Primal methods of iterative substructuring

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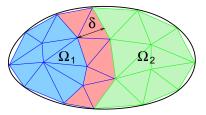
Overlapping DD methods



 idea goes back to Hermann Schwarz (1870) – for solution of Dirichlet problem on 'general' domain – split domain into two simple subdomains with known analytical solution



- nowadays known as Alternating Schwarz Method
- multiplicative correction by subdomain problems



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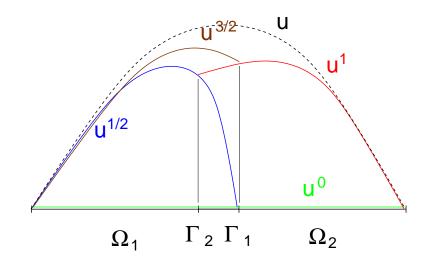
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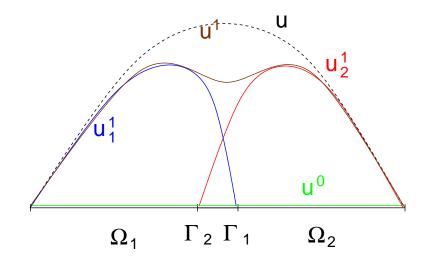
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2 Get new solution by addition

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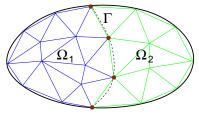
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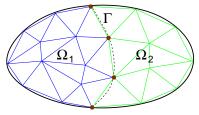
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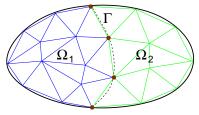
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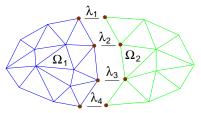
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A note on dual methods



- DD methods based on Schur complement with respect to interface are called primal DD methods – they formulate the interface problem in primal unknowns
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this represents adding constraints of the type

$$u_k^1 = u_k^2$$
 or $u_k^1 - u_k^2 = 0$

where u_k represents an unknown at the interface



Lead to the saddle point problem with matrix of constraints \boldsymbol{B}

$$\begin{bmatrix} \overline{A} & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \overline{u} \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{f} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

■ we can eliminate all primal unknowns (parallel) and get

$$B\overline{A}^{-1}B^{T}\lambda = B\overline{A}^{-1}\overline{f}$$

- another interface problem now for *dual* unknowns dual DD methods (FETI/TFETI, FETI-DP, ...)
- almost the same size as the Schur complement
- solved by an iterative method for λ (same tricks as before)
- when solved for λ , primal unknowns are recovered (in parallel) from $\overline{A}\overline{u} = \overline{f} B^{T}\lambda$
- may involve factorization of singular subdomain matrices A⁻¹
 replaced by A⁺ [Brzobohatý et al. 2011]



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that is solved by a Krylov subspace method.

• while $\kappa(S) = \mathcal{O}(1/Hh)$ is quite nice conditioning, it is not sufficient for large problems – a **preconditioner** $M \approx S^{-1}$ needed – the best we can do these days is

$$\kappa(MS) \leq C(1 + \log(H/h))^2$$

- convergence independent of number of subdomains and size of the problem, depends only on ratio of subdomain size H and element size h
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$$\begin{bmatrix} A^{i}_{oo} & A^{i}_{o\Gamma} \\ A^{i}_{\Gamma o} & A^{i}_{\Gamma\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z^{i}_{o} \\ z^{i}_{\Gamma} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r^{i}_{\Gamma} \end{bmatrix}$$

- for *floating subdomains*, matrix Aⁱ is singular inverse (Aⁱ)⁻¹ has to be replaced by generalized inverse (Aⁱ)⁺
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Neumann-Neumann method

$$S^{-1} \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} R^{i} D^{i} (S^{i})^{+} D^{i} R^{i^{T}}$$

[De Roeck, Le Tallec (1991)]

•
$$D^i$$
 ... weights; $\sum_{i=1}^N R^i D^i R^{i^T} = I$

- one-level method
- convergence deteriorates for growing number of subdomains *N* the approximation of the original problem by preconditioner worsens
- lack of mechanism for propagation of boundary conditions from the physical boundary to subdomains inside
- such mechanism of global correction needed for optimal preconditioning! coarse problem



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FETI-DP

- Finite Element Tearing and Interconnecting Dual Primal
- [Farhat et al. (2000)]
- functions in FETI and BDD have spikes at corners of subdomains make these unknowns primal and add them to the coarse problem – solved as continuous
- important advantage: no floating subdomains no singular subdomain matrices – can use robust existing sparse direct solvers!



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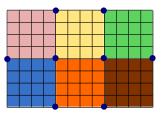
Function spaces in BDDC





- 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 *A* symmetric positive definite, almost block diagonal structure, larger dimension than *A*

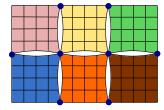






original mesh of the problem

corresponds to space U



mesh disconnected at interface

corresponds to space \widetilde{W}



Variational form

$$M_{BDDC}: r \longmapsto u = Ew, \quad w \in \widetilde{W}$$
$$a(w, z) = \langle r, Ez \rangle, \quad \forall z \in \widetilde{W}$$

Matrix form

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In implementation, space \widetilde{W} is decomposed into \widetilde{W}_{Δ} of **independent** subdomain spaces and energy-orthogonal coarse space \widetilde{W}_{Π}

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

Local energy minimization problems

On each subdomain – coarse degrees of freedom – basis functions Ψ^i – prescribed values of coarse degrees of freedom, minimal energy elsewhere,

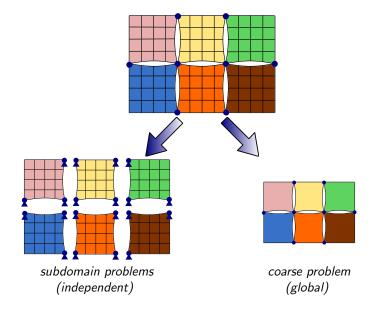
$$\left[\begin{array}{cc} A^{i} & C^{iT} \\ C^{i} & 0 \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \Psi^{i} \\ \Lambda^{i} \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ I \end{array}\right].$$

- A^i ... local subdomain stiffness matrix
- Cⁱ ... matrix of constraints selects unknowns into coarse degrees of freedom

Matrix of **coarse problem** A_C assembled from local matrices $A_{Ci} = \Psi^{iT} A^i \Psi^i = -\Lambda^i$.

The coarse space in BDDC







Get residual at interface nodes $r_{\Gamma}^{(k)} = g - Su_{\Gamma}^{(k)}$ and produce **preconditioned residual** $z_{\Gamma}^{(k)} = M_{BDDC}r_{\Gamma}^{(k)}$ by

1. Distribution of residual subdomain problems for i = 1,..., N

 $r^i = E^{iT} r_{\Gamma}^{(k)}$

(global) coarse problem

$$r_{C} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} R_{C}^{iT} \Psi^{iT} E^{iT} r_{\Gamma}^{(k)}$$

2 Correction of solution

 $\begin{bmatrix} A^{i} & C^{iT} \\ C^{i} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z^{i} \\ \mu^{i} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r^{i} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $A_{C}u_{C} = r_{C}$

3 Combination of subdomain and coarse corrections

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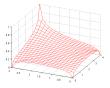
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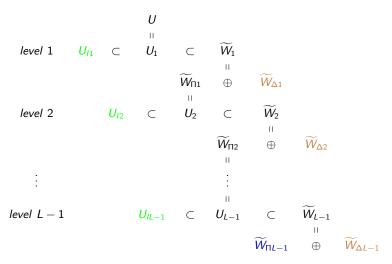
- global coarse problem eventually becomes a bottleneck of parallel processing for very large problems – solve only **approximately** e.g. by
 - several multigrid cycles [Klawonn, Rheinbach (2010)] (hybrid FETI-DP)
 - by one iteration of BDDC Three-level BDDC
 - recursive application of BDDC Multilevel 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}_{Π} 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





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



mathematical efficiency worsens with each additional level

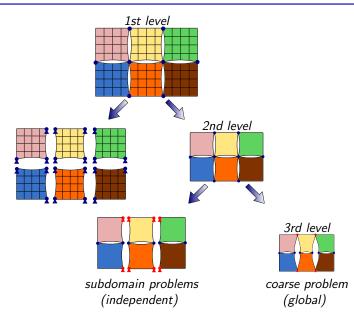
Theorem [Mandel, Sousedík, Dohrmann (2008)]

The condition number bound $\kappa(\textit{M}_{\textit{BDDC}}\textit{S}) \leq \omega$ of Multilevel BDDC is given by

$$\kappa(M_{BDDC}S) \leq \omega = \prod_{\ell=1}^{L-1} \omega_{\ell} , \qquad \omega_{\ell} = \sup_{w_{\ell} \in \widetilde{W}_{\ell}} \frac{\left\| \left(I - E_{\ell} \right) w_{\ell} \right\|_{a}^{2}}{\left\| w_{\ell} \right\|_{a}^{2}}.$$

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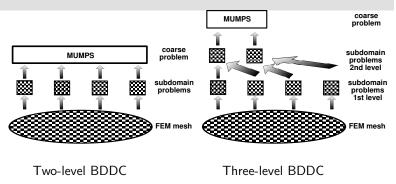
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BDDCML solver library

- http://www.math.cas.cz/~sistek/software/bddcml.html
- current version 1.3
- library in Fortran 95 + MPI library
- built on top of MUMPS direct solver (both serial and parallel)
- parallel PCG and BICGSTAB (for overlapping vectors)







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•
$$\|\cdot\|_a^2 = a(\cdot, \cdot) = \langle S \cdot, \cdot \rangle \dots$$
 energy norm on space \widetilde{W}

- S Schur complement with respect to interface
- E is the operator of projection

$$E: \widetilde{W} \to U, \quad Range(E) = U$$



Generalized eigenvalue problem

The operator norm ω corresponds to the largest eigenvalue of

$$(I-E)^T S (I-E) w = \lambda S w.$$

Select k largest eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors $\lambda_i, w_i, i = 1, ..., k$ and define a row of a matrix D for each of them as

$$d_{i} = w_{i}^{T} (I - E)^{T} S (I - E),$$
$$D = \begin{bmatrix} d_{1} \\ d_{2} \\ \vdots \\ d_{k} \end{bmatrix}.$$



Redefine space

$$\widetilde{W} = \left\{ w \in \widetilde{W}^{init} : \quad Dw = 0 \right\}.$$

Functions from \widetilde{W} are $\{(I - E)^T S (I - E)\}$ -orthogonal to k eigenvectors that spoil the condition number the most.

Theorem (Mandel, Sousedík, Šístek (online in 2011)) The abstract BDDC preconditioner based on \widetilde{W} satisfies $\kappa = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(M_{BDDC}S)}{\lambda_{\min}(M_{BDDC}S)} \le \omega_D = \lambda_{k+1}.$

A simple consequence of Courant-Fisher-Weyl minimax principle.

Localization of the generalized eigenproblem



Because the solution of the global generalized eigenvalue problem would be prohibitively expensive, solve a number of small eigenproblems localized to pairs of adjacent subdomains.

Subdomains Ω_i and Ω_j are called *adjacent*, if they share a face. They form *a pair* denoted by *ij* and A denotes the set of all such pairs.

Local eigenproblem for *ij*-pair

$$\left(I-E_{ij}\right)^{T}S_{ij}\left(I-E_{ij}\right)w_{ij}=\lambda_{ij}S_{ij}w_{ij}$$

Definition

Heuristic indicator of the condition number $\widetilde{\omega}$ is defined as

$$\widetilde{\omega} = \max_{ij \in \mathcal{A}} \lambda_{ij}^{\max}.$$

Positive side effect – recognizes troublesome faces \Rightarrow do not add constraints where they are not necessary, i.e. 'adaptivity'.

Algorithm

To generate constraints that will guarantee that the condition number indicator $\widetilde{\omega} \leq \tau$ for a given target value τ :

Consider arithmetic averages on all edges as initial constraints. For all faces \mathcal{F}_{ij}

- **Compute the largest local eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors, until the first m^{ij} is found such that \lambda_{m^{ij}}^{ij} \leq \tau, put k = 1, \ldots, m^{ij} 1.**
- **2** Compute the constraint weights $d_k^{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} d_k^i & d_k^j \end{bmatrix}$ as

$$d_k^{ij} = w_k^{ijT} \left(I - E^{ij} \right)^T S_{ij} \left(I - E^{ij} \right).$$

Take one block, e.g., dⁱ_k and keep nonzero weights for the face F_{ij}.
Add this row to local matrices of constraints C_i and C_j.





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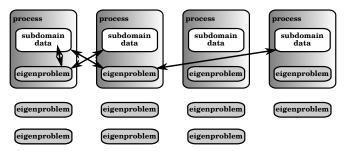
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Parallel layout - the main issue

- independent distribution of subdomains and their pairs may lead to difficult communication pattern
- solve eigenproblems in rounds with size of number of processes
- within each round, first determine communication pattern, then perform LOBPCG iterations



An example of a possible parallel layout of local eigenproblems with communication pattern marked for two of them.





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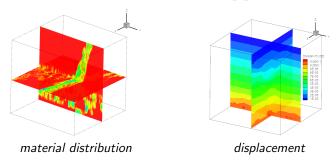
Location: CINECA, Italy Architecture: IBM P6-575 Infiniband Cluster Processor Type: IBM Power6, 4.7 GHz Computing Cores: 5376 Computing Nodes: 168 RAM: 21 TB (128 GB/node) access gained through the *HPC Europa 2* project



graphics from CINECA website



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







number of procs	64	128	256	512	1024					
2 levels (1024/1), 46 PCG its, cond. ~50										
set-up phase (sec)	61.0	37.7	25.7 23.2		39.5					
iterations (sec)	22.3	19.9	27.8	44.9	97.5					
3 levels (1024/128/1), 56 PCG its, cond. ~79										
set-up phase (sec)	49.5	29.0	18.4	12.6	11.0					
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4 levels (1024/128/16/1), 131 PCG its, cond. ~568										
set-up phase (sec)	49.4	28.6	17.8	12.3	9.1					
iterations (sec)	60.6	33.2	21.2	15.4	11.8					

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Darwin

Location: University of Cambridge, UK Architecture: Dell PowerEdge 1950 1U Cluster Processor Type: Intel Xeon 5100 (Woodcrest), 2 cores, 3.0 GHz Computing Cores: 2048 Computing Nodes: 512 (2 CPUs each) RAM: 4096 GB (2 GB/core)



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- full Taylor–Hood finite elements
- comparison of PETSc (built-in ASM + BiCGstab) and BDDCML (BDDC + BiCGstab)
- partitions by METIS
- \blacksquare size of subdomain problems ${\sim}50k$

			PETSc		BDDC (2-I)		BDDC (3-I)		
elms	size	cores	its	time	its	time	subs/lev	its.	time
40 ³	1.7M	32	282	533s	18	122s	32/4/1	22	126s
50 ³	3.2M	64	396	805s	19	132s	64/8/1	25	205s
64 ³	6.7M	128	384	536s	21	186s	128/16/1	30	194s
80 ³	13.1M	256	n/a	n/a	21	178s	256/32/1	36	201s
100 ³	25.4M	512	n/a	n/a	20	205s	512/64/1	35	211s



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Location: CTU Supercomputing Centre, Prague Architecture: SGI Altix UV Processor Type: Intel Xeon 2.67GHz Computing Cores: 72 Computing Nodes: 12 RAM: 576 GB (8 GB/core)

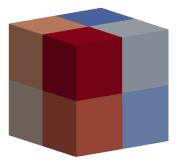


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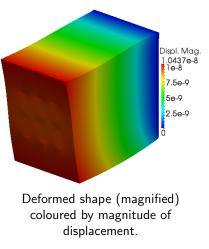


- nonlinear elasticity with St. Venant-Kirchhoff constitutive law
- domain of unit cube with nine stiff rods with Young modulus E_2 , remaining material of variable E_1 , with E_2/E_1 called *contrast*
- loaded by own weight
- 32³, 64³, and 128³ tri-linear cubic elements, 2³ and 4³ subdomains, four tested cases:
 - 1 8 subdomains, H/h = 16,
 - **2** 8 subdomains, H/h = 32,
 - **3** 64 subdomains, H/h = 16,
 - 4 64 subdomains, H/h = 32.
- required precision ..., relative residual = $\frac{\|res\|}{\|g\|} < 10^{-6}$
- number of computed eigenpairs set to 10 or 15
- maximum number of LOBPCG iterations limited by 15
- tolerance on residual in LOBPCG set to 10^{-9}
- LOBPCG preconditioned by local BDDC [Sousedík 2010]



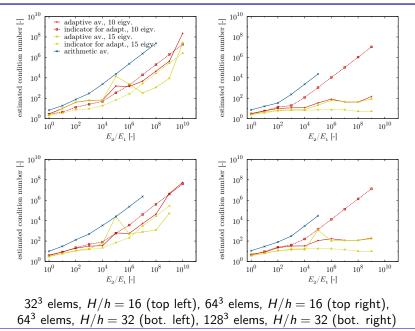


Example of division.



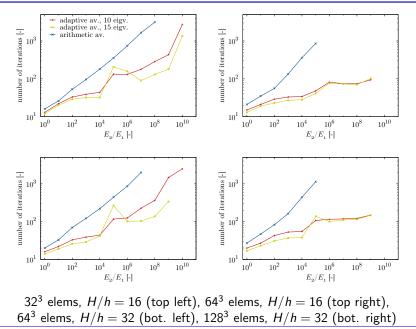
Condition number estimate vs. contrast





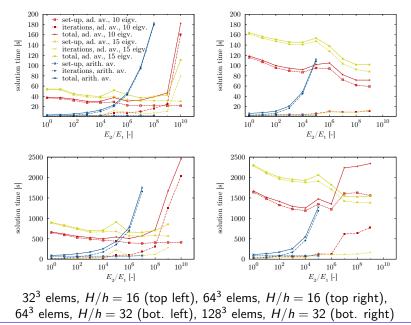
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Computational time vs. contrast







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