

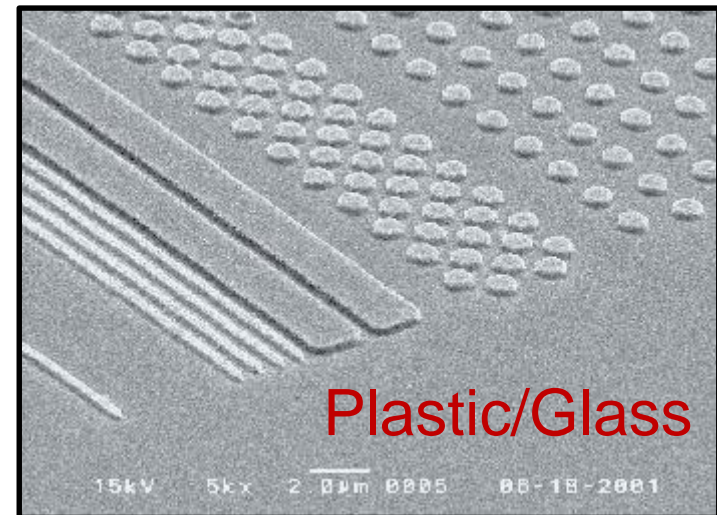
# Performance Evaluation of Stabilized F-bar Aided Edge-based Smoothed Finite Element Method with **Four-node** Tetrahedral Elements (SymF-barES-FEM-T4) for Contact Problems

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# Motivation

## What we want to do:

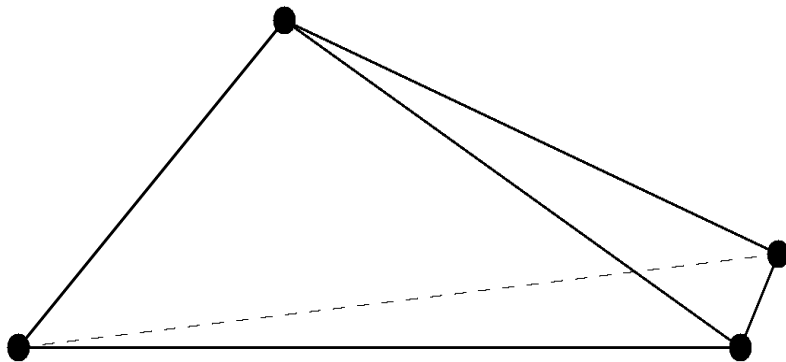
- Solve **hyper large deformation** analyses accurately and stably.
- Treat complex geometries with **tetrahedral meshes**.
- Consider **nearly incompressible materials** ( $\nu \approx 0.5$ ).
- Support **contact** problems.
- Handle **auto re-meshing**.



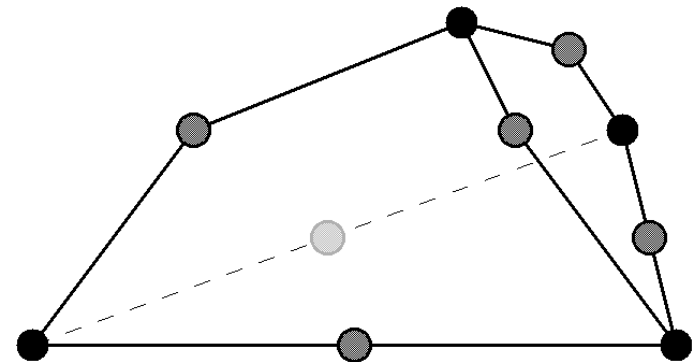
# Issue in Ordinary T10 Elements

## Issue

When we use 10-node tetrahedral (T10) mesh, the number of nodes gets much larger to express complex shapes without element kink.



✓ Skewed T4



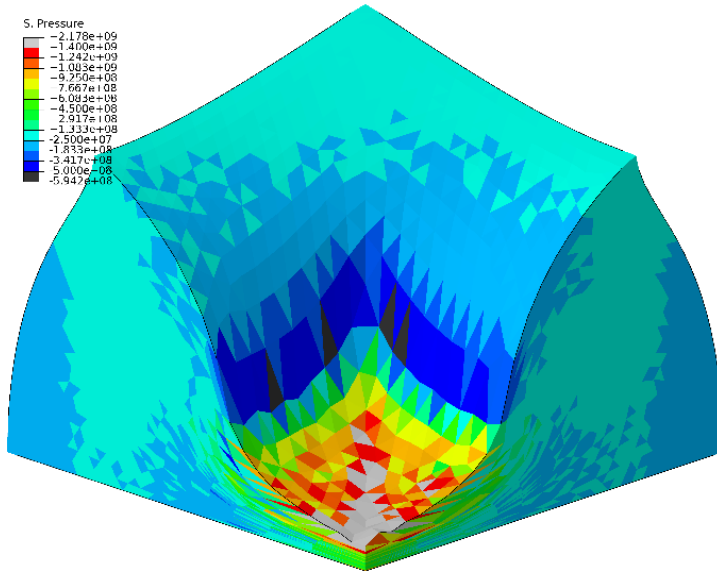
✗ Kinked T10

## Possible Solutions

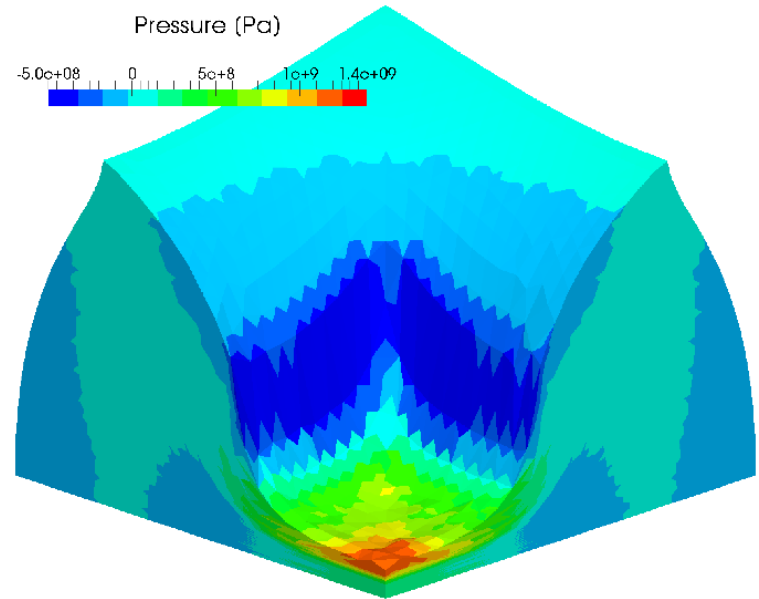
1. Robust T10 element (method in the previous talk)
2. Accurate T4 element (method in THIS talk)

# Our T4 Method for Static Problems

Our group has proposed a new S-FEM-T4 formulation, **F-barES-FEM-T4**, detailed later.



ABAQUS C3D4H  
✗ pressure oscillation

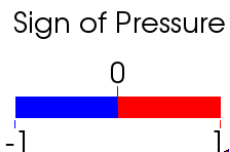
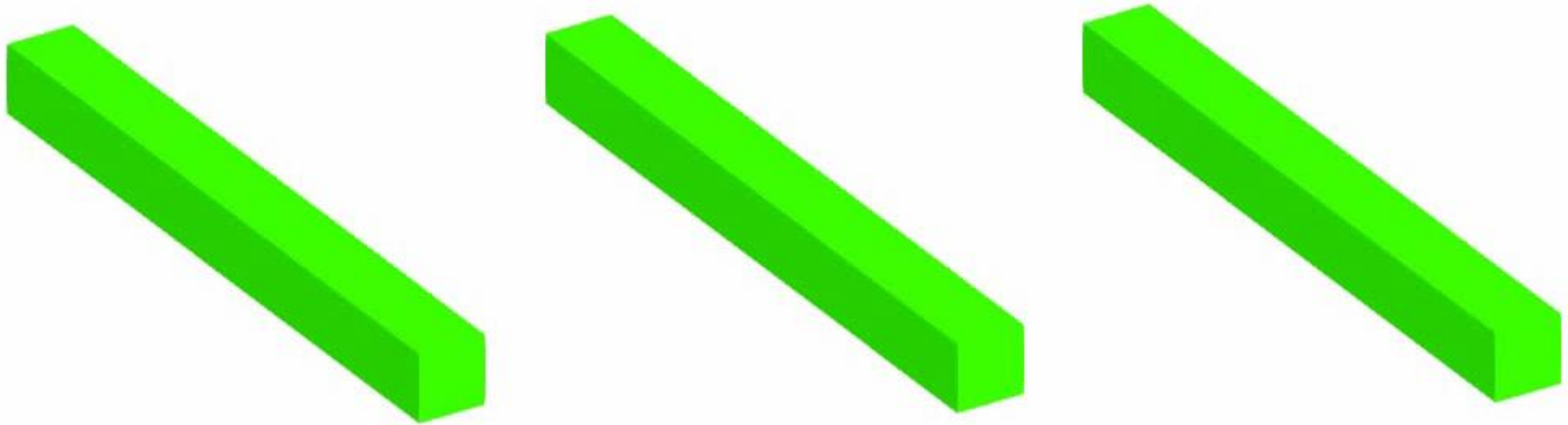


**F-barES-FEM-T4(3)**  
# of cyclic smoothings

**F-barES-FEM-T4** shows excellent accuracy in **static** problems!

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t=0.000000 s

ABAQUS/Explicit C3D8  
(H8-SRI element)

F-barES-FEM-T4(2)

✗ Energy divergence

SymF-barES-FEM-T4(2)

**SymF-barES-FEM-T4** shows good accuracy and stability  
in **dynamic** problems!

# Objective

## FAQ

How about the stability in dynamic **contact** problems?

## Objective

To evaluate the stability of **SymF-barES-FEM-T4** in **explicit** dynamics with **contact**.

## Table of Body Contents

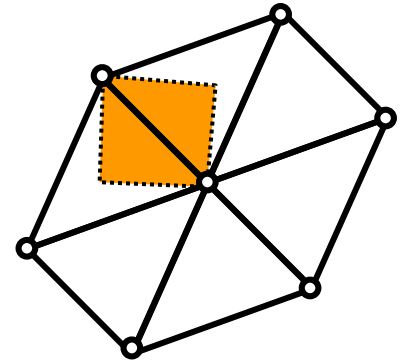
- Methods: Quick introduction of SymF-barES-FEM-T4
- Results & Discussion: A few verification analyses
- Summary

# Methods

# Formulation of F-bar ES-FEM (1 of 2)

Deformation gradient of each edge ( $\bar{\mathbf{F}}$ )

is derived as  $\bar{\mathbf{F}} = \tilde{\mathbf{F}}^{\text{iso}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{F}}^{\text{vol}}$



ES-FEM

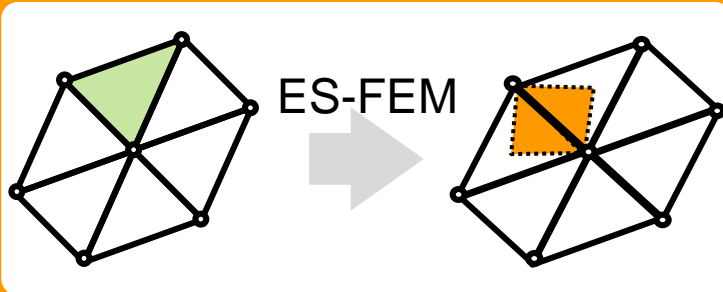


# Formulation of F-barES-FEM (2 of 2)

Each part of  $\bar{F}$  is calculated as follows.

$$\bar{F} = \tilde{F}^{iso} \cdot \bar{F}^{vol}$$

## Isovolumetric part

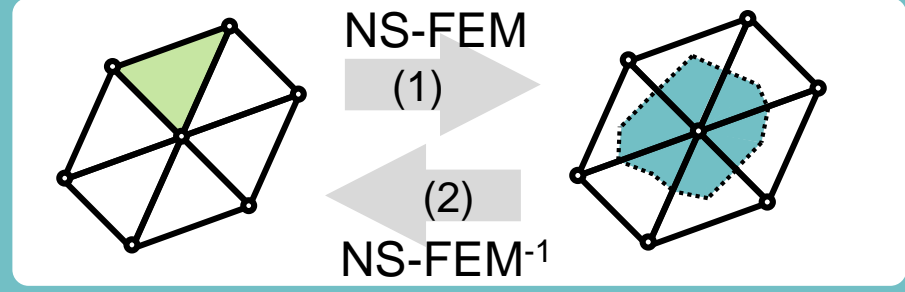


Smoothing  $F$ s of adjacent elements at each edge.



The same manner as ES-FEM.

## Volumetric part



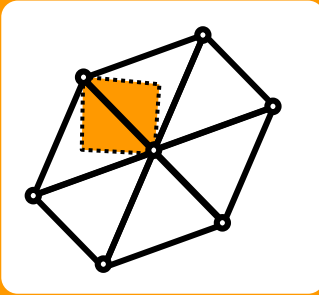
- (1) Calculating node's  $F$  by smoothing  $F$ s of adjacent elements.
- (2) Calculating elements'  $F$  by smoothing  $F$ s of adjacent nodes.
- (3) Repeating (1) and (2) a few times.  
(This is named "cyclic smoothing".)

# Advantages of $\bar{F}$ -ES-FEM

This formulation is designed to have 3 advantages.

$$\bar{F} = \tilde{F}^{\text{iso}} \cdot \bar{F}^{\text{vol}}$$

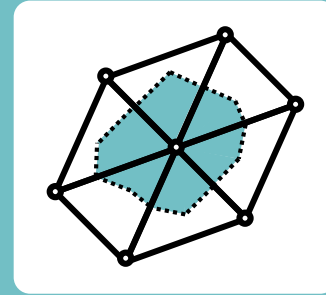
Isovolumetric part



Like ES-FEM

1. Shear locking free

Volumetric part



Like NS-FEM

2. Little pressure oscillation

3. Volumetric locking free  
with the aid of  $\bar{F}$ -bar method

# Issue of F-barES-FEM in Dynamics

**Issue:** Energy divergence occurs.

∴ Due to the adoption of F-bar method, the stiffness system is no longer symmetric.

In F-barES-FEM, the internal force vector is calculated as

$$\{f^{\text{int}}\} = \sum [ \tilde{B} ] \{ \bar{T} \} \tilde{V}$$

Volume of ES-FEM

Defenition of  $\{f^{\text{int}}\}$  in the same fashion as the original F-bar method

B-matrix of ES-FEM

Stress derived from  $\bar{F}$

Combination of  $[ \tilde{B} ]$ ,  $\{ \bar{T} \}$  and  $\tilde{V}$  (mixture of  $\sim$  and  $\bar{\quad}$ ) causes asymmetry of the dynamic system.

# Formulation of SymF-barES-FEM

In SymF-barES-FEM, the derivation of the internal force vector is slightly modified.

**F-barES-FEM:**  $\{f^{\text{int}}\} = \sum [\tilde{B}] \{\bar{T}\} \tilde{V}$



**SymF-barES-FEM:**  $\{f^{\text{int}}\} = \sum [\bar{B}] \{\bar{T}\} \bar{V}$

Volume derived as  $\det(\bar{F})V^{\text{ini}}$

$B$ -matrix derived from  $\bar{F}$

Stress derived from  $\bar{F}$

The replacements ( $[\tilde{B}]$  to  $[\bar{B}]$  &  $\tilde{V}$  to  $\bar{V}$ ) help to preserve the symmetry of the stiffness system.

# Result & Discussion

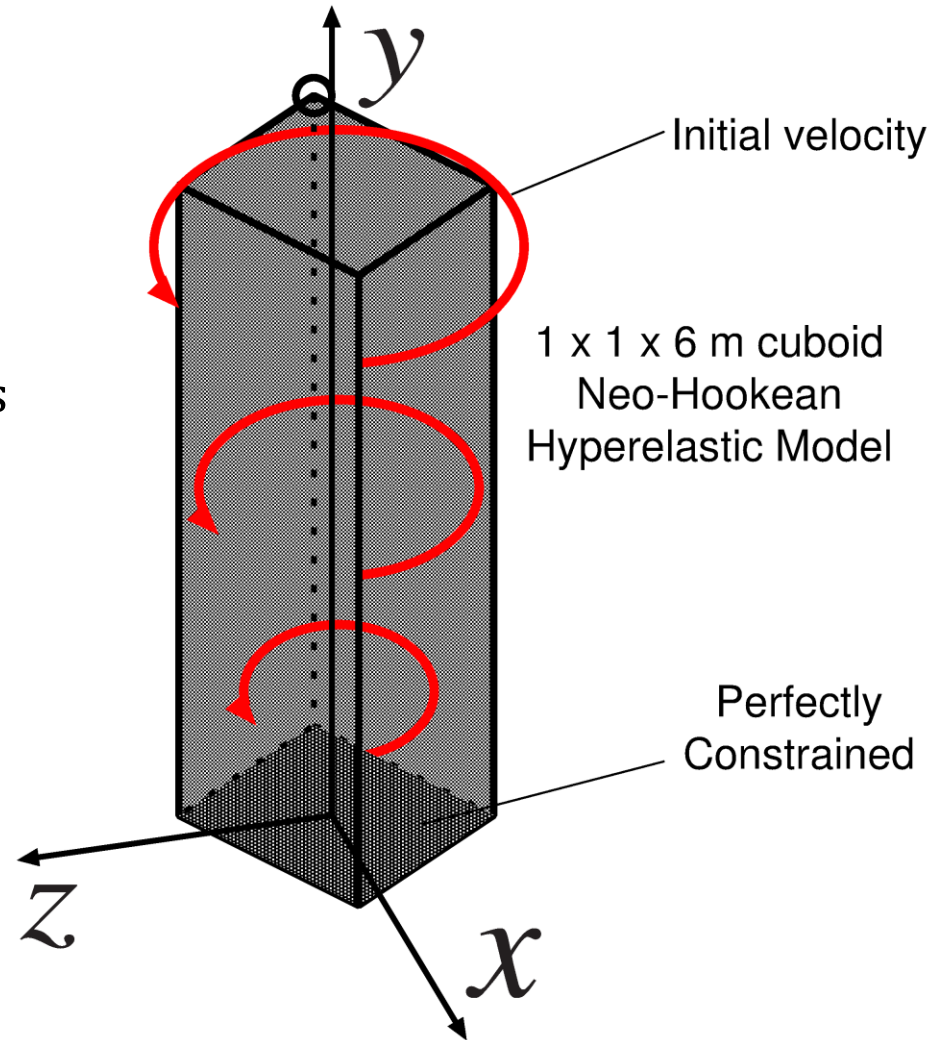
# Twist of Rubber Cantilever

## Outline

- No contact.
- Dynamic explicit analysis.
- Twisting initial velocity fields:

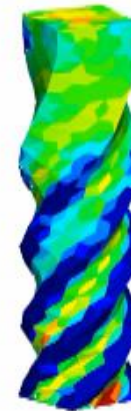
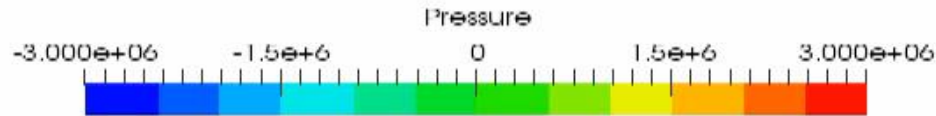
$$v_0(x, y, z) = 100 s$$

- Neo-Hookean material:  
Initial Young's modulus: 17.0 MPa,  
Initial Poisson's ratio: 0.49,  
Density: 1100 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.
- Compare the results of  
SymF-barES-FEM-T4,  
F-barES-FEM-T4, and  
ABAQUS/Explicit C3D8.



# Twist of Rubber Cantilever

## Comparison of Pressure and Shape



t=0.090000 s

ABAQUS/Explicit C3D8  
(H8-SRI)

F-barES-FEM-T4(2)

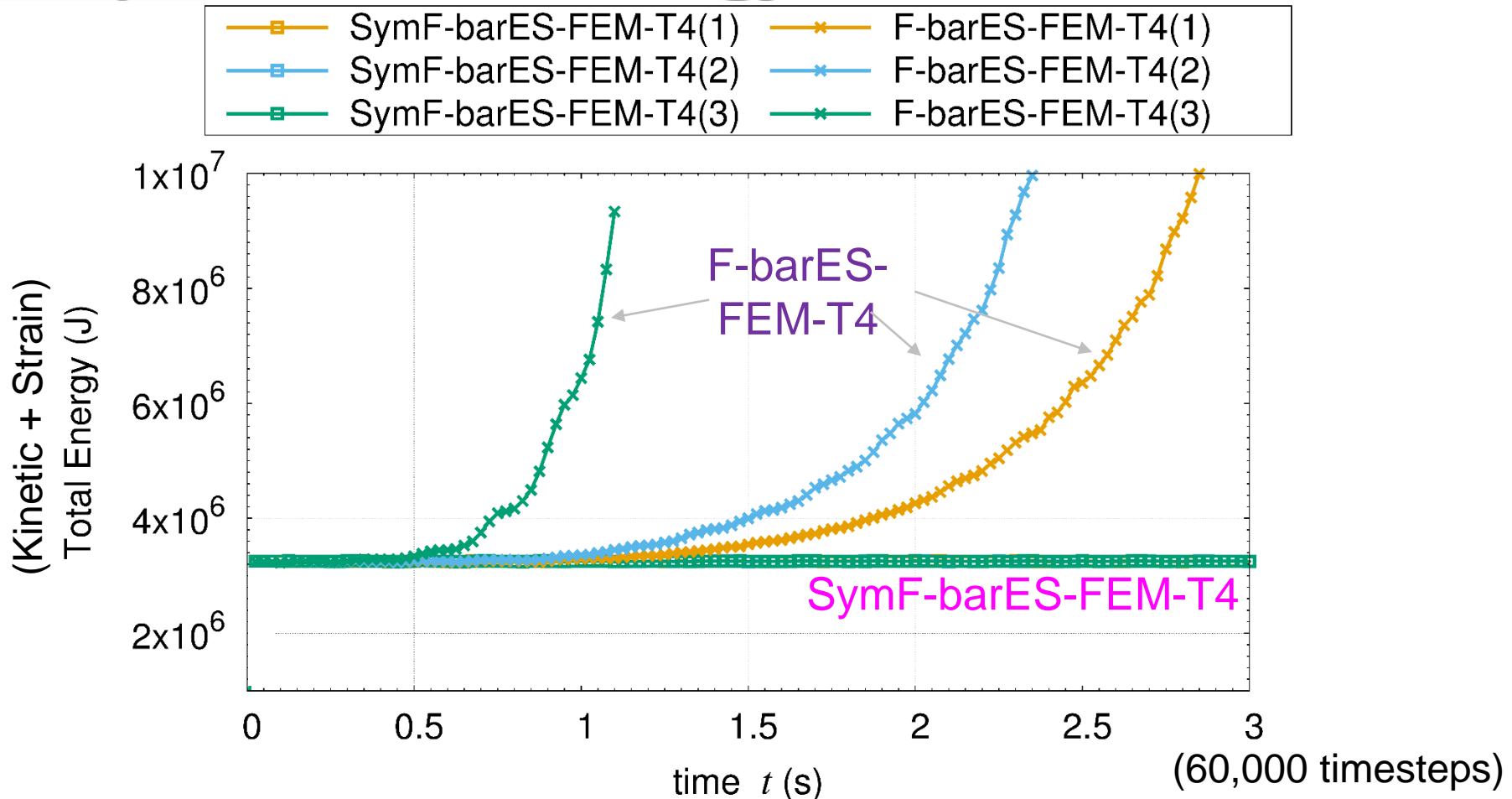
- ✓ No pressure oscillation
- ✓ No locking
- ✗ Energy divergence

SymF-barES-FEM-T4(2)

- ✓ Less pressure oscillation
- ✓ No locking
- ✓ No energy divergence

# Twist of Rubber Cantilever

## Comparison of total energy

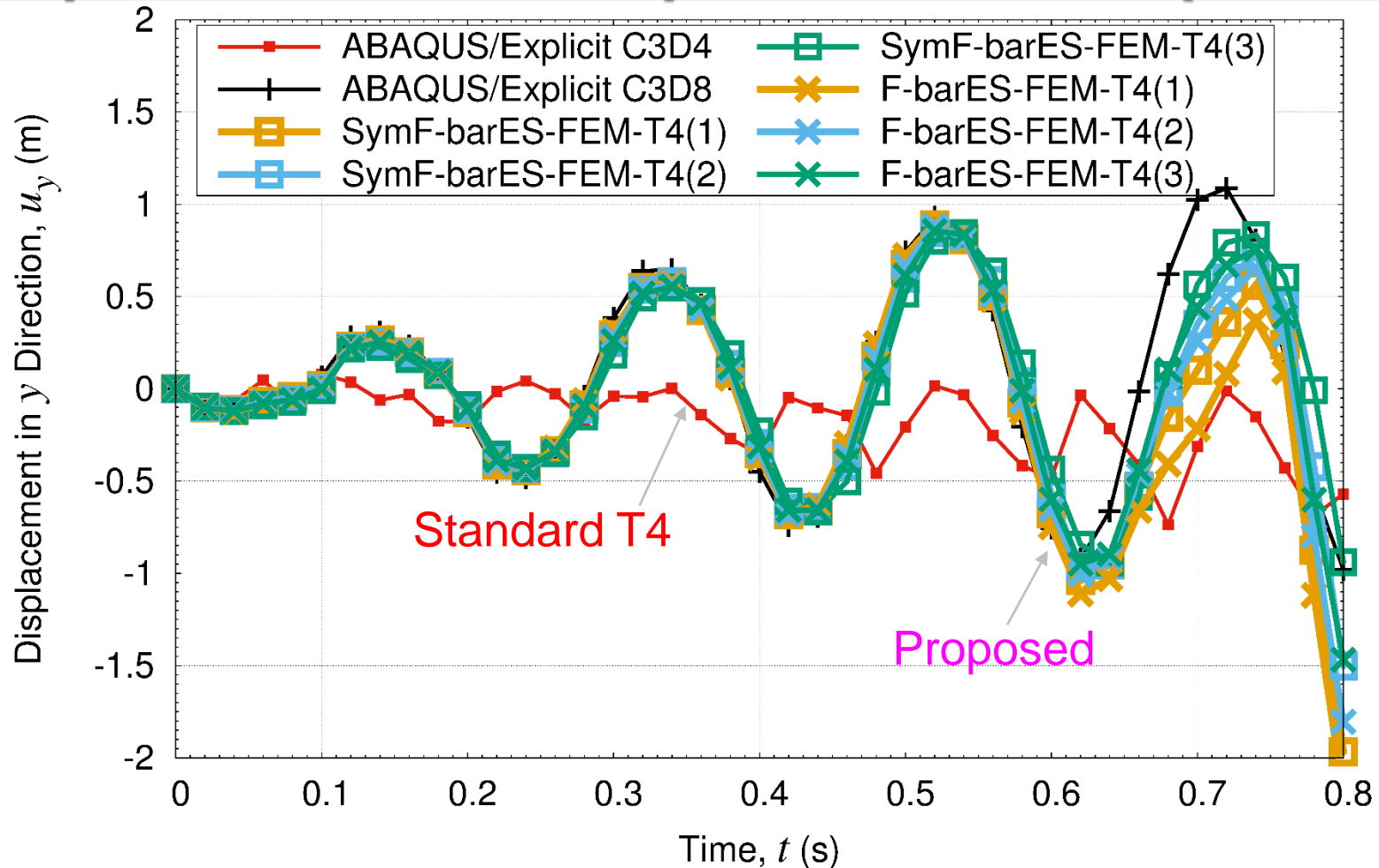


**SymF-barES-FEM-T4** can suppress energy divergence!



# Time history of displacement

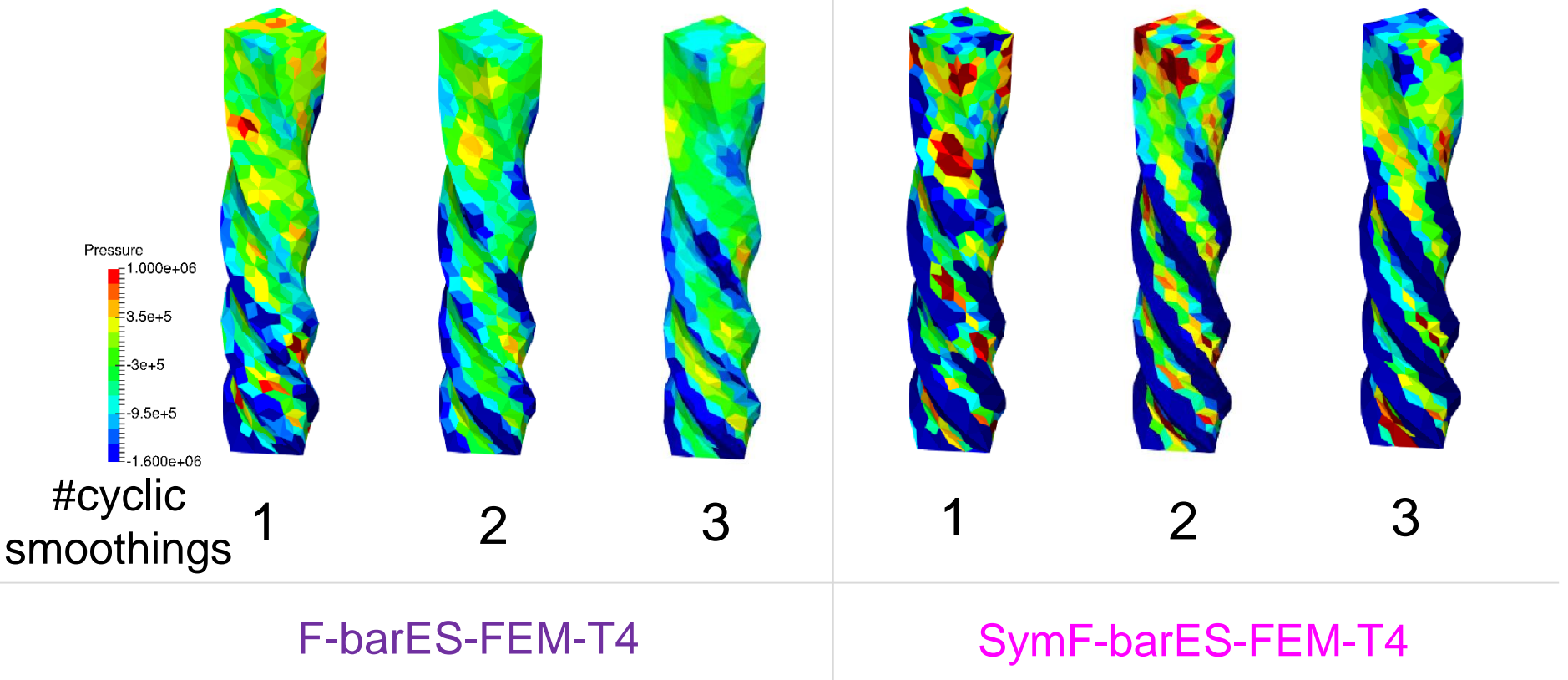
## Comparison of axial displacement at a tip node



Proposed methods can show good results as H8-SRI.

# Twist of Rubber Cantilever

## Effect of the number of cyclic smoothing

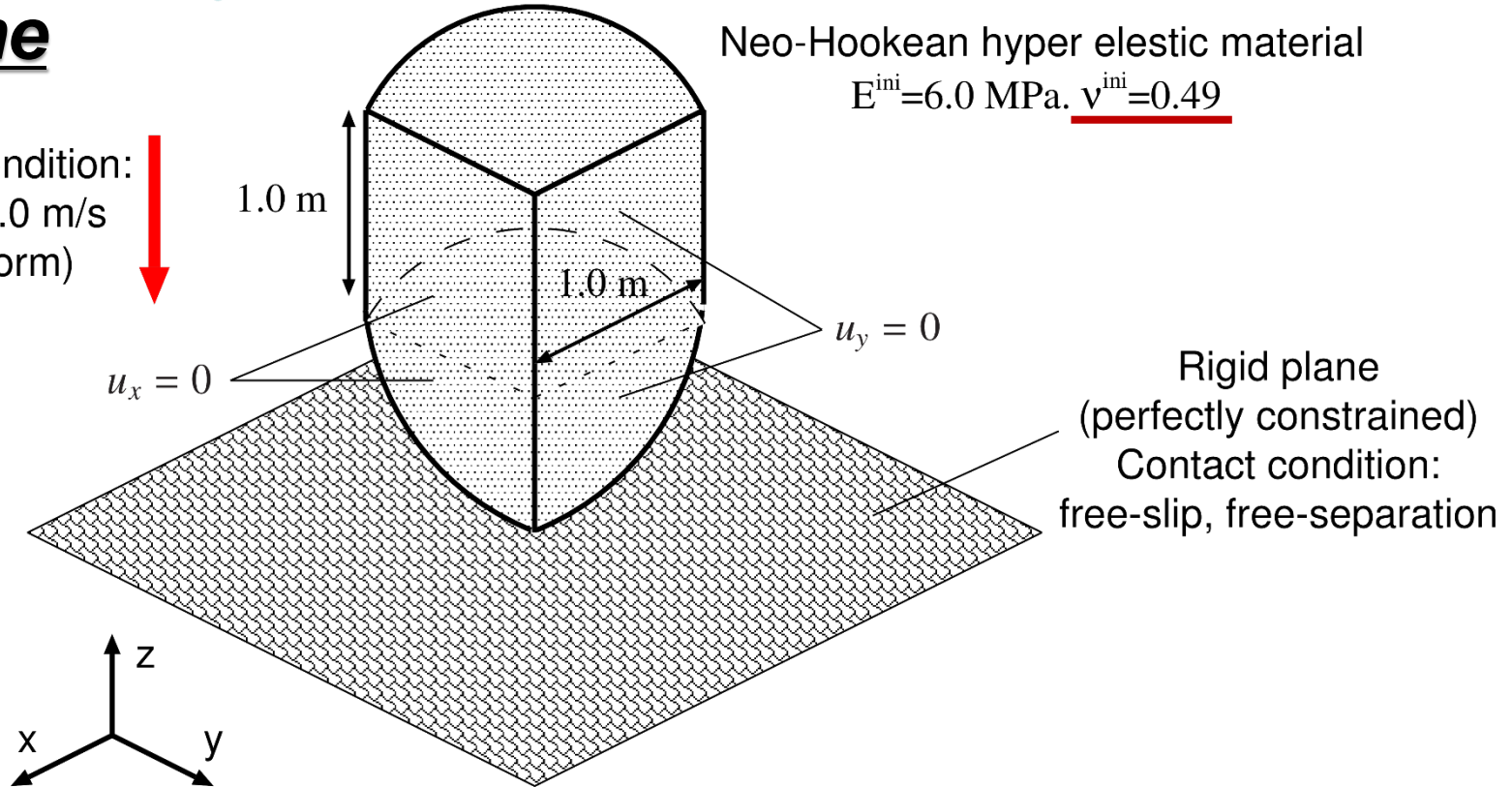


In **SymF-barES-FEM-T4**, the increase in cyclic smoothings no longer improves the accuracy, unlike **F-barES-FEM-T4**.

# Impact of Rubber Bullet

## Outline

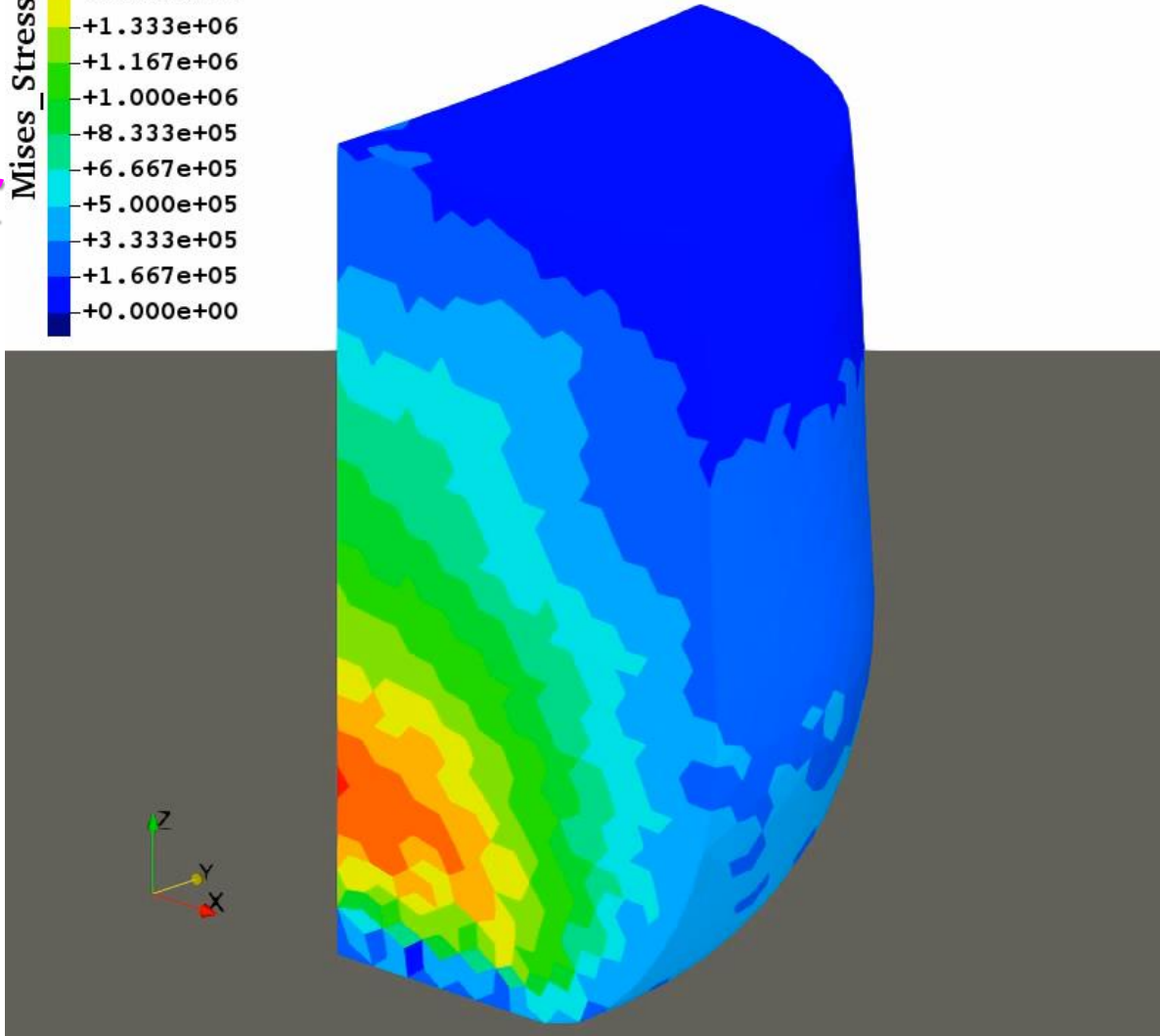
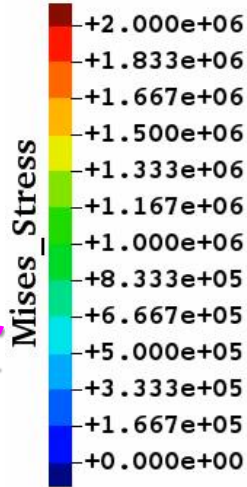
initial condition:  
 $\dot{u}_z = -10.0$  m/s  
(uniform)



- $\frac{1}{4}$  bullet made of nearly incompressible rubber.
- Impacting the bullet to a slippery rigid wall with a uniform initial velocity.
- Compared to ABAQUS/Explicit C3D4 with a same mesh.

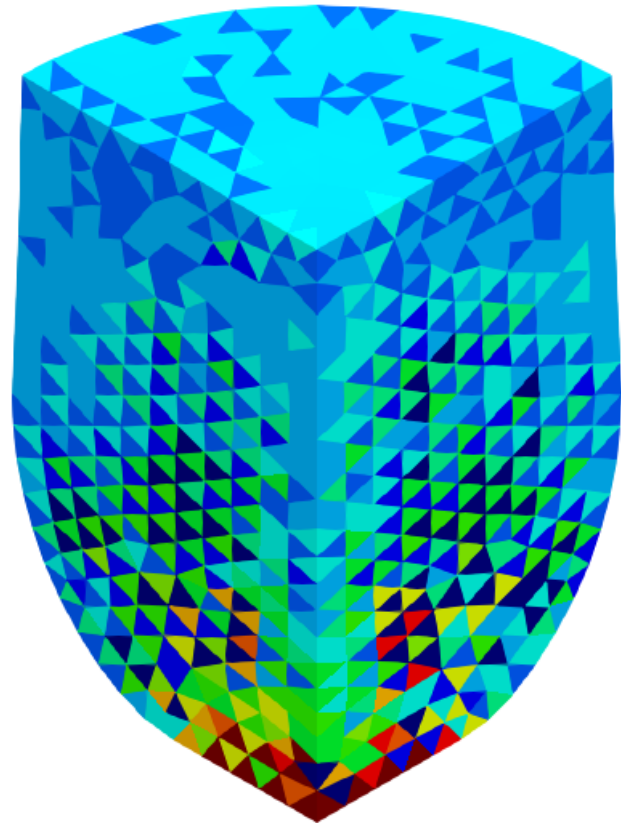
# Impact of Rubber Bullet

Mises  
stress  
Anim.  
of  
SymF-bar  
ES-FEM  
-T4(1)

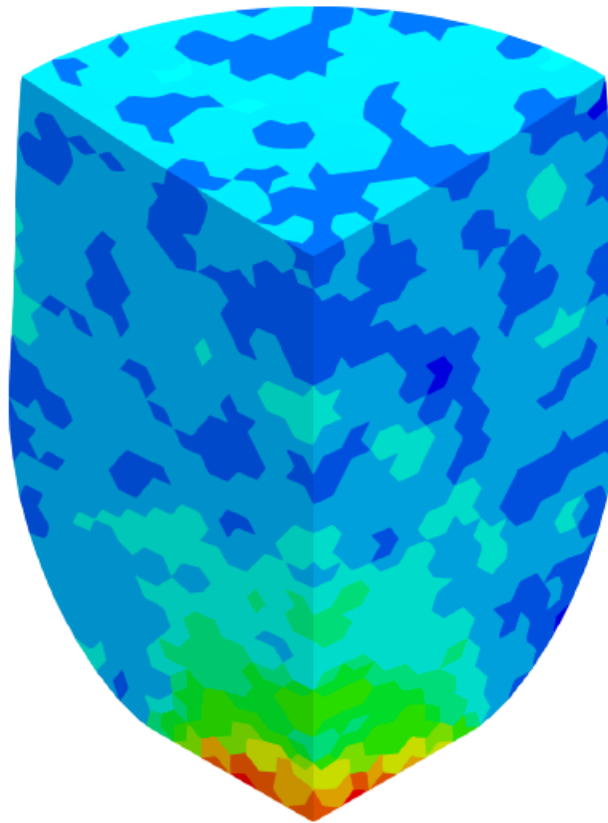


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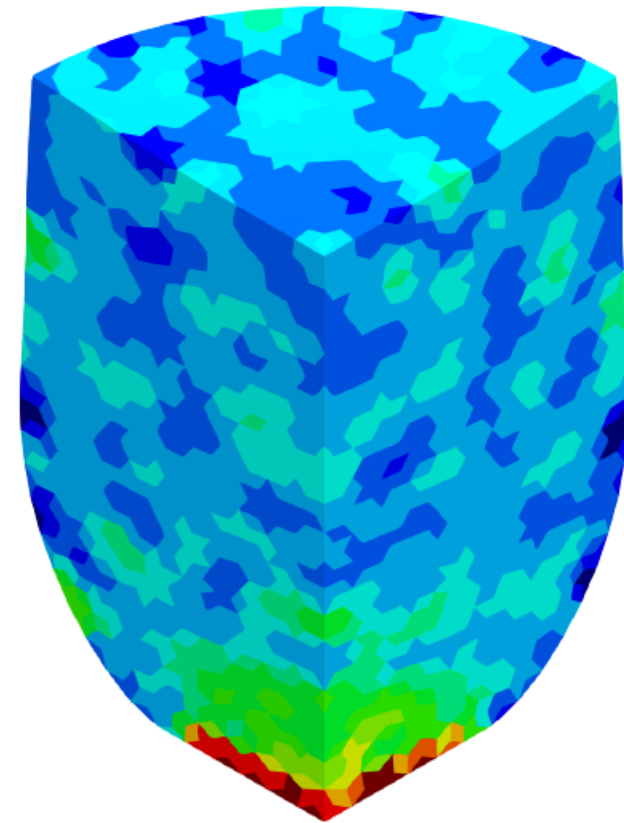
## Comparison of pressure dist. in a contact state



ABAQUS/Explicit C3D4



F-barES-FEM-T4(1)

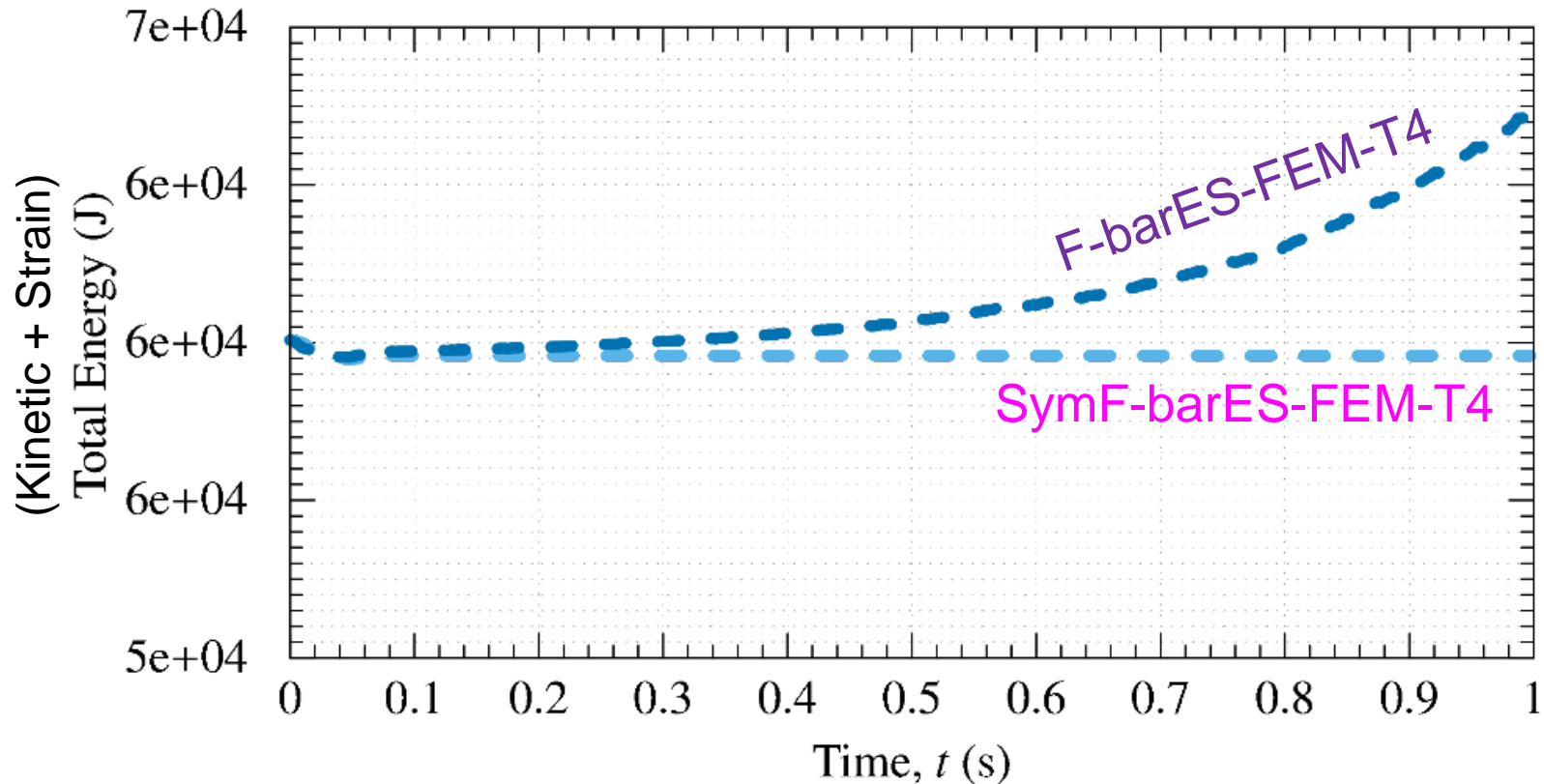


SymF-barES-FEM-T4(1)

Our methods represent far better pressure distributions without major checkerboarding.

# Impact of Rubber Bullet

## Comparison of total energy over time

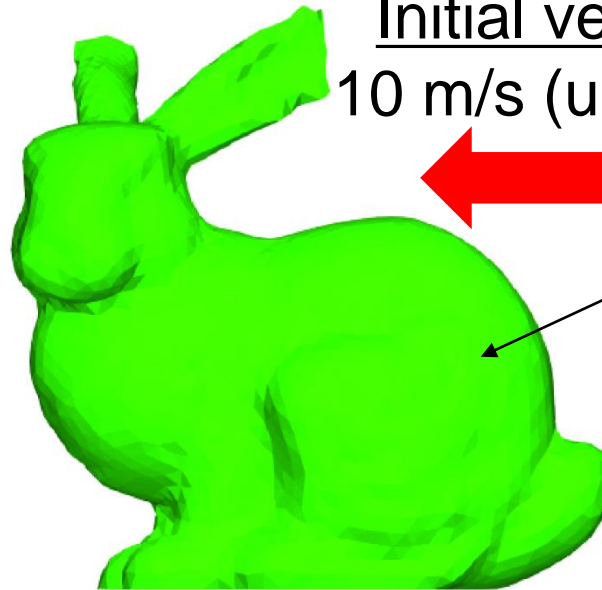


**SymF-barES-FEM-T4** conserves the total energy even in a contact problem.

# Impact of Rubber Bunny

## Outline

Rigid Wall  
contact condition:  
free-slip &  
free-separation



Initial velocity  
10 m/s (uniform)

Rubber body  
 $E_{ini} = 6.0 \text{ MPa}$   
 $v_{ini} = \mathbf{0.49}$   
 $\rho = 920 \text{ kg/m}^3$

- A Stanford bunny made of nearly incompressible rubber (neo-Hookean hyperelastic body with  $v_{ini} = \mathbf{0.49}$ .)
- Impacting the bunny to a slippery rigid wall with a uniform initial velocity.
- Compared to ABAQUS/Explicit C3D4 with a same mesh.

# Impact of Rubber Bunny

## Pressure sign anim.

ABAQUS/Explicit C3D4

- ✗ Pressure checkerboard
- ✗ Locking
- ✓ No energy divergence

F-barES-FEM-T4(1)

- ✓ No pressure checker
- ✓ No locking
- ✗ Energy divergence

SymF-barES-FEM-T4(1)

- ✓ Less pressure checker
- ✓ No locking
- ✓ No energy divergence



Sign of Pressure

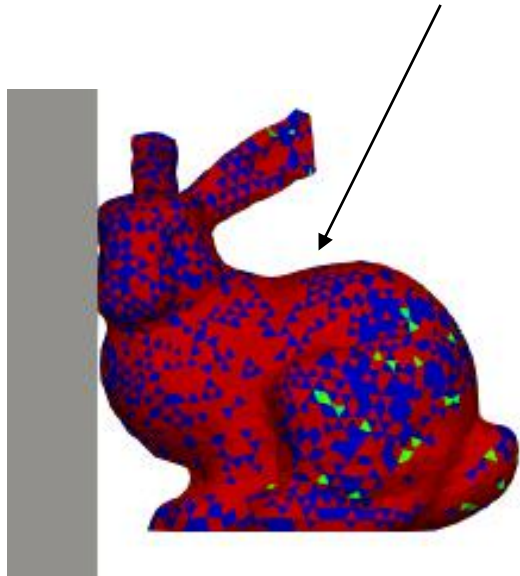




# Impact of Rubber Bunny

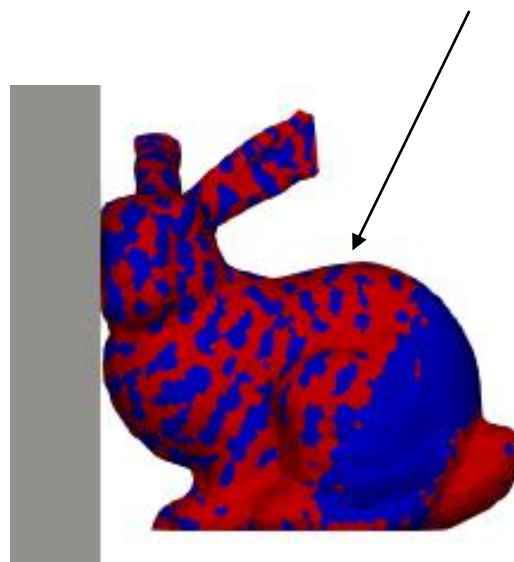
## Pressure sign dist. right after contact

✗ Pressure checkerboard

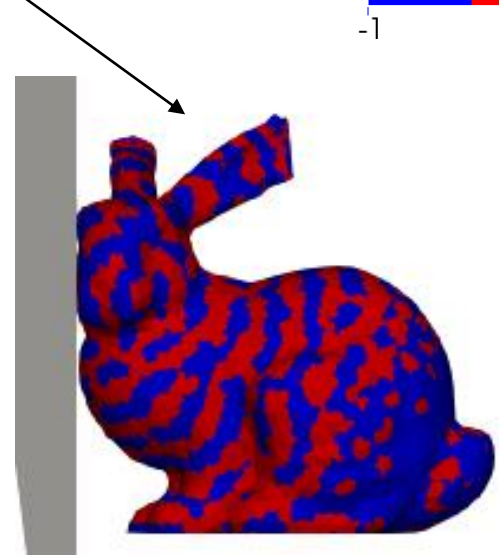


ABAQUS/Explicit C3D4

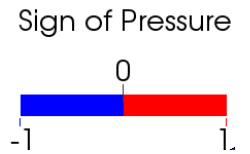
✓ Pressure wave propagation



F-barES-FEM-T4(1)



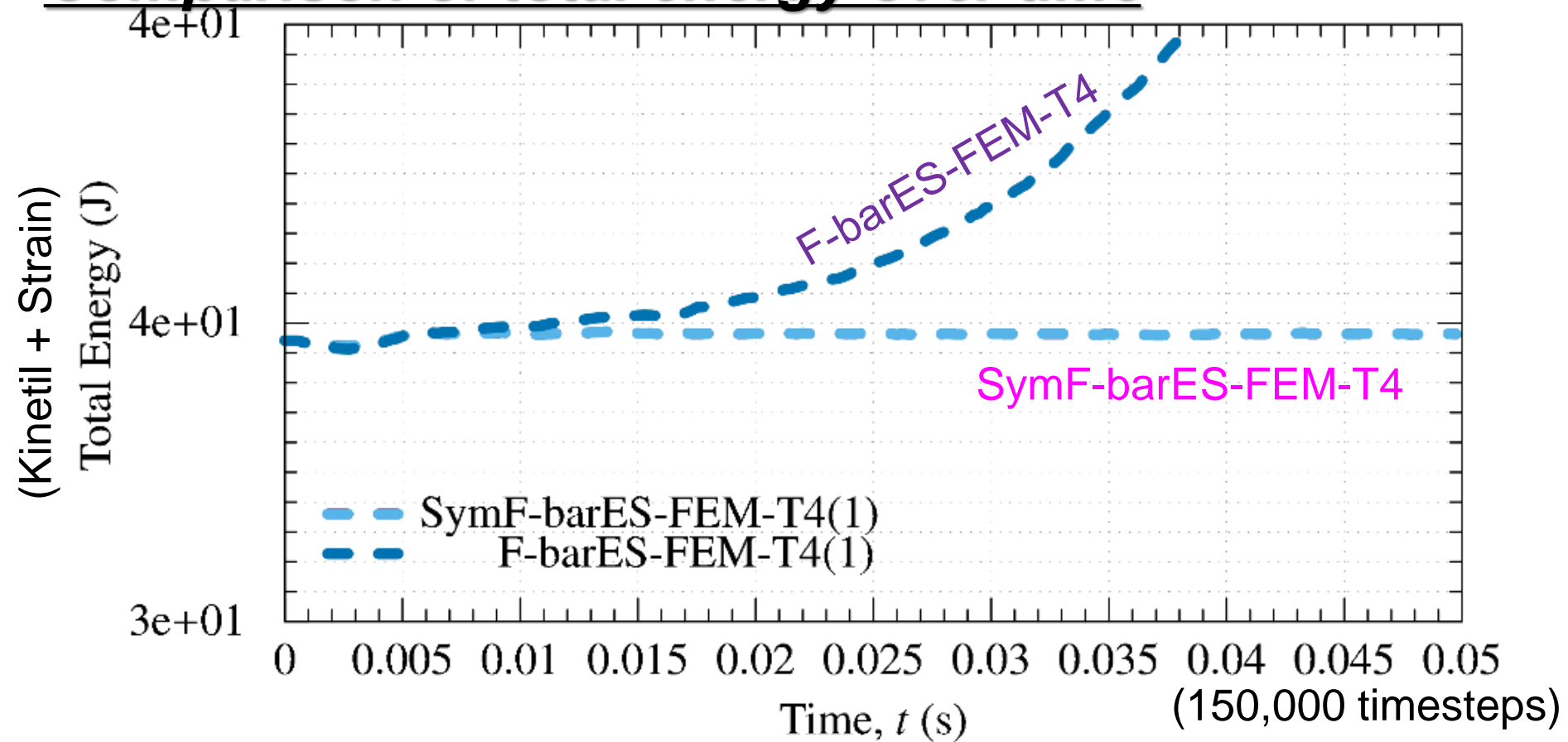
SymF-barES-FEM-T4(1)



Our methods can capture the pressure wave propagation in a complex body.

# Impact of Rubber Bunny

## Comparison of total energy over time



**SymF-barES-FEM-T4** conserves the total energy in a contact problem even with complex shapes.

# Summary

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- The accuracy and stability of **SymF-barES-FEM-T4** in dynamic explicit contact problems was evaluated.
- **SymF-barES-FEM-T4** realizes
  - ✓ Less pressure oscillation
  - ✓ No locking
  - ✓ No energy divergence
- Further improvement for perfect suppression of pressure oscillation is our future work.

Thank you for your kind attention.

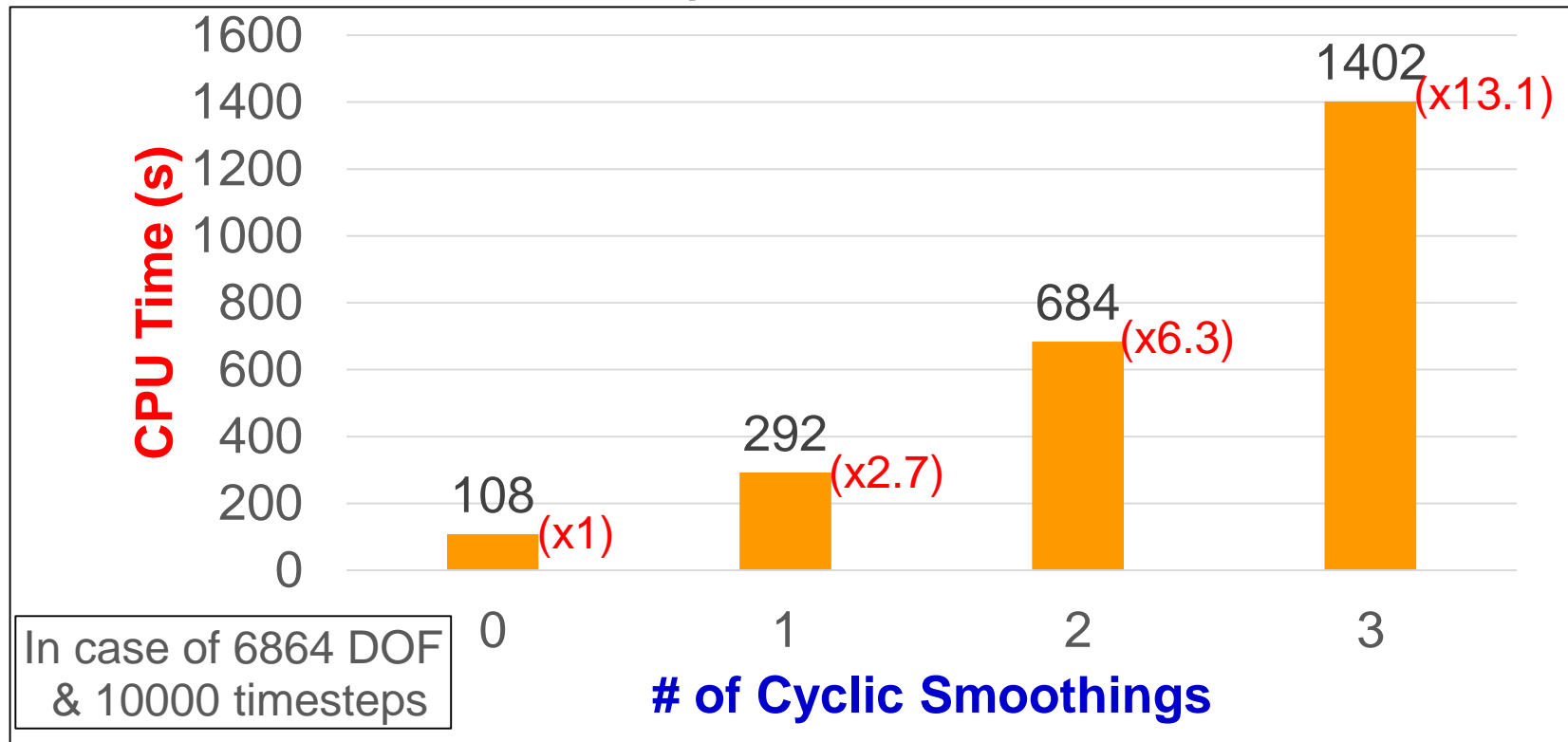
# Appendix



# Benefits and Drawbacks of F-barES-FEM-T4

## Drawbacks

**X** Slow speed of calculation.



In **explicit** analyses, [K] is unnecessary; yet, **CPU Time** increases gradually with the **# of cyclic smoothings**.