

# Solution of Reactive Compressible Flows Using an Adaptive Wavelet Method

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- An adaptive method is applied to problems in hypersonic propulsion.
- Compressible reactive Navier-Stokes model includes detailed chemical kinetics, multi-species transport, momentum and energy diffusion.
- These problems are typically multidimensional and contain a wide range of spatial and temporal scales.
- Our adaptive wavelet method allows this range of scales to be resolved while greatly reducing the required computer time and automatically produces verified solutions.

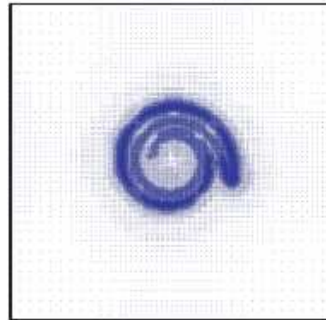
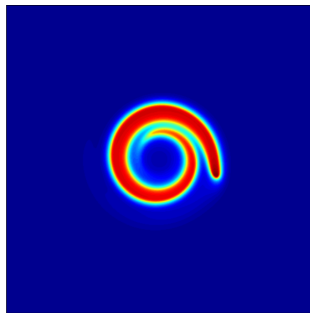


Figure: Flameball-vortex interaction—  
computed temperature field and  
adaptive grid.

## ADAPTIVE WAVELET METHOD

- The sparse wavelet transform (SWR) provides a multiscale representation of the solution:

$$u^J(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} u_{J_0, \mathbf{k}} \Phi_{j_0, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=j_0}^{J-1} \sum_{\{\boldsymbol{\lambda} : |d_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}| \geq \varepsilon\}} d_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}} \Psi_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}(\mathbf{x}). \quad (1)$$

- Since each basis function in (1) is related to a single dyadic grid point, the SWR is used to define a sparse grid of irregular points.
- Finite differences are used for derivative approximations.
- Solution is advanced in time using an explicit ODE solver with error control.

# COMPRESSIBLE REACTIVE FLOW

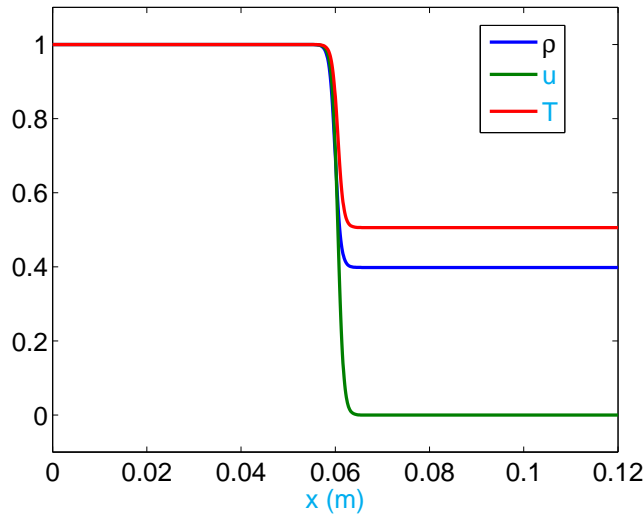
- $n$ -dimensional code is implemented.
- Model includes detailed chemical kinetics, multi-component and thermal diffusion.
- Includes state-dependent specific heats and transport properties.
- CHEMKIN and TRANLIB libraries used for evaluation of transport properties, thermodynamics, and chemical source terms.

# 1-D VISCOUS DETONATION

Initial conditions:

$2H_2 : 1O_2 : 7Ar$  mixture

9 species, 37 reactions



**State 1:**  $0 \text{ m} \leq x < 0.06 \text{ m}$

$$\rho_1 = 0.18075 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$P_1 = 35594 \text{ Pa}$$

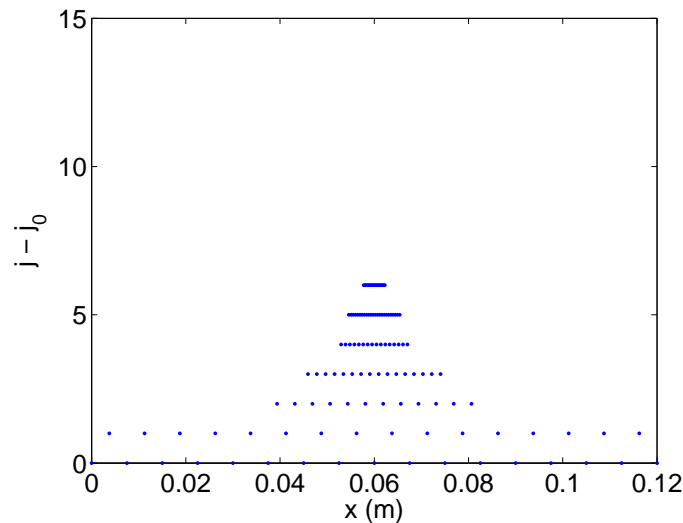
$$u_1 = 487.34 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

**State 2:**  $0.06 \text{ m} \leq x \leq 0.12 \text{ m}$

$$\rho_2 = 0.072 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$P_2 = 7173 \text{ Pa}$$

$$u_2 = 0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$



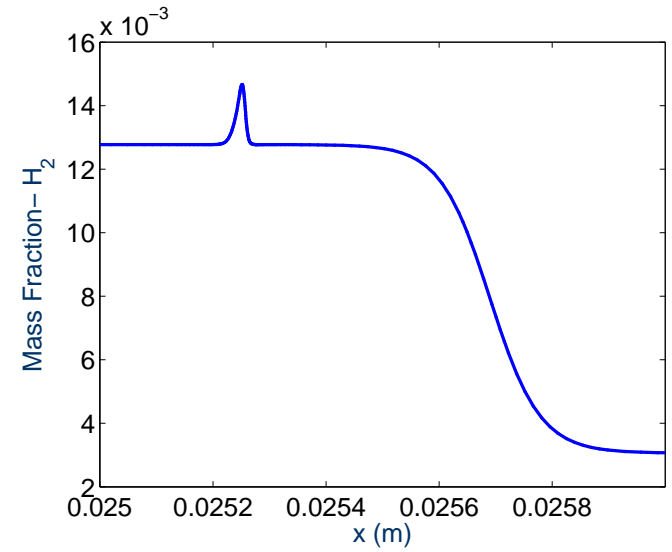
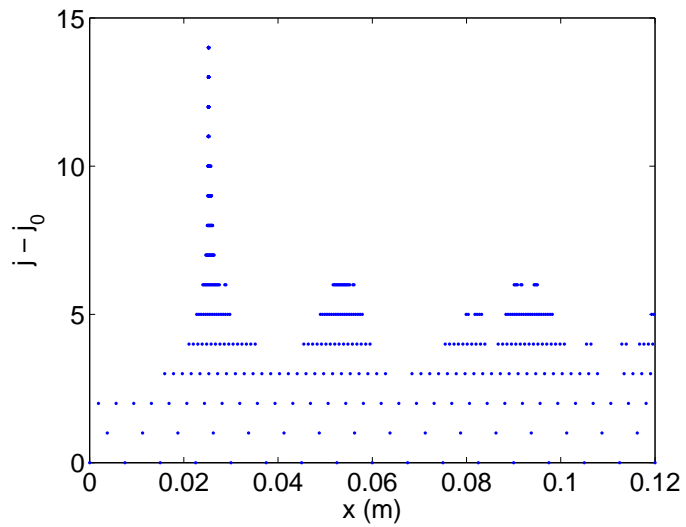
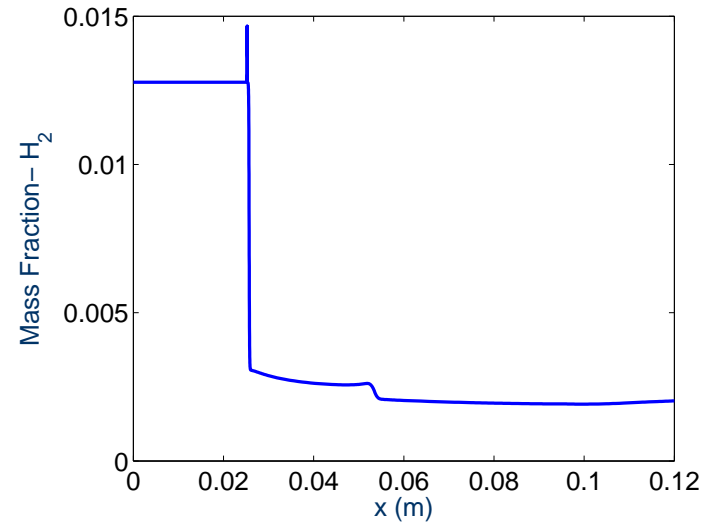
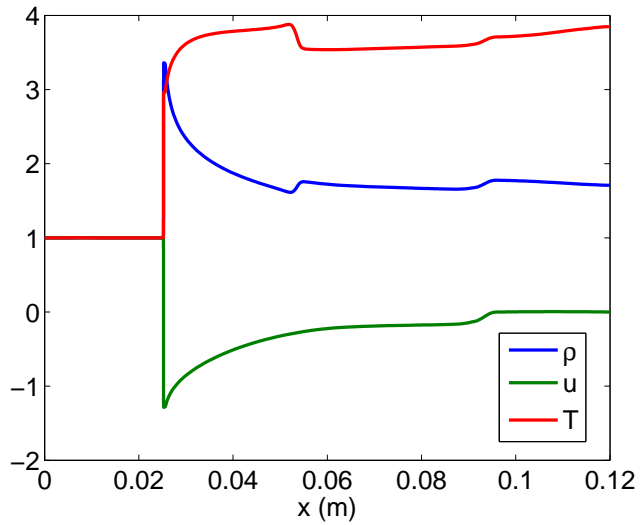
**Wavelet parameters:**

$$\epsilon = 1 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$p = 6, \quad n = 4$$

$$j_0 = 4, \quad J - j_0 = 15$$

# 1-D VISCOUS DETONATION (CONT.)



# DEMONSTRATION OF A VERIFIED SOLUTION: TAYLOR/SEDOV BLAST WAVE

78 $N_2$  : 21 $O_2$  : 1 $Ar$  (air) mixture

3 species, inert

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}, 0) = 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = 0 \text{ cm s}^{-1}$$

$$P_0 = 1 \times 10^4 \text{ dyne cm}^{-2}$$

$$P_{max}/P_0 = 50$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}, 0) = P_0 + P_{max} \exp(-500\|\mathbf{x}/L\|^2)$$

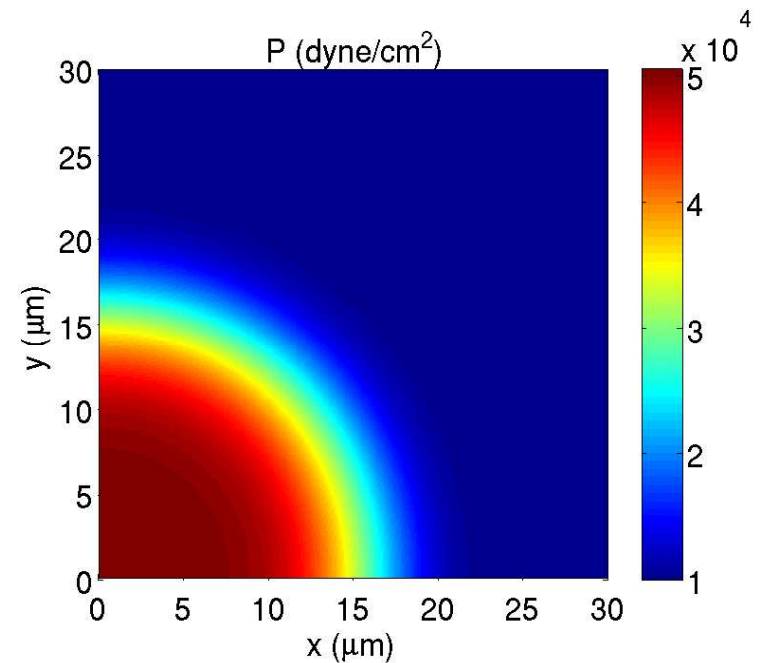
$$L = 100 \mu\text{m}$$

**Wavelet parameters:**

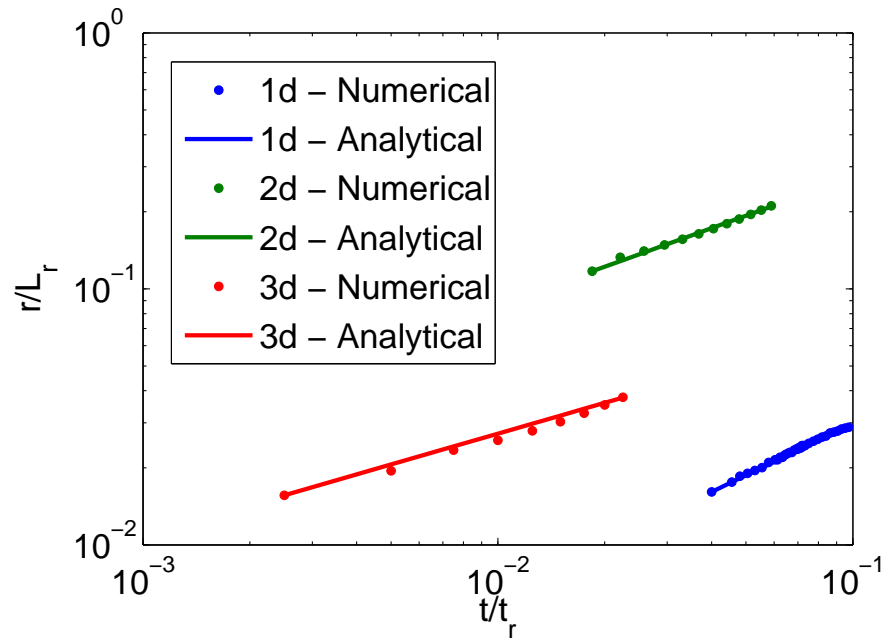
$$\epsilon = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$p = 6, \quad n = 4$$

$$j_0 = 3, \quad J - j_0 = 9 \text{ (1-d), } 6 \text{ (2-,3-d)}$$



# DEMONSTRATION OF A VERIFIED SOLUTION: TAYLOR/SED OV BLAST WAVE (CONT.)



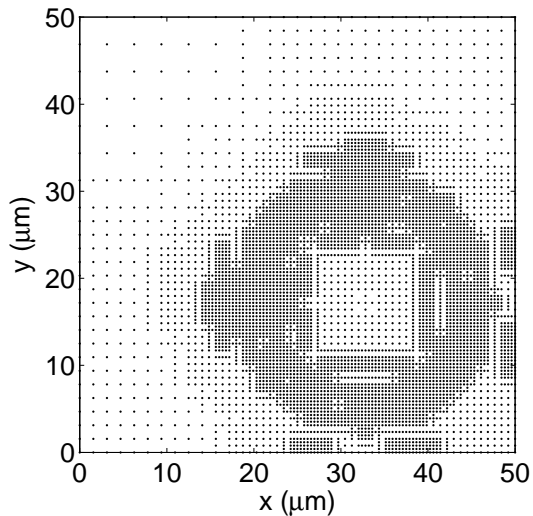
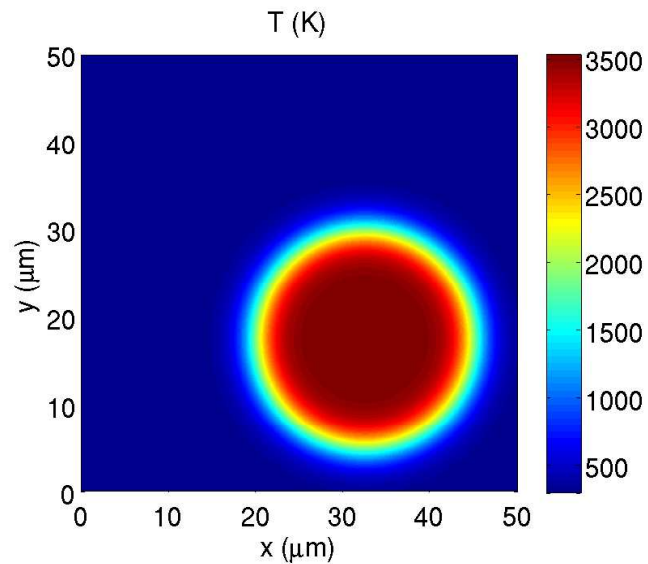
$$r(t) = \left( \frac{E}{\rho_0} \right)^a t^{2a}$$

$$a = (2 + d)^{-1}$$

$d$	$a$ -Analytical	$a$ -Numerical
1	0.6667	0.6645
2	0.5000	0.4842
3	0.4000	0.3979



## 2-D FLAMEBALL



$2H_2 : 1O_2 : 7Ar$  mixture

9 species, 37 reactions

$\mathbf{x}_0 = (32.5\mu\text{m}, 17.5\mu\text{m})$

$r = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2$

$\mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ cm s}^{-1}$

**State 1:**  $r > 12.5 \mu\text{m}$

$\rho_1 = 1.265 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

$T_1 = 300 \text{ K}$

**State 2:**  $r \leq 12.5 \mu\text{m}$

$\rho_2 = 1.265 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

$T_2 = 3530 \text{ K}$

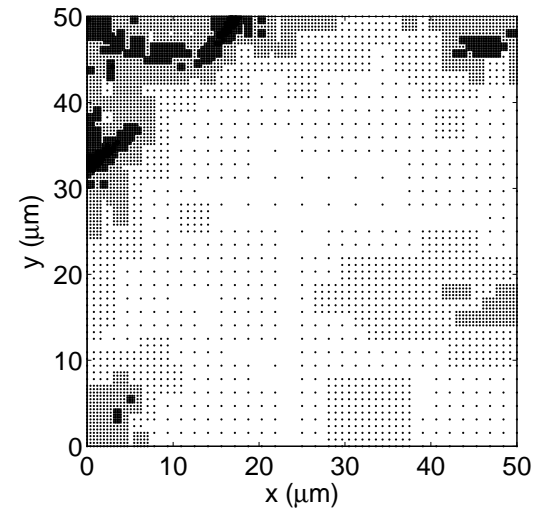
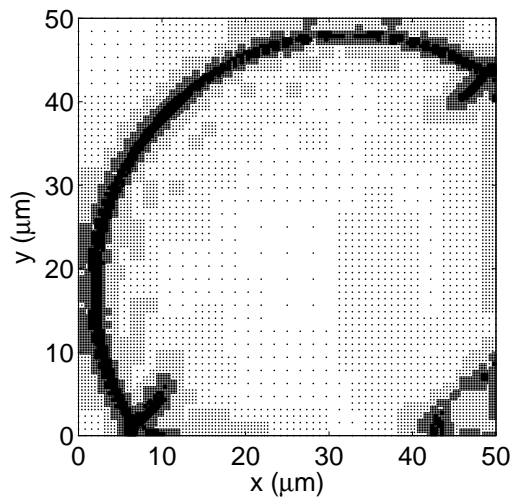
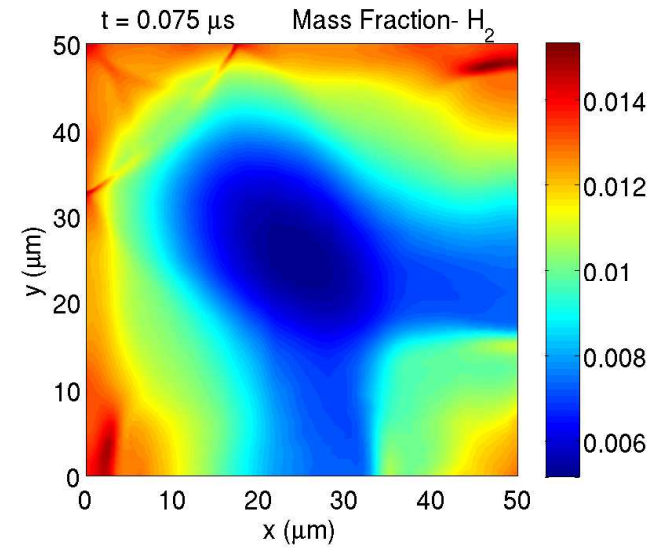
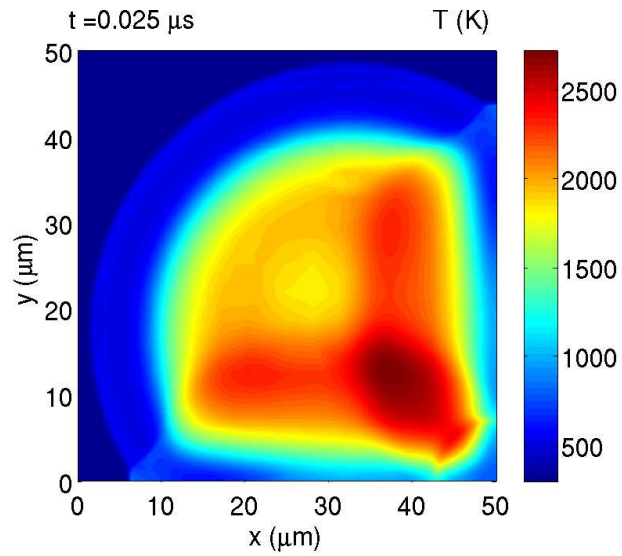
**Wavelet parameters:**

$\epsilon = 1 \times 10^{-3}$

$p = 6, \quad n = 4$

$j_0 = 3, \quad J - j_0 = 7$

## 2-D FLAMEBALL (CONT.)



## RUNTIME COMPARISONS

Case	$N_a$	$N_f$	$t_{adap}$ ( <i>hr</i> )	$t_{full}$ ( <i>hr</i> )	Speedup
1-D Detonation	275	$2.6 \times 10^5$	343	$3.3 \times 10^5$	950
1-D Blast Wave	305	$4.1 \times 10^3$	0.06	$0.8 \times 10^0$	13
2-D Blast Wave	2566	$2.6 \times 10^5$	0.83	$8.5 \times 10^1$	102
3-D Blast Wave	23084	$1.3 \times 10^8$	29.5	$1.7 \times 10^5$	5800
2-D Flameball	12784	$1.0 \times 10^6$	29	$2.4 \times 10^3$	82

$N_a$  - average number of points in adaptive grid

$N_f$  - total number of points in equivalent uniform grid

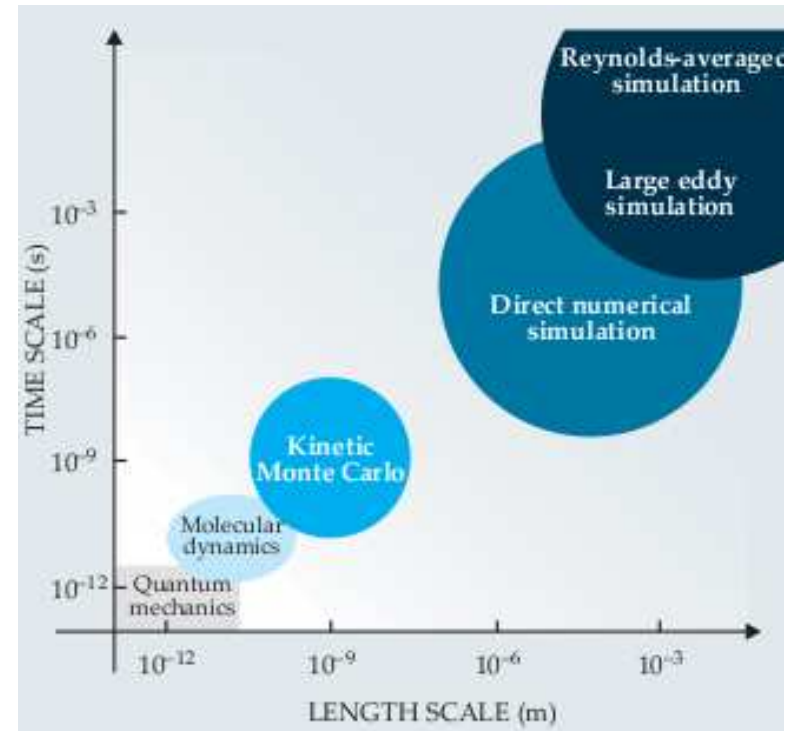
$t_{adap}$  - runtime of adaptive routine [*CPU hr*]

$t_{full}$  - est. runtime of routine with equivalent full grid [*CPU hr*]

Speedup -  $t_{full}/t_{adap}$

## SUMMARY

- An adaptive wavelet method is successfully applied to compressible reacting flows in multiple dimensions.
- The method is shown to provide large speedup in problems in multiple dimensions or with a wide range of scales.
- Verified solutions with large geometries require large computational resources, even with an adaptive method.  
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## WAVELET APPROXIMATION IN DOMAIN $[0, 1]^d$

Approximation of  $u(\mathbf{x})$  by the interpolating wavelet, a multiscale basis, on  $\mathbf{x} \in [0, 1]^d$  is given by

$$u(\mathbf{x}) \approx u^J(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} u_{j_0, \mathbf{k}} \Phi_{J_0, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=J_0}^{J-1} \sum_{\lambda} d_{j, \lambda} \Psi_{j, \lambda}(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\lambda = (\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{k})$  and  $\Psi_{j, \lambda}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \Psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{x})$ .

- Scaling function:

$$\Phi_{j, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^d \phi_{j, \mathbf{k}}(x_i), \quad k_i \in \kappa_j^0$$

- Wavelet function:

$$\Psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^d \psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{e}_i}(x_i), \quad k_i \in \kappa_j^{\mathbf{e}_i}$$

where  $\mathbf{e} \in \{0, 1\}^d \setminus \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}^0(x) \equiv \phi_{j, \mathbf{k}}(x)$  and  $\psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}^1(x) \equiv \psi_{j, \mathbf{k}}(x)$ , and  $\kappa_j^0 = \{0, \dots, 2^j\}$  and  $\kappa_j^1 = \{0, \dots, 2^j - 1\}$ .

# 1-D INTERPOLATING SCALING FUNCTION AND WAVELET

Some properties of  $\phi_{j,k}$  and  $\psi_{j,k}$  of order  $p$  ( $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , even):

- $\phi_{j,k}$  is defined through  $\phi(2^j x - k)$  where  $\phi(x) = \int \varphi_p(y)\varphi_p(y-x)dy$ , the auto-correlation of the Daubechies wavelet  $\varphi_p(x)$ .
- The support of  $\phi_{j,k}$  is compact, *i.e.*  $\text{supp}\{\phi_{j,k}\} \sim |O(2^{-j})|$ .
- $\phi_{j,k}(x_{j,n} = n2^{-j}) = \delta_{k,n}$ , *i.e.* satisfies the *interpolation property*.
- $\psi_{j,k} = \phi_{j+1,2k+1}$ .
- $\text{span}\{\phi_{j,k}\} = \text{span}\{\{\phi_{j-1,k}\}, \{\psi_{j-1,k}\}\}$ .
- $\{1, x, \dots, x^{p-1}\}$ , for  $x \in [0, 1]$ , can be written as a linear combination of  $\{\phi_{j,k}, k = 0, \dots, 2^j\}$ .
- $\{\{\phi_{J_0,k}\}, \{\psi_{j,k}\}_{j=J_0}^\infty\}$  forms a basis of a continuous 1-D function on the unit interval  $[0, 1]$ .

# SPARSE WAVELET REPRESENTATION (SWR) AND IRREGULAR SPARSE GRID

- For a given threshold parameter  $\varepsilon$ , the multiscale approximation of a function  $u(\mathbf{x})$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 u^J(\mathbf{x}) &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} u_{J_0, \mathbf{k}} \Phi_{j_0, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=j_0}^{J-1} \sum_{\{\lambda : |d_{j, \lambda}| \geq \varepsilon\}} d_{j, \lambda} \Psi_{j, \lambda}(\mathbf{x}) \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\sum_{j=j_0}^{J-1} \sum_{\{\lambda : |d_{j, \lambda}| < \varepsilon\}} d_{j, \lambda} \Psi_{j, \lambda}(\mathbf{x})}_{R_\varepsilon^J},
 \end{aligned}$$

and the SWR is obtained by discarding the term  $R_\varepsilon^J$ .

- For interpolating wavelets, each basis function is associated with one dyadic grid point, *i.e.*

$$\Phi_{j, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{x}_{j, \mathbf{k}} = (k_1 2^{-j}, \dots, k_d 2^{-j})$$

$$\Psi_{j, \lambda}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{x}_{j, \lambda} = \mathbf{x}_{j+1, 2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{e}}$$

## SWR AND IRREGULAR SPARSE GRID (CONTINUED)

- For a given SWR, one has an associated grid composed of *essential* points, whose wavelet amplitudes are greater than the threshold parameter  $\varepsilon$

$$\mathcal{V}_e = \{\mathbf{x}_{j_0, \mathbf{k}}, \bigcup_{j \geq j_0} \mathbf{x}_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}} : \boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \Lambda_j\}, \quad \Lambda_j = \{\boldsymbol{\lambda} : |d_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}| \geq \varepsilon\}.$$

- To accommodate the possible advection and sharpening of solution features, we determine the *neighboring* grid points:

$$\mathcal{V}_b = \bigcup_{\{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \Lambda\}} \mathcal{N}_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}},$$

where  $\mathcal{N}_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}$  is the set of neighboring points to  $x_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}$ .

- The new sparse grid,  $\mathcal{V}$ , is then given by

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathbf{x}_{j_0, \mathbf{k}} \cup \mathcal{V}_e \cup \mathcal{V}_b.$$



## SWR AND IRREGULAR SPARSE GRID (CONTINUED)

- There exists an adaptive fast wavelet transform (*AFWT*), with  $O(N)$ ,  $N = \dim\{\mathcal{V}\}$  operations, mapping the function values on the irregular grid  $\mathcal{V}$  to the associated wavelet coefficients and *vice-versa*:

$$AFWT(\{u(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}\}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D} = \{\{u_{j_0, \mathbf{k}}\}, \{d_{j, \boldsymbol{\lambda}}, \boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \Lambda_j\}_{j > j_0}\}.$$

- Provided that the function  $u(\mathbf{x})$  is continuous, the error in the SWR  $u_\varepsilon^J(\mathbf{x})$  is bounded by

$$\|u - u_\varepsilon^J\|_\infty \leq C_1 \varepsilon.$$

- Furthermore, for the function that is smooth enough, the number of basis functions  $N = \dim\{u_\varepsilon^J\}$  required for a given  $\varepsilon$  satisfies

$$N \leq C_2 \varepsilon^{-d/p}, \quad \text{and} \quad \|u - u_\varepsilon^J\|_\infty \leq C_2 N^{-p/d}.$$

## DERIVATIVE APPROXIMATION OF SWR

- Direct differentiation of wavelets is costly (with  $O(p(J - j_0)N)$  operations) because of different support sizes of wavelet basis on different levels.
- Alternatively, we use finite differences to approximate the derivative on a grid of irregular points. The procedure can be summarized as follows:
  - ❶ For a given SWR of a function, perform the inverse interpolating wavelet transform to obtain the function values at the associated irregular points.
  - ❷ Apply locally a finite difference scheme of order  $n$  to approximate the derivative at each grid point.
- Estimate shows that the pointwise error of the derivative approximation has the following bound:

$$\|\partial^i u / \partial x^i - D_x^{(i)} u_\varepsilon^J\|_{\mathbf{V}, \infty} \leq CN^{-\min((p-i), n)/2}, \quad \|f\|_{\mathcal{G}, \infty} = \max_{x \in \mathcal{V}} |f(x)|.$$

# DYNAMICALLY ADAPTIVE ALGORITHM FOR SOLVING TIME-DEPENDENT PDES

Given the set of PDEs

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = F(t, u, u_x, u_{xx}, \dots),$$

with initial conditions

$$u^0 = u(x, 0).$$

- ❶ Obtain sparse grid,  $\mathcal{V}^m$ , based on thresholding of magnitudes of wavelet amplitudes of the approximate solution  $u^m$ .
- ❷ Integrate in time using an explicit time integrator with error control to obtain the new solution  $u^{m+1}$ .
- ❸ Assign  $u^{m+1} \rightarrow u^m$  and return to step ❶.

## COMPRESSIBLE REACTIVE FLOW

Code solves the  $n$ -D compressible reactive Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\rho u_i) \\ \frac{\partial \rho u_i}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\rho u_j u_i) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \\ \frac{\partial \rho E}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (u_j (\rho E + p)) + \frac{\partial u_j \tau_{ji}}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial x_i} \\ \frac{\partial \rho Y_k}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (u_i \rho Y_k) + M_k \dot{\omega}_k - \frac{\partial j_{k,i}}{\partial x_i}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K\end{aligned}$$

Where  $\rho$ -density,  $u_i$ -velocity vector,  $E$ -specific total energy,  $Y_k$ -mass fraction of species  $k$ ,  $\tau_{ij}$ -viscous stress tensor,  $q_i$ -heat flux,  $j_{k,i}$ -species mass flux,  $M_k$ - molecular weight of species  $k$ , and  $\dot{\omega}_k$ -reaction rate of species  $k$ .

## COMPRESSIBLE REACTIVE FLOW (CONT.)

Where,

$$E = e + \frac{1}{2}u_i u_i$$

$$\tau_{ij} = -\frac{2}{3}\mu \frac{\partial u_l}{\partial x_l} \delta_{ij} + \mu \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

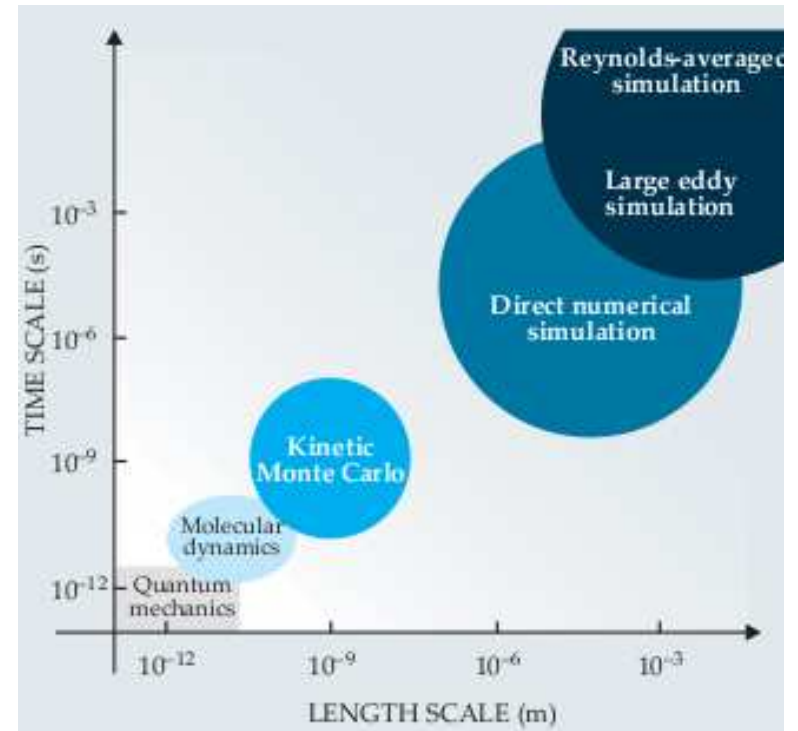
$$q_i = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{k=1}^K \left( h_k j_{k,i} - \frac{RT}{m_k X_k} D_k^T d_{k,i} \right)$$

$$j_{k,i} = \frac{\rho Y_k}{X_k \bar{M}} \sum_{j=1, j \neq k}^K M_j D_{kj} d_{j,i} - \frac{D_k^T}{T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i}$$

$$d_{k,i} = \frac{\partial X_k}{\partial x_i} + (X_k - Y_k) \frac{1}{p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i}$$

## PROJECT CHALLENGES

- To maintain time accuracy, time step is restricted by finest spatial grid size.
- We need better time integration strategies, *i.e.* multiple time stepping or a time-adaptive method.
- Parallel domain decomposition and load balancing is challenging on an adaptive grid.
- Verified solutions with large geometries require large computational resources, even with an adaptive method.  
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## FUTURE WORK

- Perform coarse-grained message passing-based parallelization.
- Improve data structure, maintaining constant-time data access.
- Implement non-reflecting boundary conditions for problems in open domains.
- Include generalized coordinates/domain transformation for non-Cartesian geometries.

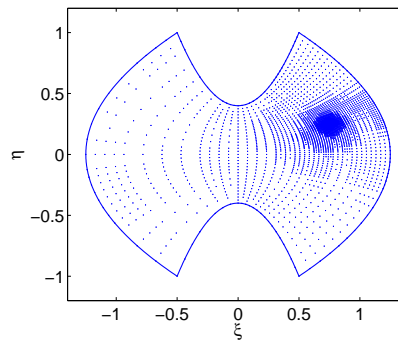
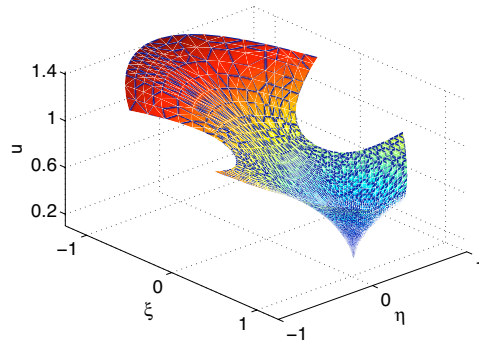


Figure: Solution and adaptive grid for a test problem in an irregular domain.

- Solve more complex problems with good experimental databases for validation.