A primal discontinuous Galerkin method with static condensation on very general meshes

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Finite element-type methods on general meshes A far from exhaustive list

- Polynomial spaces on the mesh elements
 - IP interior penalty discontinuous Galerkin (Baker'73, Wheeler'78, Arnold'82)
 - LDG local discontinuous Galerkin (Cockburn & Shu'98)
- Polynomial spaces on the mesh skeleton (edges in 2D, faces in 3D)
 - HDG hybridizable discontinuous Galerkin (Cockburn et al'09)
 - HHO Hybrid High-Order (DI PIETRO ET AL'14)
 - VEM Virtual Elements (BEIRÃO DA VEIGA ET AL'13)

The number of DOFs needed to achieve the accuracy $O(h^k)$ in the case of the diffusion problem:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|}\hline & 2D & 3D \\ \hline IP, LDG & \sim \frac{1}{2}k^2N_{elements} & \sim \frac{1}{6}k^3N_{elements} \\ \hline HDG, HHO & \sim kN_{edges} & \sim \frac{1}{2}k^2N_{faces} \end{array}$$
(for large k)

Outline of the talk

- A reminder of the static condensation for the continuous FEM
- scSIP a symmetric interior penalty DG method with static condensation for the diffusion problem

	2D	3D
scSIP	$(2k+1)N_{elements}$	$(k+1)^2 N_{elements}$
HDG, HHO	\sim kN _{edges}	$\sim rac{1}{2}k^2N_{faces}$

(AL, preprint arXiv 2018)

- A priori error estimates
- Numerical illustrations
- Admissible meshes
- An extension to Stokes

Governing equations and notations

• The diffusion equation in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, d=2 or 3 with Dirichlet bc

$$-\partial_i(A_{ij}(x)\partial_j u) = f$$
 in Ω , $u = g$ on $\partial\Omega$

assuming the summation over $i, j = 1, \ldots, d$

 $\bullet\,$ The differential operator ${\cal L}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}u = -\partial_i (A_{ij}(x)\partial_j u)$$

The bilinear form

$$a(u, v) := \int_{\Omega} A \nabla u \cdot \nabla v, \qquad A = (A_{ij})_{1 \le i,j \le d}$$

• Assmptions on the coefficient matrix: $\exists 0 < \alpha \leq \beta, M > 0$ $\alpha |\xi|^2 \leq \xi^T A(x)\xi \leq \beta |\xi|^2, \quad \forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d, x \in \Omega$

and

$$|\nabla A_{ij}(x)| \leq M, \quad \forall x \in \Omega, \ i, j = 1, \dots, d$$

Static condensation for continuous FEM A reminder

- Assume (for the moment) Ω ⊂ ℝ² a polygon, T_h a regular triangular mesh on Ω, and g = 0
- The usual continuous \mathbb{P}^k FE on \mathcal{T}_h

$$V_h = \{ v \in H^1_0(\Omega) : v_T \in \mathbb{P}^k(t) \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}$$

• The continuous FE solution

$$u_h \in V_h$$
: $a(u_h, v_h) = \int_{\Omega} f v_h, \quad \forall v_h \in V_h$

 If k ≥ 3, the DOFs attached to interior interpolation nodes can be locally eliminated

Illustration for k = 4

- Global DOFs
- Local DOFs



Static condensation for continuous FEM

A reformulation in terms of functional spaces

• Decompose V_h into the local and global "features"

$$V_h = V_h^{\mathit{loc}} \oplus^{\perp_a} V_h'$$

$$V_h^{loc} = \{ v \in V_h : v_{\partial T} = 0 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}$$
$$V_h' = \{ v' \in V_h : a(v, v') = 0 \quad \forall v \in V_h^{loc} \}$$

• Decomposition of the FE solution $u_h = \underbrace{u_h^{loc}}_{\in W_h^{loc}} + \underbrace{u_h'}_{\in W_h'}$

Local and global problems

$$u_{h}^{loc} \in W_{h}^{loc}: \quad a(u_{h}^{loc}, v_{h}^{loc}) = \int_{\Omega} f v_{h}^{loc}, \quad \forall v_{h}^{loc} \in V_{h}^{loc}$$
$$u_{h}^{\prime} \in W_{h}^{\prime}: \qquad a(u_{h}^{\prime}, v_{h}^{\prime}) = \int_{\Omega} f v_{h}^{\prime}, \quad \forall v_{h}^{\prime} \in V_{h}^{\prime}$$
(1)

• The size of (1) is $\sim k$ in 2D ($\sim k^2$ in 3D) contrary to $\sim k^2$ ($\sim k^3$) for the original problem

Static condensation for continuous FEM

A reformulation in terms of orthogonal projections

• The local problems are solved separately on every triangle: $\forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$

$$u_h^{loc,T} := u_h^{loc}|_{\mathcal{T}} \in V_h^{loc,T} := \{ v \in \mathbb{P}^k(\mathcal{T}) : v|_{\partial \mathcal{T}} = 0 \}$$

satisfies

$$\int_{T} A \nabla u_{h}^{\textit{loc},T} \cdot \nabla v_{h}^{\textit{loc},T} = \int_{\Omega} f v_{h}^{\textit{loc},T}, \quad \forall v_{h}^{\textit{loc},T} \in V_{h}^{\textit{loc},T}$$

• With the orthogonal projection $\pi_T: L^2(T) \to V_h^{\mathit{loc}, T}$

$$\pi_T \mathcal{L}(u_h^{loc}|_T) = \pi_T f, \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

- The global subspace V_h' is populated by the solutions to $\pi_T \mathcal{L}(v_h'|_T)=0, \quad \forall T\in \mathcal{T}_h$
- The basis functions of V'_h can be associated to the nodes on the edges



Discontinuous Galerkin FEM

SIP – symmetric interior penalty

- Let *T_h* be a general mesh on Ω ⊂ ℝ^d – a collection of non-overlapping subdomains;
 - here is an example in 2D
 - we tolerate the curved edges/faces as well



- Let $V_h = \{ v \in L^2(\Omega) : v |_T \in \mathbb{P}^k(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}$
- The SIP method: find $u_h \in V_h$ such that $a_h(u_h, v_h) = L_h(v_h)$, $\forall v_h \in V_h$ with

$$a_{h}(u, v) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \int_{T} A \nabla u \cdot \nabla v$$
$$- \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \int_{E} (\{A \nabla u \cdot n\}[v] + \{A \nabla v \cdot n\}[u]) + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \frac{\gamma}{h_{E}} \int_{E} [u][v]$$

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$$L_{h}(v) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \int_{T} fv + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}^{b}} \int_{E} g\left(\frac{\gamma}{h_{E}}v - A\nabla v \cdot n\right)$$

Notations and error estimates



E_h^b ⊂ *E_h* − the edges/faces on ∂Ω; On any *E* ∈ *E_h^b*:
 n is the outward looking, [*v*] = *v*, {*v*} = *v*, *h_E* = *h_T*

Theorem

Under mesh regularity, usual assumptions on V_h , and γ big enough $|u - u_h|_{H^1(\mathcal{T}_h)} \leq Ch^k |u|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)}$ Adding the usual elliptic regularity assumption, $||u - u_h||_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C |u|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} h^{k+1}$

Mesh regularity and assumptions on V_h cf the book by Cangiani *et al* (2017)

• We assume that \mathcal{T}_h is shape regular:



For any $T \in T_h$, there exist two balls $B_T^{in} \subset T \subset B_T$ with radiuses r_T and R_T such that

 $R_T \leq \rho_1 r_T$

with a regularity parameter $ho_1>1$

• Optimal interpolation: there exists $I_h: H^{k+1}(\Omega) o V_h$

$$\left(\sum_{T\in\mathcal{T}_{h}}\left(|v-I_{h}v|_{H^{1}(T)}^{2}+\frac{1}{h_{T}^{2}}\|v-I_{h}v\|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2}+h_{T}^{2}|v-I_{h}v|_{H^{2}(T)}^{2}\right)$$

$$+h_{T}\|\nabla v - \nabla I_{h}v\|_{L^{2}(\partial T)}^{2} + \frac{1}{h_{T}}\|v - I_{h}v\|_{L^{2}(\partial T)}^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq C\left(\sum_{T\in\mathcal{T}_{h}}h_{T}^{2k}|v|_{H^{k+1}(T)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

ullet Inverse inequalities: for any $v_h\in V_h$ and any $\mathcal{T}\in \mathcal{T}_h$

$$\|v_{h}\|_{L^{2}(\partial T)} \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{h_{T}}} \|v_{h}\|_{L^{2}(T)}, \quad \|\nabla v_{h}\|_{L^{2}(\partial T)} \leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{h_{T}}} \|\nabla v_{h}\|_{L^{2}(T)}, \quad |v_{h}|_{H^{2}(T)} \leq \frac{C}{h_{T}} |v_{h}|_{H^{1}(T)}$$

Static condensation for discontinuous FEM ?

Not efficient/impossible if one follows the usual recipe of eliminating the local DOFs

On a triangular mesh, all the standard DOFs associated to the interpolation nodes become non-local in the SIP method



• One can extract a localizable subspace of $\mathbb{P}^k(T)$, $T\in\mathcal{T}_h$ as

$$V_{h}^{loc,SIP,T} = \{ v \in \mathbb{P}^{k}(T) : v|_{\partial T} = n \cdot \nabla v|_{\partial T} = 0 \}$$

but $\dim(\mathbb{P}^k(\mathcal{T}) \setminus V_h^{\mathit{loc,SIP,T}})$ is rather big

 It gets worse on a general mesh (mesh elements with many edges)



Static condensation for discontinuous FEM ?

Yes, if one mimics the reformulation with orthogonal projections

• Redefine the local polynomial space

$$V_h^{loc,T} = \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T)$$

- Re-introduce the orthogonal projection $\pi_{T,k-2}: L^2(T) \to V_h^{loc,T}$
- Redefine the local contributions to the solution as $u_h^{loc} \in V_h$

$$\pi_{T,k-2}\mathcal{L}(u_h^{loc}|_T) = \pi_{T,k-2}f, \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

• The global subspace V'_h is populated by the solutions to

$$\pi_{T,k-2}\mathcal{L}(v'_h|_T) = 0, \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

There is no schematic representation for the DOFs in V'_h

The basis functions of V'_h are no longer associated to some nodes. One can only say that $V'_h|_T$ is a subspace of $\mathbb{P}^k(T)$. In practice, one should precompute a basis for $V'_h|_T$.

scSIP method (static condensation SIP)

Local and global computations

• Compute
$$u_h^{loc} \in V_h$$
 by solving

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{L}(u_h^{loc}|_{\mathcal{T}}) q_{\mathcal{T}} = \int_{\mathcal{T}} f q_{\mathcal{T}}, \quad \forall q_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(\mathcal{T}), \, \mathcal{T} \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

• Define the subspace of V_h

$$V_h' = \left\{ v_h' \in V_h : \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{L}(v_h'|_{\mathcal{T}}) q_{\mathcal{T}} = 0, \quad \forall q_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(\mathcal{T}), \mathcal{T} \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\}$$

• Compute $u_h' \in V_h'$ such that

$$a_h(u'_h, v'_h) = L_h(v'_h) - a_h(u^{loc}_h, v'_h), \quad \forall v'_h \in V'_h$$

Set

$$u_h = u_h^{loc} + u_h'$$

Well posedness and error estimates for scSIP The cornerstone lemma

Lemma

Provided $h \leq h_0$, $\forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, $\forall q_T \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \exists u_T \in \mathbb{P}^k(T)$ such that

$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} q_{\mathcal{T}}(\mathcal{L}u_{\mathcal{T}}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \|q_{\mathcal{T}}\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{T})}^{2}$$

and

$$\|u_{T}\|_{H^{1}(T)}^{2} + \frac{1}{h_{T}} \|u_{T}\|_{L^{2}(\partial T)}^{2} \leq Ch_{T}^{2} \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2}$$

 h_0 , C depend only on mesh regularity and α , β , M

Remarks

- One can put $h_0 = +\infty$ if A is constant on T
- This proves that the local problem in scSIP has a solution

Proof of the lemma

• Let χ_T be the polynomial of degree 2 vanishing on ∂B_T^{in}

$$\chi_T(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - x_i^0)^2 - r_T^2\right)$$

• Set $A^0_{ij} = A_{ij}(x^0)$ and $\mathcal{L}^0 = -\partial_i A^0_{ij} \partial_j$ and consider the linear map

$$Q: \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \to \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T)$$
$$Q(v) = \mathcal{L}^{0}(\chi_{T}v)$$

• $Ker(Q) = \{0\}$. Indeed, if Q(v) = 0 then $\chi_T v$ solves $\mathcal{L}^0(\chi_T v) = 0$ in B_T^{in} , $\chi_T v = 0$ on $\partial B_T^{in} \Rightarrow v = 0$ • Q is thus one-to-one: $\forall q_T \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T)$, $\exists u_T := \chi_T Q^{-1}(q_T)$

$$\mathcal{L}^0 u_T = q_T$$

Proof of the lemma

• By scaling,

$$|u_{T}|_{W^{2,\infty}(B_{T})} + \frac{1}{h_{T}}|u_{T}|_{W^{1,\infty}(B_{T})} + \frac{1}{h_{T}^{2}}||u_{T}||_{L^{\infty}(B_{T})} \leq \frac{C}{h_{T}^{d/2}}||q_{T}||_{L^{2}(B_{T}^{in})}$$

Thus,

$$|u_{\mathcal{T}}|_{H^{1}(\mathcal{T})} \leq |\mathcal{T}|^{1/2} |u_{\mathcal{T}}|_{W^{1,\infty}(B_{\mathcal{T}})} \leq Ch_{\mathcal{T}} ||q_{\mathcal{T}}||_{L^{2}(\mathcal{T})}$$

• Similarly,
$$\|u_T\|_{L^2(T)} \le Ch_T^2 \|q_T\|_{L^2(T)}$$
 so that
 $\|u_T\|_{L^2(\partial T)} \le Ch_T^{3/2} \|q_T\|_{L^2(T)}$

by the trace inverse inequality.

• In the case of variable coefficients (for *h* small enough)

$$\begin{split} \int_{T} q_{T} \mathcal{L} u_{T} &= \int_{T} q_{T} \mathcal{L}^{0} u_{T} + \int_{T} q_{T} \partial_{i} ((A_{ij} - A_{ij}^{0}) \partial_{j} u_{T}) \\ &\geq \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2} - \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)} |T|^{1/2} h_{T} \|\nabla A\|_{L^{\infty}(T)} \frac{C}{h_{T}^{d/2}} \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(B_{T}^{in})} \\ &\geq \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2} - Ch_{T} \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2} \geq \frac{1}{2} \|q_{T}\|_{L^{2}(T)} \end{split}$$

Two bilinear forms

• Recall the bilinear form a_h . It is known to be coercive

$$\begin{aligned} a_h(v_h, v_h) &\geq c ||| v_h |||^2, \quad \forall v_h \in V_h \\ ||| v |||^2 &= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left(|v|_{H^1(T)}^2 + \frac{1}{h_T} || [v] ||_{L^2(\partial T)}^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

• Introduce the bilinear form

$$b_h(\mu, \nu) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \int_T \mu \mathcal{L} \mu$$

and the space

$$M_h = \{ v \in L^2(\Omega) : v |_T \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}$$

The previous lemma implies the inf-sup

$$\begin{split} \inf_{\mu_h \in \mathcal{M}_h} \sup_{\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h} \frac{b_h(\mu_h, \mathbf{v}_h)}{\|\mu_h\|_h \|\|\mathbf{v}_h\|\|} \geq \delta \\ \text{with } \|\mu\|_h^2 = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \|\mu\|_{L^2(T)}^2 \end{split}$$

A saddle point reformulation

Lemma

 u_h given by the scSIP method can also be recovered as a solution to the saddle point problem: Find $u_h \in V_h$, $\lambda_h \in M_h$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{a}_h(u_h, v_h) + \mathsf{b}_h(\lambda_h, v_h) &= \mathsf{L}_h(v_h), & \forall v_h \in V_h \\ \mathsf{b}_h(\mu_h, u_h) &= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \int_T f \mu_h, & \forall \mu_h \in M_h \end{aligned}$$

The solution (u_h, λ_h) , and thus scSIP's u_h is unique

Consistency

The exact solution u together with $\lambda = 0$ satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} a_h(u, v_h) + b_h(\lambda, v_h) &= L_h(v_h), & \forall v_h \in V_h \\ b_h(\mu_h, u) &= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \int_T f \mu_h, & \forall \mu_h \in M_h \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the saddle point equivalence lemma

- Existence and uniqueness of (u_h, λ_h) follows from the standard theory of saddle point problems (a_h is coercive, b_h satisifies inf-sup)
- Let $u_h = u_h^{loc} + u_h'$ be given by the scSIP method. Then **1** For all $v'_h \in V'_h$

$$a_h(u_h^{loc} + u_h', v_h') = L_h(v_h')$$

Recalling that $V'_h = \{v'_h \in V_h : b_h(\mu_h, v'_h) = 0 \ \forall \mu_h \in M_h\},\$ one can add the Lagrange multiplier $\lambda_h \in M_h$ above so that it holds for all $v_h \in V_h$

2 Recall again
$$b_h(\mu_h, u'_h) = 0$$
 and observe

$$b_h(\mu_h, u_h^{loc} + u_h') = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \int_T fq_h, \quad \forall \mu_h \in M_h$$



Since any u_h given by the scSIP method can be recovered as a solution to the saddle point problem, scSIP's u_h is unique

A priori error estimates for scSIP

Theorem

Under the same assumption as before, the scSIP method produces the unique solution $u_h \in V_h$, which satisfies

$$|u - u_h|_{H^1(\mathcal{T}_h)} \le Ch^k |u|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)}$$

$$||u - u_h||_{L^2(\Omega)} \le C |u|_{H^{k+1}(\Omega)} h^{k+1}$$

Proof by the inf-sup theory and optimal approximation $\|\|u_h - I_h u\|\| + \|\lambda_h\|_h$ $\leq C \left(\|\|u - I_h u\|\|^2 + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_h} h_E \|\{A\nabla(u - I_h u) \cdot n\}\|_{L^2(E)}^2 + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^2 \|\mathcal{L}(u - I_h u)\|_{L^2(T)}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $\leq C h^k \|u\|_{H^{k+1}}$

Notes on implementation of SIP ans scSIP methods

- Introduce the bases of $\mathbb{P}^k(T_l)$ and $\mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T_l)$ on $T_l \in \mathcal{T}_h$: $\{\phi_i^{(l)}\}_{i=1,\dots,N_k} \quad \{\psi_j^{(l)}\}_{j=1,\dots,N_{k-2}}$
- Form the matrices $A^{(lm)} = \{a_h(\phi_i^{(l)}, \phi_j^{(l)})\}_{ij}$ for any two neighboring elements T_l and T_m
- Form the matrices $\mathbf{B}^{(l)} = \{\int_{\mathcal{T}_l} \psi_i^{(l)} \mathcal{L} \phi_j^{(l)} \}_{ij}$
- Calculate the scSIP local contributions $\overrightarrow{u}_{loc}^{(l)}$ and the basis functions $\overrightarrow{u}^{(l,s)}$ for V'_h on every $T_l \in \mathcal{T}_h$ by

$$\begin{cases} \overrightarrow{u}_{loc}^{(l)} + (\mathbf{B}^{(l)})^T \overrightarrow{\lambda}_{loc}^{(l)} = \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{B}^{(l)} \overrightarrow{u}_{loc}^{(l)} = \overrightarrow{F_{\psi}}^{(l)} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} \overrightarrow{u}^{(l,s)} + (\mathbf{B}^{(l)})^T \overrightarrow{\lambda}^{(l,s)} = \overrightarrow{e^s}^s \\ \mathbf{B}^{(l)} \overrightarrow{u}^{(l,s)} = \mathbf{0} \end{cases} \\ \text{with} \quad \overrightarrow{F_{\psi}}^{(l)} = \{\int_{T_l} f \psi_l^{(l)} \} \end{cases}$$

- Put the vectors $\overrightarrow{u}^{(l,s)}$ into the matrix $\mathbf{M}^{(l)}$ on $\mathcal{T}_l \in \mathcal{T}_h$ (after selecting the linearly independent ones by Gramm-Schmdt)
- Form the reduced matrices $\mathbf{A}^{\prime(lm)} = (\mathbf{M}^{(l)})^T \mathbf{A}^{(lm)} \mathbf{M}^{(m)}$ of size $N'_k \times N'_k$
- The global problems for SIP and scSIP methods

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{A}\overrightarrow{U}=\overrightarrow{F}}_{\text{problem of size }N_{k}} \qquad \underbrace{\mathbf{A}'\overrightarrow{U}'=\overrightarrow{F}'}_{\text{problem of size }(N_{k}-N_{k-2})}$$

Numerical results using FreeFEM

Polygonal meshes by agglomeration



 $8\times 8~\text{cells}$

The first test case: Poisson equation

We solve $-\Delta u = f$ on $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$ with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions and the exact solution $u = \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y)$



- The solid lines represent the SIP method
- The dashed lines represent the scSIP method

The second test case: non-constant coefficients

We solve $-\operatorname{div}(A\nabla u) = f$ with $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1+x & xy \\ xy & 1+y \end{pmatrix}$ on $\Omega = (0,1)^2$ with non-homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions and the exact solution $u = e^{xy}$



- The solid lines represent the SIP method
- The dashed lines represent the scSIP method

An example of assumptions on the mesh that guarantee the interpolation and inverse estimates

M1: \mathcal{T}_h is shape regular in the sense: $\forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ there exist two balls $B_T^{in} \subset T \subset B_T$ with radiuses r_T and R_T such that

 $R_T \leq \rho_1 r_T$

with a regularity parameter $ho_1>1$

M2: \mathcal{T}_h is locally quasi-uniform in the following sense: for any two mesh cells $\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{T}' \in \mathcal{T}_h$ such that $B_{\mathcal{T}'} \cap B_{\mathcal{T}} \neq \emptyset$ there holds

$$\frac{1}{\rho_2}h_{\mathcal{T}'} \leq h_{\mathcal{T}} \leq \rho_2 h_{\mathcal{T}'}$$

with a parameter $ho_2 > 1$

M3: The cell boundaries are not too wiggly: for all $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$

$$|\partial T| \leq \rho_3 h_T^{d-1}$$

with a parameter $\rho_3 > 0$.

This is an alternative to the assumptions from CANGIANI ET AL (2017), WHICH ARE BASED ON THE DECOMPOSITION INTO THE SIMPLEXES



Interpolation estimates

• Local interpolation estimate: for any $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, let $v_h \in \mathbb{P}^k(T)$ be s.t. $\int_{B_T} v_h \varphi_h = \int_{B_T} v \varphi_h \quad \forall \varphi_h \in \mathbb{P}^k(T)$ Under Assumptions M1 and M3, we have for any $v \in H^{k+1}(B_T)$

$$|v - v_h|_{H^1(T)} + \frac{1}{h_T} ||v - v_h||_{L^2(T)} + h_T |v - v_h|_{H^2(T)}$$

+ $\sqrt{h_T} ||\nabla (v - v_h)||_{L^2(\partial T)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{h_T}} ||v - v_h||_{L^2(\partial T)} \le Ch_T^k |v|_{H^{k+1}(B_T)}$

• Proof: by a scaling argument

$$\|v - v_h\|_{L^{\infty}(B_T)} \le Ch_T^{k+1-d/2} |v|_{H^{k+1}(B_T)}$$

and use M1 and M3 ...

 Global interpolation estimate obtained by summing over *T* ∈ *T_h* since the number of intersecting *B_T*'s is uniformly bounded (Assumption M2)

Inverse inequalities

• The needed inverse inequalities follow from

$$\|q_h\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathcal{T})} \leq \frac{C}{h_{\mathcal{T}}^{d/2}} \|q_h\|_{L^2(\mathcal{T})} \quad \forall q_h \in \mathbb{P}^k(\mathcal{T})$$

This in turn follows from

$$\|q_h\|_{L^{\infty}(B_T)} \leq \frac{C}{h_T^{d/2}} \|q_h\|_{L^2(B_T^{in})}$$

 Scaling the ball B_T to a ball of radius 1 B₁ and considering all the possible positions of the inscribed ball, the last inequality can be rewritten as

$$\|q_h\|_{L^\infty(B_1)} \leq C \min_{\substack{B^{in}\subset B_1,B^{in} ext{ a ball of radius } \geq
ho_1^{-1}} \|q_h\|_{L^2(B_T^{in})}$$

is valid by equivalence of norms.

Extension to Stokes equations

A straighforward SIP method for $\begin{cases} -\Delta u + \nabla p = f & \text{on } \Omega \\ \text{div } u = 0 & \text{on } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial \Omega \end{cases}$

- V_h discontinuous vector valued \mathbb{P}^k FE on \mathcal{T}_h
- Q_h discontinuous \mathbb{P}^{k-1} FE on \mathcal{T}_h
- Find $(u_h, p_h) \in V_h \times Q_h$ such that

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$$a(u_h, p_h; v_h, q_h) = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v_h, \quad \forall (v_h, q_h) \in V_h \times Q_h$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{a_{h}(u, p; v, q)}{\overset{\text{with}}{=}} & = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \left(\int_{T} \nabla u : \nabla v - \int_{T} p \operatorname{div} v - \int_{T} q \operatorname{div} u \right) \\ & - \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \int_{E} \left(\{ n \cdot \nabla u \} \cdot [v] - \{ pn \} \cdot [v] \right) \\ & - \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \int_{E} \left(\{ n \cdot \nabla v \} \cdot [u] - \{ qn \} \cdot [u] \right) \\ & + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \frac{\gamma}{h_{E}} \int_{E} [u] \cdot [v] + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \gamma_{P} h_{E} \int_{E} [p][q] \end{aligned}$$

The local problems

Introduce the differential operator of the Stokes problem

$$\mathcal{L}(u, p) = (-\Delta u + \nabla p, \operatorname{div} u)$$

and let $(u_h^{loc}, p_h^{loc}) \in V_h imes Q_h$ solve on every mesh cell $\mathcal{T} \in \mathcal{T}_h$

$$(\mathcal{L}(u_h^{loc}, p_h^{loc}), (v_T, q_T))_T = \int_T f \cdot v_T \quad \forall v_T \in V_h^{loc, T}, q_T \in Q_h^{loc, T}$$

where

•
$$V_{h}^{loc,T} = \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T)$$

• $Q_{h}^{loc,T} = \mathbb{P}_{0}^{k-1}(T) = \left\{ q \in \mathbb{P}^{k-1}(T) : \int_{T} q = 0 \right\}$

Existence of the local solutions

The map
$$\mathcal{L}_{T,h}: \mathbb{P}^{k}(T) \times \mathbb{P}^{k-1}(T) \to \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \times \mathbb{P}_{0}^{k-1}(T)$$

defined on any $T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}$ by
 $(\mathcal{L}_{T,h}(u,p), (v,q)) = \int_{T} (-\Delta u + \nabla p) \cdot v + \int_{T} (\operatorname{div} u) q$
for all $(v,q) \in \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \times \mathbb{P}_{0}^{k-1}(T)$, is surjective
(proof on the next slide)

• Let χ_T be the polynomial of degree 2 vanishing on ∂B_T^{in}

$$\chi_T(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - x_i^0)^2 - r_T^2\right)$$



• Set the linear map $Q : \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \times \mathbb{P}_0^{k-1}(T) \to \mathbb{P}^{k-2}(T) \times \mathbb{P}_0^{k-1}$ $Q(v, p) = \left(-\Delta(\chi_T v) + \nabla p, \operatorname{div}(\chi_T v) - \frac{1}{|T|} \int_T \operatorname{div}(\chi_T v)\right)$ • Ker(Q) = {0}. Indeed, if Q(v, p) = 0 then $(\chi_T v, p)$ solve $-\Delta(\chi_T v) + \nabla p = 0, \operatorname{div}(\chi_T v) = \operatorname{const} \operatorname{on} B_T^{in}, \quad \chi_T v = 0 \operatorname{on} \partial B_T^{in}$

In fact, $\operatorname{div}(\chi_T v) = 0$ so that v = 0, p = 0

• Q is thus one-to-one

The global problem

• The subspace
$$X_h' \subset X_h := V_h imes Q_h$$

$$X'_h = \{(v_h, q_h) : \mathcal{L}(v_h, q_h) = 0 \text{ on every } T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

• We search for
$$(u'_h, p'_h) \in X'_h$$
 s.t.

$$a_h(u'_h, p'_h; v_h, q_h) = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v_T - a_h(u_h^{loc}, p_h^{loc}; v_h, q_h)$$

• The structure of X'_h :

$$(u'_h, p'_h) \in X'_h \Leftrightarrow u'_h \in V'_h, p'_h = \pi_h(u'_h) + \bar{p}_h$$

where

•
$$V'_h$$
 is a subspace of V_h
• $\pi_h : V'_h \to \mathbb{P}^{k-1}_0(T)$ given on every $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ by
 $\pi_h(u'_h) = p'_h, \qquad \nabla p'_h = \Delta u_h$ on every $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$
 $\bar{p}_h \in \overline{Q}_h$ – piecewise constant on \mathcal{T}_h

Rewriting the global problem on X'_h

On
$$X'_h$$
,
• $\int_T \pi_h(u'_h) \operatorname{div} v'_h = 0$ since $\operatorname{div} v'_h = \operatorname{const}$ on T
• $a_h(u'_h, p'_h; v'_h, q'_h)$
 $= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} (\int_T \nabla u'_h : \nabla v'_h - \int_T \bar{p}_h \operatorname{div} v'_h - \int_T \bar{q}_h \operatorname{div} u'_h)$
 $-\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_E (\{n \cdot \nabla u'_h - \pi_h(u'_h)n\} \cdot [v'_h] - \{\bar{p}_h n\} \cdot [v'_h])$
 $-\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_E (\{n \cdot \nabla v'_h - \pi_h(v'_h)n\} \cdot [u'_h] - \{\bar{q}_h n\} \cdot [u'_h])$
 $+\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_E [u'_h] \cdot [v'_h]$
 $+\sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_h} \gamma_p h_E \int_E [\pi_h(u'_h) + \bar{p}_h] [\pi_h(v'_h) + \bar{q}_h]$

• Since $\nabla \bar{p}_h = 0$ on every $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$

$$-\sum_{T\in\mathcal{T}_h}\int_T \bar{p}_h \operatorname{div} v'_h + \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_h}\int_E \{\bar{p}_h n\} \cdot [v'_h] = -\frac{1}{2}\sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_h^i}\int_E [\bar{p}_h n] \cdot [v'_h]$$

• so that finally ...

Coercivity of the global problem on X'_h

• For all
$$(u'_h, p'_h) \in X'_h$$
, i.e. $u'_h \in V'_h$, $p'_h = \pi_h(u'_h) + \bar{p}_h$, $\bar{p}_h \in \bar{Q}_h$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{h}(u'_{h},p'_{h};u'_{h},p'_{h}) &= \sum_{T\in\mathcal{T}_{h}} \int_{T} |\nabla u'_{h}|^{2} \\ &- 2\sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_{h}} \int_{E} \{n \cdot \nabla u'_{h} - \pi_{h}(u'_{h})n\} \cdot [u'_{h}] + \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_{h}} \frac{\gamma}{h_{E}} \int_{E} |[u'_{h}]|^{2} \\ &- \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_{h}^{i}} \int_{E} [\bar{p}_{h}n] \cdot [u'_{h}] + \sum_{E\in\mathcal{E}_{h}^{i}} \gamma_{p}h_{E} \int_{E} |[\pi_{h}(u'_{h}) + \bar{p}_{h}]|^{2} \\ &\geqslant c \parallel ||u'_{h},p'_{h}|||^{2} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$|||u, p|||^{2} = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \int_{T} |\nabla u|^{2} + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \frac{1}{h_{E}} \int_{E} |[u]|^{2} + \int_{\Omega} p^{2} + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}^{i}} h_{E} \int_{E} |[p]|^{2}$$

Conclusions and perspectives

 We have presented an interior penalty DG method with static condensation for the diffusion problem which can be cheaper than the methods with skeleton-based DOFs on polygons/polyhedra with many facets

$$\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & 2D & 3D \\ \hline scSIP & (2k+1)N_{elements} & (k+1)^2N_{elements} \\ \hline HDG, HHO & \sim kN_{edges} & \sim \frac{1}{2}k^2N_{faces} \\ \hline \end{tabular}$$

- A lot of things to do and open questions:
 - Convergence order with respect to p (= k)
 - Static condensation for other DG methods : incomplete or antisymmetric IP, local DG, ...
 - A proper extension for the Stokes problem (cf. the talk by A. Linke)
 - An extension to (nearly) compressible elasticity (asymptotic preserving in the limit Poisson ratio $\to \frac{1}{2})$

• ...