

Advancing parabolic operators in thermodynamic MHD models: Explicit super time-stepping versus implicit schemes with Krylov solvers

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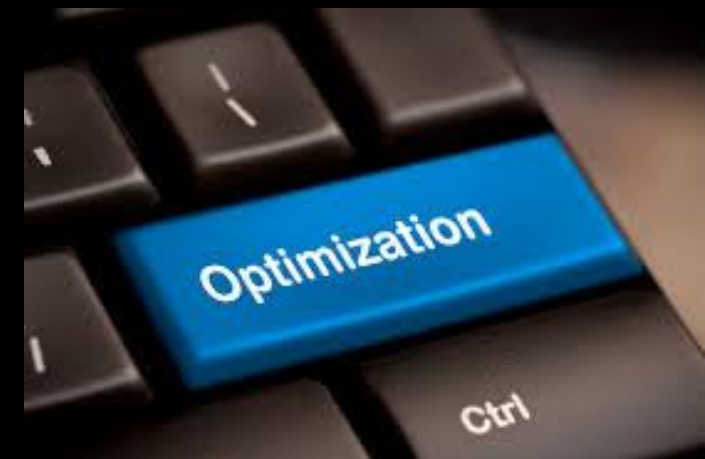


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Outline

- ① The problem
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- ① Explicit Super Time-stepping schemes
- ① The MAS thermodynamic MHD model
- ① Real-world test case and HPC setup
- ① Performance and scaling results
- ① Outlook



The Problem

- ⌘ Thermodynamic MHD models have multiple time scales leading to vastly different explicit time-step stability requirements
- ⌘ In order to make coronal simulations *tractable*, we need to exceed such explicit limits
- ⌘ Focus on parabolic terms
 - ⌘ Implicit methods (need iterative solvers)
 - ⌘ Explicit methods with unconditional/extended stability
 - ⌘ Reformulation of the model (e.g. thermal waves)
- ⌘ Here, we compare a *super time-stepping* method to an implicit method

$$\Delta t_{\text{flow}} \sim \Delta x / v$$

$$\Delta t_{\text{wave}} \sim \Delta x / v_f$$

$$v_f \gg v$$

$$\Delta t_{\text{para}} \sim \Delta x^2 / \alpha$$

$$\alpha \in \{\kappa, \eta, \nu\}$$



CAUTION

Exceeding time
scales!

NOTE! When exceeding explicit time-step limits, one must be very careful about accuracy. Using too large of a time step can result in large errors!

Method Comparison

Implicit Scheme with Krylov Solver

Backward-Euler solved with
Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient (BE+PCG)

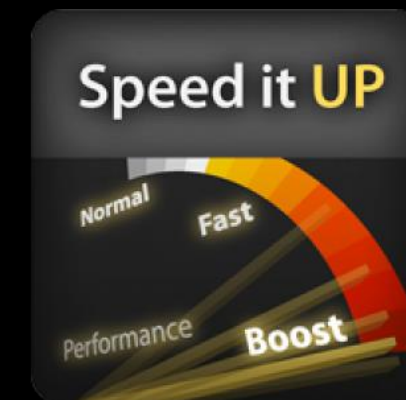
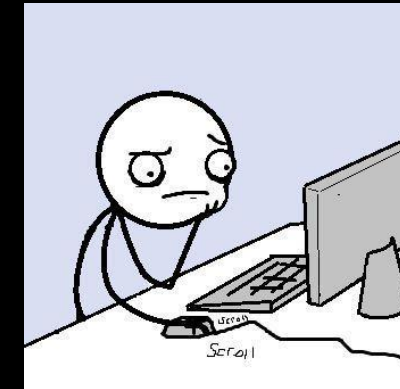


Explicit Super Time-stepping Scheme

2nd-order Runge-Kutta Legendre scheme (RKL2)
[Meyer et al, 2014]

Comparison Criteria

- ① Basic validation of accuracy and stability
- ① Ease/difficulty of formulation and implementation
- ① Features and limitations
- ① Overall performance
 - ① Number of iterations needed for each large time-step
 - ① Computational cost per iteration
- ① Parallel performance
 - ① Parallel communication needed per iteration
 - ① How well does the method scale?



Implicit scheme with Krylov solvers: Backward Euler (BE)

- ⦿ Backward Euler (BE): simplest L-stable method

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = F(u, \mathbf{r}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{M} u^{n+1}$$

- ⦿ Applying BE to PDE yields a system of equations to solve

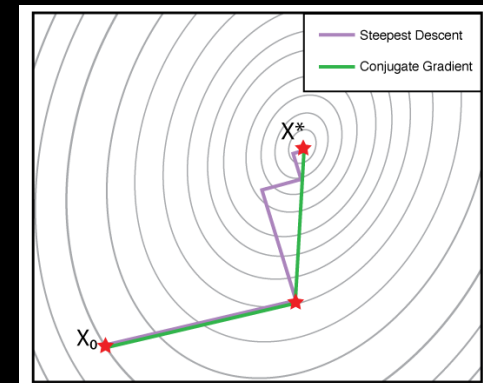
$$(1 - \Delta t \mathbf{M}) u^{n+1} = u^n \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{A} x = y$$

- ⦿ To avoid the need for nonlinear solvers, we linearize any nonlinear terms with lagged diffusivity, e.g.

$$\nabla \cdot [\kappa(T^{n+1}) \nabla T^{n+1}] \quad \longrightarrow \quad \nabla \cdot [\kappa(T^n) \nabla T^{n+1}]$$

Implicit scheme with Krylov solvers: PCG

- ❖ For operators yielding large sparse matrices, Krylov subspace methods are popular
- ❖ For linear symmetric (and nearly-symmetric) matrices: Conjugate Gradient
- ❖ Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient:
Apply an approximate inverse of the matrix to “precondition” the problem so it will converge more quickly
- ❖ Need to balance cost of preconditioner with its reduction in iterations



Implicit scheme with Krylov solvers: Preconditioners

⌘ We use two preconditioning options:

⌘ **PC1: Point-Jacobi / Diagonal scaling (DIAG)**

Cheap, but not very effective...

Communication free

⌘ **PC2: Non-overlapping domain decomposition with zero-fill incomplete LU factorization (NDD+ILU0)**

Expensive, but much more effective!

Communication free



Drawback: $N_{\text{processors}} \rightarrow N_{\text{grid}} \rightarrow \text{PC2} \rightarrow \text{PC1}$

Implicit scheme with Krylov solvers: PCG

PC1

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do j = 1 : N
    Pjj = Ajj
enddo
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do i = 1 : N
    zi = Pii ri
enddo
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PC2

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LU = A
do i = 2 : N
    do k = 1 : i - 1 (LUik ≠ 0)
        LUik = LUik / LUkk
    do j = k + 1 : N (LUij ≠ 0)
        LUij = LUij - LUik LUkj
    enddo
enddo
P = LU
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do i = 1 : N
    zi* = ri
    do j = 1 : i (LUij ≠ 0)
        zi* = zi* - LUij zj*
    enddo
enddo
do i = N : 1
    zi = zi*
    do j = i + 1 : N (LUij ≠ 0)
        zi = zi - LUij zj
    enddo
    zi = zi / LUii
enddo
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Point-2-Point
comm+sync

Global
comm+sync

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &= u^n & z_0 &= \mathbf{P}^{-1} r_0 \\ r_0 &= b - \mathbf{A} x_0 & p_0 &= z_0 \\ \mathbf{P} &\approx \mathbf{A} & r_r &= r_0 \cdot z_0 \end{aligned}$$

do k = 0 : k_{max}

$$y_k = \mathbf{A} p_k$$

$$\alpha_k = r_r / (p_k \cdot y_k)$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha_k p_k$$

$$r_{k+1} = r_k - \alpha_k y_k$$

$$z_{k+1} = \mathbf{P}^{-1} r_{k+1}$$

$$r_{\text{old}} = r_r$$

$$r_r = r_{k+1} \cdot z_{k+1}$$

Check r_r for convergence

$$\beta_k = r_r / r_{\text{old}}$$

$$p_{k+1} = \beta_k p_k + z_k$$

enddo

$$u^{n+1} = x_{k+1}$$



Implicit scheme with Krylov solvers: BE+PCG



- ✓ Robust, proven method
- ✓ Can be very efficient
- ✓ Pre-made libraries available for many applications
- ✓ L-stability allows the use of very large time-steps



- Requires a quality preconditioner to be efficient, which can be very difficult to formulate, implement, vectorize, and scale. The PCs can also suffer “break down”
- Requires linear operator
- Choosing the convergence tolerance is not trivial
- Global communication for dot products limits scaling (global sync)
- Dot product can suffer from floating point errors requiring quad precision

Explicit Super Time-stepping



- ⌘ Relatively new methods (1996-2015), relatively uncommon
- ⌘ Unconditionally stable, but *explicit*!
- ⌘ Main idea: Runge-Kutta method with stages added for more stability, rather than for more accuracy
- ⌘ Two main flavors are RKC (Chebyshev-based) and RKL (Legendre-based) and can be recursive or factored
[See [\[O'Sullivan, 2015\]](#) (yesterday's talk) for high-order factored RKC (FRKC) methods]
- ⌘ STS (RKC) is currently being used in several MHD codes with success (*FLASH*, *PLUTO*, *Lare3D*) and is planned for inclusion in others
- ⌘ We use the 2nd-order recursive RKL2 from [\[Meyer et al, 2014\]](#) because it can have better stability properties for non-uniform and non-linear diffusion coefficients

Explicit Super Time-stepping: RKL (Derivation [Meyer et al, 2014])

PDE: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \mathbf{M} u(t)$ Solution expansion: $u(t) = e^{t\mathbf{M}} u(0) \approx \left(1 + t\mathbf{M} + \frac{1}{2}(t\mathbf{M})^2 + \dots\right) u(0)$

Discretized form: $u^{n+1} = e^z u^n \approx \left(1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \dots\right) u^n, \quad z = \Delta t \mathbf{M} \quad \Delta t \ll 1$

Multi-step explicit scheme: $u^{n+1} = R(\Delta t \mathbf{M}) u^n$

For accuracy, need: $R(z) = 1 + z + z^2/2 + O(z^3)$

For stability, need: $|R(\Delta t \lambda)| \leq 1, \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbf{M}$

Example: First-order explicit Euler method ($\lambda \in \mathcal{R}$)

$$R(z) = 1 + z \quad |1 + \Delta t_{\text{Euler}} \lambda| \leq 1$$

$$u^{n+1} = (1 + \Delta t \mathbf{M}) u^n \quad \Delta t_{\text{Euler}} \leq \frac{2}{|\lambda|_{\max}}$$

$$\frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{M} u^n \quad \text{1D HEAT EQ: } \Delta t_{\text{Euler}} \leq \frac{\Delta x^2}{2}$$

Legendre polynomial $P_s(x)$

$$P_j(x) = (1/j) [(2j-1)x P_{j-1}(x) - (j-1) P_{j-2}(x)]$$

$$|P_s(x)| \leq 1, \quad x \in [-1, 1]$$

RKL: $R(z) = a_s + b_s P_s(1 + w_1 z)$

Accuracy

$O(\Delta t)$	$O(\Delta t^2)$
$a_s = 1 - b_s$	$a_s = 1 - b_s$
$b_s = 1$	$b_s = \frac{s^2 + s - 2}{2s(s+1)}$
$w_1 = \frac{2}{s^2 + s}$	$w_1 = \frac{4}{s^2 + s - 2}$

Stability

$$-1 \leq 1 + w_1 \Delta t \lambda \leq 1$$

Select s, get max dt:

$$\Delta t \leq \frac{\Delta t_{\text{Euler}}}{w_1}$$

Select dt, get min s:

$$w_1 \leq \frac{\Delta t_{\text{Euler}}}{\Delta t}$$

Recursion relation leads to easy implementation

Explicit Super Time-stepping: RKL2 [Meyers et al, 2014]

$$y_0 = u^n$$

$$F_0 = \mathbf{M} y_0$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \tilde{\mu}_1 \Delta t F_0$$

**Point-2-Point
comm+sync**

do j = 2 : s

$$y_j = \mu_j y_{j-1} + \nu_j y_{j-2} + (1 - \mu_j - \nu_j) y_0 \\ + \tilde{\mu}_j \Delta t \mathbf{M} y_{j-1} + \gamma_j \Delta t F_0$$

enddo

$$u^{n+1} = y_s$$

$$b_0 = b_1 = b_2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$b_j = \frac{j^2 + j - 2}{2j(j+1)}$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_1 = \frac{4}{3(s^2 + s - 2)}$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_j = \frac{4(2j-1)}{j(s^2 + s - 2)} \frac{b_j}{b_{j-1}}$$

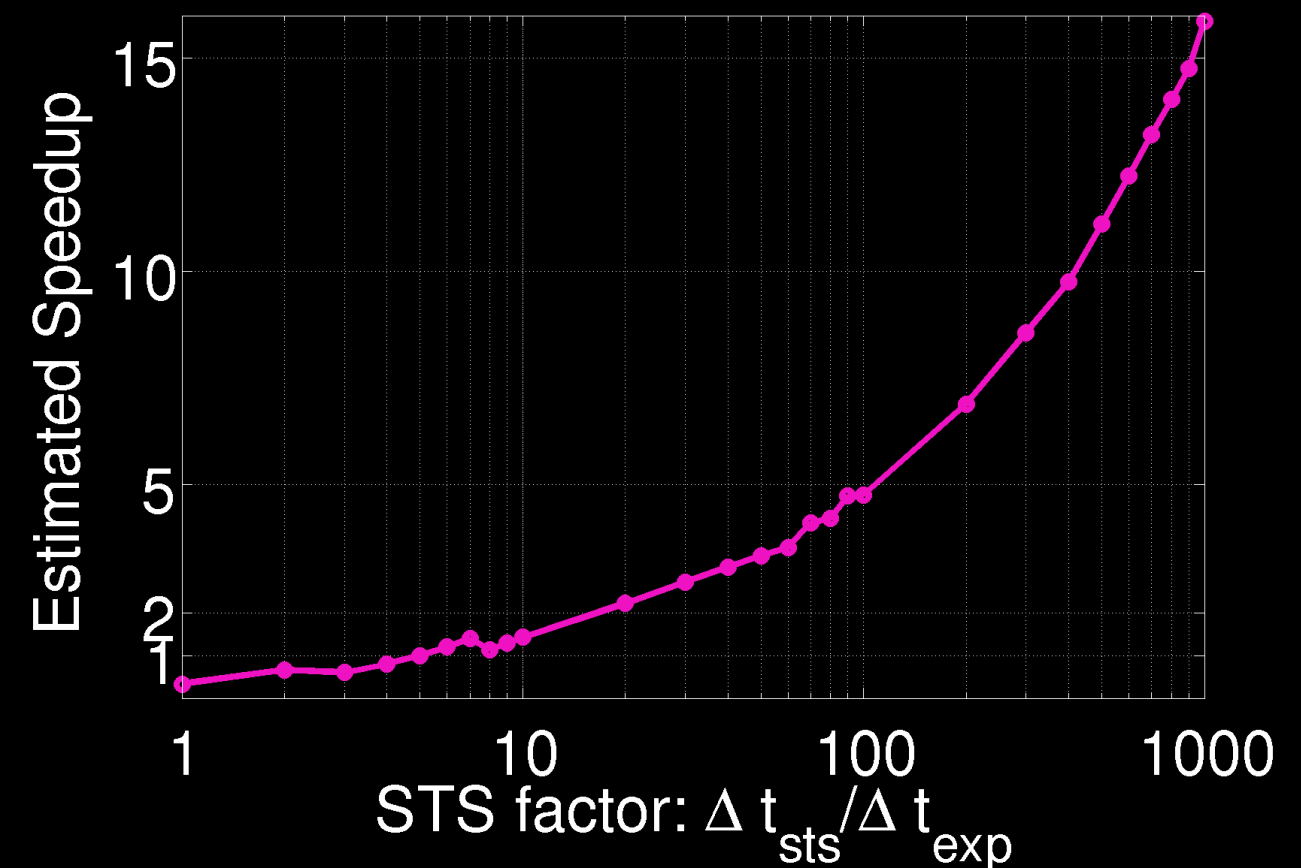
$$\mu_j = \frac{2j-1}{j} \frac{b_j}{b_{j-1}}$$

$$\nu_j = -\frac{j-1}{j} \frac{b_j}{b_{j-2}}$$

$$\gamma_j = (b_j - 1) \tilde{\mu}_j$$

$$s \geq \left\lceil \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{9 + 16 \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta t_{\text{Euler}}}} - 1 \right) \right\rceil \quad \text{mod}(s, 2) \neq 0$$

RKL2 Super Time Stepping



Explicit Super Time-stepping: RKL2



- ✓ Very easy to implement (ideal for directive parallelization e.g. OpenMP/OpenACC)
- ✓ No global synchronization points
- ✓ Can include nonlinearities and/or flux limiting

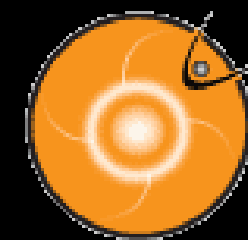
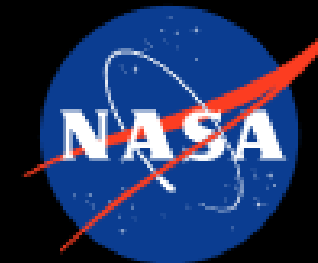


- New method – low circulation
- Number of sub-cycles can be large depending on the problem and grid
- Amplification factor not monotonically decreasing for increasing wave modes – *may lead to undesirable results when using large time-steps and/or short simulation times*

Thermodynamic MHD model: MAS

MAS MAGNETOHYDRODYNAMIC
ALGORITHM
OUTSIDE A SPHERE

- Established MHD Solar coronal/heliospheric model with over 10 years of development
- Written in FORTRAN 90, parallelized with MPI-2
- Has been used extensively in solar physics research described in numerous publications
- Available for use at NASA's Community Coordinated Modeling Center
<http://ccmc.gsfc.nasa.gov>



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CENTER

Thermodynamic MHD model: MAS [Governing Equations]



$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{v} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})$$

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

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (T \mathbf{v}) - (\gamma - 2) (T \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{\rho} \left[\frac{1}{c} \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p + \rho \mathbf{g} \right]$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} & p &= 2 k T \rho / m_p & v_A^2 &= |\mathbf{B}|^2 / (4 \pi \rho) \\ \mathbf{J} &= \frac{c}{4 \pi} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{g} &= -g_0 R_\odot^2 \hat{\mathbf{r}} / r^2 & \gamma &= 5/3 & \hat{\mathbf{b}} &= \mathbf{B} / |\mathbf{B}| \end{aligned}$$

Thermodynamic MHD model: MAS [Governing Equations]



$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{v} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) - \frac{c^2 \eta}{4 \pi} \nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

RESISTIVITY

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

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (T \mathbf{v}) - (\gamma - 2) (T \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \frac{m_p}{k} \left[-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{q}_1 + \mathbf{q}_2) - \frac{\rho^2}{m_p^2} Q(T) + H \right]$$

ALFVEN WAVES

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon_+}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \left(\epsilon_+ \left[\mathbf{v} + v_A \hat{\mathbf{b}} \right] \right) - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_+ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon_-}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \left(\epsilon_- \left[\mathbf{v} - v_A \hat{\mathbf{b}} \right] \right) - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_- \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{\rho} \left[\frac{1}{c} \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla p - \nabla \left(\frac{\epsilon_+ + \epsilon_-}{2} \right) + \rho \mathbf{g} \right] + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \cdot (\nu \rho \nabla \mathbf{v}) + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \cdot \left(S \rho \nabla \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = -f(r) \beta_{\text{Tcut}}(T) \kappa_0 T^{5/2} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \nabla T$$

[Spitzer et al, 1953]

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = (1 - f(r)) \frac{k}{(\gamma - 1)} \frac{\rho}{m_p} T \mathbf{v} \hat{\mathbf{b}} \hat{\mathbf{b}}$$

[Hollweg, 1976]

THERMAL CONDUCTION

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{q}_1 + \mathbf{q}_2) - \frac{\rho^2}{m_p^2} Q(T) + H$$

HEATING

RADIATIVE COOLING

$$Q(T) = \frac{10^{-22}}{\beta_{\text{Tcut}}(T)} \left[\begin{aligned} &0.4 \exp[-30 (\log_{10}(T) - 4.60)^2] \\ &+ 4.0 \exp[-20 (\log_{10}(T) - 4.90)^2] \\ &+ 4.5 \exp[-16 (\log_{10}(T) - 5.35)^2] \\ &+ 2.0 \exp[-04 (\log_{10}(T) - 6.10)^2] \end{aligned} \right]$$

[Athay, 1986]

$$H = 0.044 \frac{|B| (|B_{\theta\phi}|/|B|)^2}{|B_r| + 0.25} \exp \left[\frac{-(r-1)}{0.3} \right] + 0.000435 \exp[-(r-1)] + 0.13 \exp \left[\frac{-(r-1)}{0.03} \right] + 0.15 (1 - \hat{\mathbf{b}}_r^2)^2 |B_{R\odot}| \exp \left[\frac{-(r-1)}{0.03} \right]$$

VISCOSITY

SEMI-IMPLICIT OPERATOR

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad p = 2 k T \rho / m_p \quad v_A^2 = |\mathbf{B}|^2 / (4 \pi \rho)$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{c}{4 \pi} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{g} = -g_0 R_{\odot}^2 \hat{\mathbf{r}} / r^2 \quad \gamma = 5/3 \quad \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{B} / |\mathbf{B}|$$

$$\beta_{\text{Tcut}}(T) = \begin{cases} (T/T_{\text{cut}})^{-5/2} & T < T_{\text{cut}} \\ 1, & T \geq T_{\text{cut}} \end{cases} \quad T_{\text{cut}} = 5 \times 10^5 K$$

$$S = (\Delta t^2 \tilde{k}^2)^{-1} (C_w^2 / (1 - C_f)^2 - 1) \quad v_c^2 = \gamma p / \rho$$

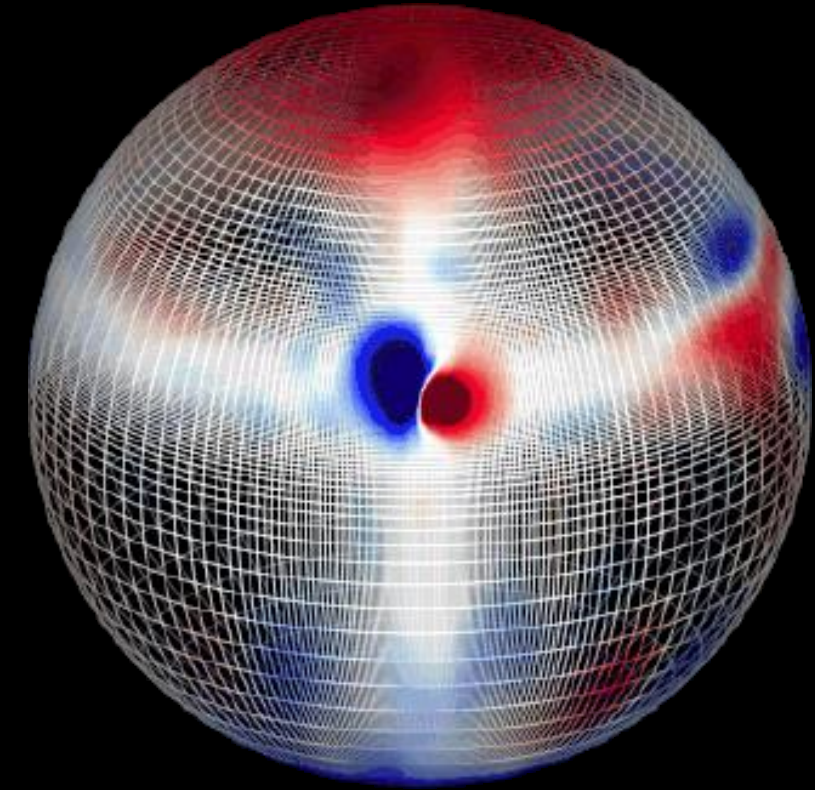
$$C_f = \Delta t k \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad \tilde{k}^2 = 4 (\Delta r^{-2} + (r \Delta \theta)^{-2} + (r \Delta \phi \sin \theta)^{-2})$$

$$C_w^2 = 0.25 \Delta t^2 \tilde{k}^2 (v_c^2 + v_A^2)$$

[Lionello et al, 2009]

Thermodynamic MHD model: MAS [Numerical Methods]

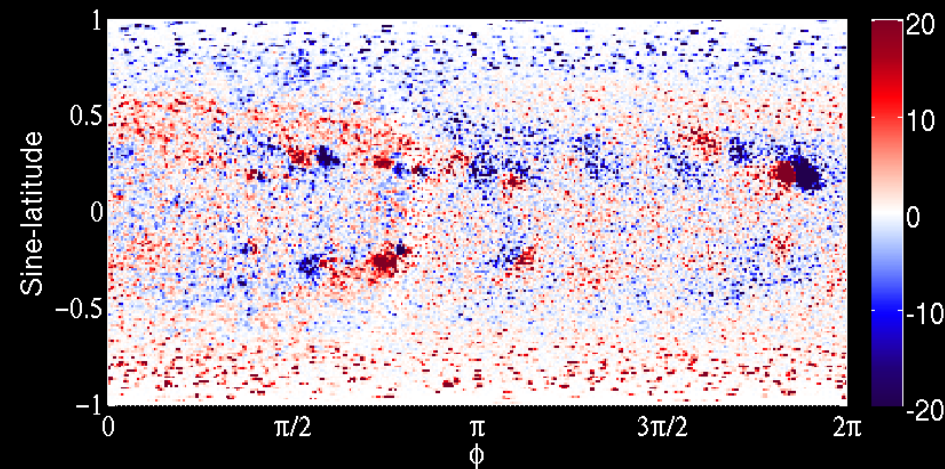
- ① Finite difference on logically rectangular non-uniform spherical grid
- ① Integrates \mathbf{A} on staggered grid to ensure $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$
- ① Advective terms: upwinding
- ① Wave terms: Predictor-corrector
- ① Semi-implicit term solved using BE+PCG for both predictor and corrector
- ① Parabolic terms are operator split and use second-order central differences
- ① Matrix operators stored in modified DIA format, PC2 preconditioner stored in CSR format



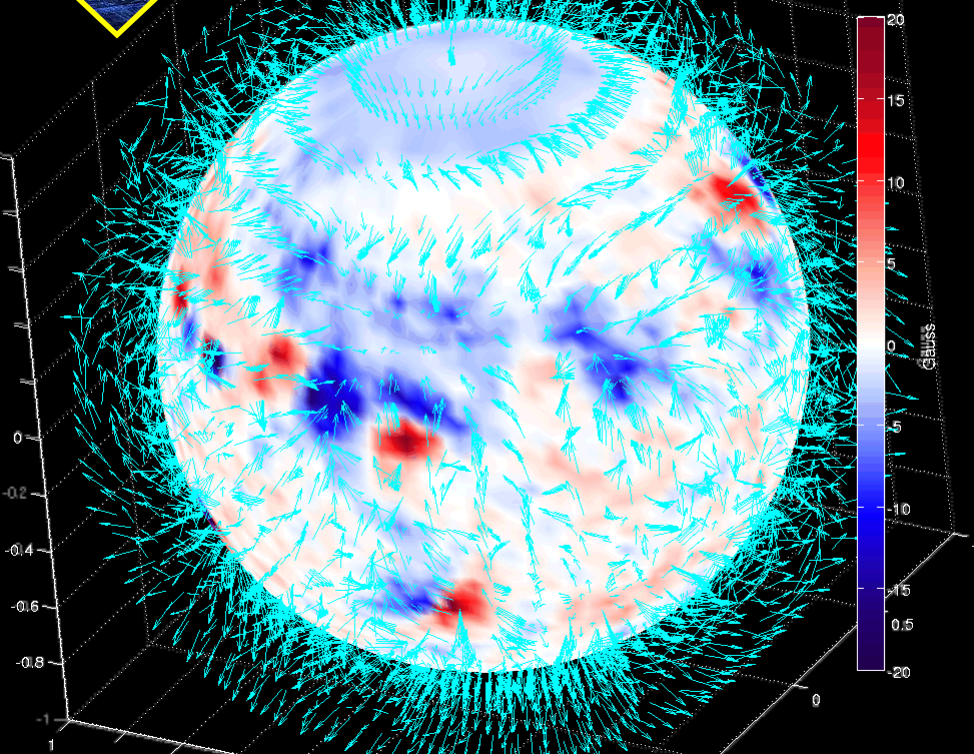
$(\Delta r, \Delta \theta, \Delta \phi)$

Real-world Test Case: Synchronic Coronal Relaxation

Air Force Data Assimilative Photospheric
Flux Transport (ADAPT) [Arge et al. 2009]

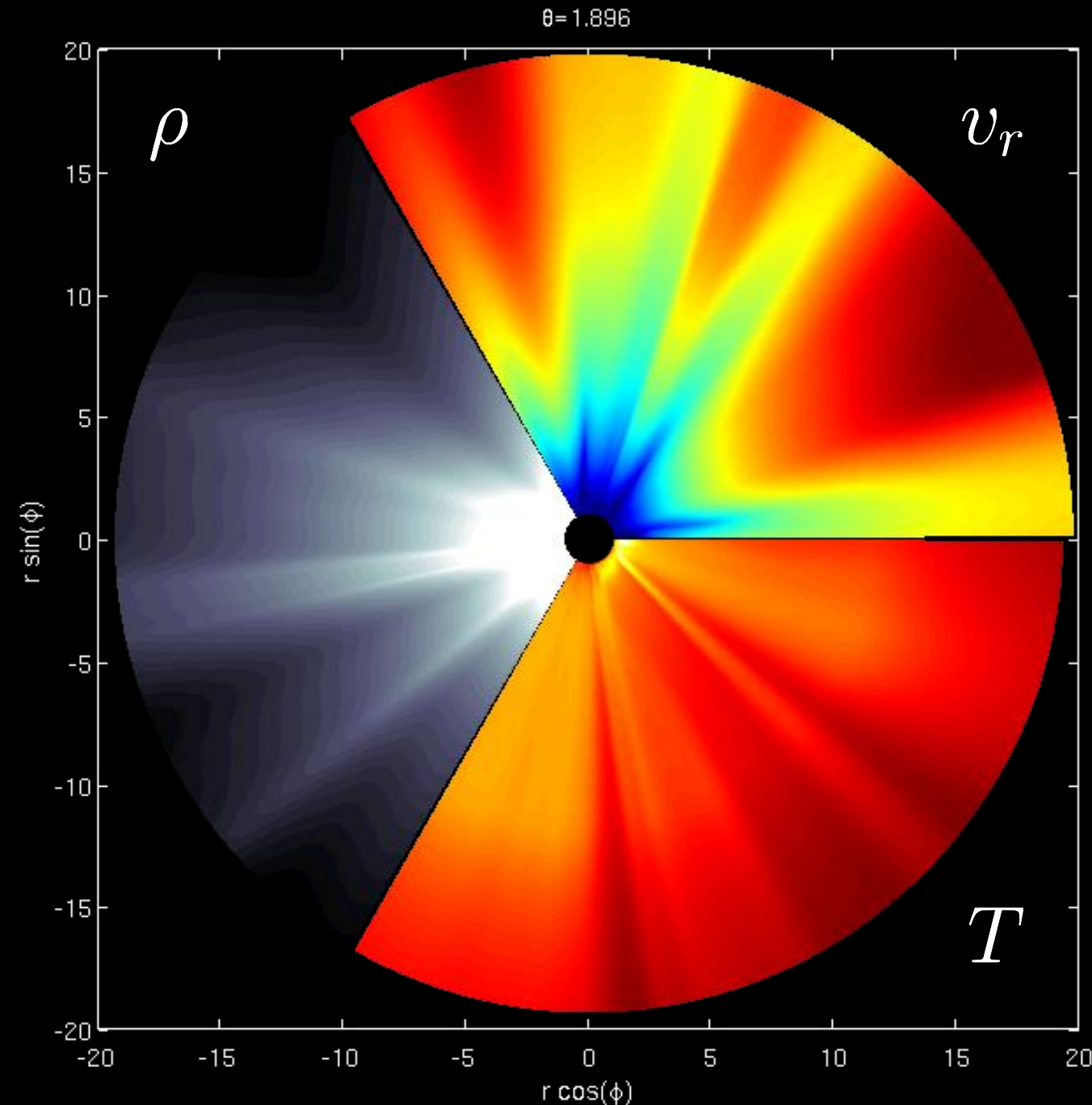


Process and interpolate onto grid



Solve potential field to get initial
conditions of **A** and **B**

Insert solar wind approximation for initial plasma values



Integrate to a relaxed state. Relaxation time ~ 48 sim-hours

Validation runs

We integrate
the relaxation for
 ~ 8 sim-hr

Timing runs

We integrate for
6 sim-min starting
with the solution
after the ~ 8 sim-hr
relaxation

The Grid

181x251x602

~ 27 million points

$\min [\Delta r] \approx 340$ km

$\max [\Delta r] \approx 590,000$ km

$$\max \left| 1 - \frac{\Delta r_{i+1}}{\Delta r_i} \right| < 6\%$$

Real-world Test Case: HPC Environment



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Allocation provided by:



Processor Model	Intel Xeon E5-2660v3 (Haswell)
Clock Speed	2.5 GHz
Cores per node	24
Max Flop/s per node	≈ 1 TFlop/s
DDR4 DRAM per node	128 GB
Total # of nodes	1944



Max # cores per run: 1728

Operating
system:



Compiler: Intel 2015.2.164

MPI library:



MVAPICH

for infiniband v2.1



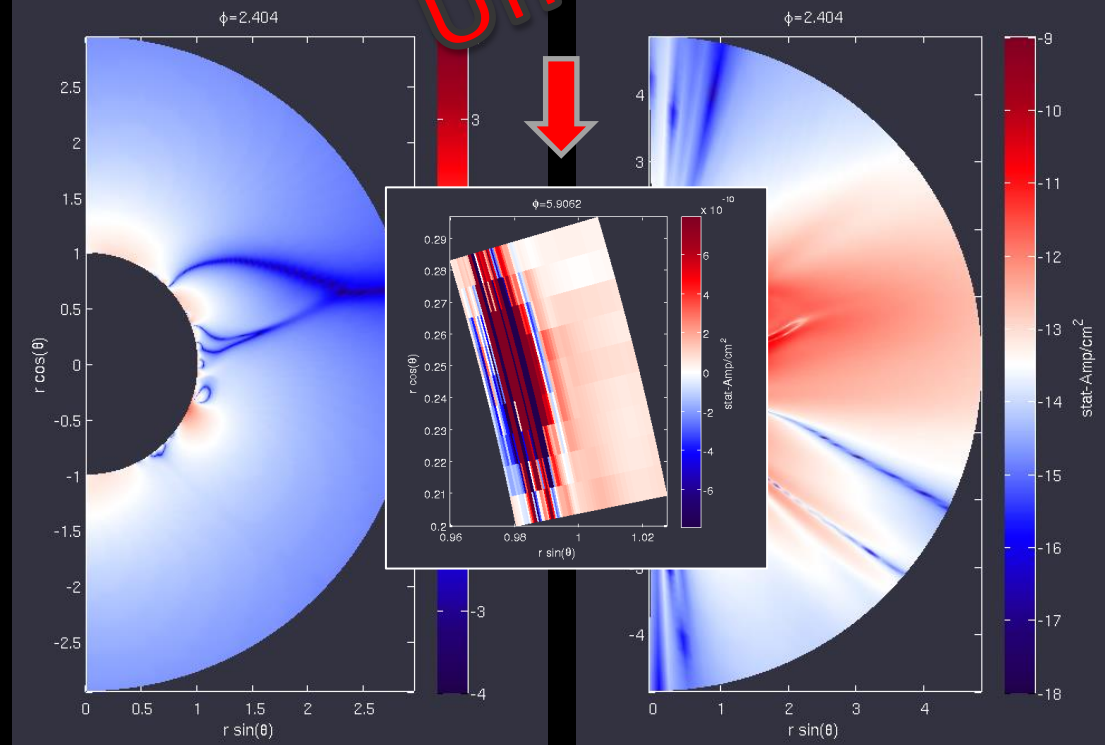
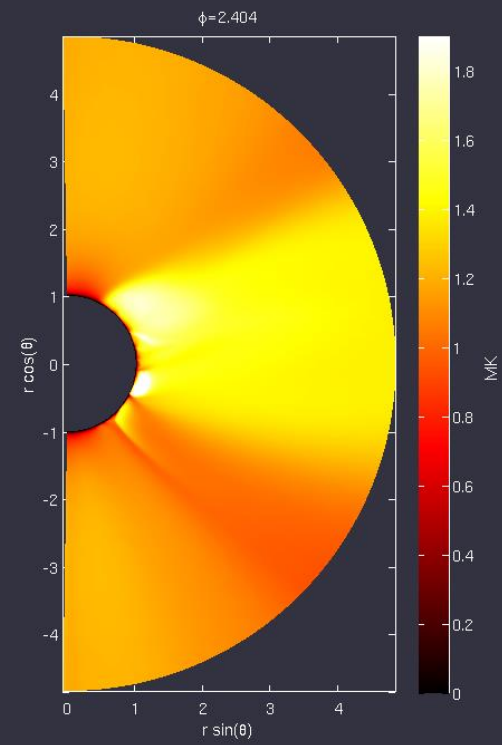
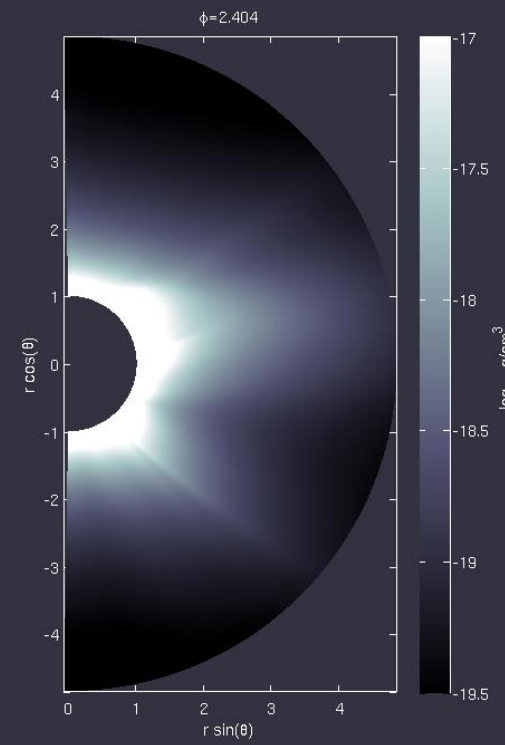
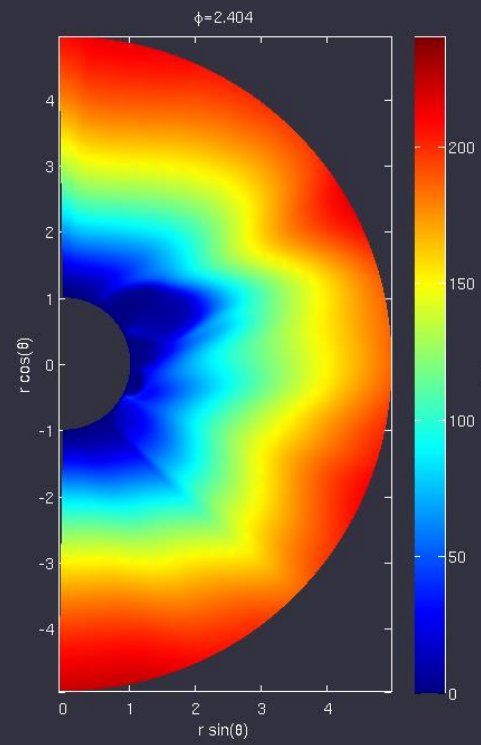
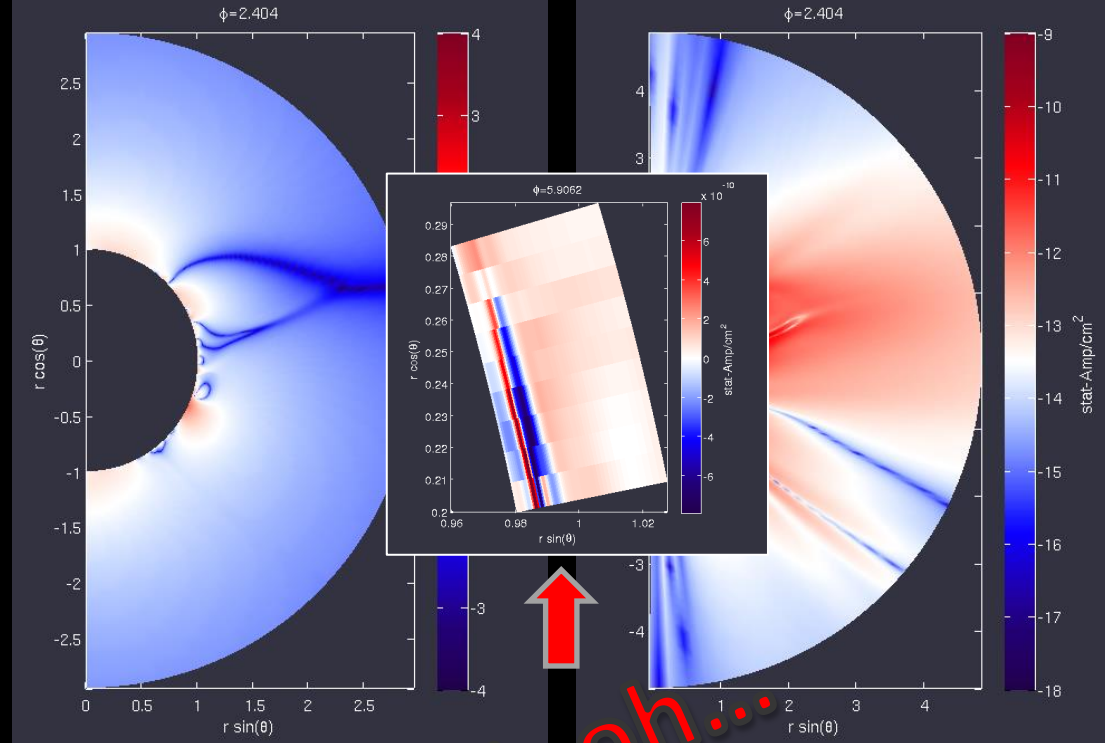
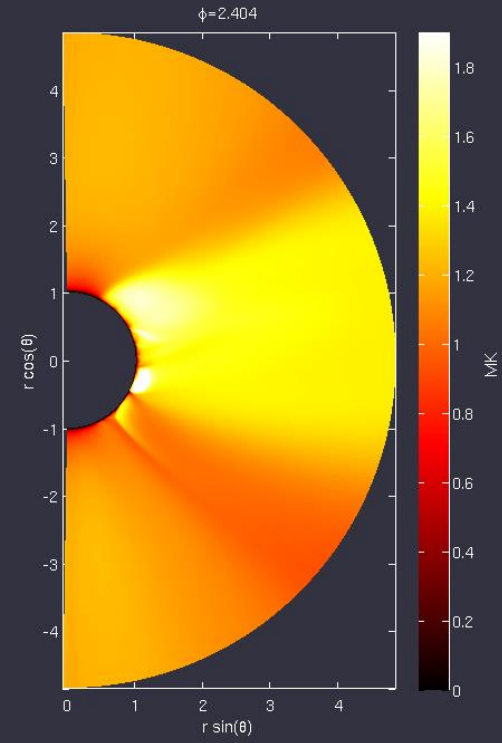
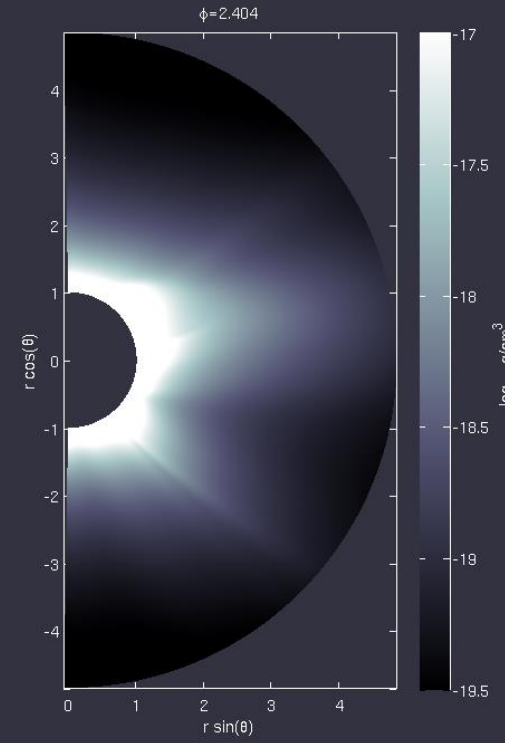
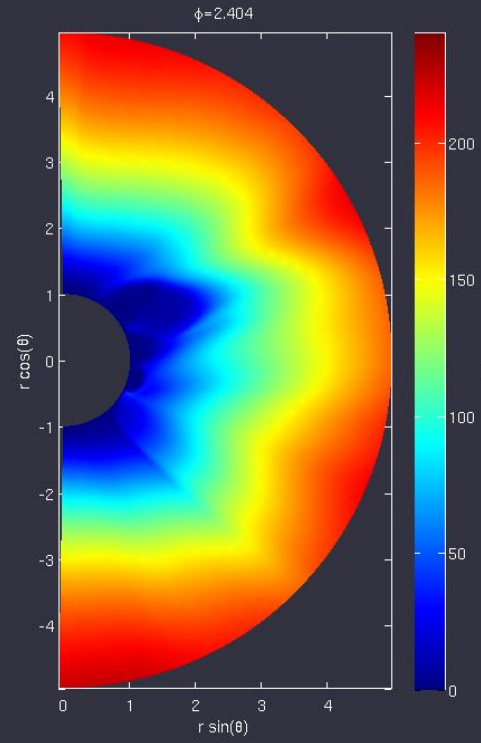
- ⌘ Timings done using MPI timers
- ⌘ Times for each routine are averaged over all processors
- ⌘ Time recorded from the best run out of multiple runs

Validation

BE+PCG (PC2)

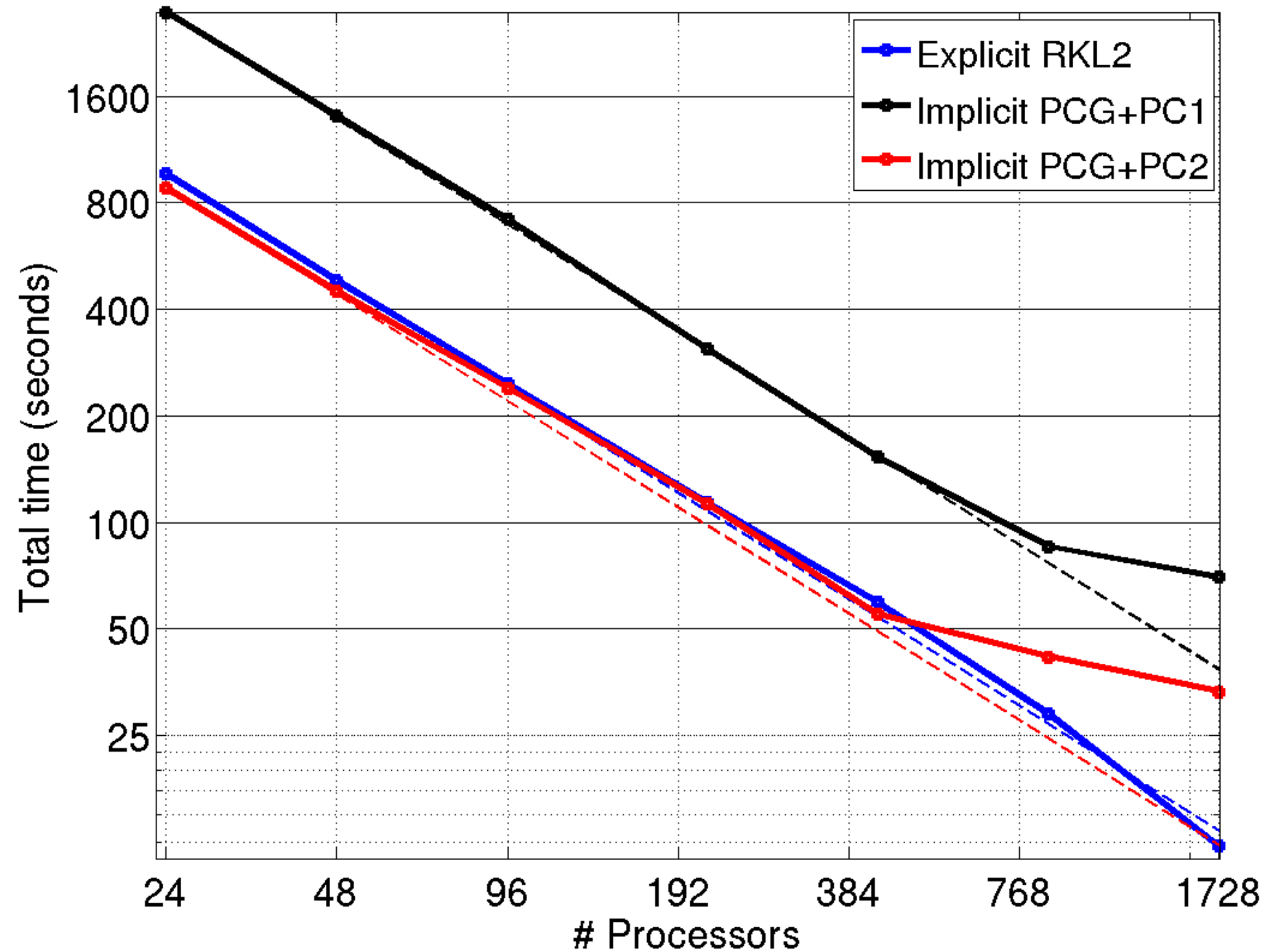
VS

RKL2



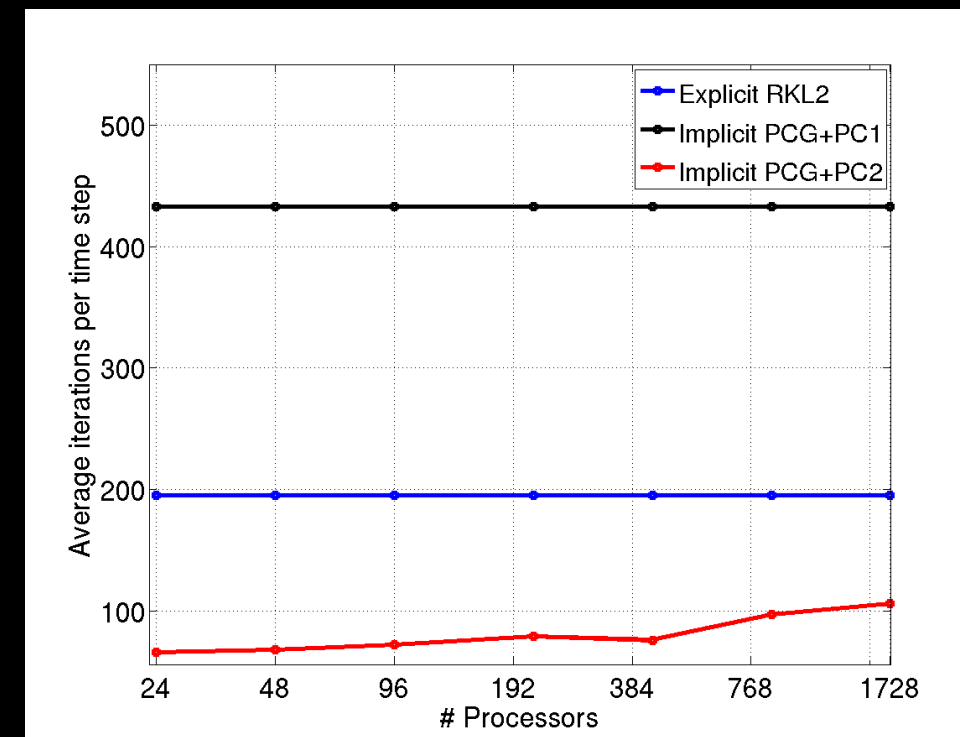
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Performance Results: Thermal Conduction

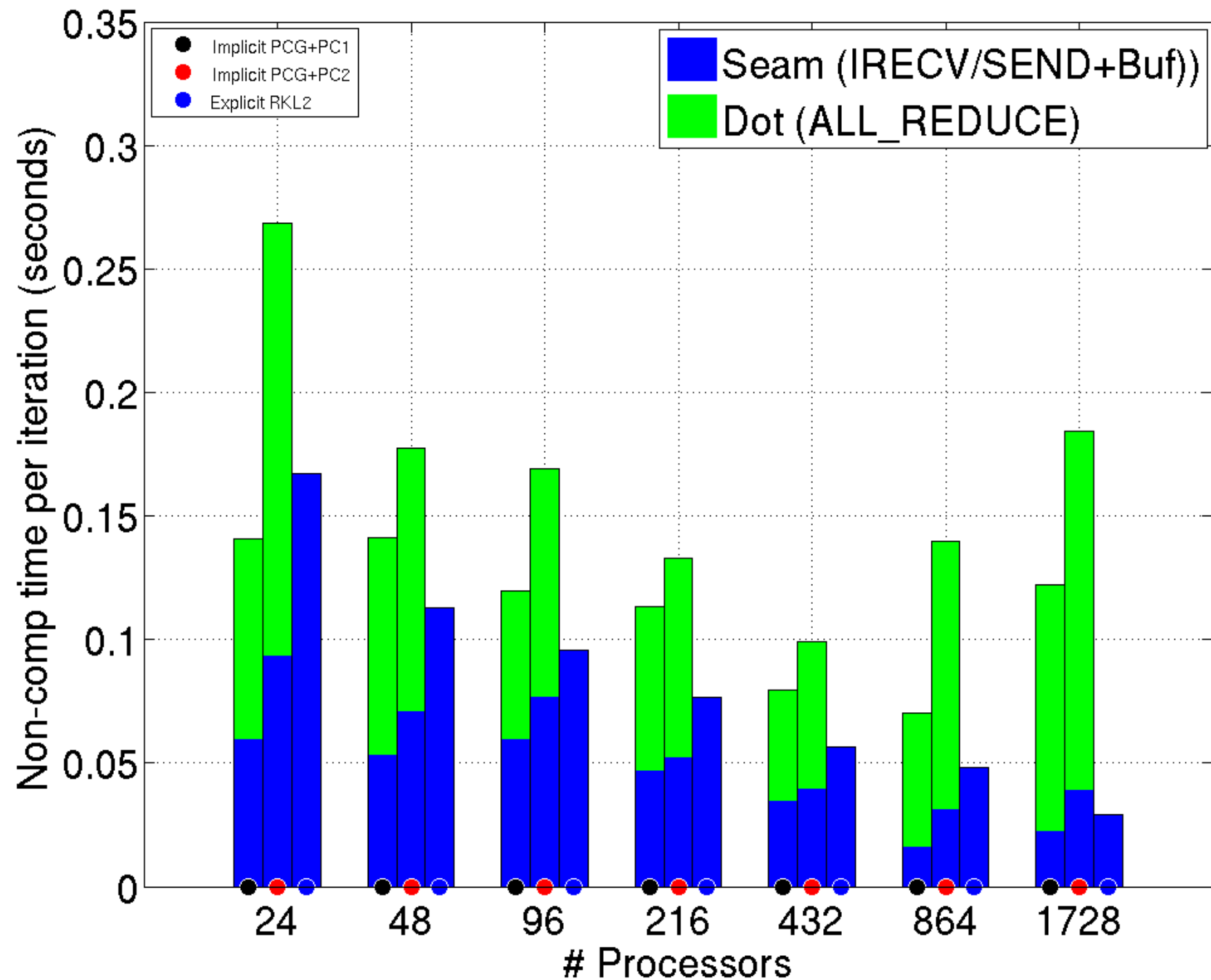


$$\nabla \cdot (\kappa_{\parallel} \nabla T)$$

Average Iterations per Step	
PCG+PC1 (DIAG)	433
PCG+PC2 (ILU0)	66 \rightarrow 106
RKL2	195



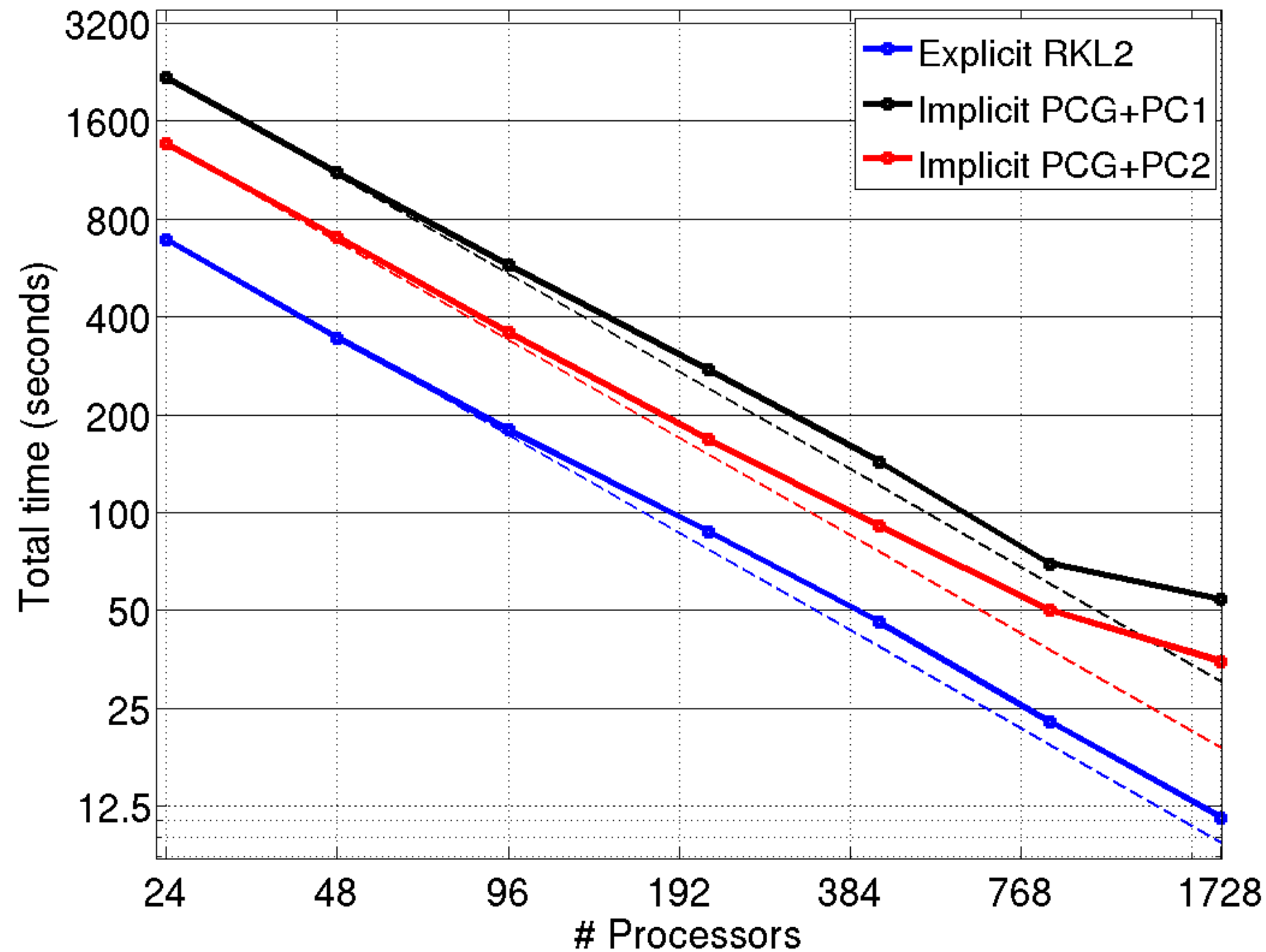
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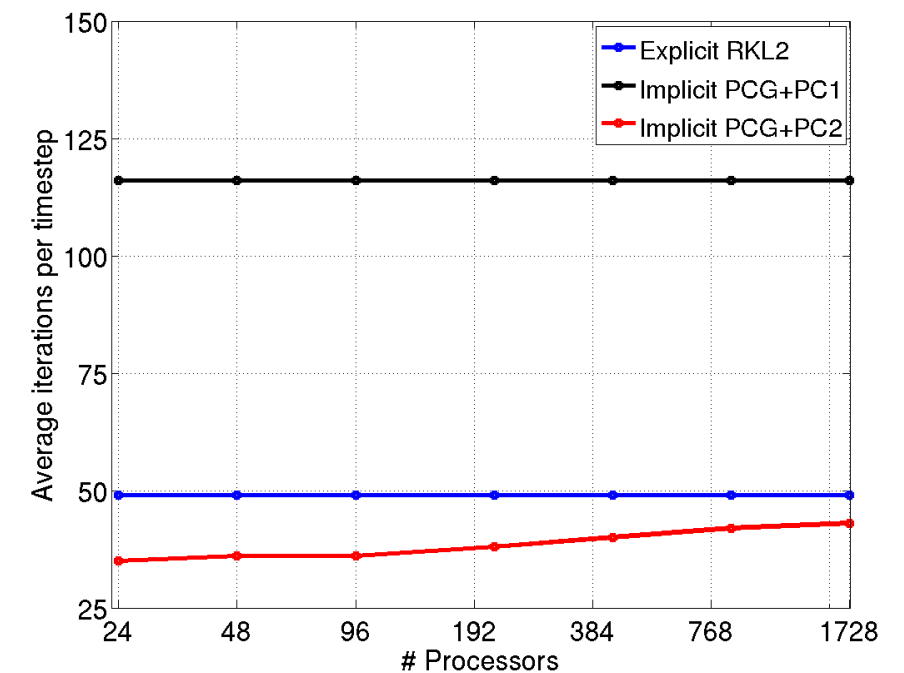
Results: Viscosity



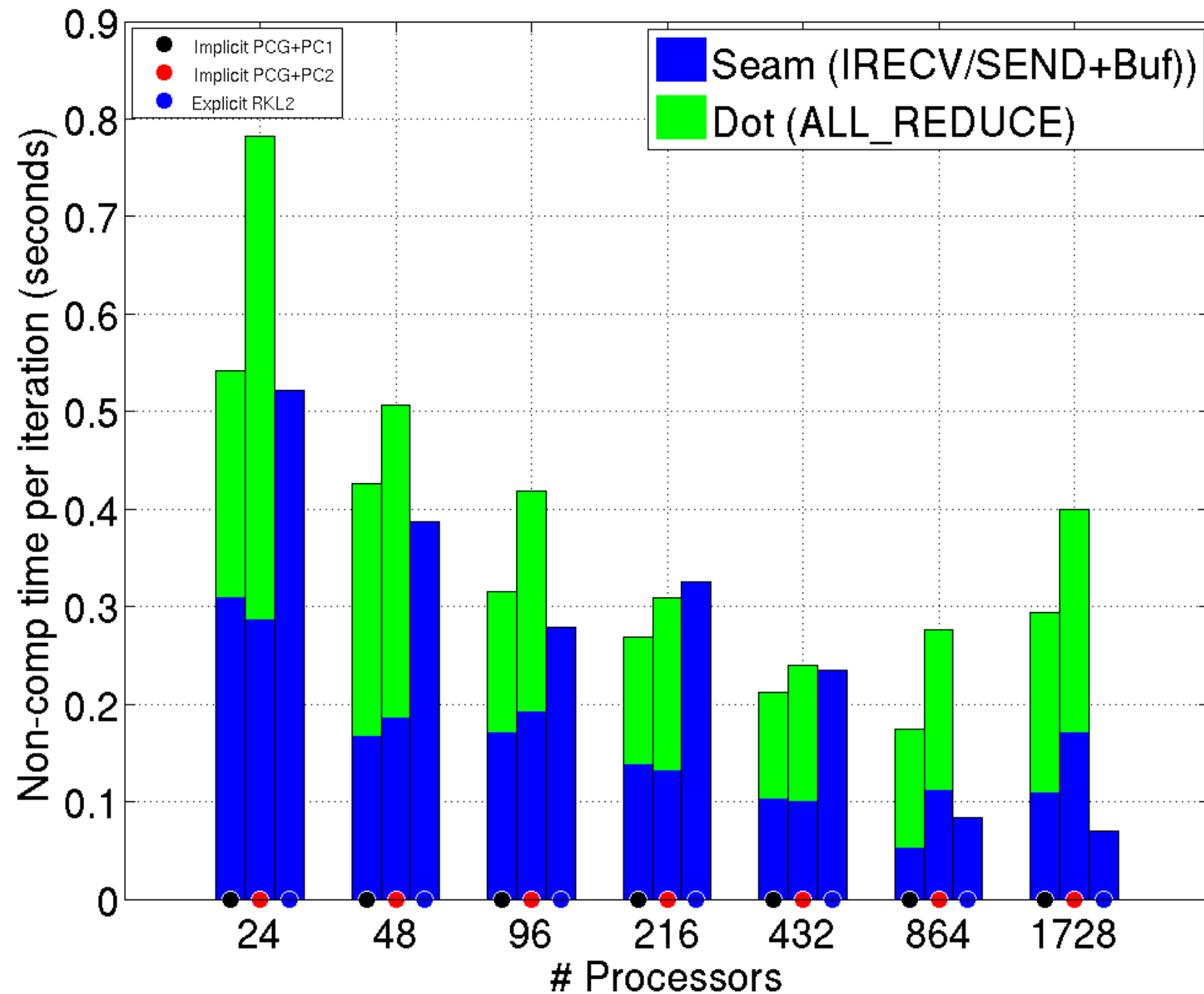
$$\nabla \cdot (\rho \nu \nabla \mathbf{v})$$

Average Iterations per Step

PCG+PC1 (DIAG)	116
PCG+PC2 (ILU0)	35 → 43
RKL2	49



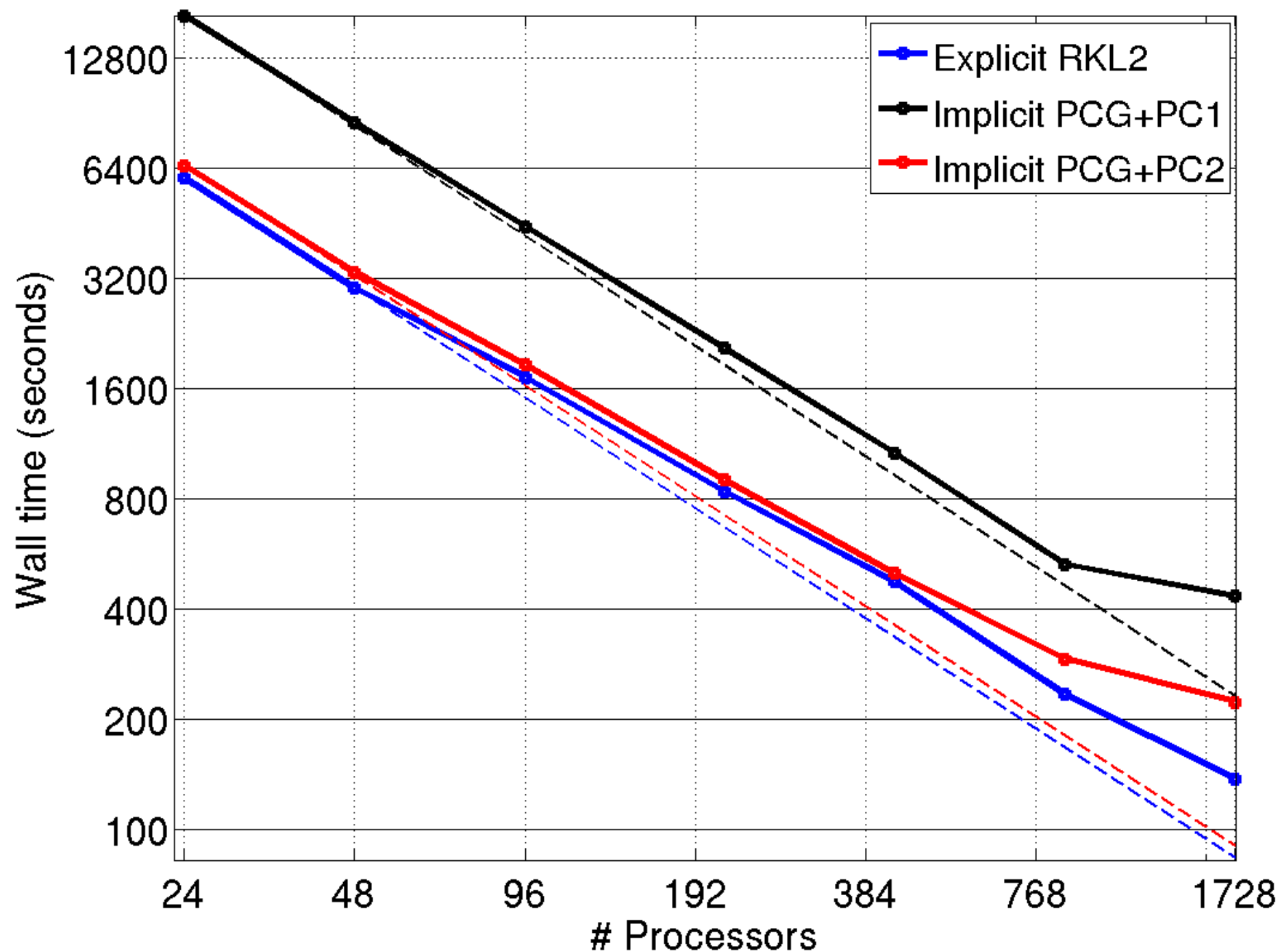
Performance Results: Viscosity



$$\nabla \cdot (\rho \nu \nabla \mathbf{v})$$

Average Iterations per Step	
PCG+PC1 (DIAG)	116
PCG+PC2 (ILU0)	35 → 43
RKL2	49

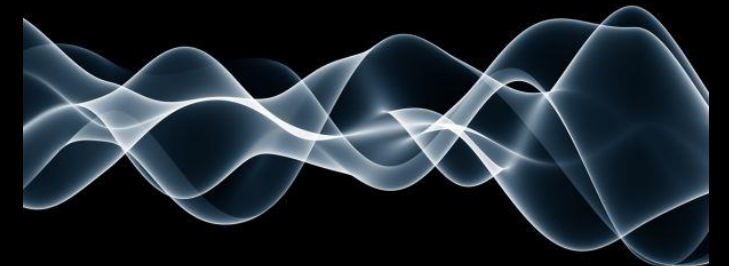
Performance Results: Overall Code



Time Breakdown from Relaxation	
Semi-implicit Pred+Corr	46%
Viscosity	16%
Thermal Conduction	14%
Alfven Waves	19%
Resistivity	1%
Rest of code	4%

Outlook

- ⌘ Super Time-stepping algorithms show potential as an alternative to iterative solvers for parabolic terms in MHD models
- ⌘ For the problem tested, the STS outperformed the iterative solver, especially in scaling to many CPUs
- ⌘ For the viscosity term, there are some solution effects to work out
- ⌘ Can STS methods be used for MHD waves?



Questions?



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Explicit Super Time-stepping: RKL2

- ❖ RKL needs the value of the Euler stability time-step to compute the number of required super-steps (s)
- ❖ In 3D spherical coordinates, simple upper-bound estimates can be too strict (especially for anisotropic diffusion)
- ❖ Can get much tighter bound using Gershgorin circle theorem:

Definition 1 Given a square matrix \mathbf{A} , a Gershgorin disk for every row j is defined as a disk in the complex plane, centered at A_{jj} , with a radius of:

$$R_j = \sum_{i \neq j}^N |A_{i,j}|$$

Theorem 1 Every eigenvalue λ of a square matrix \mathbf{A} lies in one of its Gershgorin discs:

$$|\lambda - A_{jj}| \leq R_j$$

Since $\lambda \in \mathcal{R}$ and $A_{jj} \in \mathcal{R}$, we get a bound on $|\lambda|$ as:

$$|A_{jj}| - R_j \leq |\lambda_j| \leq |A_{jj}| + R_j$$

Therefore the maximum value of $|\lambda|$ is bound by:

$$|\lambda|_{\max} \leq \max\{|A_{jj}| + R_j, \forall j \text{ rows}\}$$

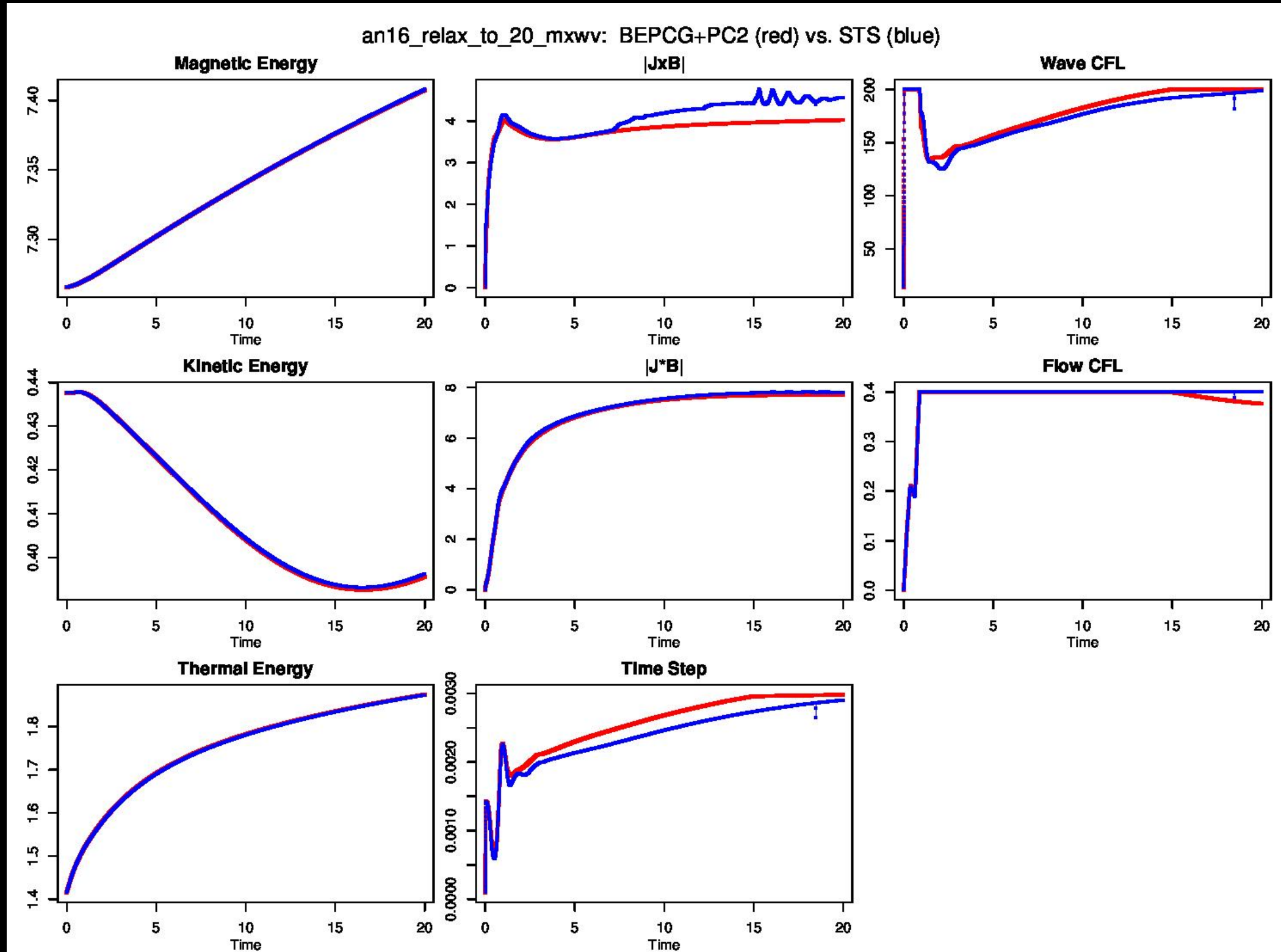
$$\Delta t_{\text{Euler}} \leq \frac{2}{|\lambda|_{\max}}$$
$$|\lambda|_{\max} \leq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N |A_{i,j}|, \forall j \text{ rows} \right\}$$

[Scott, 1985]: Max error in bound: $\sqrt{p+1}$

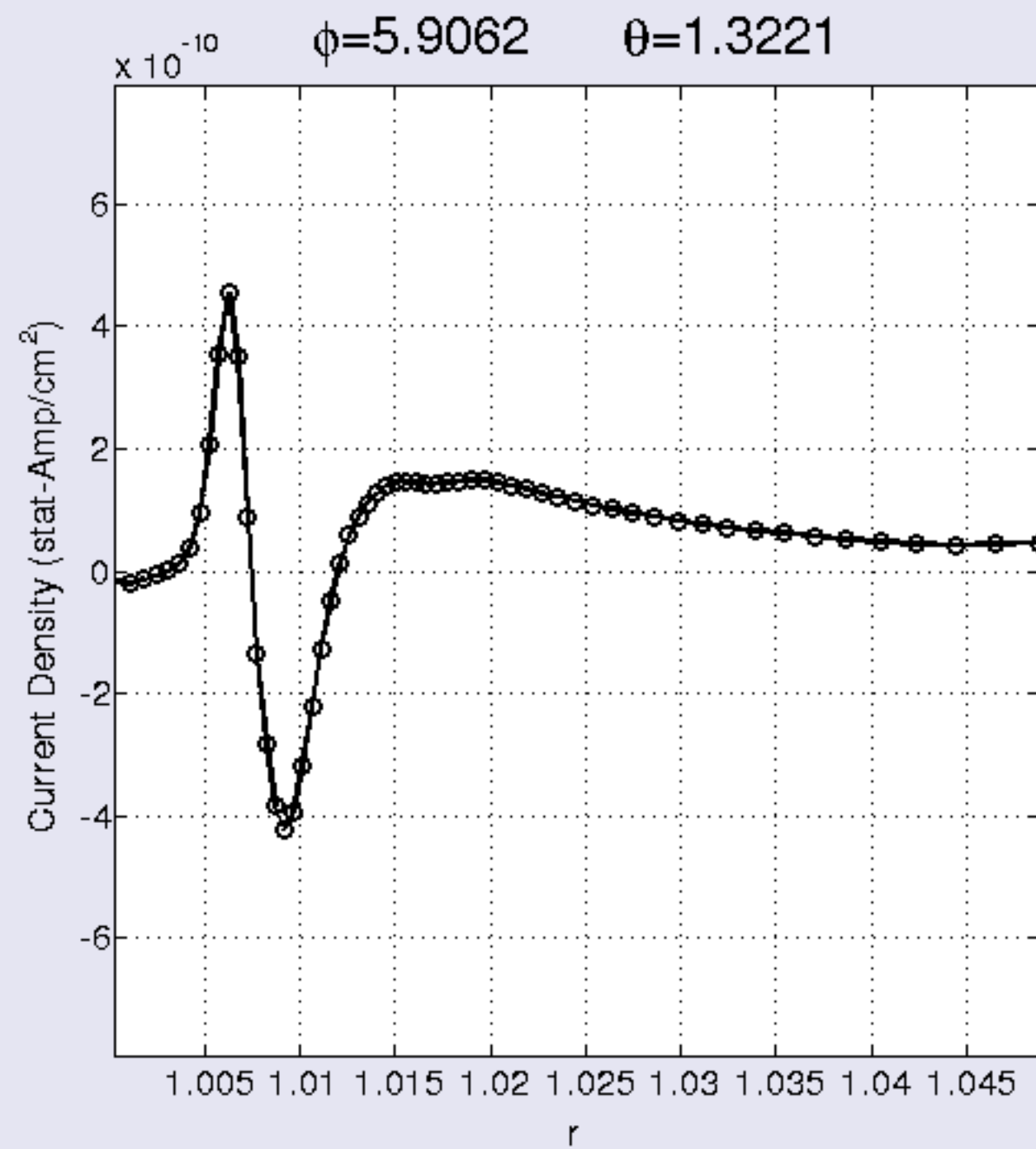


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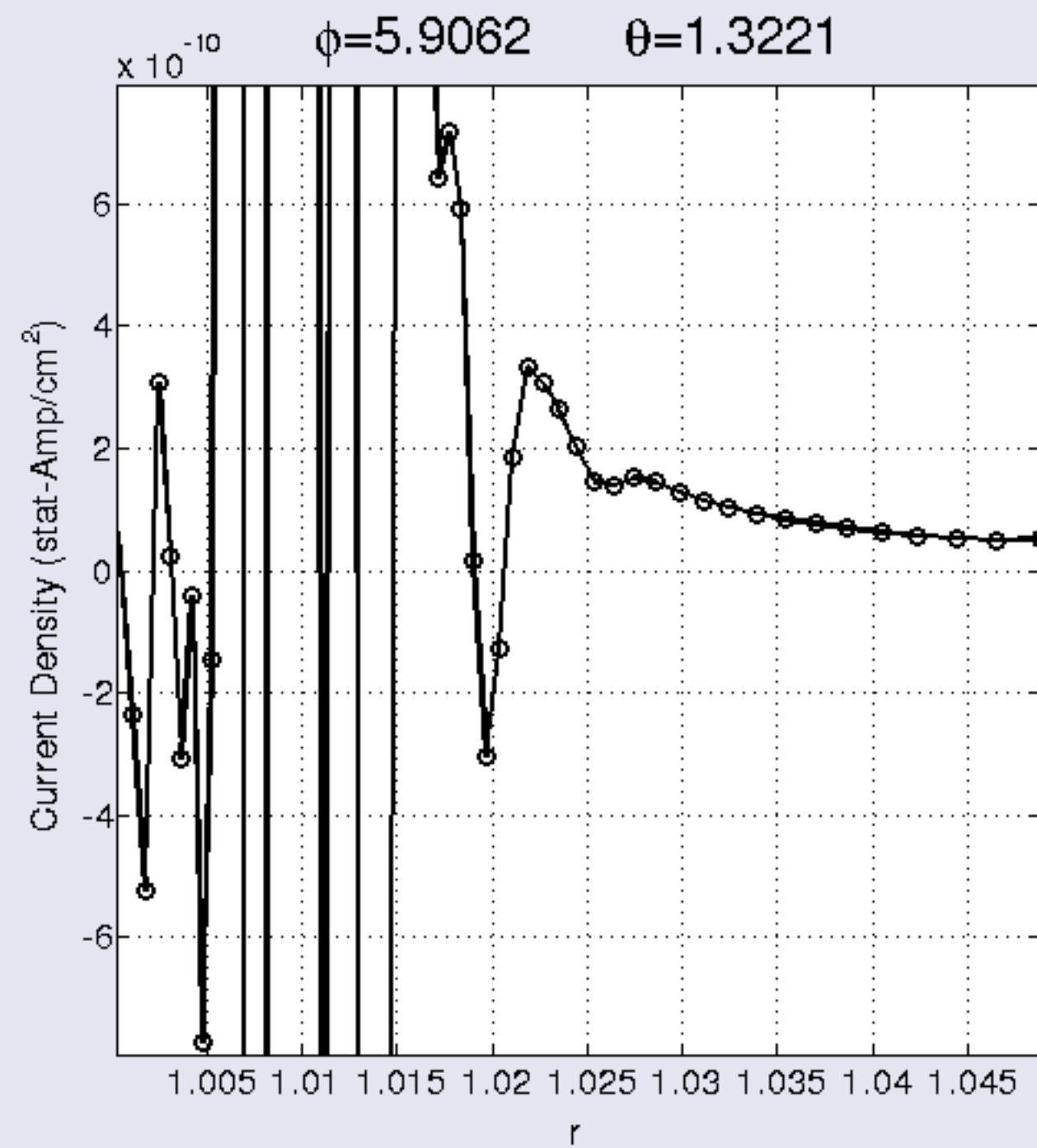
- First we compare BE+PCG2 versus RKL2 for thermal conduction only – match!
- Turning on RKL2 for viscosity has overall match (as seen in movies) but seems to have problems with the current density
- Maybe initial relaxation too violent? Try capping wave CFL to 200...
- Where is this happening?



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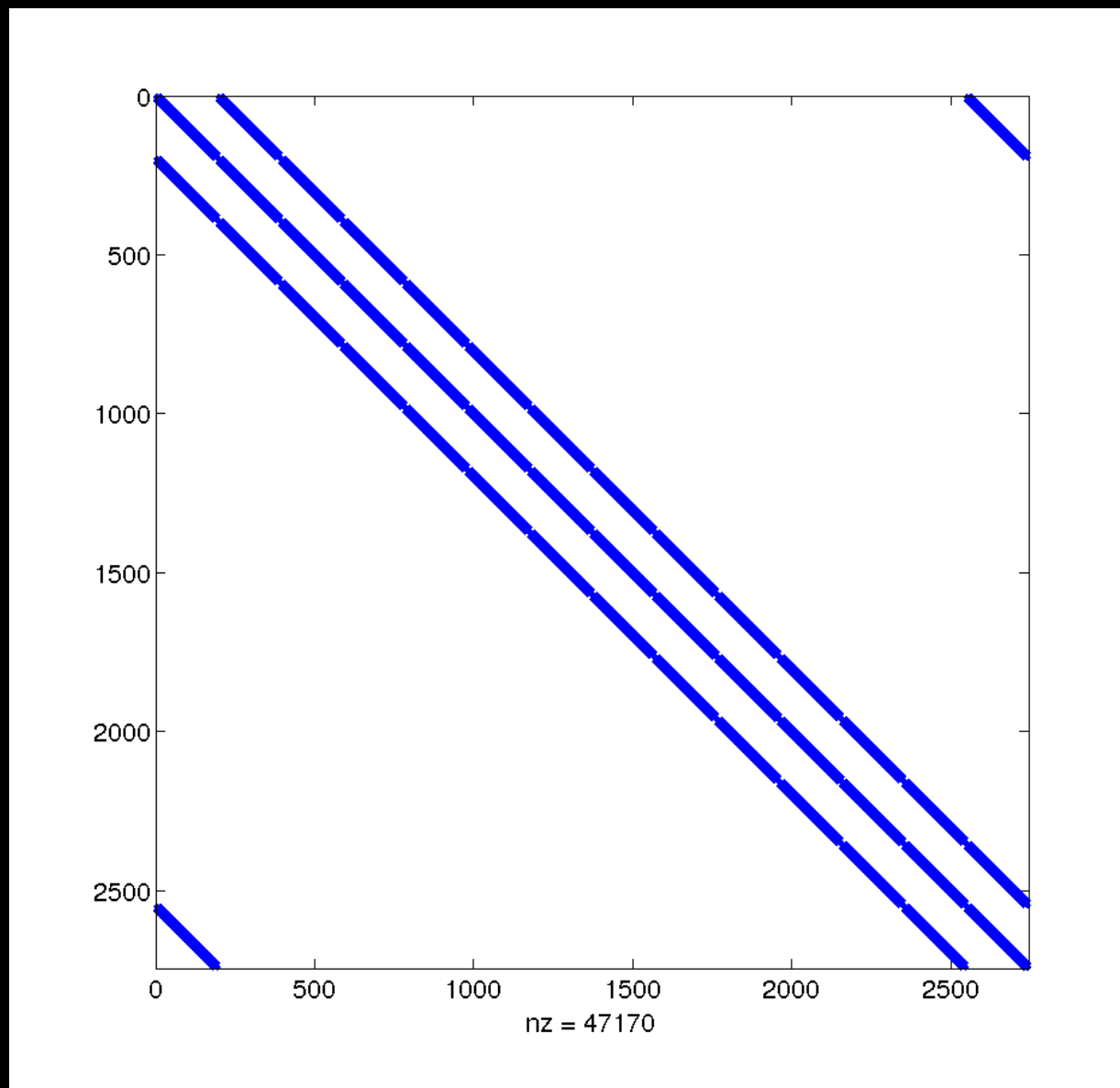


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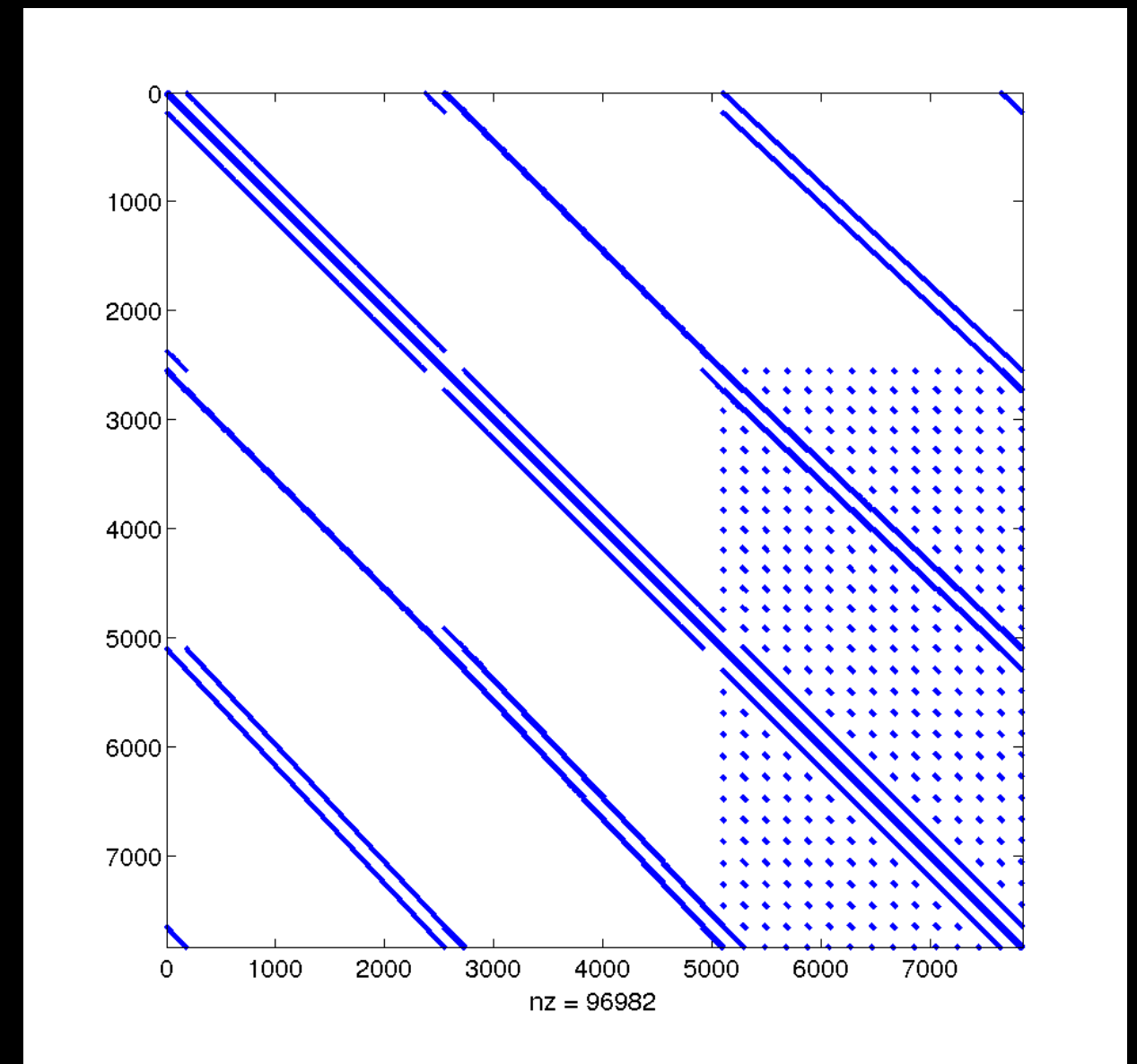


Validation

Thermal Conduction



Viscosity



Euler dt estimate: 0.0018
Euler dt estimate w/o pole bc: 0.0033