

# DISK methods for yield fluids

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# Yield Fluids: Motivation

Growing interest due to a wide range of applications:

- Flow of viscoplastic(yield) fluids : civil engineering, materials processing, petroleum drilling operations, food and cosmetics industry.
- Bubbles in viscoplastic flows: Aerated building materials, mousse.

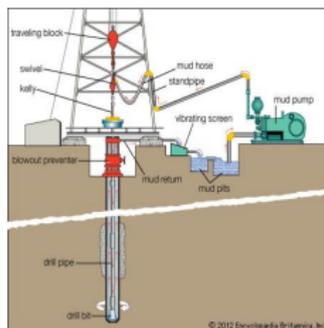


Figure: Examples of applications

# Yield Fluids: Challenges

- Viscoplastic materials are non-Newtonian fluids that require a finite **yield stress** to flow (solid or fluid-like behavior)
- Yield stress fluids are governed by a **non-regular** and **non-linear** constitutive equation
- Solid/liquid boundary not known *a priori*
- Viscoplastic materials constitute a challenging problem theoretically and experimentally
- Scarce analysis, experimental and numerical data in the literature
- Classical FEM simulations methods are costly for iterative solvers: Not naturally fitted for parallelization.
- Discontinuous skeletal methods are a promising tool to replace FEM.

# Yield Fluids: Model problem I

- Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \geq 1$ , denote a d-dimensional open bounded and connected domain
- For a source term  $\mathbf{f} \in L^2(\Omega)^d$
- Momentum and mass conservation for incompressible flows:

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_t + \mathbf{f} &= \mathbf{0} && \text{in } \Omega, \\ \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega, \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{0} && \text{on } \partial\Omega,\end{aligned}$$

with  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_t$  total stress tensor and  $\mathbf{u}$  the unknown velocity field.

- Spheric and deviatoric parts:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_t = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_D - \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_t) \mathbf{I} \quad (1)$$



# Yield Fluids: Model problem II

- Glowinski [2] showed the PDEs can be recast as a minimization problem:

$$\mathbf{u} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{v} \in K(\mathbf{0})} \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{v}) d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

where  $K(\mathbf{u}_D)$  is the kernel of the divergence operator and defined as  $K(\mathbf{u}_D) = \{ \mathbf{v} \in L_2(\Omega)^d \mid \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0 \in \Omega, \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_D \in \partial\Omega \}$ ,

- The dissipation energy

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{u}) = \mu |\nabla_s \mathbf{u}|^2 + \sqrt{2} \tau_0 |\nabla_s \mathbf{u}|,$$

# Yield Fluids: Augmented Lagrangian Algorithm

- Solve the saddle problem

$$(\mathbf{u}, \gamma, \sigma) = \min_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1} \max_{\delta \in \mathcal{L}_2} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}, \delta, \tau)$$

- New constraint  $\gamma = \nabla_s \mathbf{u}$
- Augmented Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}, \gamma, \sigma) = & \frac{\mu}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\gamma|^2 d\Omega + \tau_0 \int_{\Omega} |\gamma| d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{u} d\Omega \\ & + \int_{\Omega} \sigma : (\nabla_s \mathbf{u} - \gamma) d\Omega + \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla_s \mathbf{u} - \gamma|^2 d\Omega \end{aligned}$$

with  $\alpha > 0$  is the augmentation parameter.

# ALG: Uzawa-like algorithm, $n^{\text{th}}$ -iteration

- Weak formulation: Assume  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^n$  and  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}^n$ , then find  $\mathbf{u}^n \in V, \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega)^d$  such that

$$2\alpha(\nabla_s \mathbf{u}^{n+1}, \nabla_s \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}) - (\boldsymbol{\sigma}^n - 2\alpha\boldsymbol{\gamma}^n, \nabla_s \mathbf{v}),$$

- Solve point-wise

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x}) = \max \left( 0, \frac{1}{(2\alpha + \mu)} \frac{\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})|} (|\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})| - \tau_0) \right)$$

where  $\mathbf{X}^{n+1} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^n + \alpha \nabla_s \mathbf{u}^{n+1}$ .

- Update the stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{n+1} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^n + \alpha(\nabla_s \mathbf{u}^{n+1} - \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{n+1}).$$

# Discontinuous Skeletal methods

- There are different kinds of DiSk methods: MFD, HFV, HDG, **HHO**. **Discontinuous Skeletal** methods approximate solutions of BVPs by
  - using **discontinuous** polynomials in the mesh skeleton
  - attaching unknowns to mesh **faces**
- Salient features:
  - Dimension-independent construction
  - Support **general meshes** (conforming and non-conforming)
  - Arbitrary polynomial order

# DISK methods

In this work we use the Hybrid High Order method, introduced recently by Di Pietro et Ern [1, 3] for linear elasticity.

Attractive features:

- Designed from **primal formulation**
- **Arbitrary order** of polynomials.
- Suitable for **hp-adaptivity**.
- They can be applied to a fair range of PDE's.
- Gradient reconstruction based on local Neumann problems.



# Gradient reconstruction I

- The local potential reconstruction operator:  $r_T^{k+1} : \underline{U}_T^k \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$
- The local gradient reconstruction operator:  $\nabla r_T^{k+1} : \underline{U}_T^k \rightarrow \nabla \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$
- Let  $\underline{v} \in \underline{U}_T^k$ , then  $\nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{v} = \nabla s$  with  $s \in \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$
- $\nabla s$  solves the local problem for all  $w \in \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$

$$(\nabla s, \nabla w)_T = (\nabla v_T, \nabla w)_T + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} (v_F - v_T, \nabla w \cdot \mathbf{n}_{TF})_F$$

- Reconstruction operator derives from integration by parts formula.
- Set  $\int_T r_T^{k+1} \underline{v} = \int_T v_T$  then the reconstructed function is in  $\mathbb{P}_d^k(T)$  and is unique.

# Gradient reconstruction II

- Local interpolation operator  $I_T^k : H^1(T) \rightarrow \underline{U}_T^k$ , that maps a given function  $v \in H^1(T)$  into the broken space of local collection of velocities.

$$I_T^k v = (\pi_T^k v, (\pi_F^k v)_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T}),$$

- Commuting diagram property

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^1(T) & \xrightarrow{\nabla} & L^2(T)^d \\ \downarrow I_T^k & & \downarrow \pi_{\nabla \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)} \\ \underline{U}_T^k & \xrightarrow{\underline{G}_T^k} & \nabla \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T) \end{array}$$

For all  $u \in H^1(T)$  and all  $w \in \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$

$$(\nabla r_T^{k+1} I_T^k v, \nabla w)_T = (\nabla u, \nabla w)_T \quad (2)$$

- Thus,  $r_T^{k+1} I_T^k$  is the elliptic operator on  $\mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)$

# Reconstruction operator III

Reconstruction operator  $r_T^{k+1} \underline{v}$  is used to build the following bilinear form on  $U_T^k \times U_T^k$ :

$$a_T^{(1)}(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) = (\nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{v}, \nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{w})_T$$

Note how  $(\nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{v}, \nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{w})_T$  mimics *locally* the l.h.s. of our original problem

$$\text{Find } u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \text{ s.t. } (\nabla u, \nabla v)_\Omega = (f, v)_\Omega, \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

# Stabilization operator I

- For  $\underline{v} \in U_T^k$ , the reconstructed gradient  $\nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{v}$  is not stable:  
 $\nabla r_T^{k+1} \underline{v} = 0$  *does not imply* that  $v_T$  and  $v_{\partial T}$  are constant functions taking the same value.
- We introduce a least-squares penalization of the difference between functions in the faces and function in the cell

$$S_T^k \underline{v} := \pi_{\partial T}^k (v_{\partial T} - (v_T + r_T^{k+1} \underline{v} - \pi_T^k r_T^{k+1} \underline{v})|_{\partial T}),$$

# Stabilization operator II

Using the stabilization operator just defined, we build a second bilinear form on  $U_T^k \times U_T^k$ :

$$s_T(\underline{v}, \underline{w}) = \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{\partial T}} h_F^{-1} (S_T^k \underline{v}, S_T^k \underline{w})_F,$$

where  $h_F$  denotes the diameter of the face  $F$ .

- The stabilization as defined allows HHO to converge as  $k + 2$  in  $L_2$  norm
- The simpler stabilization considering the difference  $v_{\partial T} - v_T$  would limit convergence to  $k + 1$

# Global spaces

Local discrete spaces  $U_T^k$ , for all  $T \in \mathcal{T}$ , are collected into a global discrete space

$$\underline{U}_h^k := U_{\mathcal{T}}^k \times U_{\mathcal{F}}^k,$$

where

$$U_{\mathcal{T}}^k := \mathbb{P}_d^k(\mathcal{T}) := \{v_{\mathcal{T}} = (v_T)_{T \in \mathcal{T}} \mid v_T \in \mathbb{P}_d^k(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}\},$$

$$U_{\mathcal{F}}^k := \mathbb{P}_{d-1}^k(\mathcal{F}) := \{v_{\mathcal{F}} = (v_F)_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \mid v_F \in \mathbb{P}_{d-1}^k(F), \forall F \in \mathcal{F}\}.$$

For a pair  $\underline{v}_h := (v_{\mathcal{T}}, v_{\mathcal{F}})$  in the global discrete space  $\underline{U}_h^k$ , we denote  $\underline{v}$ , for all  $T \in \mathcal{T}$ , its restriction to the local discrete space  $U_T^k$ , where  $v_{\partial T} = (v_F)_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{\partial T}}$ . Homogeneous Dirichlet BCs are enforced strongly by considering the subspace

$$U_{h,0}^k := U_{\mathcal{T}}^k \times U_{\mathcal{F},0}^k,$$

where

$$U_{\mathcal{F},0}^k := \{v_{\mathcal{F}} \in U_{\mathcal{F}}^k \mid v_F \equiv 0, \forall F \in \mathcal{F}^b\}.$$

# Discrete problem

For all  $T \in \mathcal{T}$ , we combine reconstruction and stabilization bilinear forms into  $a_T$  on  $U_T^k \times U_T^k$  such that

$$a_T := a_T^{(1)} + s_T.$$

We then do a standard cell-wise assembly

$$a_h(\underline{\mathbf{u}}_h, \underline{\mathbf{w}}_h) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}} a_T(\underline{\mathbf{u}}, \underline{\mathbf{w}}),$$
$$\ell_h(\underline{\mathbf{w}}_h) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}} (f, w_T)_T.$$

Finally we search for  $\underline{\mathbf{u}}_h := (u_{\mathcal{T}}, u_{\mathcal{F}}) \in U_{h,0}^k$  such that

$$a_h(\underline{\mathbf{u}}_h, \underline{\mathbf{w}}_h) = \ell_h(\underline{\mathbf{w}}_h), \quad \forall \underline{\mathbf{w}}_h := (w_{\mathcal{T}}, w_{\mathcal{F}}) \in U_{h,0}^k,$$

# Degrees of freedom II

- Due to the hybridization the global number of DOF's is bigger than a FEM approach.
- **Compact stencil**: due to face DOF's involving only neighbors.
- Cell DOF's are eliminated by **static condensation**, reducing the computational cost on the solver process.
- Cell DOF's are recovered by local computations

# Applying DISK to ALG

Local bilinear forms  $a_T$  and  $s_T$  on  $\underline{\mathbf{U}}_T^k \times \underline{\mathbf{U}}_T^k$

- Diffusion term

$$a_T(\underline{\mathbf{v}}, \underline{\mathbf{w}}) := (\nabla_s \mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{v}}, \nabla_s \mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{w}})_T + s_T(\underline{\mathbf{v}}, \underline{\mathbf{w}}),$$

- Stabilization term: coupling cell and face unknowns

$$s_T(\underline{\mathbf{v}}, \underline{\mathbf{w}}) := \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} h_F^{-1} (\pi_F^k(\mathbf{v}_F - \hat{\mathbf{r}}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{v}}), \pi_F^k(\mathbf{w}_F - \hat{\mathbf{r}}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{w}}))_F$$

Second velocity reconstruction  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_T^{k+1} : \underline{\mathbf{U}}_T^k \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_d^{k+1}(T)^d$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}}_T^{k+1} = \mathbf{v}_T + (\mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{v}} - \pi_T^k \mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \underline{\mathbf{v}})$$

- Stress-strain term

$$c_T(\boldsymbol{\tau}, \underline{\mathbf{v}}) = (\boldsymbol{\tau}, \nabla_s \mathbf{v}_T)_T + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} (\boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{v}_F - \mathbf{v}_T) \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{L}^2(T) \times \underline{\mathbf{U}}_T^k.$$

- Global versions of the linear forms are obtained by cell-wise assembly.

# DiSK-ALG

- Discrete weak formulation: Let  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^n$  and  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}^n$  known, find  $\underline{\mathbf{u}}_h \in \underline{\mathbf{U}}_{h,0}^k$  such that:  $\forall \underline{\mathbf{v}}_h^{n+1} \in \underline{\mathbf{U}}_{h,0}^k$

$$2\alpha a_h(\underline{\mathbf{u}}_h^{n+1}, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_h^{n+1}) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_T)_T - c_h(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^n - 2\alpha \boldsymbol{\gamma}^n, \underline{\mathbf{v}}_h)$$

- Compute  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } |\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})| \leq \sqrt{2}\tau_0 \\ \frac{1}{2(\alpha + \mu)} \left( |\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})| - \sqrt{2}\tau_0 \right) \frac{\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x})|} & \text{for otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{X}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^n(\mathbf{x}) + 2\alpha \nabla_s \mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \mathbf{u}^{n+1}(\mathbf{x}).$$

- Update stress

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{n+1} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^n + 2\alpha (\nabla_s \mathbf{r}_T^{k+1} \mathbf{u}^{n+1} - \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{n+1}).$$

# Numerical results I

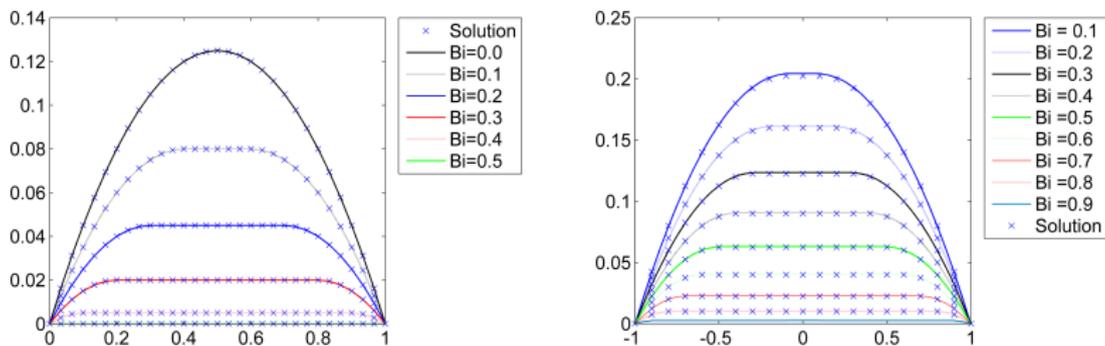
## Test Setting

The cases are benchmarks consisting of an unidirectional source along the pipe-axis and no-slip conditions enforced on the walls.

- Test case 1: Poiseuille problem in 1D, analytical solution.
  - Test case 2: Circular cross section problem, analytical solution.
  - Test case 3: Square cross section problem, no analytical solution.
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- The dimensionless Bingham number ( $Bi$ ) is the ratio between the yield stress and the viscous stress.

# Numerical Results I

- Fig. 8 showcases the agreement for tests 1 and 2 between the numerical and analytical solution.
- Computations are done using **conforming** meshes.



**Figure:** Velocity profiles for the 1D test case (left) and the circular pipe test case(right).

# Numerical Results II

## Mesh adaptation:

### *Features*

- **Non-conforming meshes.**
- **Control** of the number of **hanging nodes** per face.
- Marker based on stress values at Gauss nodes

### *The challenge*

- Capture of the transition boundaries: **plug** region in the center, a concentric annulus as **shear zone** and a **dead region** around the corners.

# Levels of refinement

- Let  $\mathcal{T}_h^0$  be the initial mesh and  $\mathcal{T}_h^i$  the mesh after  $i$ -refinement steps.
- Let  $T \in \mathcal{T}_i$  and denote its ancestor  $T_0 \in \mathcal{T}_0$ , such that  $T_0 \subset T$ .
- Labeling of levels: The level of  $T$  is the number of times  $T_0$  has being partitioned to obtain  $T$  through the  $i$ -adaptive steps.
- After each marking process, check the difference of level be  $< 2$ , between neighbors.

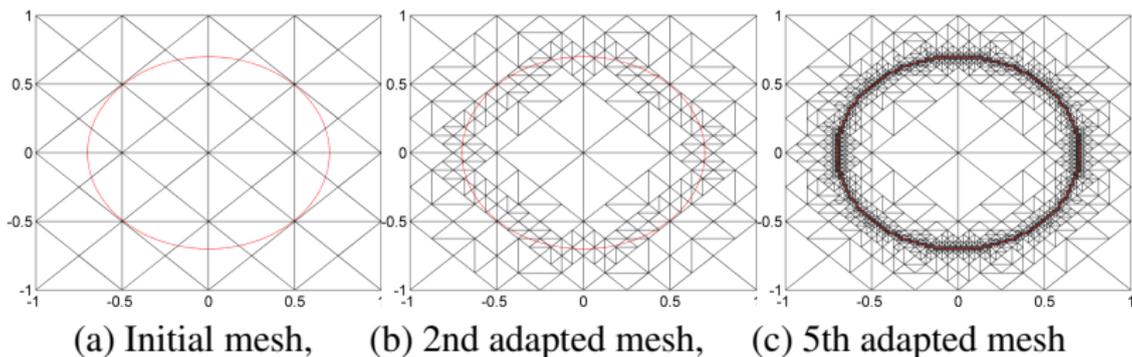
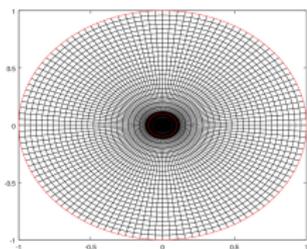


Figure: Checking levels test

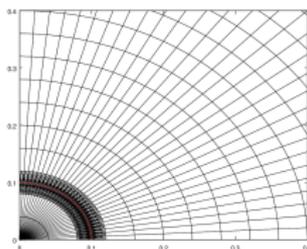
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## Circular pipe:

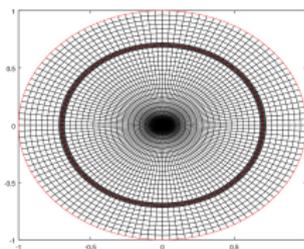
For fine meshes we obtained the expected behavior of the adaptation process, adapting around the inner red line (solid-liquid boundary).



(a)  $Bi = 0.1$



(b) zoom for  $Bi = 0.1$



(c)  $Bi = 0.7$

Figure: 1st step.

# Numerical Results IV

## Circular pipe: Coarse mesh

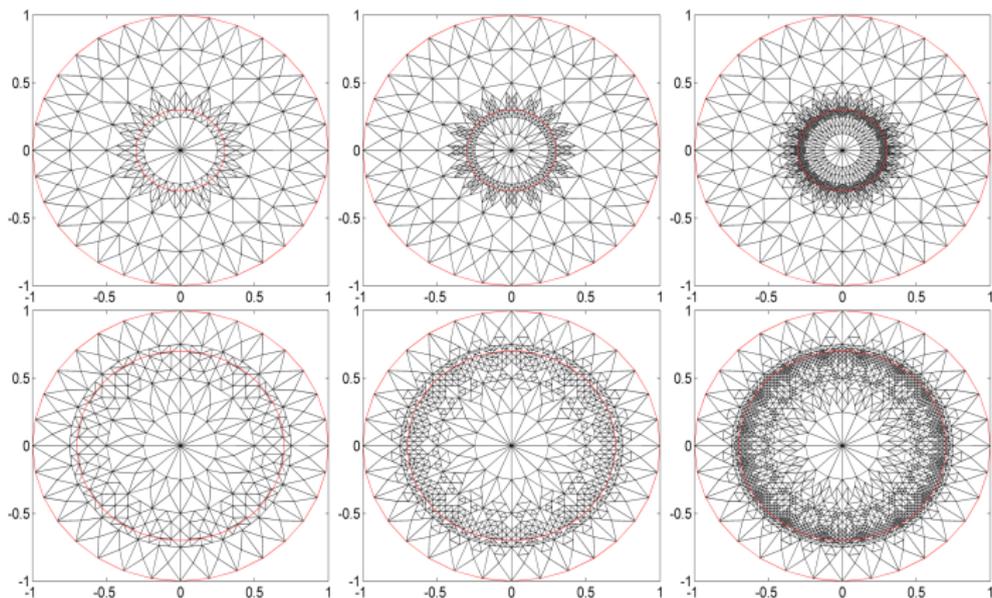
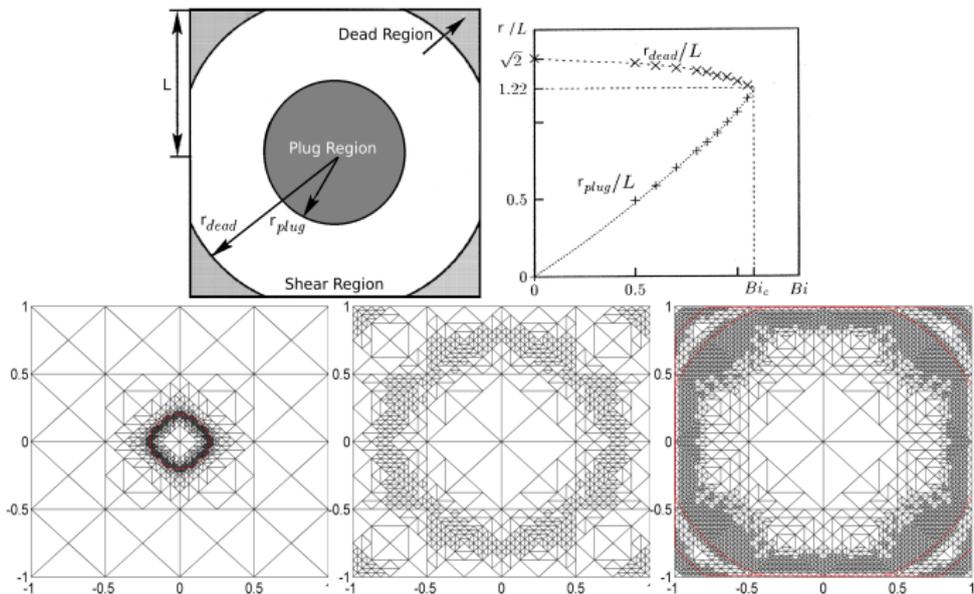


Figure: Mesh adaptation evolution for  $Bi = 0.3$  (top) and  $Bi = 0.3$  (left).

# Numerical Results: Square pipe



**Figure:** Mesh adaptation evolution for  $Bi = 0.2$  (left),  $Bi = 0.8$  (center) and  $Bi = 1.0$  (right).

# Future work

- Develop a Cut-Cell-DISK to simulate bubbles.
- hp-adaptivity: straightforward with DISK.
- Other viscoplastic models: Herschel-Bulkley.
- Use of cone programming optimization with DISK methods.

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