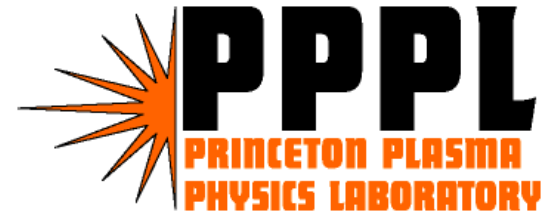


# Wave Propagation Tests with AMRMHD Code

Ravi Samtaney

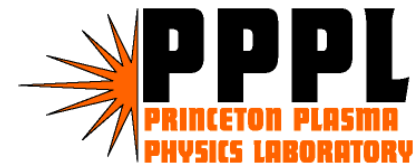
Computational Plasma Physics Group  
Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory  
Princeton University

CEMM Meeting  
April 25, 2004  
Missoula, Montana



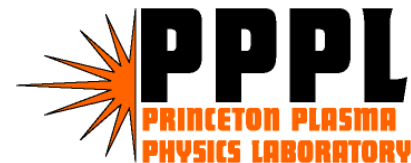
# Acknowledgement

- Steve Jardin (PPPL)
- Phil Colella (LBNL)
- Alan Glasser (LANL)
- Work supported by DOE SciDAC



# Outline

- Linear wave propagation tests
  - *Formulation*
  - *Phase velocity diagram*
  - *Error analysis*
- Other verifications
- Unsplit Godunov algorithm
- Status of AMRMHD Code



# Linear Waves: Formulation

- Ideal MHD equations written in quasilinear form in 2D

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + A_x(V) \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + A_y(V) \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = 0,$$
$$V = \{\rho, u, v, w, B_x, B_y, B_z, p\}^T.$$

- Linearize about a constant equilibrium state  $V_0$

$$\frac{\partial V_1}{\partial t} + A_x(V_0) \frac{\partial V_1}{\partial x} + A_y(V_0) \frac{\partial V_1}{\partial y} = 0,$$

- Wave propagation along a direction  $\xi$

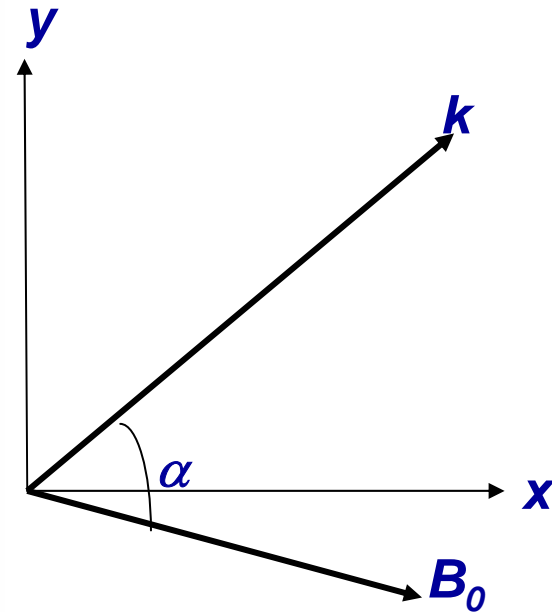
$$\frac{\partial V_1}{\partial t} + A_\xi(V_0) \frac{\partial V_1}{\partial \xi} = 0,$$

- Rewrite in characteristic variables

$$\frac{\partial W_k}{\partial t} + \lambda_k(V_0, \xi) \frac{\partial W_k}{\partial \xi} = 0,$$
$$\lambda_k = \{0, \pm a_\xi, \pm c_f, \pm c_s\}.$$

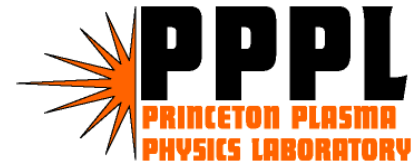
- Initial conditions to set up the l-th wave

$$W_k(x, y, 0) = W_{0,k}(V_0) + \delta_{kl} \epsilon \cos(k_x x + k_y y)$$



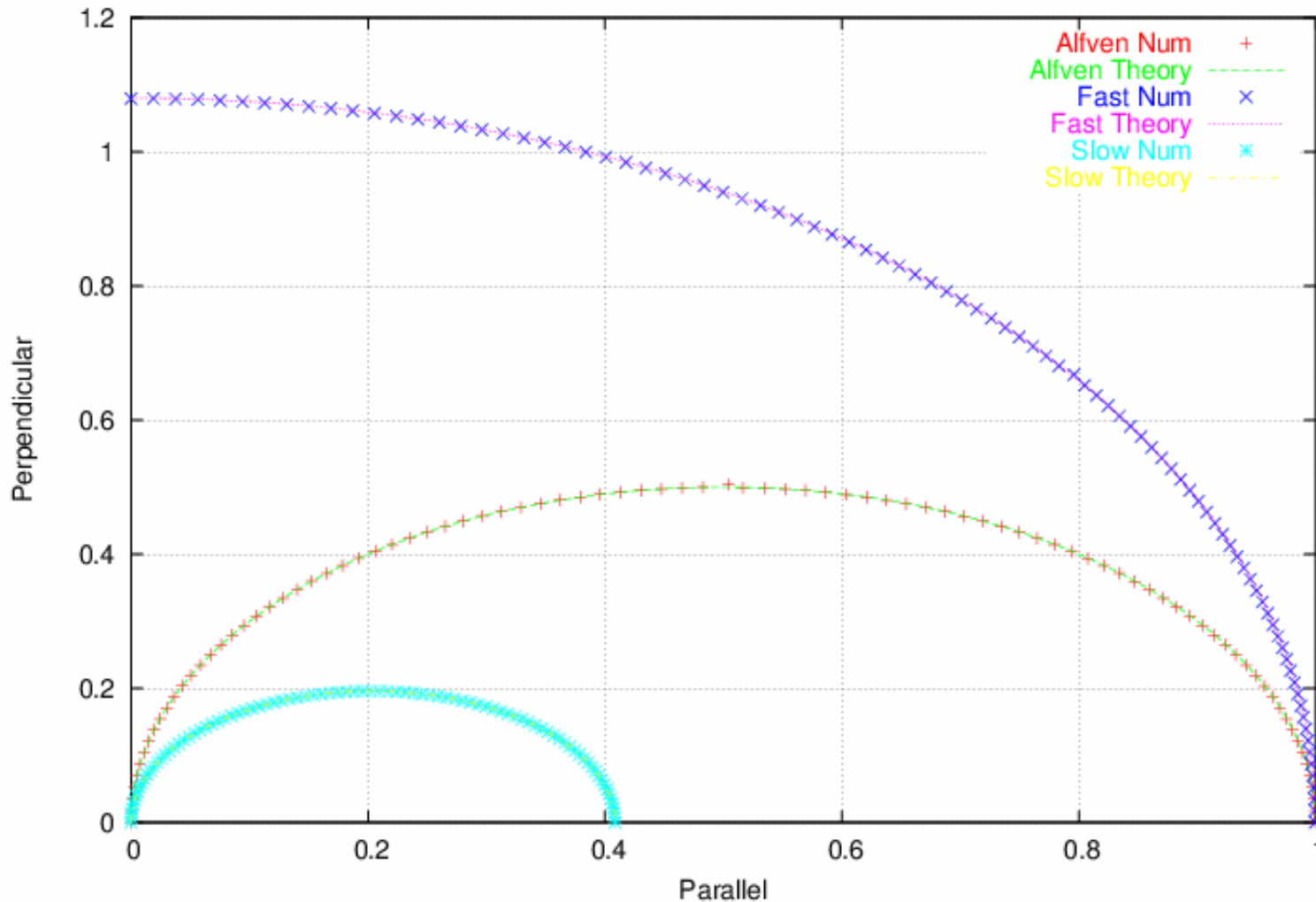
# Linear Waves : Formulation

- Domain  $[0:2] \times [0:2]$
- Wavenumber vector:  $k_x = n \pi$ ,  $k_y = m \pi$ 
  - $(n,m) = (1,1), (1,2), (1,3)$
- Angle between wave direction and  $\mathbf{B}_0$  varied from 0 to  $\pi/2$
- Amplitude of waves  $\varepsilon = 10^{-5}$
- Equilibrium state:  $\{\rho_0, 0, 0, 0, B_{x,0}, B_{y,0}, p_0\}$ 
  - $\rho_0 = 1, p_0 = 0.1$
  - $|B_0| = 1$
- $t_{\text{end}} = 1/4$
- Computed with nonlinear code (nonlinearities  $\sim O(\varepsilon^2)$ )

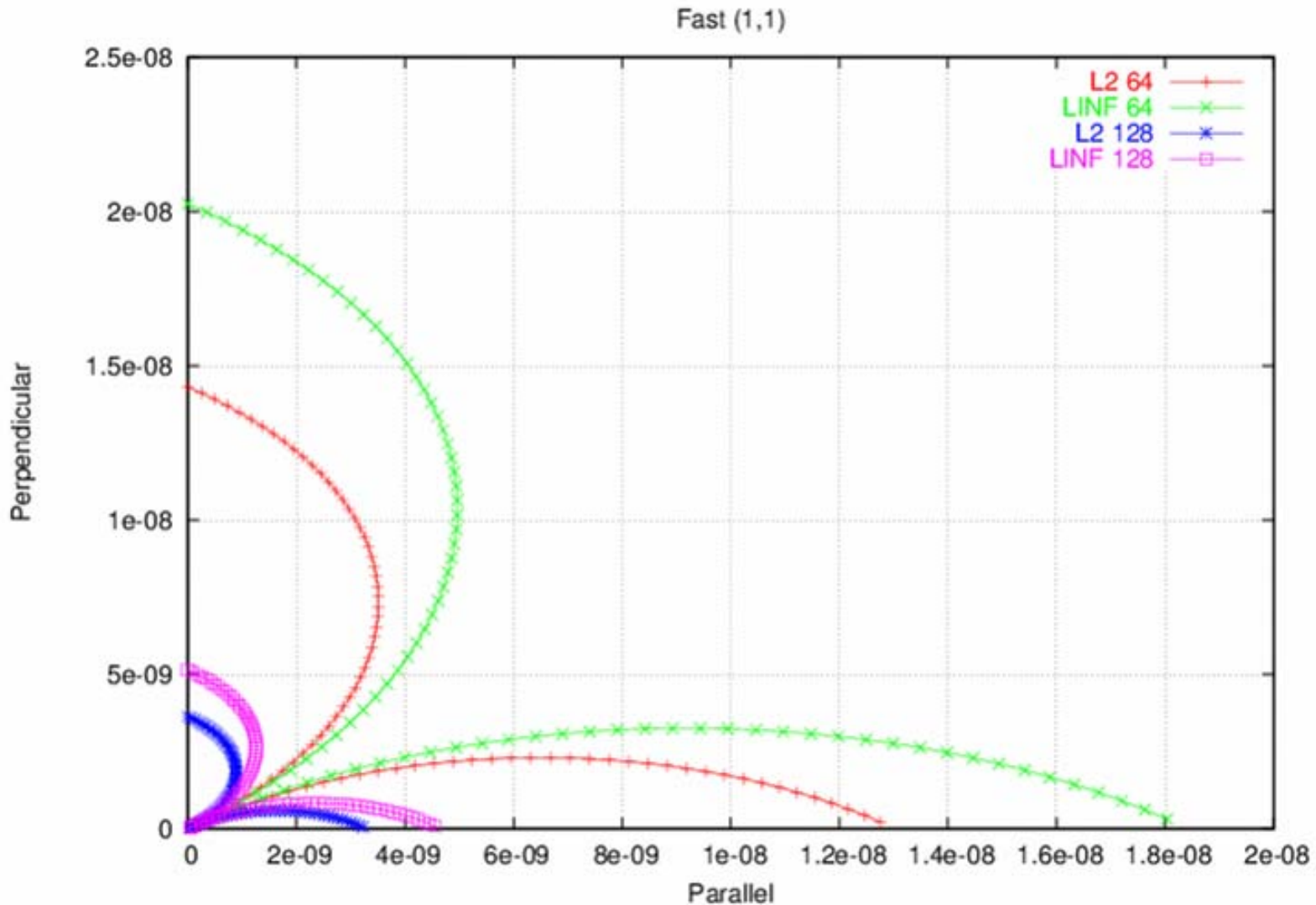


# Linear Waves: Wave Phase Velocity

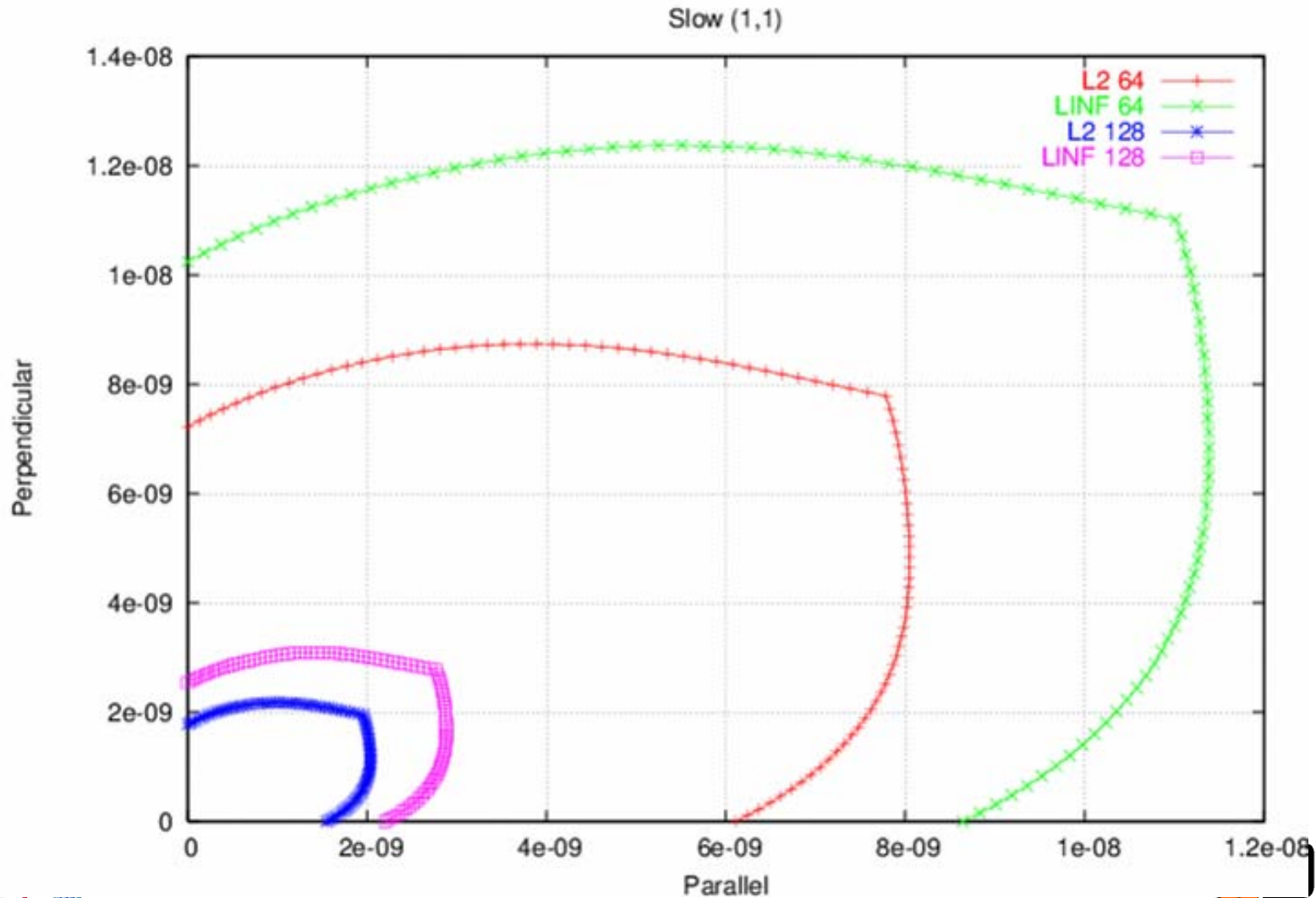
Phase diagram of wave velocities. Resolution 128x128



# Linear Waves: Error Fast Wave

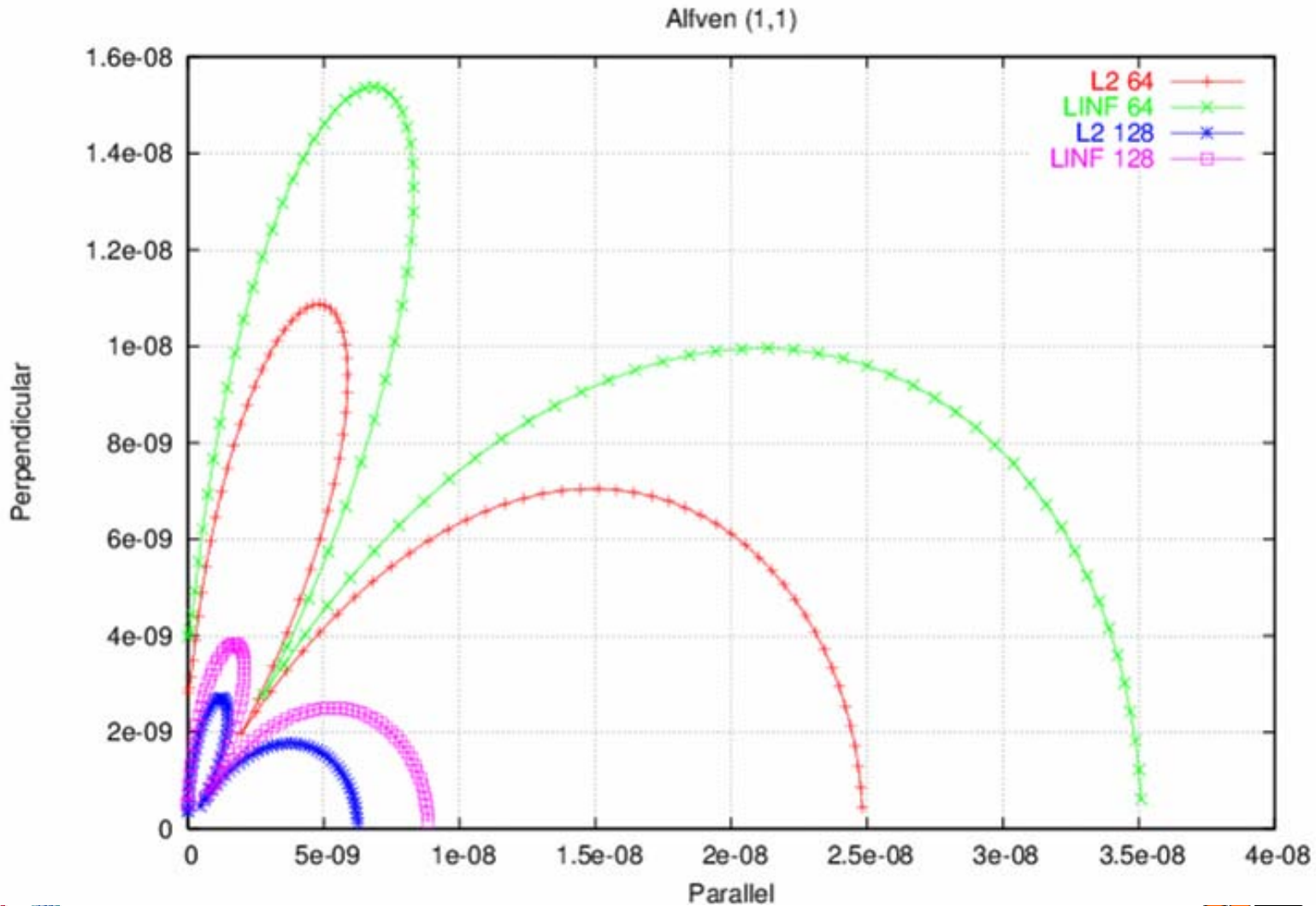


# Linear Waves: Error Slow Wave

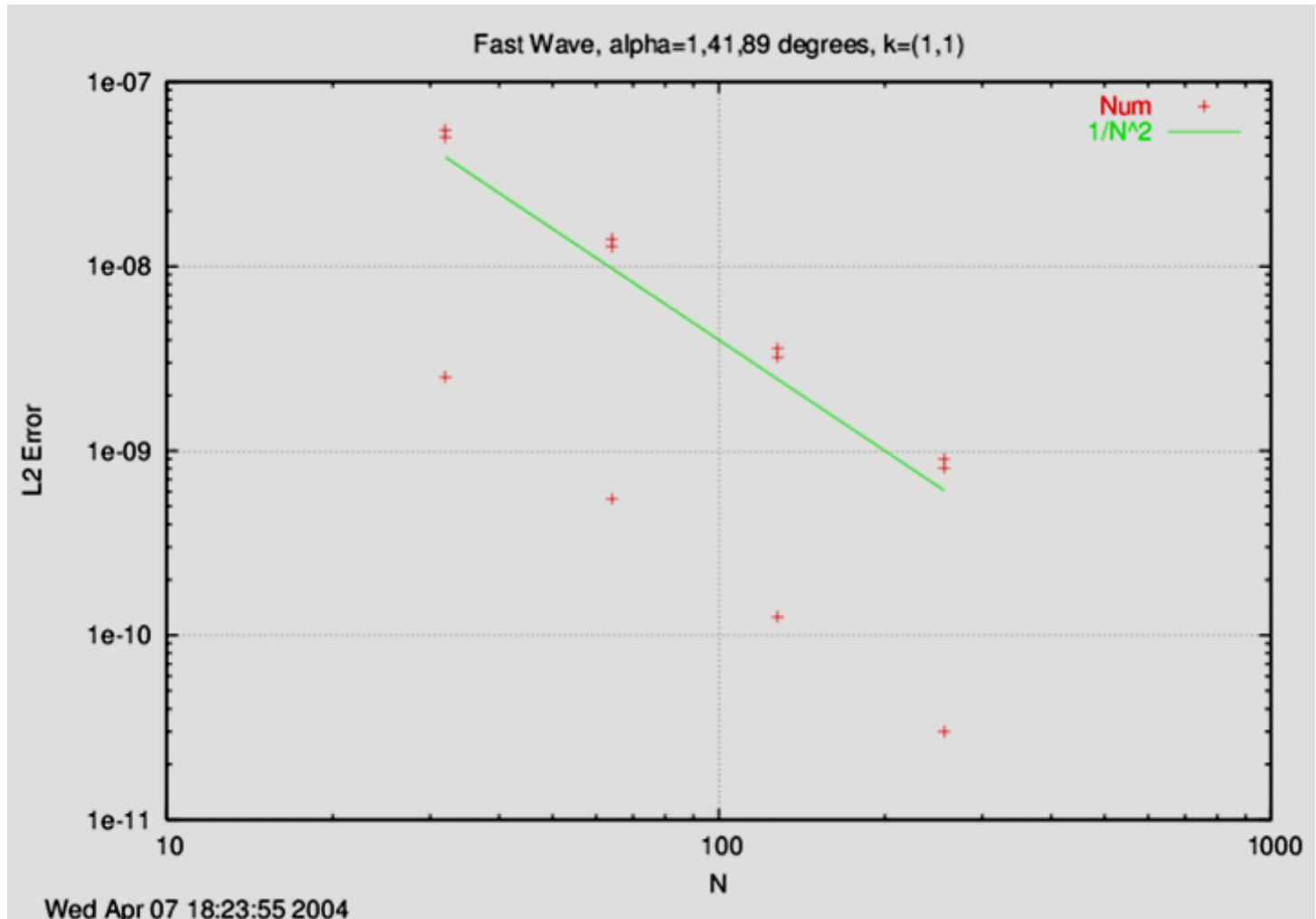




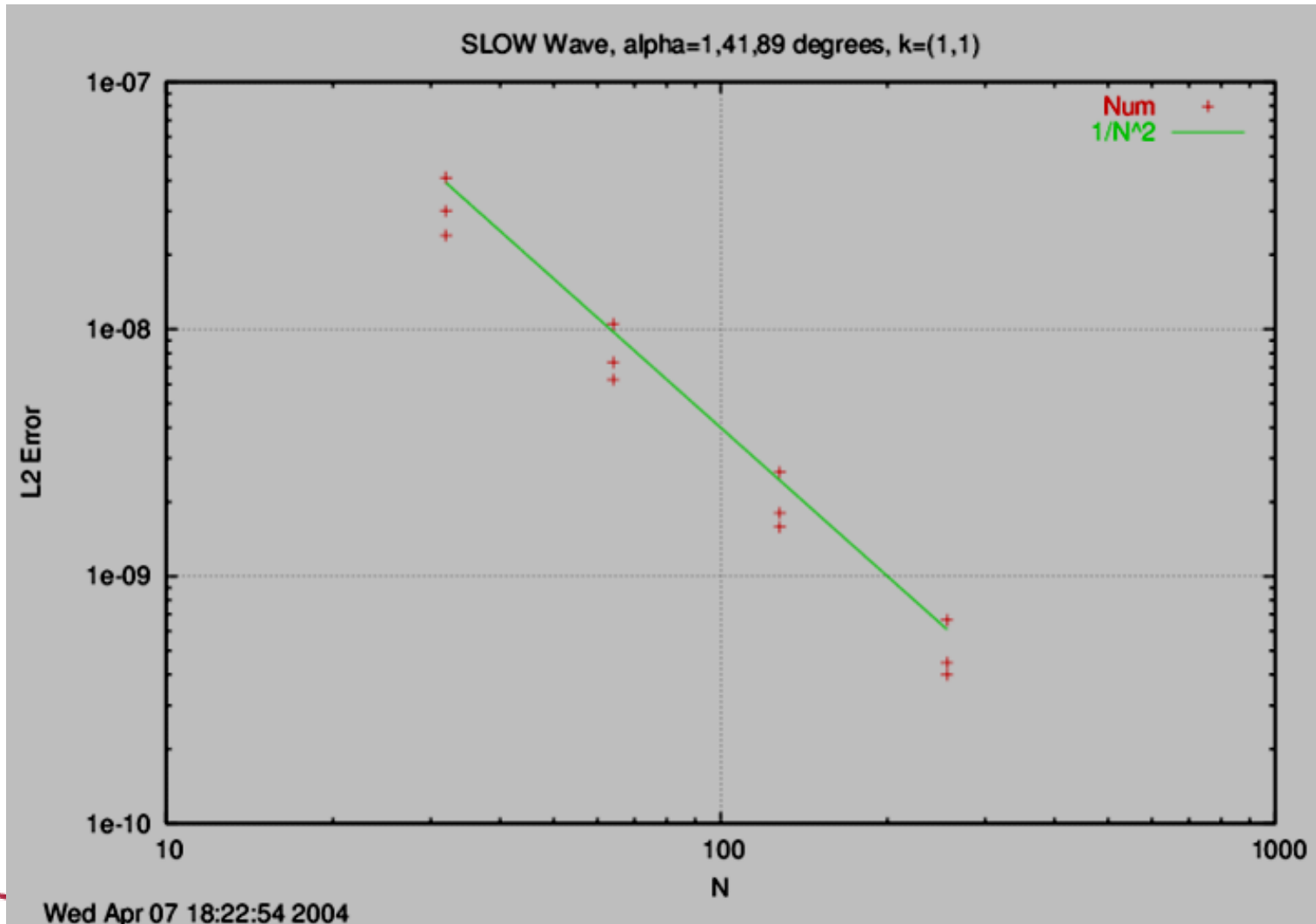
# Linear Waves: Error Alfven Wave



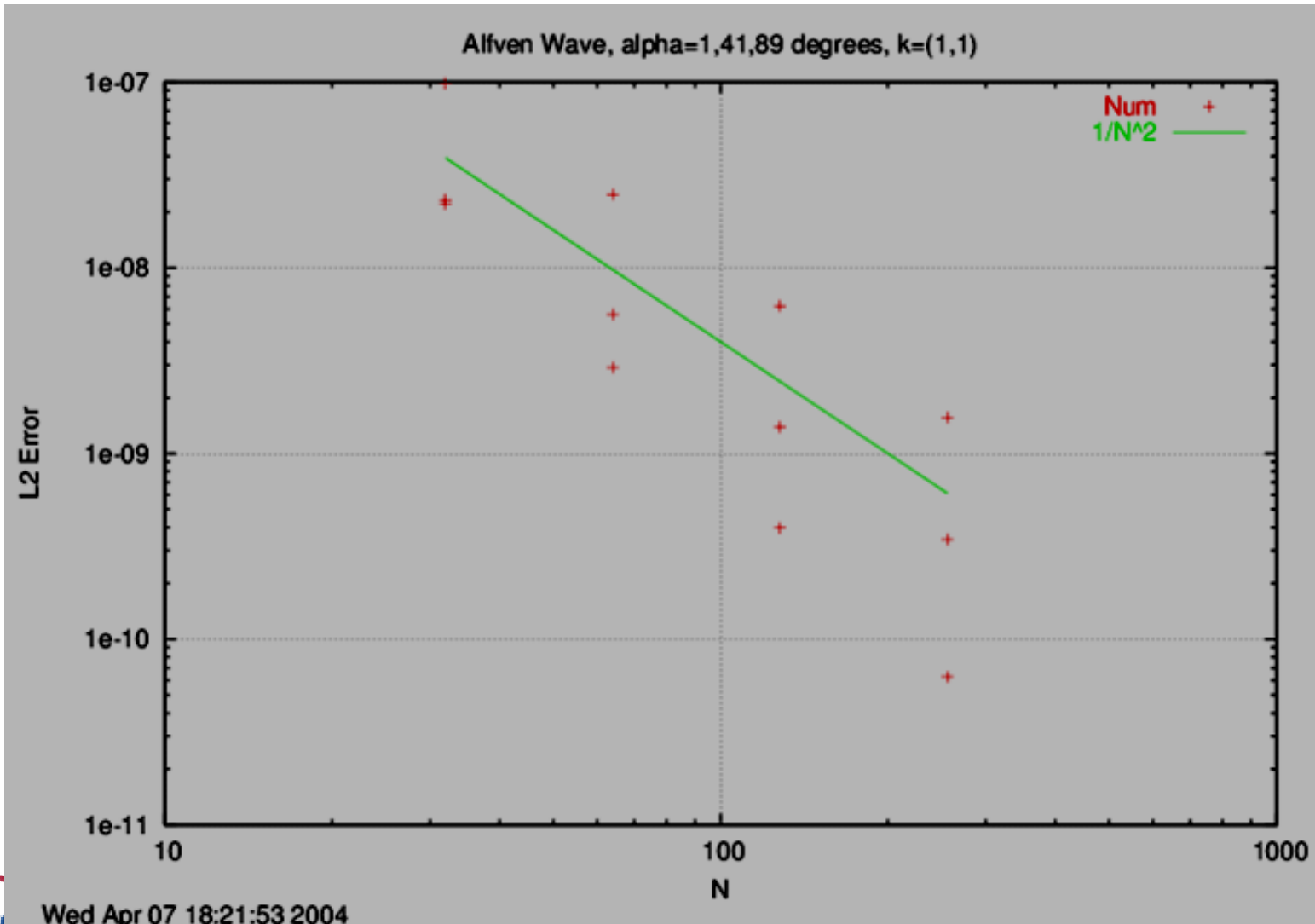
# Linear Waves: Accuracy



# Linear Waves: Accuracy

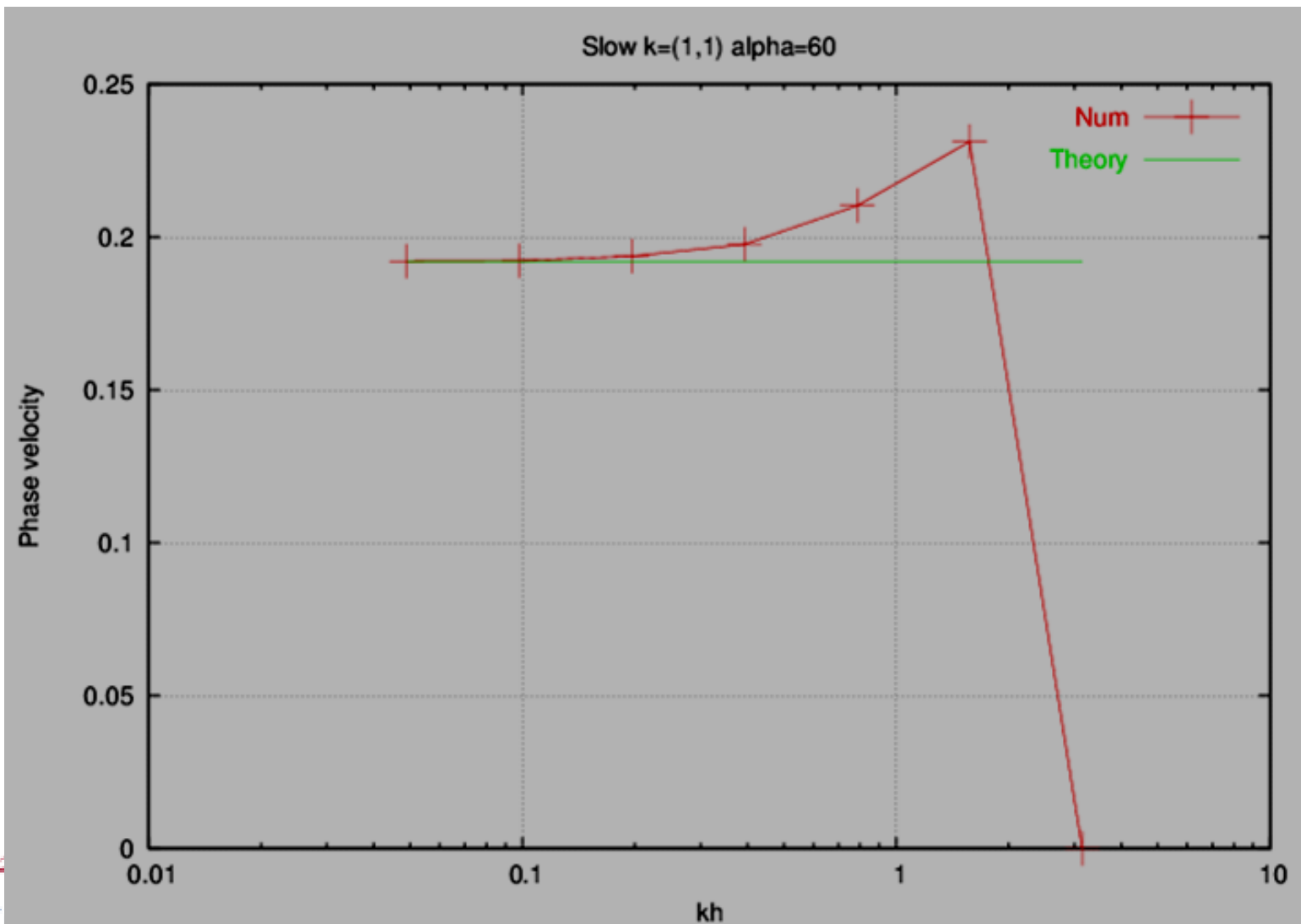


# Linear Waves: Accuracy

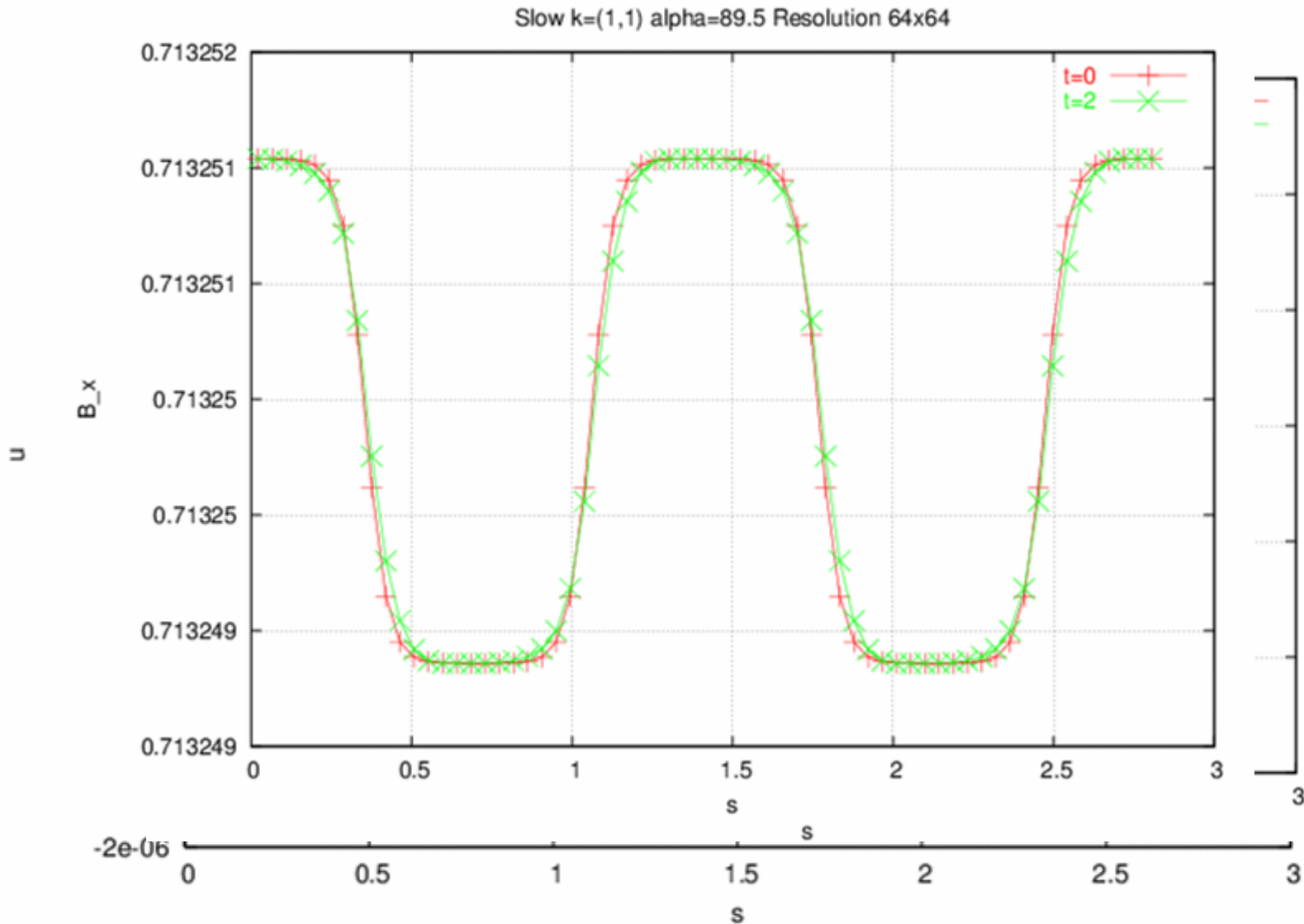


Wed Apr 07 18:21:53 2004

# Linear Waves: Wave number dependence

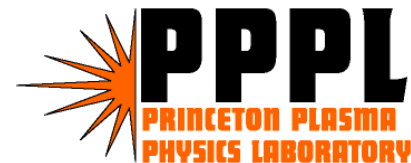


# Linear Waves: Square Wave



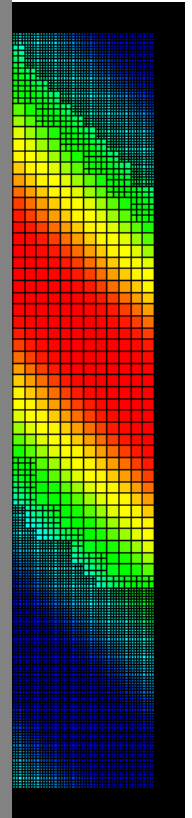
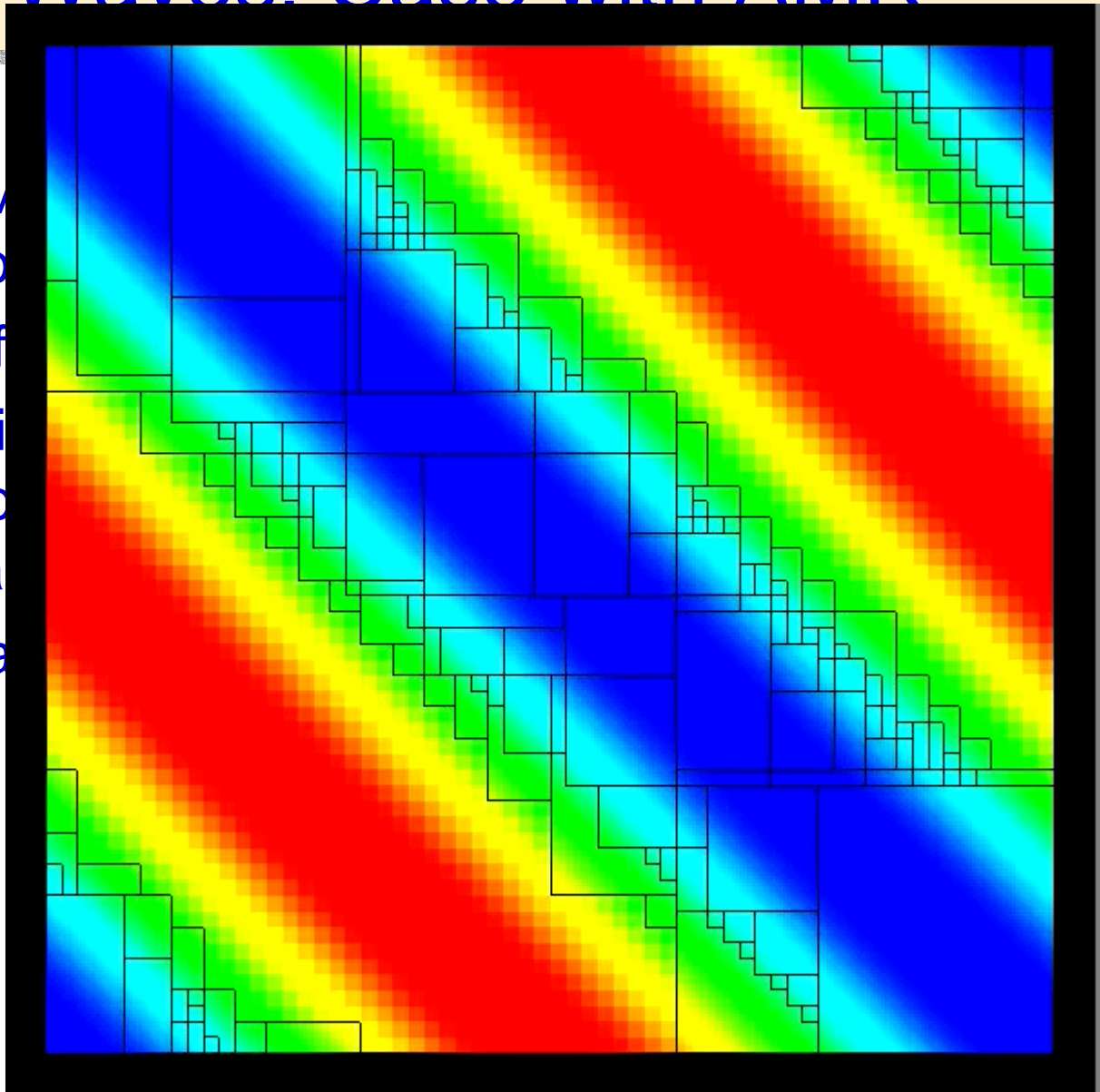
# Linear Waves: Summary

- Reproduced the theoretical phase diagram
- Error is  $O(h^2)$
- Similar results for wave vector  $k=(1,2)$  and  $(1,3)$
- Energy and mass is conserved to machine precision



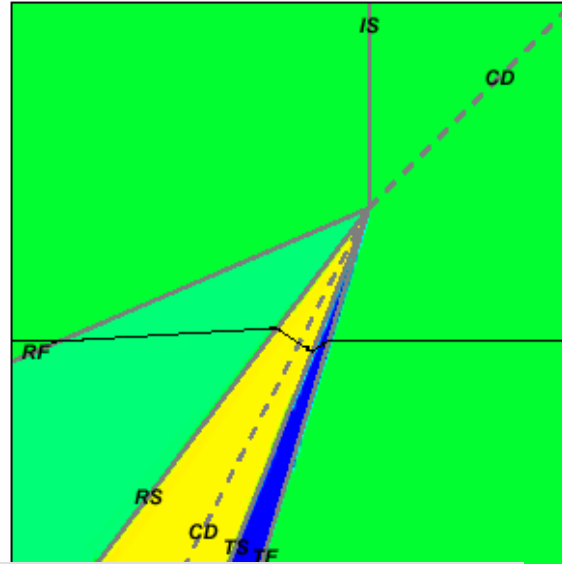
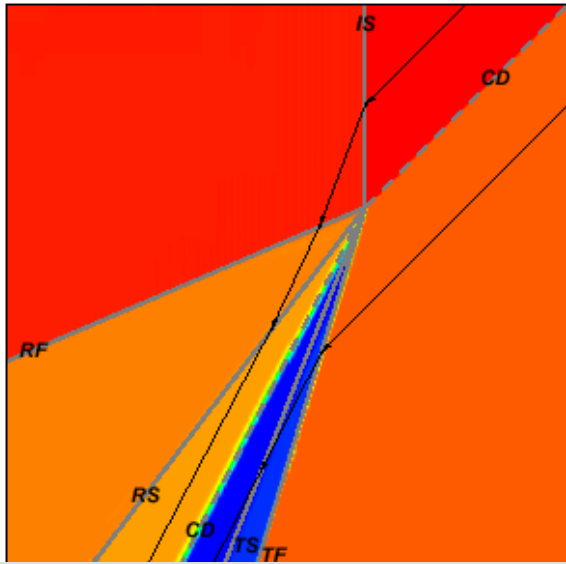
# Linear Waves: Case with AMR

- Energy conserv
- precision
- Flux-ref
- No obvi
- reflectio
- bounda
- Fast wa

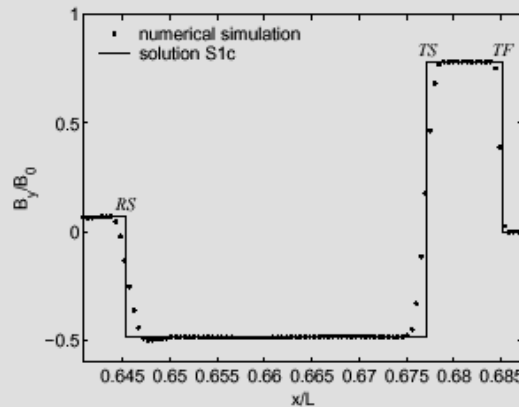
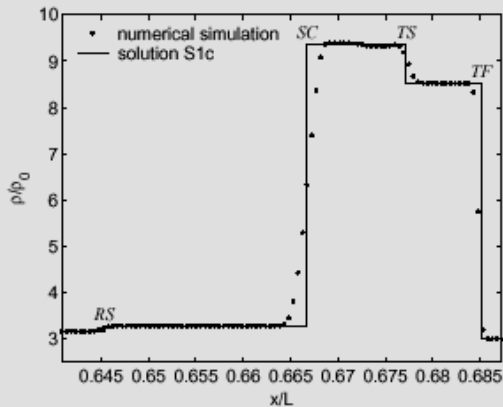




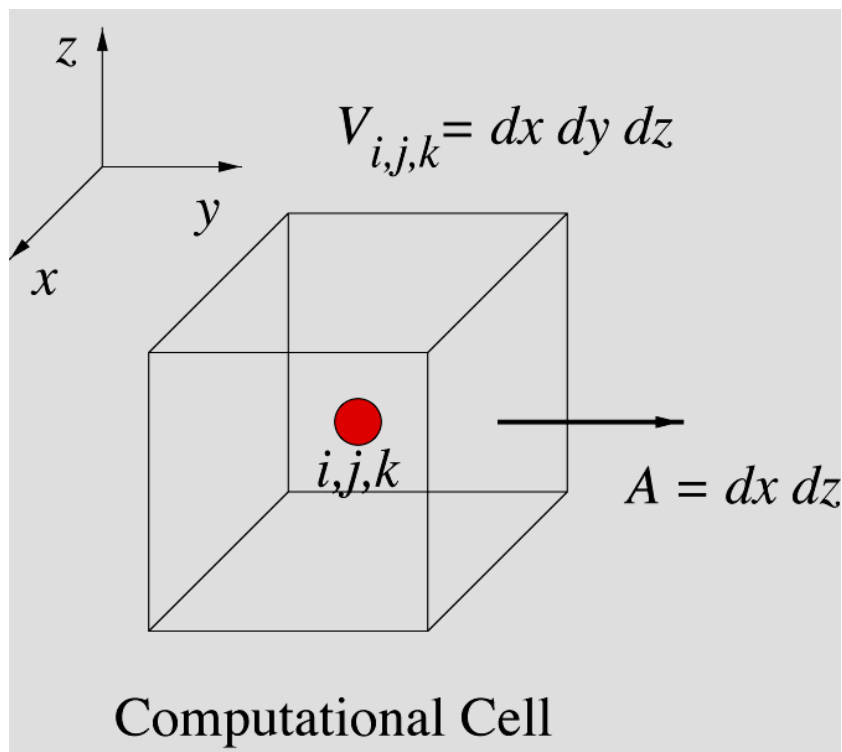
# Code Verification: MHD Shock Refraction



- For regular refraction at the contact discontinuity, in a small neighborhood of the point where all discontinuities meet, the MHD PDEs can be reduced to algebraic equations.
- TF and RF are fast shocks
- Local analysis shows that the RS is a slow shock, while shock TS is a 2-4 intermediate shock. (V. Wheatley, D. I. Pullin, R. Samtaney, *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*)



# Numerical Method: Finite Volume Approach



- Conservative (divergence) form of conservation laws:

$$\frac{dU}{dt} + \nabla \cdot F = S$$

- Volume integral for computational cell:

$$\frac{dU_{i,j,k}}{dt} = - \sum_{faces} A \cdot F + S_{i,j,k}$$

- Fluxes of mass, momentum, energy and magnetic field entering from one cell to another through cell interfaces.
- This is a **Riemann problem**.

# Numerical Method

- Hyperbolic fluxes determined using the unsplit upwinding method (Colella, J. Comput. Phys., Vol 87, 1990)

- Predictor-corrector (2<sup>nd</sup> order in time)
- Fluxes obtained by solving Riemann problem
- Good phase error properties due to corner coupling terms
- Modification:  $B_n^{i\frac{1}{2}} = B_n^i$

$$F_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = R(W_{i,+,d}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, W_{i+e^d,-,d}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, d)$$

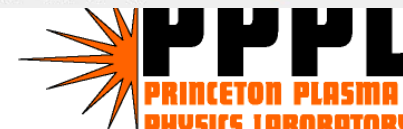
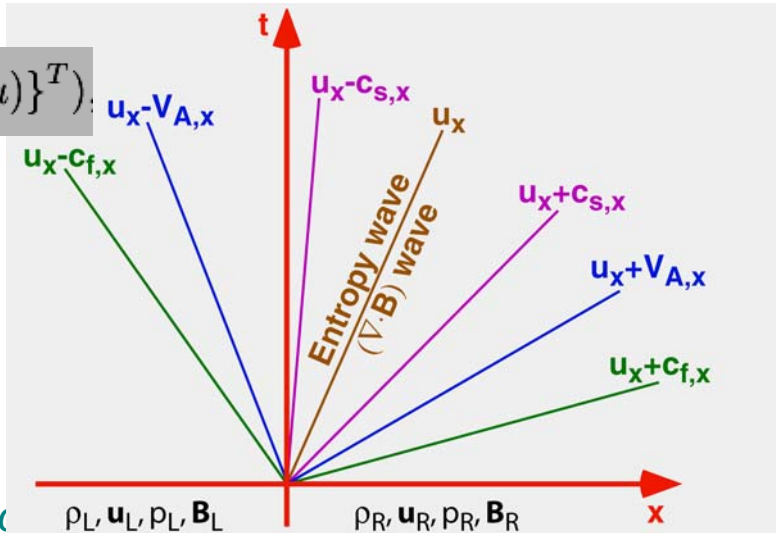
$$U_i^{n+1} = U_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{h} \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} (F_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - F_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}})$$

- MHD Equations written in symmetrizable near-conservative form (Godunov, Numerical Methods for Mechanics of Continuum Media, 1, 1972, Powell et al., J. Comput. Phys., vol 154, 1999).

$$S_{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}}(U) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}(\{0, B_R, B_\phi, B_z, u_R, u_z, u_\phi, u_z, (B \cdot u)\}^T)$$

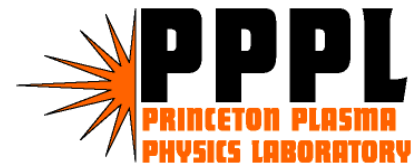
- The symmetrizable MHD equations lead to the 8-wave method.

- The fluid velocity advects both the entropy and  $\text{div}(\mathbf{B})$
- Modification: RP returns average of left/right states for  $B_n$
- Method may be viewed as 7-wave + Stone correction because in the final corrector step we have projected out  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{B}$



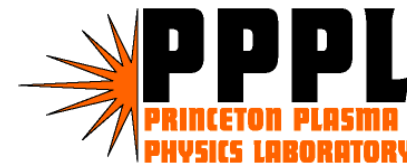
# $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$ by Projection

- Compute the estimates to the fluxes  $F_{i+1/2,j}^{n+1/2}$  using the unsplit formulation
- Use face-centered values of  $\mathbf{B}$  to compute  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}$ .
- Solve the Poisson equation  $\nabla^2 \phi = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}$
- Correct  $\mathbf{B}$  at faces:  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B} - \nabla \phi$
- Correct the fluxes  $F_{i+1/2,j}^{n+1/2}$  with projected values of  $\mathbf{B}$
- Update conservative variables using the fluxes
- Poisson equation solved using multigrid using GSRB for smoothing and BiCGStab as the bottom smoother



# Status of AMRMHD Code

- Solves single fluid resistive MHD equations written in conservation form
  - *Used to study reconnection*
  - *Both explicit and implicit treatment of resistive/viscous term*
  - *Implicit treatment requires variable coefficient elliptic solvers with AMR*
    - *Elliptic solvers require solve of the full hierarchy for during synchronization of coarse-fine boundary fluxes*
    - *Handling nonlinear properties still not implemented*
- Study of pellet injection in tokamaks
  - *Source terms to handle toroidal geometry (See poster 1C33 Monday 10AM-Noon)*
  - *Differences in HFS and LFS pellet launches*
- Work in progress towards fully nonlinearly implicit Jacobian Free Newton-Krylov implementation (with D. Reynolds and C. Woodward, TOPS Center, LLNL)
  - *Works for simple test problems for compressible MHD equations without preconditioning and without mesh adaptivity*



# Future Directions

- 3D wave propagation tests
- Mapped grids (flux tube coordinates) for pellet injection simulations
- Higher order (fourth order) to better handle anisotropy

