

**Algorithmic components of ForestClaw  
adaptive mesh library : Multi-rate time  
stepping**

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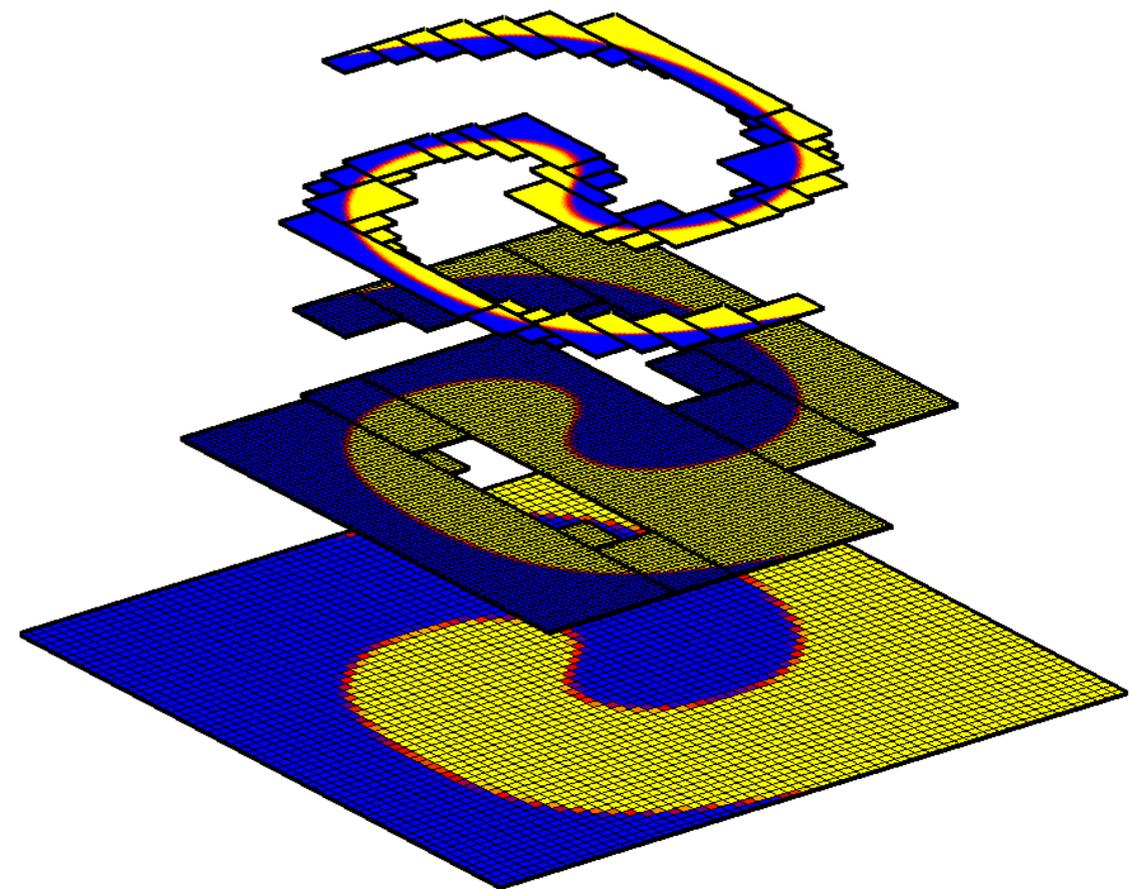
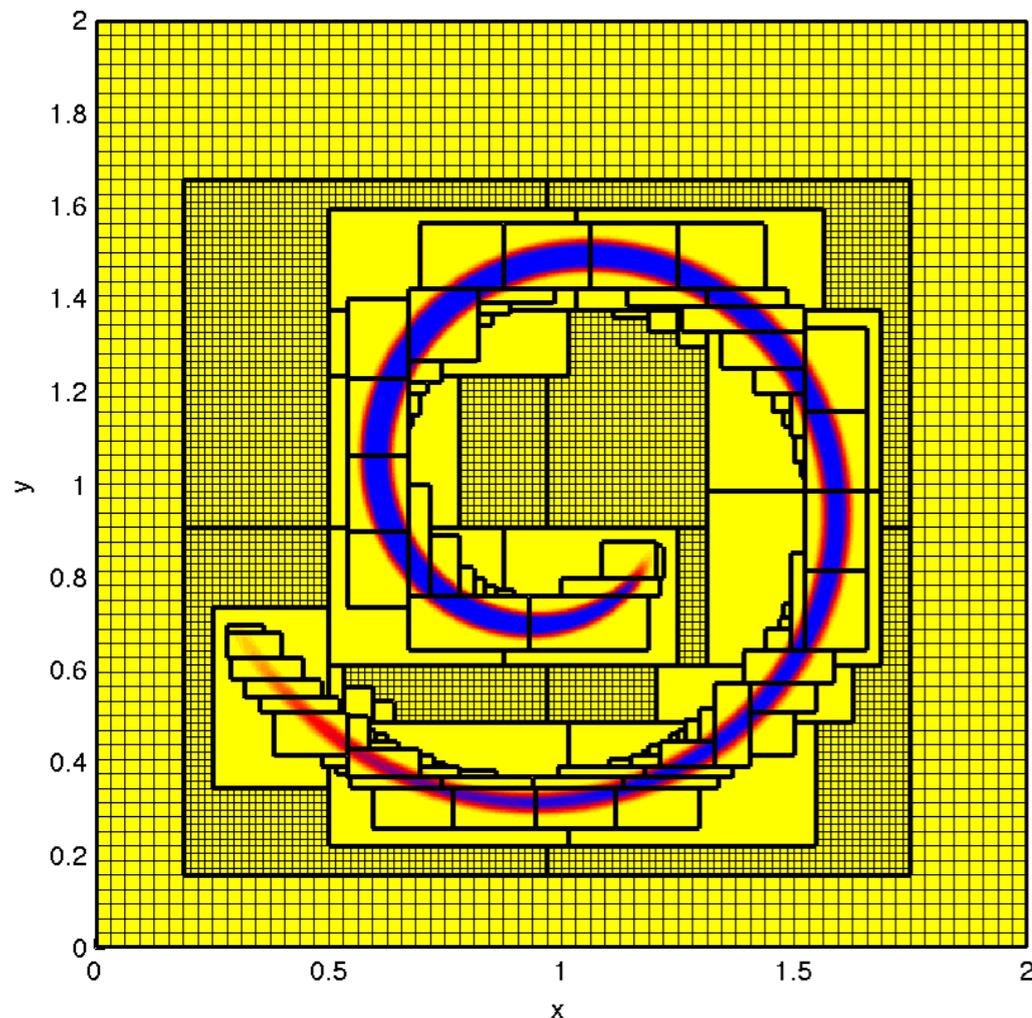
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# Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR)

## Overlapping patch-based AMR

Original approach (Berger, 1984)



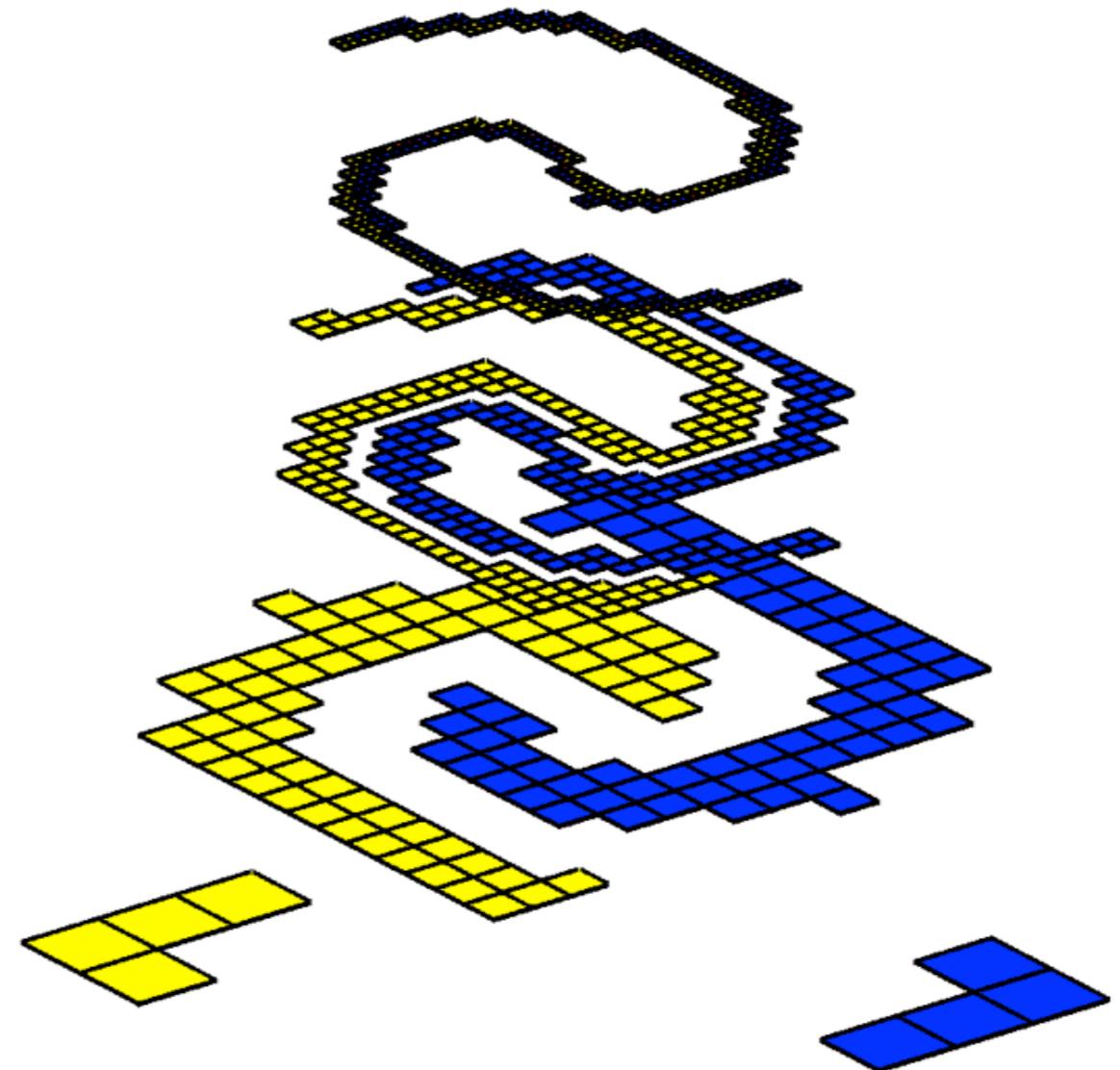
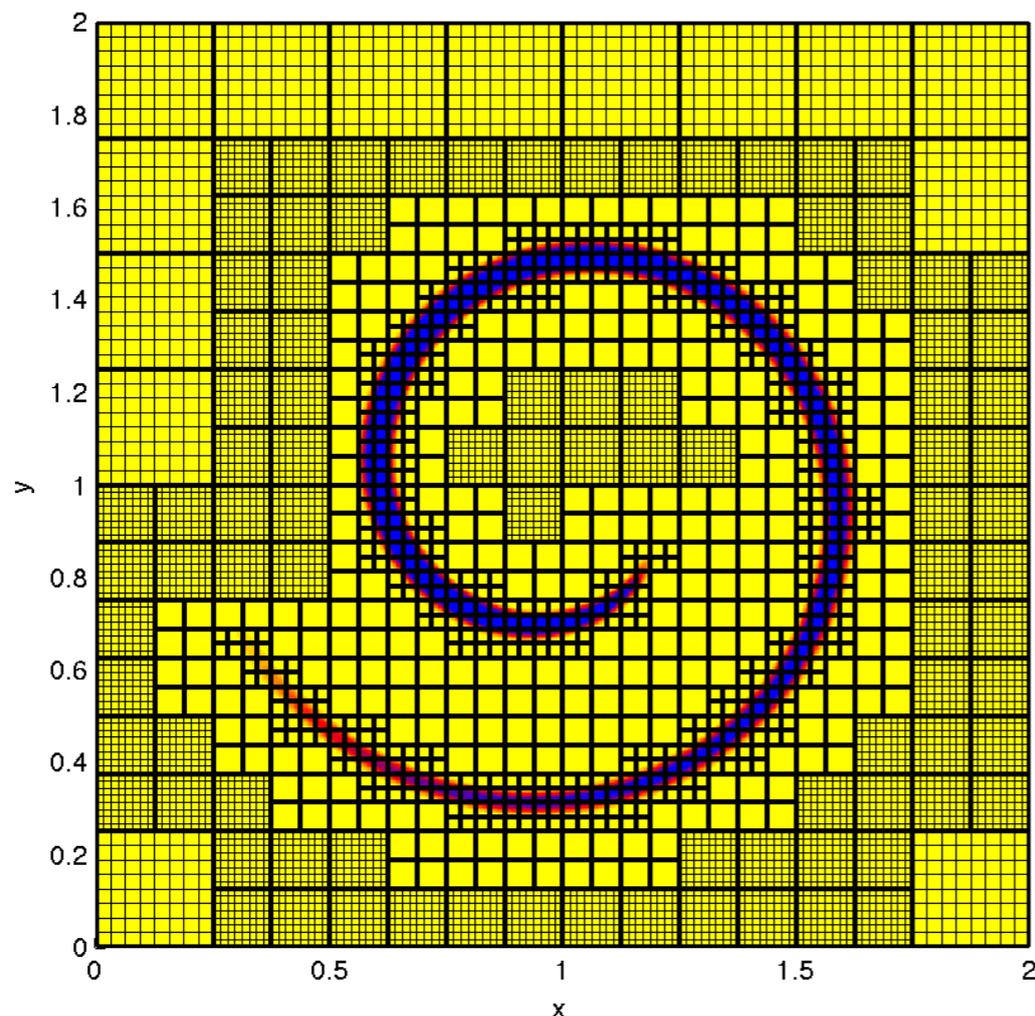
Chombo (LBL), AMRClaw (UW, NYU), Boxlib\* (LBL), SAMRAI (LLNL), AMROC (S. Hampton)

\*See IP4 : "Next Generation AMR (A. Almgren, Thursday 8:30)"

# Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR)

## Quadtree/Octree based AMR

Quad-tree approach



p4est (U. Bonn), PARAMESH (U. Chicago), ForestClaw, Gerris (Paris VI), Racoon II (U. Bochum), RAMSES (U Zurich), Nirvana (Potsdam), "Building Cubes" (Tohoku)

# Skepticism about AMR

There remains skepticism about how effective adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) can be

- Coarse/fine boundaries with abrupt resolution changes are regarded with suspicion,
- Lack of good refinement criteria dampens enthusiasm for trying out AMR,
- Not obvious how to extend sophisticated numerical algorithms and applications to the adaptive setting,

When AMR *is* used,

- **Multi-rate time stepping is not always used,**
- The goals are often modest : “Do no harm!”
- Grids are often only static; not dynamically refined.

# ForestClaw Project

A parallel, adaptive library for logically Cartesian, mapped, multi-block domains

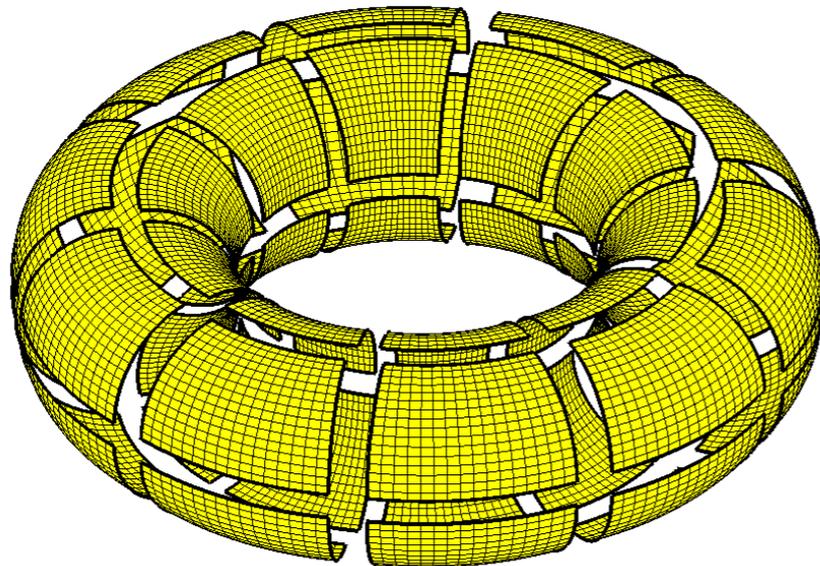
Features of ForestClaw include :

- Uses the **highly scalable p4est** dynamic grid management library (C. Burstedde, Univ. of Bonn, Germany)
- Each leaf of the quadtree contains a fixed, uniform grid,
- **Optional multi-rate time stepping strategy,**
- Has **mapped, multi-block** capabilities, (cubed-sphere, for example) to allow for flexibility in physical domains,
- Modular design gives user flexibility in including several solvers and packages.
- Uses essentially the same algorithmic components as patch-based AMR

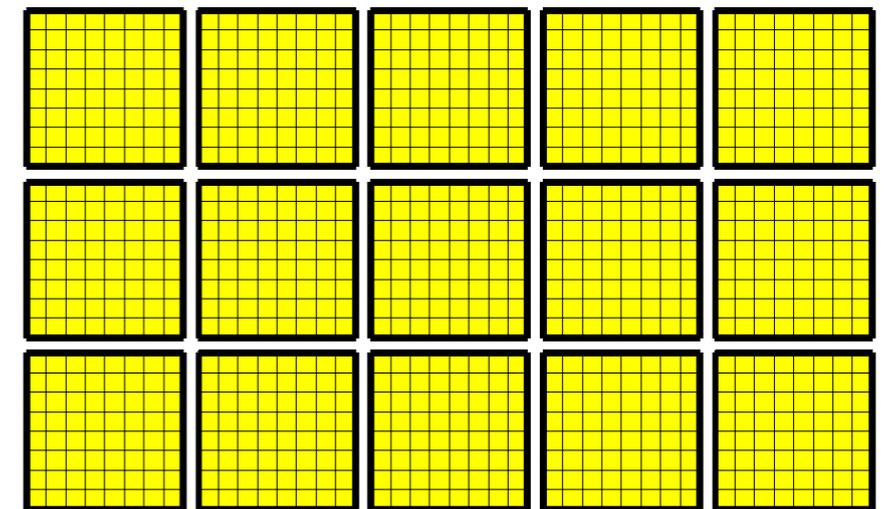
*ForestClaw development supported by the National Science Foundation*

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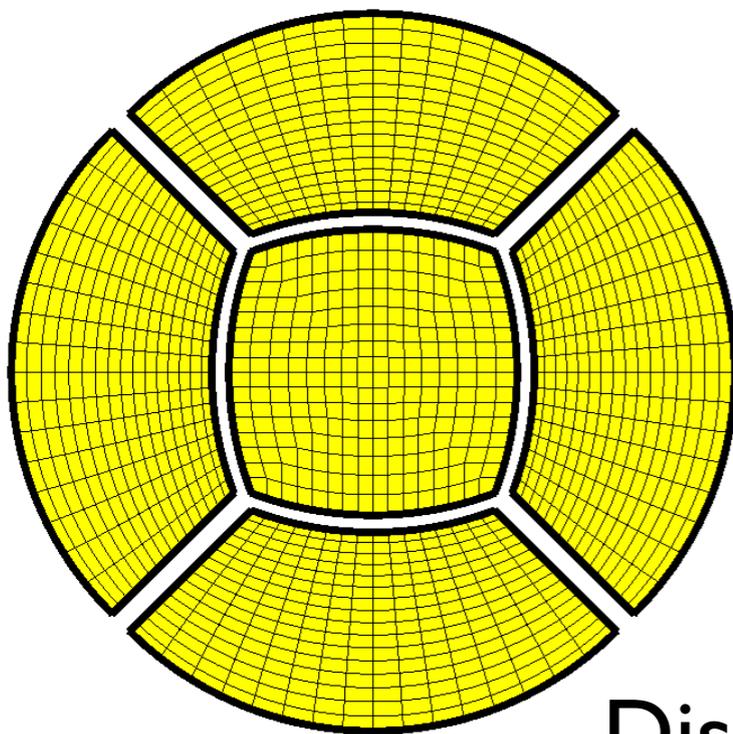
# Mapped multi-block domains



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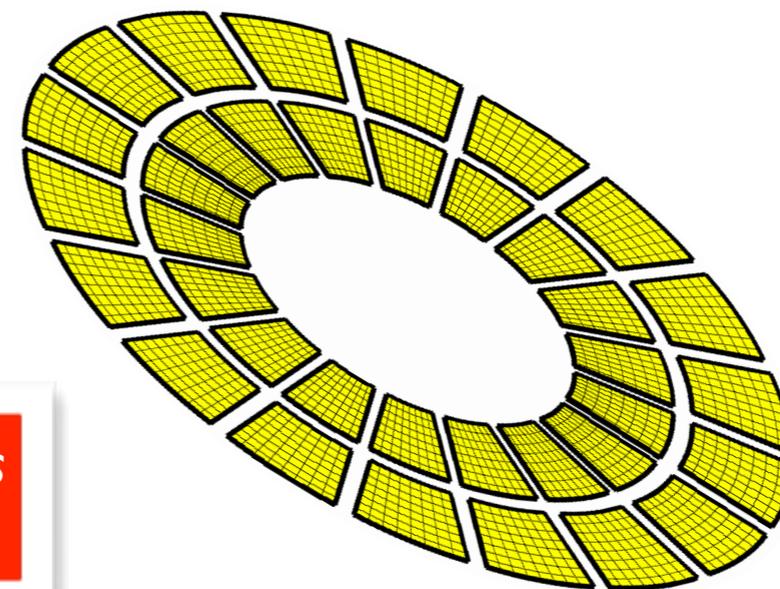


“Brick domain”



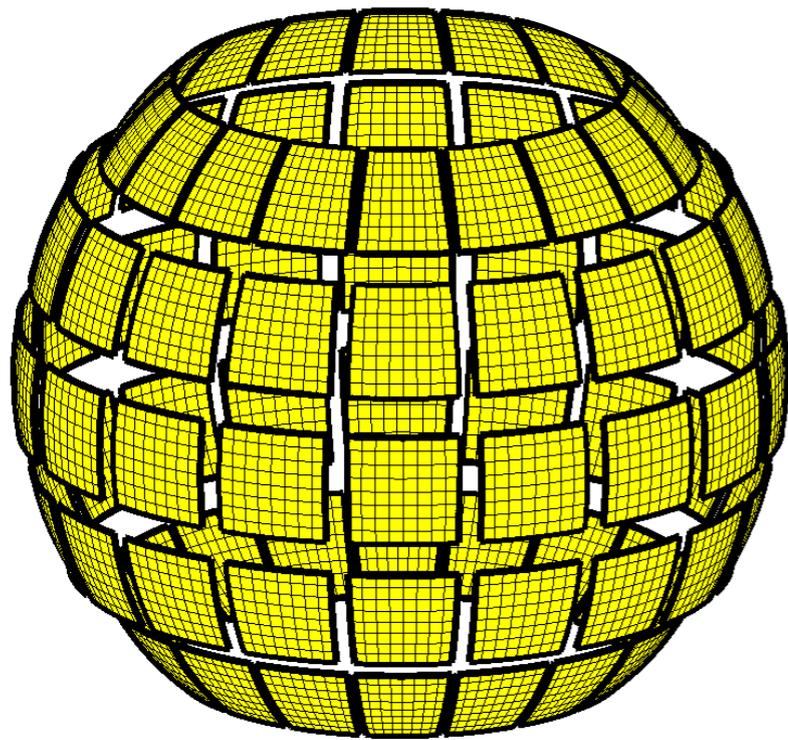
Disk

*Each block is  
a quadtrees*

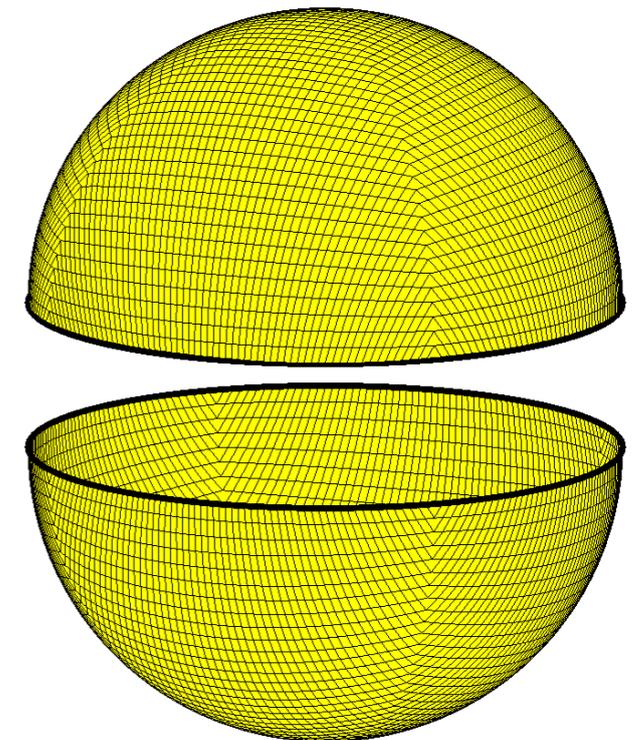


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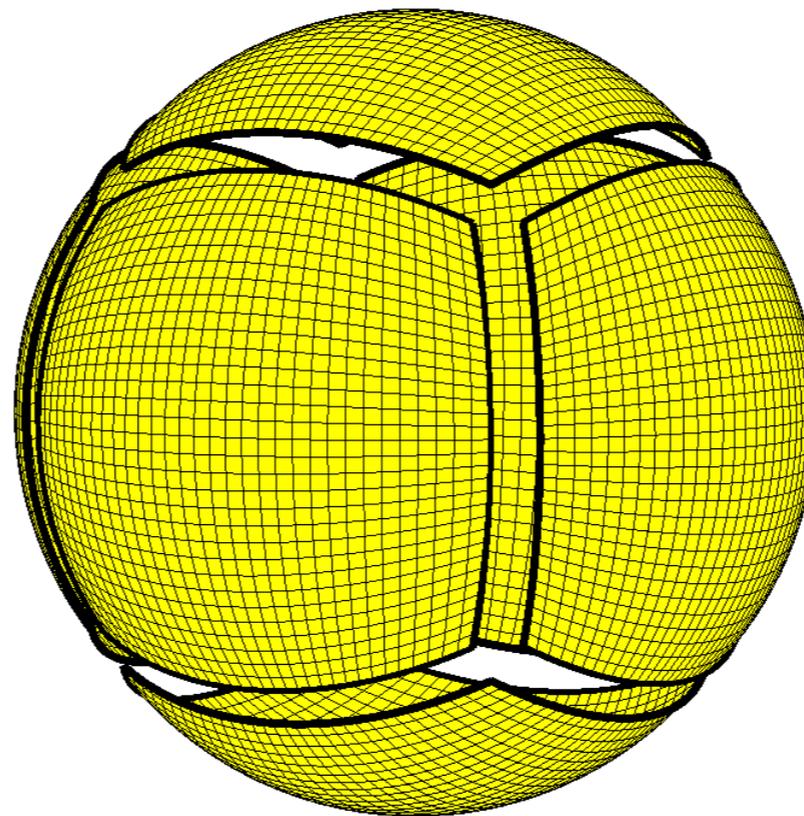
# Mapped multi-block domains



Spherical coordinates



"Pillow grid" (with C. Helzel, R. LeVeque, SIAM Review, 2009)

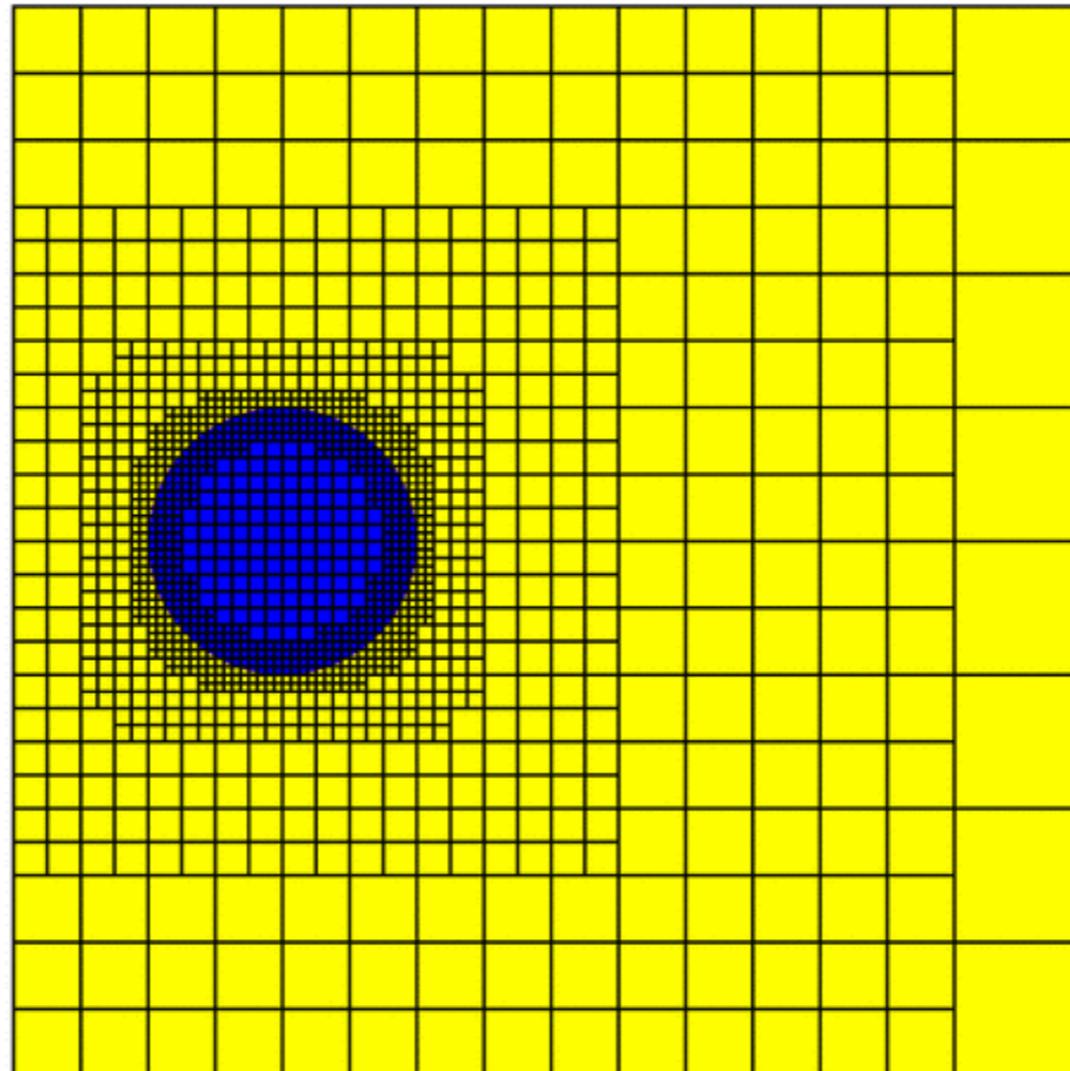


Cubed sphere

*Each block is a quadtree*

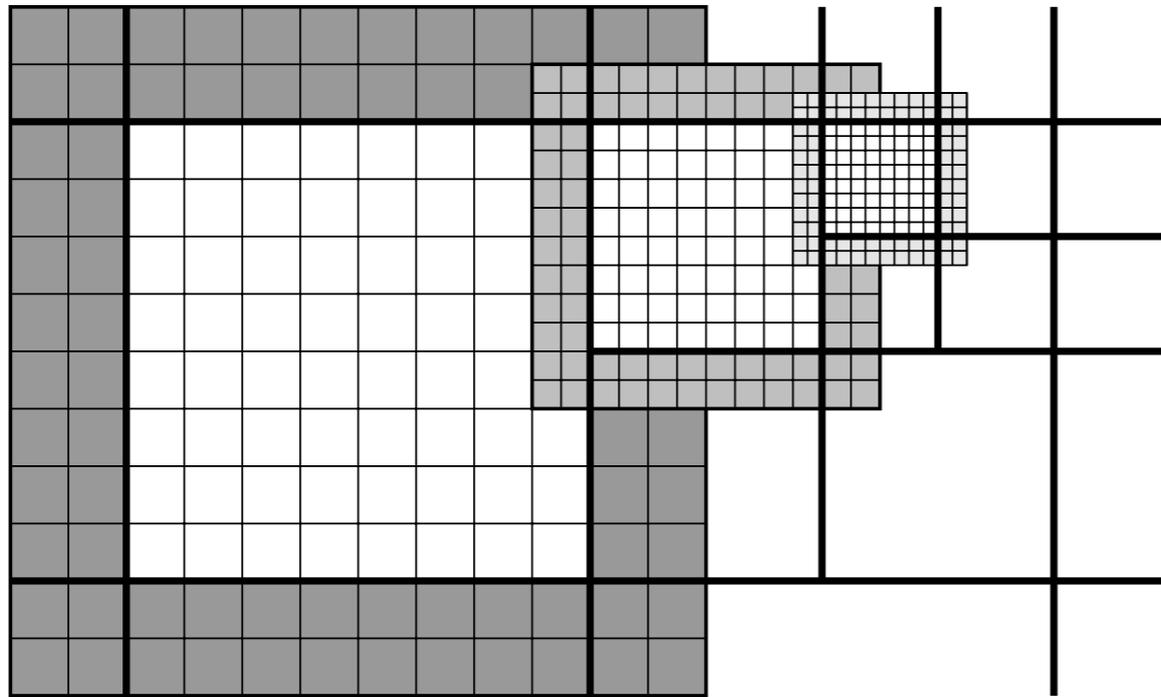
# Filament

ForestClaw : t = 0.00

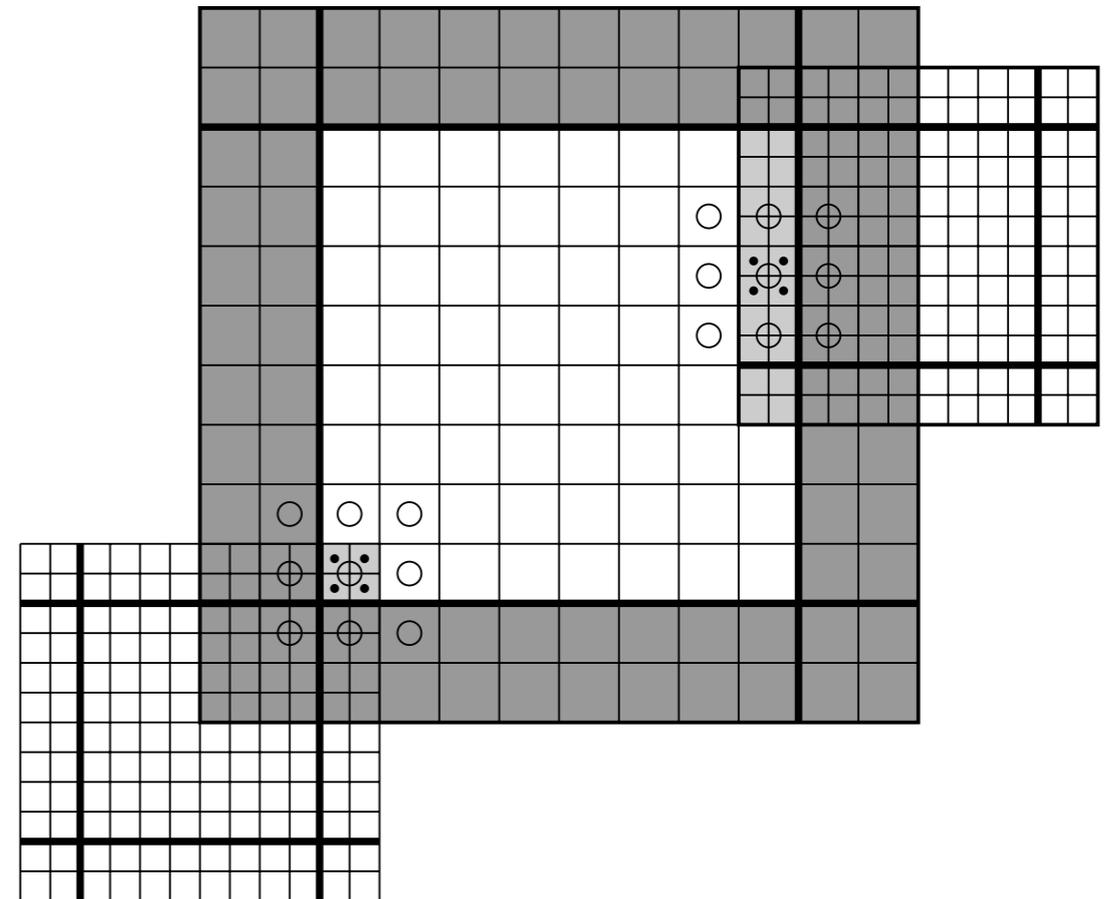


Tracer flow in a prescribed velocity field

# Filling ghost cells



Each grid (or “leaf”, in p4est terminology) has one or more layers of ghost cells used for communication between grids

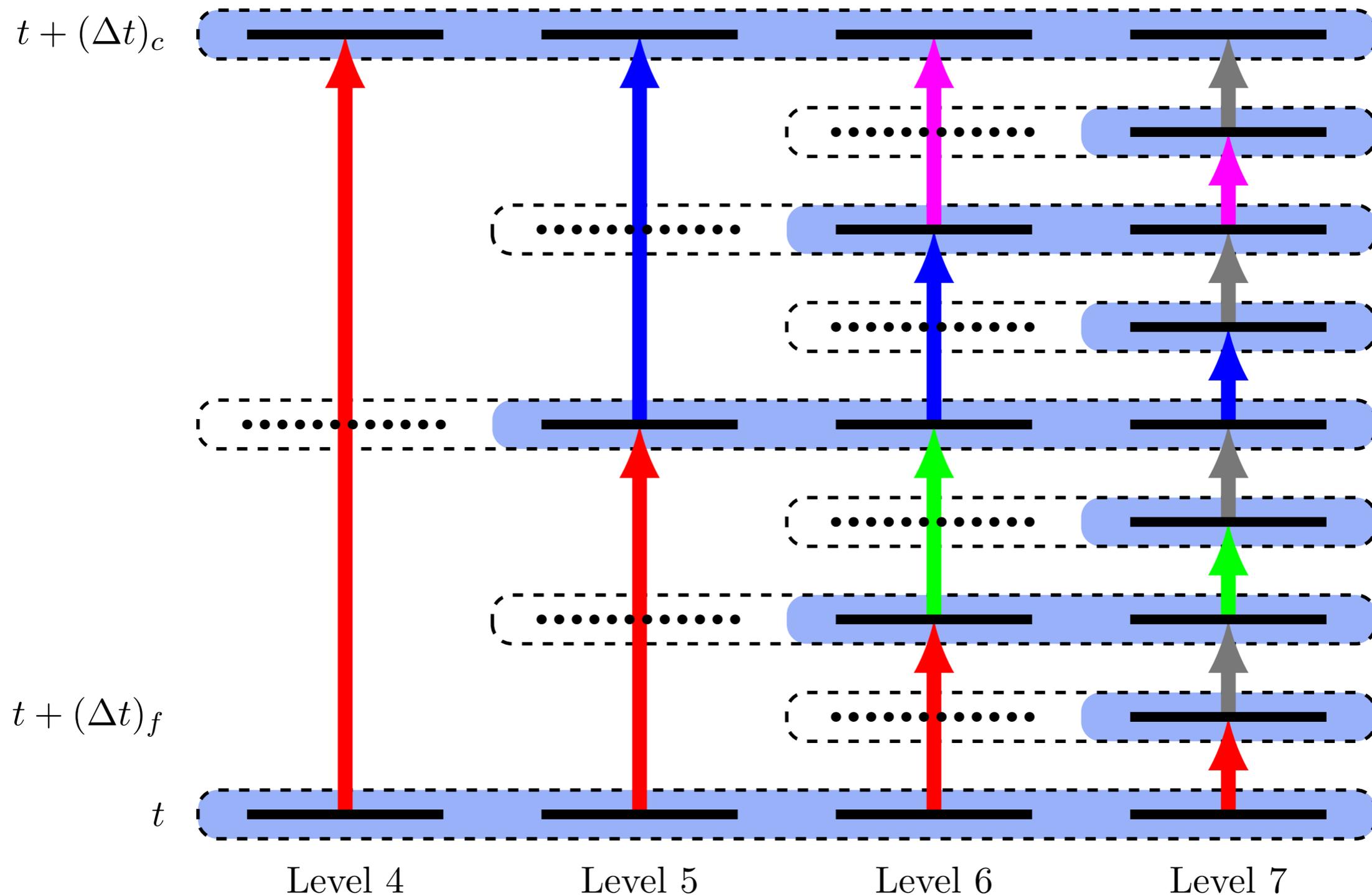


Ghost cells are filled by copying from same-size neighbors, averaging from fine grid neighbors or interpolation to fine grid neighbors.

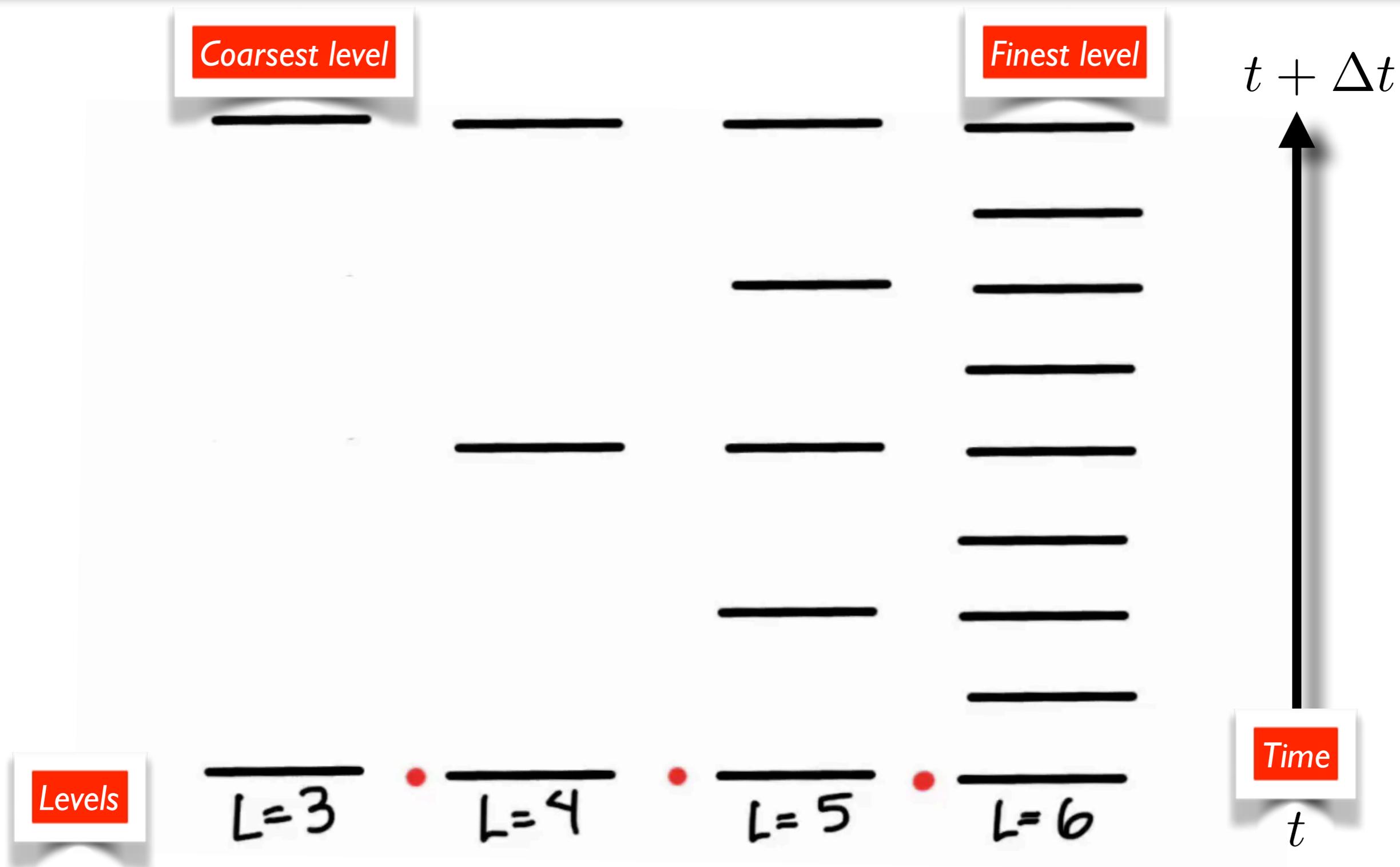
# How are ghost cells filled?



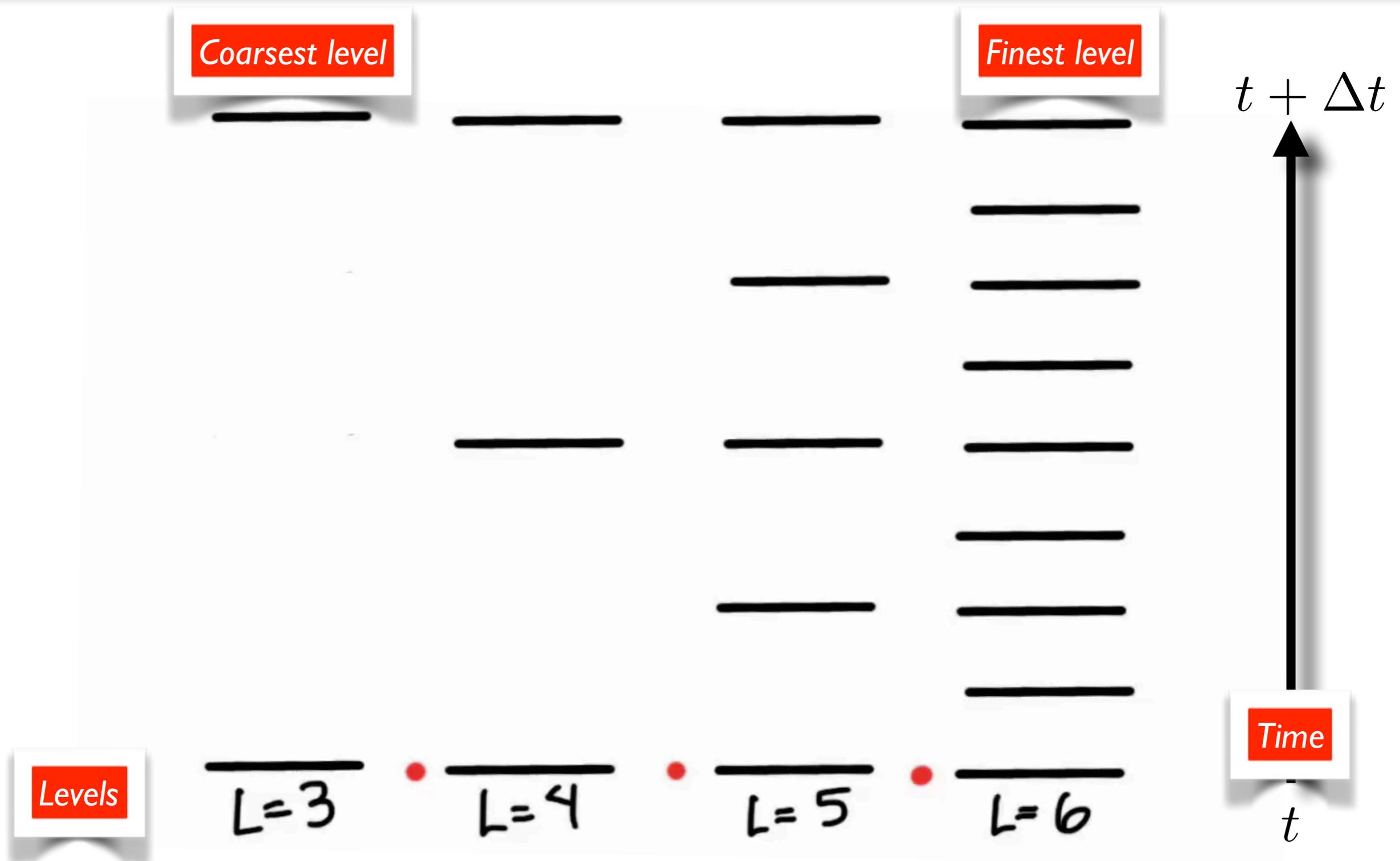
# Multirate time stepping



# Multi-rate time stepping



# Parallel multirate time stepping



# Multirate algorithm

**Require:** Grids at all levels at time  $t$  must have valid ghost cells values.

**for**  $k = 1$  to  $2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min}}$  **do**

ADVANCE\_SOLUTION( $\ell_{max}, (\Delta t)_{\ell_{max}}$ ) **Advance solution on finest level**

**if** multirate **then** **Multirate**

**if**  $k < 2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min}}$  **then**

Find largest integer  $p \geq 0$  such that  $2^p$  divides  $k$ .

$\ell_{time} = \ell_{max} - p - 1$

**Intermediate synchronization**

UPDATE\_GHOST( $\ell_{time} + 1$ )

**end if**

**else** **Global time stepping**

UPDATE\_GHOST( $\ell_{min}$ )

**end if**

**end for**

UPDATE\_GHOST( $\ell_{min}$ ).

**procedure** ADVANCE\_SOLUTION(level =  $\ell$ , dt\_stable =  $\Delta t$ )

**for** all grids  $g$  on level  $\ell$  **do**

Update solution  $Q^{n+1} = Q^n + \Delta t F(Q^n, t_n)$ .

**end for**

**if**  $\ell > \ell_{min}$  **then**

**if** multirate **then**

**if** levels  $\ell$  and  $\ell - 1$  are time synchronized **then**

ADVANCE\_SOLUTION( $\ell - 1, 2\Delta t$ )

TIME\_INTERPOLATE( $\ell - 1, t + 2\Delta t$ )

**end if**

**else**

ADVANCE\_SOLUTION( $\ell - 1, \Delta t$ )

**end if**

**end if**

**end procedure**

*Recursive advance, followed by a time interpolation*

# Multi-rate time stepping?

Does this buy us anything?

- Fewer ghost cell exchanges, since not all levels exchange data at each time step,
- Fewer parallel communications
- Fewer grids to advance.
- Improved accuracy if spatial error depends on time step size

Reduced wall clock time!

Improved accuracy!

# Is multirate time stepping worth it?



Assuming an equal number of grids at each level :

$$(1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min}}) = (2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min} + 1} - 1)$$

verses

$$2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min}} (\ell_{max} - \ell_{min} + 1)$$

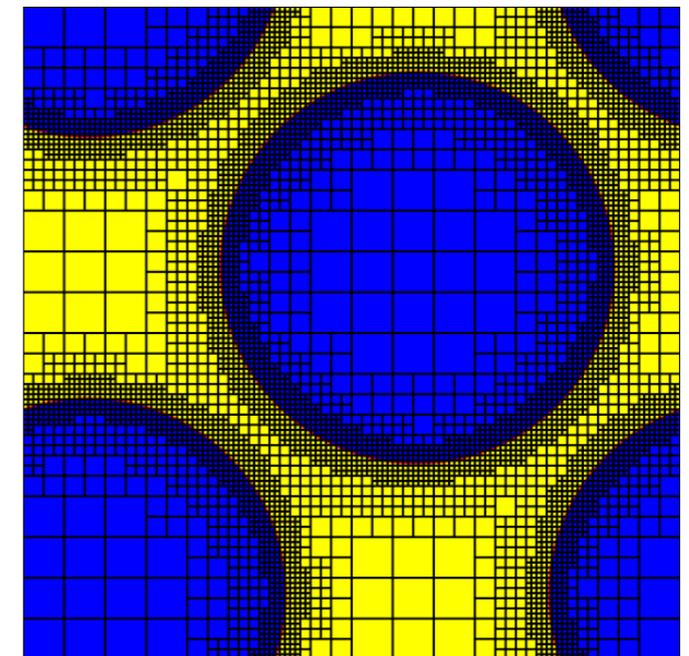
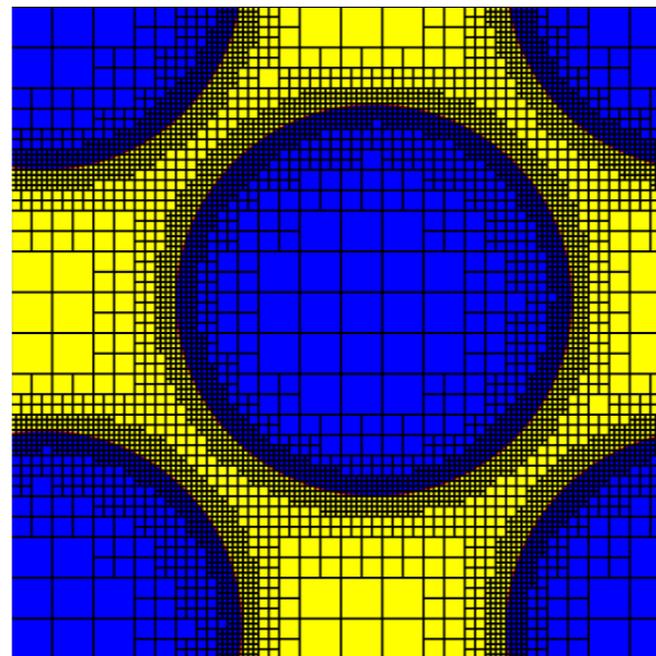
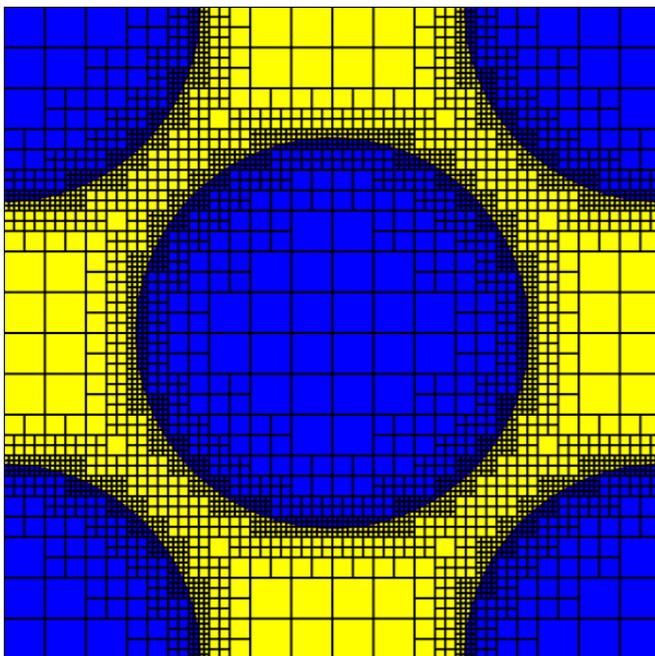
on a uniformly refined grid, for a speed-up of

$$\frac{\text{multi rate}}{\text{global time step}} = \frac{2}{\ell_{max} - \ell_{max} + 1} - \frac{1}{2^{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min}} (\ell_{max} - \ell_{min} + 1)}$$
$$\approx \frac{2}{\ell_{max} - \ell_{min} + 1}, \quad \text{for large number of levels}$$

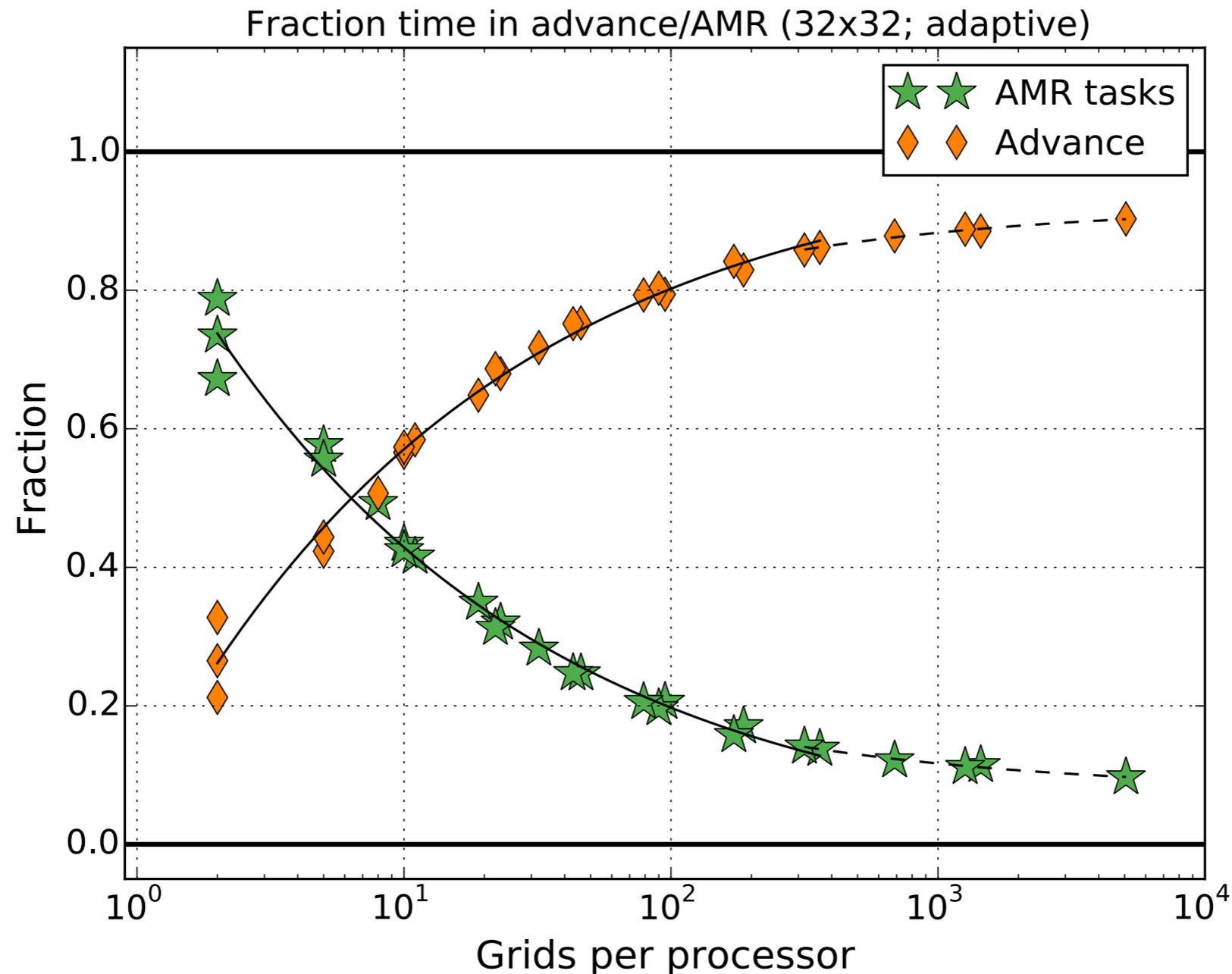
*A multi-rate strategy also requires fewer parallel exchanges*

# Parallel Performance

- Scalar advection in a constant, periodic flow
- Uniform, replicated adaptive, and adaptive scenarios
- Fixed, global time step (160 steps total)
- Regrid every coarse grid time step (20 regrid steps)
- Four levels of refinement (levels 4-7)
- MPI processes only; no threading or tuning, and no attention paid to processor topology
- JUQUEEN BlueGene/Q (Juelich Supercomputing Center, Germany)

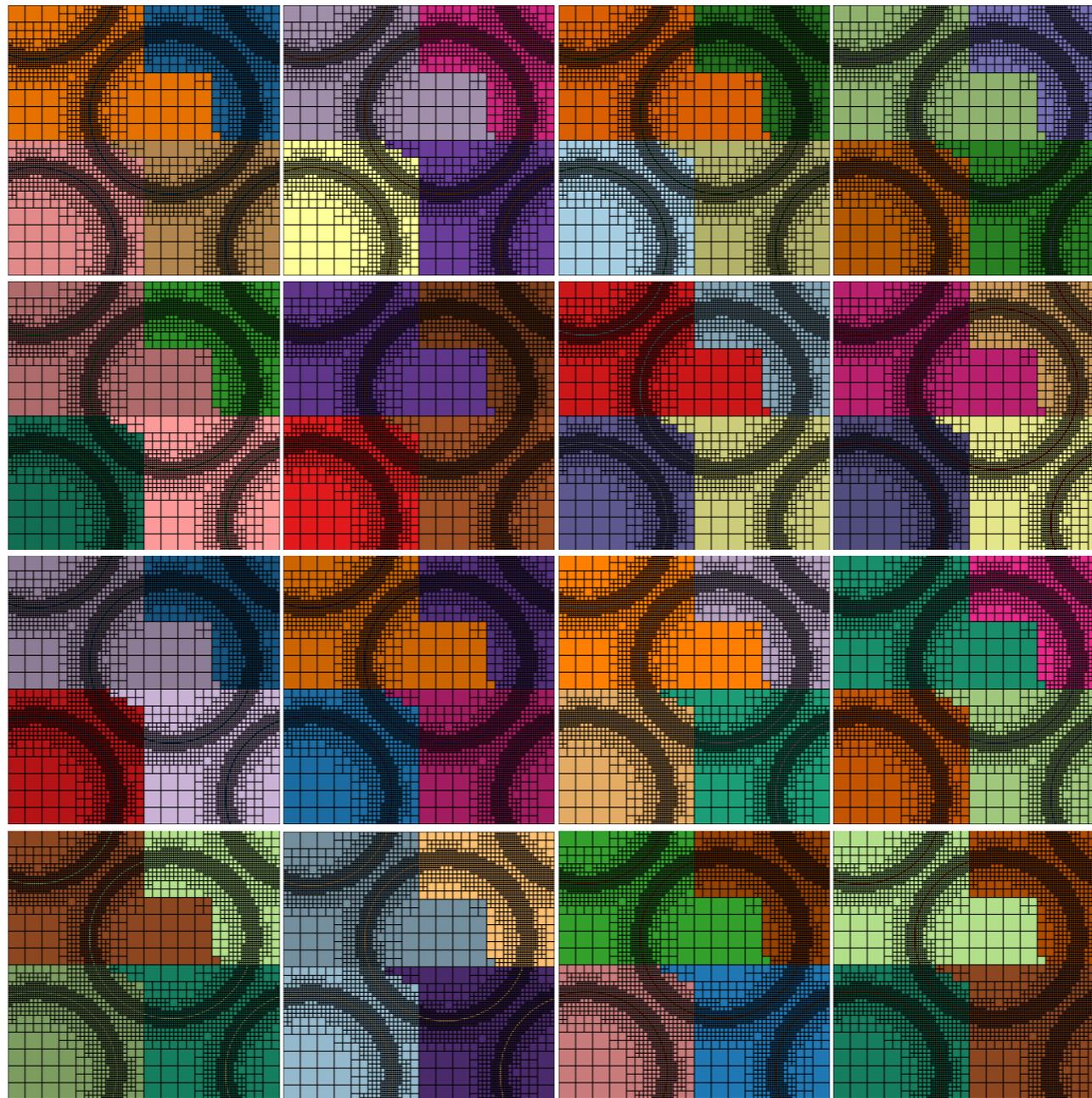


# Cost of AMR for this problem



AMR tasks/Solving problem as a function of granularity

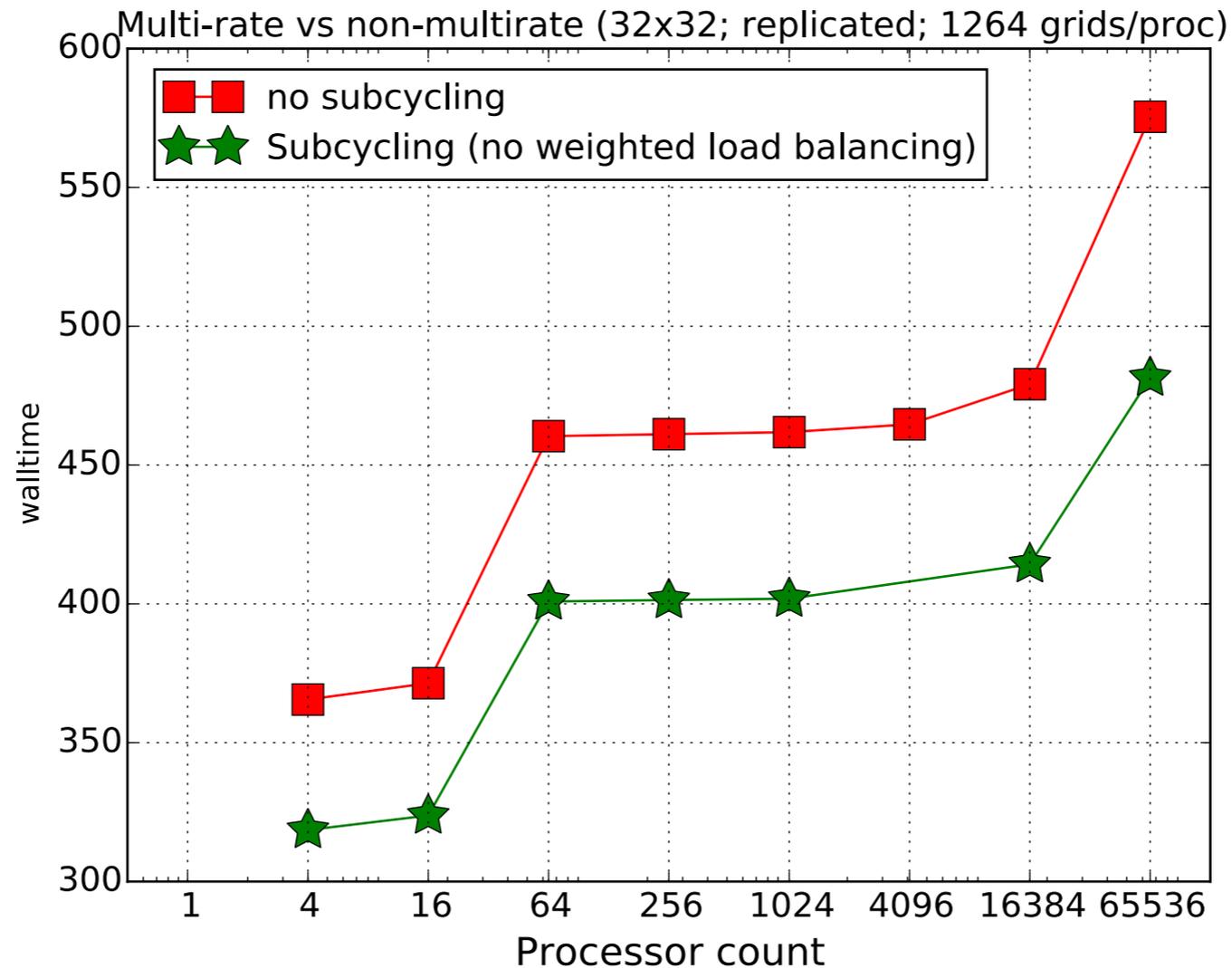
# Replicated problem



64 processes  
(four per brick)

Fixed resolution

# Walltime - 32x32 (replicated)



non-multirate

multirate

Non-multirate steps : 202,396

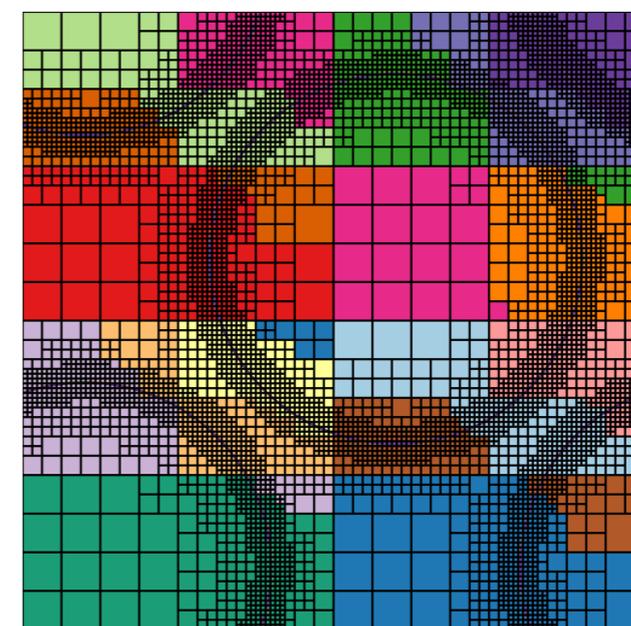
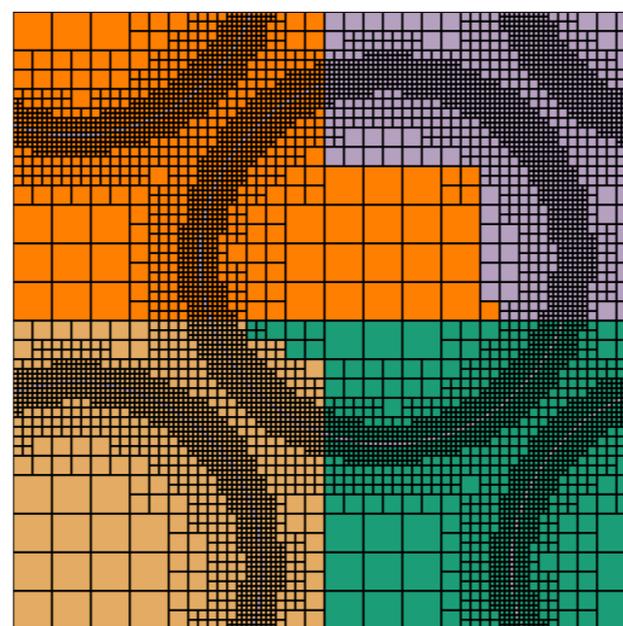
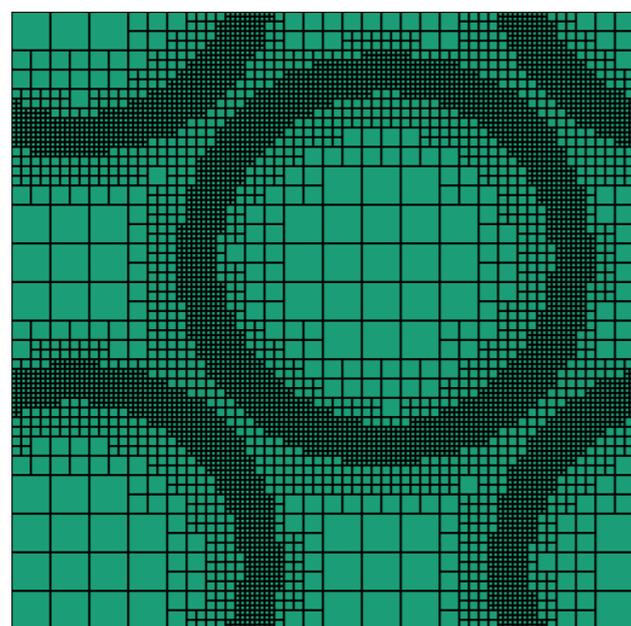
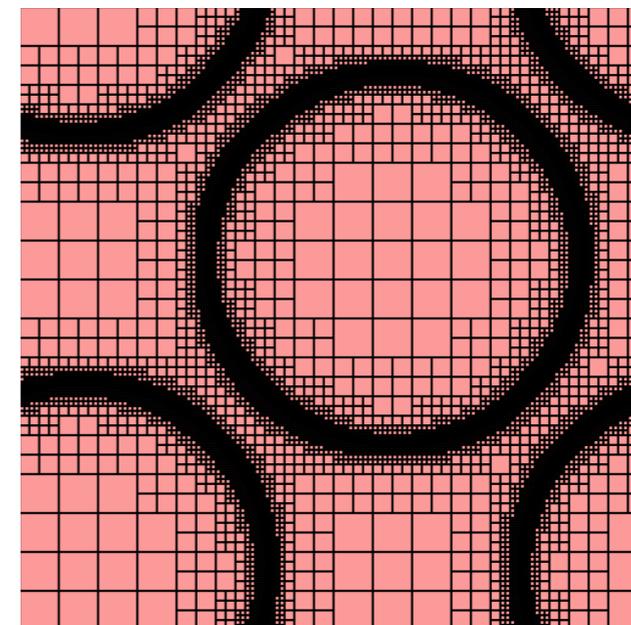
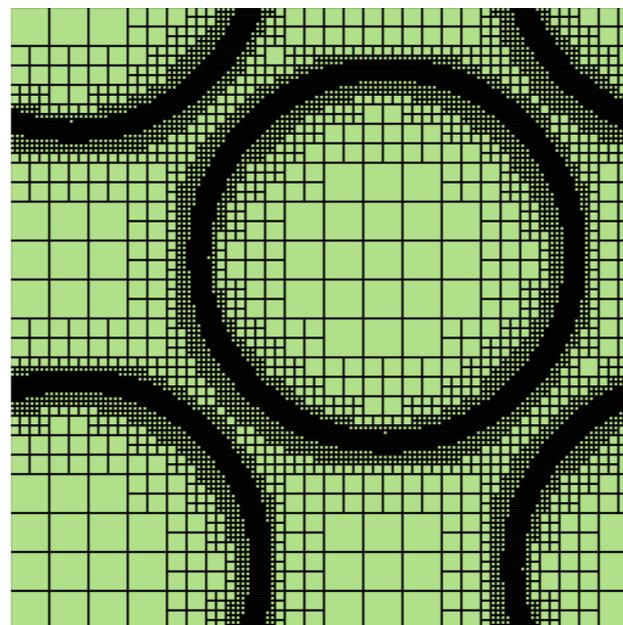
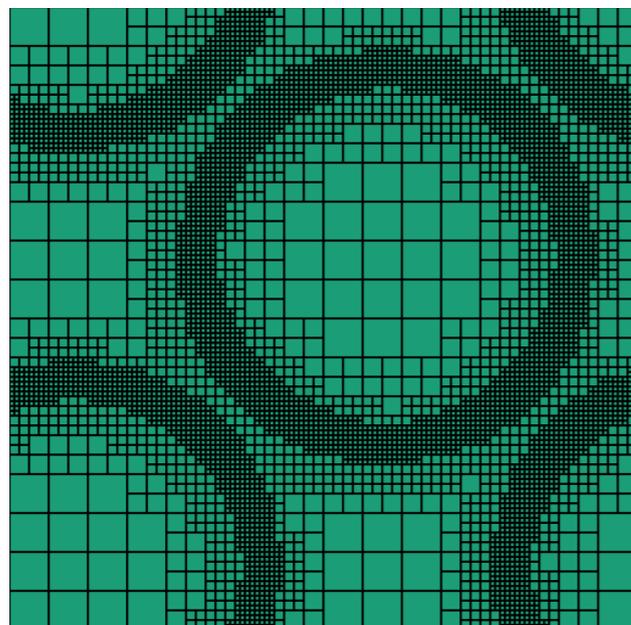
Multirate steps : 172,427

Difference : : 15%

Actual speed-up : 13%

# Single adaptive problem

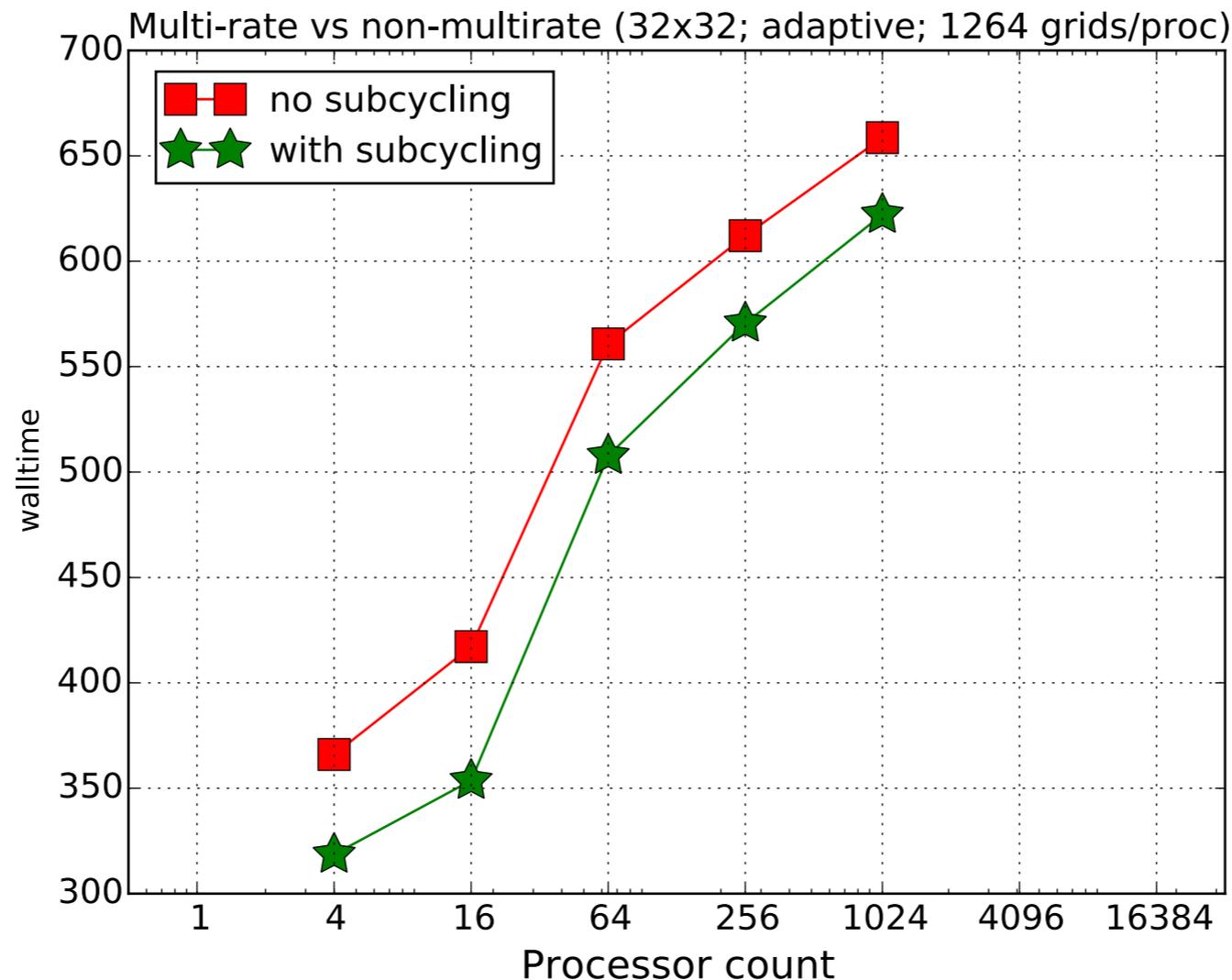
Increase the resolution →



↑ Increase the proc count ↓

# Walltime - 32x32 (single)

Cannot do better than this



94% (76%)

93% (78%)

82% (79%)

85% (81%)

87% (85%)

Wall clock time savings (%) (Advance steps savings %)

(Smaller % is better)

# Conclusions

Is multi-rate worth it?

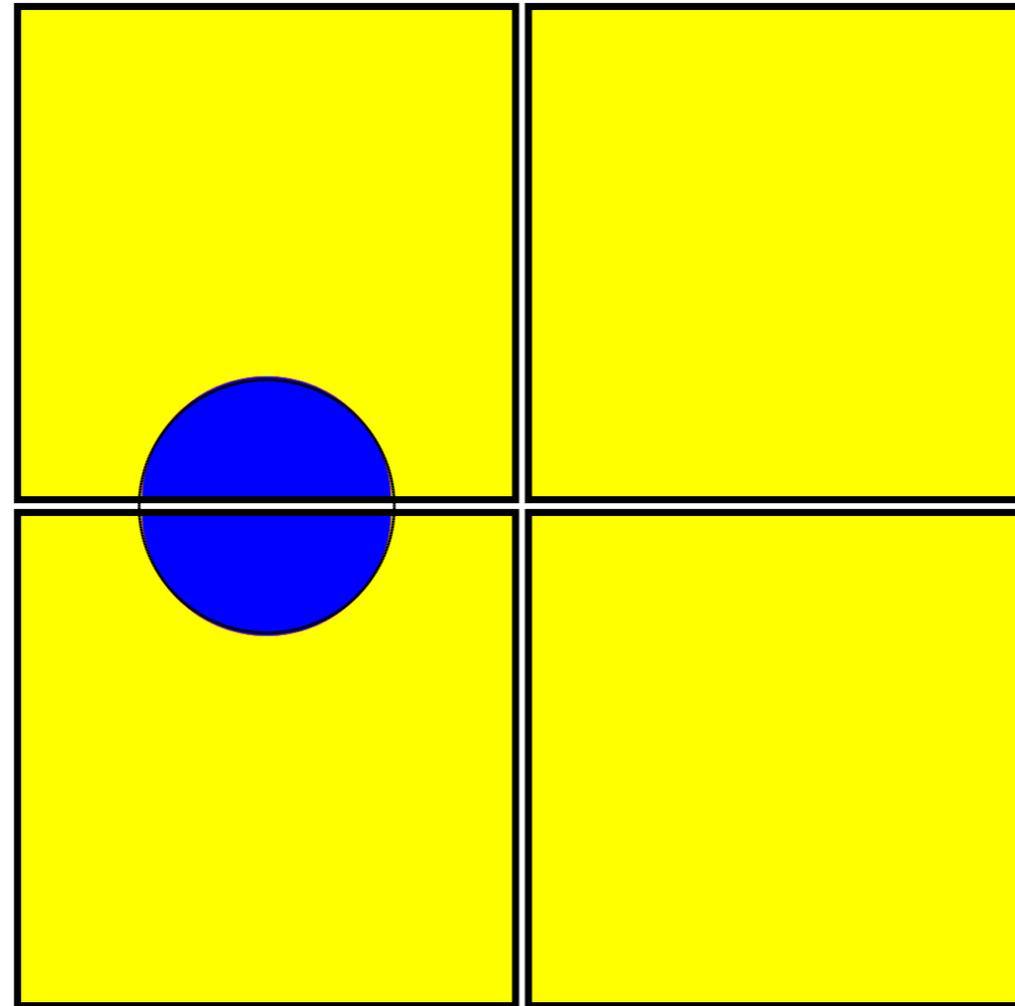
- Absolutely yes. It doesn't have to be difficult to include, and will generally be faster.
- Essential for many problems
- Savings generally depend on how much of the domain is covered in fine grids
- If spatial accuracy depends on the time step size, then multi-rate schemes should be more accurate

Caveat

- Mixed equations (hyperbolic, parabolic, elliptic) present challenge for multi-rate schemes
- Additional work may be needed to maintain conservation, accuracy at coarse/fine boundaries.

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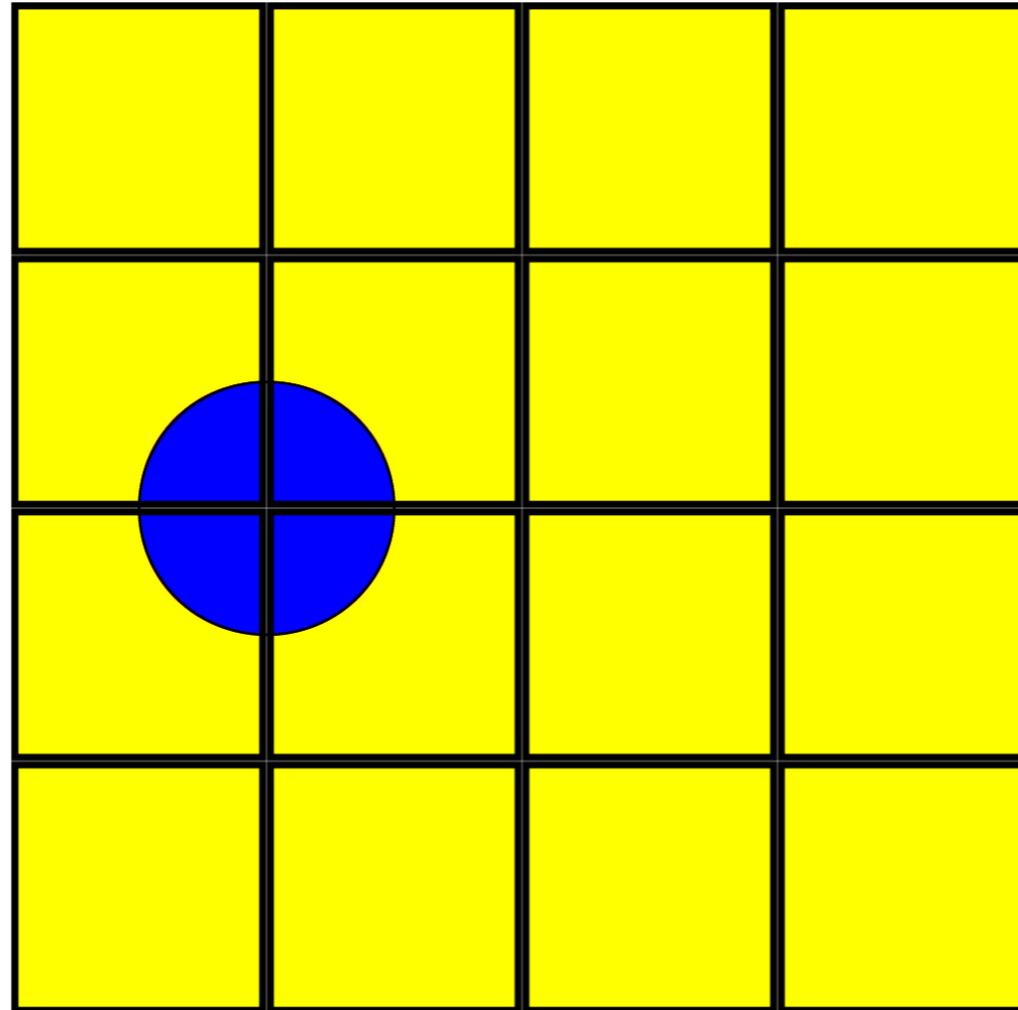
6997.1s (1.9hr)



$2 \times 2$  array of  $512 \times 512$  grids

This will improve cache performance enormously

# Subdivide the domain

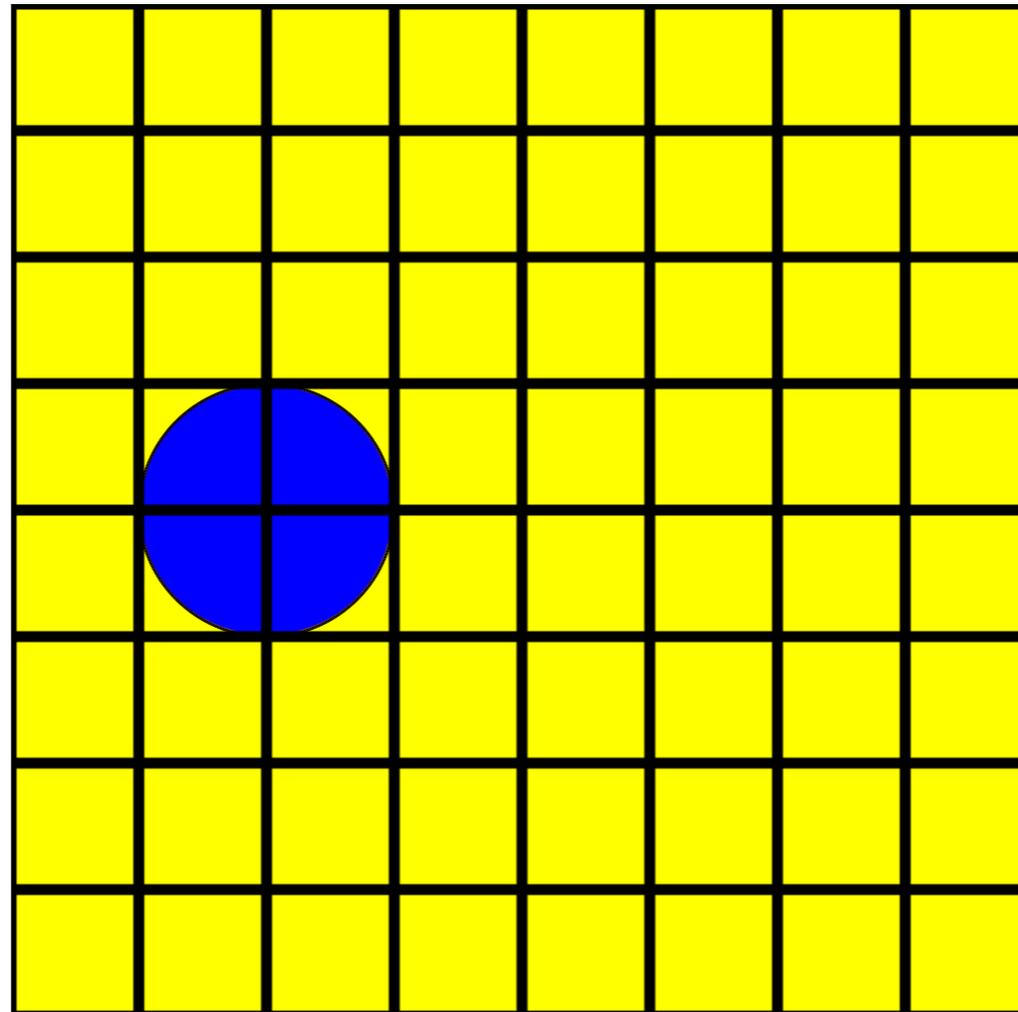


4131.7s (69min)

$4 \times 4$  array of  $256 \times 256$  grids

This will improve cache performance enormously

# Subdivide the domain



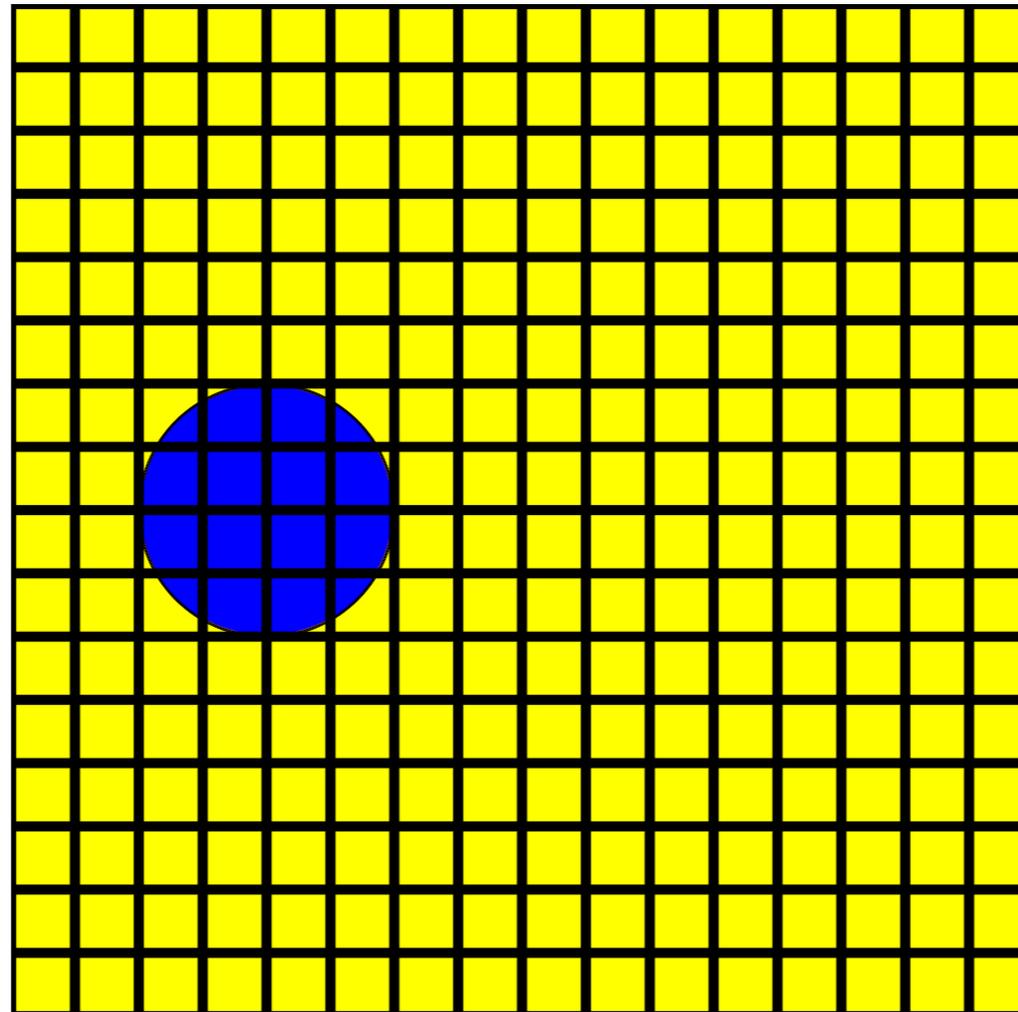
3813.7s (64min)

$8 \times 8$  array of  $128 \times 128$  grids

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# Subdivide the domain

3865.3s (64min)



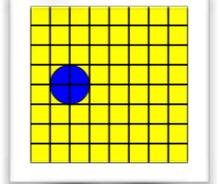
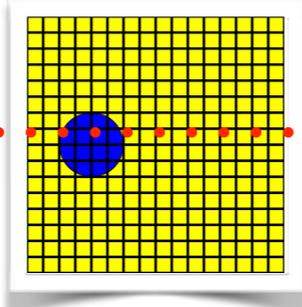
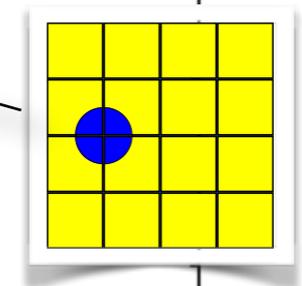
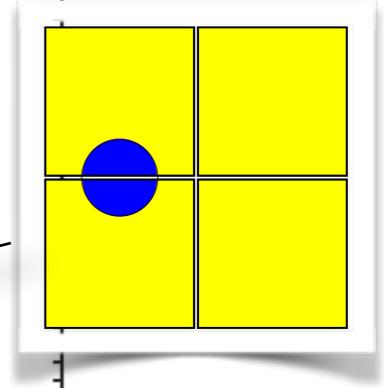
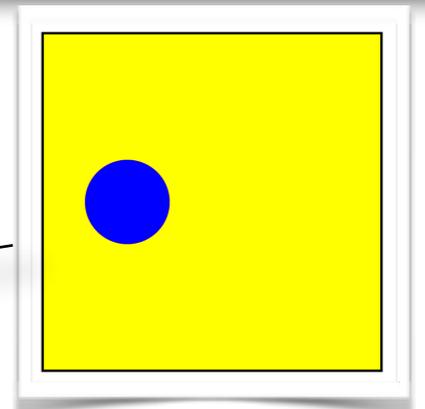
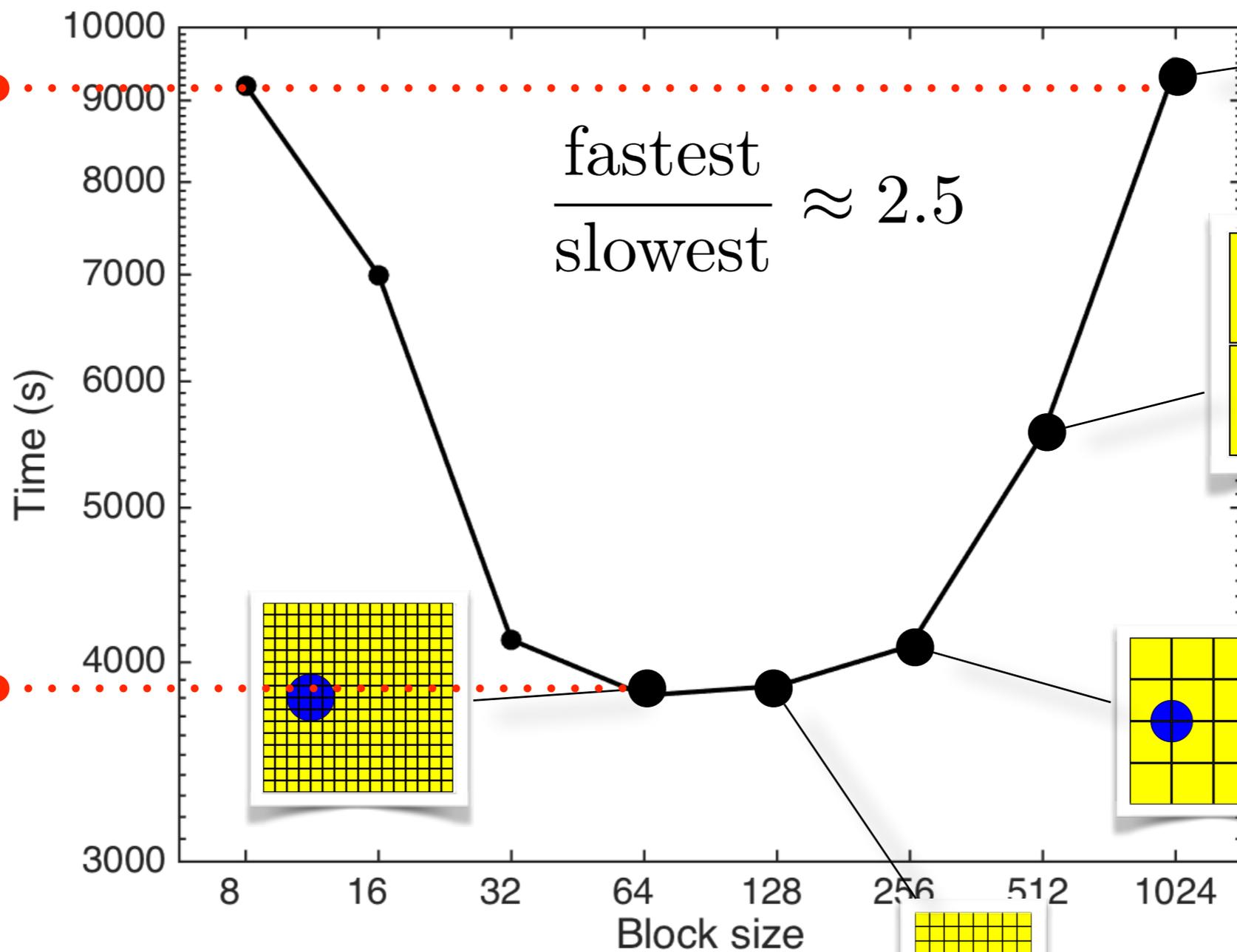
16 × 16 array of 64 × 64 grids

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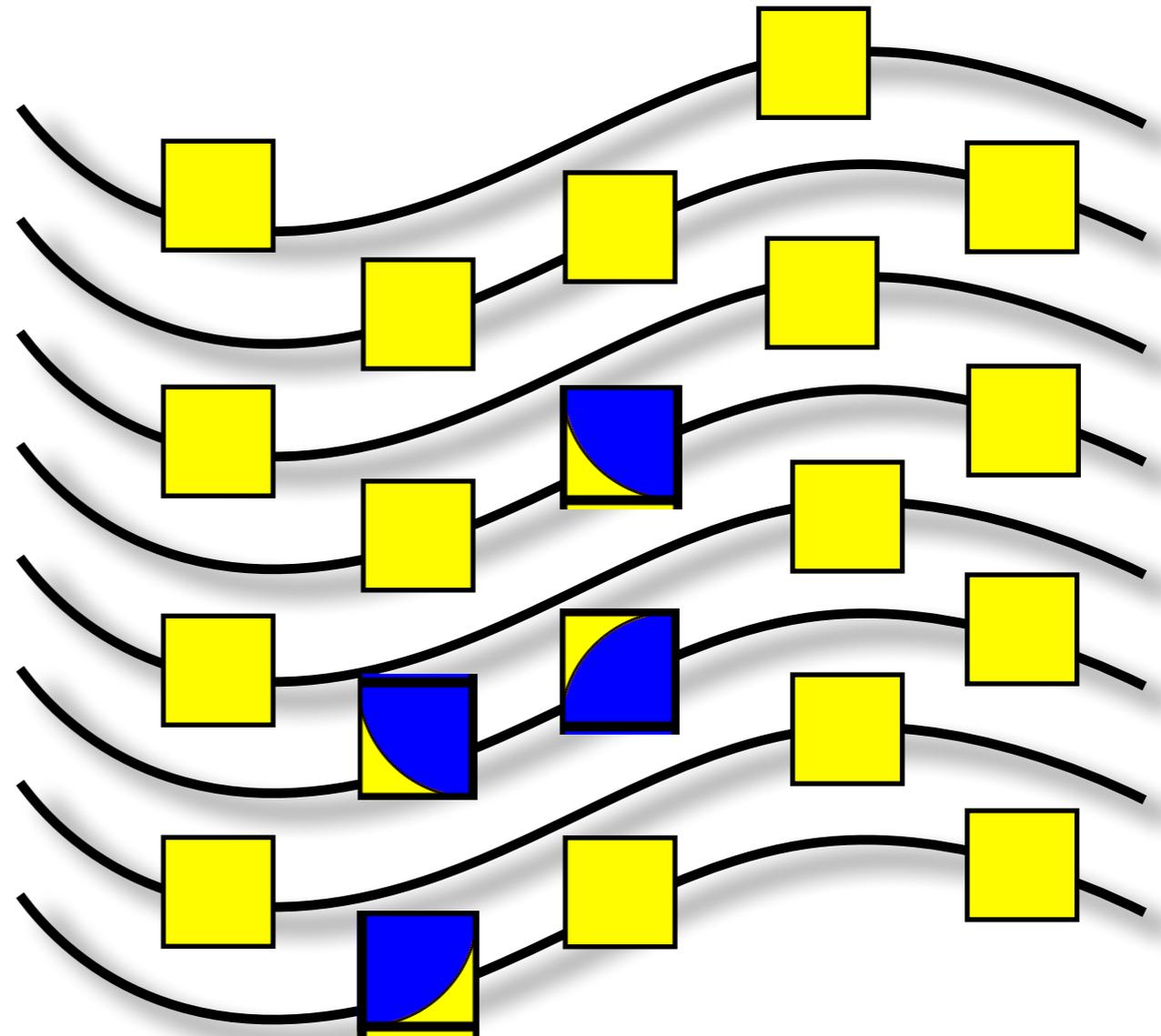
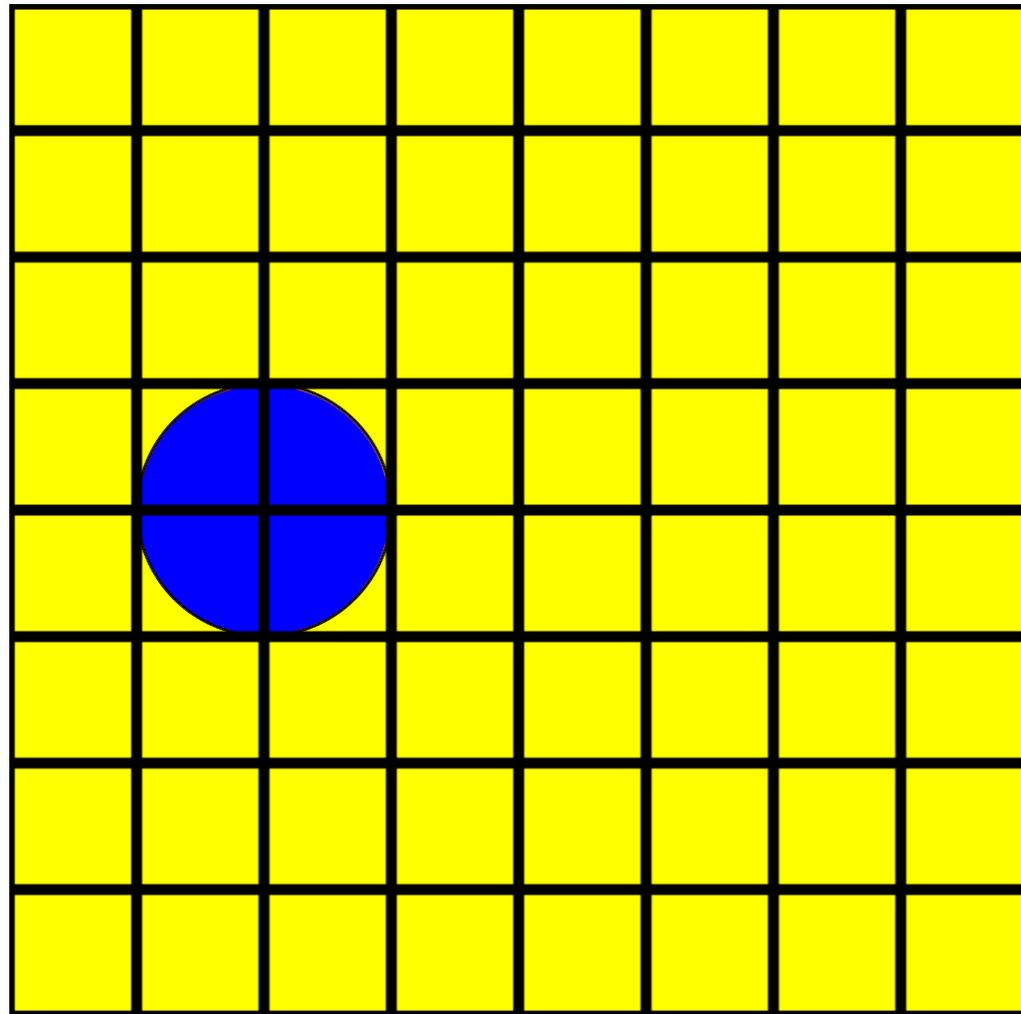
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9194.5s (1)  
(2.5 hrs)

3813.7s (2.4)  
(1.1 hrs)

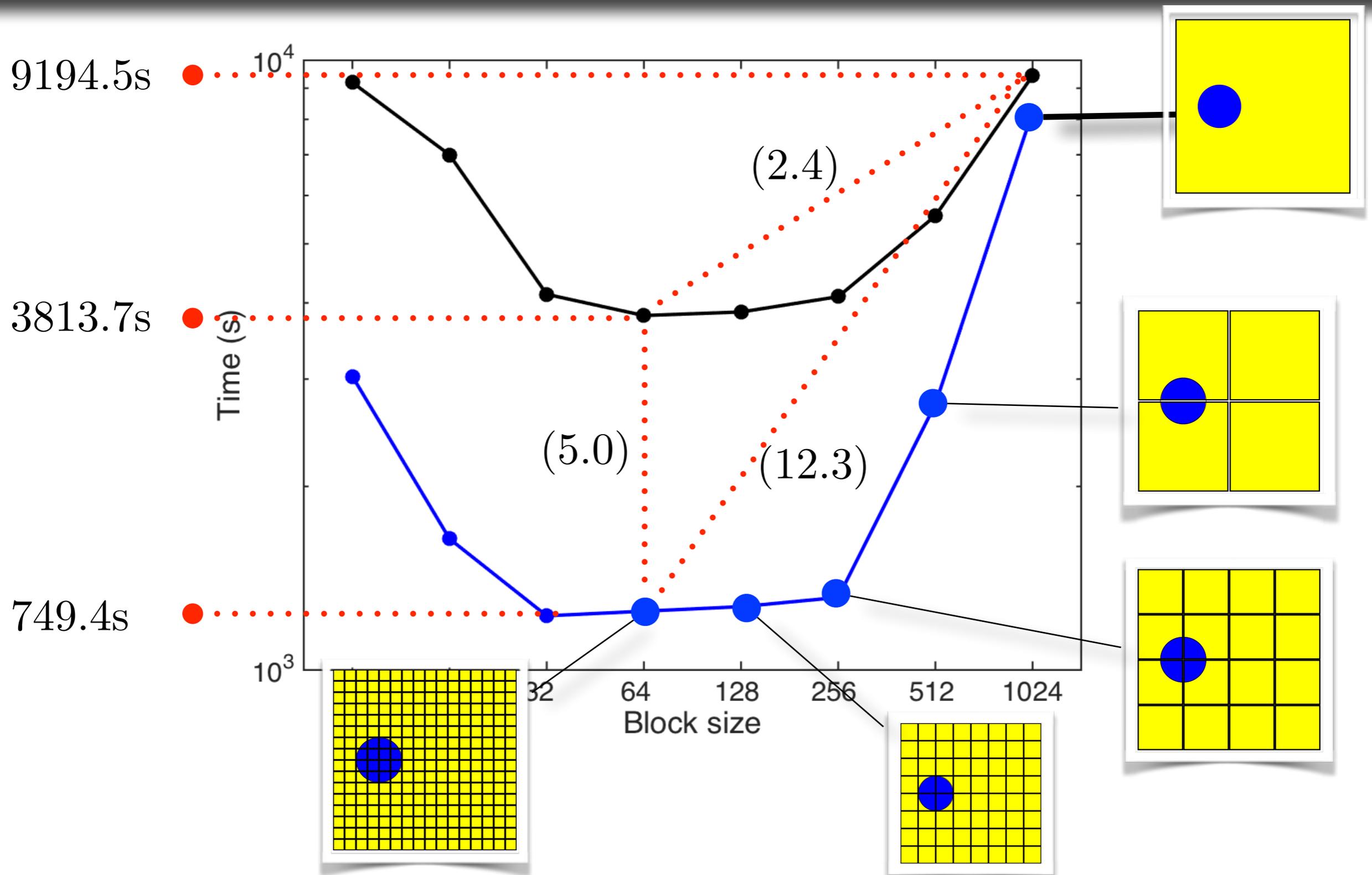


# Use multiple cores



Distribute patches to hardware threads. On a four core machine, this should lead to about a factor four speedup.

# Speed up using 4 cores (Intel i7)



# Can we improve on this?

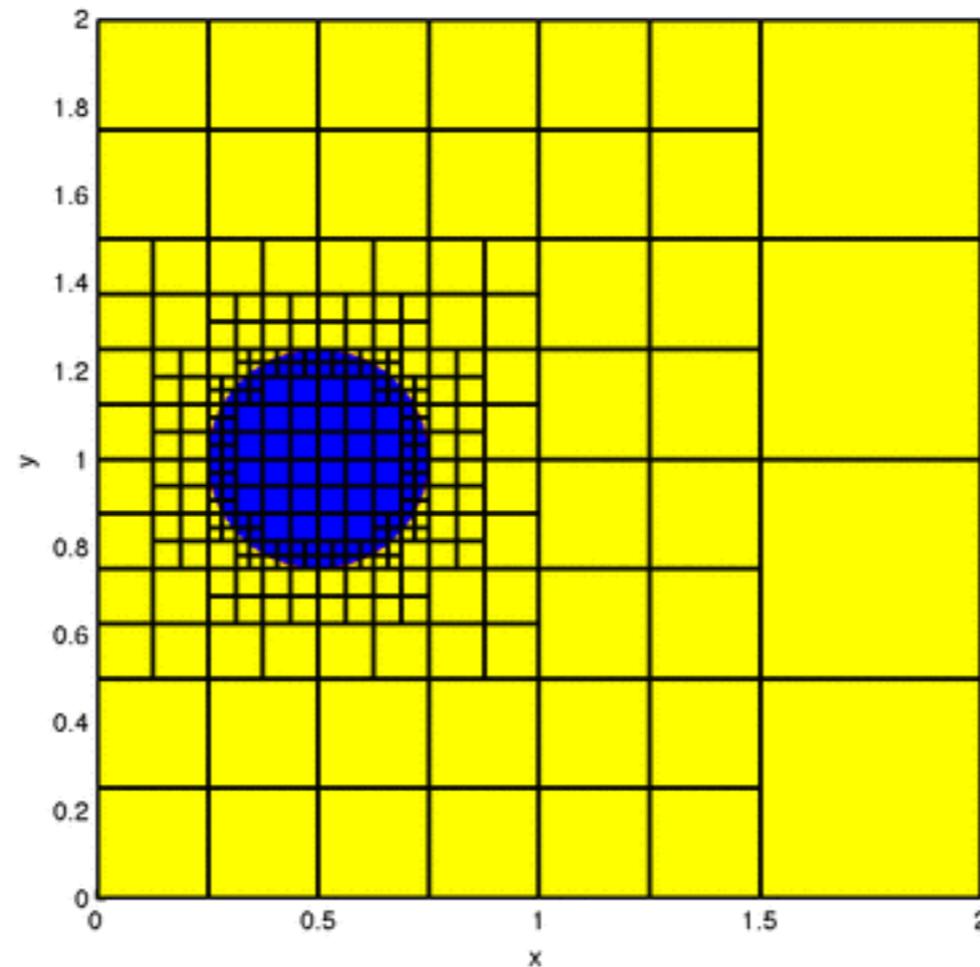
Hardware solutions : Use more computing units (cpus/ threads/cores)

- Eventually, however, the communications costs will overwhelm any gains made in subdividing the domain further
- Problems always outgrow the hardware that is available

Software solutions : Reduce the “factor 8” scaling law and put resources only where they are needed.

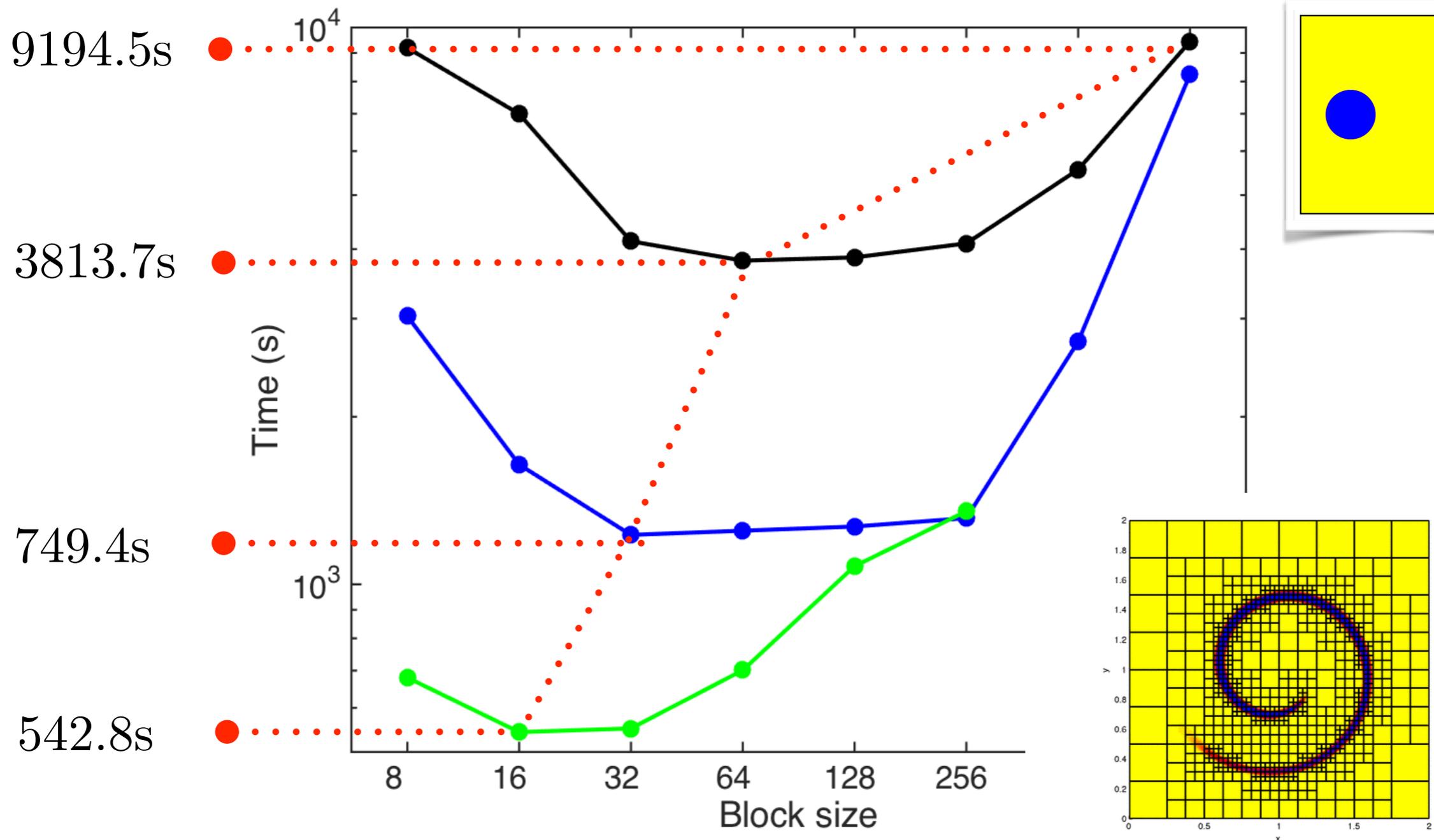
- This is much more difficult than just adding more computing units
- Should complement hardware advances

# AMR simulation



Effective 512 x 512 resolution (116s vs. 917s)

# With adaptive mesh refinement



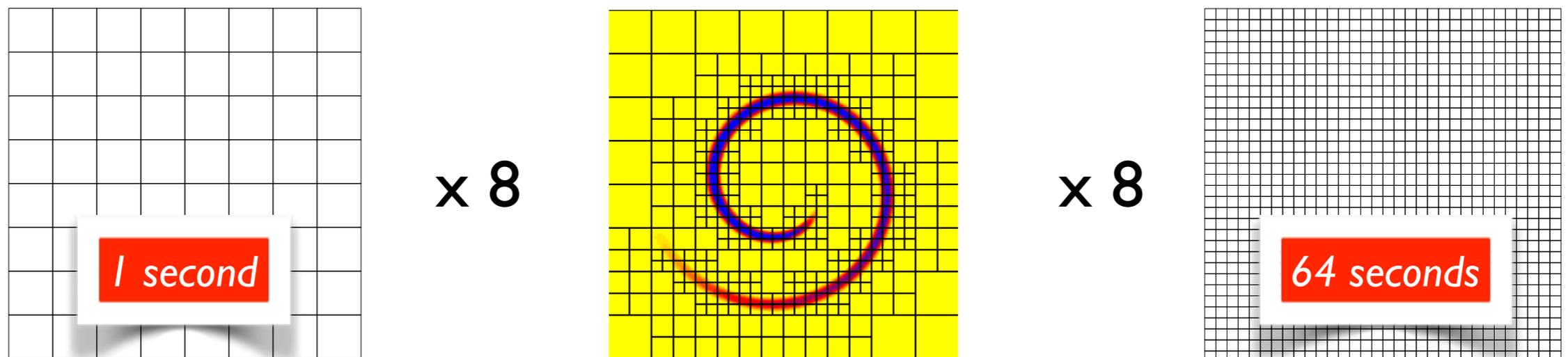
Almost a factor of 15 improvement !

# One more tweak ...

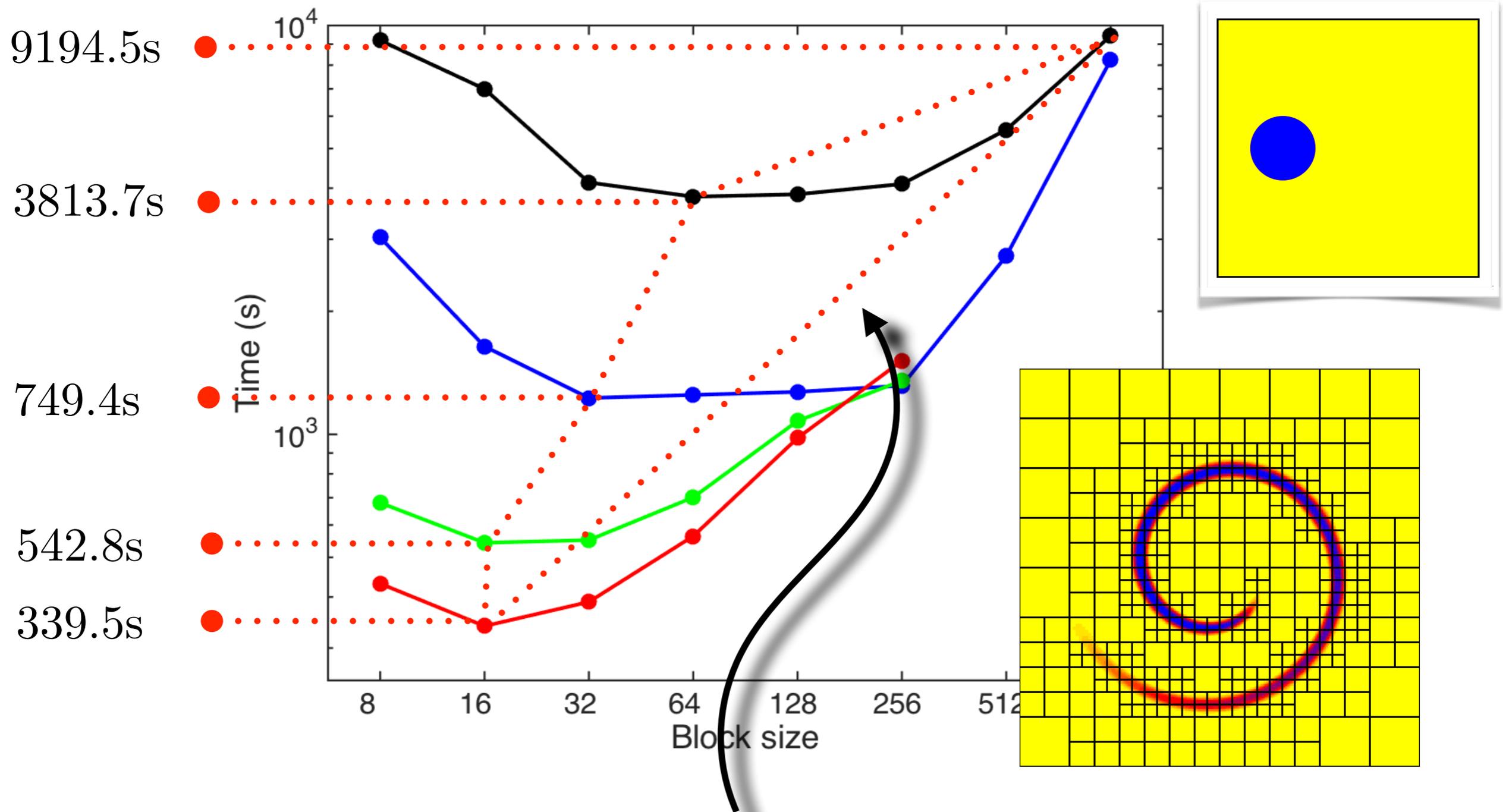
In two dimensions, if we double the resolution, we increase the computational cost by a factor of 8

(Number of grid cells increases by a factor of 4) ×  
(Number of time steps increase by a factor 2) =  
(8-fold increase in computational expense)

The CFL condition constrains the size time step we can take on a grid. For stability, smaller grid cells need smaller time steps.



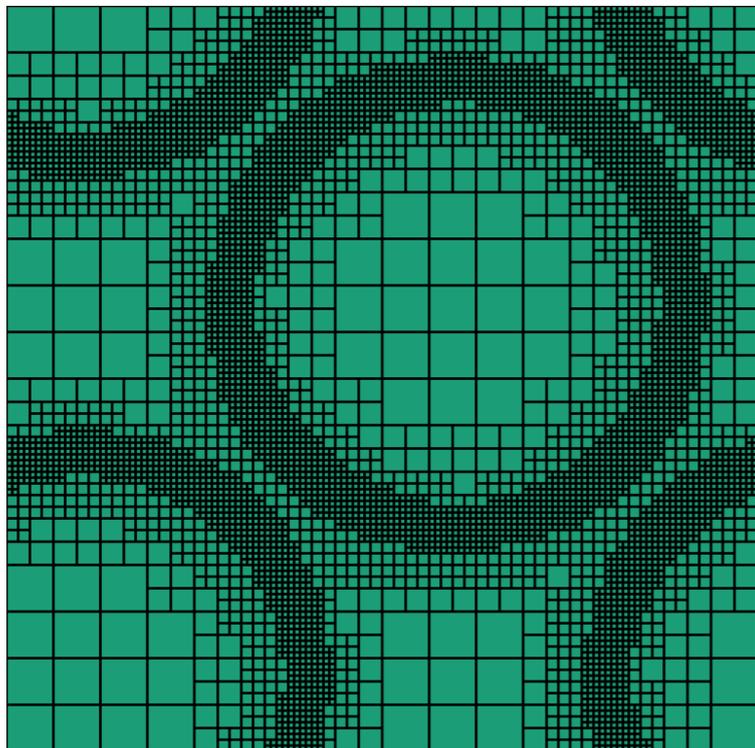
# Multi-rate time stepping



Almost a factor of 30 improvement !

# Scaling of single adaptive problem

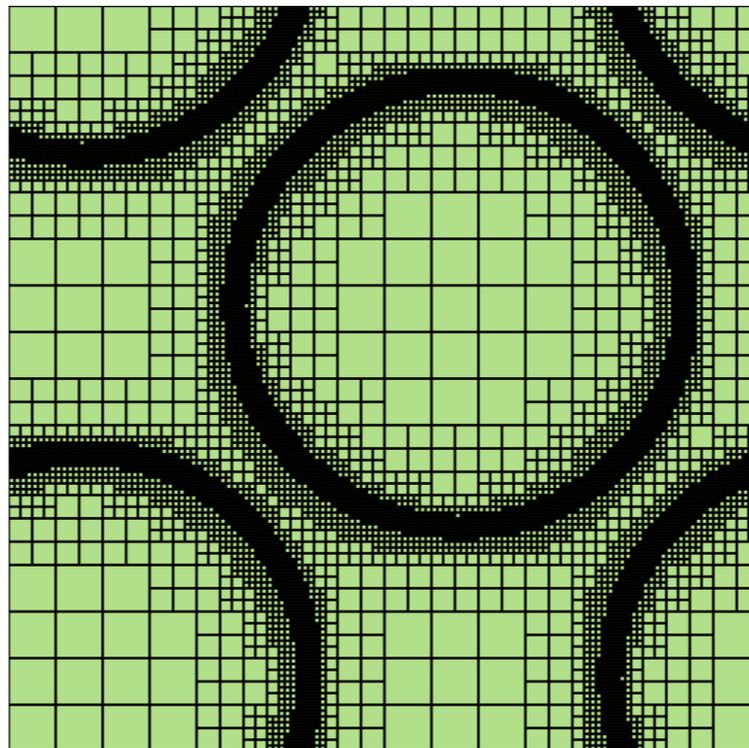
Levels 4-7



level 4 grids

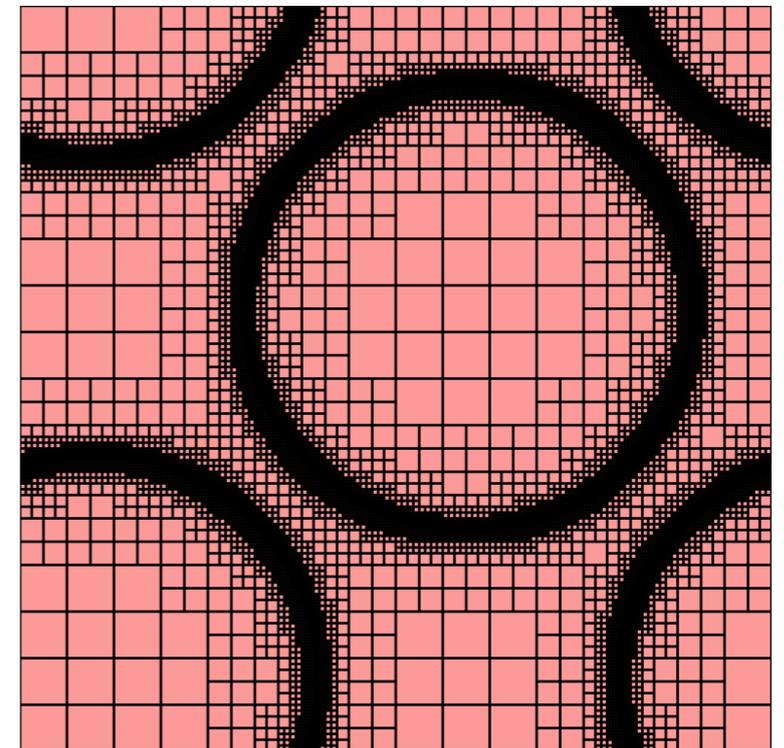
level 7 grids

Levels 4-8



level 8 grids

Levels 4-9



level 9 grids

Mimic scaling of uniform problem : Increase resolution and processor count simultaneously.

# Adaptive scaling

Keep minimum level fixed;  
Increase maximum refinement level

Strong scaling



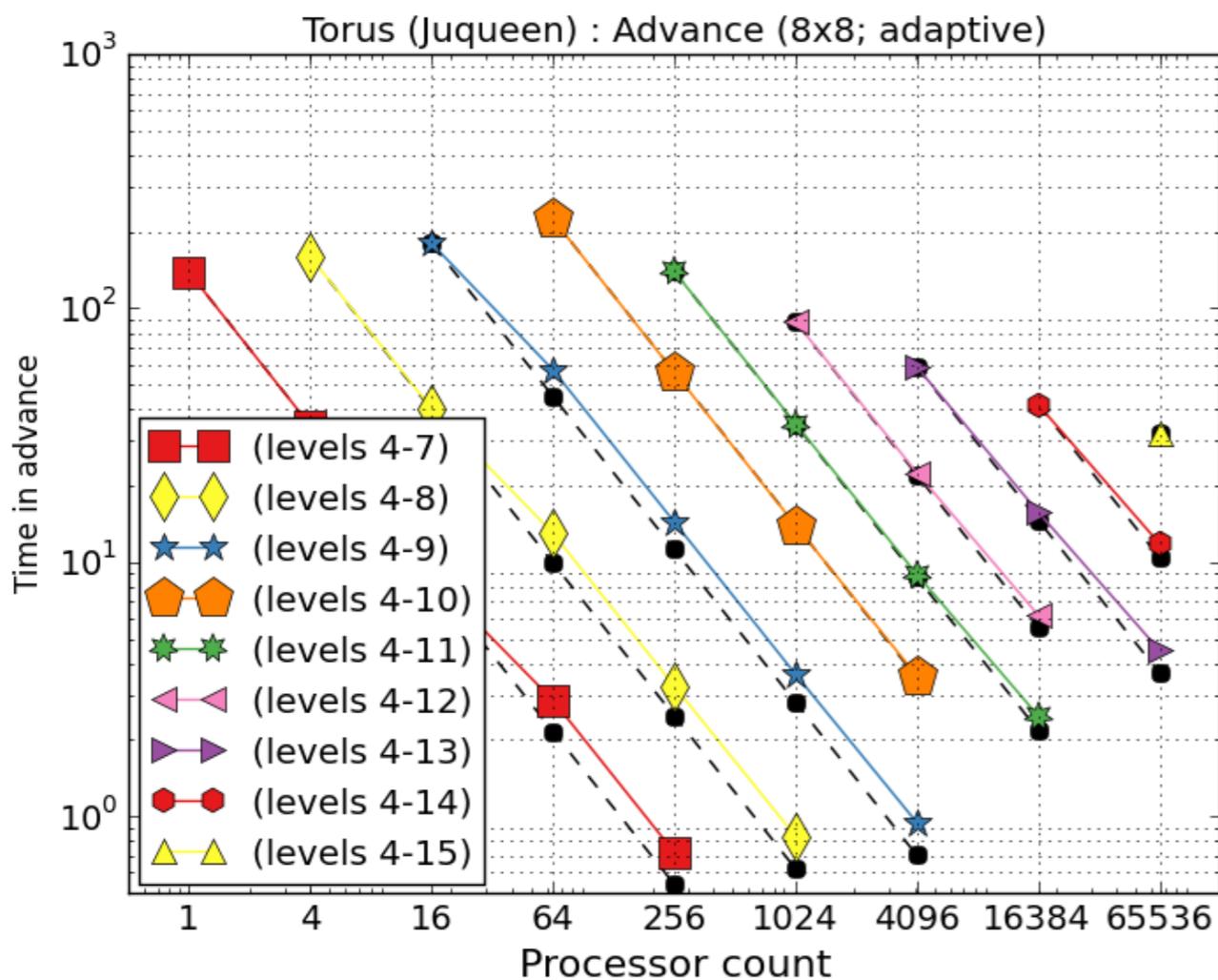
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16	316	719	1579	---	---	---	---	---	---
64	79	179	394	764	---	---	---	---	---
256	19	44	98	191	239	---	---	---	---
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Weak scaling

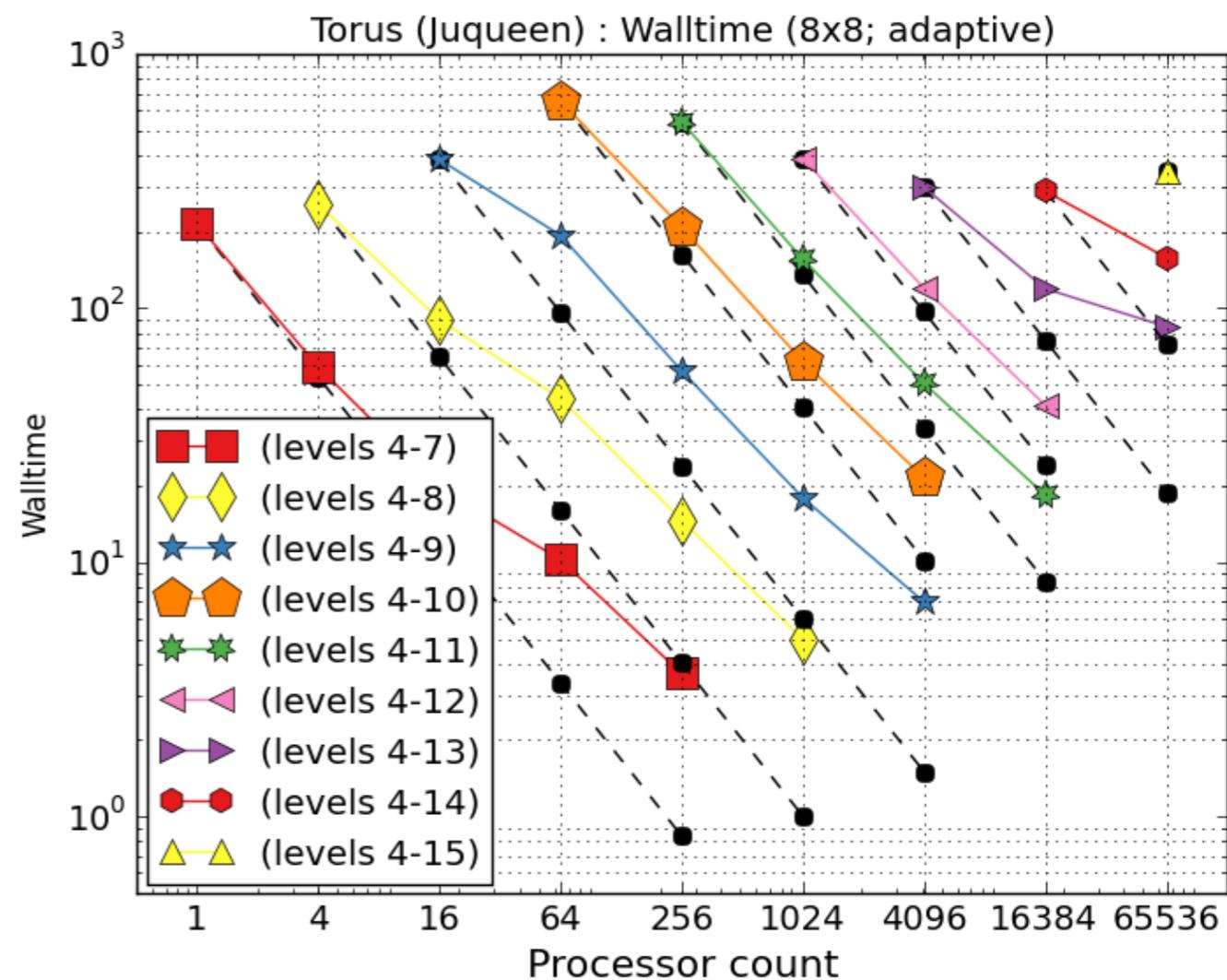
- Fixed number of coarse grid time steps; final time depends on grid size.
- Strong scaling results similar to those for replicated problem.

# Strong scaling - adaptive - 8x8

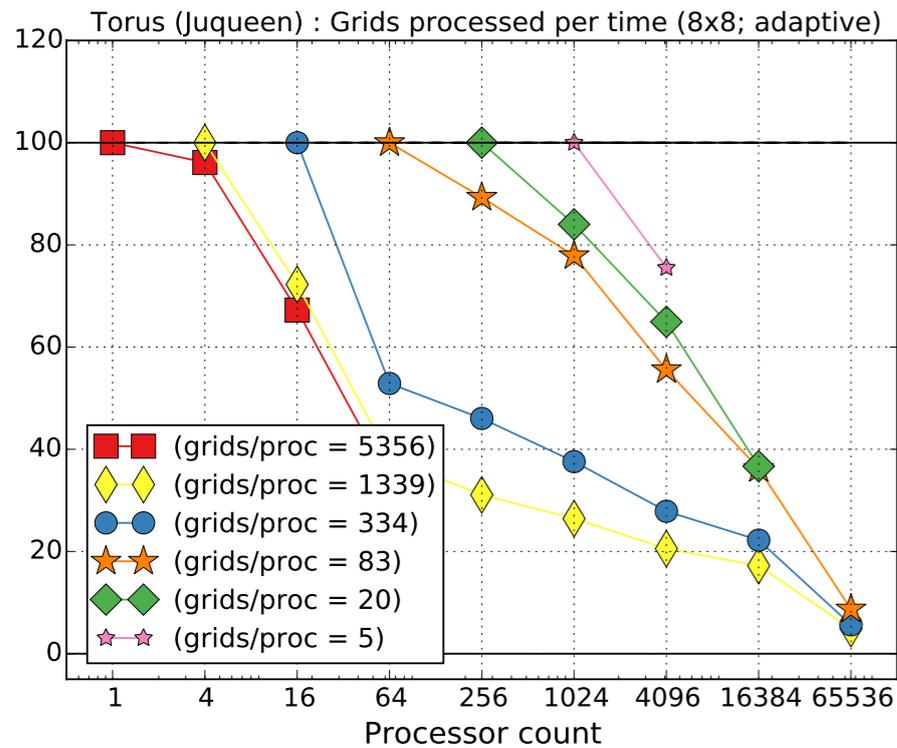
## Time in advance



## Total walltime

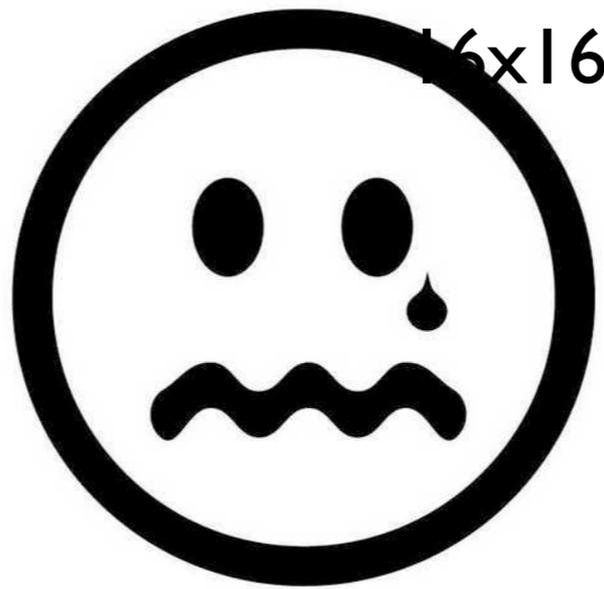
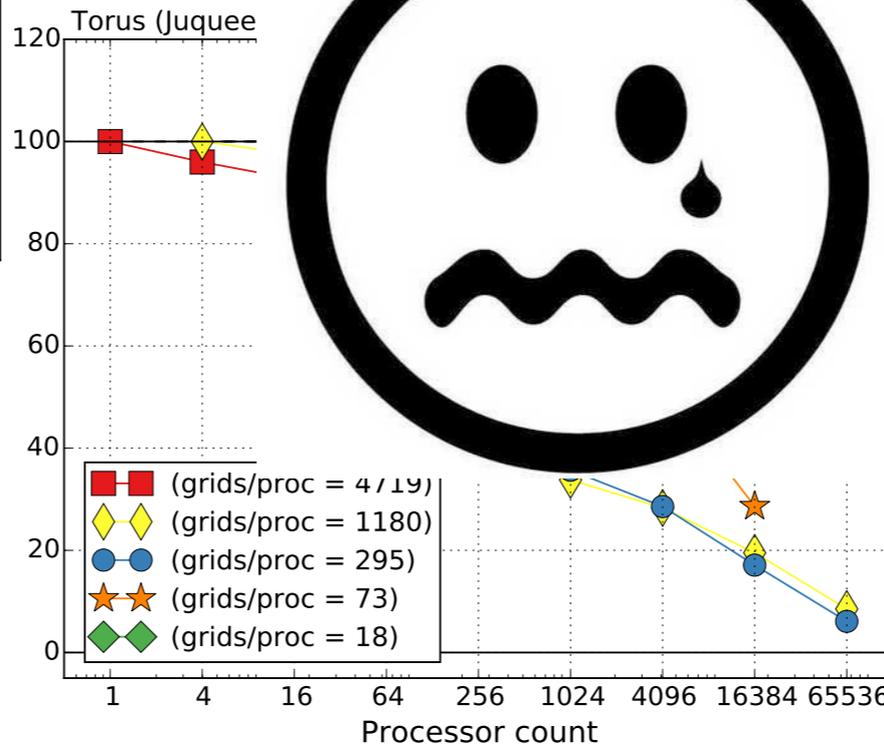


# Weak scaling - adaptive

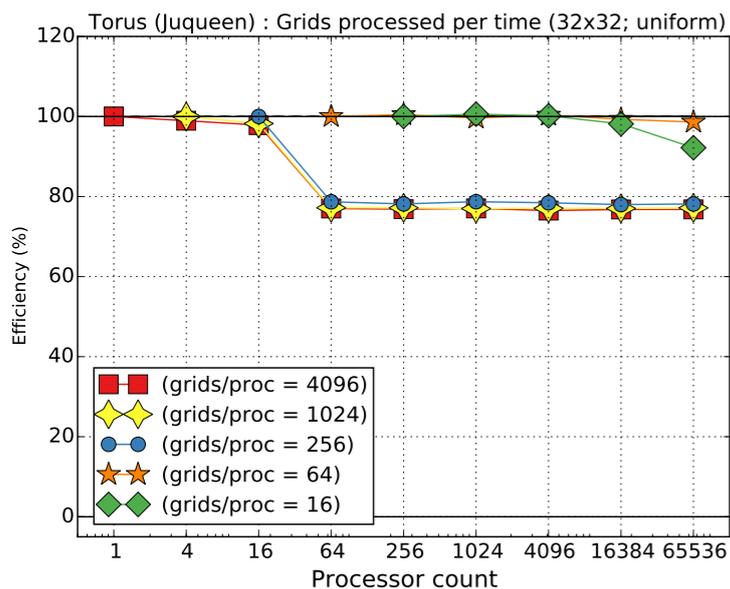


8x8

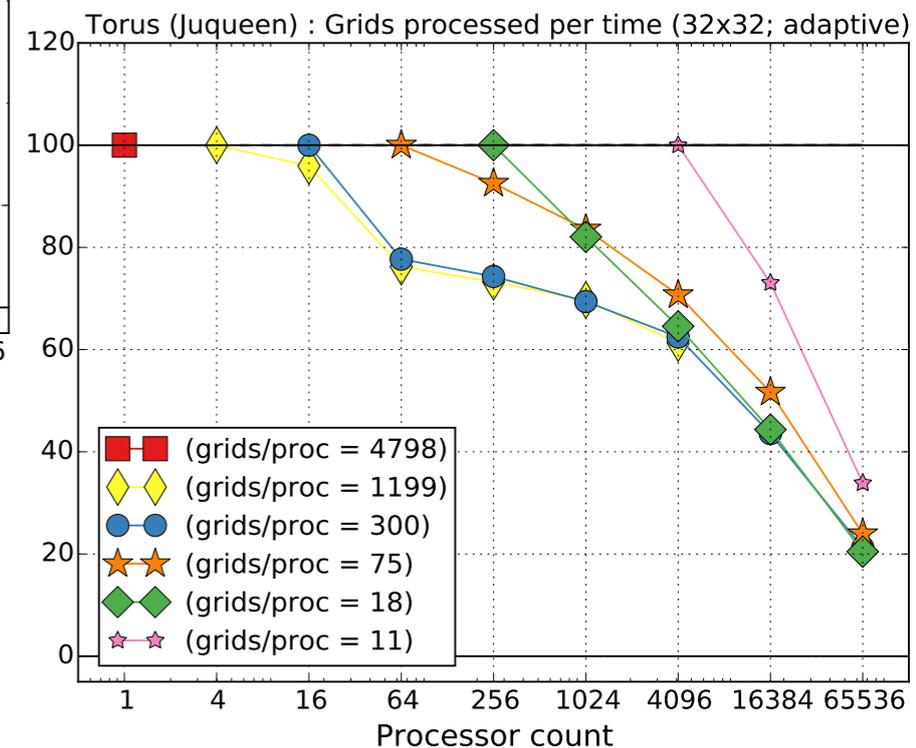
Adaptive (non-replicated) results



32x32



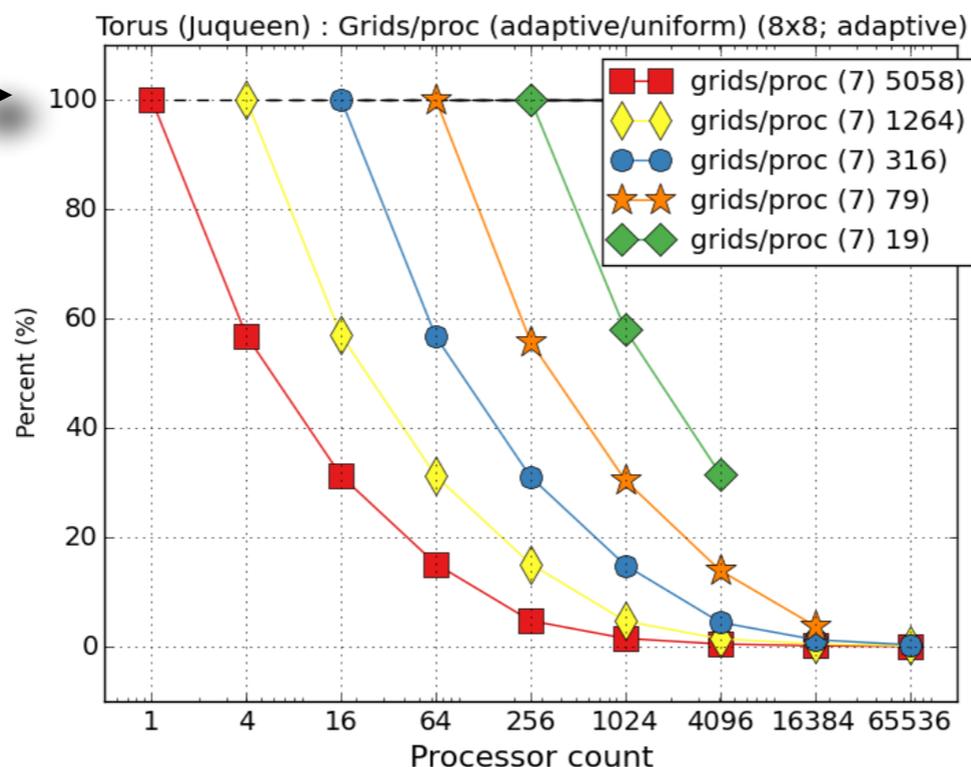
Uniform results



# Weak scaling results

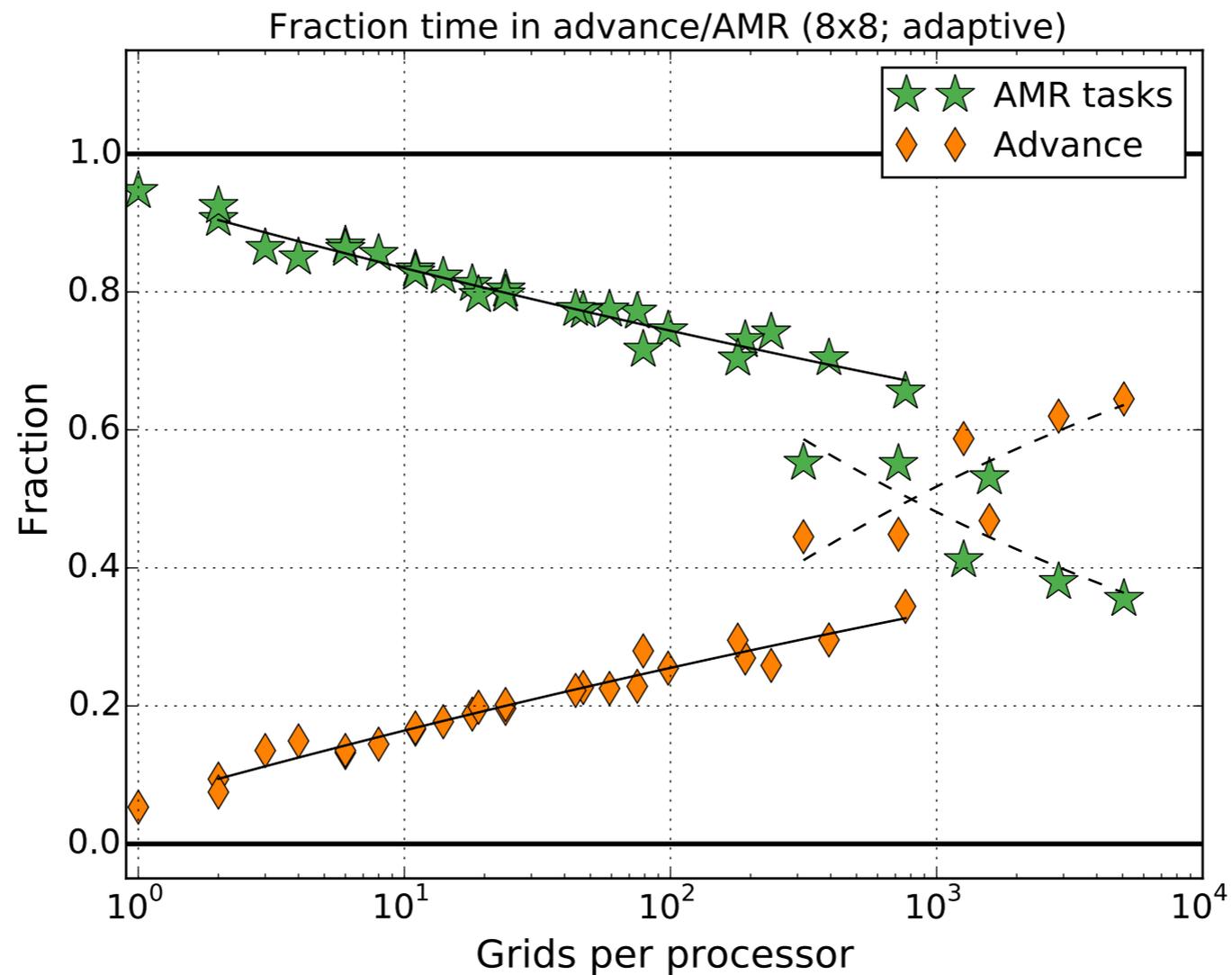
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4	1264	<b>2876</b>	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
16	316	719	<b>1579</b>	---	---	---	---	---	---
64	79	179	394	<b>764</b>	---	---	---	---	---
256	19	44	98	191	<b>239</b>	---	---	---	---
1024	---	11	24	47	59	<b>75</b>	---	---	---
4096	---	---	6	11	14	18	<b>24</b>	---	---
16384	---	---	---	---	3	4	6	<b>8</b>	---
65536	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	2	<b>2</b>

Uniform/replicated scaling →



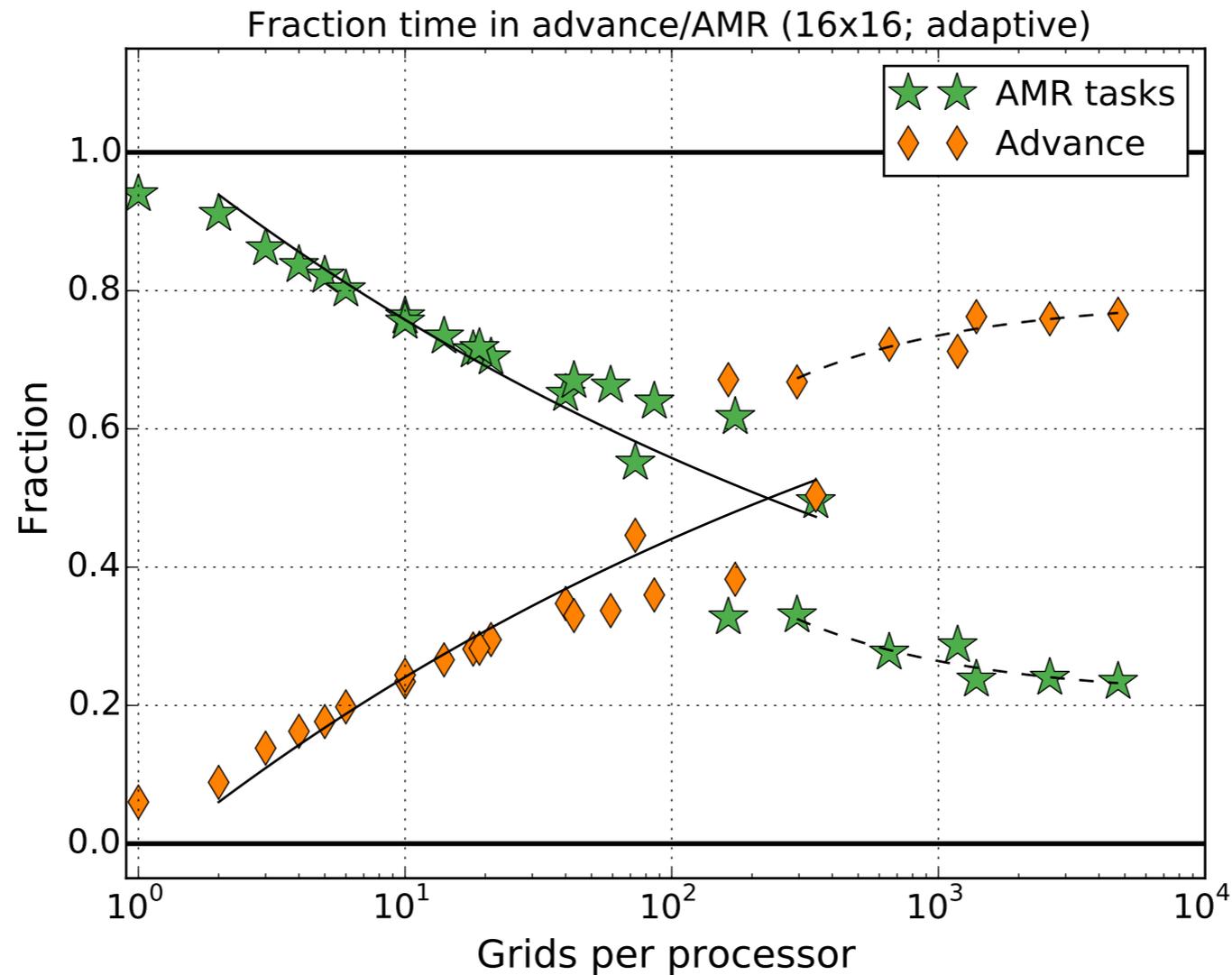
Grids per processor, as percent of grids on processor on original problem.

# Adaptive scaling - 8x8



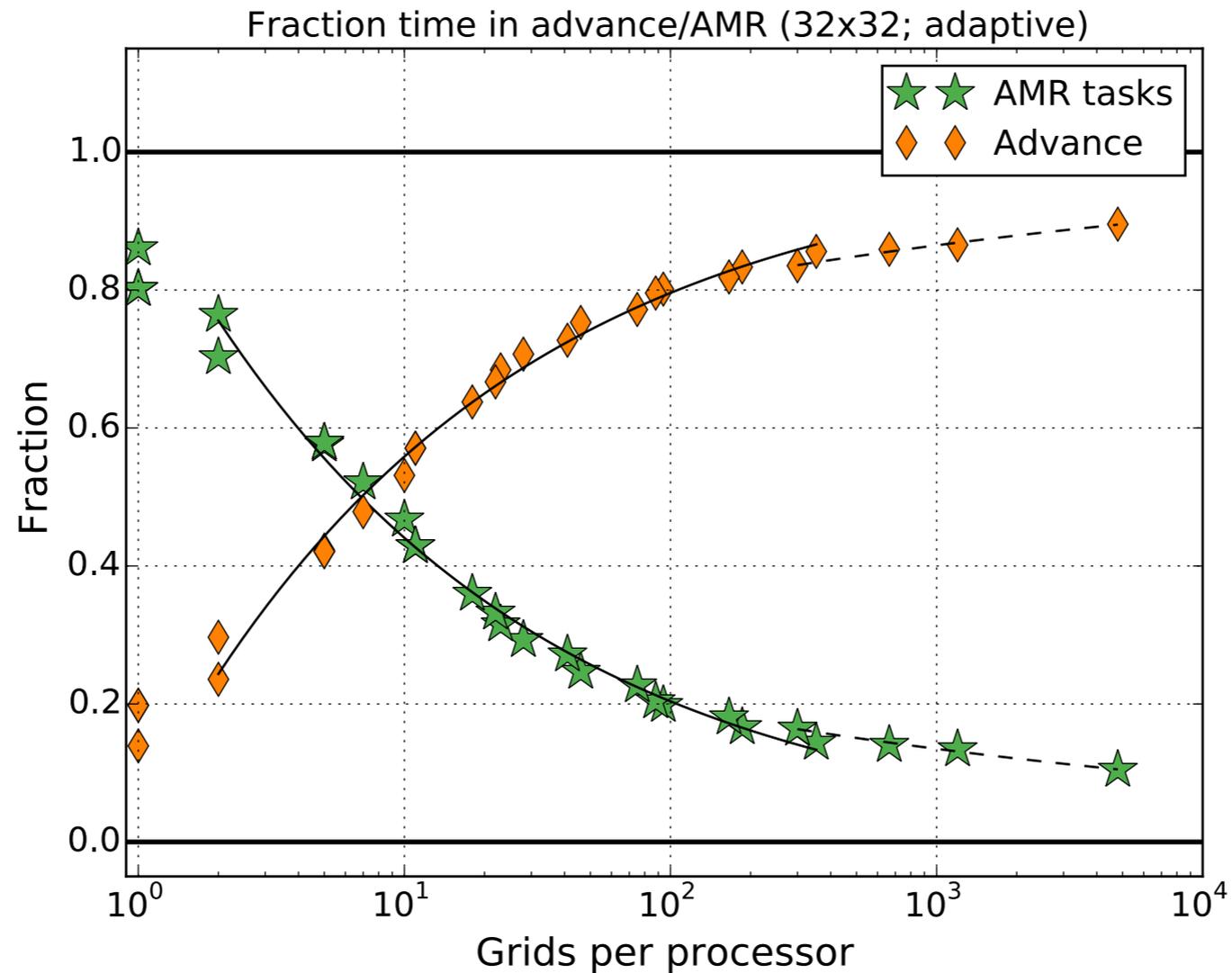
Plot timing results as function of granularity

# Adaptive scaling - 16x16



Plot timing results as function of granularity

# Adaptive scaling - 32x32



Plot timing results as function of granularity

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Is AMR really worth it?

# Skepticism about AMR

Still, there remains skepticism about how effective adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) can be

- Coarse/fine boundaries with abrupt resolution changes are regarded with suspicion,
- Lack of good refinement criteria dampens enthusiasm for trying out AMR,
- Not obvious how to extend sophisticated numerical algorithms and applications to the adaptive setting,

When AMR *is* used,

- Multi-rate time stepping is not always used,
- The goals are often modest :“Do no harm!”
- Grids are often only static; not dynamically refined.

# Why are AMR codes difficult to write and use?

- Heterogeneous data structures associated with storing hierarchy of grids,
- Dynamically creating and destroying grids :
- Need a “factory” paradigm to create new grids and any auxiliary data arrays (material properties, metric terms, bathymetry, etc) that go with each new grid,
- Parallel load balancing
- Coupling of multiple solvers (e.g. advection + diffusion + elliptic solvers + source terms),
- Multi-physics,
- Data visualization and post-processing
- Computing diagnostics on a nested grid hierarchy,
- Error estimation, tuning for efficient use of grids, ...

# What makes AMR codes difficult to use?

- Time stepping beyond just single step explicit schemes (IMEX, SSP, RK, ...)
- Understanding how overall time stepping interacts with dynamic grid creation, destruction and management.
- Implicit solvers,
- Coupling of multiple solvers (e.g. advection + diffusion + elliptic solvers + source terms),
- Multi-physics,
- Data visualization and post-processing
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# Scientific Software Development

# Thanks!

Hardhat required!



25 years ago, code development began

\*The Big Bang Theory

## Scientific Software Development ...

# Existing AMR Codes

# What if you have ideas about

- Multi-stage, multi-step, IMEX, SSP, parallel-in-time, exponential integrators, and other time stepping schemes in an adaptive setting,
- Accuracy of multi-rate schemes for PDEs with mixed elliptic/parabolic/hyperbolic terms.
- Elliptic and parabolic solvers (iterative? direct? Explicit? Fast multipole?)
- Parallelism in the AMR setting?
- Error estimation
- Higher order accuracy
- Complex physics

*Should you write yet-another-AMR code?*

# What they might be thinking...

We'll just refine the grid everywhere

My grant doesn't pay for software development

I know somebody who tried it (in 1992) and it didn't  
work

It year(s) of effort it will take won't pay off

Or...

*They've actually tried it...*

# Block-structured AMR codes

- General purpose (freely available) block-structured codes
  - **PARAMESH** (NASA/Goddard)
  - **SAMRAI** (Lawrence Livermore National Lab)
  - **BoxLib** (Lawrence Berkeley Lab)
  - **Chombo** (Lawrence Berkeley Lab)
  - **AMRClaw** (University of Washington/NYU)
- All are large frameworks, with many developers
- Mostly C++ and Fortran libraries (no GUIs) that started life as research codes.

*See my website for a list of many more application specific codes*

# AMR Software

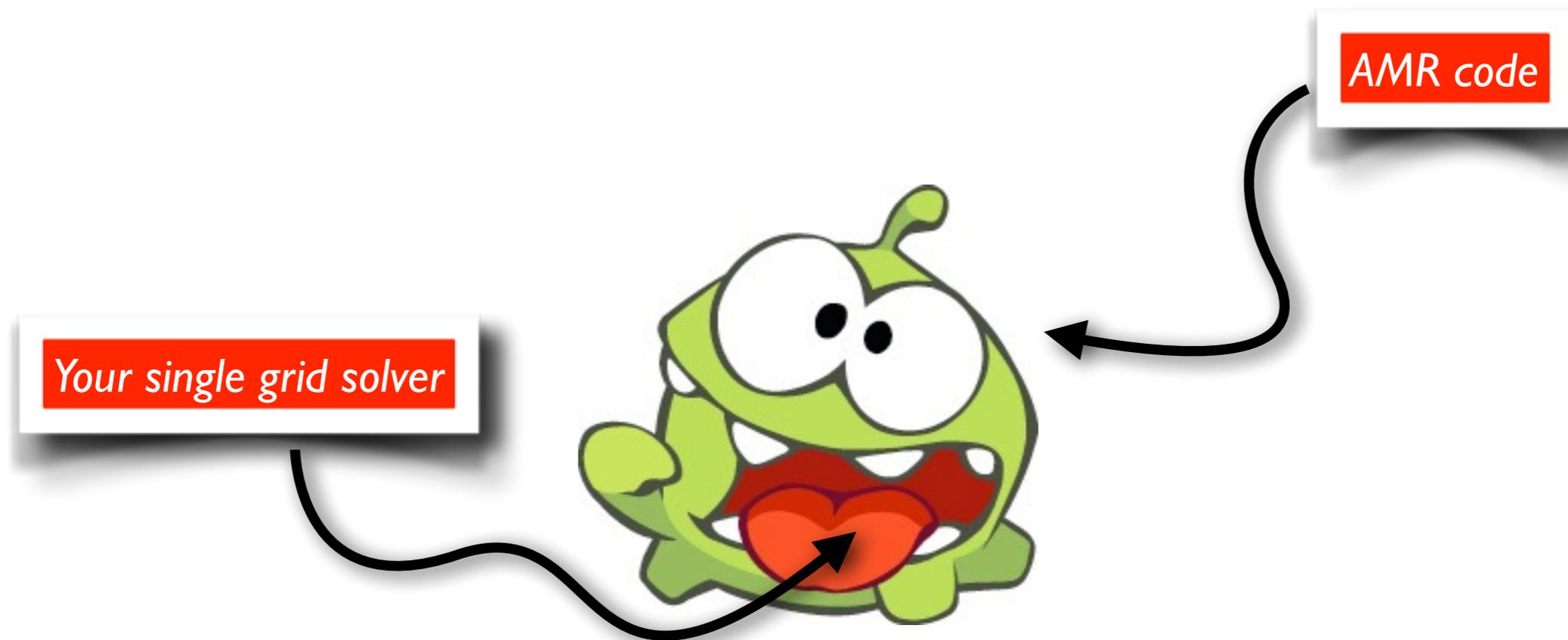
“PARAMESH is a package of Fortran 90 subroutines designed to provide an application developer with an easy route to extend an existing serial code which uses logically Cartesian structured mesh into a parallel code with adaptive mesh refinement”

SAMRAI - “Object oriented C++ library developed to provide algorithmic and software support to large scale multiphysics problems relevant to the US Department of Energy (DOE)”

Boxlib - “These libraries provide the software infrastructure for the computational activities (combustion, astrophysics, porous media flow) at the Center for Computational Sciences and Engineering (CCSE) at Lawrence Berkeley Labs”

# Block-structured AMR

Mental model of how this might work :



\* Idea for code name : OmNum

# Block-structured AMR

## The Dream

```
AMR.run(max_time, max_steps);
```

*Your single grid solver  
is called from here.*



# Block-structured AMR

## The Reality

```
Tuple< RefCountedPtr<AMRLevelOpFactory<
LevelData<FArrayBox> > >, SpaceDim> velTGAOpFactoryPtrs;

for (int idir = 0; idir < SpaceDim; idir++)
{velTGAOpFactoryPtrs[idir] =
  RefCountedPtr<AMRLevelOpFactory<LevelData
<FArrayBox> > >
  ((AMRLevelOpFactory<LevelData<FArrayBox> >*)
  (new AMRPoissonOpFactory())); //.....
```

Your single grid solver

you



# Retro...

```
node (ndjhi ,mptrnx) = node (ndjhi ,mptr)
node (ndjhi ,mptr)   = node (ndjlo ,mptr) + nyl - 1
node (ndjlo ,mptrnx) = node (ndjhi ,mptr) + 1
node (ndihi ,mptrnx) = node (ndihi ,mptr)
node (ndilo ,mptrnx) = node (ndilo ,mptr)
```

```
rnode (cornxlo ,mptrnx) = cxlo
rnode (cornylo ,mptrnx) = cymid
rnode (cornyhi ,mptrnx) = cyhi
rnode (cornxhi ,mptrnx) = cxhi
node (nestlevel ,mptrnx) = node (nestlevel ,mptr)
rnode (timemult ,mptrnx) = rnode (timemult ,mptr)
go to 10
```



# Block-structured AMR codes

Most of these codes were designed mainly to support large scale applications developers and in-house scientific research.

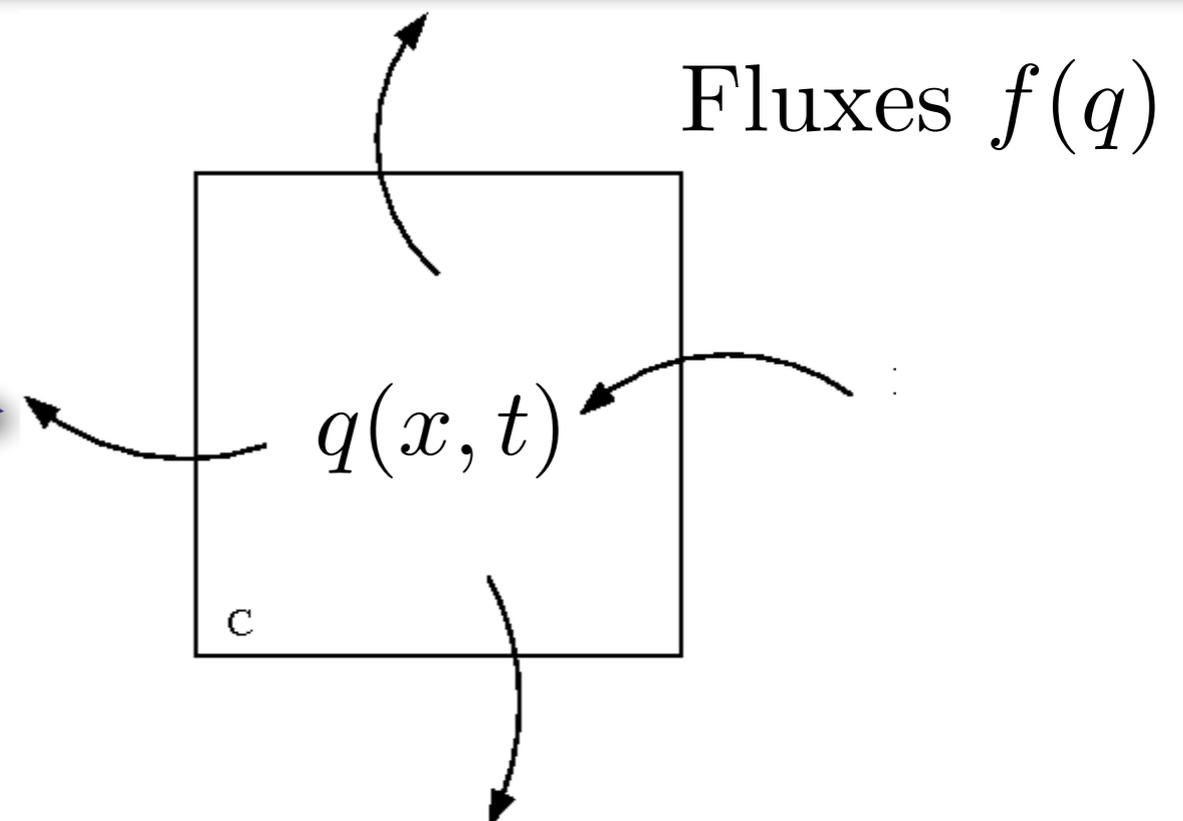


Also initially designed largely for hyperbolic PDEs and single step methods.

# Natural Hazards Modeling

# Finite volume discretization

# Modeling physical processes - Finite volumes



A model of the transport of  $q(\mathbf{x}, t)$  in a control volume  $C$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int_C q(x, t) dA &= - \int_C \nabla \cdot \mathbf{f}(q(x, t)) dA \\ &= - \int_{\partial C} \mathbf{f}(q(x, t)) \cdot \mathbf{n} dL \end{aligned}$$

# Physical fluxes

Fluxes depend on underlying physical model and quantities being conserved, i. e.

- mass, tracer species (ash, smoke, ...)  $f(q) = uq$
- heat  $f(q) = -\beta q_x$
- momentum  $f(\rho, u, E) = u^2 \rho + P(\rho, u, E)$
- energy  $f(\rho, u, E) = u(E + P(\rho, u, E))$

By updating quantities using fluxes, we can guarantee numerical conservation of mass, energy, momentum, tracers, etc.

# Finite Volume Update

Using numerical fluxes, we use the explicit update formula :

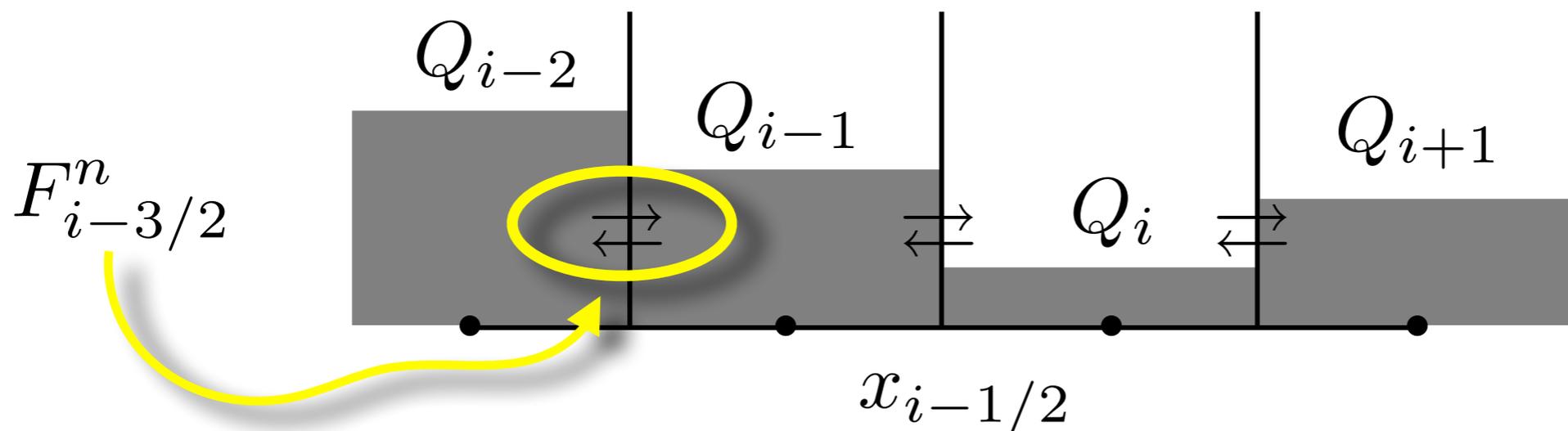
$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[ F_{i+1/2}^n - F_{i-1/2}^n \right]$$

where

$$F_{i-1/2}^n \approx \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(q(x_{i-1/2}, t)) dt$$

Numerical fluxes

Average value  
in mesh cell



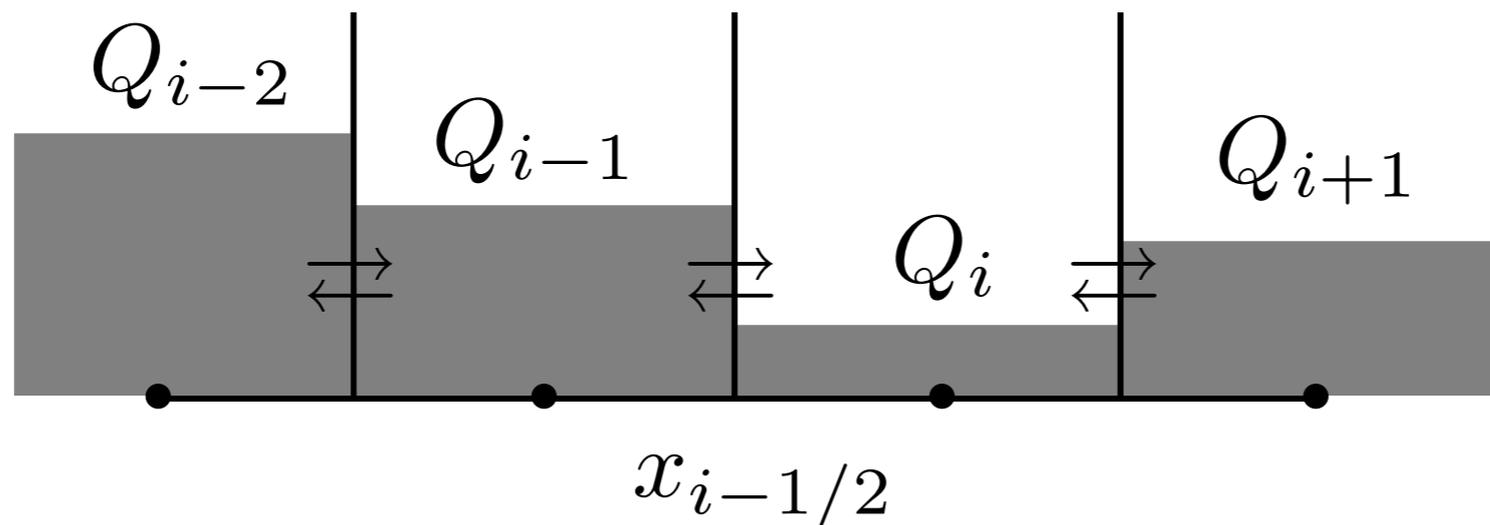
# Finite volume schemes

We assume an explicit time stepping scheme

$$F_{i-1/2}^n \approx \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(q(x_{i-1/2}, t)) dt$$

so that we try to find formulas for the flux of the form

$$F_{i-1/2}^n = \mathcal{F}(Q_i^n, Q_{i-1}^n)$$



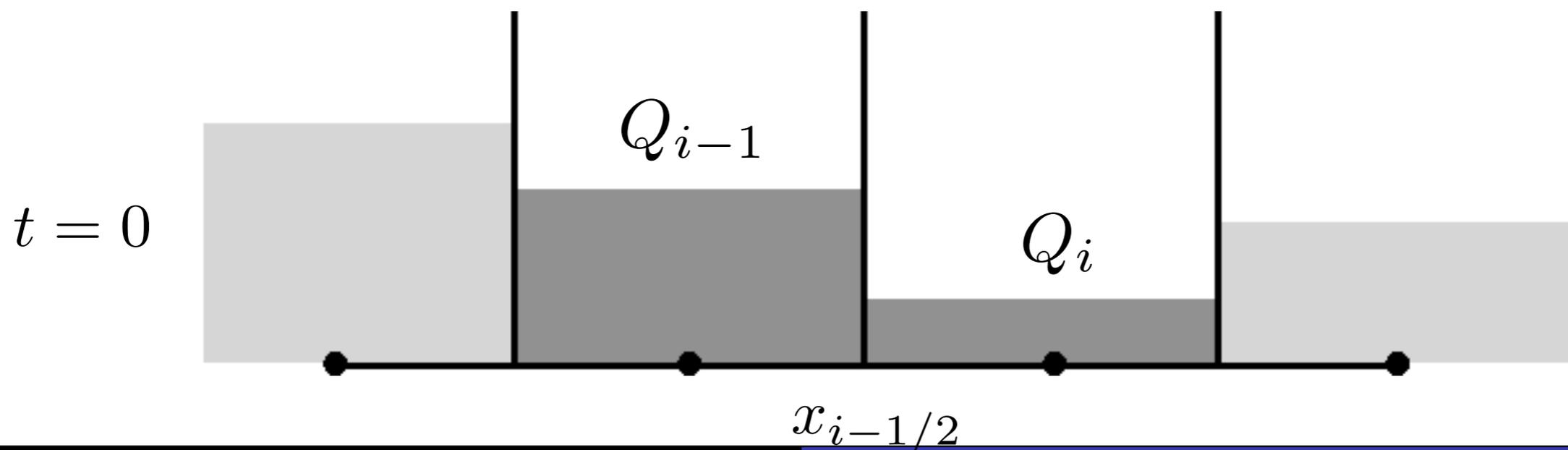
# Riemann Problems

At each cell interface, solve the hyperbolic problem with special initial data, i.e.

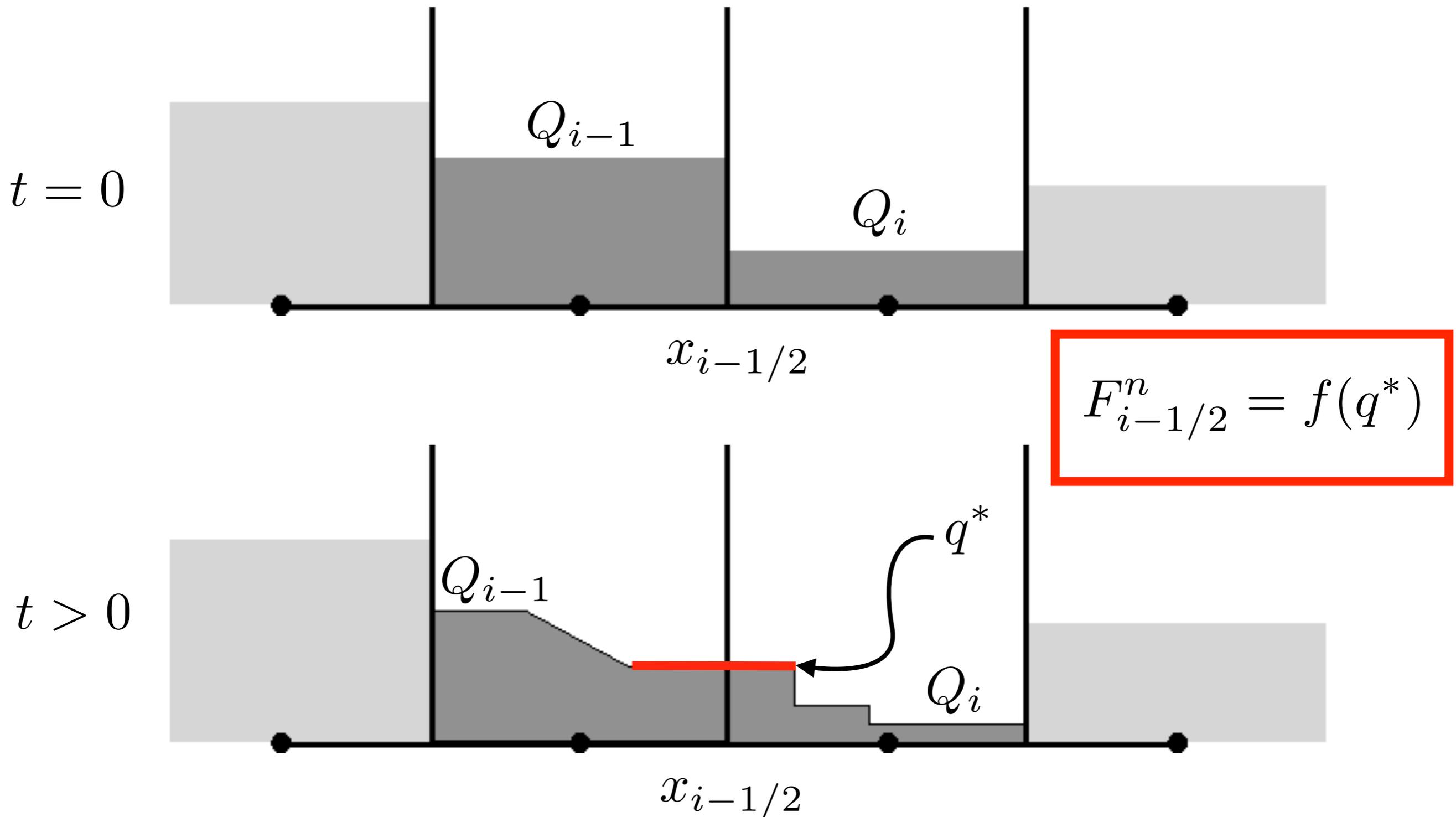
$$q_t + f(q)_x = 0$$

subject to

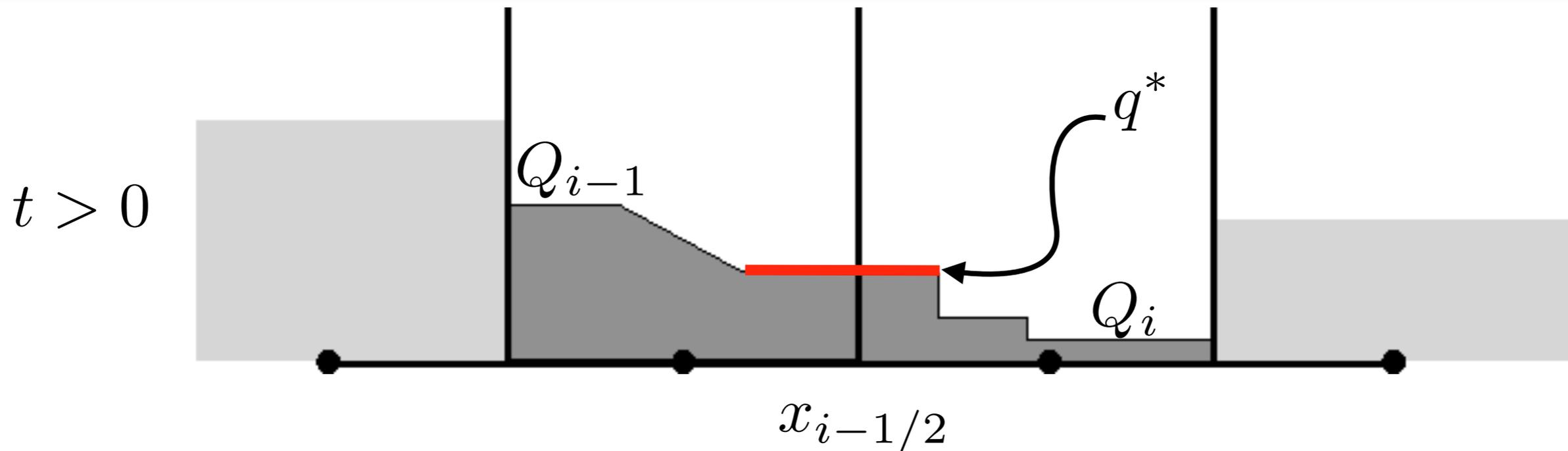
$$q(x, 0) = \begin{cases} Q_{i-1} & x < x_{i-1/2} \\ Q_i & x > x_{i-1/2} \end{cases}$$



# Finite volume update



# Godunov schemes



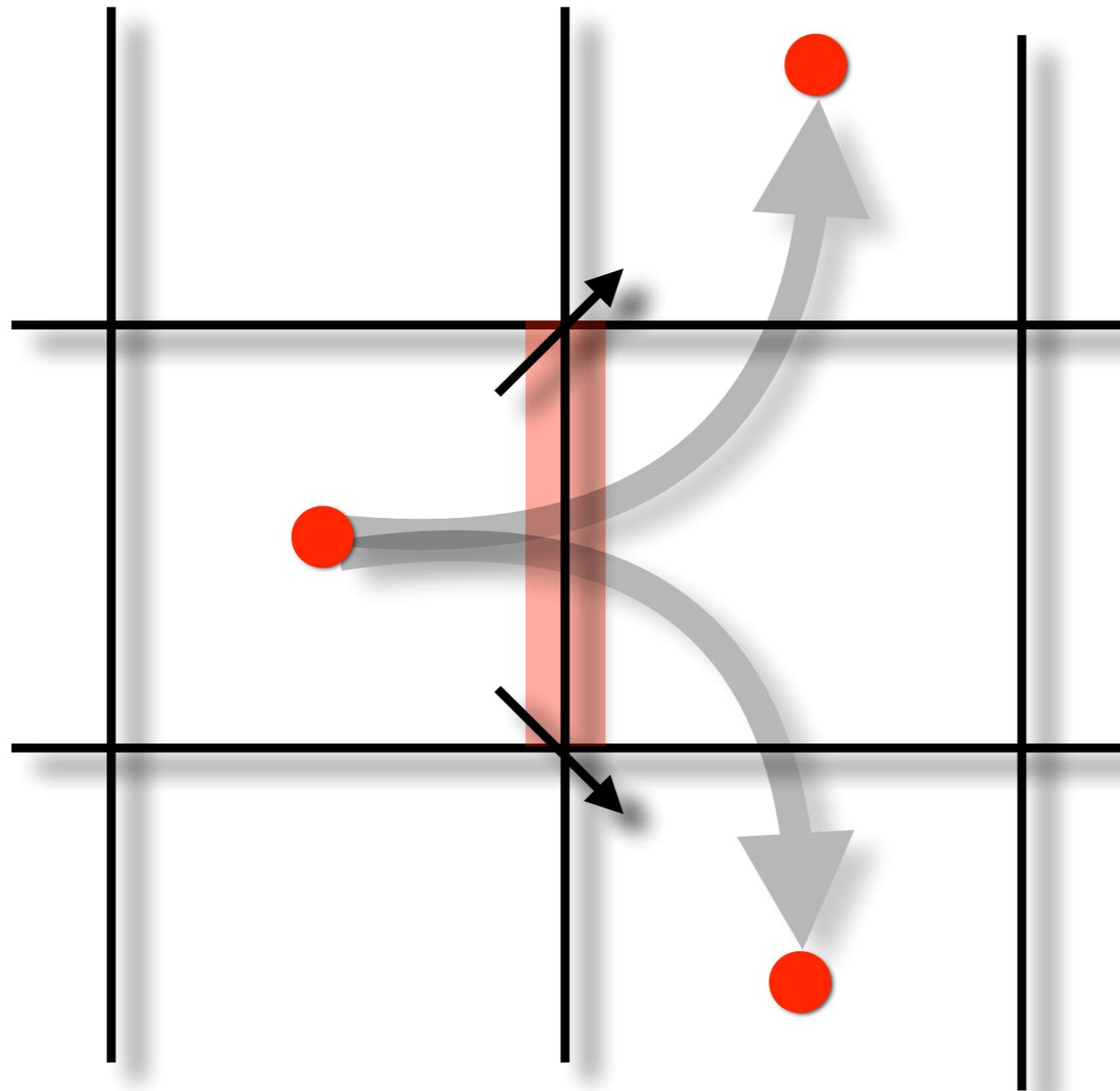
Numerical flux at cell interface is then approximated by

$$F_{i-1/2} = f(q^*)$$

This is the classical Godunov approach for solving hyperbolic conservation laws.

- Resolves shocks and rarefactions and is conservative

# Unsplit algorithms in 2 dimensions



*In one time step, conserved quantities can be transported across corners, so corner coupling must be taken into account.*

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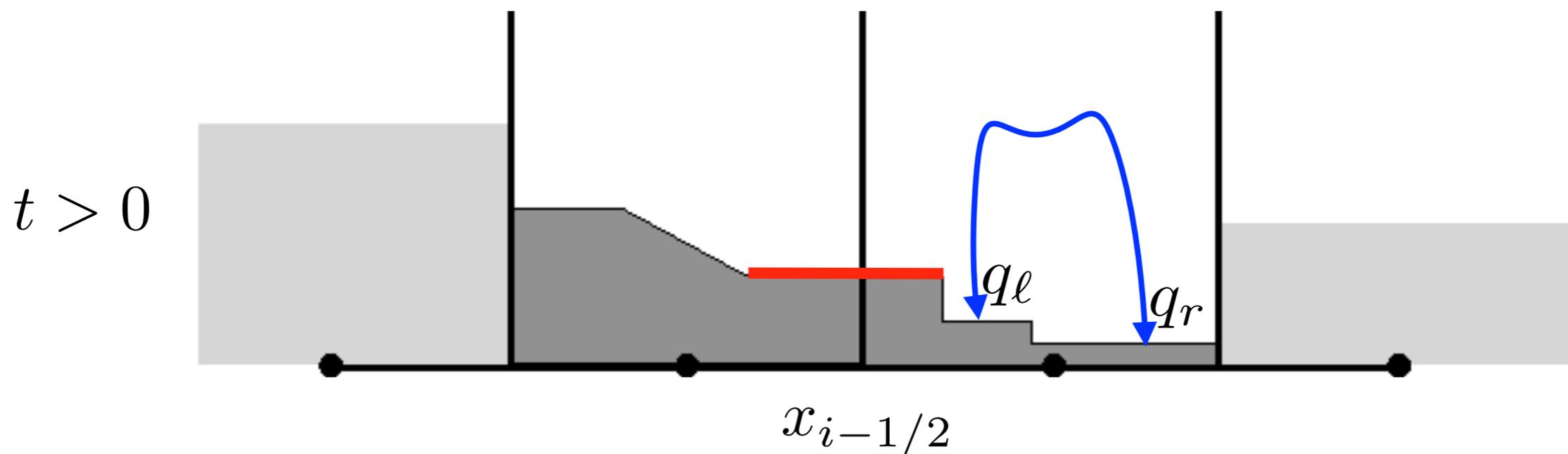
# Approximate Riemann solvers

# Conditions across shocks

Across shocks, the left and right states must satisfy the Rankine-Hugoniot conditions

$$f(q_r) - f(q_\ell) = s(q_r - q_\ell)$$

This leads to a nonlinear system for intermediate states.



# Approximate Riemann solvers

$$q_t + f(q)_x = 0$$

We solve a linearized system at each cell interface, at each time step

$$q_t + f'(\hat{q})q_x = 0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad q_t + Aq_x = 0$$

for “Roe averaged” values  $\hat{q}$ .

We use the eigenvalue/eigenvector decomposition of the flux Jacobian

$$A = R\Lambda R^{-1}$$

$$R = [r^1, r^2, \dots, r^m] \quad \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda^1, \lambda^2, \dots, \lambda^m)$$

# Eigenvalue decomposition

$$q_t + A q_x = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad q_t + R\Lambda R^{-1} q_x = 0$$

Define characteristic variables  $\omega \in R^m$  as

$$\omega(x, t) = R^{-1} q(x, t), \quad \omega(x, 0) = R^{-1} q(x, 0)$$

Characteristic equations decouple into  $m$  scalar equations :

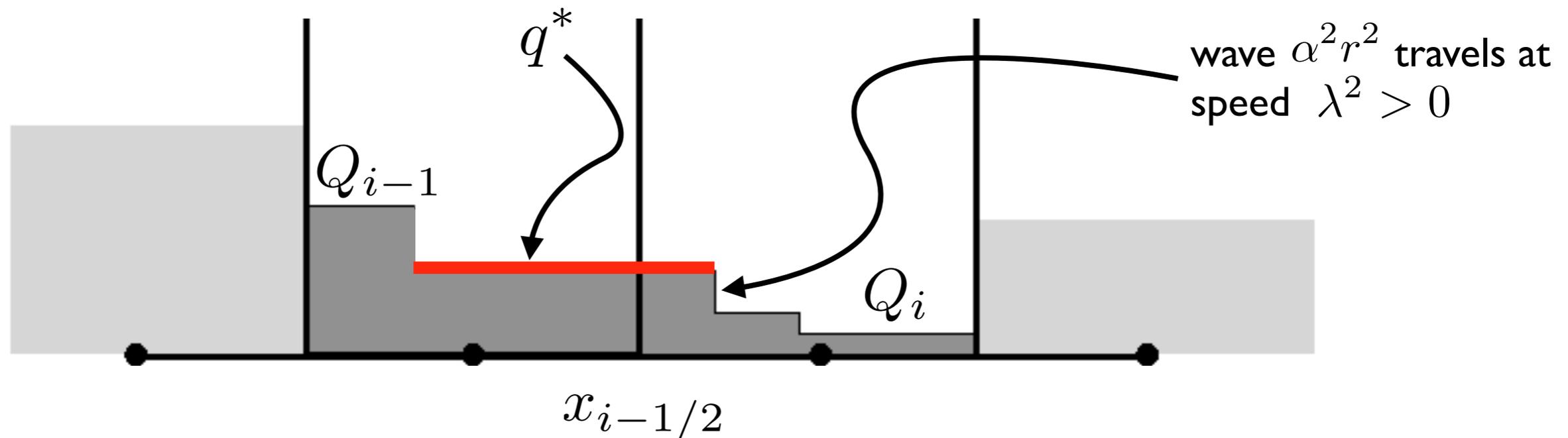
$$\omega_t^p + \lambda^p \omega_x^p = 0, \quad p = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Solution for  $q(x,t)$  can be obtained from the solution to characteristic equations are given by

$$\omega^p(x, t) = \omega^p(x - \lambda^p t, 0)$$

# Solution to linearized problem

For piecewise constant initial data, evolution looks like :



Decompose jump in  $Q$  at the interface into waves :

$$q^* = Q_{i-1} + \alpha^1 r^1 = Q_i - \alpha^3 r^3 - \alpha^2 r^2$$

where  $\alpha = R^{-1}(Q_i - Q_{i-1})$

# Roe solvers

- Scheme is conservative if linearization is chosen correctly
- Much more efficient than solving the Riemann problem exactly (assuming analytic eigenvalue information is known).
- Gives accurate results, although may require a fix for transonic rarefaction waves
- Use “wave limiters” to suppress spurious oscillations

*Wave propagation algorithms implemented in Clawpack (R. J. LeVeque) using “fluctuations”. This approach handles both conservative and nonconservative terms in a uniform fashion.*

[www.clawpack.org](http://www.clawpack.org)

# Multirate time stepping

# Mappings and multiblock transforms

# Mapped, multiblock domains

Assume each quadrilateral mesh cell can be approximated by a ruled surface.

$$\mathbf{S}(\xi, \eta) = \mathbf{a}_{00} + \mathbf{a}_{01}\xi + \mathbf{a}_{10}\eta + \mathbf{a}_{11}\xi\eta, \quad 0 \leq \xi, \eta \leq 1$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_{ij} \in R^{2 \times 1}$  are computed from mesh cell vertices.

- Covariant basis vectors :  $\tau_{(1)} \approx \mathbf{S}_\xi$  and  $\tau_{(2)} \approx \mathbf{S}_\eta$
- Mesh cell areas :  $\| \mathbf{S}_\xi \times \mathbf{S}_\eta \|$
- Edge normals and tangents
- Mappings are supplied as functions

$$[x_p, y_p, z_p] = \text{mapc2m}(x_c, y_c)$$

# Mapping contexts

```
fclaw2d_map_context_t* fclaw2d_map_new_squaredisk(const double alpha)
{
    fclaw2d_map_context_t *cont;
    cont = FCLAW_ALLOC_ZERO (fclaw2d_map_context_t, 1);
    cont->query = fclaw2d_map_query_squaredisk;
    cont->mapc2m = fclaw2d_map_c2m_squaredisk;

    cont->user_double[0] = alpha;
}
```

*No need to rely on a fixed argument list; arguments specific to the mapping can be passed into the mapping routine.*

```
c    call mapc2m(xc,yc,xd1,yd1,zd1)
    call fclaw2d_map_c2m(map_context,blockno,xc,yc,xd1,yd1,zd1)
```

```
static void
fclaw2d_map_c2m_squaredisk(fclaw2d_map_context_t *cont, int blockno,
                             double xc, double yc,
                             double *xp, double *yp, double *zp)
{
    double alpha = cont->user_double[0];
    mapc2m_squaredisk(&blockno,&xc,&yc,xp,yp,zp,&alpha);
}
```

# Index transformations

```
c # Exchange at left neighbor
if (idir .eq. 0) then
  do j = 1,my
    do ibc = 1,mbc
      do mq = 1,meqn
        if (iface .eq. 0) then
          # Left face
          i1 = 1-ibc
          j1 = j
        elseif (iface .eq. 1) then
          # Right face
          i1 = mx+ibc
          j1 = j
        endif
        call fclaw2d_transform_face(i1,j1,i2,j2,
          & transform_ptr)
        qthis(mq,i1,j1) = qneighbor(mq,i2,j2)
      enddo
    enddo
  enddo
enddo
```

*Loop over all ghost cells at left edge*

*This is the code used for every exchange at a left edge even if it is not a block boundary.*

*transform\_face maps (i1,j1) ghost cell values to neighbor values, using information about block boundary orientations encoded in transform\_ptr.*

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