A Hybrid High-Order method for locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction

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- We consider locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction
- Let us start with the following 1d problem:

$$\begin{array}{c} \nu = \epsilon & \xrightarrow{\beta = 1} & \\ \mu = 1 & \mu = 1 \\ \hline \Omega_1 & \Omega_2 \end{array}$$

- \blacksquare As $\epsilon \to 0^+,$ a boundary layer develops at $x=1\!/\!2$
- When $\epsilon = 0$, it turns into a jump discontinuity

Locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction II

Figure: Solutions for different values of $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$

Locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction III

• Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \ge 1$. The diffusion coefficient $\nu : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ is s.t.

 ν is piecewise constant and $\nu \ge \underline{\nu} \ge 0$ a.e. in Ω

• The velocity field $\beta : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^d$ is s.t.

 $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \operatorname{Lip}(\Omega)^d, \quad \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta} \equiv 0$

• For the reaction coefficient $\mu: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$, we assume

 $\mu \in L^{\infty}(\Omega)$ and $\mu \ge \mu_0 > 0$ a.e. in Ω

• Generalizations possible for both ν and β !

Locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction IV



Figure: Two-dimensional example from [Di Pietro et al., 2008]

Locally degenerate advection-diffusion-reaction V

• Let
$$f \in L^2(\Omega)$$
. We seek $u : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ s.t.

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nu \nabla u + \beta u) + \mu u = f \text{ in } \Omega \setminus (\mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^+ \cup \mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^-)$$

Boundary conditions are enforced setting

$$u = g \text{ on } \Gamma_{\nu, \beta} := \{ x \in \partial \Omega \mid \nu > 0 \text{ or } \beta \cdot n < 0 \}$$

Transmission conditions on $\mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^{\pm}$ are required to close the problem

$$[-\nu \nabla u + \beta u] \cdot n_{\Omega_i} = 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{I}^{\pm}_{\nu,\beta}, \qquad [u] = 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{I}^{\pm}_{\nu,\beta}$$

• The solution $u \in U$ can jump across $\mathcal{I}^{-}_{\nu,\beta}$!

A few references on ADR

Several works on the diffusion-dominated case, including, e.g.,

- Hybridizable DG (standard meshes) [Cockburn et al., 2009]
- Mimetic Finite Differences [Beirão da Veiga, Droniou, Manzini, 2010]
- Weak Galerkin [Wang and Ye, 2013]
- Virtual Elements [Beirão da Veiga, Brezzi, Marini, Russo, 2014]
- (Non)conforming Virtual Elements [Cangiani, Manzini, Sutton, 2015]

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Fewer tackle the advection-dominated and locally degenerate cases

- Id domain decomposition [Gastaldi and Quarteroni, 1989]
- DG (only numerics) [Houston, Schwab, Süli, 2002]
- DG (weak formultation + full analysis) [DP, Ern, Guermond, 2008]

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Mesh regularity



Definition (Admissible mesh sequence)

We consider a sequence $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h\in\mathcal{H}}$ of polytopal meshes s.t., for all $h\in\mathcal{H}$, \mathcal{T}_h admits a simplicial submesh \mathfrak{T}_h and $(\mathfrak{T}_h)_{h\in\mathcal{H}}$ is

- shape-regular in the usual sense of Ciarlet;
- contact-regular, i.e., every simplex $S \subset T$ is s.t. $h_S \approx h_T$;

Additionally, we assume every \mathcal{T}_h compliant with ν , so that $\nu \in \mathbb{P}^0(\mathcal{T}_h)$.

Hybrid degrees of freedom



For all $k \ge 0$ and all $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, we define the local space of DOFs

$$\underline{U}_T^k := \mathbb{P}^k(T) \times \left(\bigotimes_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} \mathbb{P}^k(F) \right)$$

The global space has single-valued interface DOFs

$$\underline{U}_h^k := \left(\bigotimes_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \mathbb{P}^k(T) \right) \times \left(\bigotimes_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \mathbb{P}^k(F) \right)$$

Grey DOFs can be condensed ("discontinuous skeletal")!

- Diffusion terms of order (k + 1), cf. [DP, Ern, Lemaire, 2014]
- Element-face upwind stabilization of advection
- Automatic enforcement of the conditions on $\Gamma_{\nu,\beta}$ and $\mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^{\pm}$
- Arbitrary order $k \ge 0$ in any dimension $d \ge 1$
- Method valid for the full range of local Peclet numbers
- Analysis capturing the variation in the convergence rate
- Reduced cost through static condensation
- No need to duplicate interface unknowns on $\mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^{-}$ (!)

• Let $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$. The local potential reconstruction operator

$$p_T^{k+1}: \underline{U}_T^k \to \mathbb{P}^{k+1}(T)$$

is s.t. for all $\underline{v}_T = (v_T, (v_F)_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T}) \in \underline{U}_T^k$ and all $w \in \mathbb{P}^{k+1}(T)$,

$$(\boldsymbol{\nabla} p_T^{k+1} \underline{v}_T, \boldsymbol{\nabla} w)_T := -(\boldsymbol{v_T}, \bigtriangleup w)_T + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} (\boldsymbol{v_F}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} w \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF})_F$$

■ Let $\underline{I}_T^k : H^1(T) \ni v \mapsto (\pi_T^k v, (\pi_F^k v)_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T}) \in \underline{U}_T^k$ ■ $(p_T^{k+1} \circ \underline{I}_T^k)$ has optimal approximation properties in $\mathbb{P}^{k+1}(T)$ • Let $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$. We define the local bilinear form $a_{\nu,T}$ on $\underline{U}_T^k \times \underline{U}_T^k$:

$$a_{\nu,T}(\underline{u}_T,\underline{v}_T) := (\nu_T \nabla p_T^{k+1} \underline{u}_T, \nabla p_T^{k+1} \underline{v}_T)_T + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} \frac{\nu_T}{h_F} (r_{TF}^k \underline{u}_T, r_{TF}^k \underline{v}_T)_F$$

We stabilize by least-square penalty of the high-order face residual

$$r_{TF}^k(\underline{v}_T) := \pi_F^k(v_F - p_T^{k+1}\underline{v}_T) - \pi_T^k(v_T - p_T^{k+1}\underline{v}_T)$$

• $a_{\nu,T}$ is polynomially consistent up to degree (k+1)

Diffusion III

- The last step is to assembly and weakly enforce BCs
- The global bilinear form $a_{\nu,h}$ on $\underline{U}_h^k \times \underline{U}_h^k$ is defined as

$$a_{\nu,h}(\underline{w}_h,\underline{v}_h) \coloneqq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} a_{\nu,T}(\underline{w}_T,\underline{v}_T) + s_{\partial,\nu,h}(\underline{w}_h,\underline{v}_h)$$

where, for a user-defined penalty parameter $\varsigma > 0$,

$$s_{\partial,\nu,h}(\underline{w}_h,\underline{v}_h) := \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{b}}} \left\{ -(\nu_F \nabla p_T^{k+1} \underline{w}_T \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF}, v_F)_F + \frac{\varsigma \nu_F}{h_F} (w_F, v_F)_F \right\}$$

Symmetric and skew-symmetric variants can be devised (cf. DG)

Lemma (Coercivity of $a_{\nu,h}$)

Assuming that $\varsigma > C_{tr}^2 N_{\partial}/4$ it holds, for all $\underline{v}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k$,

$$a_{\nu,h}(\underline{v}_h,\underline{v}_h) =: \|\underline{v}_h\|_{\nu,h}^2 \simeq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \nu_T \|\underline{v}_T\|_{1,T}^2 + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{b}}} \frac{\nu_F}{h_F} \|v_F\|_F^2,$$

where, for all $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, we have defined the $H^1(T)$ -like seminorm on \underline{U}_T^k :

$$\|\underline{v}_{T}\|_{1,T}^{2} := \|\nabla v_{T}\|_{T}^{2} + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{T}} \frac{1}{h_{F}} \|v_{F} - v_{T}\|_{F}^{2}.$$

Advection-reaction I

The discrete advective derivative operator

$$G^k_{\beta,T}: \underline{U}^k_T \to \mathbb{P}^k(T)$$

is s.t., for all $\underline{v}_T \in \underline{U}_T^k$ and all $w \in \mathbb{P}^k(T)$,

$$(G^{k}_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}\underline{v}_{T},w)_{T} = -(\boldsymbol{v}_{T},\boldsymbol{\beta}\cdot\boldsymbol{\nabla}w)_{T} + \sum_{F\in\mathcal{F}_{T}}((\boldsymbol{\beta}\cdot\boldsymbol{n}_{TF})\boldsymbol{v}_{F},w)_{F}$$

• We have the following global IBP formula: For all $\underline{w}_h, \underline{v}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k$,

$$\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \left((G_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}^{k} \underline{w}_{T}, v_{T})_{T} + (w_{T}, G_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}^{k} \underline{v}_{T})_{T} \right) = \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{h}^{b}} ((\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{F}) w_{F}, v_{F})_{F}$$
$$- \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{h}} ((\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF}) (w_{F} - w_{T}), v_{F} - v_{T})_{F}$$

To control the term in red, we use element-face upwinding

Advection-reaction II

For all $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, we define the bilinear form $a_{\beta,\mu,T}$ on $\underline{U}_T^k \times \underline{U}_T^k$ s.t.

 $a_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\mu},\boldsymbol{T}}(\underline{w}_{T},\underline{v}_{T}) := -(w_{T},G_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}^{k}\underline{v}_{T})_{T} + \mu(w_{T},v_{T})_{T} + s_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}^{-}(\underline{w}_{T},\underline{v}_{T})$

with local element-face upwind stabilization given by

$$s_{\boldsymbol{\beta},T}^{-}(\underline{w}_{T},\underline{v}_{T}) := \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{T}} ((\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF})^{-}(w_{F} - w_{T}), v_{F} - v_{T})_{F}$$

Assembling and including the weak enforcement of BCs, we have

$$a_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\mu,h}(\underline{w}_{h},\underline{v}_{h}) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} a_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\mu,T}(\underline{w}_{h},\underline{v}_{h}) + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\mathrm{b}}} ((\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n})^{+} w_{F}, v_{F})_{F}$$

Advection-reaction III

Lemma (Coercivity of $a_{\beta,\mu,h}$)

Let $\eta := \min_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} (1, \tau_{\mathrm{ref}, T} \mu)$, $\tau_{\mathrm{ref}, T} := \{ \max(\|\mu\|_{L^{\infty}(T)}, L_{\beta, T}) \}^{-1}$. Then,

$$\forall \underline{v}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k, \qquad \eta \| \underline{v}_h \|_{\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{h}}^2 \leqslant a_{\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{h}}(\underline{v}_h, \underline{v}_h),$$

with global advection-reaction norm

$$\|\underline{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\boldsymbol{h}}\|_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\mu},\boldsymbol{h}}^{2} \coloneqq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{\boldsymbol{h}}} \|\underline{\boldsymbol{v}}_{T}\|_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\mu},T}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_{\boldsymbol{h}}^{\mathrm{b}}} \||\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF}|^{1/2} \boldsymbol{v}_{F}\|_{F}^{2},$$

and $\|\underline{v}_T\|_{\beta,\mu,T}^2 := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_T} \||\beta \cdot n_{TF}|^{1/2} (v_F - v_T)\|_F^2 + \tau_{\mathrm{ref},T}^{-1} \|v_T\|_T^2.$

• Define the following RHS linear form l_h on \underline{U}_h^k :

$$l_h(\underline{v}_h) := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} (f, v_T)_T + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{b}}} \left(((\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{TF})^- g, v_F)_F + \frac{\nu_F \varsigma}{h_F} (g, v_F)_F \right)$$

• The discrete problem reads: Find $\underline{u}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k$ s.t., $\forall \underline{v}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k$,

$$a_h(\underline{u}_h, \underline{v}_h) := a_{\nu,h}(\underline{u}_h, \underline{v}_h) + a_{\beta,\mu,h}(\underline{u}_h, \underline{v}_h) = l_h(\underline{v}_h)$$

Lemma (inf-sup stability of a_h)

There is $\gamma_{\varrho} > 0$ independent of h, ν , β and μ s.t.

$$\forall \underline{w}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k, \qquad \|\underline{w}_h\|_{\sharp,h} \leqslant \gamma_\varrho \zeta^{-1} \sup_{\underline{v}_h \in \underline{U}_h^k \setminus \{0\}} \frac{a_h(\underline{w}_h, \underline{v}_h)}{\|\underline{v}_h\|_{\sharp,h}},$$

with $\zeta := \tau_{\mathrm{ref},T}\mu$ and augmented global stability norm $\|\underline{v}_{h}\|_{\sharp,h}^{2} := \|\underline{v}_{h}\|_{\nu,h}^{2} + \|\underline{v}_{h}\|_{\beta,\mu,h}^{2} + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} h_{T}\beta_{\mathrm{ref},T}^{-1}\|G_{\beta,T}^{k}\underline{v}_{h}\|_{T}^{2}$

The $\|\cdot\|_{\sharp,h}$ -norm adds control for the discrete advective derivative!

A tailored reduction map



• We need a reduction map $\underline{I}_h^k: U \to \underline{U}_h^k$. For $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, simply set $(\underline{I}_h^k v)_T := \pi_T^k v$

For faces $F \in \mathcal{F}_h$, taking $\gamma_F v$ from the diffusive side if $F \subset \mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^-$,

$$(\underline{I}_h^k v)_F := \pi_F^k(\gamma_F v)$$

• Hence, interface DOFs on $\mathcal{I}_{\nu,\beta}^-$ represent the diffusive trace!

Theorem (Error estimate)

Assume that, for all $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, $u \in H^{k+2}(T)$ and

 $h_T L_{\beta,T} \leqslant \beta_{\mathrm{ref},T}$ and $h_T \mu \leqslant \beta_{\mathrm{ref},T}$,

Then, there is C > 0 independent of h, ν , β , and μ s.t.

$$\|\underline{u}_h - \underline{I}_h^k u\|_{\sharp,h}^2 \leqslant C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \Big\{ B_T^{\mathrm{d}}(u,k) h_T^{2(k+1)} + B_T^{\mathrm{a}}(u,k) \min(1, \operatorname{Pe}_T) h_T^{2(k+\frac{1}{2})} \Big\},$$

with Pe_T denoting the local Péclet number.

- \blacksquare This estimate holds across the entire range of Pe_T
- For diffusion-dominated elements with $Pe_T \leq h_T$, the contribution is

 $\mathcal{O}(h_T^{k+1})$

• For advection-dominated elements with $Pe_T \ge 1$, the contribution is

$$\mathcal{O}(h_T^{k+1/2})$$

In between, we have intermediate orders of convergence

Numerical example I



$$u(\theta, r) = \begin{cases} (\theta - \pi)^2 & \text{if } 0 < \theta < \pi\\ 3\pi(\theta - \pi) & \text{if } \pi < \theta < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

Numerical example II



Figure: Energy (left) and L^2 -norm (right) of the error vs. h

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