

Deforming Composite Grids for Fluid Structure Interactions

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- 1 Background: overlapping grids, Overture and CG.
- 2 Deforming Composite Grids (DCG) for fluid structure interactions.
- 3 The elastic-piston problem and the fluid-solid Riemann problem.
- 4 Stable interface conditions for coupling the Euler equations and the elastic wave equation.
- 5 Verification problems.
 - 1 super-seismic shock
 - 2 deforming diffuser.



The Overture project is developing PDE solvers for a wide class of continuum mechanics applications.

Overture is a toolkit for solving PDE's on overlapping grids and includes CAD, grid generation, numerical approximations, AMR and graphics.

The **CG** (Composite Grid) suite of PDE solvers (**cgcns**, **cgins**, **cgmx**, **cgsm**, **cgad**, **cgmp**) provide algorithms for modeling gases, fluids, solids and E&M.

Overture and CG are available from www.llnl.gov/CASC/Overture.

We are looking at a variety of applications:

- wind turbines, building flows (**cgins**),
- explosives modeling (**cgcns**),
- **fluid-structure interactions (e.g. blast effects) (cgmp+cgcns+cgsm)**,
- conjugate heat transfer (e.g. NIF holhraum) (**cgmp+cgins+cgad**),
- damage mitigation in NIF laser optics (**cgmx**).



(Shock hitting rigid cylinders with AMR)

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Current work: shock hitting elastic cylinders

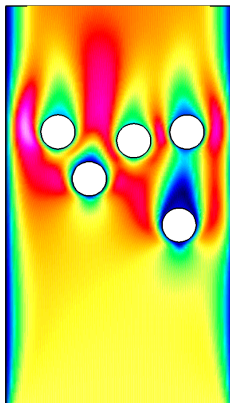
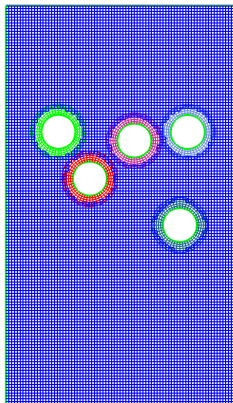
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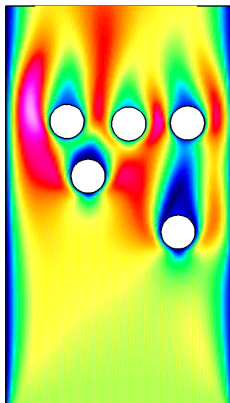
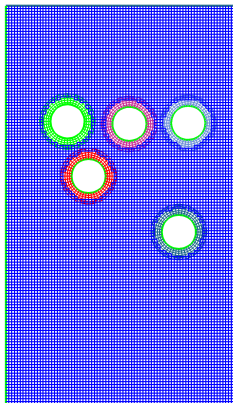


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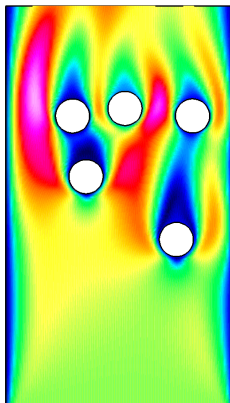
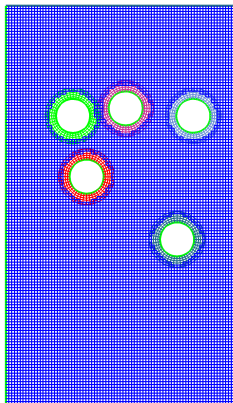


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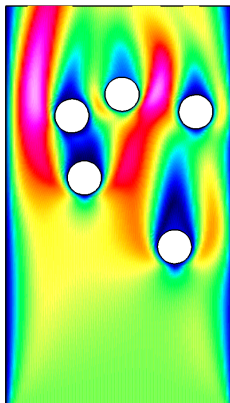
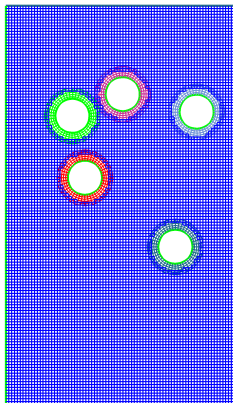


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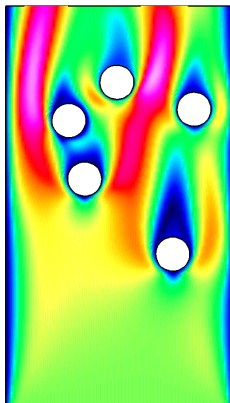
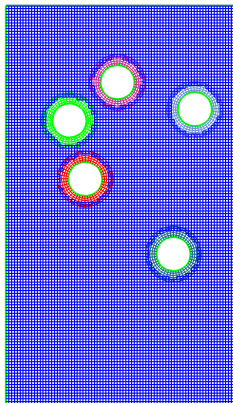


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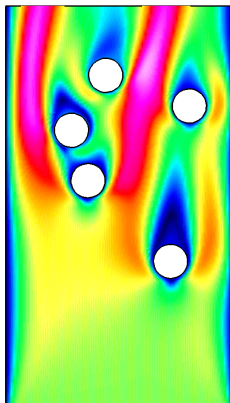
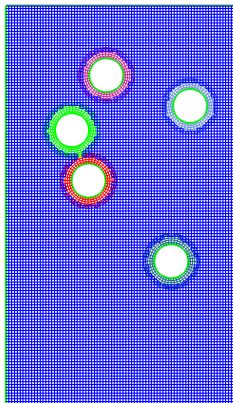


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Deforming composite grids (DCG) for Fluid-Structure Interactions (FSI)

Goal: To perform coupled simulations of compressible fluids and deforming solids.

A mixed Eulerian-Lagrangian approach:

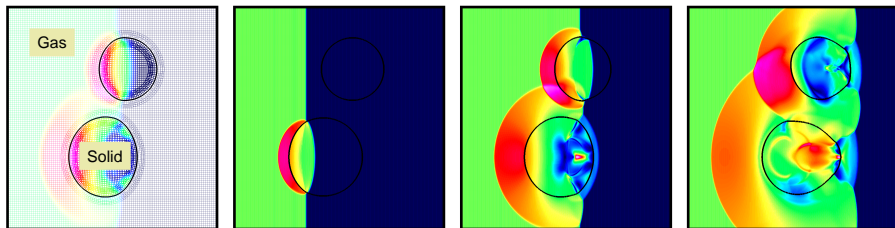
- Fluids: general moving coordinate system with overlapping grids.
- Solids : fixed reference frame with overlapping-grids (later: unstructured-grids, or beam/plate models).
- Boundary fitted deforming grids for fluid-solid interfaces.

Strengths of the approach:

- maintains high quality grids for large deformations/displacements.
- efficient structured grid methods (AMR) optimized for Cartesian grids.



A sample FSI-DCG simulation



Mach 2 shock in a gas hitting two elastic cylinders.

- Solve Euler equations in the fluid domains on moving grids.
- Solve equations of linear elasticity in the solid domains.
- Fluid grids at the interface deform over time (hyperbolic grid generator).
- Adaptive mesh refinement (in progress).



Fluid solver: we solve the inviscid Euler equations with a second-order extension of Godunov's method (cgcn).

- WDH., D. W. Schwendeman, *Parallel Computation of Three-Dimensional Flows using Overlapping Grids with Adaptive Mesh Refinement*, J. Comp. Phys. **227** (2008).
- WDH., DWS, *Moving Overlapping Grids with Adaptive Mesh Refinement for High-Speed Reactive and Nonreactive Flow*, J. Comp. Phys. **216** (2005).
- WDH., DWS, *An adaptive numerical scheme for high-speed reactive flow on overlapping grids*, J. Comp. Phys. **191** (2003).

Solid solver: we solve the elastic wave equation as a first order system with a second-order upwind characteristic scheme (cgsm).

- Daniel Appelö, JWB, WDH, DWS, *Numerical Methods for Solid Mechanics on Overlapping Grids: Linear Elasticity*, LLNL-JRNL-422223, submitted (2010).



The elastic piston - a 1D FSI model problem



$\bar{\rho}$: density

\bar{u} : displacement

\bar{v} : velocity

$\bar{\sigma}$: stress

c_p : speed of sound

$\bar{z} = \bar{\rho}c_p$: impedance

ρ : density

v : velocity

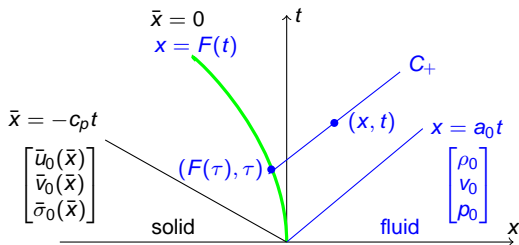
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a : speed of sound

$z = \rho a$: impedance



The elastic piston



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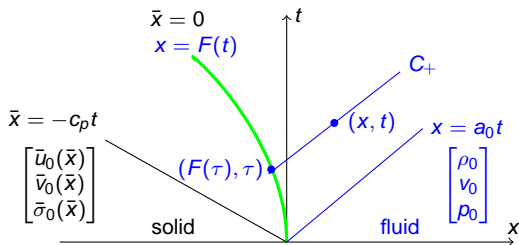
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{u}_t - \bar{v} = 0 \\ \bar{v}_t - \bar{\sigma}_{\bar{x}} / \bar{\rho} = 0, \text{ for } \bar{x} < 0, \\ \bar{\sigma}_t - \bar{\rho} c_p^2 \bar{v}_{\bar{x}} = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_t + (\rho v)_x = 0 \\ (\rho v)_t + (\rho v^2 + p)_x = 0, \text{ for } x > F(t), \\ (\rho E)_t + (\rho E v + p v)_x = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

where $\rho E = p / (\gamma - 1) + \rho v^2 / 2$. The interface conditions are

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{v}(0, t) &= v(F(t), t), \\ \bar{\sigma}(0, t) &= \sigma(F(t), t) \equiv -p(F(t), t) + p_e. \end{aligned}$$



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An exact solution to the elastic piston problem

For a given $x = F(t)$, and constant $\rho_0, p_0, v_0 = 0$, the solution in the fluid region $F(t) < x < a_0 t$ is (assuming no shocks)

$$v(x, t) = \dot{F}(\tau(x, t)), \quad \frac{a(x, t)}{a_0} = 1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \left(\frac{v(x, t)}{a_0} \right), \quad \frac{p(x, t)}{p_0} = \left(\frac{\rho(x, t)}{\rho_0} \right)^\gamma = \left(\frac{a(x, t)}{a_0} \right)^{2\gamma/(\gamma-1)},$$
$$x - F(\tau) = \left[a_0 + \frac{\gamma + 1}{2} \dot{F}(\tau) \right] (t - \tau).$$

The general solution for the solid follows from the d'Alembert solution,

$$\bar{u}(\bar{x}, t) = f(\bar{x} - c_p t) + g(\bar{x} + c_p t),$$
$$f(\xi) = \frac{1}{2} [\bar{u}_0(\xi) - \frac{1}{c_p} \int_0^\xi \bar{v}_0(s) ds] \quad \text{for } \xi < 0,$$
$$g(\xi) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} [\bar{u}_0(\xi) + \frac{1}{c_p} \int_0^\xi \bar{v}_0(s) ds] & \text{for } \xi < 0, \\ F(\xi/c_p) - f(-\xi) & \text{for } \xi > 0. \end{cases}$$

Applying the interface equations gives an ODE for $F(t)$ in terms of the initial conditions,

$$\frac{p_0}{\bar{\rho} c_p^2} \left[1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2a_0} \dot{F}(t) \right]^{2\gamma/(\gamma-1)} + \frac{\dot{F}(t)}{c_p} = -[\bar{u}'_0(-c_p t) - \frac{1}{c_p} \bar{v}_0(-c_p t)], \quad \text{for } t > 0.$$

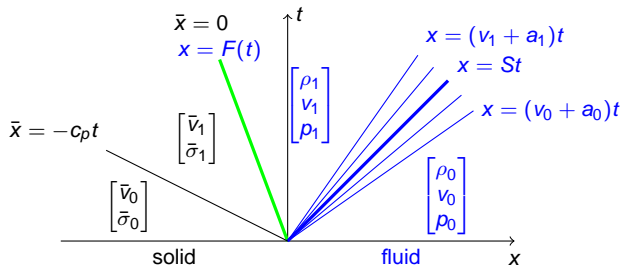
Alternatively if we choose $F(t) = -\frac{a}{q} t^q$, we can choose initial conditions in the solid as

$$\bar{u}_0(\bar{x}) = -\frac{p_0}{\bar{\rho}_0 c_p^2} \int_0^{\bar{x}} \left[1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2a_0} \dot{F}(-s/c_p) \right]^{2\gamma/(\gamma-1)} ds, \quad \bar{v}_0(\bar{x}) = \dot{F}(-\bar{x}/c_p), \quad \text{for } \bar{x} < 0,$$

to give a smooth solution with the specified interface motion.



The solution of the fluid-solid Riemann (FSR) problem defines our interface projection.



- special case of elastic piston problem - constant initial conditions in fluid and solid.
- the fluid may have a shock or expansion fan on the \mathcal{C}^+ characteristic.



Solution of the linearized fluid-solid Riemann problem

Characteristic relations:

$$\text{Solid: } \bar{z}\bar{v} \mp \bar{\sigma} = \bar{z}\bar{v}_0 \mp \bar{\sigma}_0, \text{ on } d\bar{x}/dt = \pm c_p,$$

$$\text{Fluid: } zv \mp \sigma = zv_0 \mp \sigma_0, \text{ on } dx/dt = v_0 \pm a_0,$$

where $z = \bar{\rho}c_p$ and $\bar{z} = \bar{\rho}a_0$ are the *acoustic impedances*.

The state next to the interface is an impedance weighted average of the fluid and solid states:

$$v_1 = \bar{v}_1 = \frac{\bar{z}\bar{v}_0 + zv_0}{\bar{z} + z} + \frac{\sigma_0 - \bar{\sigma}_0}{\bar{z} + z},$$
$$\sigma_1 = \bar{\sigma}_1 = \frac{\bar{z}^{-1}\bar{\sigma}_0 + z^{-1}\sigma_0}{\bar{z}^{-1} + z^{-1}} + \frac{v_0 - \bar{v}_0}{\bar{z}^{-1} + z^{-1}}.$$

The solution to the full nonlinear problem can also be determined.



The FSI-DCG time-stepping algorithm

The FSI-DCG interface approximation is an extension of the scheme of Banks and Sjögreen:

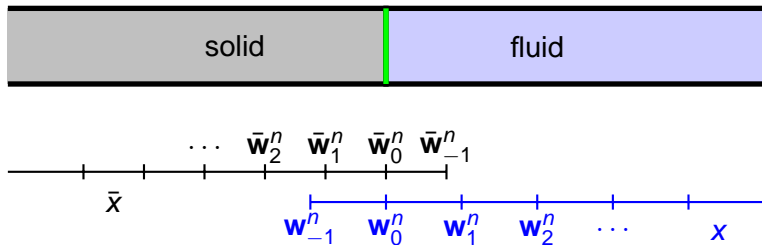
J. W. Banks and B. Sjögreen, *A Normal Mode Stability Analysis of Numerical Interface Conditions for Fluid/Structure Interaction*, Commun. Comput. Phys., 2011.

The main steps are:

- 1 The fluid and solid domains are first advanced independently giving provisional interface values.
- 2 The provisional interface values are projected based on the solution to the fluid-solid Riemann problem.



The FSI-DCG time-stepping algorithm



Define discrete approximations, $(v_i^n \approx v(i\Delta x_i, n\Delta t), \bar{v}_i^n \approx \bar{v}(i\Delta \bar{x}_i, n\Delta t))$

$$\text{Solid: } \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^n = [\bar{u}_i^n, \bar{v}_i^n, \bar{\sigma}_i^n] \quad i = -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\text{Fluid: } \mathbf{w}_i^n = [\rho_i^n, v_i^n, p_i^n], \quad i = -1, 0, 1, \dots$$



The FSI-DCG time-stepping algorithm

stage	condition	type	assigns
1a	Predict grid and grid velocity	extrapolation	F^p, \dot{F}^p
1b	Advance $\mathbf{w}_i^n, \bar{\mathbf{w}}_i^n, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	PDE	interior, interface
2a	Eval v_l, σ_l, ρ_l from FSR	projection	v_l, σ_l, ρ_l
2b	$v_0^n, \bar{v}_0^n = v_l, -\rho_0^n, \bar{\sigma}_0^n = \sigma_l, \rho_0^n = \rho_l$	projection	$\mathbf{w}_0^n, \bar{\mathbf{w}}_0^n$
2c	$\mathbf{w}_{-1}^n = \mathcal{E}_{+1}^{(3)} \mathbf{w}_0^n, \bar{\mathbf{w}}_{-1}^n = \bar{\mathcal{E}}_{+1}^{(3)} \bar{\mathbf{w}}_0^n,$	extrapolation	$\mathbf{w}_{-1}^n, \bar{\mathbf{w}}_{-1}^n$
2d	Eval : $\dot{v}_f = -\frac{1}{\rho} \partial_x p, \dots$	PDE	$\dot{v}_f, \dot{v}_s, \dot{\sigma}_f, \dot{\sigma}_s$
2e	Eval $\dot{v}_l, \dot{\sigma}_l$ from FSR	projection	$\dot{v}_l, \dot{\sigma}_l$
3a	$-\frac{1}{\rho} \partial_x p = \dot{v}_l, \rho a^2 \partial_x v = \dot{\sigma}_l$	compatibility	p_{-1}^n, v_{-1}^n
3b	$\bar{\rho} c_p^2 \partial_x \bar{v} = \dot{\sigma}_l, \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \partial_x \bar{\sigma} = \dot{v}_l$	compatibility	$\bar{v}_{-1}^n, \bar{\sigma}_{-1}^n$
3c	Correct grid and grid velocity	projection	F^n, \dot{F}^n



The interface projection step

Using the linearized FSR solution, the interface values are an impedance weighted average of the provisional fluid and solid values:

$$v_I = \frac{\bar{z}\bar{v}_0 + zv_0}{\bar{z} + z} + \frac{\sigma_0 - \bar{\sigma}_0}{\bar{z} + z},$$
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Compare: the *standard* FSI scheme uses the *heavy solid* limit, $\bar{z} \gg z$, *velocity-from-solid, stress-from-fluid*:

$$v_I = \bar{v}_0$$
$$\sigma_I = \sigma_0 = -p + p_e$$

The standard scheme is unstable for *light* solids.

Note: for hard problems with shocks hitting the interface, there are advantages to using the full nonlinear solution to the FSR problem.



Elastic piston numerical results

Computed solution for a smoothly receding piston.

		Fluid						Solid					
grid	N	ρ	r	v	r	p	r	\bar{u}	r	\bar{v}	r	$\bar{\sigma}$	r
G ₁	20	2.2e-3		2.7e-3		1.6e-3		4.9e-4		9.3e-5		1.2e-4	
G ₂	40	5.4e-4	4.1	6.2e-4	4.3	3.7e-4	4.3	1.2e-4	4.2	2.6e-5	3.6	2.3e-5	5.0
G ₃	80	1.4e-4	3.9	1.5e-4	4.0	9.3e-5	4.0	2.9e-5	4.1	6.2e-6	4.1	5.0e-6	4.7
G ₄	160	3.5e-5	3.9	3.9e-5	3.9	2.3e-5	4.0	7.3e-6	4.0	1.5e-6	4.1	1.1e-6	4.4
rate		1.99		2.03		2.03		2.03		1.99		2.24	

Max-norm errors for **very light solid**: $\bar{\rho} = 10^{-5}$, $z/\bar{z} = 5.8 \times 10^3$.

		Fluid						Solid					
grid	N	ρ	r	v	r	p	r	\bar{u}	r	\bar{v}	r	$\bar{\sigma}$	r
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G ₂	40	2.1e-4	4.3	2.3e-4	4.2	2.0e-4	4.2	7.3e-5	4.2	3.0e-6	4.4	2.6e-6	4.2
G ₃	80	5.6e-5	3.8	5.6e-5	4.1	4.9e-5	4.1	1.8e-5	4.0	6.9e-7	4.4	6.3e-7	4.2
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rate		1.99		2.04		2.04		2.02		2.12		2.07	

Max-norm errors for **very heavy solid**: $\bar{\rho} = 10^5$, $z/\bar{z} = 5.8 \times 10^{-7}$.

- Max-norm errors are converging to second-order accuracy.
- Scheme is stable for large and small impedance ratios.

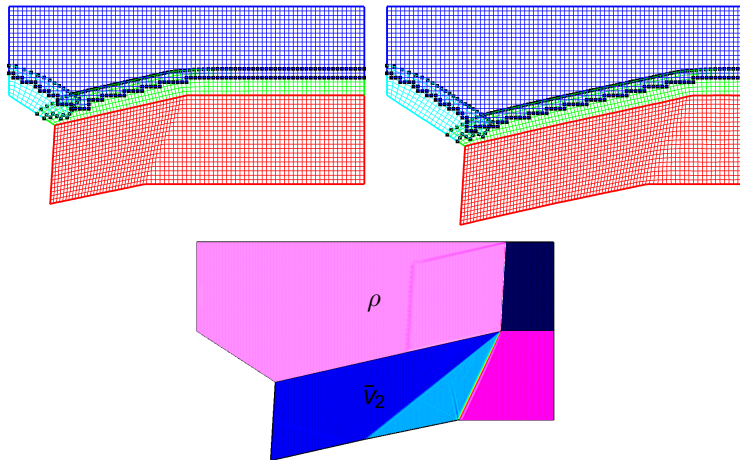


Two-dimensional verification problems

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Superseismic shock: grids and computed solution



- The red grid for the solid domain is shown adjusted for the displacement.

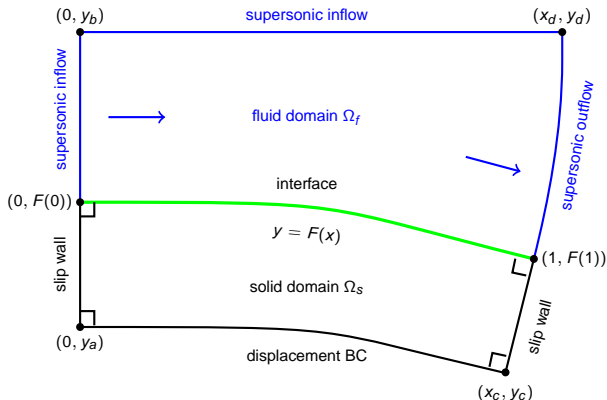
L_1 -norm errors and convergence rates for the superseismic shock

Grid	Solid						Fluid					
	$ \bar{\mathbf{u}} $	r	$ \bar{\mathbf{v}} $	r	$ \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} $	r	ρ	r	$ \mathbf{v} $	r	T	r
$\mathcal{G}_{SS}^{(4)}$	8.6e-5		2.8e-3		7.9e-3		4.6e-3		2.2e-2		1.1e-2	
$\mathcal{G}_{SS}^{(8)}$	3.6e-5	2.4	1.7e-3	1.6	5.0e-3	1.6	2.6e-3	1.8	1.3e-2	1.7	6.6e-3	1.7
$\mathcal{G}_{SS}^{(16)}$	1.5e-5	2.5	1.1e-3	1.6	3.1e-3	1.6	1.4e-3	1.9	6.7e-3	1.9	3.5e-3	1.9
$\mathcal{G}_{SS}^{(32)}$	5.6e-6	2.7	6.9e-4	1.6	2.0e-3	1.6	7.0e-4	2.0	3.4e-3	2.0	1.7e-3	2.0
rate	1.32		0.67		0.67		0.91		0.92		0.91	

- Due to the discontinuities, the L_1 -norm errors do not converge at second-order.
- The solid variables $\bar{\mathbf{v}}$ and $\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ converge at the expected rates of 2/3 (due to spreading of the linear discontinuities).
- In isolation the fluid domain should converge at first order.



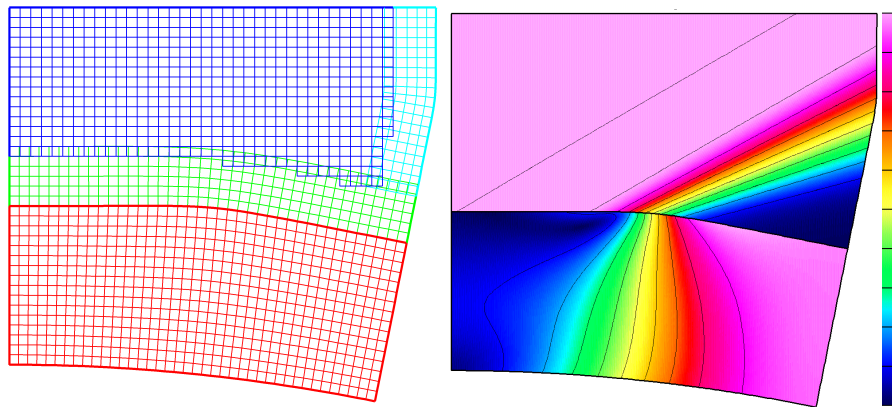
The deforming diffuser



- an FSI problem with a smooth semi-analytic solution.
- Fluid: Prandtl-Meyer analytic solution is defined as a function of $F(x)$.
- Solid: steady elasticity equations are solved on a fine grid.
- The coupled *exact* solution and $F(x)$ are determined by iteration.



The deforming diffuser grid and solution



Contours of the fluid pressure, $[\min, \max] = [.5, 1.]$ and norm of the solid stress tensor $|\bar{\sigma}|$, $[\min, \max] = [0, .054]$.



Max-norm errors and convergence rates for the deforming diffuser

Solid						
Grid	$ \bar{\mathbf{u}} $	r	$ \bar{\mathbf{v}} $	r	$ \bar{\sigma} $	r
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(2)}$	2.3e-4		8.6e-4		4.0e-2	
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(4)}$	5.8e-5	3.9	2.3e-4	3.8	1.2e-2	3.4
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(8)}$	9.9e-6	5.9	4.6e-5	5.0	2.0e-3	5.8
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(16)}$	1.6e-6	6.2	9.5e-6	4.8	3.4e-4	5.9
rate	2.40		2.18		2.31	

Fluid								
Grid	ρ	r	v_1	r	v_2	r	T	r
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(2)}$	3.6e-2		1.7e-2		2.3e-2		1.2e-2	
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(4)}$	8.8e-3	4.1	3.8e-3	4.5	7.1e-3	3.2	2.5e-3	4.7
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(8)}$	2.1e-3	4.1	8.6e-4	4.4	2.3e-3	3.1	7.9e-4	3.2
$\mathcal{G}_{dd}^{(16)}$	5.0e-4	4.3	2.0e-4	4.3	5.2e-4	4.5	1.7e-4	4.8
rate	2.05		2.15		1.80		2.02	

- max-norm errors at $t = 1$ with the Godunov slope-limiter off.
- solutions are converging to second-order in the max norm.



Summary

- the deforming composite grid (DCG) approach is being developed to model fluid-structure interactions (FSI) for compressible fluids and elastic solids.
- the solution of the fluid-solid Riemann problem can be used to define stable interface approximations for both *light* and *heavy* solids.
- our FSI-DCG approximation was verified to be second-order accurate in the max-norm on problems with smooth solutions.

Future work:

- support for adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) at the interface.
- more general solid mechanics models.
- incompressible fluids.
- extend to three space dimensions.

