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## *Introduction to the MOOSE Framework*

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# Reference

- <http://mooseframework.org/>



The screenshot shows the MOOSE framework website. At the top is a dark blue header bar with the word "MOOSE" and a magnifying glass icon on the left, and navigation links for "Getting Started", "Documentation", "Help", "News", "Citing", and "GitHub" on the right.

# MOOSE

Multiphysics Object-Oriented Simulation Environment

An open-source, parallel finite element framework

 Rapid Development

MOOSE provides a plug-in infrastructure that simplifies definitions of physics, material properties, and postprocessing.

 User-Focused

MOOSE includes an ever-expanding set of [physics modules](#) and supports multi-scale models, thus enabling collaboration across applications, time-scales, and spatial domains.

 Getting Started

MOOSE works on Mac OS, Linux, and Windows, and it is easy to [get started](#).

# Outline

- MOOSE Overview
- Installation
- A First Example of Diffusion Problem
- Finite Element Principles
- Input Files
- Examples with a more complex geometry
- An Advanced Example: DarcyFlow
- MOOSE on the NanoHub

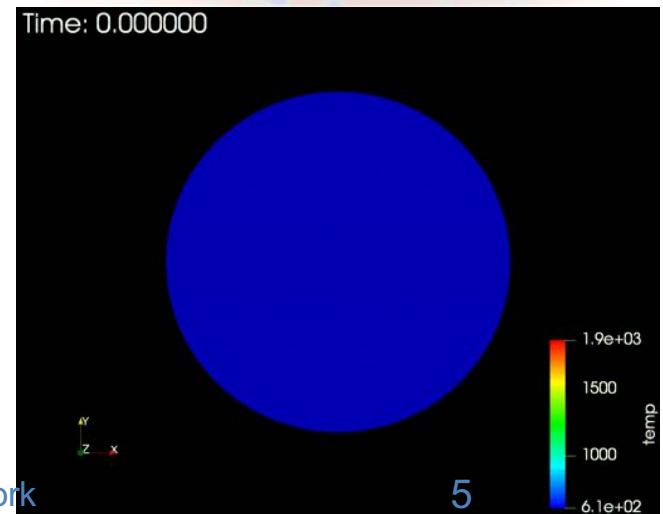
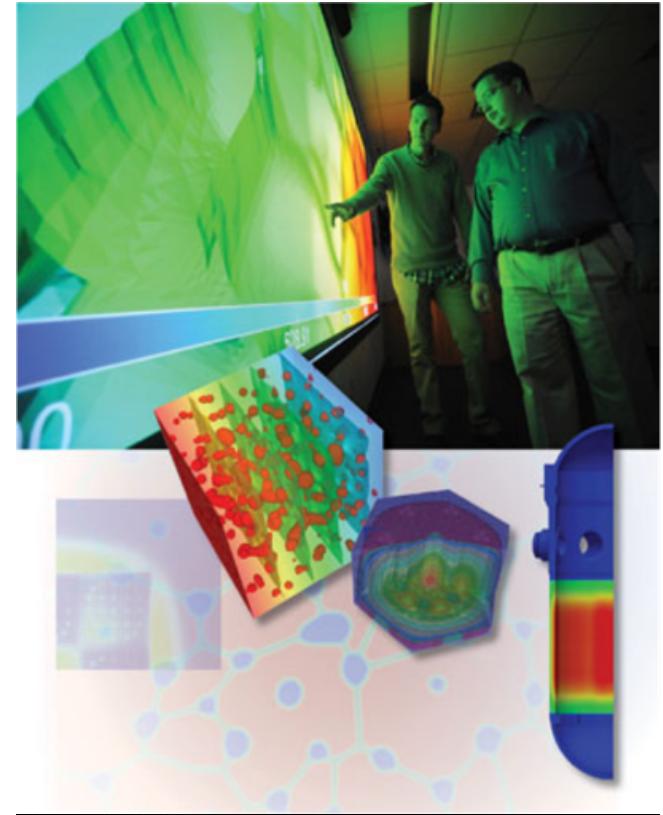
# MOOSE Overview

# MOOSE: a tool for solving PDEs with FEM

- It provides a high-level interface to **PETSc** and **massively parallel computational capability** since 2008
- It is **open source** and freely available at **mooseframework.org** since 2014
- It is maintained and developed by a team of full time staff at Idaho National Laboratory

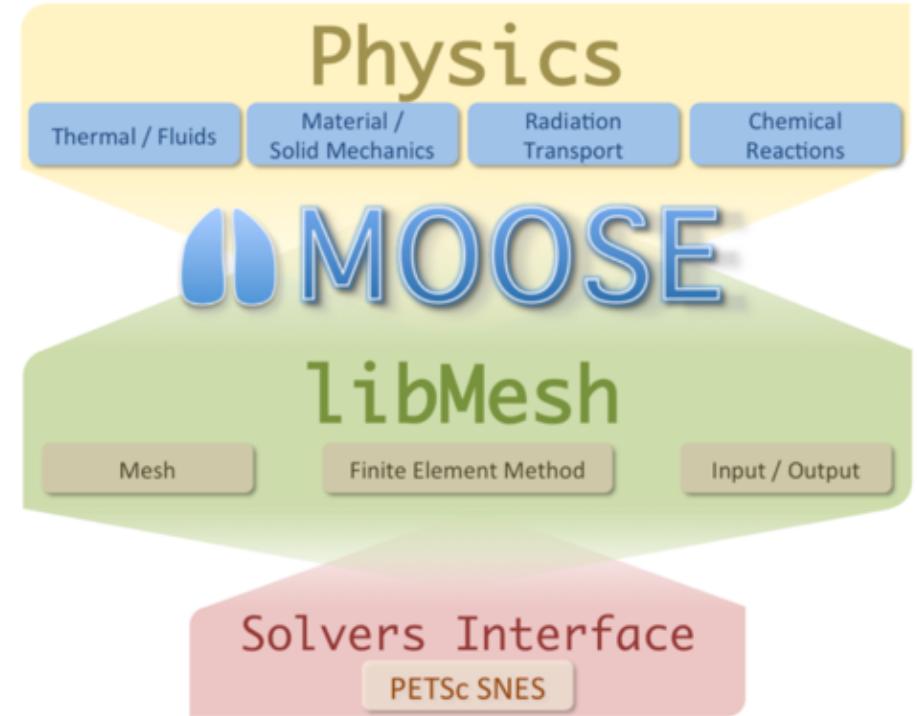
**MOOSE is in use across the world to solve:**

- Phase field
- Solid mechanics
- Heat conduction
- Neutronics
- Comp. fluid dynamics
- Geomechanics
- Reactive transport
- Corrosion
- Crystal plasticity
- Fracture



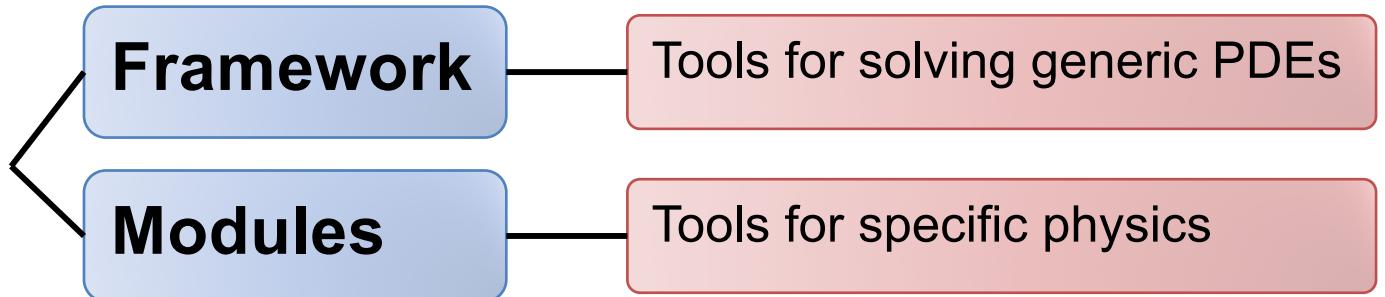
# Powerful Capabilities

- 1D, 2D and 3D
- Finite Element Based
  - Continuous and Discontinuous Galerkin (and Petrov Galerkin)
- Fully Coupled, Fully Implicit
- Unstructured Mesh
  - All shapes (Quads, Tris, Hexes, Tets, Pyramids, Wedges, ...)
  - Higher order geometry (curvilinear, etc.)
  - Reads and writes multiple formats
- Mesh Adaptivity
- Parallel
  - User code agnostic of parallelism
- High Order
  - User code agnostic of shape functions
  - p-Adaptivity
- Built-in Postprocessing
- And much more ...



- Uses well-established libraries
  - MPI, PETSc, libmesh
- Implements robust and state-of-the-art solution methods

# Physics Modules in MOOSE



- Chemical reactions
  - Contact
  - Heat conduction
  - Level set
  - Navier-Stokes
  - Peridynamics
- 
- Phase field
  - Porous flow
  - Tensor mechanics
  - Water/steam EOS
  - XFEM

# Child Applications in MOOSE

- BISON – Macroscale fuel performance code
- MARMOT – Mesoscale code for computational nuclear materials
- RATTLESNAKE – Radiation transport code
- RELAP-7 – Nuclear reactor thermal hydraulics code
- FALCON – Geomechanics code under development in the US and Australia
- And many more ...

# MOOSE is used all across the World



# Installation

# System Requirements

- GNU/Linux/MacOS Requirements:
  - GCC/Clang C++11 compiler (GCC > 4.8.4, or Clang > 3.5.1)
    - Intel Compilers are not supported
  - Memory (> 8 GB)
  - Processor (64bit x86)
  - Disk (> 30GB)
- Using MOOSE on Windows 10 is experimental and not fully supported.

# 1. Install GNU Compiler Collection

- Mac: Xcode command line tools

```
[long@Helix:moose]$ xcode-select --install
```

- Ubuntu: build-essential

```
mlong@ENG401524:~$ sudo apt-get install build-essential
[sudo] password for mlong:
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
build-essential is already the newest version (12.4ubuntu1).
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:
  app-install-data apt-xapian-index cdrdao gcc-6-base gconf-service
  gconf-service-backend gconf2-common libappindicator1 libaprutil1-dbd-mysql
  libaprutil1-ldap libdbusmenu-gtk4 libgconf-2-4 libgtkmm-3.0-1v5
  libindicator7 libmime-charset-perl libmysqlclient20 libnih-dbus1
  libperl4-corelibs-perl libqt4-designer libqt4-help libqt4-scripttools
  libqt4-svg libqt4-test libqtassistantclient4 librsync1 libsombok3
  libunicode-linebreak-perl mysql-common python-apt python-aptdaemon
  python-aptdaemon.gtk3widgets python-asn1crypto python-attr python-automat
  python-blinker python-cairo python-cffi-backend python-click python-colorama
  python-constantly python-cryptography python-cups python-dbus python-debian
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  python-incremental python-ipaddress python-jwt python-ldb python-lockfile
  python-oauthlib python-olefile python-openssl python-pam python-pil
  python-piston-mini-client python-pyasn1 python-qt4 python-qt4-dbus
  python-serial python-sip python-tdb python-twisted-bin python-xapian
  python-xdg python-zope.interface python3-piston-mini-client python3-xapian
  ruby-minitest ruby-power-assert software-center-aptdaemon-plugins
  texlive-font-utils texlive-pictures texlive-pictures-doc
Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 235 not upgraded.
```

## 2. Install Conda Environment

- Conda is an open source package management system and environment management system of packages and their dependencies.
- MOOSE preferred to obtain support from Conda's libraries.
- Install Miniconda (or Anaconda)

- Linux

```
curl -L -0 https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh  
bash Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86_64.sh -b -p ~/miniconda3
```

- Mac

```
curl -L -0 https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-MacOSX-x86_64.sh  
bash Miniconda3-latest-MacOSX-x86_64.sh -b -p ~/miniconda3
```

- Or download the installer from

- <https://docs.conda.io/projects/conda/en/latest/user-guide/install/macos.html>

# 3. Create a Conda MOOSE Environment

- Export PATH

```
$ export PATH=$HOME/miniconda3/bin:$PATH
```

- Or edit your .bashrc or .profile and add the above line and run command

```
$ . ~/.profile
```

- Configure Conda to work with conda-forge, and our mooseframework.org channel:

```
$ conda config --add channels conda-forge
```

```
$ conda config --add channels https://mooseframework.org/conda/moose
```

- Install the **moose-libmesh** and **moose-tools** package from mooseframework.org

```
$ conda create --name moose moose-libmesh moose-tools
```

- Activate MOOSE environment

```
$ conda activate moose
```

# 3b. Manage Conda MOOSE Environment

- Update Conda MOOSE environment

```
$ conda update --all
```

- Deactivate Conda MOOSE environment

```
$ conda deactivate
```

- Uninstall Conda MOOSE environment

```
$ conda remove --name moose --all
```

# 4. Install MOOSE

- Prepare a working folder

```
$ mkdir ~/projects  
$ cd ~/projects
```

- MOOSE is hosted on [GitHub](#) and should be cloned directly from there using git

```
(moose) [long@Helix:moose]$ git clone https://github.com/idaholab/moose.git  
Cloning into 'moose'...  
remote: Enumerating objects: 110, done.  
remote: Counting objects: 100% (110/110), done.  
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (76/76), done.  
Receiving objects: 100% (431533/431533), 316.67 MiB | 1.39 MiB/s, done.  
remote: Total 431533 (delta 34), reused 62 (delta 15), pack-reused 431423  
Resolving deltas: 100% (328360/328360), done.  
Updating files: 100% (25007/25007), done.
```

- Switch to a master branch

```
$ cd moose  
$ git checkout master
```

# 5. Compile and Run a Test

- Compile

```
$ cd ~/projects/moose/test  
$ make -j 4
```

- Run

```
$ ./run_tests -j 4
```

- A successful installation will present

```
time_integrators/convergence.implicit_astabedirk4_bootstrap/level0 ..... OK  
time_integrators/convergence.implicit_astabedirk4_bootstrap/level1 ..... OK  
time_integrators/convergence.implicit_astabedirk4_bootstrap/level2 ..... OK  
mesh/nemesis.nemesis_repartitioning_test ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
outputs/nemesis.nemesis_elemental_replicated ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
outputs/nemesis.nemesis_scalar_replicated ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.ptscotch_weight_elment ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.ptscotch_weight_side ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.ptscotch_weight_both ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.parmetis ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.parmetis_weight_element ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.parmetis_weight_side ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.parmetis_weight_both ..... [min_cpus=4] OK  
partitioners/petsc_partitioner.parmetis_presplit_mesh ..... [min_cpus=2] OK  
  
Ran 2333 tests in 462.2 seconds.  
2333 passed, 32 skipped, 0 pending, 0 failed
```

# Create your own MOOSE application

# Create an Application

- MOOSE is designed for building custom applications
- Go out of the MOOSE repository (~/projects/moose)

```
$ cd ~/projects
```

- Run stock.sh to

```
$ ./moose/scripts/stork.sh panda
```

- A folder of the application (panda) will be created.
- The application will automatically link against MOOSE.
- Compile and Test Your Application

```
$ cd panda
```

```
$ make -j 4
```

```
$ ./run_tests -j 4
```

- Update MOOSE (weekly)

```
$ cd ~/projects/moose
```

```
$ git fetch origin
```

```
$ git rebase origin/master
```

# Application directory structure

```
application/
    LICENSE
    Makefile
    run_tests
    doc/
    lib/
    src/
        main.C
        base/
        actions/
        auxkernels/
        bcs/
        dampers/
        dirackernels/
        executioners/
        functions/
        ics/
        kernels/
        materials/
        postprocessors/
        utils/
    tests/
        ... (same stuff as src)
```

# A First Example of Diffusion Problem

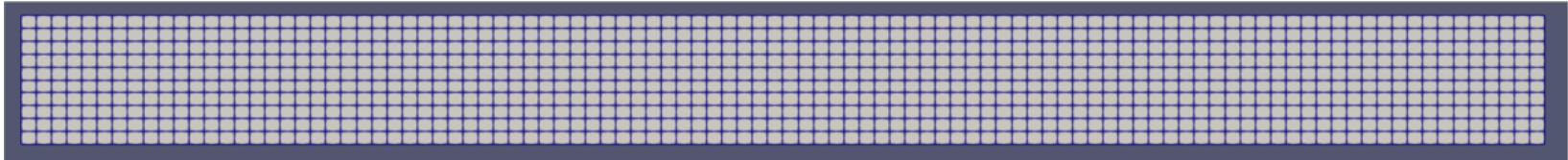
# Solve a problem using MOOSE

- Pre-processing
  - Problem Statement
  - Construct or apply objects from MOOSE
  - (Post processing)
- 
- Example: steady-state diffusion equation on the domain  $\Omega$

$$-\nabla \cdot \nabla u = 0 \in \Omega,$$

# Solve a problem using MOOSE

- Pre-processing
  - Construct the suitable geometries



- Simple mesh can be defined in the input.i

## • Problem Statements

- Strong Form

$$-\nabla \cdot \nabla u = 0 \in \Omega,$$

- BCs

$u = 0$  on the left,  $u = 1$  on the right

$\nabla u \cdot \hat{n} = 0$  on the remaining

- Weak Form

$$(\nabla \psi_i, \nabla u_h) = 0 \quad \forall \psi_i$$

# Compile

- moose/tutorials/darcy\_thermo\_mech/step01\_diffusion

```
[long@Helix:step01_diffusion]$ conda activate moose  
(moose) [long@Helix:step01_diffusion]$ make
```

```
(moose) [long@Helix:step01_diffusion]$ cd problems/  
(moose) [long@Helix:problems]$ lt  
total 208  
-rw-r--r-- 1 long staff 1586 Jun 9 04:15 step1.i  
-rwxr-xr-x 1 long staff 1152 Jun 9 04:15 step1.py  
-rw-r--r-- 1 long staff 248 Jun 9 04:15 tests  
-rw-r--r-- 1 long staff 1507 Jun 9 09:34 peacock_run_exe_tmp_step1.i
```

# Input File step1.i

```
[Mesh]
  type = GeneratedMesh # Can generate simple lines,
rectangles and rectangular prisms
  dim = 2                # Dimension of the mesh
  nx = 100               # Number of elements in the x
direction
  ny = 10                # Number of elements in the y
direction
  xmax = 0.304            # Length of test chamber
  ymax = 0.0257           # Test chamber radius
[]

[Variables]
  [pressure]
    # Adds a Linear Lagrange variable by default
  []
[]

[Kernels]
  [diffusion]
    type = ADDiffusion # Laplacian operator using
automatic differentiation
    variable = pressure # Operate on the "pressure"
variable from above
  []
[]

[Problem]
  type = FEProblem # This is the "normal" type of
Finite Element Problem in MOOSE
  coord_type = RZ   # Axisymmetric RZ
  rz_coord_axis = X # Which axis the symmetry is around
[]
```

```
[BCs]
  [inlet]
    type = DirichletBC # Simple u=value BC
    variable = pressure # Variable to be set
    boundary = left     # Name of a sideset in the mesh
    value = 4000         # (Pa) From Figure 2 from
paper. First data point for 1mm spheres.
  []
  [outlet]
    type = DirichletBC
    variable = pressure
    boundary = right
    value = 0             # (Pa) Gives the correct pressure
drop from Figure 2 for 1mm spheres
  []
[]

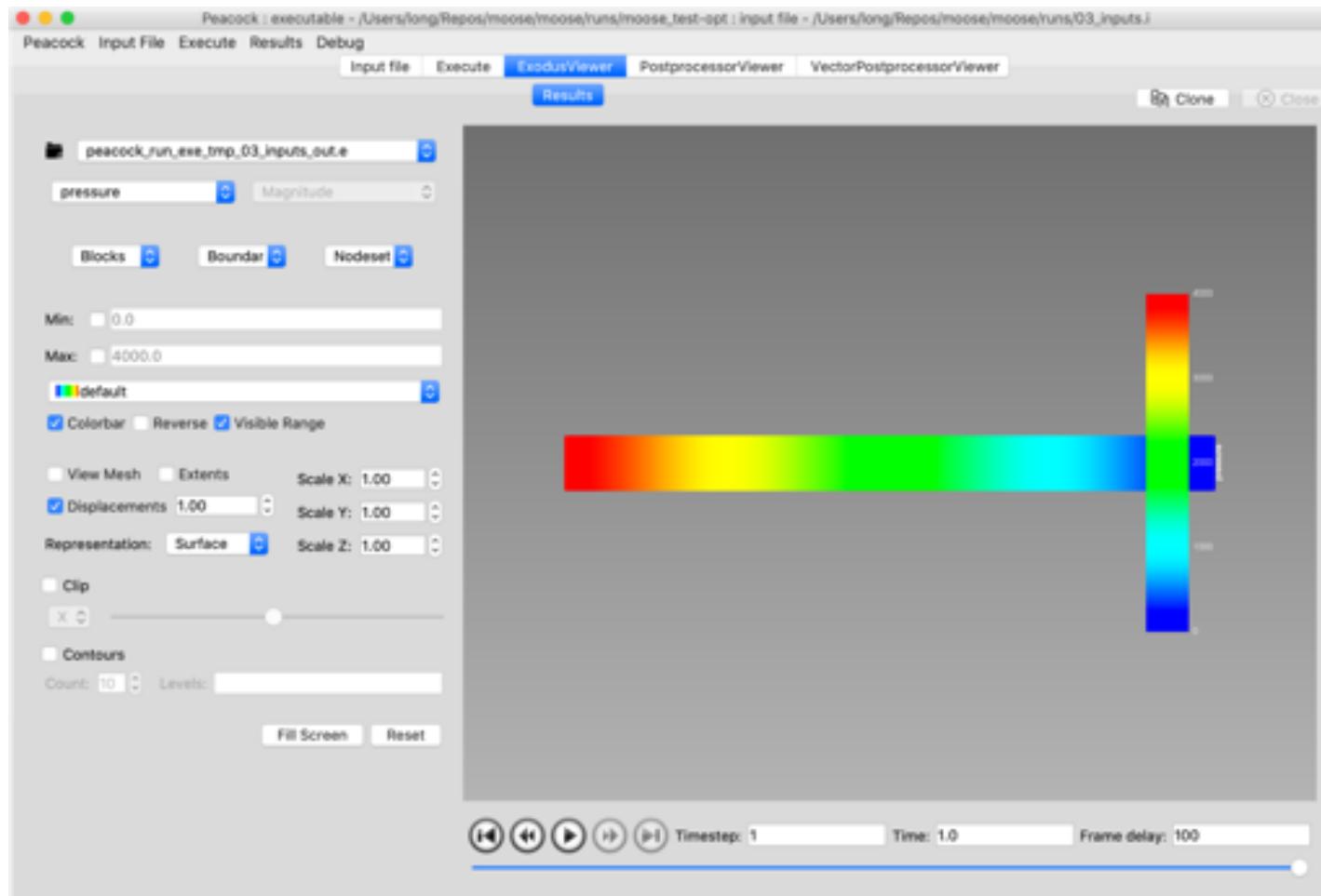
[Executioner]
  type = Steady      # Steady state problem
  solve_type = NEWTON # Perform a Newton solve, uses AD
to compute Jacobian terms
  petsc_options_iname = '-pc_type -pc_hypre_type' # PETSc
option pairs with values below
  petsc_options_value = 'hypre boomeramg'
[]

[Outputs]
  exodus = true # Output Exodus format
[]
```

# Run the simulation

- Method 1 – MOOSE GUI Peacock

```
$ ~/projects/moose/python/peacock/peacock -i step1.i
```



# Run the simulation

- Method 2

```
$ ./darcy_thermo_mech-opt -i step1.i
```

- Method 3 – MPI

```
$ mpicexec -n 4 ./darcy_thermo_mech-opt -i step1.i
```

```
Framework Information:
```

```
MOOSE Version: git commit 0575ba3cd9 on 2020-06-09  
LibMesh Version: 6e07d0a45166892bdbeef78440bad7aa46e2a5b7  
PETSc Version: 3.12.5  
SLEPc Version: 3.12.1
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
2 Linear |R| = 6.991677e-06  
3 Linear |R| = 3.761273e-07  
4 Linear |R| = 1.883098e-08  
2 Nonlinear |R| = 1.883097e-08  
Solve Converged!
```

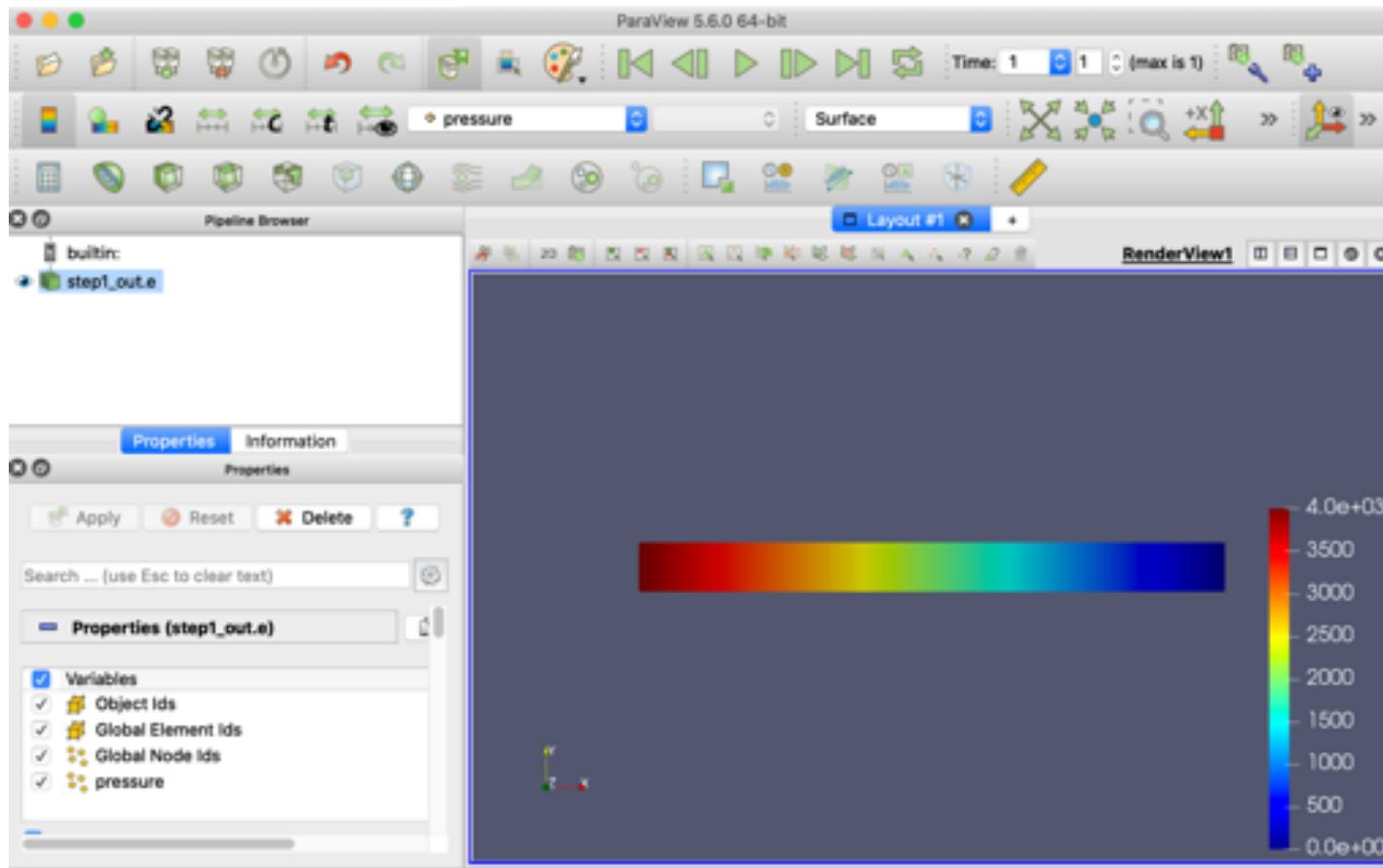
# Visualization

- Pecock

```
$ ~/projects/moose/python/peacock/peacock -r step1_out.e
```

- Paraview

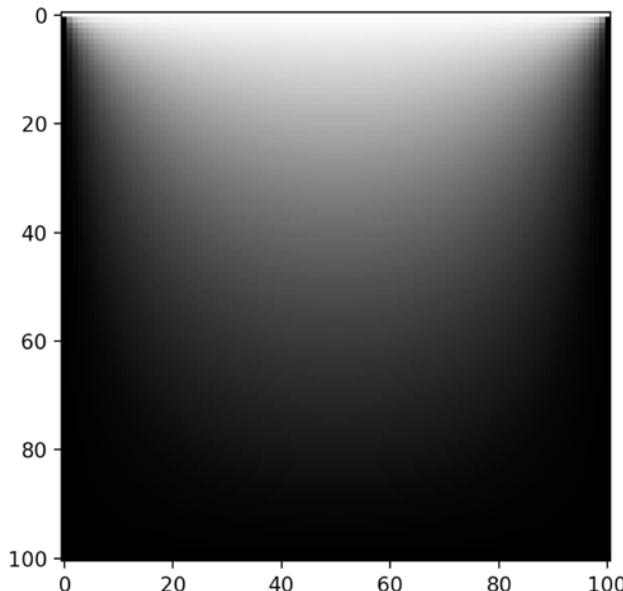
```
$ open step1_out.e
```



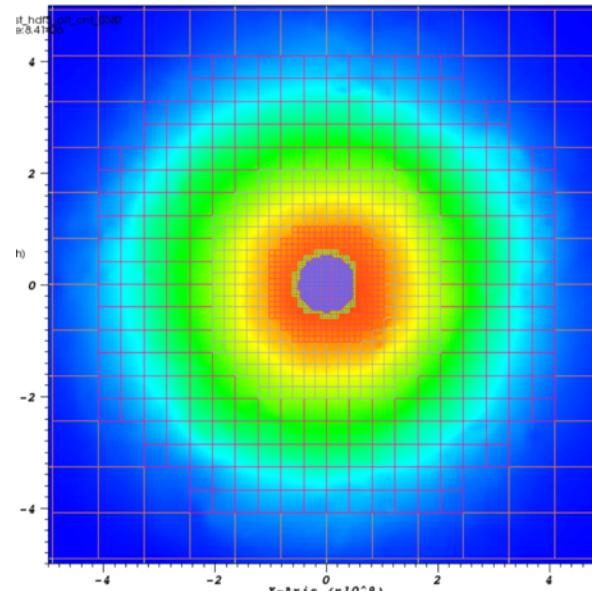
# Finite Element Principles

# FEM is one of approaches to solve PDEs

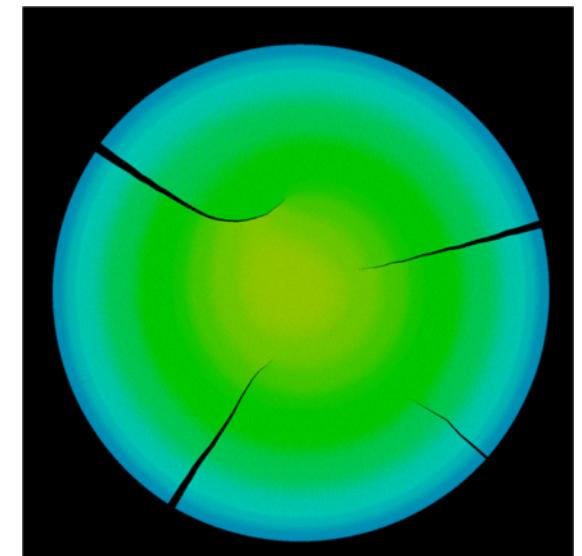
- Finite Difference



- Finite Volume



- Finite Element



PDEs  $\Rightarrow$  Algebraic Equations

# Polynomial Fitting

- Fitting a polynomial to approximate a function  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = a + bx + cx^2 + \dots,$$

- $f(x)$  is known at a set of given points  $x_n$
- Solution would be defined if coefficients are determined
- Basis functions:  $1, x, x^2$
- In general

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d c_i x^i,$$

- Example: fit  $f(x)$  if

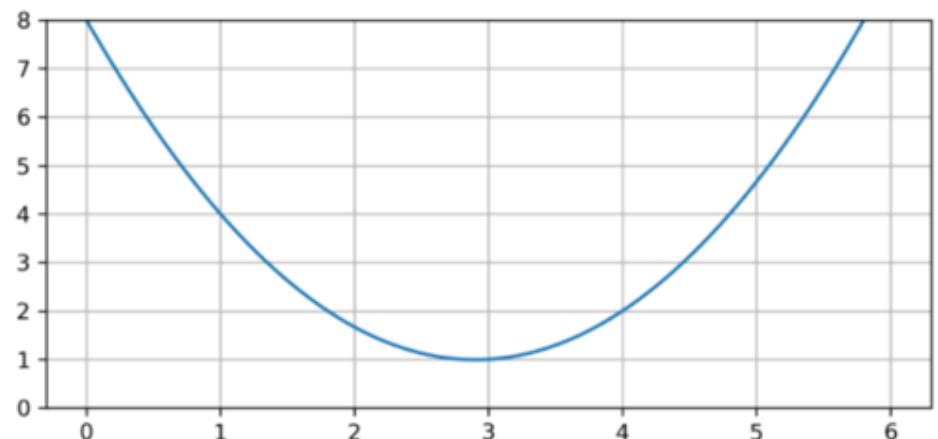
$$f(x) = 8 - \frac{29}{6}x + \frac{5}{6}x^2$$

$$(x_1, y_1) = (1, 4)$$

$$(x_2, y_2) = (3, 1)$$

$$(x_3, y_3) = (4, 2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Simplified FEM

- FEM is a method for numerically approximating the solution to PDEs
- FEM finds a piecewise continuous solution function made up of "shape functions" multiplied by coefficients
- FEM provides **weak form** to approximate the solution to PDE
  - Weak: relax PDE's requirements and only requires it in an integral way
- Steps:
  - 1. Generating a weak form
  - 2. Discretization of the weak form
  - 3. Solve a set of simultaneous linear equations
  - 4. obtain solution function  $f$

# Generating a weak form

- Generally involves these steps:
  - Write down strong form of PDE.
  - Rearrange terms so that zero is on the right of the equals sign.
  - Multiply the whole equation by a "test" function  $\psi$ .
  - Integrate the whole equation over the domain  $\Omega$ .
  - Integrate by parts and use the divergence theorem to get the desired derivative order on your functions and simultaneously generate boundary integrals.

# Integration by Parts and Divergence Theorem

- Goal: reduce the order of derivatives
- Suppose  $\varphi$  is a scalar function,  $v$  is a vector function, and both are continuously differentiable functions, then the product rule states:

$$\nabla \cdot (\varphi \bar{v}) = \varphi (\nabla \cdot \bar{v}) + \bar{v} \cdot (\nabla \varphi)$$

- Integrate the function over the volume  $V$

$$\int \varphi (\nabla \cdot \bar{v}) dV = \int \nabla \cdot (\varphi \bar{v}) dV - \int \bar{v} \cdot (\nabla \varphi) dV$$

- Divergence theorem transforms a volume integral into a surface integral

$$\int \nabla \cdot (\varphi \bar{v}) dV = \int \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \hat{n} ds$$

- So we need to solve

$$\boxed{\int \varphi (\nabla \cdot \bar{v}) dV = \int \varphi \bar{v} \cdot \hat{n} ds - \int \bar{v} \cdot (\nabla \varphi) dV}$$

# Generate a Weak Form: Advection-Diffusion

- 1. Write the strong form of the equation:

$$-\nabla \cdot k \nabla u + \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u = f$$

- 2. Rearrange to get zero on the right-hand side:

$$-\nabla \cdot k \nabla u + \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u - f = 0$$

- 3. Multiply by the test function  $\psi$ :

$$-\psi (\nabla \cdot k \nabla u) + \psi (\bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u) - \psi f = 0$$

- 4. Integrate over the domain  $\Omega$ :

$$-\int_{\Omega} \psi (\nabla \cdot k \nabla u) + \int_{\Omega} \psi (\bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u) - \int_{\Omega} \psi f = 0$$

- 5. Integrate by parts and apply the divergence theorem

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \psi \cdot k \nabla u - \int_{\partial \Omega} \psi (k \nabla u \cdot \hat{n}) + \int_{\Omega} \psi (\bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u) - \int_{\Omega} \psi f = 0$$

- 5b. Write in inner product notation. Each term will inherit from an existing MOOSE type

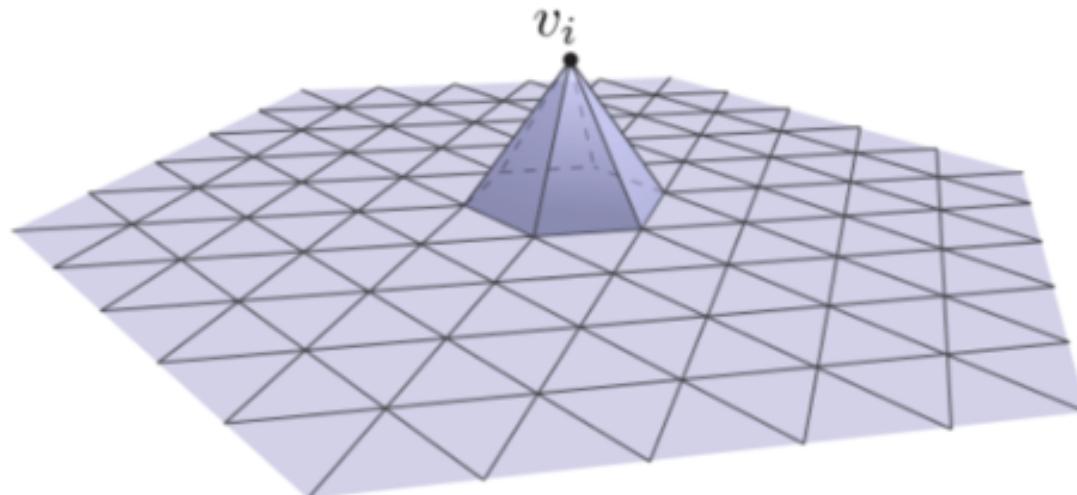
$$\underbrace{(\nabla \psi, k \nabla u)}_{Kernel} - \underbrace{\langle \psi, k \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} \rangle}_{BoundaryCondition} + \underbrace{(\psi, \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u)}_{Kernel} - \underbrace{(\psi, f)}_{Kernel} = 0$$

# Discretization

- The weak form must be **discretized** using a set of "basis functions" amenable for numerical solution by a computer

$$\underbrace{(\nabla\psi, k\nabla u)}_{Kernel} - \underbrace{\langle \psi, k\nabla u \cdot \hat{n} \rangle}_{BoundaryCondition} + \underbrace{(\psi, \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u)}_{Kernel} - \underbrace{(\psi, f)}_{Kernel} = 0$$

- u and gradient of u will be discretized using basis functions
- Basis Functions



# Shape Functions

- The discretized expansion of  $u$  takes on the following form:

$$u \approx u_h = \sum_{j=1}^N u_j \phi_j$$

- where  $\phi_j$  are the "basis functions", which form the basis for the the "trial function",  $u_h$ .
- $N$  is the total number of functions for the discretized domain.
- The gradient of  $u$  can be expanded similarly:

$$\nabla u \approx \nabla u_h = \sum_{j=1}^N u_j \nabla \phi_j$$

- In the Galerkin finite element method, the same basis functions are used for both the trial and test functions:

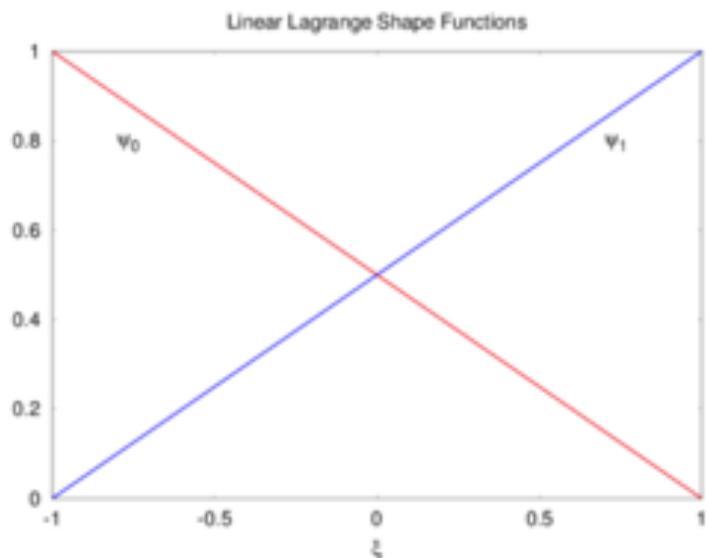
$$\psi = \{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^N$$

- *i*th component of the "residual vector,"

$$\bar{R}_i(u_h) = (\nabla \psi_i, k \nabla u_h) - \langle \psi_i, k \nabla u_h \cdot \hat{n} \rangle + (\psi_i, \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u_h) - (\psi_i, f) = 0$$

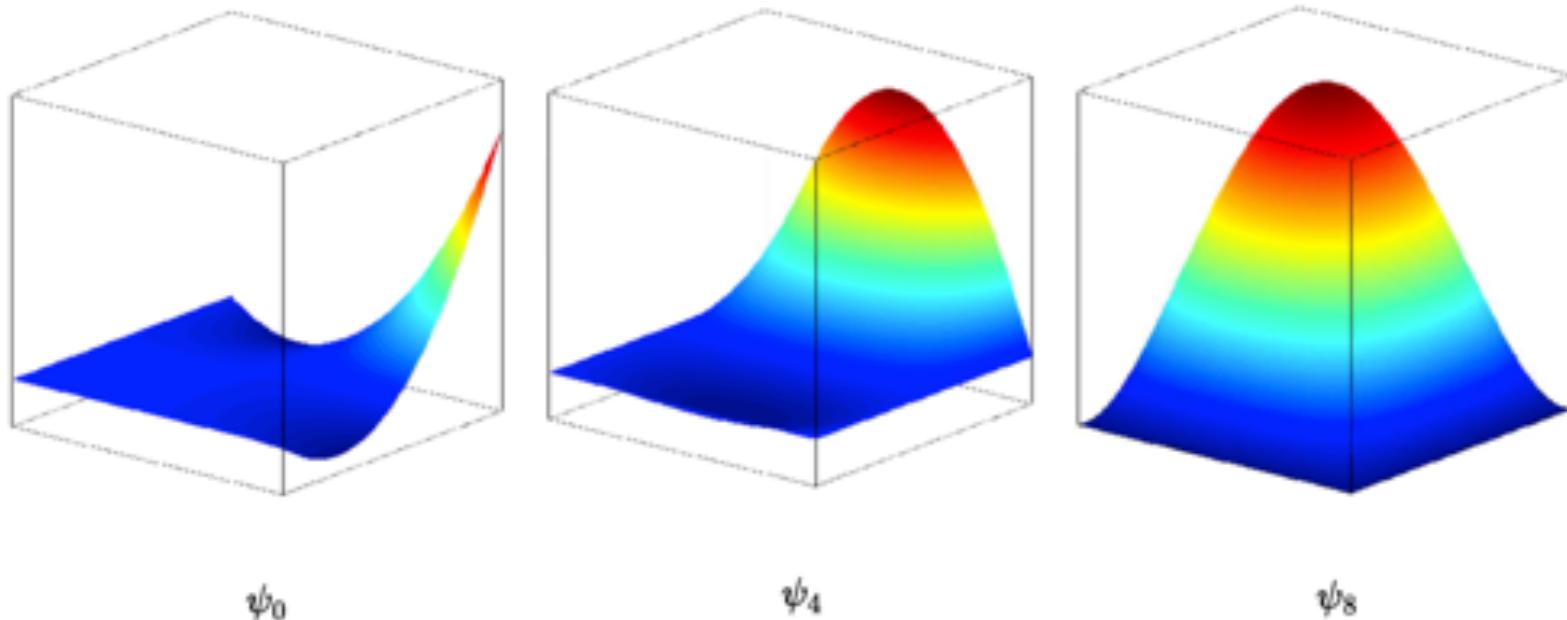
# Shape functions

- Shape Functions are the functions that get multiplied by coefficients and summed to form the solution.
- Individual shape functions are restrictions of the global basis functions to individual elements.
- Typical shape function families: [Lagrange](#), Hermite, Hierarchic, Monomial, Clough-Toucher
- Examples: 1D Shape Functions



# Example: 2D Lagrange Shape Functions

- $\psi_0$  is associated to a "corner" node, it is zero on the opposite edges.
- $\psi_4$  is associated to a "mid-edge" node, it is zero on all other edges.
- $\psi_8$  is associated to the "center" node, it is symmetric and  $\geq 0$  on the element.



# Done with Discretization?

- Residual Vector

$$\bar{R}_i(u_h) = (\nabla \psi_i, k \nabla u_h) - \langle \psi_i, k \nabla u_h \cdot \hat{n} \rangle + (\psi_i, \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u_h) - (\psi_i, f) = 0$$

$$u \approx u_h = \sum_{j=1}^N u_j \phi_j$$

$$\nabla u \approx \nabla u_h = \sum_{j=1}^N u_j \nabla \phi_j$$

- Integrands -- Yes
- Integrals -- No

# Discretization of integrals: reference element

- First, split the domain integral into a sum of integrals over elements

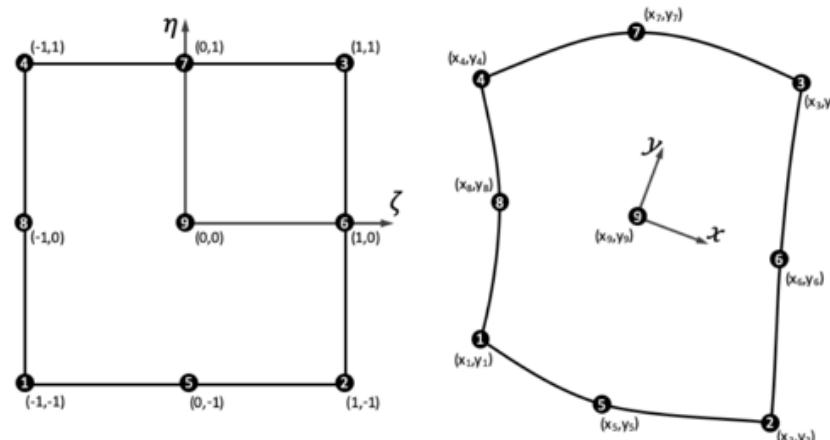
$$\int_{\Omega} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} = \sum_e \int_{\Omega_e} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x}$$

- Second, map the element integrals to integrals over the "reference" elements

$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega_e} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} = \sum_e \int_{\hat{\Omega}_e} f(\bar{\xi}) |\mathcal{J}_e| \, d\bar{\xi},$$

- $\mathcal{J}_e$  is the Jacobian of the map from the physical element to the reference element

Reference Element (Quad9)



# Numerical Integration: Quadrature

- Gaussian quadrature is used to approximate the reference element integrals numerically.
  - That is, an integration can be represented as summation of weight functions at quadrature point  $q$ .

$$\int_{\Omega} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} \approx \sum_q w_q f(\bar{x}_q),$$

- Thus, integrals transforms to summations  $x_q$ , the spatial location of the  $q^{\text{th}}$  quadrature point

$$\int_{\Omega} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} = \sum_e \int_{\Omega_e} f(\bar{x}) \, d\bar{x} = \sum_e \int_{\hat{\Omega}_e} f(\xi) |\mathcal{J}_e| \, d\xi \approx \sum_e \sum_q w_q f(\bar{x}_q) |\mathcal{J}_e(\bar{x}_q)|$$

- MOOSE handles multiplication by the Jacobian ( $\mathcal{J}_e$ ) and the weight ( $w_q$ ) **automatically**, thus your Kernel object is only responsible for computing the  $f(x_q)$  part of the integrand.

# Discretization is done

- Sampling  $u_h$  at the quadrature points yields:

$$u(\bar{x}_q) \approx u_h(\bar{x}_q) = \sum u_j \phi_j(\bar{x}_q)$$

$$\nabla u(\bar{x}_q) \approx \nabla u_h(\bar{x}_q) = \sum u_j \nabla \phi_j(\bar{x}_q)$$

- Then,

$$\bar{R}_i(u_h) = (\nabla \psi_i, k \nabla u_h) - \langle \psi_i, k \nabla u_h \cdot \hat{n} \rangle + (\psi_i, \bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u_h) - (\psi_i, f) = 0$$



$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_i(u_h) &= \sum_e \sum_q w_q |\mathcal{J}_e| \underbrace{[\nabla \psi_i \cdot k \nabla u_h + \psi_i (\bar{\beta} \cdot \nabla u_h) - \psi_i f]}_{\text{Kernel Object(s)}} (\bar{x}_q) \\ &\quad - \sum_f \sum_{q_{face}} w_{q_{face}} |\mathcal{J}_f| \underbrace{[\psi_i k \nabla u_h \cdot \bar{n}]}_{\text{BoundaryCondition Object(s)}} (\bar{x}_{q_{face}}) \end{aligned}$$

- MOOSE Kernels and BCs can handle them. Problem solved.

# Jacobian Matrix = R'

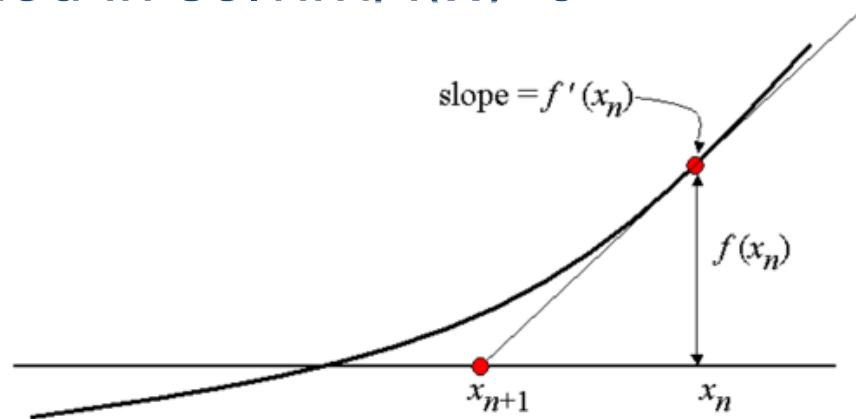
- Recall Newton-Raphson Method in solving  $f(x)=0$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

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$$f'(x_n)\delta x_{n+1} = -f(x_n)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \delta x_{n+1}$$



- Solving u in MOOSE, where  $\bar{R}_i(u_h) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,

$$\mathbf{J}(\bar{u}_n)\delta\bar{u}_{n+1} = -\bar{R}(\bar{u}_n)$$

$$\bar{u}_{n+1} = \bar{u}_n + \delta\bar{u}_{n+1}$$

- Jacobian Matrix is the derivative of R  $J_{ij}(\bar{u}_n) = \frac{\partial \bar{R}_i(\bar{u}_n)}{\partial u_j}$

# Solvers in MOOSE

- The solve type is specified in the [Executioner] block within the input file:

```
[Executioner]
    solve_type = PJFNK
```
- Available options include:
  - PJFNK: Preconditioned Jacobian Free Newton Krylov (default)
    - improves convergence
  - JFNK: Jacobian Free Newton Krylov
    - approximates a Jacobian vector product
  - NEWTON: Performs solve using **exact** Jacobian for preconditioning
  - FD: PETSc computes terms using a finite difference method (debug)
- The Kernel method **computeQpResidual** is called to compute  $\bar{R}(\bar{u}_n)$  during the nonlinear step
- Done!

# Automatic and hand-coded Jacobians

- MOOSE uses forward mode automatic differentiation from the MetaPhysicL package.
- Able to develop entire apps **without** writing a single Jacobian statement
- AD Jacobians are slower to compute than hand-coded Jacobians, but they parallelize extremely well and can benefit from using a NEWTON solve, which often results in decreased solve time overall.

# Input Files and Examples

# Input File

- By default MOOSE uses a hierarchical, block-structured input file.
- Within each block, any number of name/value pairs can be listed.
- The syntax is completely customizable, or replaceable.
- To specify a simple problem, you will need to populate five or six top-level blocks.

# Blocks required for any MOOSE problem

- **[Mesh]**
  - Establishes the FEM mesh, whether read from a file or generated.
- **[Variables]**
  - Defines the variables you will solve and the shape function you will use to approximate them
- **[Kernels]**
  - Defines the residual equation, divided into pieces
- **[BCs]**
  - Establishes the boundary conditions
- **[Executioner]**
  - Establishes the type of simulation (transient vs. steady state), the time behavior, and the solution method.
- **Output:**
  - Defines the outputs for the solution

# Optional blocks

- **Materials**
  - Computes material properties required by the kernels.
- **ICs:**
  - Defines the initial state of the variables for transient solves
- **Global Parameters:**
  - Sets values for parameters that are used in multiple places in the input file
- **Auxvariables and Auxkernels:**
  - Auxvariables are dependent variables that are calculated with a corresponding auxkernel.
- **Postprocessors:**
  - Calculates scalar values over the entire mesh.
- **Preconditioners:**
  - Defines the preconditioner to be used during the nonlinear solve.
- **Functions:**
  - Defines a generic function (can be parsed from the input file) that is then used by something else, like a kernel, BC etc.

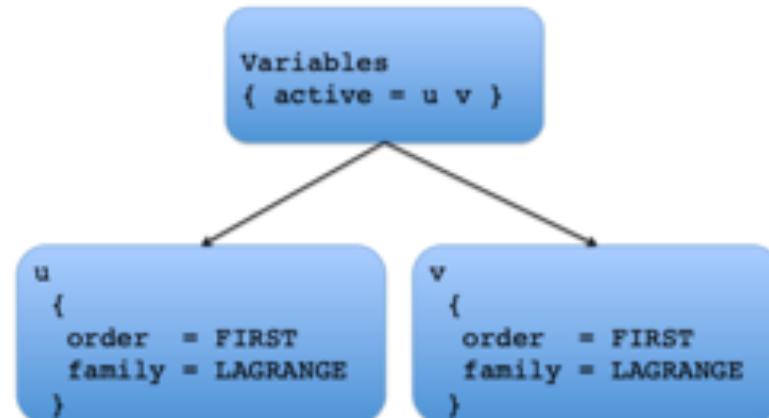
# Hierarchical Block-structure

```
[Variables]
  active = 'u v'
  [./u]
    order = FIRST
    family = LAGRANGE
  [../]

  [./v]
    order = FIRST
    family = LAGRANGE
  [../]

[]

[Kernels]
  ...
[]
```



# Mesh and Variables

- Mesh

```
[Mesh]
# We use a pre-generated mesh file (in exodus format).
# This mesh file has 'top' and 'bottom' named boundaries defined inside it.
file = media/mug.e
[]
```

- Variables

- In variables block, each variables represents a non-linear variables to be solved.
- Each variables can be defined with orders and shape functions, as well as initial values.

```
[Variables]
./diffused
order = FIRST      # SECOND
family = LAGRANGE # HERMITE
[...]
[]
```

# Kernels and BCs

- Kernels

- Each variables must associate with at least one Kernels block, which represents the equations to solve
- In this  $u$  presents the pressure

```
[Kernels]
  [/diff]
    type = Diffusion
    variable = diffused
  [../]
[]
```

$$-\nabla \cdot \nabla u = 0 \in \Omega,$$

- BCs

```
[BCs]
  [./bottom] # arbitrary user-chosen name
    type = DirichletBC
    variable = diffused
    boundary = 'bottom' # This must match a named boundary in the mesh file
    value = 1
  [../]
[]
```

$u = 0$  on the left,  $u = 1$  on the right

```
  [./top] # arbitrary user-chosen name
    type = DirichletBC
    variable = diffused
    boundary = 'top' # This must match a named boundary in the mesh file
    value = 0
  [../]
[]
```

# Executioner and Outputs

- Executioner

- Executioner block dictates the method that will be used in simulation.  
There are typically two types of executioner: Steady or Transient
- we can choose the solver\_type, i.e. Newton, PFJNK, FD, Linear.
- Solve a steady state problem with Newton solver

```
[Executioner]
  type = Steady
  solve_type = 'Newton'
[]
```

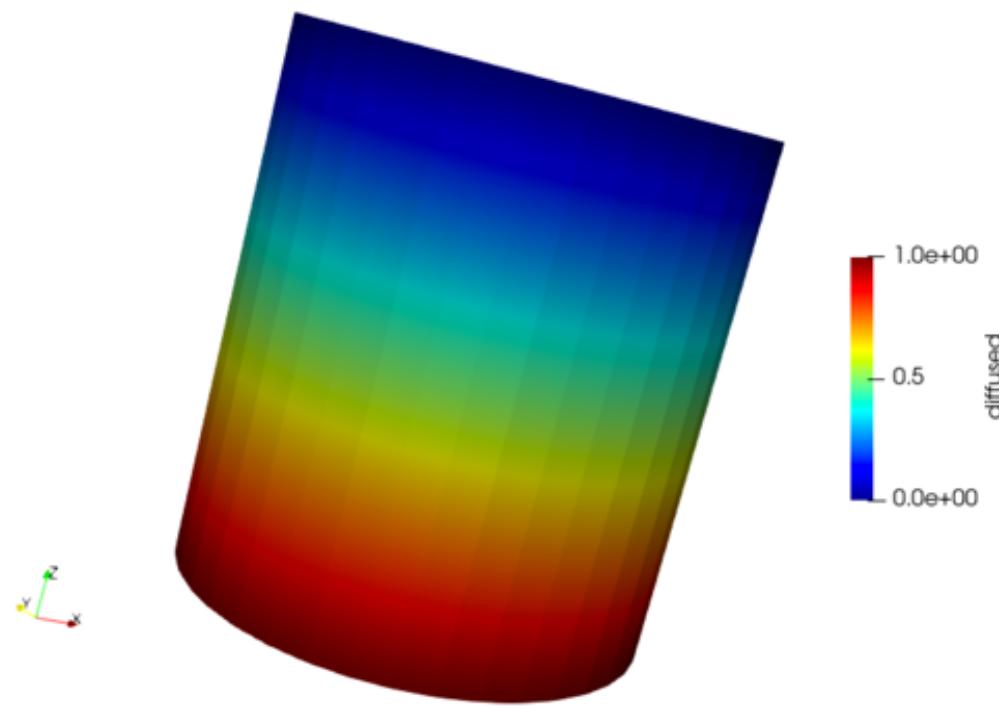
- Outputs

- controls the various output (to screen and file) used in the simulation.

```
[Outputs]
# file_base = output
execute_on = 'timestep_end'
exodus = true
[]
```

- Integrate all above to obtain a 04\_input.i

# Result: Steady Executioner 04\_input.i



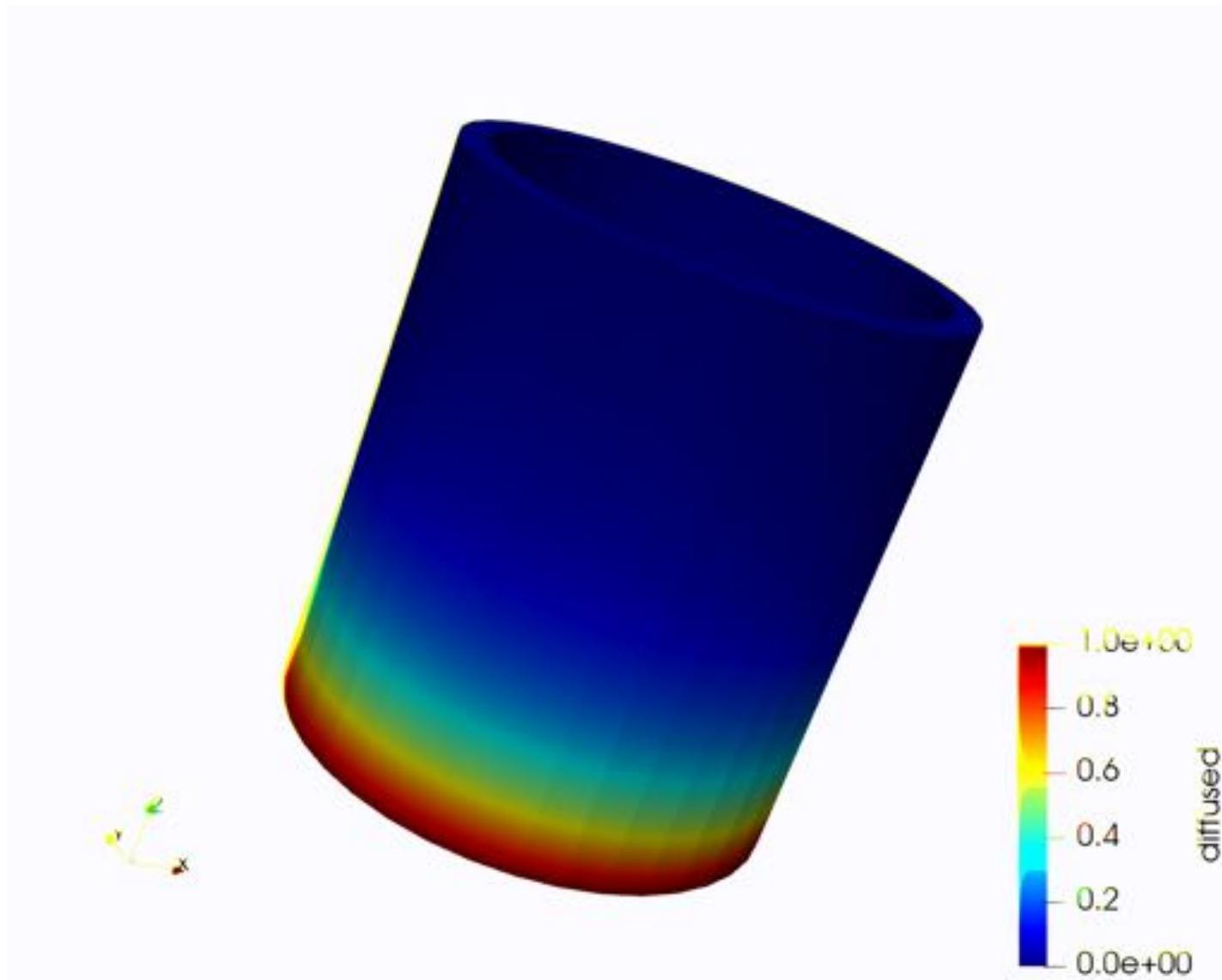
# Transient Executioner: 04\_Transient.i

- However, we want to observe our simulations varies in time,
- Use the Transient solver which calculates the residual at every time steps.
  - We also have to included a new kernel block for time derivative.

```
[Kernels]
  [./diff]
    type = Diffusion
    variable = diffused
  [../]
  [./time]
    type = TimeDerivative
    variable = diffused
  [../]
[]

[Executioner]
  type = Transient
  solve_type = 'Newton'
  num_steps = 20
  dt = 1
[]
```

# Result: Transient Executioner



# Auxiliary System: 05\_Aux.i

- If need more meaningful result or more fine control to the problem than just solving for "core" variables
- AuxVariables and AuxKernels
  - perform calculations on top of Variables and Kernels block
- Example: compute the flux of the diffusion equation

$$J = -D \nabla C$$

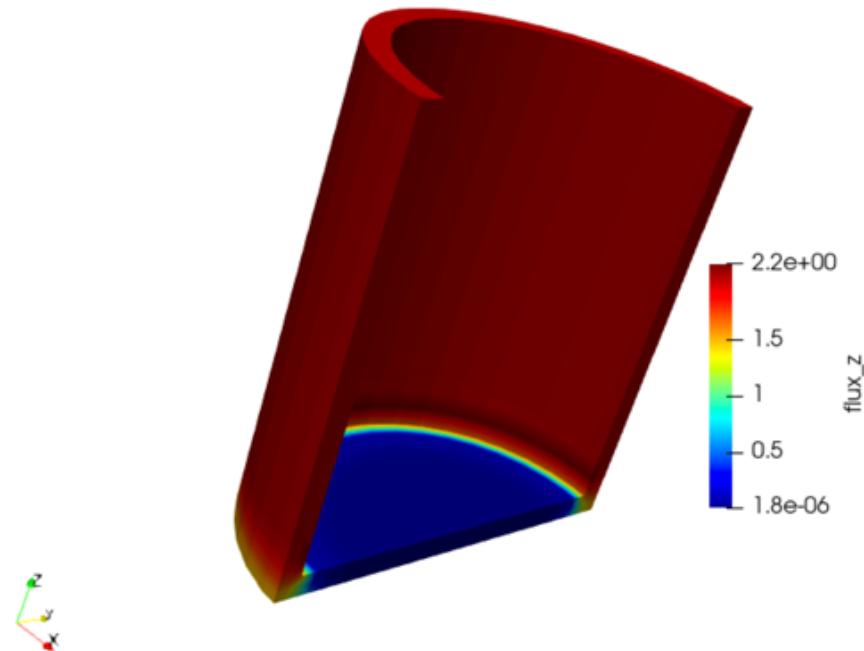
```
[AuxVariables]
  [./flux_z]
    order = FIRST
    family = MONOMIAL
  []
[]

[AuxKernels]
  [./flux_z]
    type = DiffusionFluxAux
    diffusivity = 'thermal_conductivity'
    variable = flux_z
    diffusion_variable = diffused
    component = z
  [...]
[]

[Materials]
  [./k]
    type = GenericConstantMaterial
    prop_names = 'thermal_conductivity'
    prop_values = '10' # in W/mK
  []
[]
```

# Auxiliary System: 05\_Aux.i

- Results



# PostProcessor: 05\_PostProcessor.i

- post processor is used to aggregate data into a single scalar like maximum or average
  - There are a number of post processor available in MOOSE
    - ElementAverageValue - Average values
    - ElementL2Norm - L2 Norm of the elements

```
[Postprocessors]
  [./Average]
    type = ElementAverageValue
    variable = diffused
  [../]
[]

[Outputs]
  execute_on = 'timestep_end'
  exodus = true
  csv= true
```

- Running this 05\_PostProcessor.i will give us a csv file.

# An Advanced Example: DarcyFLow

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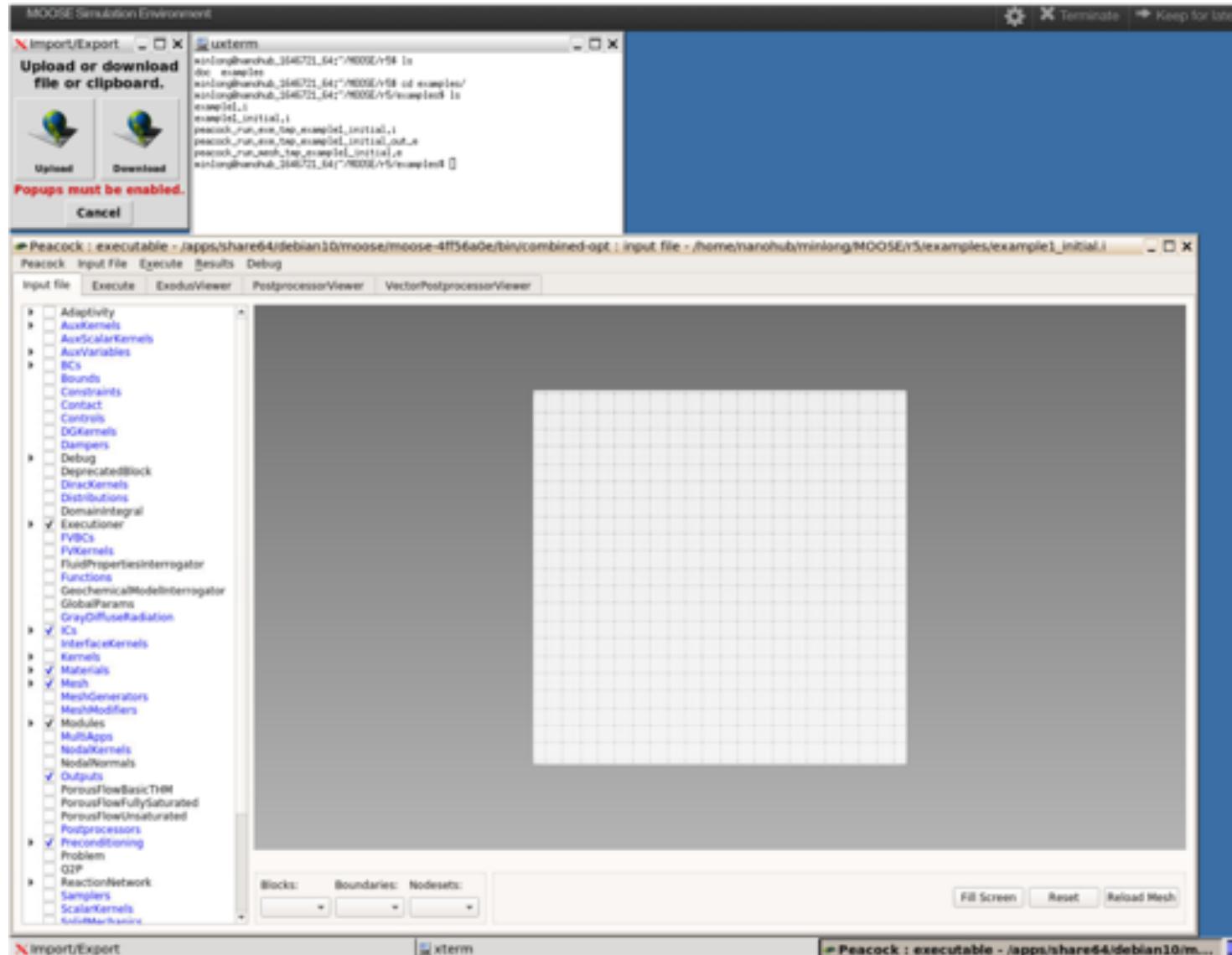
- moose/tutorials/darcy\_thermo\_mech

```
(moose) [long@Helix:darcy_thermo_mech]$ lt
total 24
-rwxr-xr-x 1 long staff 395 Jun  9 04:15 build.sh
-rwxr-xr-x 1 long staff 2243 Jun  9 04:15 check.py
drwxr-xr-x 5 long staff 160 Jun  9 04:15 doc
-rwxr-xr-x 1 long staff 180 Jun  9 04:15 run_tests
drwxr-xr-x 12 long staff 384 Jun  9 04:15 step02_darcy_pressure
drwxr-xr-x 12 long staff 384 Jun  9 04:15 step03_darcy_material
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drwxr-xr-x 13 long staff 416 Jun  9 04:15 step10_multiapps
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drwxr-xr-x 18 long staff 576 Jun 10  01:32 step01_diffusion
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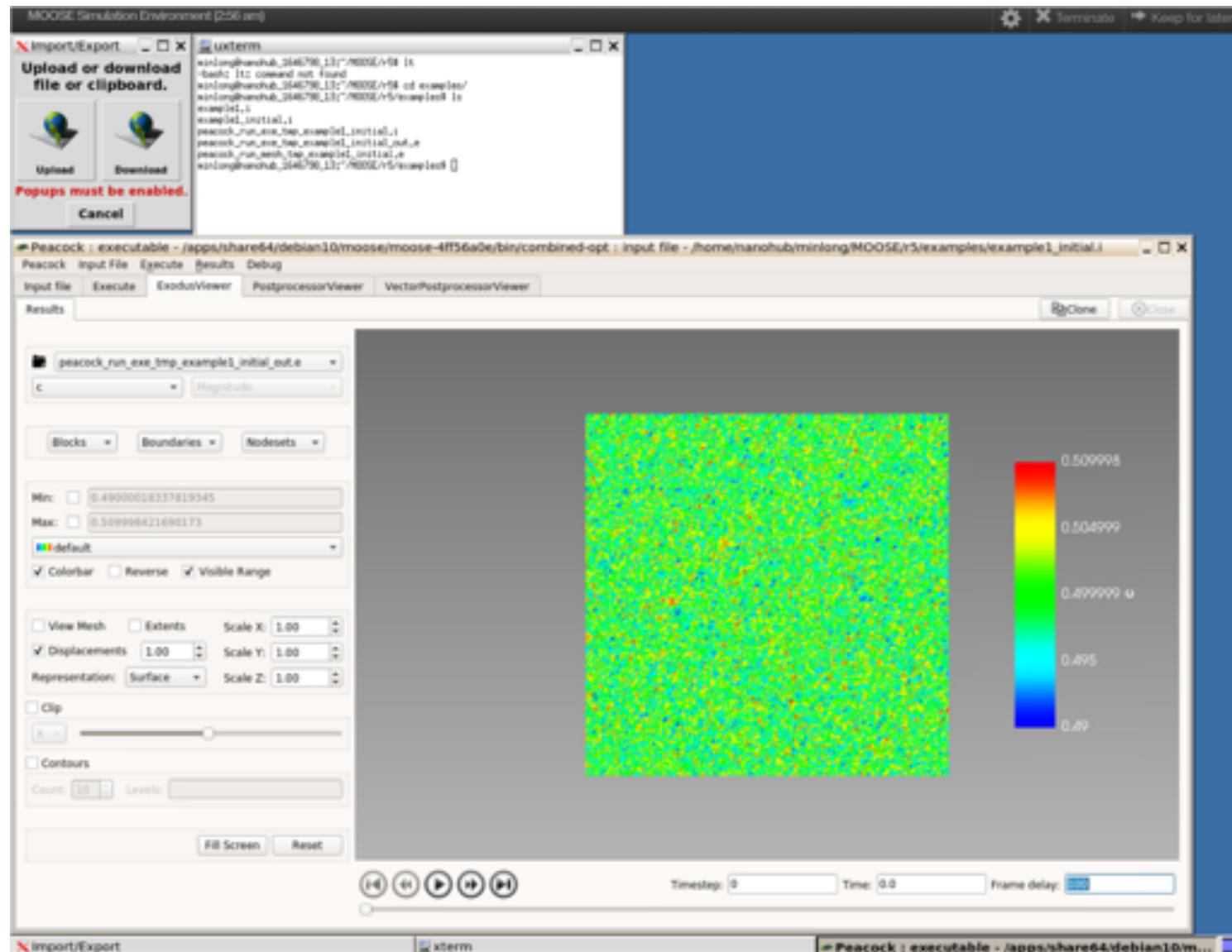
- Tutoring (typically 2 days)
  - <https://mooseframework.org/workshop/>

MOOSE Tools in NanoHub  
<https://nanohub.org/tools/moose>

# Click “launch tool”



# Execute – Run -- ExodusViewer



Next: A hands-on training on how to apply the  
MOOSE framework to mesoscale materials