

# **Spartan/Augustus Overview: Simplified Spherical Harmonics and Diffusion for Unstructured Hexahedral Lagrangian Meshes**

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## Spartan/Augustus Code Package Description

Spartan:  $SP_N$ , 2 T + Multi-Group, Even-Parity  
Photon Transport Package with  $v/c$  cor-  
rections

Augustus:  $P_1$  (Diffusion) Package

JTpack: Krylov Subspace Iterative Solver Package  
(by John Turner, ex-LANL)

UMFPACK: Unstructured Multifrontal Solver Pack-  
age (an Incomplete Direct Method by  
Tim Davis, U of FL)

LINPACK: Direct Dense Linear Equation Solver  
Package

BLAS: Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms

## Spartan/Augustus Code Size

Included files counted only once:

Spartan:	10213 lines, 57% comments
Augustus:	12872 lines, 60% comments
JTpack:	14167 lines, 54% comments
UMFPACK:	15393 lines, 58% comments
BLAS:	7467 lines, 48% comments
LINPACK:	6926 lines, 52% comments
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With includes:

Spartan:	14080 lines, 71% comments
Augustus:	31595 lines, 78% comments
JTpack:	36009 lines, 73% comments
UMFPACK:	15393 lines, 58% comments
BLAS:	7467 lines, 48% comments
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# Method Overview: Spartan

- Energy/Temperature Discretization
  - Solves 2 T + Multi-Group Even-Parity Equations
  - Can yoke  $T_e$  and  $T_i$  together to make 1 T
  - Can use a single-group radiation treatment to make 3 T
- Angular Discretization
  - Uses Simplified Spherical Harmonics —  $SP_N$
  - Can do a  $P_1$  (diffusion-like) solution
- Spatial Discretization
  - $SP_N$  decouples equations into many diffusion equations
  - Diffusion equations are solved by Augustus
- Temporal Discretization
  - Linearized implicit discretization
  - Equivalent to one pass of a Newton solve
  - Iteration strategy:
    - \* Source iteration
    - \* DSA acceleration
    - \* LMFG acceleration

## Method Overview: Augustus

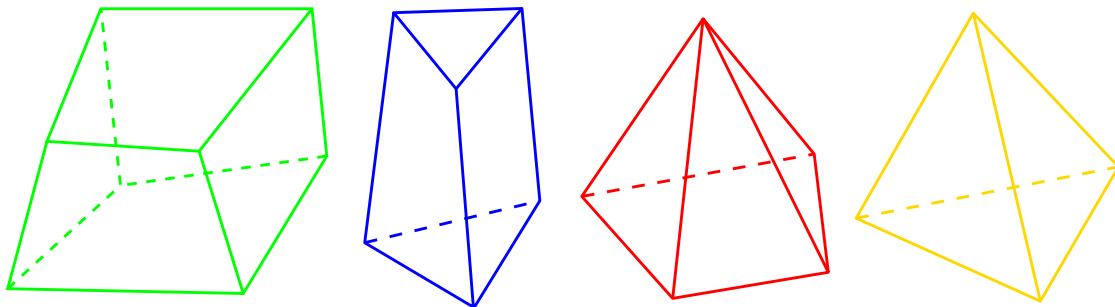
- Spatial Discretization
  - Morel-Hall asymmetric diffusion discretization
  - Support Operator symmetric diffusion discretization
  - Hall symmetric diffusion discretization (2-D, x-y only)
- Temporal Discretization
  - Backwards Euler implicit discretization
- Matrix Solution
  - Krylov Subspace Iterative Methods
    - \* JTpak: GMRES, BCGS, TFQMR
    - \* Preconditioners:
      - JTpak: Jacobi, SSOR, ILU
      - Low-order version of Morel-Hall discretization that is a smaller, symmetric system and is solved by CG with SSOR (from JTpak)
  - Incomplete Direct Method - UMFPACK

# Mesh Description

Multi-Dimensional Mesh:

Dimension	Geometries	Type of Elements
1-D	spherical, cylindrical or cartesian	line segments
2-D	cylindrical or cartesian	quadrilaterals or triangles
3-D	cartesian	hexahedra or degenerate hexahedra (tetrahedra, prisms, pyramids)

*all with an unstructured (arbitrarily connected) format.*



This presentation will assume a 3-D mesh.

## Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ ) Even-Parity Equation Set

Radiation transport equations:

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \xi_{m,g} + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g} + \sigma_g^t \xi_{m,g} = \sigma_g^s \phi_g + \sigma_g^e B_g + C_g^s ,$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g} + \mu_m^2 \overrightarrow{\nabla} \xi_{m,g} + \sigma_g^t \overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g} = \overrightarrow{C}_{m,g}^v$$

for  $m = 1, M$ , and  $g = 1, G$ .

Temperature equations:

$$C_{vi} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial t} = \alpha (T_e - T_i) + Q_i ,$$

$$C_{ve} \frac{\partial T_e}{\partial t} = \alpha (T_i - T_e) + Q_e + \sum_{g=1}^G \left( \sigma_g^a \phi_g^{(0)} - \sigma_g^e B_g \right) ,$$

where

$\xi_{m,g}$  = Even-parity pseudo-angular energy intensity,

$\overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g}$  = Even-parity pseudo-angular energy current,



# Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ )

## Even-Parity Equation Set (cont)

$$\mathcal{C}_g^s = \left( \sigma_g^a - \sigma_g^s \right) \overrightarrow{F}_g^{(0)} \cdot \frac{\overrightarrow{v}}{c} ,$$

$$\overrightarrow{\mathcal{C}}_{m,g}^v = 3\mu_m^2 \sigma_g^t (P_g + \phi_g) \frac{\overrightarrow{v}}{c} ,$$

$$\phi_g = \sum_{m=1}^M \xi_{m,g} w_m ,$$

$$P_g = \sum_{m=1}^M \xi_{m,g} \mu_m^2 w_m ,$$

$$\overrightarrow{F}_g = \sum_{m=1}^M \overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g} w_m ,$$

$$\phi_g^{(0)} = \phi_g - 2 \overrightarrow{F}_g^{(0)} \cdot \frac{\overrightarrow{v}}{c} ,$$

$$\overrightarrow{F}_g^{(0)} = \overrightarrow{F}_g - (P_g + \phi_g) \frac{\overrightarrow{v}}{c} ,$$

$$M = (N + 1) / 2 .$$

## Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ ) Properties

- $SP_1$  and  $P_1$  equations are identical.
- $SP_N$  and  $P_N$  equations are identical in 1-D slab geometry.
- Rotationally invariant  $\longrightarrow$  no ray effects.
- $SP_N$  is a non-convergent method. It is an asymptotic approximation associated with the diffusion limit. As  $N \longrightarrow \infty$ , the solution doesn't necessarily converge to the true answer.
- $SP_N$  has almost the same accuracy for lower orders as  $S_N$  if the solution is approximately locally 1-D, but is much cheaper.

## Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ ) Properties (cont)

- With DSA and LMFG acceleration,  $SP_N$  costs  $MG + G + 1$  diffusion solutions for every outer iteration.
- Unlike the diffusion equation, the  $SP_N$  equations propagate information at a finite speed. For radiation, this speed approaches  $c$  from below as the order of approximation is increased.
- Order  $N$  unknowns for  $SP_N$ , vs. order  $N^2$  unknowns for  $P_N$  and  $S_N$ .
- In a homogeneous region,  $SP_N$  and  $P_N$  scalar flux solutions satisfy same equation, except with different boundary conditions.

# Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ ) Temporal Discretization

Radiation transport equations:

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \xi_{m,g} + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \overrightarrow{\Gamma}_{m,g} + \sigma_g^t \xi_{m,g} = \sigma_g^s \phi_g + \sigma_g^e B_g + \mathcal{C}_g^s ,$$

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where

- Blue = Implicit or backwards Euler terms,
- Magenta = Explicit or extrapolated implicit terms,
- Red = Implicit terms accelerated by DSA,
- Green = Linearized implicit terms accelerated by LMFG.

This is not quite accurate — it's actually more complicated than this — but this captures the flavor of the temporal discretization.

## Simplified Spherical Harmonics ( $SP_N$ ) Source Iteration Strategy

- $SP_N$  Equations: Red and Green terms are treated explicitly, equations decouple into  $M \times G$  separate diffusion equations
- DSA Equations: summing over angle and treating Red terms implicitly leads to  $G$  separate diffusion equations, which provide an angle-constant update
- LMFG Equation: summing over group and treating Green terms implicitly leads to a single diffusion equation, which provides a spectrum-scaled update
- These equations are solved repeatedly until the Red and Green terms converge

## Diffusion ( $P_1$ ) Equation Set:

$$\alpha \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} - \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot D \overrightarrow{\nabla} \Phi + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \overrightarrow{J} + \sigma \Phi = S$$

Which can be written

$$\alpha \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \overrightarrow{F} + \sigma \Phi = S$$
$$\overrightarrow{F} = -D \overrightarrow{\nabla} \Phi + \overrightarrow{J}$$

Where

$\Phi$  = Intensity

$\overrightarrow{F}$  = Flux

$D$  = Diffusion Coefficient

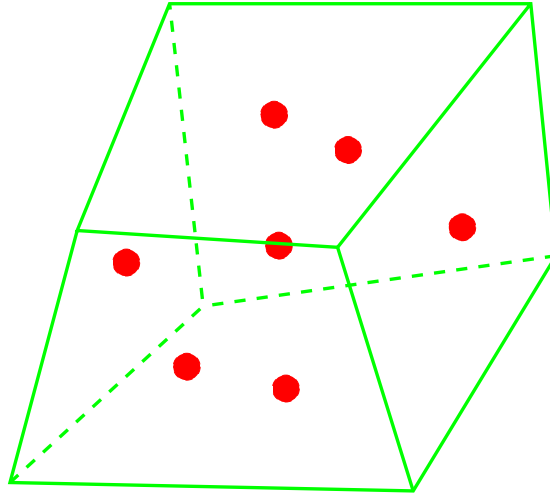
$\alpha$  = Time Derivative Coefficient

$\sigma$  = Removal Coefficient

$S$  = Intensity Source Term

$\overrightarrow{J}$  = Flux Source Term

# Diffusion Discretization Method Properties



All three methods:

- Are cell-centered – balance equations are done over a cell
- Require cell-centered and face-centered unknowns to rigorously treat material discontinuities
- Preserve the homogeneous linear solution, and are second-order accurate
- Reduce to the standard cell-centered operator for an orthogonal mesh
- Maintain local energy conservation

# Diffusion Discretization Method Properties (cont)

- Morel-Hall Asymmetric Method

- Described in

Michael L. Hall, and Jim E. Morel. A Second-Order Cell-Centered Diffusion Differencing Scheme for Unstructured Hexahedral Lagrangian Meshes. In *Proceedings of the 1996 Nuclear Explosives Code Developers Conference (NECDC)*, UCRL-MI-124790, pages 359–375, San Diego, CA, October 21–25 1996. LA-UR-97-8.

which is an extension of

J. E. Morel, J. E. Dendy, Jr., Michael L. Hall, and Stephen W. White. A Cell-Centered Lagrangian-Mesh Diffusion Differencing Scheme. *Journal of Computational Physics*, 103(2):286–299, December 1992.

to 3-D unstructured meshes, with an alternate derivation.

- Hall Symmetric Method:

- Based on the above method, but only applicable in 2-D x-y.

- Support Operator Symmetric Method:

- Extension of the method described in

Mikhail Shashkov and Stanly Steinberg. Solving Diffusion Equations with Rough Coefficients in Rough Grids. *Journal of Computational Physics*, 129:383–405, 1996.

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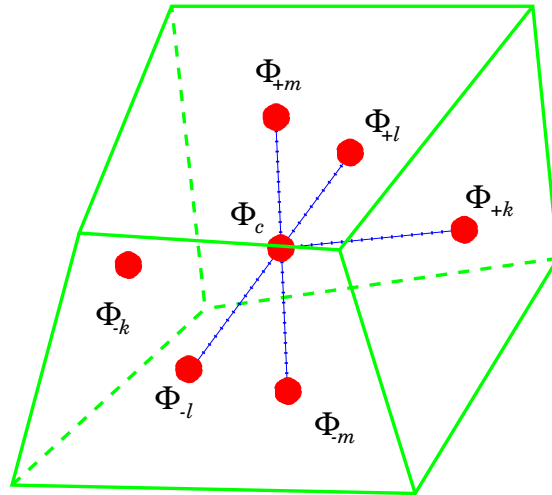


## Diffusion Discretization Stencil

The flux at a given face, for example the  $+k$ -face,

$$\overrightarrow{F}_{+k}^{n+1} = -D_{c,+k} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \Phi^{n+1} + \overrightarrow{J}_{+k}$$

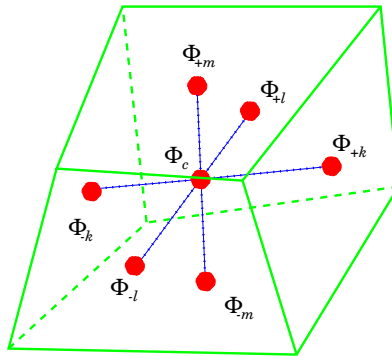
is defined using this stencil:



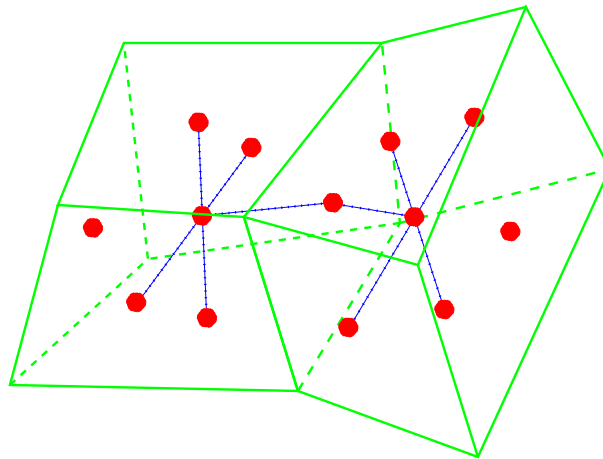
in the Asymmetric Method. The Support Operator Method uses all seven unknowns within a cell to define the face flux.

## Diffusion Discretization Stencil (cont)

Each cell has a cell-centered conservation equation which involves all six face fluxes, and gives a stencil which includes all seven unknowns within the cell (in both methods).



To close the system, an equation relating the fluxes on each side of a face is added for every face in the problem. This gives the following stencil:



in the Asymmetric Method. The Support Operator Method uses all thirteen unknowns within a cell-cell pair to define the face equation.

# Algebraic Solution

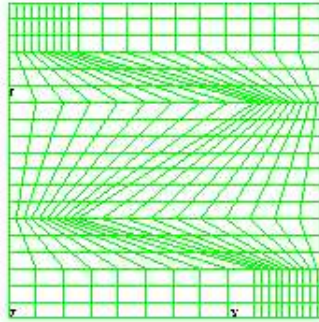
- Main Matrix System (Asymmetric Method):
  - Asymmetric – must use an asymmetric solver like GMRES, BCGS or TFQMR
  - Size is  $(4n_c + n_b/2)$  squared
  - Maximum of 11 non-zero elements per row
- Main Matrix System (Support Operator Method):
  - Symmetric – can use CG to solve
  - Size is  $(4n_c + n_b/2)$  squared
  - Maximum of 13 non-zero elements per row
- Preconditioner for Krylov Space methods is a Low-Order Matrix System:
  - Assume orthogonal: drop out minor directions in flux terms
  - Symmetric – can use standard CG solver
  - Size is  $n_c$  squared
  - Maximum of 7 non-zero elements per row

## Results: Sample Augustus Problem

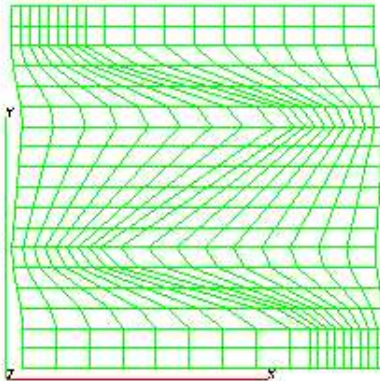
- 3-D Kershaw-Squared Mesh
- Constant properties
- No removal or sources
- Reflective boundaries on 4 sides
- Source and vacuum boundary conditions on opposite sides
- Analytic solution - linear
- Grid size -  $20 \times 20 \times 20 = 8000$  nodes, 6859 cells
- 50 time steps, 15 s / time step on IBM RS/6000 Scalable POWERparallel System, SP2

## Results: Sample Problem

Actual Mesh (Cell Nodes)

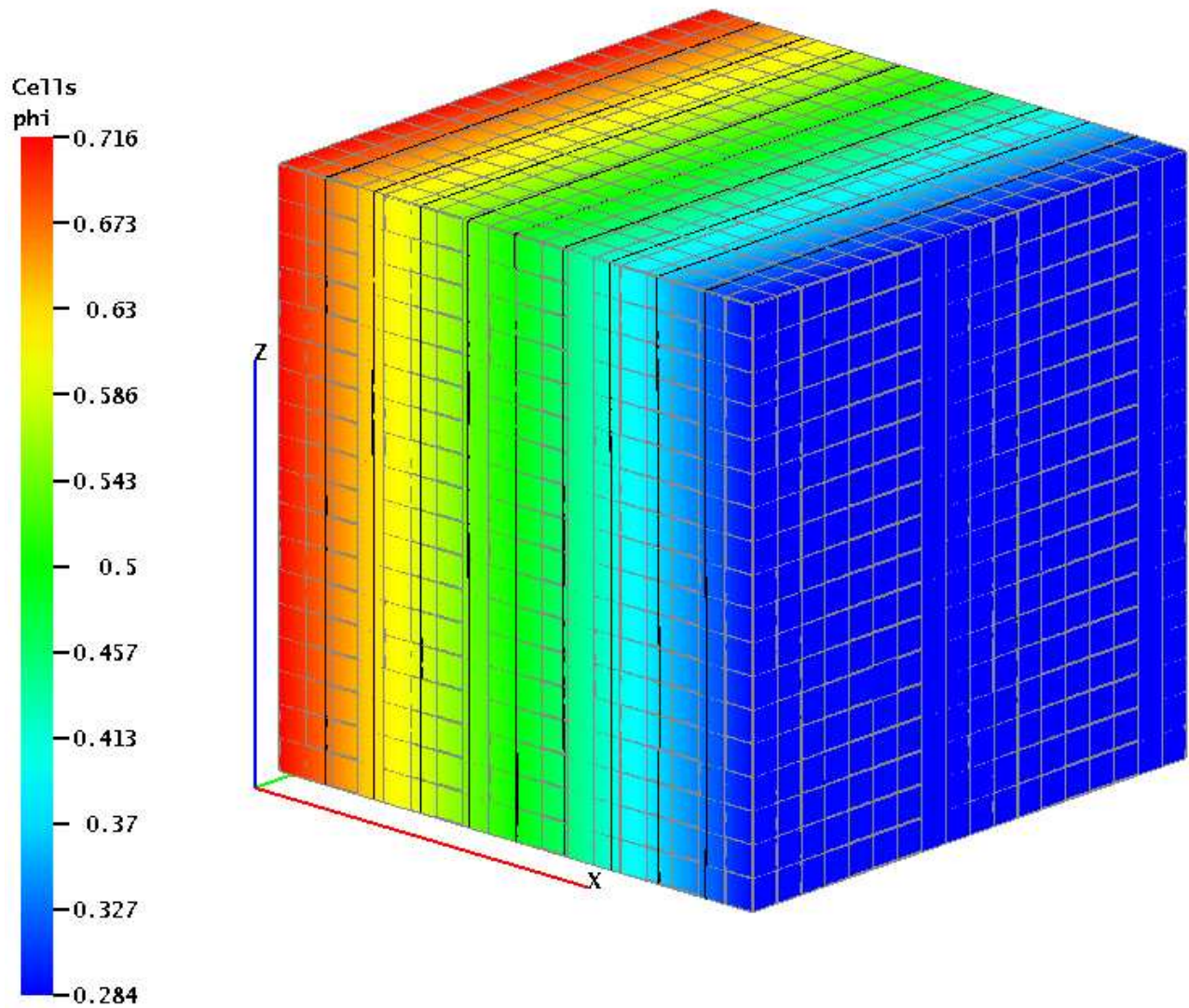


Dual Mesh (Cell Centers)



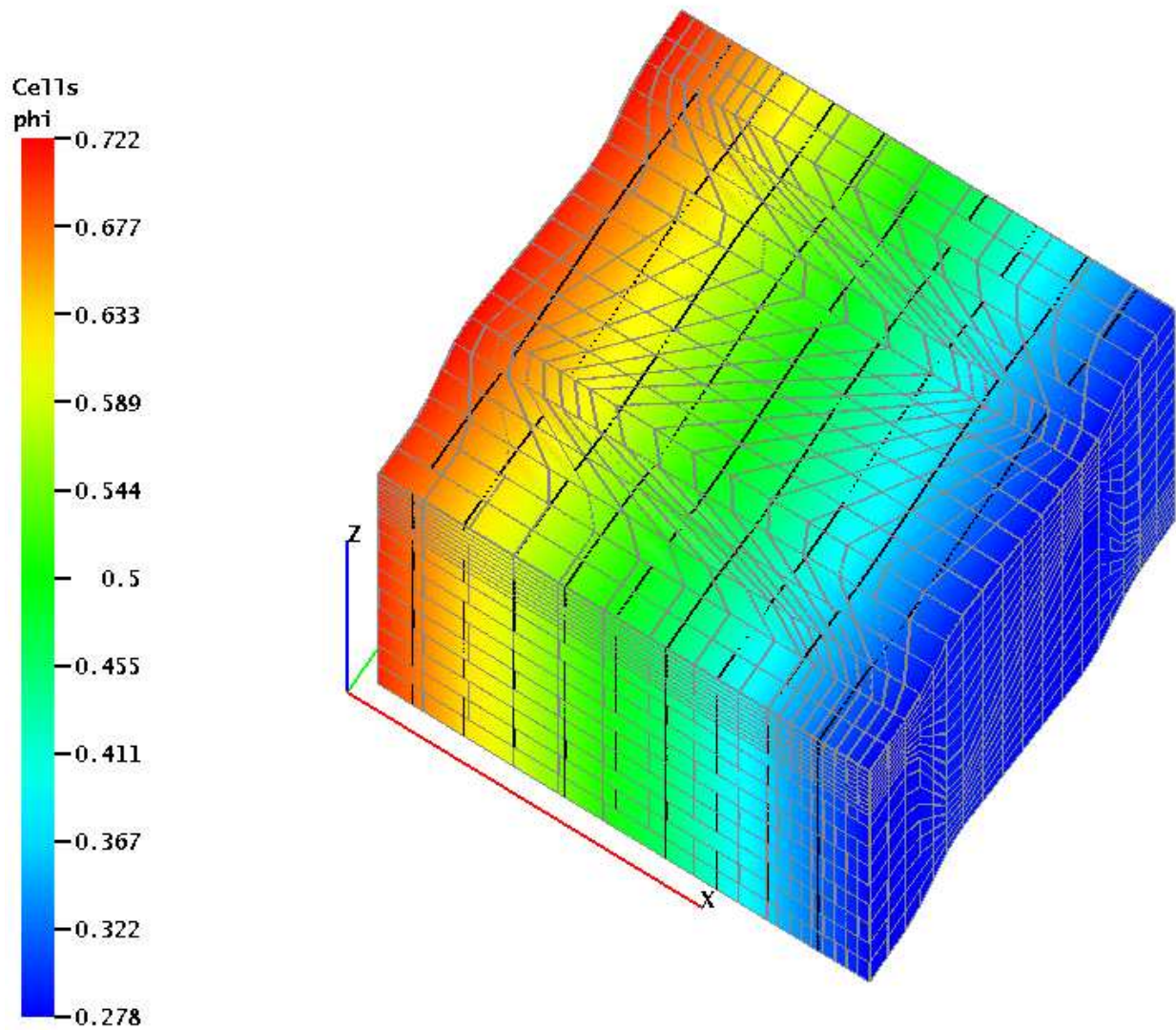
# Results: Sample Problem

## Orthogonal Mesh Steady State Solution



# Results: Sample Problem

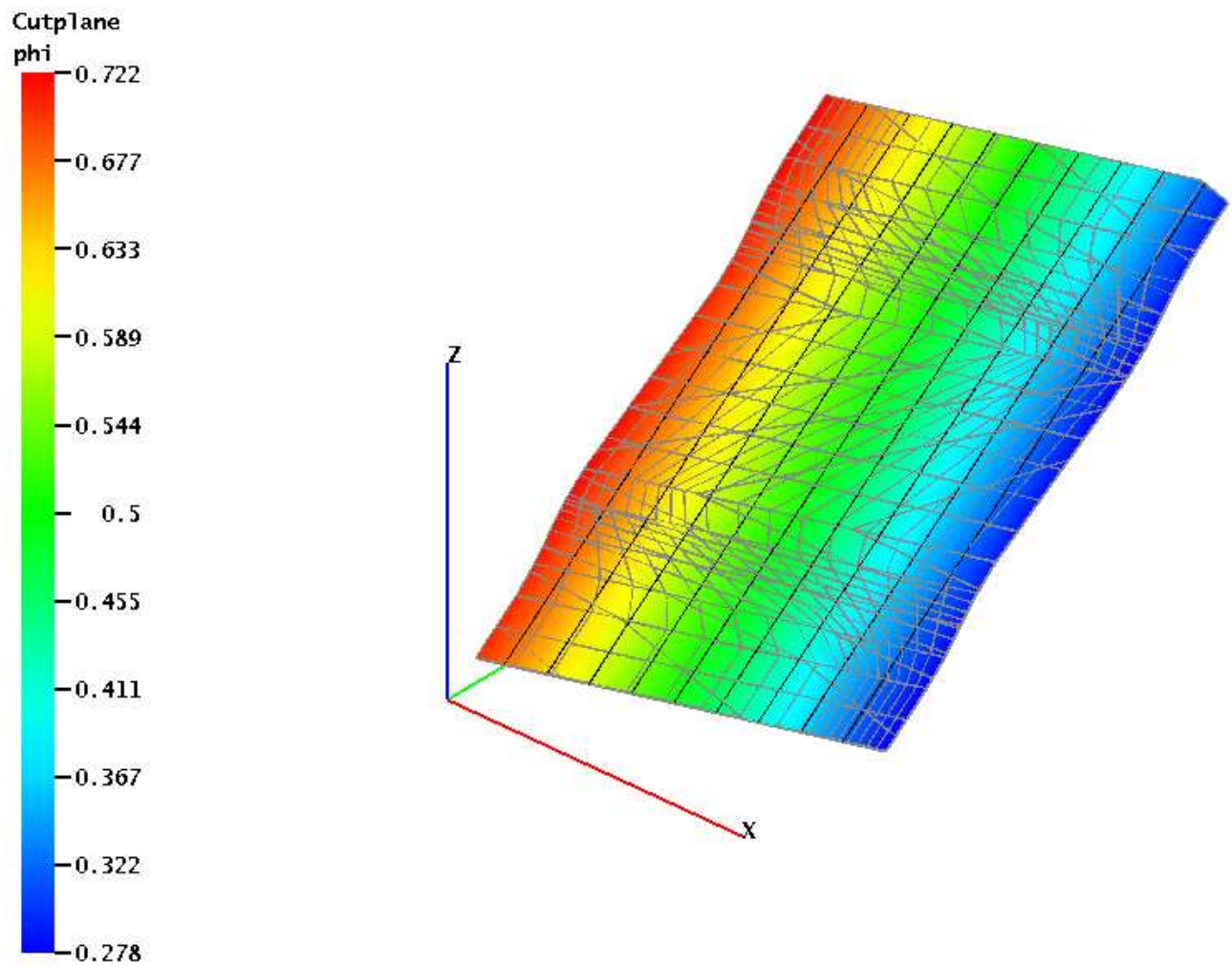
Kershaw-Squared Mesh Steady State





# Results: Sample Problem

## Kershaw-Squared Random Cutplane





## Future Work

- Parallel (JTpack90, PGSlib, SPAM)
- Object-based, design-by-contract F90
- Generic programming?
- Integrated documentation (HTML, PS)
- Newton-Krylov solution method?
- Alternate angular discretization?
- Self-adjoint equation set?