Two-Dimensional Dendritic Growth Using Phase-Field Model Report

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1 Stability Constrain

The stability of the diffusion of the ϕ is basing on the $\frac{h^2}{dt}$

2 Parameter Effect on Dendritic Growth

The following existing classes will be directly utilized:

Point, Box, RectMDarray

VisitWriter, WriteRectMDArray

CH_Timer

A new class <code>DendriticGrowth</code> is defined, along with a modified version of the original RK4. Inside <code>DendriticGrowth</code>, public member data and functions contain ϕ and u fields, as well as update and increment functions for both fields. As <code>DendriticGrowth</code> is the only input class for RK4, class setup in RK4 is modified accordingly.

3 Algorithm and Flow Chart

Figure 1: Pseudo code diagram for dendritic growth using phase-field model

- 1. Initialize the modeling parameters including timestep dt, end time t, grid dh, domain size L, etc.;
 - 2. Initialize the ϕ and u field;

- 3. Evaluate the gradient and laplacian operators by 2nd order central difference scheme;
 - 4. Evaluate the orientation angle θ and W;
 - 5. Evaluate RHS of ϕ and u euqations, update ϕ and u using RK4;
 - 6. Plot intermidiate time step contour of ϕ and u.