# Smoothed particle magnetohydrodynamics

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# SPH: Historical Overview

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### A numerical approach to the testing of the fission hypothesis

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A finite-size particle scheme for the numerical solution of two- and three-dimensional gas dynamical problems of astronomical interest is described and tested. The scheme is then applied to the fission problem for optically thick protostars. Results are given, showing the evolution of one such protostar from an initial state as a single, rotating star to a final state as a triple system whose components contain 60% of the original mass. The decisiveness of this numerical test of the fission hypothesis and its relevance to observed binaries are briefly discussed.

### INTRODUCTION

THE hypothesis that fission is the mechanism by which close binaries are formed has regained favor in recent years. Those responsible for this revival (Lynden-Bell 1964, 1965; James 1964; Stoeckly 1965; Roxburgh 1966; Bodenheimer and Ostriker 1970, Lebovitz 1972, 1974) have rebutted earlier theoretical objections (see also Ostriker 1970) and have discussed the hypothesis in the context of our current understanding of pre-main-sequence evolution. The early history of the fission hypothesis and the related investigations into the figures of equilibrium of rotating liquids has been summarized by Chandrasekhar (1969).

Although fission is now commonly considered to be the most likely explanation for the existence of close binaries, the hypothesis cannot be regarded as proved until the evolution of a rotating protostar has been followed from an initial state as a single star to a final state as a detached binary system. This is a formidable problem, however, since it requires the ability to compute the three-dimensional motion of a self-gravitating, compessible gas. Fortunately, some simplifying circumstances make it less than forbidding. First, the high frequency of close binaries over a wide mass range surely implies that no special characteristics of the properties of stellar matter are essential to binary formation; consequently, these properties need not be treated accurately.

A second and crucial simplification concerns the spatial resolution of the calculation. Because the initial departure from axial symmetry is due to the onset of dynamical overstability for a mode of low order, we might reasonably hope that the subsequent evolution can be adequately followed with a low-resolution description of the protostar's structure. If this is indeed so, the problem can be tackled with present-day computers.

On the assumption, therefore, that a decisive test of

the fission hypothesis might be provided by a threedimensional gas dynamical calculation of low spatial resolution, the bulk of this paper is devoted to describing (Sec. II) and testing (Sec. III) a numerical scheme for carrying out such calculations. This scheme is then used (Sec. IV) to follow the contraction of a rotating protostar and results illustrating the fission mechanism are ob-

### I. ASSUMPTIONS AND EQUATIONS

In this section, after stating our assumptions, we derive the basic equations in the form used when applying the numerical technique of Sec. II.

(a) Assumptions. A rotating, axisymmetric, optically thick protostar of homogeneous composition will be the starting point of the calculation, and this protostar's evolution will be followed up to and beyond the point of instability to a nonaxisymmetric perturbation. To ensure that contraction does not halt prior to this point, energy generation by nuclear burning will be omitted. Accordingly, the basic equations are those describing the motion of a self-gravitating, compressible gas with entropy changes occurring only as a result of radiative conduction.

In accordance with the argument that the detailed properties of stellar matter cannot be of decisive importance, we assume that the matter is a fully ionized perfect gas and that radiation pressure may be neglected; the ratio of specific heats  $\gamma$  and the mean molecular weight  $\mu$  are then constants. In addition, we assume that the opacity  $\kappa$  is independent of state variables.

(b) Units. In the interest of computational accuracy, it is useful to express dimensions in terms of a time dependent length scale R(t) chosen so as to largely eliminate the protostar's contraction. We also adopt M, the protostar's mass, as the unit of mass, τ<sub>\*</sub> = (R<sup>3</sup>/6M)/12 as the unit of time, and T<sub>\*</sub> = (μm<sub>H/k</sub>/6(M/R)) as the unit of temperature. In terms of these basic units, we now take R/τ<sub>\*</sub> to be the unit of velocity, 1/τ<sub>\*</sub> to be



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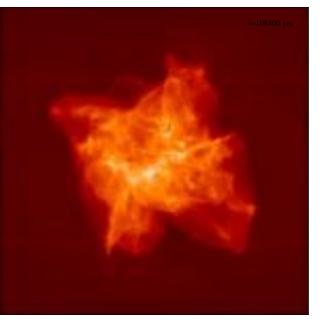
- ➤ Additions to SPH throughout time
  - > Fluid dynamics
  - > Gravity (in the original version, but not always included)
  - > Radiation
  - > Magnetic fields
  - ➤ Multi-fluid physics
  - > One-fluid physics
  - > Pressure-less particles

➢ Primary reference: D. Price. Feb 2012.
Smoothed particle hydrodynamics and magnetohydrodynamics. J Comp Phys. 759, 231.



# SPH: Applications

Astrophysics



Engineering



Gaming/Movies



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dualSPHyiscs (unknown) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B8mP9E75D08



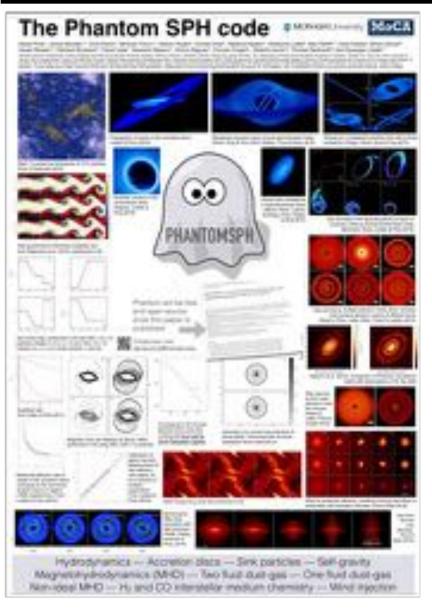
# SPH: SPHERIC: Annual meeting

> SPHERIC: European Research Community of all things SPH (mostly engineering, some astrophysics)





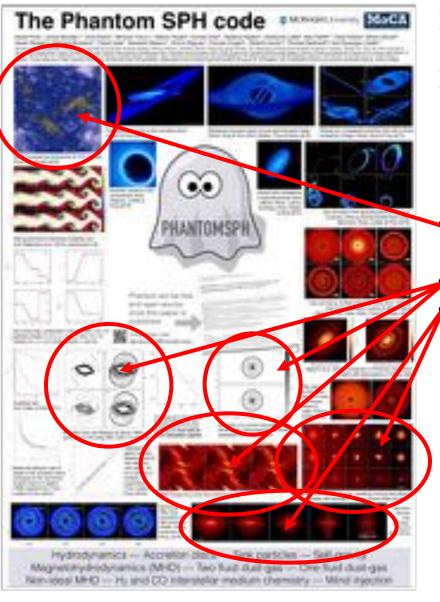
# Phantom



- Publically available at https://phantomsph.bitbucket.io
- Reference:
  D. J. Price, J. Wurster, C. Nixon,
  T. S. Tricco, and 22 others.
  (arXiv:1702.03930)
- ➤ Contains only the ``best'' algorithms
  - > e.g. one integration scheme, one artificial viscosity algorithm, etc...
- Algorithms can be turned off/on as required, and are fully parameterisable



## **Phantom**



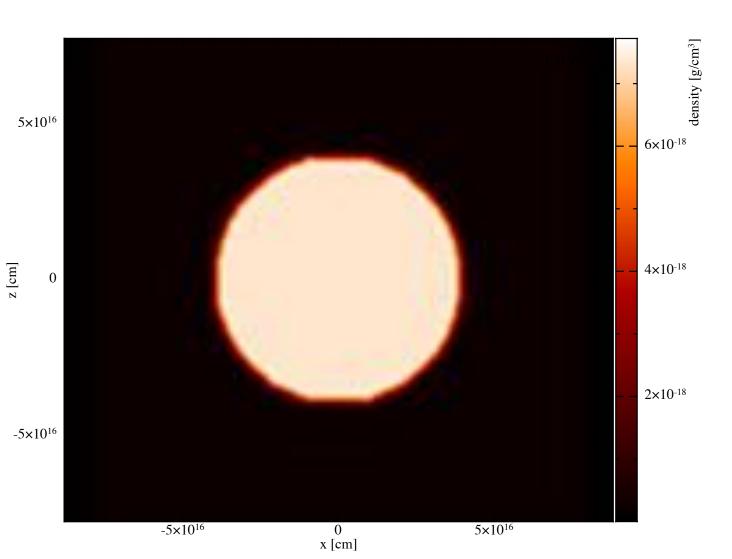
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Turbulence
(e.g. Tricco, Price & Federrath 2016)
Test problems
Star formation (including non-ideal MHD)
(e.g. Wurster, Price & Bate 2016, 2017)



# SPH vs Grid: Dividing the domain

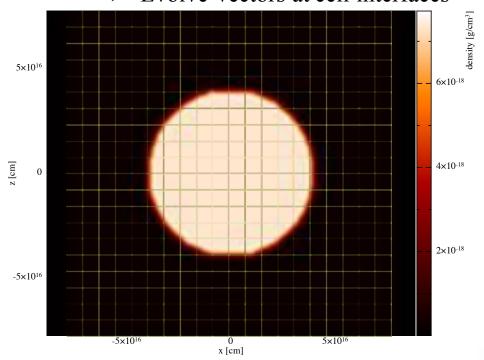
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# SPH vs Grid: Dividing the domain: Grid

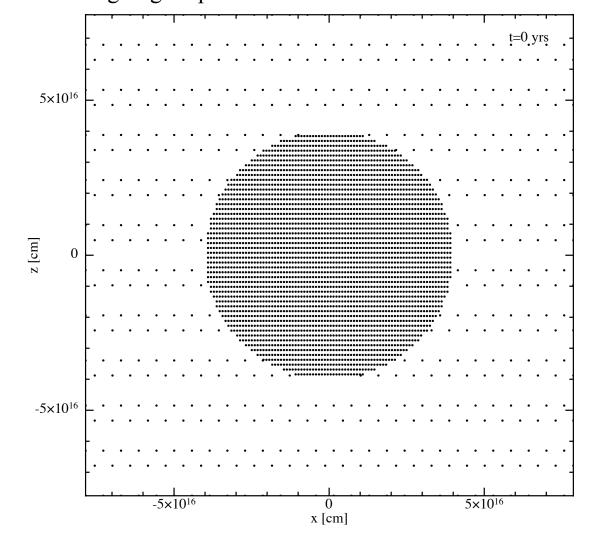
- ➤ Where are the characteristics calculated?
  - > Eulerian Grid
    - ➤ Cells of well-defined position and volume
    - > Evolve scalars at cell-centres
    - > Evolve Vectors at cell interfaces





# SPH vs Grid: Dividing the domain: SPH

- > Given a domain, how do we divide it up?
  - > Lagrangian particles

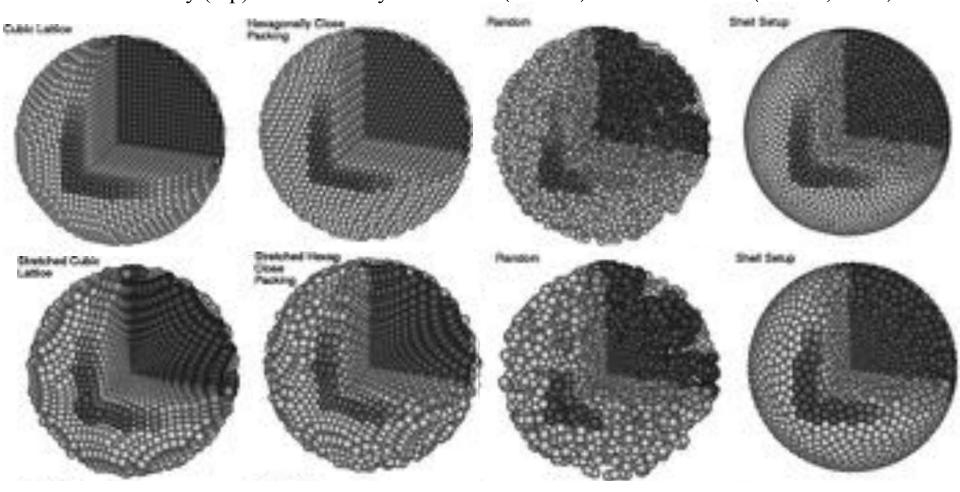


- > Each particle has a fixed mass
- ➤ Characteristics are calculated at the particles' locations



# SPH vs Grid: Dividing the domain: SPH

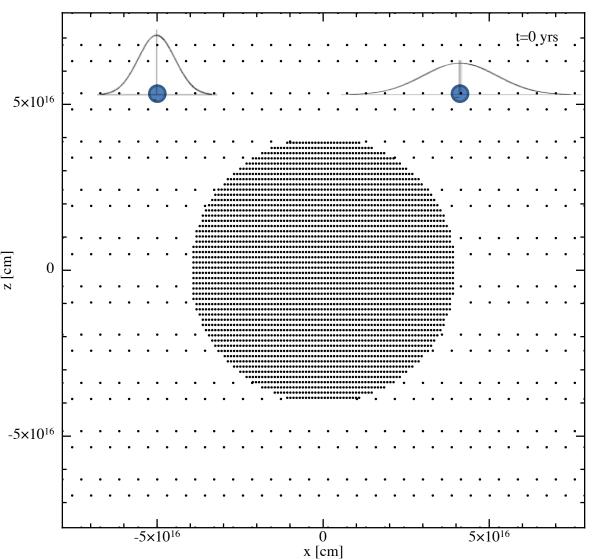
➤ How do we distribute the initial particles for uniform density (top)? For centrally condensed (bottom)? Does it matter (Morris, 1996)?





# SPH: Density

➤ How is density calculated?



Density summation

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{b=1}^{N_{neigh}} m_b W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_b, h),$$

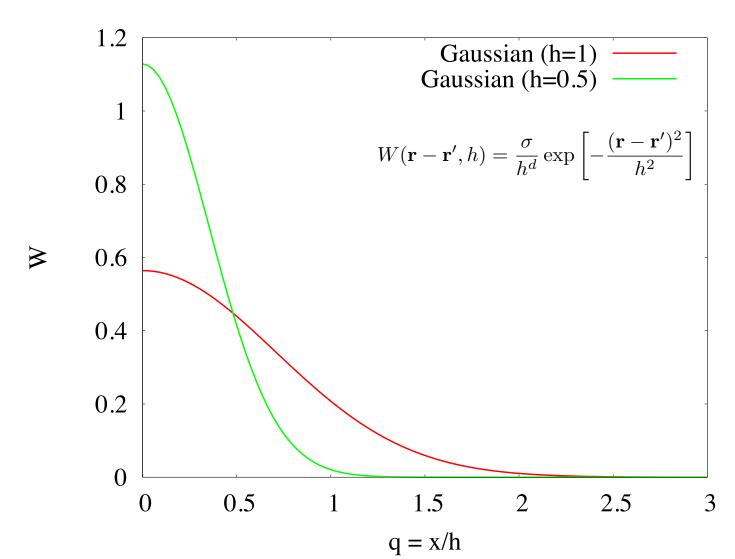
- > Where
  - $\triangleright$  *N* is number of neighbours
  - $\triangleright$   $m_b$  is particle mass
  - $\triangleright$  W is smoothing kernel
- Simplest kernel is a Gaussian:

$$W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}', h) = \frac{\sigma}{h^d} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')^2}{h^2} \right]$$



# SPH: Density: smoothing kernel

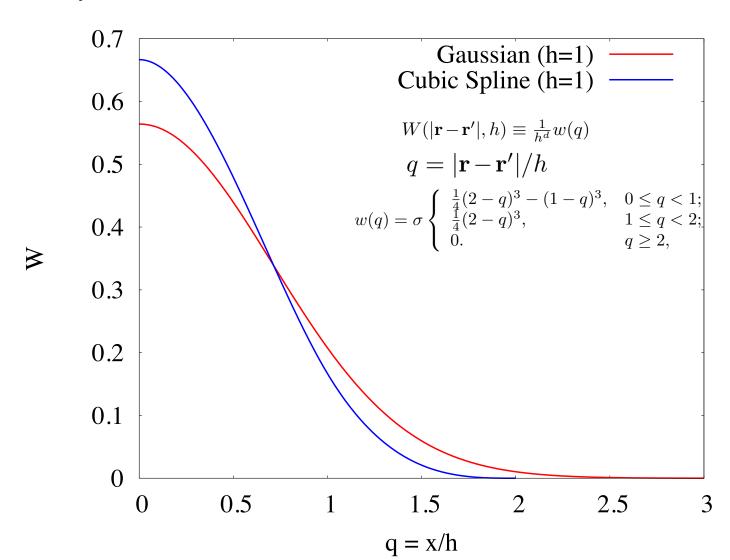
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# SPH: Density: Smoothing kernel

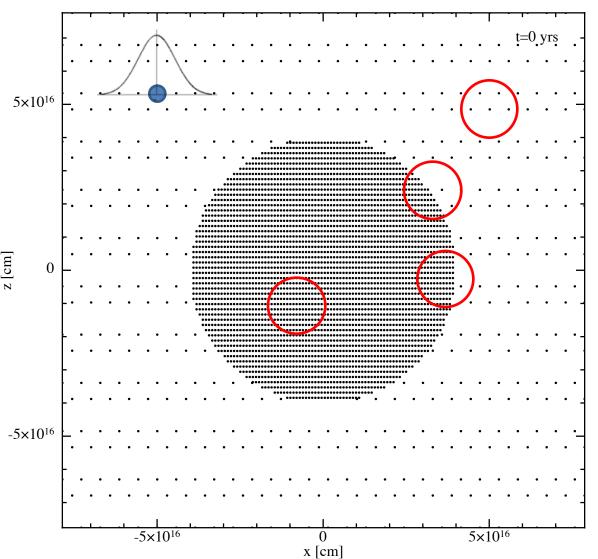
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# SPH: Density: Determining h

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Density summation

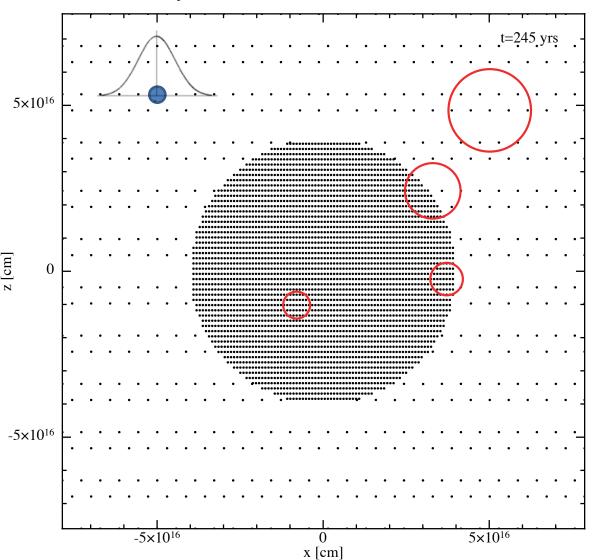
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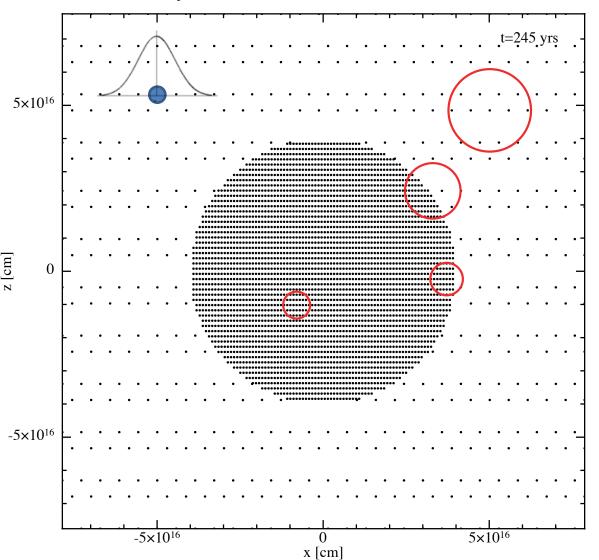
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# SPH: Density: Determining h

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> Density summation

$$\rho_a = \sum_b m_b W_{ab}(\boldsymbol{r}_a - \boldsymbol{r}_b, h_a)$$

> Smoothing length relation

$$h_a = \eta \left(\frac{m_a}{\rho_a}\right)^{1/3}$$

- ➤ These equations must be iteratively solved
- For a cubic spline in 3D, there will be  $N_{neigh} \sim 57$



# SPH: Continuum Equations

### ➤ Continuum Equations:

> Continuity Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

> Equation of Motion

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{v}}{\mathrm{dt}} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P$$

> Energy Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{P}{\rho}\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

> Equation of state (e.g.)

$$P = (\gamma - 1) \rho u$$



# SPH: Discrete Equations

- ➤ Discrete Equations:
  - > Density Equation

$$\rho_a = \sum_b m_b W_{ab}(h_a); \quad h_a = \eta \left(\frac{m_a}{\rho_a}\right)^{1/3}$$

 $\triangleright$  Equation of motion

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}v_a^i}{\mathrm{d}t} = \sum_b m_b \left[ \frac{P_a}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \nabla_a^i W_{ab}(h_a) + \frac{P_b}{\Omega_b \rho_b^2} \nabla_a^i W_{ab}(h_b) \right]$$

 $\triangleright$  Energy Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u_a}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{P_a}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \sum_b m_b v_{ab}^i \nabla_a^i W_{ab}(h_a)$$

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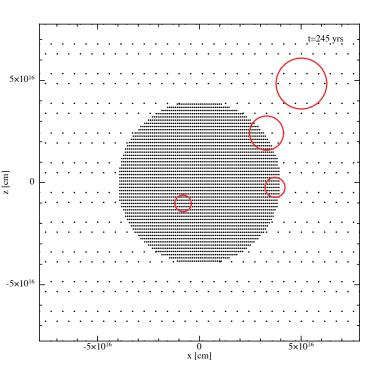
$$W_{ab}(h_a) \equiv W_{ab}(\boldsymbol{r}_a - \boldsymbol{r}_b, h_a); \quad v_{ab}^i \equiv v_a^i - v_b^i$$

For conversions from continuum to discrete, see (e.g.) Monaghan (1992, 2005), Springel (2010), Price (2012)



# SPH: Pseudo-Code

- > Pseudo-Code
  - > SPH
    - $\triangleright$  Requires at most  $2N^2 + N$  iterations per step
      - ightharpoonup If  $N=10^6$ , then there are  $2\times10^{12}$  iterations per step
    - $\triangleright$  Using neighbour finding algorithms requires  $2NN_{neigh} + N$  iterations per step
      - ightharpoonup If  $N=10^6$ , then there are  $1.2 \times 10^8$  iterations per step

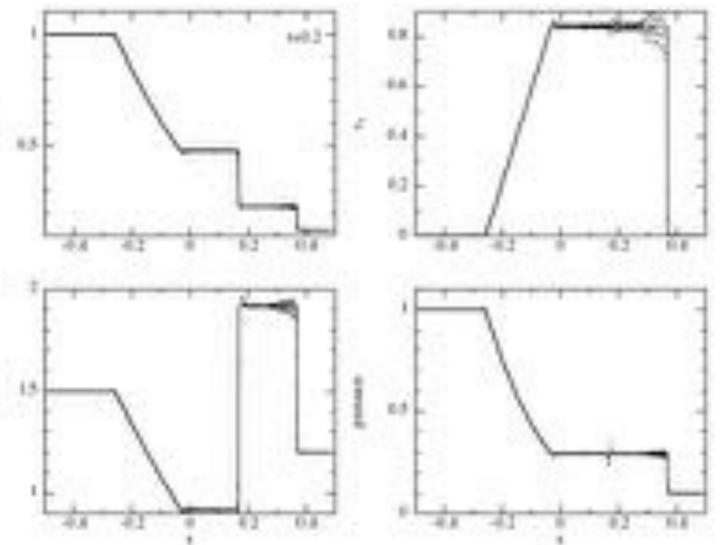


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do i = 1, N
   do j = 1, N_{\text{neigh}}
      Using j, calculate density of i
   enddo
enddo
do i = 1, N
   do j = 1, N_{\text{neigh}}
      Using j, calculate forces of i
   enddo
enddo
do i = 1, N
   Using updated forces, determine
   new oldsymbol{v} , oldsymbol{r} & oldsymbol{B} of i
                                              20
enddo
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# SPH: Sod Shock Tube

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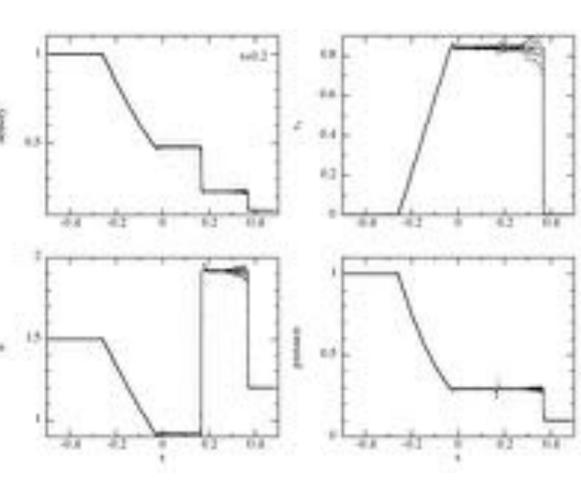






# SPH: Discrete Equations: Missing terms

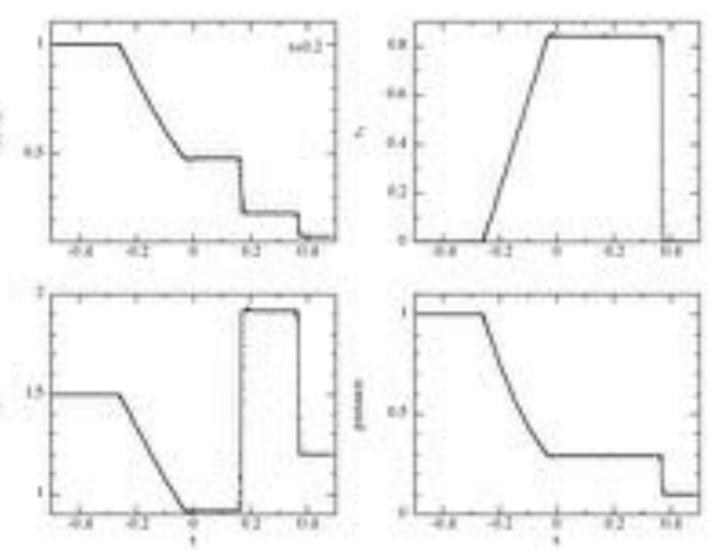
- ➤ Missing terms:
  - > Equation of motion
    - > Artificial viscosity
  - > Energy Equation
    - > Artificial conductivity



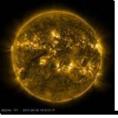


# SPH: Sod Shock Tube

> Maximal artificial viscosity and conductivity







# SPMHD: Discrete Equations

> SPH equation of motion is derived via a the Lagrangian (Price & Monaghan, 2004)

$$L_{\text{MHD}} = \sum_{b} m_b \left[ \frac{1}{2} v_b^2 - u_b(\rho_b, s_b) - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \frac{B_b^2}{\rho_b} \right]$$

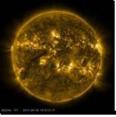
ightharpoonup SPMHD equation of motion requires the variational principle of  $\int \delta L dt = 0$  , where

$$\delta L = m_a \mathbf{v}_a \cdot \delta \mathbf{v}_a - \sum_b m_b \left[ \left. \frac{\partial u_b}{\partial \rho_b} \right|_s \delta \rho_b + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \left( \frac{B_b}{\rho_b} \right)^2 \delta \rho_b + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B}_b \cdot \delta \left( \frac{\mathbf{B}_b}{\rho_b} \right) \right]$$

> After some math....

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}v_a^i}{\mathrm{d}t} = \sum_b m_b \left[ \frac{S_a^{ij}}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \nabla_a^j W_{ab}(h_a) + \frac{S_b^{ij}}{\Omega_b \rho_b^2} \nabla_a^j W_{ab}(h_b) \right]$$

$$S_a^{ij} \equiv -\left(P_a + \frac{1}{2\mu_0}B_a^2\right)\delta^{ij} + \frac{1}{\mu_0}B_a^i B_a^j$$



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  - > Density Equation

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> Equation of Motion

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> Induction Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}B_a^i}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{1}{\Omega_a \rho_a} \sum_b m_b \left[ v_{ab}^i B_a^j \nabla_a^j W_{ab} \left( h_a \right) - B_a^i v_{ab}^j \nabla_a^j W_{ab} \left( h_a \right) \right]$$

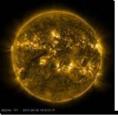
> Energy Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u_a}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{P_a}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \sum_b m_b v_{ab}^i \nabla_a^i W_{ab}(h_a)$$

> MHD stress tensor

$$S_a^{ij} \equiv -\left(P_a + \frac{1}{2\mu_0}B_a^2\right)\delta^{ij} + \frac{1}{\mu_0}B_a^i B_a^j$$

 $\triangleright$  Note: In all SPMHD equations, **B** has been normalised such that  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}/\sqrt{\mu_0}$ 



# SPMHD: Continuum Equations

- > Continuum Equations:
  - > Continuity Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

> Equation of Motion

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{v}}{\mathrm{dt}} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \left[ \left( P + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right) I - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \boldsymbol{B} \boldsymbol{B} \right]$$

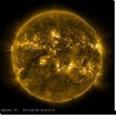
> Induction Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{B}}{\mathrm{d}t} = (\boldsymbol{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{B} (\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{v})$$

> Energy Equation

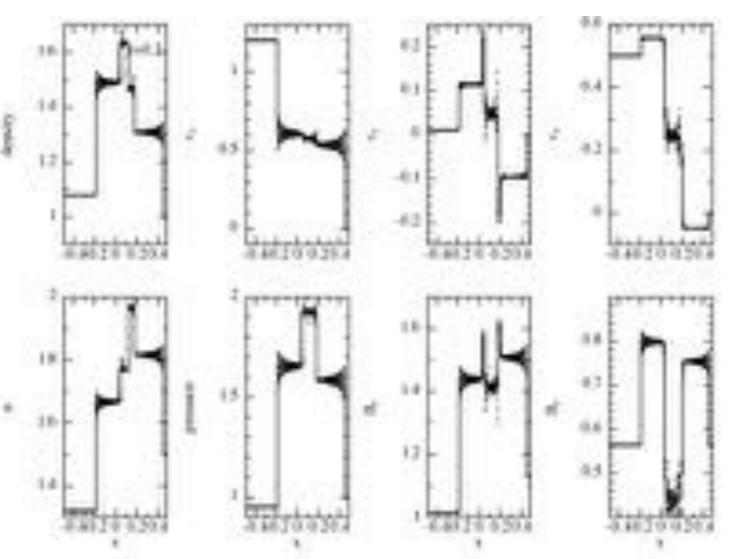
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{P}{\rho}\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

> Equation of state

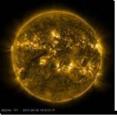


# SPMHD: Ryu-Jones Shock Tube

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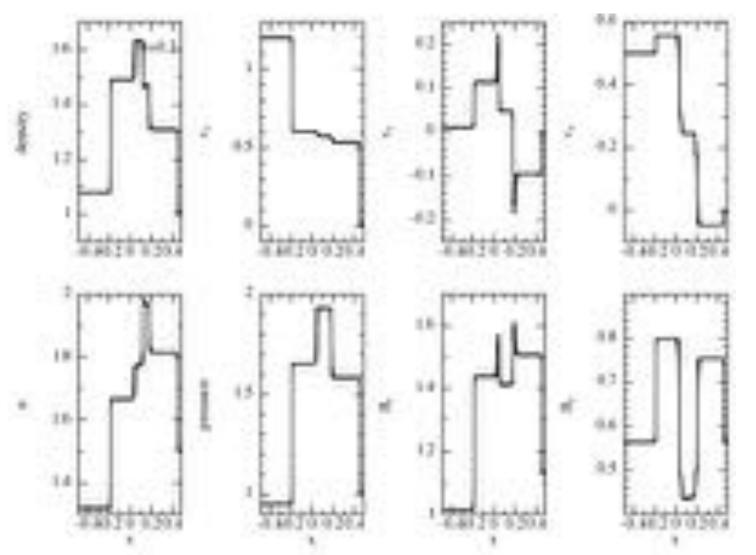




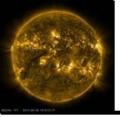


# SPMHD: Ryu-Jones Shock Tube

➤ With maximal artificial viscosity, conductivity and resistivity





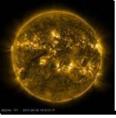


# SPMHD: Artificial Viscosity

### > Artificial viscosity

$$\begin{array}{lll} \frac{\mathrm{d} v_a^i}{\mathrm{d} t} & = & \displaystyle\sum_b m_b \left[ \frac{S_a^{ij} + q_a^{ab}}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \nabla_a^j W_{ab}(h_a) + \frac{S_b^{ij} + q_b^{ab}}{\Omega_b \rho_b^2} \nabla_a^j W_{ab}(h_b) \right] \\ q_a^{ab} & = & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -\frac{1}{2} \rho_a v_{\mathrm{sig},a} \boldsymbol{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{ab}; & \boldsymbol{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{ab} < 0 \\ 0; & \mathrm{else} \end{array} \right. \\ v_{\mathrm{sig},a} & = & \displaystyle\alpha_a^{\mathrm{AV}} \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{s},a}^2 + v_{\mathrm{A},a}^2} + \beta^{\mathrm{AV}} \left| \boldsymbol{v}_{ab} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{ab} \right| \\ \alpha_a^{\mathrm{AV}} & \in & [0,1] \quad \mathrm{Calculated \ using \ (e.g.) \ the \ Cullen \ \& \ Dehnen \ (2010) \ switch} \\ \beta^{\mathrm{AV}} & = & 2 \end{array}$$

Applied only to shocks



> Artificial resistivity (Tricco & Price, 2013)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}B_{a}^{i}}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{1}{\Omega_{a}\rho_{a}} \sum_{b} m_{b} \left[ v_{ab}^{i} B_{a}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab} \left( h_{a} \right) - B_{a}^{i} v_{ab}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab} \left( h_{a} \right) \right] + \frac{\mathrm{d}B_{a}^{i}}{\mathrm{d}t} \Big|_{\mathrm{art}}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}B_{a}^{i}}{\mathrm{d}t} \Big|_{\mathrm{art}} = \frac{\rho_{a}}{2} \sum_{b} m_{b} B_{ab}^{i} \left[ \frac{\alpha_{a}^{B} v_{\mathrm{sig},a} \hat{r}_{ab}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab} \left( h_{a} \right)}{\Omega_{a} \rho_{a}^{2}} + \frac{\alpha_{b}^{B} v_{\mathrm{sig},b} \hat{r}_{ab}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab} \left( h_{b} \right)}{\Omega_{b} \rho_{b}^{2}} \right]$$

$$v_{ab}^{i} = v_{a}^{i} - v_{b}^{i}$$

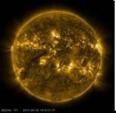
$$B_{ab}^{i} = B_{a}^{i} - B_{b}^{i}$$

$$v_{\mathrm{sig},a} = \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{s},a}^{2} + v_{\mathrm{A},a}^{2}}$$

$$\alpha_{a}^{B} = \min \left( \frac{h_{a} |\nabla B_{a}|}{|B_{a}|}, 1 \right)$$

$$|\nabla B_{a}| \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{i} \sum_{j} \left| \frac{\partial B_{a}^{i}}{\partial x_{a}^{j}} \right|^{2}}$$

Always applied if there is a gradient in the magnetic field (i.e.  $|\nabla \mathbf{B}| > 0$ )



> Artificial resistivity (Price, et al, submitted)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}B_a^i}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{1}{\Omega_a \rho_a} \sum_b m_b \left[ v_{ab}^i B_a^j \nabla_a^j W_{ab} \left( h_a \right) - B_a^i v_{ab}^j \nabla_a^j W_{ab} \left( h_a \right) \right] + \left. \frac{\mathrm{d}B_a^i}{\mathrm{d}t} \right|_{\mathrm{art}}$$

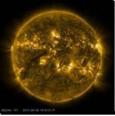
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}B_{a}^{i}}{\mathrm{d}t}\Big|_{\mathrm{art}} = \frac{\rho_{a}}{2} \sum_{b} m_{b} \alpha^{\mathrm{B}} v_{\mathrm{sig},ab} B_{ab}^{i} \left[ \frac{\hat{r}_{ab}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab}(h_{a})}{\Omega_{a} \rho_{a}^{2}} + \frac{\hat{r}_{ab}^{j} \nabla_{a}^{j} W_{ab}(h_{b})}{\Omega_{b} \rho_{b}^{2}} \right]$$

$$B_{ab}^{i} = B_{a}^{i} - B_{b}^{i}$$

$$v_{\mathrm{sig},ab} = |\mathbf{v}_{ab} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ab}|$$

$$\alpha^{\mathrm{B}} = 1$$

- ➤ Always applied for non-zero velocity
- Less resistive that that from Tricco & Price (2013)



> Price et. al. (2017) artificial resistivity

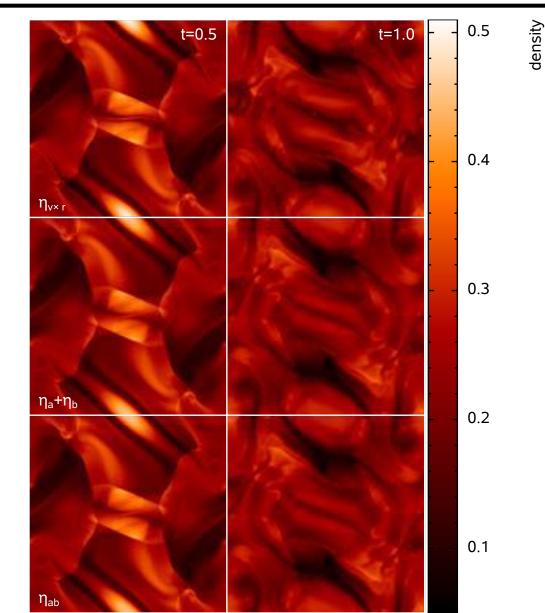
$$v_{\mathrm{sig},ab} = |\boldsymbol{v}_{ab} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}_{ab}|$$
  
 $\alpha^{\mathrm{B}} \equiv 1$ 

> Tricco & Price (2013)

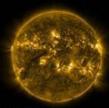
$$v_{\mathrm{sig},a} = \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{s},a}^2 + v_{\mathrm{A},a}^2}$$

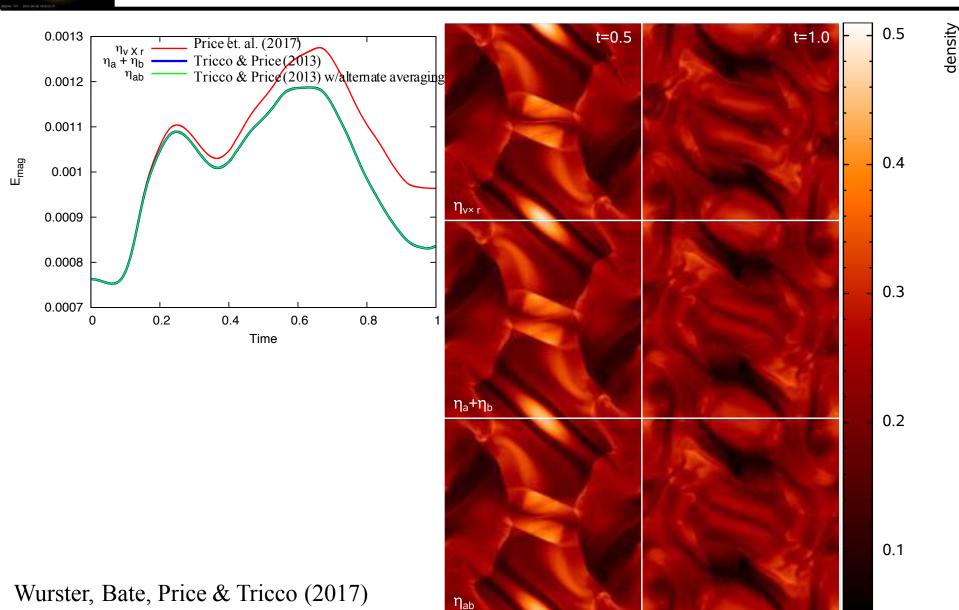
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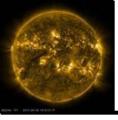
➤ Tricco & Price (2013) with alternate averaging



Wurster, Bate, Price & Tricco (2017)

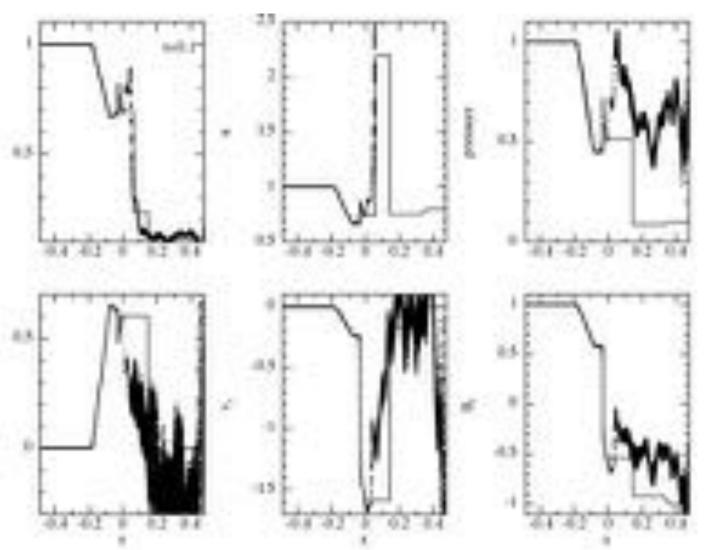




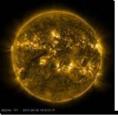


# SPMHD: Brio-Wu Shock Tube

➤ With maximal artificial viscosity, conductivity and resistivity







# SPMHD: Discrete Equations

- ➤ Discrete Equations:
  - > Density Equation

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➤ Momentum Equation

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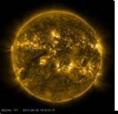
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> Energy Equation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u_a}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\dot{P}_a}{\Omega_a \rho_a^2} \sum_b m_b v_{ab}^i \nabla_a^i W_{ab}(h_a) + \left. \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}t} \right|_{\mathrm{art}}$$

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# IMPHCITLY INCLUDES MAGNETIC MONOPOLES!!!

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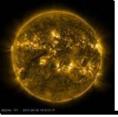
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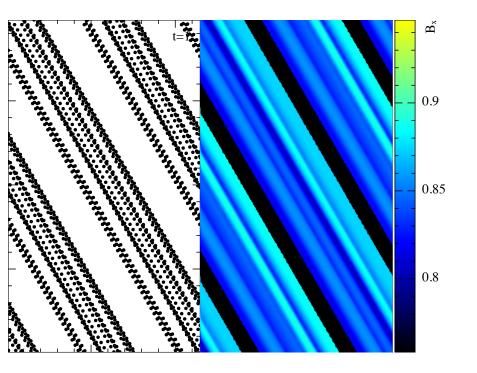
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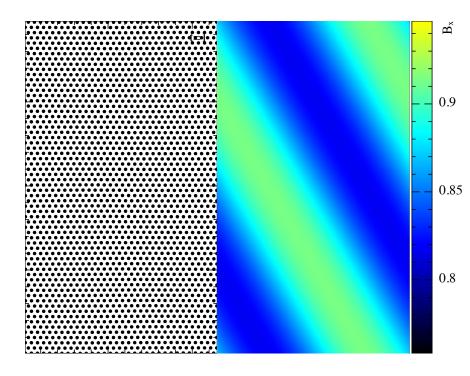
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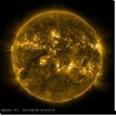
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- > Tensile instability: the artificial clumping due to negative pressure (i.e. attractive forces)
- ➤ particle distribution & x-component of the magnetic field in the 2.5D circularly polarized Alfven wave test using the (unstable) conservative SPMHD force (left figure) and with a stable formulation (right figure), shown after 1 wave crossing time.



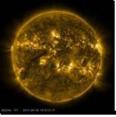




➤ Momentum Equation (excluding artificial viscosity)

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{v}}{\mathrm{dt}} &= -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \left[ \left( P + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right) I - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \boldsymbol{B} \boldsymbol{B} \right] \\ &= -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho} - \frac{1}{\mu_0 \rho} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla B^2 - \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{B} \boldsymbol{B}) \right] \\ &= -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho} - \frac{1}{\mu_0 \rho} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla B^2 - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \nabla B^2 - \boldsymbol{B} \times (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}) + \boldsymbol{B} (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{B}) \right\} \right] \\ &= -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho} + \frac{(\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}) \times \boldsymbol{B}}{\mu_0 \rho} \left( + \frac{\boldsymbol{B} (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{B})}{\mu_0 \rho} \right) = 0 \text{ physically} \\ &\neq 0 \text{ numerically} \end{split}$$

> The magnetic monopole term exists when the equations conserve energy

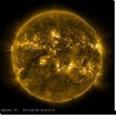


Momentum equation inherently includes  $\nabla . \mathbf{B} \neq 0$ , thus needs to be removed (Børve, Omang & Trulsen 2001, 2004; Tricco & Price 2012)

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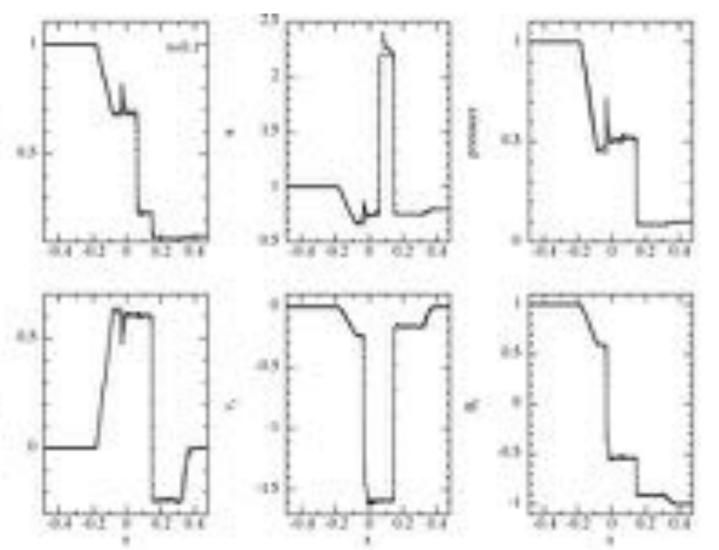
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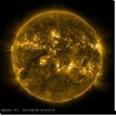


## SPMHD: Tensile Instability: Brio-Wu Shock

➤ With maximal artificial viscosity, conductivity and resistivity and Børve correction

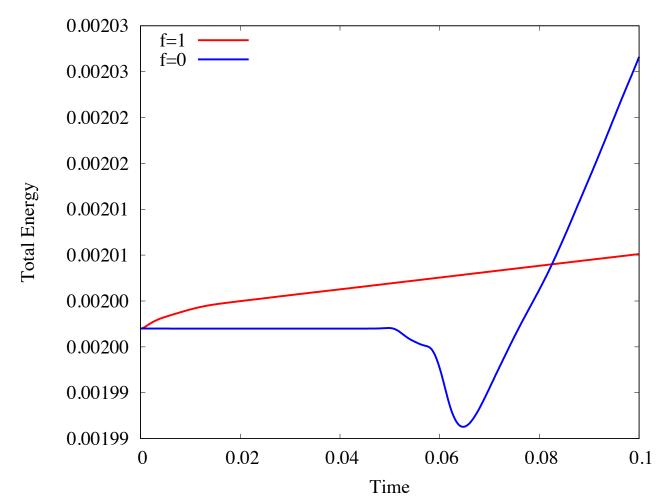




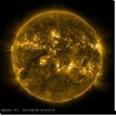


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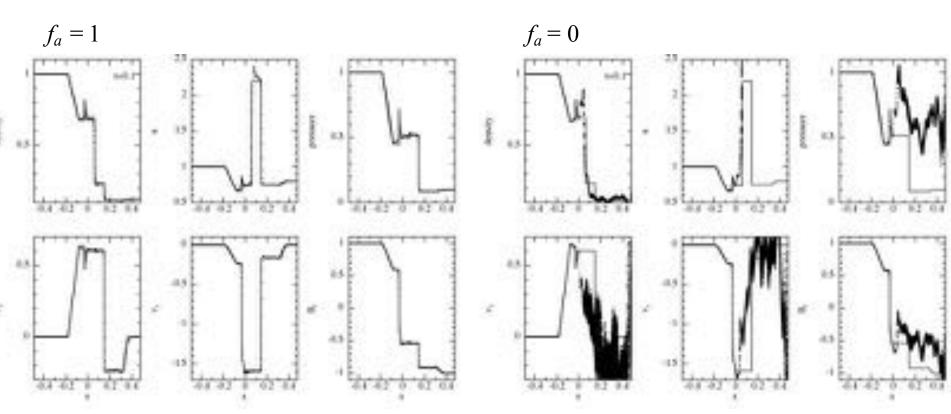




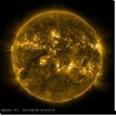


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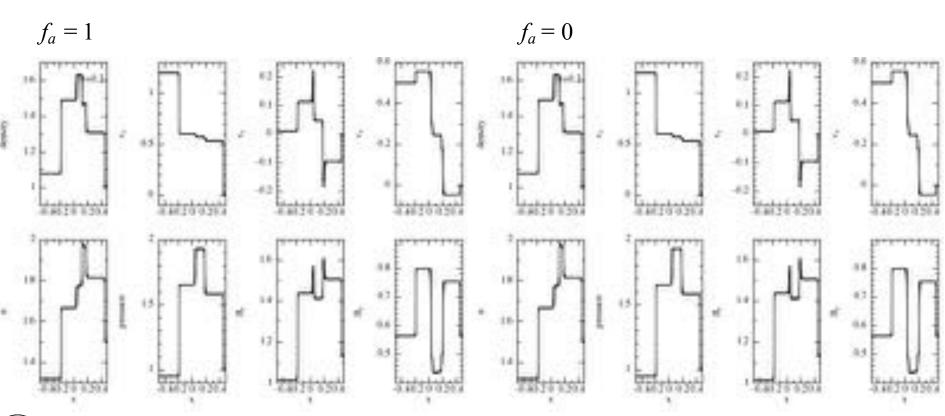




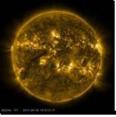


## SPMHD: Tensile Instability: Ryu-Jones

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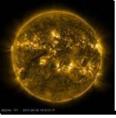






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Consider motion in a 1-D calculation:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}v_{a}^{x}}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\sum_{b} m_{b} \left[ \frac{P_{a} - \frac{1}{2\mu_{0}} B_{a,x}^{2}}{\Omega_{a} \rho_{a}^{2}} + \frac{P_{b} - \frac{1}{2\mu_{0}} B_{b,x}^{2}}{\Omega_{b} \rho_{b}^{2}} \right] \frac{\mathrm{d}W_{ab}}{\mathrm{d}x}$$

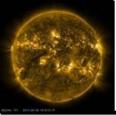
 $\text{ If } P - \frac{1}{2\mu_0} B_x^2 < 0 \\ \text{ Tensile instability } , \text{ then } \frac{\mathrm{d} v_a^x}{\mathrm{d} t} > 0 \text{ , therefore the force is attractive, which leads to the }$ 



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- $\triangleright$  Consider plasma  $\beta$ :

$$\beta = \frac{P_{\text{gas}}}{P_{\text{mag}}} = \frac{2\mu_0 P_{\text{gas}}}{B^2}$$

- $\triangleright$   $\beta >> 1$ : Evolution is dominated by gas pressure
- $\triangleright$   $\beta$  << 1: Evolution is dominated by magnetic pressure & leads to Tensile instability

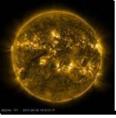


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Brio-Wu (unstable with  $f_a = 0$ ) Ryu-Jones (stable with  $f_a = 0$ )

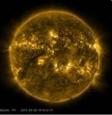




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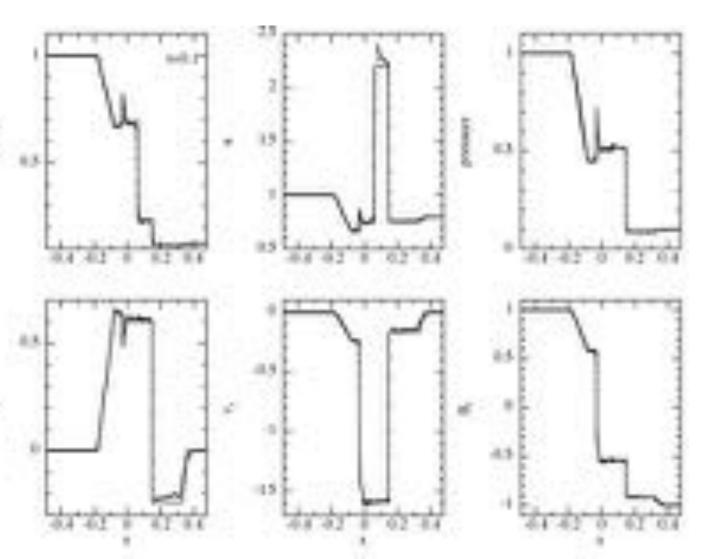
- $\triangleright$  What is the optimal  $f_a$ ?
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  - $ightharpoonup 0 < f_a < \frac{1}{2}$  (Børve, Omang & Trulsen 2004)
- $\triangleright$  If unstable only for magnetically dominated regions (i.e.  $\beta < 1$ ), then only subtract there:

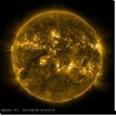
$$f_a = \begin{cases} 1; & \beta_a \le 1 \\ 2 - \beta; & 1 < \beta_a \le 2 \\ 0; & \beta_a > 2 \end{cases}$$



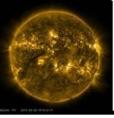
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 $ightharpoonup f_a \equiv f_a(\beta)$ 





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    - ightharpoonup Monitor  $\frac{h\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{B}}{|B|}$  and hope it remains small



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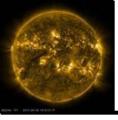
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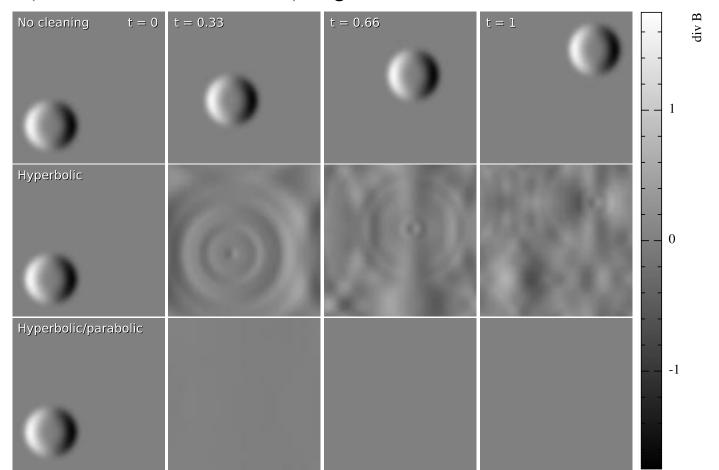
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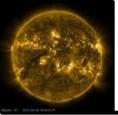
Parabolic damping

Compression / rarefaction

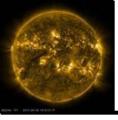


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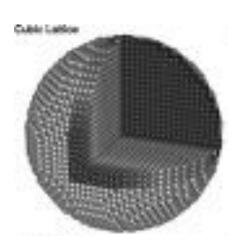


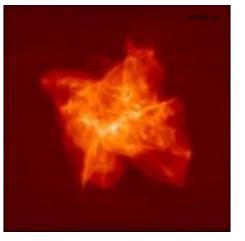


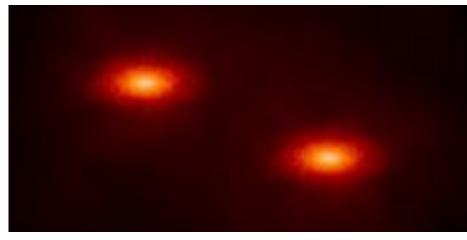
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  - > Option 3: Avoid (i.e. construction equations that enforce divergence-free)
    - ➤ Constrained transport used by grid codes is divergence-free
    - ➤ Constrained transport cannot be applied to SPMHD since it required computation of surface rather than volume integrals.
    - > Euler Potentials
      - ➤ Closest analogy to constrained transport in SPMHD
      - > Cannot represent winding motion or prevent dynamo processes
      - ➤ Non-trivial to implement resistive terms
      - ➤ Been used (e.g. Price & Bate 2007, 2008, 2009) and since abandoned in favour of the induction equation and cleaning
    - > Vector Potentials
      - ➤ Numerically unstable (Price 2010)

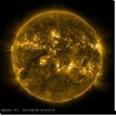


- ➤ Boundaries are optional in SPH
  - > e.g. collapse of a sphere
  - > e.g. evolution of a turbulent sphere (Bate's cluster models)
  - > e.g. galaxy merger simulation (Wurster & Thacker 2013a,b)

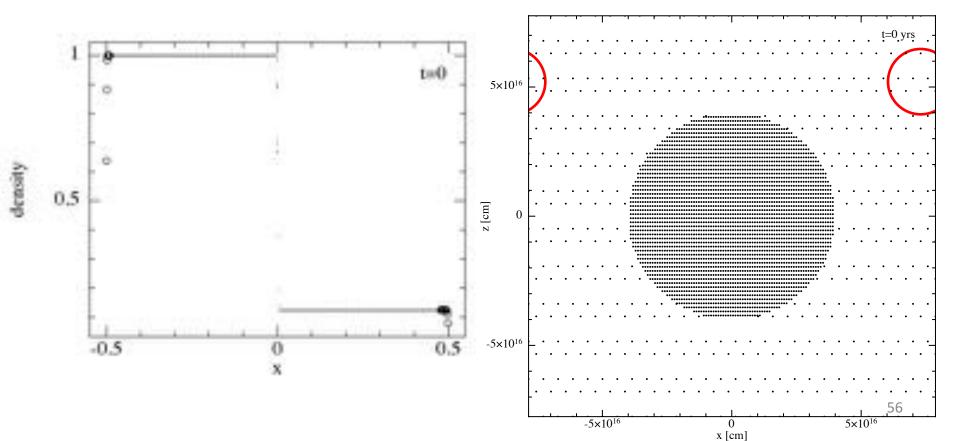


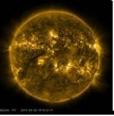




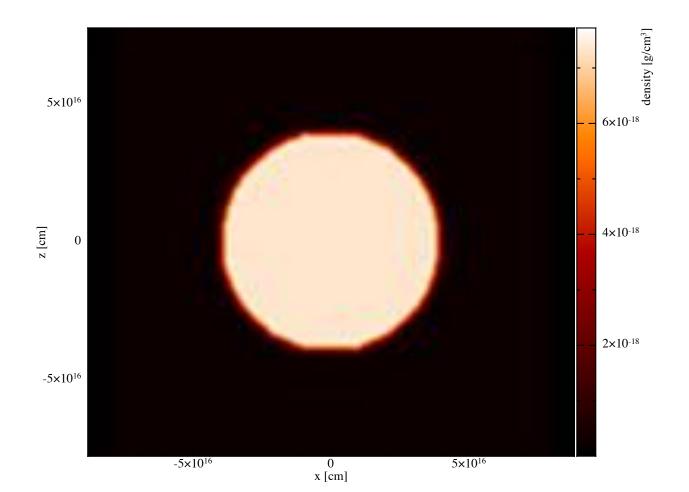


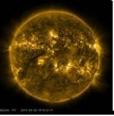
- ➤ Boundaries in SPH
  - > Fixed
  - > Periodic
- $\triangleright$  For Sod shock tube, periodic in y & z and fixed in x
- ➤ In the image, dot are active particles, circles are boundary particles



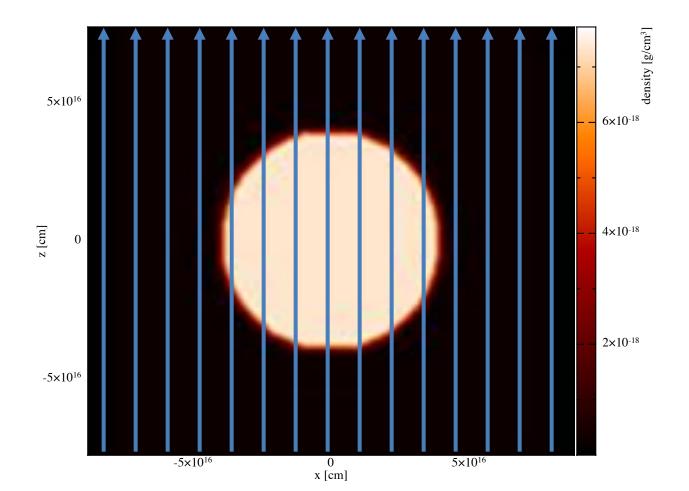


➤ How do we treat boundaries for the gravitational collapse of a magnetised sphere?



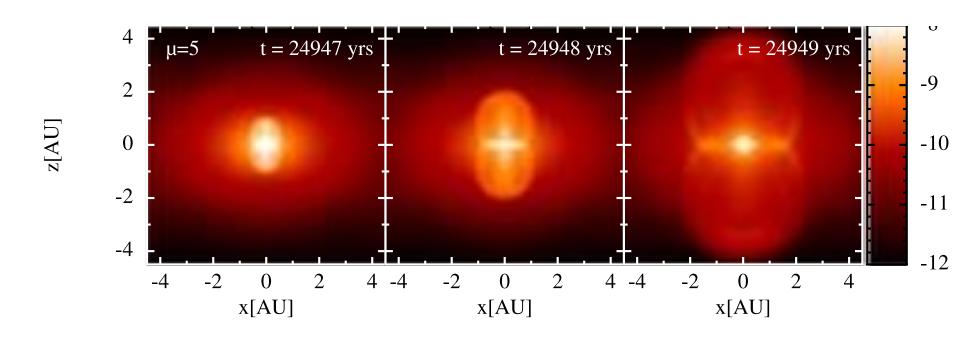


- Embed sphere in low density medium (e.g. with density ratio 30:1)
- ➤ Thread magnetic field throughout the entire domain
- ➤ Use periodic boundaries at the edge of the box





## SPMHD: Example: Star formation

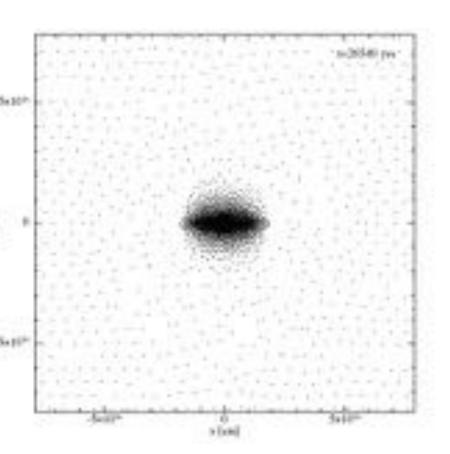


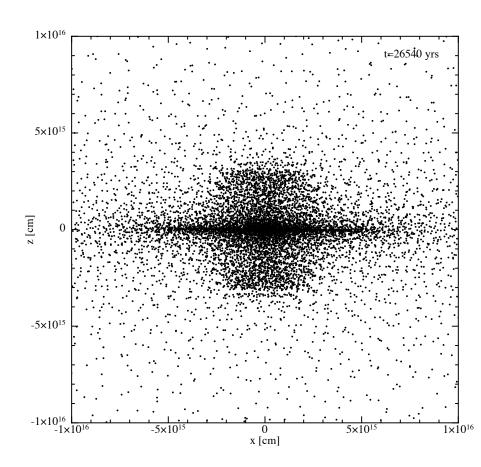
E.g. Bate, Tricco & Price (2014) Video: https://www.astro.ex.ac.uk/people/mbate/Animations/BateTriccoPrice2013\_MF05.mov



## SPMHD: Example: Star formation

> Cross section of particle positions

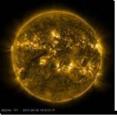






## Running Phantom

- ➤ Install Phantom in the home directory
- ➤In your run-directory, call
- phantom/scripts/writemake.sh SETUP > Makefile
- where SETUP = shock for the Sod shock tube test, or SETUP = mhdshock for MHD shocks
- ➤ Compile Phantom via
- make SYSTEM=gfortran; make setup SYSTEM=gfortran
- > where gfortran can be replaced with other systems, e.g., ifort
- ➤ Run phantom setup via
- ./phantomsetup INFILE
- where INFILE is the run name (e.g.) sod
- ➤ Modify INFILE.in as required
- ➤Run phantom via
- ./phantom INFILE.in



#### **Conclusions**

- Particles of fixed mass are used to represent the fluid
- ➤ Properties are calculated at a particle's position using a smoothing kernel and its neighbours
- ➤ Smoothing length is adaptive
- ➤ Smoothed particle magnetohydrodynamics requires
  - >artificial resistivity for stability
  - ➤ subtraction of magnetic monopole from equation of motion (tensile instability)
  - >divergence cleaning to remove magnetic monopoles
  - **≻**boundaries
- This presentation is available at: http://www.astro.ex.ac.uk/people/wurster/files/spmhd.pdf
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"Always code as if the guy who ends up maintaining your code will be a violent psychopath who knows where you live." ~ John Woods

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