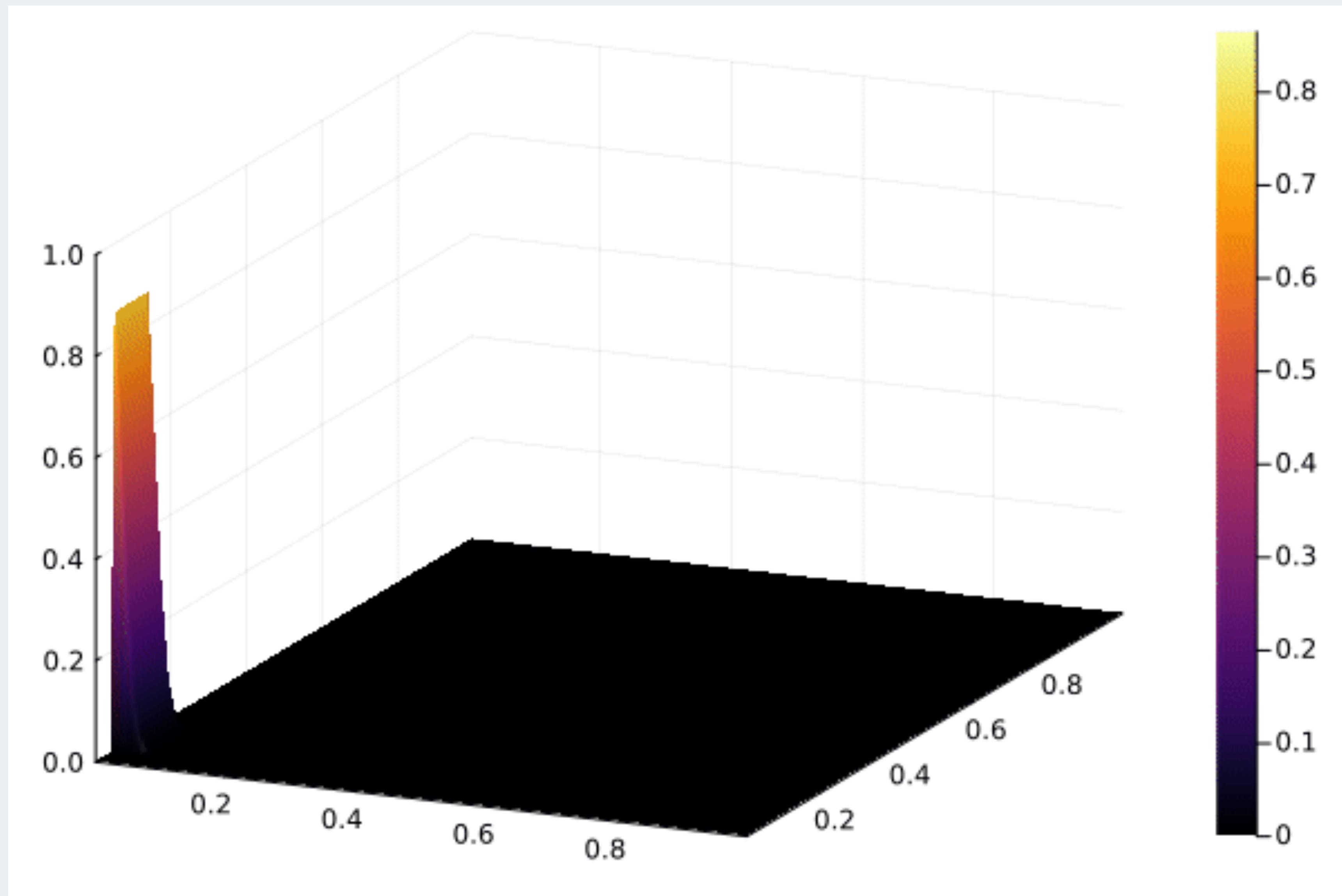


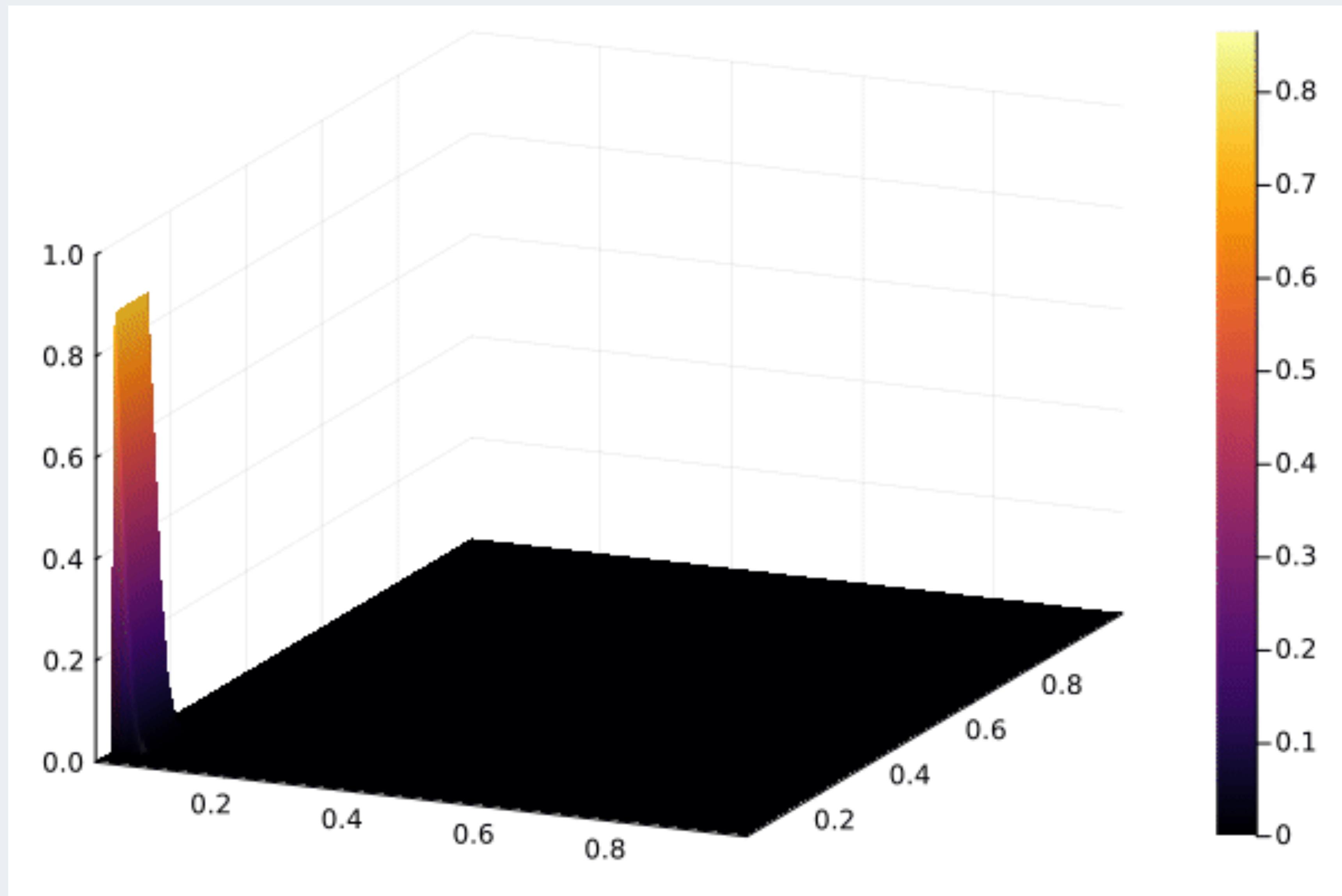
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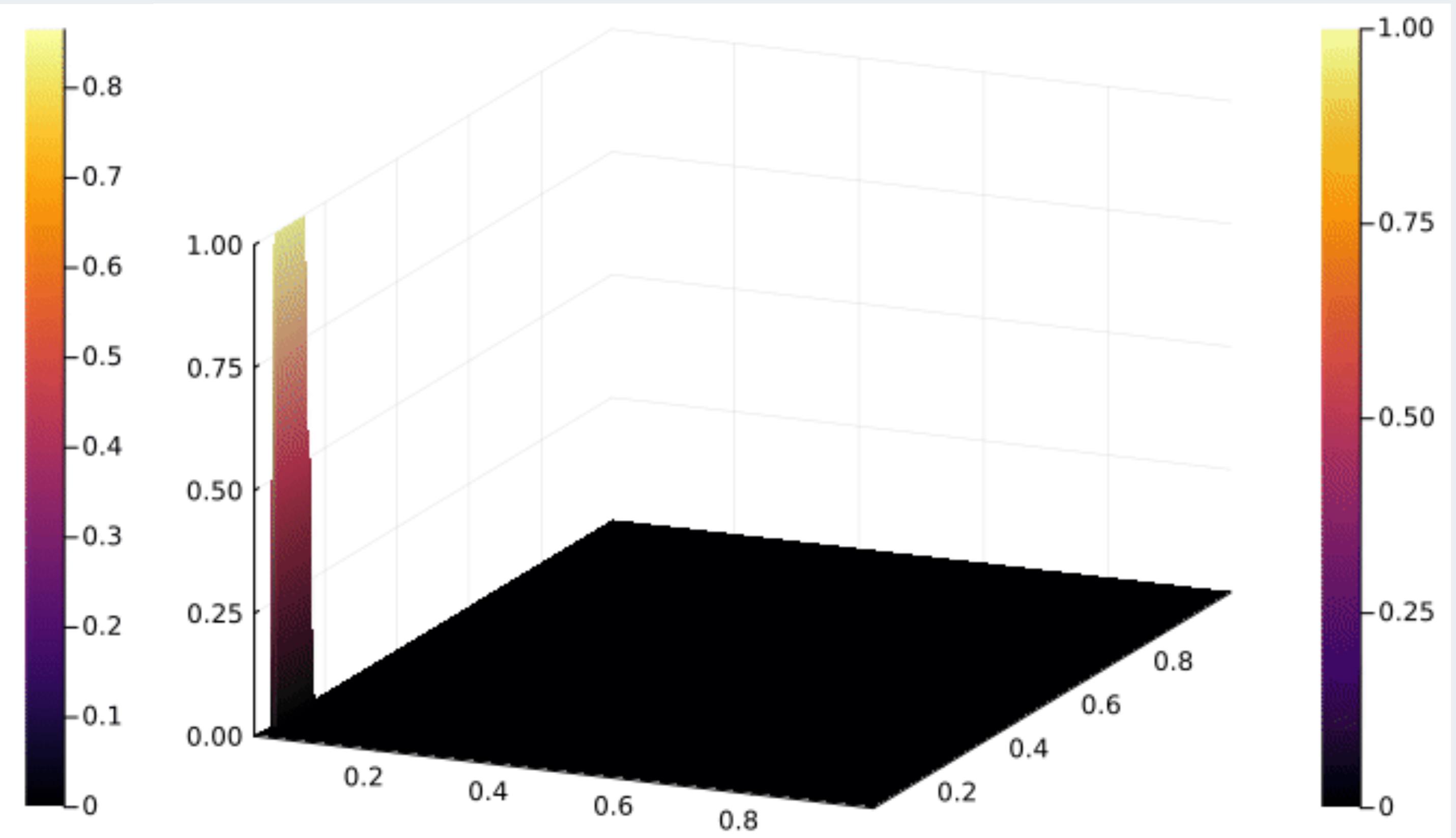
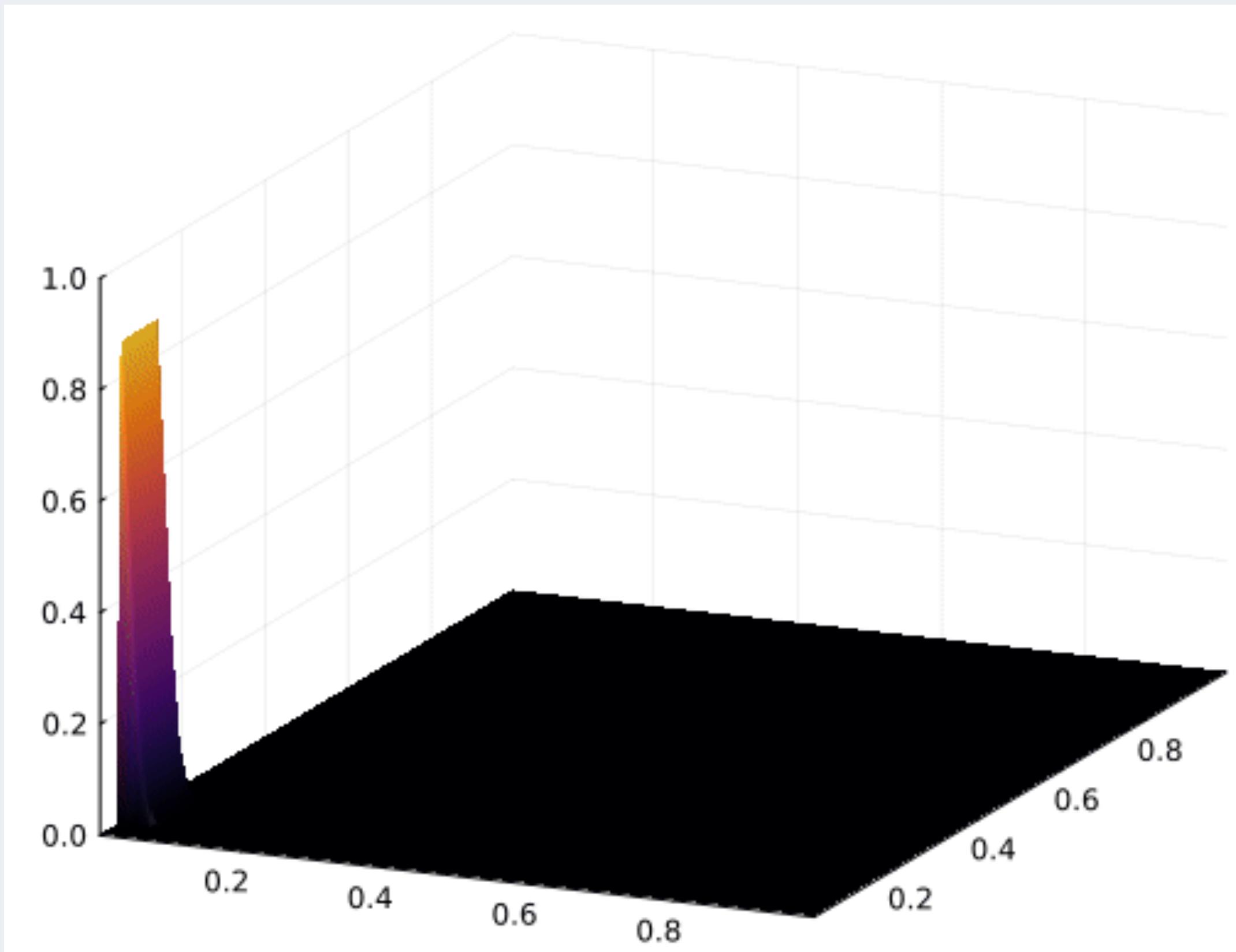
Nimble tools for debugging floating-point exceptions

Taylor Allred, **Ashton Wiersdorf**, Xinyi Li, Ben Greenman, and Ganesh Gopalakrishnan

# The Busy Scientist







# What happened?

NaN

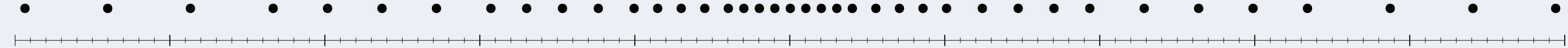
# IEEE 754 Floating-Point

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Floating-point numbers



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An arithmetic exception arises when  
[there is] no result that would be  
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— *William Kahan*

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$$0 \text{ } / \text{ } 0 \rightarrow \text{NaN}$$
$$0 \text{ } * \text{ } \text{Inf} \Rightarrow \text{NaN}$$
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# Why not throw an error?

# Lifetime of an exceptional value

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Gen

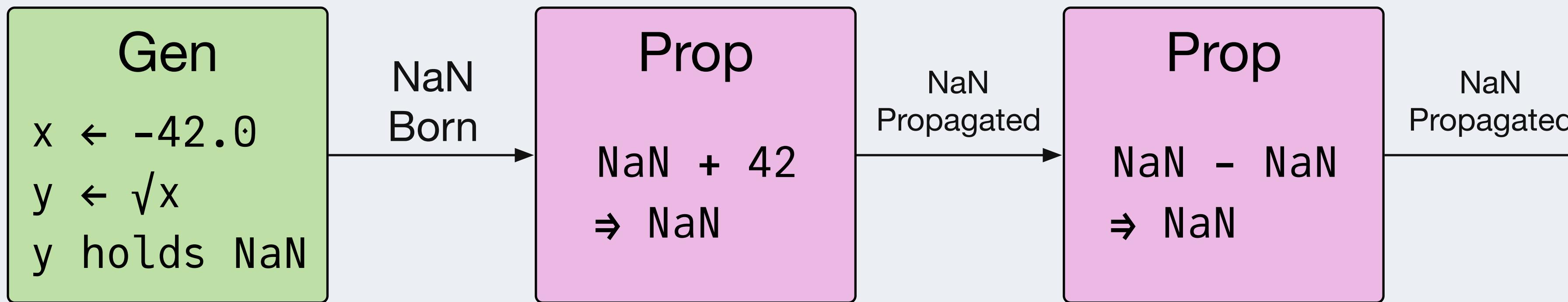
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x <- -42.0
```

```
y <- √x
```

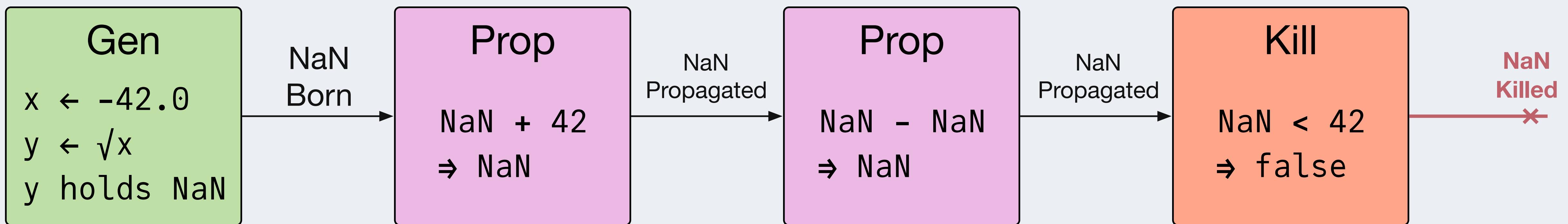
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y holds NaN
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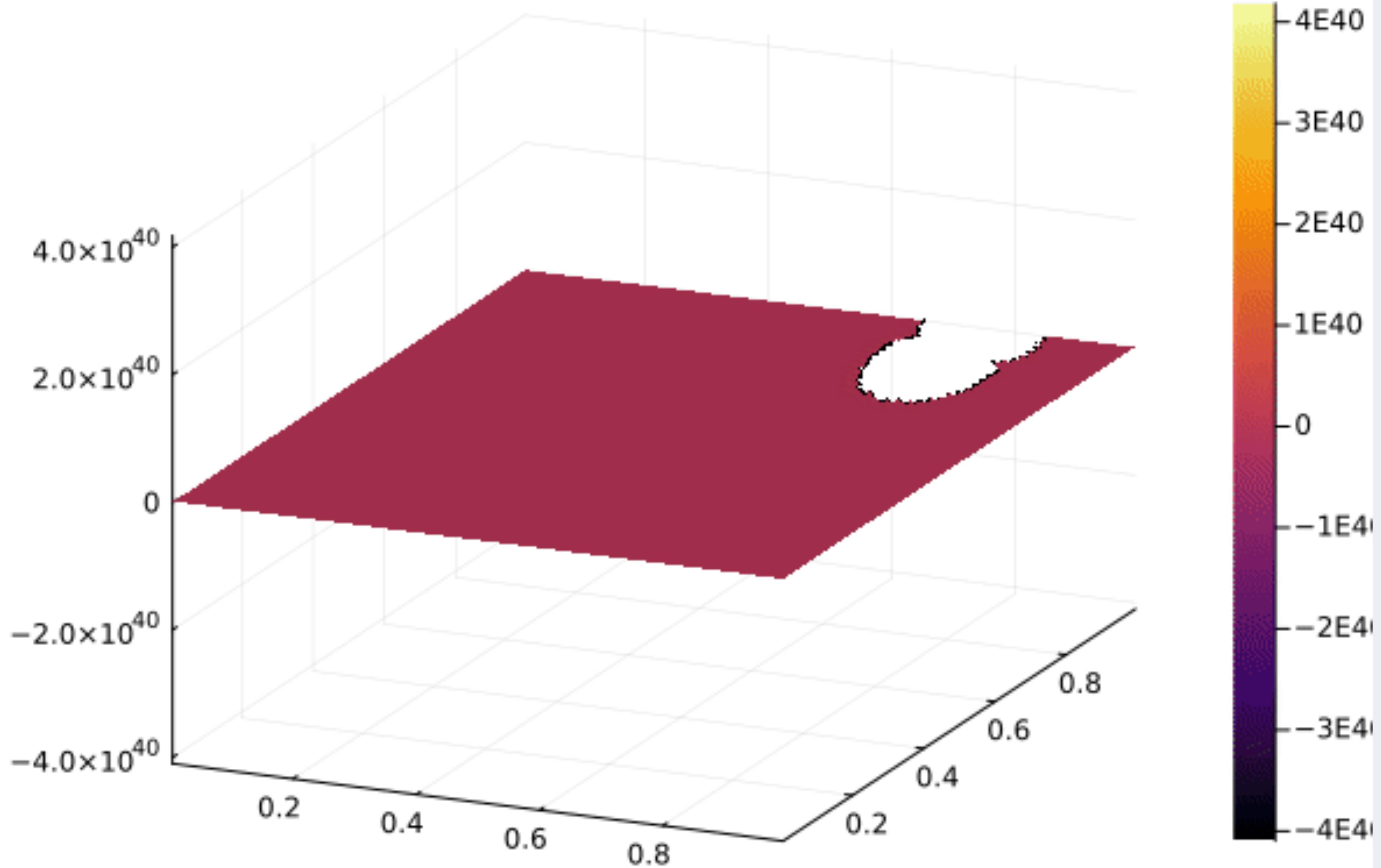
NaN  
Born

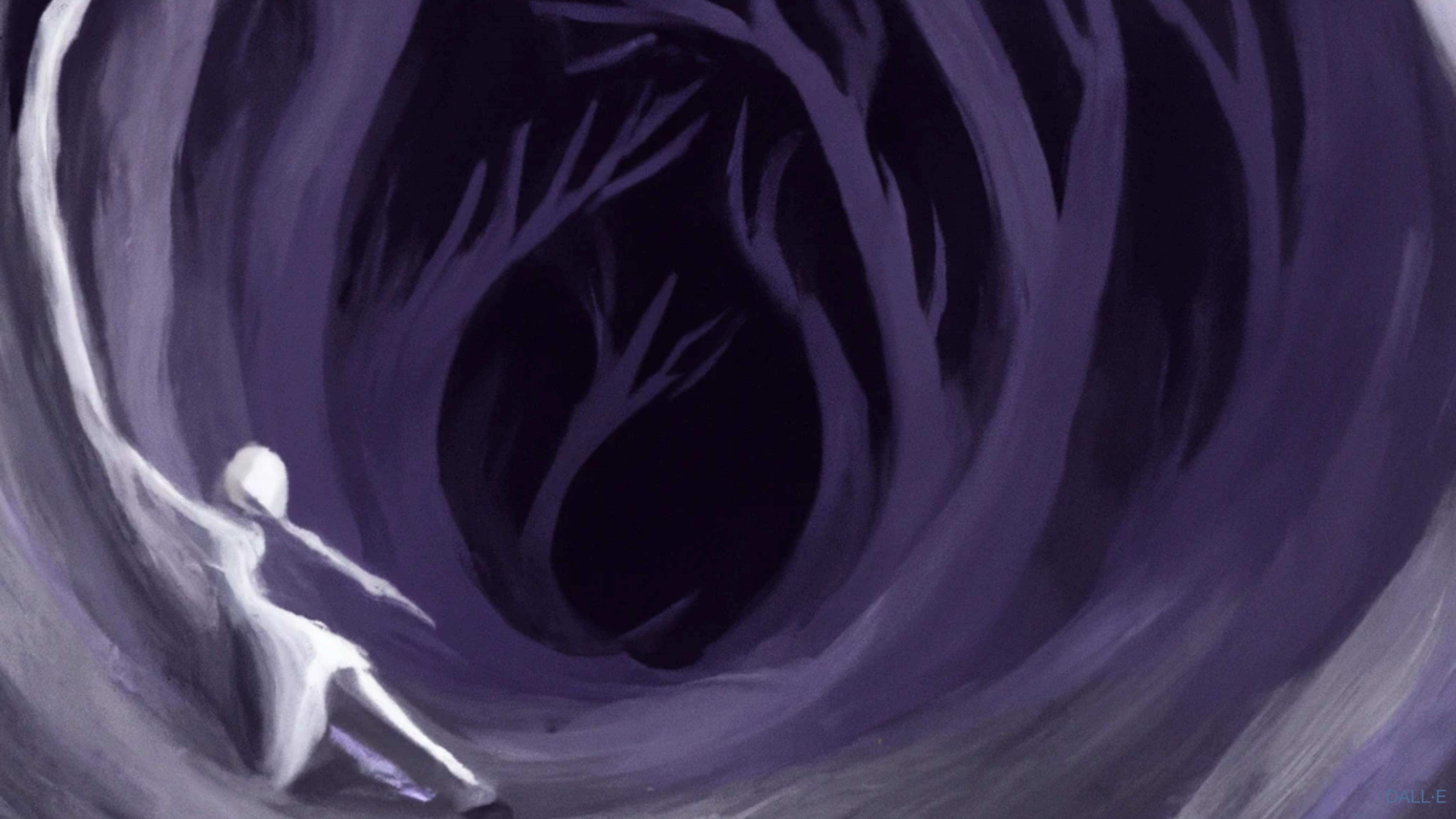
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100s of issues in Julia repos  
on GitHub mentioning “NaN”

# FlowFPX to the rescue

# RxInfer.jl

# Bayesian Network Inference Library

[https://github.com/biaslab/  
RxInfer.jl/issues/116](https://github.com/biaslab/RxInfer.jl/issues/116)

Now it is impossible to trace back the origin of the very first **NaN** without perform[ing] a *lot of manual work*. This limits the ability to debug the code and to prevent these NaNs in the first place.



RxInfer.jl #116 after a day using FlowFPX's FloatTracker

Great package! I already found the location where a NaN was produced.

# FlowFPX

# FlowFPX Solutions

Tracking down exceptional values



Harden exception-vulnerable code



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## Julia's type-based dispatch

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**More to come...**

# Demo: maximum

Demmel et al. Correctness@SC 2022  
arXiv:2207.09281

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println("Result: $result")
```

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using FloatTracker
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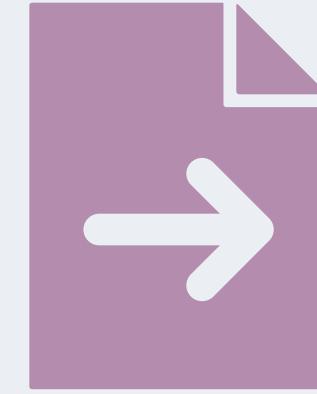
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println("Result: $result")
ft_flush_logs()
```

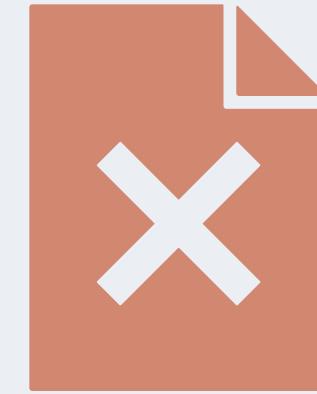




max\_gen\_logs.txt



max\_prop\_logs.txt



max\_kill\_logs.txt

# Arguments

No NaN

NaN

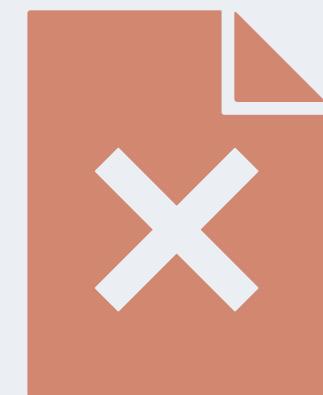
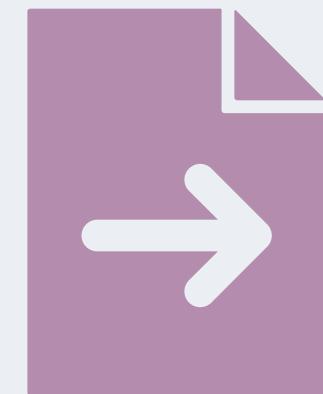
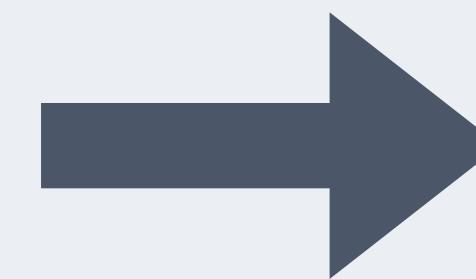
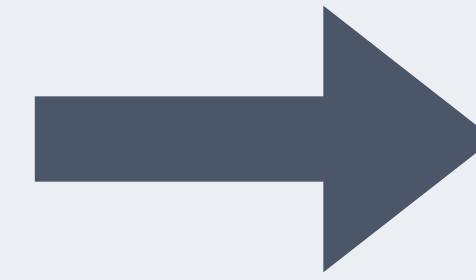
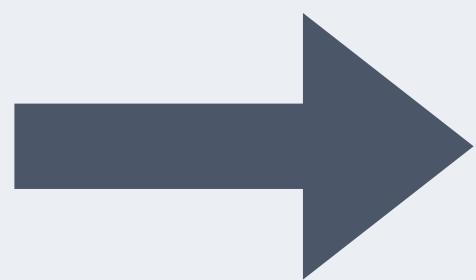
NaN

# Output

Nan

Nan

No Nan



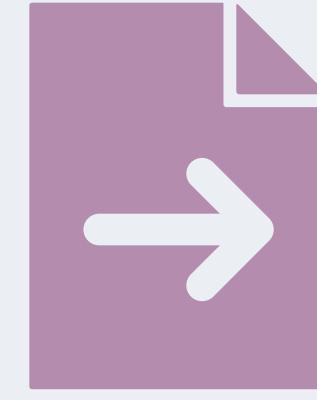
gen

prop

kill



max\_gen\_logs.txt



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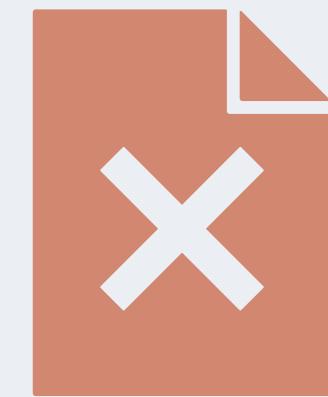


max\_kill\_logs.txt



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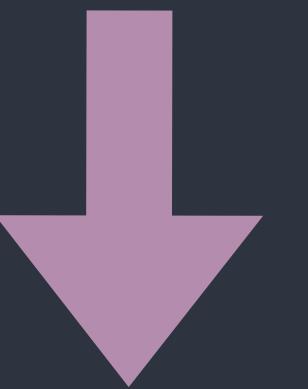
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<           at FloatTracker/src/TrackedFloat.jl:214
maximum       at examples/max_min_example.jl:0
top-level scope at examples/max_min_example.jl:15
```



max\_kill\_logs.txt

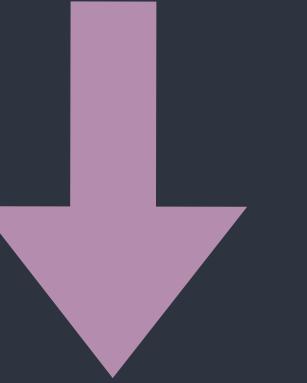
NaN < 4.0 ⇒ false

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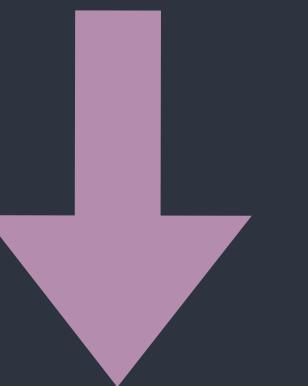
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    max_seen = 1.0
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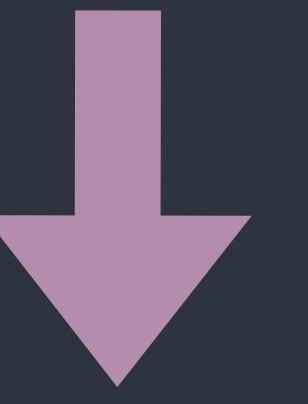
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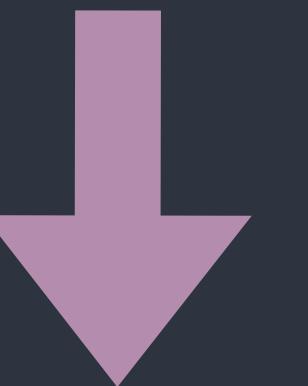
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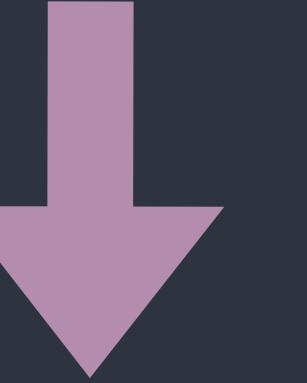
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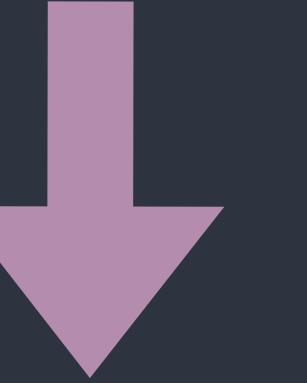
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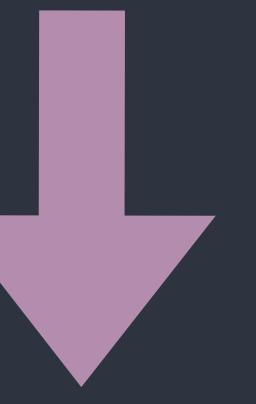
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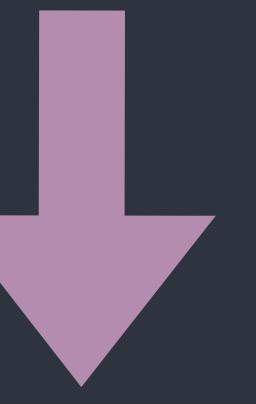
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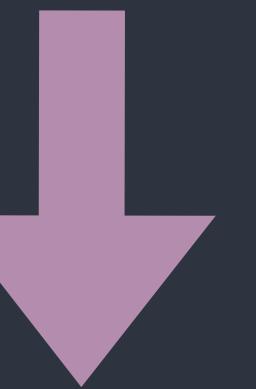
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```
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# How to use `FloatTracker`

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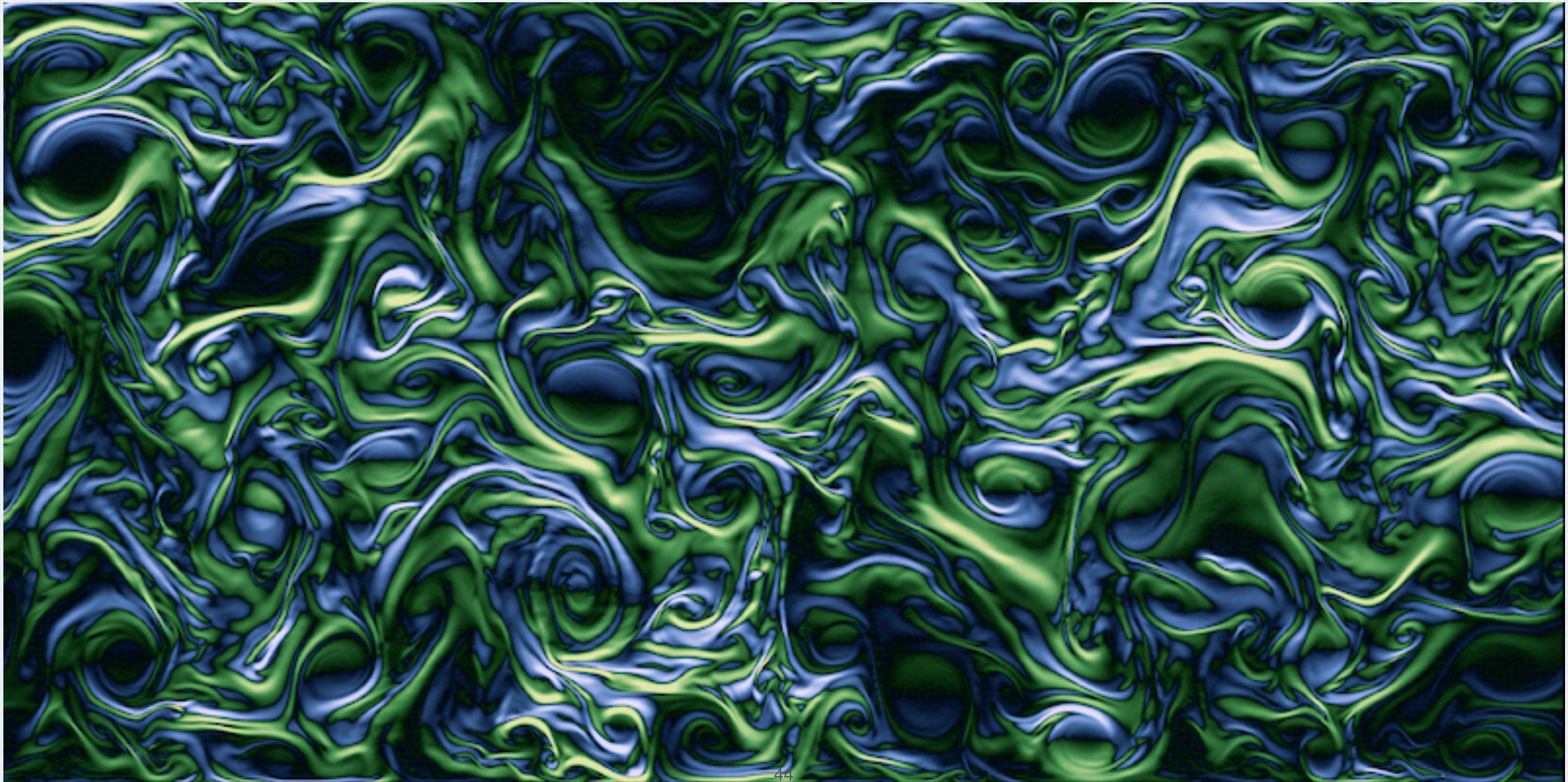
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Flush any buffered logs

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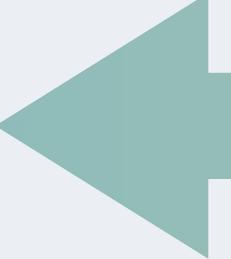
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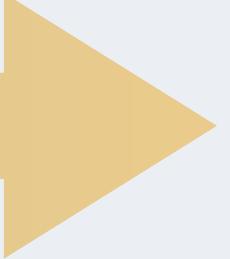
## CFL Trade-offs



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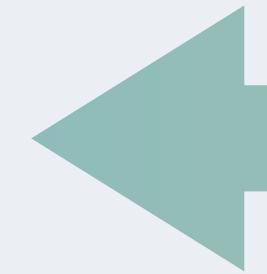
## CFL Trade-offs

More accuracy  
Slower renders  
Small 

Faster renders  
More instability  
Big 

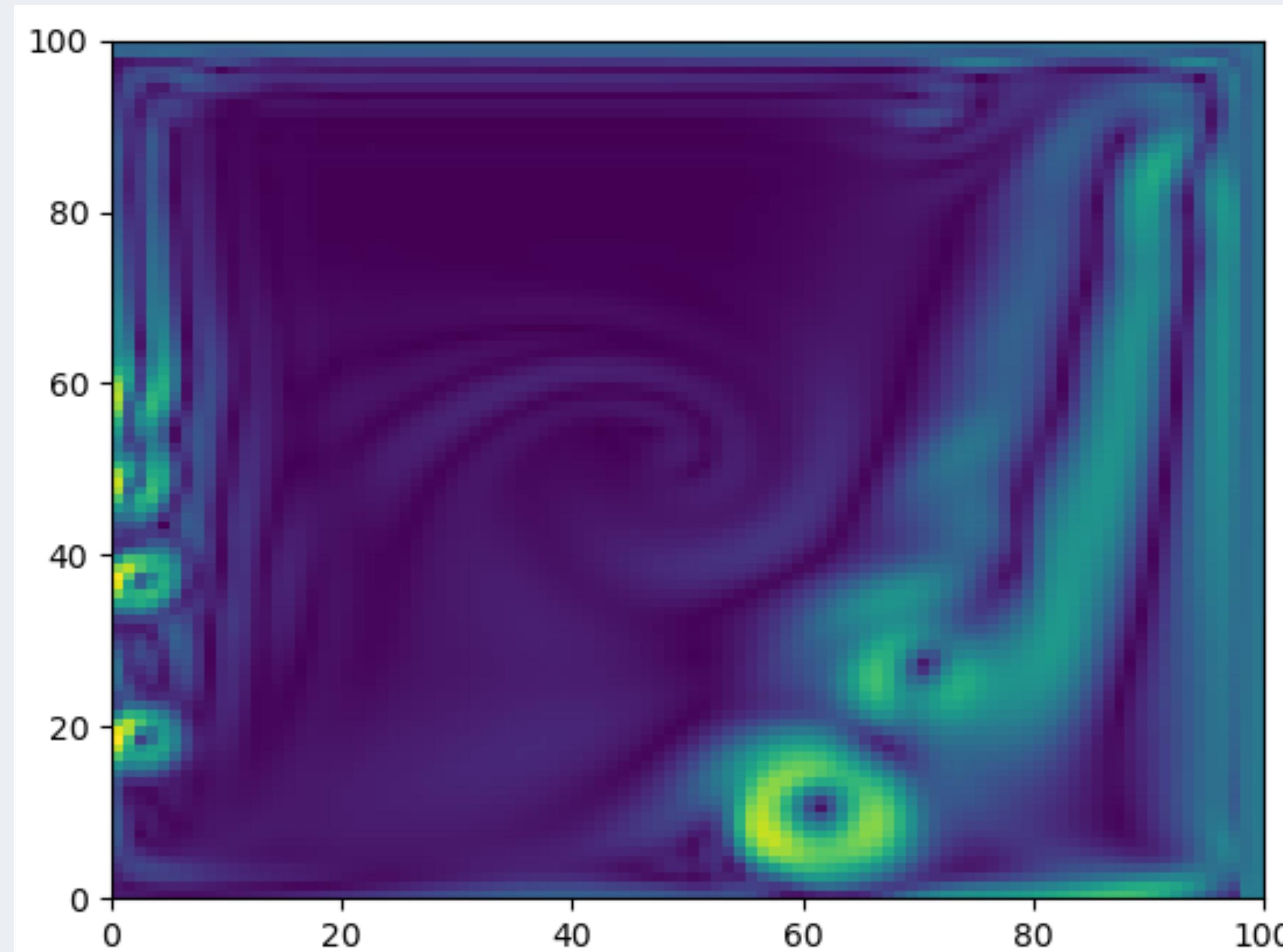
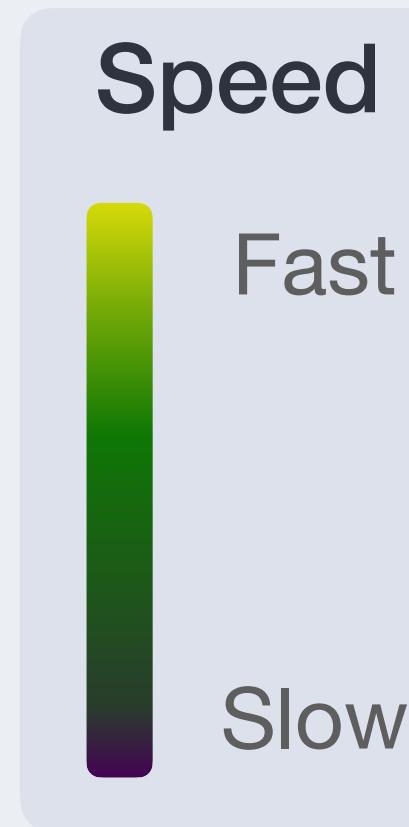
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CFL

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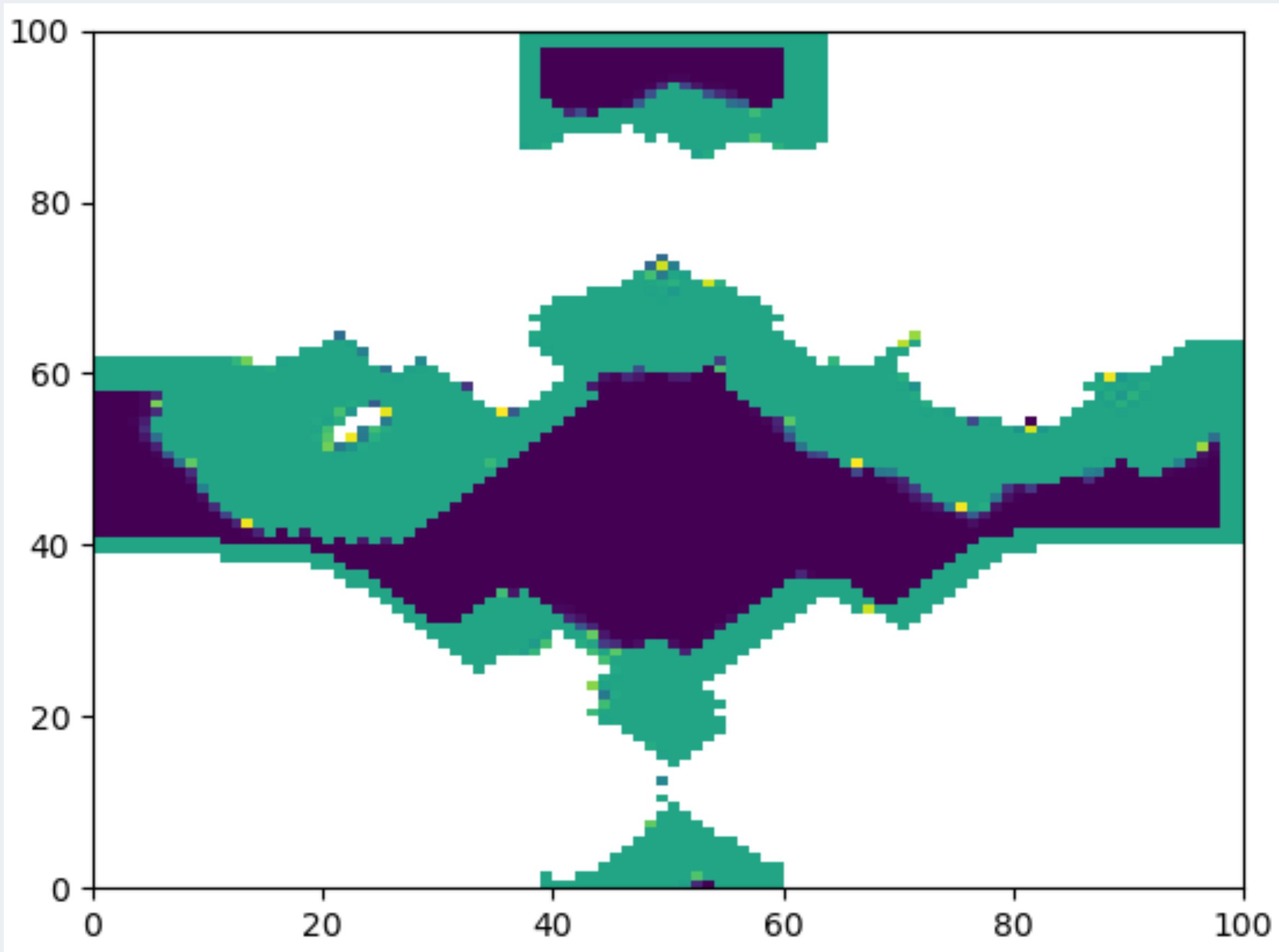
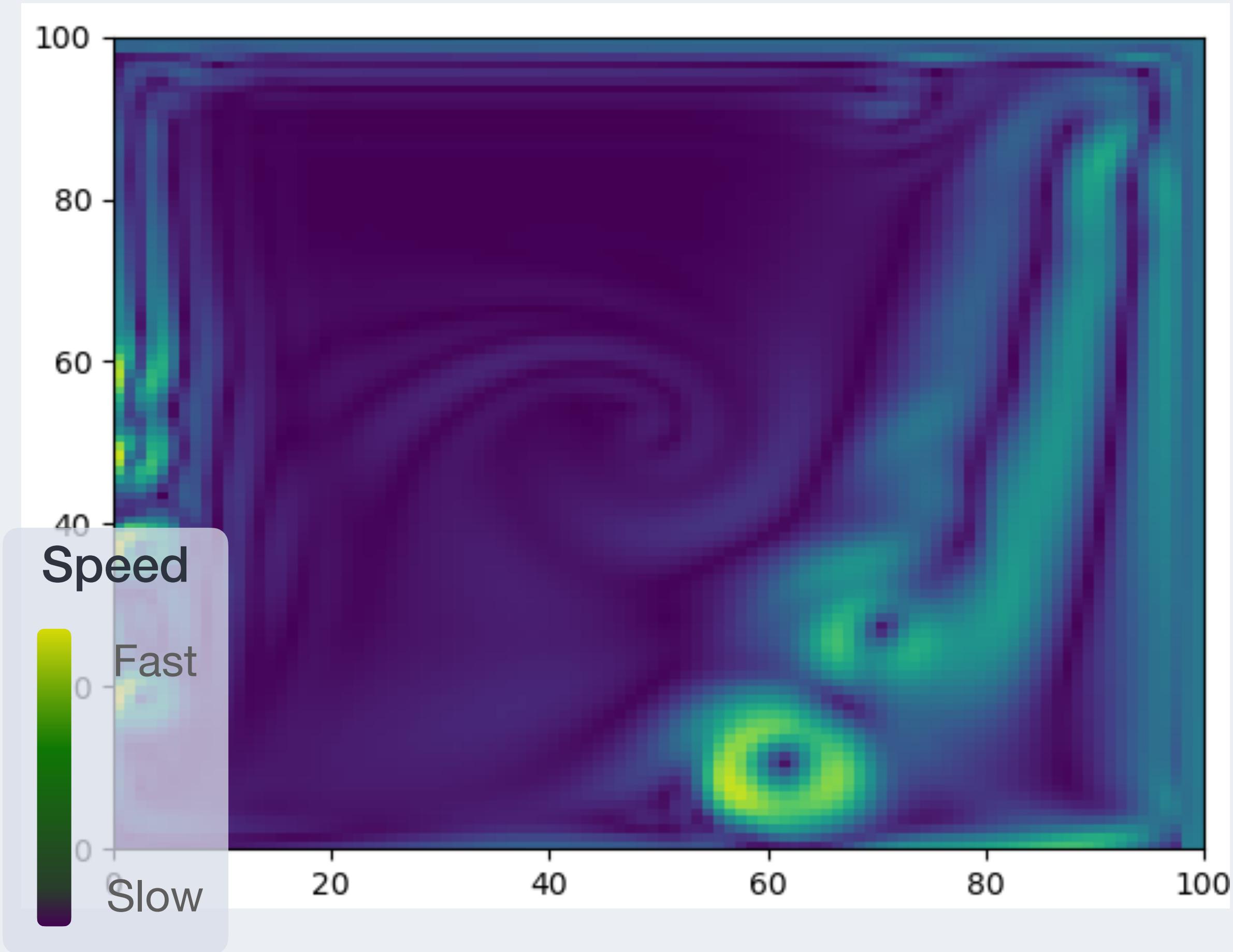
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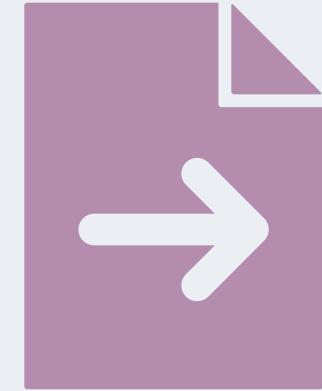
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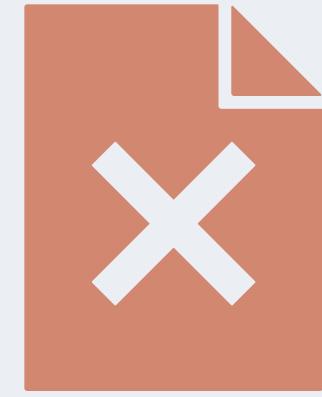
# ShallowWaters.jl



sw\_gen\_logs.txt



sw\_prop\_logs.txt



sw\_kill\_logs.txt

# ShallowWaters.jl



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

# ShallowWaters.jl



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

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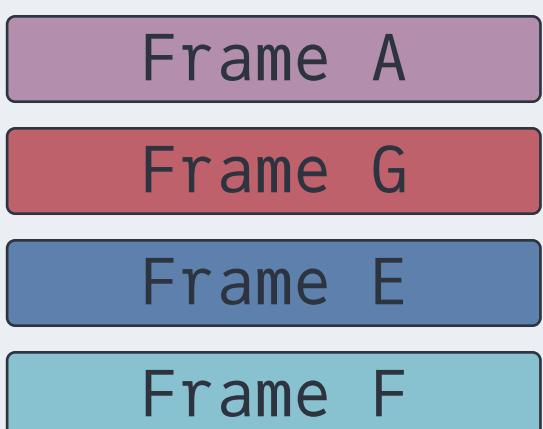
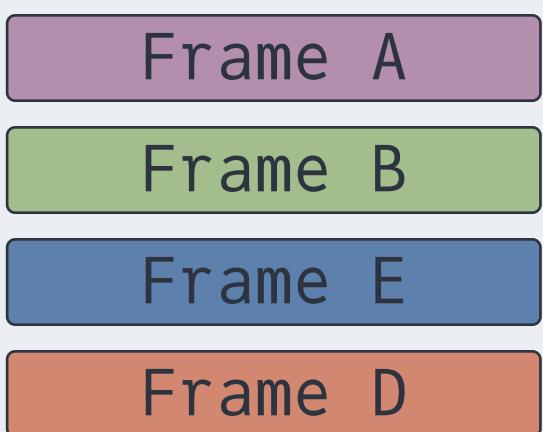
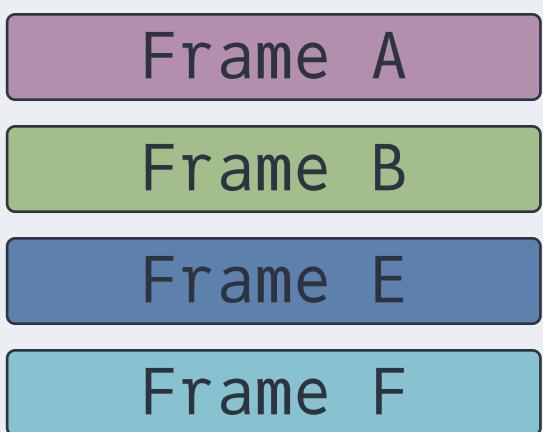
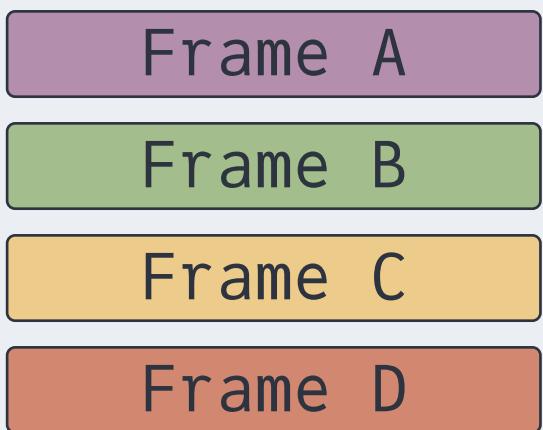
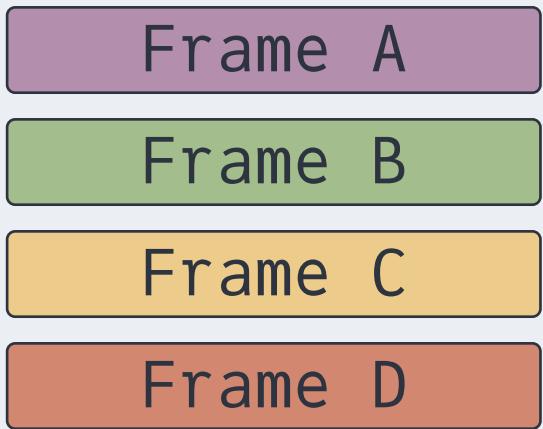
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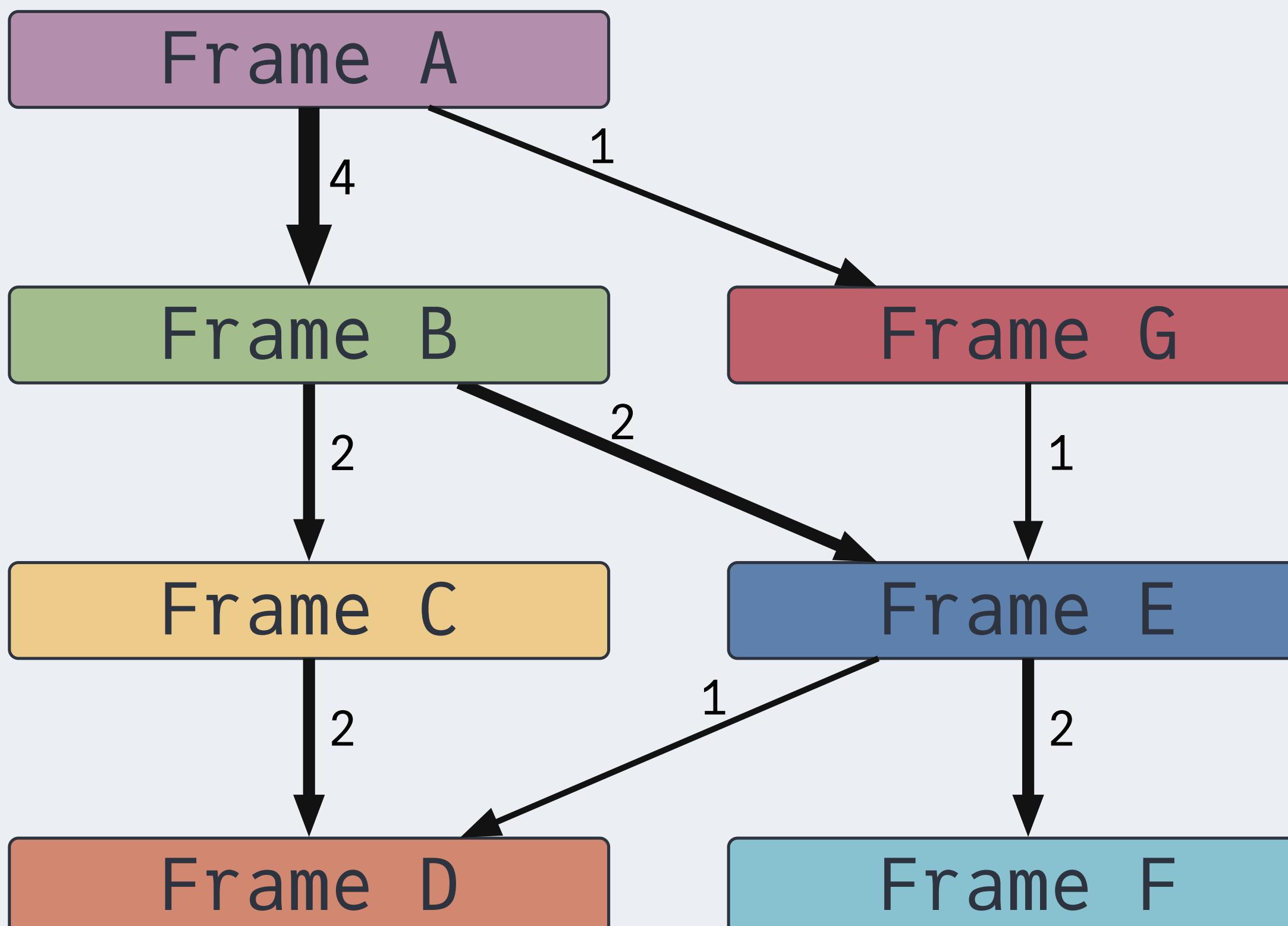
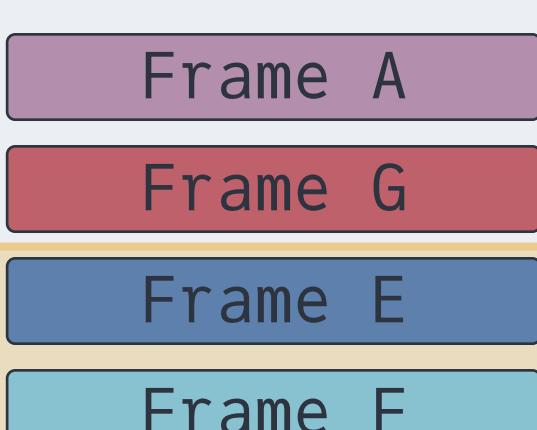
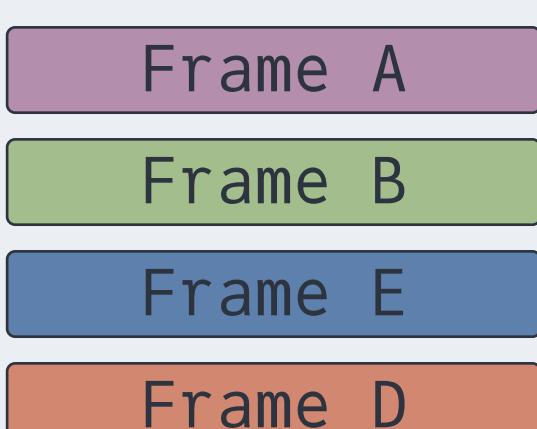
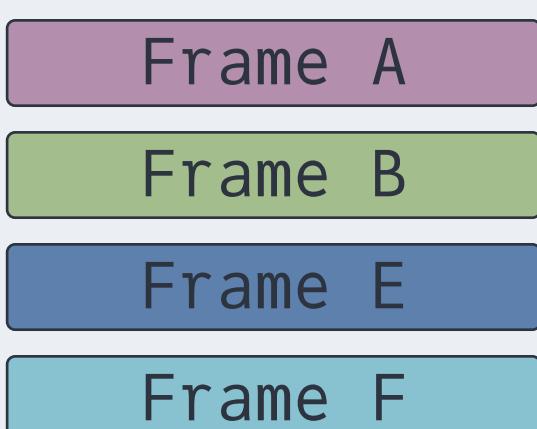
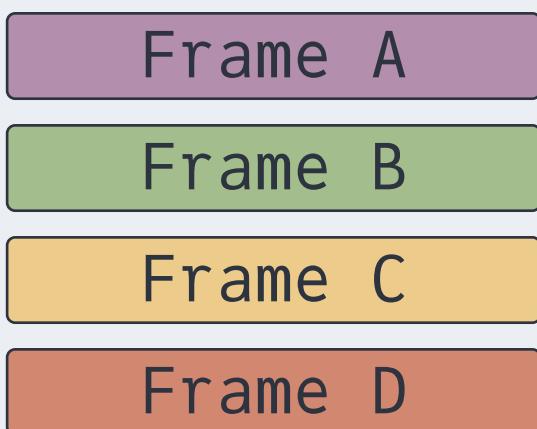
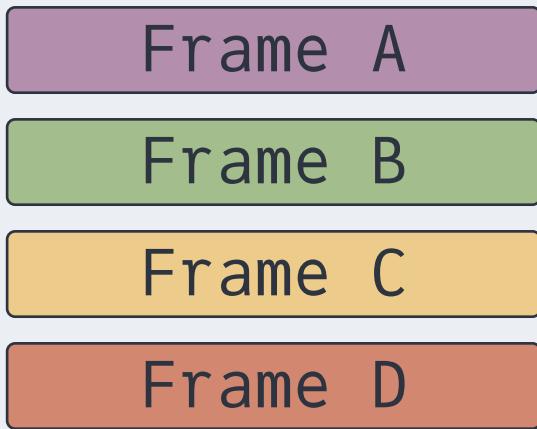
# ShallowWaters.jl

CSTG summarizes flows

Builds off of STAT from LLNL

<https://github.com/LLNL/STAT>



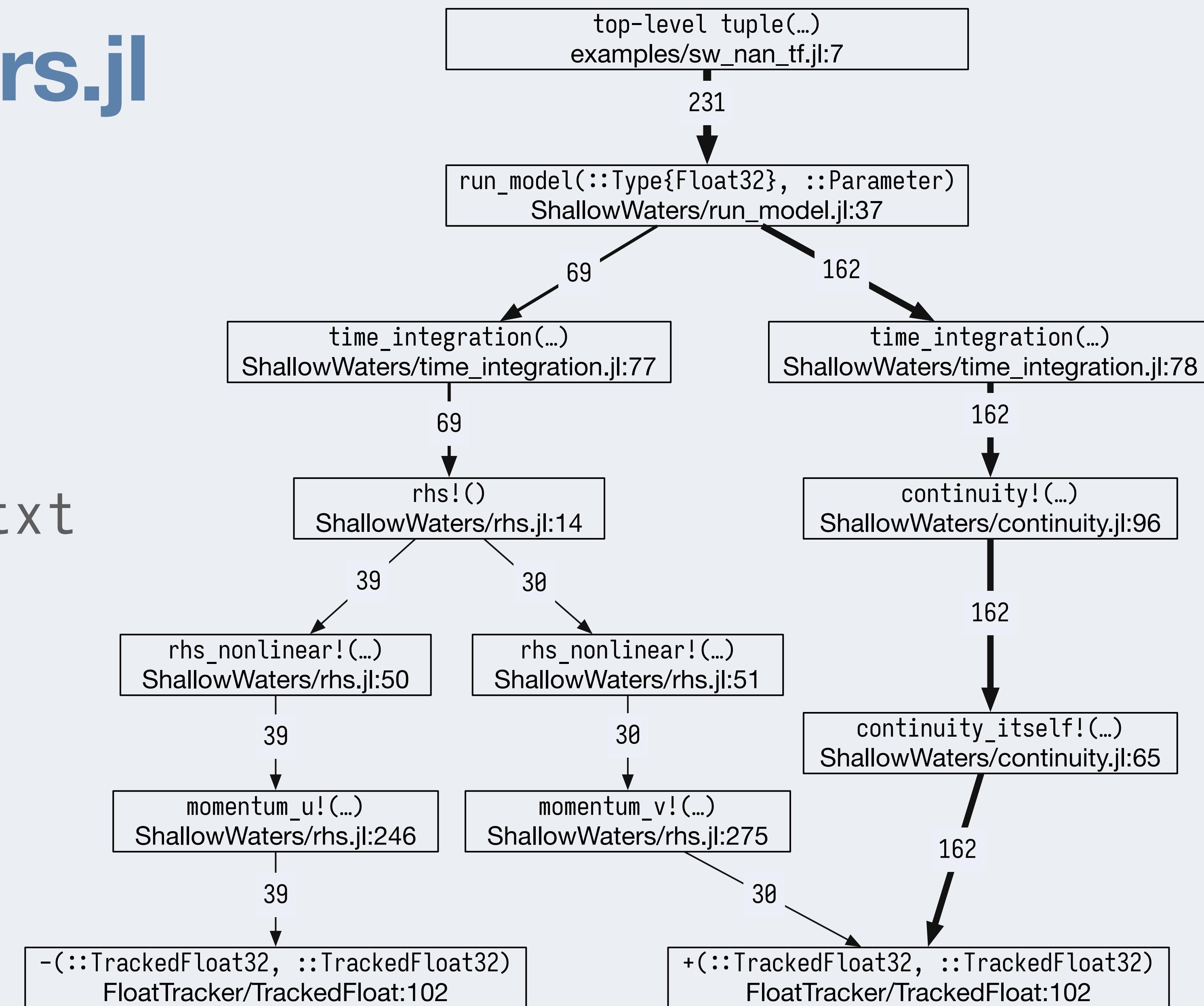


# ShallowWaters.jl

CSTG



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

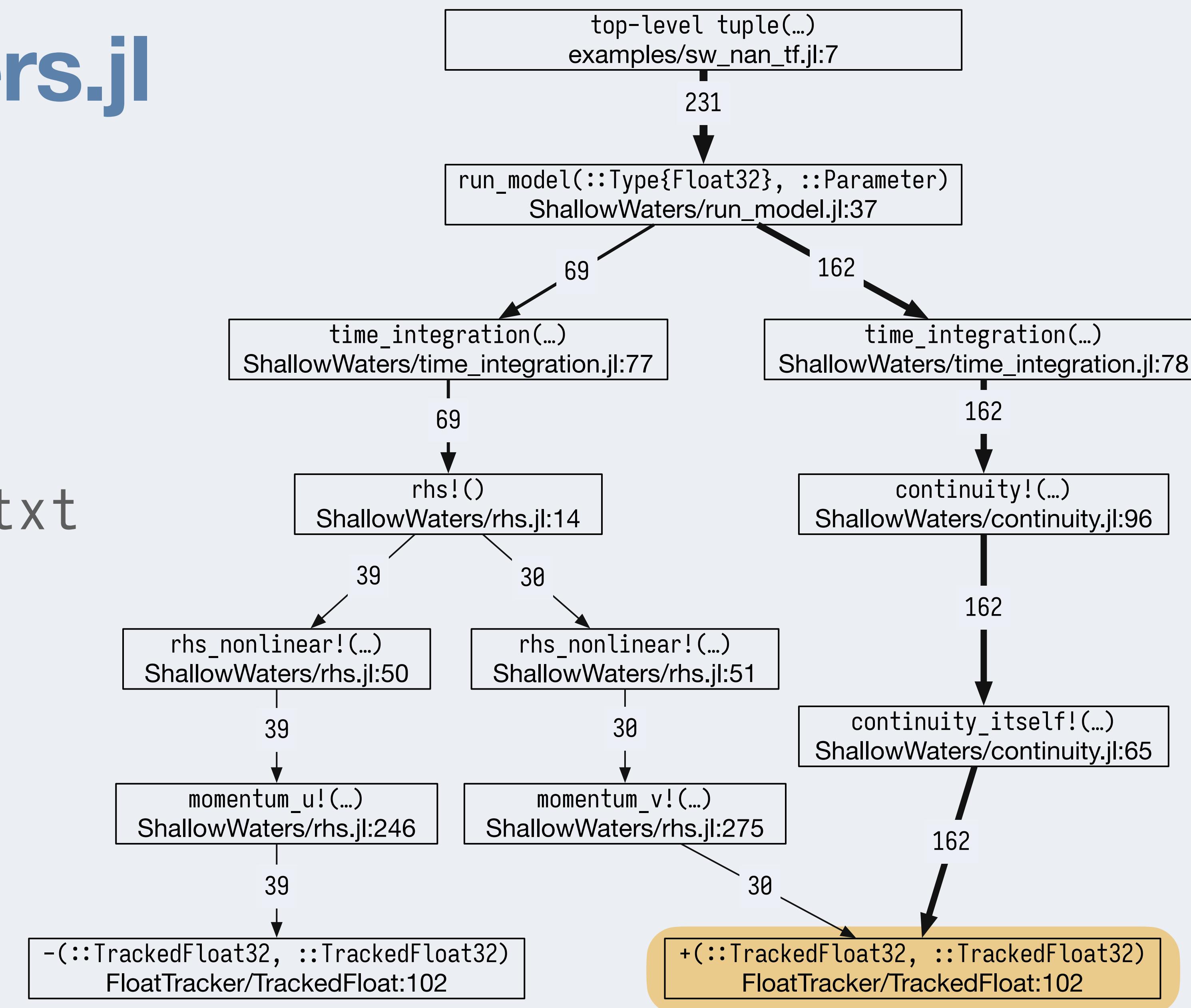


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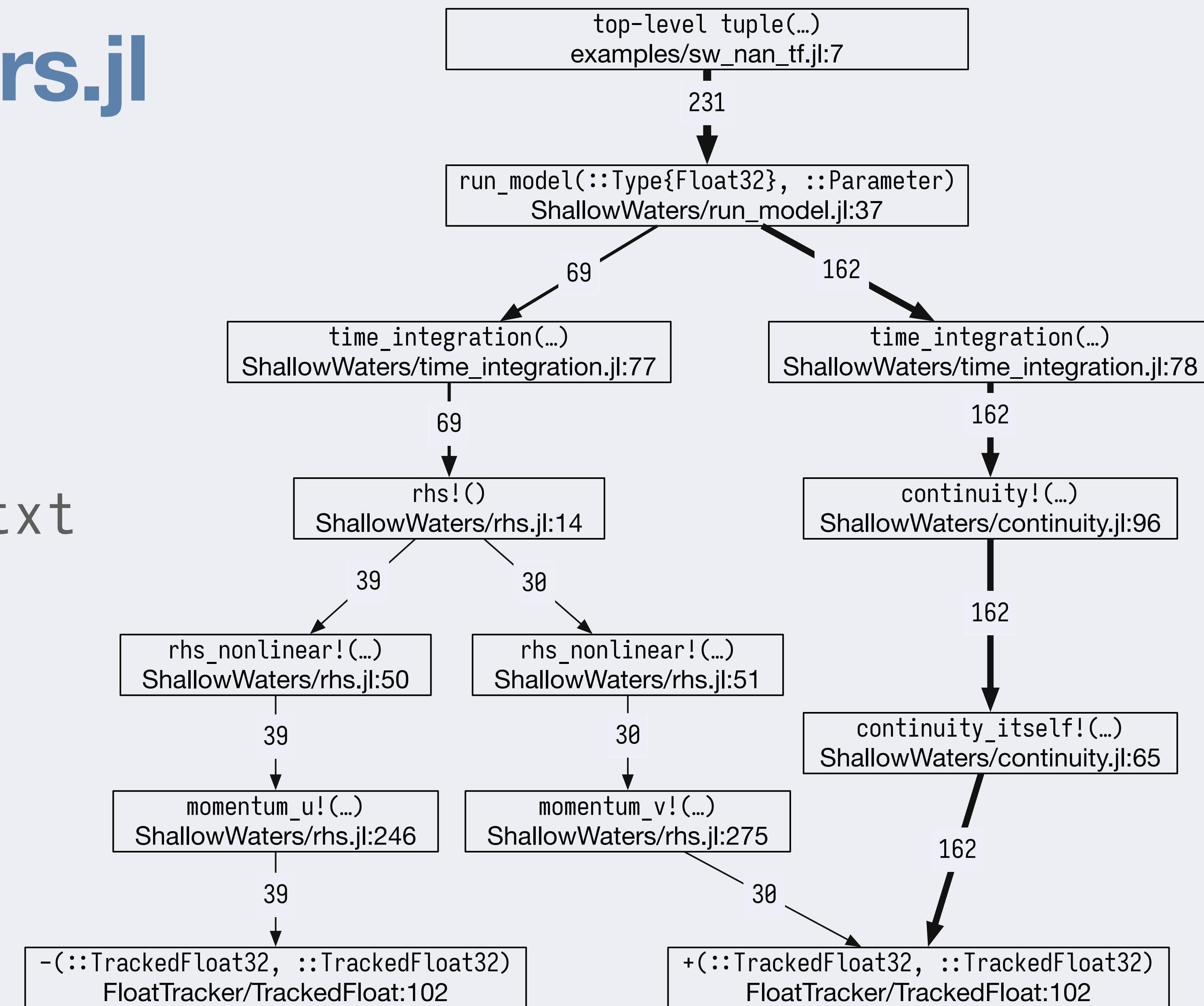


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# ShallowWaters.jl



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

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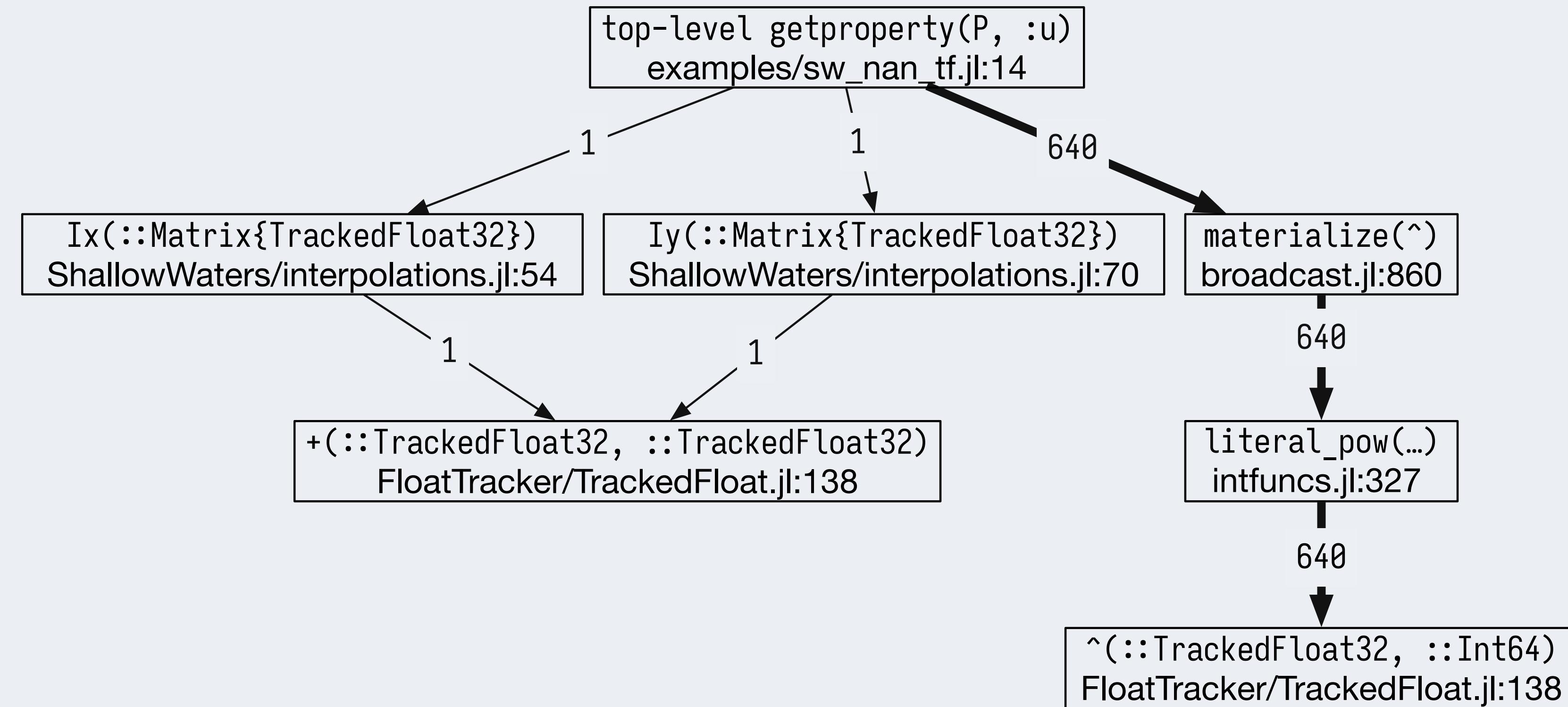
$\text{Inf32} + -\text{Inf32} \Rightarrow \text{NaN}$

# Where is Inf coming from?

Let's call FloatTracker 

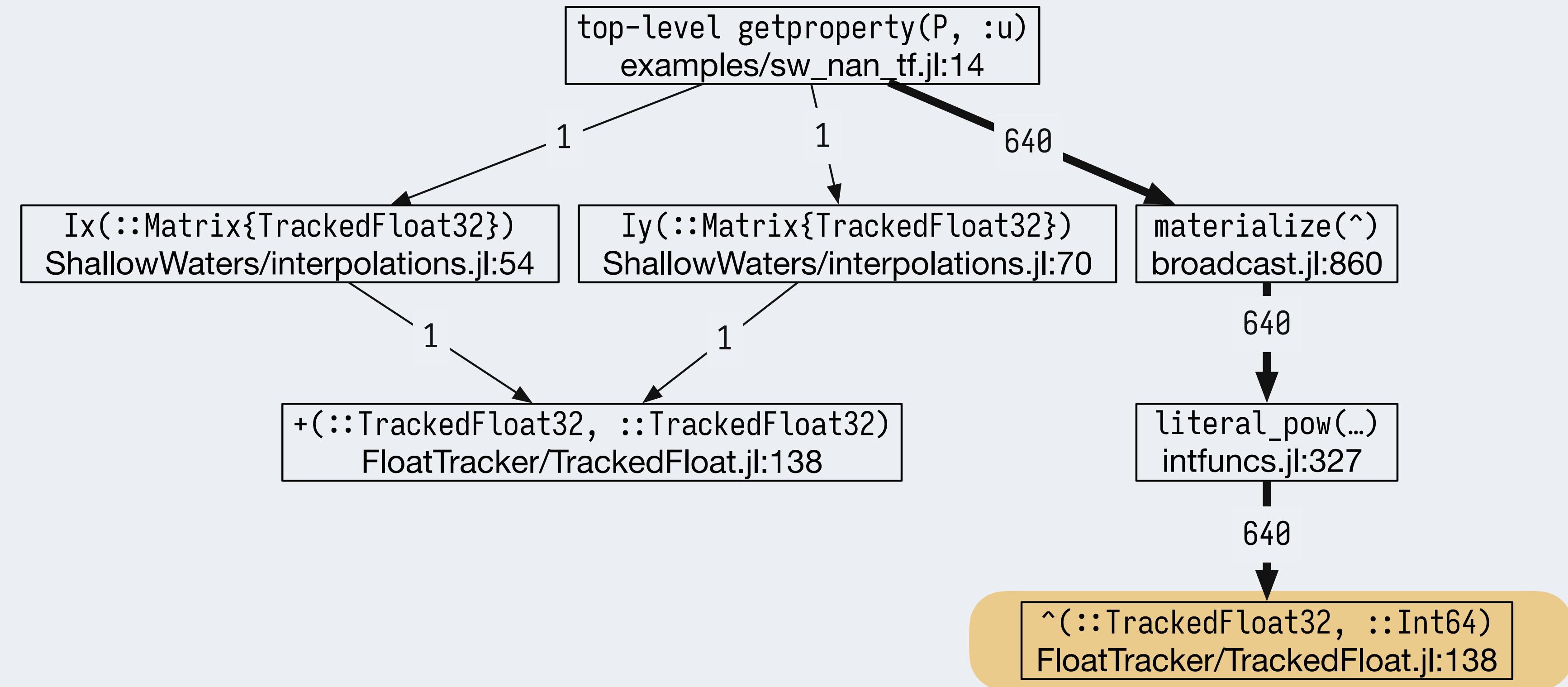
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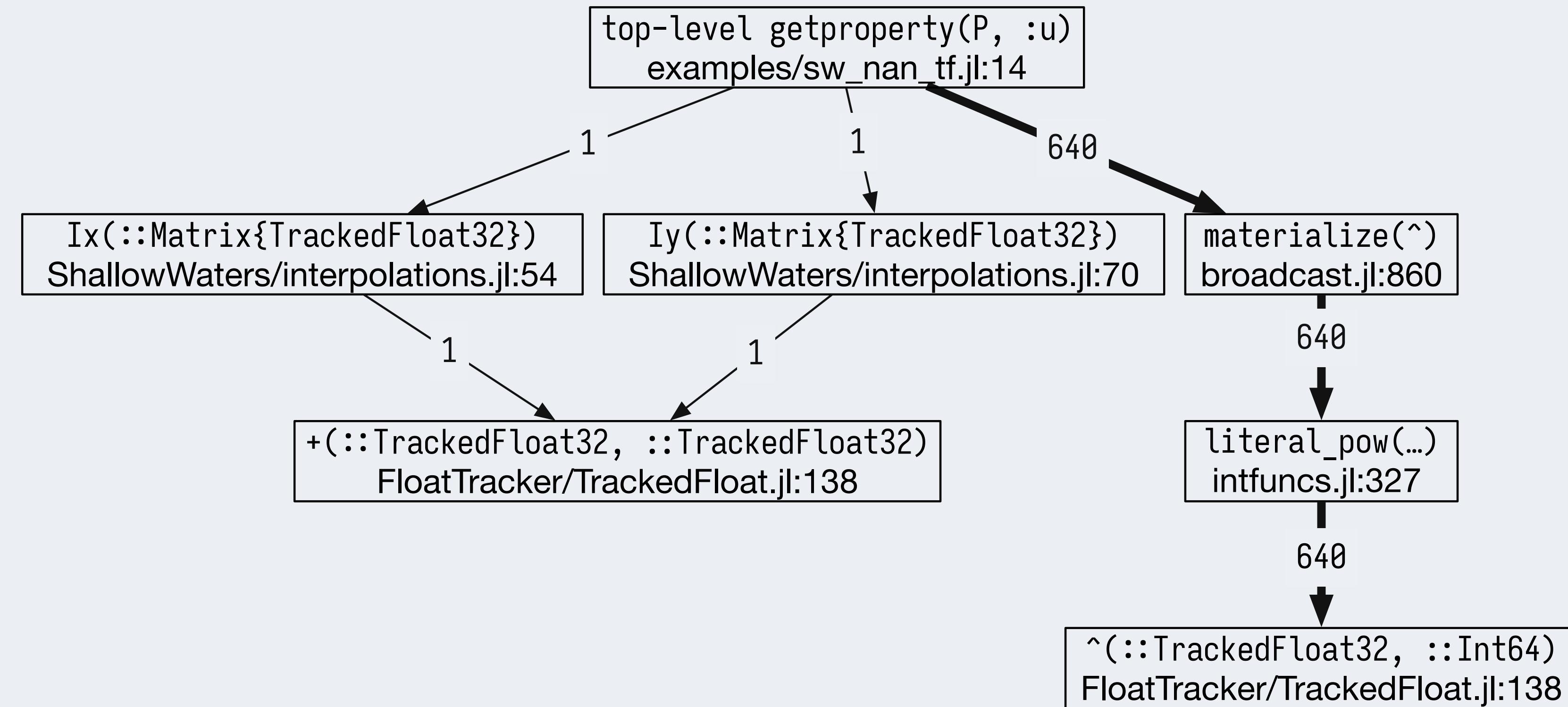
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## CSTG



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

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^(::TrackedFloat32, ::Int64) at FloatTracker/src/TrackedFloat.jl:139
literal_pow() at ./intfuncs.jl:327
_broadcast_getindex_evalf() at ./broadcast.jl:670
_broadcast_getindex() at ./broadcast.jl:643
getindex() at ./broadcast.jl:597
macro expansion() at ./broadcast.jl:961
macro expansion() at ./simdloop.jl:77
copyto!() at ./broadcast.jl:960
copyto!() at ./broadcast.jl:913
copy() at ./broadcast.jl:885
top-level scopeBase.getProperty(P, :u) at FTExamples/examples/sw_nan_tf.jl:14
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# ShallowWaters.jl

-1.5150702f31 ^ 2 ⇒ Inf

# ShallowWaters.jl

We're out of exception land! 🎉

# Flow Summary



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

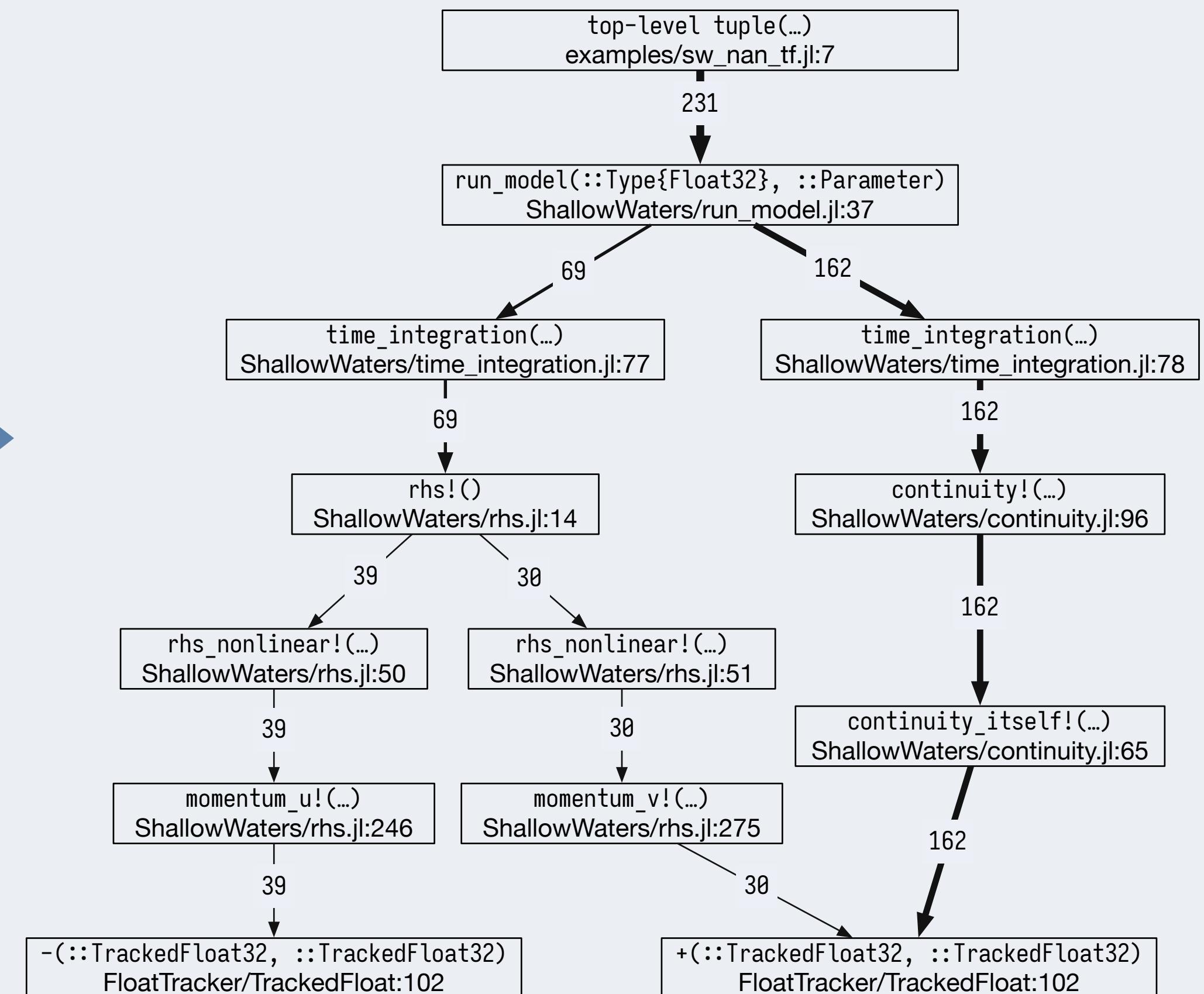
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# Flow Summary



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

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How does the flow change over time?

# ShallowWaters.jl

## CSTG Diff



sw\_gen\_logs.txt

# ShallowWaters.jl

## CSTG Diff



sw\_gen\_logs\_part1.txt



sw\_gen\_logs\_part2.txt

# ShallowWaters.jl

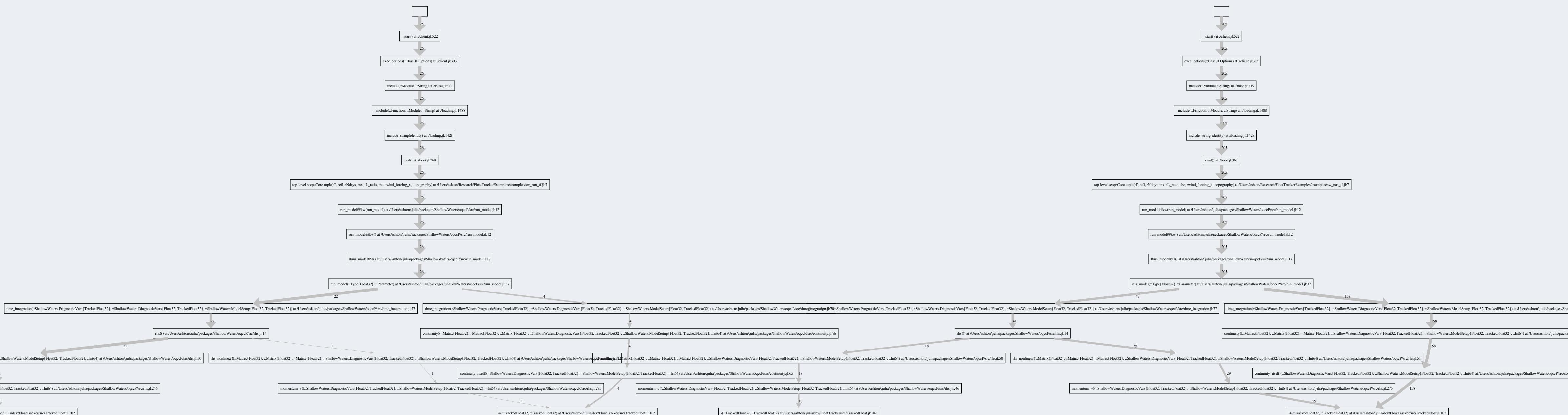
## CSTG Diff



sw\_gen\_logs\_part1.txt

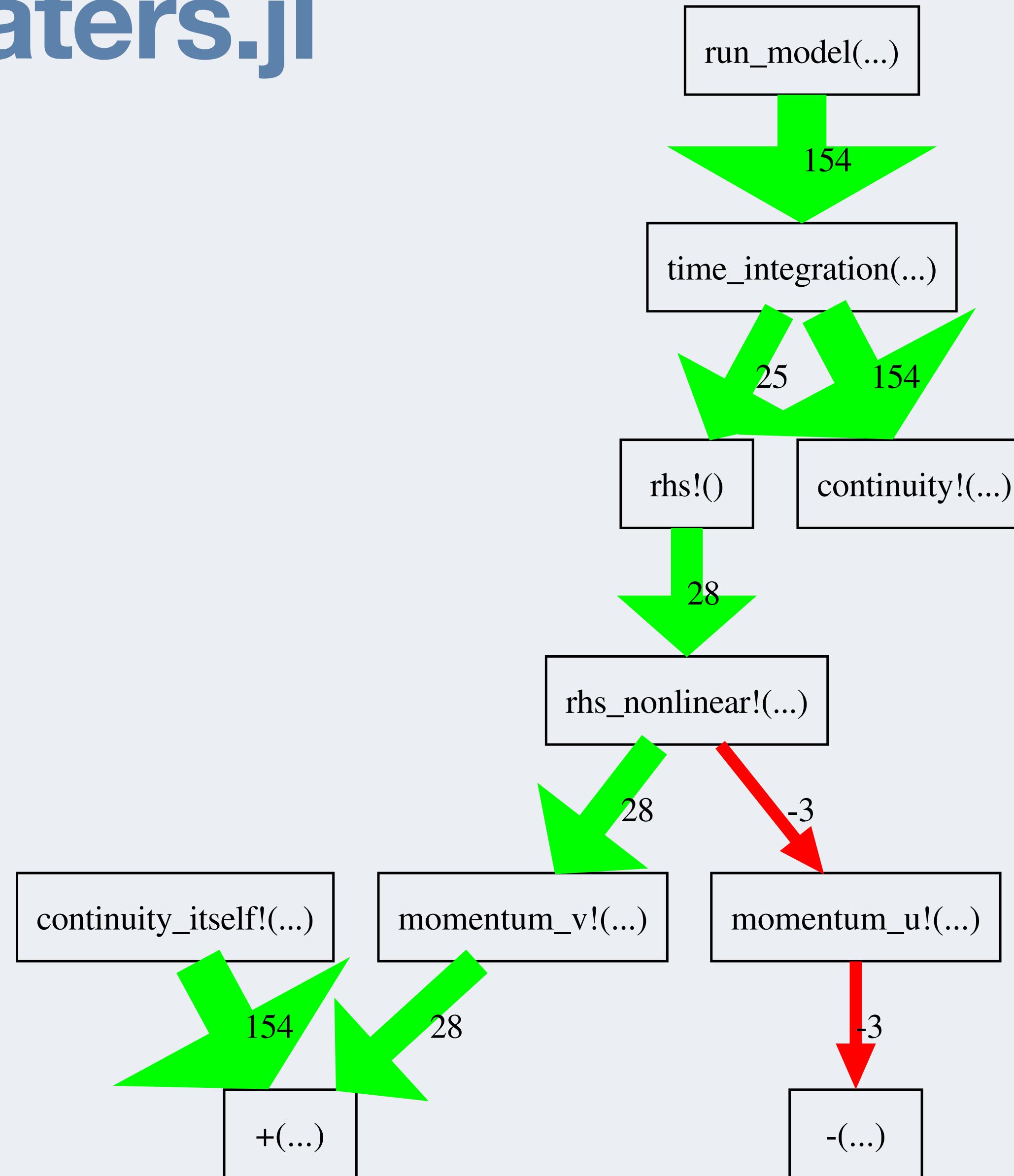


sw\_gen\_logs\_part2.txt



# ShallowWaters.jl

## CSTG Diff



# Fuzzing



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Demmel et al. arXiv:2207.09281

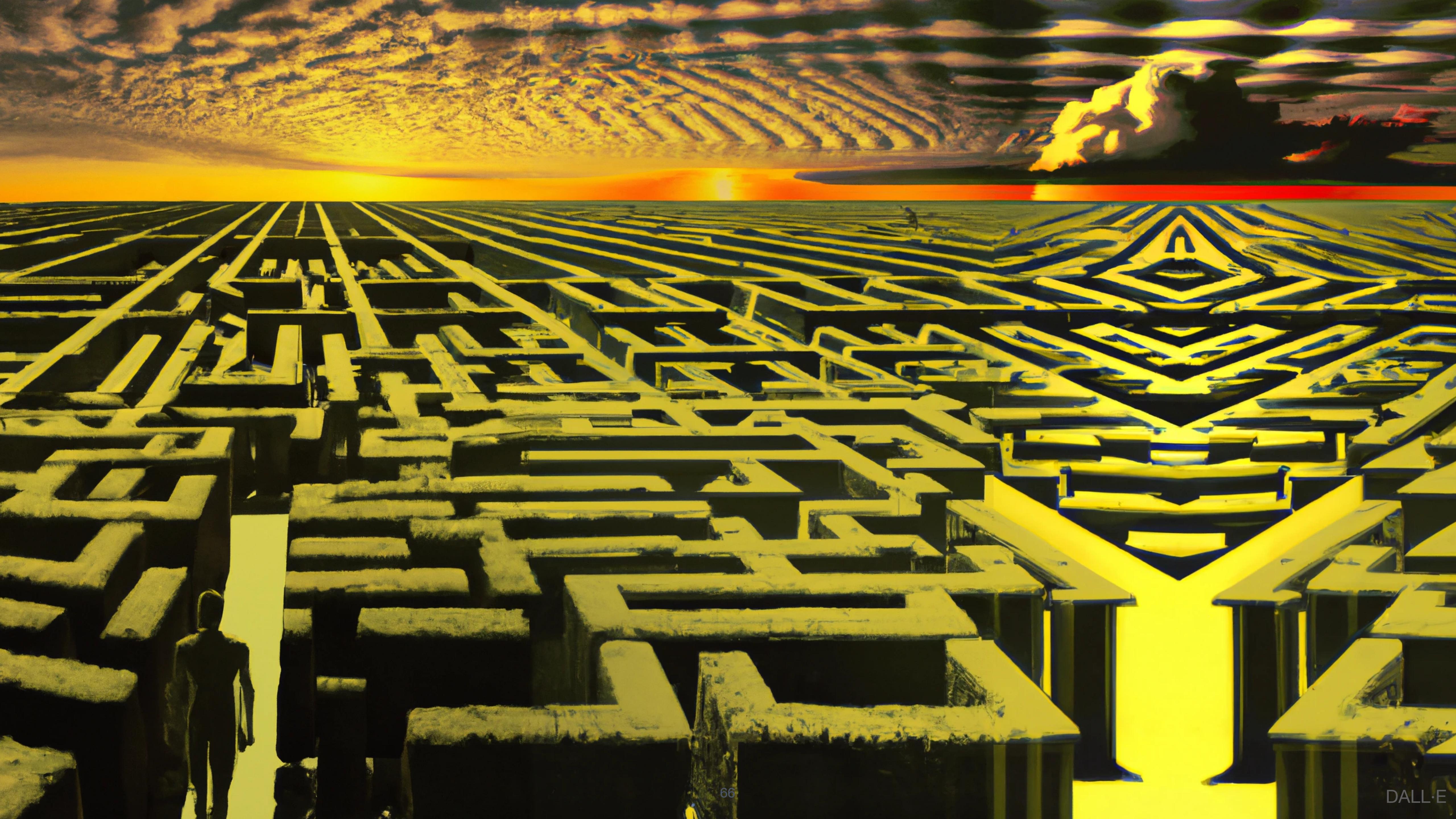
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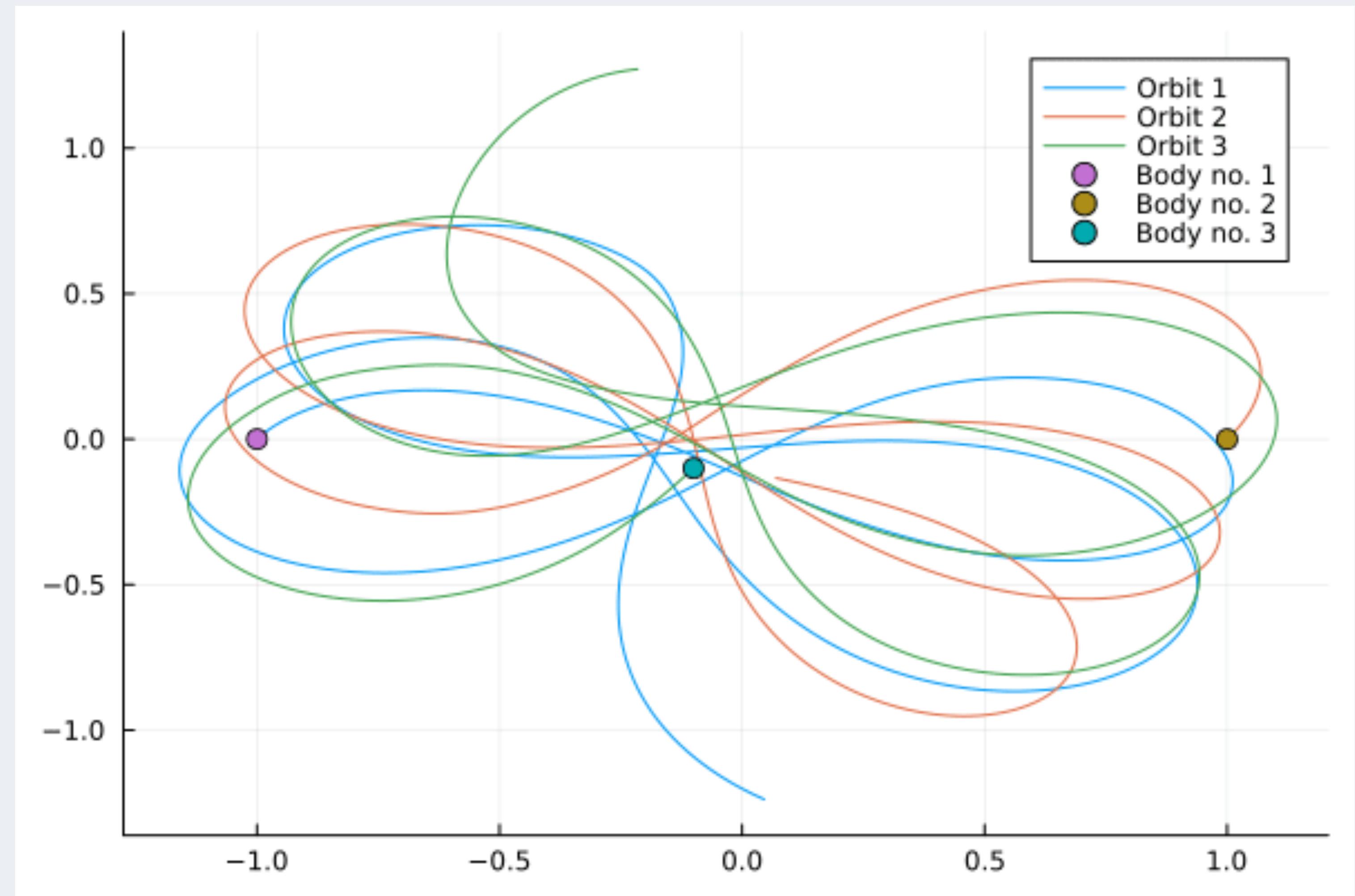


How do we find vulnerable locations?

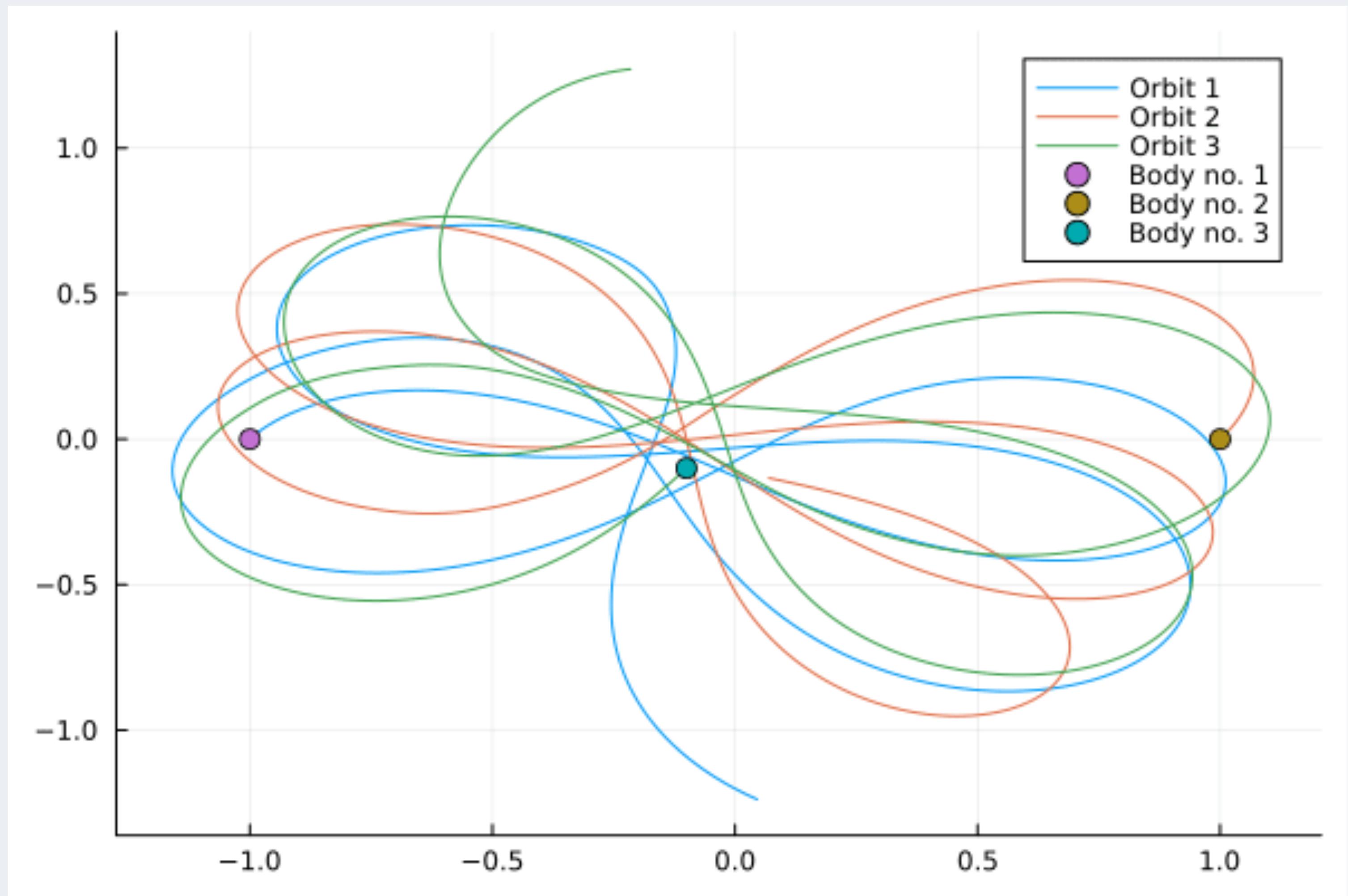
Let's call FloatTracker 

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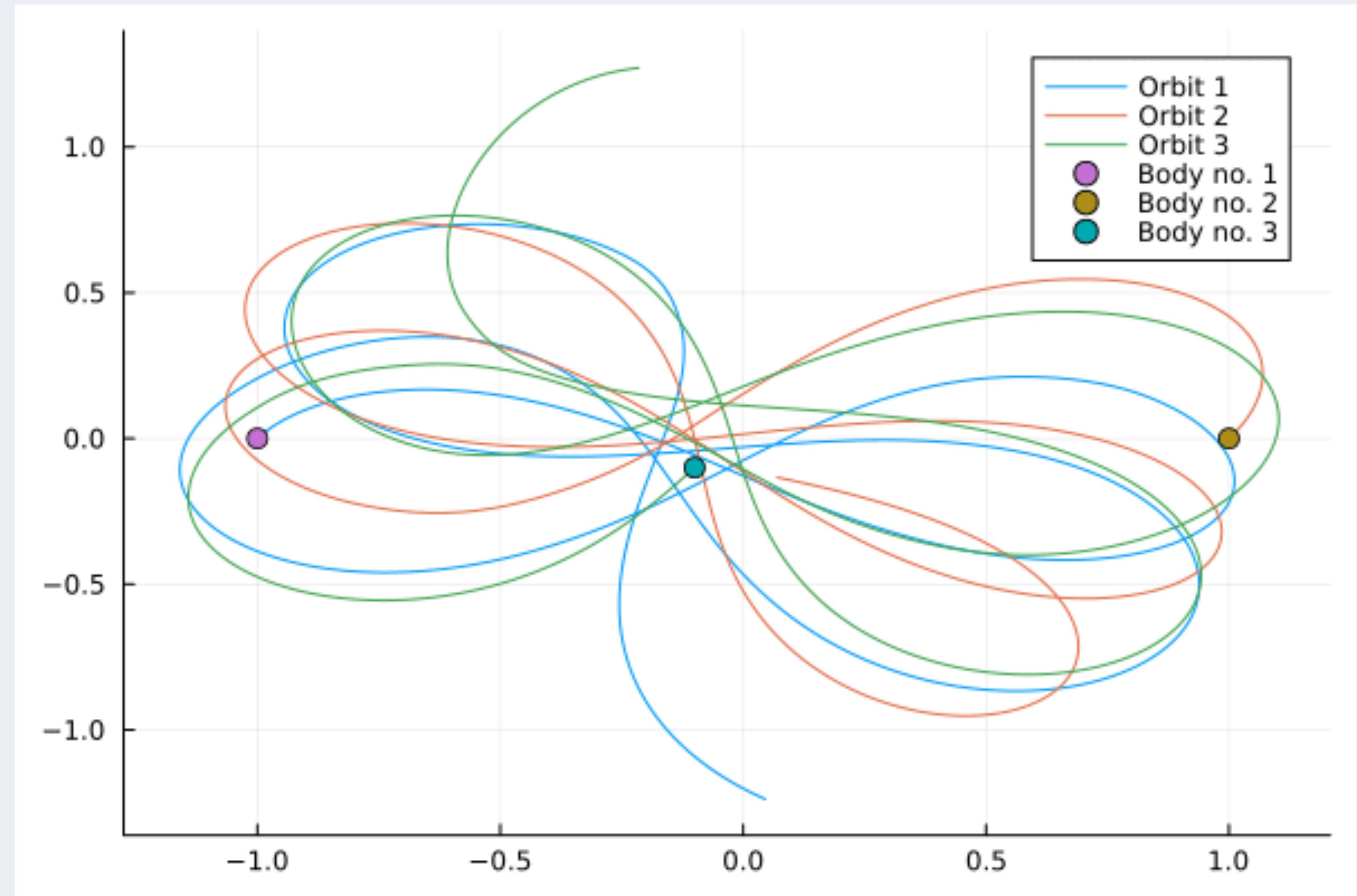


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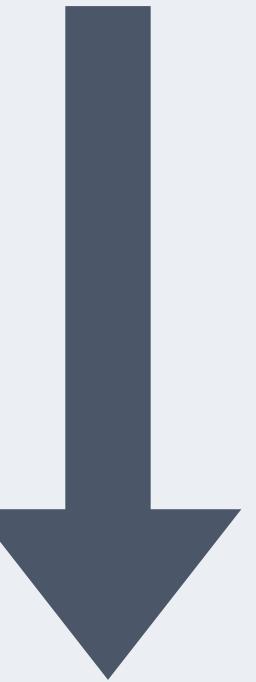


# NBodySimulator.jl

Nothing—no FP operations!



# NBodySimulator.jl



# OrdinaryDiffEq.jl

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```
config_injector(odds=2,  
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```

```
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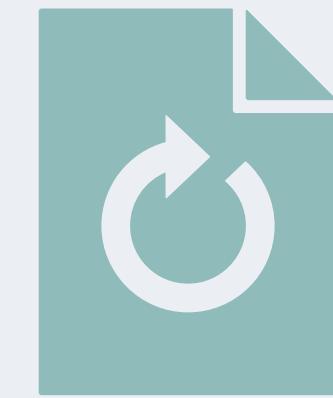
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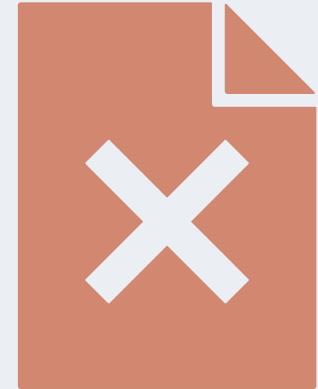
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injection\_recording.txt

Repeat interesting injections  
after hardening the code

# OrdinaryDiffEq

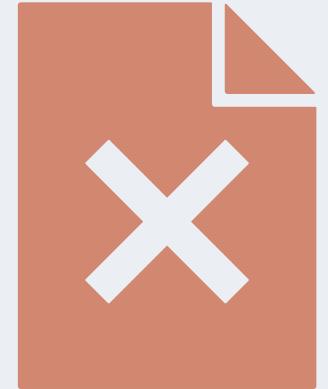


ode\_kill\_logs.txt

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solve_call  
...  
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top-level scope
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...  
at DiffEqBase/src/solve.jl:466  
...  
at DiffEqBase/src/solve.jl:819  
...  
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at FTExamples/examples/nbody_replay.jl:29
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# OrdinaryDiffEq



ode\_kill\_logs.txt

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                return integrator.sol
            end
            perform_step!(integrator, integrator.cache)
            loopfooter!(integrator)
            if isempty(integrator.opts.tstops)
                break
            end
        end
        handle_tstop!(integrator)
    end
    postamble!(integrator)
    ...

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OrdinaryDiffEq/src/solve.jl:514

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    ...

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# OrdinaryDiffEq

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function DiffEqBase.solve!(integrator::ODEIntegrator)
    @inbounds while !isempty(integrator.opts.tstops)
        while integrator.NaN * integrator.t < first(integrator.opts.tstops)
            loopheader!(integrator)
            if integrator.do_error_check && check_error!(integrator) != ReturnCode.Success
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<https://github.com/SciML/OrdinaryDiffEq.jl/issues/1939>

# FlowFPX Internals

# Making FloatTracker Work

Intercept floating-point operations

Float16

Float32

Float64

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Intercept floating-point operations

TrackedFloat16

TrackedFloat32

TrackedFloat64

# Making FloatTracker Work

## Intercept floating-point operations

```
abstract type AbstractTrackedFloat <: AbstractFloat end

struct TrackedFloat32 <: AbstractTrackedFloat
  val::Float32
end
```

# Making FloatTracker Work

## Intercept floating-point operations

```
function Base.+(x::TrackedFloat32, y::TrackedFloat32)
    result = x.val + y.val
    check_error(+, result, x.val, y.val)
    TrackedFloat32(result)
end
```

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✨ Type Dispatch ✨

# Making FloatTracker Work

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    TrackedFloat32(result)
end
```

Of course, this would be hard to maintain

# Making FloatTracker Work

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## Enter the Macros

# Making FloatTracker Work

```
for TrackedFloatN in (:TrackedFloat16, :TrackedFloat32, :TrackedFloat64)
    for Op in (:+, :-, :/, :^)
        @eval function Base.$Op(x::$TrackedFloatN, y::$TrackedFloatN)
            result = $Op(x, y)
            check_error($Op, result, x.val, y.val)
            $TrackedFloatN(result)
        end
    end
end
```

Inspired by Milan Klöwer's Sherlogs.jl library  
<https://github.com/milankl/Sherlogs.jl>

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**Lines of Code in TrackedFloat.jl**

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## Generated Function Variants

You can write your own  
overrides too!

# Custom Overrides: Clapeyron

```
Base.:+(x::ForwardDiff.Dual, y::TrackedFloat32) = x - y.val
```

# Custom Overrides: Clapeyron

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# Conclusion



# Tracking down instances of NaN and Inf doesn't have to be painful

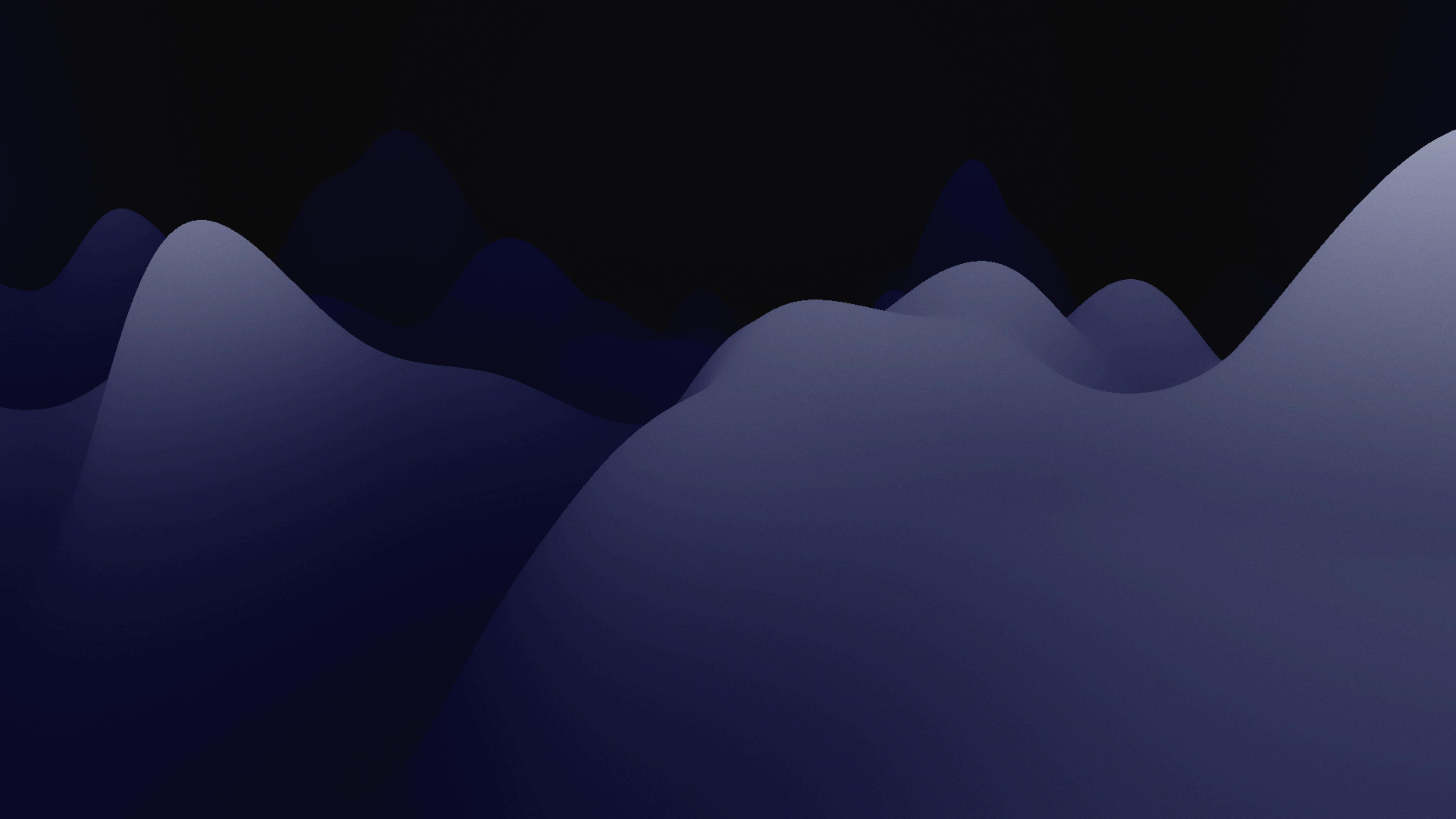
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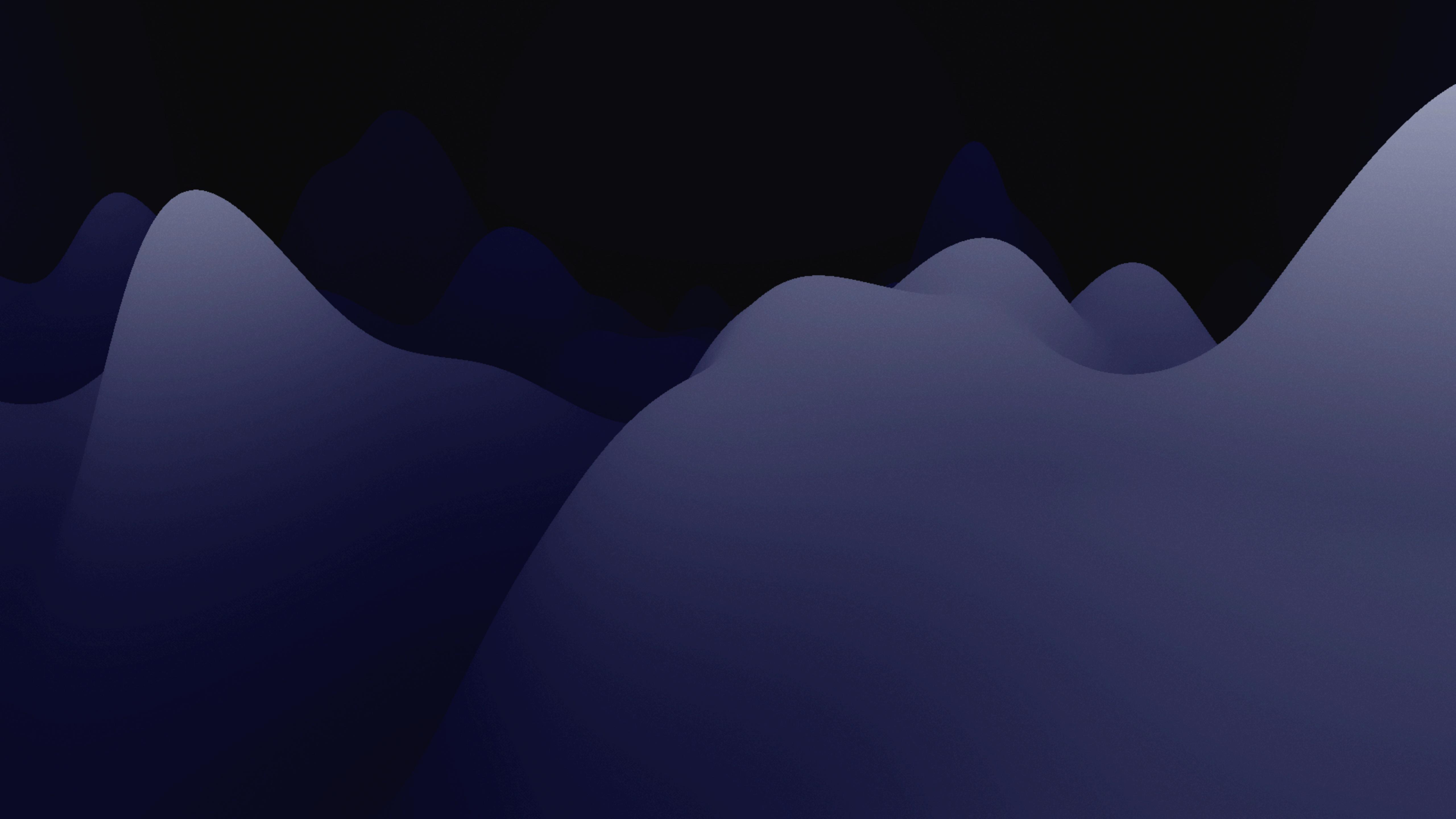
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Type dispatch: the great enabler



Who you gonna call? 





**Nain**

**FLOATTRACKER**

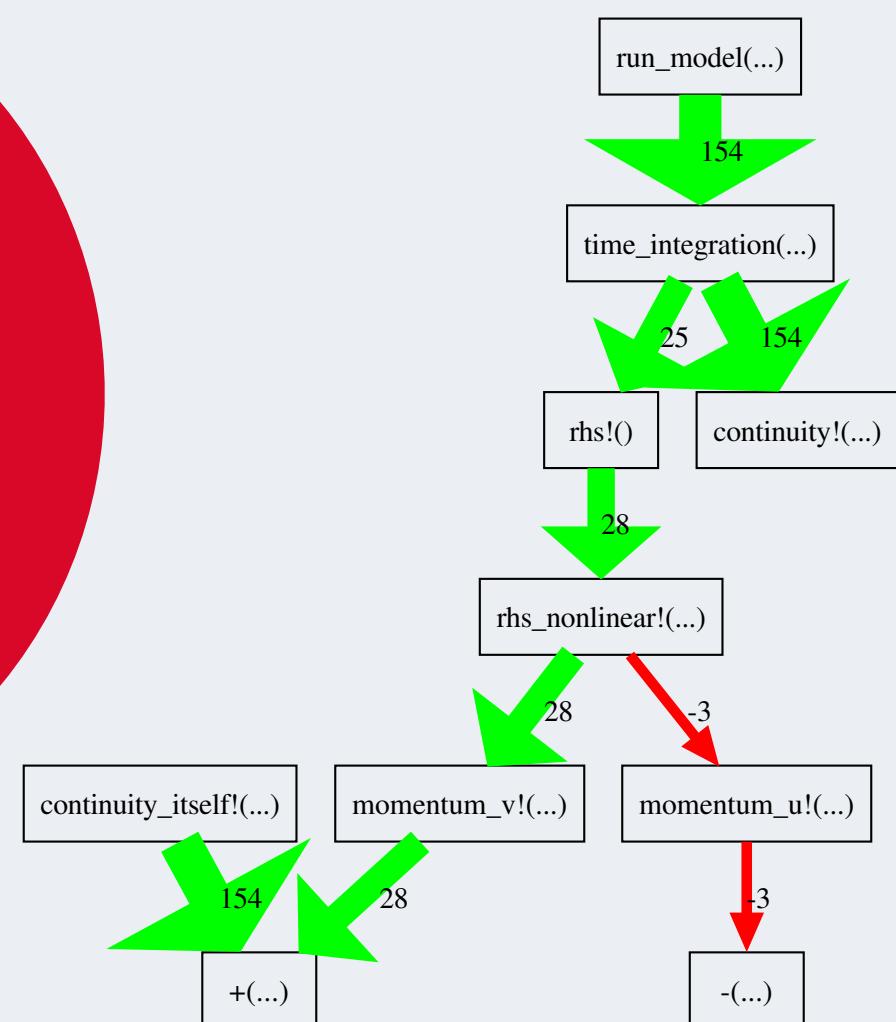


# FlowFPX

## FloatTracker

Track and fuzz exceptional values

<https://github.com/utahplt/FloatTracker.jl>



## CSTG

Summarize flows in graphs

<https://github.com/utahplt/CSTG>



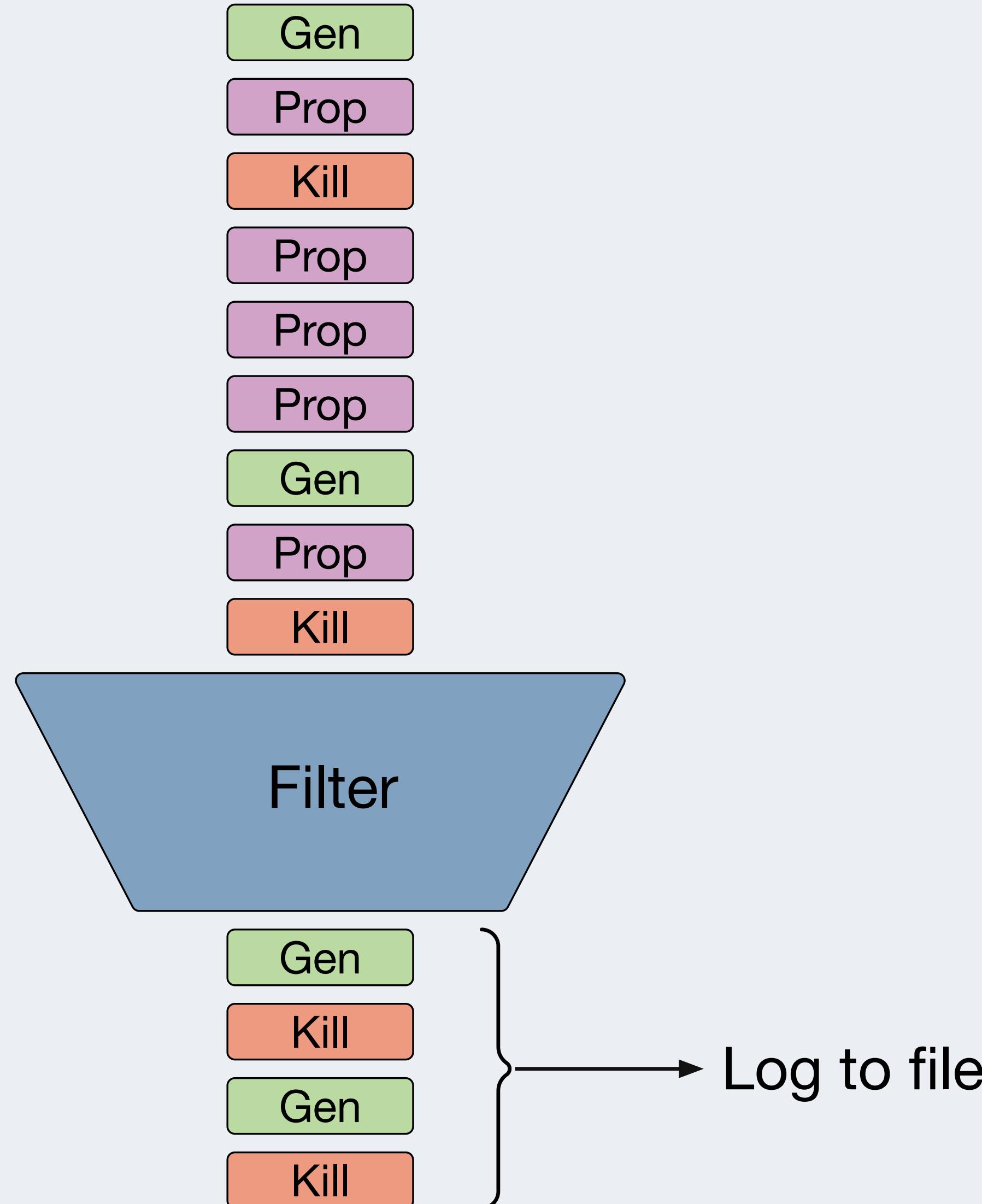
# Performance (ShallowWaters)

3 s		(no NaN, no FloatTracker)
<1 s		(NaN, no FloatTracker)
79 s	25x	(no NaN, full FloatTracker)
66 s	9500x	(NaN, full FloatTracker)
1 s	164x	(NaN, FloatTracker logs first 100 gen events)
1 s	160x	(NaN, FloatTracker with logging turned off)

# Performance

Filter event types

Limit number of events logged



# Performance

- Short of it: DO NOT RUN IN PRODUCTION—this is a profiler
- Log filtering helps tremendously

# Exception land

- Domain experts now get a *concrete number* to look at
- Also get some stack traces as hints as to where to look next

# Comparison with flame graphs

- Flame graphs track time spent in each function (performance)
- CSTG tracks number of invocations (frequency)
- A routine frequently generating/killing NaN might run quickly—won't show up on a flame graph, but CSTG will highlight its role

# GPU-FPX

Detects exceptions in the GPU at runtime

-- FP32 Operations --

Total NaN: 1

Total INF: 0

Total subnormal: 0

Total div0: 0

<https://github.com/LLNL/GPU-FPX>

<https://doi.org/10.1145/3588195.3592991>

x = 2e38

y = 1e38

(x + x) - y ⇒ Inf

x = 2e38

y = 1e38

(x + x) - y ⇒ Inf

$$x = 2e38$$

$$y = 1e38$$

$$(x + x) - y \Rightarrow \text{Inf}$$

$$x + (x - y) \Rightarrow 3e38$$