

# **Solving punctured multi black hole initial data with finite element method**

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# Puncture type initial data in NR

$$R + K^2 - K_{ij}K^{ij} = 0$$

$$\nabla_j K^j_i - \nabla_i K = 0$$

Vacuum  
spacetime  
Involve BH only

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{ij} &= \psi^4 f_{ij}, \\ K_{ij} &= \psi^{-2} \hat{K}_{ij}, \end{aligned} \quad K = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{K}_{ij} = \frac{3}{2} \sum_I \frac{1}{r_I^2} [ & 2P_{(i}^I n_{j)}^I - (f_{ij} - n_i^I n_j^I) P_I^k n_k^I \\ & + \frac{4}{r_I} n_{(i}^I \epsilon_{j)k\ell} S_I^k n_I^\ell ], \end{aligned}$$

$$-(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2)\psi = \frac{1}{8}\hat{K}^{ij}\hat{K}_{ij}\psi^{-7}$$

Approach to the black holes ( $r_I \rightarrow 0$ ),  $\psi$  will diverge

$$\psi \equiv 1 + \sum_I \frac{m_I}{2r_I} + u,$$

$$-(\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2 + \partial_z^2)u = \frac{1}{8}\hat{K}^{ij}\hat{K}_{ij}\psi^{-7}$$

$$u \text{ is } \mathcal{C}^2 \text{ at } r_I = 0$$

[Brandt, Bruegman, PRL (1997)]

$$u \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

approximate Dirichlet boundary condition

$$u = d(x) \text{ at } \partial\Omega,$$

with  $d = 0$

approximate Robin boundary condition

$$\vec{n} \cdot \nabla u + \alpha(x)u = b(x) \text{ at } \partial\Omega,$$

with  $b = 0$  and  $\alpha = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial n}$

Based on the assumption  $u = \frac{a}{r}$ ,  $a$  corresponds to the monopole of the spacetime (mass)

# Weak form

$$-\nabla^2 u = f(u) \text{ in } \Omega,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u) \cdot (\nabla v) d^3x + \int_{\partial\Omega} \alpha uv ds \\ &= \int_{\Omega} f(u) v d^3x + \int_{\partial\Omega} b v ds. \end{aligned}$$

$$u = u^i \phi_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} & u^i \left[ \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \phi_i) \cdot (\nabla \phi_j) d^3x + \int_{\partial\Omega} \alpha \phi_i \phi_j ds \right] \\ &= \int_{\Omega} f(u) \phi_j d^3x + \int_{\partial\Omega} b \phi_j ds. \end{aligned}$$

Use Newtonian iteration method to solve above non-linear system

$$u_{(n+1)} = u_{(n)} + \Delta u^i \phi_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} [F'_{ij} - M_{ij} - \alpha_{ij}] \Delta u^j = & \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u_{(n)}) \cdot (\nabla \phi_i) d^3x \\ & + \int_{\partial\Omega} \alpha u_{(n)} \phi_i ds - \int_{\Omega} f(u_{(n)}) \phi_i d^3x - \int_{\partial\Omega} b \phi_j ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{ij} &= \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \phi_i) \cdot (\nabla \phi_j) d^3x, \\ F'_{ij} &= \int_{\Omega} \frac{df}{du}(u_{(n)}) \phi_i \phi_j d^3x, \\ \alpha_{ij} &= \int_{\partial\Omega} \alpha \phi_i \phi_j ds. \end{aligned}$$

# PHG and CaPHG

<http://lsec.cc.ac.cn/phg/download.htm>

**PHG** 三维自适应有限元软件平台  
Parallel Hierarchical Grid

首页	<b>PHG 源码 : <a href="#">phg-0.9.2-20150107.tar.bz2</a></b>
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# PHG and CaPHG

<https://www.cct.lsu.edu/~jtao/cct/CaPHG/CaPHG.html>

## Cactus on Unstructured Meshes with CaPHG

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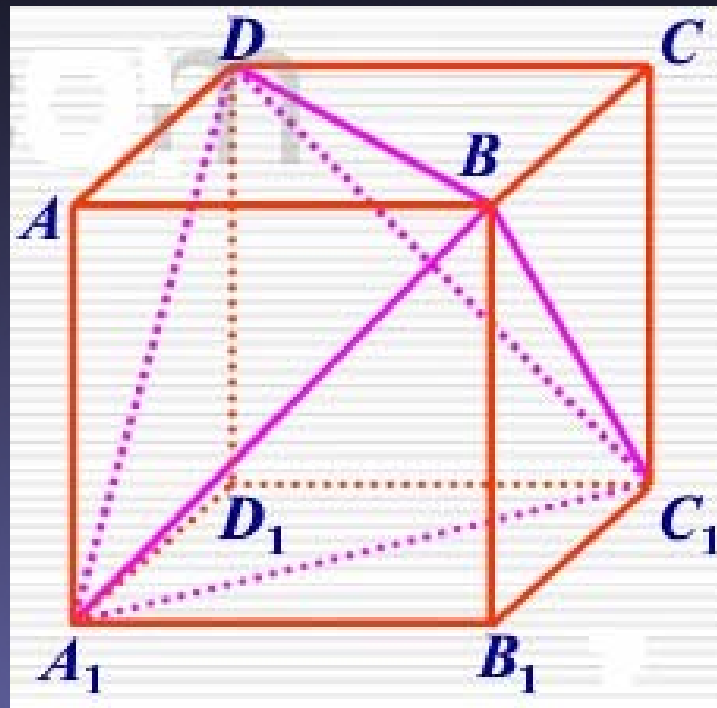
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Cactus Parallel Hierarchical Grid

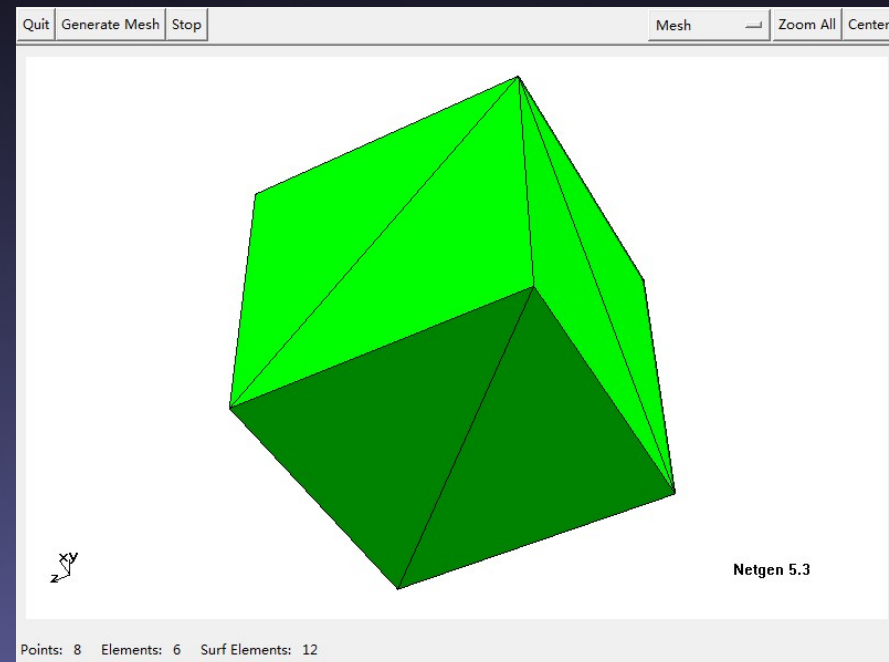
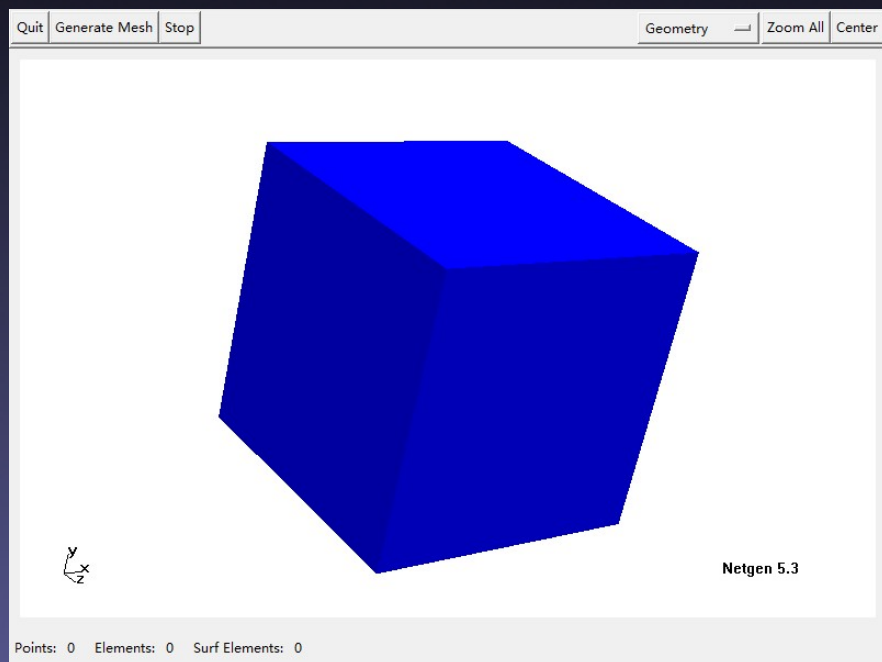
# Initial mesh grid generating 1

Simplest decomposition of a box:  
8 vertices and 5 elements



# Initial mesh grid generating 2

Using NetGen to generate mesh grid

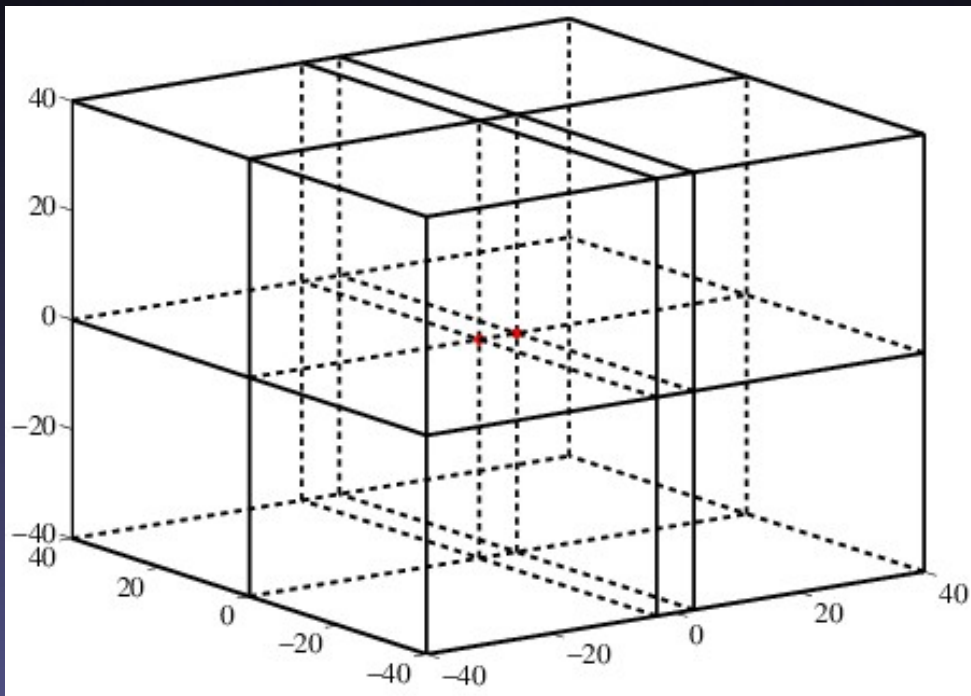


More uniform than previous decomposition



# Initial mesh grid generating 3

Putting the puncture points on vertices

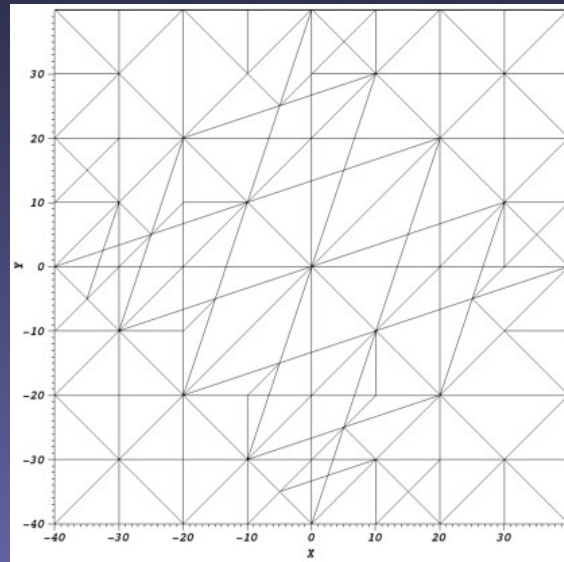


Divide the computational domain into 12 subdomains  
Then use NetGen to generate mesh grid

The function is  $C^\infty$  inside of all elements

# Uniform refinement

In order to avoid the pre-mature of the iteration, we need uniform refinement about 6 times and boundary refinement 3 times to resolve the whole computational domain



# Adaptive refinement

$$H \equiv \nabla^2 u_h + \frac{1}{8} \hat{K}^{ij} \hat{K}_{ij} \psi^{-7}$$

Error indicator:

$$E_i \equiv \sqrt{\int_{\text{i-th element}} (H^2 + \nabla H \cdot \nabla H) dx^3}. \quad H_1 \text{ norm}$$

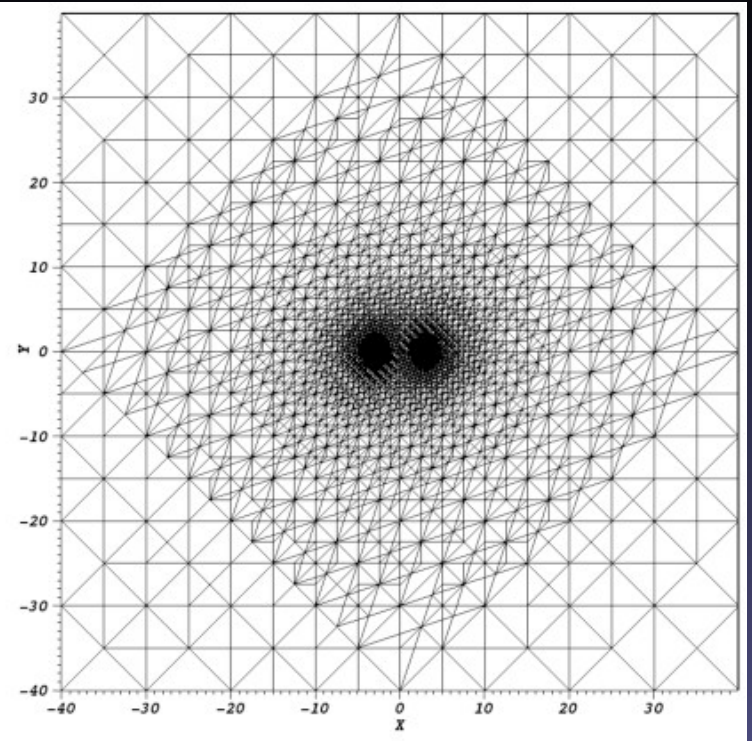
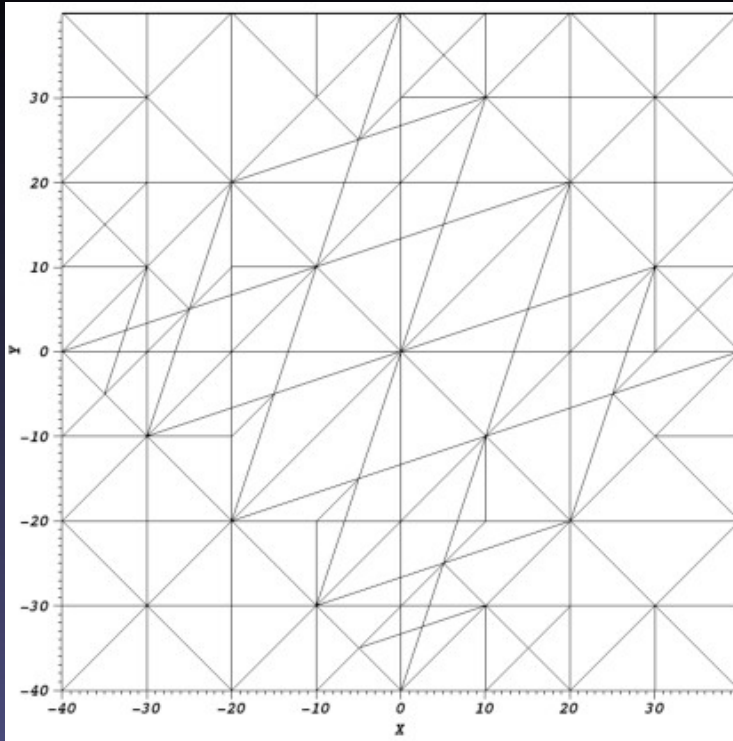
Or :

$$E_i \equiv \sqrt{\int_{\text{i-th element}} H^2 dx^3} \quad L_2 \text{ norm}$$

These two kind of norms result in roughly the same result in all of our tests

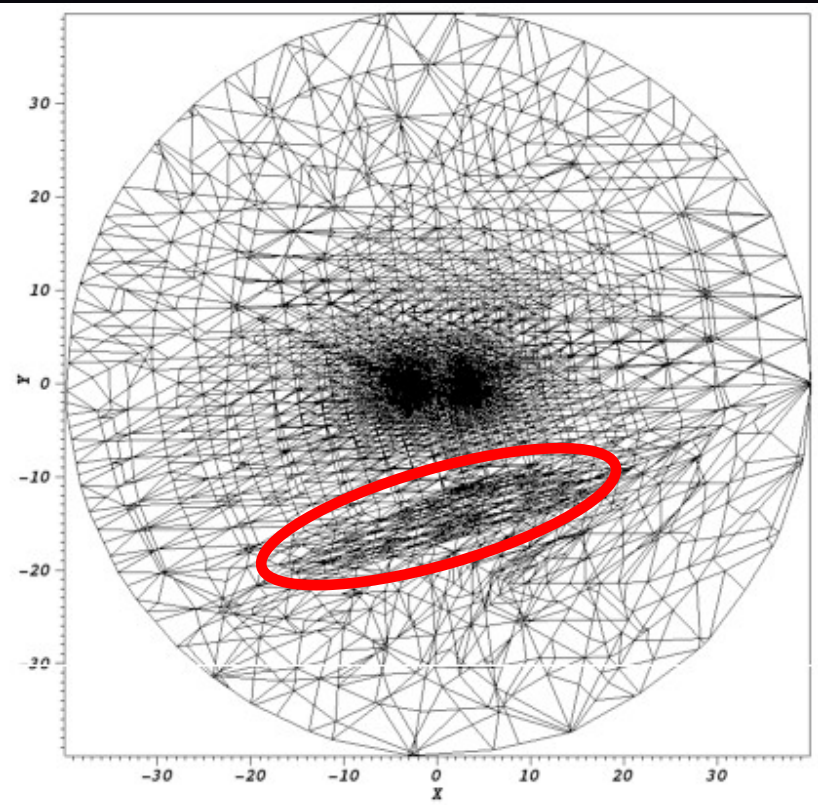
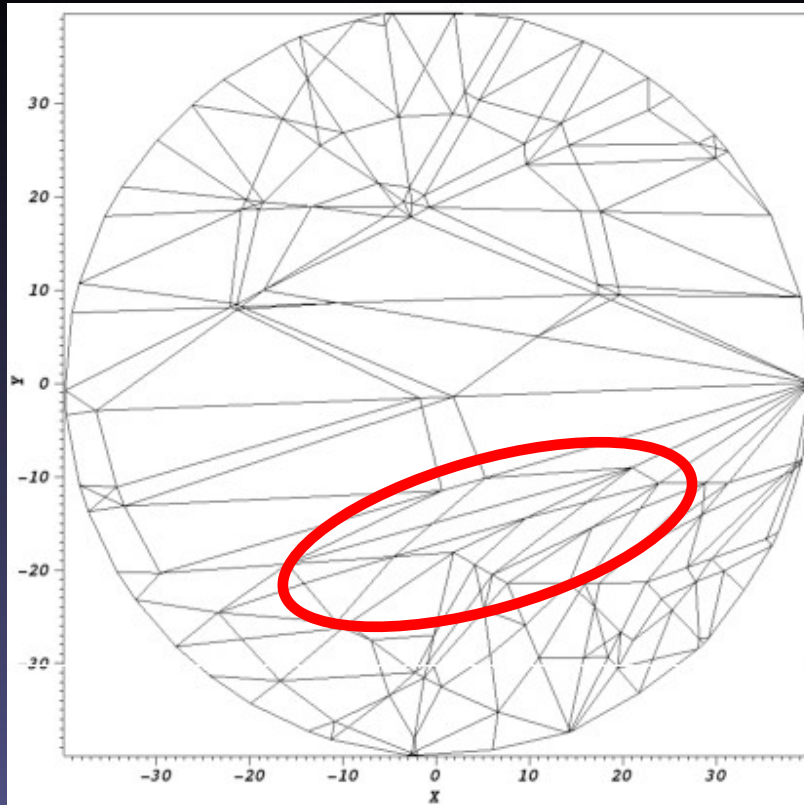


# Adaptive refinement



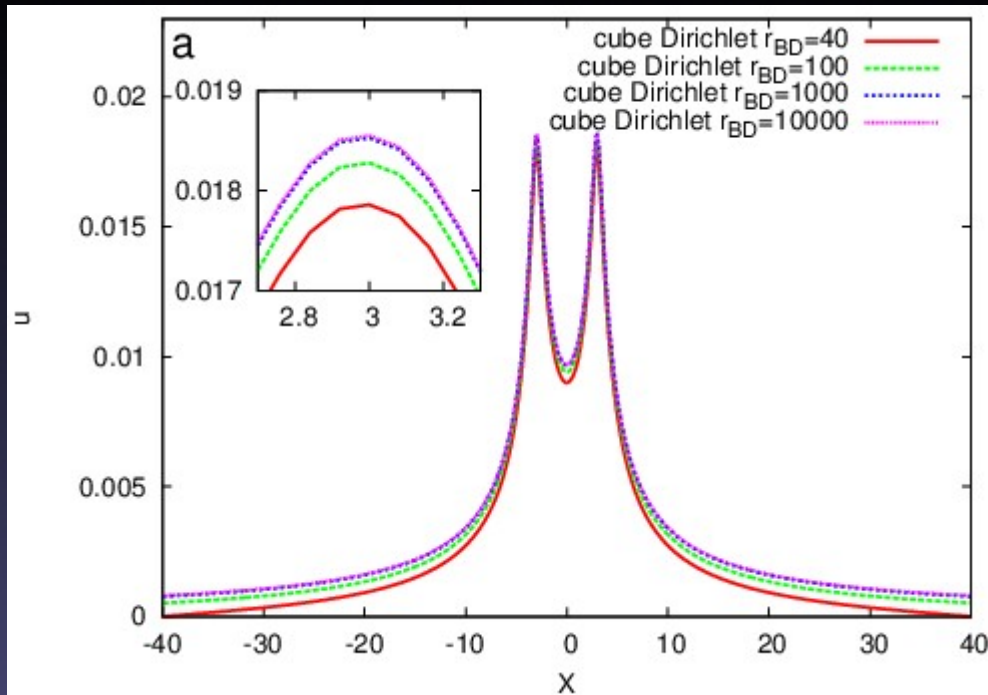
Puncture regions can be captured automatically

# Boundary effect



It is harder to generate efficient grid for spherical boundary than for box

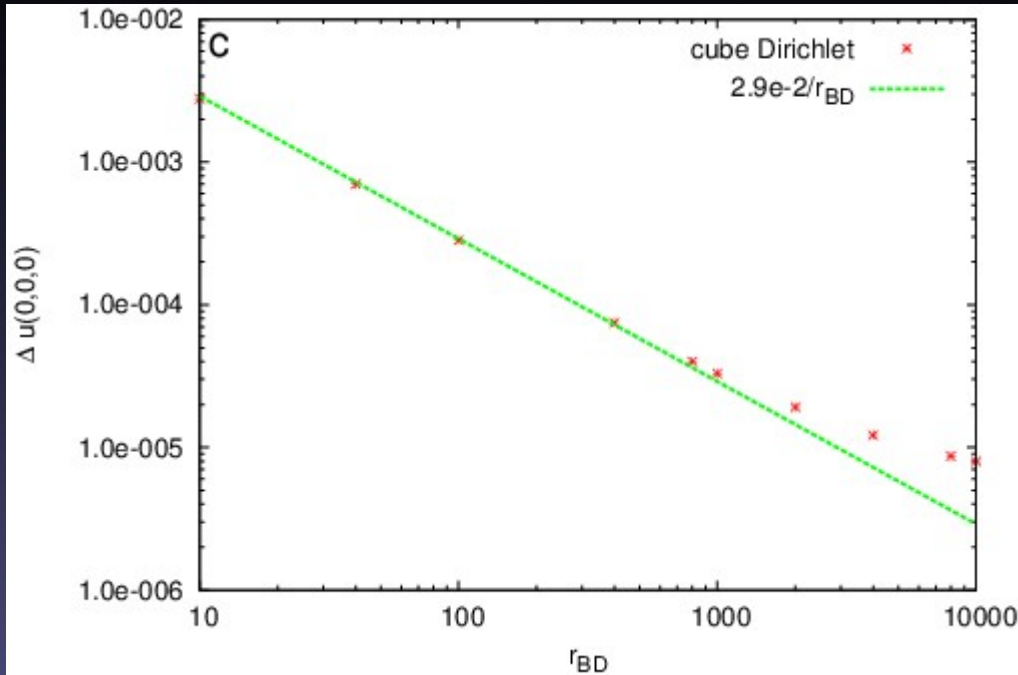
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As expected, the boundary is farther, the numerical solutions is better



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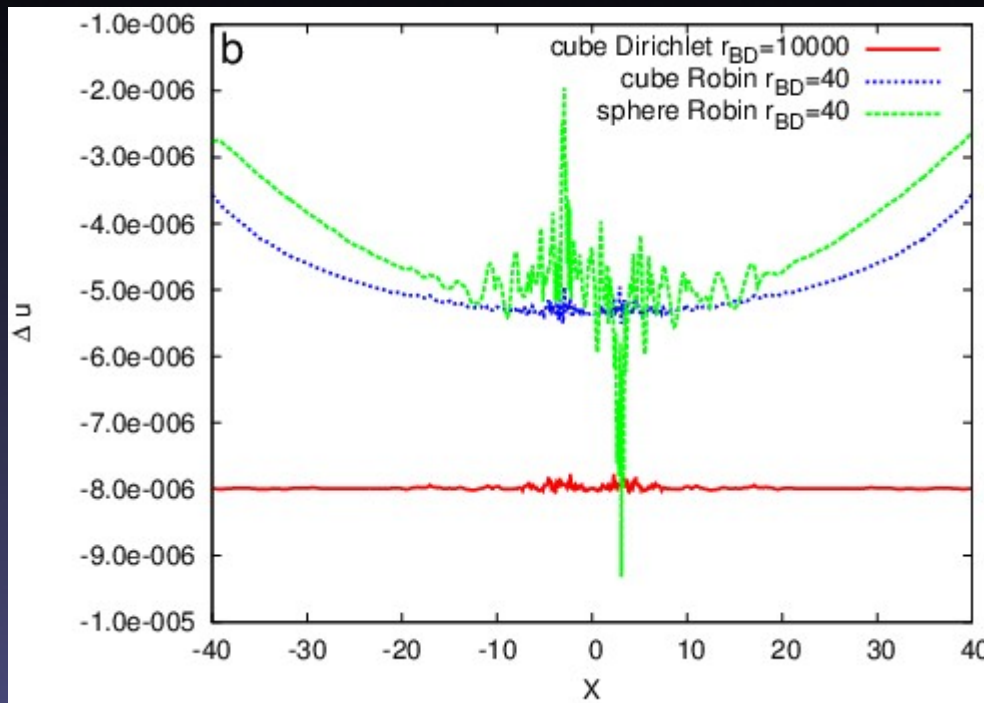


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The convergence behaves like  $\frac{1}{r_{BD}}$

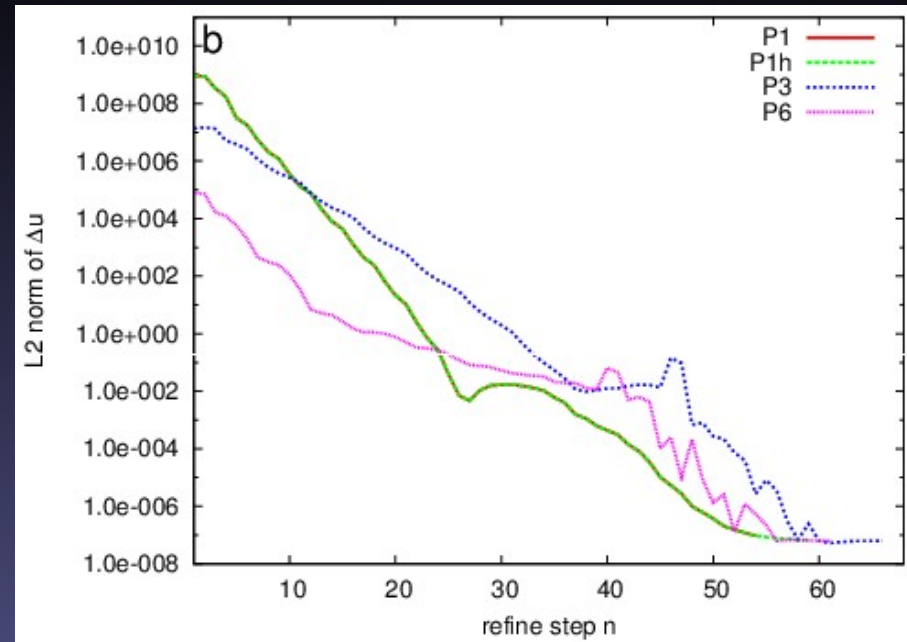
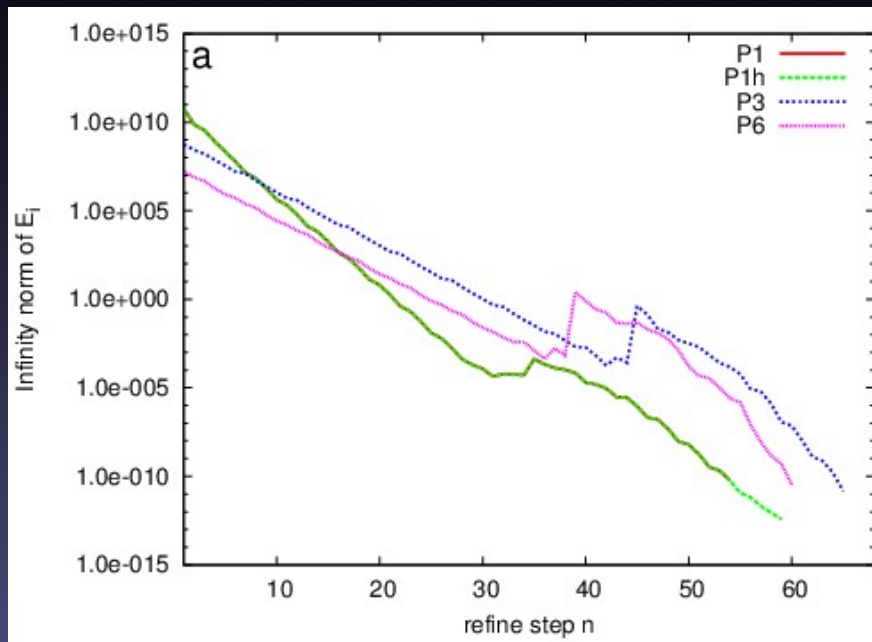
This confirms our assumption of Robin BD form

# Boundary effect



The spherical configuration is less accurate than the box configuration, So the numerical error is larger than that of box

# Polynomial order effect

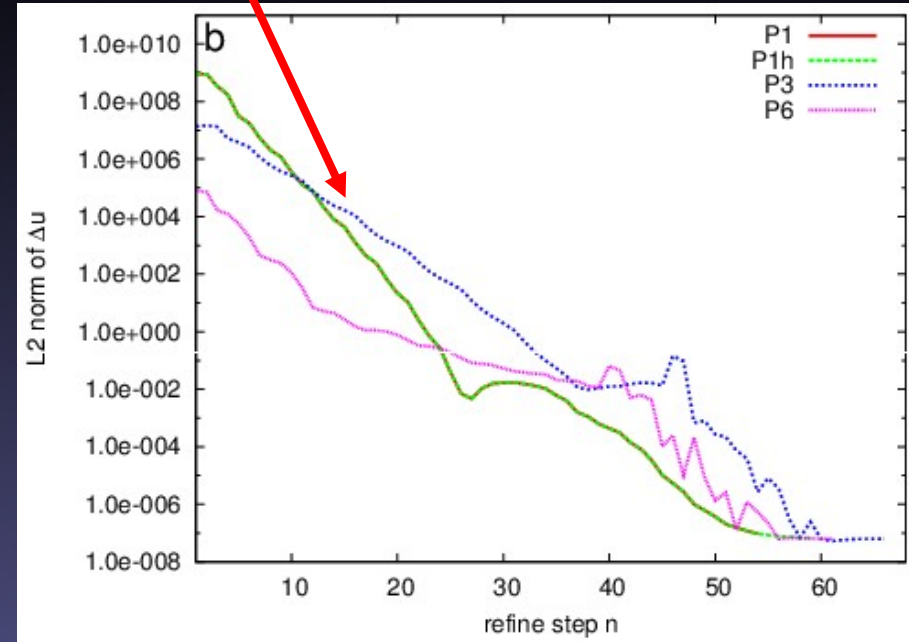
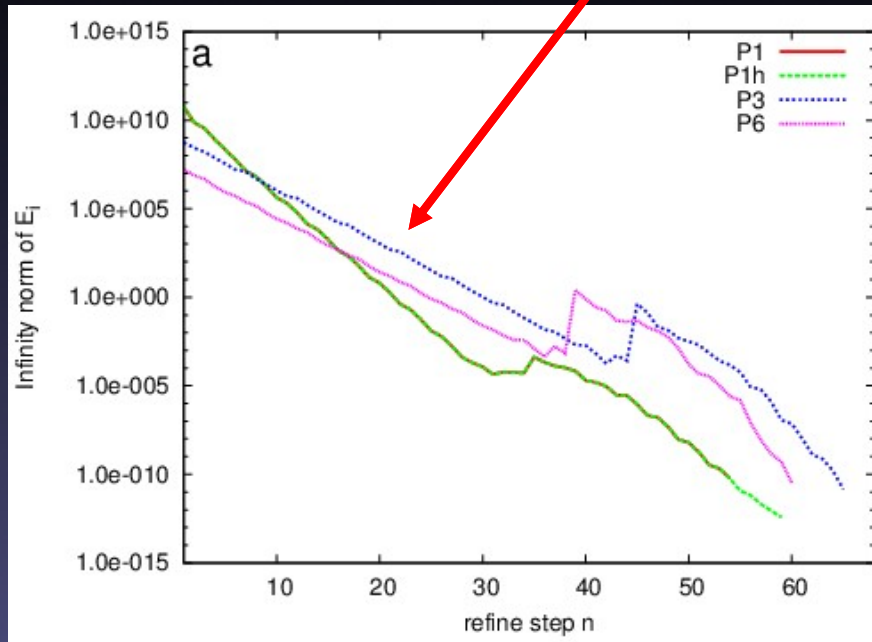


No matter we put the puncture points on vertexes or not, the results are roughly the same. These plots correspond to the result we do not put the puncture points on vertexes

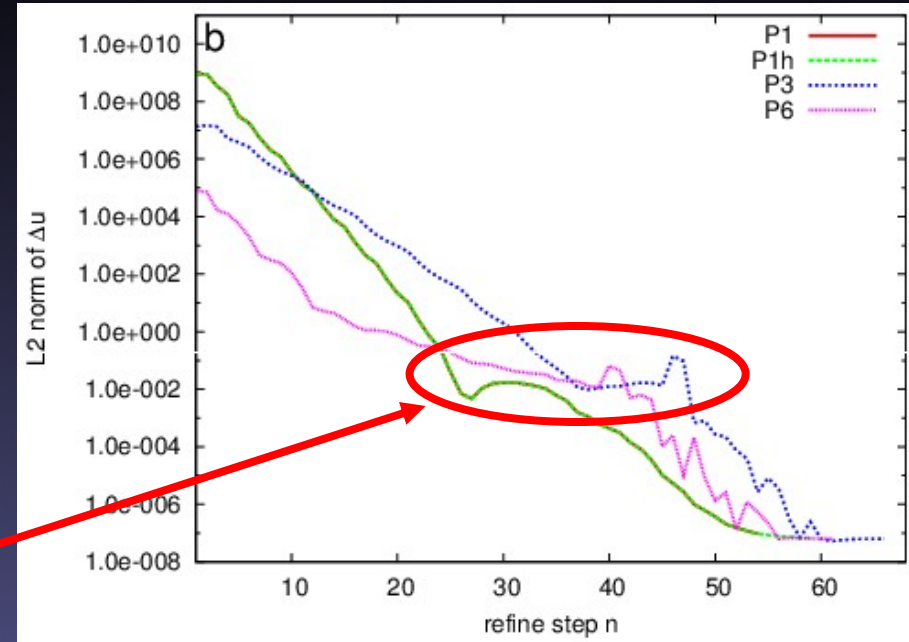
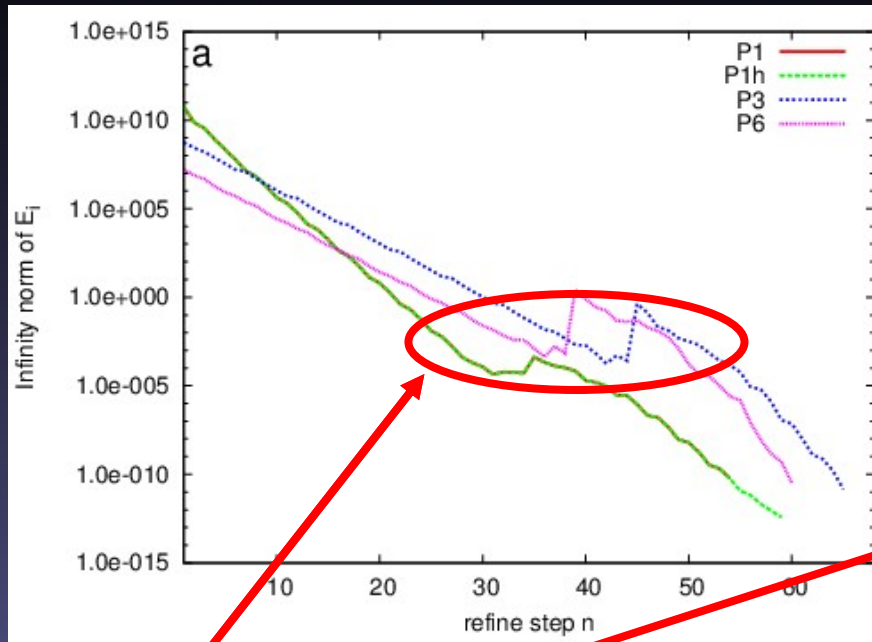


# Polynomial order effect

Resolve the whole domain

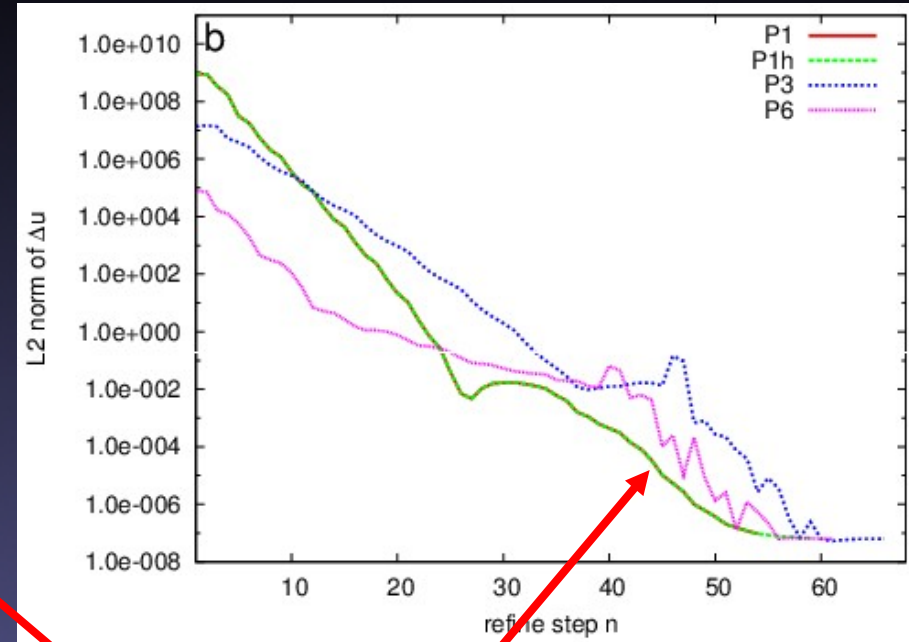
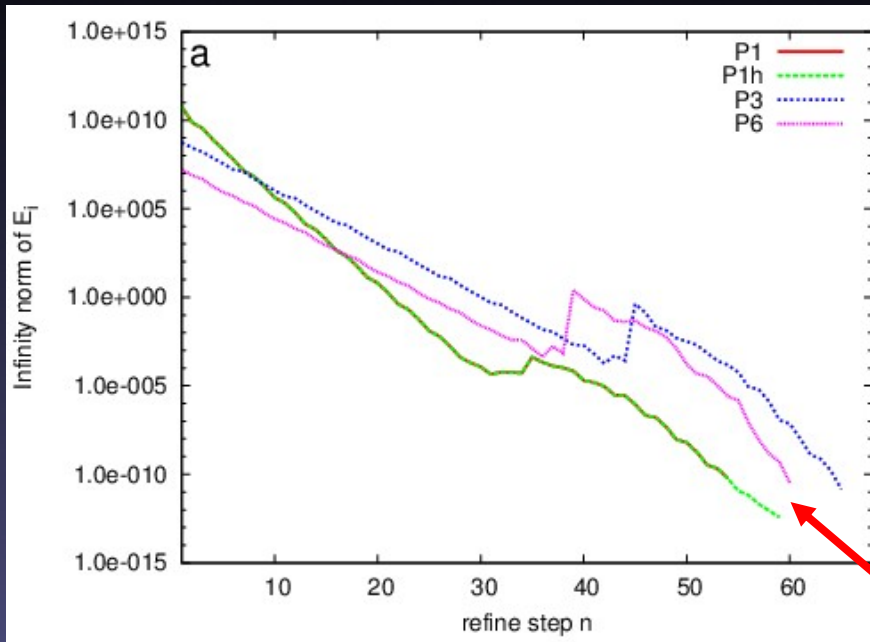


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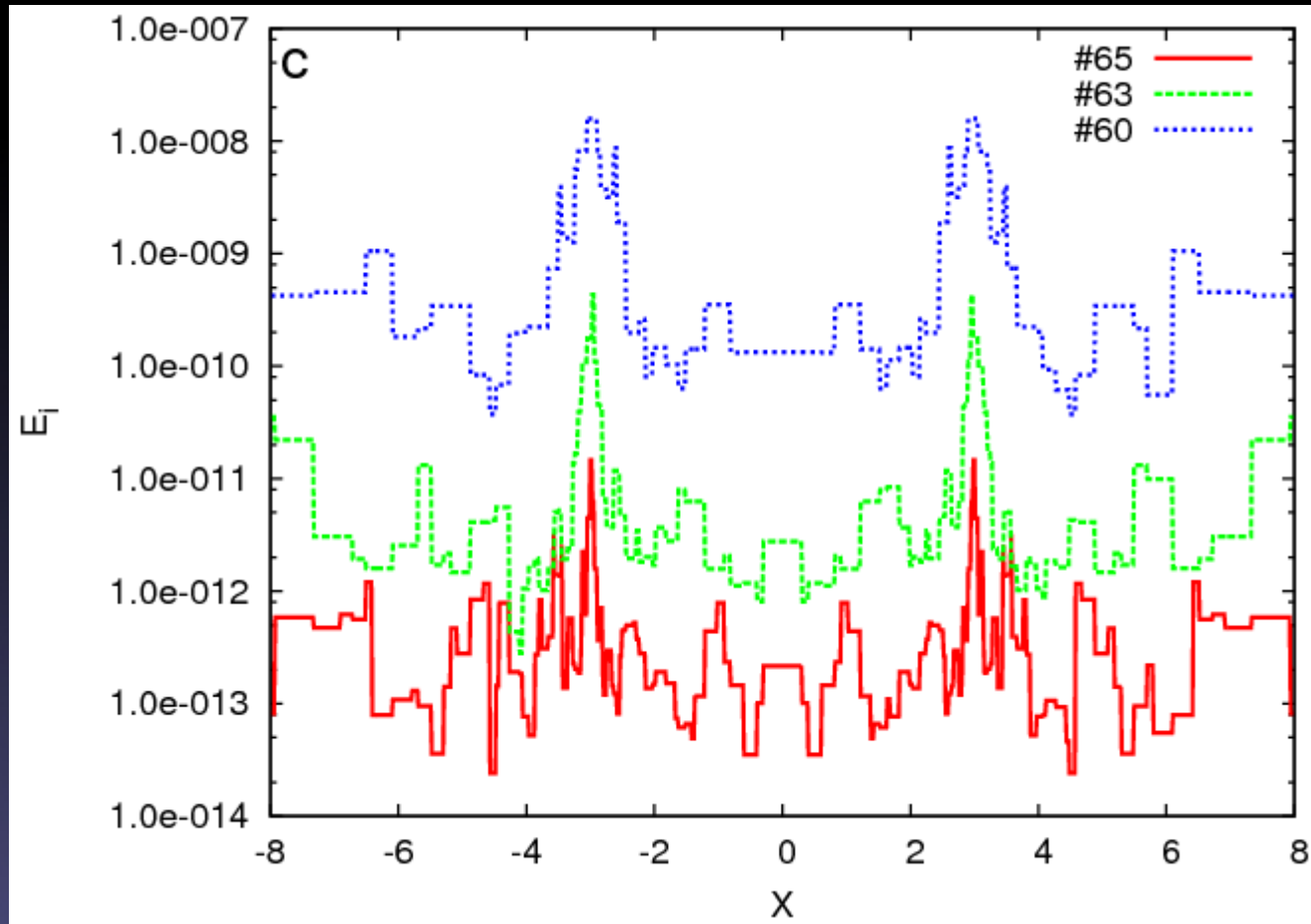


Resolve the puncture  
points region

# Polynomial order effect



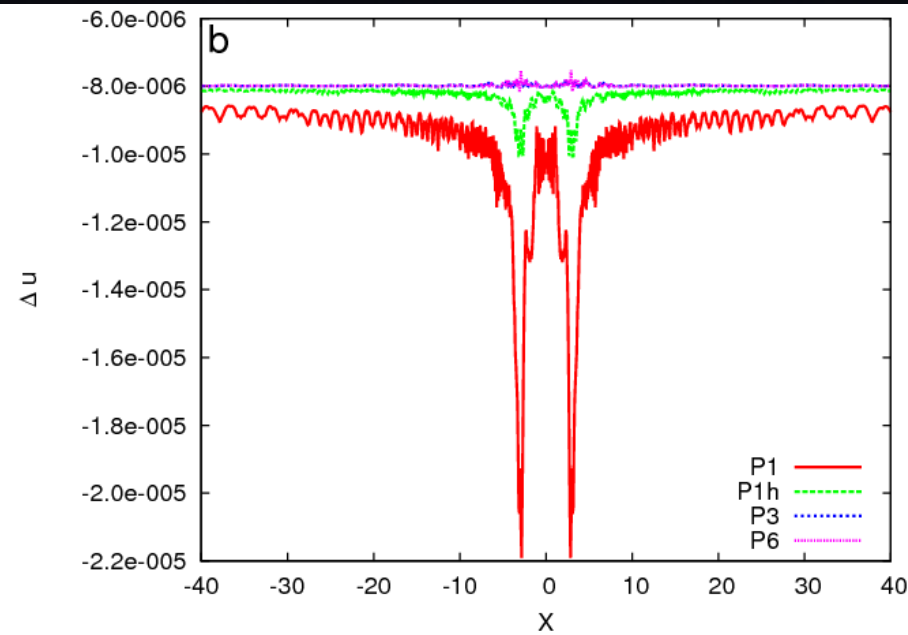
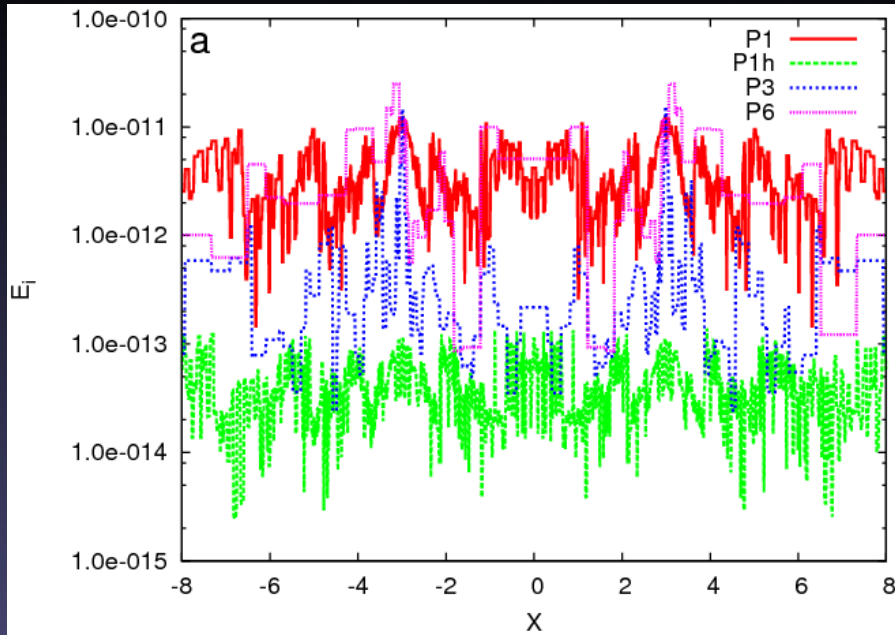
Real converge process



The numerical error indicator, also the Hamiltonian constraint violation. Converging behavior near puncture points

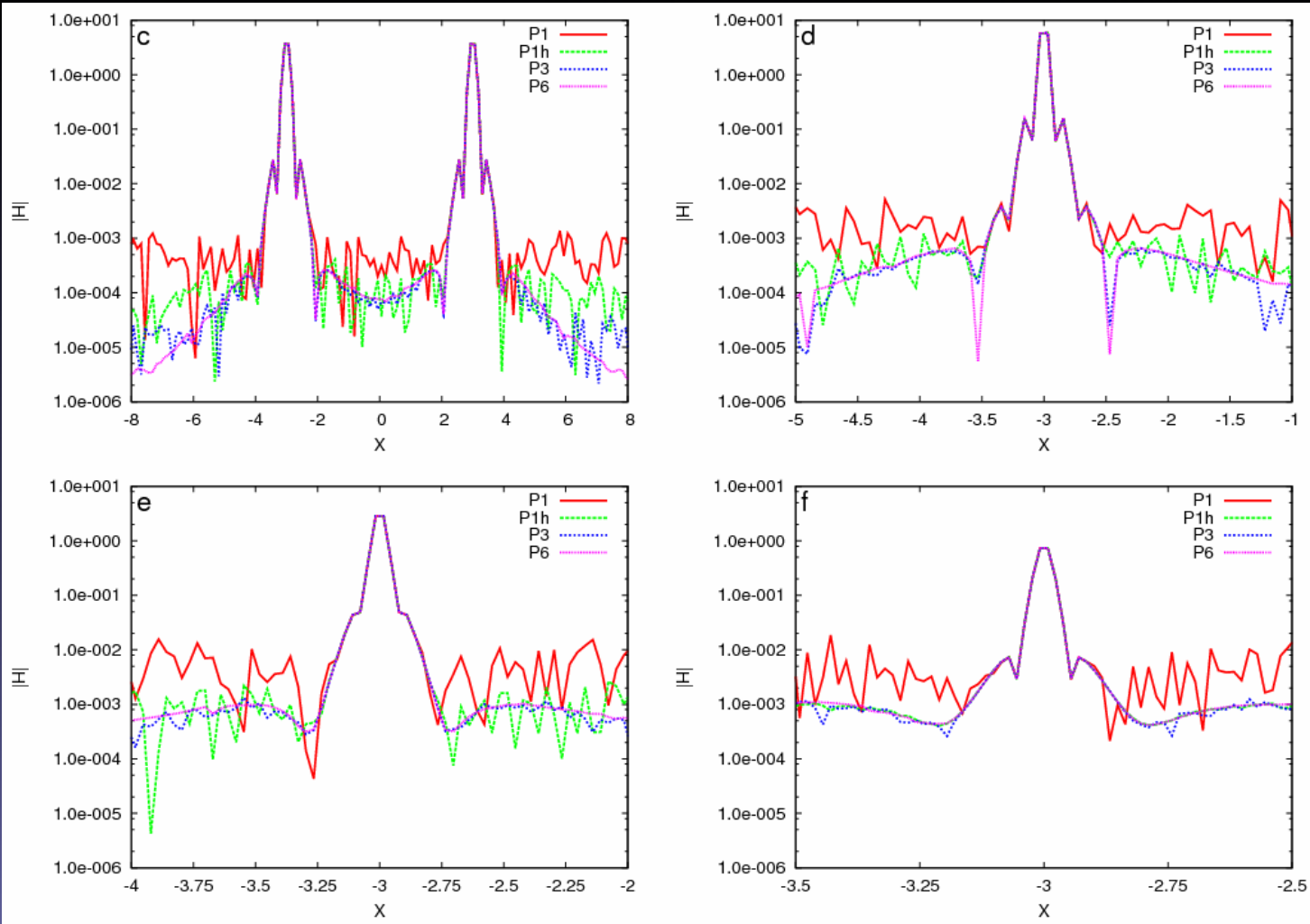


# Polynomial order effect



Higher order polynomial results in more accurate solution,  
at the meantime the needed resolution is coarser

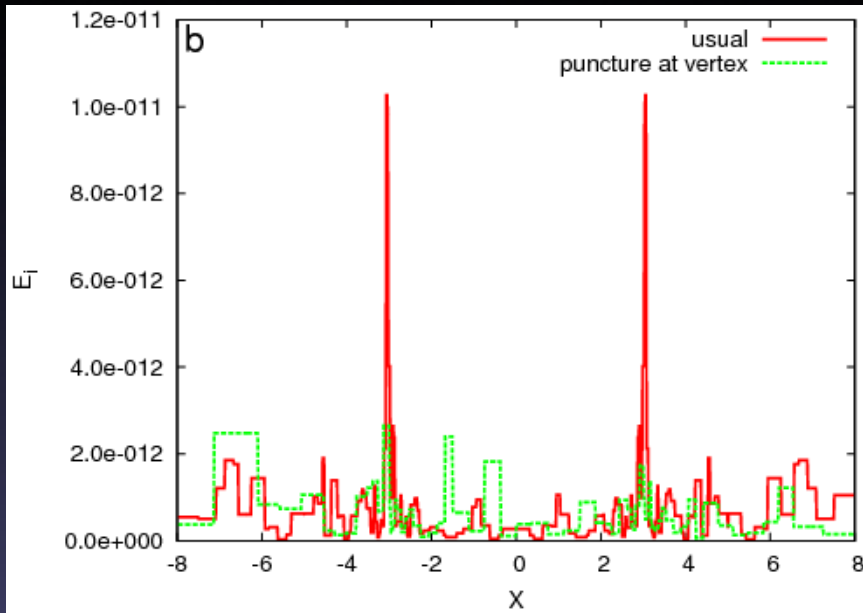
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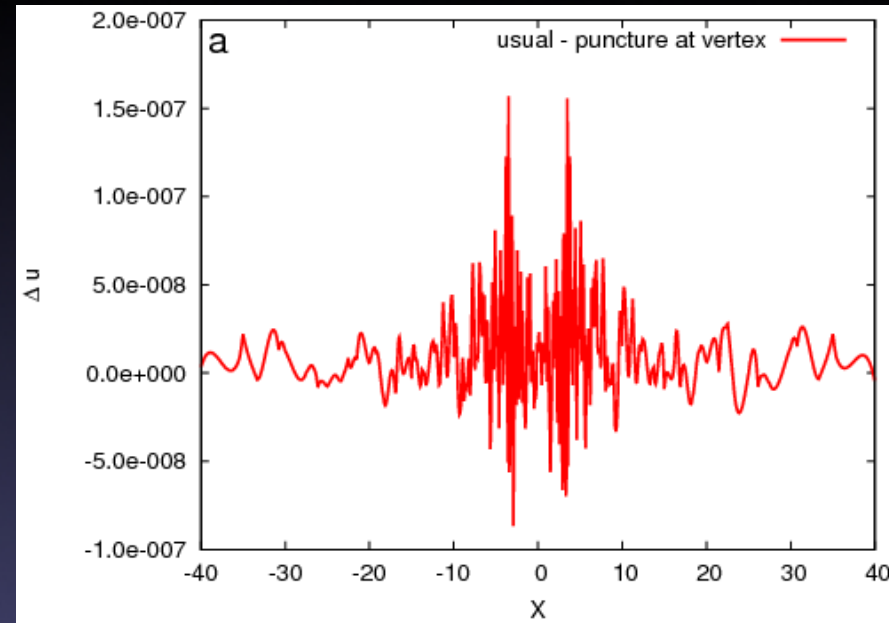
For the  
usage of  
finite  
difference  
code  
AMSS-  
NCKU.

In practice,  
P1 is  
enough

# Effect of puncture point

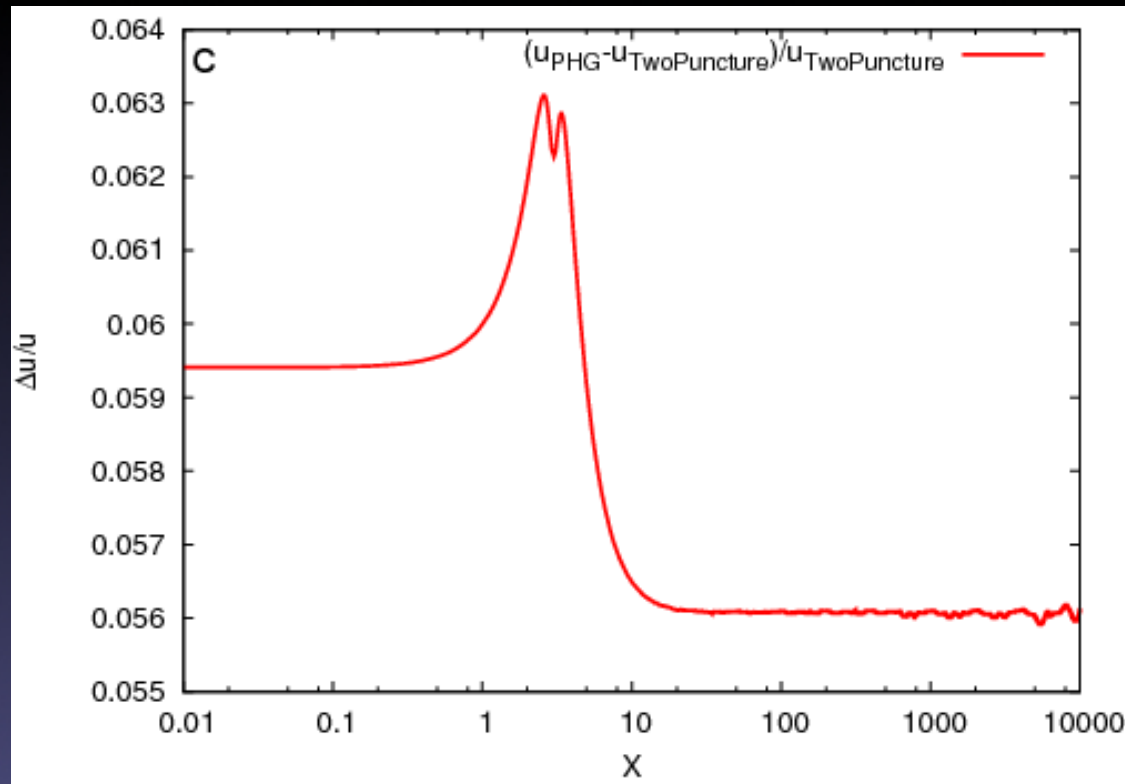


Requirement for the resolution is lower, while the constraint violation is smaller



The resulted solution difference is smaller than the that of polynomial order

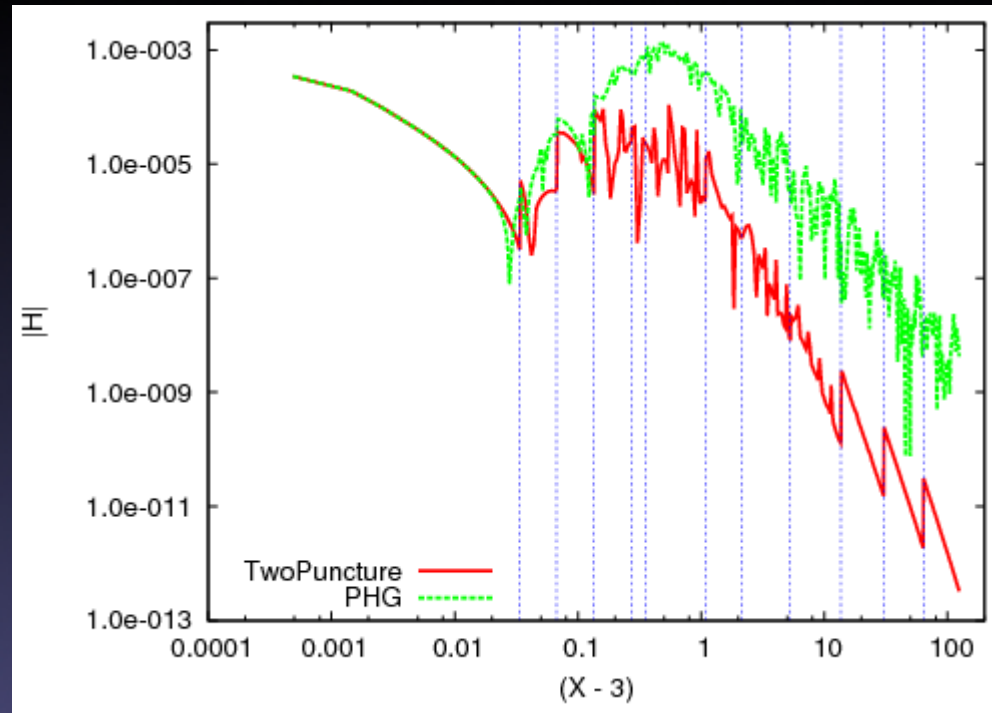
# Comparison to spectral method



The relative difference is almost uniform among the space. If the reason is resolution, we expect the spectral method is more accurate, but AFEM is more practical and more flexible, no computational cost is wasted.



# Comparison to spectral method



From practical viewpoint, we use AMSS-NCKU code to compare the solutions. Although the FEM solution does not waste resolution, spectral solution is a little bit better on constraint violation

# Summary and prospect

- AFEM has been applied to solve punctured multi black hole ID
- Mesh grid and boundary conditions affect the numerical solution strongly
- High order polynomial bases and/or spectral bases can be used together with AFEM to combine the advantage of FD and spectral method. But much more work is needed
- Application to the evolution of Einstein equations is appreciated. This may provide high accuracy and high parallel efficiency