

Generalised Multiscale FEs: Efficient Offline/Online HPC Implementation

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Multiscale problems

Many scientific/engineering problems involve multiscale phenomena:

- Flow and transport in **porous media**,
- Turbulent flows at **high Reynolds numbers**,
- Physical processes in **composite materials**.

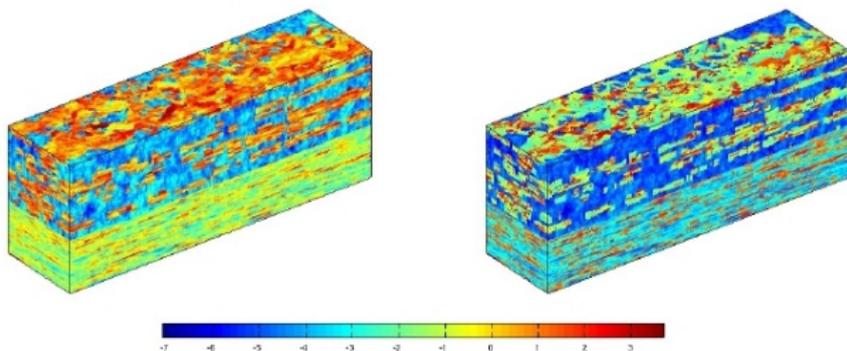


Figure: Oil reservoir exploration (SPE10 benchmark)

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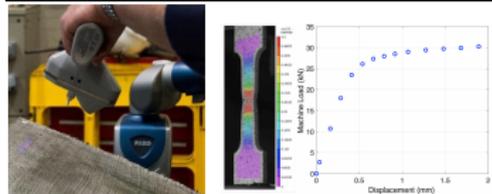
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Structural Engineering (composites & additive manufacturing)

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small length scales (<mm), **high contrast** and **strongly anisotropic**



CERTEST (EPSRC Project, UK)

STEAM (Turing/Royce Project)

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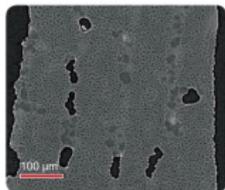
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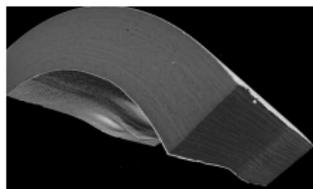
- **theoretically:** $u \notin H^2(\Omega)$ (in general) and it is difficult to obtain an **explicit convergence rate** for classical FEs;
- **numerically:** a **sufficiently small** h is required to achieve an acceptable accuracy, leading to **huge computational cost**.

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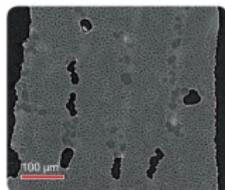
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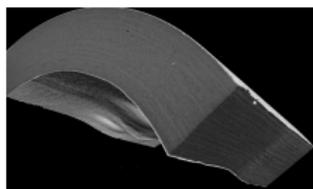
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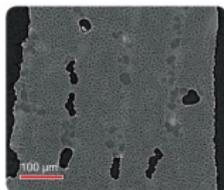


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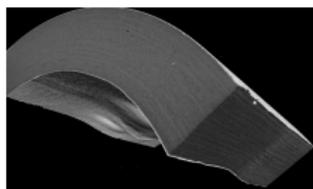
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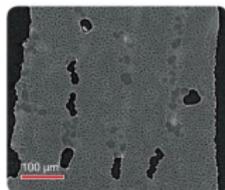


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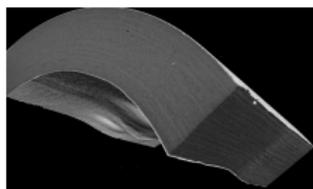
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(coefficient-robust theory for **Goal B** much less well developed)

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Traditionally: Asymptotic homogenization (Lions, Olenik, Allaire,...)

Various multiscale methods (initially focussing only on related ones):

- 1 Multiscale Finite Element Method (MsFEM) (Hou, Wu, Efendiev,...)
- 2 Generalized Multiscale FE Method (GMsFEM) (Hou, Efendiev,...)
- 3 Localized Orthogonal Decomposition (LOD) (Peterseim, Malqvist,...)
- 4 *Multiscale Spectral Generalized FE Method (MS-GFEM)*
[Babuska & Lipton, *Multiscale Model Sim (SIAM)* **9**, 2011], ...

All these are based on enriching **FE space** with **pre-computed multiscale basis functions** containing **fine-scale information** of the solution.

Other Types of Multiscale Methods

- Adaptive FEs ..., [Babuska, Rheinboldt, 1978]
- Generalised FEs [Babuska, Osborn, 1983]
- Numerical Upscaling ..., [Durlovsky, 1991]
- Variational Multiscale Method [Hughes et al, 1998]
- Multigrid Based Upscaling [Moulton, Dendy, Hyman, 1998]
- Multiscale Finite Volume Methods [Jenny, Lee, Tchelepi, 2003]
- Heterogeneous Multiscale Method [E, Engquist, 2003]
- Multiscale Mortar Spaces [Arbogast, Wheeler et al, 2007]
- Adaptive Multiscale FVMs/FEs [Durlovsky, Efendiev, Ginting, 2007]
- Energy minimising bases [Dubois, Mishev, Zikatanov, 2009]
- ... etc ...

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TODAY: Novel spectral GFEM, novel analysis & implementation

Coefficient-robust theory for **multiscale approximation** **without periodicity or scale separation** & links to **multilevel domain decomposition preconditioners.**

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s.t.

$$a_{\min} |\boldsymbol{\xi}|^2 \leq A(\mathbf{x}) \boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi} \leq a_{\max} |\boldsymbol{\xi}|^2 \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Omega.$$

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Generalized Finite Element Method (GFEM)

Key features

- Extension of the FEM based on **domain decomposition** and a **partition of unity (PoU) approach**.
- GFEMs consist of three steps:
 - ① **Construct local spaces** with good approximation properties;
 - ② **Glue together local spaces** by PoU to form global approximation;
 - ③ **Solve the problem** over the global approximation space.
- **Global error** fully determined by local approximation errors.
- Allows design of **special approximation spaces tailored to particular problem**.

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A set of functions $\{\chi_i\}_{i=1}^M$ is called a (sufficiently smooth) **partition of unity** subordinate to the open cover $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^M$ w. $H_i = \text{diam}(\omega_i)$ if

$$0 \leq \chi_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 1, \quad \sum_{i=1}^M \chi_i(\mathbf{x}) = 1, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega,$$

$$\chi_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \notin \omega_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, M,$$

$$\chi_i \in C^1(\omega_i), \quad \max_{i=1, \dots, M} (H_i \|\nabla \chi_i\|_\infty) \leq C_1$$

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$$u^p := \sum_{i=1}^M \chi_i u_i^p \in H_{qD}^1(\Omega), \quad S_n(\Omega) := \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^M \chi_i \phi_i : \phi_i \in S_{n_i}(\omega_i) \right\}.$$

The **approximate (Galerkin) solution** $u^G = u^p + u^s$ is then sought such that $u^s \in S_n(\Omega) \subset H_{0D}^1(\Omega)$ (n -dimensional).

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Traditional GFEM [Melenk, Babuska, 1996], [Babuska, Lipton, 2011]:

- Exact solution u and **not** $\chi_i u$ is approximated in each subdomain ω_i .
- Need to have bounds on local L^2 - and H^1 -error.

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- To **approximate optimally** the **a -harmonic part**:
 - ① associate this with a **compact operator** related to the PoU function and finding its **Kolmogorov n -width**;
 - ② construct an **optimal approximation space** based on its **SVD**.

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- We introduce the operator $P : H_{A,0}(\omega_i^*) \rightarrow H_0^1(\omega_i)$ such that

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- Since $H^1(\omega_i^*) \subset\subset L^2(\omega_i^*)$, it follows from the following **Caccioppoli-type inequality** that P is a **compact operator**:

Lemma (Caccioppoli-type inequality)

Assume that $\eta \in W^{1,\infty}(\omega_i^*) \cap H_0^1(\omega_i^*)$ and $v \in H_A(\omega_i^*)$. Then

$$\|\eta v\|_{a,\omega_i^*}^2 = \int_{\omega_i^*} (A \nabla \eta \cdot \nabla \eta) v^2 \, dx \leq a_{\max} \|\nabla \eta\|_{L^\infty(\omega_i^*)}^2 \|v\|_{L^2(\omega_i^*)}^2.$$

Recall: $a_{\max} =$ spectral upper bound of A and $\|\nabla \chi_i\|_{L^\infty} \leq C_\chi H_i^{-1}$

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Theorem (A. Pinkus, 1985)

The **optimal approximation space** associated with the Kolmogorov n -width is given by $\widehat{Q}(n) = \text{span}\{Pv_1, \dots, Pv_n\}$ and $d_n = \sqrt{\mu_{n+1}}$, where $\{v_k\}$ and $\{\mu_k\}$ denote the **eigenfunctions and eigenvalues** of the problem

$$P^*Pv = \mu v.$$

Local particular sol'n & optimal approxim'n space

Theorem

Let the *local particular solution* & the *local approximation space* on ω_i for the GFEM be defined as

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where v_k denotes the k -th eigenfunction of the (**GenEO-type**) eigenproblem [Spillane et al, 2014]

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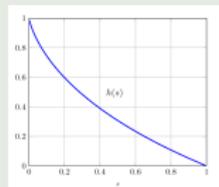
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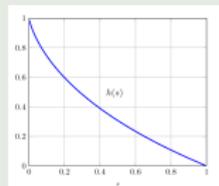
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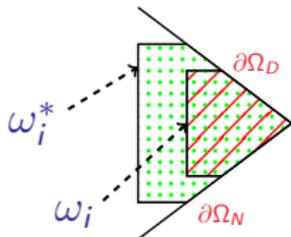
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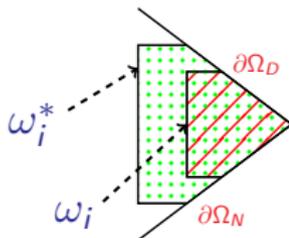
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Optimal local approximation spaces (discrete version)

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Explicit convergence rate (under some further assumptions):

$$|\mu_k - \mu_{h,k}| \leq Ch.$$

- Proof is based on **abstract theoretical framework** developed in the context of **homogenization theory** [Jikov, Kozlov, Olenik 2012].

Upper bound for the n -width

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Theorem (Nearly exponential decay)

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For n_i -dimensional local approximation space, it is **sufficient** to approximate $W_h(\omega_i^*)$ using the first $s_i \approx 5n_i$ functions $\{\zeta_j^i\}_{j=1}^{s_i}$.

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Note. The a -harmonic constraint is incorporated into the eigenproblem.

- Matrix eigenvalue problem:** find $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1+n_2}$, and $p \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ such that

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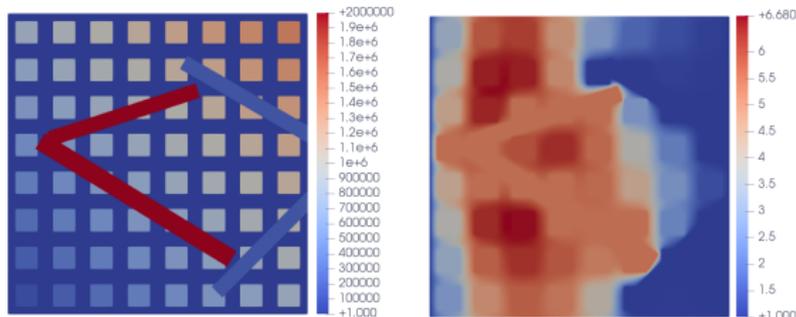
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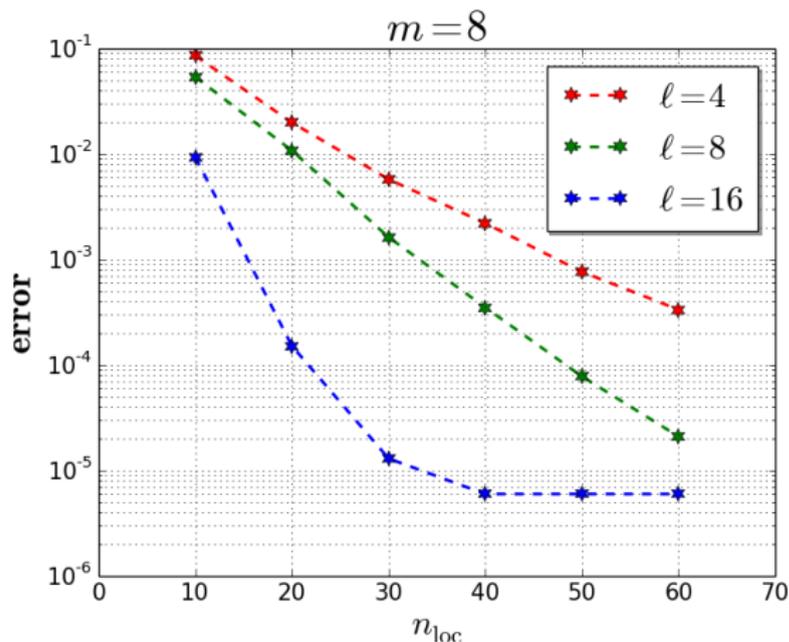


Figure: n_{loc} is the dimension of the local approximation space.

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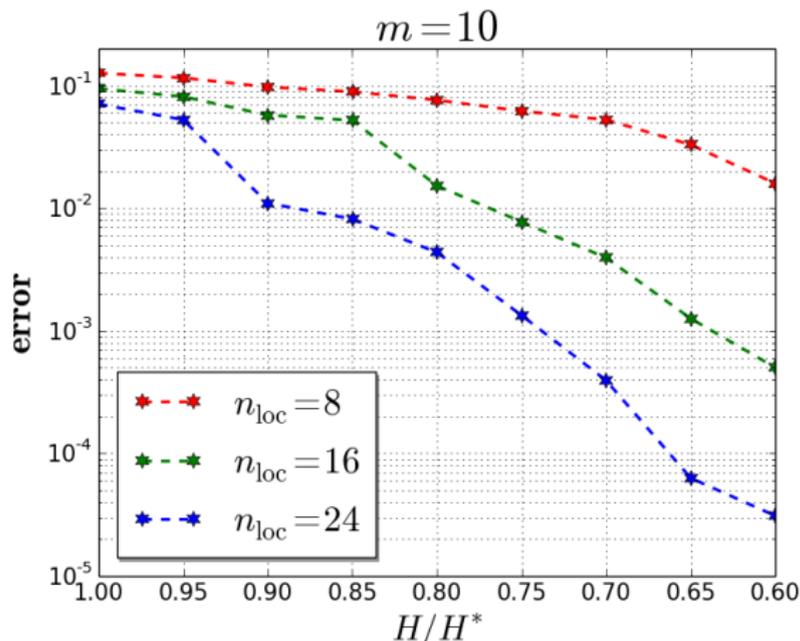


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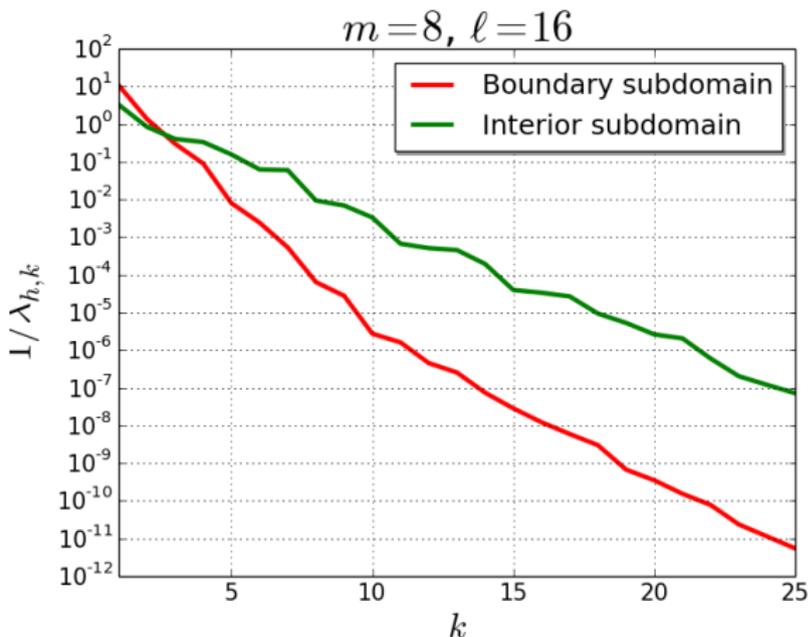


Figure: Eigenvalues of the local eigenproblems in an interior subdomain and a boundary subdomain.

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