

# A Proper Discretization of Hydrodynamic Equations in Cylindrical Coordinates for Astrophysical Simulations

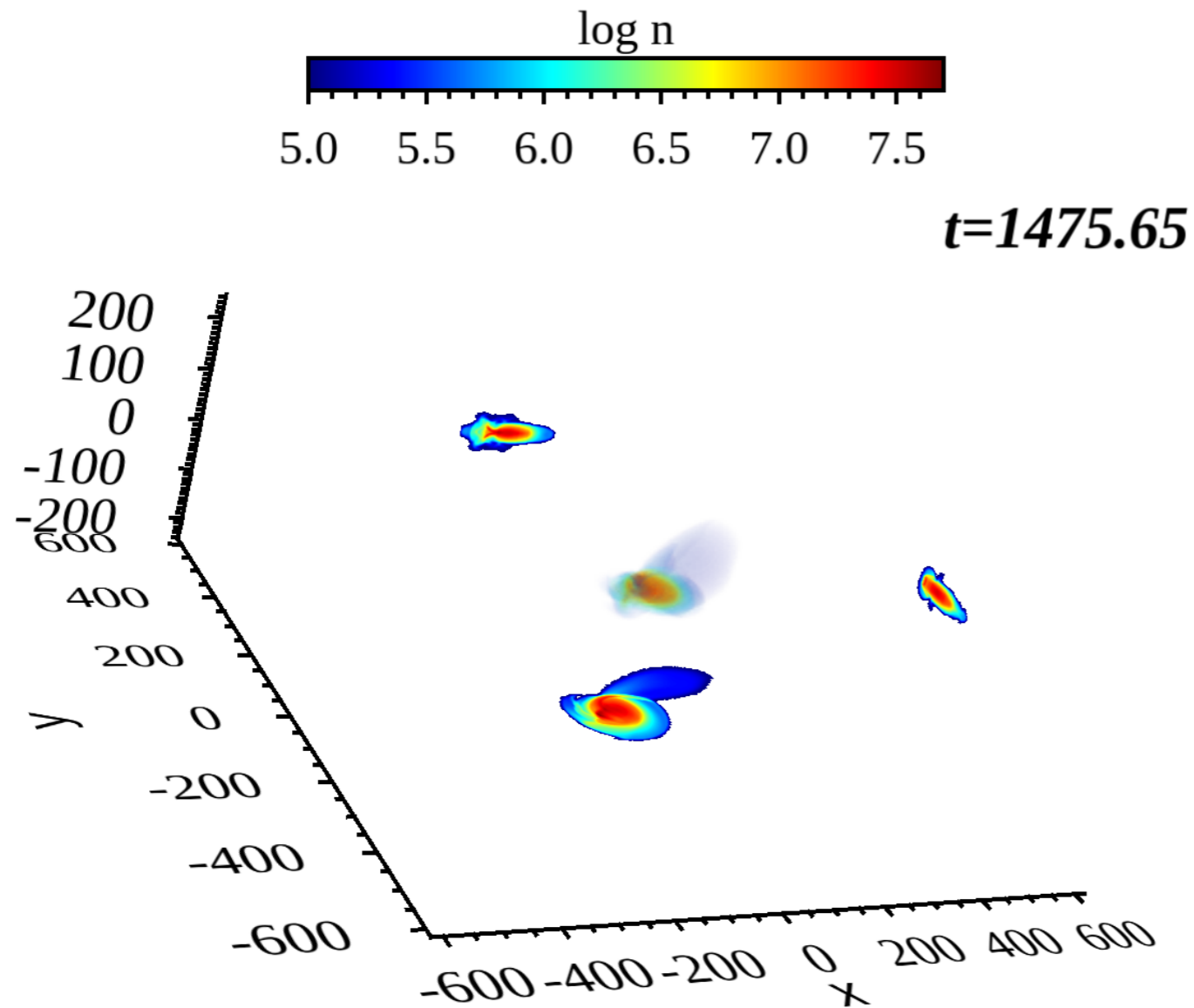
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Episodic gas accretion onto  
a protostar with gas disk  
cf. Dullemond+19, Kueffimier+19

Cloudlet capture by a young star

3D simulation on the  
Cylindrical Grid,  $(r, \varphi, z)$

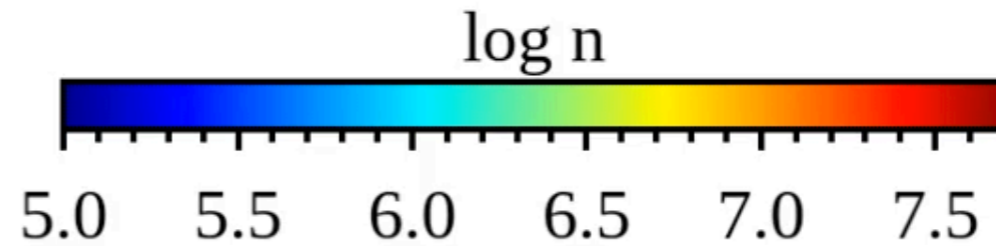
**Free-stream preservation**  
in addition to mass,  
angular momentum &  
energy conservation



# Cloudlet accretion

onto a protostar with disk

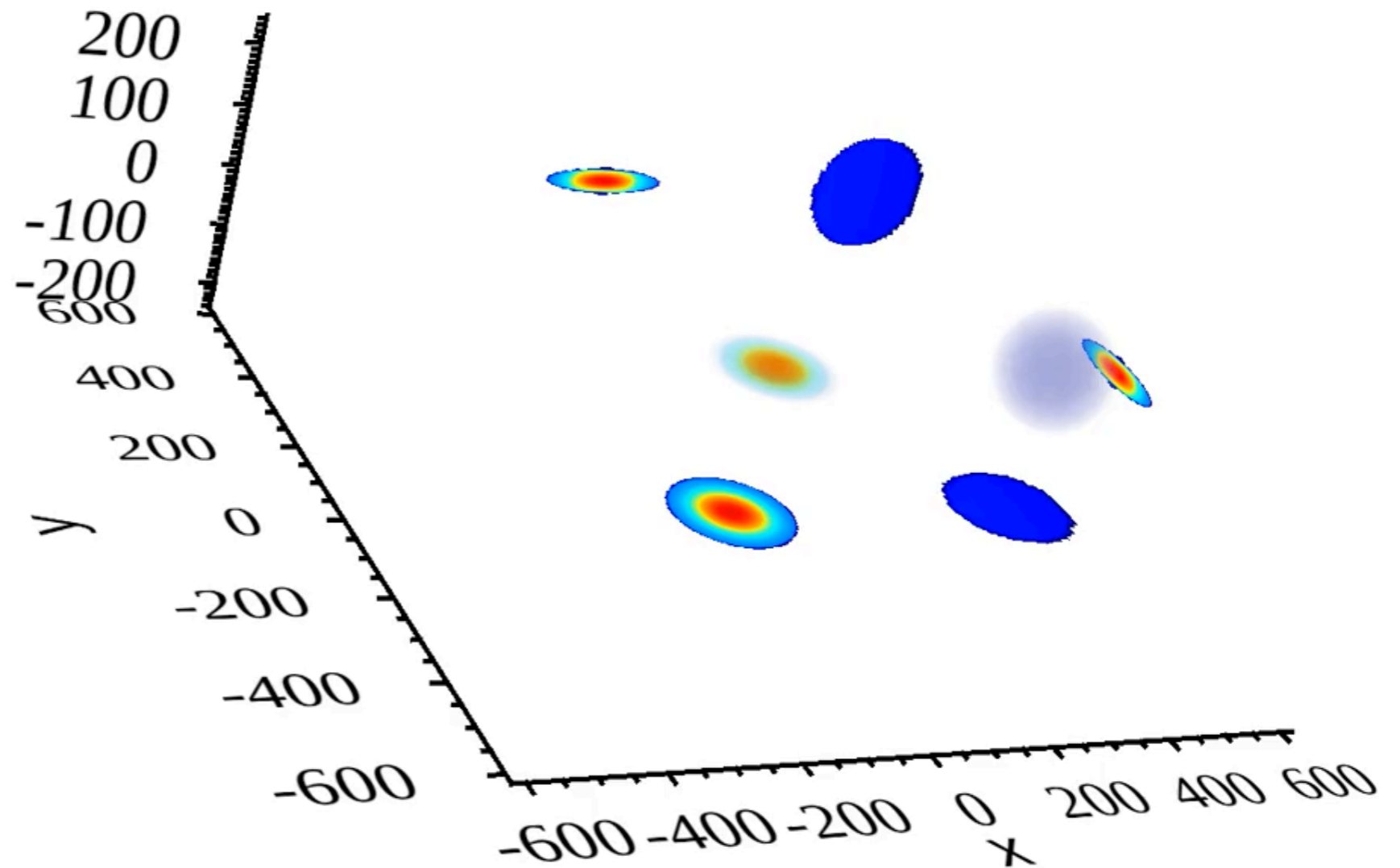
Hanawa, Sakai, & Yamamoto in prep.



$t=0.00$

Cylindrical coordinates

$$(\rho, v_r, v_\varphi, v_z, P)$$



Advantages: easy to handle (1) angular momentum conservation,  
and (2) axisymmetric equilibrium (disk & torus)

## Problems in the Cylindrical Coordinates, $(r, \varphi, z)$ .

### 1. Apparently Large Centrifugal Force around $r = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a} &= (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\varphi}^2) \mathbf{e}_r + (r\ddot{\varphi} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\varphi}) \mathbf{e}_\varphi + \ddot{z} \mathbf{e}_z \\ &= \left( \dot{v}_r - \frac{v_\varphi^2}{r} \right) \mathbf{e}_r + \left( \dot{v}_\varphi + \frac{v_r v_\varphi}{r} \right) \mathbf{e}_\varphi + \dot{v}_z \mathbf{e}_z \\ &= \left( \dot{v}_r - \frac{j^2}{r^3} \right) \mathbf{e}_r + \frac{\dot{j}}{r} \mathbf{e}_\varphi + \dot{v}_z \mathbf{e}_z\end{aligned}$$

### 2. Tight CFL condition ( $\Delta t < r\Delta\varphi/|v+c|$ ) around $r = 0$ if $\Delta\varphi$ is fixed.

3. Uniform flow,  $(\rho_0, \mathbf{v}, P_0)$ , is an exact solution of the differential equations but not of the discretized form in  $(r, \varphi, z)$ .

(Not free-stream preserving)

We have removed these technical problems.  
Our method is based on the finite volume scheme.

# Hydrodynamic Equations in the conservation form

Mass, (angular) momentum, and energy conservation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} r\rho \\ r\rho v_r \\ r^2\rho v_\varphi \\ r\rho v_z \\ r\rho E \end{bmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \begin{bmatrix} r\rho v_r \\ r(\rho v_r^2 + P) \\ r^2\rho v_r v_\varphi \\ r\rho v_r v_z \\ r\rho v_r H \end{bmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \begin{bmatrix} \rho v_\varphi \\ \rho v_\varphi v_r \\ r(\rho v_\varphi^2 + P) \\ \rho v_\varphi v_z \\ \rho v_\varphi H \end{bmatrix} \\
 & + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \begin{bmatrix} r\rho v_z \\ r\rho v_z v_r \\ r^2\rho v_z v_\varphi \\ \rho v_\varphi v_z \\ \rho v_\varphi H \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r\rho g_r + \boxed{\rho v_\varphi^2 + P} \\ r^2\rho g_\varphi \\ r\rho g_z \\ r\rho \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{centrifugal force}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{volume integral}} \quad \int \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} dV + \int \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

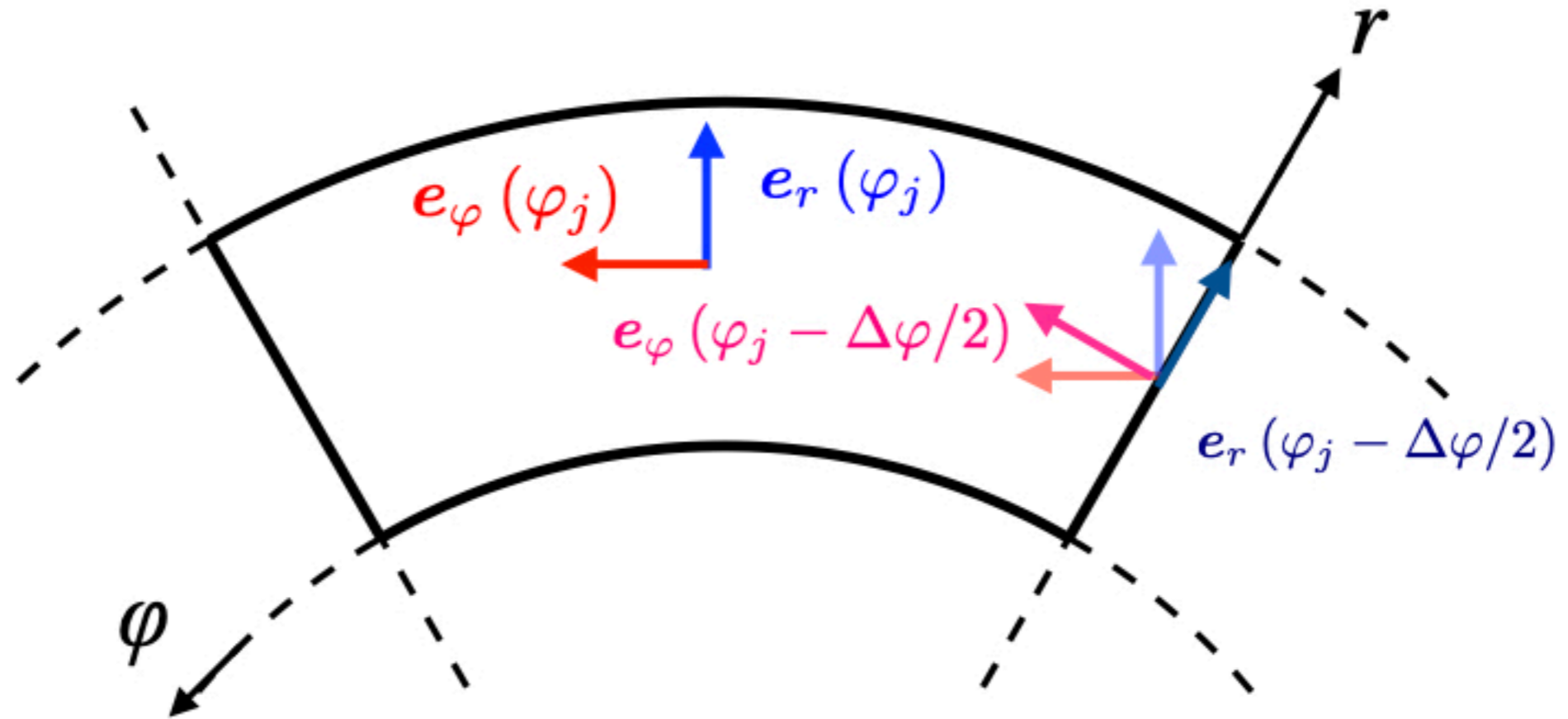
$dV = r dr d\varphi dz$

**Vector**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho \mathbf{v}) + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} + P \mathbf{I}) = \rho \mathbf{g}, \\
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \iiint_{V_j} \rho \mathbf{v} dV + \iint_{\partial V_j} (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} + P \mathbf{I}) \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \iint_{V_j} \rho \mathbf{g} dV.
 \end{aligned}$$

## Caution in the volume integral:

We should appreciate the fact that the unit vectors,  $\mathbf{e}_r$  and  $\mathbf{e}_\varphi$ , on the azimuthal cell surface are different from those at the cell center.

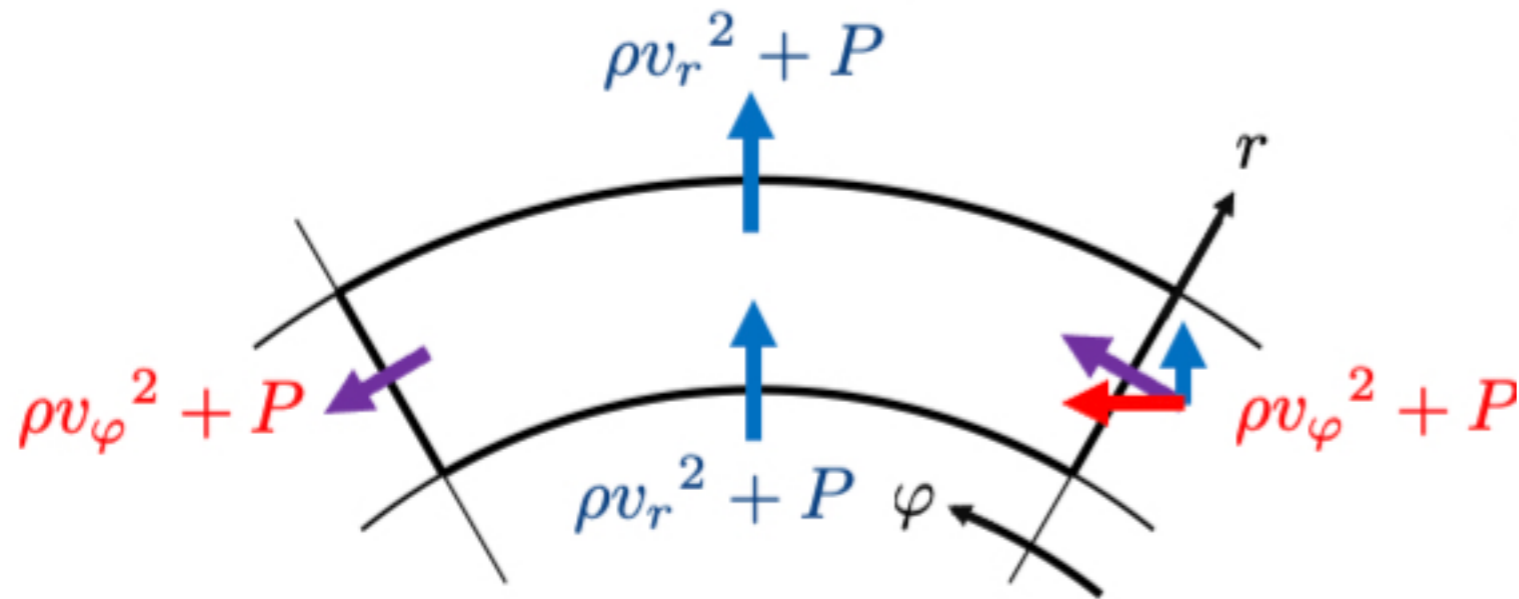


$$\mathbf{e}_r(\varphi_j \pm \Delta\varphi/2) = \cos\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\mathbf{e}_r(\varphi_j) \mp \sin\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\mathbf{e}_\varphi(\varphi_j)$$

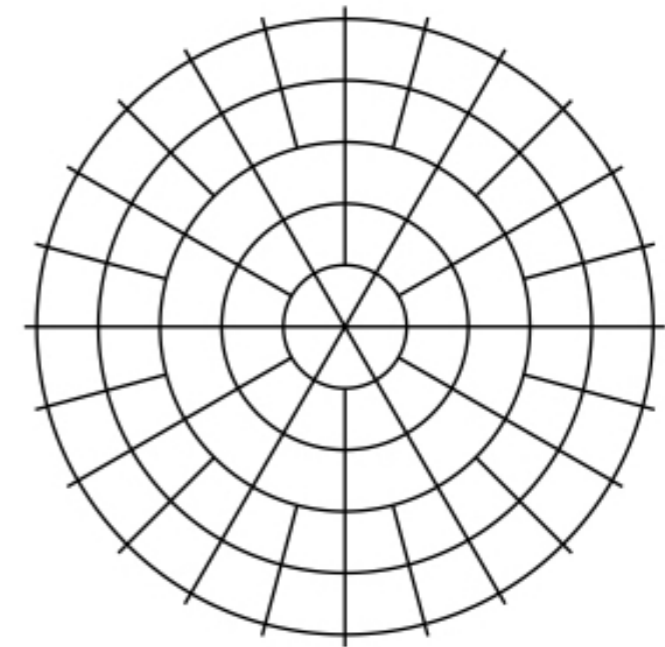
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_{j-1/2} = & \left( v_{r,j-1/2} \cos\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} + v_{\varphi,j-1/2} \sin\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} \right) \mathbf{e}_{r,j} \\ & + \left( -v_{r,j-1/2} \sin\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} + v_{\varphi,j-1/2} \cos\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} \right) \mathbf{e}_{\varphi,j} \end{aligned}$$

# 4 Improvements in the numerical method

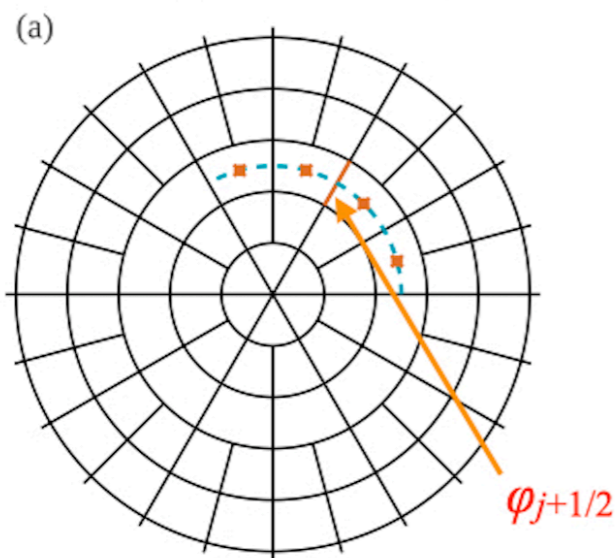
(1) Evaluating the centrifugal force on the azimuthal cell surface (not at the cell center).



(2) Coarse grid near the origin  
cf. AMR  $r\Delta\varphi \simeq \Delta r$

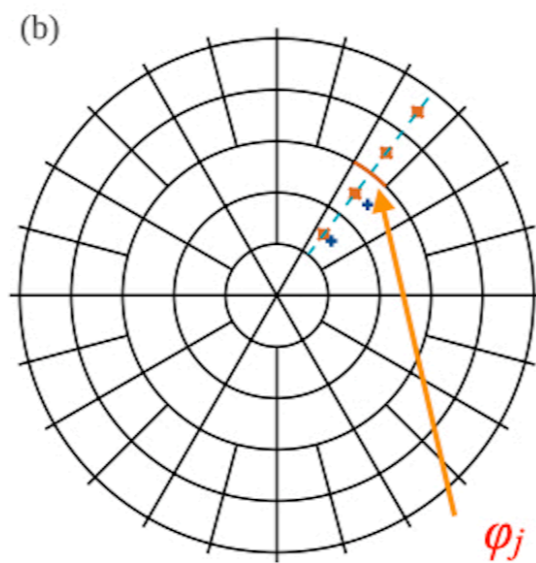


(3) Interpolating  $v_n$  and  $v_t$  instead of  $v_r$  and  $v_\varphi$ .



$$v_n = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\varphi(\varphi_{j+1/2})$$

$$v_t = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_r(\varphi_{j+1/2})$$

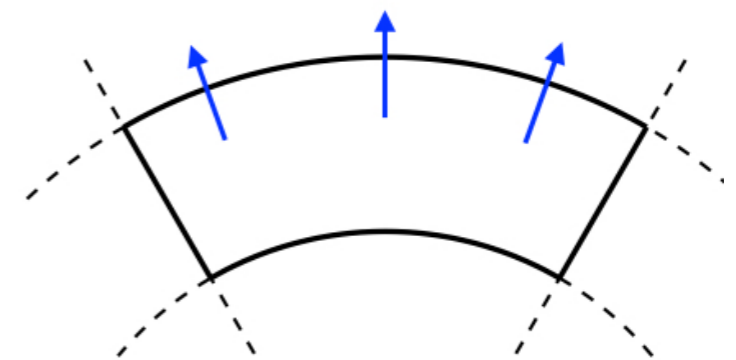


$$v_n = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_r(\varphi_j)$$

$$v_t = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\varphi(\varphi_j)$$

(4) Correction factors for surface area

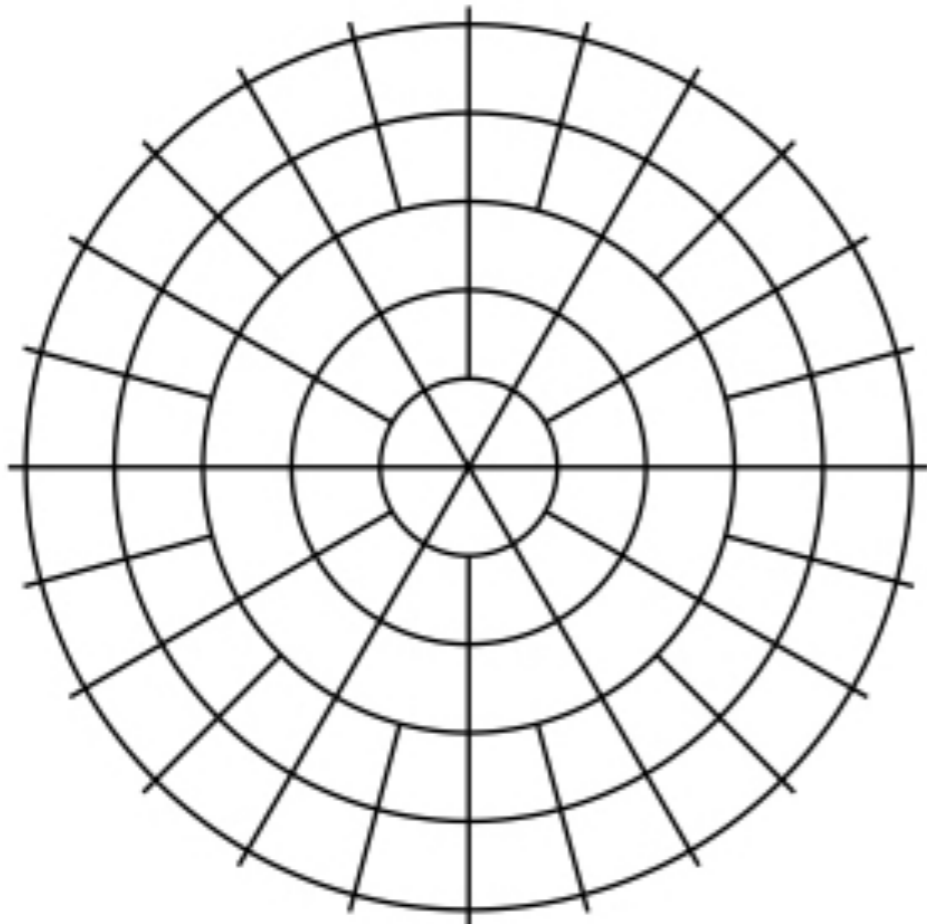
$$\Delta S_{i+1/2} \cdot \mathbf{e}_r = f_{i+1/2} r_{i+1/2} \Delta\varphi$$



$$\int_{\varphi_j - \Delta\varphi/2}^{\varphi_j + \Delta\varphi/2} \mathbf{e}_r(\varphi) d\varphi \neq \mathbf{e}_r(\varphi_j) \Delta\varphi$$

## Surface Area Correction Factors

Cell Type	(A)	(B)	(C)	
$f_\rho$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\right)^{-1}$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\right)^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{2r_{i+1/2}}{\Delta r_i} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta\varphi}{8}\right]$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{4} \left(\tan \frac{\Delta\varphi}{4}\right)^{-1}$	mass, energy, $v_z$
$f_r$	$\left(\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\right) \left(\tan \frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\right)^{-1}$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{\sin \Delta\varphi} \left(1 - \frac{r_{i+1/2} + \Delta r_i}{\Delta r_i} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta\varphi}{4}\right)$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{\sin \Delta\varphi} \left[1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{\Delta\varphi}{4}\right]$	$v_r$
$f_\varphi$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{\sin \Delta\varphi}$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{\sin \Delta\varphi} \left[1 - \frac{r_{i+1/2}^2}{r_i \Delta r_i} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta\varphi}{4}\right]$	$\frac{\Delta\varphi}{2} \left(\sin \frac{\Delta\varphi}{2}\right)^{-1}$	$j = rv_\varphi$



Type (A)  $\Delta\varphi_{i-1/2} = \Delta\varphi_i = \Delta\varphi_{i+1/2}$

Type (B)  $\Delta\varphi_{i-1/2} = \Delta\varphi_i = 2\Delta\varphi_{i+1/2}$

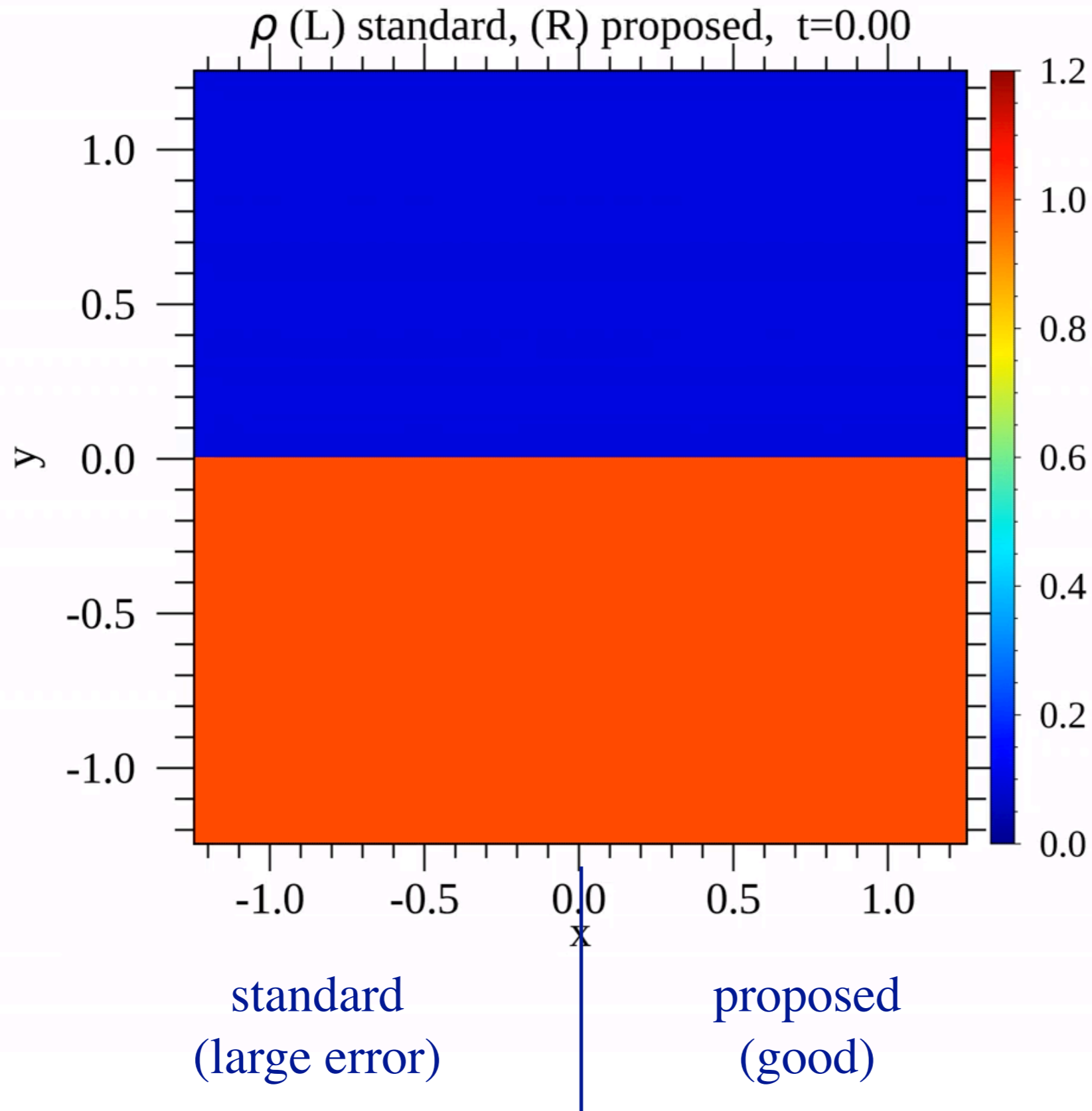
Type (C)  $2\Delta\varphi_{i-1/2} = \Delta\varphi_i = 2\Delta\varphi_{i+1/2}$

The correction factors are fixed so that a uniform flow, i.e., constant  $\rho$ ,  $v$ ,  $P$ , is an exact solution of the finite difference equations.

free-stream preserving

# Sod Shock Tube Problem (Comparison)

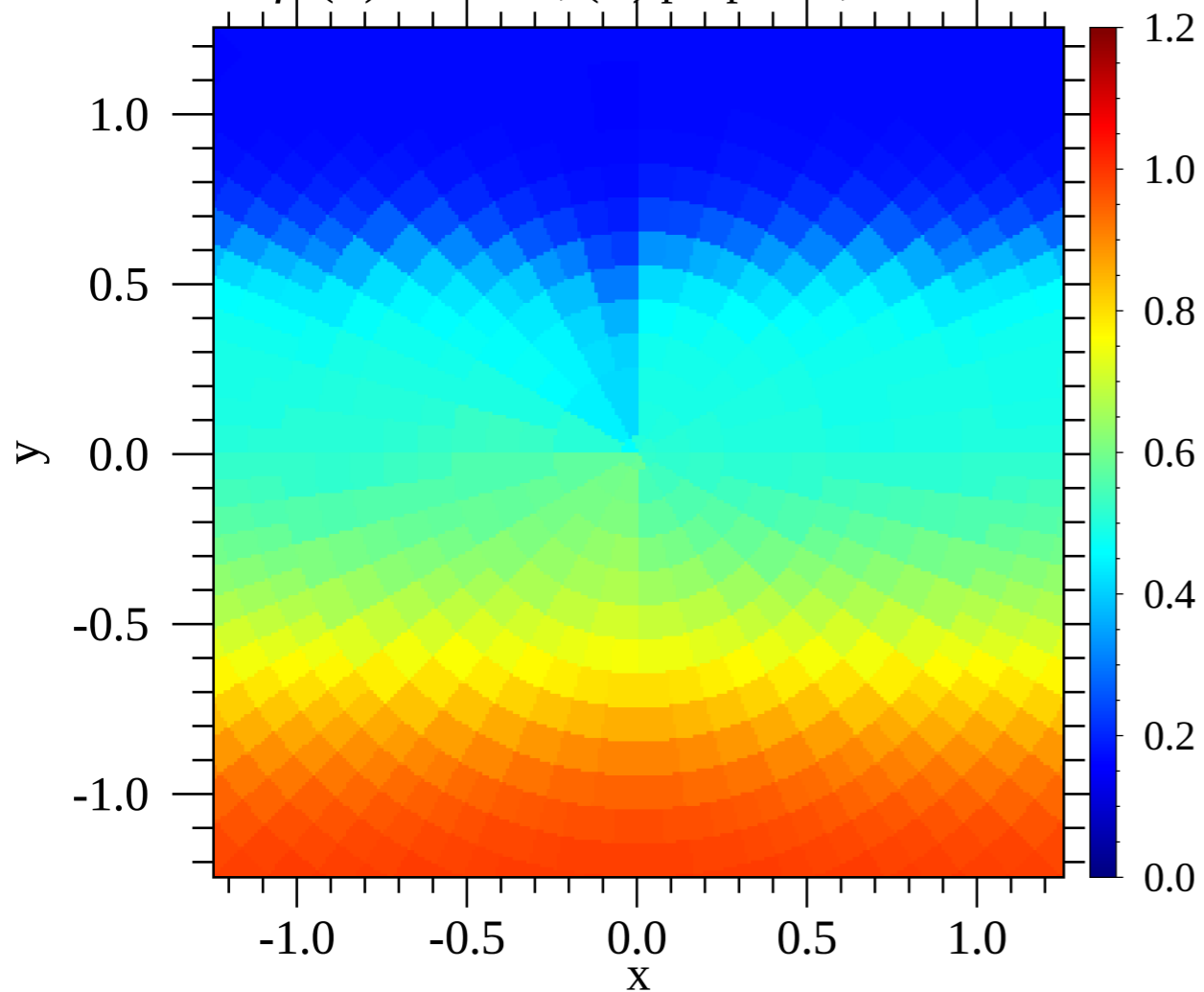
AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$



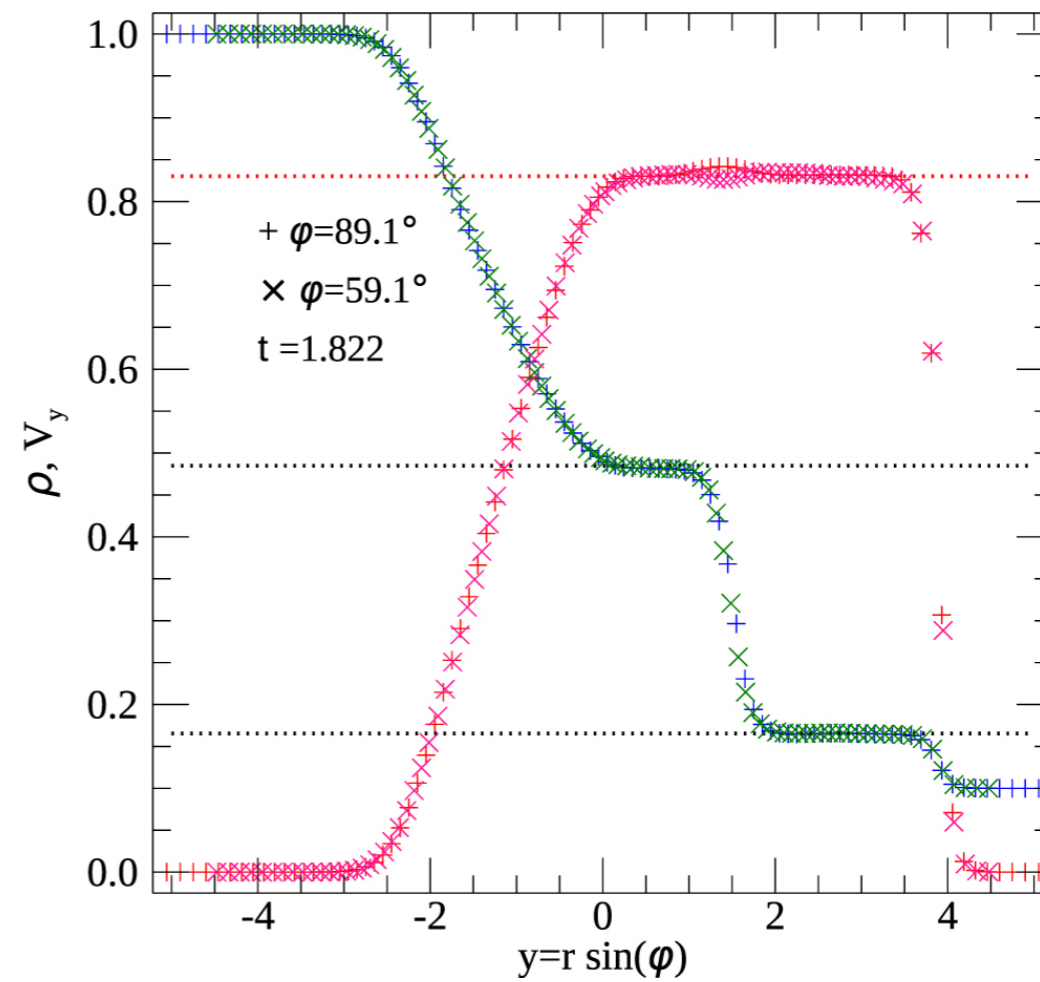


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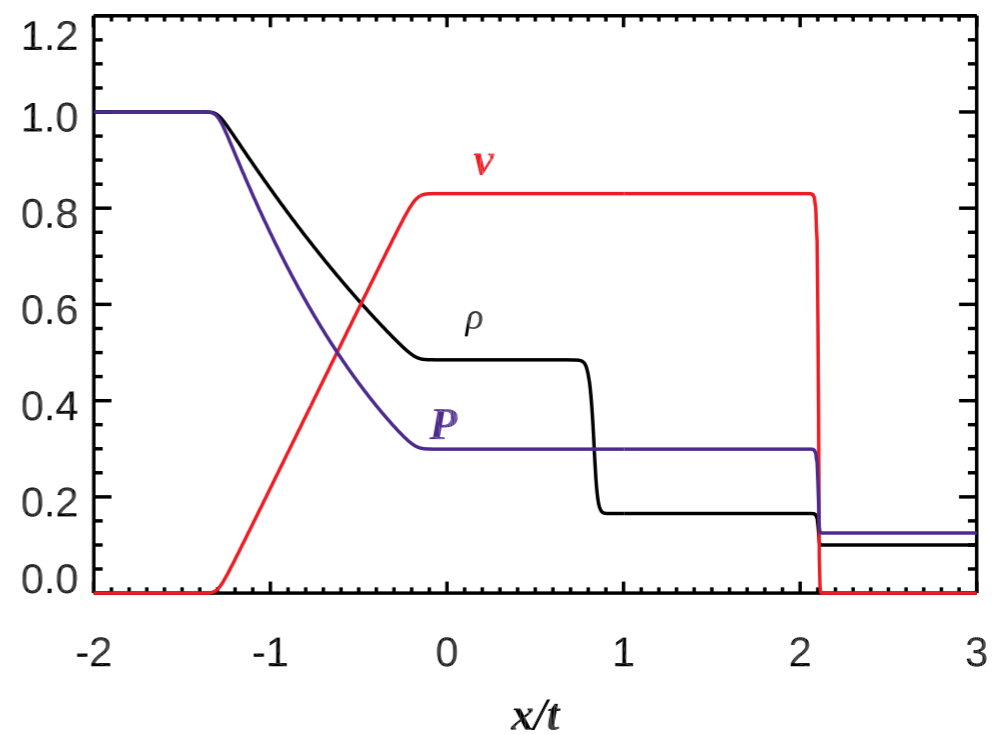
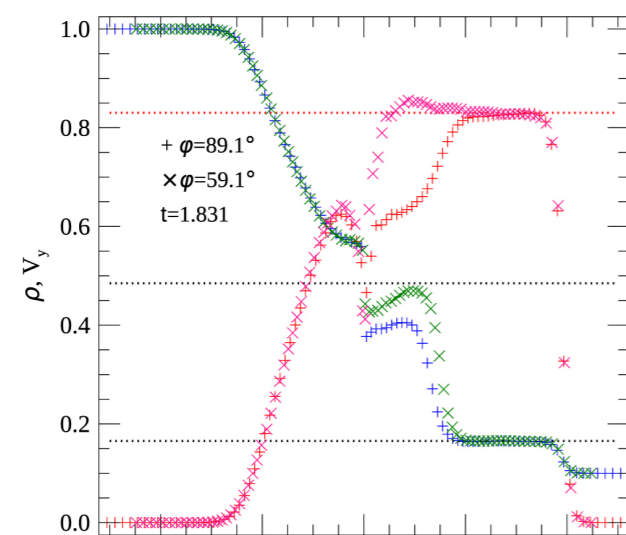
$\rho$  (L) standard, (R) proposed,  $t=0.80$



(a) proposed scheme



(b) standard scheme



The current standard scheme does not work even at  $\Delta\varphi = \pi/96$

uniform  $\Delta\varphi = \pi/96$  in standard

$\Delta r = 0.1$

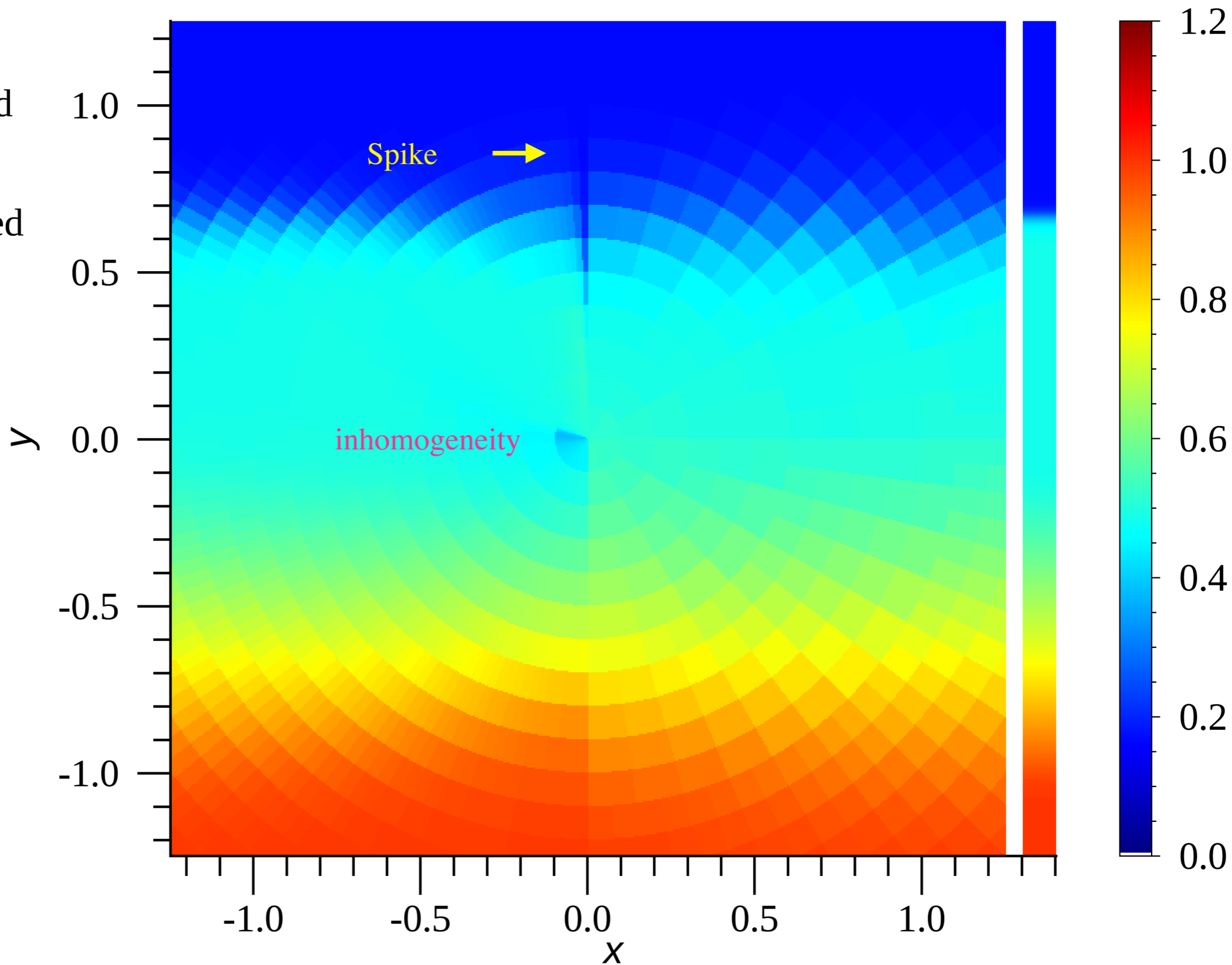
$\Delta t = 0.00057$

for standard

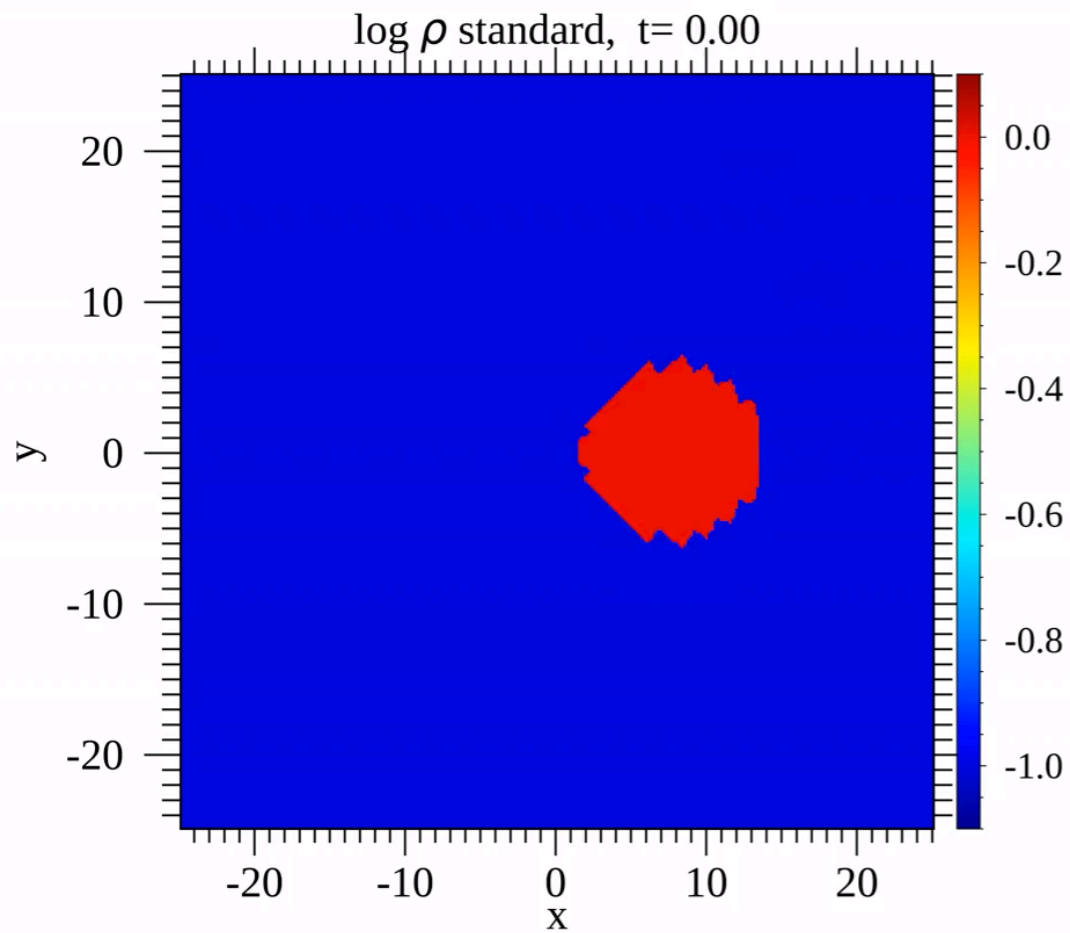
$\Delta t = 0.02$

for proposed

$\rho$  (L) standard, (R) proposed,  $t = 0.80$



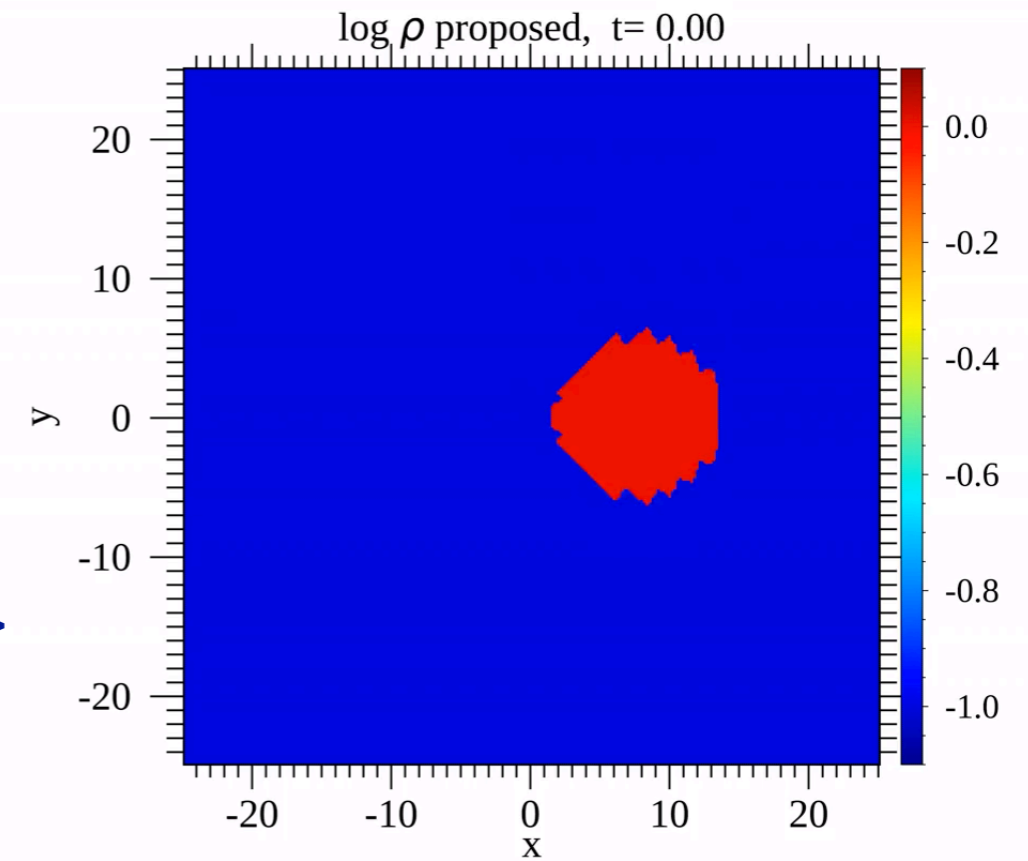
AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$



← standard

proposed →

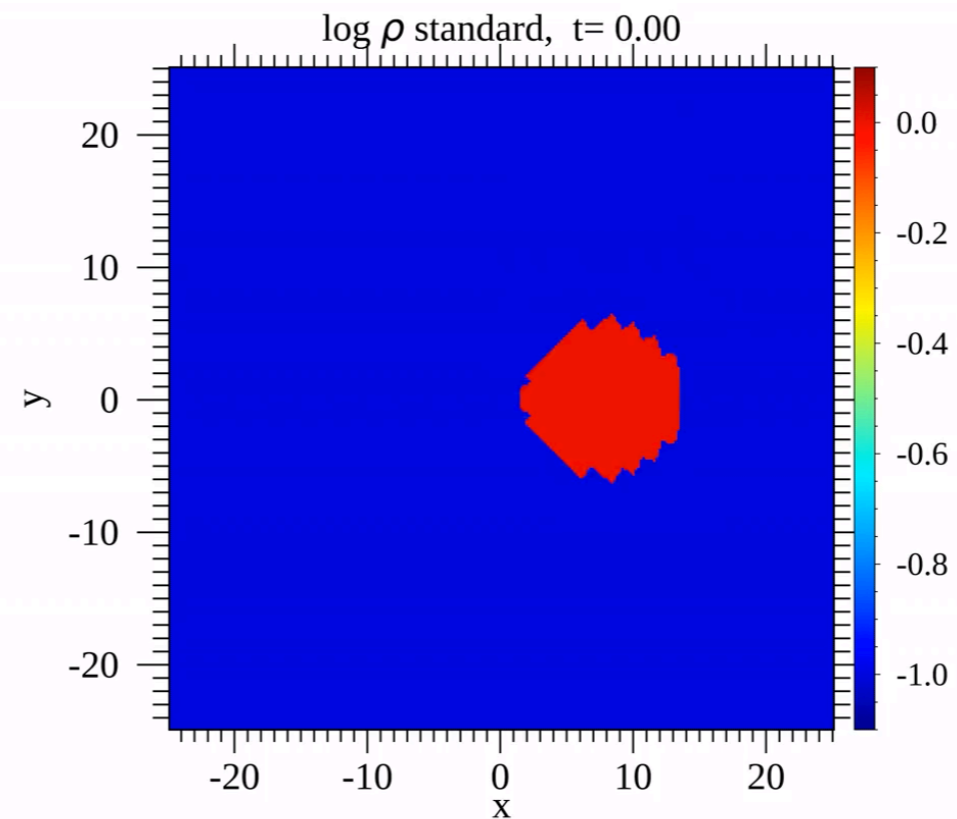
AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$



=  $\pi/24$  in  $r < 11$

## Off-center Explosion

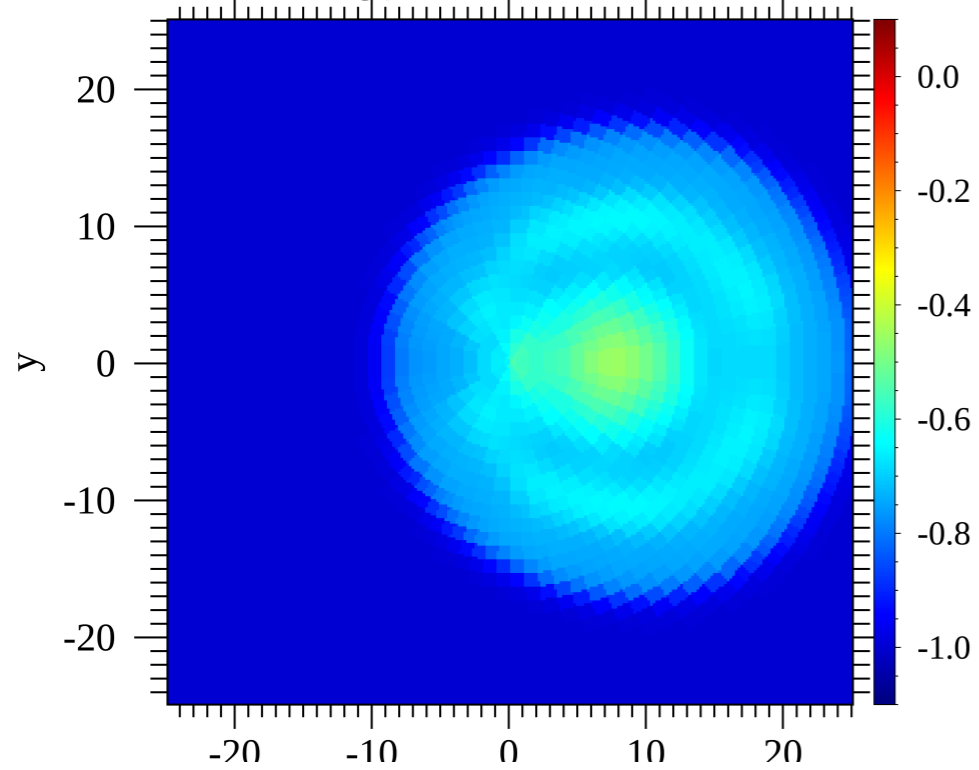
standard high angular resolution →



# Standard

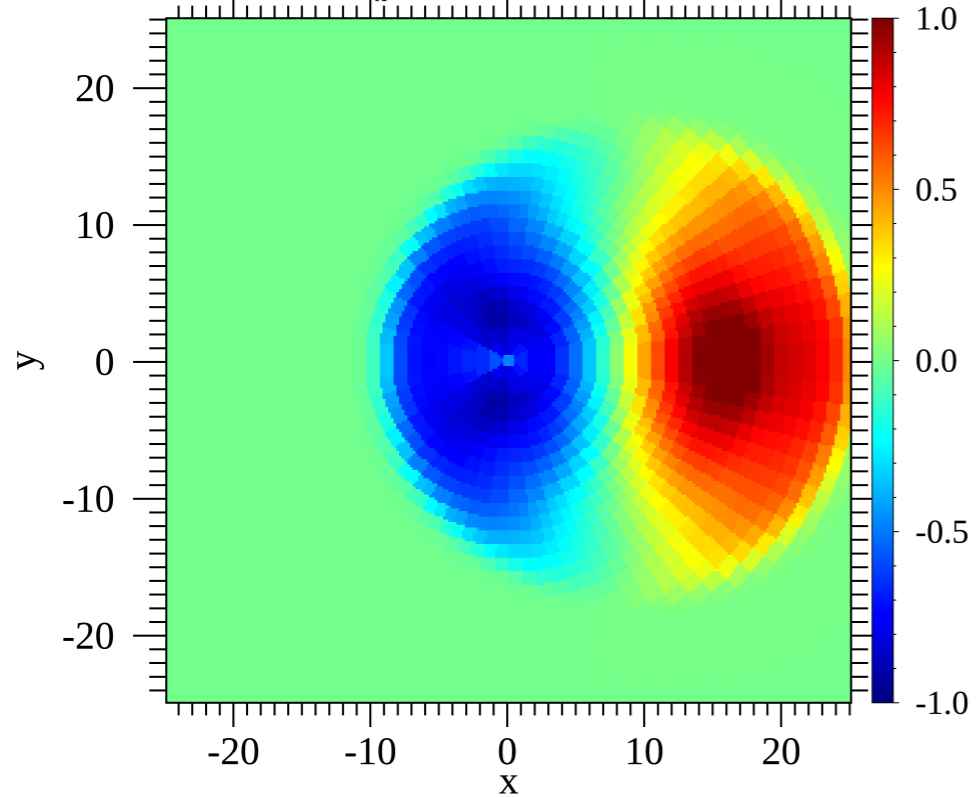
AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$

$\log \rho$  standard,  $t=6.79$



AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$

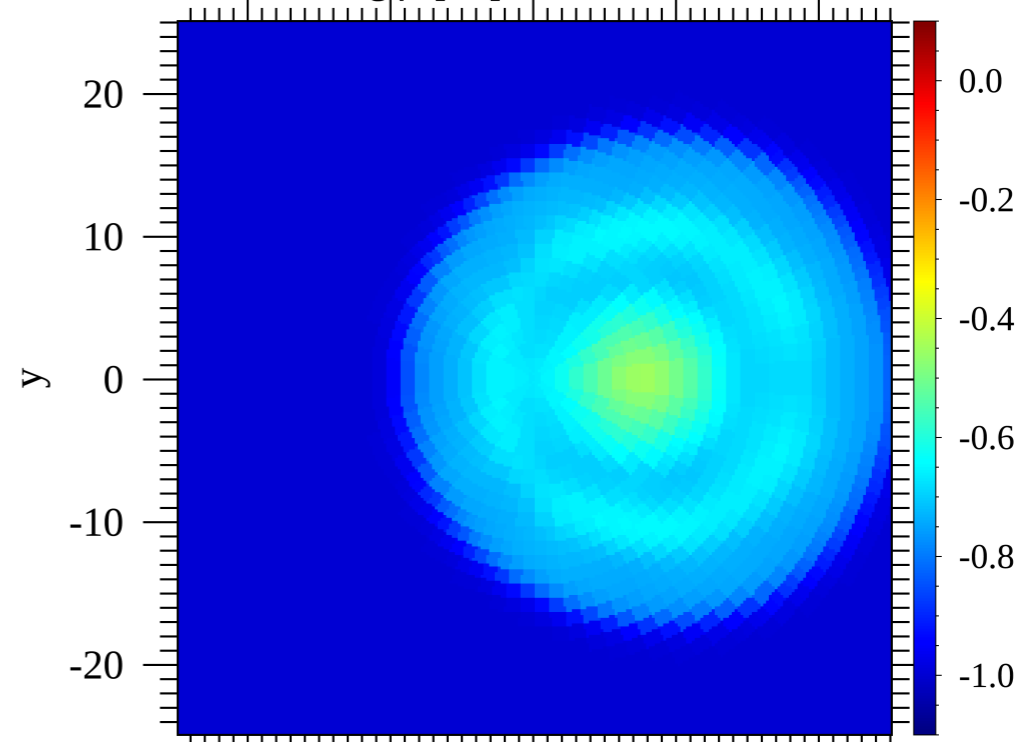
$v_x$  standard,  $t=6.79$



# Proposed

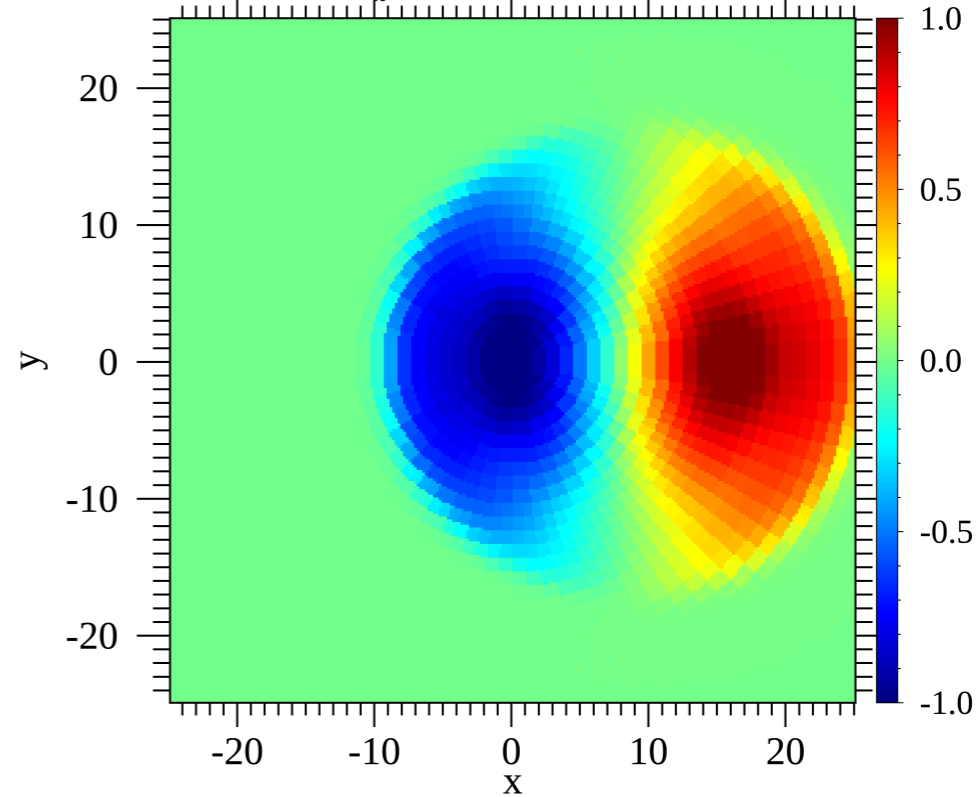
AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$

$\log \rho$  proposed,  $t=6.78$

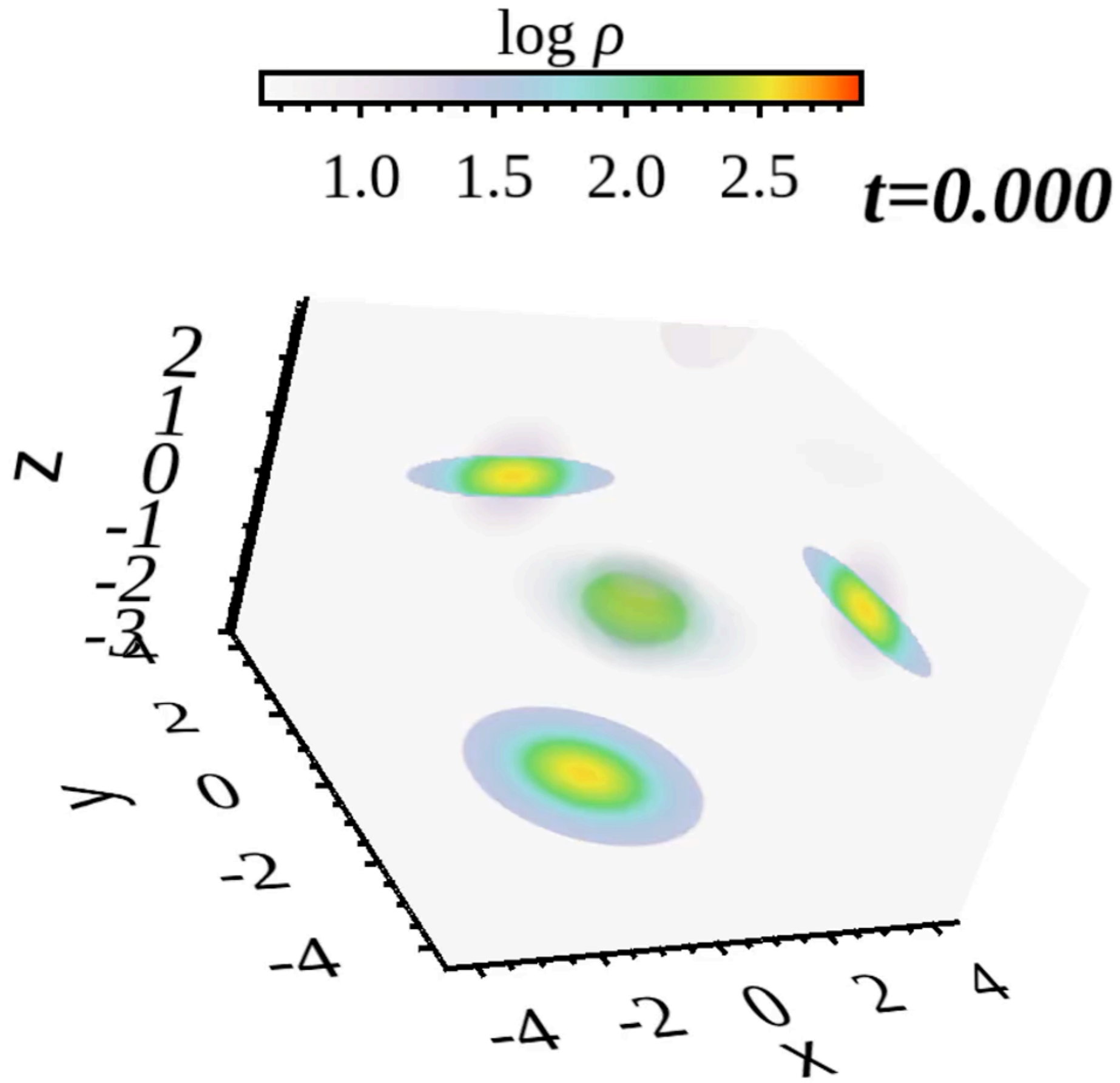


AMR-type variable  $\Delta\phi$

$v_x$  proposed,  $t=6.78$



# 3D test: A gas clump across the $z$ -axis



# Conclusion

1. We can achieve angular momentum conservation and free-streaming simultaneously.
2. We should use the local Cartesian coordinates oriented on the cell surface when evaluating the numerical flux.
3. We should discriminate the change in the velocity due to a wave from that due to the coordinate.