

# A Newton-Krylov Algorithm for Hypersonic Flows

## Performance Demonstration and Application

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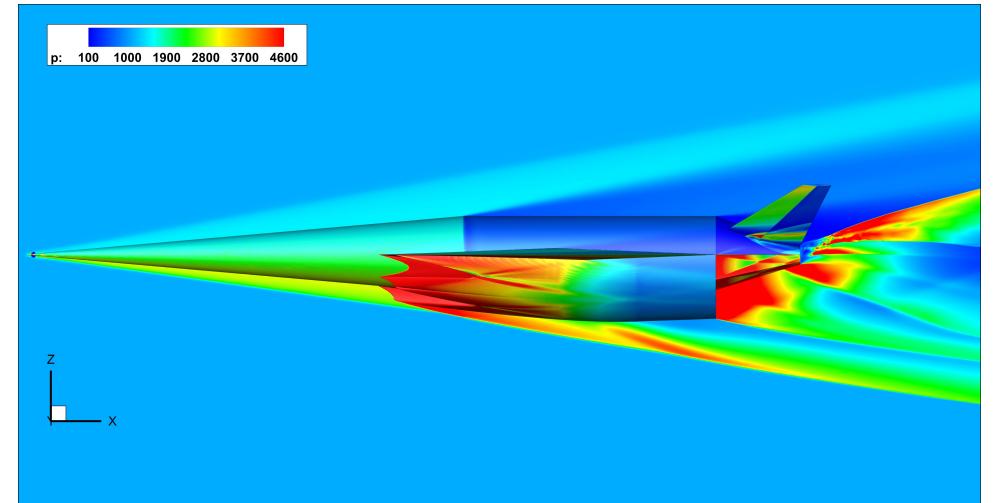
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# Overview

- Motivation: Hypersonic vehicle design via numerical optimization
- Newton-Krylov methods
- **Eilmer4** overview
- Demonstrative examples
- Application: BoLT-II
- Grand challenge: HIFiRE-7
- Future Work

# Hypersonic Vehicle Design

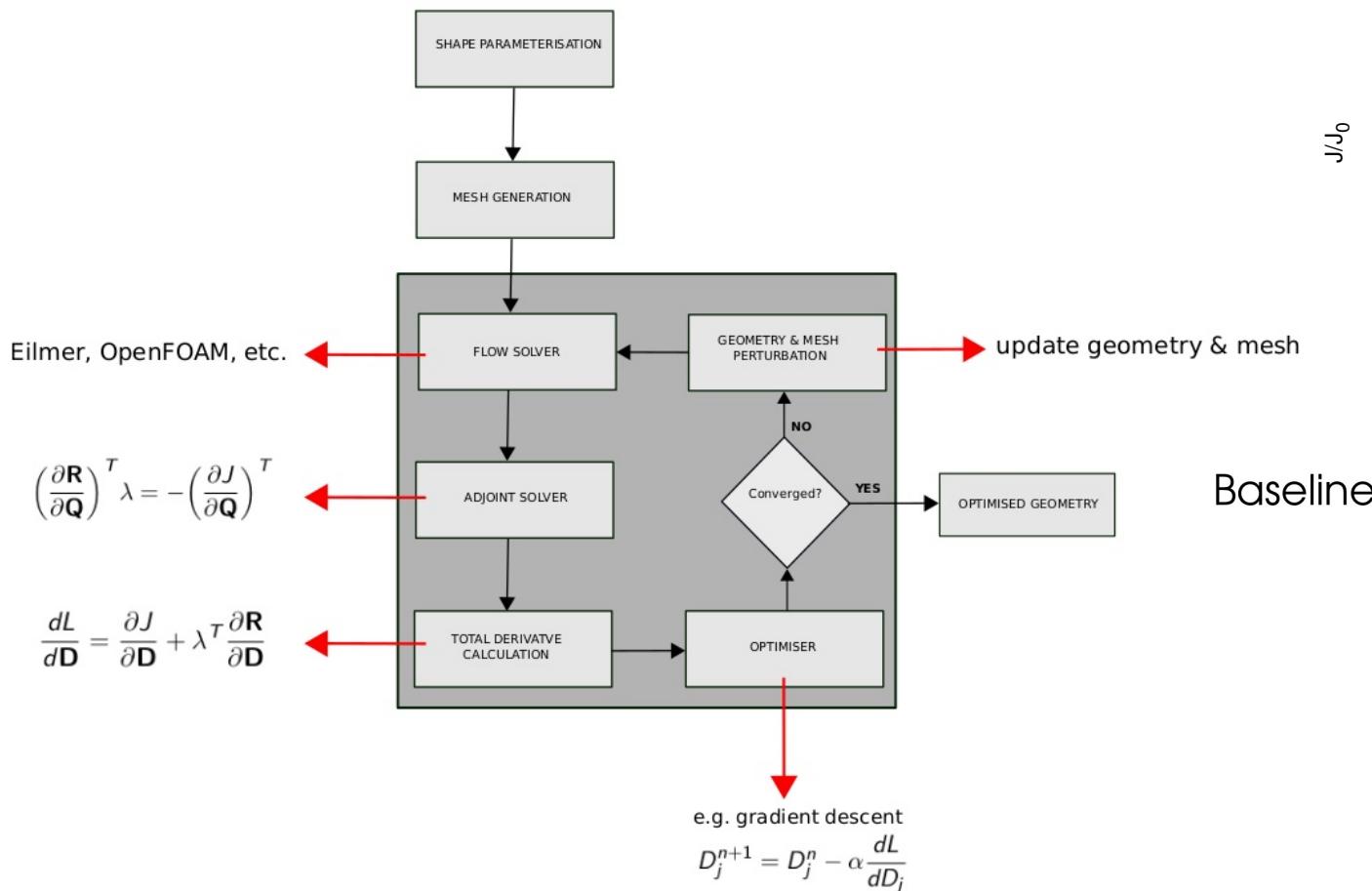
- Flow around a vehicle is **complex**:
  - Shock-shock interactions
  - Shock boundary layer interactions
  - Separated regions of flow
  - Thermochemical nonequilibrium
- High-fidelity CFD to resolve flow physics



Source: Alex Ward (Hypersonix)

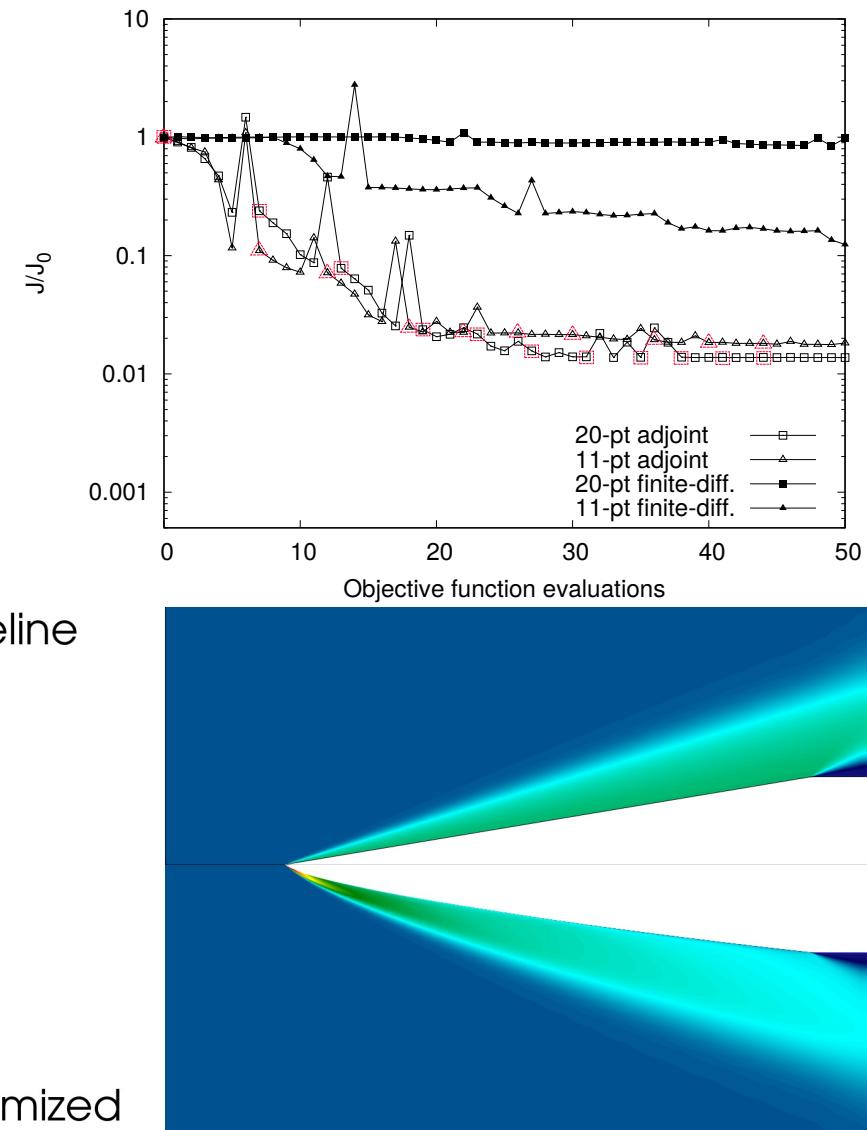
# Hypersonic Vehicle Design Optimization

- Example: minimum-drag slender body of revolution
  - Many flow solutions to achieve converged design
  - Adjoint-based method requires deep convergence



Baseline

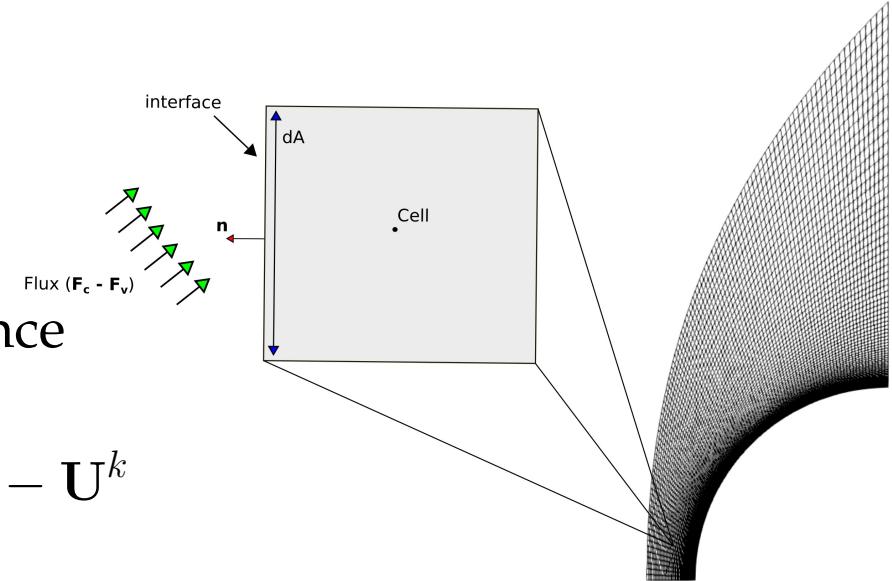
Optimized



# Newton-Krylov Methods

Residual function defined as

$$\frac{d\mathbf{U}}{dt} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}) = -\frac{1}{V} \sum_{faces} (\overline{F}_c - \overline{F}_v) \cdot \hat{n} dA + \mathbf{S}$$



Fully discrete form written using a backward difference

$$\frac{\Delta \mathbf{U}^k}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^{k+1}), \quad \Delta \mathbf{U}^k = \mathbf{U}^{k+1} - \mathbf{U}^k$$

Since we don't know  $\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^{k+1})$ , we linearise in time

$$\frac{\Delta \mathbf{U}^k}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^k) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^k)}{\partial \mathbf{U}^k} \Delta \mathbf{U}^k$$

This is then rearranged to recover the implicit-Euler time marching iterate

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{U}^k) \Delta \mathbf{U}^k = \left[ \frac{1}{\Delta t} \mathbf{I} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^k)}{\partial \mathbf{U}^k} \right] \Delta \mathbf{U}^k = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^k), \quad \mathbf{U}^{k+1} = \mathbf{U}^k + \Delta \mathbf{U}^k$$

Note: as  $\frac{1}{\Delta t}$  approaches 0, Newton's method is recovered

# Newton-Krylov Methods

Solving the linear system

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{U}^k) \Delta \mathbf{U}^k = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U}^k) \rightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

## ALGORITHM 6.9 GMRES

1. Compute  $r_0 = b - Ax_0$ ,  $\beta := \|r_0\|_2$ , and  $v_1 := r_0/\beta$
2. For  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  Do:
  3. Compute  $w_j := Av_j$
  4. For  $i = 1, \dots, j$  Do:
    5.  $h_{ij} := (w_j, v_i)$
    6.  $w_j := w_j - h_{ij}v_i$
  7. EndDo
  8.  $h_{j+1,j} = \|w_j\|_2$ . If  $h_{j+1,j} = 0$  set  $m := j$  and go to 11
  9.  $v_{j+1} = w_j/h_{j+1,j}$
  10. EndDo
  11. Define the  $(m + 1) \times m$  Hessenberg matrix  $\bar{H}_m = \{h_{ij}\}_{1 \leq i \leq m+1, 1 \leq j \leq m}$ .
  12. Compute  $y_m$  the minimizer of  $\|\beta e_1 - \bar{H}_m y\|_2$  and  $x_m = x_0 + V_m y_m$ .

Source: Saad (2003)

$$\mathbf{J}\mathbf{v} = [\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U} + \epsilon\mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{U})] / \epsilon$$

\*We use a complex step variant

# Newton-Krylov Methods

- Benefits of the Newton-Krylov approach:

- able to treat  $R(U)$  as a **black box**
- good for high speed flows (i.e. grids with high aspect ratio cells)
- works for both structured and unstructured grids
- avoid the need to derive and code implicit boundary conditions
- easily parallelized and scales well in parallel
- efficient on memory, in particular in 3D

- DISCLAIMER: GMRES requires a **preconditioning** step for fast convergence!!

- popular methods: Jacobi, SGS/SSOR (LU-SGS), ILU
- most require **approximate matrix** to be constructed
- we use forward-mode AD via a **complex-step derivate** approach
- can **freeze matrix** over several steps to amortize cost

# Compressible Flow Governing Equations

*Conservation of mass:*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad (1)$$

*Conservation of species mass:*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_i + \nabla \cdot \rho_i \mathbf{u} = -(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}_i) + \dot{\omega}_i \quad (2)$$

*Conservation of momentum:*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u} = -\nabla p - \nabla \cdot \left\{ -\mu(\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^\dagger) + \frac{2}{3}\mu(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})\delta \right\} \quad (3)$$

*Conservation of total energy:*

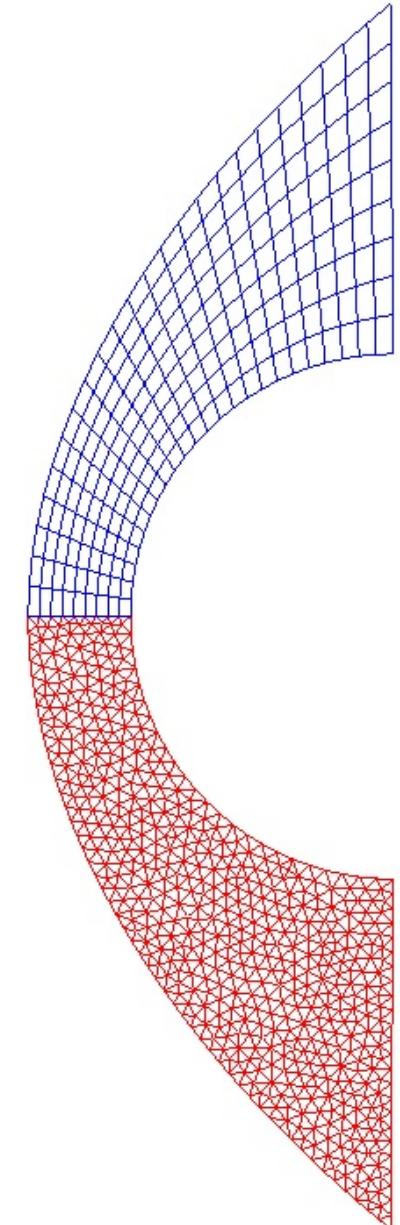
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho E + \nabla \cdot \left( e + \frac{p}{\rho} \right) \mathbf{u} &= \nabla \cdot \left[ k \nabla T + \sum_{s=1}^{N_v} k_{v,s} \nabla T_{v,s} \right] + \nabla \cdot \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} h_i \mathbf{J}_i \right] \\ &\quad - \left( \nabla \cdot \left[ \left\{ -\mu(\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^\dagger) + \frac{2}{3}\mu(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})\delta \right\} \cdot \mathbf{u} \right] \right) - Q_{\text{rad}} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

*Conservation of vibrational energy:*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_i e_{v,i} + \nabla \cdot \rho_i e_{v,i} \mathbf{u} = \nabla \cdot [k_{v,i} \nabla T_{v,i}] - \nabla \cdot e_{v,i} \mathbf{J}_i + Q_{T-v_i} + Q_{V-v_i} + Q_{\text{Chem}-v_i} - Q_{\text{rad},i} \quad (5)$$

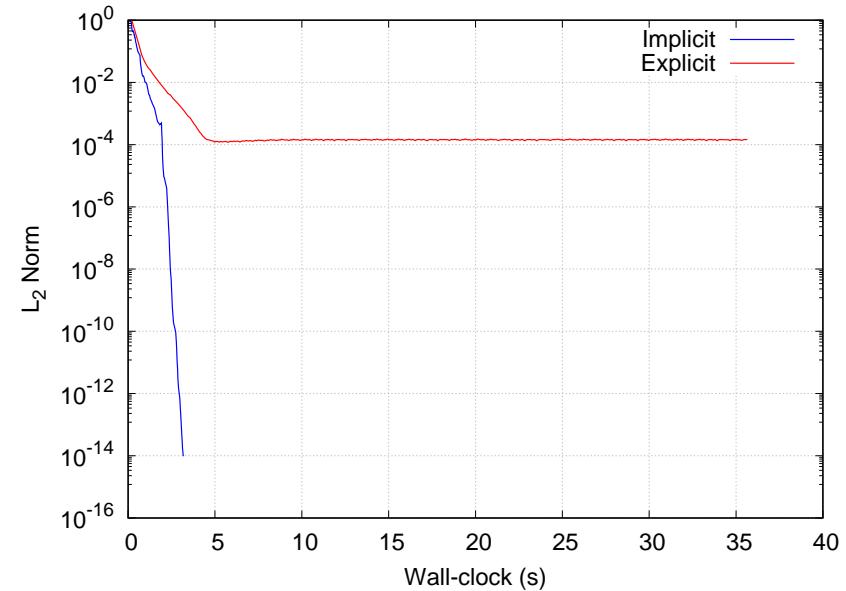
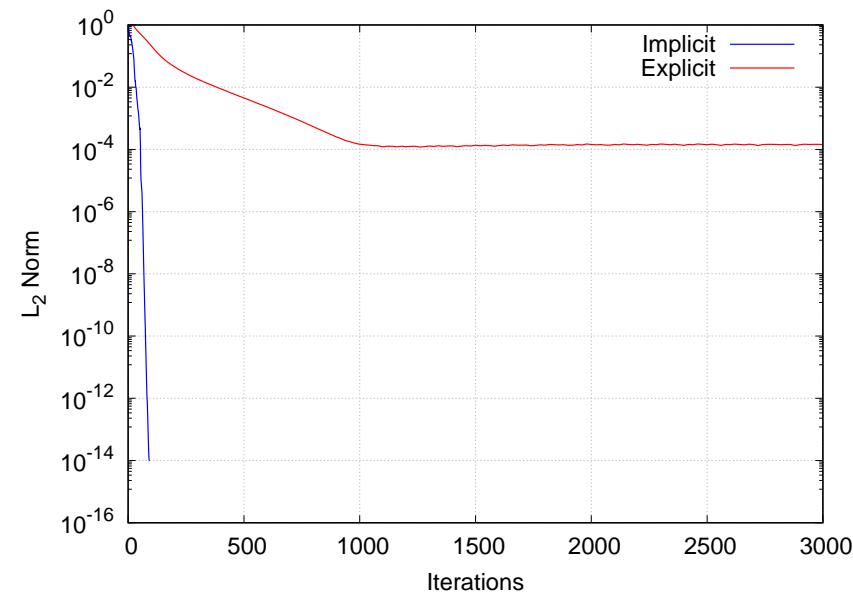
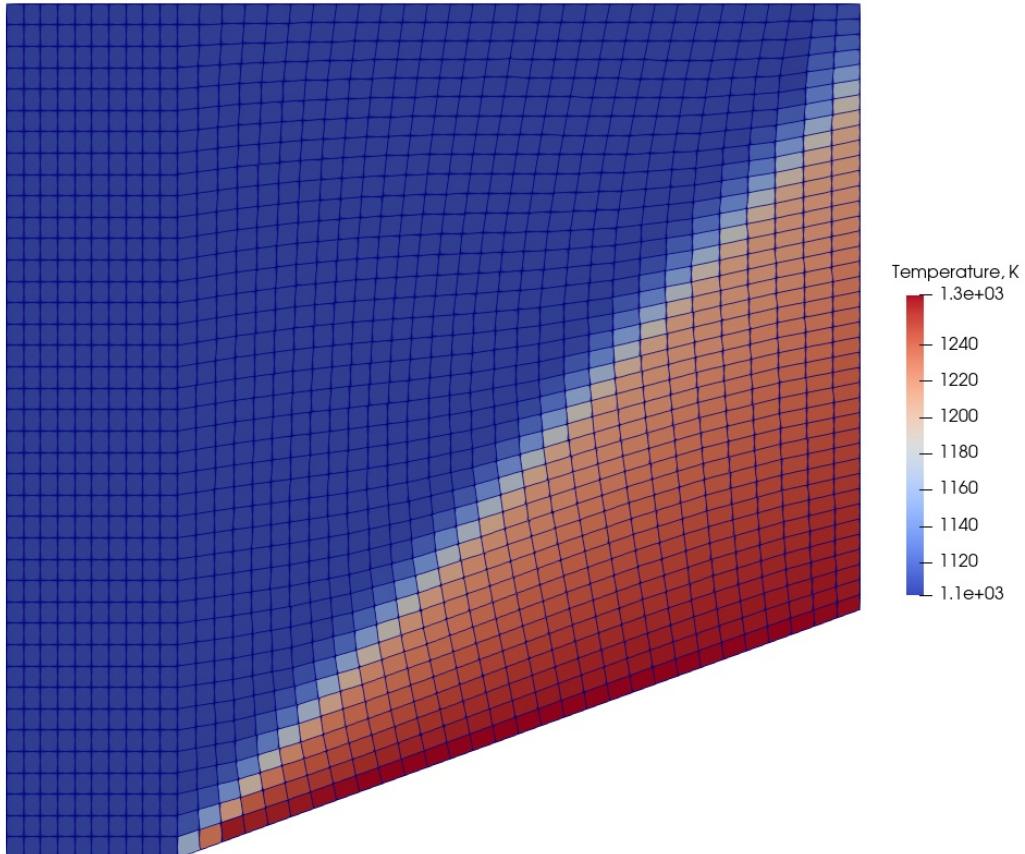
# Spatial Discretization

- Convective Fluxes
  - Flux calculators
    - + EFM, AUSMDV, HLLC, LDFSS, Hanel, HLLE, Roe, ASF
  - Structured Grids
    - + Piecewise parabolic reconstruction -  $O(h^3)$
    - + Modified Van Albada limiter
  - Unstructured Grids
    - + Least-squares reconstruction -  $O(h^2)$
    - + Venkatakrishnan limiter
    - + Limiter freezing available
- Viscous Fluxes
  - Augmented-face face-tangent method
    - + Least-squares method to reconstruct gradients at cell center
    - + Special averaging using gradients, flowstates, and cell geometry
    - + available with structured and unstructured grids
    - + retains high spatial order for multi-block simulations



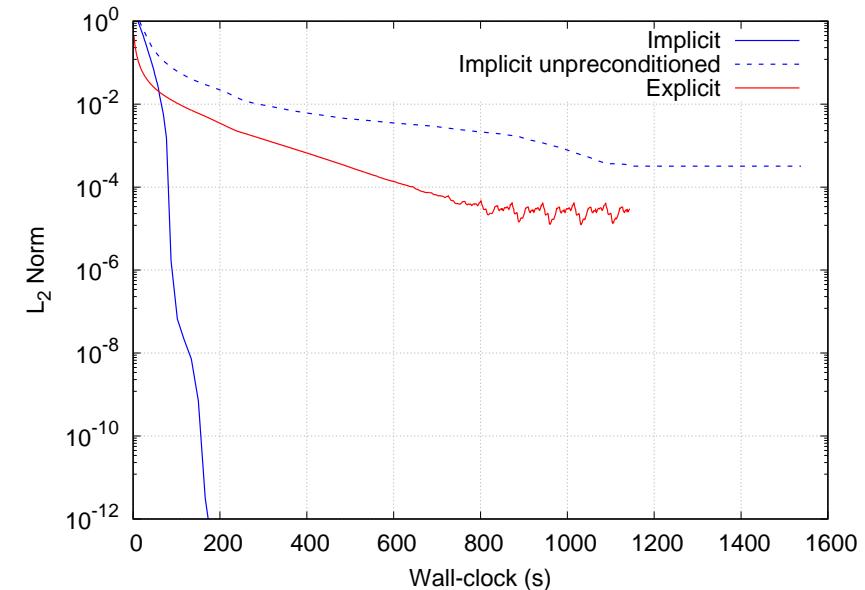
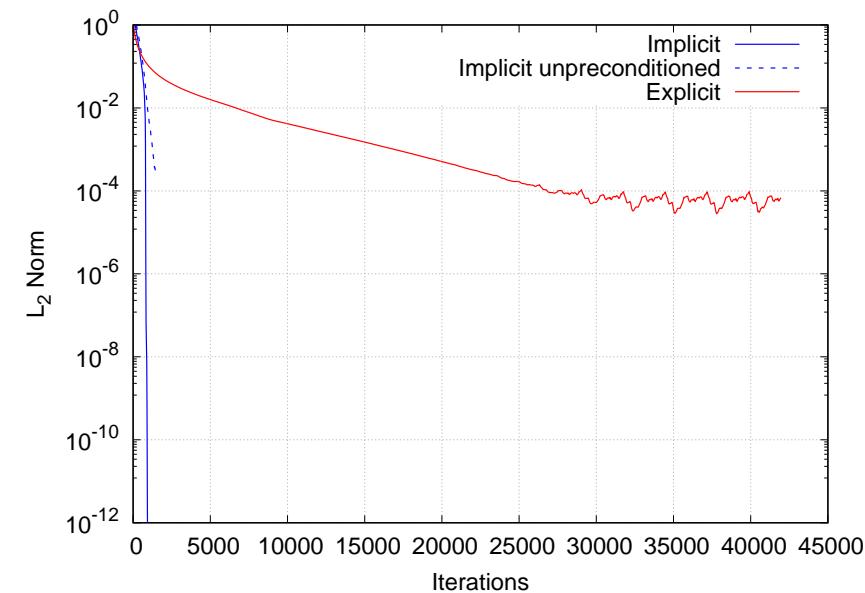
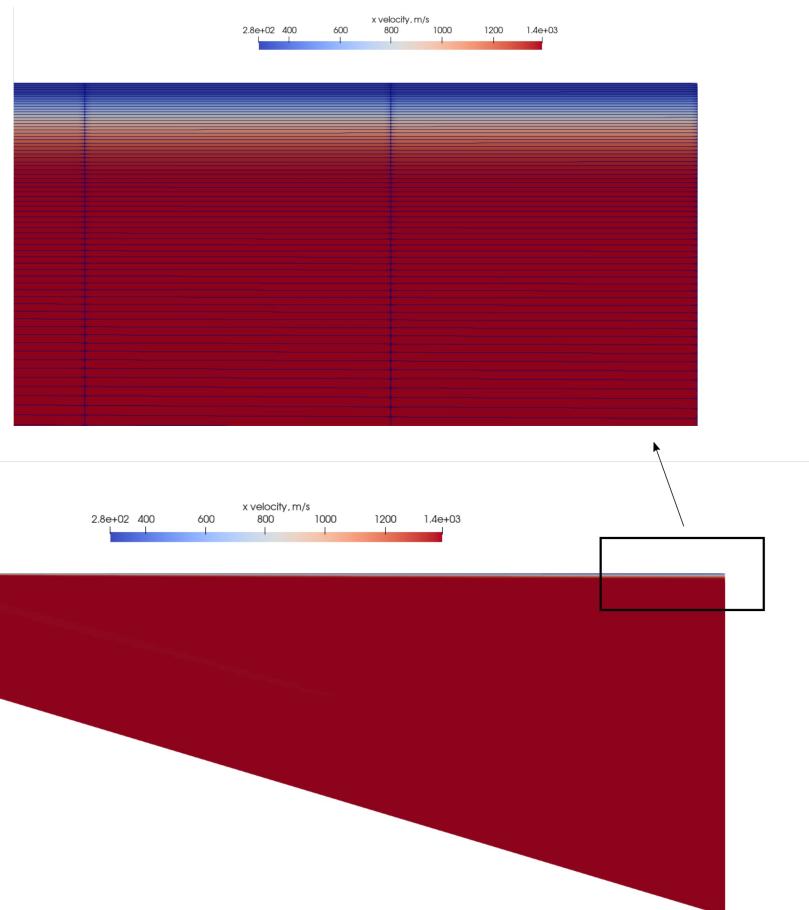
# Example #1: Inviscid Cone

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 1.5 single-species air
- **Geometry:** 20 degree cone (2D axisymmetric)
- **Numerics:** AUSMDV with  $O(h^2)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 1.0 to  $1 \times 10^6$  (automatic growth)
- Solving Euler equations



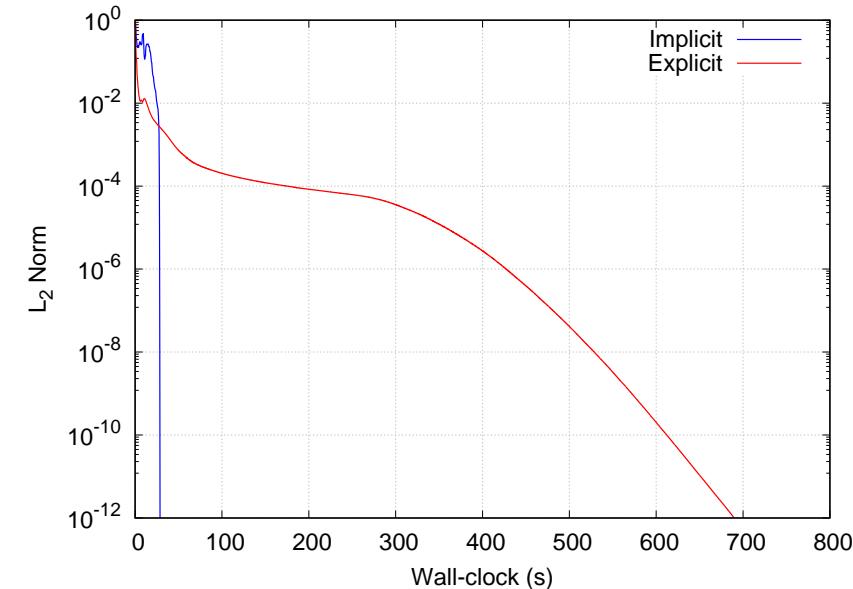
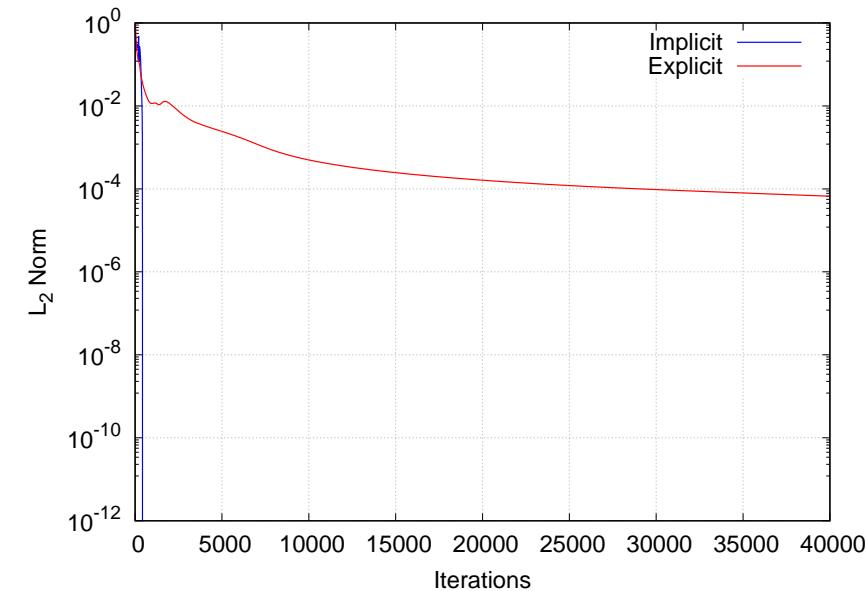
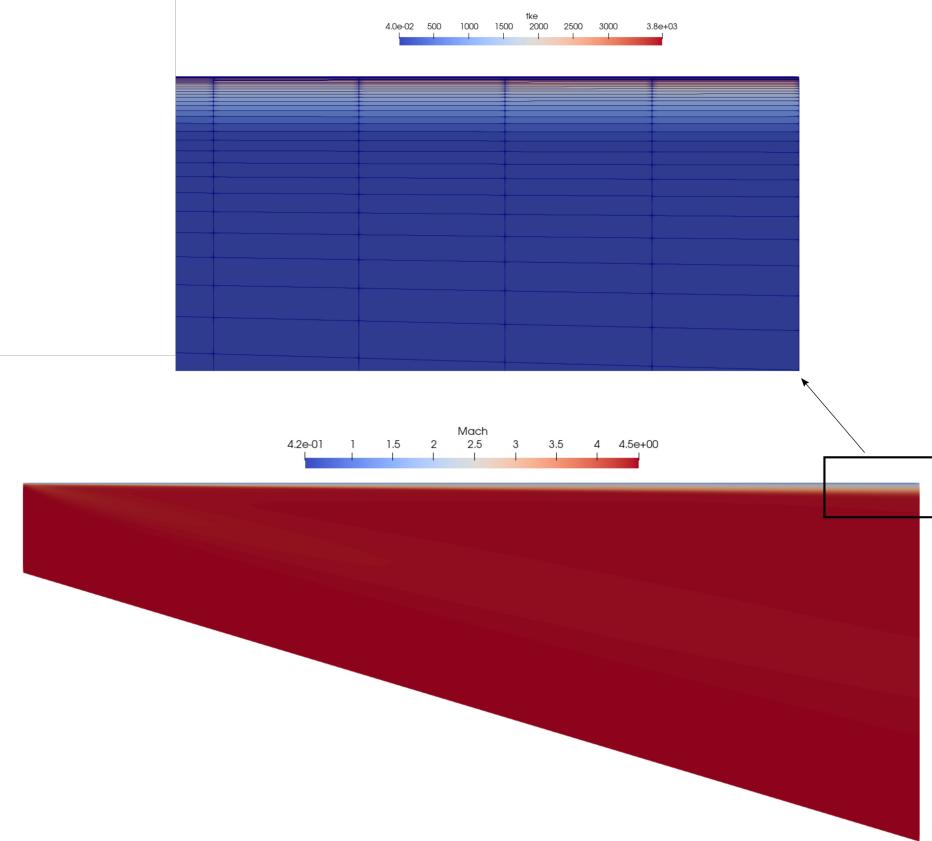
# Example #2: Laminar Flat Plate

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 4 single-species air
- **Geometry:** 2D flat plate
- **Numerics:** AUSMDV with  $O(h^2)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 0.1 to  $1 \times 10^6$  (automatic growth)
- Solving Navier-Stokes equations



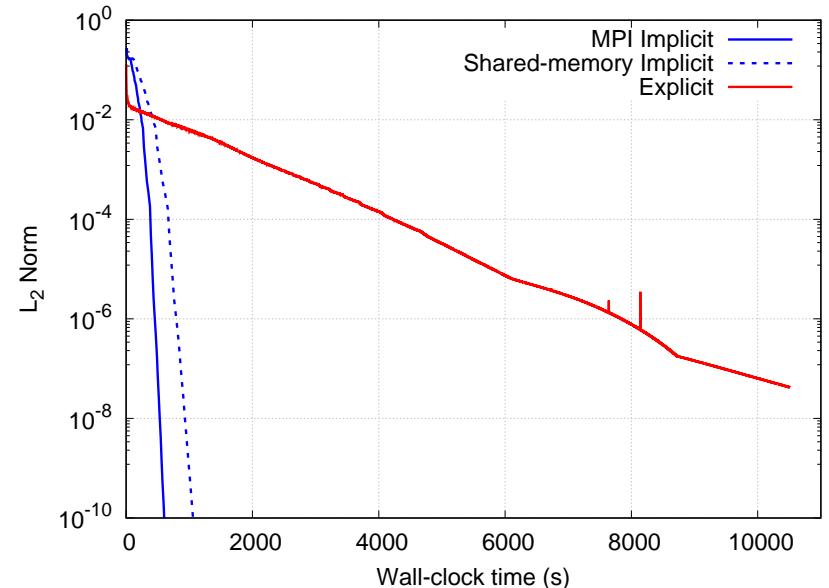
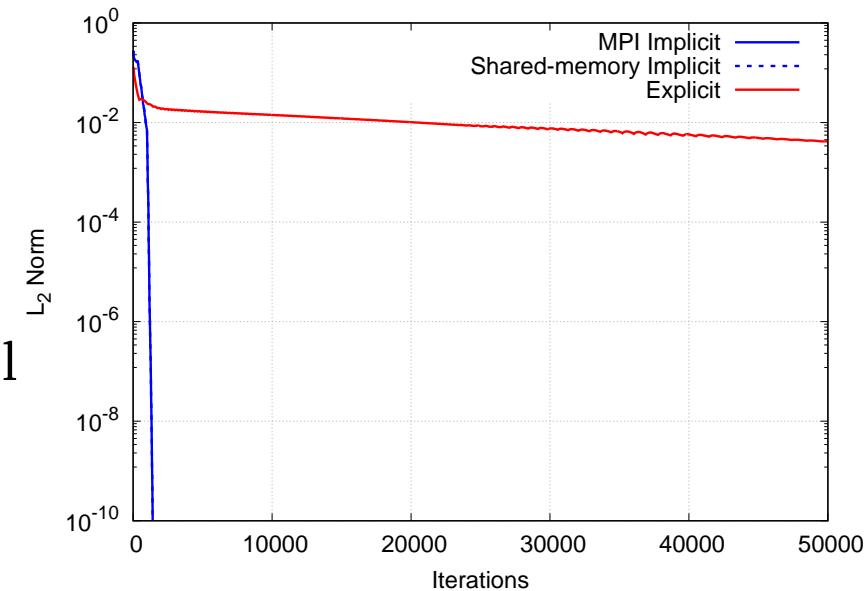
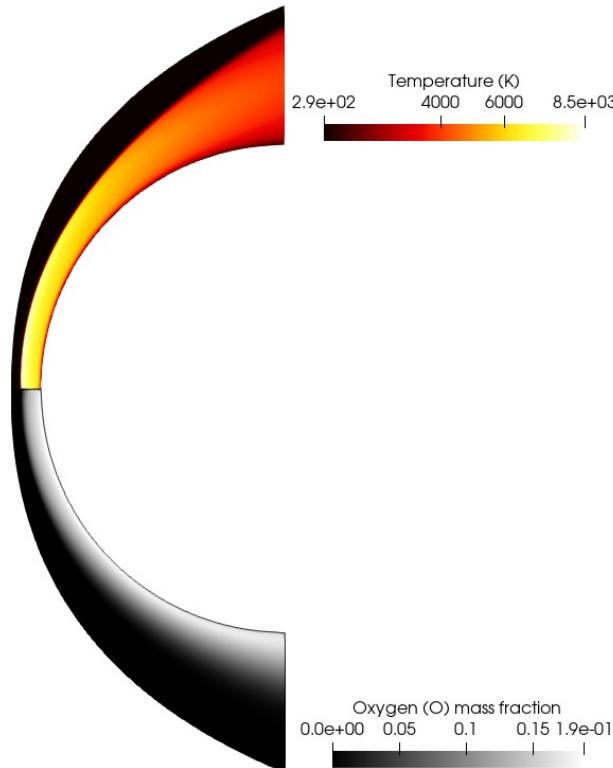
# Example #3: Turbulent Flat Plate

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 4.5 single-species air
- **Geometry:** 2D flat plate model from Mabey (1976)
- **Numerics:** AUSMDV with  $O(h)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 0.1 to  $1 \times 10^6$  (automatic growth)
- Solving RANS equations
- Employed k-omega two-equation turbulence model

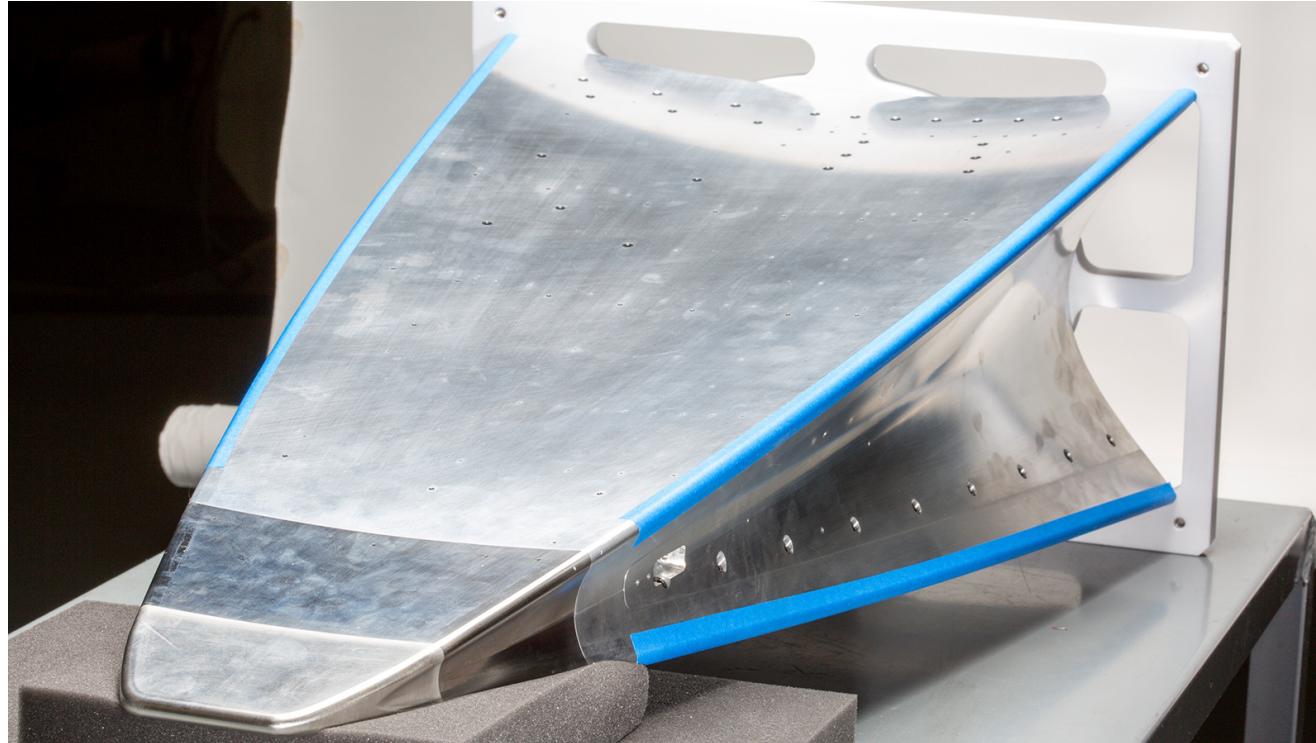


# Example #4: Laminar Reacting Flow over a Sphere

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 14 air
- **Geometry:** Sphere (2D) model from Lobb (1964)
- **Numerics:** Hanel with  $O(h)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 1 to 1000 (aggressive schedule)
- Solving **Navier-Stokes** equations
- **Finite-rate chemistry:** 5s\6r Gupta et al. (1990) model



# Application: BoLT-II Project Simulations

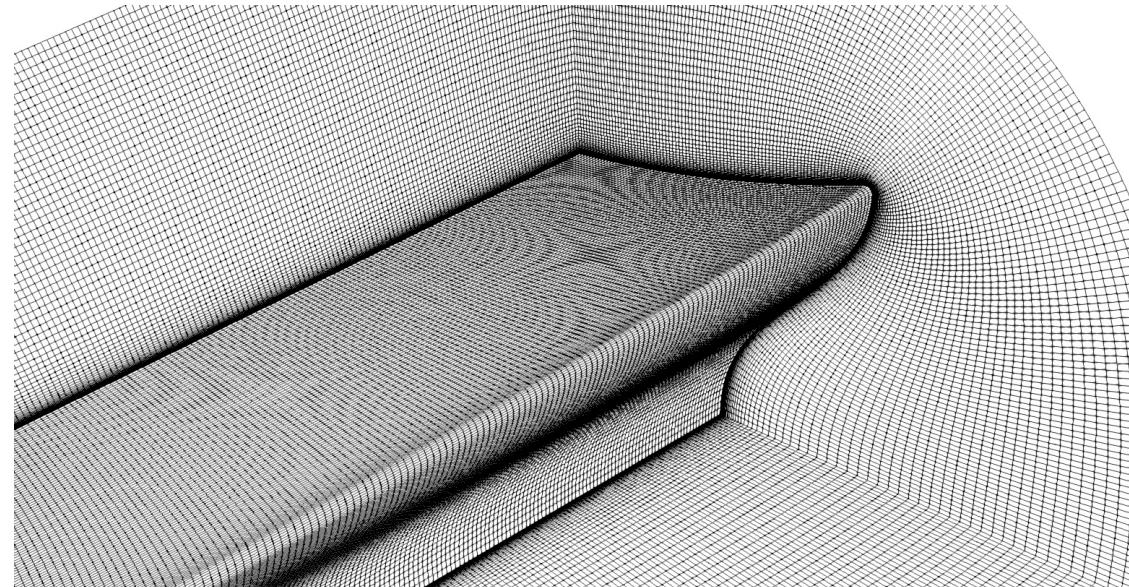
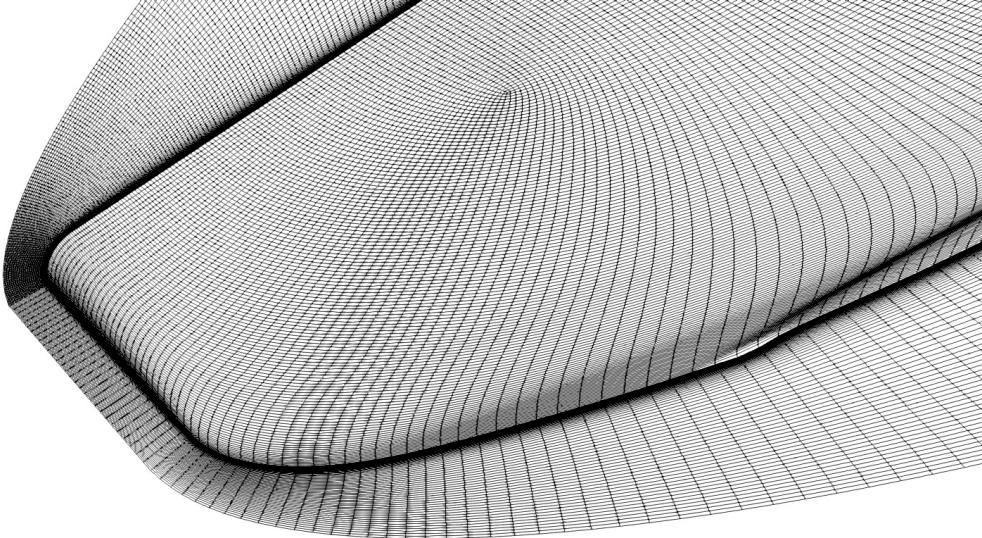


Source: AFRL/Johns Hopkins APL

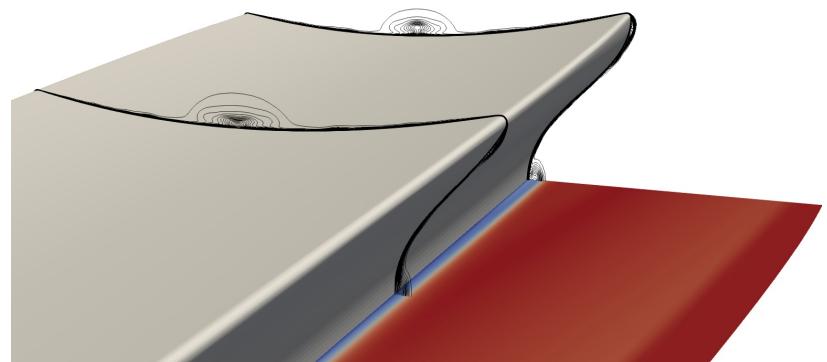
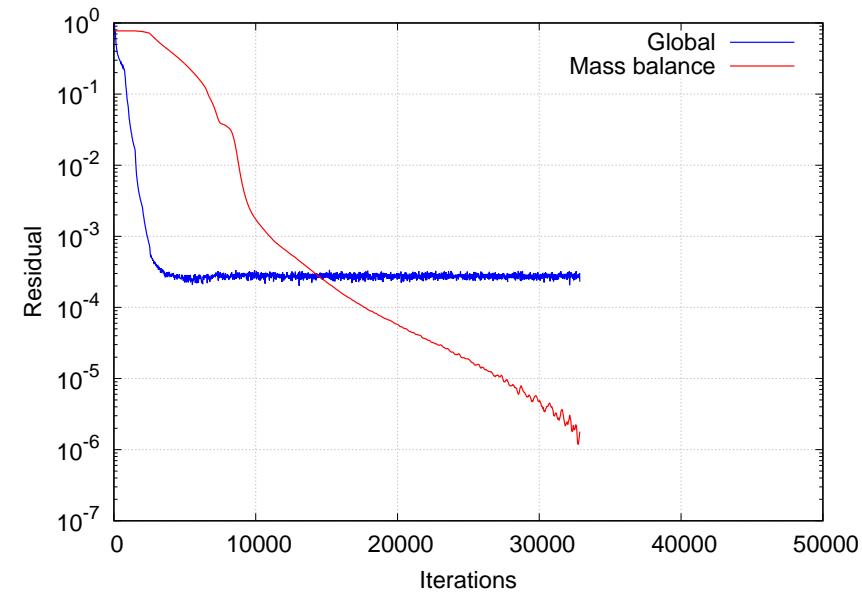
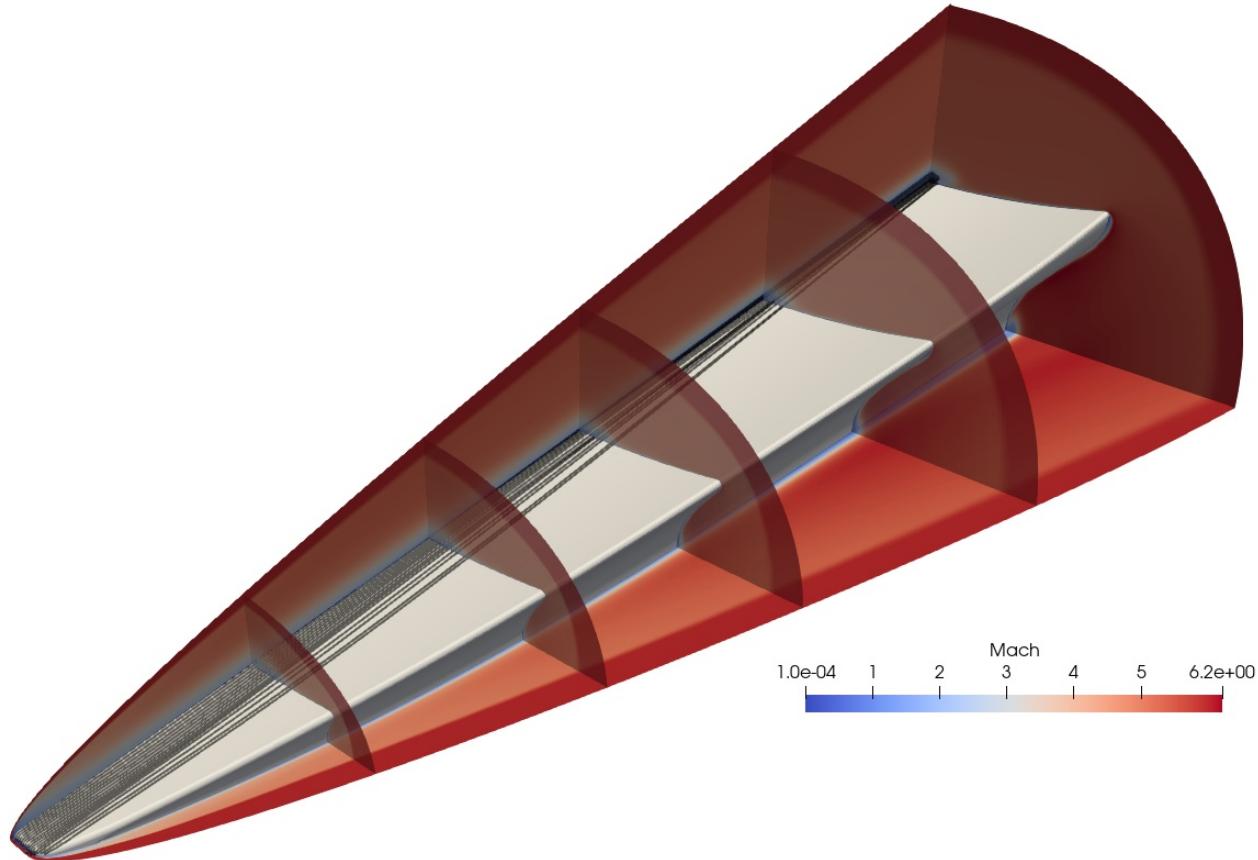
- **Boundary-Layer Transition** program sponsored by AFRL/AFOSR
- **Project goal:** Provide database for natural boundary layer transition
- **Ground tests, simulations, flight experiment** (later this year)
- **Application #1:** high-fidelity steady-state simulations to feed into **DNS** work
- **Application #2:** assist in T4 tunnel **experimental design**

# Application: BoLT-II High-fidelity Laminar Simulation

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 6 (tunnel condition) single-species air
- **Geometry:** 1/3 scale BoLT-II tunnel model
- **Numerics:** blended Hanel-AUSMDV with  $O(h^2)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 0.001 to 1000 (conservative schedule)
- Solving **Navier-Stokes** equations
- 6.5 million cell (**GridPro**) structured elements stored in unstructured grid format
- Grid partitioned into 480 blocks using Eilmer4 **METIS** wrapper

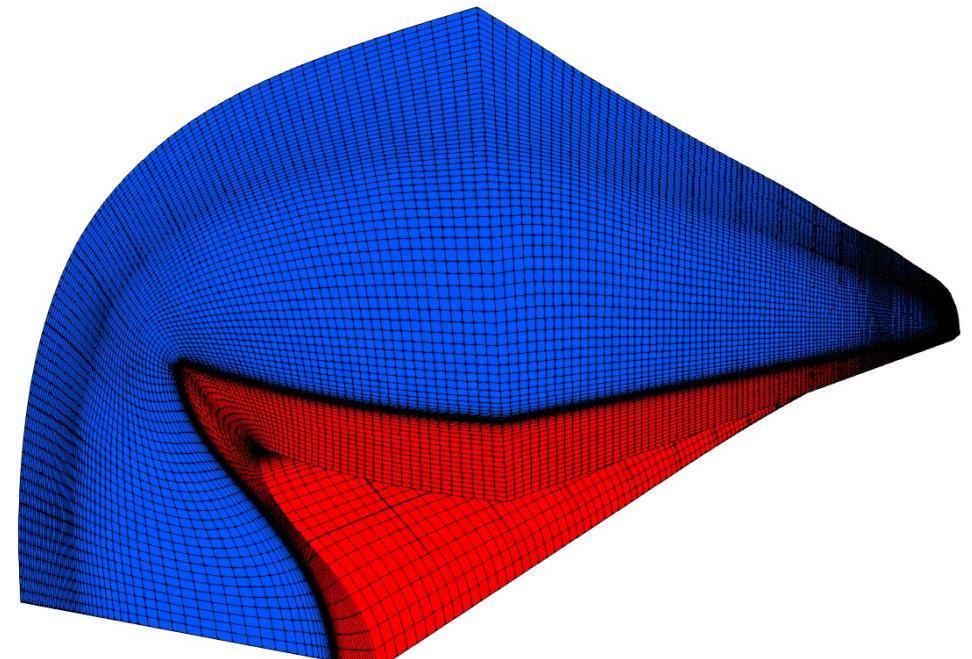
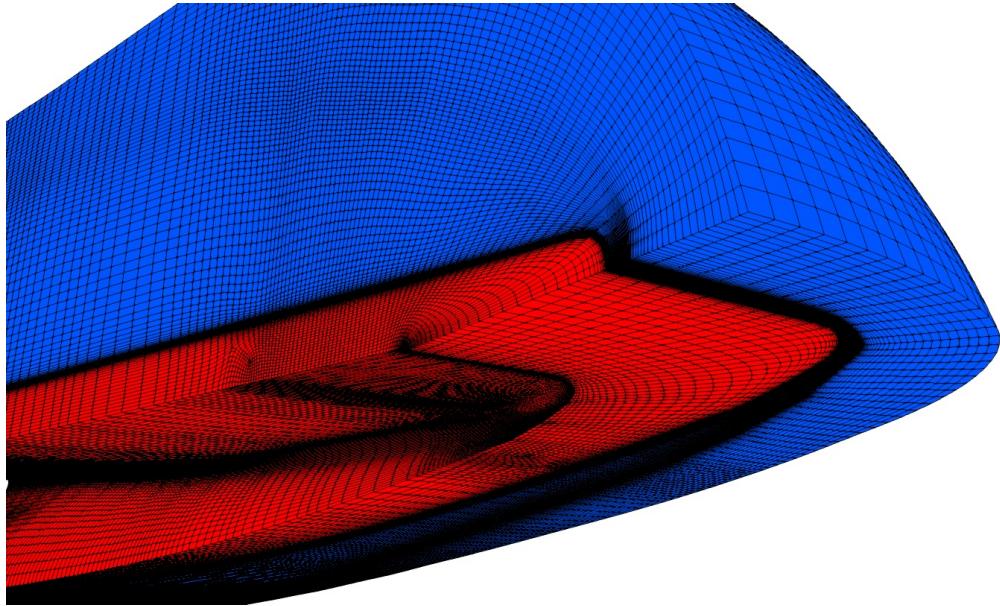


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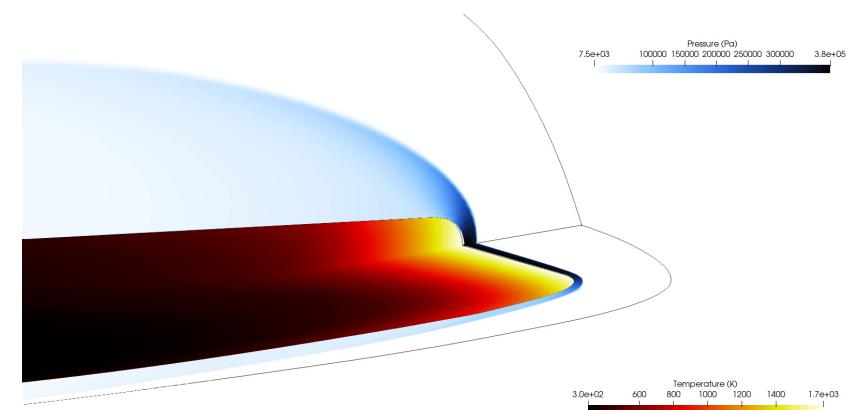
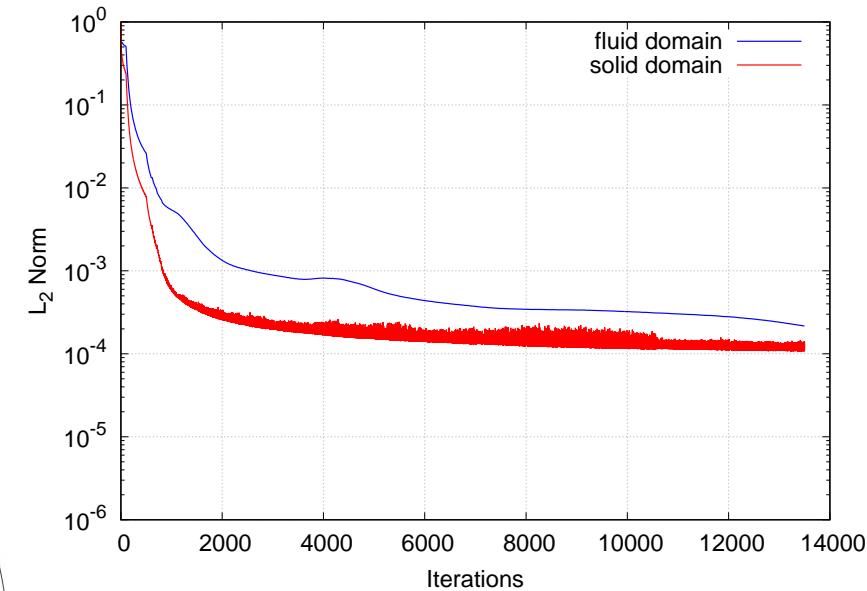
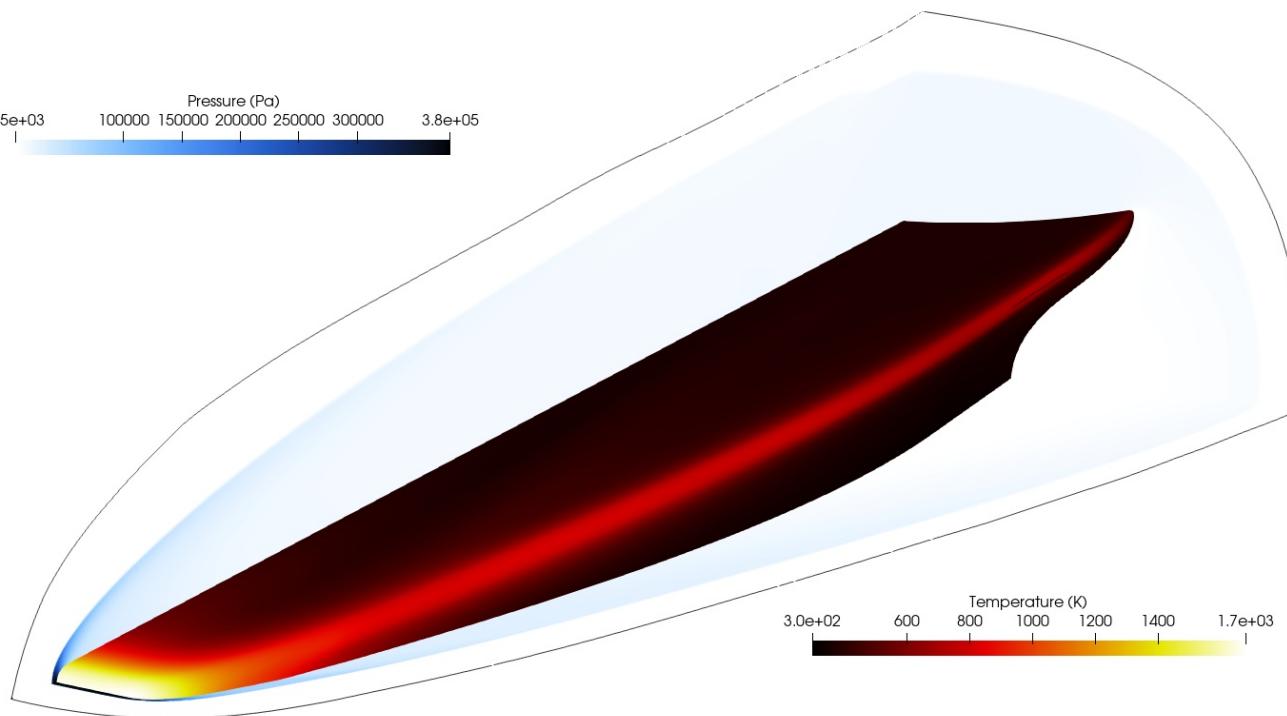


# Application: BoLT-II CHT Simulation

- **Flow Condition:** Mach 6 (tunnel condition) single-species air
- **Geometry:** 1/3 scale BoLT-II tunnel model
- **Numerics:** AUSMDV with  $O(h^3)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 0.1 to 1000 (conservative schedule)
- Solving **Navier-Stokes** equations in **fluid domain**
- Solving **energy** equation in **solid domain**
- 1.2 million cell (**GridPro**) structured elements stored in structured grid format



# Application: BoLT-II CHT Simulation

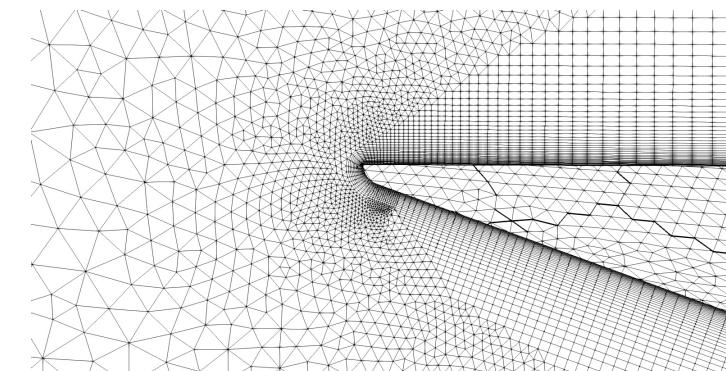
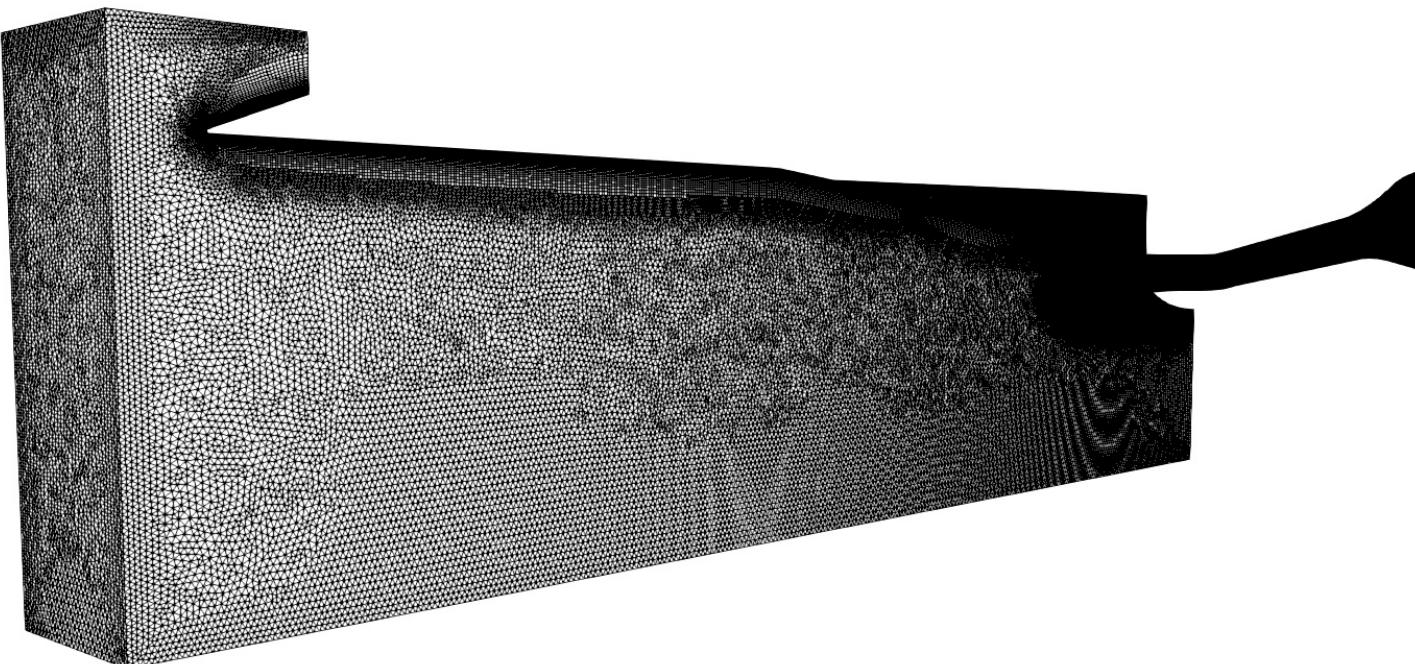


# Grand Challenge: HIFiRE-7 Simulation

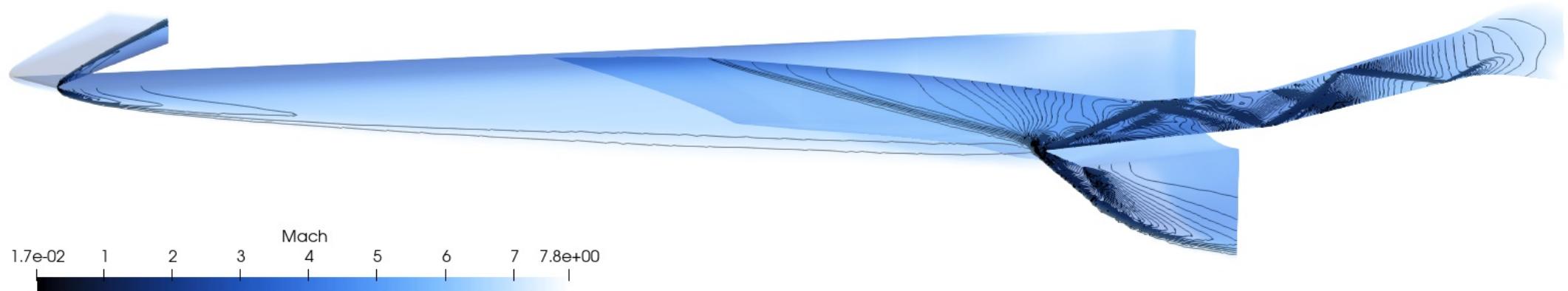
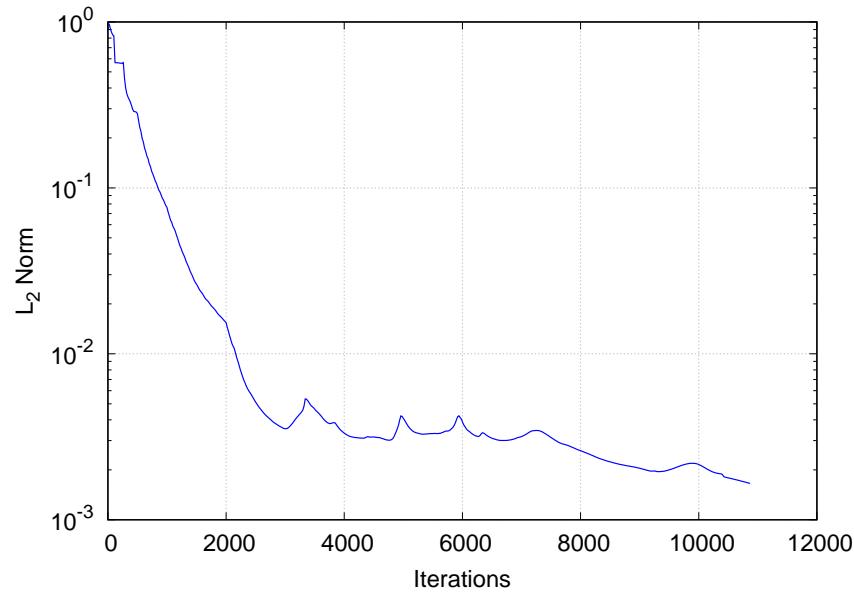
- **Flow Condition:** Mach 7.8 (tunnel condition) single-species air
- **Geometry:** 75% scale HIFiRE-7 flowpath model
- **Numerics:** Hanel with  $O(h)$  spatial reconstruction
- **CFL schedule:** 1 to 2000 (conservative schedule)
- Solving **Euler** equations
- 45 million cell (**Pointwise**) unstructured grid (c\o NASA)
- Grid partitioned into 768 blocks using Eilmer4 **METIS** wrapper



Source: Chan et al. (2014)



# Grand Challenge: HIFiRE-7 Simulation



# Future Work

- Newton-Krylov accelerator:
  - Evaluate performance of **new preconditioners**: Jacobi, SGS, SGS relaxation
  - Compare performance to in-house **matrix-based SGS relaxation solver**
- Design optimization:
  - Extend adjoint solver to incorporate:
    - + finite-rate chemistry
    - + two-temperature modelling
  - Explore application of optimizer to flows in **thermochemical nonequilibrium**

