

Exact intersection remapping of multi-material domain-decomposed polygonal meshes

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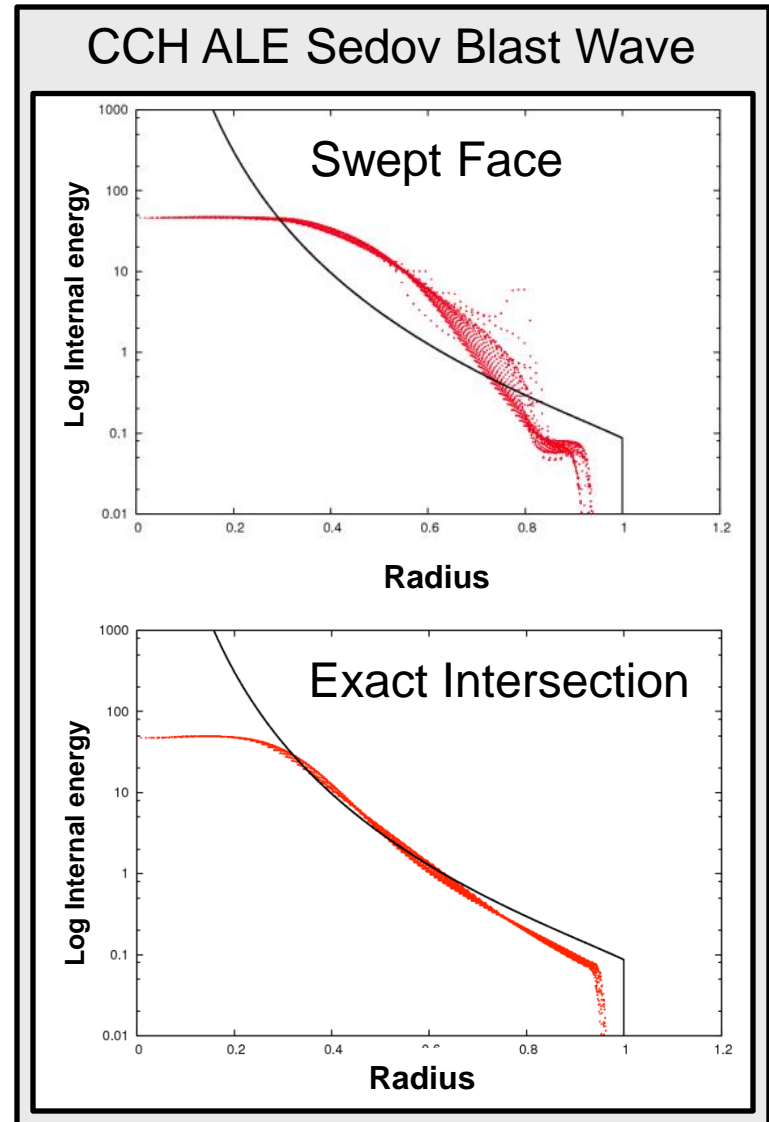
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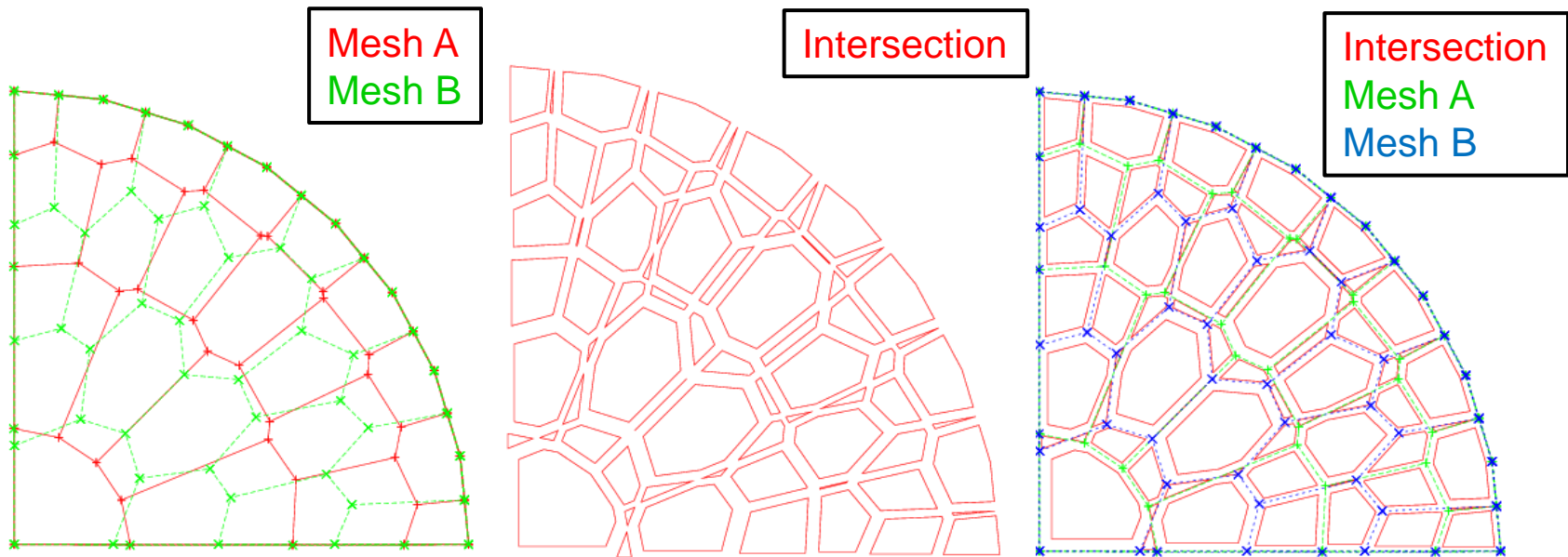
Introduction (why do you care?)

- Remapping is required for Lagrange+remap ALE hydrodynamics
 - Complete Lagrange cycle
 - Move or “relax” the mesh points, usually to improve mesh quality
 - Remap physics state to the relaxed mesh
 - Repeat
- Typical ALE 2nd-order remap is based on swept-face remap (advection)
 - Flux material across faces between donor and acceptor cells
 - Flux volumes limited to some fraction of donor cell volume
- Exact intersection remap is better
 - Fluxes across corners are included, improving accuracy for general flow
 - Not limited by swept face flux volume, decreasing cycles to solution
- Doesn't have to be prohibitively expensive
 - Presented method is $O(n)$ time



Method overview

- Remap requires intersection of pre-relaxed mesh A with relaxed mesh B
- Overlay of both meshes generates intersection polygons
- Each polygon is the intersection of a mesh A (donor) zone with a mesh B (acceptor) zone
- Each polygon represents a flux from the donor zone to the acceptor zone
- Remap fields by subtracting fluxes from donors and adding to acceptors



2nd Order Remapping

- 2nd-order remapping of a volume-weighted intensive field f
- Requires integration over the intersection polygon of a linear reconstruction of field $f(\mathbf{x})$ based on known donor zone centered field $f(\mathbf{x}_c)$ at known donor zone centroid \mathbf{x}_c

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}_c) + \mathbf{G} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c)$$

- Where $\mathbf{G} = \langle \mathbf{G}_x, \mathbf{G}_y \rangle$ is the limited gradient of the field
- Choose your favorite limited gradient method

2nd Order Remapping

- Extensive flux F from donor zone to acceptor zone is the integral of the linear field $f(\mathbf{x})$ over the intersection polygon volume V

$$F = \int_V f(\mathbf{x}) dV = \int_V (f(\mathbf{x}_c) + \mathbf{G} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c)) dV$$

Constant in V

$$F = f(\mathbf{x}_c) \int_V (1) dV + \mathbf{G} \cdot \int_V (\mathbf{x}) dV - \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}_c \int_V (1) dV$$

$$F = (f(\mathbf{x}_c) - \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}_c) J_0 + \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

$$J_0 = V = \int_V (1) dV, \quad \mathbf{J} = \langle J_x, J_y \rangle, \quad J_x = \int_V (x) dV, \quad J_y = \int_V (y) dV$$

$$F = (f(\mathbf{x}_c) - \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}_c) J_0 + G_x J_x + G_y J_y$$

Cartesian

$$F = (f(\mathbf{x}_c) - \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}_c) J_0 + G_r J_r + G_z J_z$$

Cylindrical

- Forms of J_0, J_x, J_y depend on Cartesian vs. cylindrical geometry
- Integrals J_0, J_x, J_y can be re-used to remap all fields

2nd Order Remapping

- Integrals are various moments of area

- Cartesian ($dV = dx dy$):

$$J_0 = V = A = \iint (1) dx dy, \quad J_x = \iint (x) dx dy, \quad J_y = \iint (y) dx dy$$

- Cylindrical ($dV = r dr dz$):

$$J_0 = V = \iint (1) r dr dz, \quad J_r = \iint (r) r dr dz, \quad J_z = \iint (z) r dr dz$$

2nd Order Remapping

- Discrete integral for polygon p with n edges is sum of discrete edge integrals

$$J_p = \sum_{e=1}^n J_e$$

- Discrete integrals for edge e with endpoints \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 are:

- Cartesian: $J_0 = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 + x_2)(y_2 - y_1)$

$$J_x = \frac{1}{6}(x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2)(y_2 - y_1)$$

$$J_y = \frac{1}{6}(y_1^2 + y_1y_2 + y_2^2)(x_1 - x_2)$$

- Cylindrical:

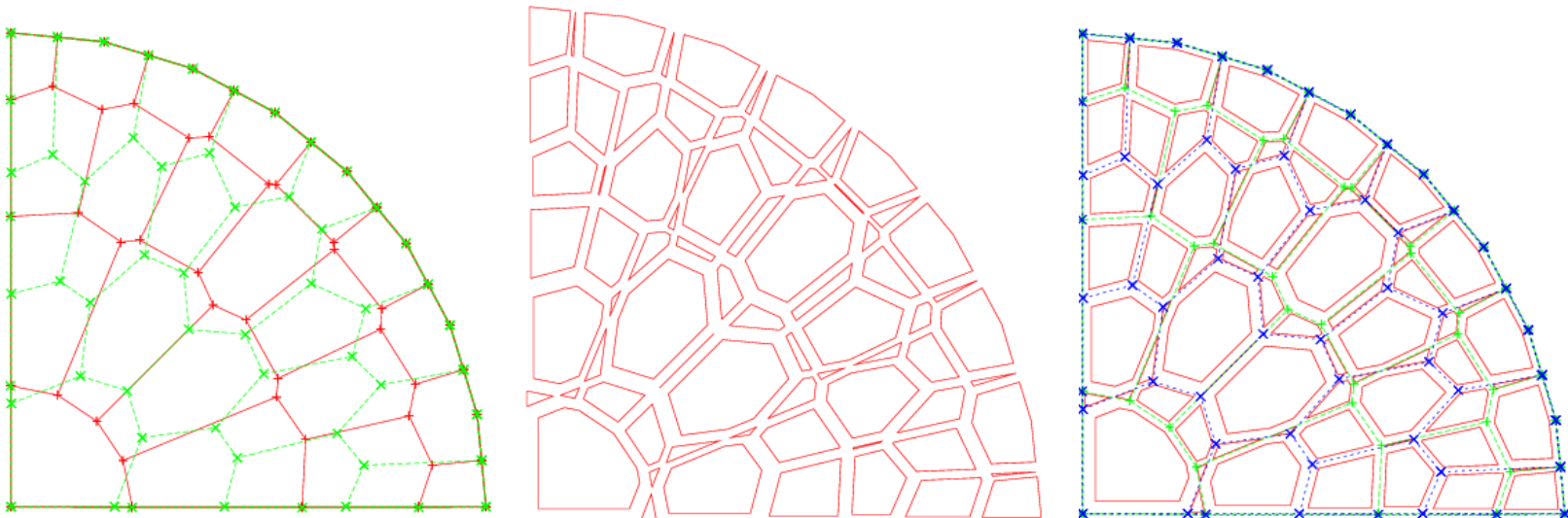
$$J_0 = \frac{1}{6}(r_1^2 + r_1r_2 + r_2^2)(z_2 - z_1)$$

$$J_r = \frac{1}{12}(r_1 + r_2)(r_1^2 + r_2^2)(z_2 - z_1)$$

$$J_z = \frac{1}{24}(r_1^2(3z_1 + z_2) + r_2^2(3z_2 + z_1) + 2r_1r_2(z_1 + z_2))(z_2 - z_1)$$

2nd Order Remapping

- Compute relaxed mesh zone volumes
- Compute edge integrals
- Sum to polygon to get J_0, J_x, J_y
- For each field
 - Compute limited gradient \mathbf{G}
 - Compute flux F for each polygon
 - Subtract flux from donor, add to acceptor
 - Convert new extensive value back to intensive form if necessary
- **But we still need to determine the intersection polygons**

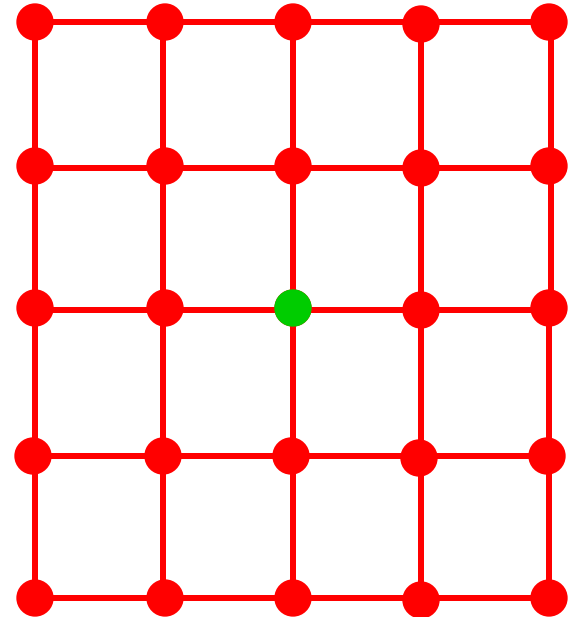


Edge tracking and polygon generation

- Want to intersect every edge in donor mesh with acceptor mesh edges (and vice versa) with $O(n)$ time complexity
 - Edges broken into segments at intersection points
 - Resulting segments bound intersection polygons
 - Segment geometry required to remap fields
- This method is an improvement to Miller and Burton method
 - They perturbed one mesh in order to avoid exact point-point, point-edge, or edge-edge coincidence
 - Works perfectly...most of the time
 - Not 100% robust
- This method:
 - Uses an advancing front algorithm (Burton et al, LA-UR 12-20613)
 - Requires no perturbation

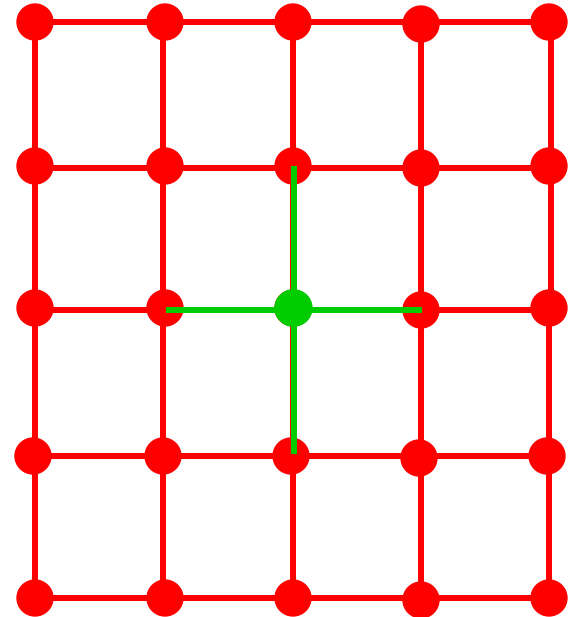
Edge tracking: Advancing wavefront

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 - Pick a point in mesh A
 - Determine where it is in mesh B
 - Single KD-tree $\log(n)$ search
 - All connected edges now know where they start
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 - Repeat until all edges have been tracked
- Repeat but track mesh B edges through mesh A



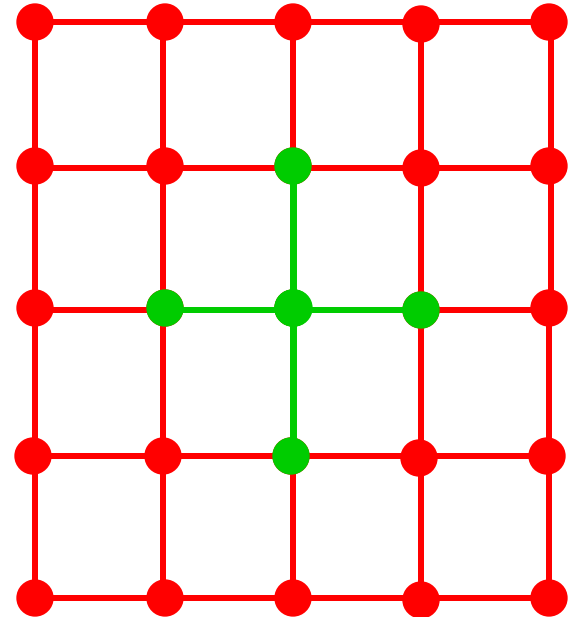
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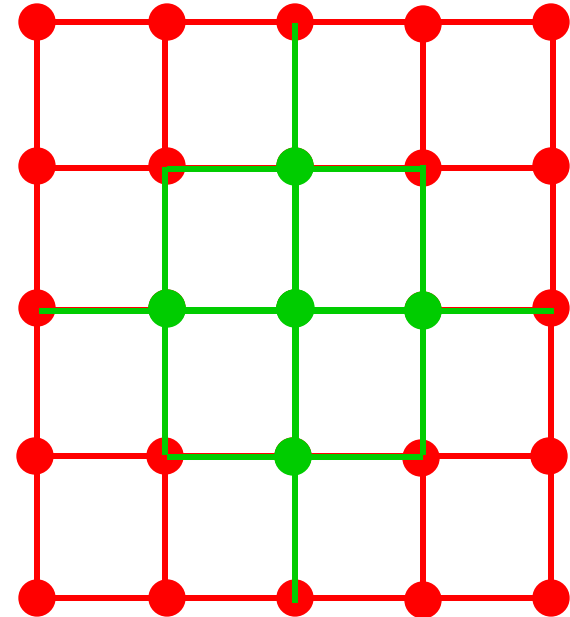
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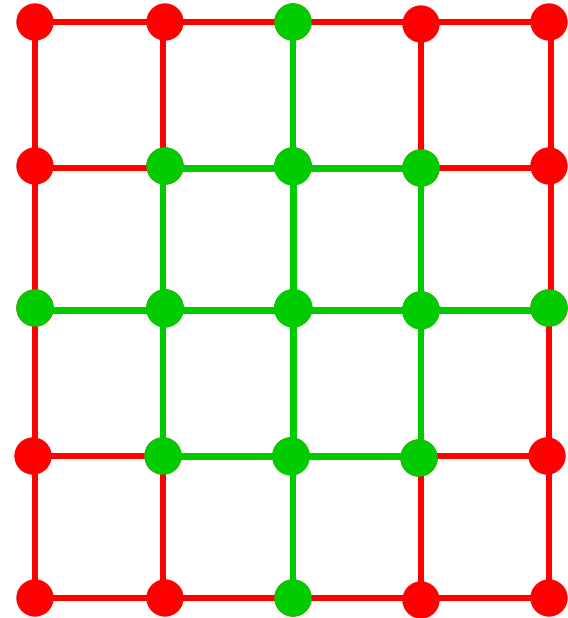
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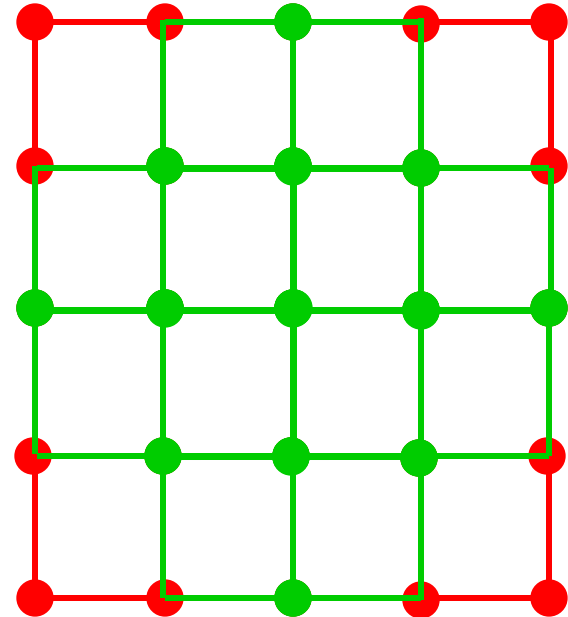
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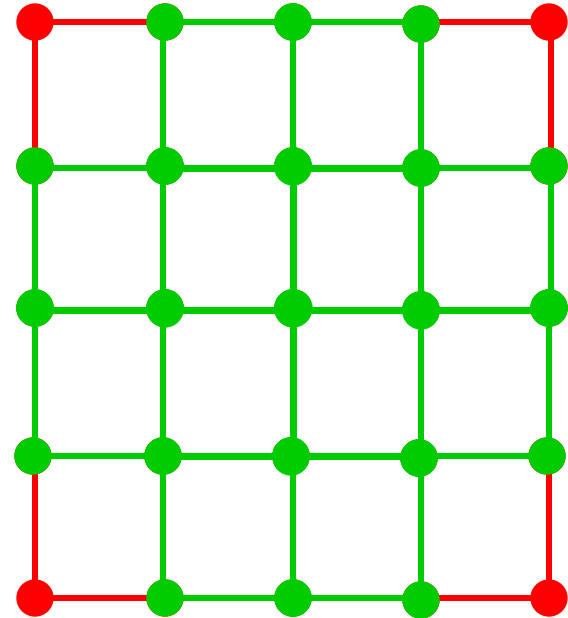
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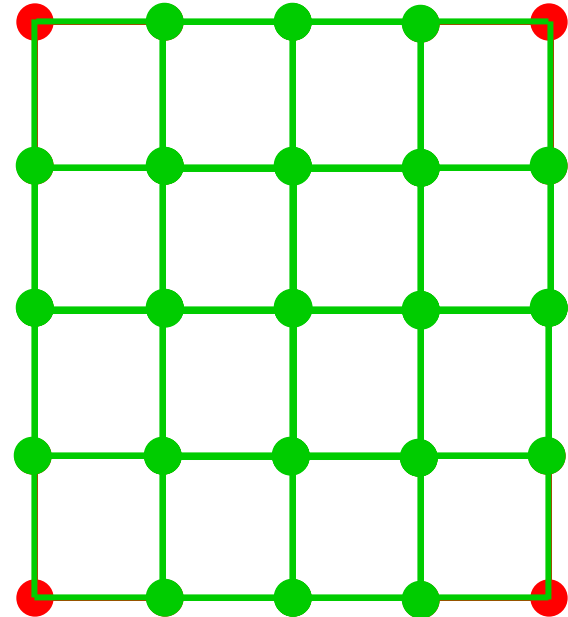
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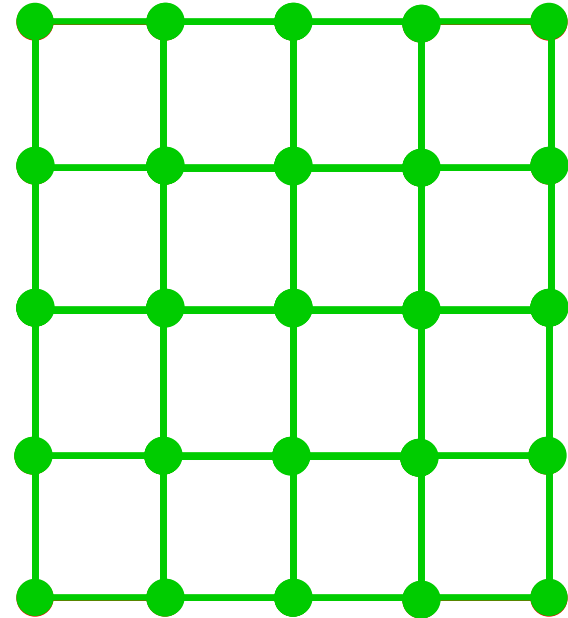
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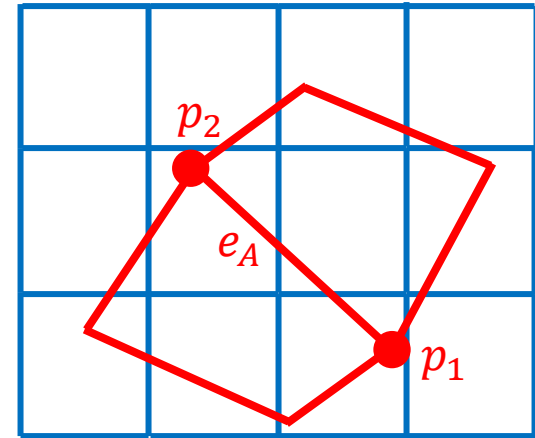
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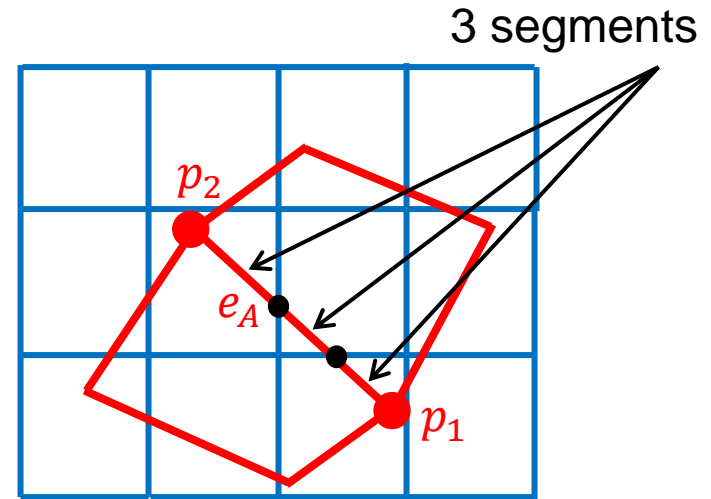
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 - Start and end coordinates x_1 and x_2
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- Each segment bounds two intersection polygons
 - $z_B \cap z_L$
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- Two types of segments
 - Donor mesh edge segments
 - Acceptor mesh edge segments
- Fluxes to/from z_R are negative due to reversed x_1 and x_2



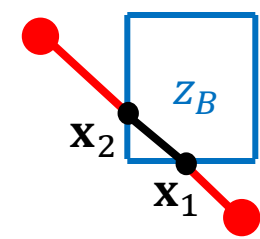
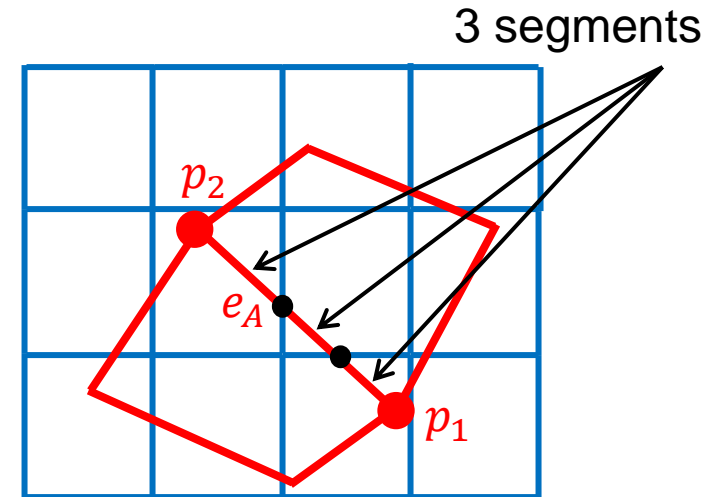
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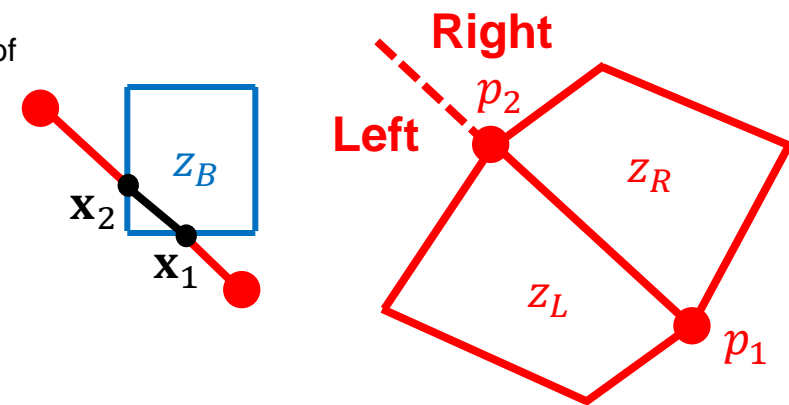
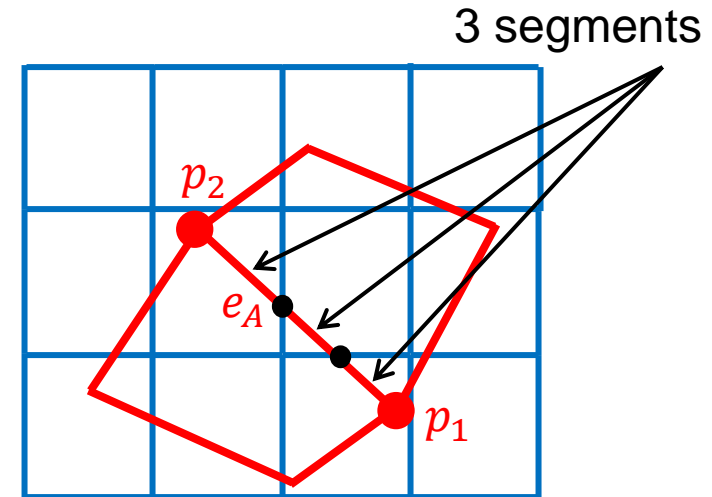
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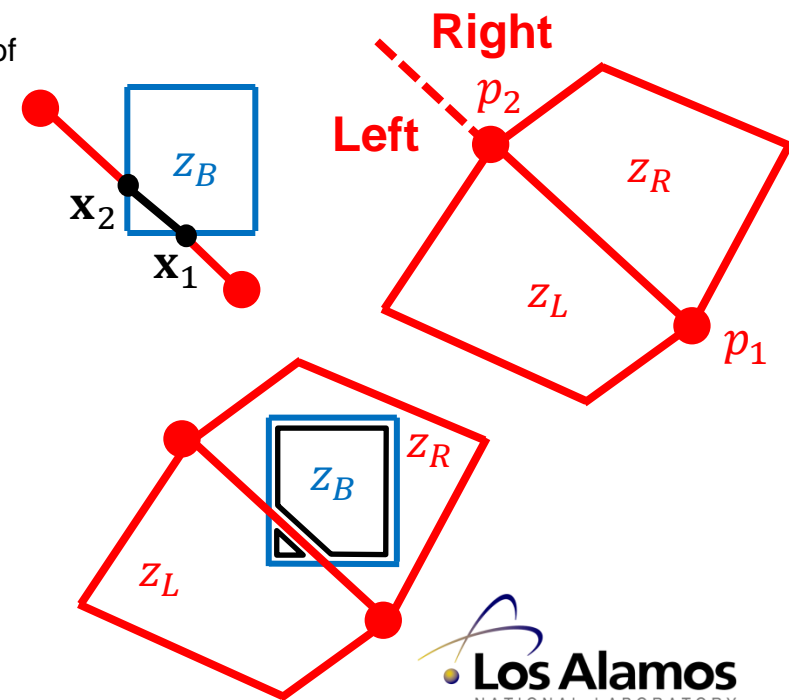
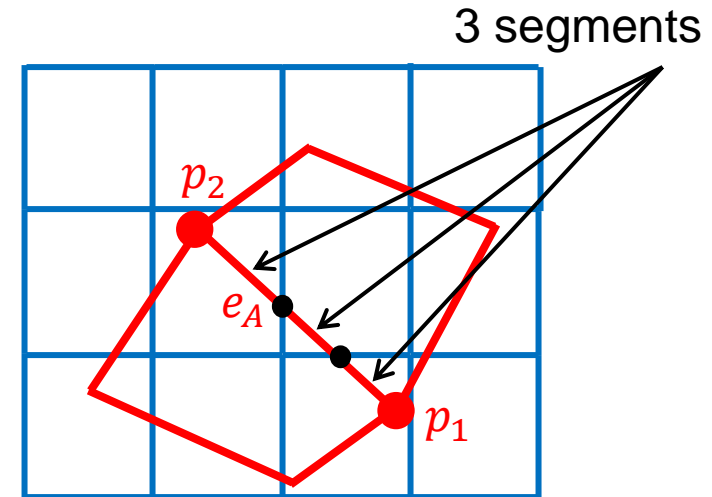
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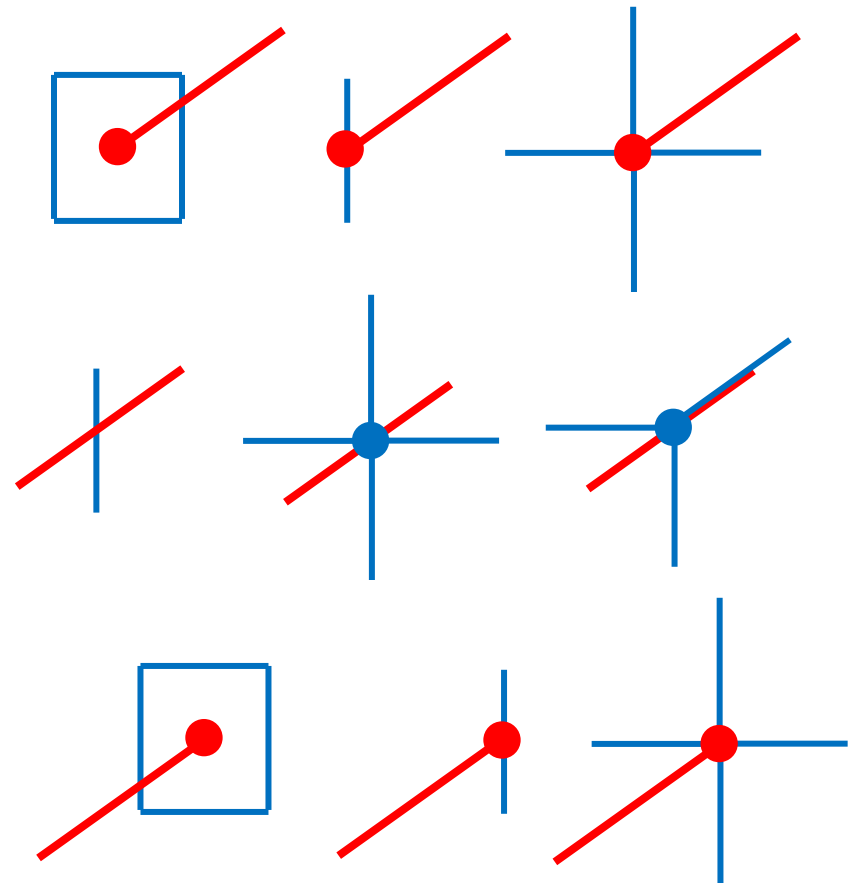
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Edge tracking

- The start, intersection and end conditions while edge tracking are the **key to the method**
- Three conditions are possible for the start point of a segment:
 - Starts within a zone
 - Starts exactly on an edge (between its endpoints)
 - Starts exactly on a point
- Three types of intersection are possible
 - Edge-edge intersection
 - Exact edge-point intersection
 - Exactly collinear edges (special but common case)
- Three conditions are possible for the end point of a segment:
 - Ends within a zone
 - Ends exactly on an edge (between its endpoints)
 - Ends exactly on a point
- The “trick” is to identify the exact cases
 - Finite precision computers aren’t exact
 - This introduces possible inconsistencies or even geometrically impossible situations
 - Zero tolerances: “The road to hell is paved with tolerances.”



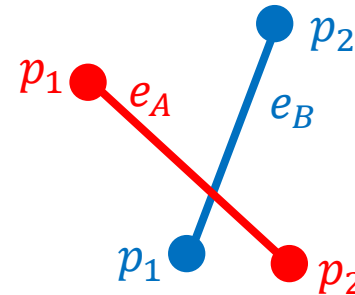
Edge tracking: Edge intersection

- Intersecting a pair of edges, e_A from mesh **A** and e_B from mesh **B**
- Identify which side s each endpoint of one edge is relative to the other edge: left, right, or exactly on
- Use cross products

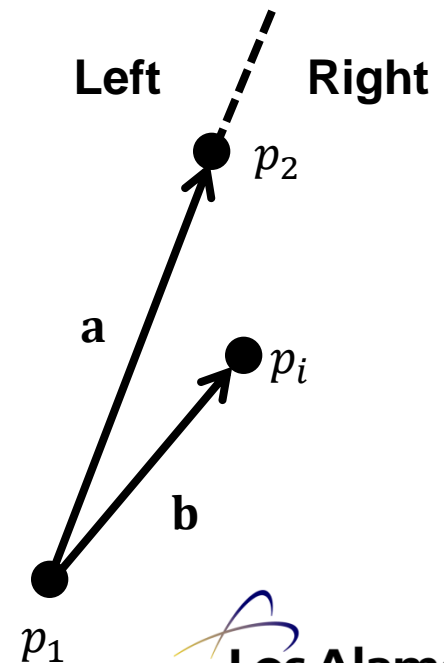
$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{x}_{p_2} - \mathbf{x}_{p_1}$$

$$\mathbf{b}_i = \mathbf{x}_{p_i} - \mathbf{x}_{p_1}$$

$$s = \begin{cases} -1 : (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}) < 0 \\ 0 : (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}) = 0 \\ +1 : (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}) > 0 \end{cases}$$



- $s = 0$ means $(\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a})$ is exactly zero
- Four values:
 - s_1 : which side of e_B point p_1 is on
 - s_2 : which side of e_B point p_2 is on
 - s_1 : which side of e_A point p_1 is on
 - s_2 : which side of e_A point p_2 is on



Edge tracking: Edge-edge intersection

- Endpoints of both edges are on opposite sides of the other edge

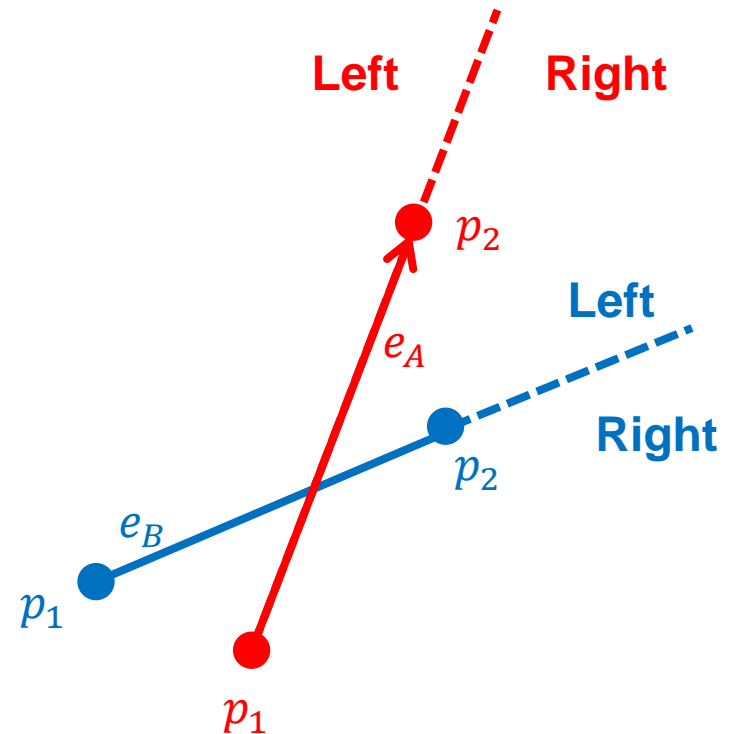
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- Compute intersection location \mathbf{x}_{int}
 - Must use the same exact math regardless of tracking mesh **A** through mesh **B** or mesh **B** through mesh **A**
 - Otherwise finite precision will bite you

$$\mathbf{x}_{int} = \mathbf{x}_1 + u\mathbf{a}$$

$$u = \min\left(1, \frac{\|(\mathbf{b}_1 \times \mathbf{a})\|}{\|(\mathbf{b}_1 \times \mathbf{a})\| + \|(\mathbf{b}_2 \times \mathbf{a})\|}\right)$$

- Remainder of e_A tracks through zone on s_2 side of e_B



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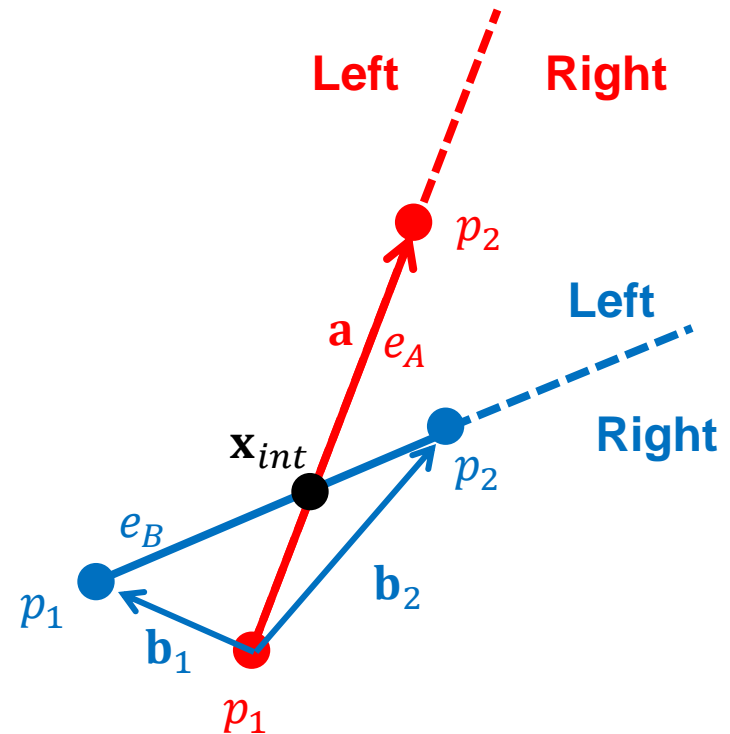
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Edge tracking: Edge ends on edge

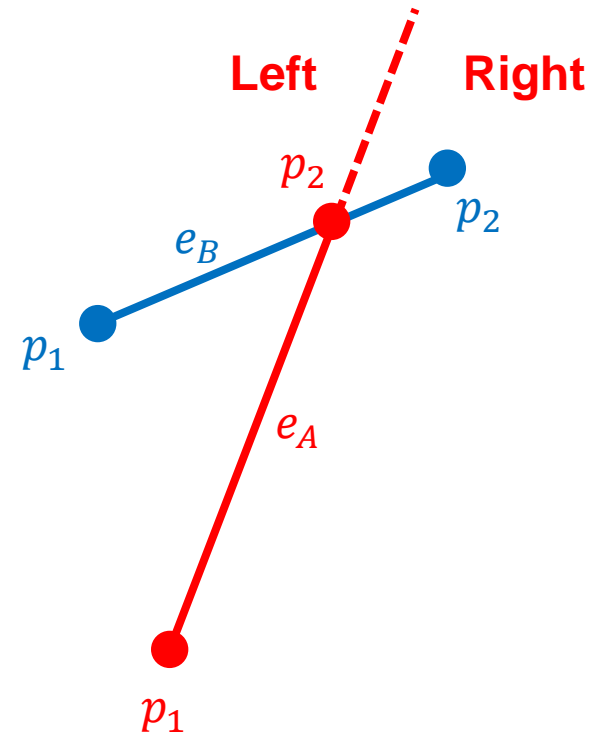
- Endpoint of e_A is exactly on e_B ,
 e_B endpoints p_1 and p_2 on
opposite sides of e_A

- $s_1 \neq 0, s_2 = 0, s_1 = -s_2$

- Intersection point is at p_2

$$\mathbf{x}_{int} = \mathbf{x}_2$$

- Other mesh A edges starting at
 p_2 begin exactly on e_B



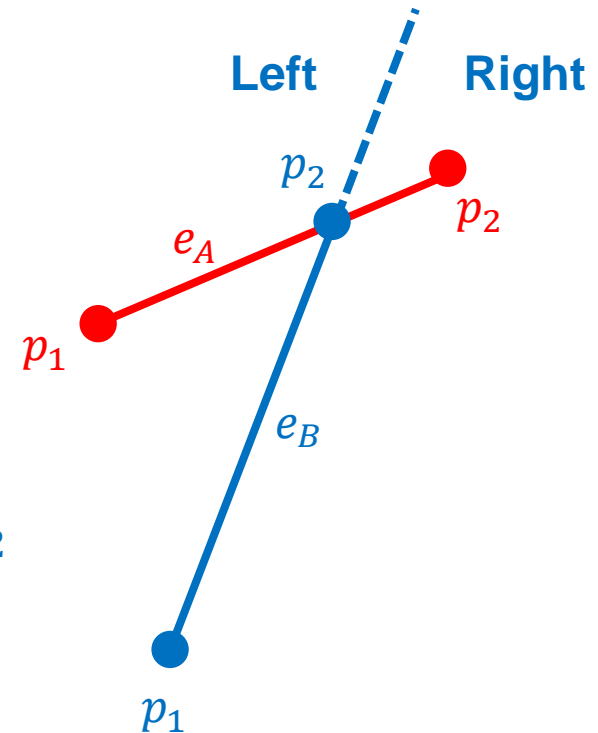
Edge tracking: Edge-point intersection

- Edge e_A exactly intersects endpoint of e_B
 - $s_1 = -s_2$
 - and $s_1 \neq 0, s_2 = 0$
 - or $s_2 \neq 0, s_1 = 0$

- Intersection point is at p_2

$$\mathbf{x}_{int} = \mathbf{x}_2$$

- Remainder of e_A tracks from point p_2



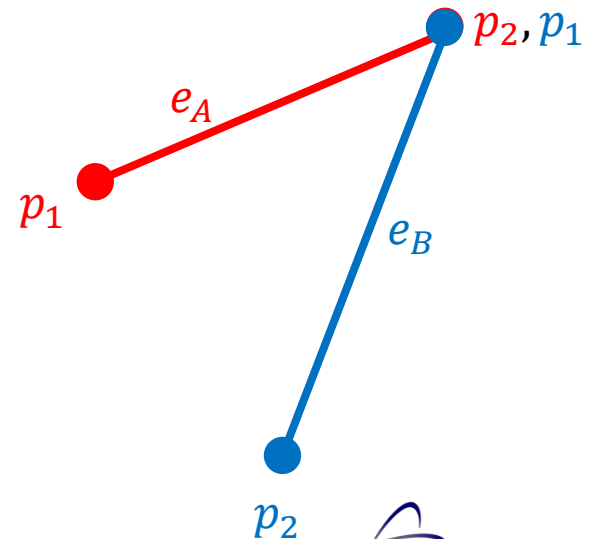
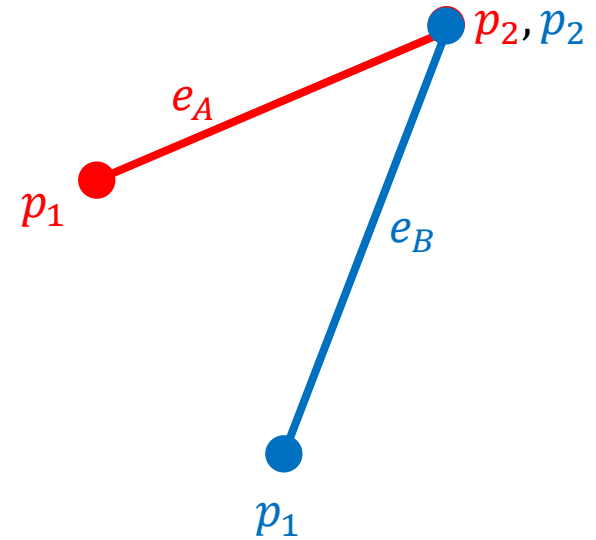
Edge tracking: Coincident points

- Edge e_A endpoint p_2 exactly on one of the endpoints of e_B
 - $s_2 = 0$,
 - and $s_2 \neq 0, s_1 = 0, \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_2$
 - or $s_1 \neq 0, s_2 = 0, \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1$

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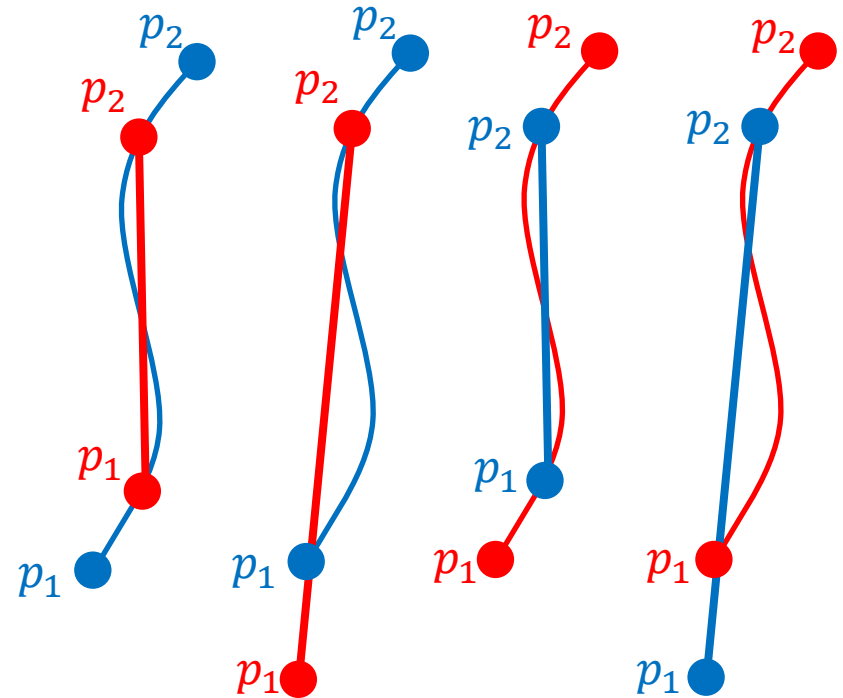
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- Other mesh A edges starting at p_2 begin exactly on p_1 or p_2



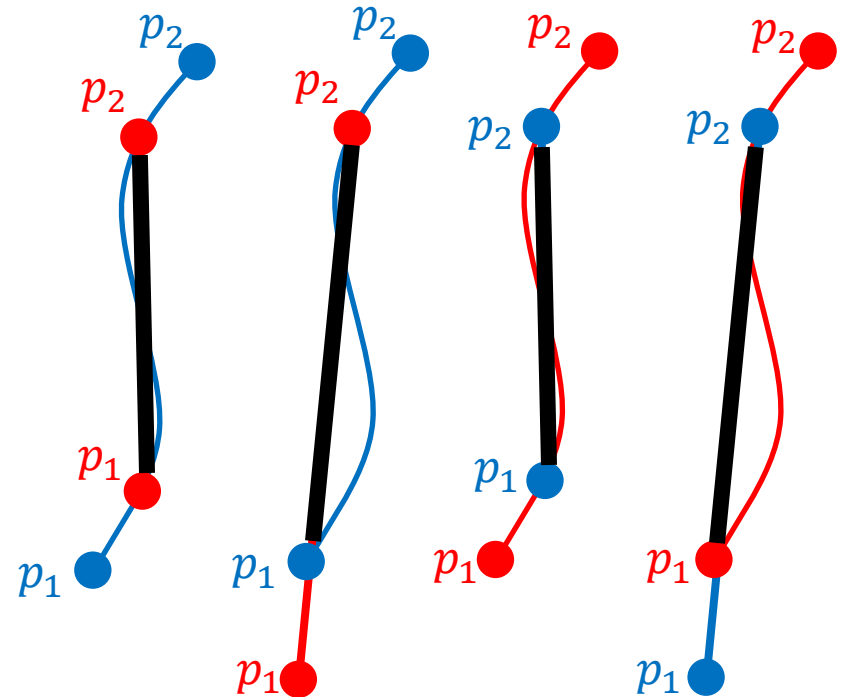
Edge tracking: Collinear edge intersection

- Many possible combinations
- If $s = 0$ for start and end of segment, edges are exactly collinear
- The zone through which the segment tracks is ambiguous
- Force consistent selection of zone
 - If tracking mesh **A** through mesh **B**, segment tracks through e_B right zone
 - If tracking mesh **B** through mesh **A**, segment tracks through mesh **A** zone that is on left side of e_B
- Generates a degenerate polygon that can be culled later



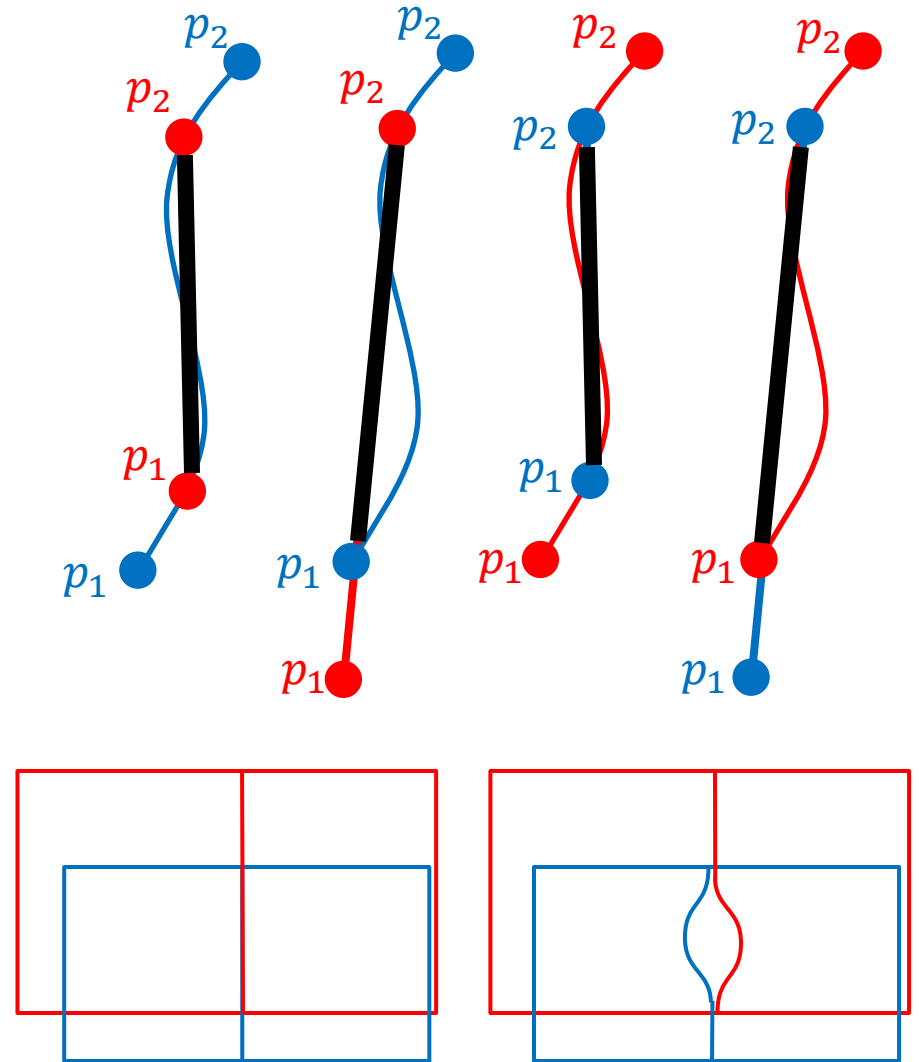
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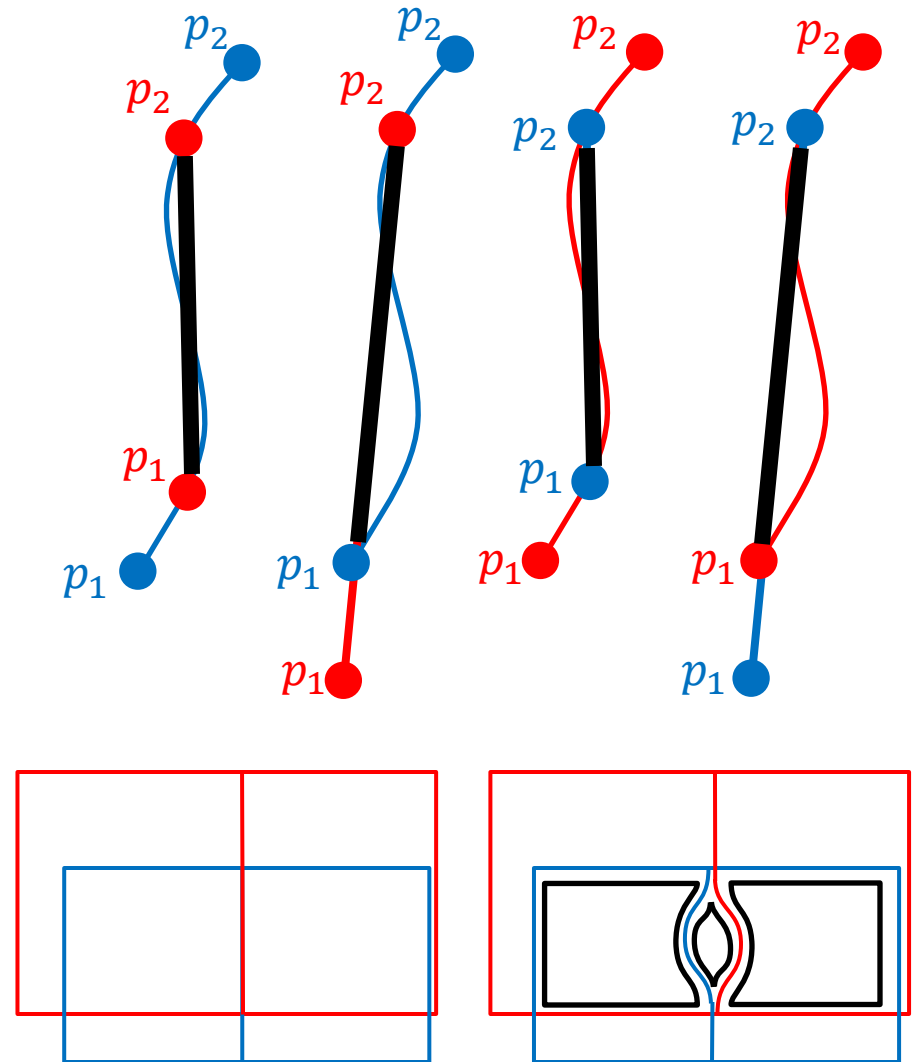
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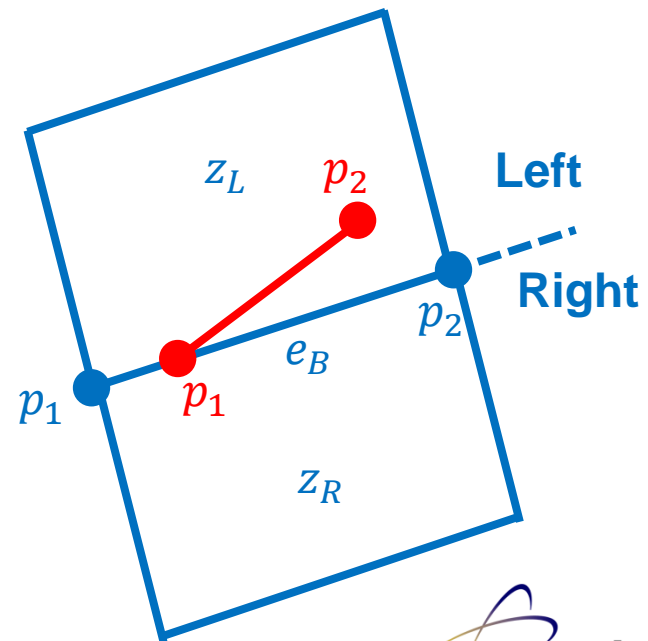
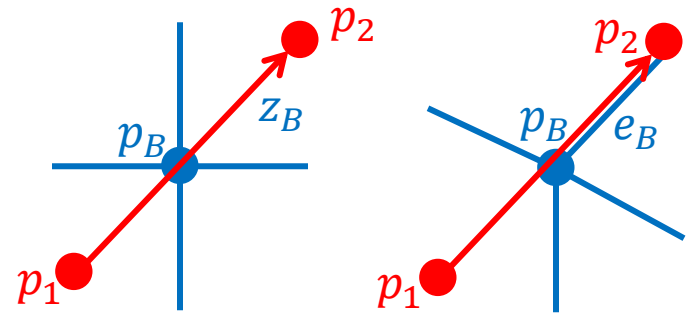
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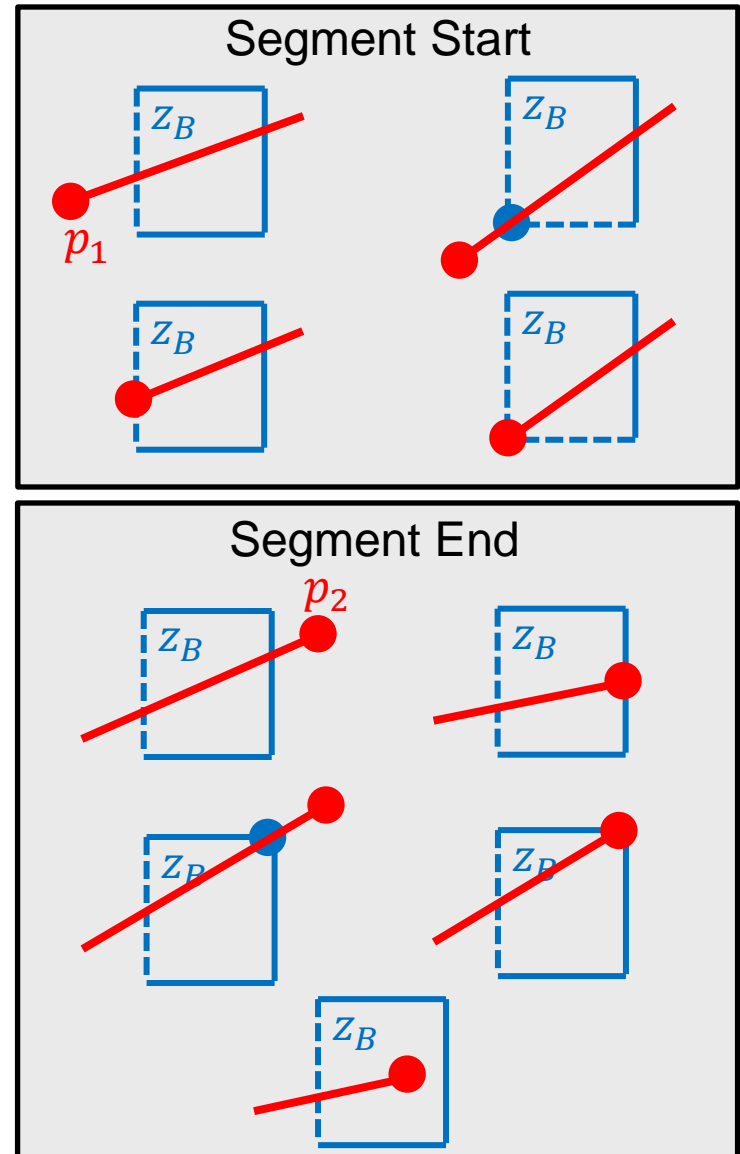
Edge tracking: Start conditions

- While tracking edge e_A , the start condition for each new segment is known: in zone, on edge, on point
- On point p_B :
 - Determine whether e_A tracks through adjacent zone z_B or edge e_B
 - Re-evaluate e_A with new start condition
- On edge e_B :
 - Determine whether e_A is collinear with e_B or tracks through one of its adjacent zones z_L or z_R
 - If not collinear, re-evaluate e_A with new start condition



Edge tracking: Through zones

- Segments are only generated for collinear edges or when tracking through a zone z_B
- Intersect e_A with all edges bounding z_B except entry edges
- Temporarily store every intersection
 - Type of intersection (edge or point)
 - Intersected index e_B or p_B
 - Intersection coordinates \mathbf{x}_{int}
 - Parametric u value
 - Whether e_A terminates or not
- If intersections found, choose intersection with minimum u value
 - Generate segment for e_A tracking through z_B
 - Use stored intersection information to continue tracking
- If no intersection found, edge terminates within z_B , done tracking e_A
 - Other mesh A edges starting at p_2 will begin tracking within zone z_B

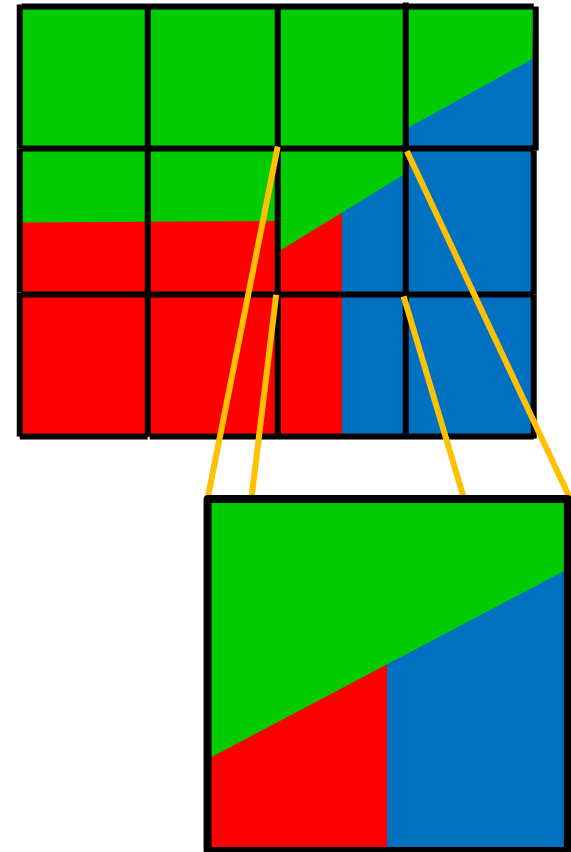


Remapping using polygons or segments

- Polygon fluxes are required for remapping multi-material donor zones
 - VOF interface reconstructions must be considered
 - Covered in a few slides
- Segment fluxes can be used for remapping single-material donor zones
- Flux equation valid for segments or polygons
 - $F = (f(\mathbf{x}_c) - \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x}_c)J_0 + \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{J}$
 - $f(\mathbf{x}_c)$, \mathbf{x}_c , and \mathbf{G} are donor zone values
 - F is a flux added to the acceptor zone
 - J_0 and \mathbf{J} can be segment or polygon values

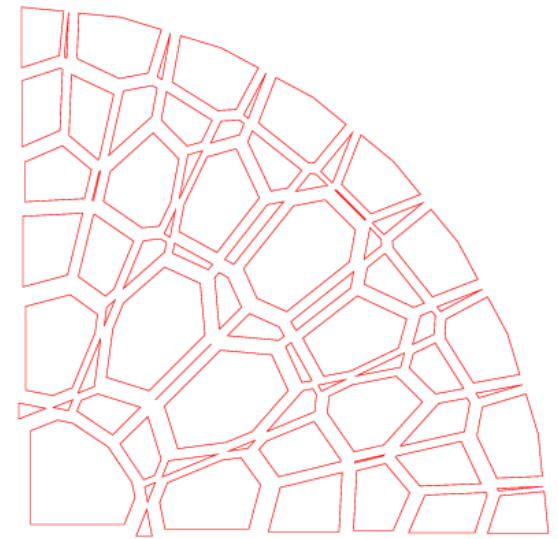
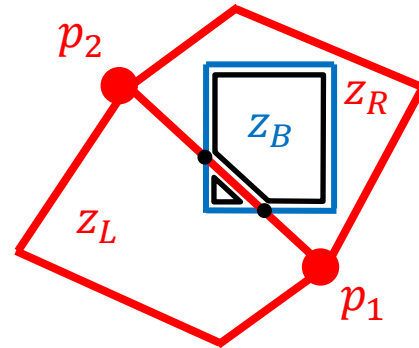
$$J_p = \sum_{e=1}^n J_e$$

- Must construct polygons from segments



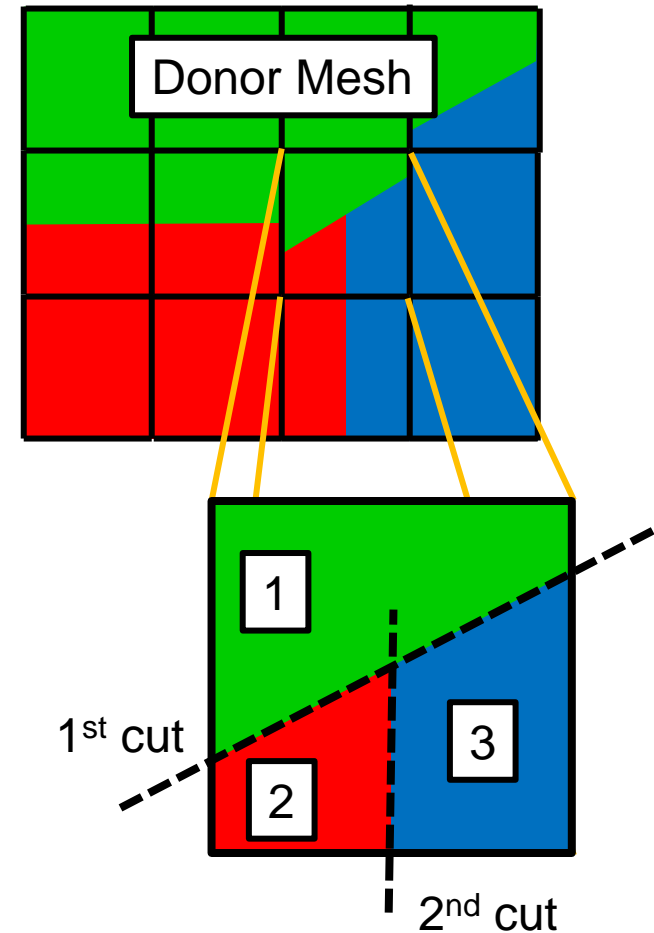
Polygon generation

- Two types of segments
 - Donor mesh edge segments
 - z_B from acceptor mesh
 - z_L and z_R from donor mesh
 - Contribute to $z_L \cap z_B$ and $z_R \cap z_B$
 - Acceptor mesh edge segments
 - z_B from donor mesh
 - z_L and z_R from acceptor mesh
 - Contribute to $z_B \cap z_L$ and $z_B \cap z_R$
- Identify all segments intersecting the same donor and acceptor zone pair
 - These define the boundary of the same intersection polygon
- Construct polygon from segments
 - Order vertices counter-clockwise



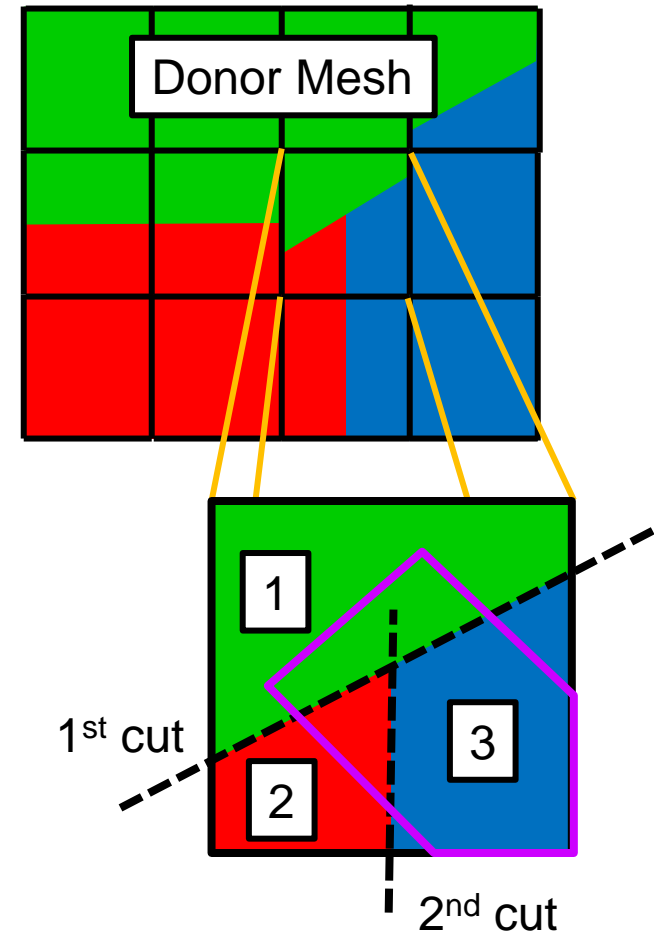
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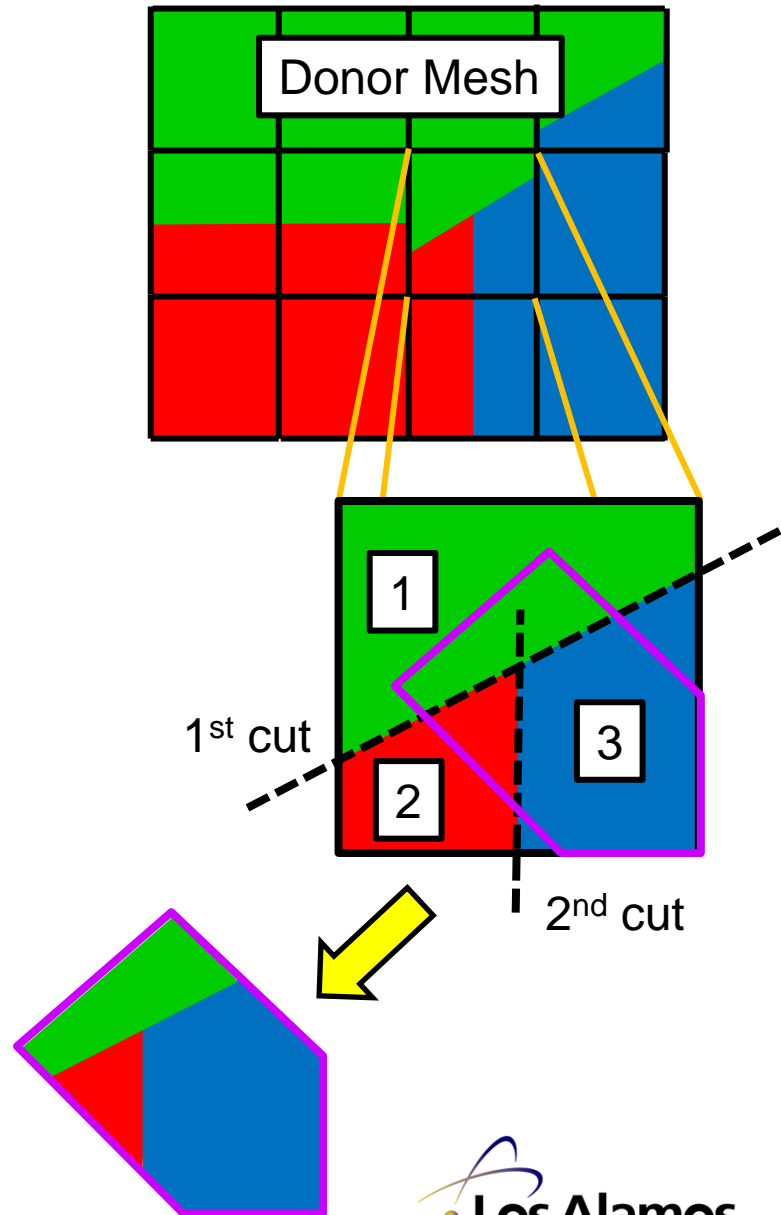
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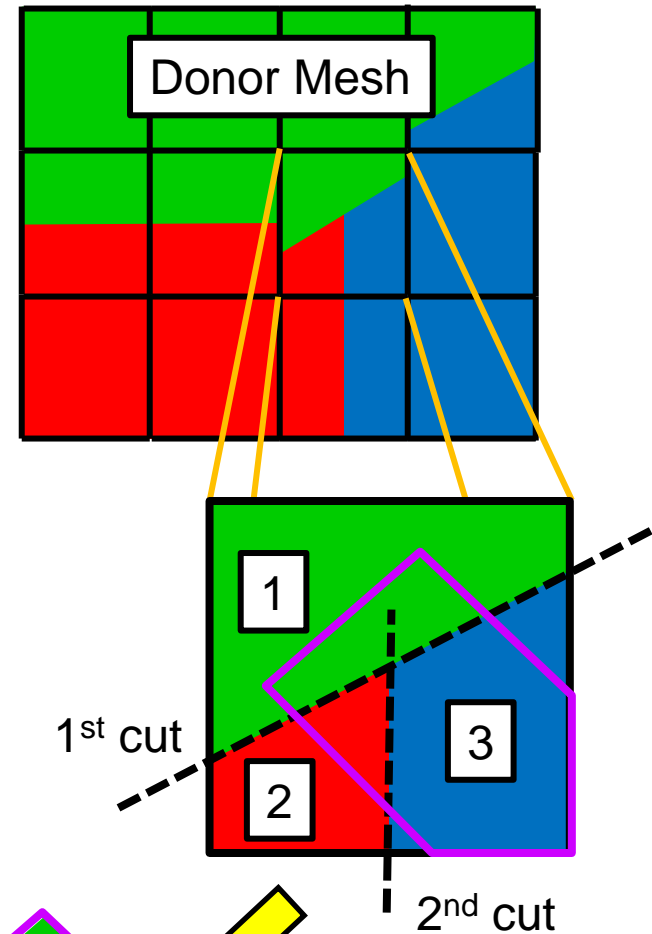
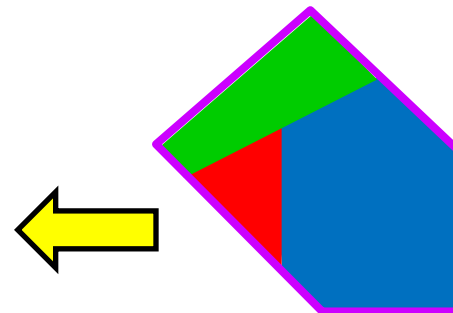
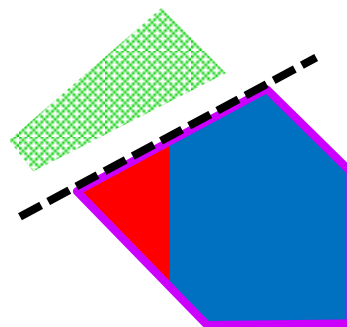
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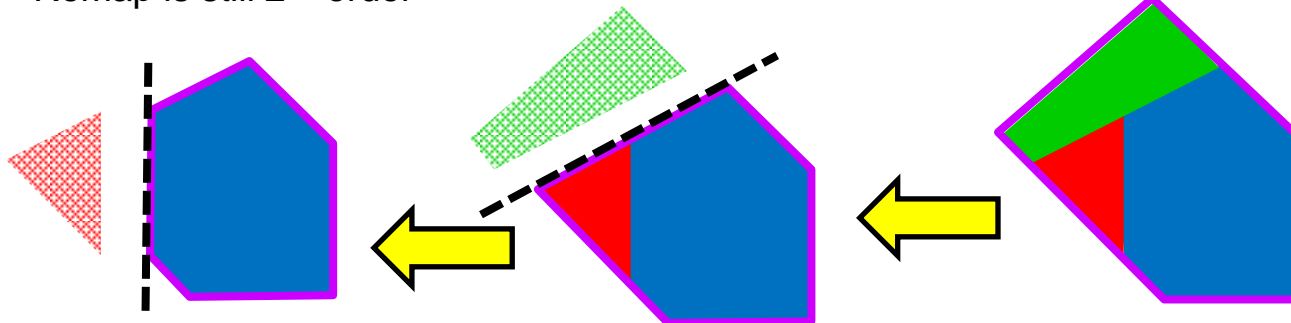
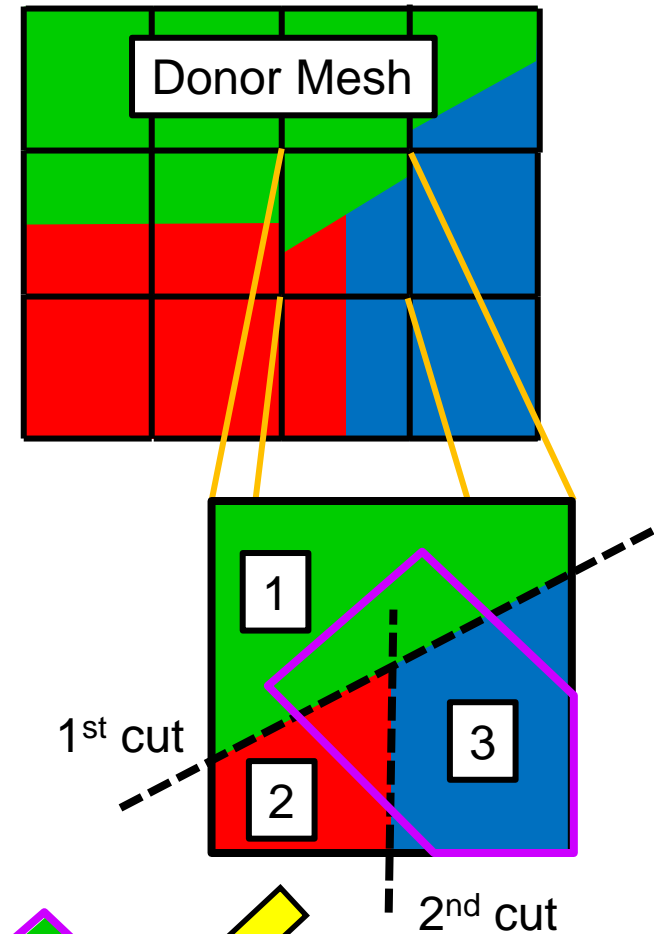
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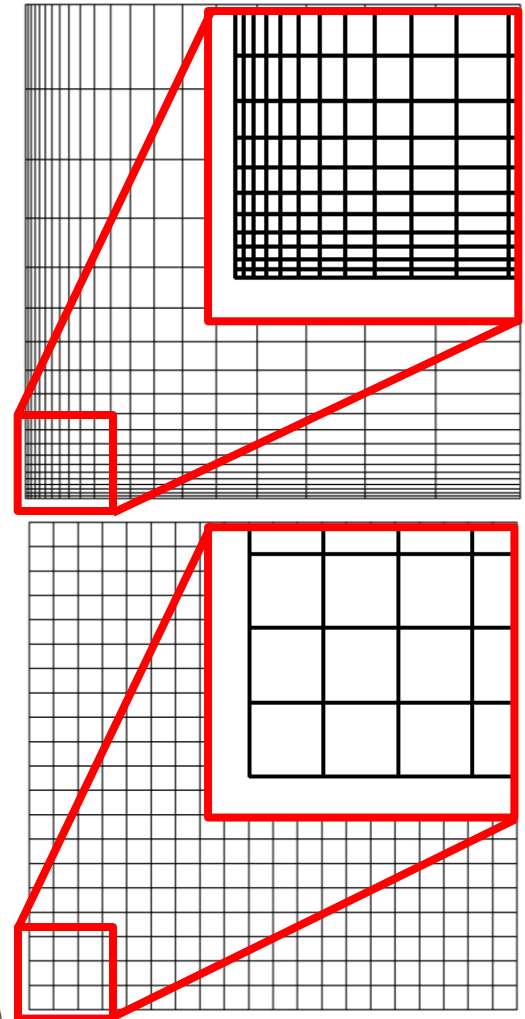
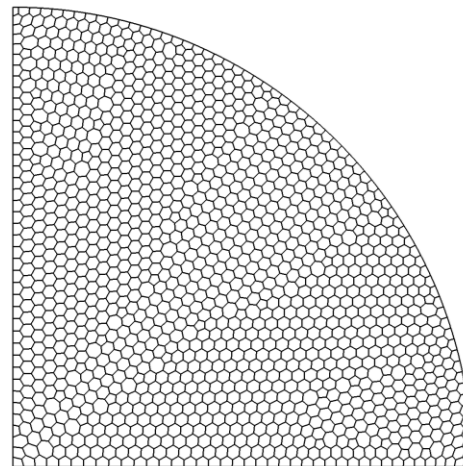
Results: Accuracy

- Remap of linear field
 - Should recover the linear field
- Remap of non-linear field
 - Should converge at 2nd order with increasing resolution
- Cartesian and polygonal meshes
 - Demonstrate generality

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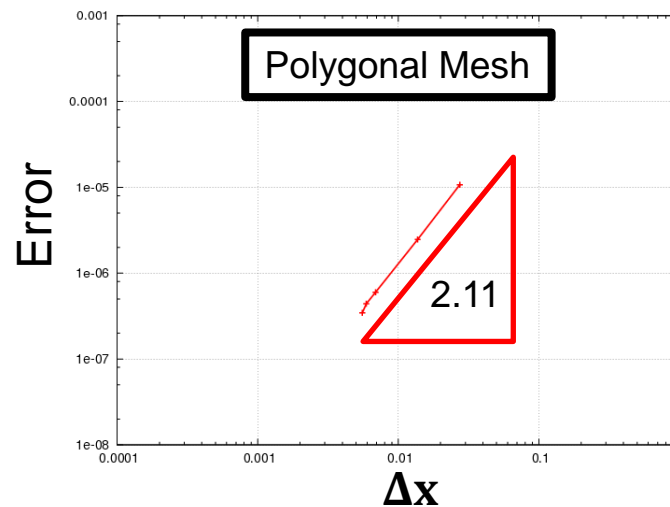
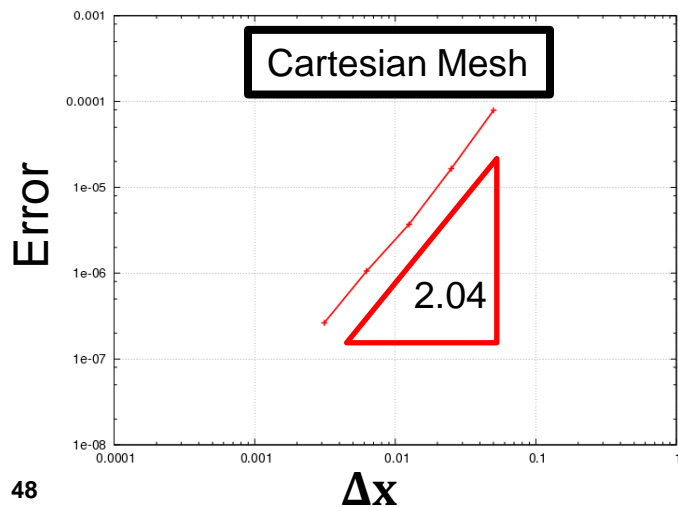
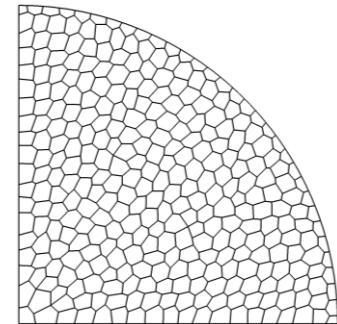
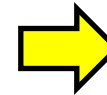
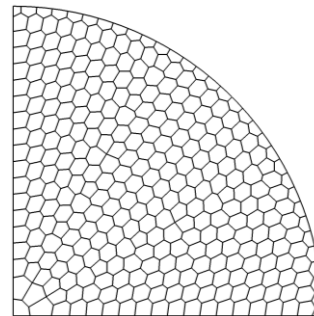
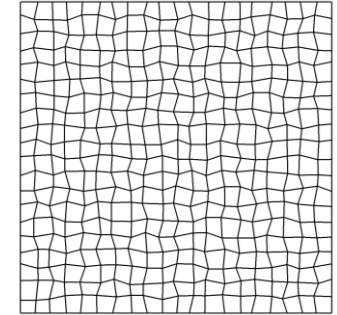
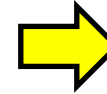
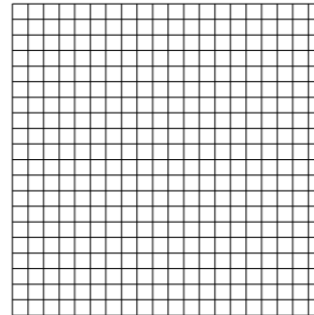
- Cartesian and polygonal meshes
- Linear field: $f(x, y) = 2x + 3y + 4$
- Laplacian relaxer
- Force correct $\mathbf{G} = \langle 2, 3 \rangle$ in boundary zones
- Remap errors are $O(E-14)$
- Also demonstrates that mesh can be relaxed more than a zone size
 - Limitation for swept-face advection

Mesh type	L1 Relative Error	L2 Relative Error
Cartesian	5.959E-15	1.198E-14
Polygonal	3.006E-14	5.602E-14



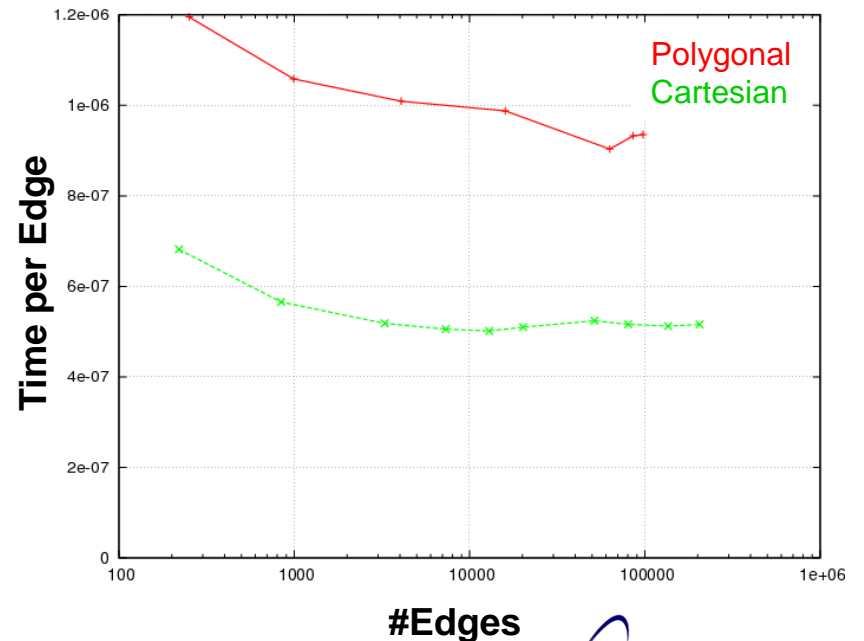
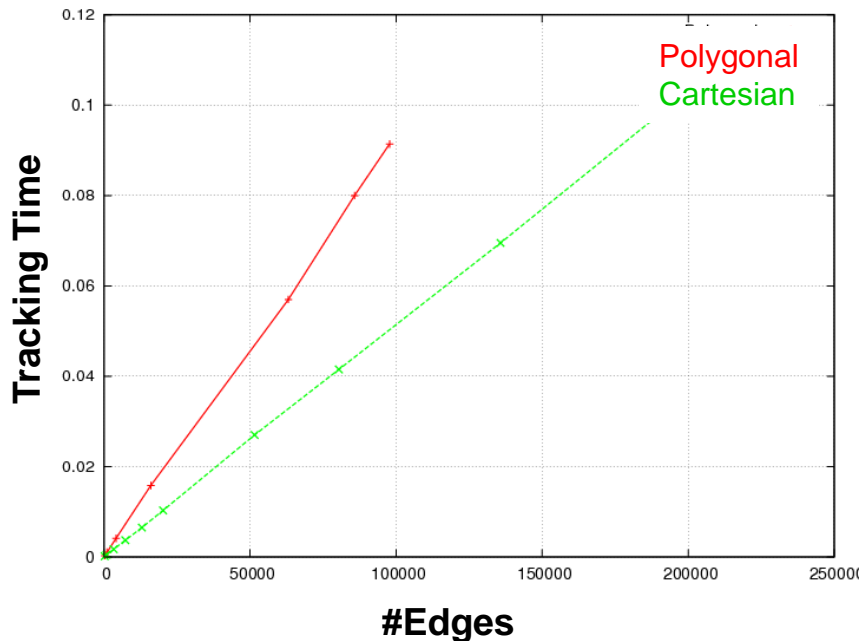
Results: Accuracy

- Non-linear field
 - $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + 1$
- Random perturbation relaxer
- Convergence rates:
 - Cartesian: 2.04
 - Polygonal: 2.11



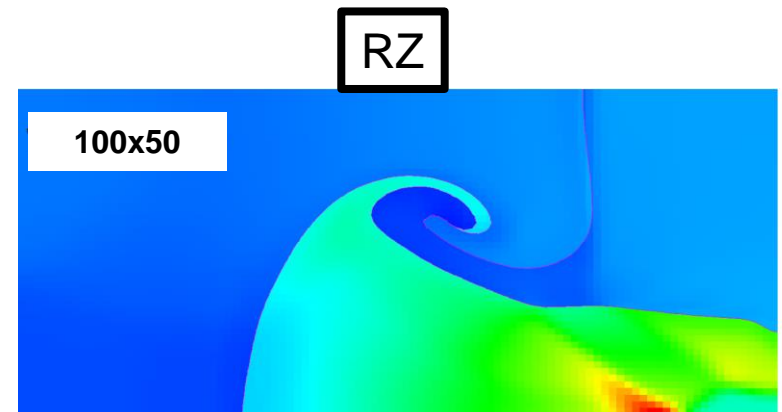
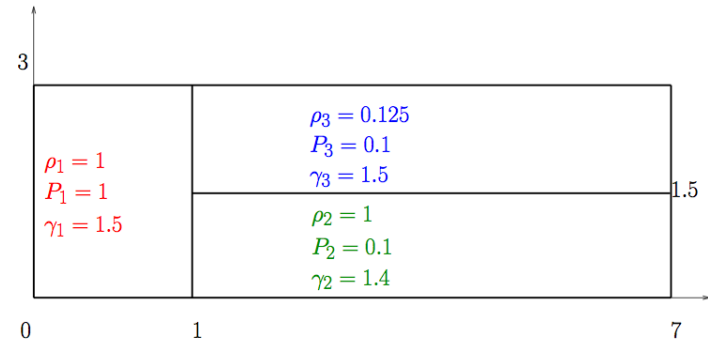
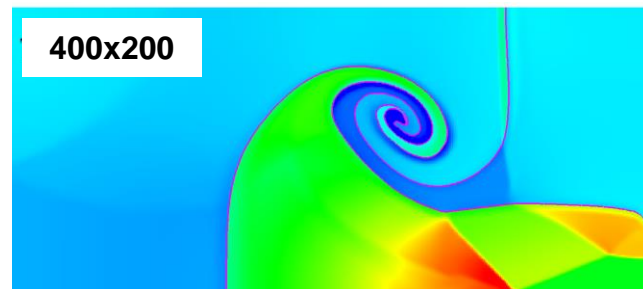
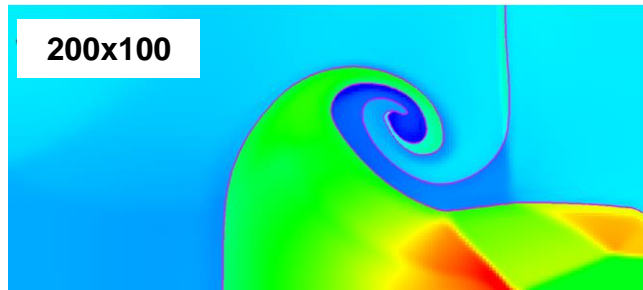
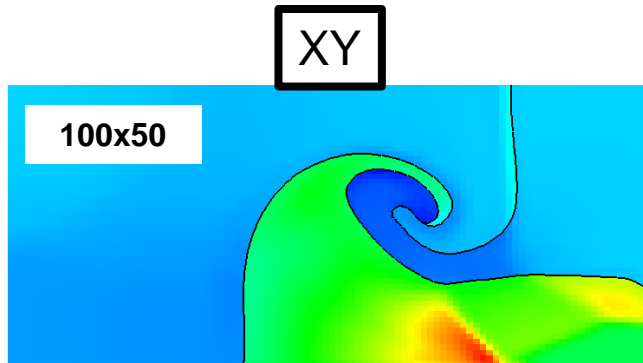
Results: Performance

- Should observe $O(n)$ time complexity
- Increasing mesh resolution
 - Cartesian meshes
 - Polygonal meshes



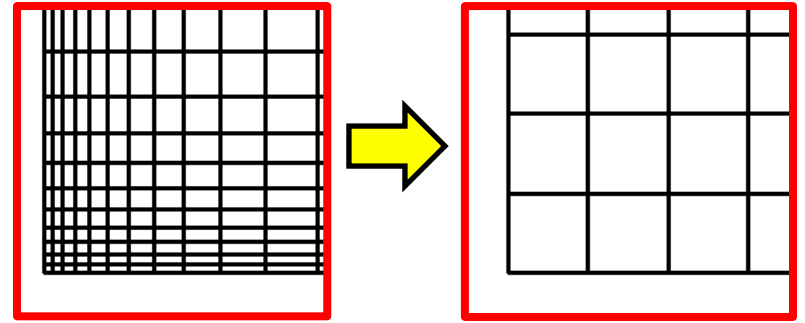
Results: Vortex problem

- Exact remapper integrated with CCH (xALE)
 - 2D Cartesian (XY) and Cylindrical (RZ)

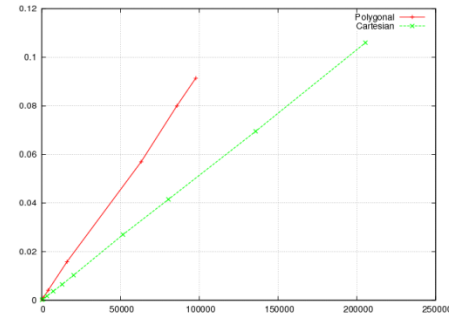
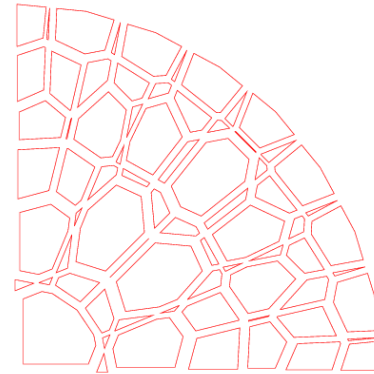


Summary and Conclusions

- 2D exact intersection remap
 - Alternative to swept face advection or directional splitting
 - No limit on relaxer displacements
 - Polygonal meshes



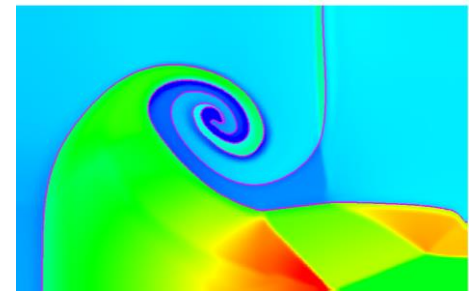
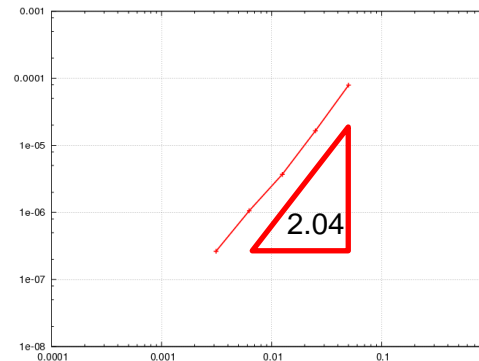
- No perturbations or tolerances required
 - Must handle special start, end, and intersection cases
 - On point, on edge, collinear edges
 - Robust
 - So far, so good



- $O(n)$ time complexity
 - Advancing wavefront guarantees that edge start conditions are known
 - Only one $\log(n)$ search required

- 2nd-order spatial accuracy

- Multi-material remapping with VOF



Future Work

- Parallelism
- Remap point- and/or corner-centered fields (SGH)
- Interface reconstruction work
 - Moment of Fluids (MOF)
 - Automatic material ordering
- ReALE
- 3D
- Investigate performance improvements

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