

# Performance-Portable Implicit Scale-Resolving Compressible Flow Using libCEED

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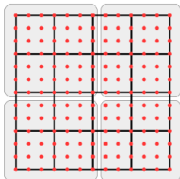
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global domain  
all (shared) dofs

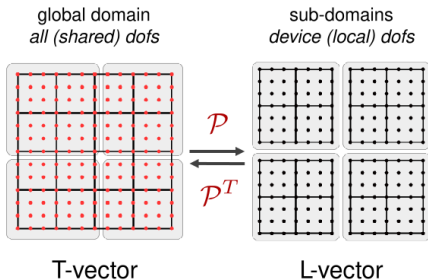


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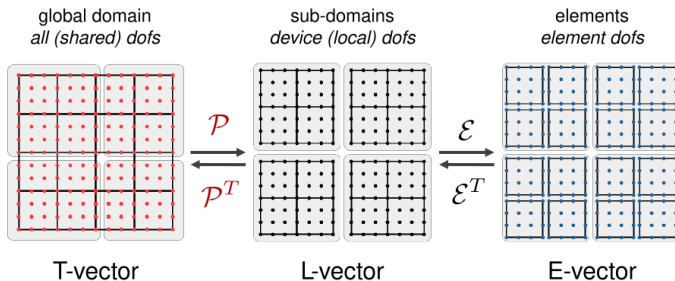
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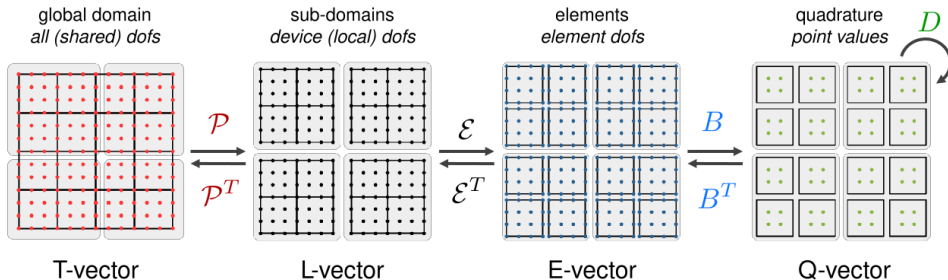
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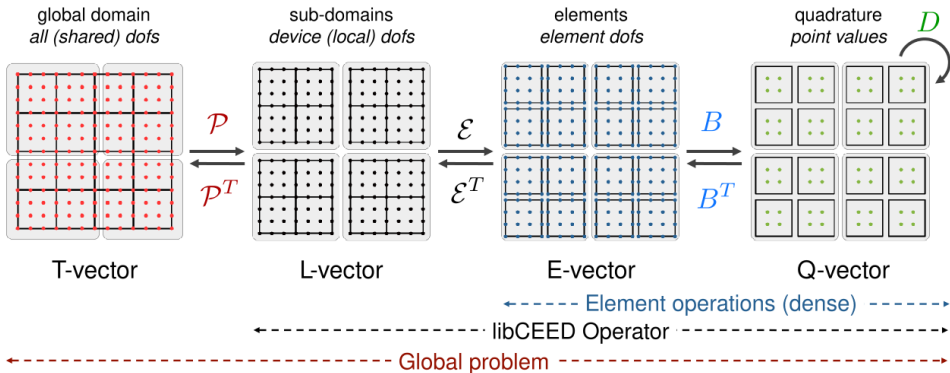
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# Compressible Fluid Equations in libCEED

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$$\mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{Y}_{,t} + \mathbf{F}_{i,i}(\mathbf{Y}) - S(\mathbf{Y}) = 0$$

for

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}_0 \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u_i \\ T \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Y}} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u_i \\ \rho e \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{F}_i(\mathbf{Y}) = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \rho u_i \\ \rho u_i u_j + p \delta_{ij} \\ (\rho e + p) u_i \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{F}_i^{\text{adv}}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\sigma_{ij} \\ -\rho u_j \sigma_{ij} - k T_{,i} \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{F}_i^{\text{diff}}}, \quad S(\mathbf{Y}) = - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \rho \mathbf{g} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



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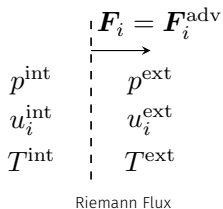


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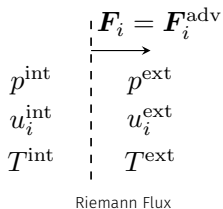


The diagram illustrates a Riemann flux boundary condition at a cell interface. A vertical dashed line represents the interface. To the left of the interface, the internal state variables are listed:  $p^{\text{int}}$ ,  $u_i^{\text{int}}$ , and  $T^{\text{int}}$ . To the right, the external state variables are listed:  $p^{\text{ext}}$ ,  $u_i^{\text{ext}}$ , and  $T^{\text{ext}}$ . A horizontal arrow points from the internal state to the external state, with the label  $\mathbf{F}_i = \mathbf{F}_i^{\text{adv}}$  above it. Below the dashed line, the text "Riemann Flux" is written.



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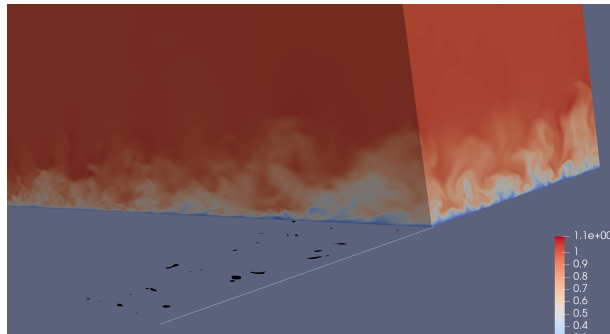


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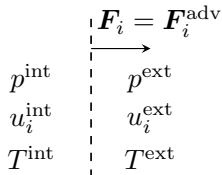


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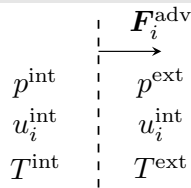
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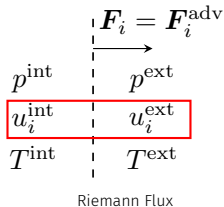


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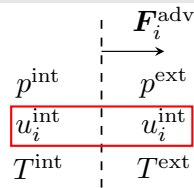
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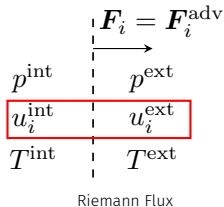


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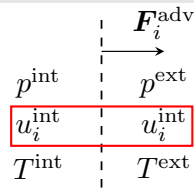
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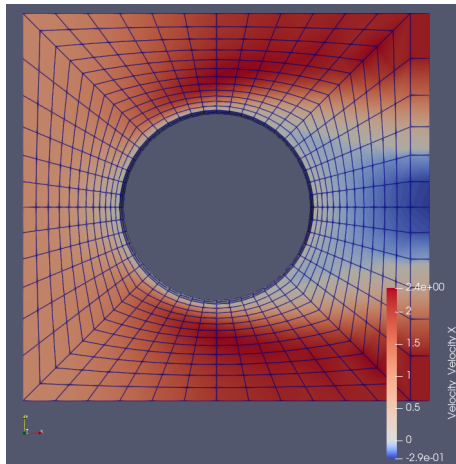
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# Viscous Outflow Boundary Conditions Demonstration



- Cylinder in cross flow torture test
- Stable for significant outflow recirculation
- Only  $p$  and  $T$  set at boundary



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- **Pros:** Just need a residual evaluation, cheap (in programming and computation)
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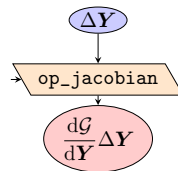
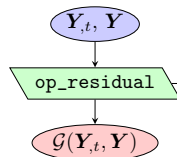
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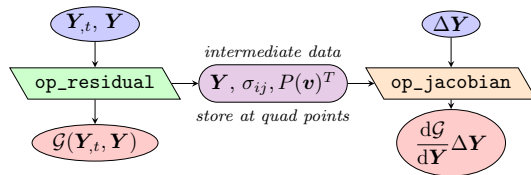
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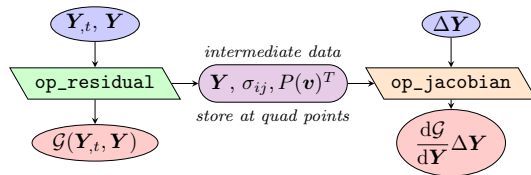
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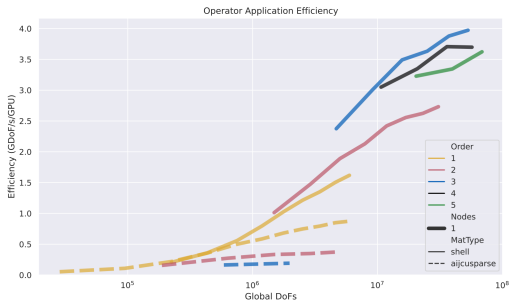
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- **Pros:** Exact Jacobian matrix-vector product (potentially faster convergence)
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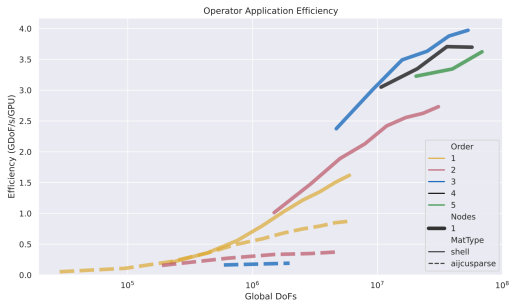
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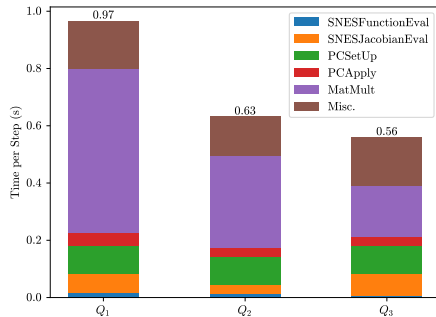
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Fluids performance, DoFs fixed.  
Run on ALCF's Polaris on two nodes (8x NVIDIA A100)



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