

# Third-order accurate MPDATA for arbitrary flows

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## Highlights of MPDATA

- MPDATA is a sign-preserving second-order accurate scheme for numerical integration of generalised transport equation

$$\frac{\partial G\Psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V}\Psi) = GR$$

based on iterative application of the first-order-accurate upwind algorithm

- The basic version with two iterations uses physical velocity  $\mathbf{V}$  in the first iteration and leading error compensating ("antidiffusive") velocity  $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$  in the second
- Antidiffusive velocity is derived via truncation error analysis of the upwind scheme

## Antidiffusive velocity on structured grids

$$\overline{\mathbf{V}} = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\delta} \mathbf{x} \odot \uparrow \mathbf{V} \uparrow \odot \frac{\nabla \Psi}{\Psi} - \frac{1}{2} \delta t \frac{\mathbf{V}}{G} \left[ \frac{\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V}\Psi)}{\Psi} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \right]$$

where

$$(\uparrow \mathbf{a} \uparrow)^I = |a^I|$$

denotes component-wise absolute value of a vector and

$$(\mathbf{a} \odot \mathbf{b})^I := a^I b^I$$

is the Hadamard product of two vectors

## New idea

- Find "third-order" antidiffusive velocity  $\overline{\overline{\mathbf{V}}}$  compensating MPDATA error for arbitrary flows
- Done for the constant velocity in L. Margolin, P. K. Smolarkiewicz, SISC, 1998 starting from the upwind scheme
- We take a novel approach using MPDATA as a starting point
- Consider homogeneous generalised transport equation with  $G = G(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}(t, \mathbf{x})$

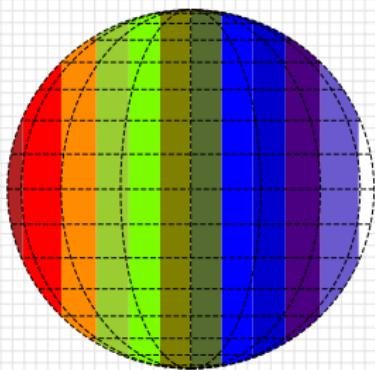
$$G \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V} \Psi) = 0$$

## The result

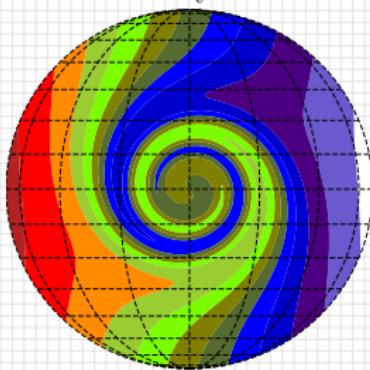
$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\overline{\mathbf{V}}} = & - \frac{\delta \mathbf{x} \odot \delta \mathbf{x}}{24} \odot \left[ 4\mathbf{V} \odot \frac{1}{\Psi} \nabla \odot \nabla \Psi + 2 \frac{\nabla \Psi}{\Psi} \odot \nabla \odot \mathbf{V} + \nabla \odot \nabla \odot \mathbf{V} \right] \\ & + \frac{\delta \mathbf{x}}{2} \odot \lceil \overline{\overline{\mathbf{V}}} \rceil \odot \frac{\nabla \Psi}{\Psi} + \frac{\delta t}{2} \delta \mathbf{x} \odot \lceil \mathbf{V} \rceil \odot \frac{1}{\Psi} \nabla \left[ \frac{1}{G} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V} \Psi) \right] \\ & + \frac{\delta t^2}{24} \left\{ - \frac{8\mathbf{V}}{G\Psi} \nabla \cdot \left[ \frac{\mathbf{V}}{G} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V} \Psi) \right] + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{V}}{\partial t^2} + \frac{2\mathbf{V}}{G\Psi} \nabla \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} \Psi \right) - \frac{2}{G\Psi} \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{V} \Psi) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

# Moving vortices on the sphere – Nair & Jablonowski MWR 2008

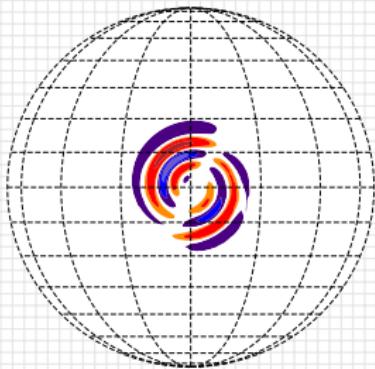
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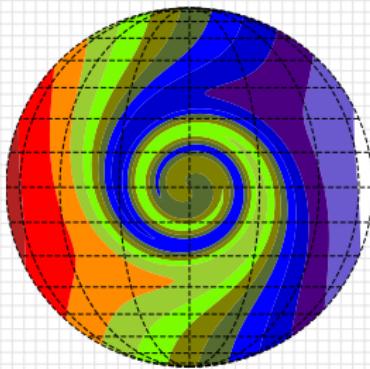
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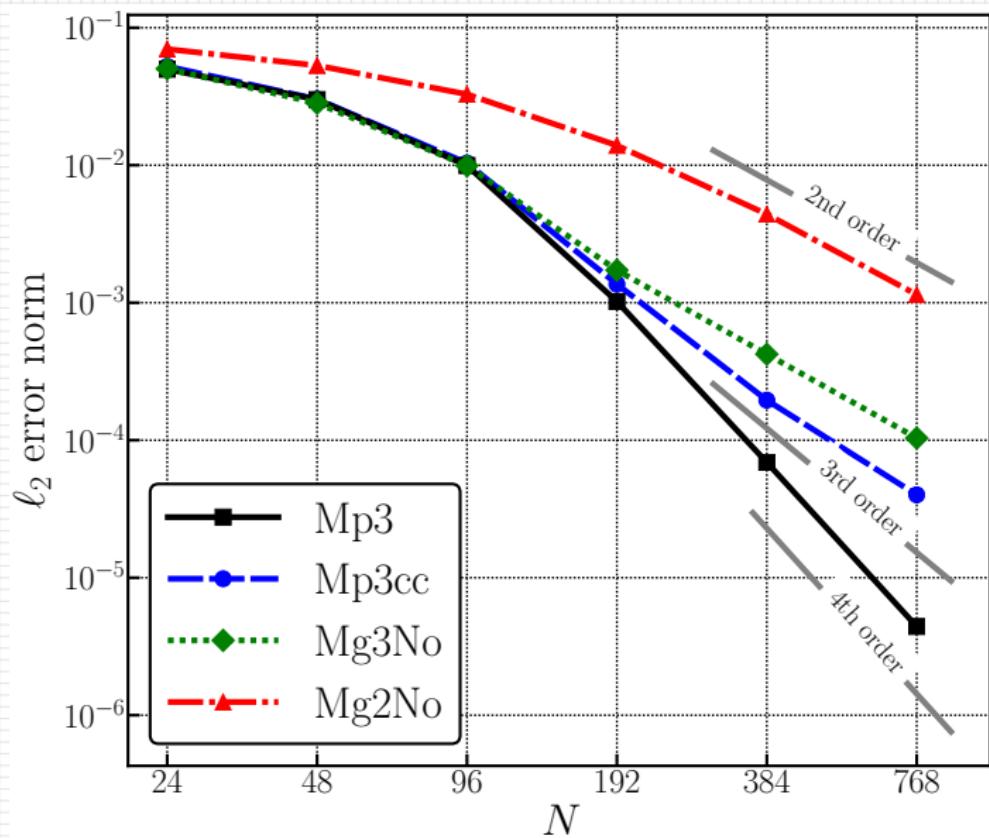
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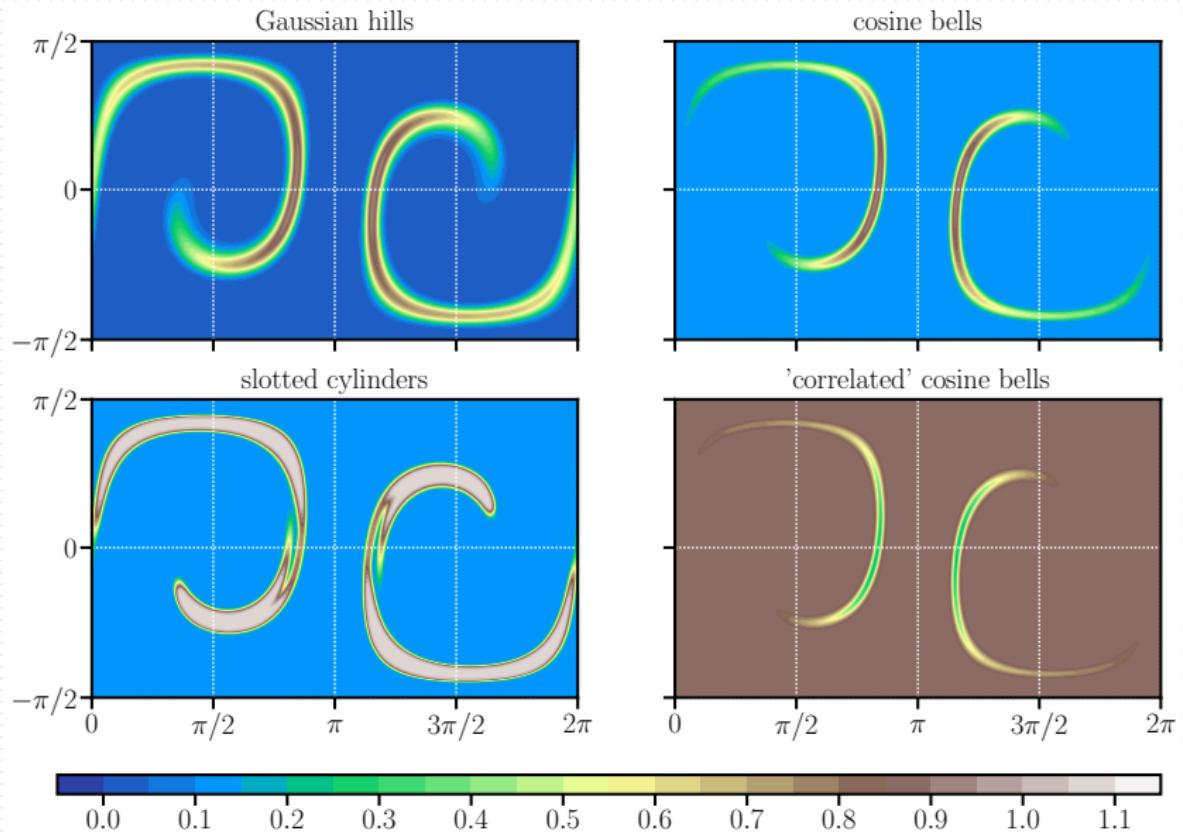
Numerical



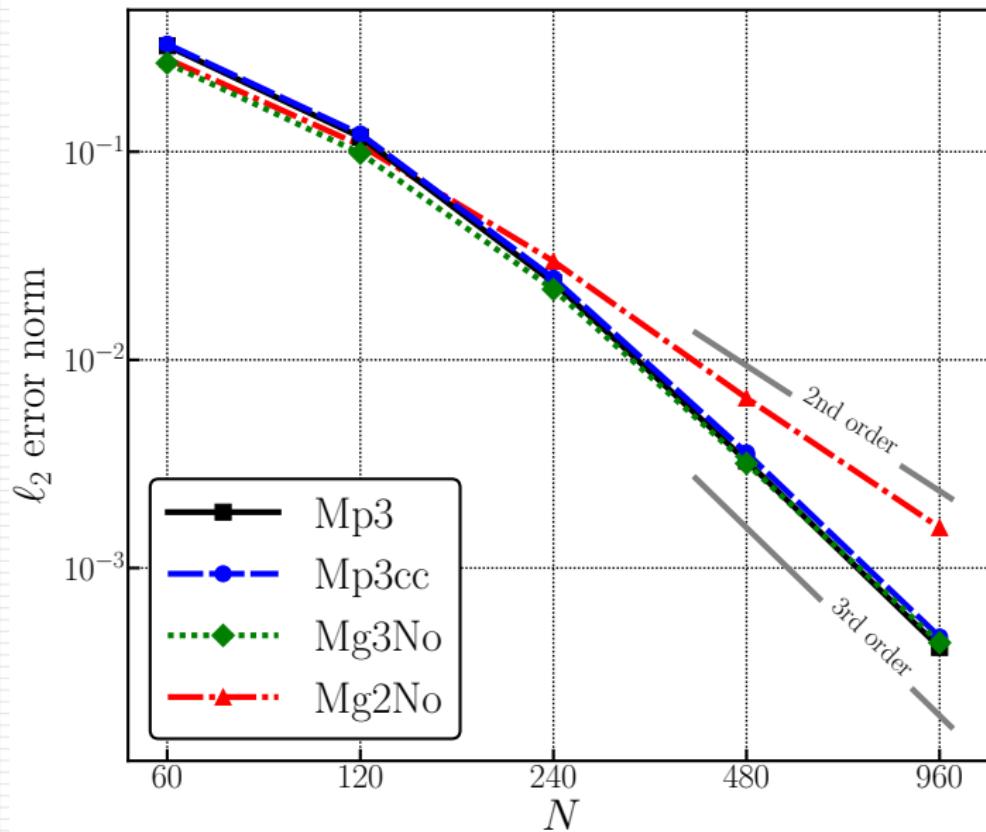
## Moving vortices on the sphere – convergence results



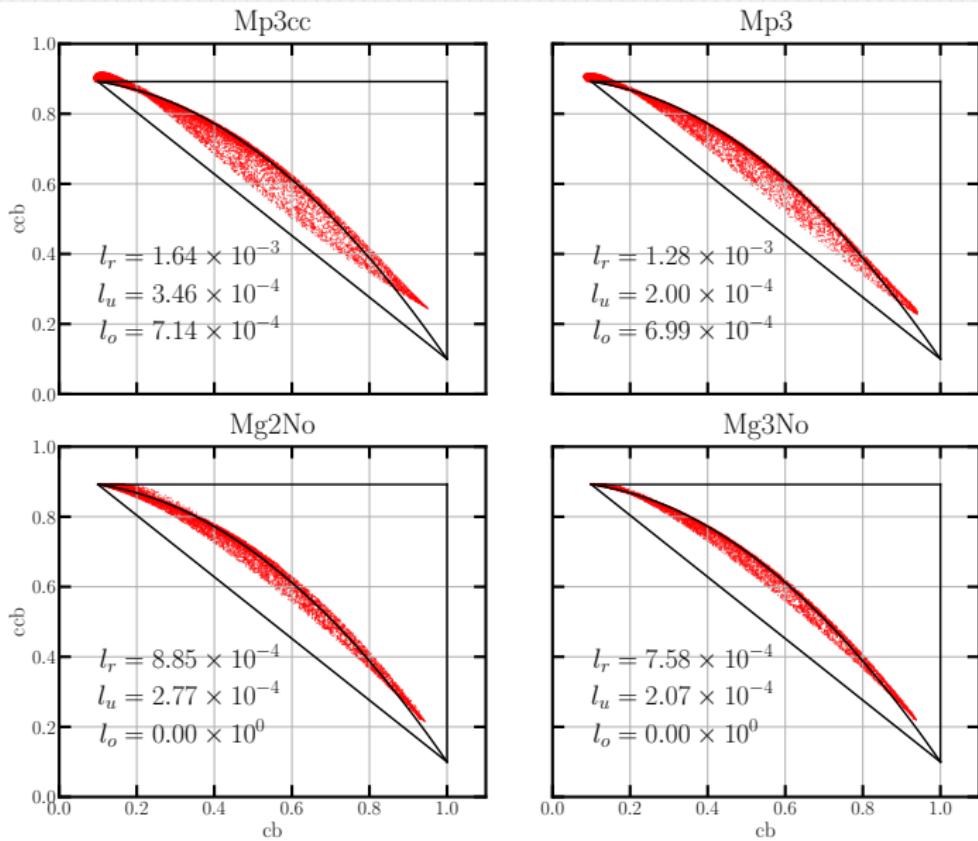
# Reversing deformational flow – Lauritzen et al. GMD 2012



## Reversing deformational flow – convergence results



# Reversing deformational flow – numerical mixing results



## *libmpdata++*

free & open source C++ library of MPDATA solvers

### Repository

<https://github.com/igfuw/libmpdataxx>

### Article

Jaruga et al. *libmpdata++ 0.1: a library of parallel MPDATA solvers for systems of generalised transport equations*

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