

# Testing electron heating in the relativistic fluid code KHARMA

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# KHARMA

- Relativistic Fluid Code

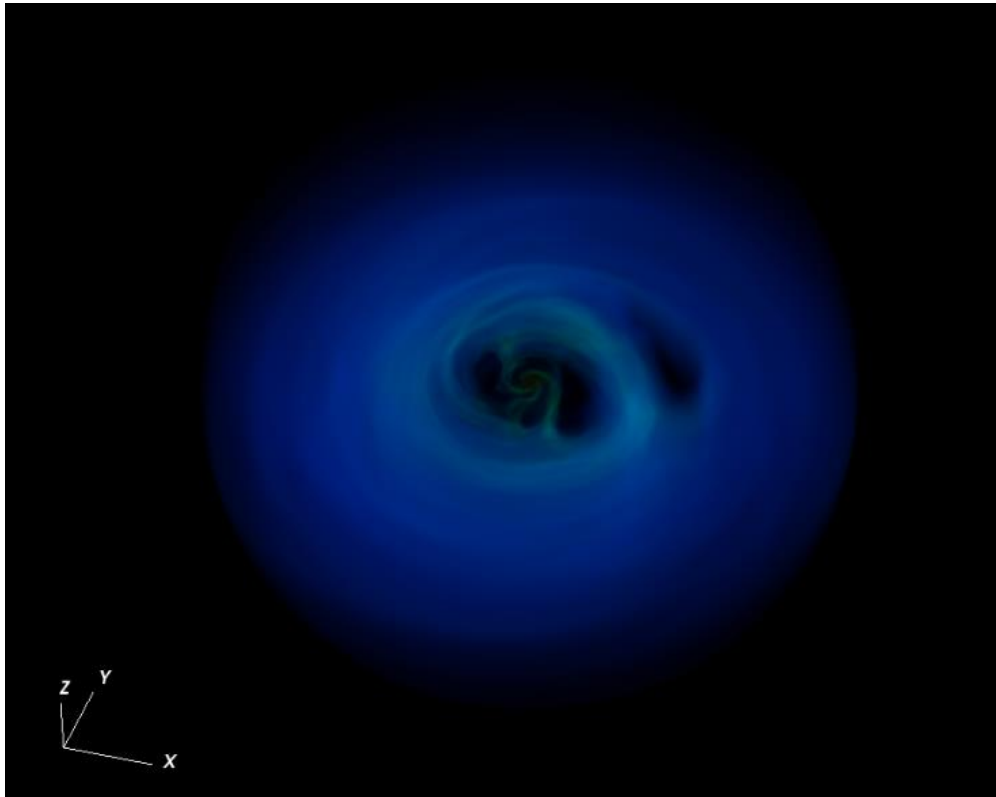


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- Radiative Transfer Code

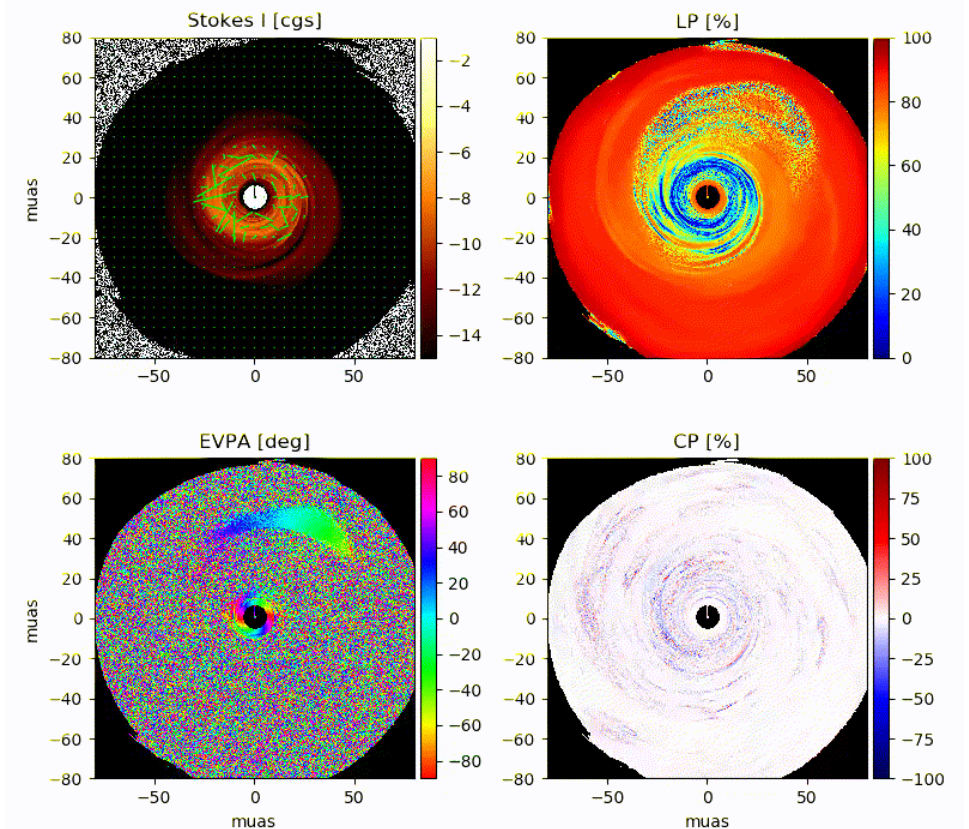


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# Implementation

- Previous work with  $R_{high}$   $\frac{T_p}{T_e} = R_{high} \frac{\beta^2}{1 + \beta^2} + R_{low} \frac{1}{1 + \beta^2}$

- Tracking entropy of the whole fluid to determine its dissipation

$$Q = \rho T_g u^\mu \partial_\mu s_g \rightarrow Q = \left( \frac{\rho^{\gamma-1}}{\gamma-1} \right)^{n+1/2} \left[ \frac{\rho u^t (\kappa_g - \hat{\kappa}_g)}{\Delta t} \right]^{n+1}$$

where  $k_g \equiv P_g \rho^{-\gamma}$  and  $P_g = (\gamma - 1) u_g$

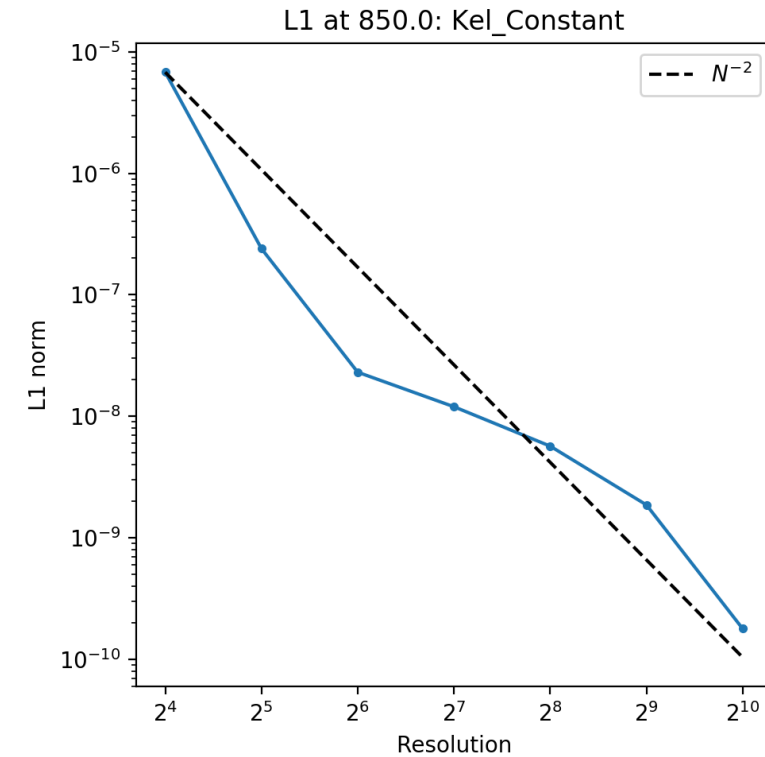
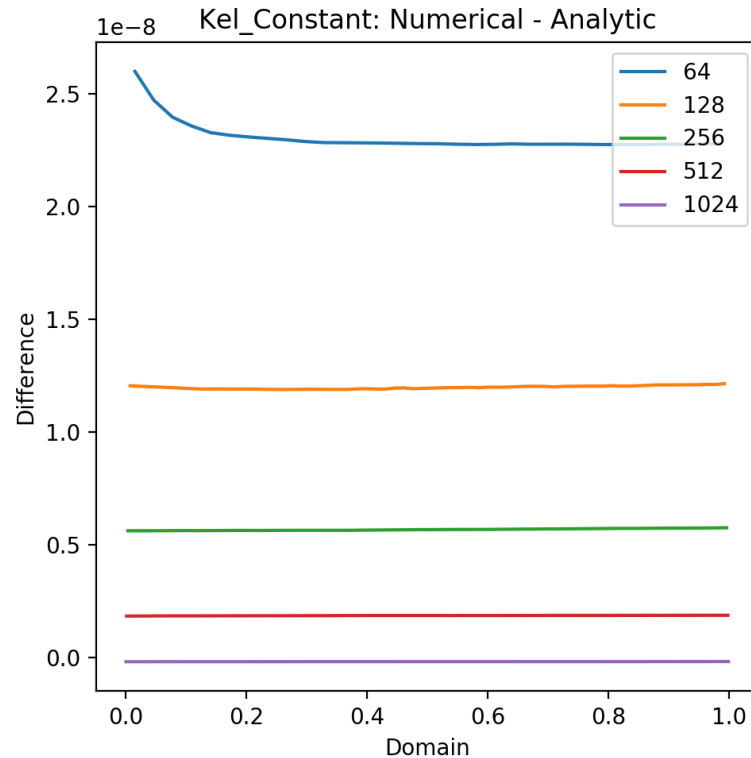
Finally, we assign a fraction of the heating of the whole fluid to the electrons:  $Q_e = f_e Q$

# Hubble Flow Test, 1D

- Testing that it has a 2<sup>nd</sup> order convergence.

- Setting  $v = \frac{v_0 x}{1+v_0 t}$  and an explicit heating term  $Q = \frac{u_0 v_0 (\gamma - 2)}{1+v_0 t^3}$

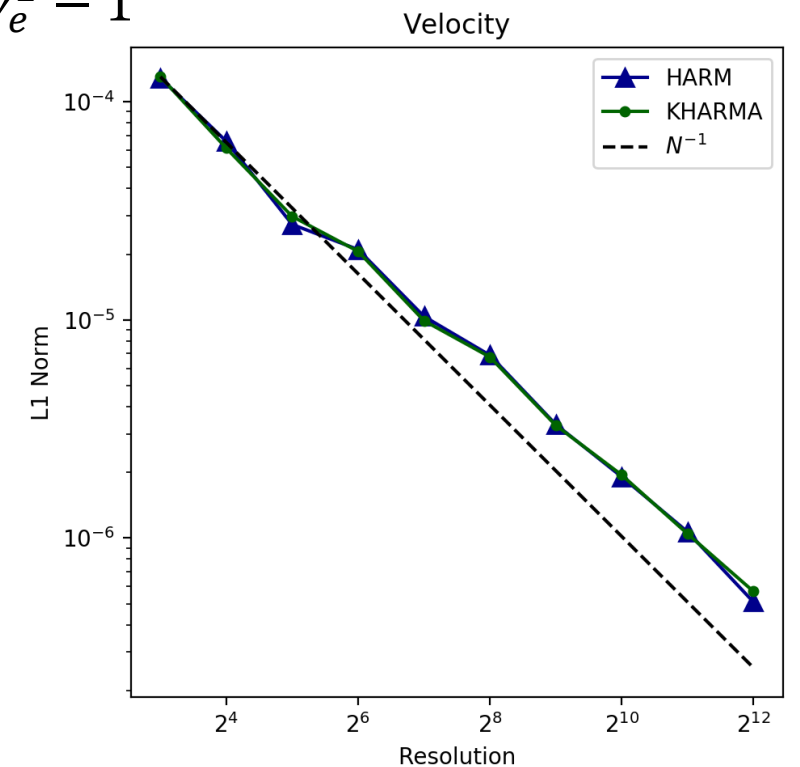
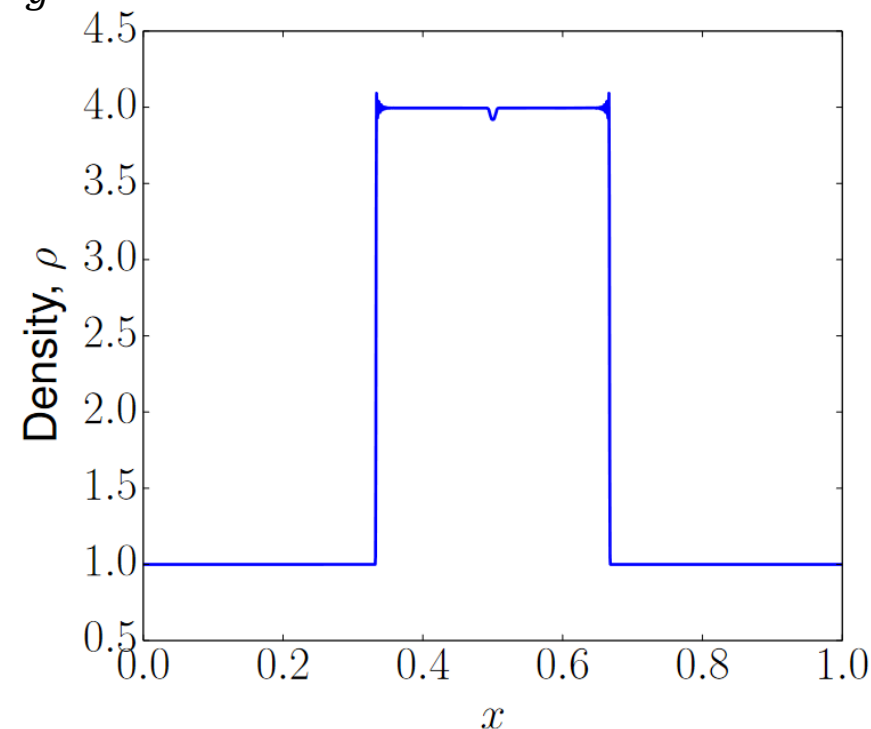
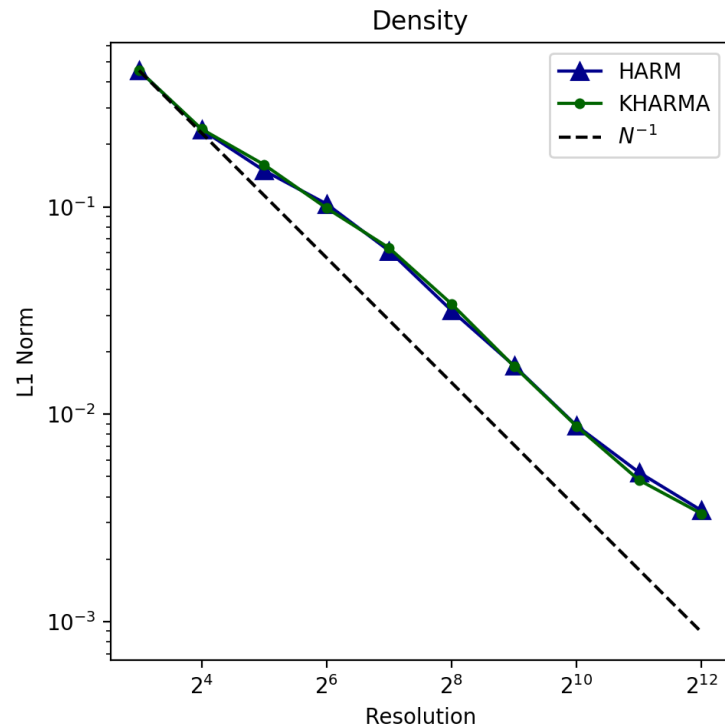
- Analytically, the electron entropy is:  $\kappa_e = \frac{(\gamma - 2)(\gamma_e - 1)}{\gamma_e - 2} \frac{u_0}{\rho_0^{\gamma_e}} \frac{1}{(1+v_0 t)^{2-\gamma_e}}$



# Noh Shock Test, 1D

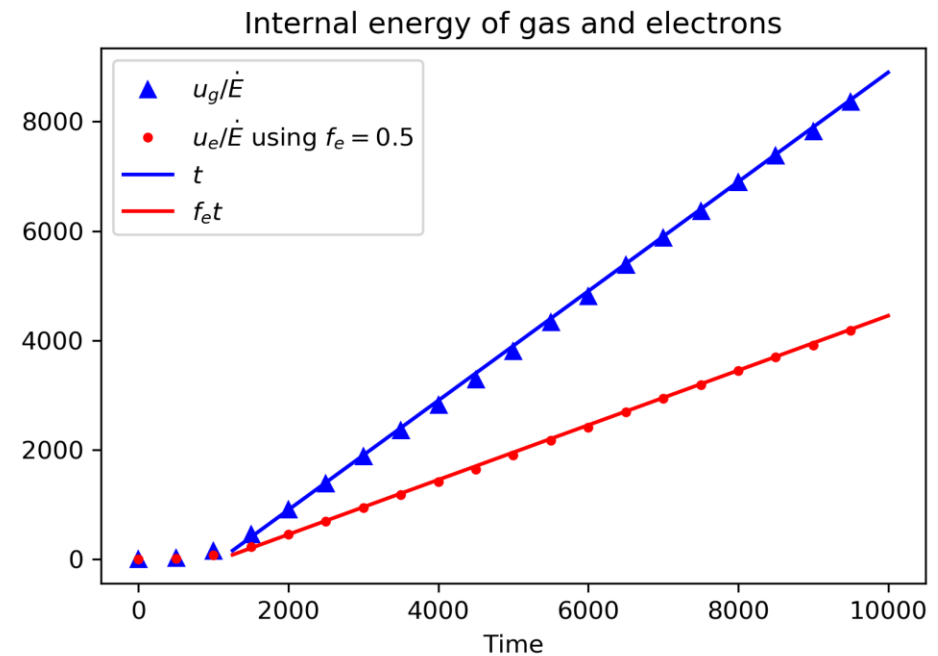
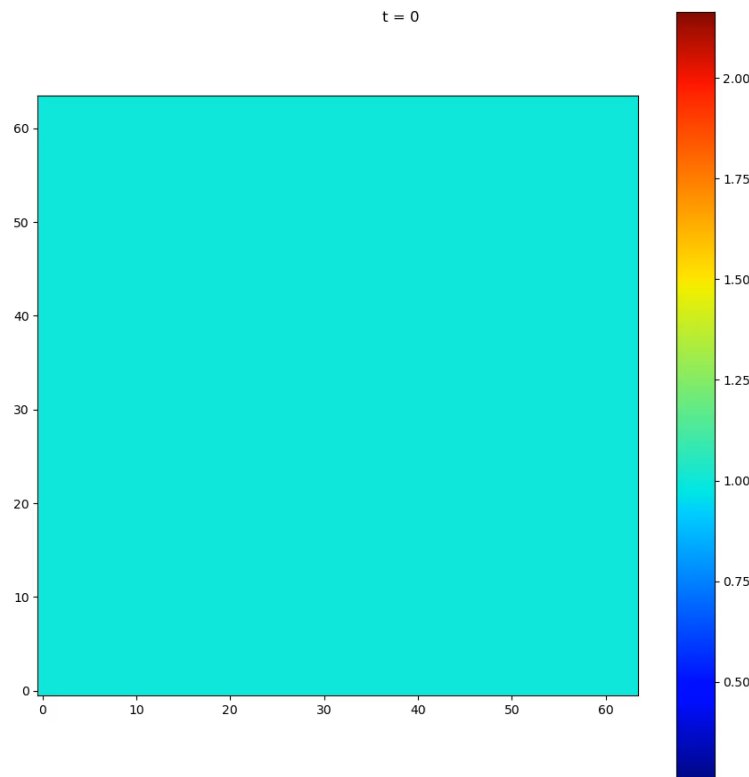
- Testing that it captures shocks at 1<sup>st</sup> order convergence.
- Initial condition: Velocity is discontinuous at the center,  $v_l = -v_r > 0$
- Assuming a high Mach Number:

$$\frac{u_e^f}{u_g^f} = \frac{f_e}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1} \right)^{\gamma_e} \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma_e} \right) + 1 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma_e} \right] \frac{\gamma^2 - 1}{\gamma_e^2 - 1}$$



# Driven Turbulence Test, 2D

- Inject energy to a fluid in a periodic box at a constant energy rate  $\dot{E}$
- Total internal energy change should reflect this rate.
- Gaussian random kicks from a GRF with variance  $\sigma^2 \propto k^6 \exp\left(-\frac{8k}{k_{peak}}\right)$



# What's next?

- Using plasma models to determine the fraction of heating,  $f_e$ , that would go to electrons at each cell
- Application to Sgr A\* models
- Questions