Experiments with the ULTIMATE-MACHO Scalar Advection Scheme in SAM

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ULTIMATE-MACHO

- Current SAM's scalar advection scheme: MPDATA (Smolarkiewicz and Grabowski 1990) 2nd-order monotone scheme
- ULTIMATE: 1D scheme, any order based on Lagrange interpolation (Leonard 1991)
- MACHO: 3D scheme with direct use of 1D scheme (Leonard et al. 1996)
- Monotonicity: FCT (Zalesak 1979) works best for ULTIMATE-MACHO.







MACHO

Operator splitting with

- flux form: conservation but not constancy & shape preservation
- advective form: constancy & shape preservation but not conservation

1.
$$\hat{\phi}_{x} = f^{1D}(\phi^{n})$$
, $\leftarrow f^{1D} = \text{ULTIMATE}$
2. $\phi_{AX} = \phi^{n} + c_{x}^{\text{box}}(\hat{\phi}_{w} - \hat{\phi}_{e})$, $\leftarrow \text{advective form update}$
3. $\hat{\phi}_{y} = f^{1D}(\phi_{AX})$,
4. $\phi_{AY} = \phi_{AX} + c_{y}^{\text{box}}(\hat{\phi}_{n} - \hat{\phi}_{s})$,
5. $\hat{\phi}_{z} = f^{1D}(\phi_{AY})$,
6. $\phi^{n+1} = \phi^{n} + c_{w}\hat{\phi}_{w} - c_{e}\hat{\phi}_{e} + c_{n}\hat{\phi}_{n} - c_{s}\hat{\phi}_{s} + c_{t}\hat{\phi}_{t} - c_{b}\hat{\phi}_{b}$,
flux form update

- ★ constancy preservation: an initially homogeneous scalar should remain identically equal to the initial value in initially solenoidal velocity field.
- ★ shape preservation: 1D shapepreserving operator maintain shape preservation in 3D as well.

2D rotating split cylinder



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Cost

	SAM-MPDATA	GCSS DYCOMS-II
SAM-MPDATA	1	1
UM3	1.8	1.2
UM5	2.2	1.3
UM7	3	1.5

Summary



- 5th ULTIMATE-MACHO is optimal among the schemes tested.
- Higher-order scalar advection scheme
 - Thicker cloud layer
 - More energetic PBL turbulence
 - Smaller entrainment rate
- Implemented ULTIMATE-MACHO in SAM
 - ▶ 3rd, 5th, 7th for uniform grid
 - 3rd and 5th for non-uniform grid
- Future improvement: Selective flux limiter by Blossey and Durran (2008)