



Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkin Methods for Computational Fluid Dynamics on Unstructured Grids

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- Lecture 1: Overview of unstructured grid technologies for CFD
- Lecture 2: Review of discontinuous Galerkin methods
- Lecture 3: Reconstructed discontinuous Galerkin methods
- Lecture 4: Discontinuous Galerkin methods for elliptic problems



Lecture 1

Overview of unstructured grid technologies for CFD

Outline

- Background and Motivation
 - Why Unstructured Grids ?
- 2nd Order Finite Volume Methods on Unstructured Grids
 - Well Established, Very Mature
 - Widely Used in the Production CFD Codes
- Higher-order (>2nd) Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkin Finite Element Methods on Arbitrary Grids
 - Hierarchical WENO Reconstruction
 - Ongoing Research
 - Choice \rightarrow Next Generation of CFD Codes
- Concluding Remarks



Why Unstructured Grids?

- Unstructured Grids Provide Great Flexibility to Handle Complex Geometries
 - Typical Configurations of Engineering Interest, Such as Cars, Ships, and Airplanes Are Complex.

- Unstructured Grids Offer a Natural Framework for Grid Adaptation to Local Features
 - Flow Fields Exhibit a Wide Range of Local Features, Such as Shock Waves, Contact Discontinuities, and Vortices.



CAD Model for a Indy-Type Race Car





Race Car





















NURBE Model and Surface Mesh





Hypersonic Flow past a Cylinder



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FVFLO-NCSU: Flow Solver

- Physics
 - Compressible flow for all speeds
 - Inviscid, Laminar, Turbulent, and DES
 - Real Air, Sesame, and JWL EOS
 - 6 DOF Integrator, Moving Bodies
- Numerics
 - Unstructured Triangular/Tetrahedral Elements Mesh
 - Vertex-based Finite Volume/Finite Element approximation
 - Implicit / Explicit Time Integration
 - Upwind & FCT Spatial Discretization
 - Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian Formulation
 - Remeshing & H-Refinement Adaptation
 - Overlapping and Embedded Grid Capabilities





External Aerodynamics Applications

Example 1. Fully Turbulent Flow past DLR-F6 Wing/body/ Pylon/Nacelle Configuration



Single Point Test Case: $C_L=0.5$, $M_{\infty}=0.75$, Re=3x10⁶



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DLR-F6 Configuration







Example 2. Supersonic Flow Past a Space Shuttle





173,794 Boundary Points 2,679,754 Points 15,197,690 Elements

Mach Number Contours



Example 3. Viscous Flow past an Open-wheel Race Car





• Katz, J., Luo, H., Mestreau, E.L., Baum, J.D., and Löhner, R., Viscous Flow Simulation of an Open-Wheel Race Car; *SAE Publication* 983041, 1998.



Test case 4. Reactive Turbulent flow in REST Scramjet Inlet



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Test case 4. Reactive Turbulent flow in REST Scramjet Inlet





FVFLO







- Assess platform vulnerability and survivability
- Determine weapon lethality





Example 1. Blast in a Boeing 747



Baum, J. D., Luo, H., and Löhner, R., Numerical Simulation of a Blast inside a Boeing 747; AIAA-93-3091, 1993.





Example 2. Rear Blast Simulation for T62 Tank





Example 3. World Trade Center Explosion (New York)



• Baum, J.D., Luo, H., and Löhner, R., Numerical Simulation of Blast in the World Trade Center; AIAA-95-0085, 1995





Example 4. Kenya Terrorist Attack



Example 4. Kenya Terrorist Attack (Blast Initialization)





Example 4. Kenya Terrorist Attack Pressure Field at Time=(2,2,172,512)ms











Example 4. Kenya Terrorist Attack (Adaptive mesh simulation)







Moving Bodies Applications

F117 Store Separation





Baum, J.D., Luo, H., and Löhner, R., Validation of a New ALE Adaptive Unstructured Moving Body Methodology for Multi-Store Ejection; AIAA-95-1792, 1995.



F16 Fuel Tank Separation





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Canopy+2 Pilots Ejection



Baum, J.D., Löhner, R., Marquette, T. J., and Luo, H., Numerical Simulation of Aircraft Canopy Trajectory; AIAA-97-1885, 1997.





Fluid/Structure Interaction



Example 1. Truck and Blast Wave Interaction





Baum, J.D., Luo, H., Löhner, R., Yang, C., Pelessone, D., and Charman, C., A Coupled Fluid-Structure Modeling of Shock Interaction with a Truck; AIAA-96-0796, 1996.
Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Meshes @ t=0.0 ms





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Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Meshes @ t=0.250 ms











Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Meshes @ t=0.550 ms





Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Results @ t=0.101 ms



Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Results @ t=0.250 ms



Example 2. Bomb Fragmentation CFD & CSD Results @ t=0.420 ms



Challenges



- The second-order CFD methods simply can not deliver engineering-required accuracy in time for a variety of applications.
 - Large Eddy Simulation (LES)
 - Blade-Vortex Interaction (BVI)
- Turn-around time in minutes and at most in hours on a moderate computer cluster is necessary for engineering applications.
- The second-order CFD methods cannot provide Uncertainty Quantification (UQ) for a requested simulation.



Example 1: Large Eddy Simulation

- For flow problems with large regions of massive separation, there is a growing consensus that large eddy simulation techniques may offer the best hope for improving turbulence modelling.
- LES models are only reliable, when the numerical dissipation is low.
- Requirement → Higher-order Methods

Example 2: Blade and Vortex Interaction





- Several revolutions of vortex are required to study BVI.
- The second order methods can barely keep any revolutions of vortex → making the computation meaningless.
- Requirement → Higher-order Methods



Trend: Higher-order Methods

- One of intensive research efforts in the CFD is the development of higher-order (>2nd) methods for applications of scientific and engineering problems.
- Significant improvements in both accuracy and efficiency can be achieved by replacing second-order methods with higher-order (>2nd) methods for CFD applications.
 - ENO and WENO Methods
 - Compact Finite Difference Methods
 - Spectral Volume Methods
 - Discontinuous Galerkin Methods



Background

- Why DG ?
 - Several useful mathematical properties with respect to conservation, stability, and convergence.
 - Easy extension to higher-order (>2nd) schemes.
 - Well suited for complex geometries.
 - Easy adaptive strategies, allowing implementation of *hp*-refinement and hanging nodes.
 - Compact and highly parallelizable.
 - Accuracy for low Mach number flows.

Background



- Why not DG ?
 - High computing costs (more degrees of freedom)
 → CPU time
 - \rightarrow Storage requirements
 - Treatment of discontinuities (like all other high-order methods)
 - \rightarrow Sensitive to the implementation of limiters
 - \rightarrow Lead to loss of high-order accuracy
 - Requirement of higher-order boundary representation
 - \rightarrow Geometric modelling capability
 - \rightarrow Curved boundary elements
 - Efficient discretization of diffusion terms

Background



To reduce high computing costs of the DG methods, Reconstructed DG ($RDG(P_nP_m)$) schemes were introduced by Dumbser et al.

- P_n indicates that a piecewise polynomial of degree of n is used to represent a DG solution.
- P_m represents a reconstructed polynomial solution of degree of m (m \geq n) that is used to compute the fluxes and source terms.
- Provide a unified formulation for both finite volume and DG methods, and contain both classical finite volume and standard DG methods as two special cases of $RDG(P_nP_m)$ schemes.







Classification of the RDG(PnPm) Schemes

Order of Accuracy	Schemes
O(1)	$RDG(P_0P_0) (DG(P_0))$
O(2)	$RDG(P_0P_1)$ $RDG(P_1P_1)(DG(P_1))$
O(3)	$RDG(P_0P_2)$ $RDG(P_1P_2)$ $RDG(P_2P_2)$
O(4)	$RDG(P_0P_3)$ $RDG(P_1P_3)$ $RDG(P_2P_3)$ $RDG(P_3P_3)$
	:
O(M+1)	$\begin{array}{ccc} RDG(P_0P_m) \dots & RDG(P_nP_m) & \dots & RDG(P_mP_m) \\ FV & New Class & DG \end{array}$





- A RDG method based on a hierarchical WENO reconstruction: HWENO(P_1P_2), has been developed for compressible flows with strong discontinuities on hybrid grids.
 - enhance the accuracy, and therefore reduce the high computational costs of the underlying DG methods
 - avoid the spurious oscillations in the vicinity of strong discontinuities, and therefore maintain the non-linear stability, and naturally linear stability.
- Effectively address the two weakest links of the DG methods !!!

Governing Equations



Compressible Navier-Stokes Equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}(x,t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_k(\mathbf{U}(x,t))}{\partial x_k} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}_k(\mathbf{U}(x,t))}{\partial x_k}$$

- F: inviscid flux vector
- G: viscous flux vector
- U: conservative variable state vector

$DG(P_n)$ Method



$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{U}_h B_i d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_e} \mathbf{F}_k (\mathbf{U}_h) \mathbf{n}_k B_i d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{F}_k (\mathbf{U}_h) \frac{\partial B_i}{\partial x_k} d\Omega = \int_{\Gamma_e} \mathbf{G}_k (\mathbf{U}_h) \mathbf{n}_k B_i d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{G}_k (\mathbf{U}_h) \frac{\partial B_i}{\partial x_k} d\Omega, \quad 1 \le i \le N$$

 B_i (x): basis functions of the polynomials of degree Pn, 1≤*i*≤N. N: dimension of the polynomial space Pn.

Discontinuous Galerkin method of degree Pn (DG(Pn)) : $O(h^{n+1})$

 $\mathbf{F}_{k}(\mathbf{U}_{h})\mathbf{n}_{k} = \mathbf{H}_{k}(\mathbf{U}_{h}^{L}, \mathbf{U}_{h}^{R}, \mathbf{n}_{k}) \leftarrow \text{Numerical Riemann flux function}$ $\mathbf{G}_{k}(\mathbf{U}_{h}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}_{h}}{\partial x_{i}})\mathbf{n}_{k} = \mathbf{H}_{v}(\mathbf{U}_{h}^{L}, \mathbf{U}_{h}^{R}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}_{h}^{L}}{\partial x_{i}}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}_{h}^{R}}{\partial x_{i}}, \mathbf{n})$

The computation of the viscous fluxes has to properly resolve the discontinuities at the interfaces.



Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkine Method: RDG(PnPm)



$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega_{e}} \mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{P}_{n}} B_{i} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_{e}} \mathbf{F}_{k} (\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{P}_{m}}^{\mathbf{R}}) \mathbf{n}_{k} B_{i} d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega_{e}} \mathbf{F}_{k} (\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{P}_{m}}^{\mathbf{R}}) \frac{\partial B_{i}}{\partial x_{k}} d\Omega = \int_{\Gamma_{e}} \mathbf{G}_{k} (\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{P}_{m}}^{\mathbf{R}}) \mathbf{n}_{k} B_{i} d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega_{e}} \mathbf{G}_{k} (\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{P}_{m}}^{\mathbf{R}}) \frac{\partial B_{i}}{\partial x_{k}} d\Omega, \quad 1 \le i \le 1$$

 $\mathbf{U}_{P_m}^{\scriptscriptstyle R}$: reconstructed polynomial solution of degree Pm

 $B_i(\mathbf{x})$: basis functions of polynomials of degree Pn , $1 \le i \le N$

N: dimension of the polynomial space P_n

 \uparrow Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkin method RDG(PnPm) : O(h^{m+1})



HWENO reconstruction: $HWENO(P_1P_2)$



- A quadratic polynomial solution is obtained using a hierarchical WENO reconstruction by the following two steps:
 - Step 1: Reconstruct second derivatives by WENO : $WENO(P_1P_2)$
 - The second derivatives on each cell are first computed using underlying DG solution from its face-neighbouring cells using a 2-exact least-squares reconstruction.
 - The final second derivatives are obtained by WENO reconstruction using the least-squares reconstructed 2nd order derivatives at the cell itself and its face-neighboring cells.
 - Step 2: Reconstruct first derivatives : HWENO(P₁P₂)
 - Reconstruct and modify the first derivatives of the resulting quadratic polynomial solution using WENO reconstruction.



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Cost Analysis (Tetrahedral Grids)

	$RDG(P_0P_1)$	$RDG(P_1P_1)$	$RDG(P_1P_2)$	$RDG(P_2P_2)$
Number of quadrature points for boundary integrals	1	3	4	7
Number of quadrature points for domain integrals	0	4	5	11
Reconstruction	Yes	No	Yes	No
Order of Accuracy	O(h ²)	O(h ²)	O(h ³)	O(h ³)
Storage for Implicit Diagonal Matrix	25 words Per element	400	400	2500

Cost Analysis (Hexahedral Grid)



Spatial method	RDG(P1P1))	RDG(P1P2)	RDG(P2P2)
Nr. of quadrature points for boundary integrals	4	4	9
Nr. of quadrature points for domain integrals	8	8	27
Reconstruction	NO	YES	NO
Order of spatial accuracy	$O(h^2)$	$O(h^3)$	$O(h^3)$
Storage for the implicit diagonal matrix per element	400 words	400 words	2500 words

The memory requirement for RDG(P1P2) is much smaller than DG(P2).





FVFLO Unstructured triangular/	RDGFLO Unstructured arbitrary grid
tetrahedral grid	J 8 J 8
Finite volume/finite element formulation	Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkin formulation
<i>h</i> -adaptation	hp-adaptation
None	Error Estimation Uncertainty Quantification



RDGFLO



- Physics
 - Compressible flow for all speeds
 - Inviscid, Laminar, Turbulent (RDG(P₀P₁))
 - Chemically reactive flows $(RDG(P_0P_1))$
- Numerics
 - Unstructured Hybrid Mesh(tetrahedral, pyramidal, prismatic, and hexahedral)
 - Reconstructed Discontinuous Galerkin Formulation
 - Taylor basis
 - Explicit/Implicit (RK) Time Integration
 - LU-SGS/SGS/GMRES for linear systems
 - *p*-multigrid
 - HLLC, LDFSS, AUSM for Inviscid Fluxes
 - BR2, RDG for Viscous Fluxes
 - BGK for Inviscid+Viscou Fluxes
- Parallelization
 - MPI
- GPU
 - OpenACC



Numerical Examples

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- Strengths of the RDG methods
 - Accuracy
 - Robustness
 - Essentially oscillation-free property



Accuracy Demonstration

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Example 1: Convection of a Gaussian and a square wave



The superior dissipation and dispersion property of DG !





Convection of a Gaussian and a square wave



Note the high accuracy and oscillation-free of the RDG !



Example 2: Solution to a Heat Conduction Equation

Access the order of accuracy of RDG methods for diffusion



The superior convergence of RDG methods for diffusion!



Example 3. A Subsonic Flow through a Channel with a Smooth Bump ($M_{\infty}=0.5$, $\alpha=0^{\circ}$)

- Access the order of accuracy of the $RDG(P_1P_1)$, $WENO(P_1P_2)$ and $HWENO(P_1P_2)$ methods for internal flows.
- Entropy production is served as the error measurement.



889 cells254 pts171 boundary pts

6986 cells1555 pts691 boundary pts

449522 cells81567 pts10999 boundary pts



Computed Velocity Contours by $HWENO(P_1P_2)$





Coarse Grid

Medium Grid

Fine Grids



L2-error and order of convergence for the RDG(P_1P_1), WENO(P_1P_2), and HWENO(P_1P_2) methods

	$RDG(P_1P_1)$		WENO(P_1P_2)		HWENO(P ₁ P ₂)	
Length Scale	L ² -error	Order	L2-error	Order	L ² -error	Order
6.552E-2	2.438E-3		2.183E-3		2.220E-3	
3.295E-2	7.356E-4	1.744	2.794E-4	2.992	2.851E-4	2.987
1.650E-2	1.807e-4	2.032	4.539E-05	2.626	4.565E-5	2.647

Both WENO(P_1P_2) and HWENO(P_1P_2) deliver the designed 3rd order of convergence !!



Example 4. A Subsonic Flow past a Sphere ($M_{\infty}=0.5$)



- Access the order of accuracy of the $RDG(P_1P_1)$, $WENO(P_1P_2)$ and $HWENO(P_1P_2)$ methods for external flows.
- Entropy production is served as the error measurement.







535 cells167 points124 boundary pts

62426 cells598 points322 boundary pts

16467 cells3425 points1188 boundary pts



Computed Velocity Contours by $HWENO(P_1P_2)$

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Coarse Grid

Medium Grid

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L2-error and order of convergence for the RDG(P_1P_1), WENO(P_1P_2), and HWENO(P_1P_2) methods

	$RDG(P_1P_1)$		WENO(P_1P_2)		$HWENO(P_1P_2)$	
Length scale	L ² -error	Order	L ² -error	Order	L ² -error	Order
7.760E-2	1.783E-2		1.052E-2		1.117E-2	
4.688E-2	5.010E-3	2.519	1.317E-3	4.124	1.503E-3	3.980
2.476E-2	1.232E-3	2.198	1.978E-4	2.964	2.201E-4	3.009

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Efficiency Comparison for Different RDG Methods



Convergence order versus number of degree of freedom Convergence history versus CPU time (Second)


Efficiency Comparison for Different RDG Methods







Computed skin friction coefficients (RDG(P1))

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Computed skin friction coefficients (RDG(P2))

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Computed X-velocity profiles at x=0.2(RDG(P1))



Computed X-velocity profiles at x=0.2(RDG(P2))





Computed Y-velocity profiles at x=0.2(RDG(P1))



Computed Y-velocity profiles at x=0.2(RDG(P2))







Strengths of the RDG method

Robustness Demonstration

Example 1. Water flow in a convergent-divergent nozzle







Vapor flow in a convergent-divergent nozzle



Stiffened EOS No single parameter is changed !!! No time-derivative preconditioner is required !!!



• Access the accuracy for solving low Mach number flow problems.



Obtained by the $RDG(P_0P_1)$ on the finest grid

Obtained by the $RDG(P_1P_1)$ on the fine grid

Obtained by the $RDG(P_1P_2)$ on the fine grid

Comparison of the Computed Velocity Distributions on the Surface of the Sphere







Essentially oscillation-free property

Example 1. Transonic Flow past an ONERA M6 Wing ($M_{\infty}=0.84, \alpha=3.06^{\circ}$)

• Access the accuracy and non-oscillatory property of the $HWENO(P_1P_2)$ method for flows with discontinuities.



Computed Pressure Contours

WENO(P_0P_1) nelem = 593,169 npoin = 110,282 nboun = 19,887

HWENO(P_1P_2) nelem = 95,266 npoin = 18,806 nboun = 5,287







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Example 2. Transonic Flow past past a Wing/Pylon/Finned-Store Configuration ($M_{\infty}=0.95$, $\alpha=0^{\circ}$)

• Access the accuracy and non-oscillatory property of the $HWENO(P_1P_2)$ method for flows with strong discontinuities.



Computed Pressure Contours (nelem=319,134, npoin=61,075, nboun=14,373)

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Computed Pressure Coefficient Distributions at different spanwise locations







Parallel Performance







Graph of domain decomposition by METIS 128 partitions and 124,706 elements







Parallel speedup and efficiency on a single node (up to 16 CPUs)







Explicit Method

Implicit Method

Parallel speedup and efficiency on a multiple nodes (up to 8 nodes with 16 CPUs per node)





Applications



Transonic flow past a B747 configuration

- Demonstrate that the HWENO(P₁P₂) method can be used for computing complicated flows of practical interest.
- Flow condition: $M_{\infty}=0.85$, $\alpha=2^{\circ}$



(nelem = 253,577, npoin = 48,851, nboun = 11,802) Computed Mach Number Contours



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Unsteady Viscous Flow over Tandem Airfoils M=0.2, Re=10,000, α=0





2,902 hexahedral elements, 4,385 prisms, 10,418 grid points,



Subsonic Flow past a Delta Wing



- Demonstrate that the WENO(P_1P_2) method can be used for computing vortex flows of practical interest.
- Flow condition: $M_{\infty}=0.3$, Re=4,000



(Tetrahedral grid: Nelem = 674,260, Npoin = 120,531, Nboun = 12,991)

Computed Mach Number Contours and streamlines





Implicit Solutions

Computational Results

- Numerical Examples
 - 1. Inviscid shedding flow past a triangular wedge
 - 2. Kármán vortex street at Re = 200
 - 3. Viscous flow past an SD7003 airfoil
 - 4. Implicit large eddy simulation of a lid driven cavity

• Default parameters for solving the pseudo-time system

- Linear solver: LU-SGS preconditioned GMRES algorithm
- The pseudo time-step term is off, which is equivalent to solving a quasi-Newton system at each implicit Runge-Kutta stage
- The relative residual tolerance is 1.0×10^{-4} .
- The maximum iteration number is 5.

• Compilation and runtime toolkit

- METIS for domain partitioning
- PGI Fortran compiler + OpenMPI



- Example 1. Inviscid shedding flow past a triangular wedg
- **Objective**: illustrate the importance of the temporal discretization schemes on the accuracy of the numerical solutions
- **Grid**: 13, 250 hexahedral elements, 27, 026 grid point, and 27, 026 quadrilateral faces
- Initial condition: we use intermediate solution ($M_{\infty} = 0.5$, $\alpha = 0^{\circ}$) obtained by DG(P0) as IC for the unsteady shedding flow





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Example 1. Inviscid shedding flow past a triangular wed

- Comparison of computed density contours at t = 400 ($M_{\infty} = 0.5, \alpha = 0^{\circ}$)
 - With a fixed time-step size of dt = 0.05



Reference solution: explicit 3-stage RK + RDG(P1P2) with a fixed dt = 0.0004



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Example 1. Inviscid shedding flow past a triangular wed

- Animations (up to solution time t = 400)
 - With a fixed time-step size of dt = 0.10



BDF1 + RDG(P1P2)



IRK3+DG(P1)



IRK2 + RDG(P1P2)

IRK3+RDG(P1P2)




Example 1. Inviscid shedding flow past a triangular wedg

• Comparison of the CPU time (evaluated by running on 64 cores) between the explicit and implicit methods.

For solution at t = 40	Time-step size	Time steps	CPU time (sec)
IRK2 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.05	800	1,770
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.05	800	5,182
IRK2 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.10	400	1,008
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.10	400	2,825
Explicit RK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.0004	800,000	13,498

- Performance of the LU-SGS preconditioned GMRES solver
 - In average, a drop of 4 orders of magnitude for the unsteady residual can be achieved within 5 inner iterations at each implicit RK stage

The IRK3+RDG(P1P2) method provides accurate solutions in space and time and requires much less CPU time compared with its explicit counterpart!



- Example 2. Kármán vortex street at Re = 200
- **Grid**: 10,204 hexahedral elements, 20,800 grid points, and 20,800 boundary faces. The normal grid spacing near the cylinder surface is 0.001 (normalized by the cylinder diameter)
- **Boundary condition**: no-slip, adiabatic condition on cylinder surface, symmetry condition on spanwise wall, characteristic condition at far-field.
- Initial condition: we use steady-state solution ($M_{\infty} = 0.2, \alpha = 3^{\circ}, Re = 50$) obtained by DG(P0) as IC for the vortex shedding



http://www.grc.nasa.gov/WWW/Acoustics/code/adpac/sample/CYLINDER_VORTEX_SHEDDING/



Example 2. Kármán vortex street at Re = 200

• Comparison of the computed instantaneous Mach number and entropy contours ($M_{\infty} = 0.2$, $\alpha = 0^{\circ}$, Re = 200)



IRK2+RDG(P1P2), dt=0.05





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• Animations (up to solution time t = 40)







Example 2. Kármán vortex street at Re = 20

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• Time histories of lift and drag coefficients (Strouhal number = 1.923)



IRK2+RDG(P1P2), dt=0.05

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IRK3+RDG(P1P2), dt=0.5

Agree well with the results in the referred literature!

Example 2. Kármán vortex street at Re = 200

• Comparison of the CPU time (evaluated by running on 128 cores) between the explicit and implicit methods.

For solution at t = 40	Time-step size	Time steps	CPU time (sec)
IRK2 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.05	10,000	1,603
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.05	10,000	5,524
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.50	1,000	1,047
Explicit RK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.00005	10,000,000	Estimated 77,960

- Performance of the LU-SGS preconditioned GMRES solver
 - In average, a drop of 4 orders of magnitude for the unsteady residual can be achieved within 5 inner iterations at each implicit RK stage
 - The IRK's can greatly accelerate the solution over its explicit counterpart, while rendering accurate solution in time and space for viscous flows.
 - The IRK3 enables the use of much larger time-step size and thus can improve the overall efficiency.





Example 3. Viscous flow past an SD7003 airfoil

- **Grid**: 50,781 prismatic elements, 52,176 grid points, 101,562 triangular boundary faces, and 279 quadrilateral boundary faces.
- **Boundary condition**: no-slip, adiabatic condition on the airfoil surface, symmetry condition on spanwise wall, characteristic condition on far-field.
- Initial condition: uniform flow ($M_{\infty} = 0.1$, $\alpha = 4^{\circ}$, Re = 10,000) in the field.



Airfoil: global view







Airfoil: trailing edge



Example 3. Viscous flow past an SD7003 airfoil

• Comparison of the computed instantaneous pressure number contours



By the compact method*



By IRK3+RDG(P1P2), dt = 0.01

• Comparison of the computed



By the compact method*

By IRK3+RDG(P1P2), dt = 0.01

* Raymond E Gordnier and Miguel R Visbal. Compact Difference Scheme Applied to Simulation of Low-Sweep Delta Wing Flow. AIAA journal, 43(8):1744–1752, 2005.





Example 3. Viscous flow past an SD7003 airfoil

• Local details of the computed instantaneous solution by



Pressure contours near the upper surface



Velocity vectors near the trailing edge

• Animations (up to solution time t = 100 with dt = 0.01 and 1 sec / frame)









- Example 3. Viscous flow past an SD7003 airfoil
- Comparison of the CPU time (evaluated by running on 256 cores) between the explicit and implicit methods.

For solution at t = 100	Time-step size	Time steps	CPU time (sec)
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.01	10,000	83,178
Explicit RK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.00001	10,000,000	Estimated 1,669,400

A speedup factor of more than 200 by IRK3 over its explicit counterpart !

- Performance of the LU-SGS preconditioned GMRES solver
 - In average, a drop of 4 orders of magnitude for the unsteady residual can be achieved within 5 inner iterations at each implicit RK stage

Indeed, the relative tol. = 10^{-4} is a overkill in running these problems. If we use relative tol. = 10^{-2} , even higher speedup may be achieved.

Example 4. Implicit LES of a lid driven cav

- **Implicit LES**
 - Without the use of an explicit sub-grid scale model.
- Why DG methods? ٠
 - The DG methods only dissipate the scales that the model is not able to • capture correctly, thus acting like a sub-grid scale model.
- Why RDG methods?
 - DG methods like P2, P3, and P4 have shown the ability of helping improve the solution accuracy in a few benchmark DNS and LES problems. Yet they are expensive in terms of computing time and storage requirement.
 - Assess the RDG methods like P1P2 and even P2P3 for computing ۲ large-scale.
- Why 3D lid driven cavity? ٠
 - The 3D lid driven cavity presents complex physical phenomena, though the geometry is simple. Therefore it is an adequate example to assess the performance of the implicit LES with the developed methods.

Example 4. Implicit LES of a lid driven cav

- Problem description
 - Domain: x = [0, 1], y = [0, 1], and z = [-0.25, 0.25] (x: y: z = 1: 1: 0.5).
 - Top lid velocity $\mathbf{v}_{b} = (0.2, 0, 0)$, Re = 10,000.
 - No-slip, adiabatic conditions for the rest of boundary walls.
 - Grid: 64x64x32 grid points; $h_{min} = 0.005$ in x-y plane (y⁺ = 3.535); uniform grid distribution in spanwise z-direction.



The 64x64x32 grid surface

Instantaneous Mach No. iso-surface

Animated Mach No. iso-



Example 4. Implicit LES of a lid driven cavity



- Problem setup
 - Step 1. Run 5000 time steps with BDF1+DG(P1) and CFL = 500 from zerovelocity field, so that the flow filed reaches a cyclically oscillating status.
 - Step 2. Restart the computation with a fixed time-step size of dt = 0.1, and use a desired method as shown below. The width of window for time averaging is 30 second per frame (every 300 steps).



Density residual vs. time steps (fixed dt = 0.1)

Total energy residual vs. time steps (fixed dt = 0.1)

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- Exp. (Prasad&Koseff,1989)1
- LES (Zang et al., 1993)
- BDF1+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK2+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK3+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK2+DG(P1)
- RDG(P1P2) match all well.
- DG(P1) is a little off near bottom region.



y-coordinate

Example 4. Implicit LES of a lid driven cavi

- RMS velocities
 - Exp. (Prasad&Koseff,1989)
 - LES (Zang et al., 1993)
 - BDF1+RDG(P1P2)
 - IRK2+RDG(P1P2)
 - IRK3+RDG(P1P2)
 - IRK2+DG(P1)
 - DG(P1) is not accurate enough.
 - RDG(P1P2) matches exp. data well!
 - IRK's are slightly better than BDF1.
 - IRK3 is close to IRK2.



x-coordinate

Profiles along the x and y centerlines on spanwise mid-plane (z = 0)

y-coordinate



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y-coordinate

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Reynolds stress tensor component <u'v'>

- Exp. (Prasad&Koseff,1989)
- LES (Zang et al., 1993)
- BDF1+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK2+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK3+RDG(P1P2)
- IRK2+DG(P1)
- DG(P1) is far from good in lower region.
- RDG(P1P2) matches exp. data well!
- IRK's are better than BDF1 in some regions.
- IRK3 is close to IRK2.



Profiles along the x and y centerlines on spanwise mid-plane (z = 0)





Example 4. Implicit LES of a lid driven cavity

• Comparison of the CPU time (evaluated by running on 256 cores) between the explicit and implicit methods.

For solution at t = 3000	Time-step size	Time steps	CPU time (sec)
BDF1 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.1	30,000	52,542
IRK2 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.1	30,000	86,066
IRK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.1	30,000	263,010
IRK2 + DG(P1)	dt = 0.1	30,000	69,050
Explicit RK3 + RDG(P1P2)	dt = 0.0001	30,000,000	Estimated 7,347,942

- LU-SGS preconditioned GMRES solver
 - In average, a drop of 4 orders of magnitude for the unsteady residual can be achieved within 5 inner iterations at each implicit RK stage.
 - A speedup factor of more than 85 by IRK over its explicit counterpart!
 - IRK+RDG(P1P2) greatly improve solution accuracy for implicit LES without much extra cost than the underlying IRK+DG(P1)!

Concluding Remarks

- A reconstructed discontinuous Galerkin method based on a Hierarchical WENO reconstruction, $HWENO(P_1P_2)$ has been developed for compressible flows at all speeds on hybrid grids.
- The HWENO(P_1P_2) method is able to provide sharp resolution of shock waves essentially without over- and under-shoots for discontinuities and achieve the designed third-order of accuracy for smooth flows.
- RDG methods have the potential to provide a superior alternative to the traditional FV methods, and to become a main choice for the next generation of CFD codes.
- A higher-order RDG-based CFD code will ultimately deliver a more accurate, efficient, robust, and reliable simulation tool with confidence that will enable us to solve flow problems at resolutions never before possible by the current state-of-the-art CFD technology.





Thank You !