Progress in CIG

Computational Science

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Past goals

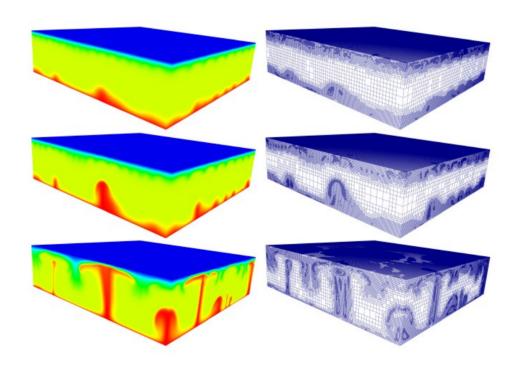
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 - Workshop in Santa Fe, NM, 9/15-9/17/2008
 - Objectives:
 - . Bringing together solid-earth geoscientist, mathematicians, computational scientists to focus on specific issues arising from a range of solid earth dynamics problems
 - Specifically, 3 grand challenge problems:
 Mantle convection and lithospheric deformation
 Magma dynamics
 Crustal dynamics and the earthquake cycle

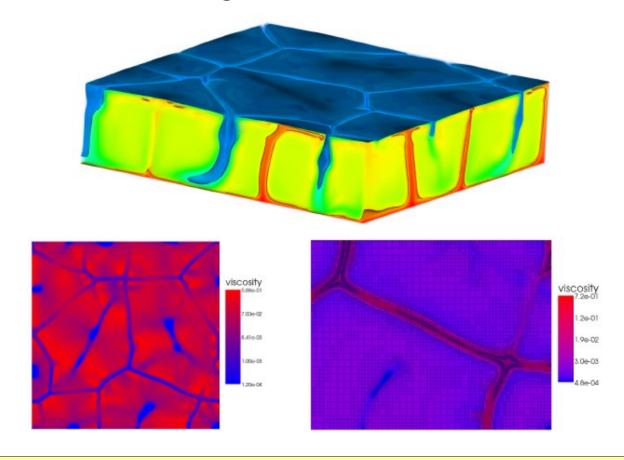
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 - . Stokes solver finished
 - . Boussinesq (thermal convection) solver nearly finished
 - . 4 more programs coming till 9/2009

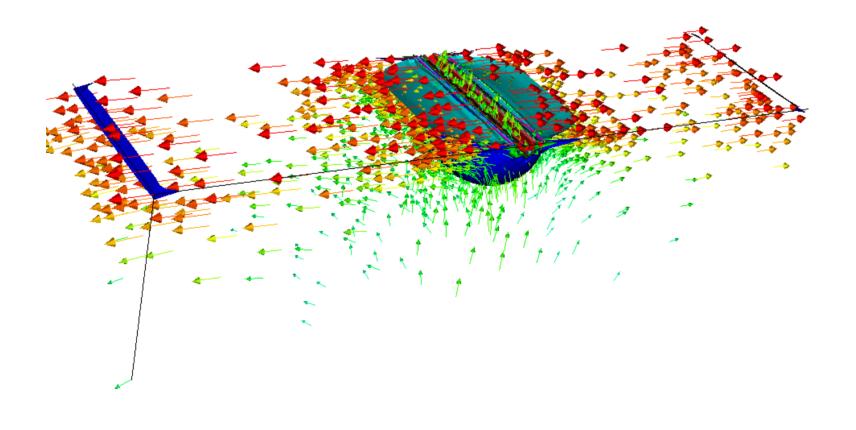
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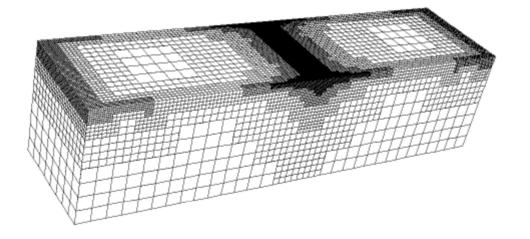
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 - This has been achieved by a number of codes, e.g. the one by Ghattas, Gurnis & Zhong
 - Work underway to incorporate Ghattas' parallel forest library into deal.II

- Integrating current codes with existing libraries (e.g. PETSc)
 - PETSc appears to be the basis of all new codes
 - Work is under way to provide a set of tutorial programs that use deal. It as the basis for geodynamics applications