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Discontinuous Galerkin methods for the elastodynamics problem on polygonal and polyhedral meshes

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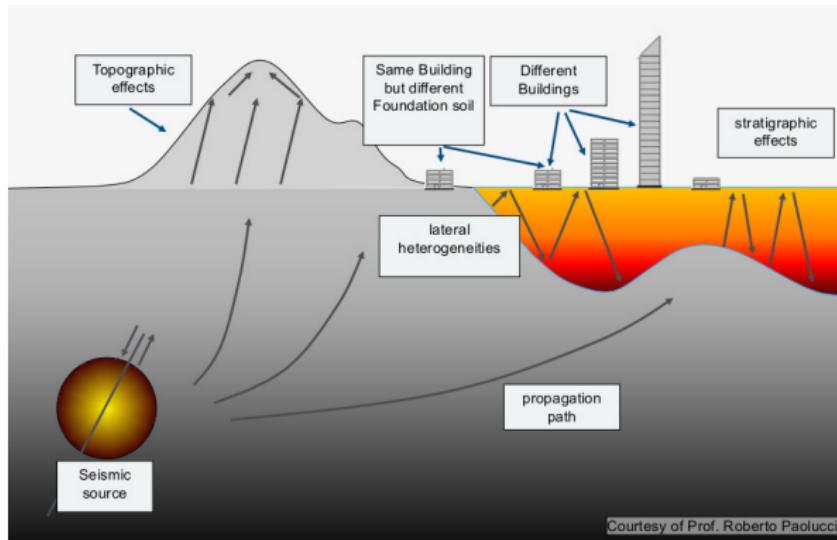
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Aims and motivation



Requirements on the Numerical Scheme

- Flexibility
- Accuracy
- Efficiency

Non-standard numerical methods (DG, VEM, MFD):

- Geometrical flexibility offered by polyhedral elements
- High order polynomials
- Natively parallel

The Mathematical Model

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d = 2, 3$ with boundary $\partial\Omega = \Gamma$ regular enough. The mathematical model of linear elastodynamics reads:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u}_{tt}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, t) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t), && \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T], \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)) &= \mathbf{0} && \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T], \\ \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) &= \mathbf{0}, && \text{on } \Gamma \times (0, T], \\ \mathbf{u}_t(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= \mathbf{u}_1(\mathbf{x}), && \text{in } \Omega \times \{0\}, \\ \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= \mathbf{u}_0(\mathbf{x}), && \text{in } \Omega \times \{0\},\end{aligned}$$

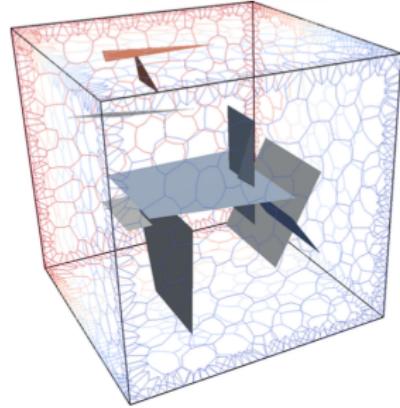
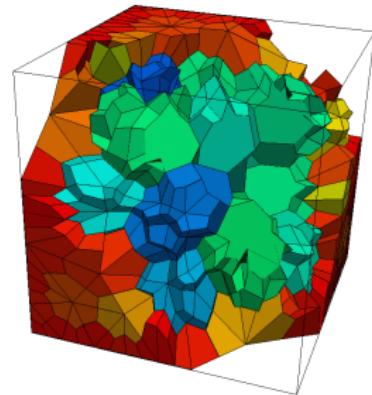
- \mathbf{u} displacement of the medium
- ρ material density s.t. $0 < \rho_* \leq \rho(\mathbf{x}) \leq \rho^* \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$
- $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^\top)$, strain tensor
- $\mathcal{D} : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$, $\mathcal{D}\tau = 2\mu\tau + \lambda \text{tr}(\tau)\mathbb{I}$: stiffness tensor
- $\lambda, \mu \in L^\infty(\Omega)$: Lamé coefficients.

Mesh setting and discontinuous finite element space

- $\mathcal{T}_h = \bigcup \kappa$ grid of the computational domain Ω (κ polygon/polyhedron)
- \mathcal{F}_h union of all open interfaces,
 $\mathcal{F}_h = \mathcal{F}_h^I \cup \mathcal{F}_h^D$
- Element interfaces $\gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h$ with **arbitrarily small measure**
- **Arbitrary** number of interfaces of each polyhedron

Discrete space

$$\mathbf{V}_h^p = \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) : \mathbf{v}|_\kappa \in [\mathbb{P}_p(\kappa)]^d \quad \forall \kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$



Trace operators

$\kappa^+, \kappa^- \in \mathcal{T}_h, \gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h^I$ such that $\bar{\gamma} = \partial\bar{\kappa}^+ \cap \partial\bar{\kappa}^-$

On $\gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h^I$ (\mathbf{n}_κ^\pm outward unit normal vector on γ relative to κ^\pm):

$$\begin{aligned}\{\mathbf{v}\} &= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{v}^+ + \mathbf{v}^-) & [\![\mathbf{v}]\!] &= \mathbf{v}^+ \otimes \mathbf{n}_\kappa^+ + \mathbf{v}^- \otimes \mathbf{n}_\kappa^- \\ \{\boldsymbol{\sigma}\} &= \frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^+ + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^-) & [\![\boldsymbol{\sigma}]\!] &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}^+ \mathbf{n}_\kappa^+ + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^- \mathbf{n}_\kappa^-\end{aligned}$$

On $\gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h^D$ (\mathbf{n}_κ outward unit normal vector on Γ):

$$\begin{aligned}\{\mathbf{v}\} &= \mathbf{v}^+ & [\![\mathbf{v}]\!] &= \mathbf{v}^+ \otimes \mathbf{n}_\kappa \\ \{\boldsymbol{\sigma}\} &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}^+ & [\![\boldsymbol{\sigma}]\!] &= \boldsymbol{\sigma}^+ \mathbf{n}_\kappa\end{aligned}$$

DG formulation

For any $t \in (0, T]$ find $\mathbf{u}_h = \mathbf{u}_h(t) \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$ such that

$$(\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_h, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega} + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}_h^p,$$

where $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0$ denote suitable approximations of \mathbf{u}_0 and \mathbf{u}_1 , respectively.

The bilinear form associated to the interior penalty DG method reads

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{u}), \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}))_{\mathcal{T}_h} - (\{\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{u})\}, [\![\mathbf{v}]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} \\ &\quad - ([\![\mathbf{u}]\!], \{\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v})\})_{\mathcal{F}_h} + (\eta [\![\mathbf{u}]\!], [\![\mathbf{v}]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h}. \end{aligned}$$

[Bassi *et al.* 2012], [Antonietti, Giani, Houston, 2013], [Cangiani, Georgoulis, Houston, 2014], [Antonietti, Houston, Sarti, Verani, 2014], [Cangiani, Dong, Georgoulis, Houston, 2015], [Antonietti, Cangiani, Collis, Dong, Georgoulis, Giani, Houston, 2016], [Cangiani, Dong, Georgoulis, 2016]

Penalization function η

Let $\eta : \mathcal{F}_h \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be defined facewise by

$$\eta(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} C_\eta \{\mathcal{D}^{\frac{1}{2}}\} C_{INV} \max_{\kappa \in \{\kappa^+, \kappa^-\}} \left\{ \frac{p^2 |\gamma|}{|\kappa|} \right\}, & \mathbf{x} \in \gamma, \gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h^I, \\ C_\eta \{\mathcal{D}^{\frac{1}{2}}\} C_{INV} \frac{p^2 |\gamma|}{|\kappa|}, & \mathbf{x} \in \gamma, \gamma \in \mathcal{F}_h^D. \end{cases}$$

with $C_\eta > 0$ large enough, depending on C_F and independent of p , $|\gamma|$ and $|\kappa|$. C_{INV} is the constant of the inverse-trace inequality.

Extended DG formulation

Given $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0 \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$, $\forall t \in (0, T]$ find $\mathbf{u}_h \equiv \mathbf{u}_h(t) \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$ such that

$$(\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_h, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}_h^p,$$

where $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0$ denote suitable approximations of \mathbf{u}_0 and \mathbf{u}_1 , respectively.

Let $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \oplus \mathbf{V}_h^p$. The extended DG bilinear form $\tilde{\mathcal{B}} : \mathbf{Y} \times \mathbf{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ reads

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{u}), \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}))_{\mathcal{T}_h} - (\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{u}))\}, [\![\mathbf{v}]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} \\ &\quad - ([\![\mathbf{u}]\!], \{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v}))\})_{\mathcal{F}_h} + (\eta [\![\mathbf{u}]\!], [\![\mathbf{v}]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$ is the L^2 -projection operator.

Well posedness

Given $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0 \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$, $\forall t \in (0, T]$ find $\mathbf{u}_h = \mathbf{u}_h(t) \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$ such that

$$(\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_h, \mathbf{v})_{\Omega} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}_h^p.$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\|_{\text{DG}}^2 = \|\mathcal{D}^{\frac{1}{2}}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v})\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \|\eta^{\frac{1}{2}}[\![\mathbf{v}]\!]\|_{0,\mathcal{F}_h}^2 \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{Y}$$

- $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is *continuous* and *coercive* (provided C_{η} is large enough) on \mathbf{Y} with respect to the DG-norm, i.e.,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \lesssim \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\text{DG}} \|\mathbf{v}\|_{\text{DG}} \quad \forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{Y},$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \gtrsim \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\text{DG}}^2 \quad \forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{Y}$$

Stability

$$\|\mathbf{v}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 = \|\rho^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_h\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \|\mathbf{v}_h\|_{\text{DG}}^2$$

Let $\mathbf{u}_h(t)$ be the approximate solution of the semidiscrete DG formulation obtained with C_η large enough. Then,

- (i) in the absence of external forces, i.e., $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0}$,

$$\|\mathbf{u}_h(t)\|_{\mathcal{E}} \lesssim \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}}, \quad 0 < t \leq T;$$

- (ii) if $\mathbf{f} \in L^2(0, T; \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega))$, then

$$\|\mathbf{u}_h(t)\|_{\mathcal{E}} \lesssim \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}} + \int_0^t \rho_0^{-1} \|\mathbf{f}(\tau)\|_{0,\Omega} d\tau, \quad 0 < t \leq T.$$

[Antonietti, Ayuso de Dios, M., Quarteroni, 2016], [Antonietti, M., Niccolò, submitted]

Stability (sketch of the proof)

$$\mathbf{v} = \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}_h))\}, [\![\mathbf{u}_h]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} \right) = (\mathbf{f}, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h)_{\Omega},$$

Integrating in time between 0 and t

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}_h))\}, [\![\mathbf{u}_h]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} &= \\ \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}_h^0))\}, [\![\mathbf{u}_h^0]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} + 2 \int_0^t (\mathbf{f}, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h)_{\Omega} d\tau, \end{aligned}$$

It can be shown

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}_h))\}, [\![\mathbf{u}_h]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} &\gtrsim \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \\ \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\{\boldsymbol{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}_h^0))\}, [\![\mathbf{u}_h^0]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h} &\lesssim \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2, \end{aligned}$$

From which it follows

$$\|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 \lesssim \|\mathbf{u}_h^0\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 + \int_0^t \rho_0^{-1} \|\mathbf{f}(\tau)\|_{0,\Omega} \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}} d\tau.$$

Error analysis

Consistency error: Let $R_h(\cdot, \cdot) : \mathbf{Y} \times \mathbf{V}_h^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the residual defined as

$$R_h(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) - \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{Y}, \forall \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}_h^p, \mathbf{w} \neq \mathbf{0}.$$

In particular,

$$R_h(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = (\{\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v}) - \mathbf{\Pi}(\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v}))\}, [\![\mathbf{w}]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h}.$$

It holds that

$$|R_h(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})| \lesssim \|\mathbf{v}\|_{\varepsilon} \|\mathbf{w}\|_{\varepsilon}$$

Equation for the approximation error $\mathbf{e}_h(t) = \mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_h(t)$

$$\int_{\Omega} \rho \ddot{\mathbf{e}}_h \cdot \mathbf{v}_h \, d\mathbf{x} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{e}_h, \mathbf{v}_h) + R_h(\mathbf{e}_h, \mathbf{v}_h) = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$$

Error analysis (cont'd)

$$\|\mathbf{v}(t)\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 = \|\rho^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{\mathbf{v}}(t)\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \|\mathbf{v}(t)\|_{\text{DG}}^2 \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{C}^2(0, T; \mathbf{V}_h^p), \forall t \in [0, T]$$

A-priori error estimates

Let \mathbf{u}_h be the approximated solution of \mathbf{u} , assumed sufficiently regular. Assume that p is uniform over \mathcal{T} , that h is quasi uniform and that C_η is large enough. Then

$$\sup_{0 < t \leq T} \|\mathbf{u}(t) - \mathbf{u}_h(t)\|_{\mathcal{E}} \leq C(T, \mathbf{u}, \dot{\mathbf{u}}, \ddot{\mathbf{u}}) \frac{h^{m-1}}{p^{k-3/2}}$$

where $m = \min(p+1, k)$ with $k > 1 + d/2$.

Error analysis (sketch of the proof)

- Split the error as:

$$\|\mathbf{e}_h\|_{\mathcal{E}} \leq \underbrace{\|(\mathbf{u} - \tilde{\Pi}\mathbf{u})\|_{\mathcal{E}}}_{\omega_I} + \underbrace{\|(\mathbf{u}_h - \tilde{\Pi}\mathbf{u})\|_{\mathcal{E}}}_{\omega_h}$$

- From the variational formulation for the approximation error

$$(\rho \ddot{\omega}_h, \mathbf{v}_h)_{\Omega} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\omega_h, \mathbf{v}_h) = (\rho \ddot{\omega}_I, \mathbf{v}_h)_{\Omega} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\omega_I, \mathbf{v}_h) - R_h(\omega_I, \mathbf{v}_h),$$

- Take $\mathbf{v}_h = \dot{\omega}_h$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\|\omega_h\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2 - 2(\llbracket \omega_h \rrbracket, \{\Pi(\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\omega_h))\})_{\mathcal{F}_h} \right) \\ = (\rho \ddot{\omega}_I, \dot{\omega}_h)_{\Omega} + \tilde{\mathcal{B}}(\omega_I, \dot{\omega}_h) - R_h(\omega_I, \dot{\omega}_h). \end{aligned}$$

- Use stability

$$\|\omega_h\|_{\mathcal{E}} \lesssim \|\omega_I\|_{\mathcal{E}} + \int_0^t \|\dot{\omega}_I\|_{\mathcal{E}} d\tau,$$

- The thesis follows from approximation bounds

$$\|\omega_I\|_{\mathcal{E}} \lesssim \frac{h^{m-1}}{p^{k-3/2}} \left(\|\mathbf{u}\|_{k,\Omega} + \frac{h}{p^{3/2}} \|\dot{\mathbf{u}}\|_{k,\Omega} \right),$$

Algebraic formulation

- $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ partitioned in N disjoint polygonal elements
- $n_p = \frac{1}{2}(p+1)(p+2)$, $D = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{2}(p+1)(p+2) = N n_p$
- Basis for \mathbf{V}_h^p : $\{\Phi_i^1, \Phi_i^2\}_{i=1}^D$

Given $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0 \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$, $\forall t \in (0, T]$ find $\mathbf{u}_h = \mathbf{u}_h(t) \in \mathbf{V}_h^p$ such that

$$(\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_h, \mathbf{v})_\Omega + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}_h^p,$$

where $\mathbf{u}_h^0, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_h^0$ suitable approximations of \mathbf{u}_0 and \mathbf{u}_1 , respectively.

$$M\ddot{\mathbf{U}} + B\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$$

$$V \leftrightarrow (\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v}_h), \varepsilon(\mathbf{w}_h))_\Omega$$

$$I \leftrightarrow (\{\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{v}_h)\}, [\![\mathbf{w}_h]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h}$$

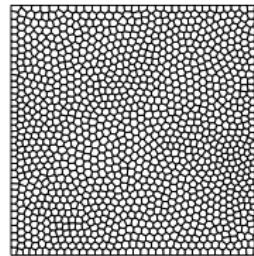
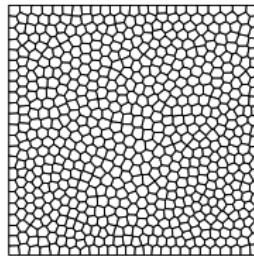
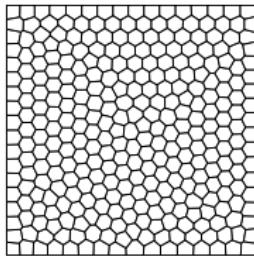
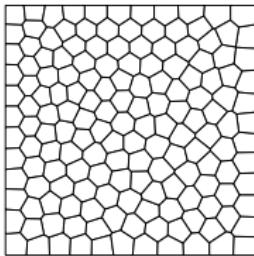
$$I^T \leftrightarrow ([\![\mathbf{v}_h]\!], \{\mathcal{D}\varepsilon(\mathbf{w}_h)\})_{\mathcal{F}_h}$$

$$S \leftrightarrow (\eta [\![\mathbf{v}_h]\!], [\![\mathbf{w}_h]\!])_{\mathcal{F}_h}$$

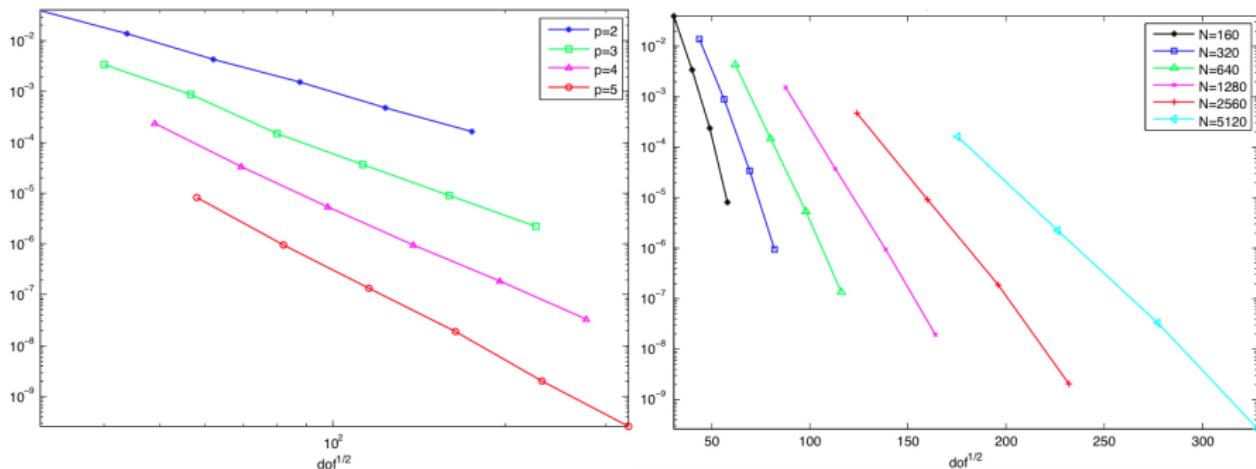
$$B = V - I - I^T + S$$

Numerical results (elastostatic case)

- Domain: $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- Exact solution: $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \cos(2\pi x) \sin(2\pi y) \\ e^y \sin(2\pi x) \cos(2\pi y) \end{bmatrix}$
- $\rho = 1, \lambda = 1, \mu = 1$
- Polynomial degree: $p = 2, 3, 4, 5$



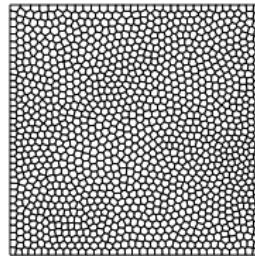
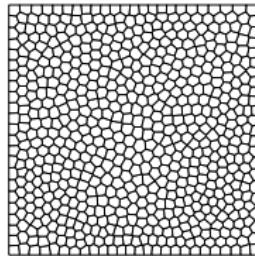
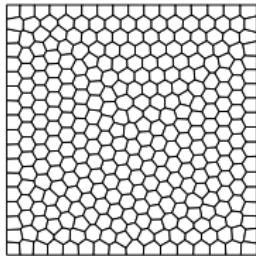
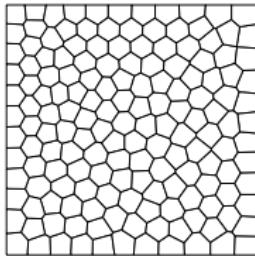
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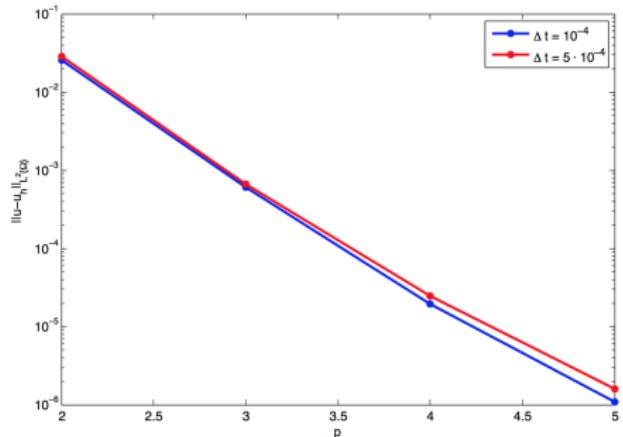
Computed errors in the DG norm vs $1/h$ (left) and p (right).

Numerical results

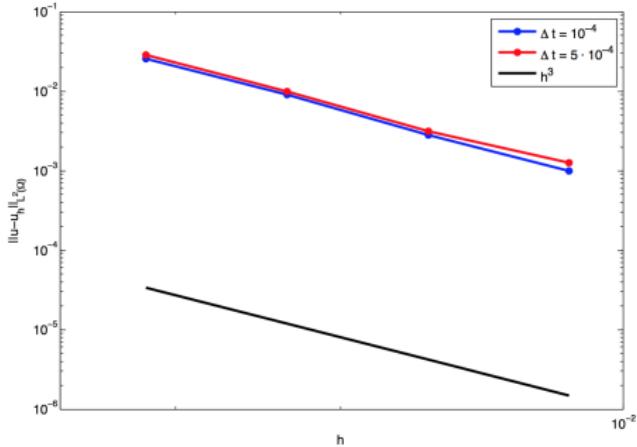
- Domain: $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- Exact solution: $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sin(\sqrt{2}\pi t) \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(\pi x)^2 \sin(2\pi y) \\ \sin(2\pi x) \sin(\pi y)^2 \end{bmatrix}$
- $\rho = 1, \lambda = 1, \mu = 1$
- Polynomial degree: $p = 2, 3, 4, 5$
- Time integration using the leap-frog scheme



Numerical results



Computed errors versus the polynomial degree p , $T = 0.5$. $\Delta t = 10^{-4}$ (blue) and $\Delta t = 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ (red)



Computed errors versus $1/h$, $p = 2$, $T = 0.5$. $\Delta t = 10^{-4}$ (blue) and $\Delta t = 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ (red)

Conclusions and ongoing work

- DG methods seem to be a promising tool for the approximation of the elastodynamics equation on polytopic grids.
- Ongoing:
 - ▶ 3d implementation in SPEED
 - ▶ Dissipation/dispersion analysis
 - ▶ Real earthquake scenarios



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