



Transport of Currents

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \partial(T \wedge v) = 0$$

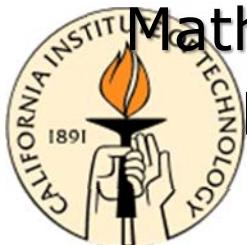
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Introduction

- Many *conserved quantities* in physics can be represented mathematically as *currents*
- Currents move and *evolve in time* due to a competition between *energetics, kinetics and inertia*
- Challenge: Bring tools of *geometric measure theory* and *calculus of variations* to bear on the problem:

- *Analysis: Existence of solutions, relaxation (coarse-graining), long-term behavior*

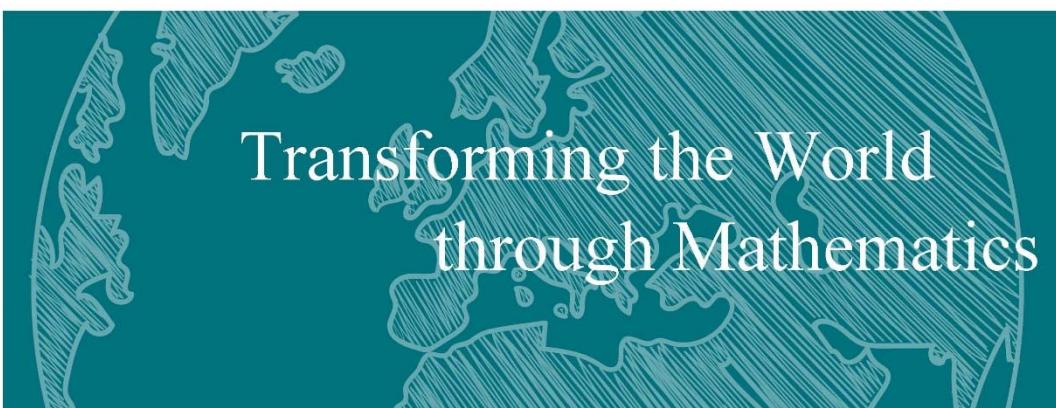
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through Mathematics

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Current affairs

- Many *conserved quantities* in physics can be represented mathematically as *currents*
- Recall: Vector-valued *smooth p-forms*,

$$\mathcal{D}^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m) = \{\sum_{|\alpha|=p} \omega_\alpha dx^\alpha : \omega_\alpha \in C_c^\infty(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)\}$$

- *Exterior derivative*: For every $\omega \in \mathcal{D}^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)$,

$$d\omega = \sum_{|\alpha|=p} d\omega_\alpha \wedge dx^\alpha \in \mathcal{D}^{p+1}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)$$

- A *p-current* is a continuous linear functional on *p-forms*. The space of *p-currents* is $\mathcal{D}_p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)$
- *Boundary operator*: $(\partial T)(\omega) = T(d\omega)$.



Current transport

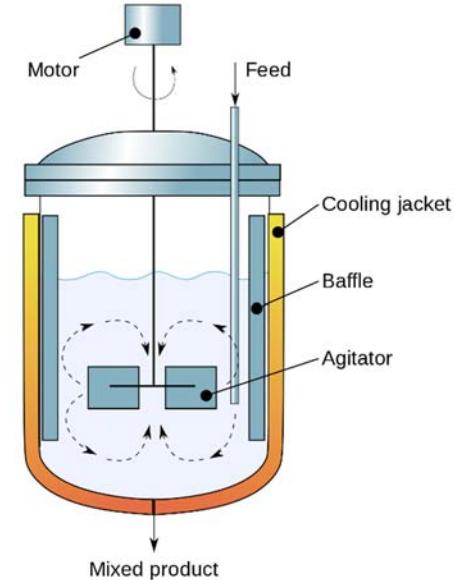
- *Domain* $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^d$, open
- *Time-dependent* p -current $T : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)$
- *Smooth velocity field*: $v : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$
- *Mass* contained in p -form ω : $T(\omega)$
- *Inward mass flux* into ω : $T(d(i_v\omega)) := \partial(T \wedge v)(\omega)$
- *Mass conservation*:
$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \partial(T \wedge v) = 0$$
- *NB: The coordinate form of the transport equation depends on the dimension of the current!*



Mass transport



Diffusive transport



Advection-diffusion

- *Mass current* $T := \rho \mathcal{L}^n \in \mathcal{D}_0(\Omega)$, regular measure,

$$T(\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \rho \omega \, dx, \quad (T \wedge v)(\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \rho v^i \omega_i \, dx,$$

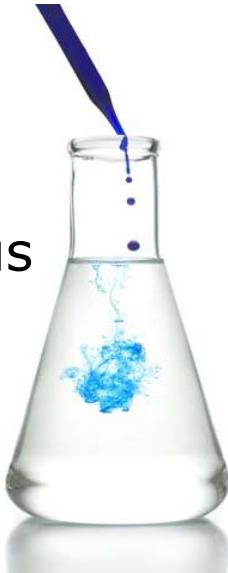


Transport equation:

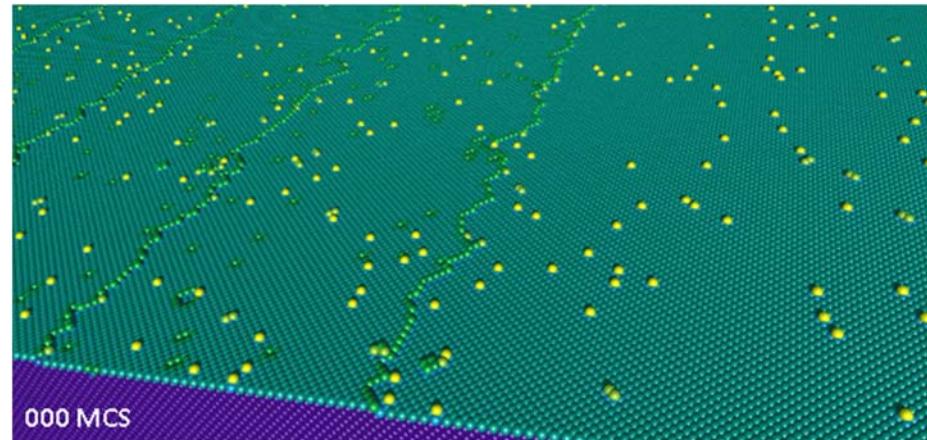
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\rho v) = 0$$

$\mathcal{D}_0(\Omega)$: Mass transport

Continuous diffusion



Discrete diffusion (© L. Röntzsich)



$$T = \rho \mathcal{L}^d$$

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \delta_{x_i}$$

- **Mass current:** $T = \rho \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner M$, rectifiable, scalar, flat,

$$T(\omega) = \int_M \rho \omega d\mathcal{H}^n, \quad (T \wedge v)(\omega) = \int_M \rho v^i \omega_i d\mathcal{H}^n,$$



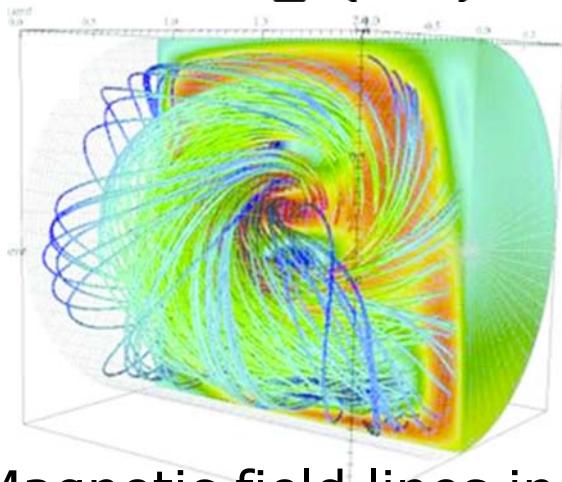
Transport equation:
(distributionally)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}(\rho v) = 0$$

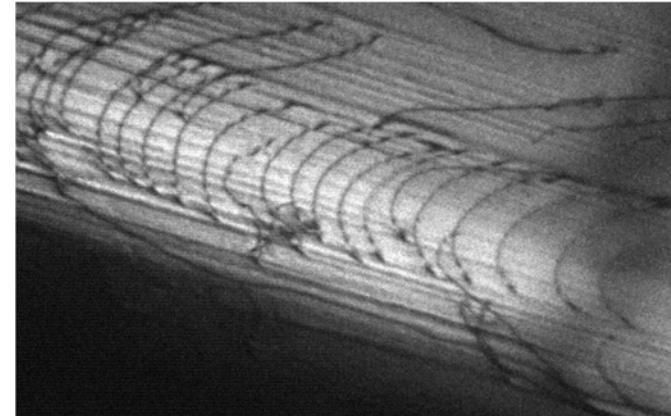


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$\mathcal{D}_1(\Omega)$: Line transport



Magnetic field lines in a plasma (Glasser et al 2009)



TEM imaging of dislocations in α -Ti (Kacher et al 2019)

$$T = B\mathcal{L}^d$$

$$T = b \otimes t \mathcal{H}^1 \llcorner \gamma$$

- *Line current:* $T = B\mathcal{H}^n \llcorner M$, rectifiable, vector, flat,

$$T(\omega) = \int_M B(\omega) d\mathcal{H}^n, \quad (T \wedge v)(\omega) = \int_M (B \wedge v)(\omega) d\mathcal{H}^n,$$



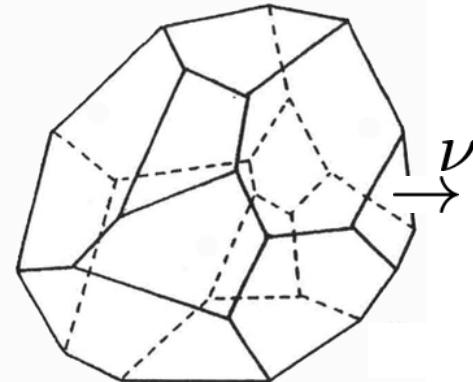
Transport equation:
(distributionally)

$$\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} + \operatorname{curl}(B \times v) = 0$$

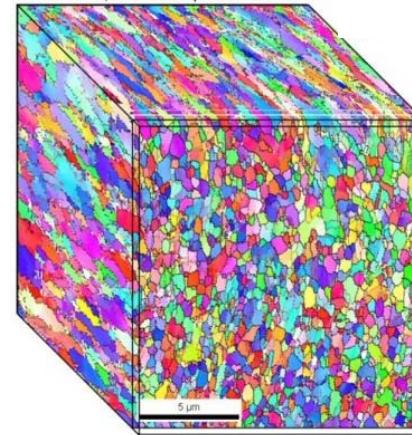


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$\mathcal{D}_2(\Omega)$: Surface transport



Sharp-interface model
of grain (Smith et al 2015)



3D EBSD reconstruction of
ECAP CuZr (Raabe et al 2011)

$$T = b \otimes *_{\nu} \mathcal{H}^2 \llcorner \sigma$$

- *Surface current:* $T = B \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner M$, rectifiable, vector,

$$T(\omega) = \int_M B(\omega) d\mathcal{H}^n, \quad (T \wedge v)(\omega) = \int_M (B \wedge v)(\omega) d\mathcal{H}^n,$$



Transport equation:
(distributionally)

$$\frac{\partial (*B)}{\partial t} + \operatorname{curl}((*B) \times v) = 0$$

Kinetics and energetics

- Currents move and *evolve in time* due to a competition between *energetics, kinetics and inertia*
- Assume current is *integral* and *rectifiable*,

$$T = \theta \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner M \wedge \vec{T}, \quad \|T\| = \theta \mathcal{H}^n \llcorner M$$

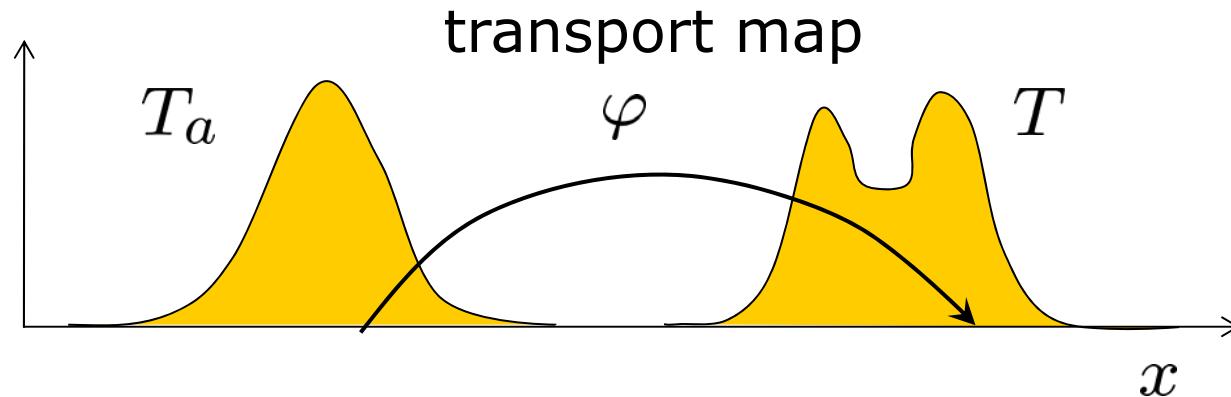
- The *kinetics* of current motion (mobility law) is encoded into the *dissipation potential*

$$\Psi(v, T) = \int_M \psi(v(x); \theta(x), \vec{T}(x)) d\mathcal{H}^n$$

- *Energy function:* $E(T)$, not necessarily local:
 - *Entropy of mixing*
 - *Line/surface tension (local)*
 - *Elastic interaction (long range)*



The rate problem



- *Transport map:* $\varphi : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$, sufficiently regular
- *Suppose:* $T = \varphi \# T_a$. Then, there is v such that

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \partial(T \wedge v) = 0, \quad \frac{d}{dt} E(T) = DE(T)v$$

- *Rate problem: At all times, for given T ,*

$$F(v) = \Psi(v, T) + DE(T)v \rightarrow \min!$$



Weighted Energy-Dissipation functionals

- *WED functionals:* For $\epsilon > 0$, $\varphi(a) = \text{id}$,

$$F_\epsilon(\varphi) = \int_a^b \left(\Psi(v, T) + DE(T)v \right) w_\epsilon(t) dt \rightarrow \min!$$

- *Weighting function* w_ϵ positive, decreasing and

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{w_\epsilon(t)}{w_\epsilon(s)} = 0, \quad \forall s, t \in [a, b], \quad s < t$$

- Expected properties of WED functionals:

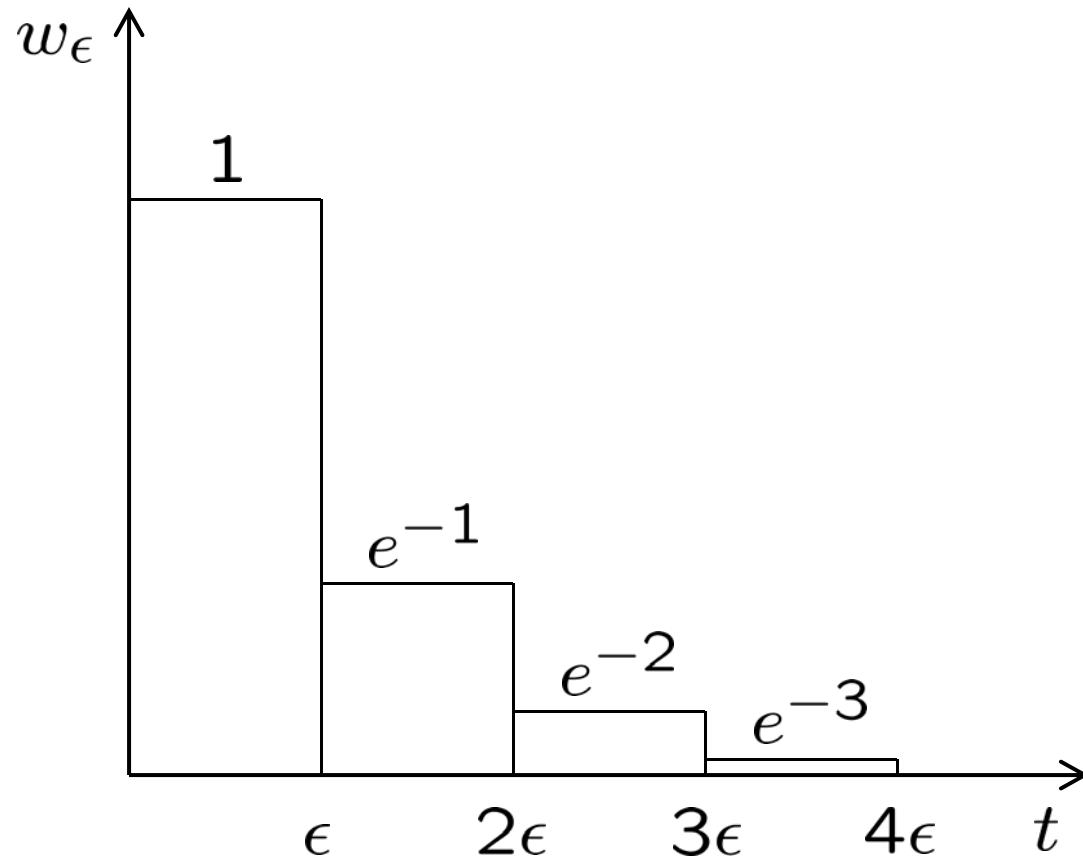
- *Causal limit:* (Approximate) minimizers φ_ϵ of F_ϵ converge to solutions of the (relaxed) problem
 - *Approximation:* Convergence stable with respect to Gamma convergence $\Psi_h \rightarrow \Psi$, $E_h \rightarrow E$

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Variational time discretization



- *Stepwise weighting function*: For $k = 0, 1, \dots,$

$$w_\epsilon = e^{-k}, \quad k\epsilon \leq t - a < (k + 1)\epsilon$$



Variational time discretization

- *Stepwise WED functionals:* For $\epsilon > 0$, $\varphi_0 = \text{id}$,

$$F_\epsilon(\varphi) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \left(D_\epsilon(\varphi_k, \varphi_{k+1}) + E(\varphi_{k+1}) - E(\varphi_k) \right) e^{-k}$$

- *Dissipation cost* (a la Wasserstein):

$$D_\epsilon(\varphi_k, \varphi_{k+1}) = \inf_{\text{paths } \varphi_k \rightarrow \varphi_{k+1}} \int_0^\epsilon \Psi(v(s), T(s)) ds$$

- *Geometrically exact update:*

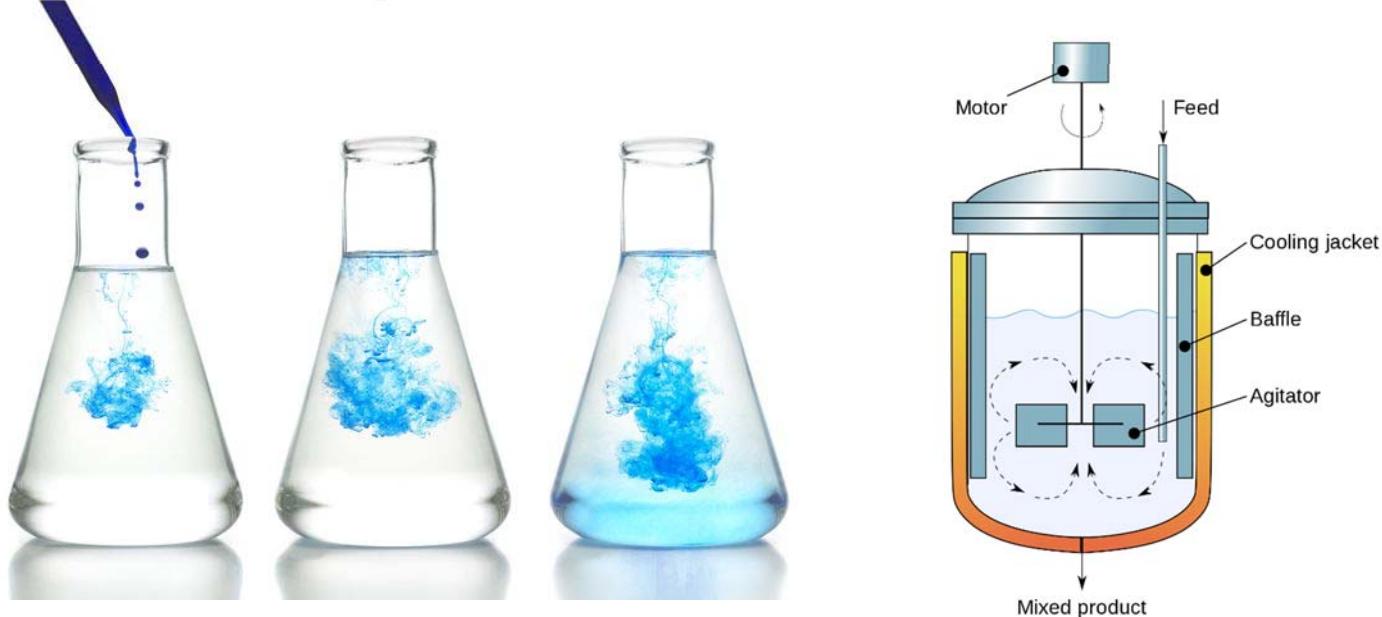
$$T_{k+1} = (\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}) \# T_k$$



- *NB: Fundamental departure from traditional time discretization methods based on divided differences!*



Mass transport – Advection/diffusion



- Transport equation: $\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) = 0$
- Dissipation functional: $\Psi(v, \rho) = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} \rho |v|^2 dx$
- Energy functional: $E(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} \kappa \rho \log \rho dx$



Mass transport – Time discrete (I)

- Discrete time: $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = b$
- Discrete density: $\rho_0, \dots, \rho_k, \dots, \rho_N$
- Variational principle¹: $F(\rho_{k+1}) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d_W^2(\rho_k, \rho_{k+1})}{t_{k+1} - t_k} + \int_{\Omega} \kappa \rho_{k+1} \log \rho_{k+1} dx \rightarrow \min!$
- EL equation:
$$\frac{x - \varphi_{k+1 \rightarrow k}}{t_{k+1} - t_k} = -\kappa \nabla \log \rho_{k+1}$$
- Push-forward: $\rho_{k+1} = \rho_k / \det(\nabla \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1})$

geometrically exact!



¹Jordan R, Kinderlehrer D, Otto F. *Physica D*, **107** (1997) 265.

Mass transport – Time discrete

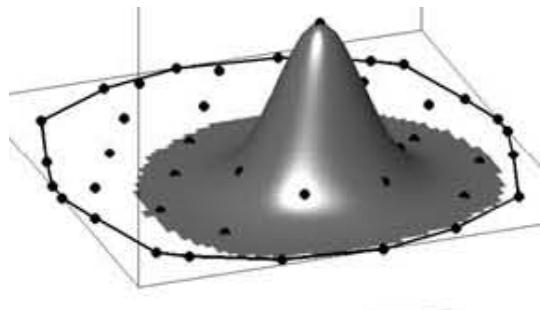
- Weak form of incremental transport equations:

$$\int \eta \underline{\rho_k dx} = \int (\eta \circ \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}^{-1}) \underline{\rho_{k+1} dy},$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1} - x}{t_{k+1} - t_k} \cdot \xi \underline{\rho_k dx} = \int_{\Omega} \kappa \operatorname{tr}(\nabla \xi \nabla \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}^{-1}) \underline{\rho_k dx}$$

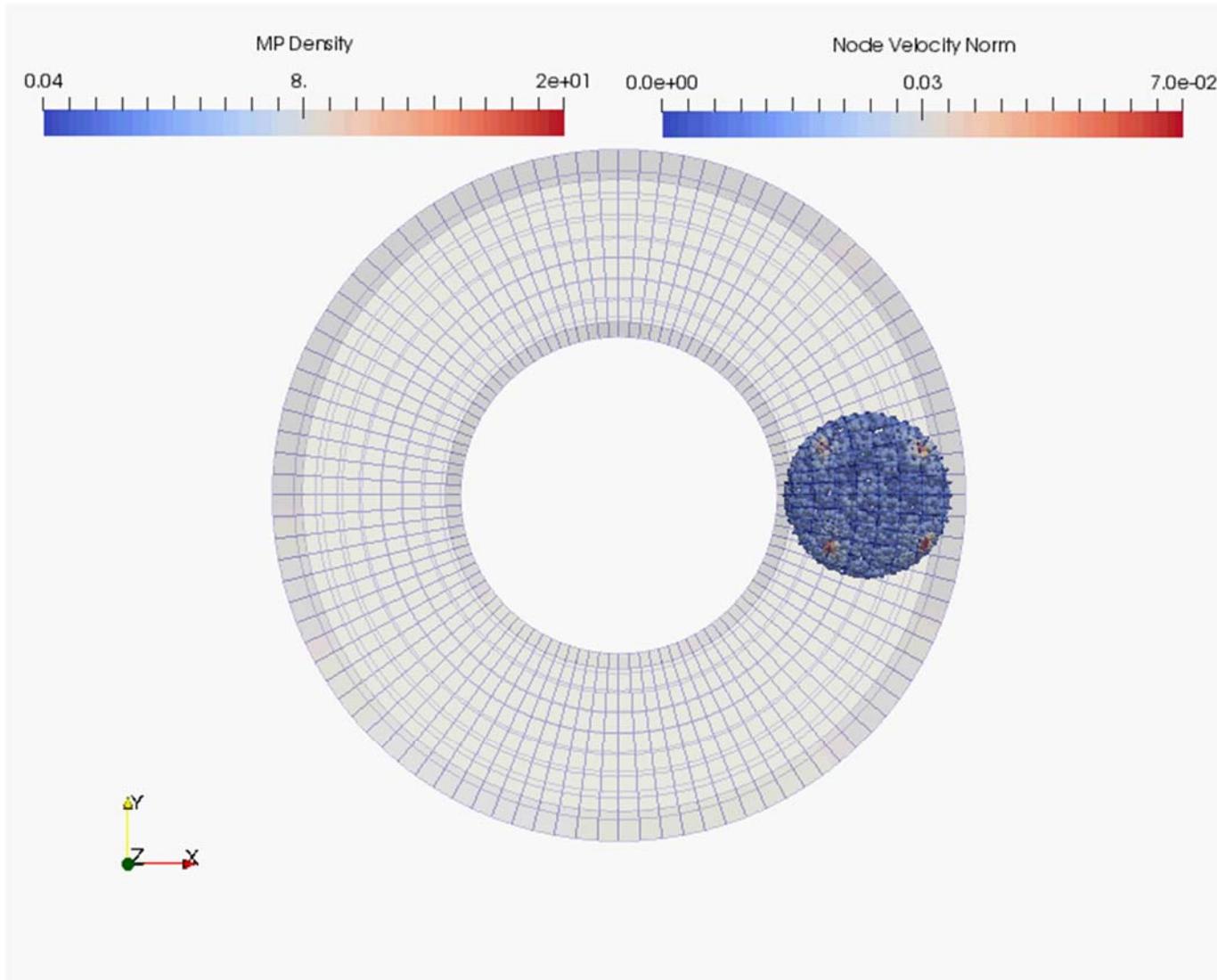
- Particle *ansatz*: $\rho_k(x) = \sum_{p=1}^h m_{p,k} \delta(x - x_{p,k})$

- Incremental transport map interpolation:



$$\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}(x) = \sum_{a=1}^h x_{a,k+1} N_{a,k}(x)$$

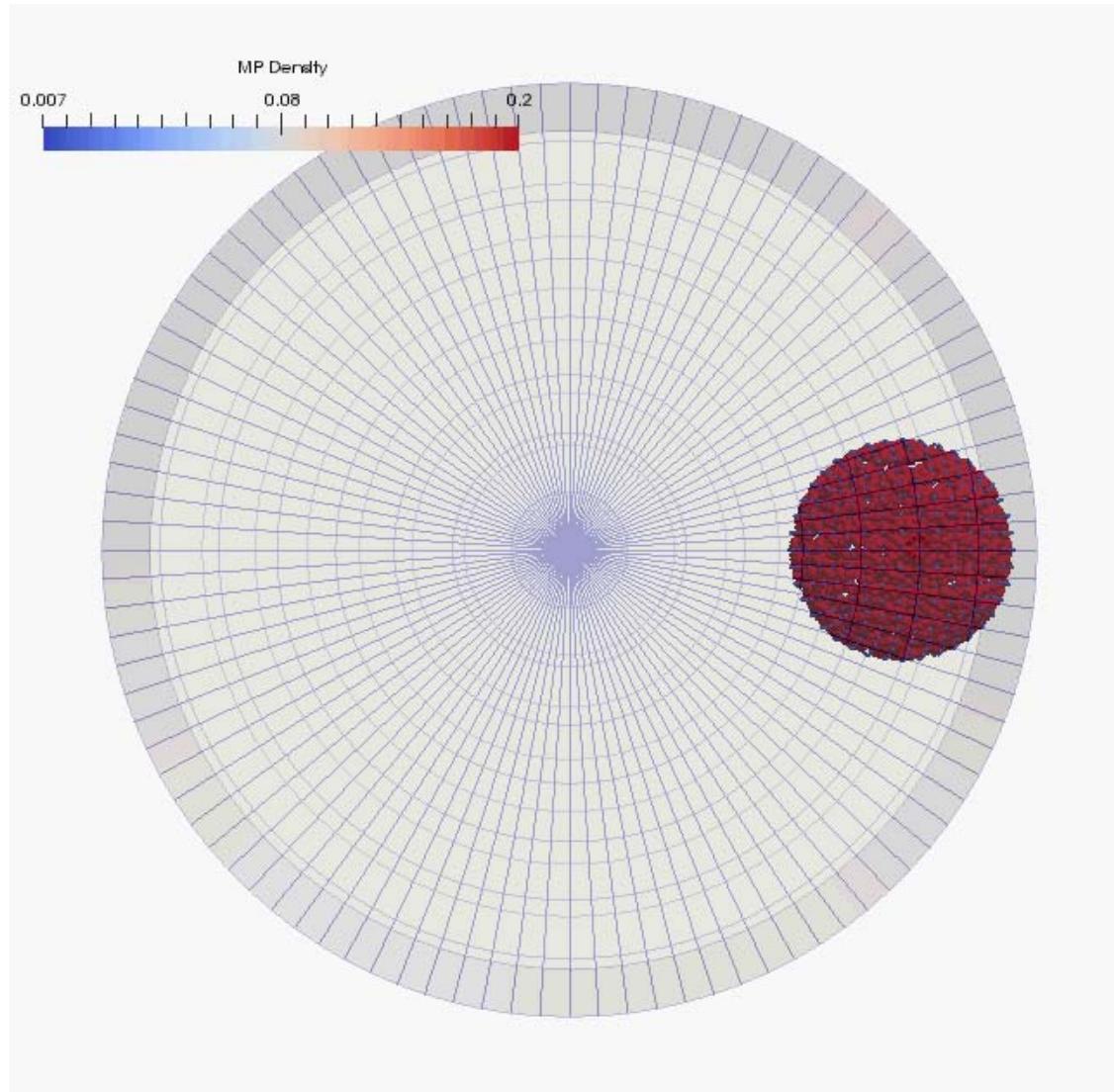
Pure advection in cylindrical channel



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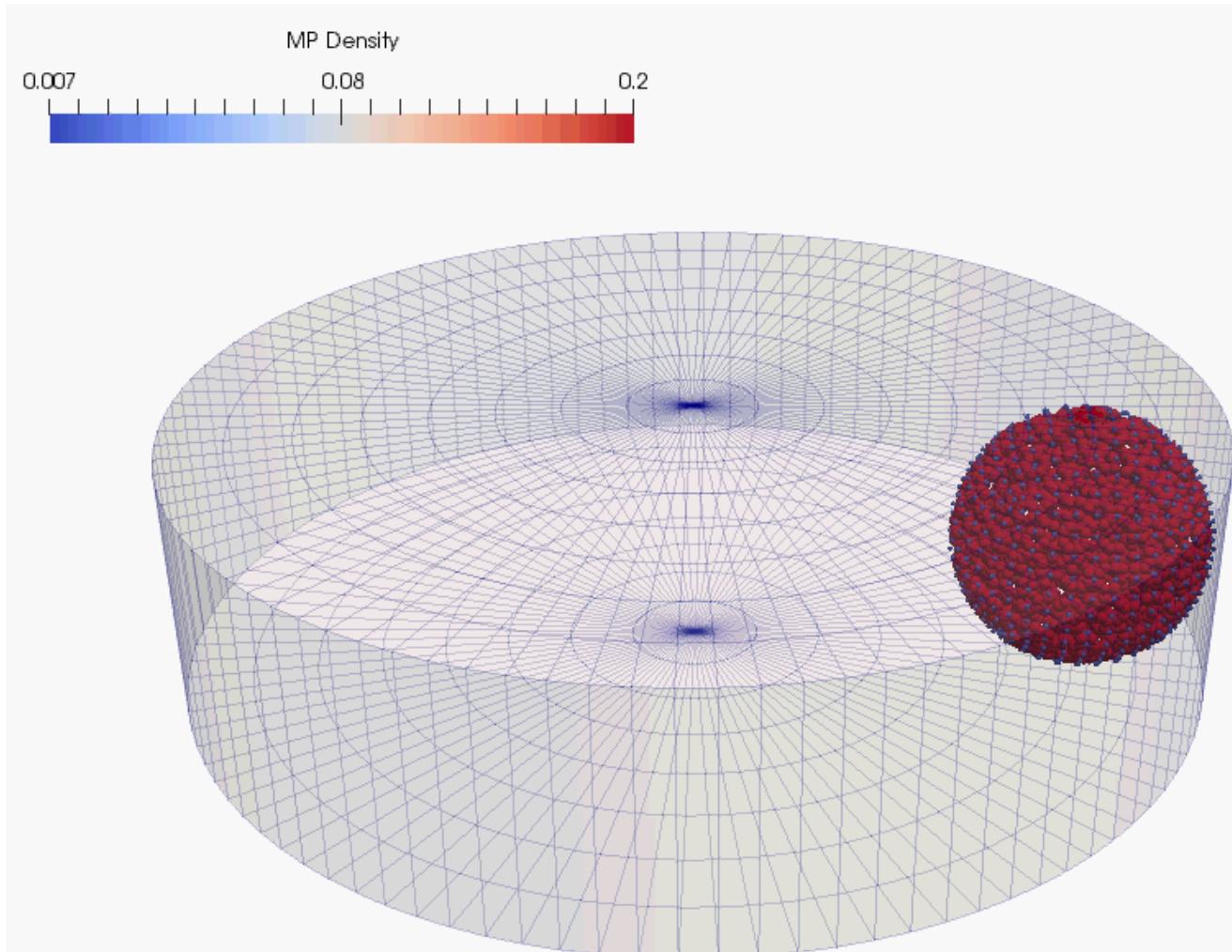
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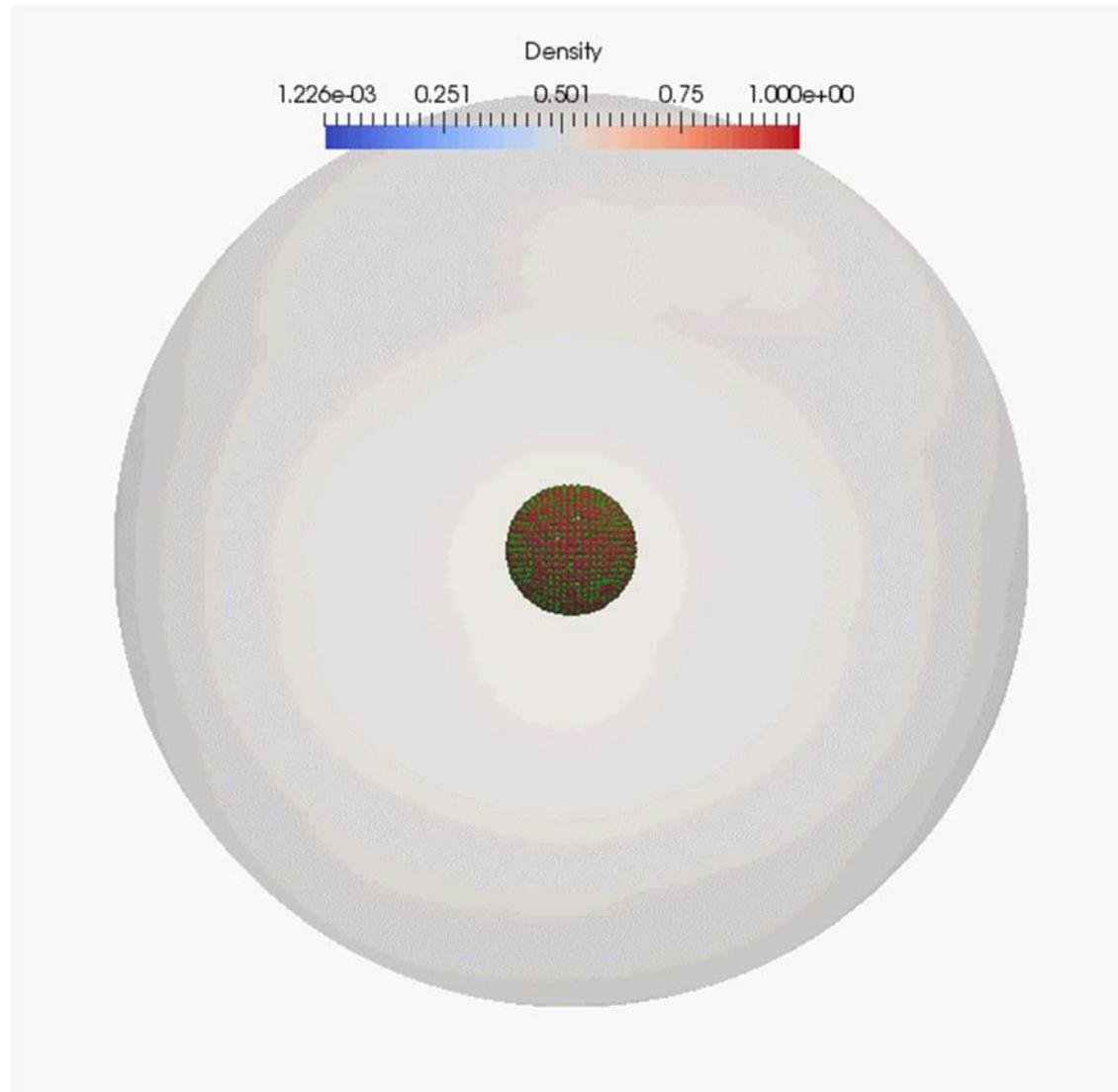
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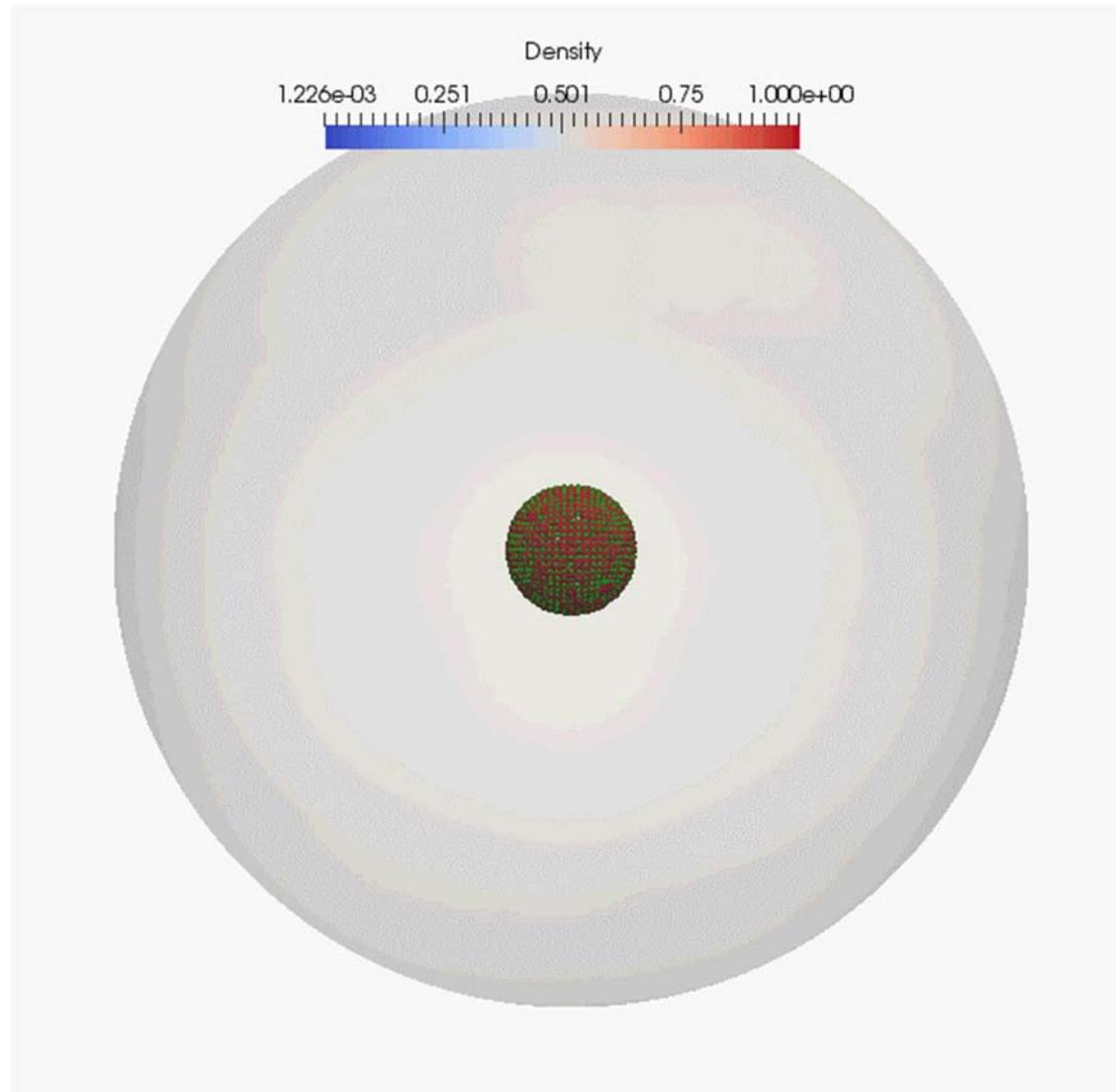
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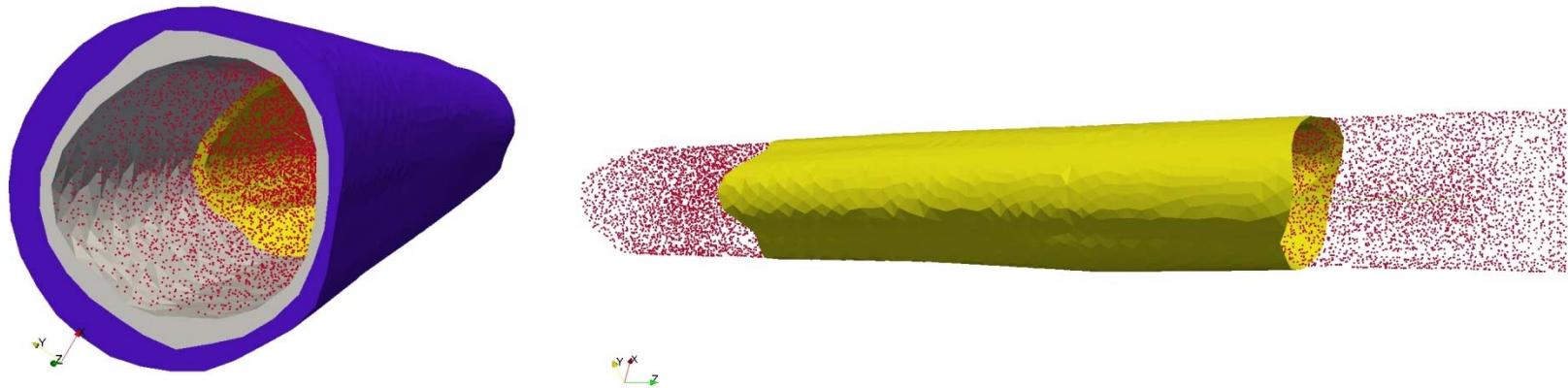
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Flow problems



- Mass + linear-momentum transport:

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) = 0,$$

$$\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v \otimes v) = \nabla \cdot \sigma,$$

$$\sigma = \sigma(D\varphi, Dv, \text{history})$$



Flow problems – Time-discrete

- Semidiscrete action: $A_d(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{N-1}) =$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{d_W^2(\rho_k, \rho_{k+1})}{(t_{k+1} - t_k)^2}}_{\text{inertia}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} [U(\rho_k) + U(\rho_{k+1})]}_{\text{internal energy}} \right\} (t_{k+1} - t_k)$$

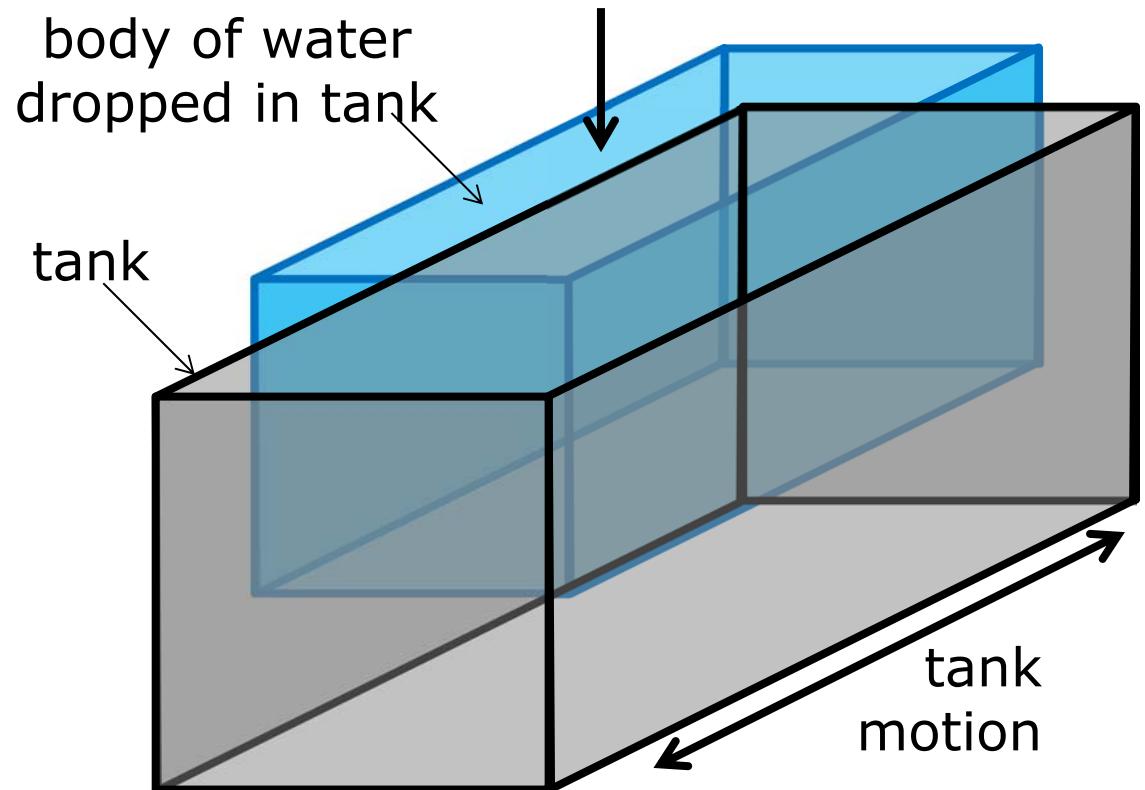
with: $\rho_{k+1} \circ \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1} = \rho_k / \det(\nabla \varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1})$
(geometrically exact mass conservation!)

- Discrete Euler-Lagrange equations: $\delta A_d = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{2\rho_k}{t_{k+1} - t_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1} - x}{t_{k+1} - t_k} + \frac{\varphi_{k \rightarrow k-1} - x}{t_k - t_{k-1}} \right) = \nabla p_k + \rho_k b_k$$



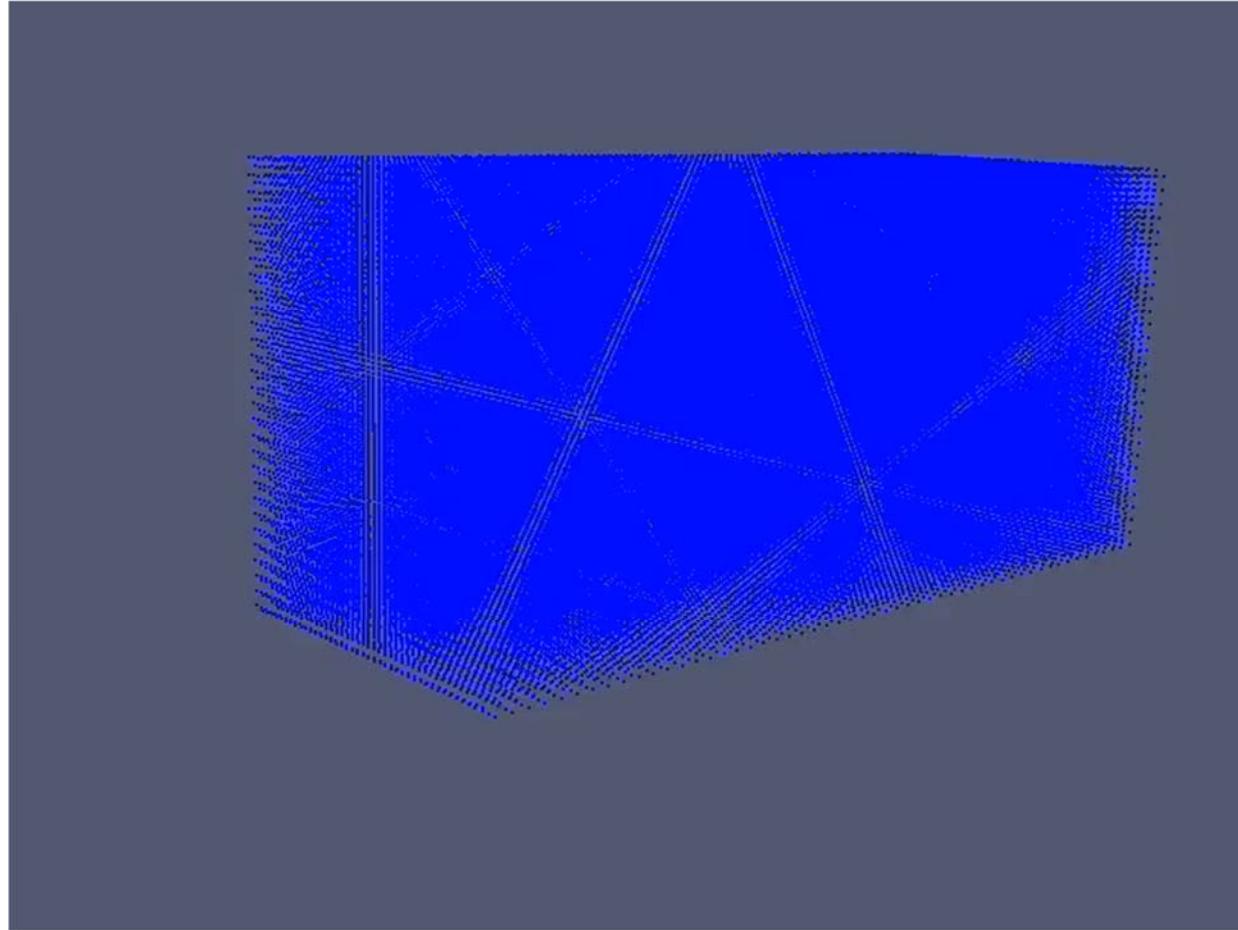
Flow problems – Sloshing



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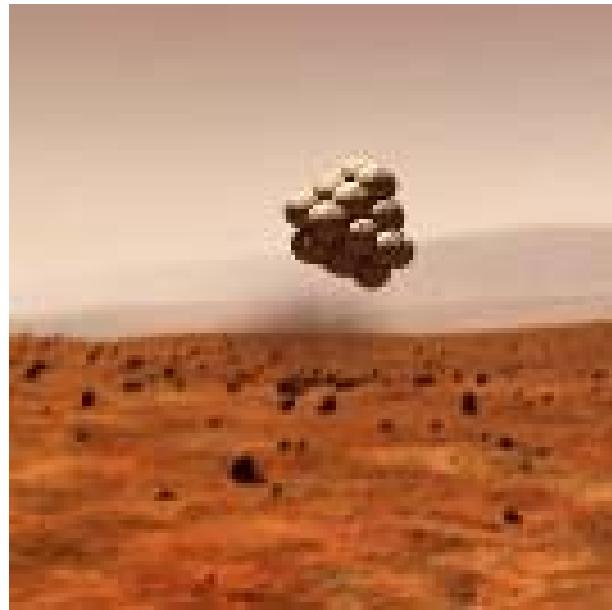
Flow problems – Tank sloshing



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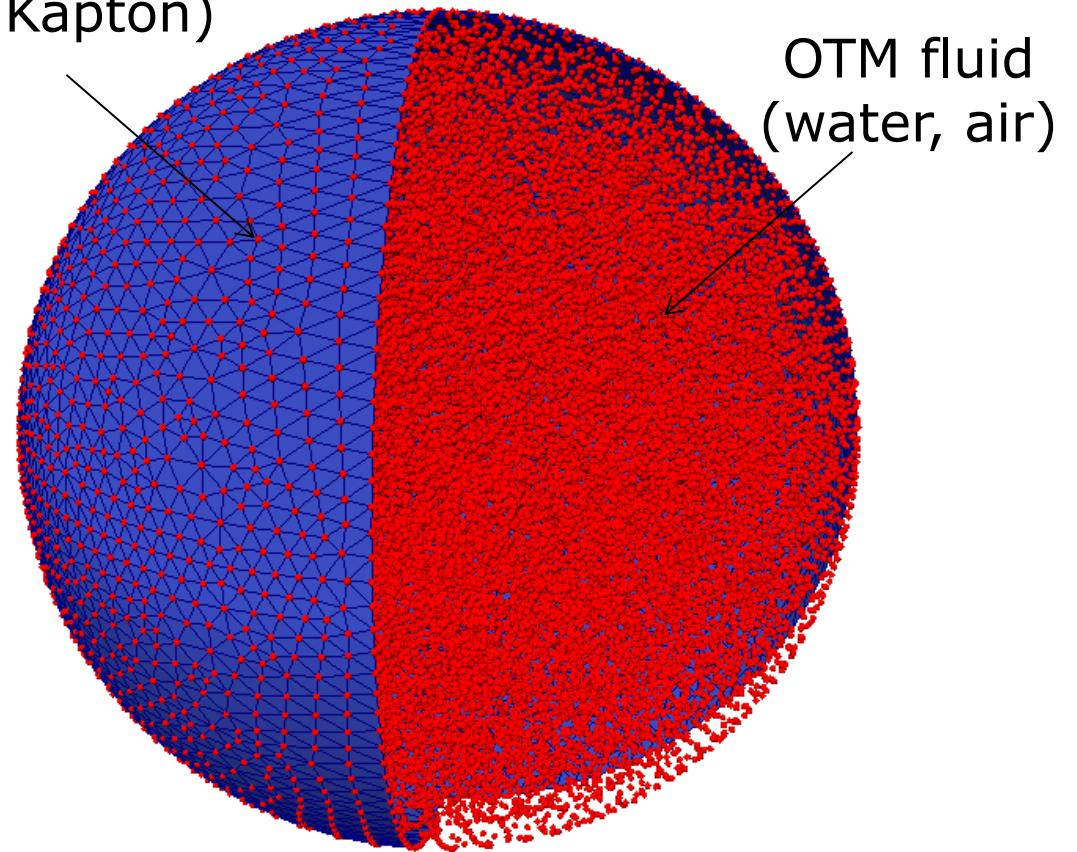
Flow problems – Balloons



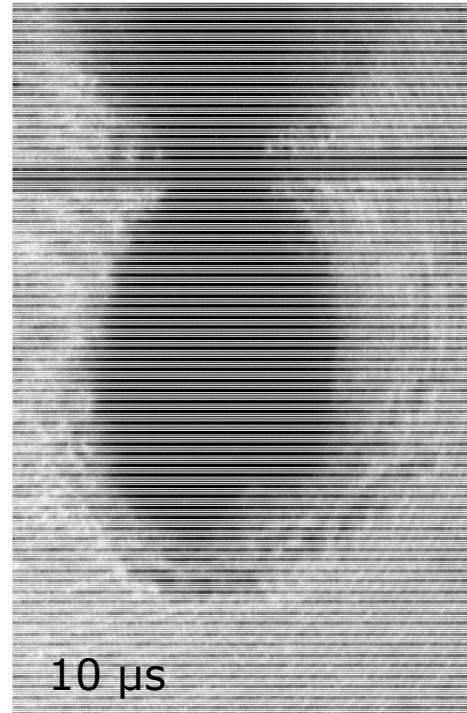
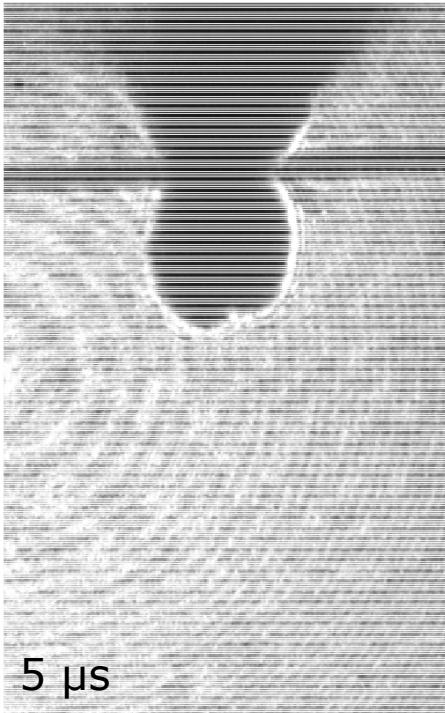
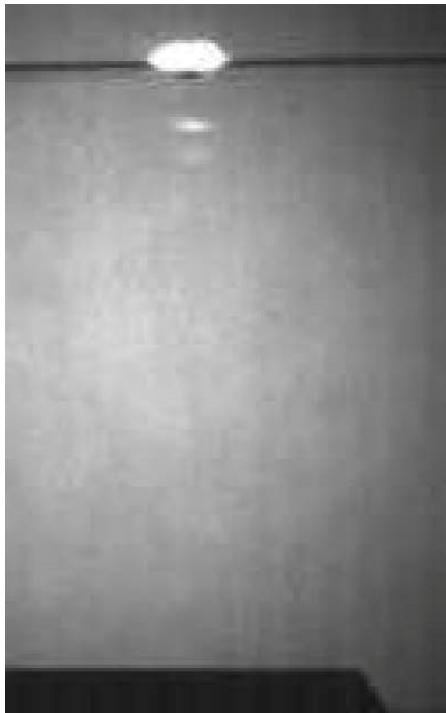
Balloon system for
Spirit rover Mars
landing (JPL, 2004)



FE membrane
(rubber, Kapton)



Flow problems – HV impact



Hypervelocity impact of bumper shield.
a) Initial impact flash. b) Debris cloud
(Ernst-Mach Inst., Freiburg, Germany).

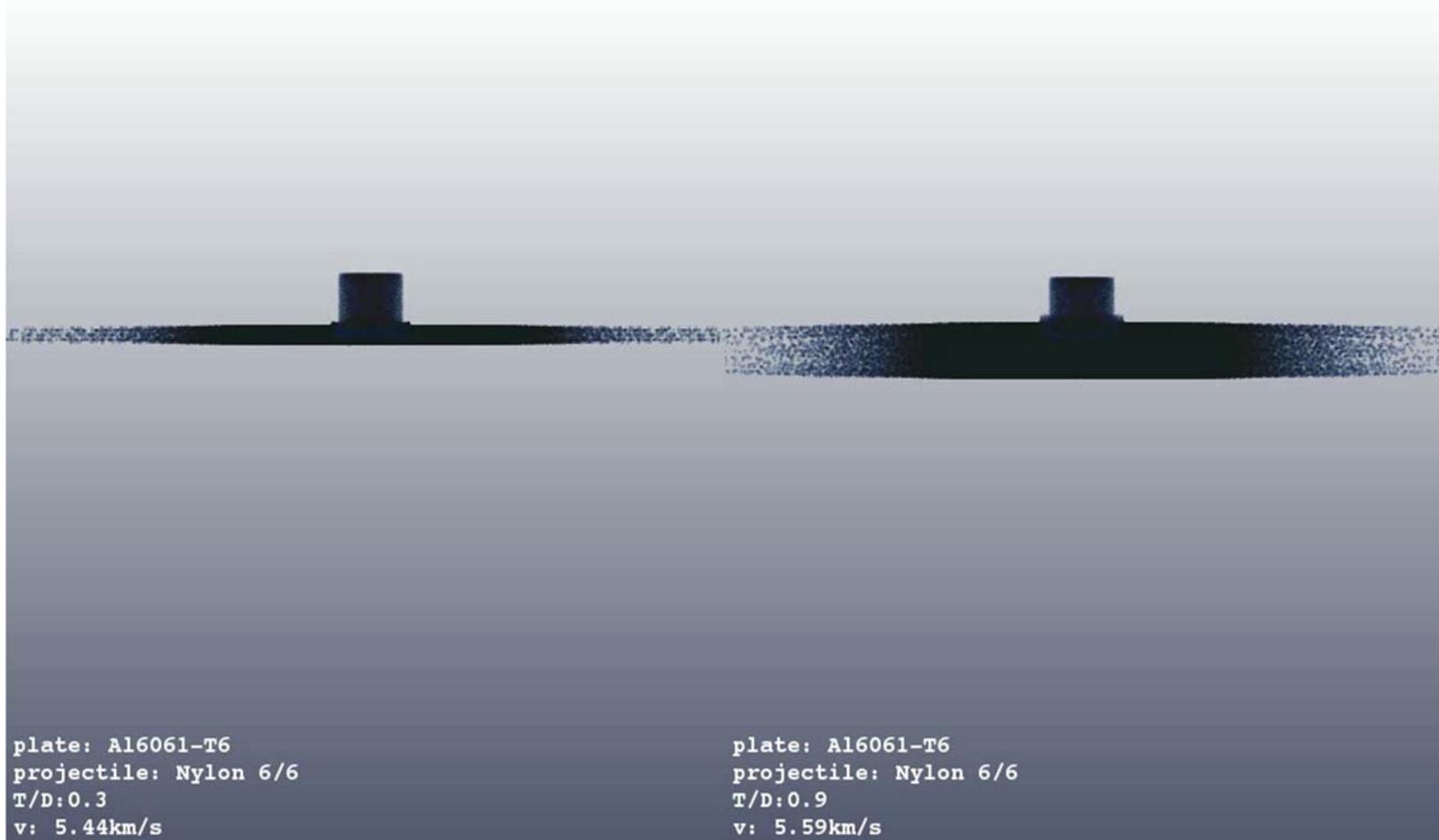
Hypervelocity impact (5.7 Km/s) of
0.96 mm thick aluminum plates by 5.5
mg nylon 6/6 cylinders (Caltech)



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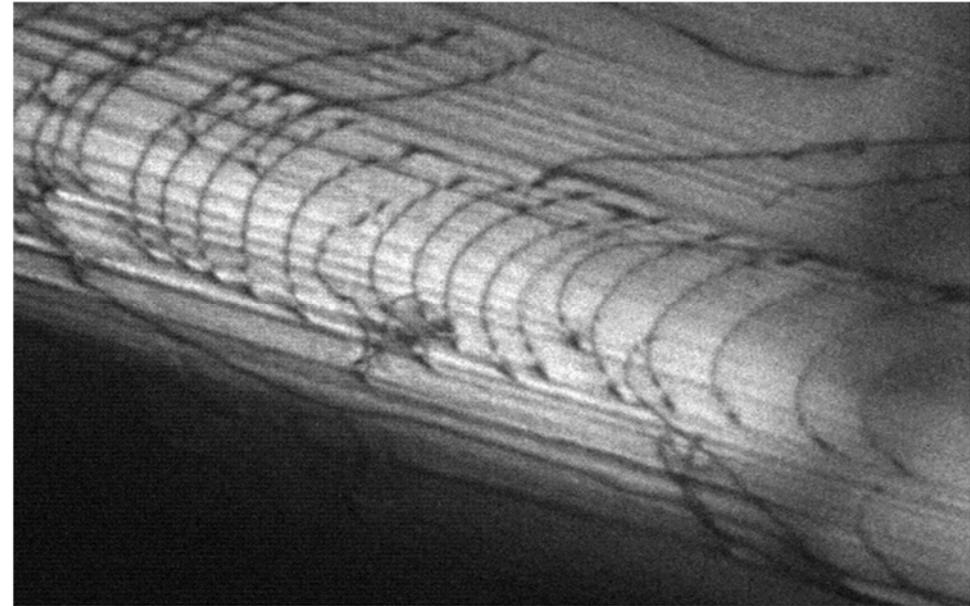
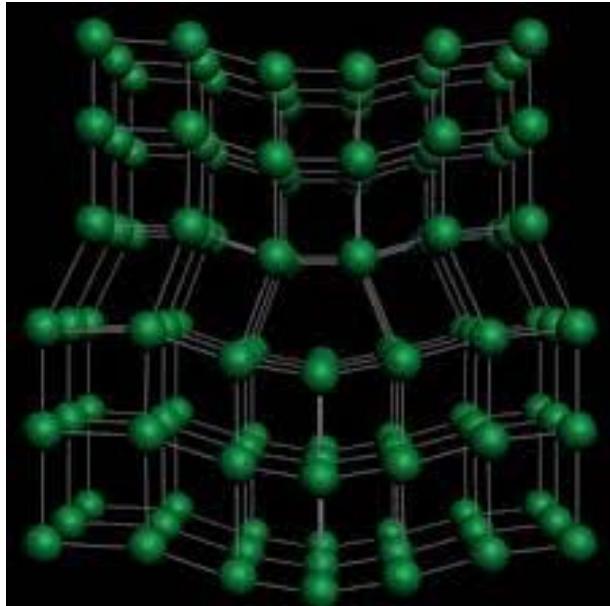
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Dislocation transport

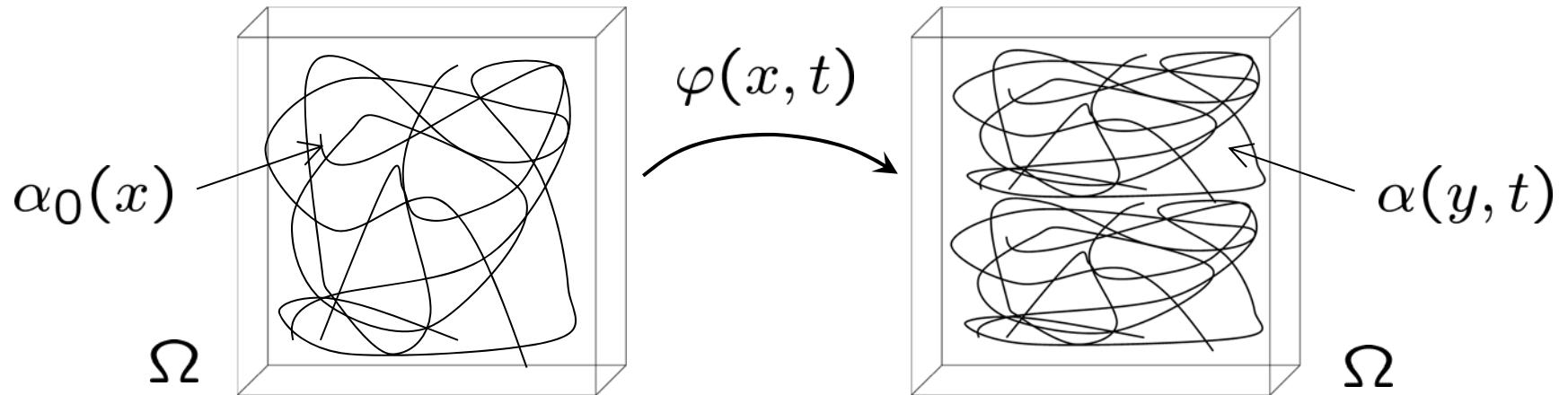


- Dislocation current: $\alpha = b \otimes t \mathcal{H}^1 \llcorner \gamma$
- Transport equation: $\dot{\alpha} + \operatorname{curl}(\alpha \times v) = 0$
- Dislocation mobility + elastic interaction



Dislocation transport – Transport maps

- Representation of general dislocation measure dynamics by means of a transport maps:



- Push-forward for line-currents: $\alpha = \varphi_{\#}\alpha_0$ if

$$\int_{\Omega} \eta(y) \cdot d\alpha(y, t) = \int_{\Omega} (\eta(\varphi(x, t)) \nabla \varphi(x, t)) \cdot d\alpha_0(x)$$

Divergence: $\operatorname{div} \alpha_0(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \operatorname{div} \alpha(y, t) = 0!$



Dislocation transport – Discrete

- Incremental dissipation function:

$$D(\alpha_k, \alpha_{k+1}) = \inf_{\substack{\alpha_k = \varphi(t_k) \# \alpha_0, \\ \alpha_{k+1} = \varphi(t_{k+1}) \# \alpha_0}} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \Psi(\varphi(t), \dot{\varphi}(t)) dt$$

- Incremental energy-dissipation function:

$$F(\varphi_k, \varphi_{k+1}) = D(\alpha_k, \alpha_{k+1}) + E(\alpha_{k+1}) - E(\alpha_k)$$

with $\alpha_{k+1} = (\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}) \# \alpha_k$

- Incremental minimum principle:

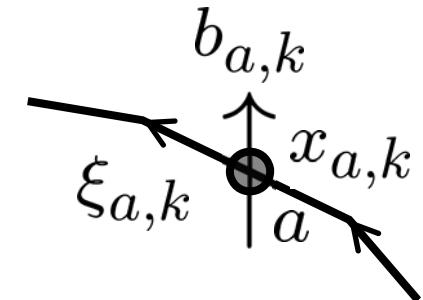
$$\varphi_{k+1} \in \operatorname{argmin} F(\varphi_k, \cdot)$$



Dislocation transport – Discrete

- Discrete time: $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = T$.
- Discrete measure: $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_k, \dots \alpha_N$.
- Geometric update: $\alpha_{k+1} = (\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1})_\# \alpha_k$.
- Monopole discretization:

$$\alpha_k = \sum_{a=1}^M b_{a,k} \otimes \xi_{a,k} \delta_{x_{a,k}}$$



- Incremental transport map discretization:

$$\varphi_{k \rightarrow k+1}(x) = x + \sum_{a=1}^M (x_{a,k+1} - x_{a,k}) N_{a,k}(x)$$

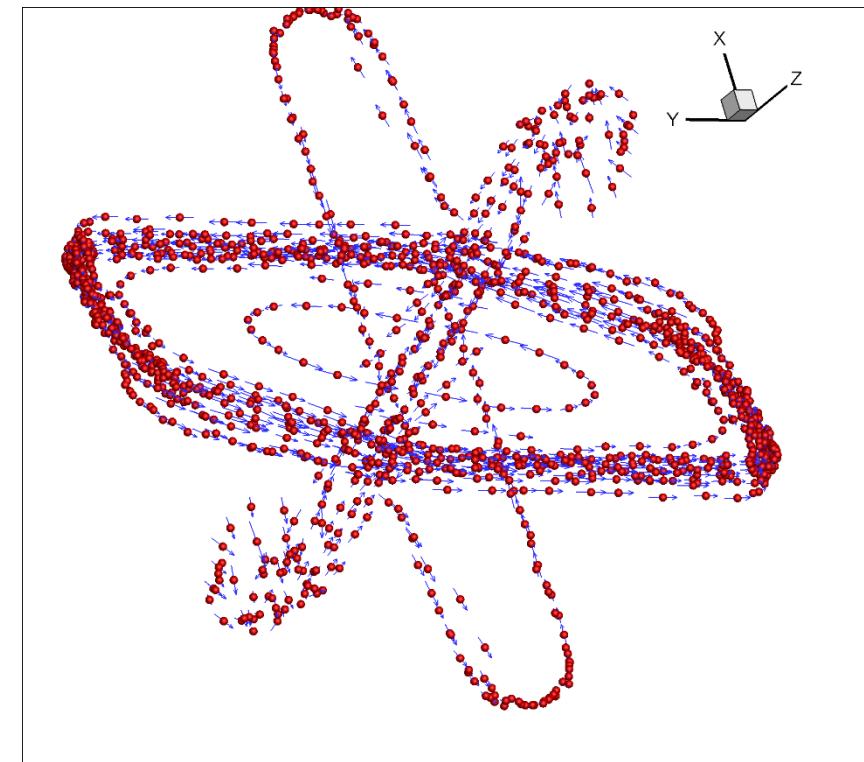
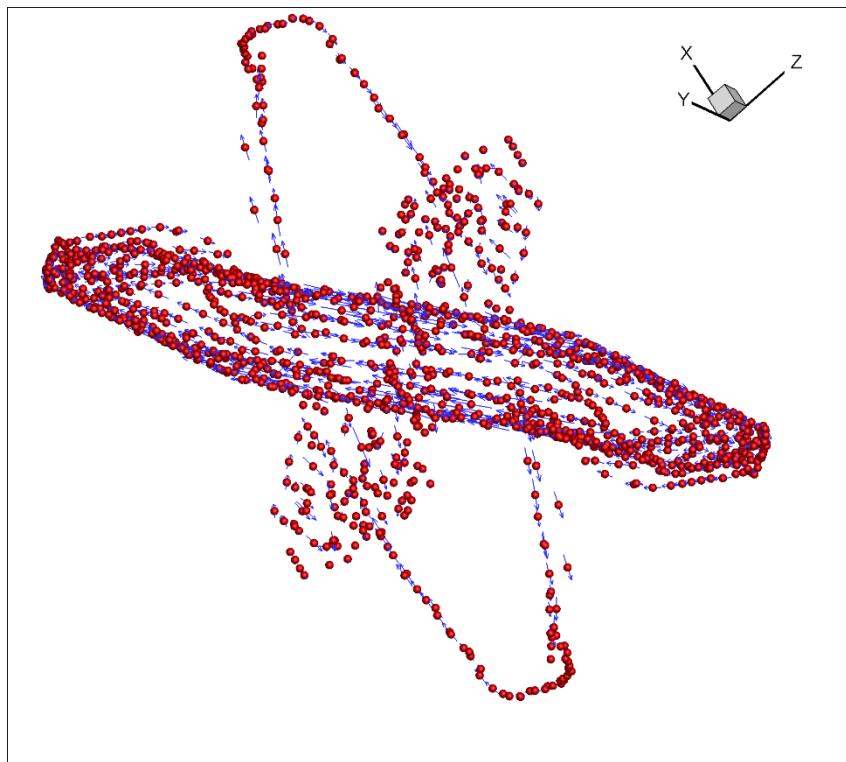
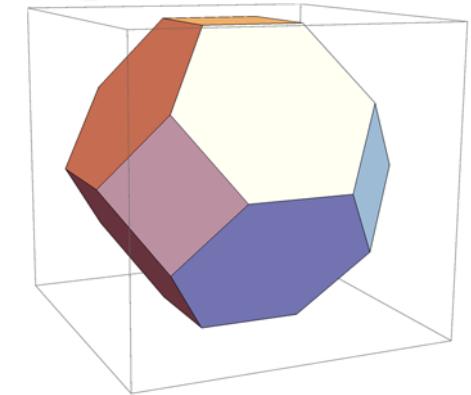
- Max-ent: $N_{a,k}(x) = \frac{1}{Z_k} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_a}{2} |x - x_{a,k}|^2\right)$



Dislocation transport – BCC grain

- Slip systems:

$$\begin{array}{lll} m_{A2} = (0 \ -1 \ 1) & m_{A3} = (1 \ 0 \ 1) & m_{A6} = (1 \ 1 \ 0) \\ b_{A2} = [-1 \ 1 \ 1] & b_{A3} = [-1 \ 1 \ 1] & b_{A6} = [-1 \ 1 \ 1] \end{array}$$



Concluding Remarks

- *Transport problems* belong in *spaces of measures* (NB: pretending otherwise results in loss of opportunity and severe penalties)
- *Particle methods* = *transport of measures* (but formulation of transport problem must make sense for general measures, including Diracs)
- Powerful *optimal transport* tools:
 - *Wasserstein-type metrics* (*action, dissipation...*)
 - *Push-forward operations* (*exact geometrical updates*)
 - *Transport maps* (*updated Lagrangian formulation*)
- Particle schemes deal simply and effectively with phenomena of staggering *complexity*



Adopt a measure

