# Parallel Implementation of Multilevel BDDC Method 

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## Function spaces in BDDC



continuous
at selected corners

no continuity at interface

- enough constraints to fix floating subdomains, i.e. rigid body modes eliminated from the space
- continuity at corners, and of averages (arithmetic or weighted) over edges or faces considered
- $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ symmetric positive definite form on $\widetilde{W}$
- corresponding matrix $\widetilde{A}$ symmetric positive definite, almost block diagonal structure, larger dimension than $A$


## Virtual mesh


original mesh of the problem


mesh disconnected at interface
corresponds to space $\widetilde{W}$

## The abstract BDDC preconditioner

Variational form

$$
\begin{gathered}
M_{B D D C}: r \longmapsto u=E w, \quad w \in \widetilde{W} \\
a(w, z)=\langle r, E z\rangle, \quad \forall z \in \widetilde{W}
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$$
\kappa=\frac{\lambda_{\max }\left(M_{B D D C} A\right)}{\lambda_{\min }\left(M_{B D D C} A\right)} \leq \omega=\sup _{w \in \widetilde{W}} \frac{\|(I-E) w\|_{a}^{2}}{\|w\|_{a}^{2}} .
$$

## The coarse space in BDDC

In implementation, space $\widetilde{W}$ is decomposed into $\widetilde{W}_{\Delta}$ of independent subdomain spaces and energy-orthogonal coarse space $\widetilde{W}_{\Pi}$

$$
\widetilde{W}=\widetilde{W}_{\Delta} \oplus \widetilde{W}_{\Pi}
$$

On each subdomain - coarse degrees of freedom - basis functions $\psi^{i}$ - prescribed values of coarse degrees of freedom, minimal energy elsewhere,

$$
\left[\begin{array}{cc}
A^{i} & C^{i T} \\
C^{i} & 0
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
\Psi^{i} \\
\Lambda^{i}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{l}
0 \\
I
\end{array}\right]
$$

- $A^{i}$... local subdomain stiffness matrix
- $C^{i} \ldots$ matrix of constraints - selects unknowns into coarse degrees of freedom
Matrix of coarse problem $A_{C}$ assembled from local matrices $A_{C i}=\psi^{i T} A^{i} \Psi^{i}=-\Lambda^{i}$.


## The coarse space in BDDC



## Multilevel extension

- global coarse problem eventually becomes a bottleneck of parallel processing for very large problems - solve only approximately e.g. by
- several multigrid cycles - [Klawonn, Rheinbach (2010)] (for FETI-DP)
- by one iteration of BDDC - Three-level BDDC
- recursive application of BDDC - Multilevel BDDC
- BDDC is especially suitable for multilevel extension because the coarse problem has the same structure as the original FE problem (unlike in most other DD methods)
- apply BDDC with subdomains playing the role of elements


A basis function from $\widetilde{W}_{\Pi}$ is energy minimal subject to given values of coarse degrees of freedom on the substructure. The function is discontinuous across the interfaces between the substructures but the values of coarse degrees of freedom on the different substructures coincide.

## Multilevel BDDC

| $U$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| level 1 | $U_{11}$ | $\subset$ | 11 | $\subset$ | $\widetilde{W}_{1}$ | $\widetilde{W}_{\Delta 1}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | $U_{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $U_{12}$ | $\subset$ | $\widetilde{W}_{\Pi 1}$ | 11 |  |  |  |
| level 2 |  |  |  |  | $\oplus$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $U_{2}$ | $\subset$ | $\widetilde{W} 2$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\widetilde{W}_{\Pi 2}$ | $\oplus$ | $\widetilde{W}_{\Delta 2}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |  |
| ! |  |  |  |  | $\vdots$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |  |
| level L-1 |  |  | $U_{I L-1}$ | $\subset$ | $U_{L-1}$ | $\subset$ | $\widetilde{W}_{L-1}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ॥ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\widetilde{W}_{\Pi L-1}$ | $\oplus$ | $\widetilde{W}_{\Delta L-1}$ |

Local problems and the coarse problem actually solved are in colour.

## Condition number bound

- mathematical efficiency worsens with each additional level

Theorem [Mandel, Sousedík, Dohrmann (2008)]
The condition number bound $\kappa\left(M_{B D D C} A\right) \leq \omega$ of Multilevel BDDC is given by

$$
\kappa\left(M_{B D D C} A\right) \leq \omega=\Pi_{\ell=1}^{L-1} \omega_{\ell}, \quad \omega_{\ell}=\sup _{w_{\ell} \in \widetilde{w}_{\ell}} \frac{\left\|\left(I-E_{\ell}\right) w_{\ell}\right\|_{a}^{2}}{\left\|w_{\ell}\right\|_{a}^{2}} .
$$

## Multilevel BDDC



## Parallel implementation

## BDDCML solver library

- http://www.math.cas.cz/~sistek/software/bddcml.html
- Fortran 95 + MPI library
- built on top of MUMPS direct solver (both serial and parallel)
- parallel PCG and BICGSTAB (for overlapping vectors)



## Numerical results

## IBM SP6

Location: CINECA, Italy
Architecture: IBM P6-575 Infiniband Cluster
Processor Type: IBM Power6, 4.7 GHz
Computing Cores: 5376
Computing Nodes: 168
RAM: 21 TB (128 GB/node)
access gained through the HPC Europa 2 project


## Elasticity analysis of geocomposite

- problem of geocomposite by Prof. Blaheta and Dr. Starý (Institute of Geonics of AS CR)
- cubic sample, edge 75 mm
- 11.8M linear tetrahedral elements, 6.1 M unknowns
- arithmetic averages on edges and faces
- required precision . . . relative residual $=\frac{\| \text { res } \|}{\|g\|}<10^{-6}$

material distribution

displacement


## Strong scaling for geocomposite problem

| number of procs | 64 | 128 | 256 | 512 | 1024 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 levels (1024/1), 46 PCG its, cond. $\sim 50$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| set-up phase (sec) | 61.0 | 37.7 | 25.7 | 23.2 | 39.5 |
| iterations $(\mathrm{sec})$ | 22.3 | 19.9 | 27.8 | 44.9 | 97.5 |
| 3 levels $(1024 / 128 / 1), 56$ PCG its, cond. $\sim 79$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| set-up phase (sec) | 49.5 | 29.0 | 18.4 | 12.6 | 11.0 |
| iterations (sec) | 28.5 | 22.6 | 16.7 | 14.7 | 13.2 |
| 4 levels $(1024 / 128 / 16 / 1), \mathbf{1 3 1}$ PCG its, cond. $\sim 568$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| set-up phase (sec) | 49.4 | 28.6 | 17.8 | 12.3 | 9.1 |
| iterations $(\mathrm{sec})$ | 60.6 | 33.2 | 21.2 | 15.4 | 11.8 |

## Stokes flow in 3D cavity

- serendipity Taylor-Hood finite elements
- $32 \times 32 \times 32=32.8 \mathrm{k}$ elements, 457 k unknowns
- $64 \times 64 \times 64=262 \mathrm{k}$ elements, 3.5 M unknowns

division into 64 subdomains

streamlines in $z=0$ plane


## Strong scaling for Stokes flow in 3D cavity

- $64 \times 64 \times 64$ elements, $H / h=8$

| number of procs | 64 | 128 | 256 | 512 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 levels (512/1), 9 BICGSTAB its |  |  |  |  |
| set-up phase $(\mathrm{sec})$ | 27.0 | 14.2 | 7.9 | 4.8 |
| iterations $(\mathrm{sec})$ | 5.8 | 4.2 | 5.3 | 8.7 |
| 3 levels $(512 / 8 / 1), \mathbf{1 1}$ BICGSTAB its |  |  |  |  |
| set-up phase $(\mathrm{sec})$ | 26.9 | 14.0 | 7.6 | 4.2 |
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