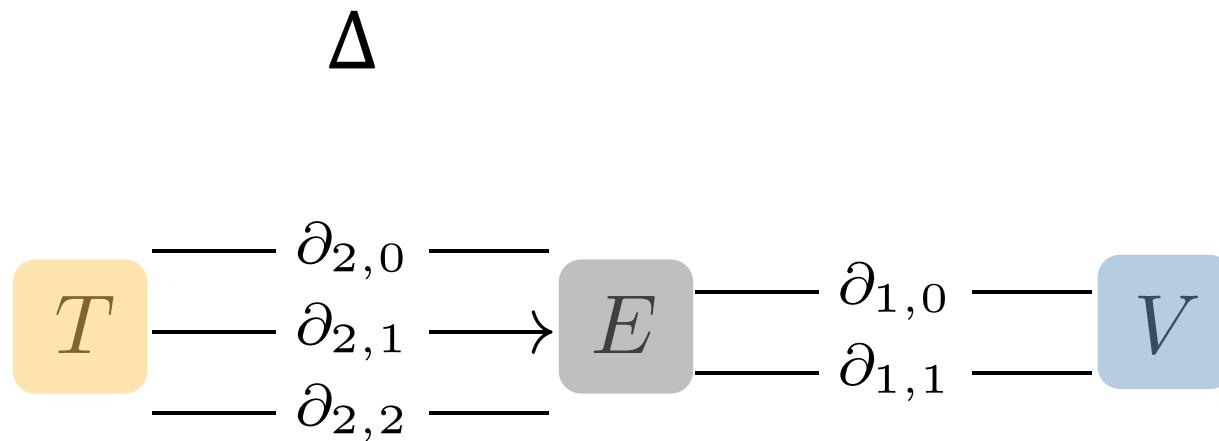
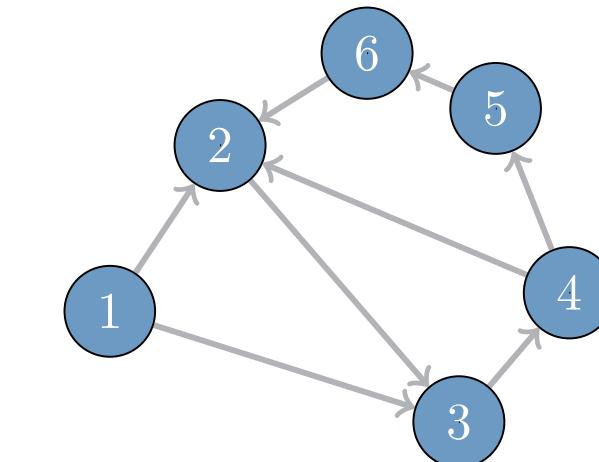
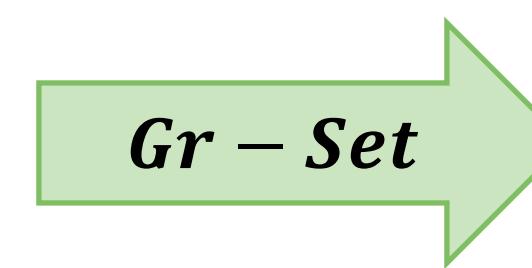
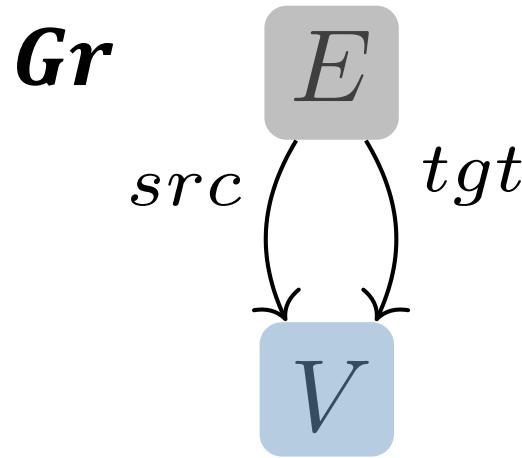
- Sets and Functions
- Finite Sets and Functions
- Vector Spaces and Linear Maps (Matrices)
- Topological Spaces and Continuous Functions
- Convex Spaces and Convex Functions
- Points in a Space and Paths in that Space
- Dynamical Systems and Changes of Coordinates



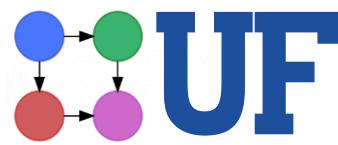
# $\mathcal{C}$ -Sets: Categorical Data Structures



Graphs are ubiquitous because they a simple & useful structure



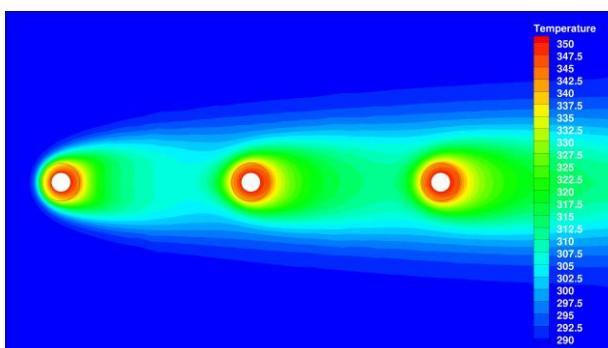
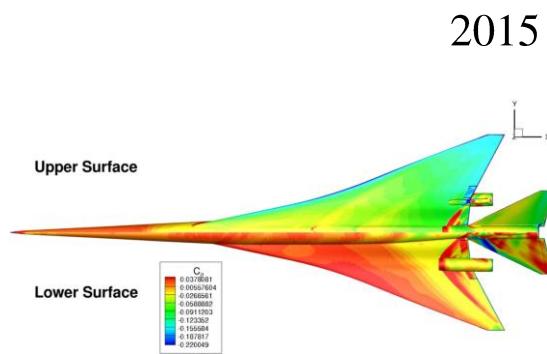
# State of the Art circa 2020



## Multiphysics Simulation

### SU2: An Open-Source Suite for Multiphysics Simulation and Design

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## Discrete Exterior Calculus

### NUMERICAL METHOD FOR DARCY FLOW DERIVED USING DISCRETE EXTERIOR CALCULUS

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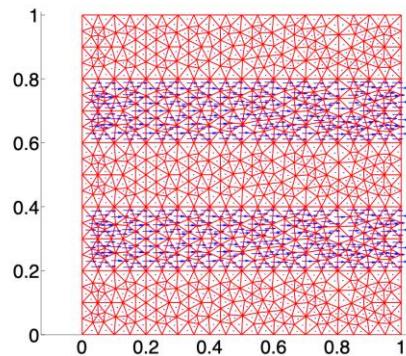


Figure 8: Layered medium with 2 different permeability patterns. The domain has 5 layers with alternating permeability. In the top figure the permeability  $k$ , from bottom layer to top is 5, 10, 5, 10 and 5. In the bottom figure the permeability  $k$  is 1, 10, 1, 10 and 1. The computed flux is visualized as a vector field.

### Discrete exterior calculus discretization of incompressible Navier-Stokes equations over surface simplicial meshes

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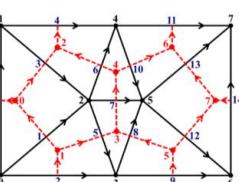
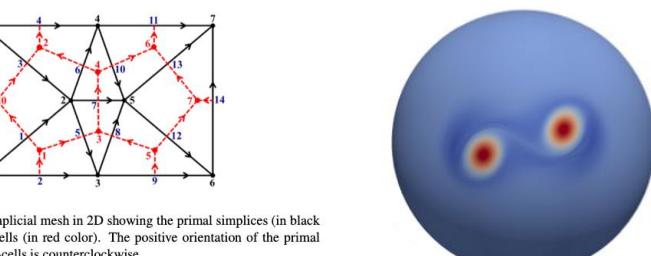


Figure 1: A sample simplicial mesh in 2D showing the primal simplices (in black color) and their dual cells (in red color). The positive orientation of the primal 2-simplices and dual 2-cells is counterclockwise.



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## Category Theoretic Dynamical Systems

### ALGEBRAS OF OPEN DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS ON THE OPERAD OF WIRING DIAGRAMS

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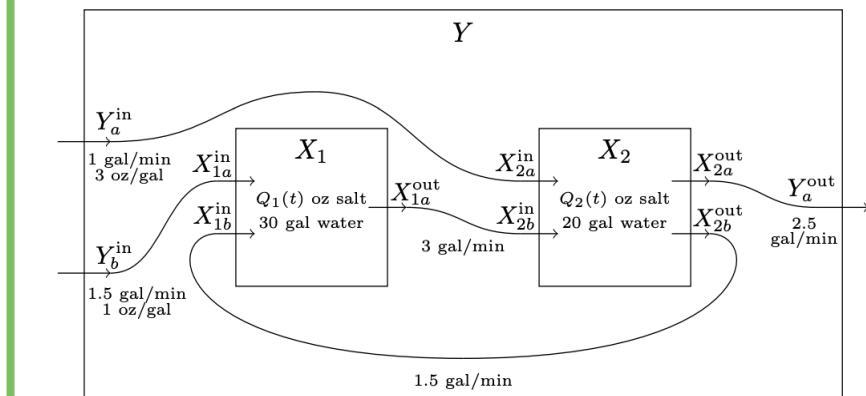
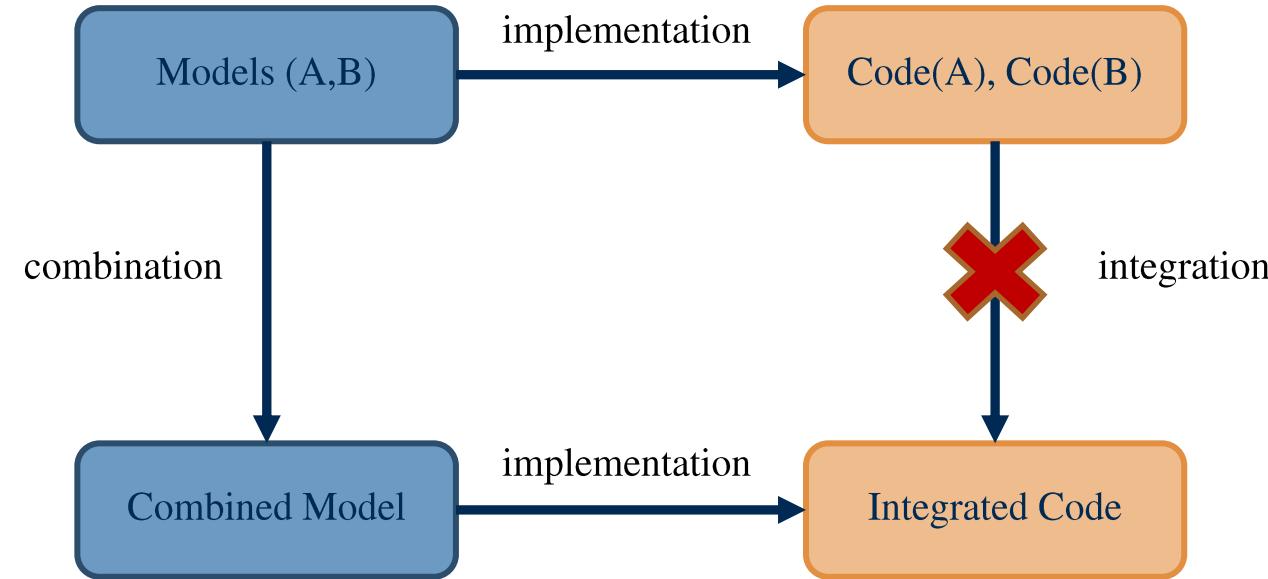
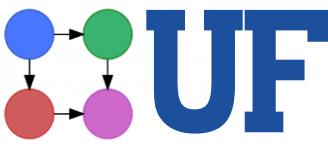


FIGURE 9. A dynamical system from Boyce and DiPrima interpreted over a wiring diagram  $\Phi = (X_1, X_2; Y; \varphi)$  in  $\mathcal{OW}$ .

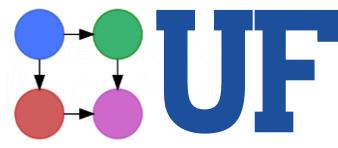
Abstract mathematics only  
 No software or simulations

# Automated Construction of Complex Simulators

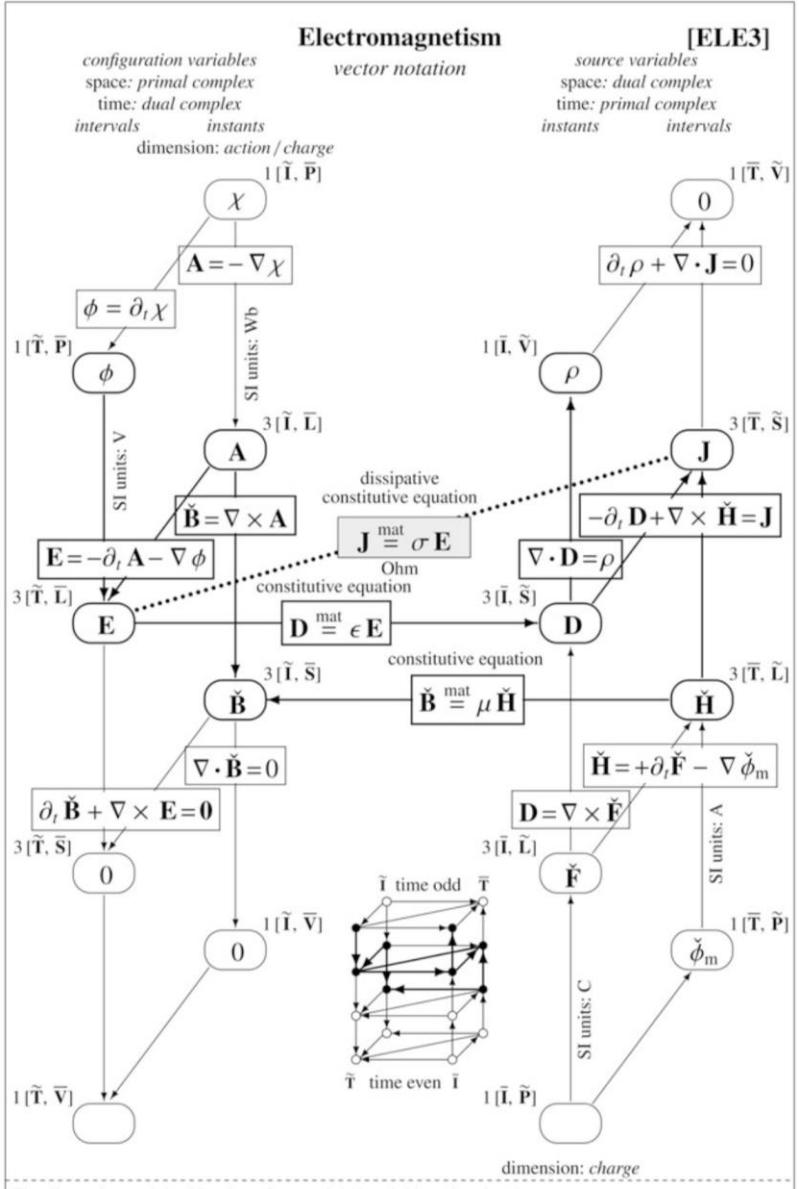


- Plan to get high performance by fusing models at the math level
- Code generation is automated so we can exceed human capability

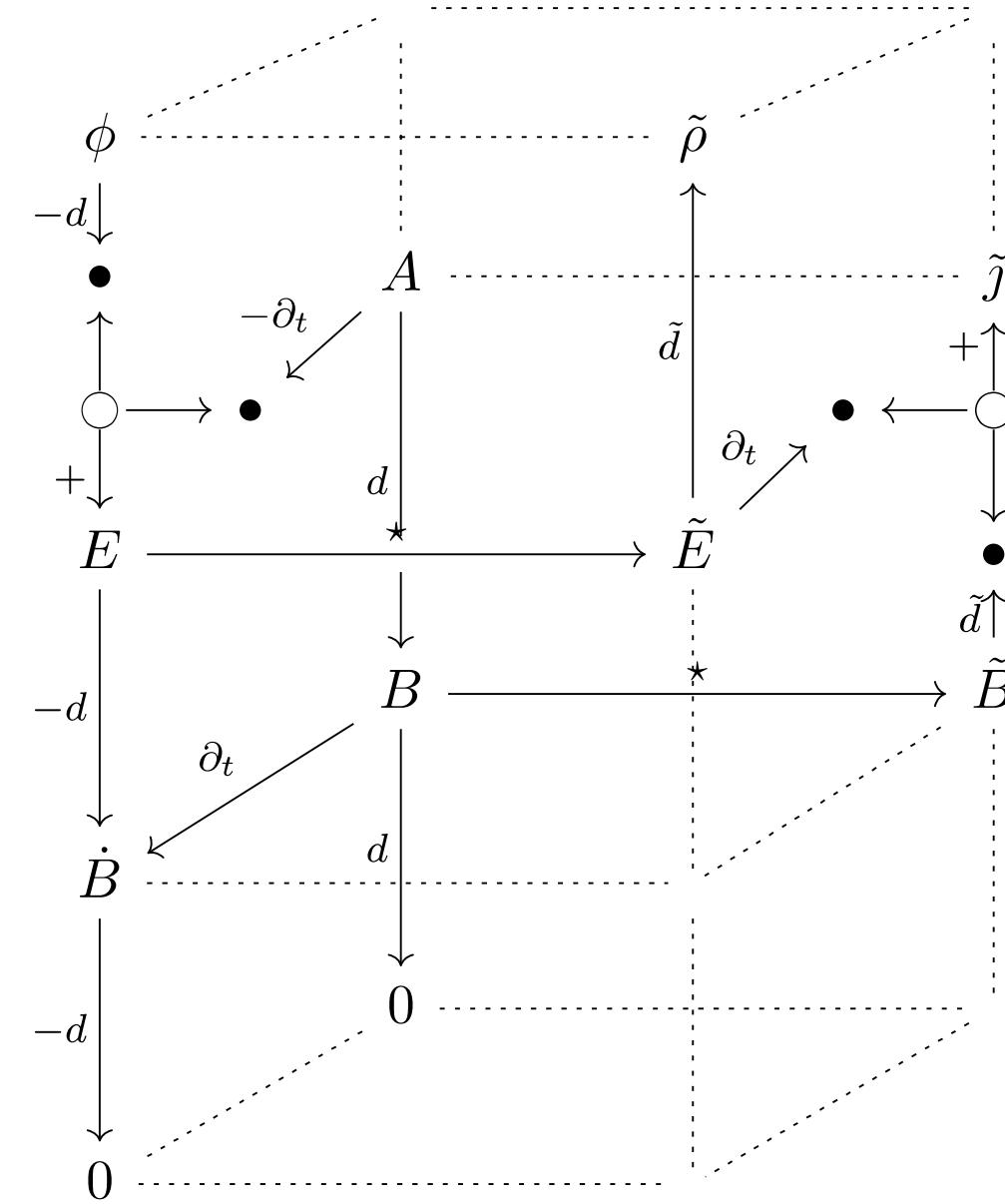
# Motivation: Tonti Diagrams



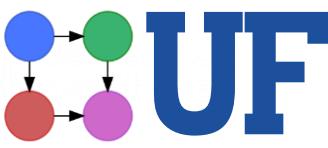
## Tonti Diagram for E&M



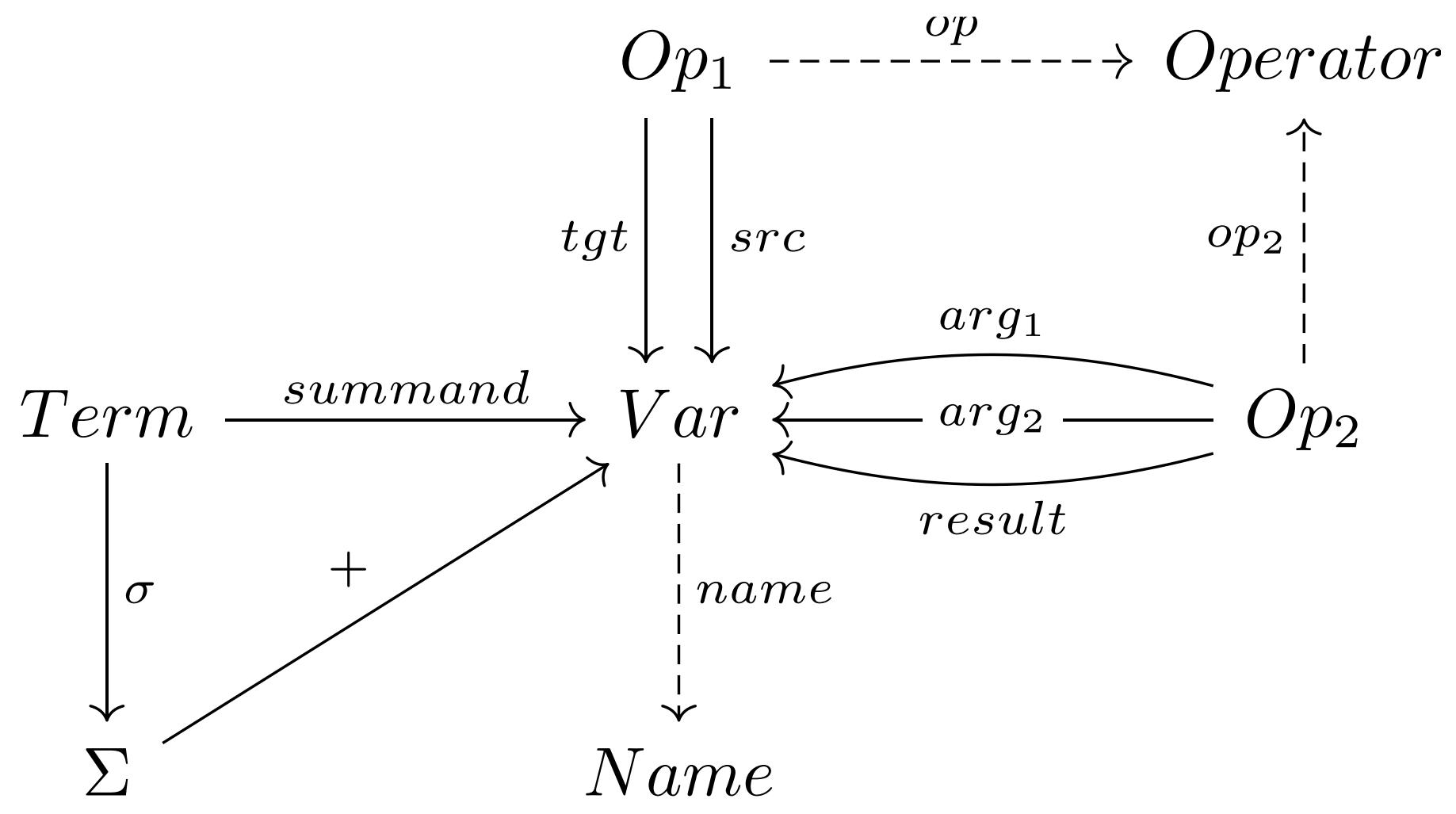
## DECAPODE for Electricity and Magnetism



# DECAPODES are C-Sets



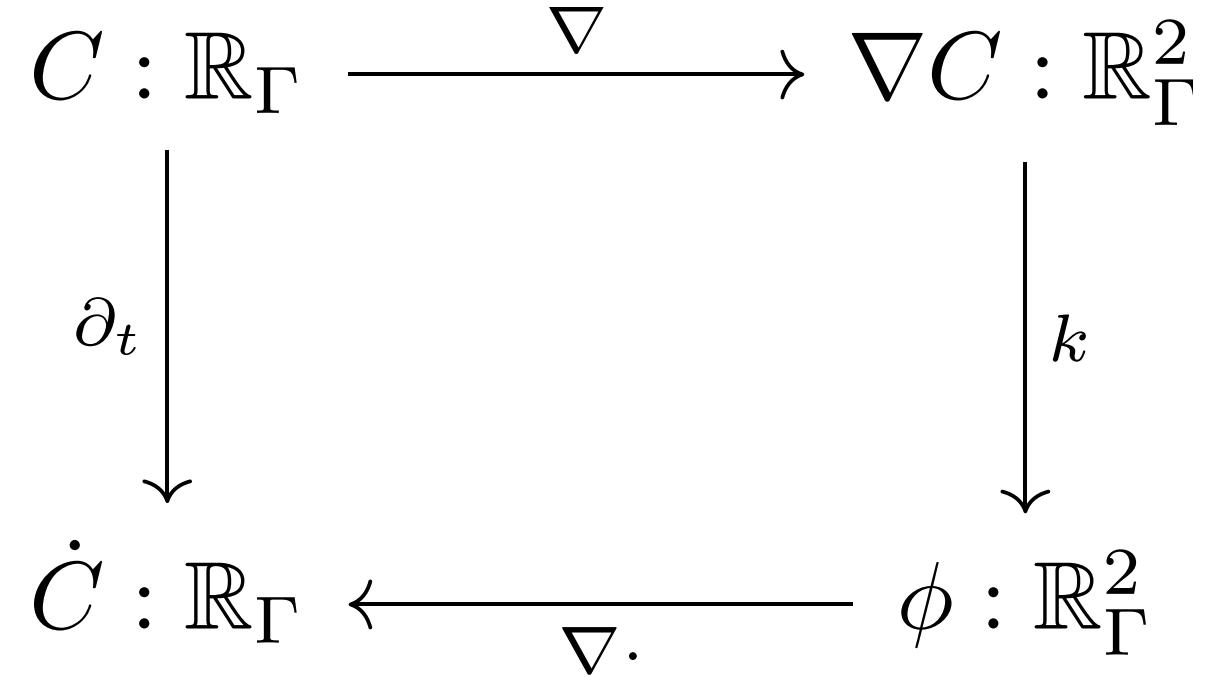
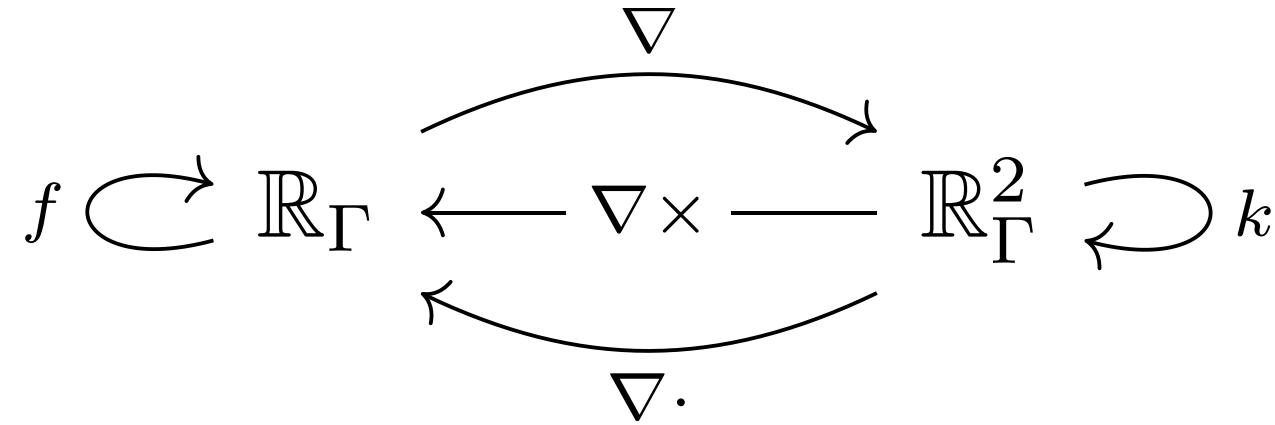
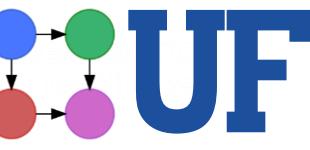
- The data of the equational presentation can be expressed as an ACSet over this schema
- Dashed arrows are Data Attributes
- Slice Construction gives a category of Typed Decapodes.



Design Based on Hyp-Sigma approach in

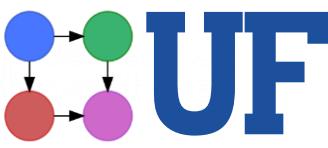
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# Vector Calculus Diagrams



- Scalar and vector fields are the objects
- Differential operators Div, Grad, Curl are arrows
- Allow functions ( $f/k$ ) on scalar/vector fields too

# Physical Principles in Vector Calculus



## Fick's Law of Diffusion

$$C : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \xrightarrow{k\nabla} \phi : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2$$

## Scalar Transport by Advection

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 & & C : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \\ \pi_2 \uparrow & & \searrow \pi_1 \\ (C \otimes V) : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma \otimes \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 & \xrightarrow{\wedge} & \phi : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 \end{array}$$

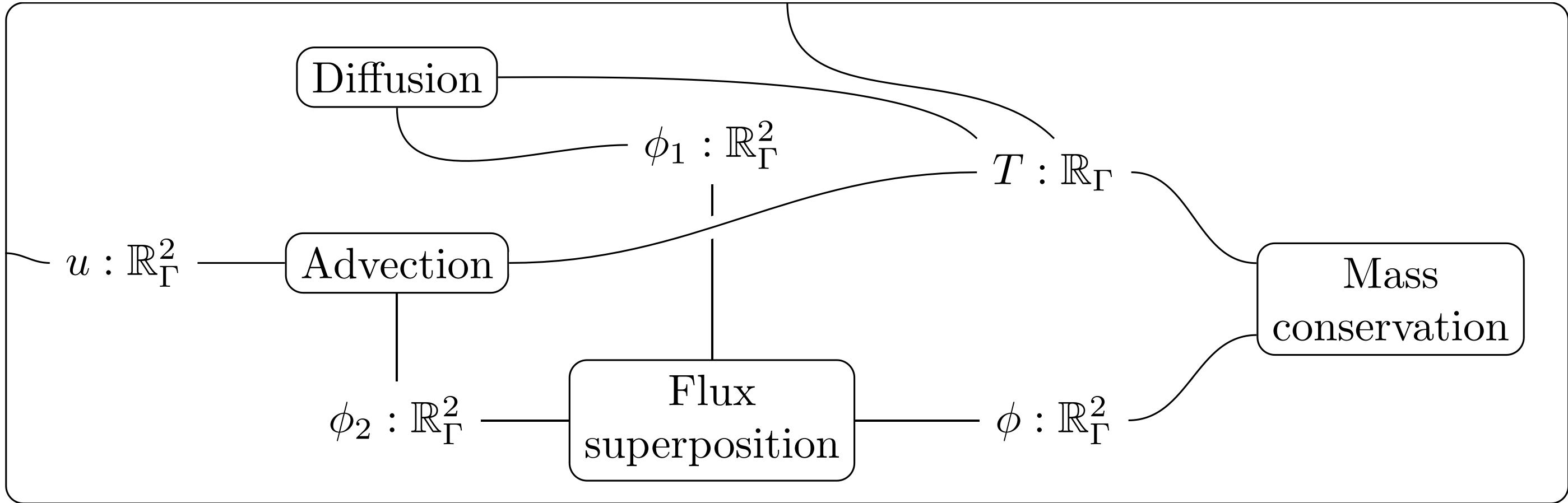
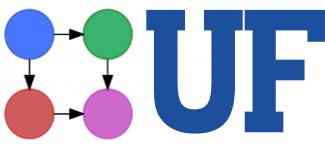
## Conservation of Mass

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma & & \\ \downarrow \partial_t & & \\ \dot{X} : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma & \xleftarrow{\nabla \cdot} & \phi : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 \end{array}$$

## Superposition of Flux

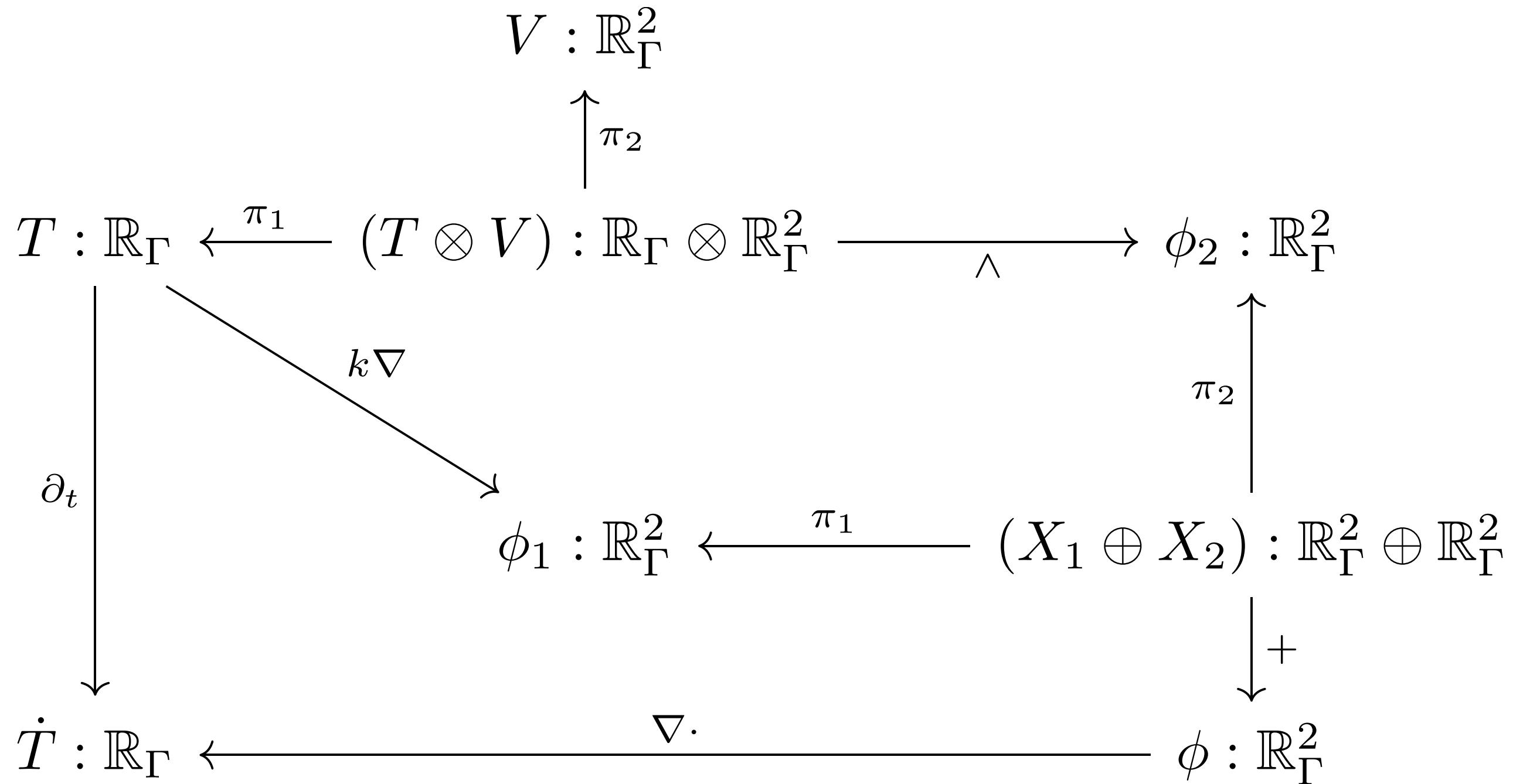
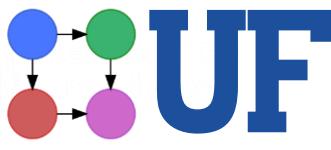
$$\begin{array}{ccc} X : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 & & X_2 : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 \\ \uparrow \pi_1 & & \searrow \pi_2 \\ (X_1 \oplus X_2) : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 \oplus \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 & \xrightarrow{+} & X : \mathbb{R}_\Gamma^2 \end{array}$$

# Composing Multiphysics with Wiring Diagrams

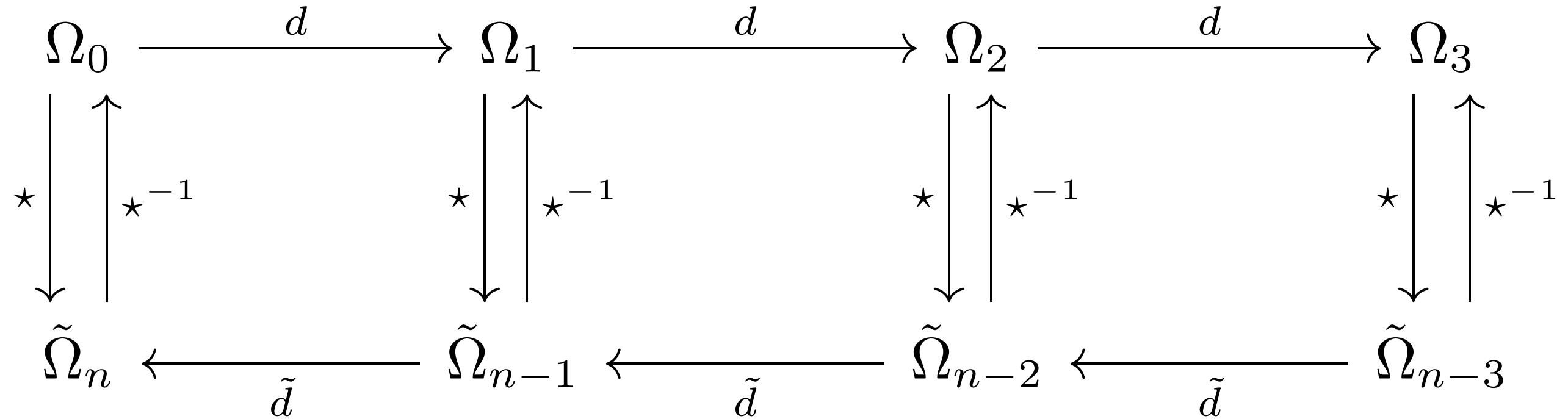
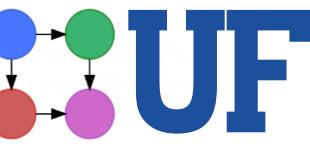


- Junctions are `Variable : Domain`
- Boxes are subsystem (component physics)
- Ports are exposed variables in the subsystems
- Wires connect ports to junctions with matching domains
- Outer Ports allow hierarchy by exposing variables of the composite system to next level of hierarchy

# Advection Diffusion Multiphysics Model



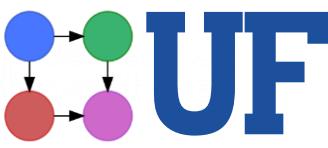
# de Rahm Complex



- Forms (cochains) over a manifold or simplicial complex
- Need to care about primal/dual for discretization
- Duality explains some properties of FEM

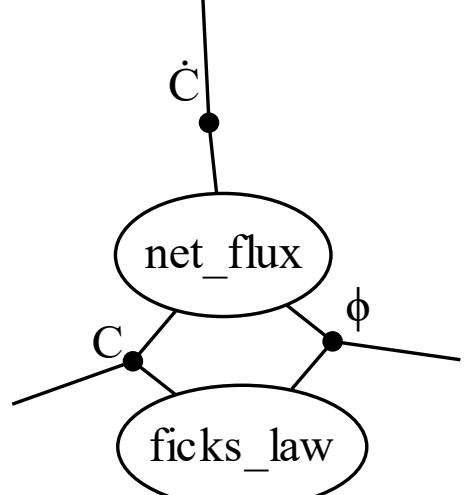
Primal Simplex	Dual Cell	Support Volume
$\sigma^0$ , 0-simplex	$\star\sigma^0$ , 2-cell	$V_{\sigma^0} = V_{\star\sigma^0}$
$\sigma^1$ , 1-simplex	$\star\sigma^1$ , 1-cell	$V_{\sigma^1} = V_{\star\sigma^1}$
$\sigma^2$ , 2-simplex	$\star\sigma^2$ , 0-cell	$V_{\sigma^2} = V_{\star\sigma^2}$

# Multiphysics!

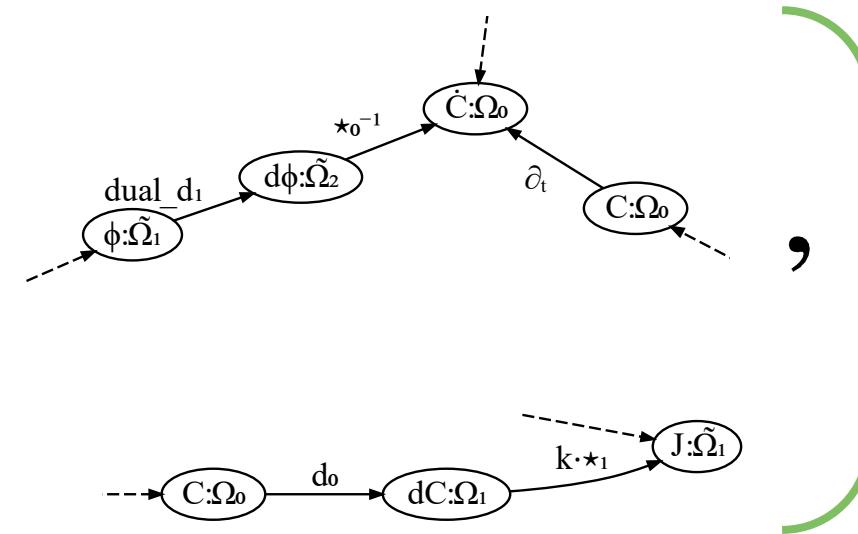


## Graphical Language for Hierarchically Formulating Multiphysics Models

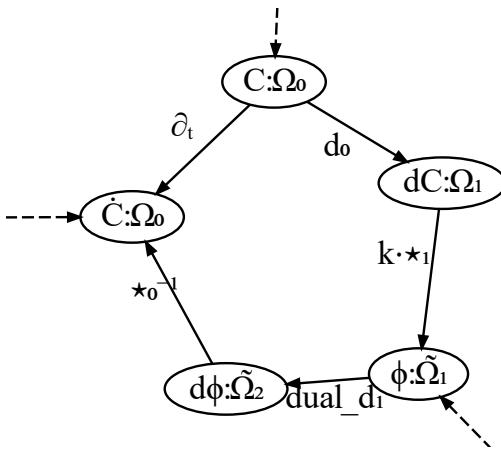
Coupling Diagram



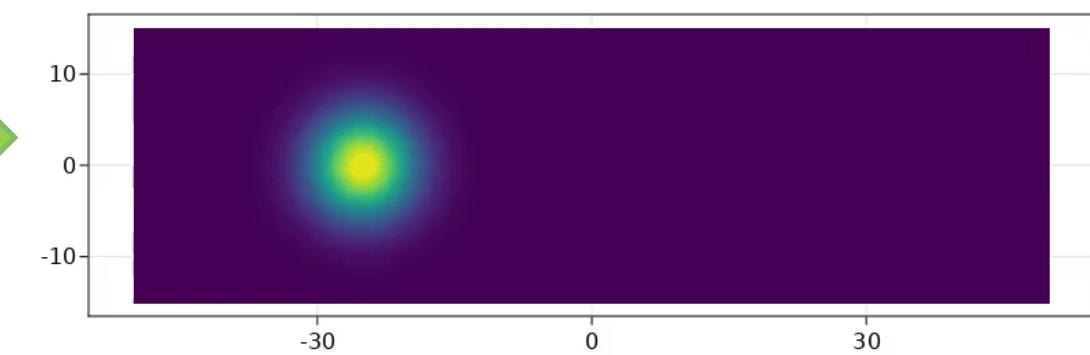
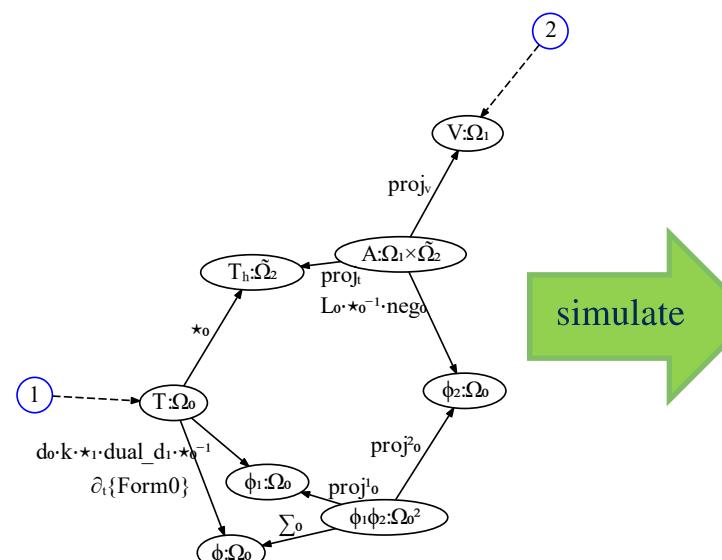
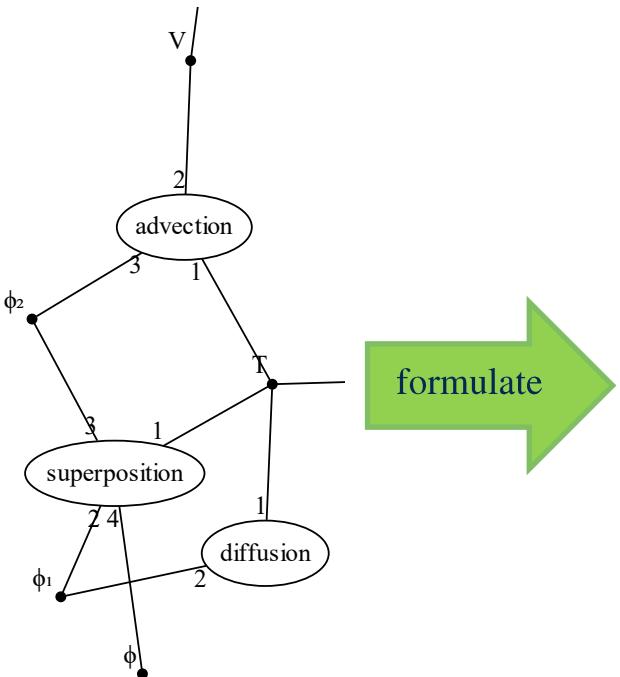
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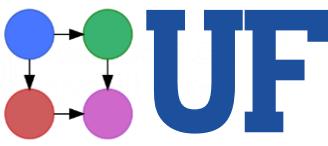
Composite Physics



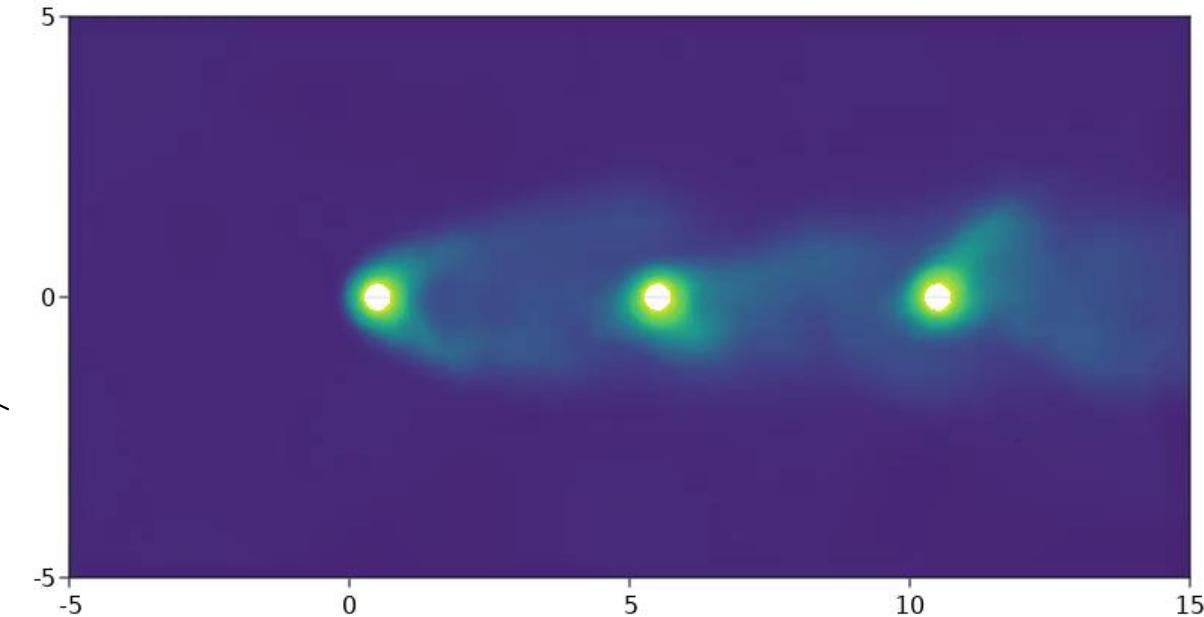
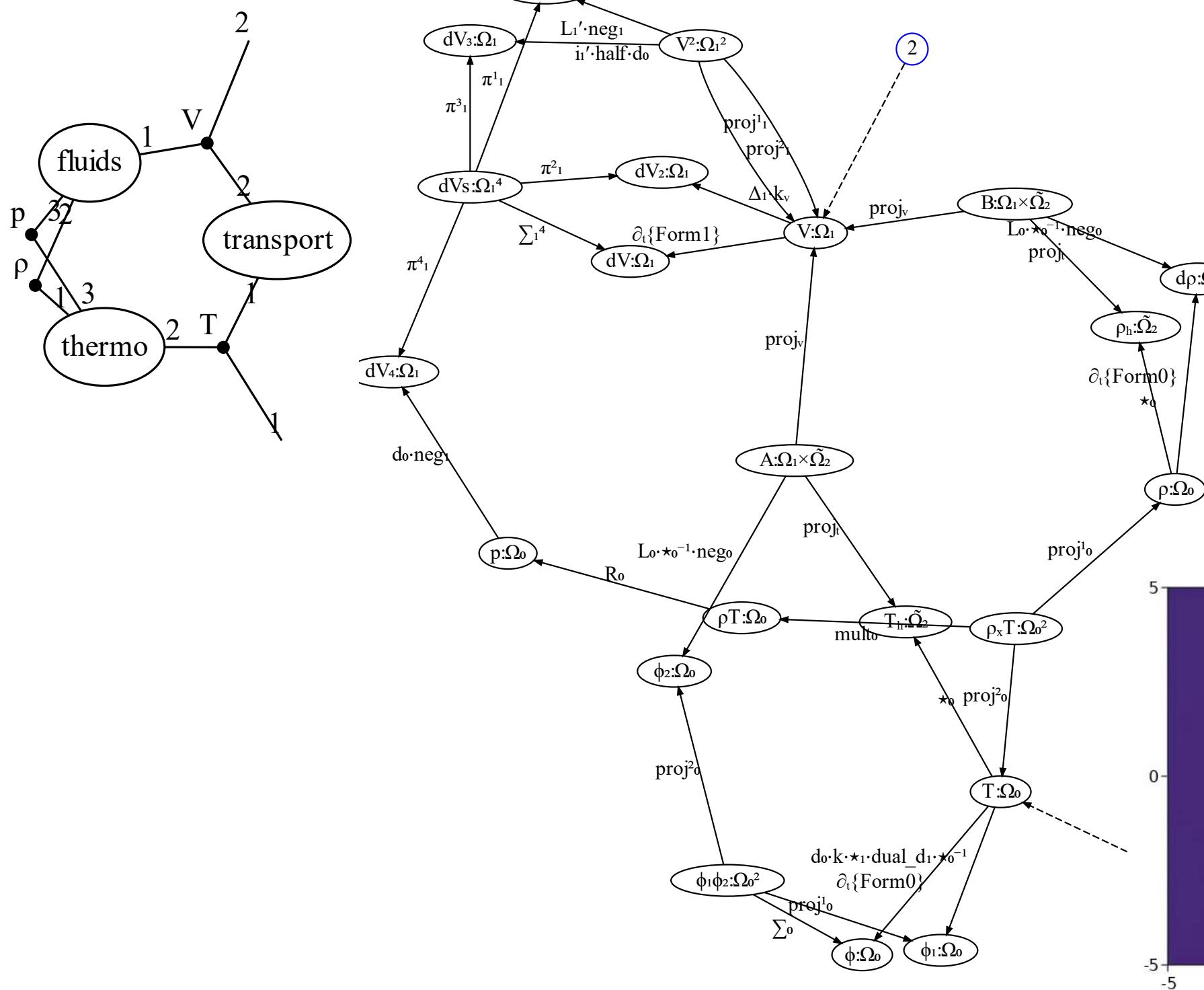
## Automatic Simulator Compiler and Runtime



# Conjugate Heat Transfer = Heat + Navier-Stokes



We have the  
expressive power to  
formulate CHT



# Graphical Equations to Simulation Pipeline

## DEC Equations

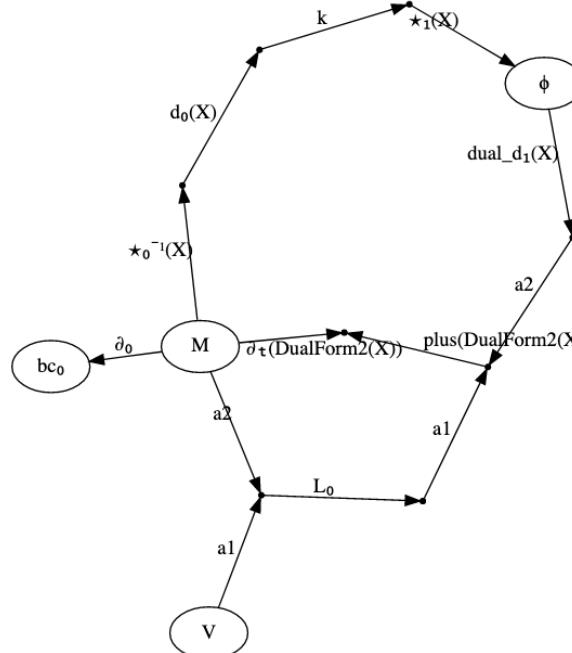
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@present Flow2DQuantities(FreeExtCalc2D) begin
    X::Space
    M::Hom(munit(), DualForm2(X)) # Mass per dual-cell
    dM::Hom(munit(), DualForm2(X)) # change in mass
    V::Hom(munit(), Form1(X)) # Flow field
    phi::Hom(munit(), DualForm1(X)) # negative diffusion flux
    k::Hom(Form1(X), Form1(X)) # diffusivity (usually scalar multiplication)
    L0::Hom(Form1(X) o DualForm2(X), DualForm2(X))
    da::Hom(DualForm2(X), DualForm2(X))
    bca::Hom(munit(), DualForm2(X))
end

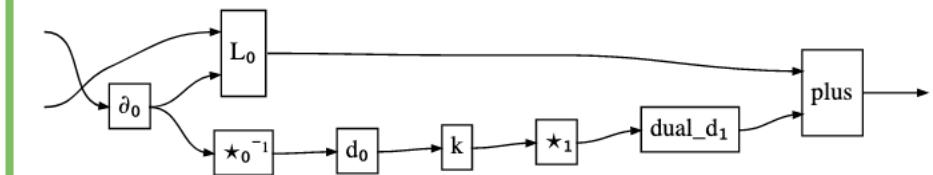
@present Adv2D <: Flow2DQuantities begin
    # Fick's first law
    phi == M * star0^-1(X) * da(X) * k * star1(X)
    # Diffusion/advection equation
    M * partial_t(DualForm2(X)) == (V o M) * L0 + phi * dual_d1(X)
    # Boundary condition
    M * da == bca
end

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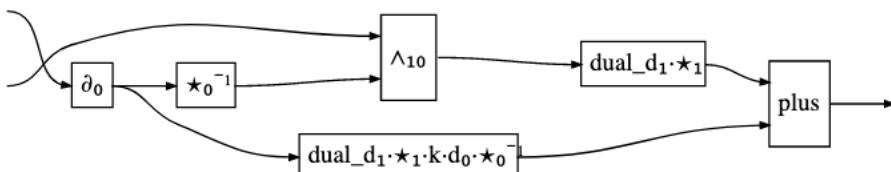
## Graphical Equations



## Computation Graph



## Optimized Computation Graph



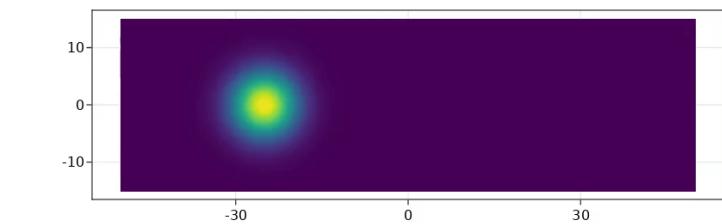
## Julia Code

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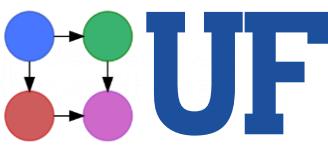
:(var##745"(du, u, p, t, mem, matrices, funcs) = begin
    begin
        (var"#83#84"())(mem[6], u[1:4835])
        mem[2] .= matrices[2] * mem[6]
        (Decapods.Examples.var"#2#6")(mem[3], u[4836:19077], mem[2])
        mem[4] .= matrices[13] * mem[3]
        mem[1] .= matrices[12] * mem[6]
        begin
            for i = eachindex(mem[4])
                (mem[5])[i] = (funcs[2])((mem[4])[i], (mem[1])[i])
            end
        end
        du[1:4835] .= mem[5]
    end
end)

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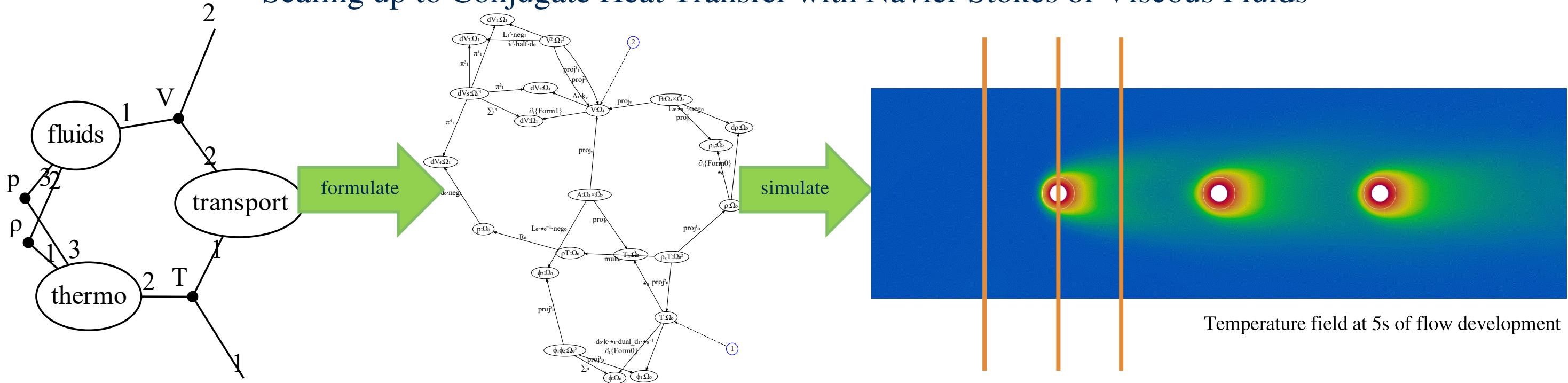
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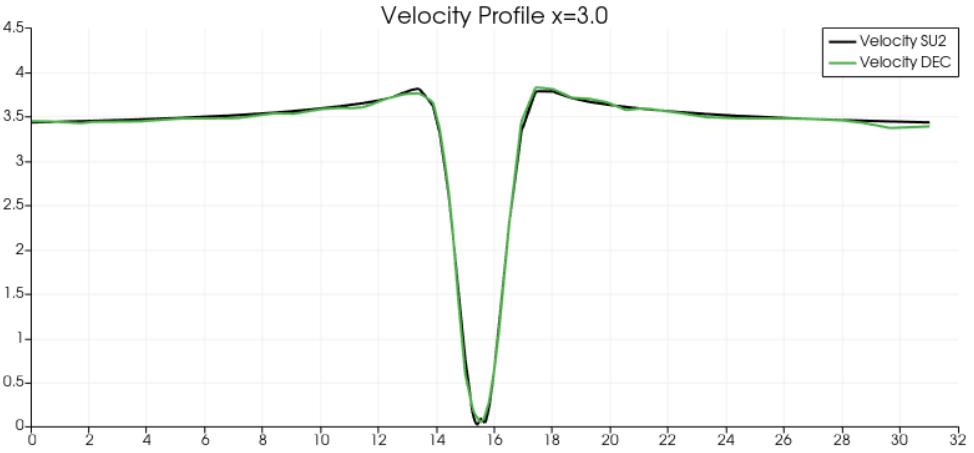
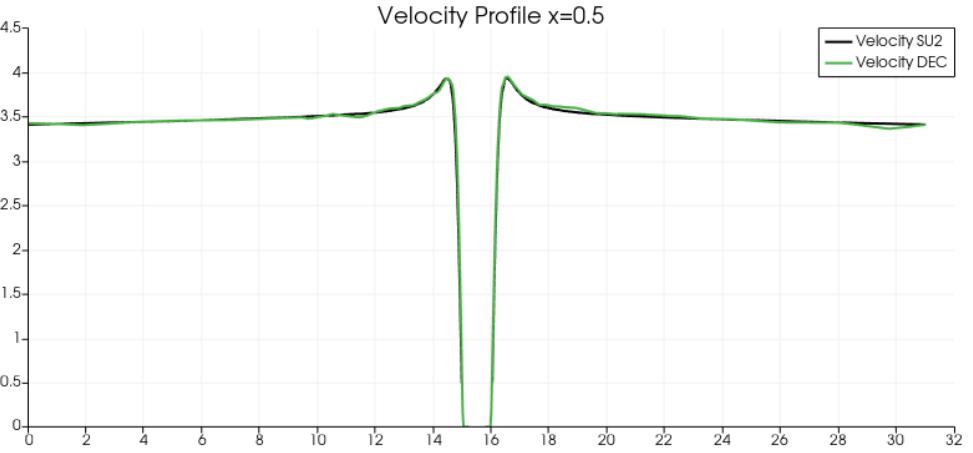
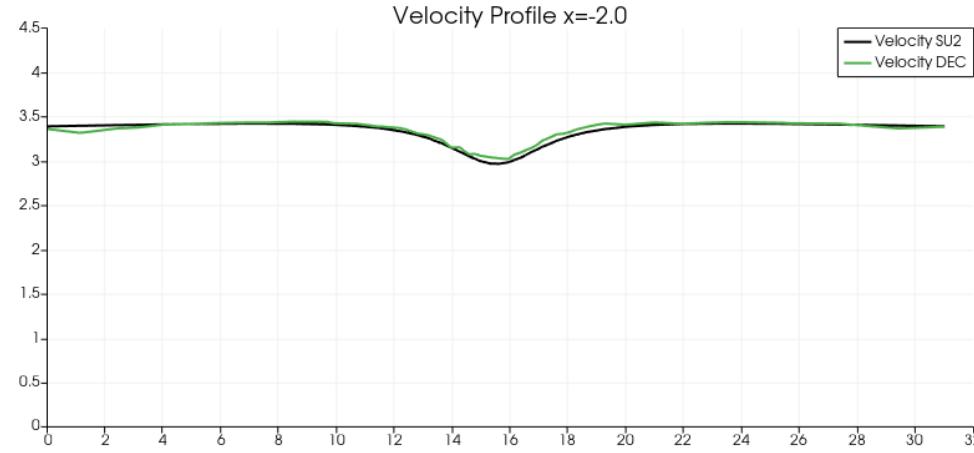
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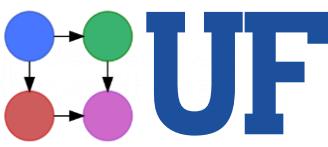
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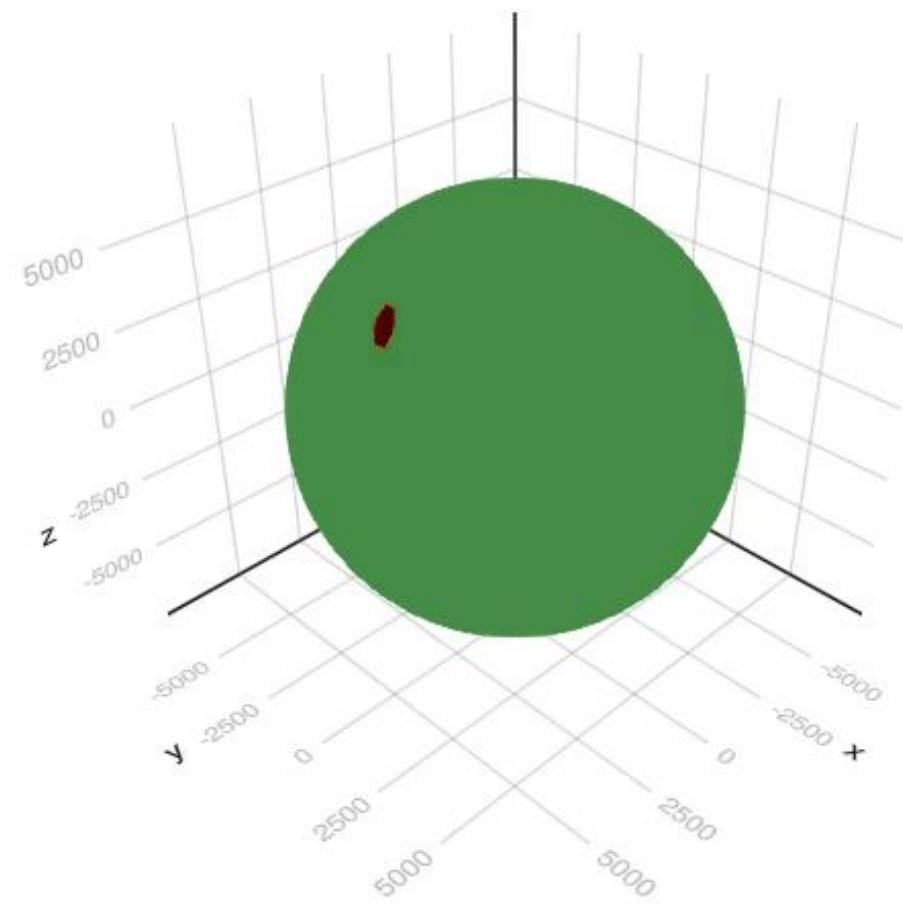
## Velocity Profiles



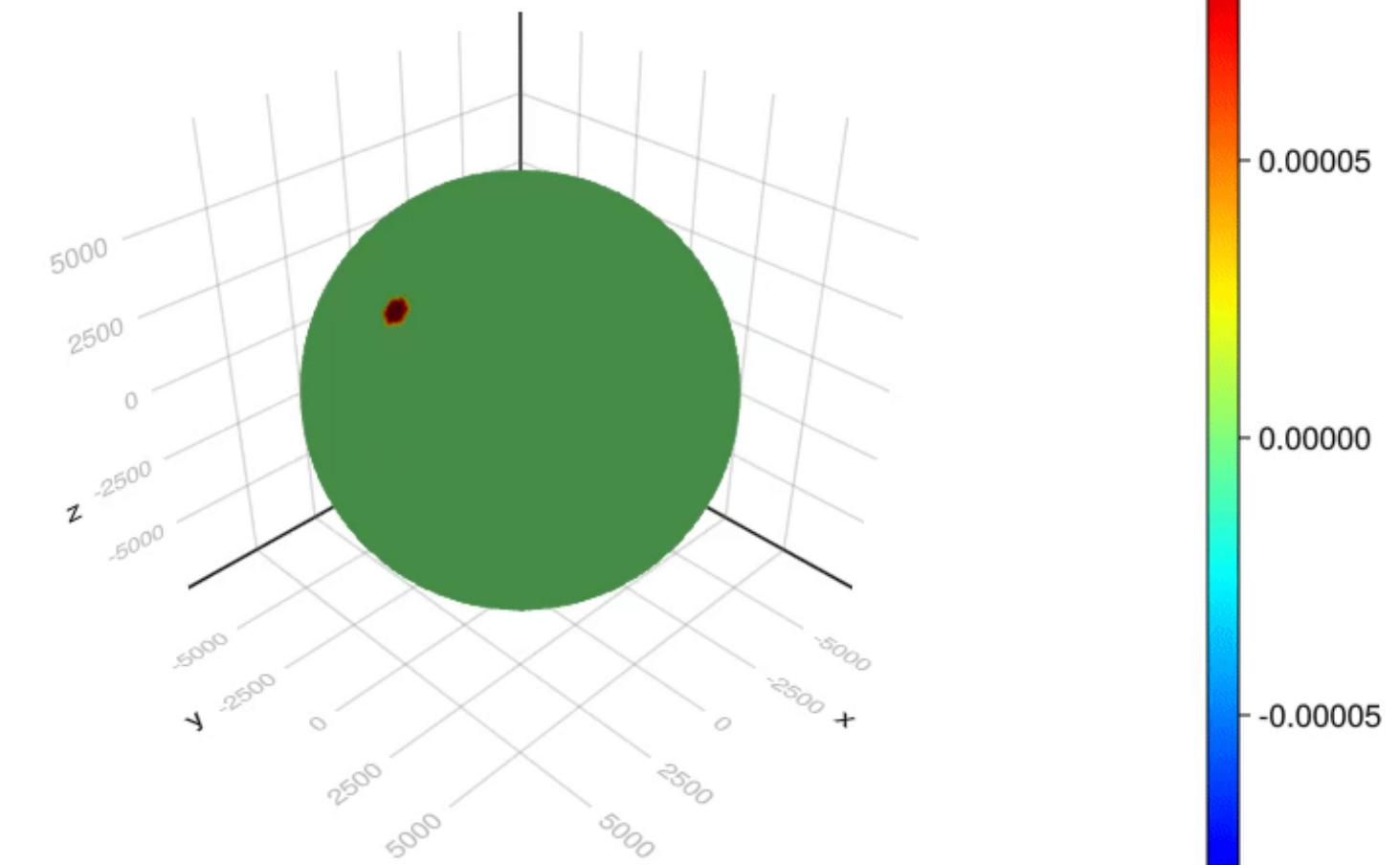
# Software Decoupling Improves V&V



Meshering is decoupled from formulation so you can easily compare implementations

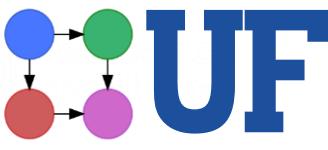


Navier Stokes on UV-Sphere

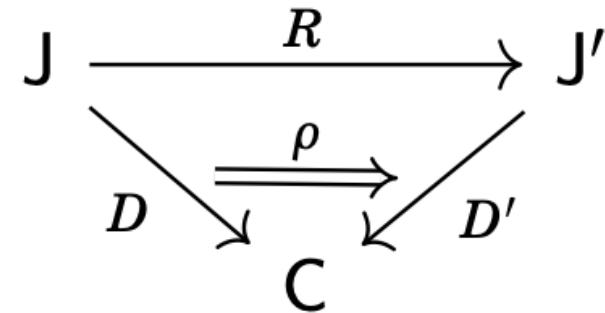


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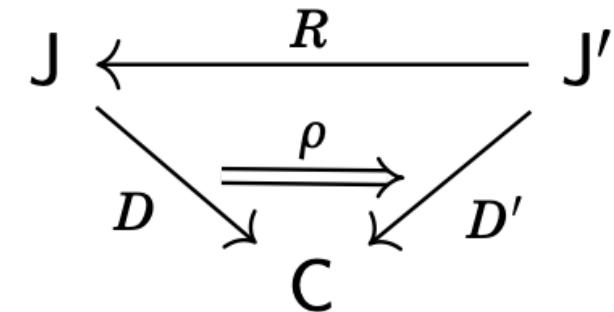
# Morphisms of Diagrams



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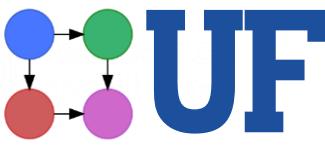


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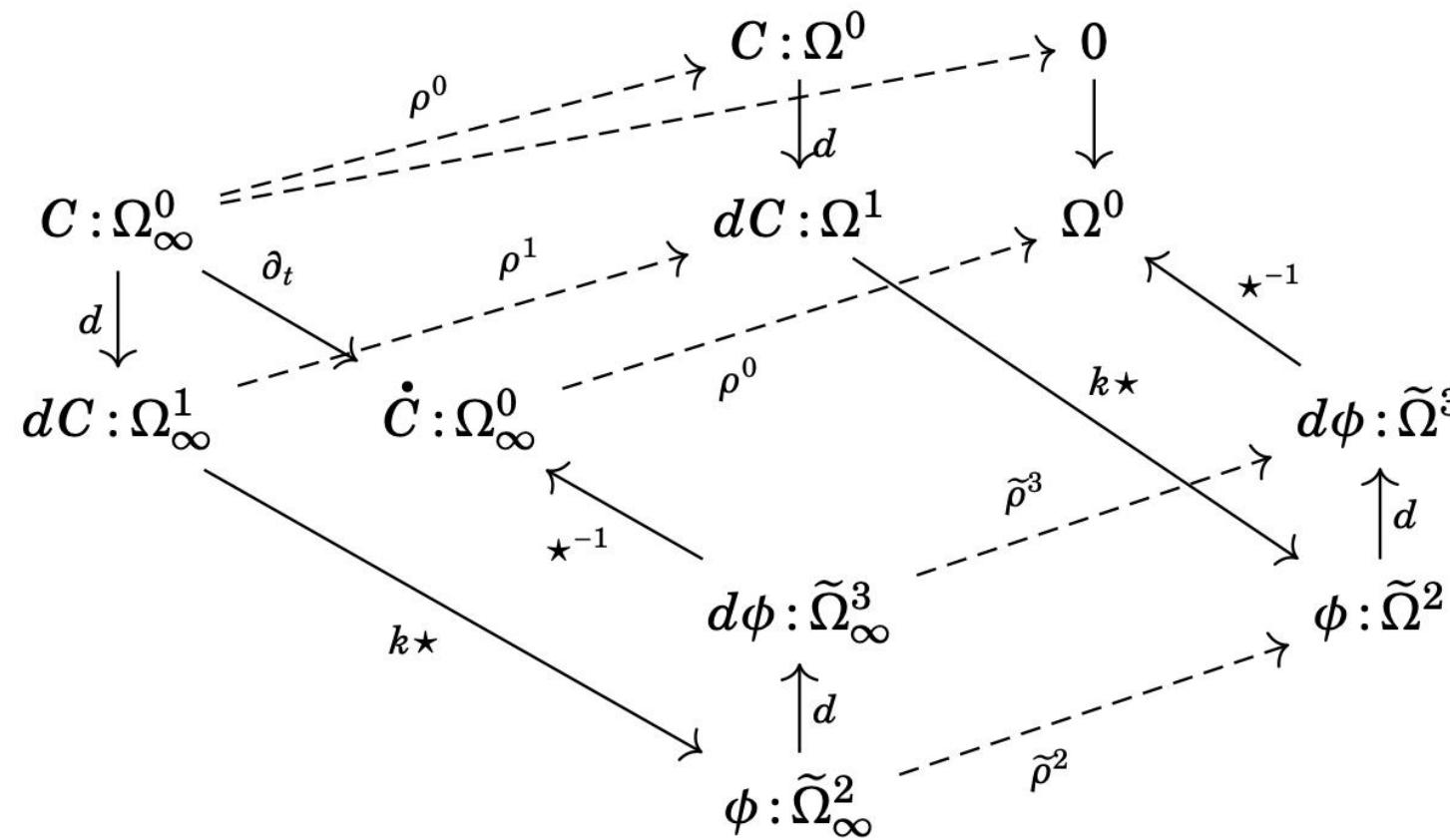


- When do two equations specify *the same physics*?
- Maps between diagrams encode relationships between physical theories
- Functors between shapes relate structural similarity
- *Natural transformations* relate data
- **R** specifies relationships between syntactic variables and operators
- $\rho$  specifies the relationships between the numerical data

# Steady States of a System Expressed Diagrammatically



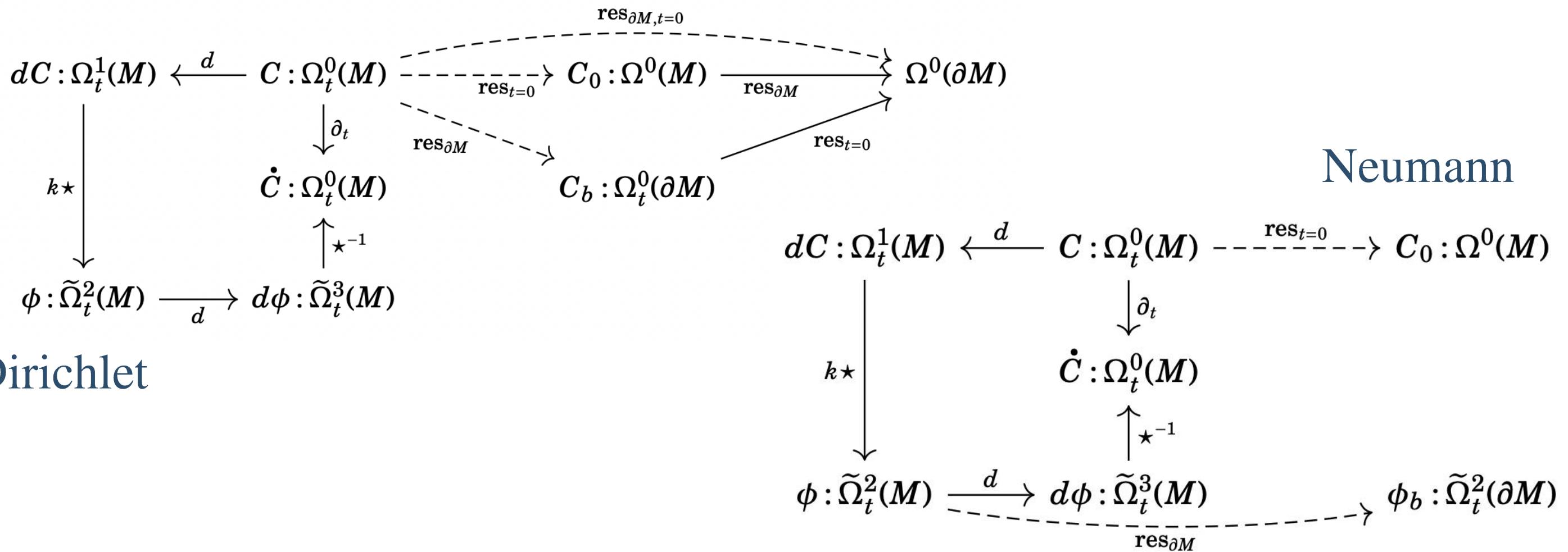
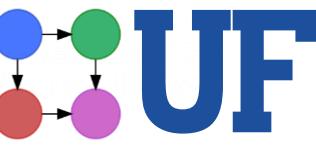
A morphism  $(R, \rho)$  from the first diagram to the second can be depicted as



- Maps between diagrams encode relationships between physical theories
- ie. the steady state heat equation is the limit of the dynamic heat eqn as time goes to infinity

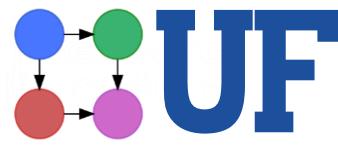
Note: The “3D” layout here is for illustrative purposes.

# Boundary Conditions



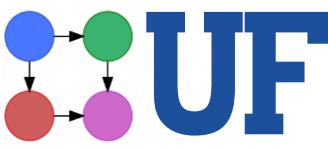
- Morphisms between manifolds (like the boundary operator) induce relationships between diagrams.
  - Can enforce boundary and initial conditions in the same framework

# Conclusions



- Applying Category Theory to study abstractions in mathematics leads to better software
- ACT software can address physics and mechanical engineering problems
- We can push out the Pareto frontier of usability, generality, and performance in scientific software

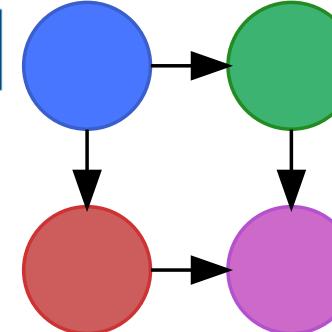
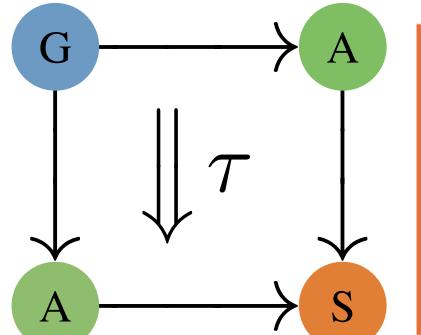
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Package	Description
Catlab.jl	A framework for applied category theory in the Julia language
Semagrams.jl	A framework for developing GUIs for studying presheaf categories. Used to build HMIs for modeling tools.
AlgebraicPetri.jl	Build and analyze petri net based models compositionally. Supports both ODE and Stochastic execution
Individuals.jl	Agent Based Modeling with Rewriting Rules
AlgebraicDynamics.jl	Build and Simulate dynamical systems compositionally
StockFlow.jl (funded by AFOSR)	A Systems Dynamics approach to modeling based on Stock and Flow Diagrams
CombinatorialSpaces.jl	Simplicial sets and other combinatorial models of geometric spaces. A space to build geometric and PDE simulators
Decapodes.jl	A PDE solver based on the Method of Lines for Discrete Exterior Calculus. Supports compositional description of multiphysics.
AlgebraicRelations.jl	Integration with Relational Database Technology. Including building SQL categorically
AlgebraicWorkflows.jl	A system for representing analysis workflows based on monoidal categories. Tracks scientific data processing pipelines with provenance
Hydrologics.jl (prerelease)	Hydrology modeling with operads of river systems
AlgebraicNeurons.jl (prerelease)	Deep Learning with complex architectures constructed hierarchically

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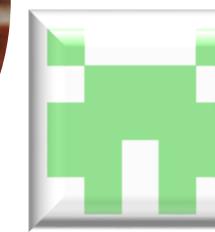
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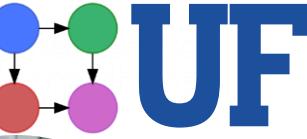
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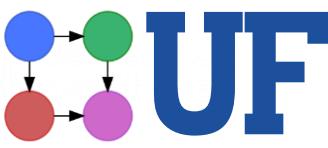
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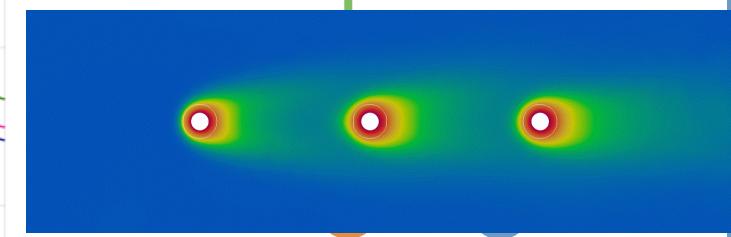
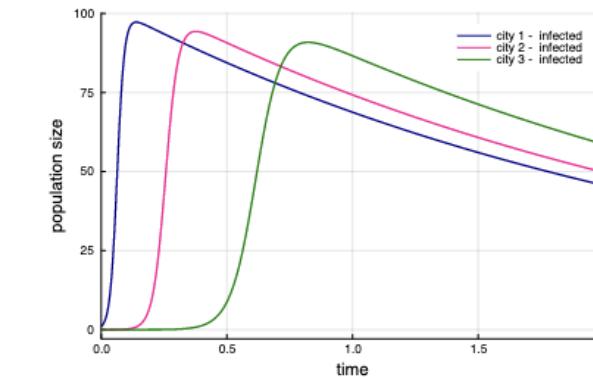
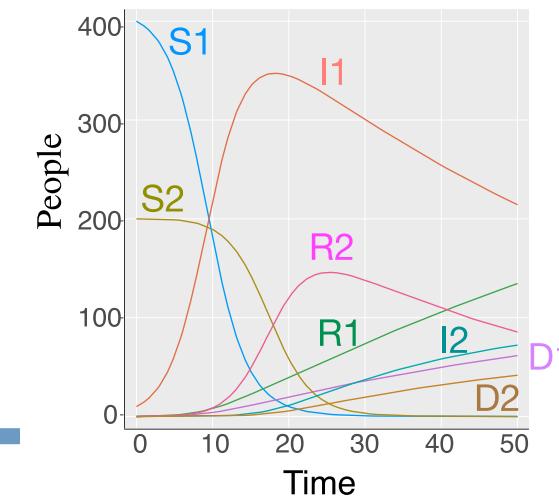
# Mathematical Programming Languages Compile to ODES



Languages for  
Hierarchical System  
Descriptions

Mathematical Interpreters

Common Dynamical Systems Semantics  
Support simulation with existing solvers



Sharing

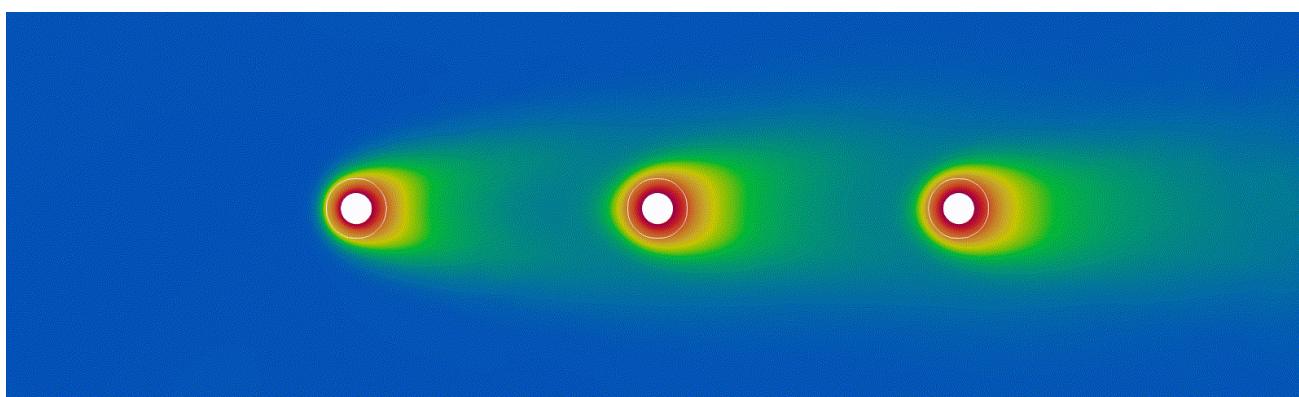
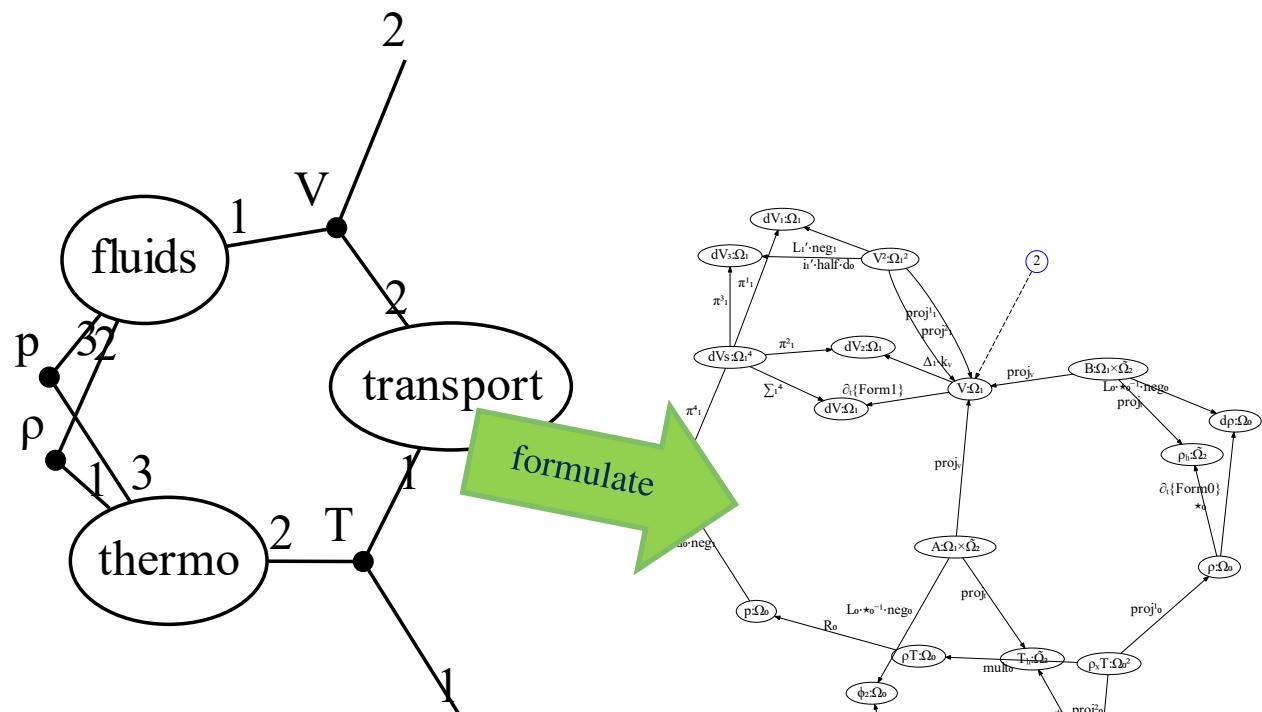
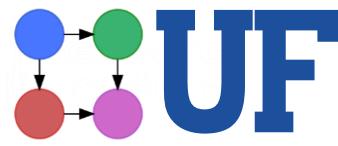
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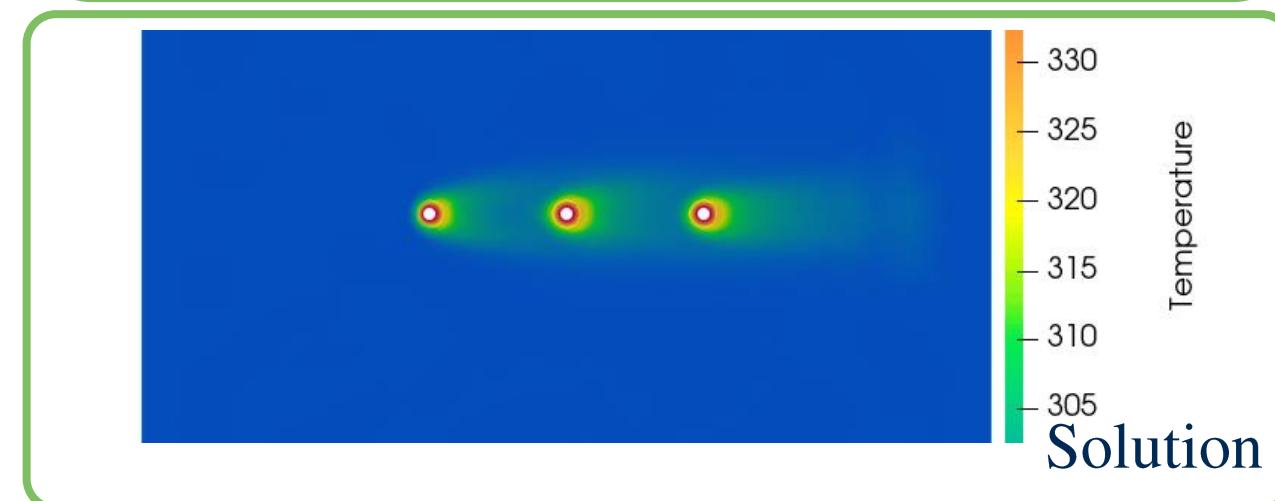
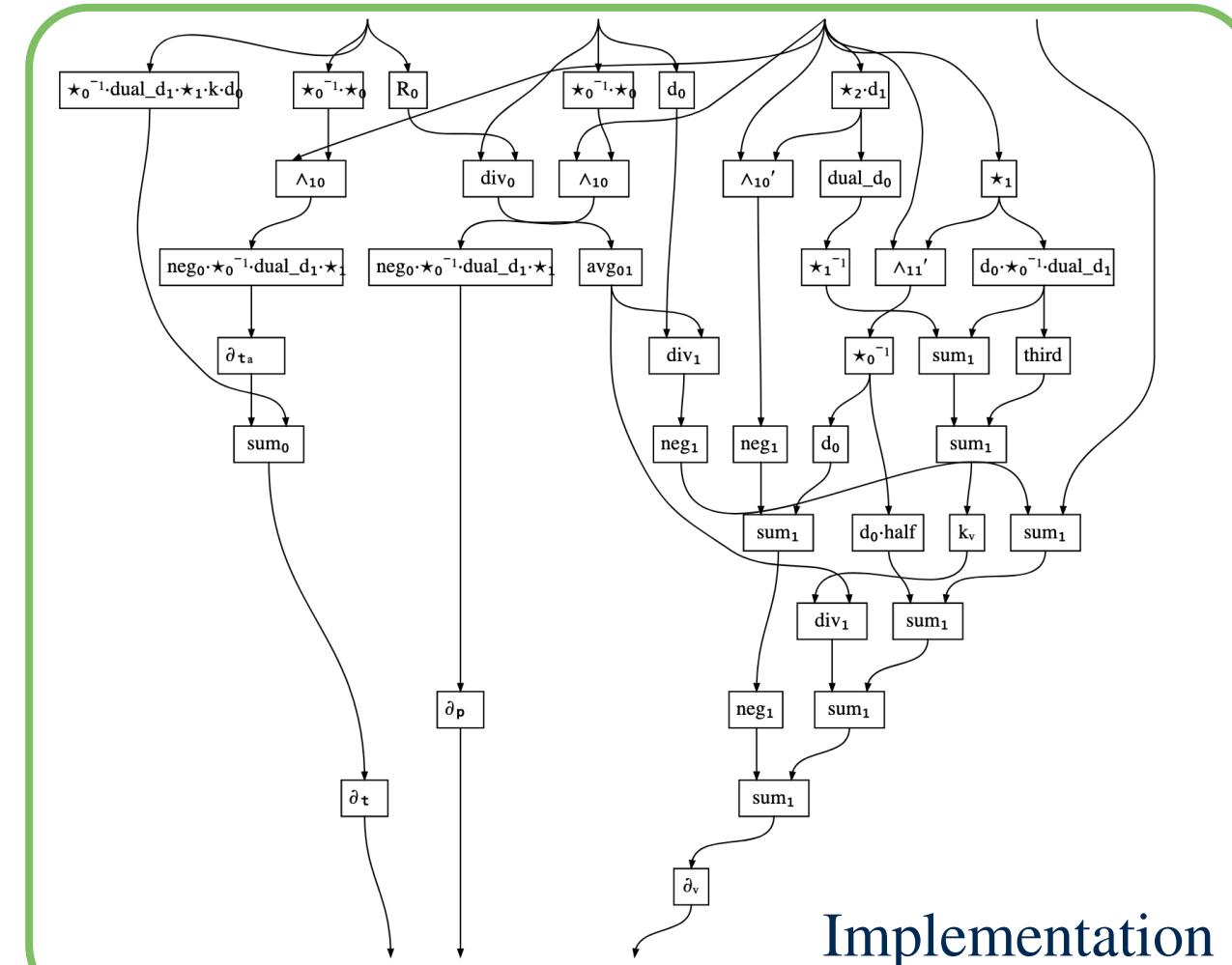
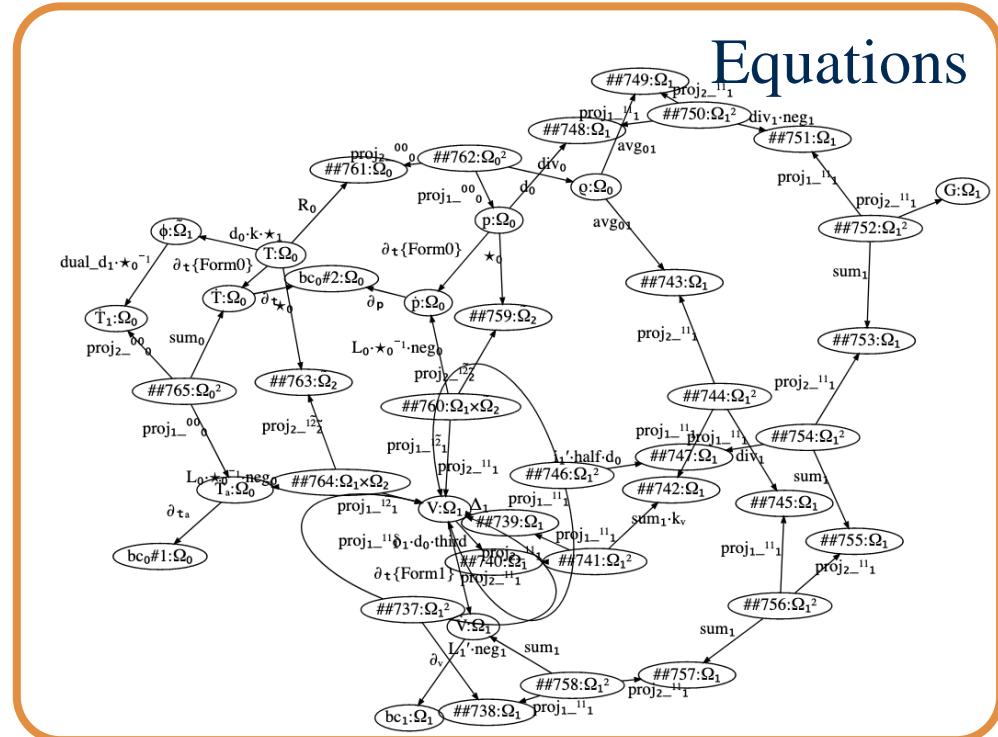
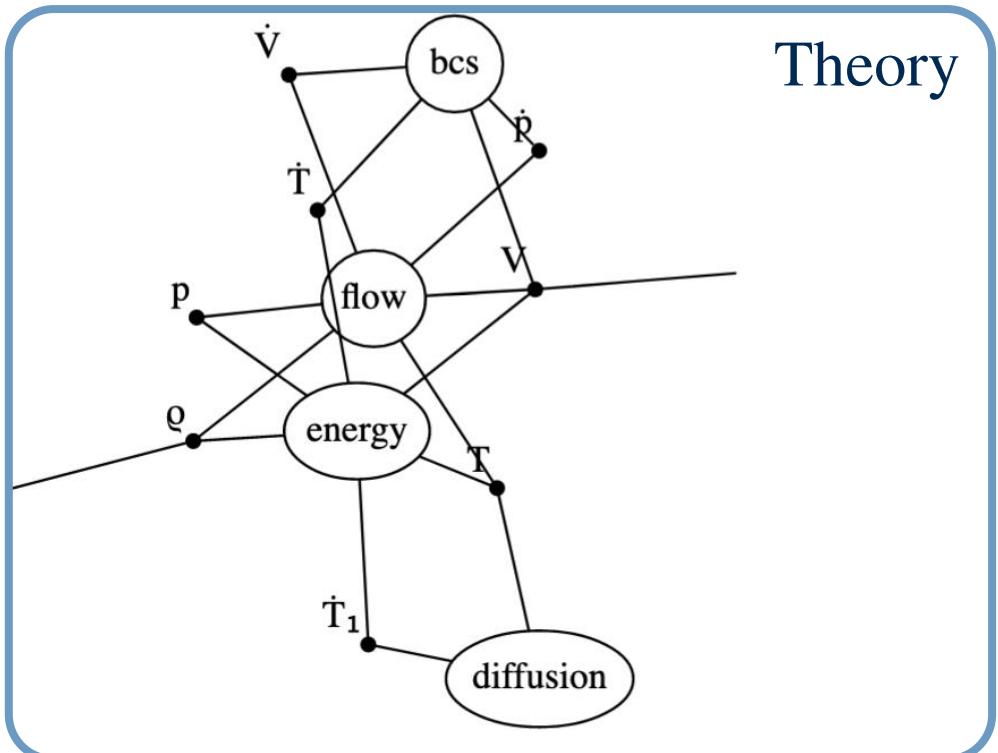
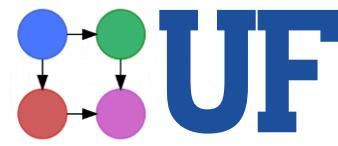
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# Level of Effort Breakdown

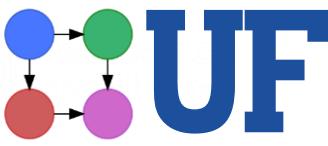


Code Stage	Lines of Code	%
Imports	26	10%
Define Physics	84	31%
Generating Method from Physics	9	3%
Mesh Loading and Boundary Conditions	89	33%
Initial Conditions	15	6%
Running Sim	5	2%
Results and Viz	41	15%

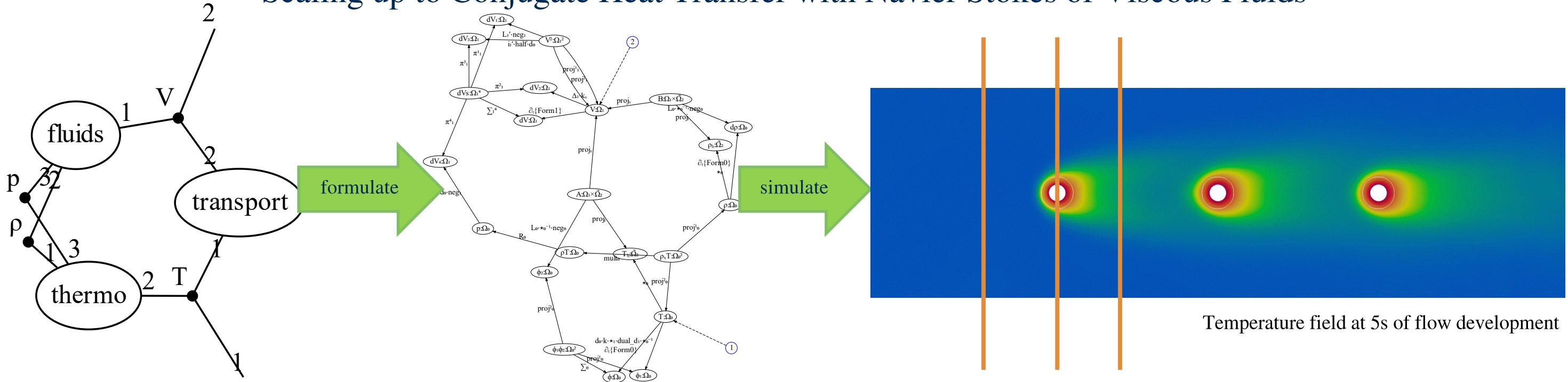
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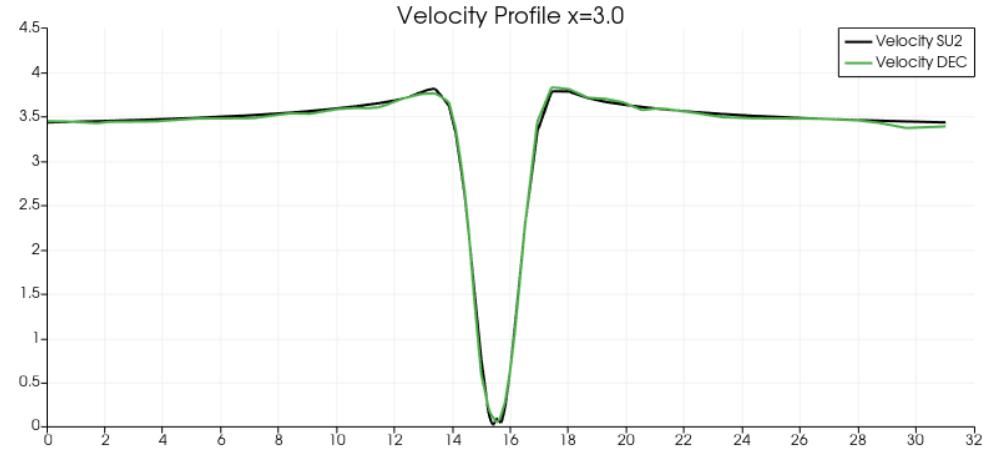
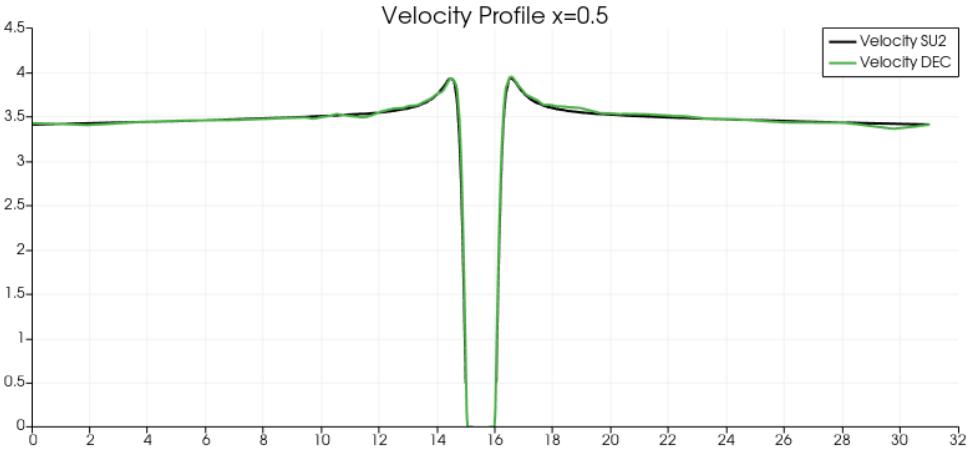
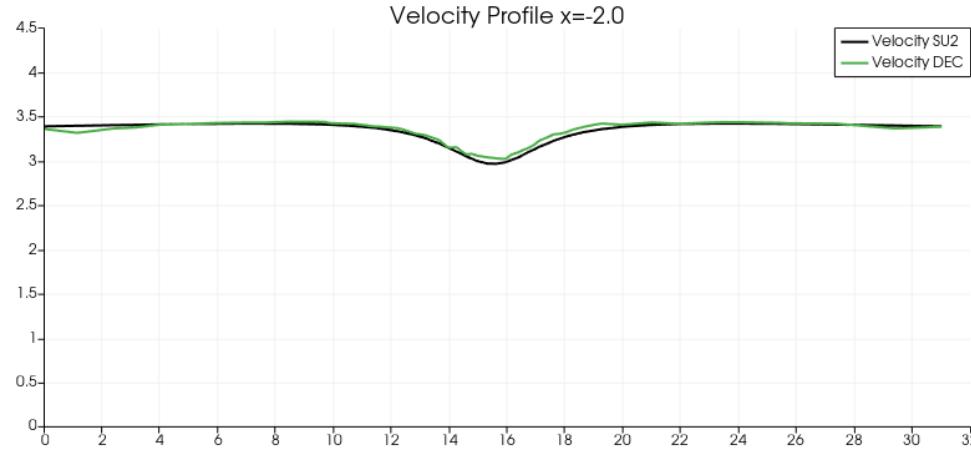
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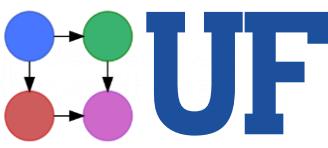
## Scaling up to Conjugate Heat Transfer with Navier Stokes of Viscous Fluids



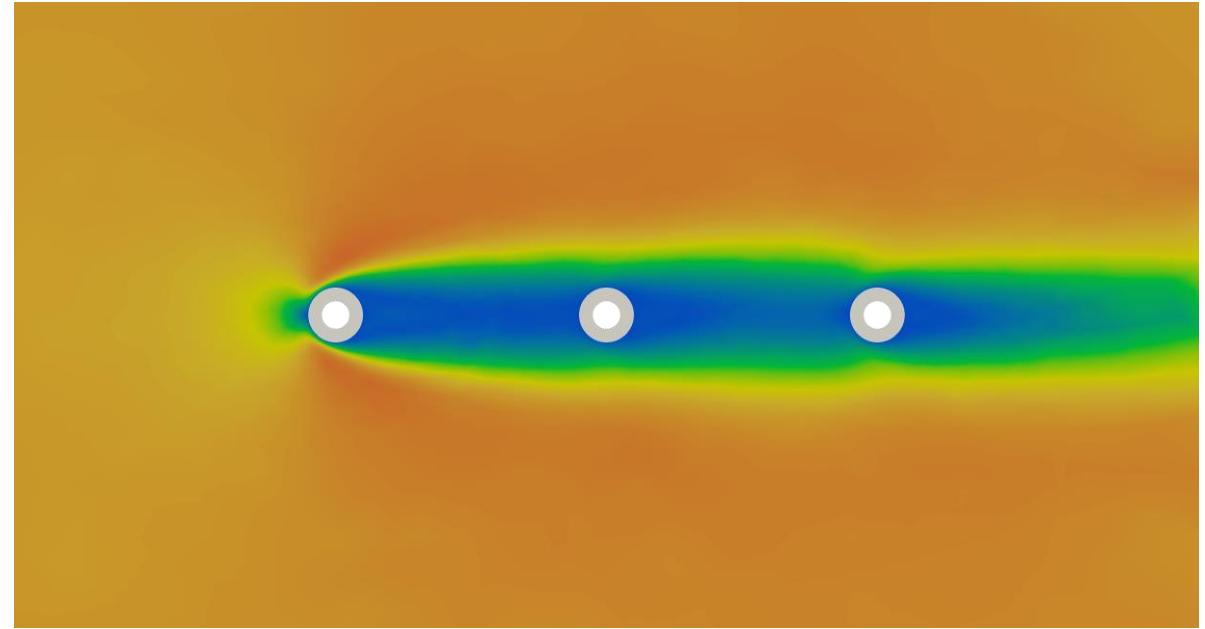
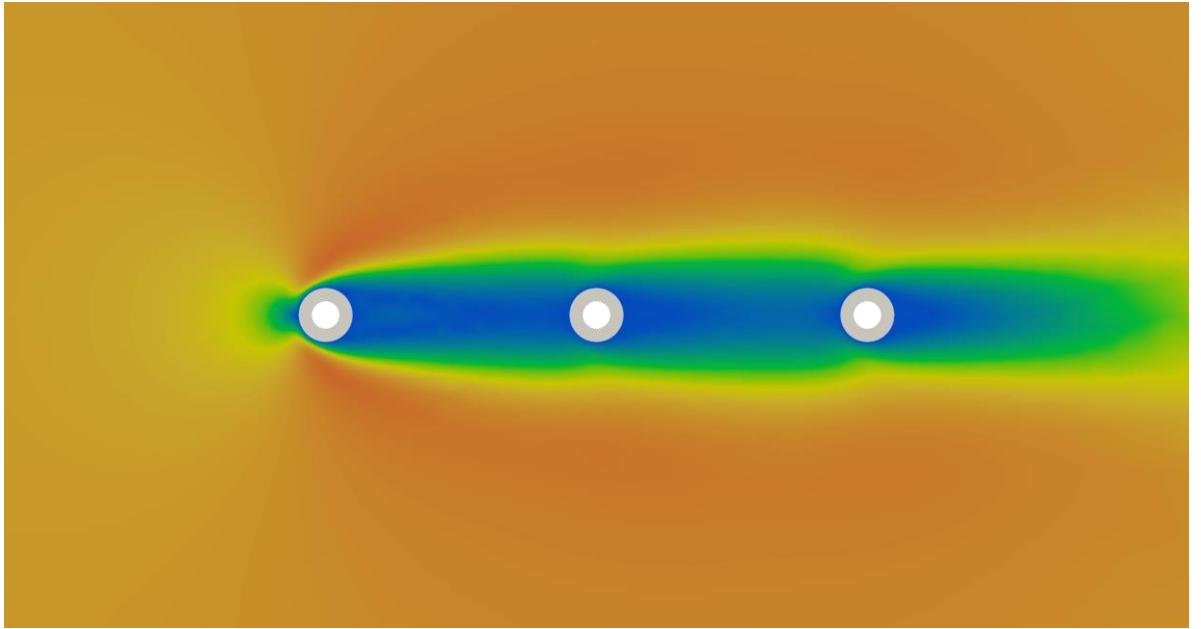
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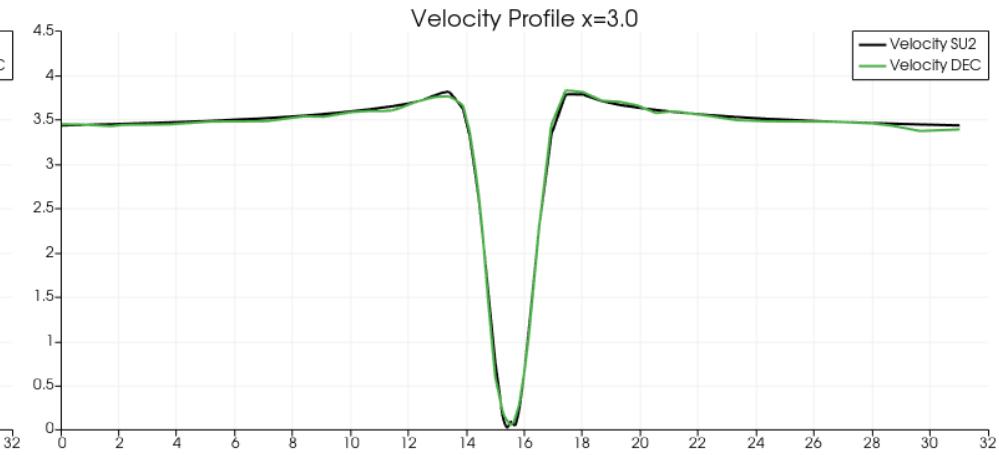
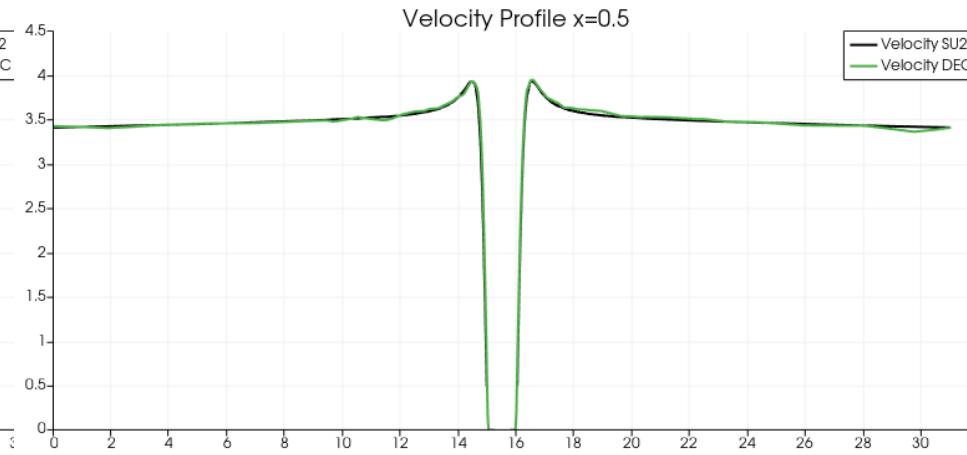
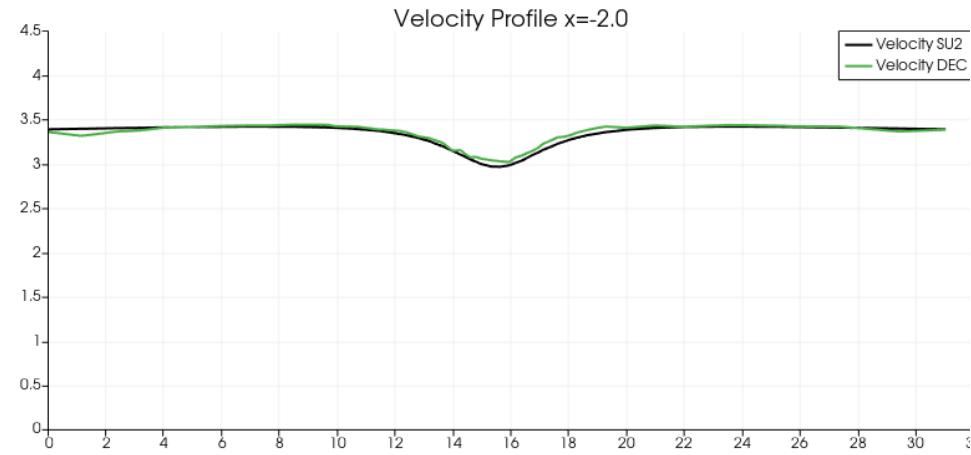
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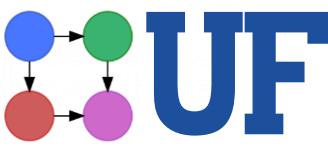
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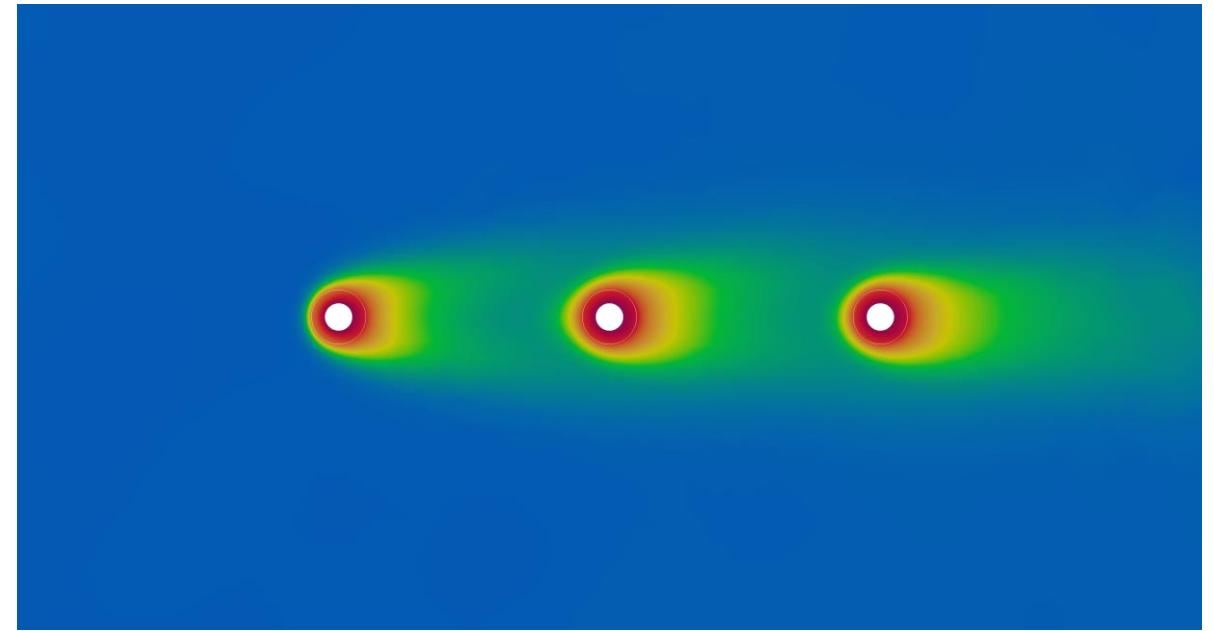
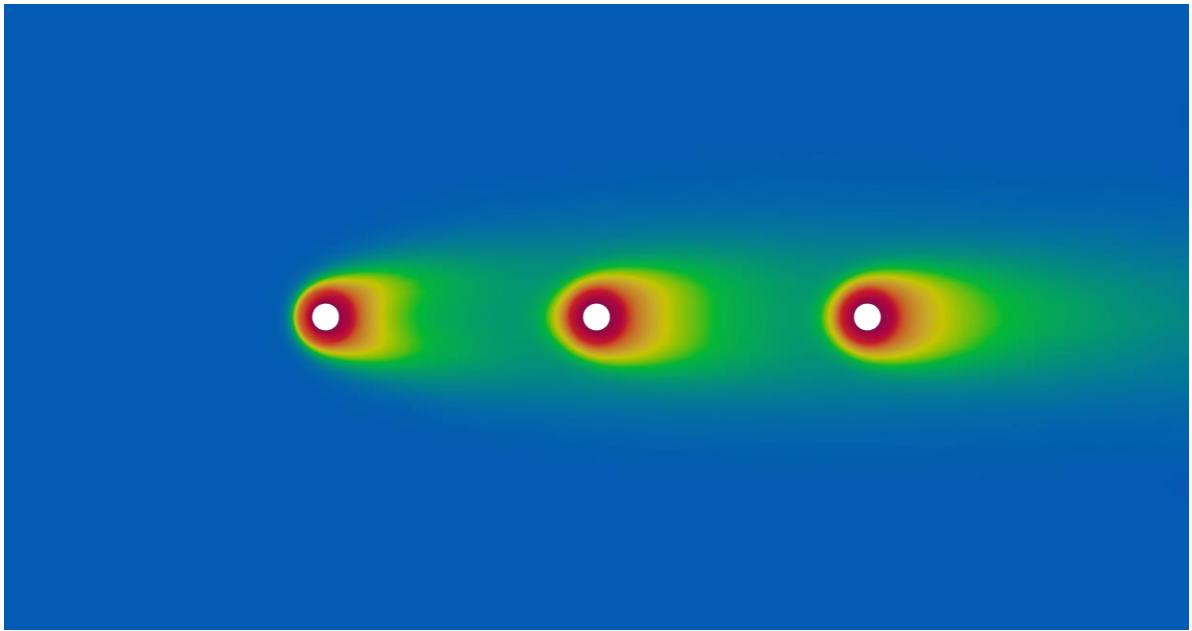
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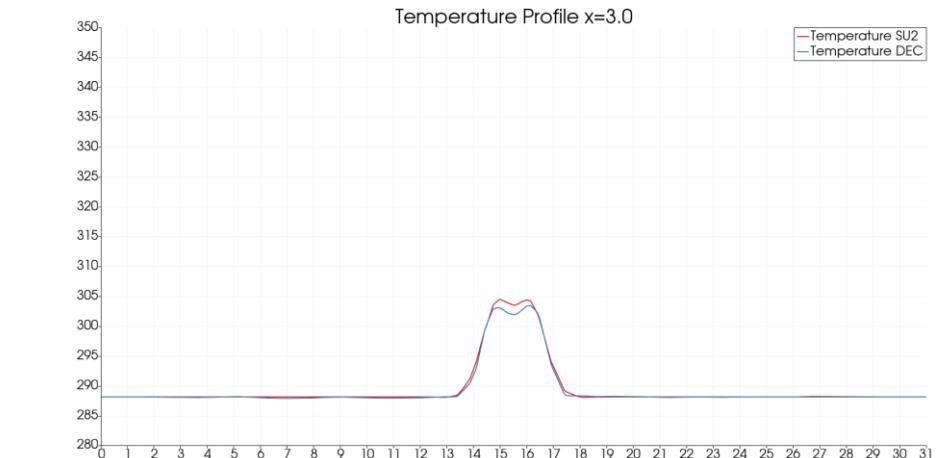
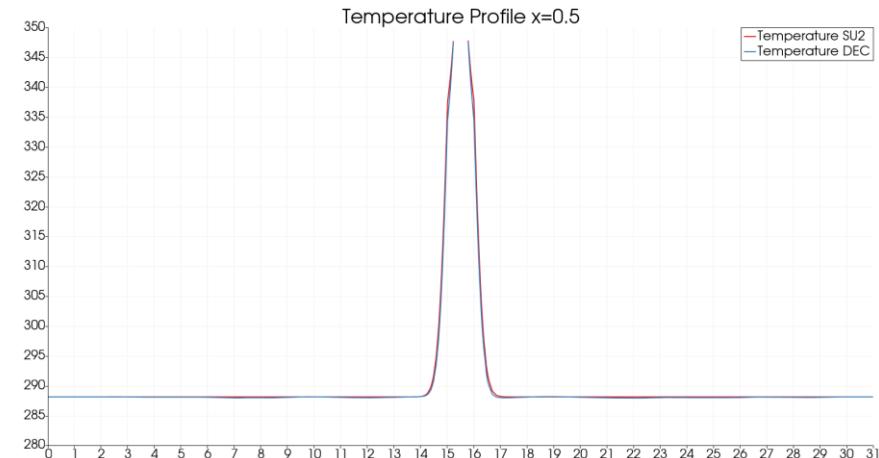
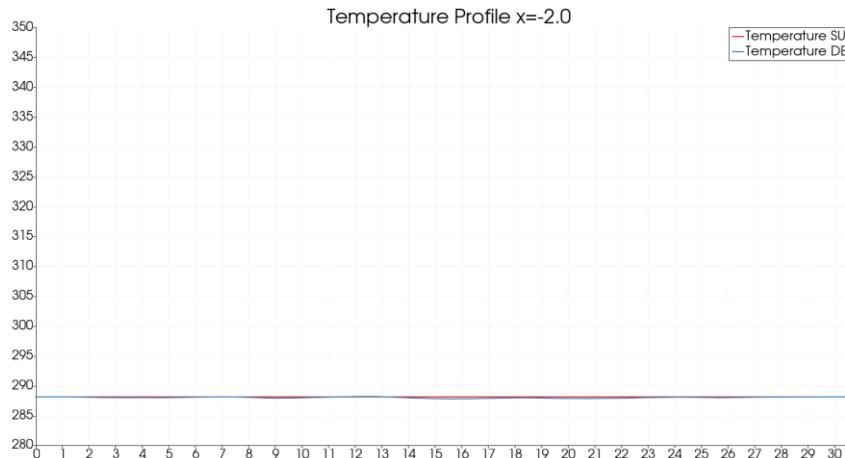
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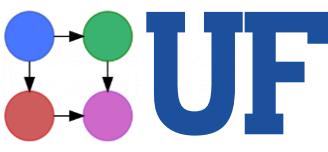
## Temperature Field



## Temperature Profiles



# Maxwell's

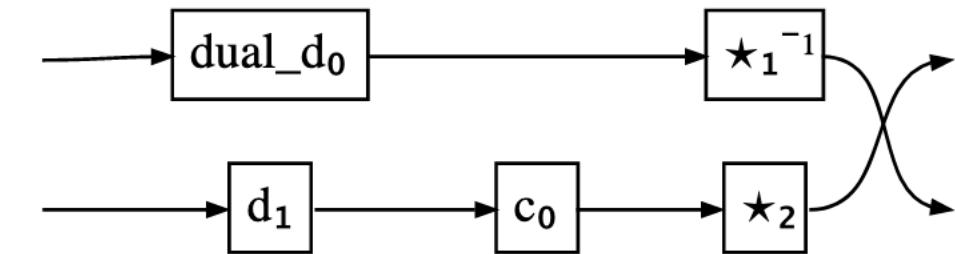
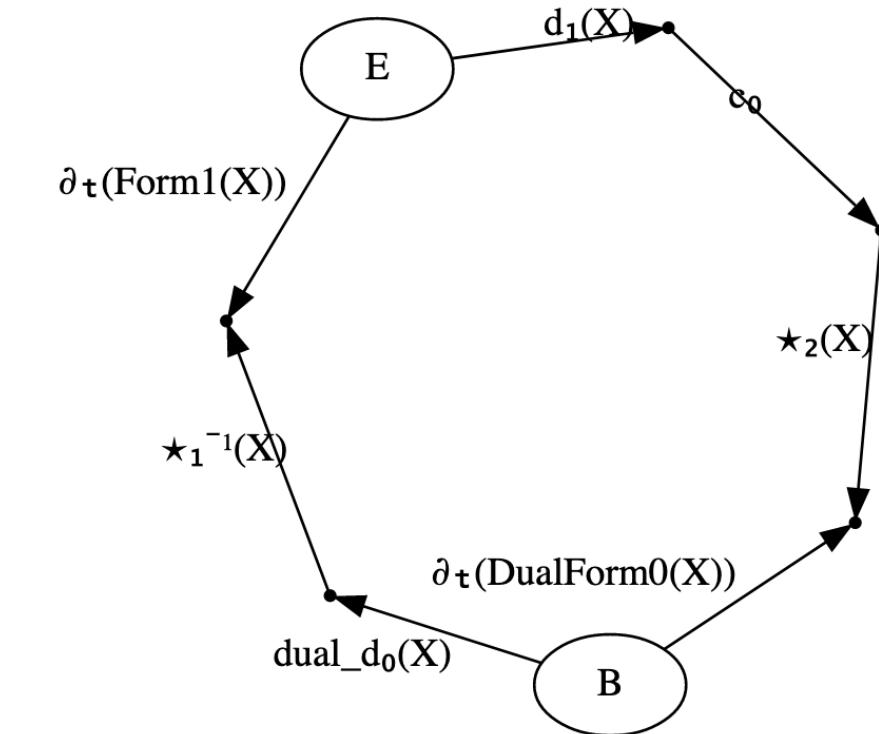
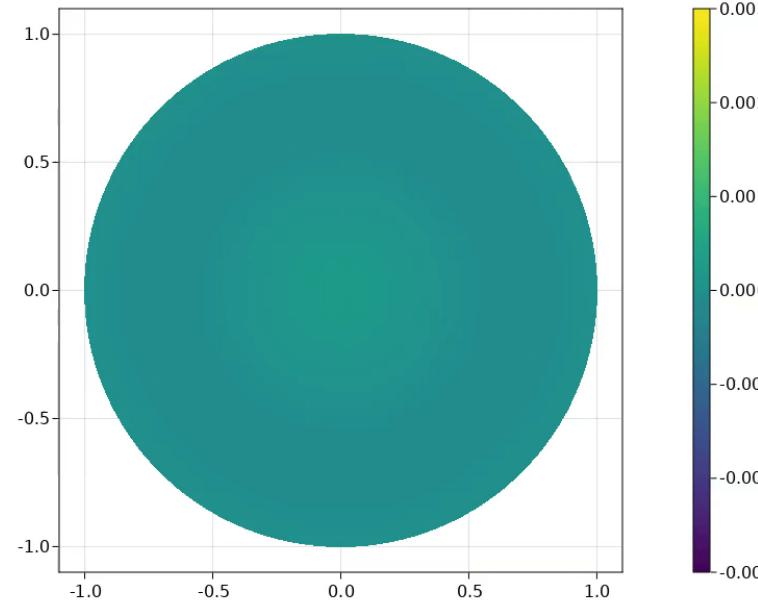


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# Define used quantities
@present EM2DQuantities(FreeExtCalc2D) begin
    X::Space
    E::Hom(munit(), Form1(X))      # electric field
    B::Hom(munit(), DualForm0(X))    # magnetic field
    c_0::Hom(Form2(X), Form2(X))    #  $1/(\mu_0 \epsilon_0)$  (scalar)
end

# Define Electromagnetic physics
@present EM2D <: EM2DQuantities begin
    B . ∂_t(DualForm0(X)) == E . d_1(X) . c_0 . ∗_2(X)
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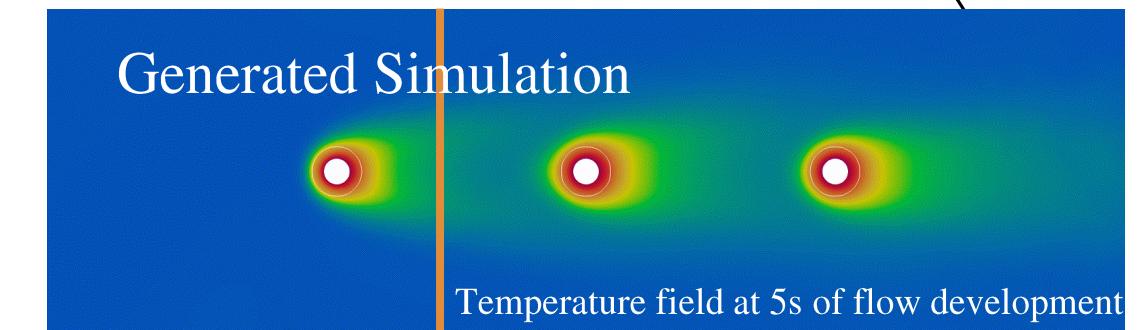
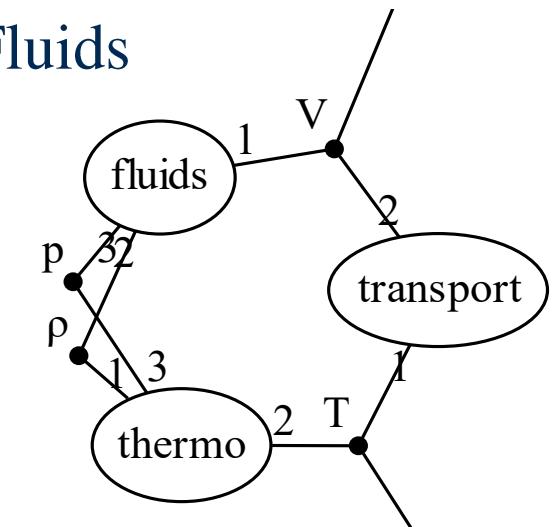
# Conclusions

Diagrammatic Equations and DECAPODES let's us:

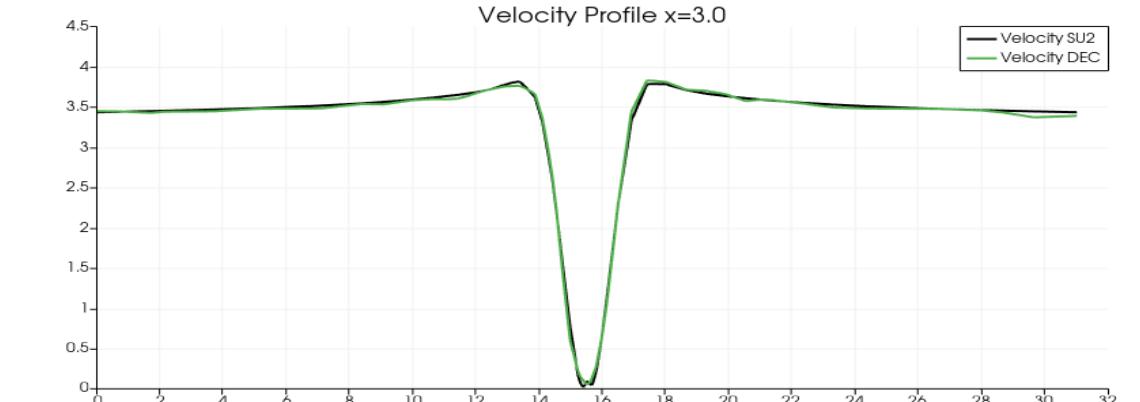
- Specify physical laws with a new language of hierarchical diagrams
- Providing rigorous definition of “multi-physics” and Tonti Diagrams
- Reduces development level of effort + Increases flexibility of software
- Simulation is automatically generated from the Diagram + Initial/Boundary conditions
- Simulation quality is comparable to SU2 on benchmark problems.

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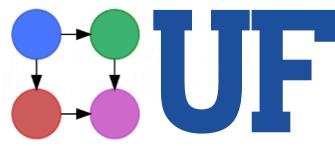
Model



*Comparison to SU2 (established literature)*  
*Velocity Profile*



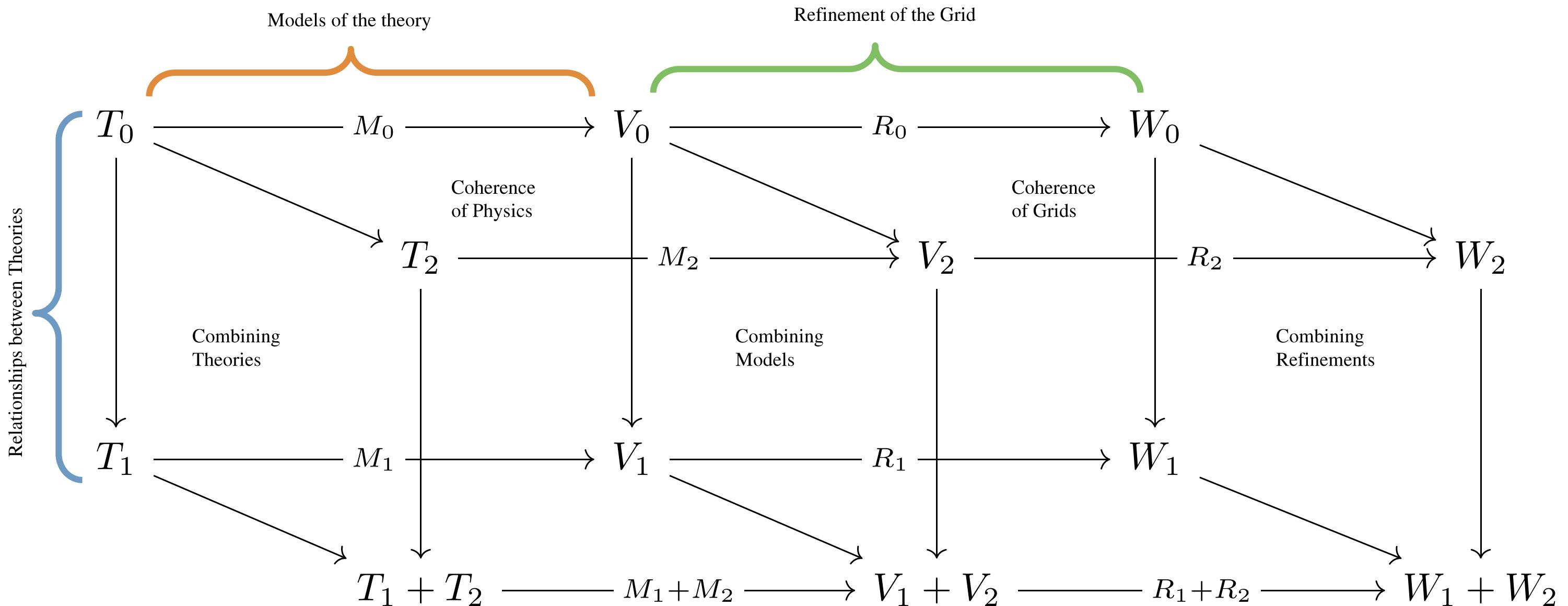
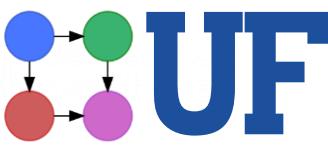
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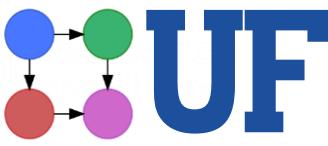
- Numerics
  - New operators to solve more equations (1yr)
  - Interpolation/Discretization for converting to/from legacy specifications (3-5yrs)
  - FEEC, Higher Order Stencils, Spline/Polynomial, Spectral Methods (5-10 yrs)
  - Automatically choosing numerics based on problem structure (5-10yrs)
- Meshing and Geometry
  - Convergence Analysis as you change the mesh
  - Multigrid and Adaptive Mesh Refinement
  - Cubical Complexes
  - Arbitrary Mesh Shapes
  - Mesh-free Solvers
- Optimization
  - Model Calibration / Inverse Problems
  - Structure / Mesh optimization
  - Data Assimilation / Digital Twins
  - Optimizing over equations with expert guidance
  - Learning Physics from Data
- Performance:
  - Parallel DEC operators / Task parallelism
  - HPC implementations of advanced numerics
  - Novel Architectures (non-VN)

10 Year Goal: Fundamentally reshape how scientists and engineers develop simulations

# Multigrid for Multiphysics

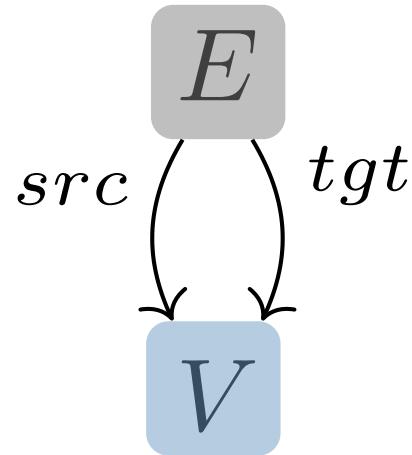


# $\mathcal{C}$ -Sets: Categorical Data Structures

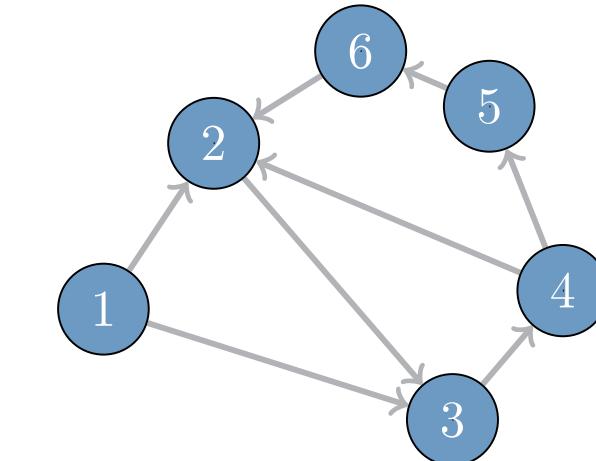


Graphs are ubiquitous because they a simple & useful structure

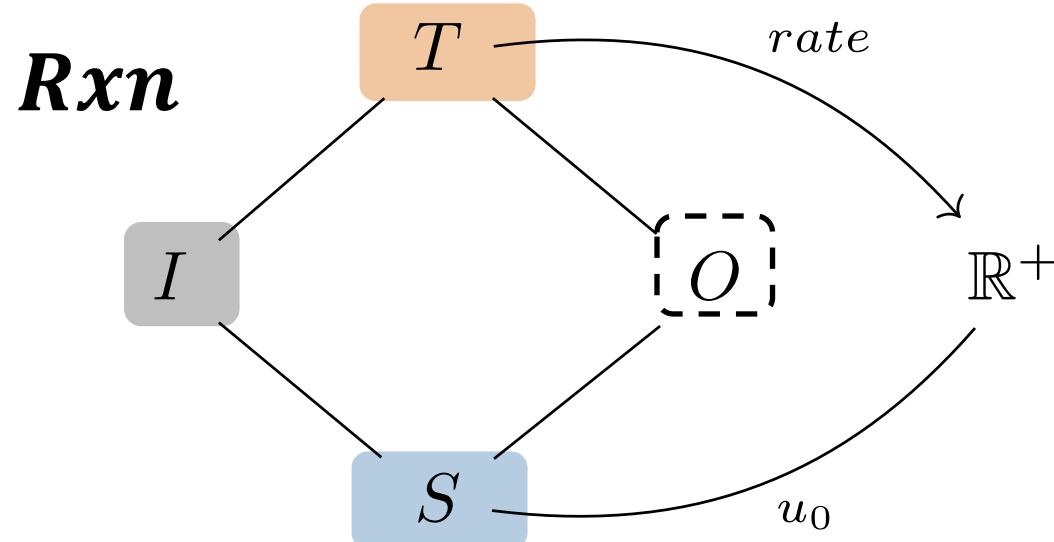
$Gr$



$Gr - Set$



$\mathcal{C}$ -Sets generalize algebraic graph theory



$Rxn - Set$

