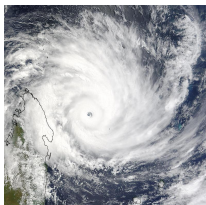


Influence of cell geometry on the accuracy of the Roe-scheme in the low Mach number regime

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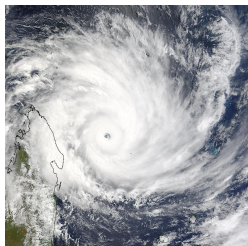
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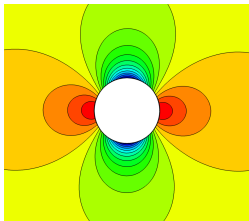
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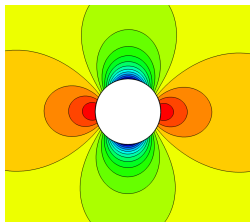
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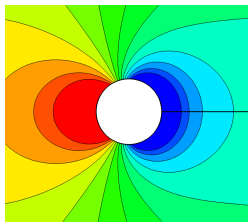


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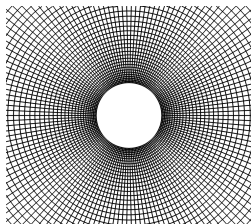
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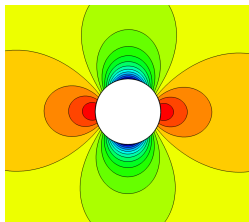
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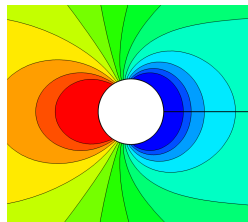
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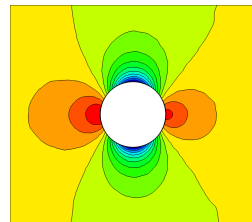
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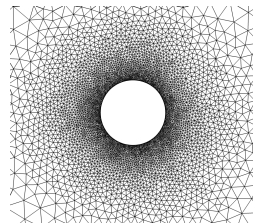
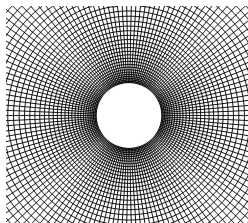
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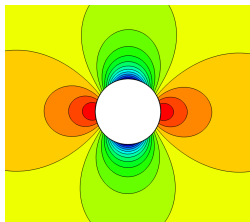
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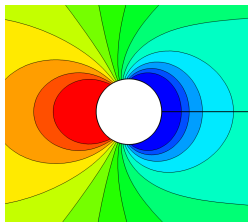
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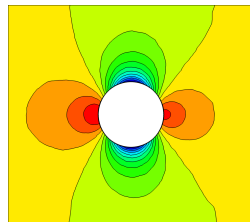
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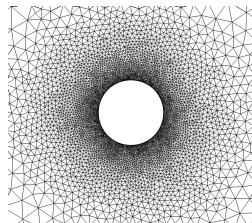
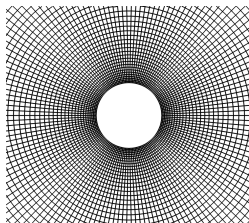
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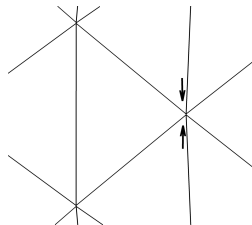
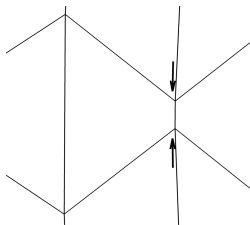
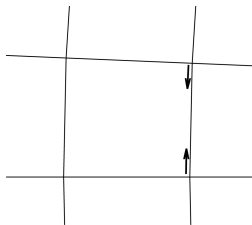
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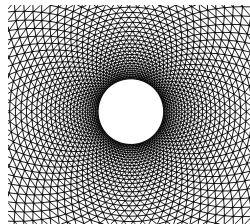
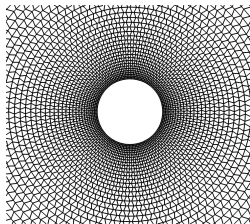
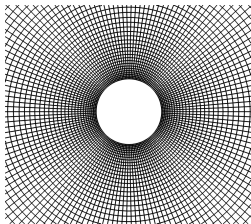
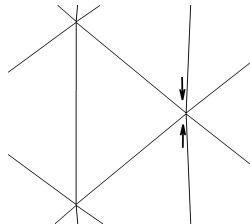
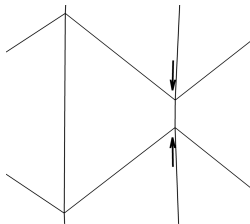
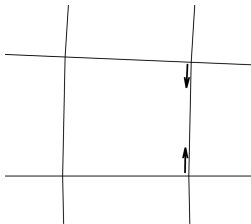
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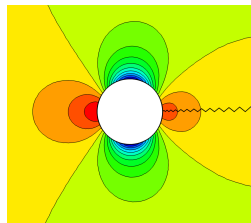
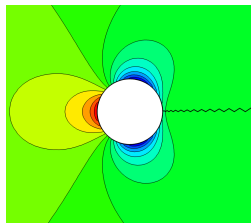
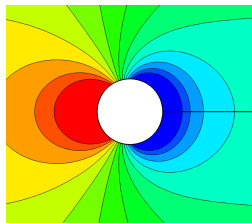
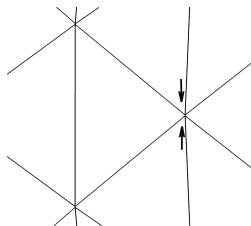
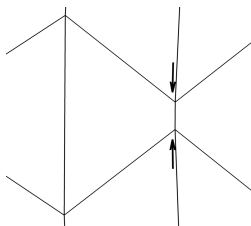
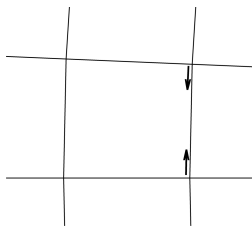
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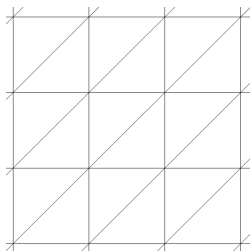
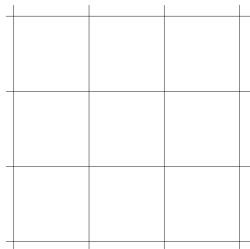
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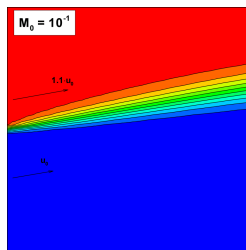
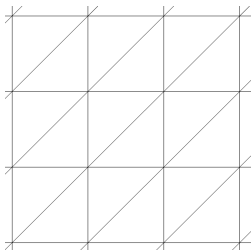
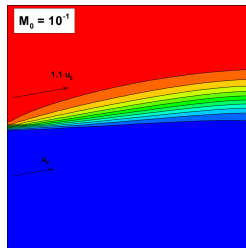
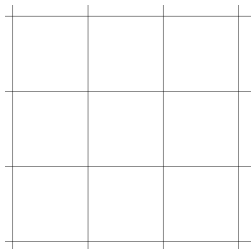
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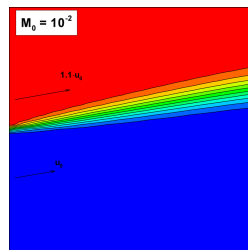
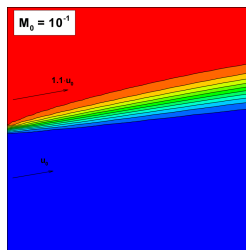
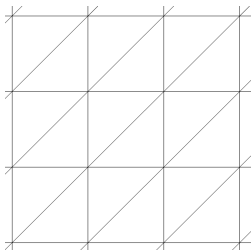
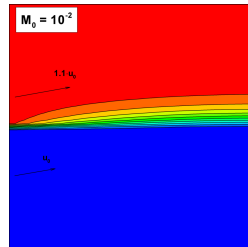
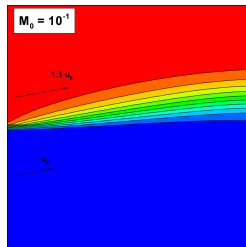
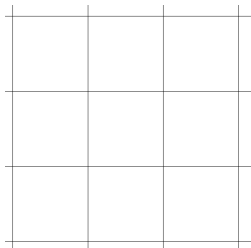
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The Euler equations

Inviscid flow:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_t + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) &= 0 \\ \mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{M^2} \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p &= 0 \\ p_t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla p + \gamma p \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Asymptotic 3-term expansion:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &= \rho^{(0)} + M\rho^{(1)} + M^2\rho^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(M^2) \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}^{(0)} + M\mathbf{u}^{(1)} + M^2\mathbf{u}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(M^2) \\ p &= p^{(0)} + Mp^{(1)} + M^2p^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(M^2)\end{aligned}$$

Review: asymptotic Euler equations

$$\nabla p^{(0)} = 0$$

$$\nabla p^{(1)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = p^{(0)} + M^2 p^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(M^2)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_t^{(0)} + \mathbf{u}^{(0)} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^{(0)} + \frac{1}{\rho^{(0)}} \nabla p^{(2)} = 0$$

The Roe scheme

Update for conservative variables q_i :

$$\frac{d}{dt}q_i + \frac{1}{A} \sum_{l \in \nu(i)} \phi(q_i, q_l, \mathbf{n}_{il}) \delta_{il} = 0$$

with the Roe flux function:

$$\phi(q_i, q_l, \mathbf{n}_{il}) = \frac{\mathbf{f}(q_i) + \mathbf{f}(q_l)}{2} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{il} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^4 \mathbf{r}_k(q_{il}) |\lambda_k(q_{il})| \Delta w_k(\Delta_{il} q) .$$

Review: Roe on Cartesian grids

Guillard & Viozat (1999):

$$\nabla p^{(1)} \sim u_{xx}^{(0)} \Delta x \neq 0$$

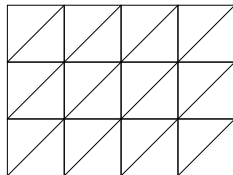
Modified equation:

$$u_t + u \cdot \nabla u + \frac{1}{M^2} \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p \sim \frac{1}{M} u_{xx} \Delta x$$

Roe on triangular grid 1/2

Ingredients of the proof:

- ▶ steady problems: $\partial/\partial t = 0$
- ▶ $\rho^{(0)} = \text{const}$
- ▶ simple geometry
- ▶ asymptotic equations for momentum and energy



here occurs a miracle . . .

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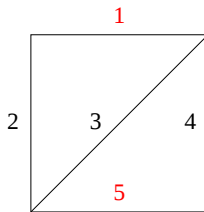
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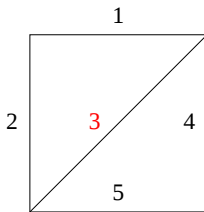
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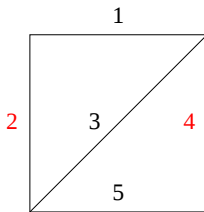
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One solution – two implications

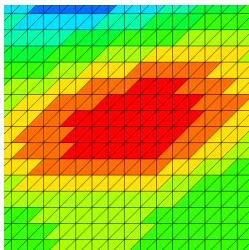
Unique solution:

$$\Delta_i p^{(1)} = 0, \quad \Delta_i U^{(0)} = 0 \quad \forall i \in \Omega \setminus \partial\Omega$$

Two implications:

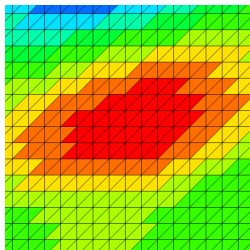
- ▶ $p^{(1)} = \text{const}$
- ▶ normal component of $\mathbf{u}$ does not jump at cell interfaces

Zero-jump constraint on $\mathbf{u}$

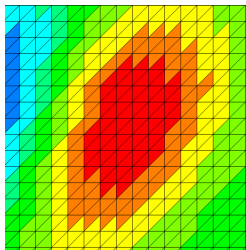


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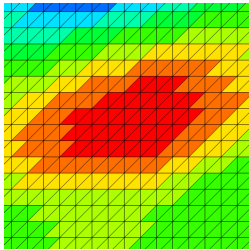


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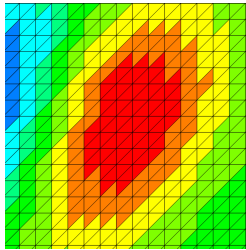


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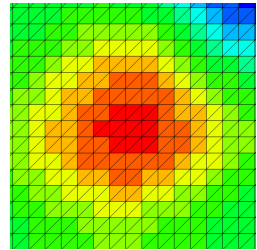
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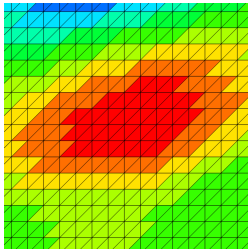


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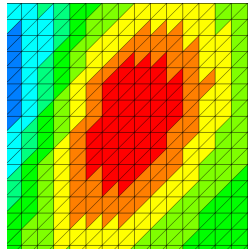


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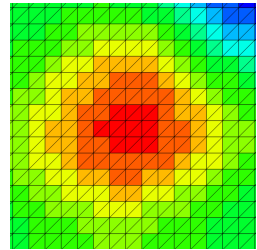
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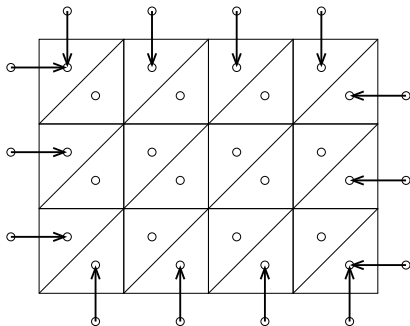


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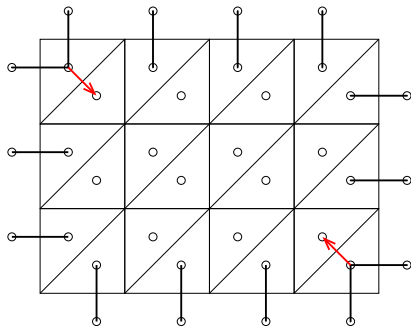
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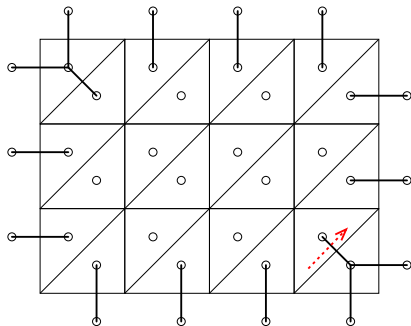
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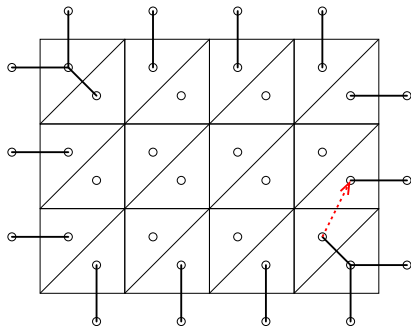
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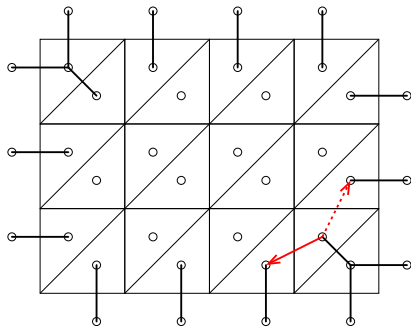
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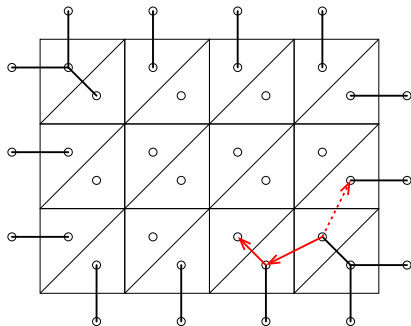
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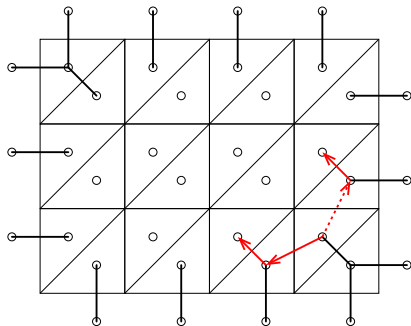
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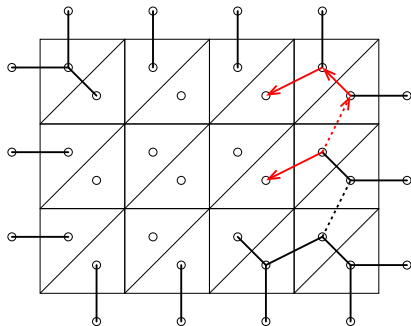
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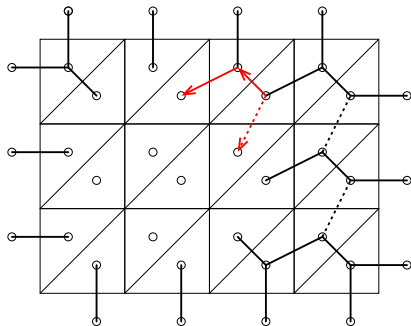
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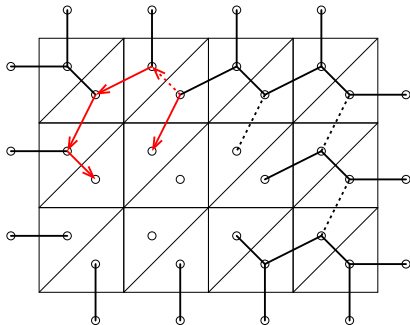
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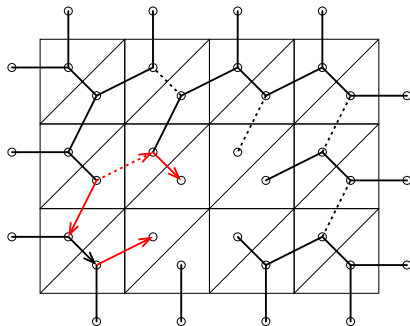
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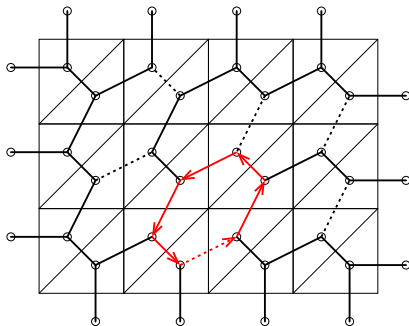
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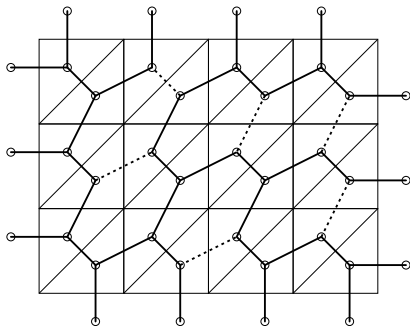
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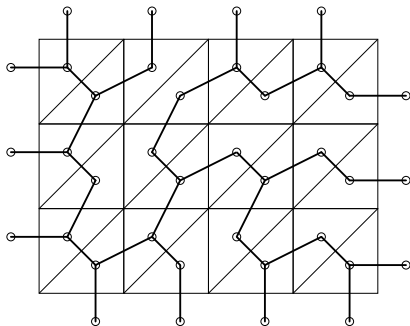
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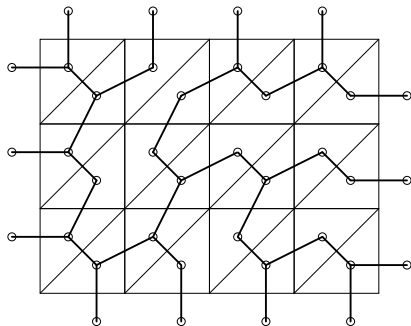
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Low Mach:

$$f_{m \times n} = (m-1)(n-1) = \mathcal{O}(mn)$$

High Mach:

$$f_{m \times n} = 4mn = \mathcal{O}(mn)$$

Summary: asymptotic results

Euler equations	Roe on $\square$ -grid	Roe on $\triangle$ -grid
$\nabla p^{(1)} = 0$	$\nabla p^{(1)} \sim u_{xx}^{(0)} \Delta x$	$\Delta p^{(1)} = \Delta U^{(0)} = 0$
no viscosity	art. viscosity $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x/M)$	art. viscosity $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$

Conclusions

If you want to do low Mach number flow, you can ...

- ▶ use **preconditioning techniques** on arbitrary grids (Turkel, Guillard, Viozat, ...)
- ▶ use **projection methods** (Klein, Wesseling, Dick, ...)
- ▶ or use the Roe scheme¹ on **triangular grids**

¹not HLL

Thank you for your attention

