

**PROJECT**  
**Development of low-order shock-capturing scheme for  
discontinuous Galerkin method**

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## Introduction

- Atmospheric re-entry
- General methodology to tackle a problem

## Current tools available & background

- Main tools available
- The DG method

## Aim of the project

## The Argo platform

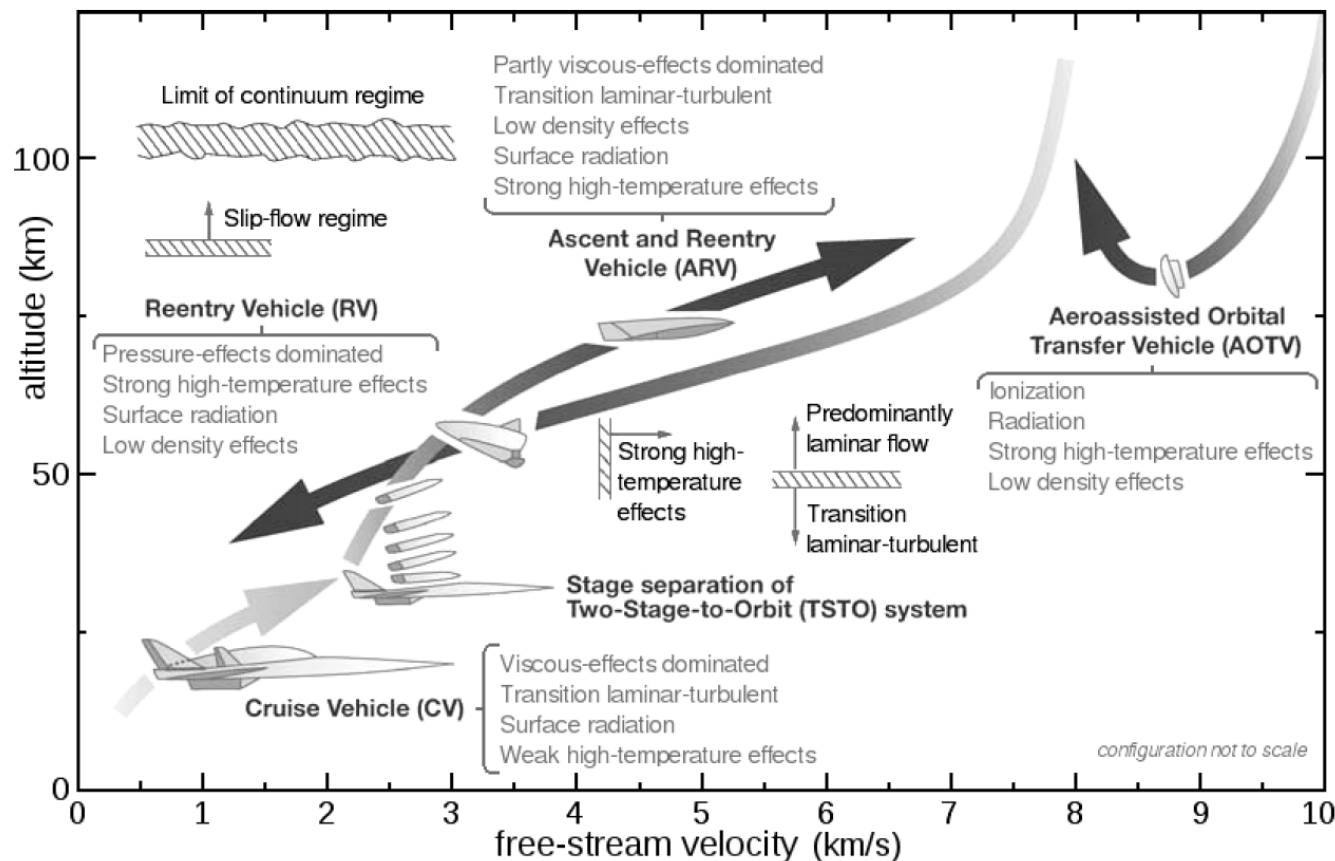
- Code structure
- Shock treatment for high order method
- Interior Penalty method for the diffusive term

## Methodology followed

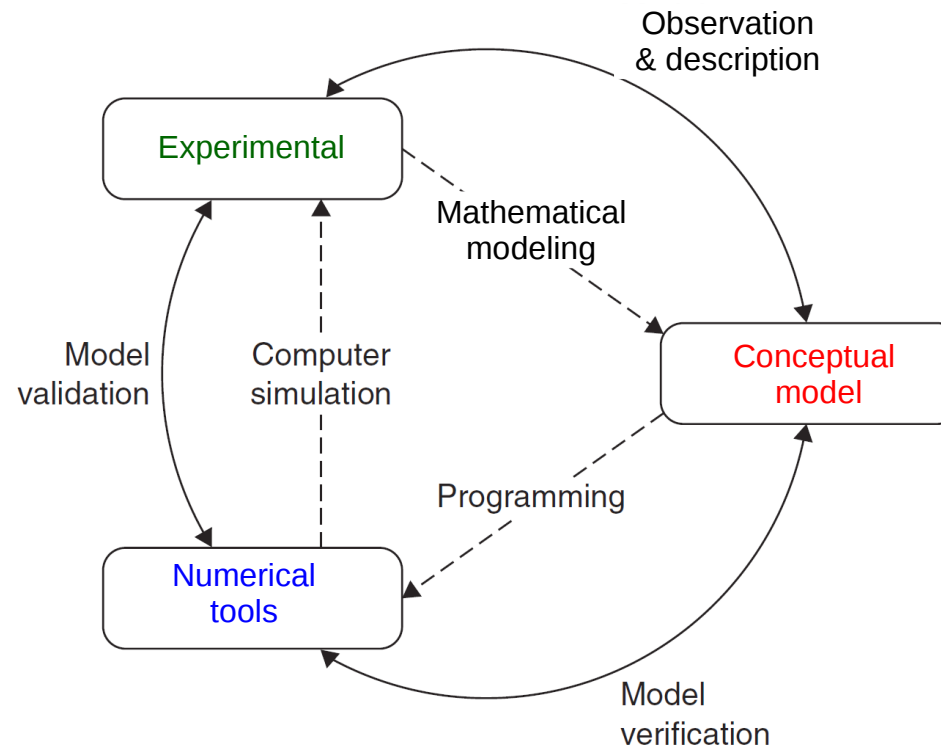
## Gantt Chart

## CHALLENGES

- **Measure the aerodynamic forces and heat flux on a body:**
  - Experiments in wind tunnels
  - Simulation by means of CFD
- **Hypersonic flow:**
  - Multi-physics phenomena
  - High temperature and compressible effects

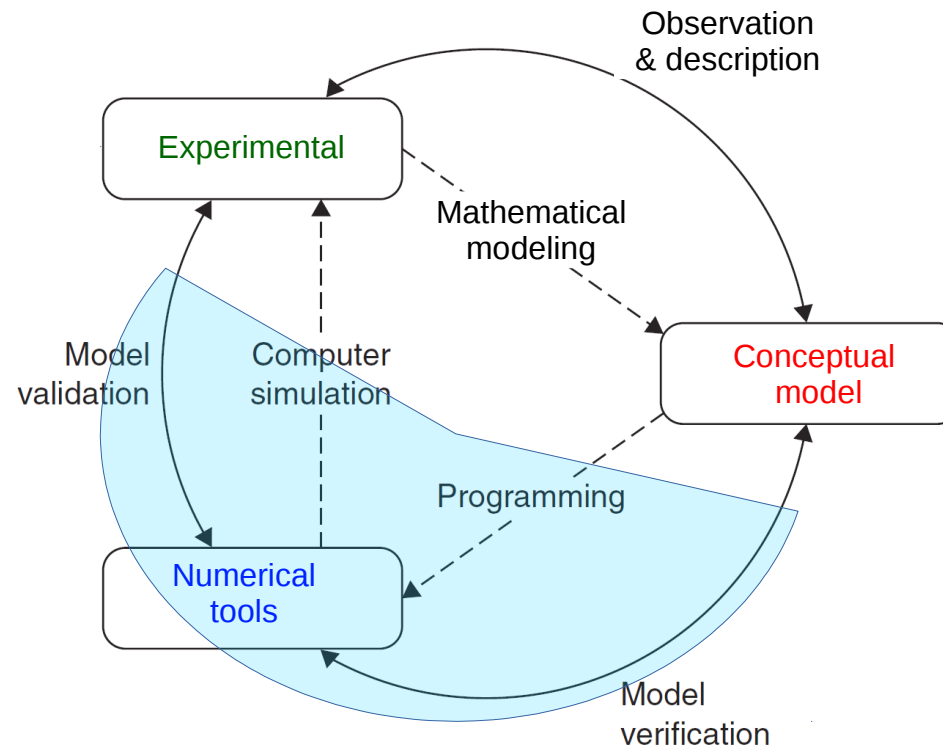


Major classes of hypersonic vehicles and some characteristic aerothermodynamic phenomena (Hirschel, 2005)



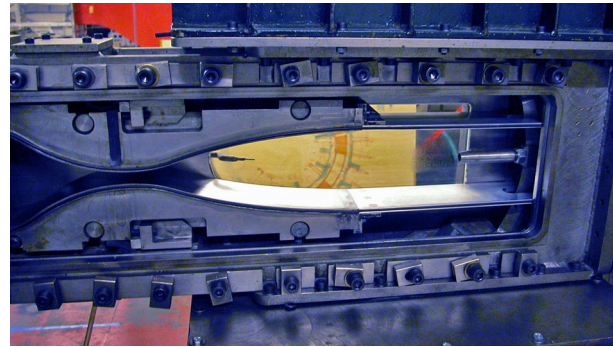
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## Tools available at the VKI

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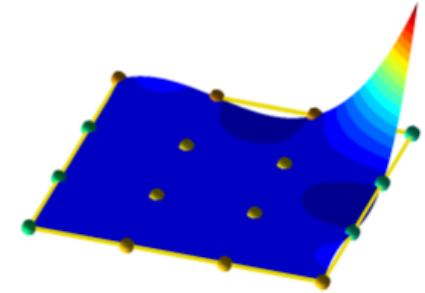
### Wind tunnel testing facilities

- Supersonic Wind Tunnel S-4 (Mach 3.5)
- Hypersonic Wind Tunnel H-3 (Mach 6)
- Longshot Hypersonic Gun Tunnel (Mach 10-20)

numerical

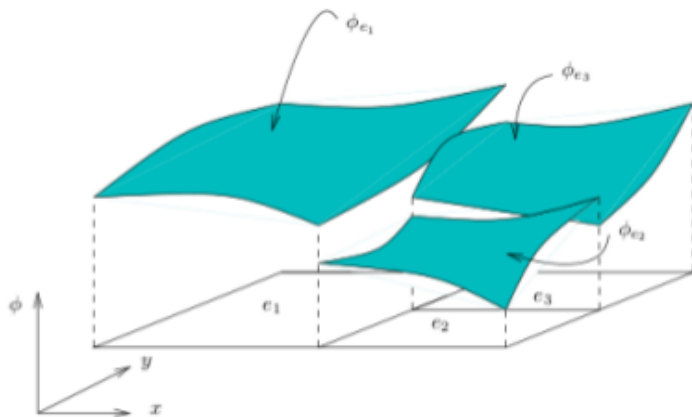
### Platform

- **ARGO** Multiphysics, high resolution and high performance platform based on Discontinuous Galerkin method (DG) developed at Cenaero, a research centre in Belgium.



**Why does the platform Argo use the DG method as main discretization space method for the Navier Stokes equations?**

Name of the method	Geometry Complexity	Order of the method & hp-adaptability	Shock capturing at high Mach number
Finite difference (FD)	✗	✓	✓
Finite volume (FV)	✓	✗	✓
Finite element (FE)	✓	✓	✗
Discontinuous Galerkin (DG)	✓	✓	?



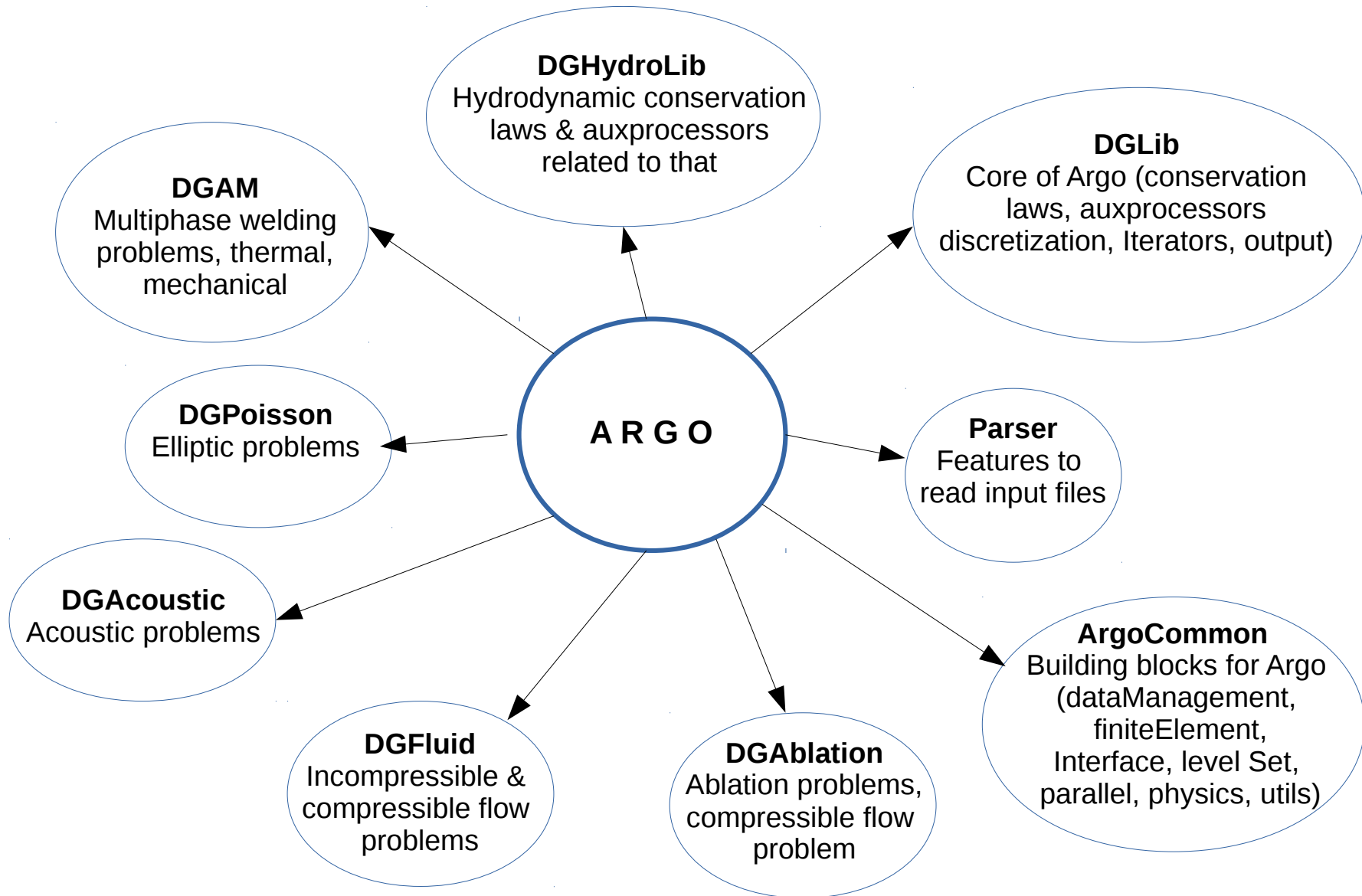
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Develop a robust shock capturing scheme for the DG method

## Main tasks

1. Review the hypersonic flow challenges for **high order numerical simulation**
2. Identify the limit of the **artificial viscosity** into the Argo platform
3. Optimize and adapt a hybrid solver for hypersonic applications which uses a **degraded order scheme** (BR2) in the shock region and a high order method (DG) everywhere else
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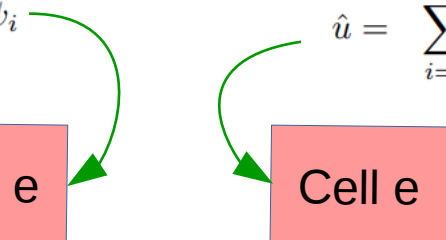


## Shock detector and artificial viscosity

**Shock detectors** are part of most shock capturing techniques and have for purpose to **identify the location of discontinuities in the computational domain**

**Artificial viscosity** makes shocks broader, so that they can be resolved over several grid cells.

### Method:

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{N(p)} u_i \psi_i$$


$$\hat{u} = \sum_{i=1}^{N(p-1)} u_i \psi_i$$

**IF**(the polynomials shapes are similar)  
**Then** the solution on the cell e is smooth  
**Else** the solution contains discontinuities

Sensor of the discontinuity on the cell e:

$$S_e = \frac{(u - \hat{u}, u - \hat{u})_e}{(u, u)_e}$$

$(\cdot, \cdot)_e$  inner product in  $L_2(\Omega_e)$

### **Inputs defined by the user:**

- The threshold  $s_0 \sim 1/p^4$
- The interval  $\kappa$
- The amount of artificial viscosity  $\varepsilon_0 \sim h/p$

### **Artificial viscosity for each cell e:**

$$\varepsilon_e = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_e < s_0 - \kappa \\ \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2} \left( 1 + \sin \frac{\pi(s_e - s_0)}{2\kappa} \right) & \text{if } s_0 - \kappa \leq s_e \leq s_0 + \kappa \\ \varepsilon_0 & \text{if } s_e > s_0 + \kappa \end{cases}$$

with  $s_e = \log_{10} S_e$ .

### **Main weakness of sensors**

- The quantity needs to be compared to a **threshold defined arbitrarily**
- The method can not be used for  $p=0$

Discretisation of the **diffusive term** : The Interior penalty method limitation

Gouverning PDE's expressed in conservative and hypervectorial form:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}_v(\mathbf{U}, \nabla \mathbf{U}) + \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{U}, \nabla \mathbf{U})$$

Weak form of the equation (DG method):

$$\sum_{\Omega_e} \int_{\Omega_e} v \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} d\Omega_e + \sum_{\Omega_e} \int_{\Omega_e} v \frac{\partial F(u)}{\partial x} d\Omega_e = \sum_{\Omega_e} \int_{\Omega_e} v \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) d\Omega_e$$

$$[v] = v^- n^- + v^+ n^+$$

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Rewritting the diffusive term as:

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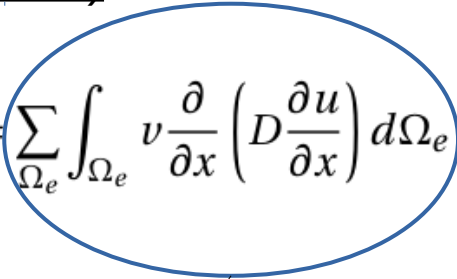
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Recent tool on Argo: The second scheme of Bassi and Rebay (BR2)

[Bram van Leer, Marcus Lo, "A Venerable Family of Discontinuous Galerkin Schemes for Diffusion Revisited", University of Michigan]

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## M E T H O D O L O G Y

### Literature Study

Key words: *Shock detection for high order scheme, limiters, artificial viscosity, BR2*



### 1. Installation of the Argo platform

- *Installation of the required libraries (Madlib, Boost, ParMetis...)*
- *Installation of the software useful to open the outputs (Gmsh, Paraview)*



### 2. Assess the artificial viscosity by running several test cases\*

1. Assess the BR2 scheme in the Argo platform
2. Develop a robust hybrid scheme



1. For a specific test case, comparison with experimental data from the facilities
2. Activation of the physico-chemical phenomena (Mutation++ Library)



## TASKS

3. Optimize and adapt a hybrid solver for hypersonic applications which uses a degraded-order scheme in the shock region and a high order method (DG) everywhere else

## METHODOLOGY

1. **Assess the BR2 scheme in the Argo platform**
  - a) Detect the shock wave to refine the mesh
  - b) Study the effect on a structured/ unstructured mesh
2. **Develop a robust hybrid scheme**
  - a) Define a method to reduce the order of the scheme (P0) around the shock wave area without loosing the advantage of the DG method of the domain
  - b) Study and analyze the convergence and the robustness of the solver

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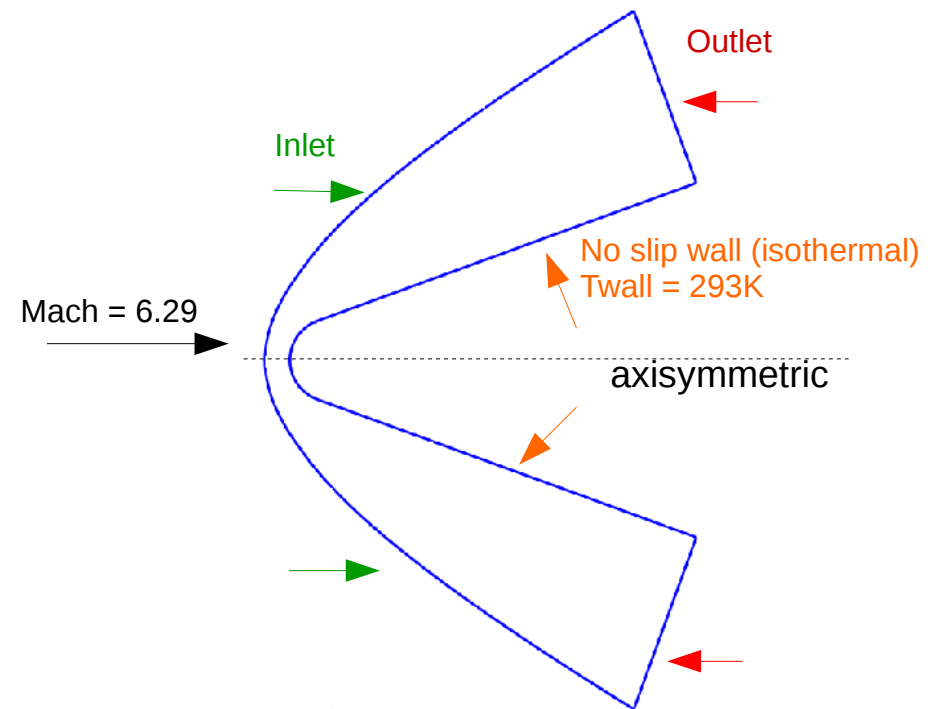
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### Physical model: Study Domain and boundary conditions

The following axisymmetric blunted cone can be tested with:








- H3 facility (calorically perfect gas)
- HEG facility (thermally perfect gas)

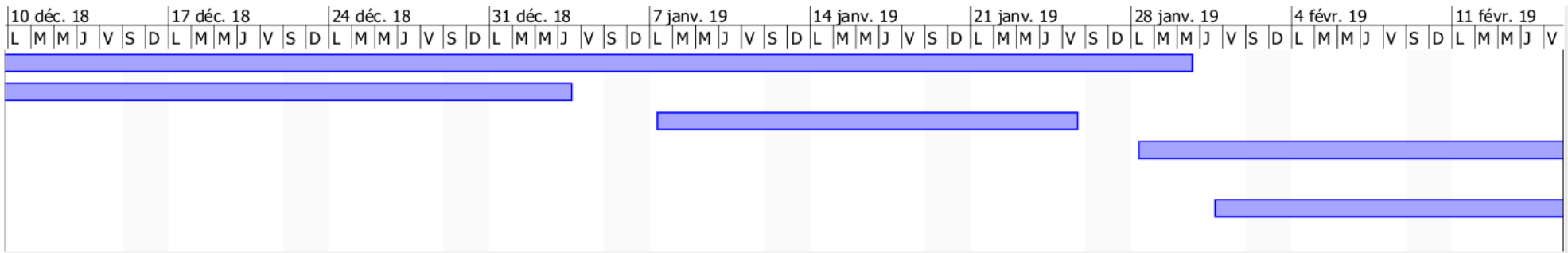
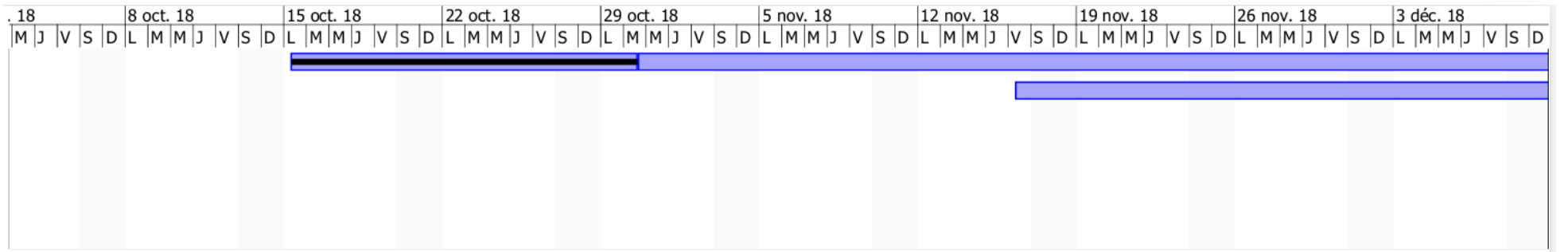
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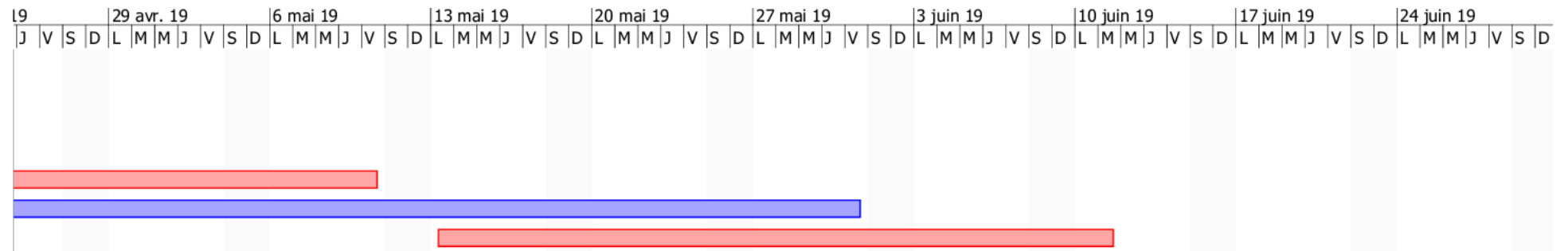
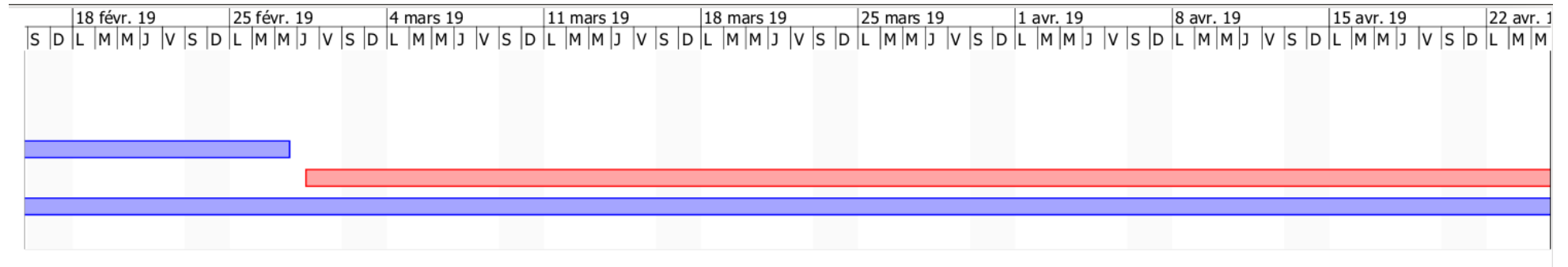


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1		Literature study (+bibliogr...	78 jours	15/10/18 08:00	30/01/19 17:00	
2		Installation Argo platform	34,875 jours	16/11/18 08:00	03/01/19 16:00	
3		Run test cases AV	15 jours	07/01/19 08:00	25/01/19 17:00	2
4		Assess BR2 scheme	23 jours	28/01/19 08:00	27/02/19 17:00	3
5		Develop the Hybrid scheme	51,875 jours	28/02/19 09:00	10/05/19 17:00	4
6		Report	86,125 jours	31/01/19 16:00	31/05/19 17:00	2
7		verification/ validation	22 jours	13/05/19 08:00	11/06/19 17:00	5



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- <https://www.vki.ac.be/>
- Course introduction, Argo introduction, P. Schrooyen
- A study of an artificial viscosity technique for high-order discontinuous Galerkin methods, MSc Thesis, M. Cruellas Bordes