

# Lowest order methods for diffusive problems on general meshes

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## Motivations

*One key to the success of the finite element method, as developed in engineering practice, was the systematic way that computer codes could be implemented.*

*S. C. Brenner & L. R. Scott*

## Essential bibliography

- ▶ **Multi-point finite volume methods**
  - ▶ [Aavatsmark *et al.*, 1994–]
  - ▶ [Edwards *et al.*, 1994–]
- ▶ **Mimetic finite difference methods**
  - ▶ [Brezzi, Lipnikov, Shashkov, Simoncini, 2005–06]
  - ▶ [Beirão da Vega, Boffi, Buffa, Kuznetsov, Manzini, *et al.*]
- ▶ **Variational finite volume methods**
  - ▶ [Eymard, Gallouët, Herbin, 2000–2011]
  - ▶ [Agélas, Droniou, Guichard, Latché, Masson, *et al.*]
- ▶ **Cell centered and discontinuous Galerkin methods**
  - ▶ [DP, 2010–11]
  - ▶ [Ern & Guermond, 2006–08], [DP & Ern, 2008–2011]
- ▶ **Domain-specific languages**
  - ▶ [Prud'homme 2006–11]
  - ▶ [DP & Veneziani, 2009]

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## General meshes I

- ▶ **Avoid remeshing** (e.g. in subsoil modeling)
- ▶ Improve **domain/solution fitting**
- ▶ Improve **performance** (fewer DOFs, reduced fill-in)
- ▶ Nonconforming/aggregative **mesh adaptivity**

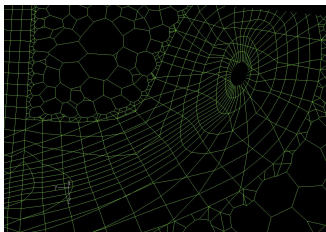
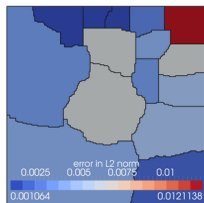
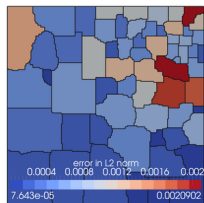


Figure: Near wellbore mesh. See Cindy Guichard on Friday

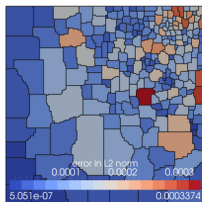
## General meshes II



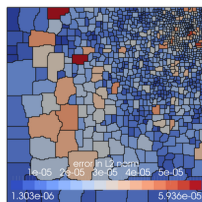
(a) 15 elements



(b) 63 elements



(c) 250 elements



(d) 1024 elements

Figure: Adaptive aggregation [Bassi, Botti, Colombo, DP, & Tesini, 2011]

## Admissible mesh sequences for $h$ -convergence I

- ▶ Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be an open connected bounded polyhedral domain
- ▶ Let  $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$  be a sequence of refined meshes of  $\Omega$  with  $h \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ Polyhedral elements and nonmatching interfaces admitted

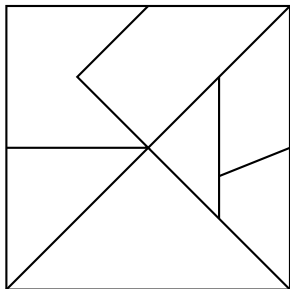


Figure: Example of a polygonal mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$



## Admissible mesh sequences for $h$ -convergence II

### Trace and inverse inequalities

- ▶ Every  $\mathcal{T}_h$  admits a **simplicial submesh**  $\mathfrak{S}_h$
- ▶  $(\mathfrak{S}_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$  is **shape-regular** in the sense of Ciarlet
- ▶ Every simplex  $S \subset T$  is s.t.  $h_S \approx h_T$

### Optimal polynomial approximation (for error estimates)

Every element  $T$  is **star-shaped w.r.t. a ball** of diameter  $\delta_T \approx h_T$

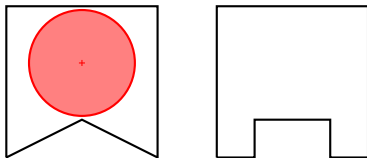


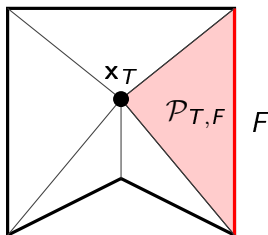
Figure: Admissible (left) and non-admissible (right) mesh elements

## Admissible mesh sequences for $h$ -convergence III

### Cell centers

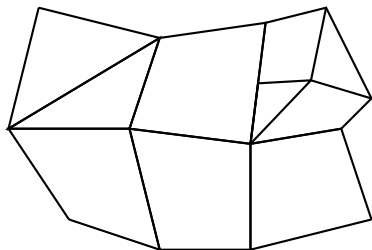
There exists a set of points  $(\mathbf{x}_T)_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h}$  s.t.

- ▶ all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$  is **star-shaped w.r.t.  $\mathbf{x}_T$**
- ▶ for all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , and all  $F \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,  $\text{dist}(\mathbf{x}_T, F) \approx h_T$

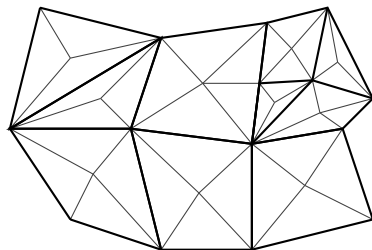


$\mathcal{P}_{T,F} =$  open pyramid of base  $F$  and apex  $\mathbf{x}_T$

## Auxiliary mesh $\mathcal{S}_h$



(a) Mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$

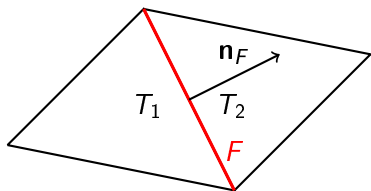


(b) Pyramidal submesh  $\mathcal{P}_h$

Figure: Choices for  $\mathcal{S}_h$

$$\mathcal{S}_h = \mathcal{T}_h \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{S}_h = \mathcal{P}_h$$

## Spaces $\mathbb{P}_d^k$ and trace operators



- ▶ For  $k \geq 0$  we define the **broken polynomial spaces**

$$\mathbb{P}_d^k(\mathcal{S}_h) := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid \forall S \in \mathcal{S}_h, v|_S \in \mathbb{P}_d^k(S)\}$$

- ▶ For  $F \subset \partial T_1 \cap \partial T_2$  we define the **trace operators**

jump: $[[v]] := v _{T_1} - v _{T_2}$ ,	average: $\{v\} := \frac{1}{2} (v _{T_1} + v _{T_2})$
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## Lowest order methods (for industrial applications)

- ▶ The choice of a method is **application dependent**
- ▶ Relevant tradeoffs
  - ▶ efficiency vs. robustness vs. accuracy vs. cost
  - ▶ memory vs. CPU consumption
  - ▶ sequential vs. parallel efficiency
- ▶ Interest of FreeFEM-like platforms but. . .
- ▶ . . . **multi-purpose libraries need a systematic approach**

Lowest order methods as (Petrov)–Galerkin methods based on  
**incomplete polynomial spaces**

Beneficial side effects in the analysis

## Incomplete broken polynomial spaces

- (1) Fix the **space of DOFs**, e.g.,

$$\text{cell centered: } \mathbb{V}_h = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{hybrid: } \mathbb{V}_h = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h} \times \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{F}_h}$$

- (2) Reconstruct a **piecewise constant gradient on**  $\mathcal{S}_h \in \{\mathcal{T}_h, \mathcal{P}_h\}$

$$\mathfrak{G}_h : \mathbb{V}_h \rightarrow [\mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{S}_h)]^d$$

- (3) Let  $\mathfrak{R}_h : \mathbb{V}_h \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_d^1(\mathcal{S}_h)$  be s.t., for all  $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}_h$ ,  $S \subset T$ ,

$$\mathfrak{R}_h(\mathbf{v}_h)|_S(\mathbf{x}) = v_T + \mathfrak{G}_h(\mathbf{v}_h)|_S \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_T)$$

Use as a trial/test space the **incomplete broken polynomial space**

$$\mathfrak{R}_h(\mathbb{V}_h) \subset \mathbb{P}_d^1(\mathcal{S}_h)$$

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## Model problem

$$-\nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla u) = f \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

- ▶  $\kappa$  is s.p.d. and there is a partition  $P_\Omega$  s.t.

$$\kappa \in \mathbb{P}_d^0(P_\Omega)^{d,d}$$

- ▶ For all  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_h$  is compatible with  $P_\Omega$

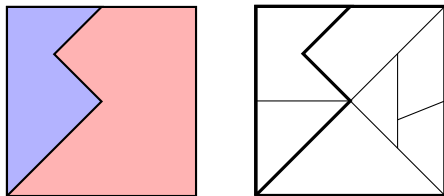
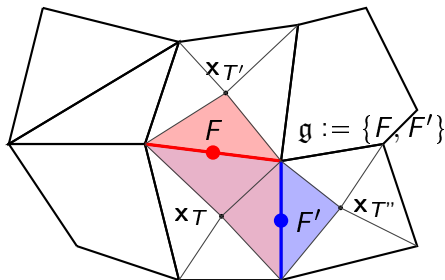


Figure: Partition  $P_\Omega$  (left) and compatible mesh (right)



## The L-construction

$$\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h} \ni \mathbf{v}_h \mapsto \xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g$$



- ▶  $\xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g$  is **piecewise affine** and  $\xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g(\mathbf{x}_K) = v_K$  for all  $K \in \{T, T', T''\}$
- ▶  $\xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g$  is **continuous** and has **continuous diffusive flux** across  $F$  and  $F'$
- ▶ See [Aavatsmark, Eigestad, Mallison, & Nordbotten, 2008]

## The MPFA G-method I

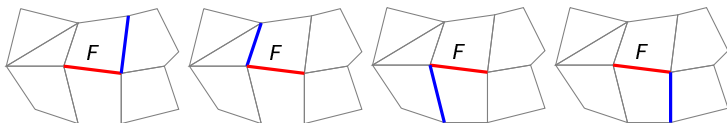


Figure:  $\mathcal{G}_F = \{\text{Faces sharing an element and a node with } F\}$

The flux  $\Phi_F$  through  $F$  is a **convex linear combination of subfluxes**

$$\forall \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h, \quad \Phi_F(\mathbf{v}_h) := \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_F} \varsigma_{g,F} (\kappa \nabla \xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g)|_T \cdot \mathbf{n}_F$$

with  $\sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_F} \varsigma_{g,F} = 1$ . See [Agélas, DP, & Droniou, 2010]

## The MPFA G-method II

(1) Let

$$\mathcal{S}_h^g = \mathcal{P}_h \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{V}_h^g = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h}$$

(2) Let for all  $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h^g$ , all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , and all  $F \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,

$$\mathfrak{G}_h^g(\mathbf{v}_h)|_{\mathcal{P}_{T,F}} = \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_F} \varsigma_{g,F} \nabla \xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^g|_{\mathcal{P}_{T,F}}$$

(3) Let  $\mathfrak{R}_h^g$  be s.t. for all  $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h^g$ , all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , and all  $F \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,

$$\mathfrak{R}_h^g(\mathbf{v}_h)|_{\mathcal{P}_{T,F}}(\mathbf{x}) = v_T + \mathfrak{G}_h^g(\mathbf{v}_h)|_{\mathcal{P}_{T,F}} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_T)$$

The corresponding discrete space is  $\mathbb{V}_h^g := \mathfrak{R}_h^g(\mathbb{V}_h^g)$

## The MPFA G-method III

Find  $u_h \in V_h^g$  s.t. for all  $v_h \in \mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{T}_h)$

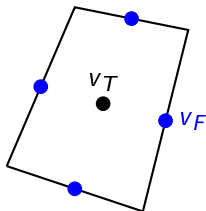
$$-\sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \int_F \{\kappa \nabla_h u_h\} \cdot \mathbf{n}_F [[v_h]] = \int_{\Omega} f v_h$$

### Convergence [Agélas, DP, & Droniou, 2010]

Assuming that at least one L-construction exists for each face, the sequence of discrete solutions **converges to  $u$  in  $L^q(\Omega)$  for  $q \in [1, 2^d/d-2)$** . A strongly convergent gradient also exists.

Small footprint but well-posedness only under strict assumptions  
 $\implies$  **gradient schemes**

## A gradient reconstruction based on Green's formula

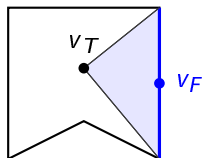


- ▶ Let  $(\mathbf{v}_h^T, \mathbf{v}_h^F) \in \mathbb{V}_h^{\text{hyb}} := \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h} \times \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{F}_h}$ . For all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ ,

$$\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{grn}}(\mathbf{v}_h^T, \mathbf{v}_h^F)|_T = \frac{1}{|T|_d} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} |F|_{d-1} (v_F - v_T) \mathbf{n}_{T,F}$$

- ▶ The  $L^2$ -norm of  $\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{grn}}$  is not a norm on general meshes
- ▶ See [Eymard, Gallouët, Herbin, 2004]

## Stabilization using residuals



- ▶ Following [Eymard, Gallouët, & Herbin, 2009] define

$$\mathbf{r}_h(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}})|_{\mathcal{P}_{T,F}} = \frac{\sqrt{d}}{d_{T,F}} \left[ v_F - \left( v_T + \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{grn}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}}) \cdot (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_F - \mathbf{x}_T) \right) \right] \mathbf{n}_{T,F}$$

- ▶ We introduce the stabilized gradient

$$\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}}) = \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{grn}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}}) + \mathbf{r}_h(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}})$$

The  $L^2$ -norm of  $\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}$  is a norm on general polyhedral meshes

## The SUSHI scheme with hybrid unknowns I

Find  $u_h \in V_h^{\text{hyb}}$  with  $V_h^{\text{hyb}} \subset \mathbb{P}_d^1(\mathcal{P}_h)$  defined from  $\mathcal{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}$  s.t.

$$\int_{\Omega} \kappa \nabla_h u_h \cdot \nabla_h v_h = \int_{\Omega} f v_h \quad \forall v_h \in V_h^{\text{hyb}}$$

### Convergence [Eymard, Gallouët, & Herbin, 2009]

Let  $(u_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$  denote the sequence of discrete solutions on the admissible mesh family  $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$ . Then,  $P_0 u_h \rightarrow u$  in  $L^2(\Omega)$  and  $\nabla_h u_h \rightarrow u$  in  $L^2(\Omega)^d$ .

Generalization of the **Crouzeix–Raviart** FE to non-simplicial meshes

## Reducing the unknowns: Trace interpolation

$$\text{hybrid: } \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}})$$

- ▶ The vector  $\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}}$  can be interpolated using the L-construction

$$\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{F}} = \mathbf{T}_h(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}) := (\xi_{\mathbf{v}_h}^{\mathfrak{g}_F}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_F))_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h}$$

- ▶ This choice honors the heterogeneity of  $\kappa$
- ▶  $\mathfrak{g}_F \in \mathcal{G}_F$  is the L-group with the **best approximation properties**

$$\text{cell centered: } \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{cc}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}) := \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbf{T}_h(\mathbf{v}_h^{\mathcal{T}}))$$



## The SWIP-ccG method I

(1) We consider an alternative inspired by **dG methods**. Let

$$\mathcal{S}_h^{\text{ccg}} = \mathcal{T}_h \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{V}_h^{\text{ccg}} = \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}_h}$$

(2) Let for all  $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h^{\text{ccg}}$

$$\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{ccg}}(\mathbf{v}_h) := \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{grn}}(\mathbf{v}_h, \mathbf{T}_h(\mathbf{v}_h))$$

(3) Let  $\mathfrak{R}_h^{\text{ccg}}$  be s.t. for all  $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbb{V}_h^{\text{ccg}}$  and all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ ,

$$\mathfrak{R}_h^{\text{ccg}}(\mathbf{v}_h)|_T(\mathbf{x}) = v_T + \mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{ccg}}(\mathbf{v}_h)|_T \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_T)$$

The corresponding discrete space is  $\mathbb{V}_h^{\text{ccg}} := \mathfrak{R}_h^{\text{g}}(\mathbb{V}_h^{\text{ccg}})$

## The SWIP-ccG method II

Find  $u_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}$  s.t. for all  $v_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}$

$$a_h^{\text{ccg}}(u_h, v_h) = \int_{\Omega} f v_h$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} a_h^{\text{ccg}}(u_h, v_h) = & \int_{\Omega} \kappa \nabla_h u_h \cdot \nabla_h v_h + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \frac{\gamma_F}{h_F} \eta \int_F \llbracket u_h \rrbracket \llbracket v_h \rrbracket \\ & - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F [\{\kappa \nabla_h u_h\}_\omega \cdot \mathbf{n}_F \llbracket v_h \rrbracket + \llbracket u_h \rrbracket \{\kappa \nabla_h v_h\}_\omega \cdot \mathbf{n}_F] \end{aligned}$$

Generalization of **stabilized Crouzeix–Raviart** methods to non-simplicial meshes. See [Hansbo & Larson, 2003]

## The SWIP-ccG method III

- ▶ For all interface  $F \subset \partial T_1 \cap \partial T_2$  let

$$k_1 := \kappa|_{T_1} \mathbf{n}_F \cdot \mathbf{n}_F, \quad k_2 := \kappa|_{T_2} \mathbf{n}_F \cdot \mathbf{n}_F$$

- ▶ **Weighted averages** to stress the less diffusive side

$$\{\varphi\}_w := \frac{k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \varphi|_{T_1} + \frac{k_1}{k_1 + k_2} \varphi|_{T_2}$$

- ▶ **Harmonic means** in penalty term avoids overpenalization

$$\gamma_F := \frac{2k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2}$$

## Side benefits: Properties of $a_h$

$$\| \| v \| \|^2 := \| \kappa^{1/2} \nabla_h v \|_{[L^2(\Omega)]^d}^2 + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \frac{\gamma_F}{h_F} \| [v] \|_{L^2(F)}^2$$

### Coercivity and boundedness

There exist  $C_{\text{sta}}$  and  $C_{\text{bnd}}$  independent of both  $h$  and  $\kappa$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \forall v_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}, \quad a_h(v_h, v_h) &\geq C_{\text{sta}} \| \| v_h \| \|^2 \\ \forall (w, v_h) \in V_{*h} \times V_h^{\text{ccg}}, \quad a_h(w, v_h) &\leq C_{\text{bnd}} \| \| w \| \|_* \| \| v_h \| \| \end{aligned}$$

### Galerkin orthogonality (with dG paradox)

Provided  $u \in V_* := H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(P_\Omega)$ ,

$$\forall v_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}, \quad a_h(u - u_h, v_h) = \int_{\Omega} f v_h$$

## Side benefits: Error estimates

### Error estimate [DP & Ern, 2010]

Assume  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^2(P_\Omega)$ . There holds

$$\| \| u - u_h \| \| \leq \left( 1 + \frac{C_{\text{bnd}}}{C_{\text{sta}}} \right) \inf_{w_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}} \| \| u - w_h \| \|_* ,$$

with  $C_{\text{bnd}}$  and  $C_{\text{sta}}$  independent of both  $h$  and  $\kappa$ .

### Convergence rates [DP, 2011]

- ▶  $u \in V_* \Rightarrow \| \| u - u_h \| \| \leq Ch$
- ▶ ( $\kappa$  homogeneous + ell. reg)  $\Rightarrow \| \| u - u_h \| \|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq Ch^2$

See [DP & Ern, 2011a] for estimates with  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^{1+\alpha}(P_\Omega)$

## Convergence to minimal regularity solutions I

- ▶ For  $F \in \mathcal{F}_h$  the **local lifting**  $r_F(\llbracket v \rrbracket) \in \mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{T}_h)^d$  solves

$$\int_{\Omega} r_F(\llbracket v \rrbracket) \cdot \tau_h = \int_F \llbracket v \rrbracket \{ \tau_h \}_\omega \cdot \mathbf{n}_F \quad \forall \tau_h \in \mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{T}_h)^d$$

- ▶ The counterpart of  $\mathfrak{G}_h^{\text{hyb}}$  in ccG methods is

$$G_h(v) := \nabla_h v - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} r_F^l(\llbracket v \rrbracket)$$

$$a_h^{\text{ccg}}(u_h, v_h) = \int_{\Omega} \kappa G_h(u_h) \cdot G_h(v_h) + s_h(u_h, v_h)$$

## Convergence to minimal regularity solutions II

### Convergence to minimal regularity solutions [DP, 2011]

Let  $(u_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$  denote the sequence of discrete solutions on the admissible mesh family  $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}u_h &\rightarrow u && \text{strongly in } L^2(\Omega), \\ \nabla_h u_h &\rightarrow \nabla u && \text{strongly in } [L^2(\Omega)]^d, \\ |u_h|_J &\rightarrow 0.\end{aligned}$$

with  $u \in H_0^1$  unique solution to the continuous problem.

The proof uses the functional analytic results of [DP & Ern, 2010]

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# FreeFEM-like implementation in a nutshell I

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*// 1) Define the discrete space*

```
typedef FunctionSpace<span<Polynomial<d, 1> >,
                    gradient<GreenFormula<LInterpolator> > >
                    >::type CCGSpace;

CCGSpace Vh( $\mathcal{T}_h$ );
```

*// 2) Create test and trial functions*

```
CCGSpace::TrialFunction uh(Vh, "uh");
CCGSpace::TestFunction  vh(Vh, "vh");
```

*// 3) Define the bilinear form*

```
Form2 ah =
  integrate(All<Cell><( $\mathcal{T}_h$ ), dot(grad(uh), grad(vh)))
- integrate(All<Face><( $\mathcal{T}_h$ ), dot(N(), avg(grad(uh))) * jump(vh)
           + dot(N(), avg(grad(vh))) * jump(uh))
+ integrate(All<Face><( $\mathcal{T}_h$ ),  $\eta/H()$  * jump(uh) * jump(vh));
```

*// 4) Evaluate the bilinear form*

```
MatrixContext context(A);
evaluate(ah, context);
```

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## FreeFEM-like implementation in a nutshell II

- ▶ Elements of **arbitrary shape** may be present
  - ▶ The stencil of local contributions may **vary from term to term**
  - ▶ The stencil may be **data-dependent** (cf. L-construction)
  - ▶ The stencil may be **non-local**
- ▶ We cannot rely on reference element(s) + table of DOFs
  - ▶ Instead, **global DOF numbering + embedded stencil**

## Linear combination I

- ▶ Let  $\mathbb{I} \subset \mathbb{V}_h$  denote the **stencil** of a discrete linear operator
- ▶ A LinearCombination  $\mathbf{lc}^r = (I, \tau_I)_{I \in \mathbb{I}}$  implements

$$\mathbf{lc}^r(\mathbf{v}_h) = \sum_{I \in \mathbb{I}} \tau_I v_I + \tau_0 \in \mathbb{T}_r$$

- ▶  $r \in \{0, \dots, 2\}$  denotes the **tensor rank** of the result
- ▶ **Algebraic composition** of LinearCombinations is available

## Linear combination II

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```
// Cell unknown  $v_T$  as a linear combination ( $l_T$  is the global DOF number)
```

```
LinearCombination<0> vT = Term(l_T, 1.);
```

```
// Linear combination corresponding to  $\mathcal{G}_h^{\text{grn}}|_T$ 
```

```
LinearCombination<1> GT;
```

```
for (F  $\in$   $\mathcal{F}_T$ )
```

```
{
```

```
// Face unknown  $v_F$  (possibly resulting from interpolation)
```

```
const LinearCombination<0> & vF = T_h.eval(F);
```

```
GT +=  $\frac{|F|_{d-1}}{|T|_d} (vF - vT) \mathbf{n}_{T,F}$ ;
```

```
}
```

```
// Actually perform algebraic operations on coefficients
```

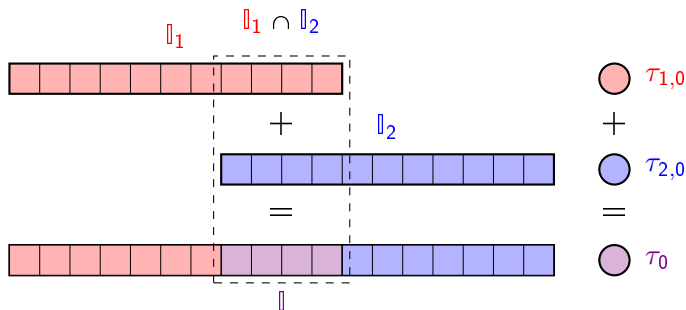
```
GT.compact();
```

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Figure: Implementation of the Green gradient  $\mathcal{G}_h^{\text{grn}}$

## Linear combination III

$$\begin{aligned} 1c^r &= 1c_1^r + 1c_2^r \\ &= \sum_{I \in I_1} \tau_{1,I} v_I + \tau_{1,0} + \sum_{I \in I_2} \tau_{2,I} v_I + \tau_{2,0} \\ &= \sum_{I \in I} \tau_I v_I + \tau_0 \quad (\text{compaction}) \end{aligned}$$



## FE-like assembly

- ▶ Let  $u_h, v_h \in V_h^{\text{ccg}}$  and observe that

$$\int_T (\kappa \nabla_h u_h)|_T \cdot (\nabla_h v_h)|_T \iff |T|_d \mathbf{l}c_u \cdot \mathbf{l}c_v$$
$$\iff \mathbf{A}_T := [ |T|_d \tau_{v,l} \cdot \tau_{u,j} ]_{l \in I, j \in J}$$

where  $\mathbf{l}c_u = (j, \tau_{u,j})_{j \in J}$  and  $\mathbf{l}c_v = (l, \tau_{v,l})_{l \in I}$

- ▶ The assembly step reads

$$\mathbf{A}(I, J) \leftarrow \mathbf{A}(I, J) + \mathbf{A}_T$$

The stencils  $I$  and  $J$  replace the table of DOFs!

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General meshes

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## The incompressible Navier–Stokes equations

$$\begin{aligned} -\nu \Delta u + (u \cdot \nabla) u + \nabla p &= f && \text{in } \Omega, \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 && \text{on } \partial\Omega, \\ \langle p \rangle_\Omega &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$U_h := [V_h^{\text{ccg}}]^d, \quad P_h := \mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{T}_h) / \mathbb{R}$$

Find  $(u_h, p_h) \in U_h \times P_h$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} a_h^{\text{ccg}}(u_h, v_h) + t_h(u_h, u_h, v_h) + b_h(v_h, p_h) &= \int_\Omega f \cdot v_h && \forall v_h \in U_h \\ -b_h(u_h, q_h) + s_h(p_h, q_h) &= 0 && \forall q_h \in P_h \end{aligned}$$



## Pressure-velocity coupling

- ▶ The **pressure-velocity coupling** is realized by the bilinear form

$$b_h(v_h, q_h) := - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \{v_h\} \cdot \mathbf{n}_F \llbracket q_h \rrbracket = - \int_{\Omega} \text{tr}(G_h(v_h)) q_h$$

- ▶ **Pressure stabilization** required for stability

$$s_h(p_h, q_h) := \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h^i} \int_F \frac{h_F}{\nu} \llbracket p_h \rrbracket \llbracket q_h \rrbracket, \quad |q_h|_p^2 = s_h(q_h, q_h)$$

### Lemma (Stability of the pressure-velocity coupling)

There exists  $\beta > 0$  independent of the meshsize  $h$  s.t.

$$\forall q_h \in P_h, \quad \beta \|q_h\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq \sup_{v_h \in U_h \setminus \{0\}} \frac{b_h(v_h, q_h)}{\|v_h\|} + \nu^{-\frac{1}{2}} |q_h|_p.$$

## Implementation

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*// 1) Define the discrete spaces*

```
CCGSpace::VectorTrialFunction uh(d);  
CCGSpace::VectorTestFunction vh(d);
```

*// 2) Create test and trial functions*

```
POSpace::TrialFunction ph;  
POSpace::TestFunction qh;
```

*// 3) Define the bilinear forms*

```
Range::Index i(Range(0, dim-1));  
Form2 ah, bh, sh;  
ah = integrate(All<Cell>(Th),  
               sum(i)(dot(grad(uh(i)), grad(vh(i)))) ) )  
  + integrate(Internal<Face>(Th),  
              sum(i)(-dot(fn, avg(grad(uh(i))))*jump(vh(i))  
                    - jump(uh(i))*dot(N(), avg(grad(vh(i))))  
                    + η/H()*jump(uh(i))*jump(vh(i)))));  
  
bh = -integrate(Internal<Face>(Th),  
               jump(ph)*dot(N(), avg(vh)));  
  
sh = integrate(Internal<Face>(Th),  
               H()*jump(ph)*jump(qh));
```

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## Convection

- ▶ **Temam's device** for discontinuous approximations
- ▶ **Non-dissipative** formulation
- ▶ **Asymptotic consistency** for smooth/discrete test functions

$$t_h(w, u, v) := \int_{\Omega} (w \cdot \nabla_h u_i) v_i - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h^i} \int_F \{w\} \cdot \mathbf{n}_F \llbracket u \rrbracket \cdot \{v\} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla_h \cdot w)(u \cdot v) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \llbracket w \rrbracket \cdot \mathbf{n}_F \{u \cdot v\}$$

## Convergence analysis

### Existence [DP & Ern, 2010]

There exists at least one discrete solution  $(u_h, p_h) \in X_h$ .

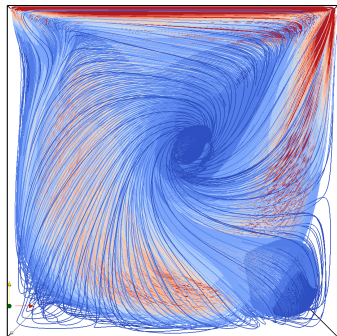
### Convergence [DP & Ern, 2010, DP, 2011]

Let  $((u_h, p_h))_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$  be a sequence of approximate solutions on  $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h \in \mathcal{H}}$ . Then, as  $h \rightarrow 0$ , up to a subsequence,

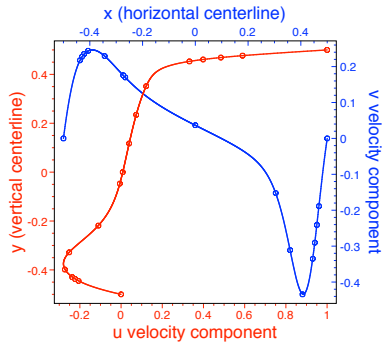
$$\begin{aligned}u_h &\rightarrow u, && \text{in } [L^2(\Omega)]^d, \\ \nabla_h u_h &\rightarrow \nabla u, && \text{in } [L^2(\Omega)]^{d,d}, \\ |u_h|_J &\rightarrow 0, \\ p_h &\rightarrow p, && \text{in } L^2(\Omega), \\ |p_h|_p &\rightarrow 0.\end{aligned}$$

If  $(u, p)$  is unique, the whole sequence converges.

## A numerical example: The 3d lid-driven cavity problem



(a) Side view



(b) Comparison

Figure: Streamlines and comparison with [Albensoeder et al., 2005]

## Further references

- ▶ Advection-diffusion [DP, 2010]
- ▶ Porous media flow (see Carole Widmer on Friday)
- ▶ Elasticity and poromechanics (see Simon Lemaire on Friday)

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## Function space

- ▶ FunctionSpace  $\leftrightarrow$  incomplete broken polynomial spaces
- ▶ Link between **algebraic** and **functional** representations

```
FunctionSpace <span < /* ... */ > ,  
              gradient < /* ... */ > > :: type Vh;
```

Space	$\mathcal{S}_h$	span	gradient
$\mathbb{P}_d^0(\mathcal{T}_h)$	$\mathcal{T}_h$	Polynomial<d, 0>	Null
$V_h^g$	$\mathcal{P}_h$	Polynomial<d, 1>	GFormula
$V_h^{\text{hyb}}$	$\mathcal{P}_h$	Polynomial<d, 1>	SUSHIFormula<HybridUnknowns>
$V_h^{\text{cc}}$	$\mathcal{P}_h$	Polynomial<d, 1>	SUSHIFormula<LInterpolator>
$V_h^{\text{cgc}}$	$\mathcal{T}_h$	Polynomial<d, 1>	GreenFormula<LInterpolator>



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## Pure diffusion I

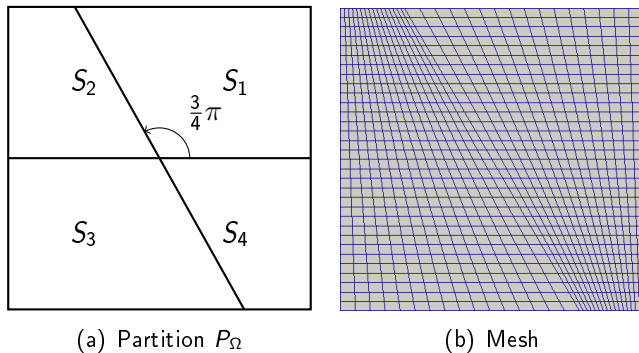
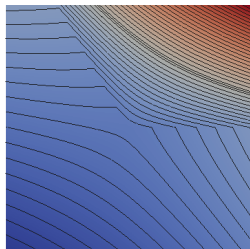
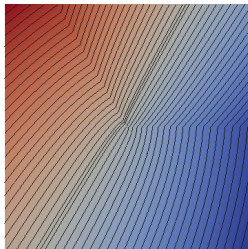


Figure: Heterogeneous test cases

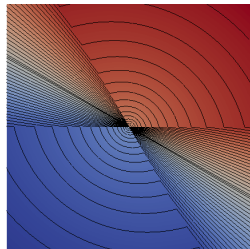
## Pure diffusion II



(a)  $u \in H^{2.29}(\Omega)$



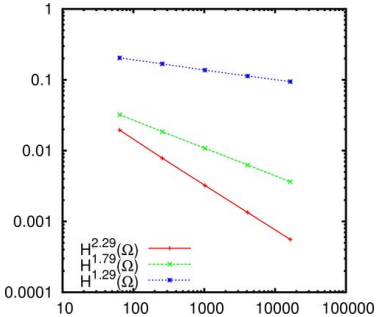
(b)  $u \in H^{1.79}(\Omega)$



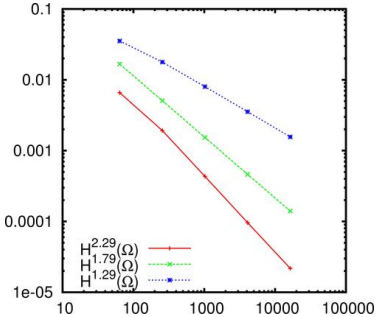
(c)  $u \in H^{1.29}(\Omega)$

Figure: Low-regularity heterogeneous solutions

# Pure diffusion III



(a) Energy norm



(b)  $L^2$ -norm

Figure: Optimal convergence

# Incompressible Navier–Stokes equations I

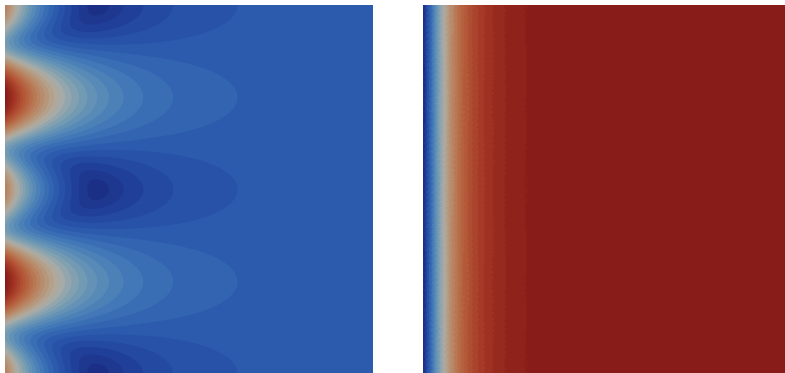


Figure: Kovasznay's problem, velocity magnitude and pressure

# Incompressible Navier–Stokes equations II

Table: Convergence results for Kovaszny's problem

$\text{card}(\mathcal{T}_h)$	$\ u - u_h\ _{[L^2(\Omega)]^d}$	ord	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2(\Omega)}$	ord
224	1.5288e-01	–	2.5693e-01	–
896	4.1691e-02	1.87	1.0847e-01	1.24
3584	1.1115e-02	1.91	4.0251e-02	1.43
14336	2.9261e-03	1.93	1.7487e-02	1.20
57344	7.6622e-04	<b>1.93</b>	8.7005e-03	<b>1.01</b>

$\text{card}(\mathcal{T}_h)$	$\ (u - u_h, p - p_h)\ _{\text{sto}}$	ord
224	4.5730e-01	–
896	2.1185e-01	1.11
3584	1.0319e-01	1.04
14336	5.1495e-02	1.00
57344	2.6540e-02	<b>0.96</b>