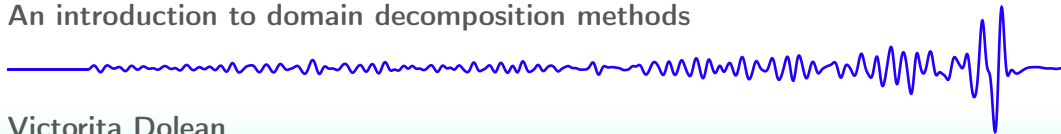


An introduction to domain decomposition methods



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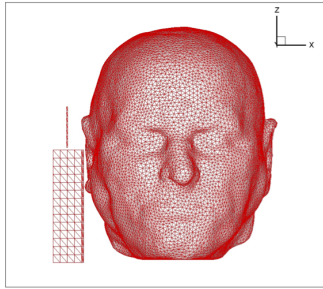
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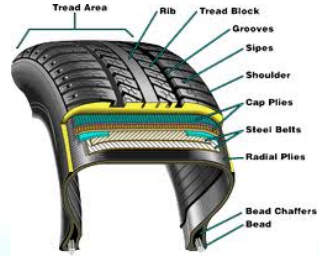
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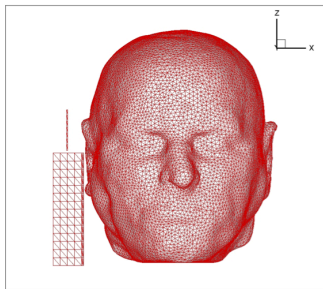
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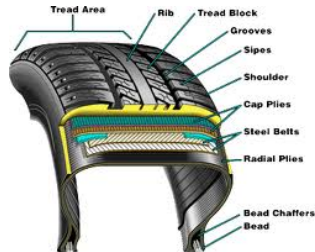
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After discretisation \Rightarrow large linear system $A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b}$. Matrix A inherits the properties of the underlying PDE (symmetric, positive definite, indefinite, etc...) A is in general **sparse, large and ill conditioned**.

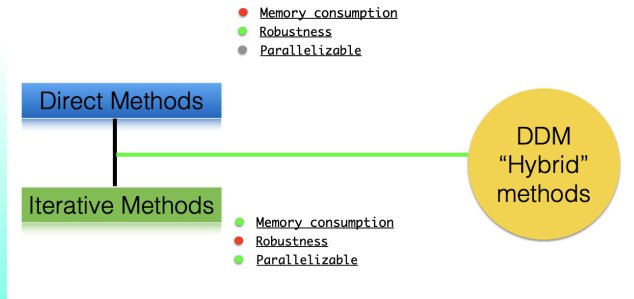
$Au = b$? Landscape of linear solvers

Direct Solvers

MUMPS (J.Y. L'Excellent), SuperLU (Demmel, ...), PastiX, UMFPACK, PARDISO (O. Schenk):

Iterative Methods

- Fixed point iteration: Jacobi, Gauss-Seidel, SSOR
- Krylov type methods: Conjugate Gradient (Stiefel-Hestenes), GMRES (Y. Saad), QMR (R. Freund), MinRes, BiCGSTAB (van der Vorst):



Complexity of the Gauss factorisation (sparse linear algebra)

Gauss	$d = 1$	$d = 2$	$d = 3$
dense matrix	$\mathcal{O}(n^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(n^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(n^3)$
using band structure	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(n^{7/3})$
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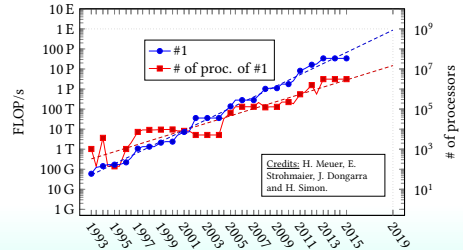
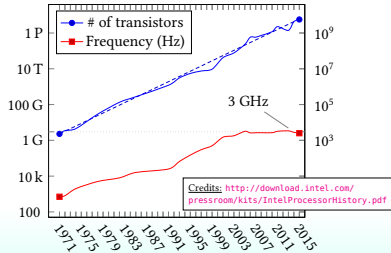
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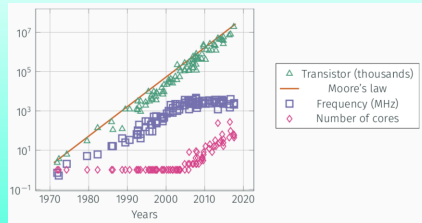
- PARDISO (<http://www.pardiso-project.org>)
- SUPERLU (<https://portal.nersc.gov/project/sparse/superlu/>)
- MUMPS (<http://graal.ens-lyon.fr/MUMPS/>)
- UMFPACK, in SuiteSparse (<https://people.engr.tamu.edu/davis/suitesparse.html>)

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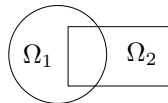
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Software

- Some New High level languages support natively some degree of parallelism: Julia, Rust and wrap MPI library with a simpler interface
- Parallel linear algebra package: PETSc (USA), Scalapack (USA), HPDDM (France)
- Free Finite element/volume packages allow for parallel computing: OpenFoam (UK), FreeFem (France), Firedrake (UK), Dune (Germany),

The original Schwarz Method (H.A. Schwarz, 1870)



$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta(u) &= f \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ u &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Schwarz Method : $(u_1^n, u_2^n) \rightarrow (u_1^{n+1}, u_2^{n+1})$ with

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Parallel algorithm, converges but very slowly, overlapping subdomains only.

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Let u^n be an approximation to the solution to the global Poisson problem then u^{n+1} is computed by solving first local subproblems and then gluing them together.

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The linear system has the following block form:

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Notations for a compact form

- R_1 the **restriction** operator from \mathcal{N} into \mathcal{N}_1
- R_2 the **restriction** operator from \mathcal{N} into \mathcal{N}_2 .

The transpose operator R_1^T is an **extension operator** from \mathcal{N}_1 into \mathcal{N} and the same holds for R_2^T .

Block-Jacobi in compact form

$$\mathbf{U}^{n+1} = \mathbf{U}^n + (R_1^T A_1^{-1} R_1 + R_2^T A_2^{-1} R_2) \mathbf{r}^n.$$

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$$A_i = R_i A R_i^T, i = 1, 2.$$

Let $\Omega := (0, 1)$ and consider the following BVP

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u &= f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u(0) &= u(1) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

discretized by a three point FD on the grid

$x_j := j h$, $1 \leq j \leq m$ where $h := 1/(m+1)$.

Let $u_j \simeq u(x_j)$, $f_j := f(x_j)$, $1 \leq j \leq m$ and the discrete problem

$$AU = F, \mathbf{U} = (u_j)_{1 \leq j \leq m}, F = (f_j)_{1 \leq j \leq m}.$$

where $A_{j,j} := 2/h^2$ and

$$A_{j,j+1} = A_{j+1,j} := -1/h^2.$$

Let domains $\Omega_1 := (0, (m_s + 1)h)$ and

$\Omega_2 := (m_s h, 1)$ define an overlapping

decomposition with a minimal overlap of width h .

The discretization of the Jacobi-Schwarz for domain Ω_1 reads

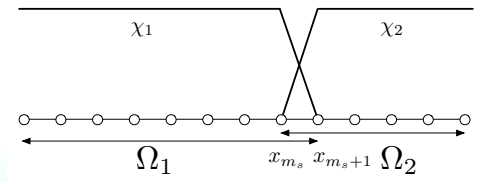
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Solving for $\mathbf{U}_1^{n+1} = (u_{1,j}^{n+1})_{1 \leq j \leq m_s}$ corresponds to solving a Dirichlet BVP in subdomain Ω_1 with Dirichlet data taken from the other subdomain at the previous step.

$$A_{11}\mathbf{U}_1^{n+1} + A_{12}\mathbf{U}_2^n = F_1,$$

$$A_{22}\mathbf{U}_2^{n+1} + A_{21}\mathbf{U}_1^n = F_2.$$

The discrete counterpart of the extension operator E_1 (resp. E_2) is defined by $E_1(U_1) = (U_1, 0)^T$ (resp. $E_2(U_2) = (0, U_2)^T$).



$$\text{then } E_1(U_1) + E_2(U_2) = E_1(\chi_1 U_1) + E_2(\chi_2 U_2) = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

When the **overlap is minimal**, the **discrete counterparts of the three Schwarz methods (AS, RAS, JS)** are equivalent to the same block Jacobi algorithm.

Continuous level

- Domain Ω and an overlapping decomposition

$$\Omega = \cup_{i=1}^N \Omega_i.$$

- A function $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
- **Restriction** of $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to Ω_i , $1 \leq i \leq N$.
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Discrete level

- A set of d.o.f. \mathcal{N} and a decomposition

$$\mathcal{N} = \cup_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}_i.$$

- A vector $U \in \mathbb{R}^{\#\mathcal{N}}$.
- **Restriction** R_i - $\#\mathcal{N}_i \times \#\mathcal{N}$ boolean matrix
- The extension matrix R_i^T .
- **Partition of unity** diagonal matrices with positive entries, of size $\#\mathcal{N}_i \times \#\mathcal{N}_i$ s. t.

$$Id = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T D_i R_i.$$

Restrictions operators

Let $(\mathcal{T}_{h,i})_{1 \leq i \leq N}$ define an overlapping mesh decomposition of \mathcal{T}_h and $\Omega_i := \cup_{K \in \mathcal{T}_{h,i}} K$.

Define $V_{h,i}$ the finite element space on $\mathcal{T}_{h,i}$.

Let \mathcal{T}_h be a mesh of a domain Ω and u_h some discretization of a function u which is the solution of an elliptic Dirichlet BVP.

$$\text{Find } \mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{\#\mathcal{N}} \text{ s.t. } A\mathbf{U} = F.$$

Define the restriction operator $r_i = E_i^T$:

$$r_i : u_h \mapsto u_h|_{\Omega_i}$$

R_i boolean matrix corresponding to r_i :

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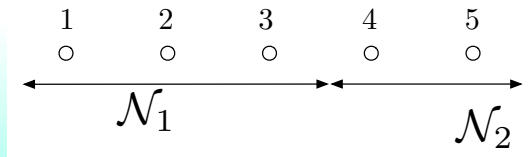
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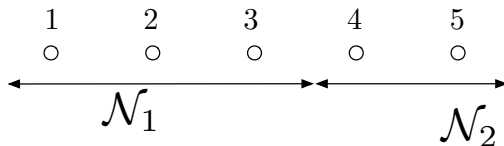
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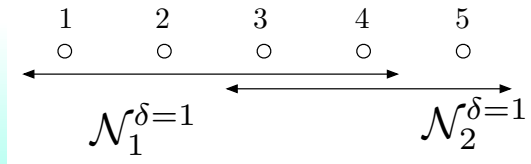
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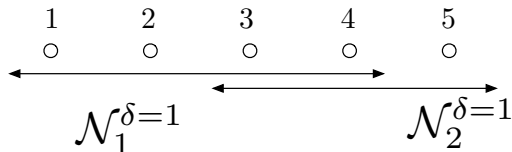
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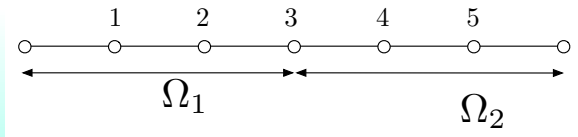
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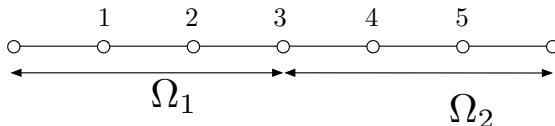
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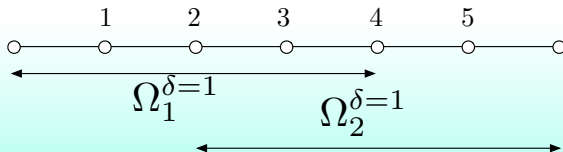
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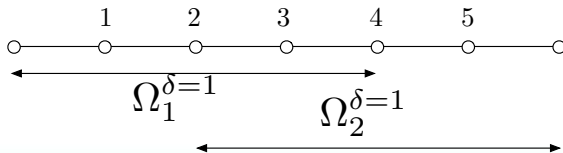
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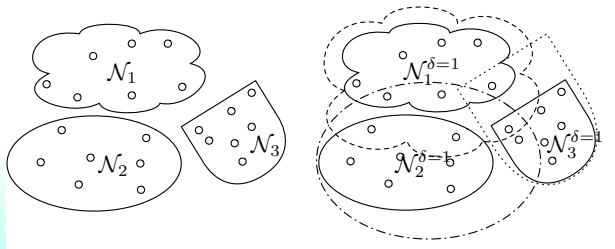
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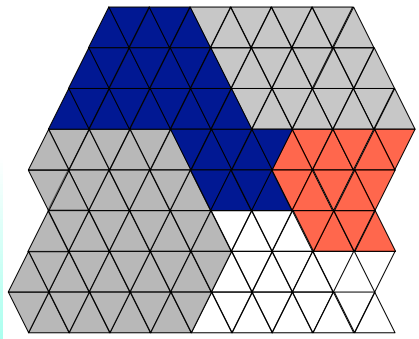


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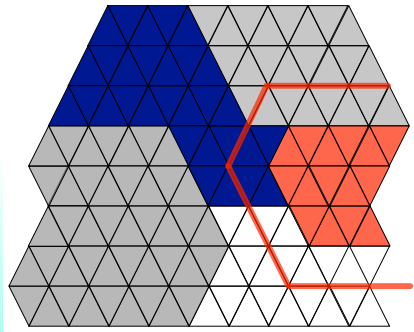
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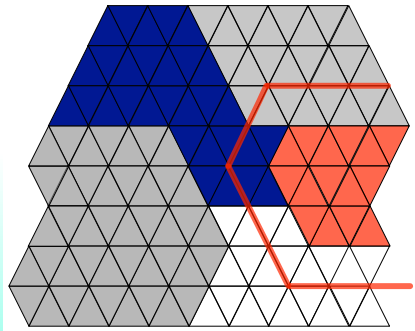
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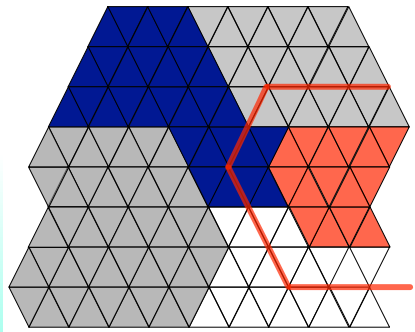
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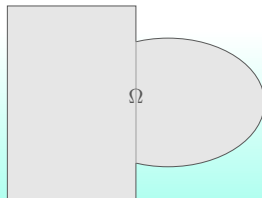
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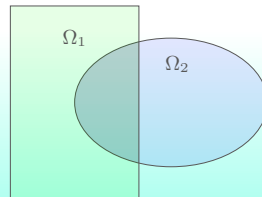
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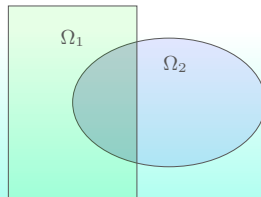


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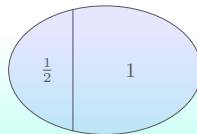
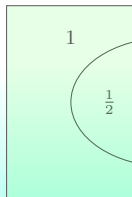


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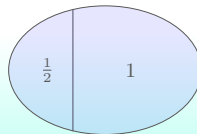
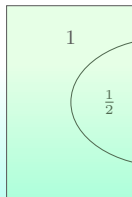


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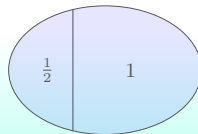
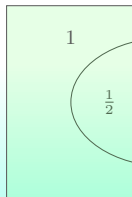
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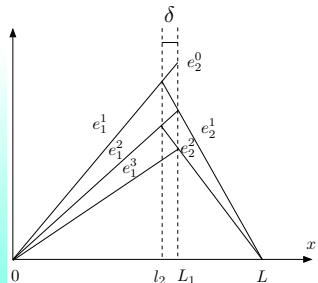
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From the interface conditions we get

$$\gamma_+^{n+1}(k) = \gamma_-^n(k) e^{\lambda^-(k)\delta}, \quad \gamma_-^{n+1}(k) = \gamma_+^n(k) e^{-\lambda^+(k)\delta}.$$

Combining these two and denoting

$\lambda(k) = \lambda^+(k) = -\lambda^-(k)$, we get for $i = 1, 2$,

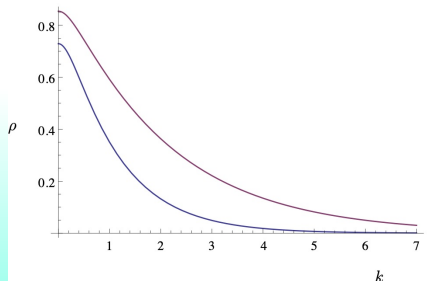
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Properties

- For all $k \in \mathbb{R}$, $\rho(k) < e^{-\sqrt{\eta}\delta} < 1$ so that $\gamma_j^n(k) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly as n goes to infinity.
- $\rho \rightarrow 0$ as k tends to infinity, high frequency modes of the error converge very fast.
- When there is no overlap ($\delta = 0$), $\rho = 1$ and there is stagnation of the method.

Introduction

Schwarz methods using Freefem++

- Schwarz algorithms as solvers

- Schwarz algorithms as preconditioners

- Schwarz preconditioners using FreeFEM++

FreeFem++ allows a very simple and natural way to solve a great variety of variational problems.

It is possible to have access to the underlying linear algebra such as the stiffness or mass matrices.

A very detailed documentation of FreeFem++ is available on the official website

<http://www.freefem.org/>

Codes and lecture notes for the domain decomposition part available here:

<http://www.victoritadolean.com/p/book.html>

Let a homogeneous Dirichlet boundary value problem for a Laplacian defined on a unit square $\Omega =]0, 1[^2$:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{dans } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{sur } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

The variational formulation of the problem

$$\text{Find } u \in H_0^1(\Omega) := \{w \in H^1(\Omega) : w = 0, \text{ on } \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4\}$$

such that

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx - \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx = 0, \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega).$$

Feature of Freefem++: penalization of Dirichlet BC. Let TGV (*Très Grande Valeur* in French) be a very large value, the above variational formulation is approximated by

Find $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ such that

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx + TGV \int_{\cup_{i=1,\dots,4} \Gamma_i} u v - \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx = 0, \forall v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

The following FreeFem++ script is solving this problem

```
// Number of mesh points in x and y directions  
int Nbnoeuds=10;
```

The text after `//` symbols are comments ignored by the FreeFem++ language.

Each new variable must be declared with its type (here `int` designs integers).

```
//Mesh definition  
mesh Th=square (Nbnoeuds , Nbnoeuds , [ x , y ] ) ;
```

The function `square` returns a structured mesh of the square, the sides of the square are labelled from 1 to 4 in trigonometrical sense.

Define the function representing the right hand side

```
// Function of x and y  
func f=x*y;
```

and the P_1 finite element space V_h over the mesh \mathcal{T}_h .

```
// Finite element space on the mesh Th  
fespace Vh(Th,P1);  
//uh and vh are of type Vh  
Vh uh,vh;
```

The functions u_h and v_h belong to the P_1 finite element space V_h which is an approximation to $H^1(\Omega)$.

```
// variational problem definition  
problem heat(uh,vh,solver=LU)=  
    int2d(Th)(dx(uh)*dx(vh)+dy(uh)*dy(vh))  
    -int2d(Th)(f*vh)  
    +on(1,2,3,4,uh=0);
```

The keyword `problem` allows the definition of a variational problem (without solving it)

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u_h \cdot \nabla v_h dx + TGV \int_{\cup_{i=1,\dots,4} \Gamma_i} u_h v_h - \int_{\Omega} f v_h dx = 0, \forall v_h \in V_h.$$

where TGV is equal to 10^{30} .

The parameter `solver` sets the method that will be used to solve the resulting linear system. To solve the problem we need

```
//Solving the problem
heat;
// Plotting the result
plot(uh, wait=1);
```

The Freefem++ script can be saved with your favourite text editor (e.g. under the name `heat.edp`). In order to execute the script write the shell command

```
FreeFem++ heat.edp
```

The result will be displayed in a graphic window.

Solve Neumann or Fourier boundary conditions such as

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -\Delta u + u = f & \text{dans } \Omega \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 & \text{sur } \Gamma_1 \\ u = 0 & \text{sur } \Gamma_2 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + \alpha u = g & \text{sur } \Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4 \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

The new variational formulation consists in determining $u_h \in V_h$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \nabla u_h \cdot \nabla v_h dx + \int_{\Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4} \alpha u_h v_h + TGV \int_{\Gamma_2} u_h \cdot v_h \\ - \int_{\Gamma_3 \cup \Gamma_4} g v_h - \int_{\Omega} f v_h dx = 0, \forall v_h \in V_h. \end{aligned}$$

The Freefem++ definition of the problem

```
problem heat (uh , vh)=  
  int2d (Th) ( dx (uh)*dx (vh)+dy (uh)*dy (vh) )  
+int1d (Th,3,4) ( alpha*uh*vh )  
-int1d (Th,3,4) ( g*vh )  
-int2d (Th) ( f*vh )  
+on (2 , uh=0);
```

In order to use some **linear algebra** package, we need the matrices. The keyword `varf` allows the definition of a variational formulation

```
varf heat(uh, vh)=
    int2d(Th)(dx(uh)*dx(vh)+dy(uh)*dy(vh))
    +int1d(Th,3,4)(alpha*uh*vh)
    -int1d(Th,3,4)(g*vh)
    -int2d(Th)(f*vh)
    +on(2,uh=0);
matrix Aglobal; // stiffness sparse matrix
Aglobal = heat(Vh,Vh,solver=UMFPACK); // UMFPACK solver
Vh rhsglobal; //right hand side vector
rhsglobal[] = heat(0,Vh);
```

Here `rhsglobal` is a FE function and the associated vector of d.o.f. is `rhsglobal[]`.
The linear system is solved by using UMFPACK

```
// Solving the problem by a sparse LU solver
uh[] = Aglobal^-1*rhsglobal[];
```

To build the overlapping decomposition and the associated algebraic call the routine `SubdomainsPartitionUnity`.

Output:

- overlapping meshes $aTh[i]$
- the restriction/interpolation operators $Rih[i]$ from the local finite element space $Vh[i]$ to the global one Vh
- the diagonal local matrices $Dih[i]$ from the partition of unity.

```
include "../data.edp"  
include "../decomp.idp"  
include "../createPartition.idp"  
SubdomainsPartitionUnity(Th, part[], sizeovr, aTh, Rih, Dih, Ndeg, AreaThi);
```


We first need to define the global data.

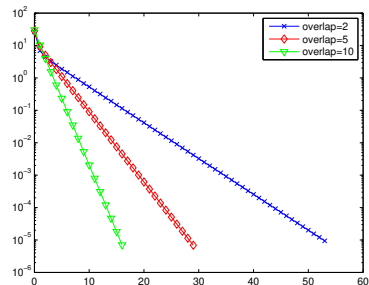
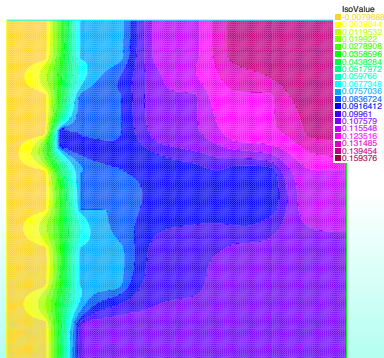
```
Aglobal = vaglobal(Vh,Vh,solver = UMFPACK); // global matrix
rhsglobal[] = vaglobal(0,Vh); // global rhs
uglob[] = Aglobal^-1*rhsglobal[];
plot(uglob,value=1,fill=1,wait=1,cmm="Solution by a direct method",dim=3);
```

And then the local problems

```
for(int i = 0;i<npart;++i)
{
    cout << " Domain :" << i << "/" << npart << endl;
    matrix aT = Aglobal*Rih[i]';
    aA[i] = Rih[i]*aT;
    set(aA[i],solver = UMFPACK); // direct solvers
}
```

```
ofstream filei("Conv.m");
Vh un = 0; // initial guess
Vh rn = rhsglobal;
for(int iter = 0; iter < maxit; ++iter)
{
    real err = 0, res;
    Vh er = 0;
    for(int i = 0; i < npart; ++i)
    {
        real[int] bi = Rih[i]*rn[]; // restriction to the local domain
        real[int] ui = aA[i] ^ -1 * bi; // local solve
        bi = Dih[i]*ui;
        // bi = ui; // uncomment this line to test the ASM method as a solver
        er[] += Rih[i]'*bi;
    }
    un[] += er[]; // build new iterate
    rn[] = Aglobal*un[]; // computes global residual
    rn[] = rn[] - rhsglobal[];
    rn[] *= -1;
    err = sqrt(er[]' * er[]);
    res = sqrt(rn[]' * rn[]);
    cout << "Iteration: " << iter << " Correction = " << err << " Residual = " << res << endl;
    plot(un, wait=1, value=1, fill=1, dim=3, cmm="Approximate solution at step " + iter);
    int j = iter+1;
    // Store the error and the residual in Matlab/Scilab/Octave form
    filei << "Convhist("+j+", :)=[" << err << " " << res << "];" << endl;
    if(err < tol) break;
}
plot(un, wait=1, value=1, fill=1, dim=3, cmm="Final solution");
```

Convergence history of the RAS solver for different values of the overlapping parameter.



Note that this convergence, not very fast even in a simple configuration of 4 subdomains. The iterative version of ASM does not converge. For this reason, the ASM method is always used as a preconditioner for a Krylov method such as CG, GMRES or BiCGSTAB.

Fixed point method

Consider the linear system

$$Ax = b$$

A possible iterative method is a fixed point algorithm

$$x^{n+1} = x^n + B^{-1}(b - Ax^n)$$

and x is a fixed point of the operator:

$$x \mapsto x + B^{-1}(b - Ax).$$

Let $r_0 := b - Ax^0$ and $C := B^{-1}A$, then

$$x^n = \sum_{i=0}^n (I_d - C)^i B^{-1}r_0 + x^0.$$

We have convergence iff the spectral radius of the matrix $I_d - C$ is smaller than one.

Krylov method

Consider a preconditioned linear system:

$$B^{-1}Ax = B^{-1}b$$

Let x^0 an initial guess and $r^0 := B^{-1}b - Cx^0$ the initial residual. Then $y := x - x^0$ solves

$$Cy = r^0.$$

The basis for Krylov methods is the following

Lemma

Let C be an invertible matrix of size $N \times N$. Then, there exists a polynomial \mathcal{P} of degree $p < N$ such that

$$C^{-1} = \mathcal{P}(C).$$

By a constructive proof

$$x = x^0 + \sum_{i=1}^d \left(-\frac{a_i}{a_0} \right) C^{i-1} r^0 .$$

Thus, it makes sense to introduce Krylov spaces,
 $\mathcal{K}^n(C, r^0)$

$$\mathcal{K}^n(C, r^0) := \text{Span}\{r^0, Cr^0, \dots, C^{n-1}r^0\}, n \geq 1.$$

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Example: The CG methods applies to symmetric positive definite (SPD) matrices and minimizes the A^{-1} -norm of the residual when solving $Ax = b$:

$$\text{CG} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Find } y^n \in \mathcal{K}^n(A, r^0) \text{ such that} \\ \|A y^n - r^0\|_{A^{-1}} = \min_{w \in \mathcal{K}^n(A, r^0)} \|A w - r^0\|_{A^{-1}} . \end{array} \right.$$

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A detailed analysis reveals that $x^n = y^n + x_0$ can be obtained by the quite cheap recursion formula:

```
for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  do  
   $\rho_{i-1} = (r_{i-1}, r_{i-1})_2$   
  if  $i = 1$  then  
     $p_1 = r_0$   
  else  
     $\beta_{i-1} = \rho_{i-1} / \rho_{i-2}$   
     $p_i = r_{i-1} + \beta_{i-1} p_{i-1}$   
  end if  
   $q_i = Ap_{i-1}$   
   $\alpha_i = \frac{\rho_{i-1}}{(p_i, q_i)_2}$   
   $x_i = x_{i-1} + \alpha_i p_i$   
   $r_i = r_{i-1} - \alpha_i q_i$   
  check convergence; continue if necessary  
end for
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Remark. This minimization problem is of size n . When n is small w.r.t. N , its solving has a marginal cost. Thus, x_K^n has a computing cost similar to that of x^n . But, since $x^n \in \mathcal{K}^n(B^{-1}A, B^{-1}r_0)$ as well but with “frozen” coefficients, we have that x_n is less optimal (actually much much less) than x_K^n .

In the previous Krylov methods we can use as preconditioner

- RAS (in conjunction with BiCGStab or GMRES)

$$B^{-1} := M_{RAS}^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^T D_i (R_i A R_i^T)^{-1} R_i$$

- ASM (in a CG methods)

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- M_{ASM}^{-1} as a preconditioner
- a Krylov method: conjugate gradient since M_{ASM}^{-1} and A are symmetric.

At iteration m the error for the PCG method is bounded by:

$$\| \bar{x} - x_m \|_{M_{ASM}^{-\frac{1}{2}} A M_{ASM}^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \leq 2 \left[\frac{\sqrt{\kappa}-1}{\sqrt{\kappa}+1} \right]^m \| \bar{x} - x_0 \|_{M_{ASM}^{-\frac{1}{2}} A M_{ASM}^{-\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

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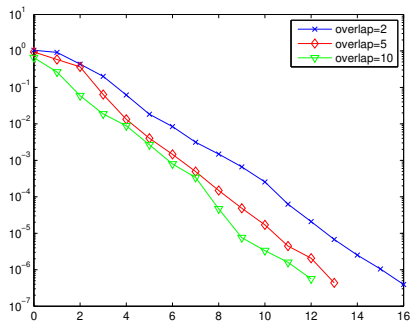
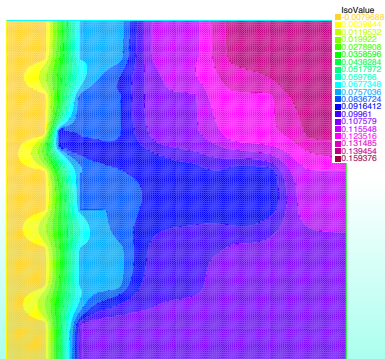
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  check convergence; continue if necessary
end for
```

Action of the preconditioner

The action of the global matrix and preconditioner

```
func real[int] A(real[int] &x)
{
    // Matrix vector product with the global matrix
    Vh Ax;
    Ax[] = Aglobal*x;
    return Ax[];
}
// and the application of the preconditioner
func real[int] AS(real[int] &l)
{
    // Application of the ASM preconditioner
    //  $M^{-1}y = \sum Ri^T Ai^{-1} Ri y$ 
    // Ri restriction operators,  $Ai = Ri A Ri^T$  local matrices
    Vh s = 0;
    for(int i=0; i<npart; ++i)
    {
        real[int] bi = Rih[i]*l;           // restricts rhs
        real[int] ui = aA[i]^-1 * bi;      // local solves
        s[] += Rih[i]'*ui;                  // prolongation
    }
    return s[];
}
```

The Krylov method applied in this case is the CG. The performance is now less sensitive to the overlap size.



We can also use RAS as a preconditioner, by taking into account the partition of unity

```
func real[int] RAS(real[int] &l)
{
    // Application of the RAS preconditioner
    //  $M^{-1} * y = \sum Ri^T * Di * Ai^{-1} * Ri * y$ 
    // Ri restriction operators,  $Ai = Ri * A * Ri^T$  local matrices
    Vh s = 0;
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        bi = Dih[i]*ui; // partition of unity
        s[] += Rih[i]'*bi; // prolongation
    }
    return s[];
}
```

this time in conjunction with BiCGStab since we deal with non-symmetric problems.