

## ALE FORMULATION (1)

Given: Mesh Velocity Field  $\mathbf{w} = (w^x, w^y, w^z)$

Then: Euler eqns.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \rho \\ \rho u^x \\ \rho u^y \\ \rho u^z \\ \rho e \end{array} \right\}_{,t} + \left\{ \begin{array}{c} (u^i - w^i)\rho \\ (u^i - w^i)\rho u^x + p \\ (u^i - w^i)\rho u^y \\ (u^i - w^i)\rho u^z \\ (u^i - w^i)\rho e + u^i p \end{array} \right\}_{,i} = - \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \rho \\ \rho u^x \\ \rho u^y \\ \rho u^z \\ \rho e \end{array} \right\} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}$$

Options:

a) Integrate As Is:

$$\mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} \Delta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{s}$$

b) Use ‘Finite Volume’ Form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega(t)} \mathbf{u} d\Omega + \int_{\Omega(t)} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} d\Omega = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} \mathbf{u}^{n+1} - \mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} \mathbf{u}^n = \mathbf{r}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} \Delta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{r} - \left( \mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} - \mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} \right) \cdot \mathbf{u}^n$$

## ALE FORMULATION (2)

### Boundary Conditions:

- Navier-Stokes:

$$\Delta \rho \mathbf{v} = \Delta \rho \mathbf{w}$$

- Euler:

$$\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^* = \Delta [\rho (\mathbf{w} + \alpha \mathbf{t} + \beta \mathbf{n})]$$

$$\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^{n+1} = \Delta [\rho (\mathbf{w} + \alpha \mathbf{t})]$$

- Given  $\mathbf{t}$ :

$$\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^{n+1} = \Delta \rho \mathbf{w} + [(\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^* - \Delta \rho \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{t}] \cdot \mathbf{t}$$

- Given  $\mathbf{n}$ :

$$\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^{n+1} = \Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^* - [(\Delta \rho \mathbf{v}^* - \Delta \rho \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{n}] \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

## GEOMETRIC CONSERVATION LAW (1)

Desired: Motion of Mesh Should Not Affect Solution:

$$\mathbf{u} = \textit{const.}$$

Assume:  $\rho = 1$  ;  $\Rightarrow$  Continuity

$$\mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} - \mathbf{M}_c|^{n+1} + \int_{\Omega^n} N^i \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}) d\Omega = 0$$

- So-Called Geometric Conservation Law
- Determines  $\mathbf{M}^{n+1}$
- Required for Severe/Rapid Mesh Movement

## ALE MESH VELOCITIES (1)

Given:

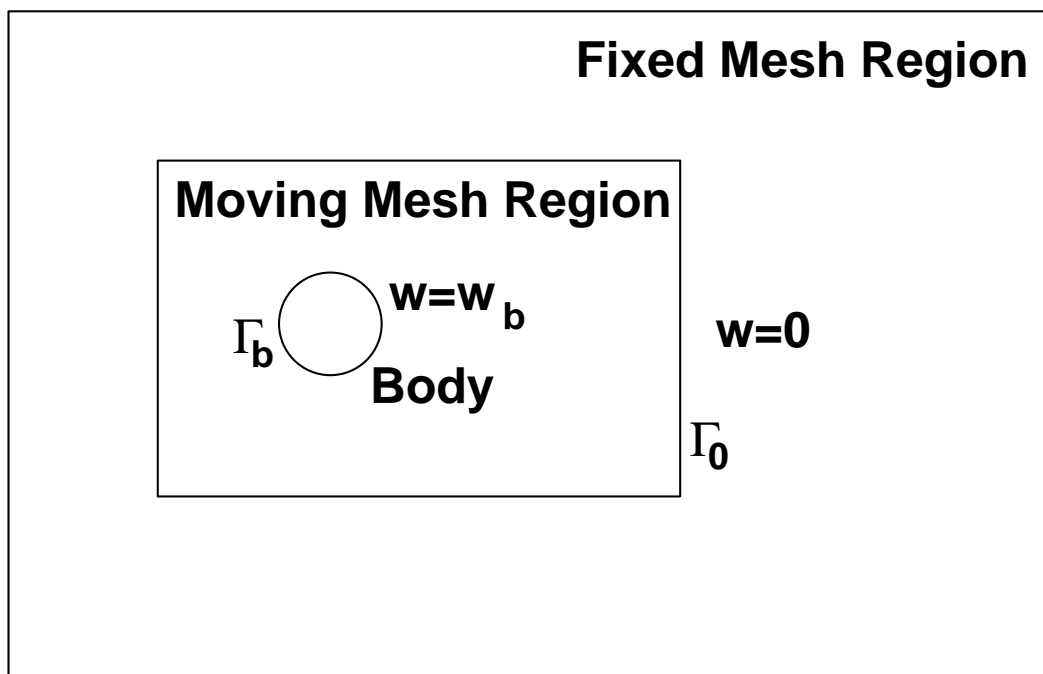
Moving Surfaces:

$$\mathbf{w}|_{\Gamma_0} = \mathbf{w}_0$$

At Some Distance From Moving Surfaces:

$$\mathbf{w}|_{\Gamma_1} = 0$$

Find:  $\mathbf{w}$  That Minimizes Grid Distortion



## ALE MESH VELOCITIES (2)

### Options:

- Analytic User-Prescribed Function
- Smoothing of Coordinates
- Smoothing of Velocities

## MESH VELOCITIES FROM ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

Given: Distance From Moving Surface  $\delta$

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}|_{\Gamma}) \cdot f(\delta)$$

$$\delta = 0: \Rightarrow f(\delta) = 1$$

$$\delta = \delta_1 \Rightarrow f(\delta) = 0$$

Pros/Cons:

- User-Prescribed
- Fast (Algebraic) Once  $\delta$  Is Computed
- $\delta$ : Problematic for:
  - Multibody Configurations
  - Parallel Machines
- Not General for Multibody Configurations

## SMOOTHING OF COORDINATES

Idea: Replace Edges by Spring System and Relax

$$\mathbf{x}^{n+1}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{x}^n|_{\Gamma} + \Delta t \cdot \mathbf{w}|_{\Gamma}$$

Spring Force:

$$\mathbf{f}_i = \sum_{j=1}^{ns_i} c(|\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i|)(\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i)$$

Solve by Relaxation/PCG  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^{n+1} \Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{w} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \cdot (\mathbf{x}^{n+1} - \mathbf{x}^n)$$

Pros/Cons:

- General
- Fictitious Velocity if Initial Mesh Not In Equilibrium
  - Special  $c(|\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i|)$  Functions
- Movement in  $x$  May Imply Movement in  $y, z$
- No Guarantee of Non-Negative Elements

## SMOOTHING OF VELOCITIES (1)

Idea: Laplacian of Mesh Velocities

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{w} = 0$$

FEM + Relaxation/PCG  $\Rightarrow$

$$C^{ii} \Delta \mathbf{w}^i = -\Delta t \cdot K^{ij} (\mathbf{w}^i - \mathbf{w}^j)$$

$$C^{ii} = \sum_{i \neq j} |K^{ij}|$$

Optimal  $\Delta t$ -Sequence:

$$\Delta t^i = \frac{1}{1 + \cos\left[\frac{\pi(i-1)}{n_v}\right]}, i = 1, n$$

Pros/Cons:

- General
- No Fictitious Velocity if Initial Mesh Not In Equilibrium
- Movement in  $x \Rightarrow$  No Movement in  $y, z$
- No Guarantee of Non-Negative Elements
- Element-Based Codes

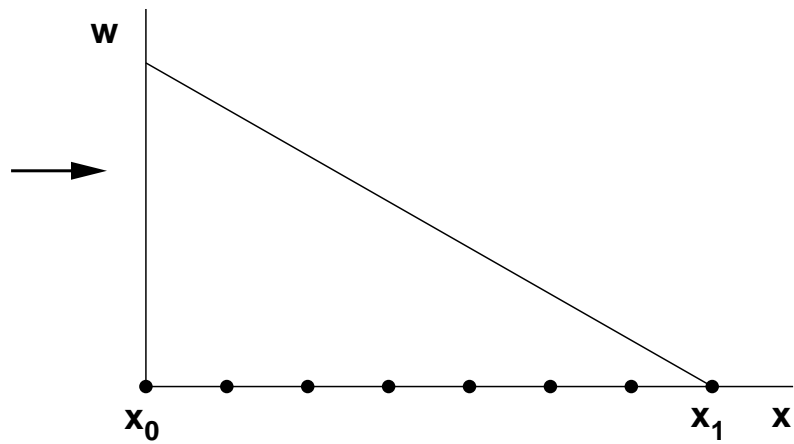
$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{w} \approx -(\mathbf{M}_l - \mathbf{M}_c) \cdot \mathbf{w}$$

- Equivalent to  $k = h^2$



## SMOOTHING OF VELOCITIES (2)

1-D Case:



$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad , \quad w(0) = w_0 \quad , \quad w(x_1) = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$w(x) = w_0 \left( 1 - \frac{x}{x_1} \right)$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = g_v$$

## SMOOTHING OF VELOCITIES (3)

$\forall$  2 Elements: Change In Size  $\delta h$  During a Timestep:

$$\delta h = (w_2 - w_1) \cdot \Delta t = \Delta w \cdot \Delta t$$

$\Rightarrow$  Size-Ratio of  $\forall$  2 Elements  $i, j$ :

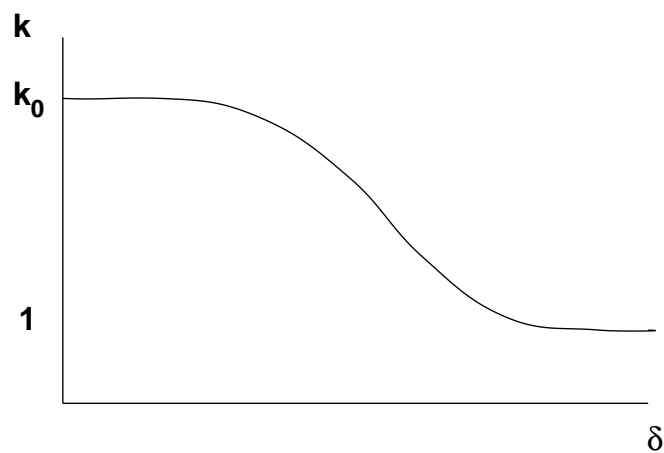
$$\left. \frac{h_i}{h_j} \right|^{n+1} = \frac{h_i + \Delta w_i \cdot \Delta t}{h_j + \Delta w_j \cdot \Delta t} = \frac{h_i + g_v \cdot h_i \cdot \Delta t}{h_j + g_v \cdot h_j \cdot \Delta t} = \left. \frac{h_i}{h_j} \right|^n$$

$\Rightarrow$  **All Elements Deformed in the Same Way**

## SMOOTHING OF VELOCITIES (4)

Desired:

- Close to Body:
  - Small Elements
  - $k \gg 1 \Rightarrow |\nabla \mathbf{w}| \rightarrow 0$
- Away from Body:
  - Larger Elements
  - $k \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow |\nabla \mathbf{w}|$  Laplacian

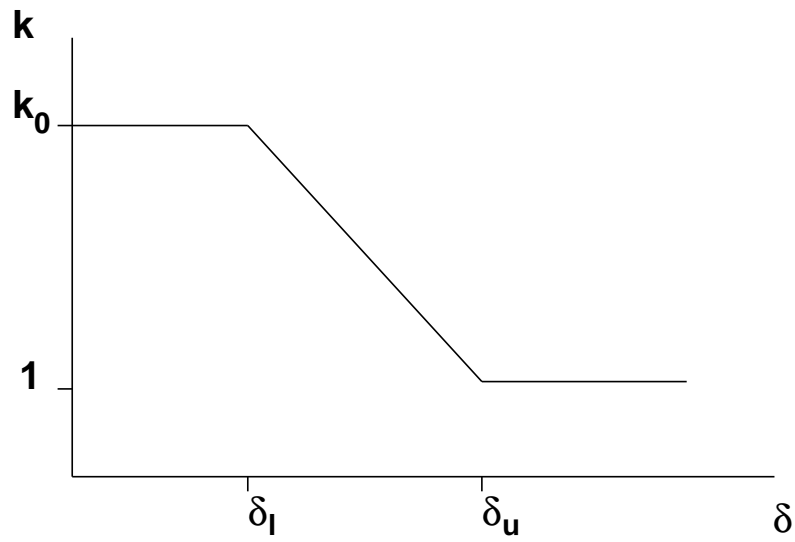
Need:

- Distance From Body Evaluation  $\Rightarrow \delta$
- $k = k(\delta)$

## SMOOTHING OF VELOCITIES (5)

Then: Use Constant-Linear-Constant  $k(\delta)$

$$k = k_0 + (1 - k_0) \max \left( 0, \min \left( 1, \frac{\delta - \delta_l}{\delta_u - \delta_l} \right) \right)$$



## PDE-BASED DISTANCE EVALUATION: EIKONAL EQN

$$|\nabla\delta| = 1 \quad , \quad \delta_\Gamma = 0$$

Re-write as:

$$\frac{\nabla\delta}{|\nabla\delta|} \cdot \nabla\delta = 1$$

Interpret  $\delta$  as Steady-State of:

$$\delta_{,t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla\delta = 1 \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} = \frac{\nabla\delta}{|\nabla\delta|}$$

Remarks:

- Nonlinear Hyperpolic Equation
- Advection Velocity: Unit Gradient of  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$   
Eigenvalue = 1
- Solve Using Standard Hyperpolic PDE Solver

## PDE-BASED DISTANCE EVALUATION: LAPLACIAN

1D:

$$\delta_{,xx} = -s \quad ; \quad \delta(0) = 0 \quad ; \quad \delta_{,x}|_{x_1} = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\delta = sx \left( x_1 - \frac{x}{2} \right)$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$x_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2\delta_1}{s}} \quad ; \quad \delta_{,x}|_0 = \sqrt{2 \cdot s \cdot \delta_1}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  For Unit Gradient at  $x = 0$ :

$$s = 1/2\delta_1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 = 2\delta_1$$

In General

$$\nabla^2 \delta = -s \quad ; \quad \delta|_{\Gamma_0} = 0 \quad ; \quad \delta_{,n}|_{\Gamma_1} = 0$$

Poisson Condition Imposed As:

$$\delta \leq \delta_1$$

## PROJECTIVE PREDICTION OF MESH VELOCITIES

Laplacian/Elasticity Can Be Time-Consuming

$$\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{r}$$

Idea: Start With Good Estimate for  $\mathbf{w}$

- $\mathbf{w} = 0$  (Steady State)
- $\mathbf{w}$  From Previous Timesteps

## PPMV

Basic Assumption:  $\mathbf{K} \approx \text{const.}$

Timesteps/Iterations:  $n-1, n-2, \dots, n-i$ :

$$\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{w}^i = \mathbf{r}^i$$

Perform Least Squares Approximation of  $\mathbf{r}$  With Basis  $\mathbf{r}^i, i = 1, l$ :

$$(\mathbf{r} - \alpha_i \mathbf{r}^i)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \mathbf{s} \quad , \quad A^{ij} = \mathbf{r}^i \cdot \mathbf{r}^j \quad , \quad s^i = \mathbf{r}^i \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

With  $\alpha_i$ :

$$\mathbf{w} = \alpha_i \mathbf{w}^i$$

Observations:

- Dramatic Reduction of Nr. of Iterations:  
niter  $O(20) \rightarrow O(2)$
- Need only 2-4 Search Vectors  $\Rightarrow$  Low Storage