

Multigrid in $H(\text{curl})$ on Hybrid Tetrahedral Grids

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Model Problem

- curl-curl problem arising from Maxwell's equations [1]
- Relevant for e.g. nuclear fusion, semiconductor devices

Strong Form

$$\alpha \text{curl curl } \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f} \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega.$$

Weak Form Find $\mathbf{u} \in \mathring{H}(\text{curl})$ st. $\forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathring{H}(\text{curl})$

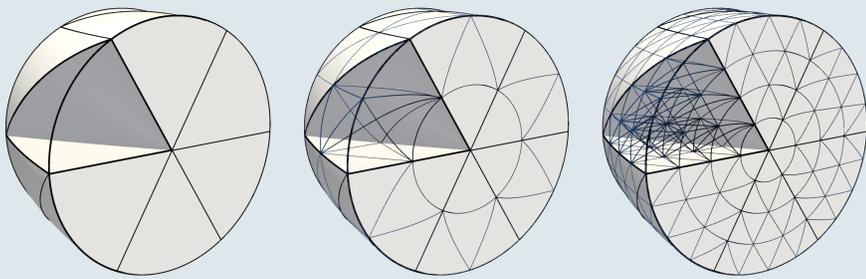
$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) := \alpha (\text{curl } \mathbf{u}, \text{curl } \mathbf{v})_{L^2(\Omega)} + \beta (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{L^2(\Omega)} = (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v})_{L^2(\Omega)}.$$

With $\mathbf{f} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega)$, $\alpha, \beta > 0$, normal vector \mathbf{n} and
 $\mathring{H}(\text{curl}) := \{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) \mid \text{curl } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega), \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \}.$

HyTeG [2]

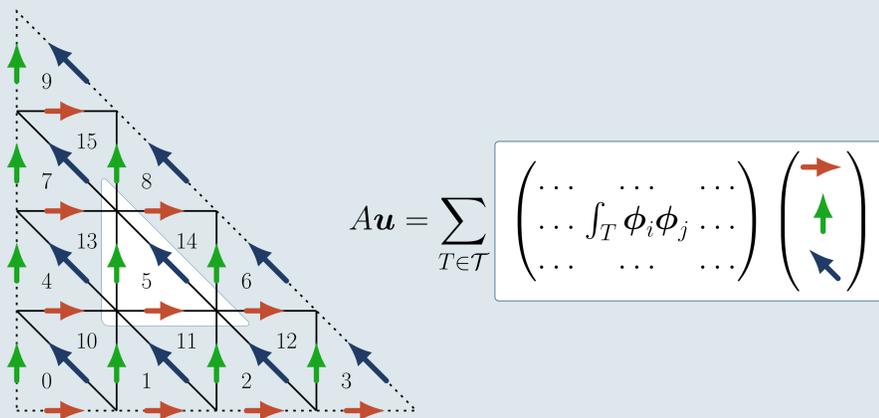
Hybrid Tetrahedral Grids

- Block-structured tetrahedral mesh: Flexible and efficient
- Mesh-hierarchy for multigrid
- Curvilinear on all levels

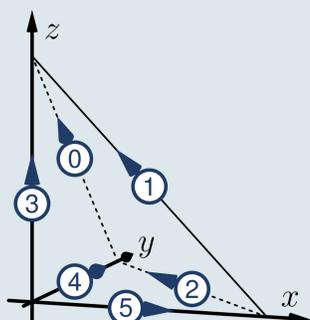


Matrix-free multigrid

- Storage of system matrix impossible at extreme scale ($1.1 \cdot 10^{13}$ unknowns demonstrated in [3])
- Loop over elements
 1. Assemble element local matrix on-the-fly
 2. Perform local matrix-vector product
 3. Add local result to global vector



Nédélec Elements (Type I, Order 1) $\mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1$ [4, 5]



- Local space:
 $\{ \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \}$
- Degrees of freedom:
 $\mathbf{u} \mapsto \int_e \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{t} \, d\mathbf{x}$
- Conforming in $\mathbf{H}(\text{curl})$
- Continuous only in tangential direction

Hybrid Smoother [1]

Ellipticity

- Standard multigrid smoothers hinge on ellipticity
- $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is not elliptic on $\mathcal{N}(\text{curl})$
- Lifting to potential space recovers ellipticity

Structure Preserving Discretization

- Discrete Helmholtz decomposition

$$\mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1(\mathcal{T}_h) \cap \mathcal{N}(\text{curl}) = \text{grad } \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^0(\mathcal{T}_h)$$

- Commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H^1(\Omega) & \xrightarrow{\text{grad}} & \mathbf{H}(\text{curl}; \Omega) & \xrightarrow{\text{curl}} & \mathbf{H}(\text{div}; \Omega) \\ \downarrow \Pi^0 & & \downarrow \Pi^1 & & \downarrow \Pi^2 \\ \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^0(\mathcal{T}_h) & \xrightarrow{\text{grad}} & \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1(\mathcal{T}_h) & \xrightarrow{\text{curl}} & \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^2(\mathcal{T}_h) \\ \text{cont. piecew. lin.} & & \text{Nédélec edge} & & \text{Nédélec face} \end{array}$$

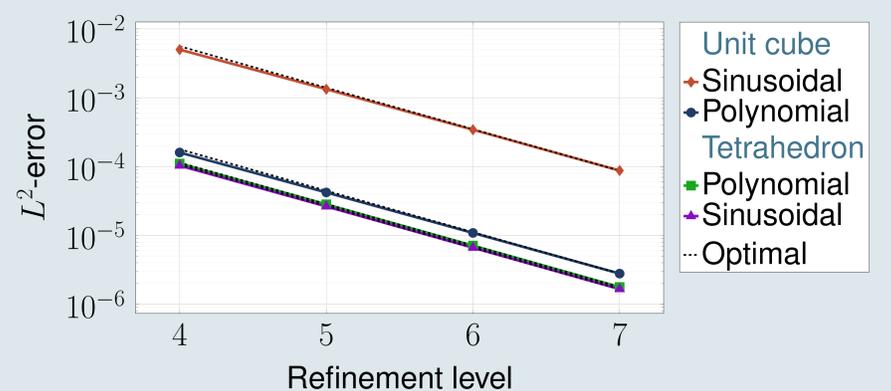
Input: initial guess $\mathbf{u}^h \in \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1$, right-hand side $\mathbf{f}^h \in \mathcal{P}_1^- \Lambda^1$

Output: smoothed iterate \mathbf{u}^h

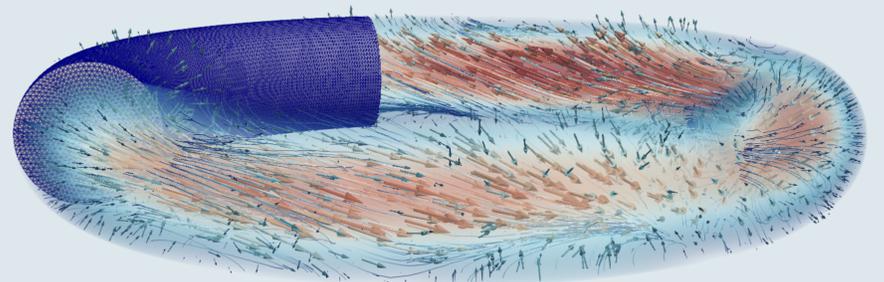
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Relax on  $A^h \mathbf{u}^h = \mathbf{f}^h$  /* Smooth in  $\mathcal{N}(\text{curl})^\perp$  */
 $\mathbf{r}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{f}^h - A^h \mathbf{u}^h$  /* Calculate residual */
 $\mathbf{r}^h \leftarrow L^h \mathbf{r}^h$  /* Lift to potential space */
 $e^h \leftarrow 0$ 
Relax on  $\beta \Delta^h e^h = \mathbf{r}^h$  /* Smooth in  $\mathcal{N}(\text{curl})$  */
return  $\mathbf{u}^h + L^{*h} e^h$  /* Correct  $\mathbf{u}^h$  */
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Results

L^2 convergence



Solution to manufactured system on solid torus



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