

C1.5 Radial expansion wave

1. Code description

XFlow is a high-order discontinuous Galerkin (DG) finite element solver written in ANSI C, intended to be run on Linux-type platforms. Relevant supported equation sets include compressible Euler, Navier-Stokes, and RANS with the Spalart-Allmaras model. High-order is achieved compactly within elements using various high-order bases on triangles, tetrahedra, quadrilaterals, and hexahedra. Parallel runs are supported using domain partitioning and MPI communication. Visual post-processing is performed with an in-house plotter. Output-based adaptivity is available using discrete adjoints.

2. Case summary

A fourth-order Runge-Kutta explicit solver was used for all runs in this case. The number of time steps was set using a high-order CFL condition as described in Cockburn and Shu's DG review paper (2001), with an additional conservative factor of 0.25 multiplying the CFL. The results represent the entropy errors at $t=2$ for a specific heat ratio of 1.4. Runs were performed on the *nyx* supercomputing cluster at the University of Michigan. The number of cores was 8 for all meshes and orders. On one core of the *nyx* machine, one TauBench unit is equivalent to 16.5 seconds of compute time.

3. Meshes

The 2D meshes were generated using a Matlab script and consisted of triangular elements. A supersonic boundary condition is imposed on all domain boundaries.

4. 2D Results

The following figures and table present the requested data obtained for the 2D case.

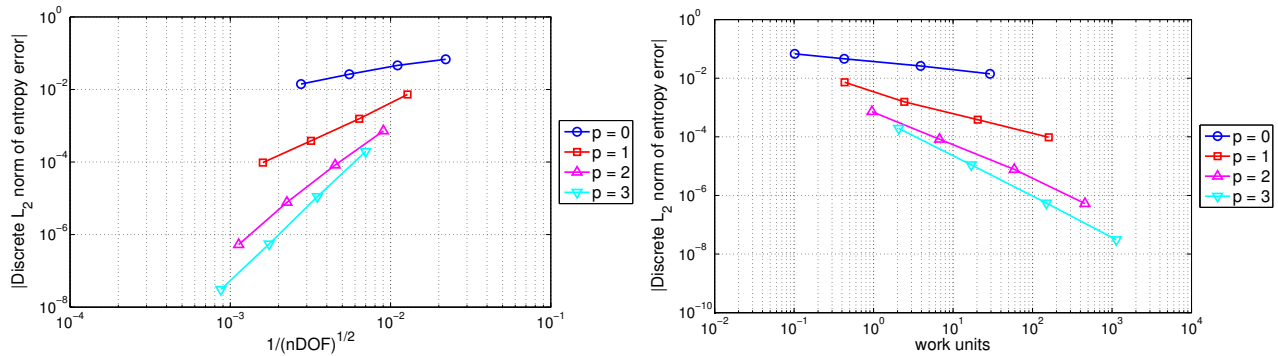


Figure 1: Entropy error convergence with h refinement and work units.

Table 1: Relevant data for the 2D radial expansion case.

nelem	p = 0	p = 1	p = 2	p = 3
2048	6.7861e-02	7.2694e-03	7.2066e-04	1.9474e-04
<i>rate</i>	-	-	-	-
8192	4.5995e-02	1.5600e-03	8.2500e-05	1.1100e-05
<i>rate</i>	0.56	2.22	3.13	4.13
32768	2.6251e-02	3.8450e-04	7.7491e-06	5.4975e-07
<i>rate</i>	0.81	2.02	3.41	4.34
131072	1.4096e-02	9.6379e-05	5.2903e-07	3.0751e-08
<i>rate</i>	0.90	2.00	3.87	4.16

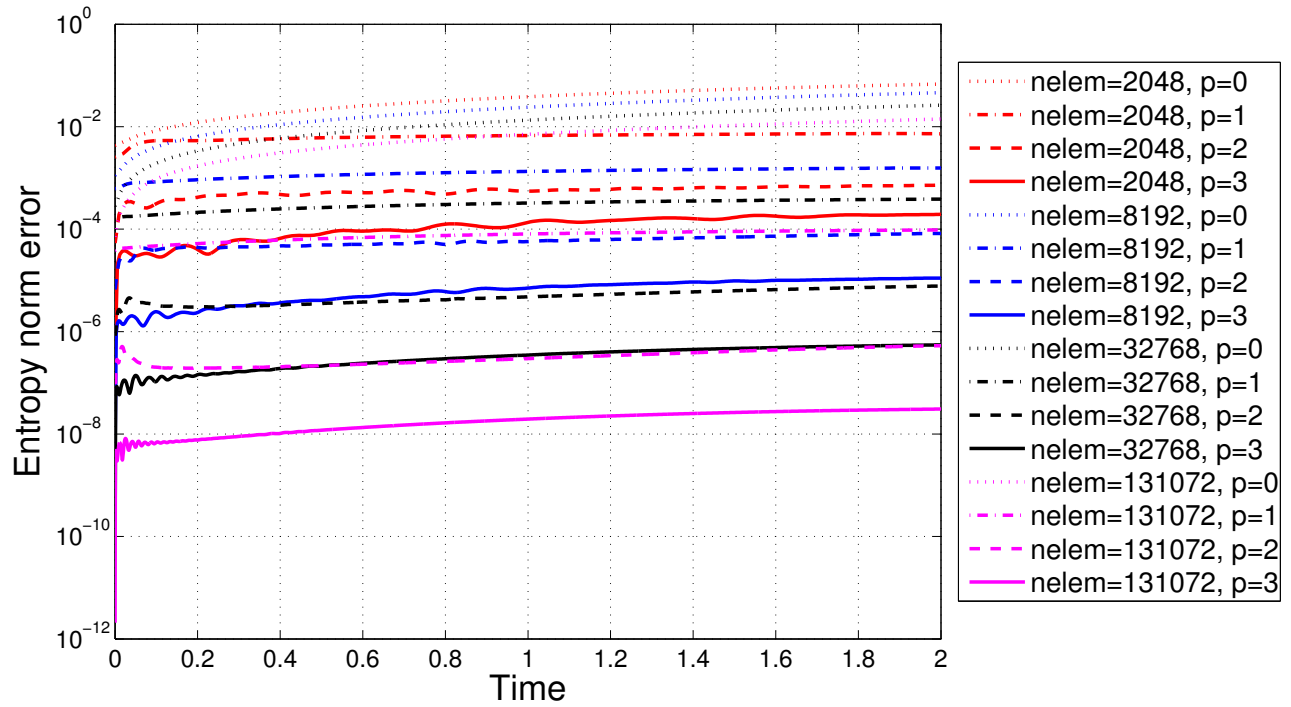


Figure 2: A time history plot for various approximation orders and refinements.