

Lagrange-flux schemes: reformulating second-order accurate
Lagrange+remap schemes for higher operational intensity and
improved SIMD treatment

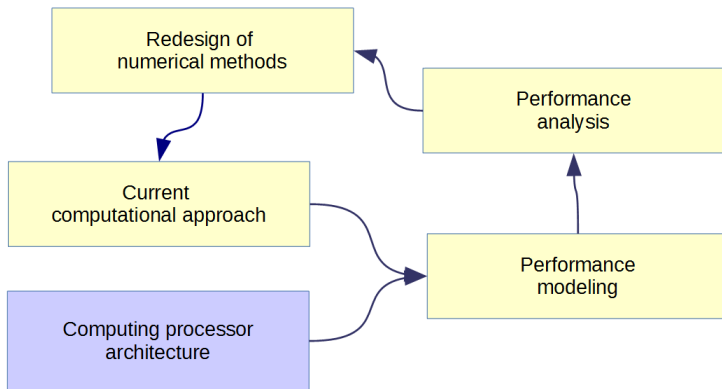
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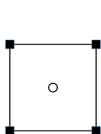
- ▶ High Performance Computing / Node-based multi-core performance
- ▶ Application: Compressible multiphysics CFD and multimaterial flows
- ▶ Miniapp called `Shy` developed in our team

Our belief: rational process of evolution of codes

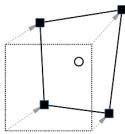


Performance issues of (staggered) Lagrange+remap schemes

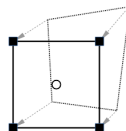
(Remember Thibault Gasc's talk on Tuesday)



0) Eulerian cell



i) Lagrange step



ii) Remapping step

- ▶ Staggered variables induce too much memory transfers
- ▶ Geometrical remapping: no SIMD, conditional branching
- ▶ Alternating direction (AD) strategies: more memory transfers
- ▶ Interface reconstruction (IR): array indirections, no SIMD

Build an alternative solver:

- ▶ with collocated (cell-centered) variables
- ▶ based on a Lagrangian flow description
- ▶ second-order accurate
- ▶ involving only geometry from the reference (Eulerian) grid
- ▶ suitable for SIMD
- ▶ extensible to multimaterial flows
- ▶ easily extensible to 3D

$$\partial_t U_\ell + \nabla \cdot (U_\ell \mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\pi}_\ell = 0, \quad \ell = \rho, \rho u_1, \rho u_2, \rho E.$$

Vector of conservative variables: $U = (\rho, \rho \mathbf{u} = (\rho u_i)_i, \rho E)$,

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_\rho = \vec{0},$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_{\rho u_1} = (p, 0),$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_{\rho u_2} = (0, p),$$

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_{\rho E} = p \mathbf{u}.$$

Perfect gas EOS: $p = (\gamma - 1) \left(\rho E - \frac{1}{2} \rho |\mathbf{u}|^2 \right).$

Reinterpretation of incremental remapping

- ▶ Let \mathbf{v} be the velocity vector field used for Lagrangian mesh deformation.

- i) Backward “play-back” convection (under Lagrangian description) :

$$\partial_t U + \nabla \cdot (-\mathbf{v} U) = 0$$

- ii) Forward “play” convection (under Eulerian description) :

$$\partial_t U + \nabla \cdot (+\mathbf{v} U) = 0$$

⇒ Step ii) generates convective fluxes through (Eulerian) cell edges.

Finite volume writing of Lagrange+remap schemes

$$\underline{(U_\ell)_K} \leftarrow \underline{(U_\ell)_K} - \frac{\Delta t}{|K|} \underbrace{\sum_{A \subset \partial K} |\underline{A}| \underline{\mathbf{v}}_A \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_A \underline{(U_\ell)_A}}_{\text{Convective Eulerian fluxes}} - \frac{\Delta t}{|K|} \underbrace{\sum_{\underline{A} \subset \partial \underline{K}} |\underline{A}| \overline{(\boldsymbol{\pi}_\ell)_A} \cdot \underline{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_A}_{\text{Pressure-type fluxes on Lagrangian edges}}.$$

NB:

1. Writing already better for SIMD treatment
2. But still some (Lagrangian) geometrical elements coming from the Lagrangian solver.

By making $\Delta t > 0$ tend to zero, we get the method of lines

$$\frac{d(U_\ell)_K}{dt} = -\frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{A \subset \partial K} |A| \mathbf{u}_A \cdot \nu_A (U_\ell)_A - \frac{1}{|K|} \sum_{A \subset \partial K} |A| (\boldsymbol{\pi}_\ell)_A \cdot \nu_A.$$

NB: from now on, all is defined on the (Eulerian) reference mesh !

⇒ Also ready for time discretization at any order of accuracy (in time).

— We get what we call a Lagrange-flux scheme —

Summary of Lagrange-flux algorithm

1. MUSCL+limiter slope reconstruction on ρ , \mathbf{u} , p
2. Lagrangian approximate Riemann solver: compute \mathbf{u}^* and p^*
3. Compute upwind values $(U_\ell)_A$ at edges A
4. Assemble numerical fluxes and update

Using a Runge-Kutta RK2 time integrator, we only need two kernels:

PredictionLagrangeFlux()

CorrectionLagrangeFlux()

Performance improvement (scalability analysis)

Scheme	1 core	1 core AVX	16 cores AVX	Scalability
Lagrange-flux	2.6	5.8	81.0	31.1
Staggered Lagrange-remap (reference)	2.5	3.8	37.0	14.8

Table: Test on 2×8 cores Intel Sandy Bridge server E5-2670. Ideal maximum speed-up is 64.

NB Metrics of performance measurement here is millions of updates per second (MUPS).

Extension to multi-material flows with interface capturing

- ▶ Interface capturing advection scheme
- ▶ Innovative artefact-free shape-preserving approach
- ▶ Ready for SIMD

“Triple-point” reference example :

