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ACCURACY ASSESSMENT FOR GRID ADAPTATION

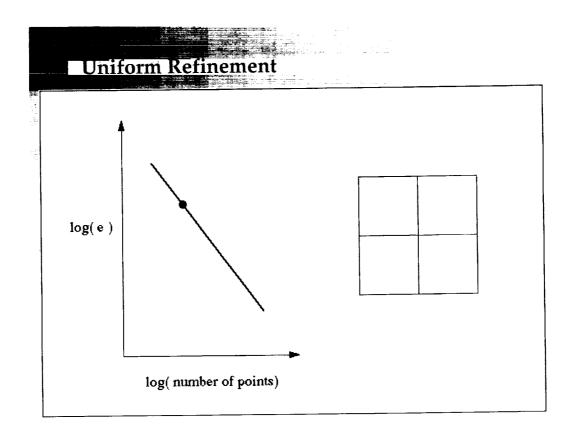
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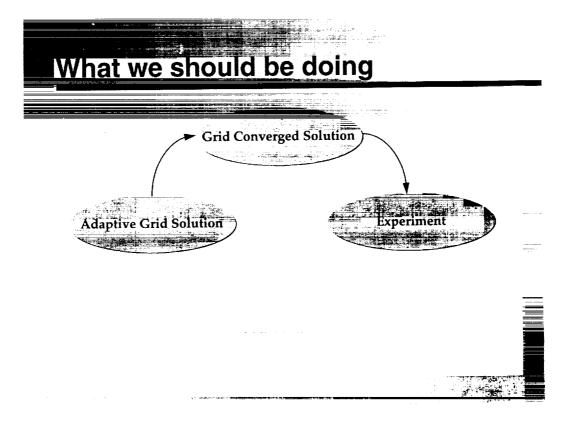
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 Grid Convergence Study + Adaptive Methods
 - Ongoing O.D.E. Work
 - Discussion

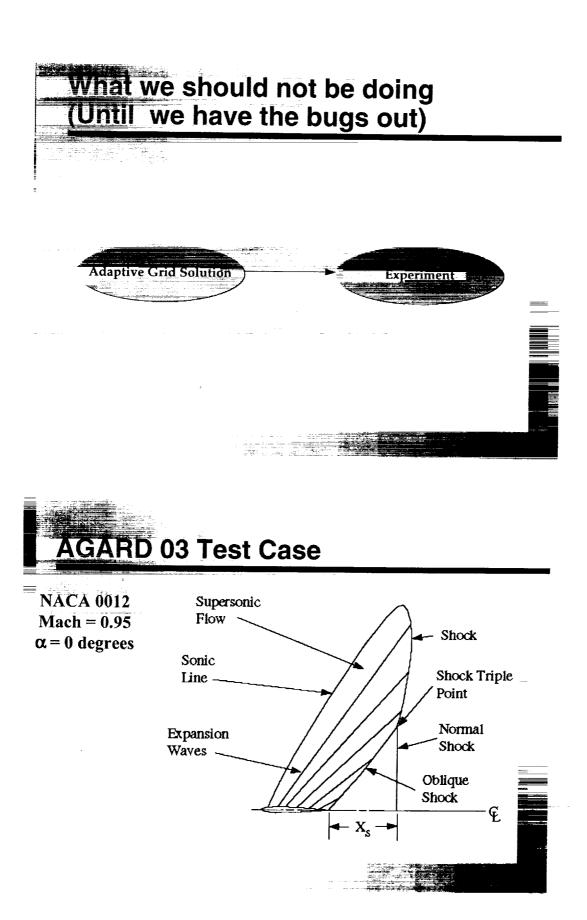


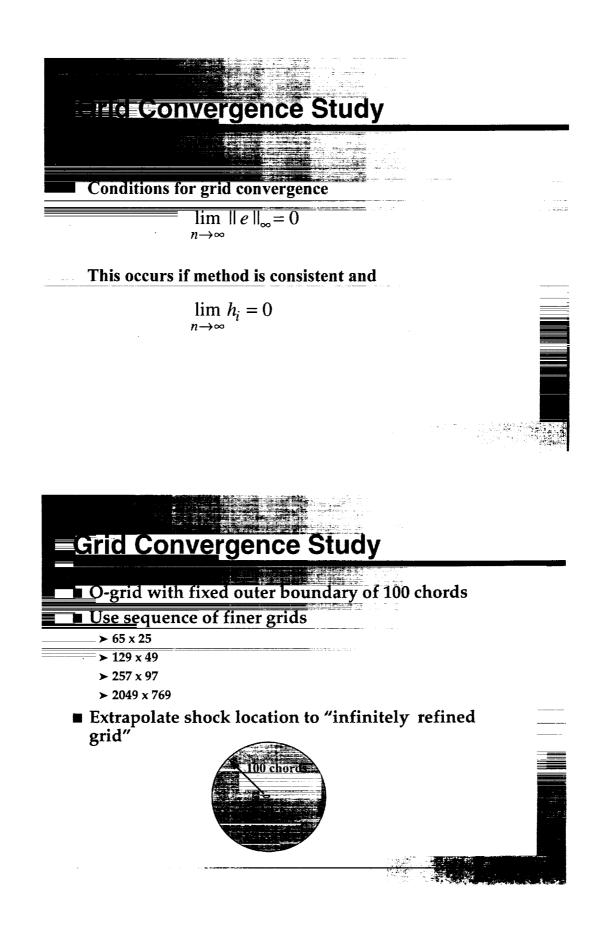
Introduction

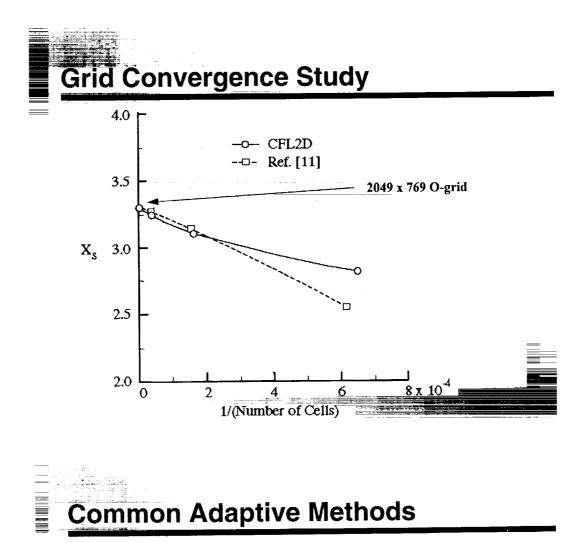
- Adaptive methods will be necessary for large problems
- Adaptive point movement methods
 redistribute grid points to obtain optimal topology
- Adaptive point addition methods
 - > Add grid points to obtain optimal topology
 - continued point addition will result in grid convergence (hopefully with fewer grid points)
- The first part of this talk examines grid convergence using several refinement criteria
 - > Two adaptive point addition Euler solvers
 - One block-structured Euler solver (for grid convergence study)











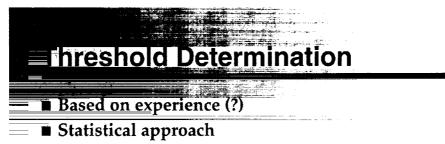
Divided differences

$$\tilde{e} = \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \approx \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta x}$$

Undivided differences

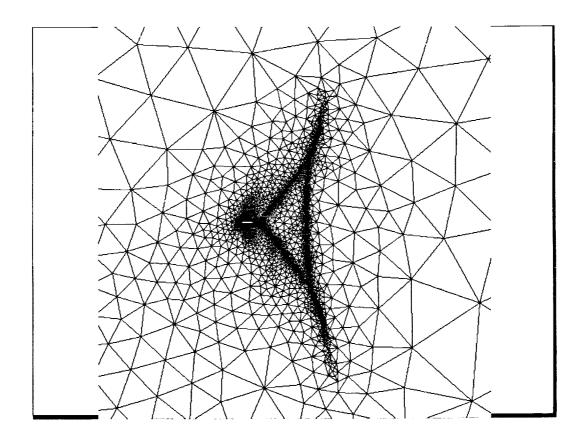
$$\tilde{e} = \Delta p$$
$$\tilde{e} = h^2 \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} \approx \tilde{\Delta}^2 p$$

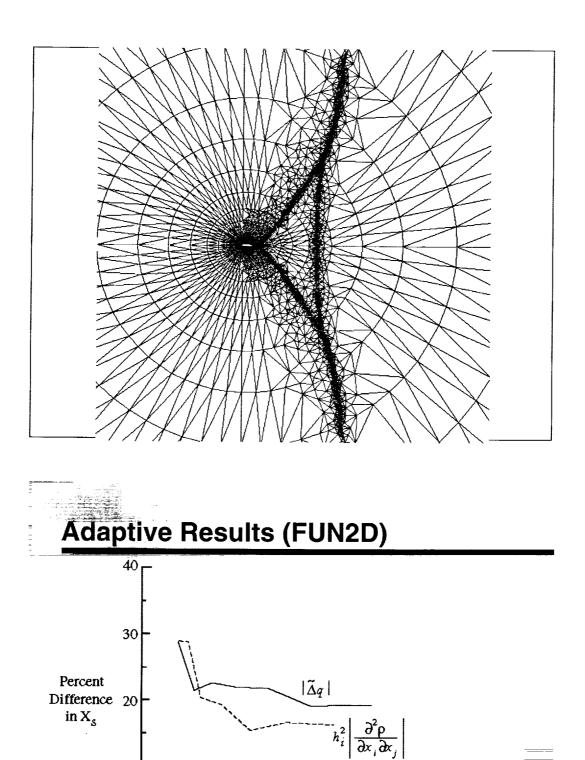
Truncation error estimates



► Threshold = average + standard deviation







 $|\tilde{\Delta}q|$ Starting on Structured Grid

15

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Number of Cells

5

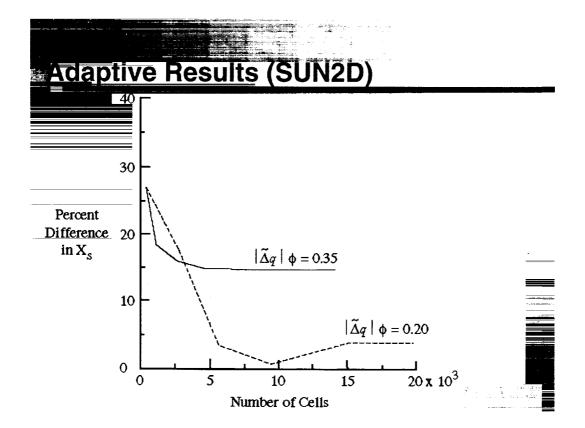
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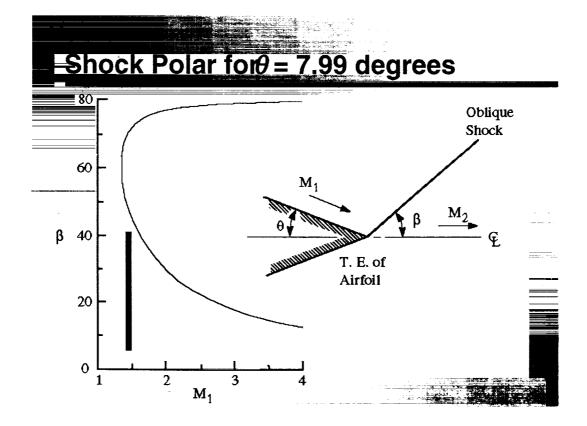
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Corrected Adaptation Method

Problem occurs when

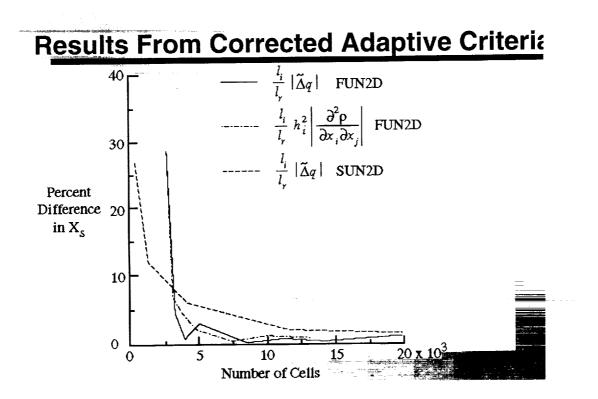
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|e\|_{\infty} \neq 0$$

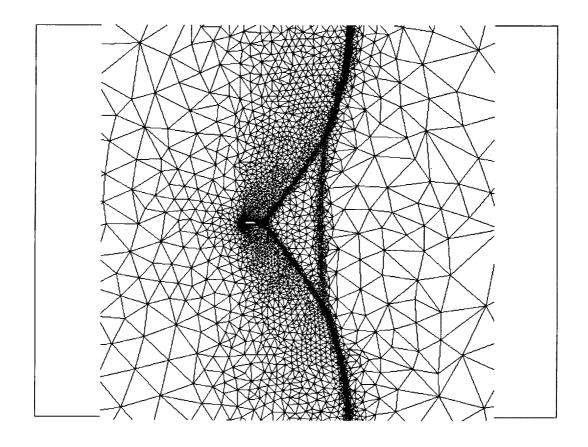
which causes

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}h_i\neq 0$$

Desirable limit properties can be enforced by multiplying by local length scale

$$\tilde{e} = \frac{l_i}{l} \tilde{\Delta} q$$
 ... etc







Beware of adaptive criteria that refine "gradients" only and do not approach zero for all cells.



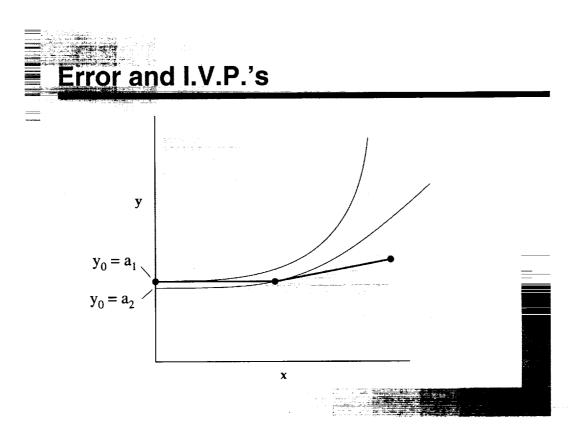
One-Dimensional O.D.E's

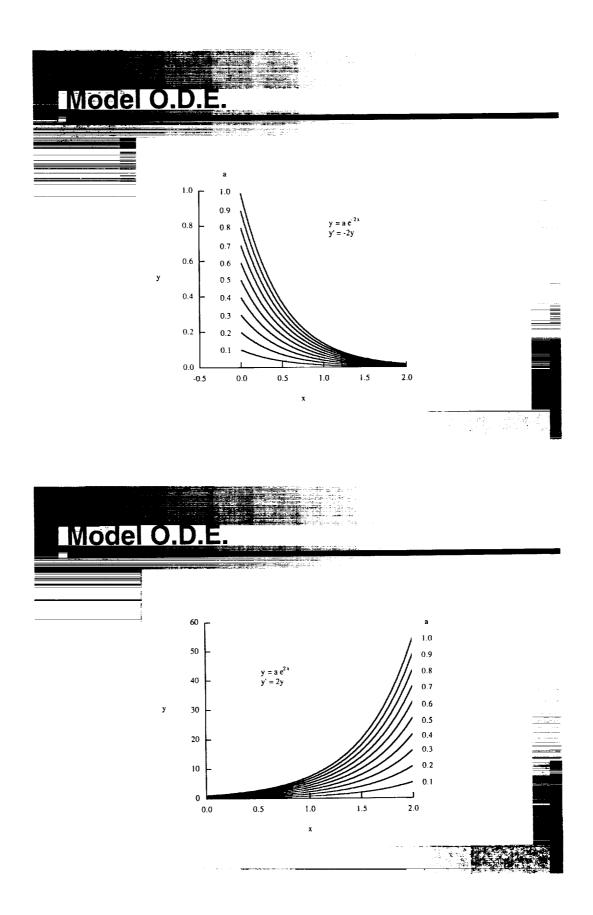
Two-Point Boundary Value Problems

- Babuska Optimal grid spacing occurs when error is evenly distributed
- ► Models elliptic and parabolic p.d.e. behavior

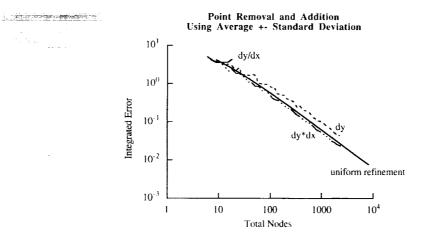
■ Initial Value Problem

- ► Models hyperbolic p.d.e. behavior _____
- ► Must account for error propagation and accumulation





O.D.E. Adaptation



Model O.D.E.

