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# Compact second-order accurate momentum interpolation for the lattice Boltzmann method in three dimensions

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# Outline

## ***Interpolation***

Direct versus Compact

## ***Asymptotic analysis***

Standard notation versus statistic notation

## ***Grid-refinement***

Acoustic versus diffusive scaling



# Why interpolation for LBE?

*Velocity known at nodes only*

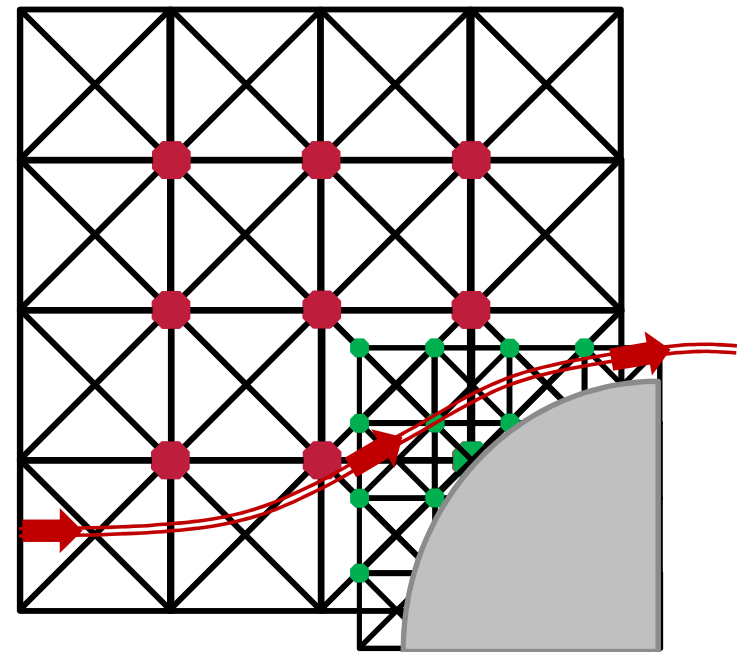
*Of lattice velocity required in*

**Grid-refinement**

**Curved boundaries**

**Fluid structure interaction**

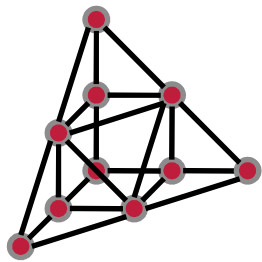
**Tracer/Streamline computation**



# How to interpolate?

## Required order?

Minimal stencil



Lattice Boltzmann Equation

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order accurate for momentum
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order accurate for shear stress

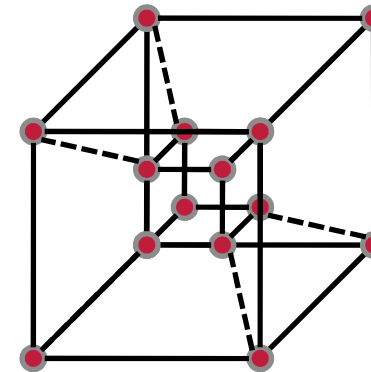


Consistency with LBE

2<sup>nd</sup> order interpolation for momentum  
1<sup>st</sup> order interpolation for density



10 nodes stencil



Minimal symmetric stencil



16+ nodes stencil 😞

*Is there a more efficient way to gather information for interpolation?*



# Where to get more information?

## Taylor Expansion of Distribution:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta t^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial t^n} f_i = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\Delta x c_{ix})^k (-\Delta x c_{iy})^m (-\Delta x c_{iz})^l}{k!m!l!} \frac{\partial^k \partial^m \partial^l}{\partial x^k \partial y^m \partial z^l} f_i^*$$



Pre-collision in time

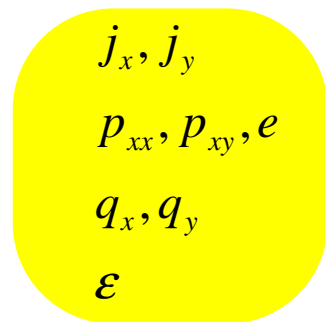


Post-collision in space

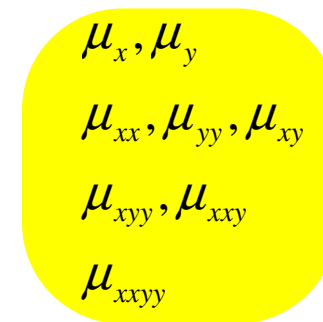
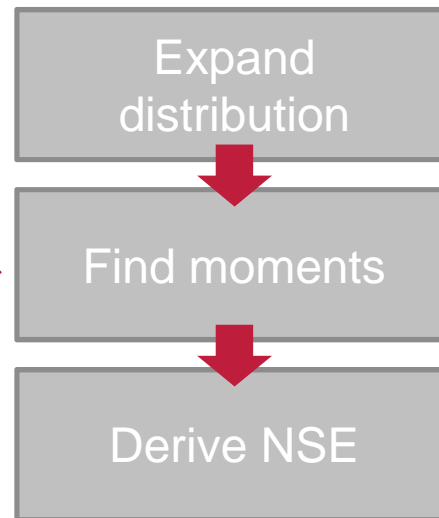
### Scaling:

Acoustic  $\Delta t = \Delta x$

Diffusive  $\Delta t = \Delta x^2$



“Standard notation”



Statistic notation



# Why you must NEVER use standard notation

## *Philosophy of standard notation*

Each moment has a given name according to its physical interpretation

$j_x$  : momentum

$e$  : energy

$q_x$  : heat flux

$\varepsilon$  : energy square

***Not countable***

***Not extendible***

## *Statistical notation*

No physical interpretation

$$\mu_{x^k y^l} = \frac{\sum_i f_i c_{xi}^k c_{yi}^l}{\sum_i f_i}$$

***Countable***

***Extendible to any order***



# Computations with moments

Can you imagine why Europeans gave up the “standard notation” of numbers in favor for arabic numbers?

$$\text{CMXLIIIX} + \text{LX} = ? \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 948 + 52 = 1000$$

## Statistic moment transform inside the expansion

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta t^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial t^n} f_i = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\Delta x c_{ix})^k (-\Delta x c_{iy})^m (-\Delta x c_{iz})^l}{k! m! l!} \frac{\partial^k \partial^m \partial^l}{\partial x^k \partial y^m \partial z^l} f_i^*$$

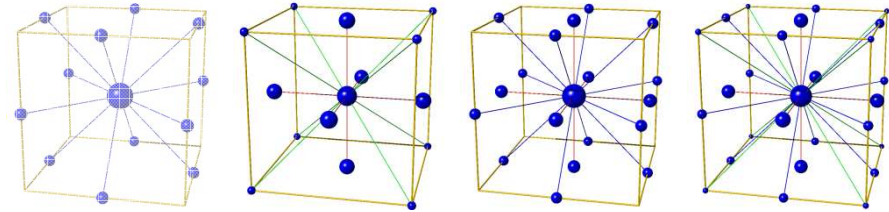
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta t^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial t^n} \mu_{x^a y^b z^c} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\Delta x)^{k+m+l}}{k! m! l!} \frac{\partial^k \partial^m \partial^l}{\partial x^k \partial y^m \partial z^l} \mu_{x^{a+k} y^{b+m} z^{c+l}}^*$$

$$\mu_{x^k y^l z^m} = \frac{\sum_i f_i c_{xi}^k c_{yi}^l c_{zi}^m}{\sum_i f_i}$$

*Drastic simplification of asymptotic analysis*

*Impossible to write down this equation in standard notation*

# So what information do we get?



$\mu_x, \mu_y, \mu_z$

$$\mu_{xx} - \mu_{yy} = \mu_x^2 - \mu_y^2 - \frac{2}{3\omega} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_x - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mu_y \right)$$

(D3Q13), D3Q15, D3Q19, D3Q27

$$\mu_{xx} - \mu_{zz} = \mu_x^2 - \mu_z^2 - \frac{2}{3\omega} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_x - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mu_z \right)$$

Three momenta

$$\mu_{xy} = \mu_x \mu_y - \frac{1}{3\omega} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mu_x \right)$$

Five spatial derivatives  
of momenta

$$\mu_{xz} = \mu_x \mu_z - \frac{1}{3\omega} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_z + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mu_x \right)$$

Eight pieces of  
information

$$\mu_{yz} = \mu_x \mu_y - \frac{1}{3\omega} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mu_z + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mu_y \right)$$

**1<sup>st</sup> derivatives are in 2<sup>nd</sup> moments**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives in 3<sup>rd</sup> moments?**

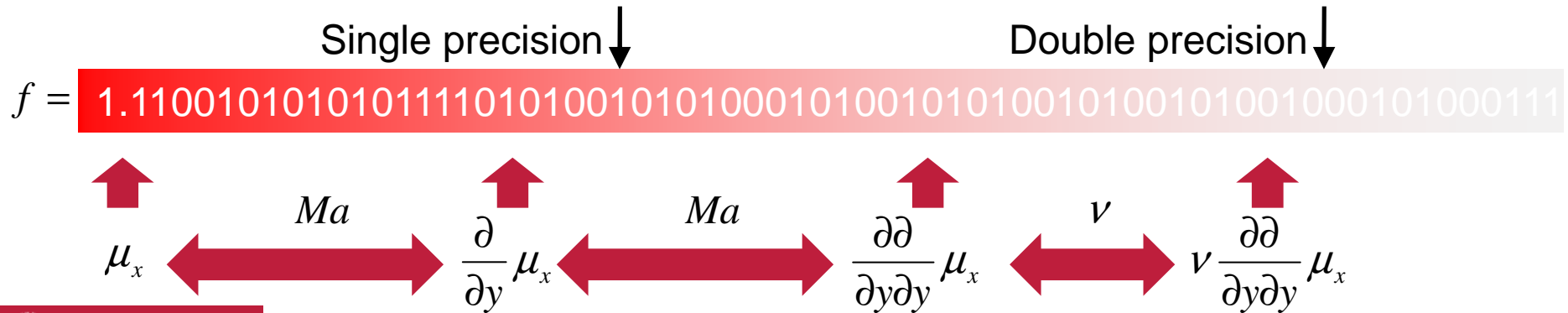


# What do we get form 3<sup>rd</sup> moments?

$$\mu_{xy} = \mu_{xy}^* - \frac{2}{3} \mu_x \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mu_x \right) - \frac{2}{3} \mu_y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_x + \frac{2\nu}{3} \left( 2 \frac{\partial^2 \mu_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \mu_y}{\partial x \partial x} \right)$$

↑ Known   ↑ Known   ↑ Known   ↑ Known   ↑ Known   ↑ Known   ↓ 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives   😊  
 ↓ Viscosity parameter In general small   ☹️

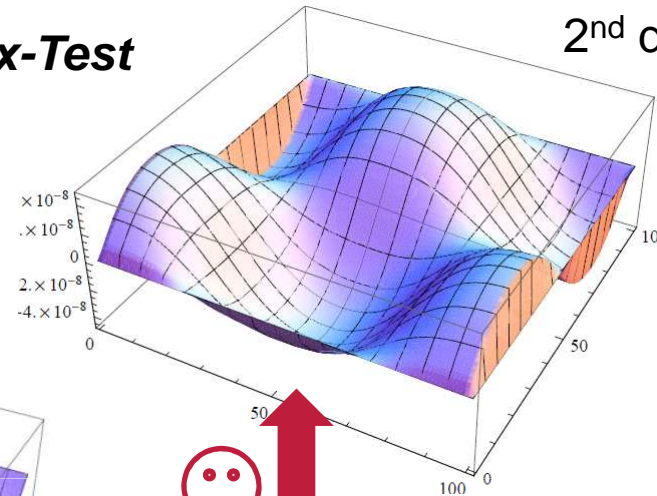
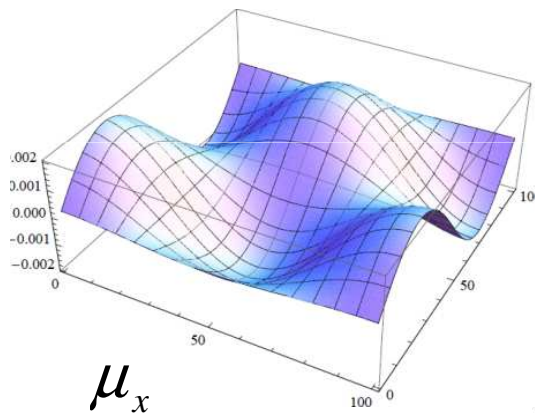
## Aymptotics versus numerics race



# How good are the 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives from moments?

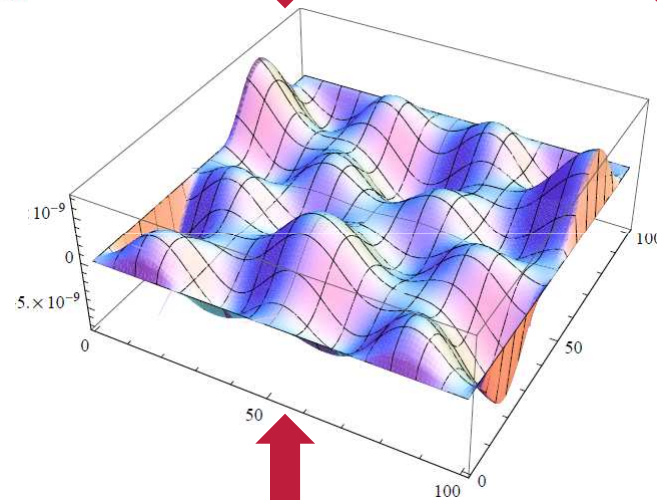
## Taylor-Green-Vortex-Test

Velocity



2<sup>nd</sup> derivative from moments

Error 10% 😞



2<sup>nd</sup> derivative from finite difference



## Back to interpolation

With 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives not usable we have 8 pieces of information per lattice node

2<sup>nd</sup> order interpolation formulae have 30 coefficients:

$$\mu_x(x, y, z) = a_0 + a_x x + a_y y + a_z z + a_{xx} x^2 + a_{yy} y^2 + a_{zz} z^2 + a_{xy} xy + a_{xz} xz + a_{yz} yz$$

$$\mu_y(x, y, z) = b_0 + b_x x + b_y y + b_z z + b_{xx} x^2 + b_{yy} y^2 + b_{zz} z^2 + b_{xy} xy + b_{xz} xz + b_{yz} yz$$

$$\mu_z(x, y, z) = c_0 + c_x x + c_y y + c_z z + c_{xx} x^2 + c_{yy} y^2 + c_{zz} z^2 + c_{xy} xy + c_{xz} xz + c_{yz} yz$$

How many nodes required?

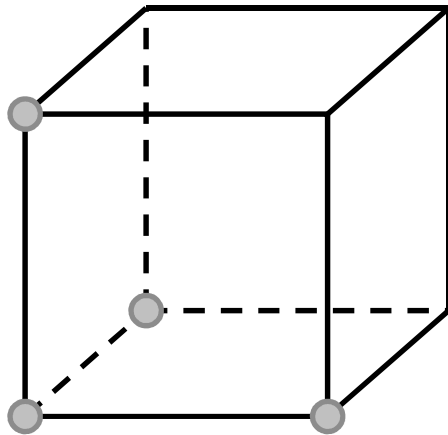
$$\frac{30}{3} = 10$$

10 nodes for usual interpolation

$$\frac{30}{8} = 3.75$$

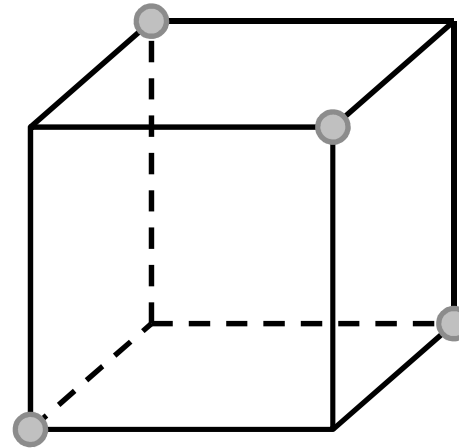
4 nodes for compact interpolation

# Which nodes would you choose?

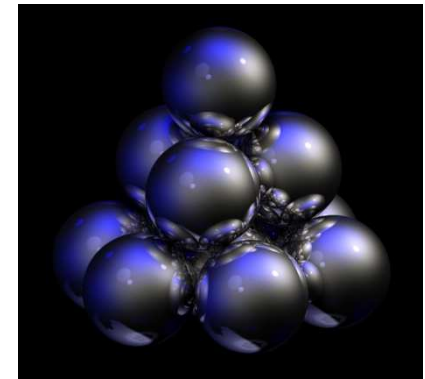


corner

Eight possibilities per cube

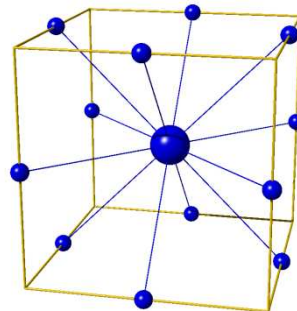


hexagonal close packing  
hcp lattice



Two possibilities per cube

D3Q13-ready 😊



D3Q13



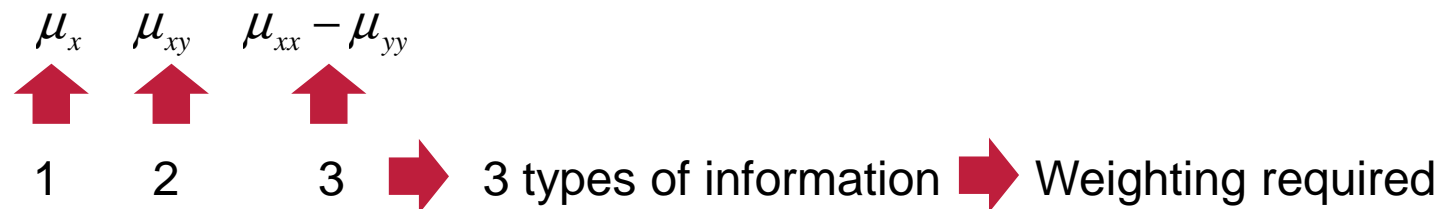
## But we have too much information

4nodes\*8values=32 pieces of information. Two pieces of information too much!

**Reduction by:**

**Least squares**

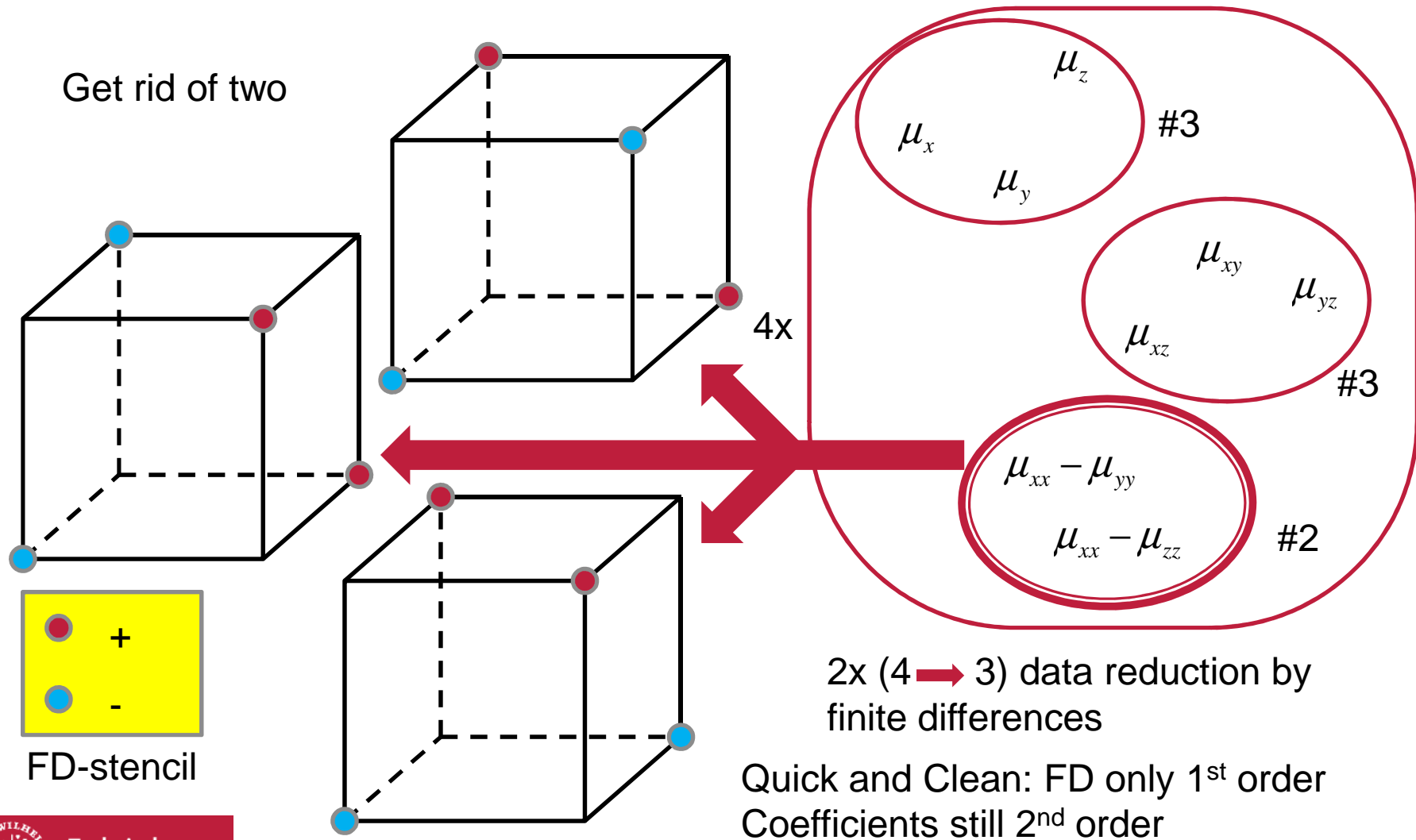
Appears to be optimal but:



Metric for weighting not known 😞

Asymptotic consistent for any metric but absolute error might vary

# Quick & Clean data reduction



# Application to grid-refinement

***D3Q13, D3Q19, D3Q27***

- ☺ All work with hcp lattice, D3Q19 & D3Q27: two lattices for symmetry

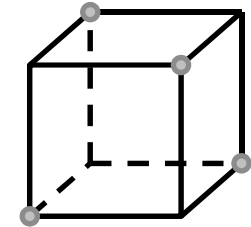
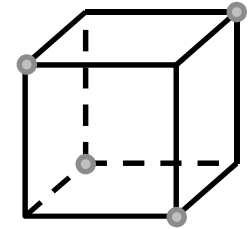
***MRT, BGK, CLBE, ELBE***

- ☺ No differences up to 2<sup>nd</sup> moments

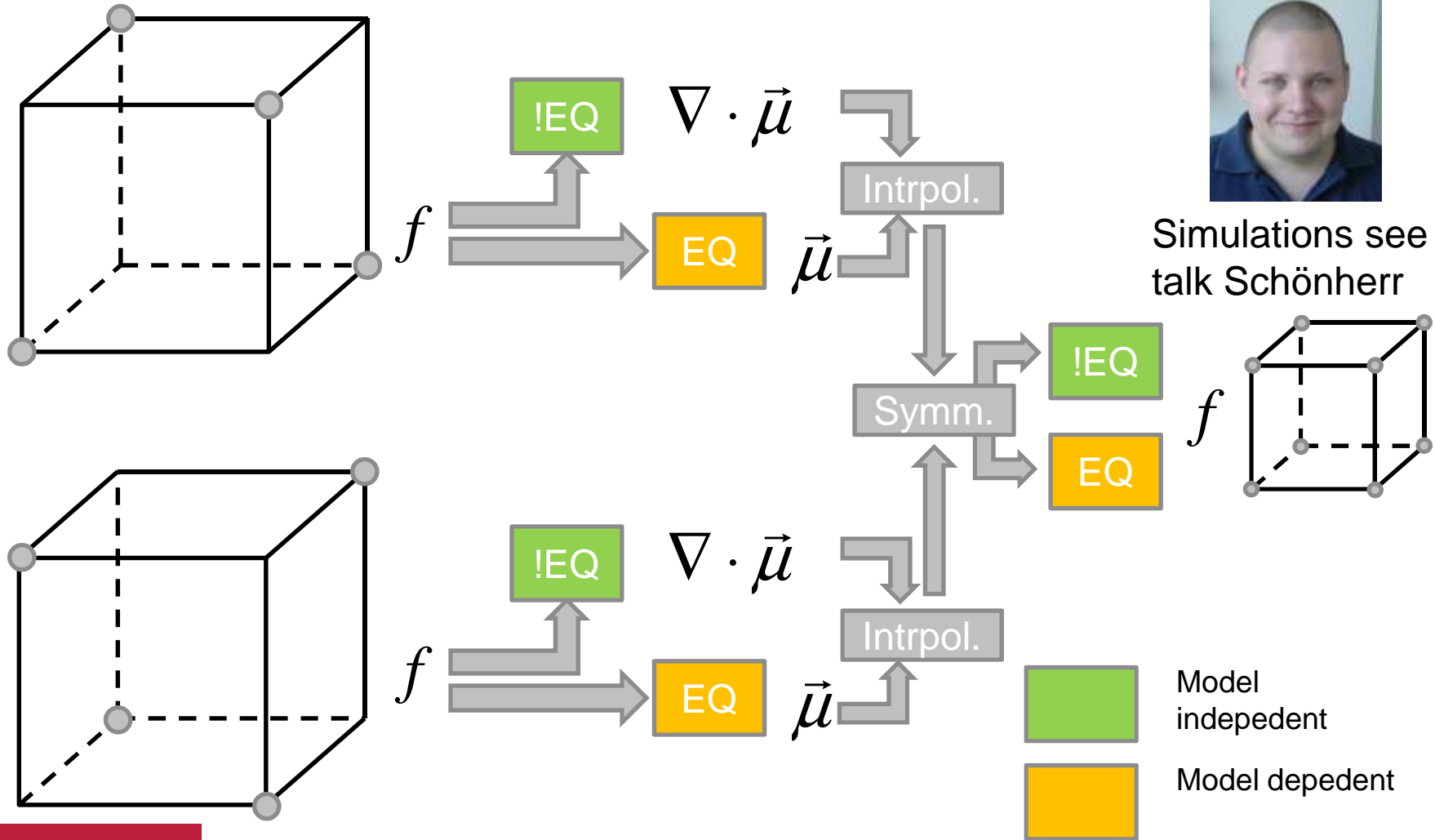
***Compressible formulation, incompressible formulation***

- ☺ No difference for non-equilibrium, momentum and gradients

Split off non-equilibrium part



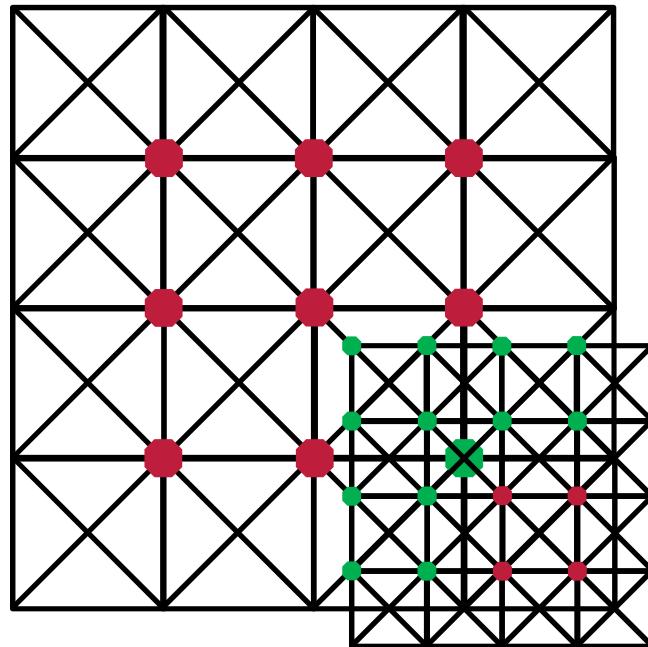
# Symmetric compact interpolation for grid-refinement



Simulations see talk Schönherr



# Time step scaling: acoustic versus diffusive



$\Delta x$

$\Delta t$

coarse



Why acoustic scaling in grid coupling?

speed of sound fine = speed of sound coarse

→ **Zero reflection condition**

Reduce asymptotics versus numerics race

	acoustic	diffusive
	$\frac{\Delta x}{2}$	$\frac{\Delta x}{2}$
	$\frac{\Delta t}{2}$	$\frac{\Delta t}{4}$
	fine	

**Efficiency?**

Refinement **less** expensive for acoustic scaling

Coarsening **more** expensive for acoustic scaling

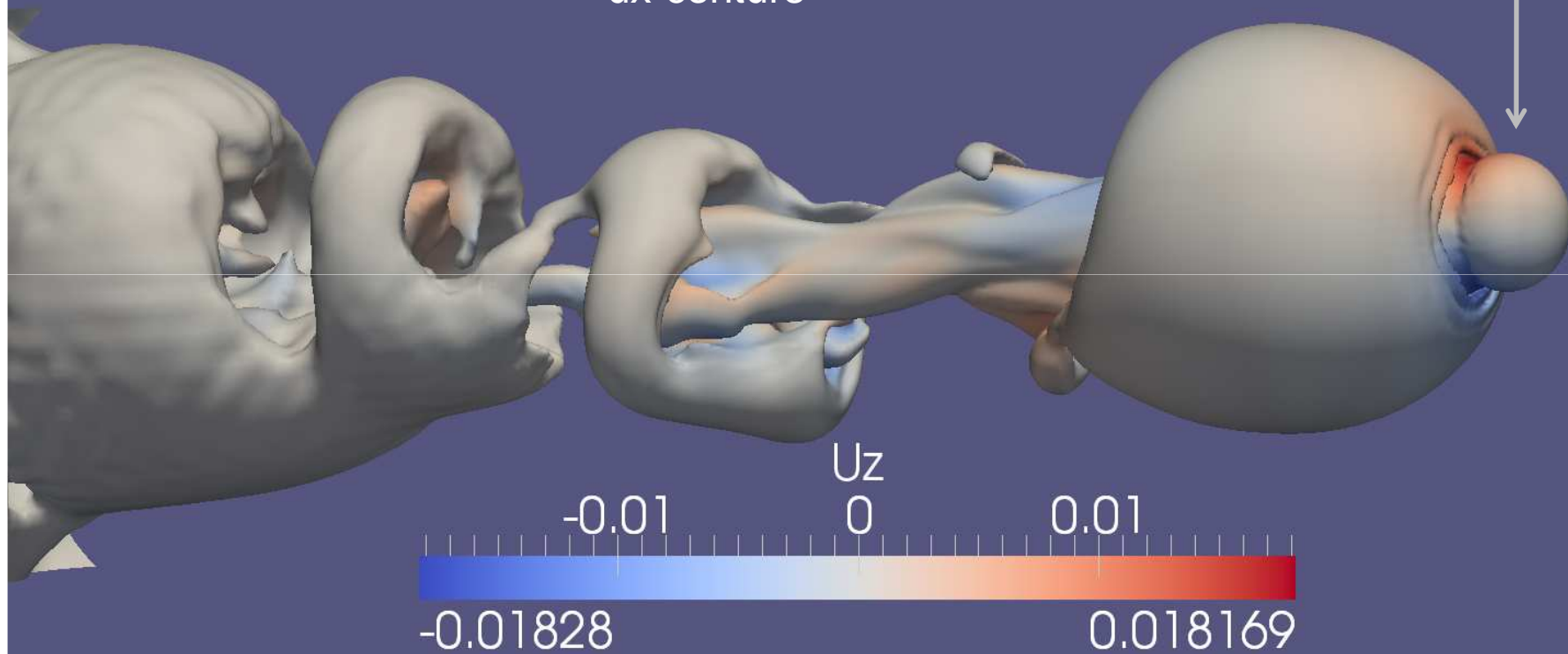




# Grid-refinement 3D

D3Q19 MRT  
Re=1000  
ux-contour

sphere



# Summary

***Do not use standard notation for moments!***



Use statistic notation

***Asymptotic expansion***



Best done directly in moment space

***Compact interpolation***



Small stencil  
Asymptotic consistent  
Symmetry at lower cost



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