

**An adaptive and quasi-conservative  
Semi-Lagrangian advection-diffusion  
algorithm**

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### Introduction



### Semi-Lagrangian scheme for advection-diffusion

M. Sogaard, F. Kap, D. Sørensen, D. Sørensen, 2006

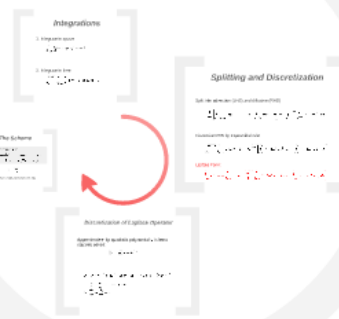


### Quasi-conservative Semi-Lagrangian Scheme

S.B. (2006)



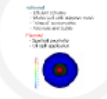
### Combine: quasi-conservative SLM for advection-diffusion



### Numerical Tests



### Comments



# *Plume dispersion as passive tracer?*

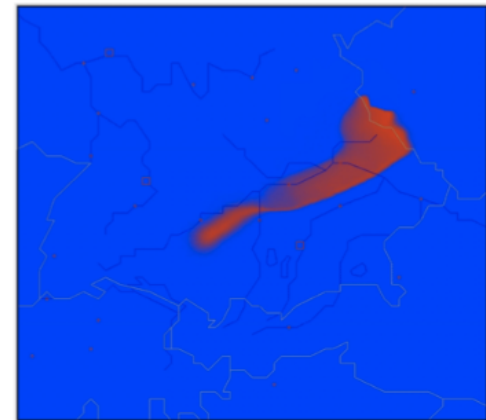
## *Multi-Scale problem:*

Total Extent

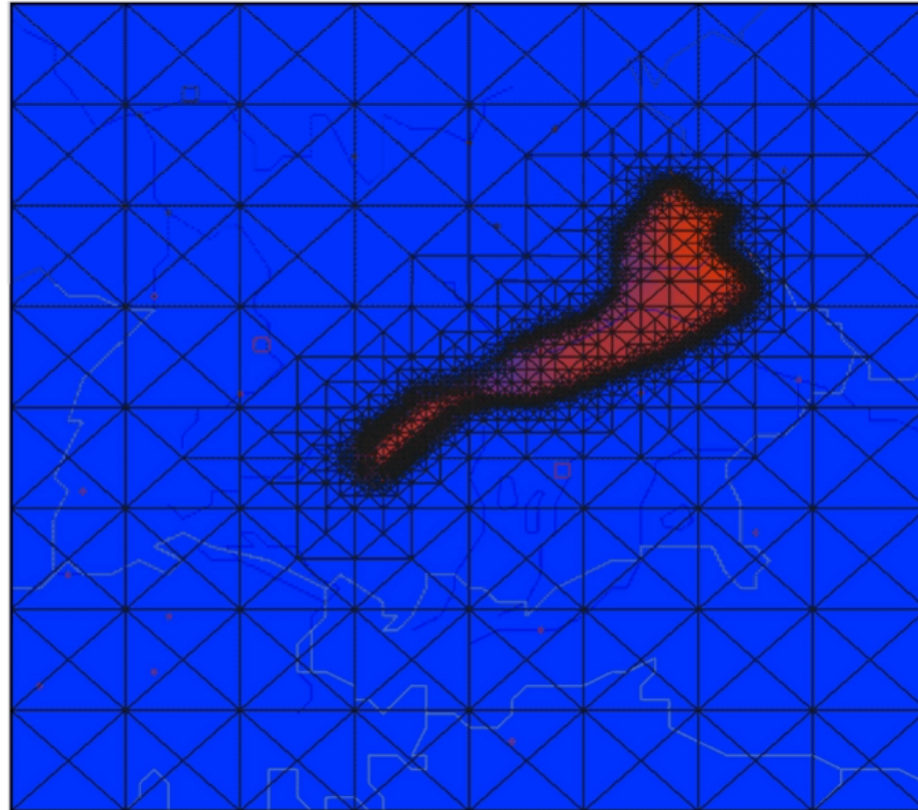
$$\mathcal{O}(10^5 m^2)$$

Local concentrations

$$\mathcal{O}(10^2 m^2)$$



## *Idea: adaptive mesh refinement methods*



- refinement only where necessary
- dynamically adaptive during run-time

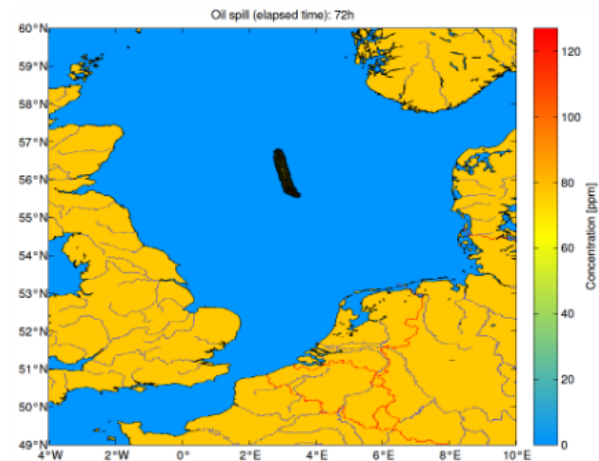
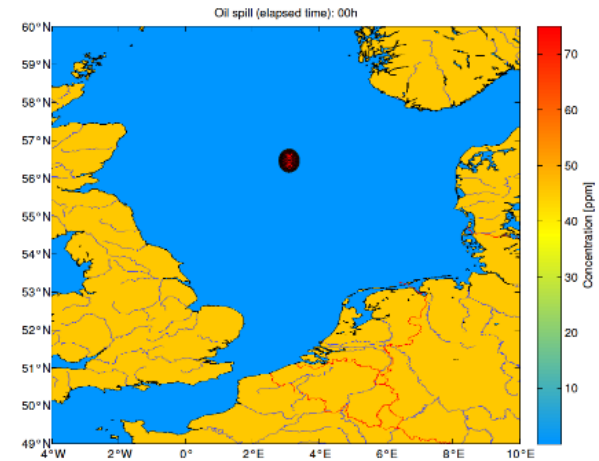


# What about decay, reaction, etc.?

Spreading:

$$\frac{\partial K_{oil}}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla} K_{oil} - \vec{\nabla} \cdot (k_d \vec{\nabla} K_{oil}) = \frac{R}{\rho_{oil}}$$

$$k_d = \frac{gh_{oil}^2 \rho_{oil} (\rho_w - \rho_{oil})}{\rho_w k_f}$$



# *Advection-Diffusion equation*

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\rho) + \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho) = 0$$

*Constituent (possibly multi-component)*

$$\rho : \Omega \times T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \quad \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

*Given wind field*

$$\mathbf{v} : \Omega \times T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$$

*Given diffusion coefficient*

$$\mu : \Omega \times T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

# Semi-Lagrangian scheme for advection-diffusion

M. Spiegelman/R. F. Katz, *Geochem. Geophys. Geosyst.* (2006).

## Lagrangian Form

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v}\rho) = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \rho + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} \rho$$

$$= \frac{d\rho}{dt} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} \rho$$

Divergence-free flow:  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = 0$$

## Splitting advection and diffusion

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho) = 0$$

Advection

Diffusion

Discretization of Advection-Diffusion eq.

$$\rho^+ - \rho^- - \frac{\Delta t}{2} [\nabla \cdot (\mu^+ \nabla \rho^+) + \nabla \cdot (\mu^- \nabla \rho^-)] = 0$$

Time integration over one time step:

$$\int_t^{t+\Delta t} \frac{d\rho}{dt} + \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho) dt = 0$$

Advection Term (exact integration):

$$\int_t^{t+\Delta t} \frac{d\rho}{dt} dt = \rho(t+\Delta t) - \rho(t) = \rho^+ - \rho^-$$

Diffusion Term (trapezoidal rule):

$$\int_t^{t+\Delta t} \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho) dt \approx \frac{\Delta t}{2} [\nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho)|_{t+\Delta t} + \nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla \rho)|_t]$$

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## ***Discretization of Advection-Diffusion eq.***

$$\rho^+ = \rho^- - \frac{\Delta t}{2} [\nabla \cdot (\mu^+ \nabla \rho^+) + \nabla \cdot (\mu^- \nabla \rho^-)] = 0$$

# Quasi-conservative Semi-Lagrangian Scheme

J.B. (2006)

## Start from Advection

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot (v\rho) = 0$$

Then we obtain  
(integrate over area, transport theorem)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V(t)} \rho \, dx = 0$$

## Advect Volumes



## Time Integration

$$\frac{1}{\Delta t} \left[ \int_{V(t+\Delta t)} \rho(x, t + \Delta t) \, dx - \int_{V(t)} \rho(x, t) \, dx \right] = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{V(t+\Delta t)} \rho(x, t + \Delta t) \, dx - \int_{V(t)} \rho(x, t) \, dx$$

## Discretization: Midpoint rule

$$\int_{V(t+\Delta t)} \rho(x, t + \Delta t) \, dx \approx V(t + \Delta t) \cdot \rho(x_2, t + \Delta t)$$

$$\int_{V(t)} \rho(x, t) \, dx \approx V(t) \cdot \rho(x_1, t)$$



$$\Rightarrow \rho(x_2, t + \Delta t) = \frac{V(t)}{V(t + \Delta t)} \cdot \rho(x_1, t)$$

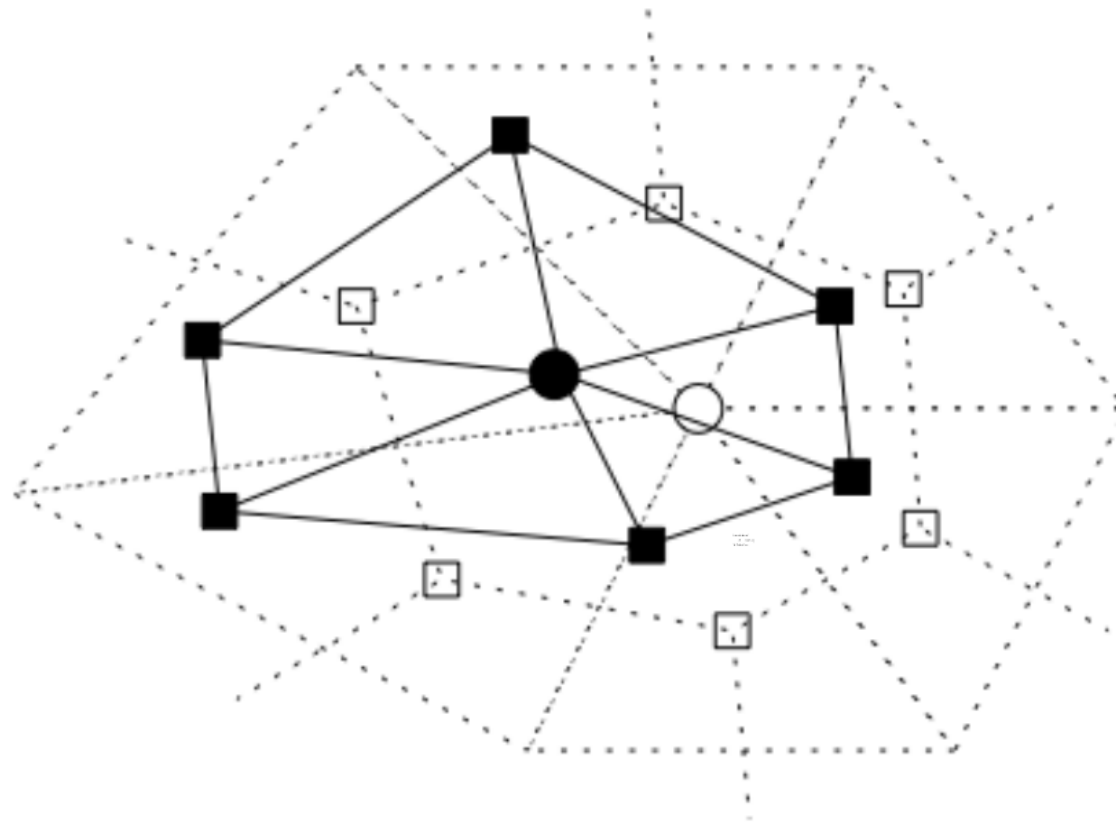
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Use solution of

$$\dot{x} = \mathbf{v}(x, t)$$

for trajectories.

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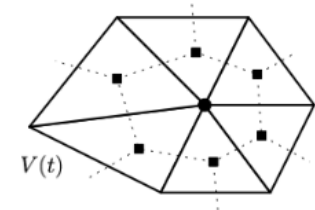
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$$\int_{V(t)} \rho(x, t) dx \approx |V(t)| \cdot \rho(x_i - \alpha_i, t)$$

Use dual mesh cell



$$\Rightarrow \rho(x_i, t + \Delta t) = \frac{|V(t)|}{|V(t + \Delta t)|} \cdot \rho(x_i - \alpha_i, t)$$

# Combine: quasi-conservative SLM for advection-diffusion

## Integrations

1. Integrate in space

$$\int_{V_{el}} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla \phi) dx = 0$$

2. Integrate in time

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Update Form:

$$\int_{V_{el}} \rho^1 dx - \int_{V_{el}} \rho^2 dx = \frac{\Delta t}{2} \left[ \int_{V_{el}} \nabla \cdot (\rho^1 \nabla \phi^1) dx + \int_{V_{el}} \nabla \cdot (\rho^2 \nabla \phi^2) dx \right]$$

## The Scheme

$$\rho_{i,j}^{n+1} = \frac{\rho_{i,j}^n + \rho_{i,j}^{n+1}}{2} - \Delta t \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla \phi) + \Delta t \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla \phi) = \rho_{i,j}^n - \Delta t \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla \phi)$$

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Remark: Apply Godunov Splitting

## Discretization of Laplace Operator

Approximate  $\rho$  by quadratic polynomial  $q$  in least squares sense:

$$\|\rho - q\|_2 = \min$$

$$q(x, y) = q_1 x^2 + q_2 y^2 + q_3 xy + q_4 x + q_5 y + q_6 \quad (x, y) \in \Omega$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} &\approx \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = 2q_1x + q_3y + q_4 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial x^2} &\approx \frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial x^2} = 2q_1 \end{aligned}$$

# *The Scheme*

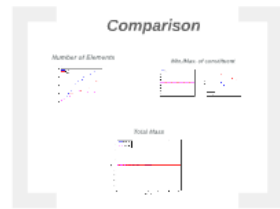
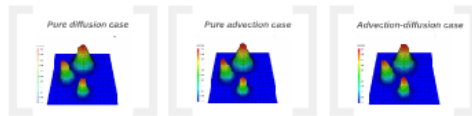
$$\begin{aligned}\rho(x, t + \Delta t) &= \chi \rho(x_i - \alpha_i, t) \\ &\quad - \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} [\nabla \cdot (\mu(x, t + \Delta t) \nabla \bar{\rho}(x, t + \Delta t)) \\ &\quad + \chi \nabla \cdot (\mu(x - \alpha, t) \nabla \rho((x - \alpha, t)))]\end{aligned}$$

$$\chi = \frac{|V(t)|}{|V(t + \Delta t)|}$$

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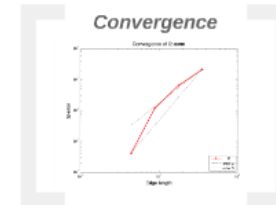
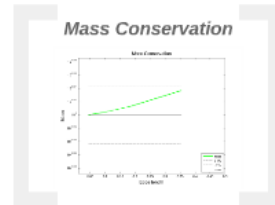
# Numerical Tests

## Quantitative Test



## Analytical Test Case

Calhoun & LeVeque, JCP, 2000



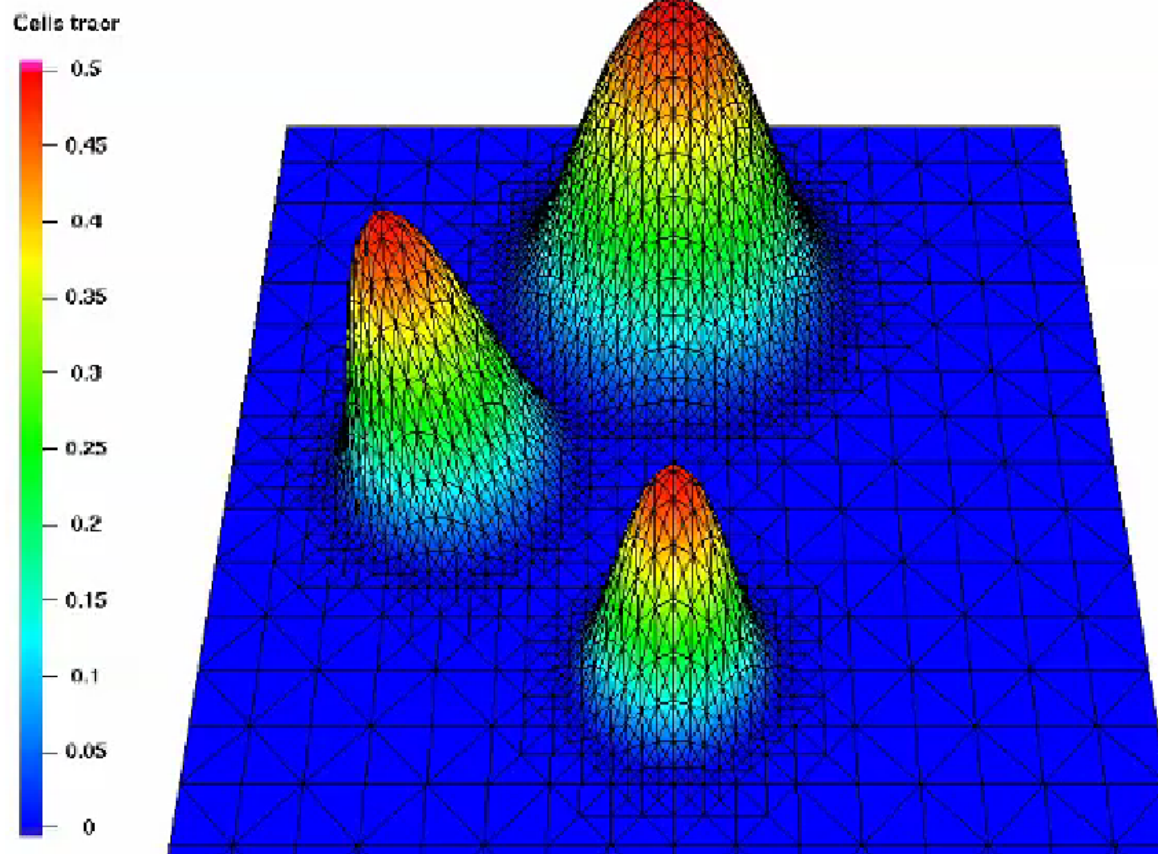
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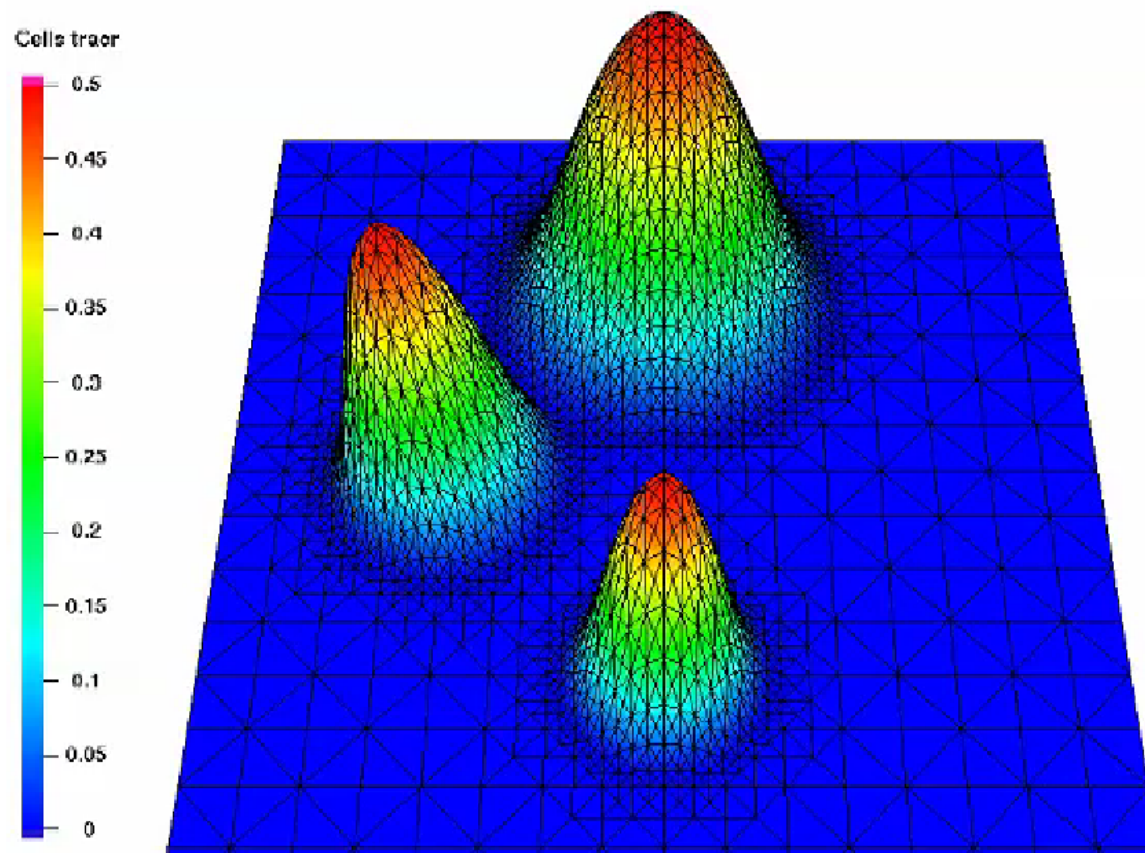
# *Pure diffusion case*

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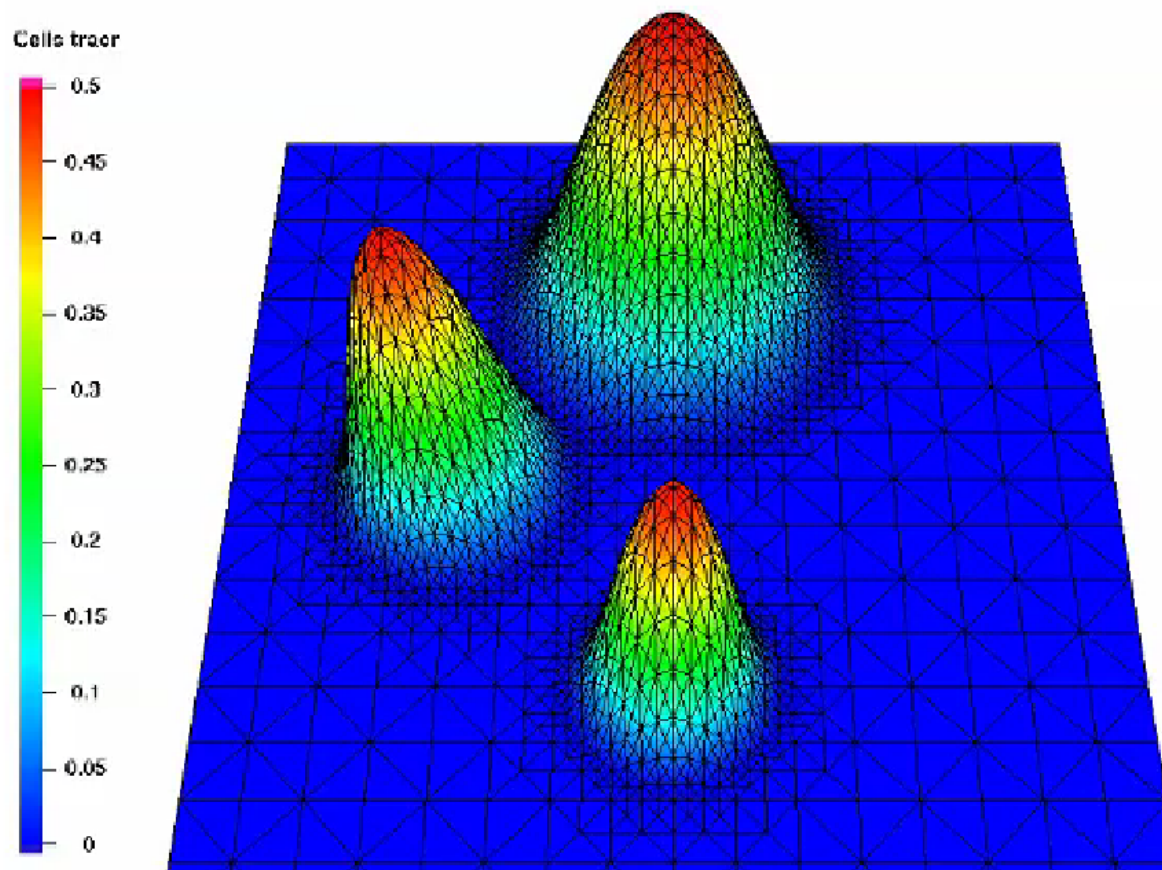
# *Pure advection case*

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# *Advection-diffusion case*

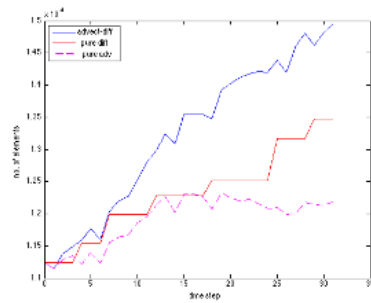
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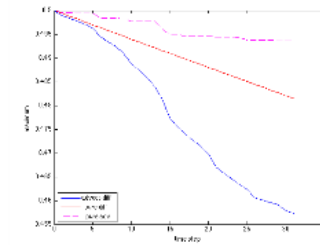
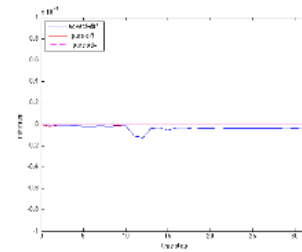


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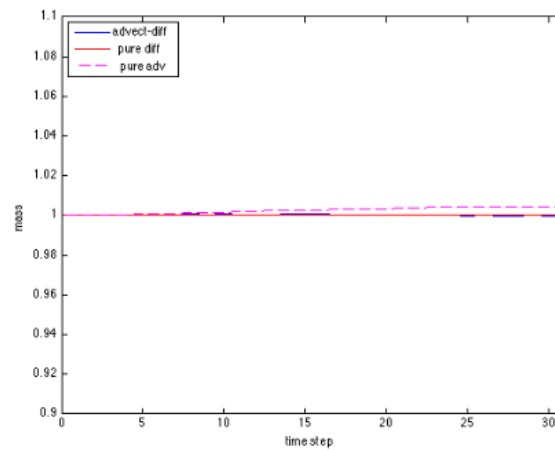
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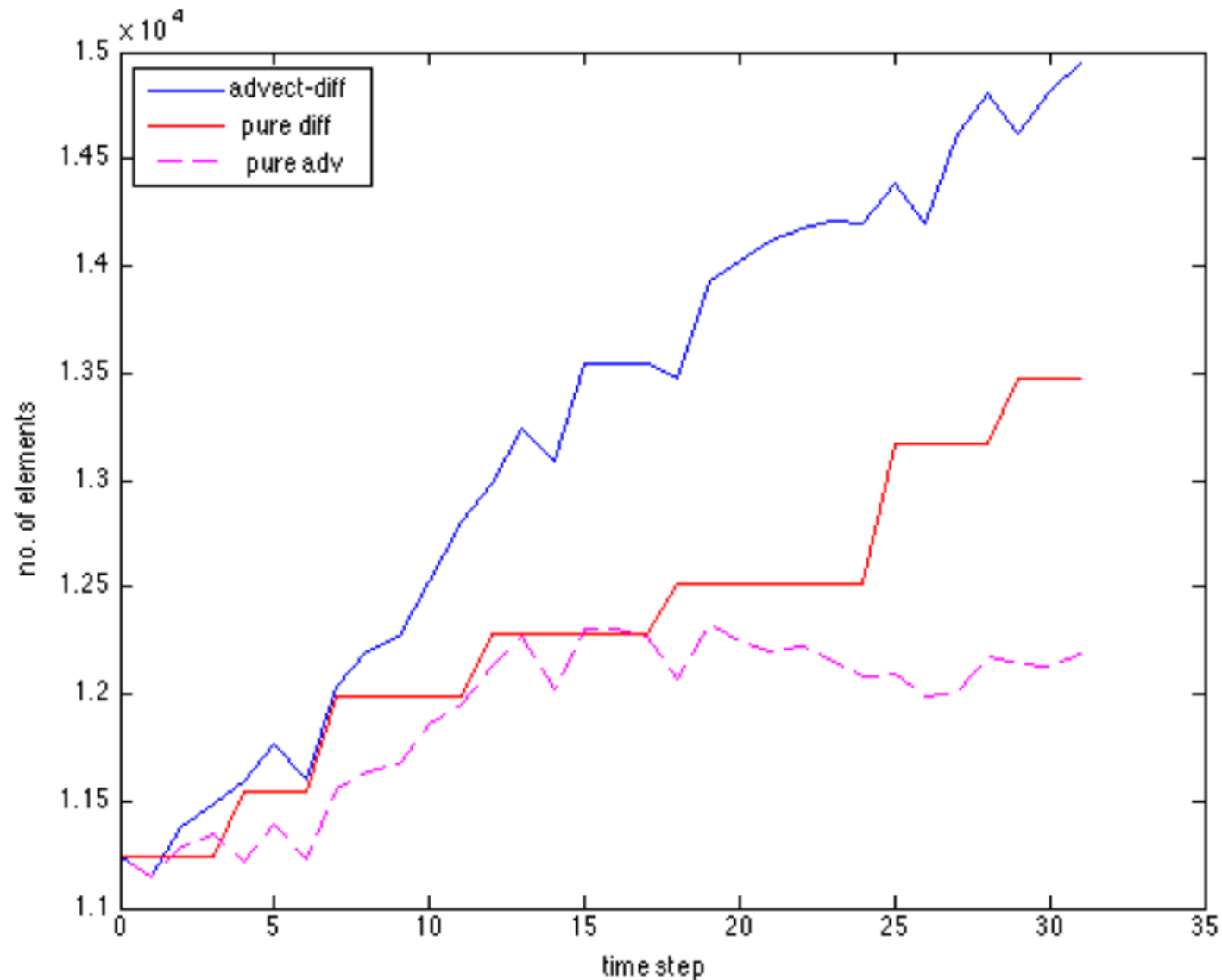
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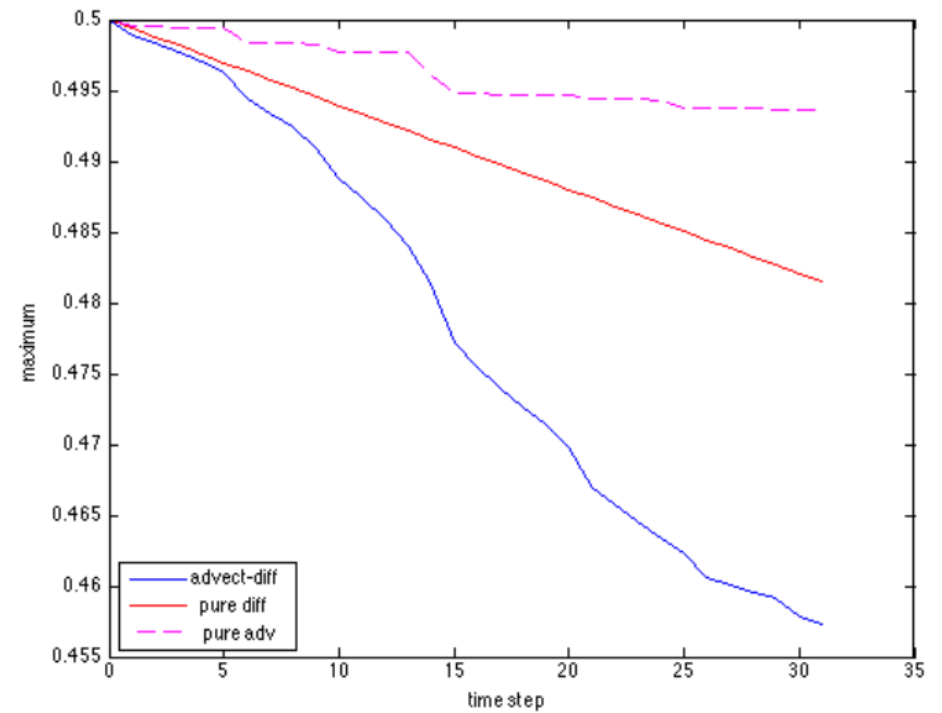
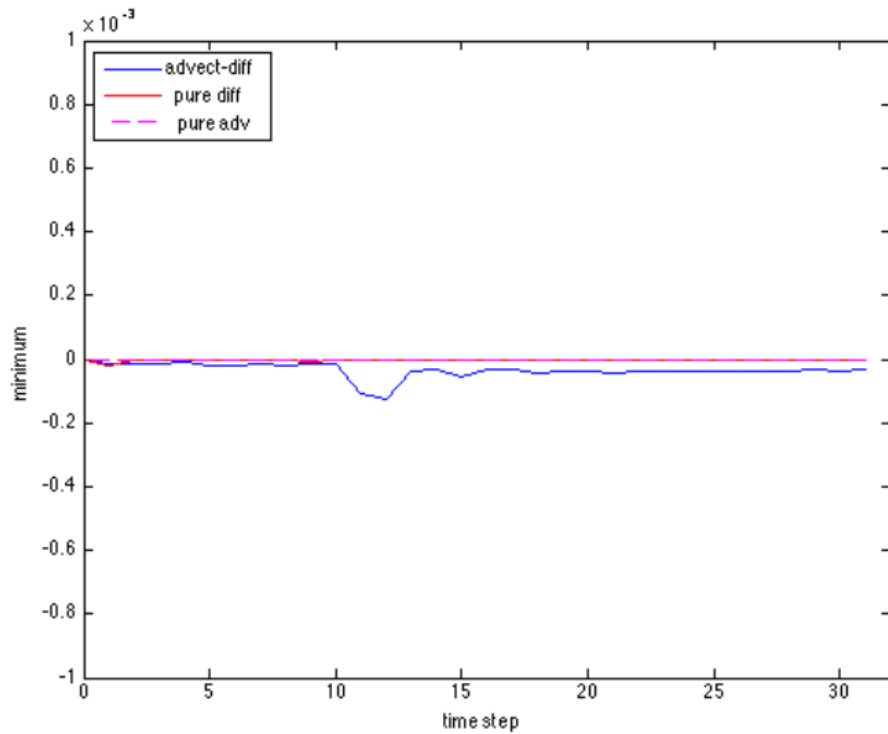
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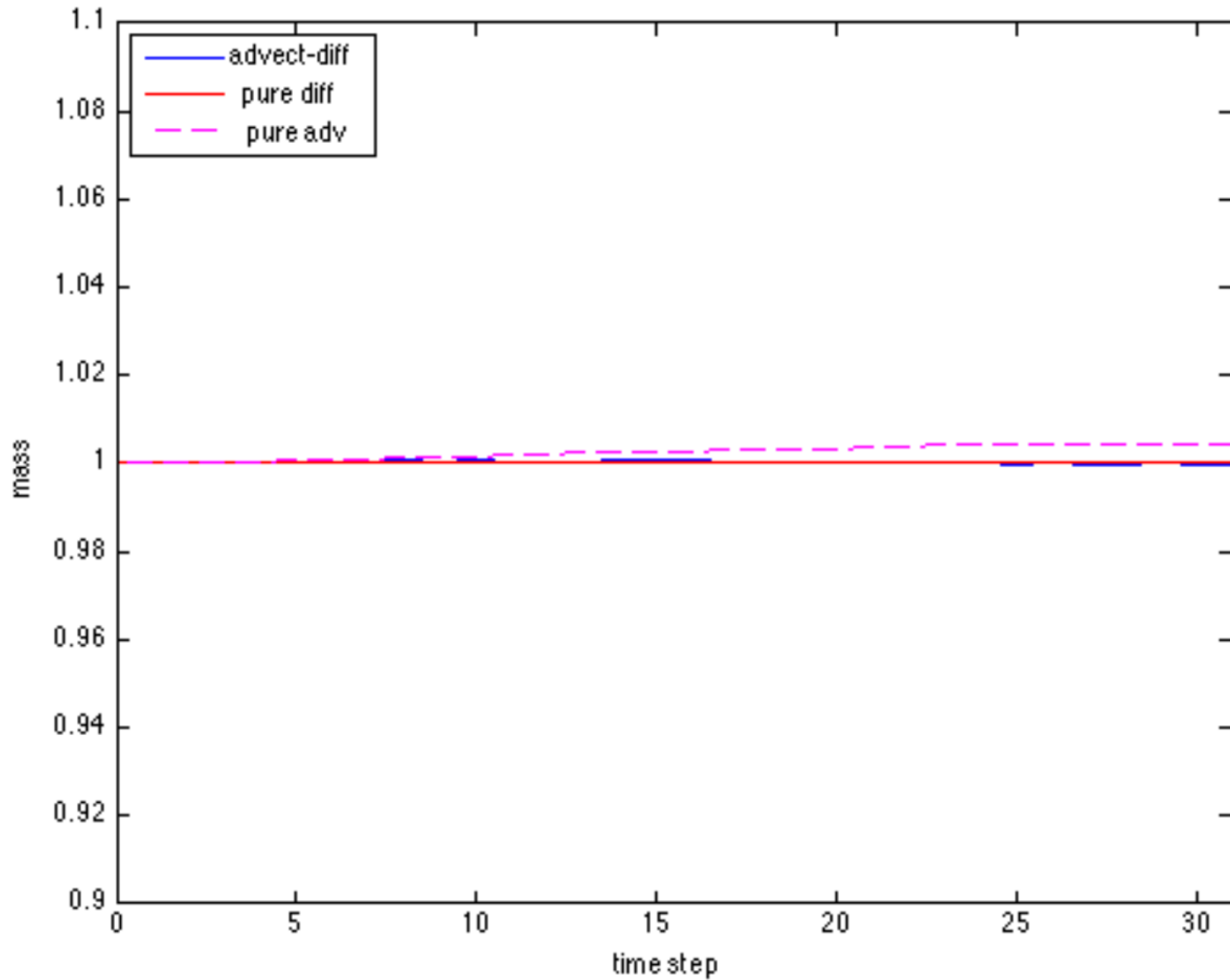
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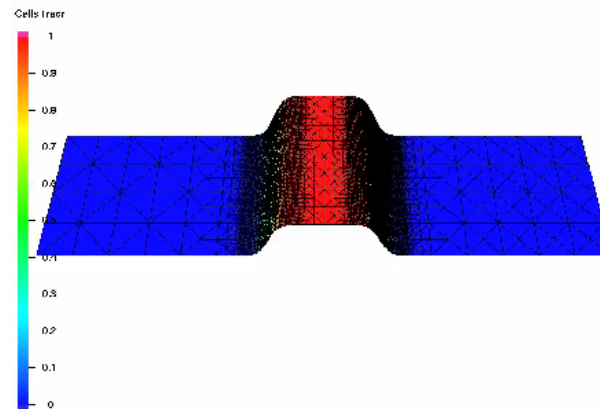
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# Test Case Description



Diffusion:

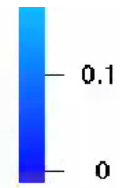
$$\rho_{\text{diff}}(\xi, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \text{erf} \left( \frac{\frac{3}{4} - \xi}{\sqrt{4D(1+t)}} \right) + \text{erf} \left( \frac{\frac{3}{4} + \xi}{\sqrt{4D(1+t)}} \right) \right]$$

- $\xi = |x_{\text{center}} - x|$ ,  $x_{\text{center}}$  half channel length,
- $D$  diffusion coefficient (here:  $D = 0.01$ ),
- erf the error function  $\text{erf}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x \exp(-r^2) dr$ .

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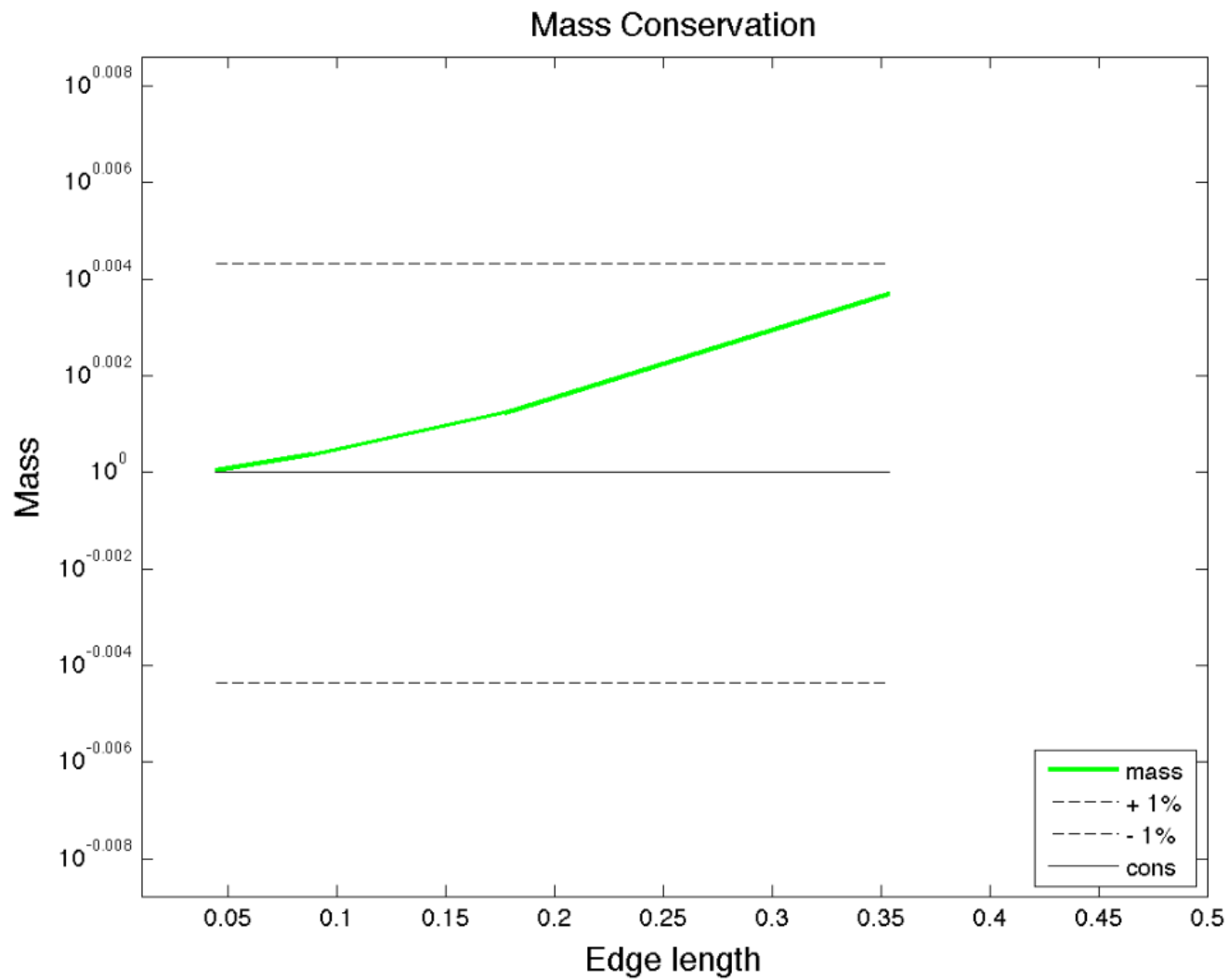
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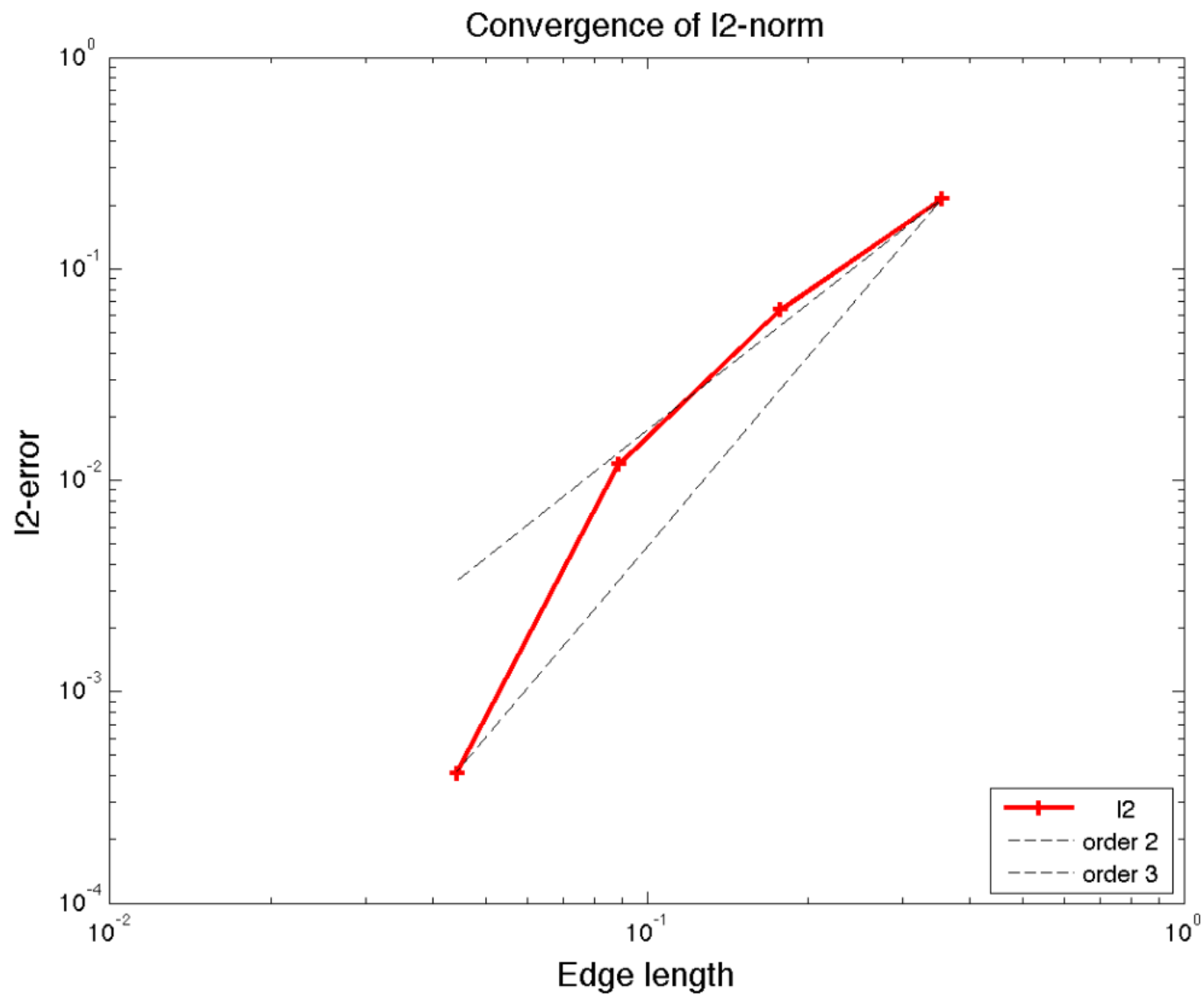
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# Mass Conservation





# Convergence



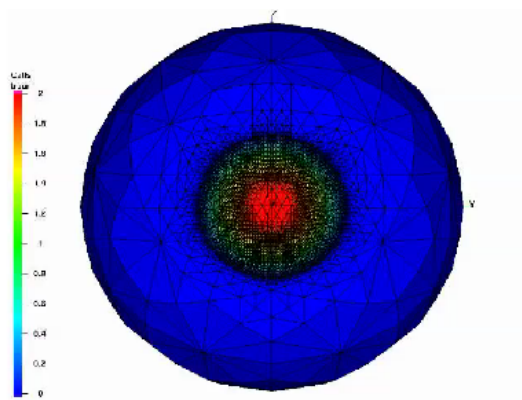
# Comments

## Achieved

- Efficient scheme
- Works well with adaptive mesh
- "Almost" conservative
- Accurate and stable

## Planned

- Spherical geometry
- Oil spill application



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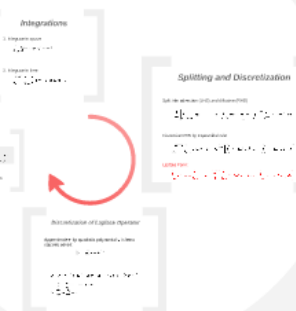


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