

# Efficient Numerical Simulation of Advection Diffusion Systems

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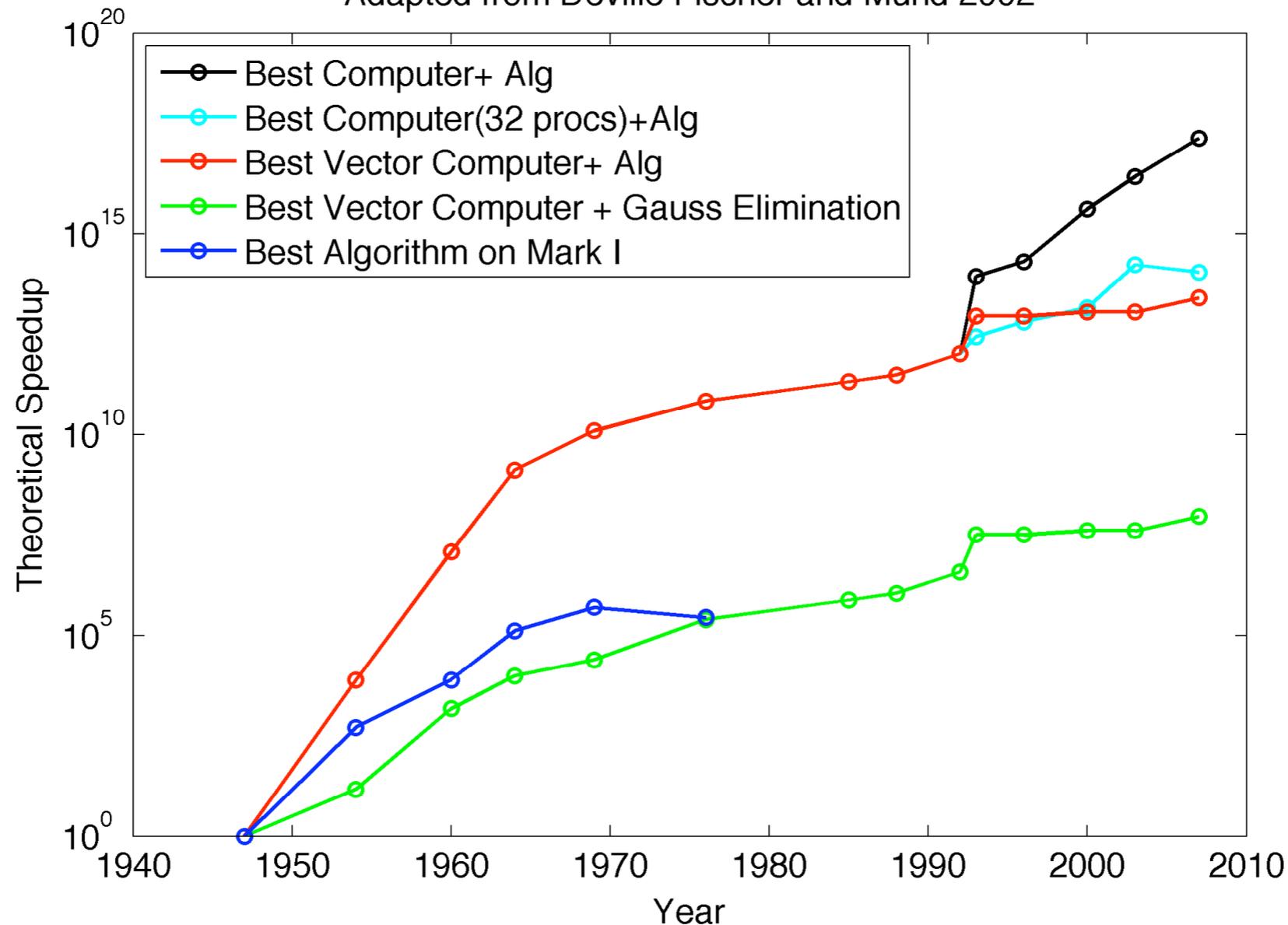
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# OUTLINE

- **History of machine and algorithmic speedup**
- **Introduction to Advection-Diffusion Systems**
- **Choice of Numerical Discretization**
- **Development of Numerical Solvers**
- **Results**
- **Conclusion/Future Directions**

# Motivation - Efficient Solvers

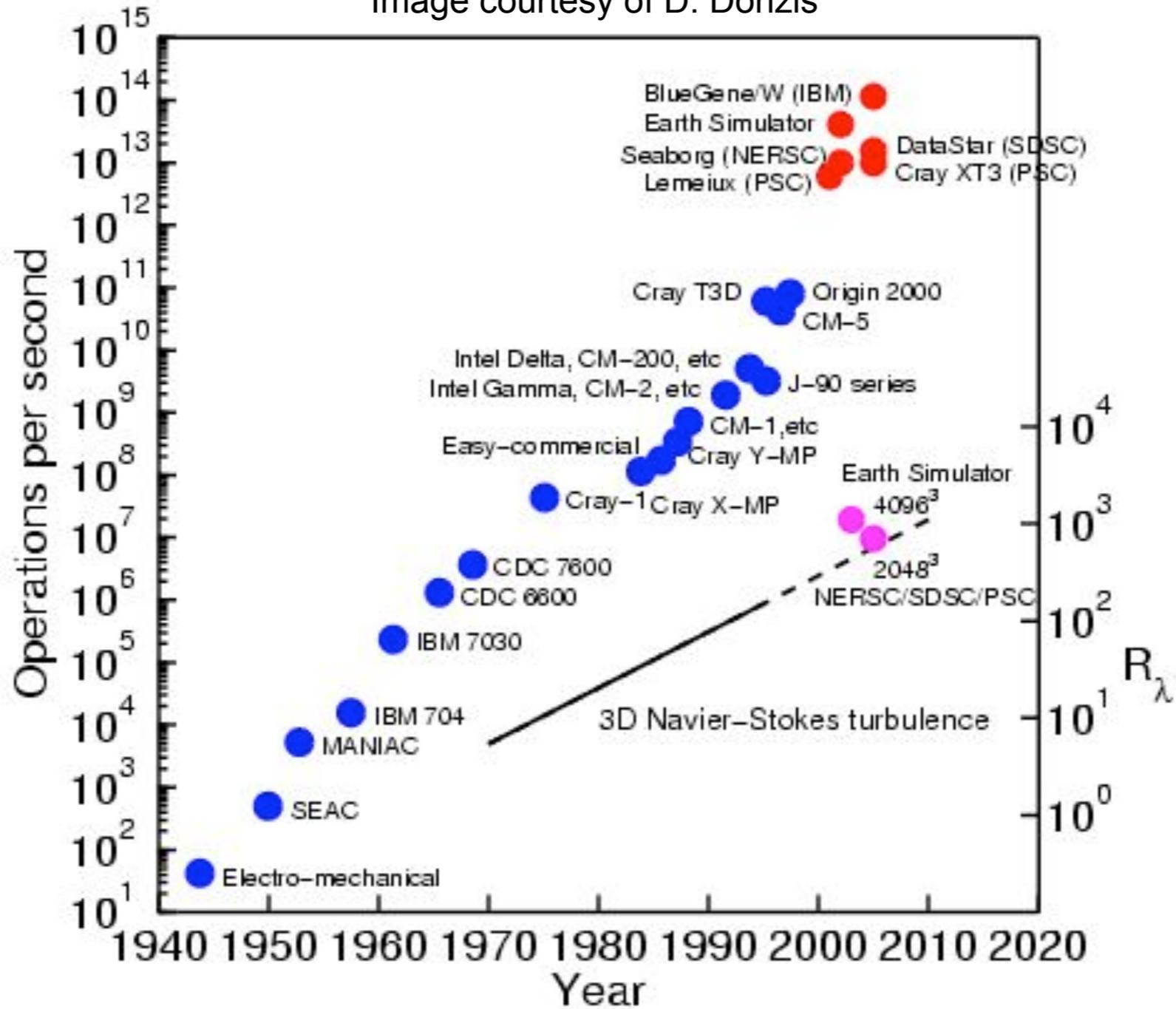
Evolution of machines, algorithms and their combination  
over the past 60 years for the solution of a 3D Poisson Eqn  
Adapted from Deville Fischer and Mund 2002



Faster machines and computational algorithms  
can dramatically reduce simulation time.  
(Centuries to milliseconds).

# Motivation - Efficient Solvers

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Simulating complex flows doesn't scale as well.

## Motivation - Efficient Solvers

### Complexity of Modern Linear Solvers

		Serial	Parallel
FFT	Direct	$n \log n$	$\log n$
Multigrid	Iterative	$n$	$(\log n)^2$
GMRES	Iterative	$n$	$n$
Lower Bound		$n$	$\log n$

## Model - Steady Advection Diffusion

$$-\epsilon \nabla^2 u + (\vec{w} \cdot \nabla) u = f$$

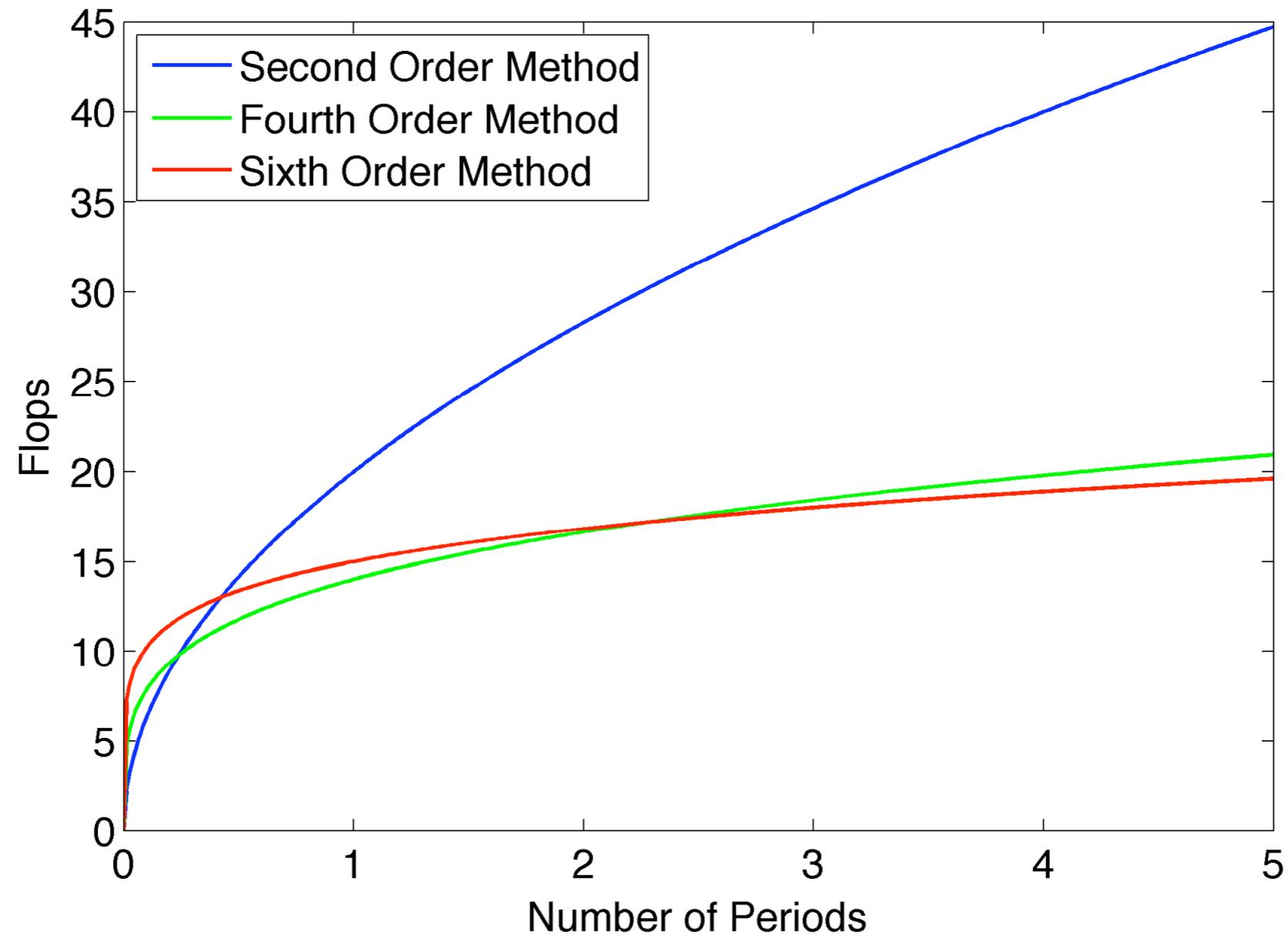
Inertial and viscous forces occur on disparate scales causing **sharp flow features** which:

- require fine numerical grid resolution
- cause poorly conditioned non-symmetric discrete systems.

These properties make solving the discrete systems **computationally expensive**.

# Motivation - Efficient Solvers & Discretization

Comparison of computational work needed to maintain  
10% phase error in 1D advection equation  
Karniadakis & Sherwin 2005

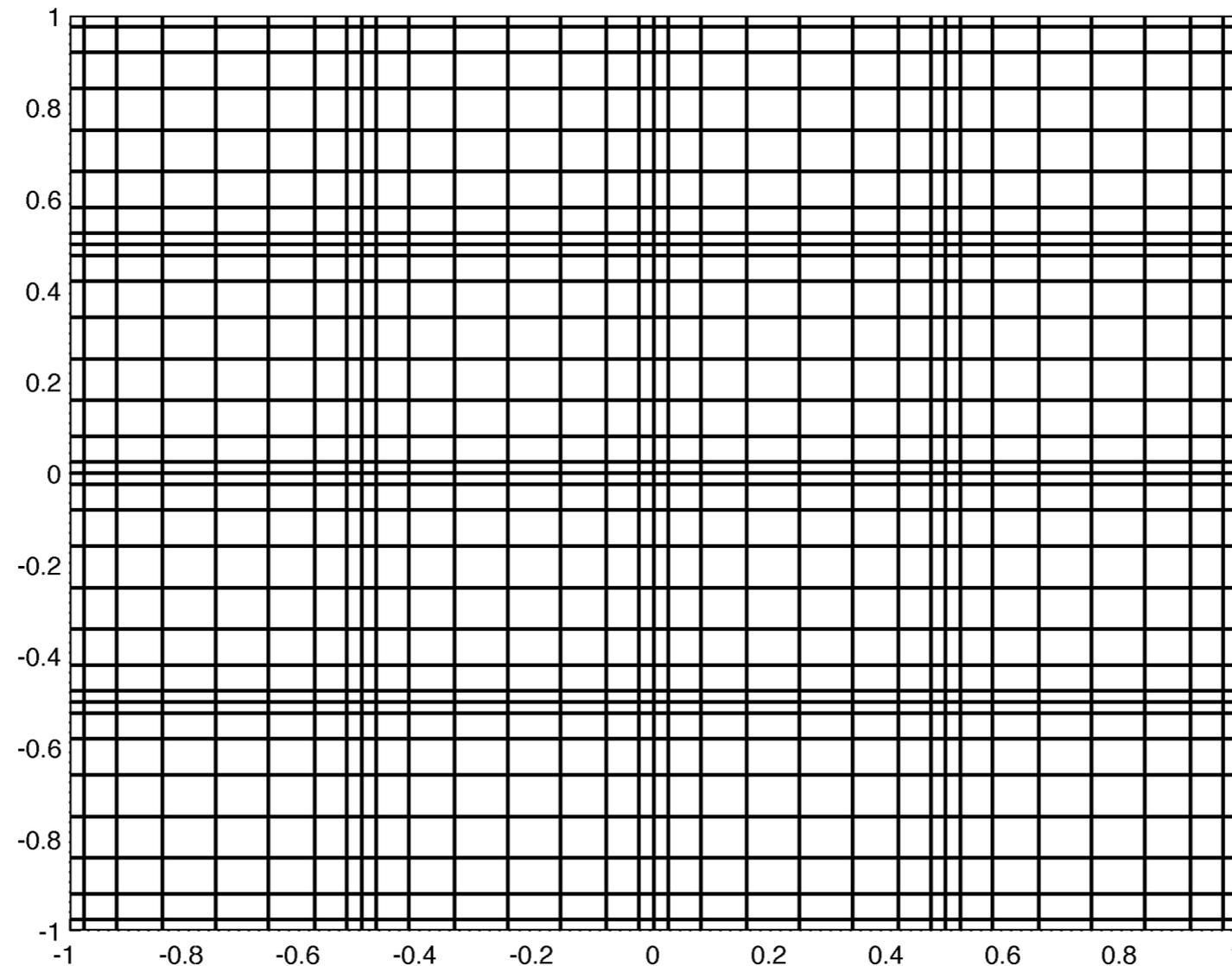


High order methods are accurate & efficient.

# Methods - Spectral Element Discretization

Spectral elements provide:

- **flexible geometric boundaries**
- **large volume to surface ratio**
- **low storage requirements**



The discrete system of advection-diffusion equations are of the form:

$$F(\vec{w})u = Mf$$

When  $w$  is constant in each direction on each element we can use

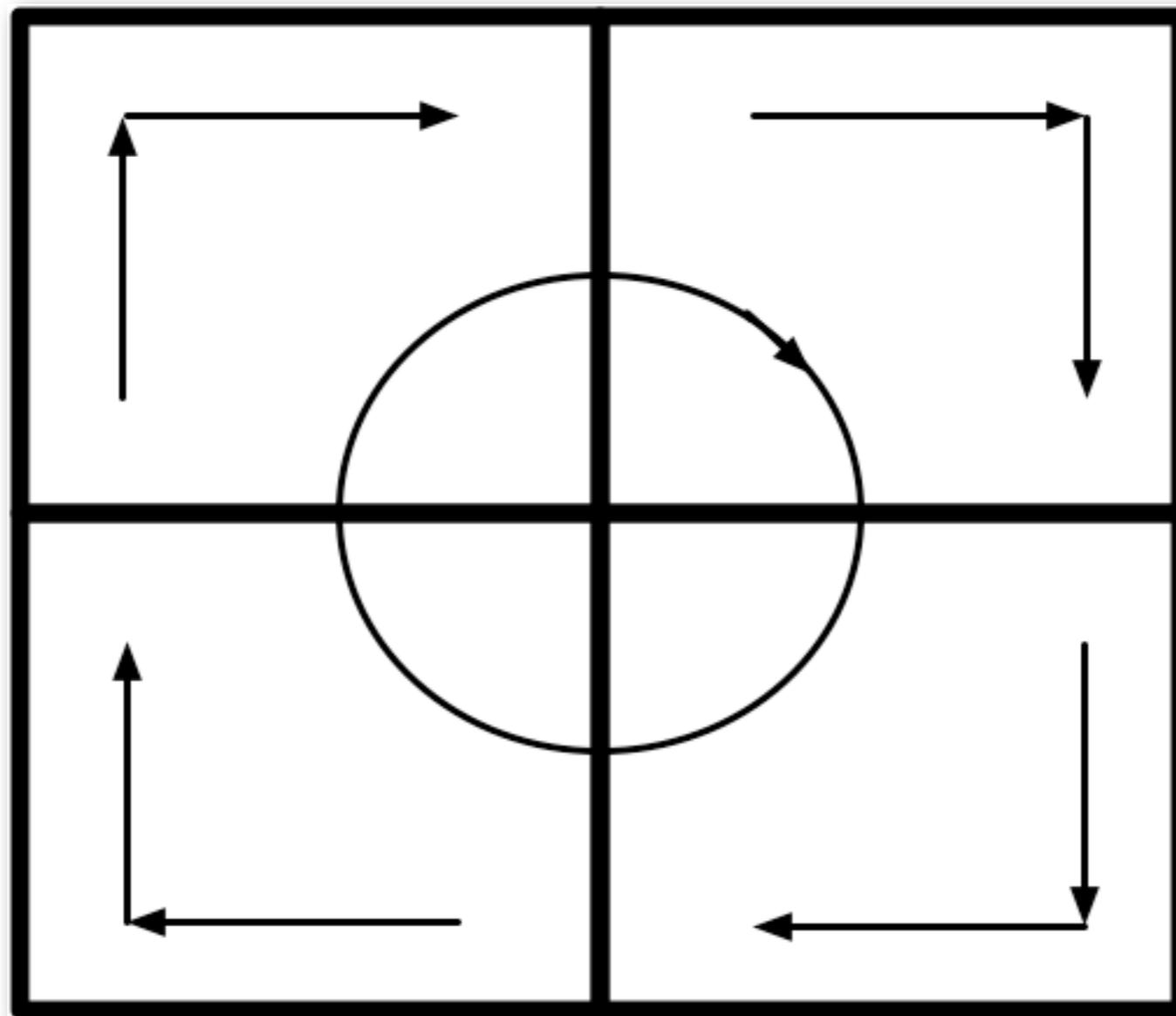
- **Fast Diagonalization & Domain Decomposition as a solver.**

$$\tilde{F} = \hat{M} \otimes \hat{F}(w_x) + \hat{F}(w_y) \otimes \hat{M}$$

## Methods - Spectral Element Discretization

Otherwise, we can use this as a **Preconditioner** for an iterative solver such as GMRES

$$F(\vec{w})P_F^{-1}P_F u = M f$$



## Methods -Tensor Products

What does  $\otimes$  mean?

Suppose  $A_{k \times l}$  and  $B_{m \times n}$

The Kronecker Tensor Product

$$C_{km \times ln} = A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B & \dots & a_{1l}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B & \dots & a_{2l}B \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{k1}B & a_{k2}B & \dots & a_{kl}B \end{pmatrix}.$$

Matrices of this form have properties that make computations **very efficient** and **save lots of memory!**

## Methods - Fast Diagonalization

Matrix-vector multiplies  $(A \otimes B)\vec{u} = BU A^T$   
done in  $O(n^3)$  flops instead of  $O(n^4)$

Fast Diagonalization Property

$$C = A \otimes B + B \otimes A$$

$$V^T A V = \Lambda, \quad V^T B V = I$$

$$C = (V \otimes V)(I \otimes \Lambda + \Lambda \otimes I)(V^T \otimes V^T)$$

$$C^{-1} = (V \otimes V)(I \otimes \Lambda + \Lambda \otimes I)^{-1}(V^T \otimes V^T)$$

Only need an inverse of a **diagonal matrix!**

We use Flexible GMRES with a **preconditioner** based on:

- **Local constant wind approximations**
- **Fast Diagonalization**
- **Domain Decomposition**

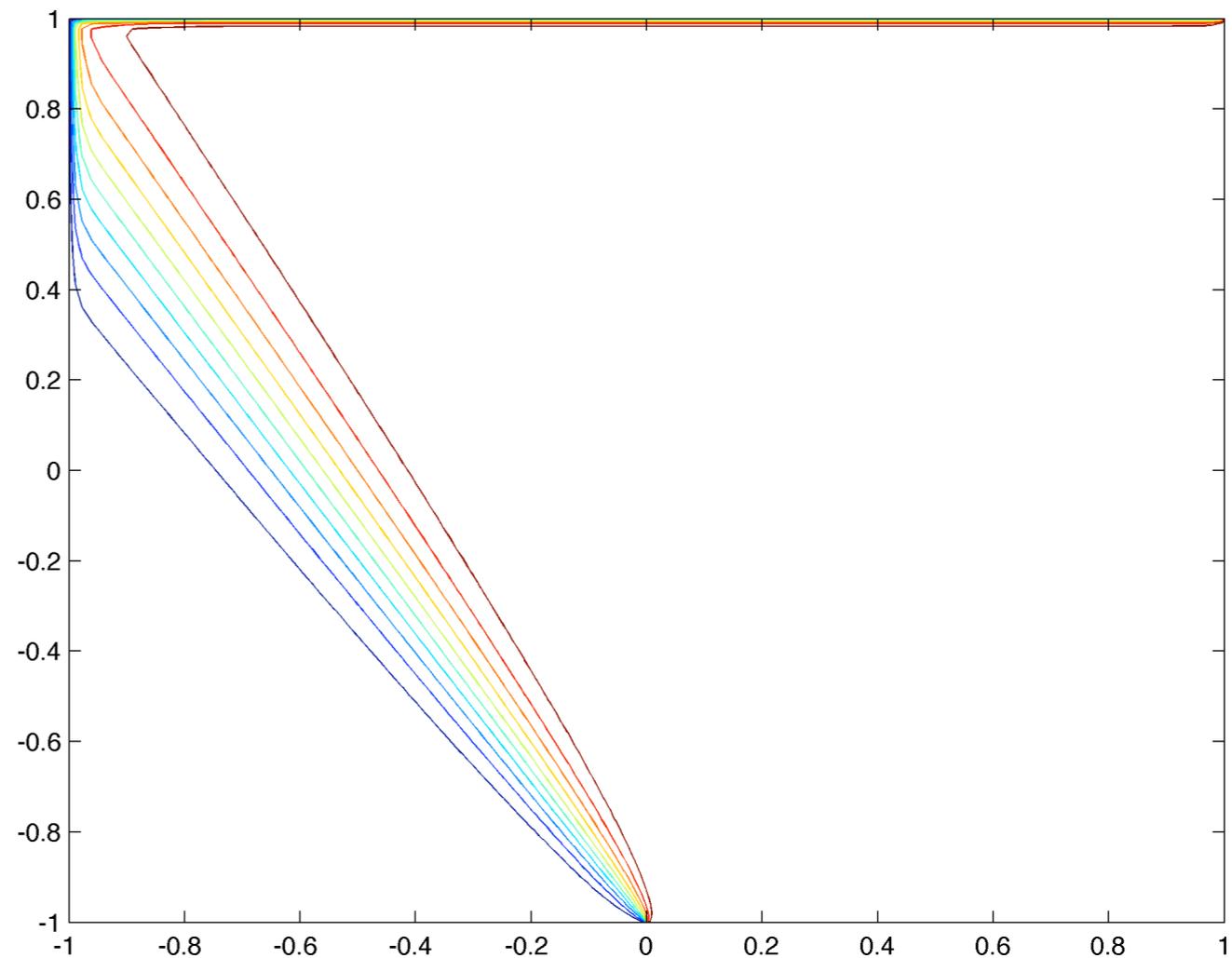
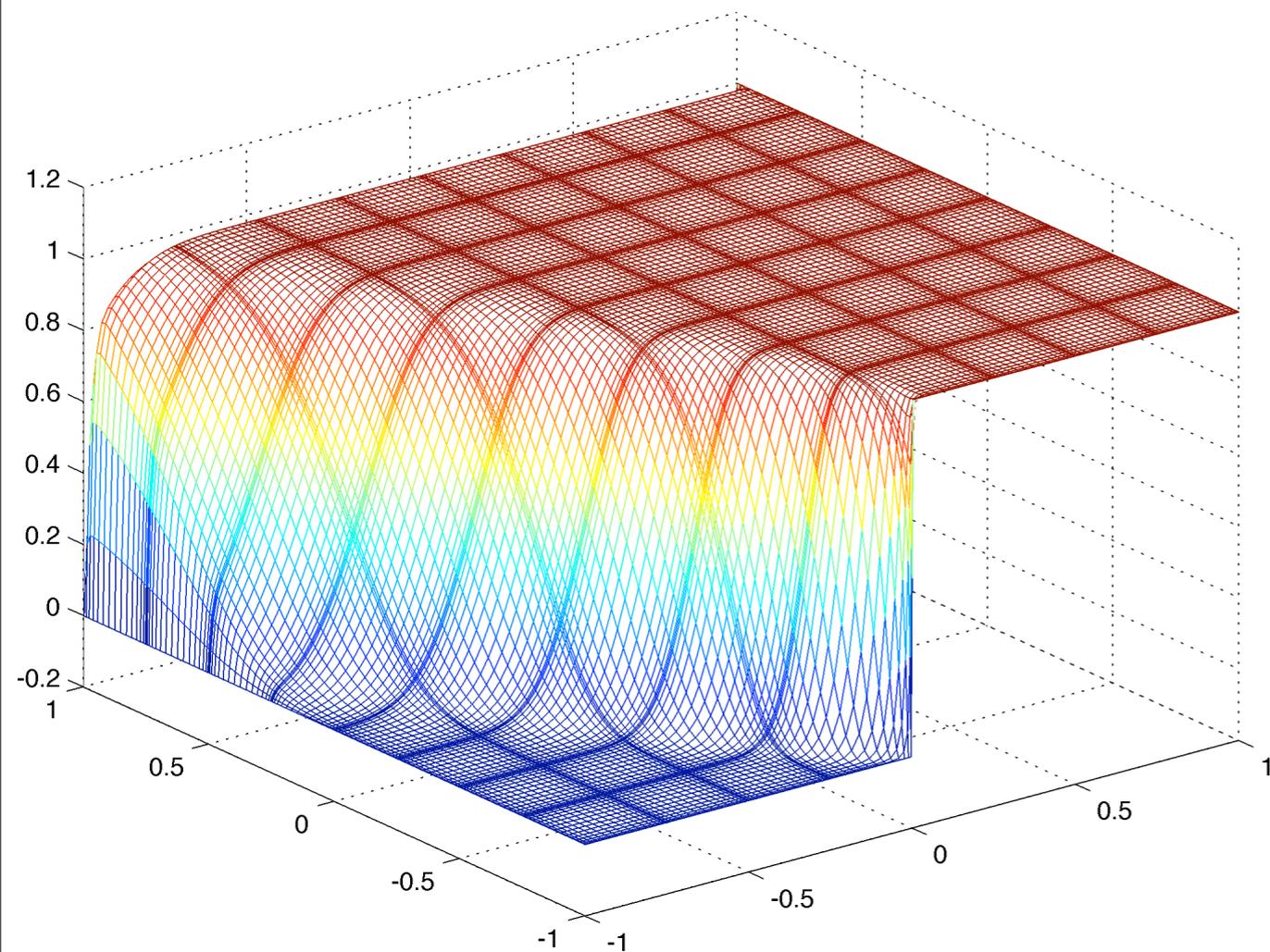
$$F(\vec{w})P_F^{-1}P_F u = M f$$

$$P_F^{-1} = R_0^T \tilde{F}_0^{-1}(\bar{w}_0)R_0 + \sum_{e=1}^N R_e^T \tilde{F}_e^{-1}(\bar{w}^e)R_e$$

$$\tilde{F}_e^{-1} = (\hat{M}^{-1/2} \otimes \hat{M}^{-1/2})(S \otimes T)(\Lambda \otimes I + I \otimes V)^{-1}(S^{-1} \otimes T^{-1})(\hat{M}^{-1/2} \otimes \hat{M}^{-1/2})$$

## Solver Results - Constant Wind

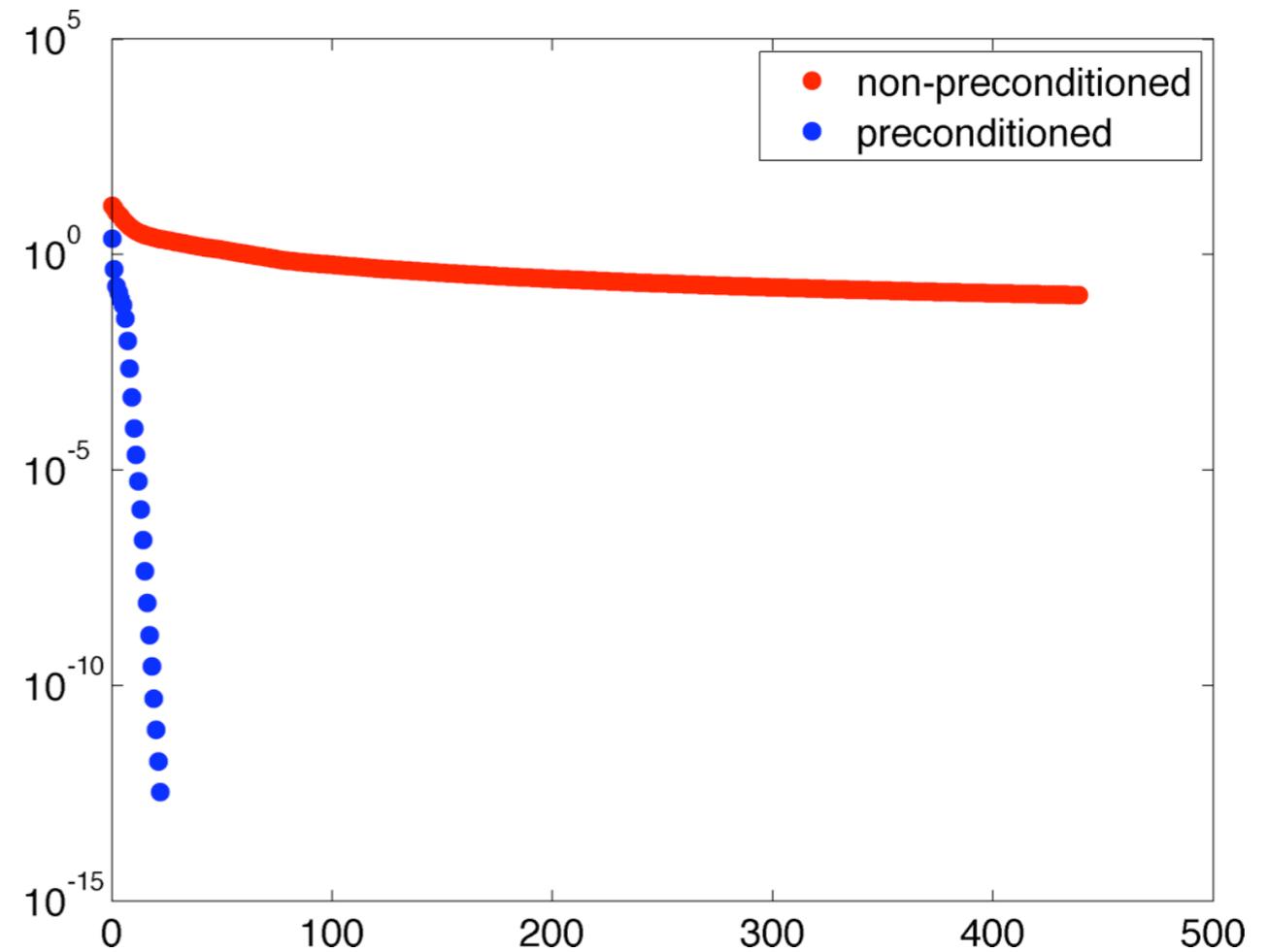
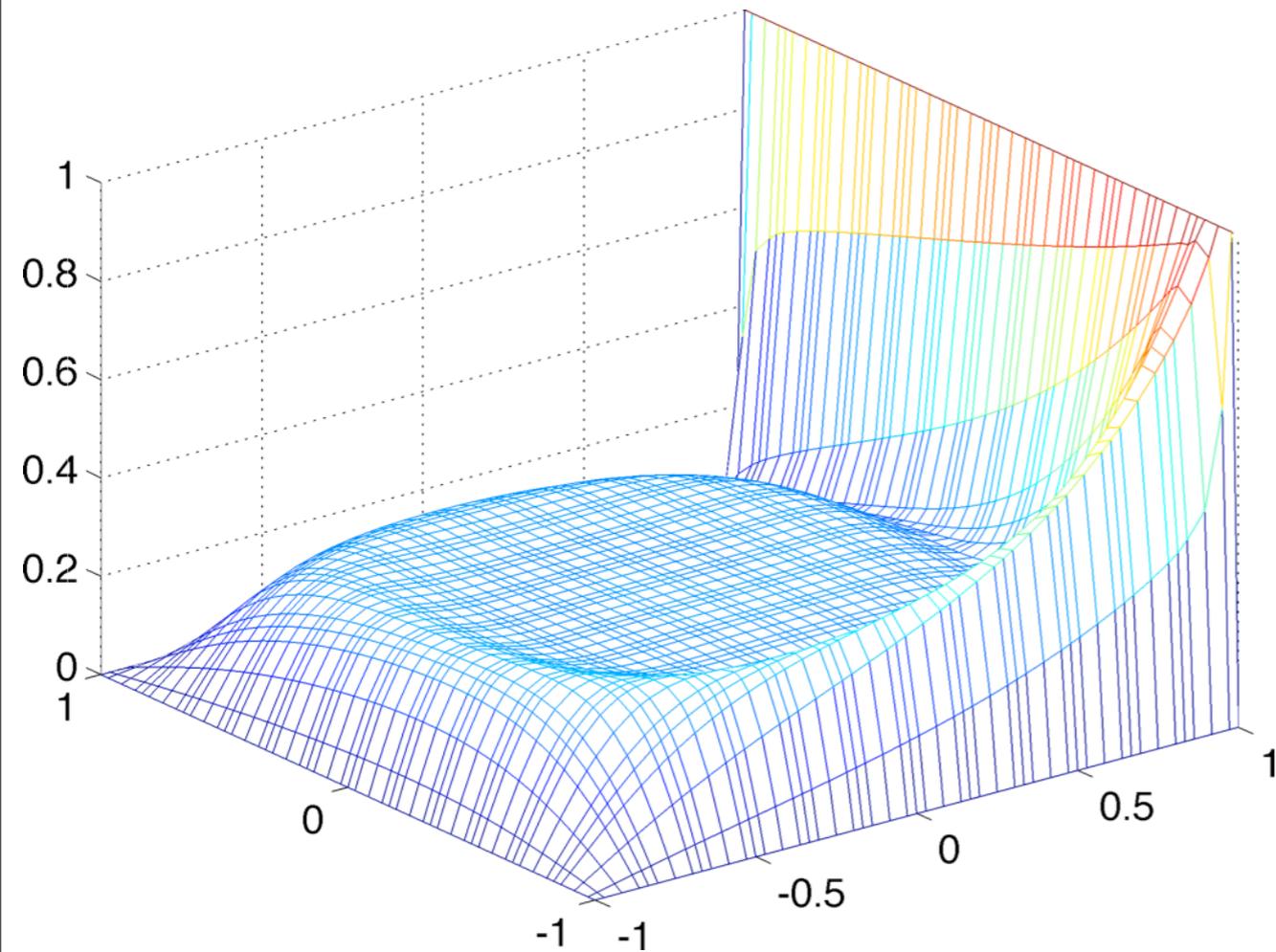
$$\vec{w} = 200\left(-\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right), \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right)$$



Solution and contour plots of a steady advection-diffusion flow. Via Domain Decomposition & Fast Diagonalization. Interface solve takes 150 steps to obtain  $10^{-5}$  accuracy.

# Preconditioner Results - Recirculating Wind

$$\vec{w} = 200(y(1 - x^2), -x(1 - y^2))$$



Hot plate at wall forms internal boundary layers.

Residual Plot above.

•  $(P + 1) [ 1 2 0 N + (P + 1) ]$   
additional flops per step

## Conclusions/Future Directions

Coupling Fast Diagonalization & Domain Decomposition provides an efficient solver for the advection-diffusion equation.

- Precondition Interface Solve
- Coarse Grid Solve (multilevel DD)
- Multiple wind sweeps
- Time dependent flows
- 2D & 3D Navier-Stokes
- Apply to study of complex flows

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