### The importance of being on time ...



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# Lots of focus on spatial accuracy, but time matters just as much ...

#### The Boston Globe

May 1, 2004. The way things turned out, the Sox and Rangers could have played for nearly an hour and 45 minutes before the rain began. Rangers officials said They were led to believe the storm would strike about 8:30 p.m., about 25 minutes after the scheduled start time. In fact, ...

#### The Washington Post

Game 5 of Series Is Suspended Because of Rain, Oct 28. 2008. We obviously monitored the weather all day," Selig said after the game was suspended at about 11:10 p.m. "We were told about 7:45 [p.m.] that it would only be a tenth of an inch of rain between then and midnight or thereafter. . . I had a nagging fear because **these forecasts** have changed so much."





## Benchmark: Melting of Pure Gallium



Contours: Streamfunction, Grid: 160x400

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Evans and Knoll, IJNMF, 2007



**Fully implicit scheme: Jacobian-Free Newton-Krylov Method, or JFNK** Goal: minimize the residual of the full nonlinear equations, F(**x**), at new time level to a specified nonlinear tolerance

$$egin{aligned} M\mathbf{x}-b &= F(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \ F(\mathbf{x}^k) &= -J(\mathbf{x}^k)\delta\mathbf{x} \ \mathbf{x}^{k+1} &= \mathbf{x}^k + \delta\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

M = continuous nonlinear operator matrix

Take the 1st order Taylor series approximation

Generate a good update to test for convergence at iteration k



### Fully Implicit JFNK Algorithm



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## Maximum vorticity vs. time to 44s



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# Streamfunction contours at 44s for a range of solution algorithms



### Same comparison, at 48s



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### Linear Stability Analysis Extension

Keep time derivative - no longer looking for stable states but unstable transition

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \overline{v}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)u' - \frac{1}{Gr}\Delta u' + \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x} = 0$$
$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \overline{v}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)v' + u'\frac{\partial\overline{v}}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{Gr}\Delta v' - \frac{1}{Gr}\frac{\partial^2\overline{v}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial p'}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{Gr}T = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial u'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v'}{\partial y} = 0$$
$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \overline{v}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)T' + u'\frac{\partial\overline{T}}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{GrPr}\Delta T' = 0$$

#### Linear Stability Analysis: Surface of Solutions for Pr=0.71



#### Temperature contours for Gr=8700





# Time Integration: Secondary flow cells develop within the background flow



T Contours: +/- .001 +/- .002 +/- .005 +/- .01 +/- .02 +/- .03 +/- .05



#### Time Integration: Growth of dT



Gr=8700 Magenta Gr=8600 Blue Gr=8500 Green Gr=8400 Red Gr=8200 Black

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#### HOMME: High-Order Method Modeling Environment

- Spectral element, cubed sphere dynamic core option of the Community Atmospheric Model
- Explicit and semi-implicit solver options
- Global atmosphere model developed in part through the DOE CCPP program at NCAR
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#### Atmospheric Climate Model Test Cases: Shallow Water Equations

$$egin{aligned} &rac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} = -(\zeta+f)\hat{k} imes \mathbf{v} - 
abla (rac{1}{2}\mathbf{v}\cdot\mathbf{v}+gH), \ &rac{\partial h}{\partial t} = -
abla \cdot (h\mathbf{v}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $H = h + h_s,$   $\zeta = \hat{k} \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{v},$  $f = 2\Omega \sin heta$ 



# SW Test Case 2. Steady-State nonlinear geostrophic flow for 12 days, $\alpha = \pi/4$

- •Steady state, nonlinear zonal flow.
- •Wind corresponds to solid body rotation
- Tests performance and treatment of nonlinearities
  #elements=216, NP=12 (~150km resolution)



| Time Integration<br>Method | Time Step | Wall<br>Clock (s) | L2 error |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| Leapfrog                   | 100s      | 1m2s              | 6.0e-16  |
| BDF2                       | 86400s    | 8.3s              | 1.9e-15  |

The implicit configuration took 1 Newton iterations, 56 Krylov iterations for the one time step. <sup>16</sup> Managed by UT-Battelle for the Department of Energy Presentation\_mark

## Test case 5: flow over a mountain feature



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## Test Case 5: Time integration method versus a small time step size benchmark



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### Test case 6:



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### Analysis:

- All the methods implemented in HOMME can improve upon the previously establish limit of accuracy when the benchmark solution is temporally (and spatially) converged.
- The second order discretized methods with no time splitting or filters are second order accurate
- The implicit method is able to run 20x greater time step size than the gravity wave CFL and maintain accuracy at the diffusion limit. Test case 5 can be run at about 30x tss larger at the diffusion accuracy limit.



#### Questions?



### Time step convergence study of Gallium melting simulations at early times, 80x200 grid



24 Managed by UT-\_\_\_\_\_ for the Department of Energy Inner linear Krylov loop (GMRES) produces an update for the Newton loop:

$$J\mathbf{v} \simeq \frac{F(\mathbf{x} + \epsilon \mathbf{v}) - F(\mathbf{x})}{\epsilon}$$

\*JF\* designation: only Jv is used, and generated with a finite differencing approximation

With GMRES, storage grows with each iteration, so a quality preconditioner is crucial. Ideally we want the number GMRES iterations to be flat with increasing problem size.



### Spectral Element Spatial Discretization

**Spectral Transform Methods** 

High order Accuracy

High convergence rate

**Finite Element Methods** 

Geometric flexibility

**Minimal Communication** 

#### **Best of both**

Cubed sphere grid; each face is subdivided into square elements
Variables within each element are approximated by polynomial expansions
Communication only needed at element edges (Galerkin)
Mesh refinement can occur via adding elements or increasing order of spectral degree

