

# Multi-level hierarchical preconditioning (An introduction)

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## Outline of the talk

- **Hierarchical decompositions and AMLI preconditioners**  
HB, additive and multiplicative preconditioners, sub-solvers
- **Analysis of HD methods through CBS constant**  
2D and 3D, robustness w.r.t. anisotropy and element shape
- **Fully algebraic AMLI with aggregation or agglomeration**  
decomposition, analysis, CBS, further development
- **AMLI for nonconforming FE's**  
Two ways of decomposition, CBS, optimal preconditioners

## Solved problems

**BVP** in  $\Omega \Rightarrow$  find :  $u \in V(\Omega) : a(u, v) = b(v) \quad \forall v \in V(\Omega)$  ,

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \langle D \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx,$$

$D$  ... SPD, piecewise constant, *physical anisotropy*.

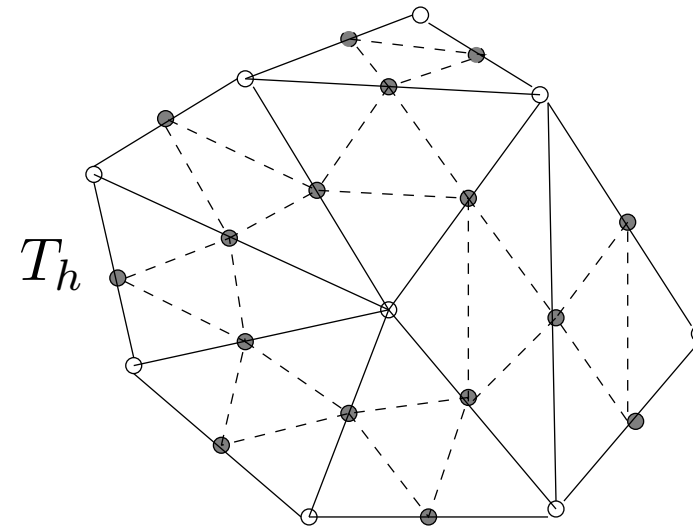
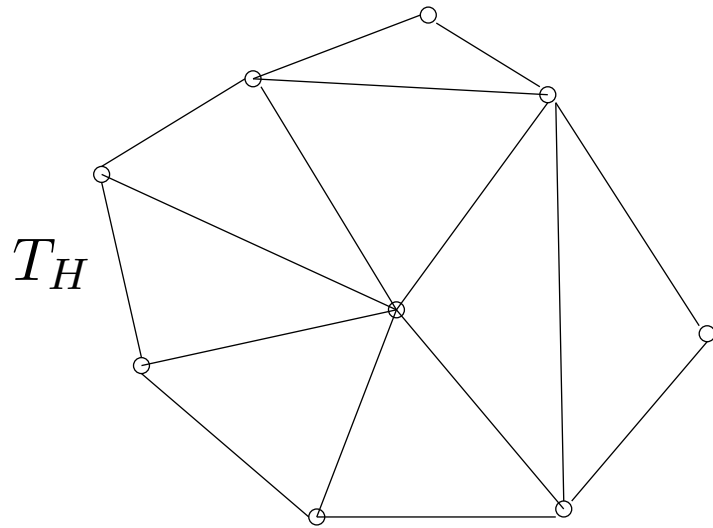
$$V = \{v \in H^1(\Omega), v(x) = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_0\}$$

**FEM**: mostly linear triangular/tetrahedral FE. *Numerical anisotropy*.

$$V_h = \text{span}\{\phi_i^k\} \subset V(\Omega), \quad u_h = \sum_1^n u_i \phi_i^k, \quad u = [u_i]$$

**NLA**:  $Au = b$ ,  $A$  is SPD. We are interested in *solvers with good complexity (optimal order), robustness and scalability (parallelizable)*.

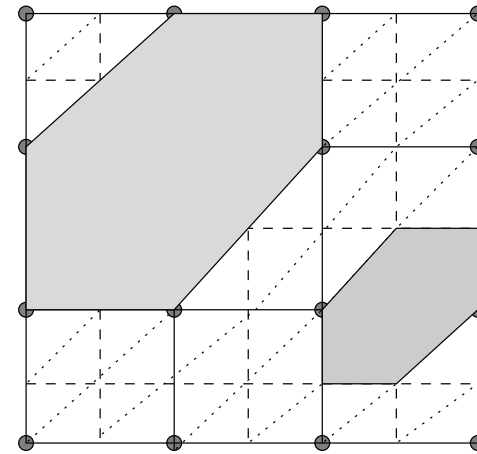
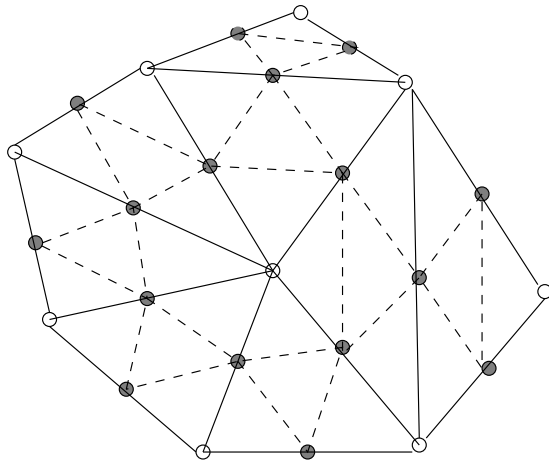
# Hierarchical FEM (geometrical hierarchy)



## Grid hierarchy: FE discretization & system solution

- AMLI : coarse grid space + fine grid complement
- Multigrid: coarse grid space + full fine grid space with cheap solver
- Two-level Schwarz methods: coarse grid space + local fine grid spaces
- Local grid refinement techniques

# Nodal and hierarchical bases (NB, HB)



- Grid  $\mathcal{T}_h$ , nodes  $\mathcal{N}_h = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , nodal basis  $\{\phi_i^h\}_{i=1}^n \subset V_h$
- Grid  $\mathcal{T}_H$ , nodes  $\mathcal{N}_H \subset \mathcal{N}_h$ , nodal basis  $\{\phi_i^H\} \subset V_H$
- $\mathcal{N}_h = \mathcal{N}_H \cup \mathcal{N}_h^+ \Rightarrow$  hierarchical basis:

$$\{\bar{\phi}_i^h\} \subset V_h: \bar{\phi}_i^h = \begin{cases} \phi_i^h & \text{if } x_i \in \mathcal{N}_h^+ \\ \phi_i^H & \text{if } x_i \in \mathcal{N}_H \end{cases}$$

## FE matrices in NB and HB

**Order nodes** as: nodes in  $\mathcal{N}_h^+$  **first** and nodes in  $\mathcal{N}_H$  **next**.  
Similarly, order both nodal and hierarchical basis functions.

**Transformation of bases:**

$$\bar{\phi}_i^h = \sum_k J_{ik} \phi_i^h, \quad J = (J_{ij}) = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 & 0 \\ I_{21} & I_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} N(V_h^+) \\ N(V_H) \end{matrix},$$

$I_{21}$  from interpolation,  $(I_{21})_{kl} = \bar{\phi}_k^h(x_l)$ ,  $x_l \in \mathcal{N}_h^+$ .

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} & \bar{A}_{12} \\ \bar{A}_{12}^T & \bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \left[ a \left( \sum_k J_{ik} \phi_i^h, \sum_l J_{jl} \phi_l^h \right) \right] = J A J^T$$

- $\bar{A}$  is denser than  $A$ ,
- $\bar{A}_{11} = A_{11}$ ,  $\bar{A}_{22} = A_H$  !!! there is a block with global information
- $\bar{S} = \bar{A}_{22} - \bar{A}_{21} \bar{A}_{11}^{-1} \bar{A}_{12} = S = A_{22} - A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} A_{12}$

## Hierarchical decomposition of NB and HB matrices

**NB:**

$$V_h = \text{span}\{\phi_i^{\mathbf{h}}\}$$

**HB:**  $V_h = V_H + V_h^+ =$   
 $\text{span}\{\phi_i^{\mathbf{h}} : x_i \in N(V_h^+)\}$   
 $+ \text{span}\{\phi_i^{\mathbf{H}} : x_i \in N(V_H)\}$

$$A_{NB} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{12}^T & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} N(V_h^+) \\ N(V_H) \end{array}$$

both diagonal blocks  
with only local information

$$A_{HB} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \tilde{A}_{12} \\ \tilde{A}_{12}^T & A_H \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} N(V_h^+) \\ N(V_H) \end{array}$$

first block with local information, second  
with global information.

## Two-level multiplicative preconditioner

$$A = A^{(k+1)} = \begin{bmatrix} I & & \\ & A_{11} & \\ A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} & & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \\ & S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_M = B_M^{(k+1)} = \begin{bmatrix} I & & \\ & A_{11} & \\ A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} & & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \\ & \bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \\ & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$g = B_M^{-1}r$  can be **implemented** as follows:

$$\text{step I} \quad g_1 \leftarrow A_{11}^{-1}r_1$$

$$\text{step II} \quad g_2 \leftarrow \bar{A}_{22}^{-1}(r_2 - A_{21}g_1)$$

$$\text{step III} \quad g_1 \leftarrow g_1 - A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}g_2 = A_{11}^{-1}(r_1 - A_{12}g_2)$$

### Computational cost:

2x solution of systems with  $A_{11}$  ; 1x solution of system with  $\bar{A}_{22}$ ;  
multiplication by  $A_{21}$ ,  $A_{12}$ ; 2x vector subtraction.



## Two-level additive preconditioner

$$\bar{A} = J A J^T = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} & \bar{A}_{12} \\ \bar{A}_{21} & \bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \bar{B}_A = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{A}_{11} & \\ & \bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \\ & A_H \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_A \sim A = J^{-1} \bar{A} J^{-T} \Rightarrow B_A = J^{-1} \bar{B}_A J^{-T}, \quad \sigma(B_A^{-1} A) = \sigma(\bar{B}_A^{-1} \bar{A})$$

$g = B_A^{-1} r = J^T (\bar{B}_A)^{-1} J r$  can be **implemented** as follows:

$$\text{step I} \quad g_2 \leftarrow \bar{A}_{22}^{-1} (r_2 + I_{21} r_1)$$

$$\text{step II} \quad g_1 \leftarrow \bar{A}_{11}^{-1} r_1 + I_{21}^T g_2$$

### Computational cost:

1x solution of systems with  $\bar{A}_{11} = A_{11}$  ; 1x solution of system with  $\bar{A}_{22}$ ;  
 2x vector addition, 1x multiplication with  $I_{21}$ , 1x multiplication with  $I_{21}^T$ .

## Approximate two-level preconditioners

$\tilde{B}_A$  and  $\tilde{B}_M$  arise when  $\bar{A}_{kk}v_k = w_k$  are **solved approximately**

$$v_k = \text{appsolve}(\bar{A}_{kk}, w_k) = \text{solve}(B_{kk}, w_k)$$

by exploiting approximation  $B_{kk} \sim \bar{A}_{kk}$  or inner iterations.

**Choices for  $A_{11}$ :**

- $B_{11} = \text{diag}(A_{11})$ ,  $B_{11} = \text{ilu}(A_{11})$ ,  $B_{11} = \text{milu}(A_{11})$ ,
- inner iterations controlled by  $\text{maxit} = \eta$ ,  $\text{acc} = \varepsilon$  with simple preconditioner.

**Choices for  $\bar{A}_{22}$ :**

- $B_{22} = B_A^c$  or  $B_{22} = B_M^c$  where  $B_A^c$ ,  $B_M^c$  are again hierarchical preconditioners on the coarser level,
- inner iterations with preconditioners  $B_A^c$ ,  $B_M^c$ .

## Multi-level preconditioners

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \mathcal{T}_1 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_m & \text{for } k = 2, \dots, m \\
 A^{(1)} & \longrightarrow & A^{(2)} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & A^{(m)} & \text{define } \mathcal{N}_k = \mathcal{N}_{k-1} \cup \mathcal{N}_k^+ \\
 & & I_{12}^{(2)} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & I_{12}^{(m)} & \text{define } B_A^{(k)} \text{ or } B_M^{(k)}
 \end{array}$$

for  $k = 2, \dots, m$

define **multilevel preconditioner**  $\mathbf{B}^{(k)} = \mathbf{B}_A^{(k)}$  or  $\mathbf{B}^{(k)} = \mathbf{B}_M^{(k)}$

if  $k = 2$  then  $\mathbf{B}^{(k)} = B^{(k)}$

if  $k > 2$  then  $\mathbf{B}^{(k)}$  is approximate two-level preconditioner  $\tilde{B}^{(k)}$  with

- different  $\text{appsolve}(A_{11})$
- $\text{appsolve}(A_{22})$  given by  $\nu_k$  iterations of inner Chebyshev or CG iterations with preconditioner  $\mathbf{B}^{(k-1)}$ .

## Analysis of two level preconditioners

Let  $\gamma < 1$  be the smallest constant such that:

$$\langle \bar{A}_{12}\bar{v}^{(2)}, \bar{v}^{(1)} \rangle \leq \gamma \sqrt{\langle \bar{A}_{11}\bar{v}^{(1)}, \bar{v}^{(1)} \rangle} \sqrt{\langle \bar{A}_{22}\bar{v}^{(2)}, \bar{v}^{(2)} \rangle}.$$

$$\langle \bar{B}_A \bar{v}, \bar{v} \rangle = \langle A_{11}\bar{v}^{(1)}, \bar{v}^{(1)} \rangle + \langle A_{22}\bar{v}^{(2)}, \bar{v}^{(2)} \rangle$$

$$\langle \bar{A}\bar{v}, \bar{v} \rangle = \langle \bar{B}_A \bar{v}, \bar{v} \rangle + 2 \langle A_{12}\bar{v}^{(2)}, \bar{v}^{(1)} \rangle \quad \Rightarrow \quad \kappa(\bar{B}_A^{-1}\bar{A}) = \kappa(B_A^{-1}A) \leq \frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}$$

$$(1-\gamma)\bar{B}_A \leq \bar{A} \leq (1+\gamma)\bar{B}_A$$

$$B_M^{-1}A = \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} I & \\ & S^{-1}\bar{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1}A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma(B_M^{-1}A) \subset \sigma(I) \cup \sigma(\bar{A}_{22}^{-1}S) = \sigma(I) \cup \sigma(\bar{A}_{22}^{-1}\bar{S}) \subset \langle 1-\gamma^2, 1 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \kappa(B_M^{-1}A) \leq 1/(1-\gamma^2) = \frac{1}{(1+\gamma)^2} \text{ estimate}(\kappa(B_A^{-1}A)).$$

## Analysis of approximate two level preconditioners

Let  $A$  be SPD,  $\gamma$  is as above and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$  are positive constants:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 A_{11} \leq B_{11} \leq \beta_1 A_{11} \\ \alpha_2 \bar{A}_{22} \leq B_{22} \leq \beta_2 \bar{A}_{22} \end{aligned} \quad . \quad \text{Then} \quad \text{cond}(\tilde{B}_A^{-1} A) \leq \frac{4}{1-\gamma^2} \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\beta_1 + \beta_2)}{2 / \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_1} + \frac{1}{\alpha_2} \right)}.$$

Let  $A$  be SPD,  $\gamma$  is as above and  $\alpha, \beta$  are positive constants:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{11} \leq B_{11} \leq (1 + \alpha) A_{11} \\ \bar{A}_{22} \leq B_{22} \leq (1 + \beta) \bar{A}_{22} \end{aligned} \quad . \quad \text{Then} \quad \text{cond}(\tilde{B}_M^{-1} A) \leq \frac{1}{1-\gamma^2} (1 + \alpha + \beta).$$

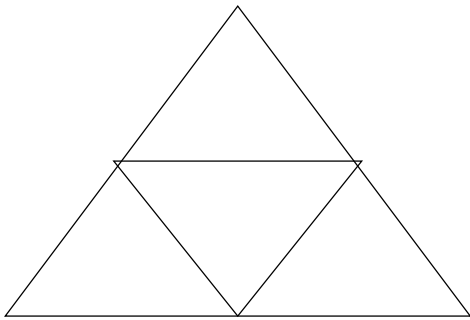
The above estimates can be found e.g. in Axelsson 2002. Another estimate showing desirable properties of  $B_{11}$  (small difference  $B_{11}v - A_{11}v$  for smooth vectors  $v$ ) can be found e.g. in Notay 1997.

## Constant $\gamma$ and strengthened CBS inequality

$$\langle \bar{A}_{12} \bar{v}^{(2)}, \bar{v}^{(1)} \rangle = a(v_2, v_1), \text{ where } v_2 \in V_H \text{ and } v_1 \in V_h^+ = W_h.$$

$$V_h = V_H \oplus V_h^+, \quad \gamma = \cos(V_H, V_h^+) = \sup \frac{a(u,v)}{\sqrt{a(u,u)}\sqrt{a(v,v)}} \quad u \in V_H, \quad v \in V_h^+$$

**Local investigation  $\gamma$ :**



**Let  $E = \cup e_k$  be a macroelement,**

$$u \in V_H \Rightarrow u|_E \in P_1, \text{ i.e. } u|_E \in V_H(E),$$

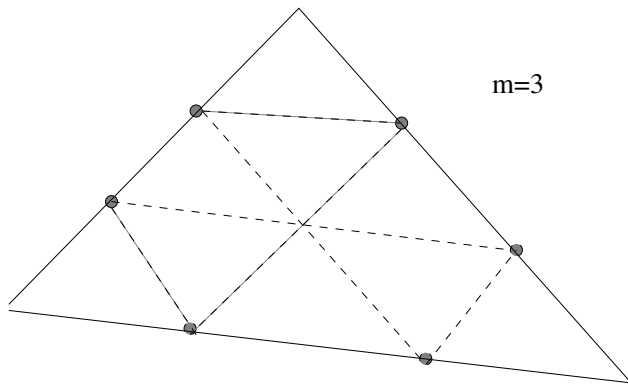
$$v \in V_h^+ \Rightarrow v|_{e_k} \in P_1, \quad v = 0 \text{ in vertices of } E \dots V_h^+(E)$$

$$a(u, v) = \sum_E \int_E \langle D \text{grad } u, \text{grad } v \rangle dx = \sum_E a_E(u_E, v_E)$$

**Theorem:**

$$\gamma \leq \max_E \gamma_E, \quad \gamma_E = \sup \frac{a_E(u, v)}{\sqrt{a_E(u, u)}\sqrt{a_E(v, v)}} : \quad \begin{array}{l} u \in V_H(E), \quad u \in V_h^+(E) \\ u \neq \text{const.}, \quad v \neq 0 \end{array}$$

# CBS in 2D



How  $\gamma$  depends on ?

- meshsize  $h$
- refinement multiplicity  $m$
- coefficient anisotropy
- element shape
- coefficient jumps

## Investigation of $\gamma$

- *Maitre, Musy 1981*:  $\gamma = \sqrt{3/4}$  2D Laplacian, arbitrary element shape ( $\gamma = \sqrt{3/8}$  for isosceles,  $\gamma = \sqrt{1/2}$  for rectangular triangles)
- *Margenov 1994*:  $\gamma = \sqrt{3/4}$  2D elasticity  $E, \nu$ , rectangular triangles
- *Achchab, Maitre 1996*:  $\gamma = \sqrt{3/4}$  2D isotrop. elasticity, general triangles

## CBS in 2D - recent results

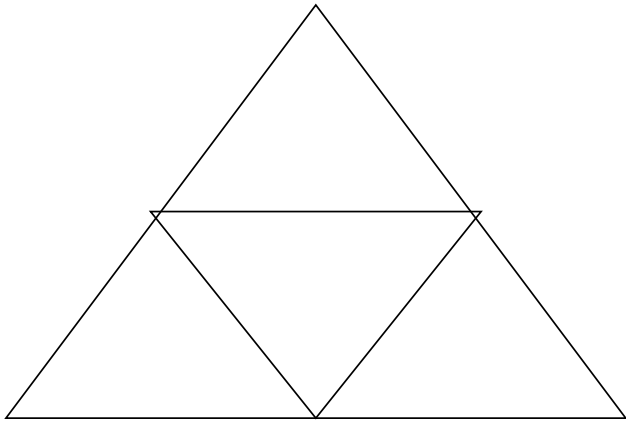
- *Axelsson 1999*: 2D, anisotropic Laplacian, reference triangle
- *Axelsson, Blaheta* (KUN Rep. 2001, Appl. Math. 2004):  
2D, reference element !, anisotropic Laplacian and general elasticity
  - $m$  fold refinement !
  - anisotropic Laplacian
  - general elasticity  $c_{i,j,k,l}$  !
  - arbitrary element shape

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{– } m \text{ fold refinement !} \\ \text{– anisotropic Laplacian} \\ \text{– general elasticity } c_{i,j,k,l} \text{ !} \\ \text{– arbitrary element shape} \end{array} \right\} \sqrt{\frac{m^2-1}{m^2}}$$



## An idea of simple estimate of the CBS in 2D

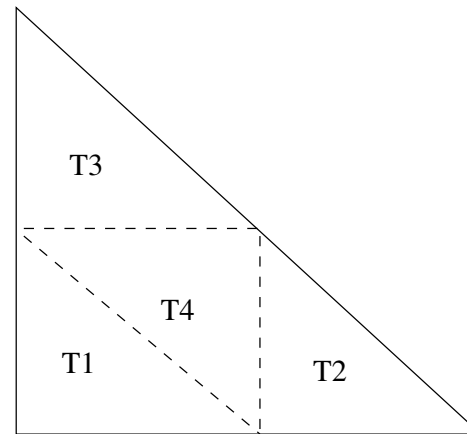
$$a_E(u, v) = \int_E \langle D \operatorname{grad} u, \operatorname{grad} v \rangle dx$$



affine mapping to R (reference)

$$F : E \rightarrow R, Fx = Gx + g$$

$$\tilde{a}_R(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \int_R \langle \tilde{D} \operatorname{grad} \tilde{u}, \operatorname{grad} \tilde{v} \rangle d\tilde{x}$$

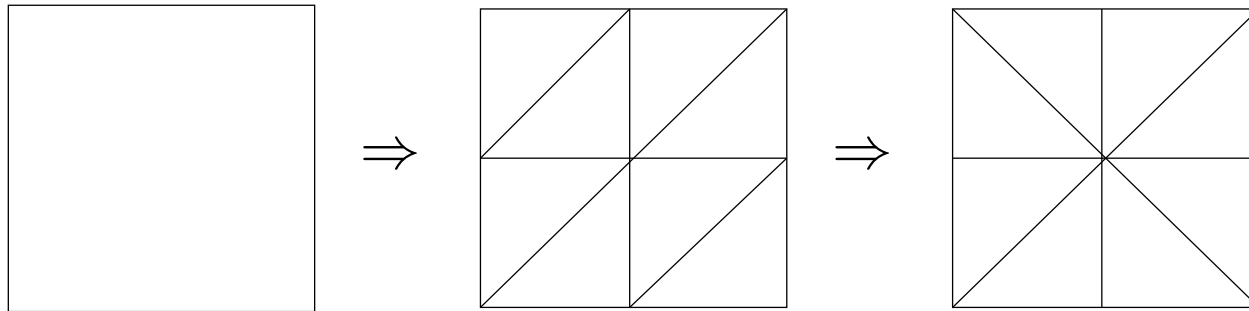


$$\tilde{D} = G^{-T} D G^{-1} |G|, \tilde{a}_R(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \sum \int_{T_k} \langle \tilde{D} \delta, d^{(k)} \rangle d\tilde{x}. \tilde{D} \delta \text{ constant on } E.$$

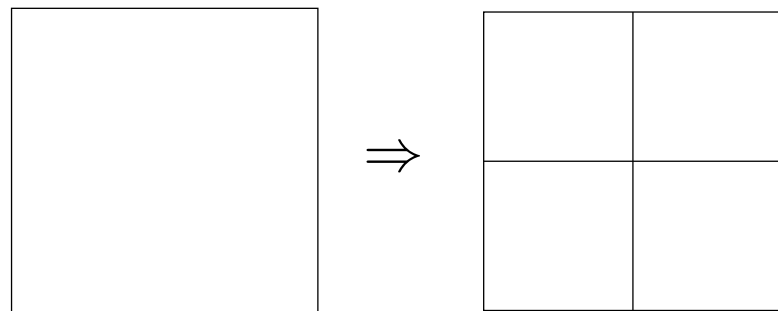
Relations for  $d^{(k)} = \nabla \tilde{v}$  like  $d_1^{(1)} = -d_1^{(2)}$  and  $d_1^{(3)} = d_1^{(4)}$ , also

$d^{(1)} + d^{(2)} + d^{(3)} = d^{(4)}$  then enable to proof the estimate

## Other hierarchical decompositions

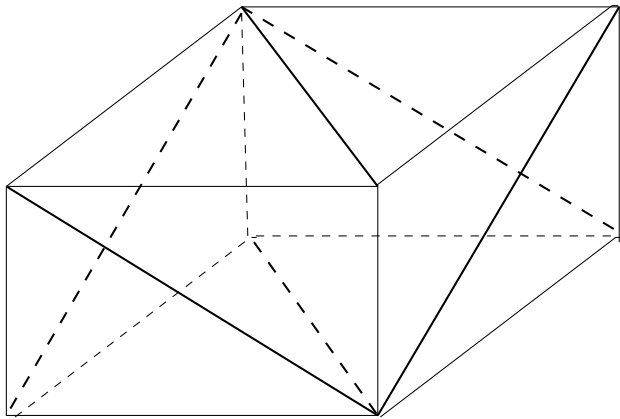


- linear-linear FE: for symmetric triangulation  $\gamma \rightarrow 1$
- quadratic-linear FE:  
 $S^{(2)} = \frac{4}{3}S^{(1)} - \frac{1}{3}A_H^{(1)}$  gives  $\gamma_2^2 = \frac{4}{3}\gamma_1^2$ . Thus  $\gamma = \gamma_2 \rightarrow 1$ .

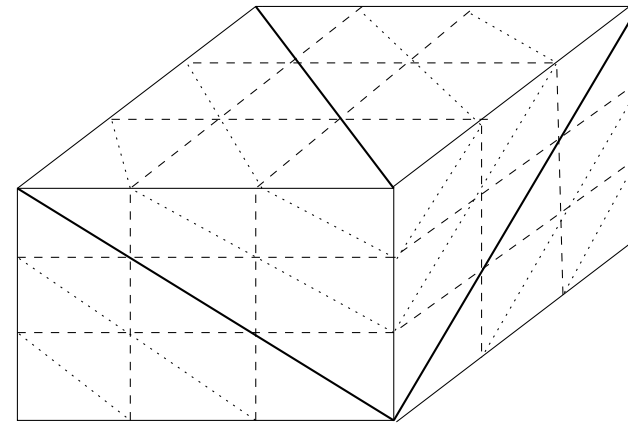


- bilinear-bilinear FE (Pultarová 2004)  $\gamma^2 \leq \frac{3}{4}$  for orthotropic Laplacian. Moreover,  $\gamma^2 = \frac{3}{8}$  in the isotropic case.

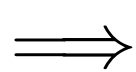
## Hierarchical decomposition in 3D



Kuhn's division of  
cube into 6 tetrahedra



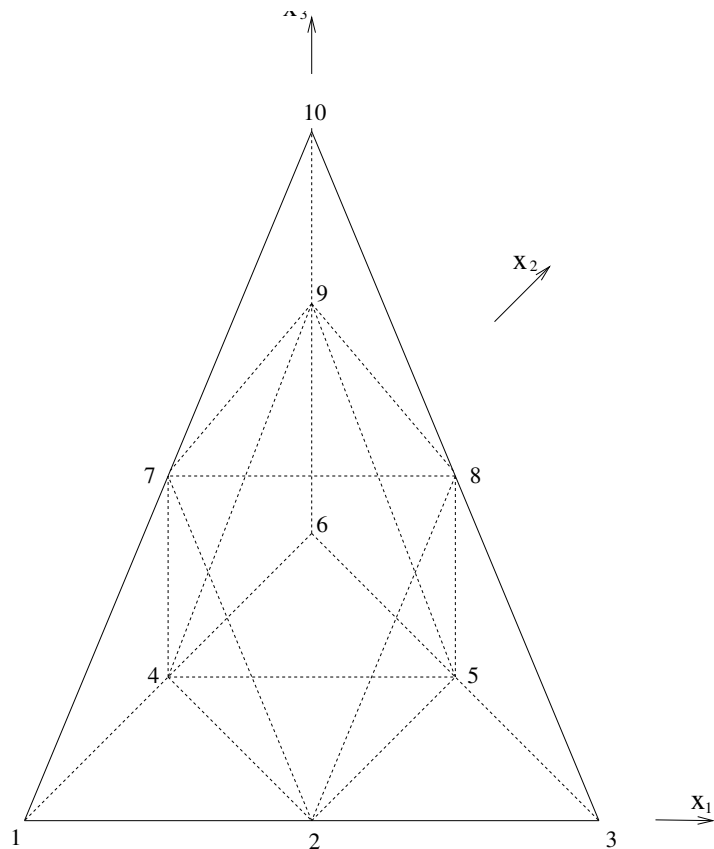
$m = 3 \longrightarrow m^3$  cubes  
each cube  $\longrightarrow$  6 tetrahedra



**decomposition of a big tetrahedron  
into  $m^2$  smaller tetrahedra**

## CBS in 3D

- *Junk, Maitre 1999*: 3D isotropic elasticity
- *Achchab, Axelsson, et al. 2000*:  $\gamma = \sqrt{9/10}$  for 3D, isotrop. elasticity



### R. Blaheta ( NLAA 2003)

- $m$  fold refinement,  $m \leq 5$  (25 T)
- anisotropic Laplacian
- general elasticity !
- arbitrary element shape

$$\gamma \leq \sqrt{1 - \frac{2}{m^4 + m^2}}$$

## Diagonal approximation to $A_{11}$ block

Consider orthotropic form  $a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \sum k_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i} dx$ .

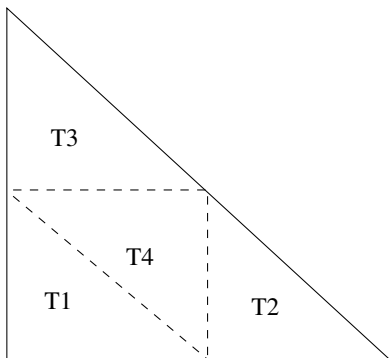
$$A_{11} \sim \langle A_{11}x, x \rangle = a\left(\sum x_i \phi_i^k, \sum x_i \phi_i^k\right) \quad \sum \dots \text{ over } \phi_i^k \in V_h^+$$

$$D_{11} = \text{diag } A_{11}, \quad \langle D_{11}x, x \rangle = \sum x_i^2 a(\phi_i^k, \phi_i^k) \quad \sum \dots \text{ over } \phi_i^k \in V_h^+$$

and rectangular triangular elements. **Local investigation:**

$$V_{1E} = \sum \text{span} \{\phi_i\}$$

$$a_E(v, v) = k_1 \left[ 2v_3^2 + 2(v_1 - v_2)^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \\ + k_2 \left[ 2v_2^2 + 2(v_1 - v_3)^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2}$$

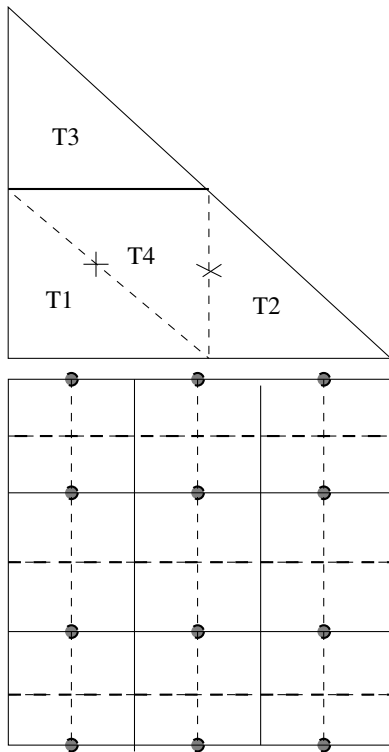


$$d_E(v, v) = \sum v_i^2 a_E(\phi_i^k, \phi_i^k) \\ = 2(k_1 + k_2) (v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2) \frac{\Delta}{h^2}$$

## The case of anisotropy

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_E(v, v) &\geq \min(k_1, k_2) \left( v_2^2 + v_3^2 + v_2^2 + (v_1 - v_2)^2 + v_3^2 + (v_1 - v_3)^2 \right) \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \\
 &\geq \min(k_1, k_2) (v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2) \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \geq \frac{\min(k_1, k_2)}{2(k_1 + k_2)} d_E(v, v)
 \end{aligned}$$

**Remedy:** if  $k_1 > k_2$  then  $V_{1E} = \text{span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\} + \text{span}\{\phi_3\}$

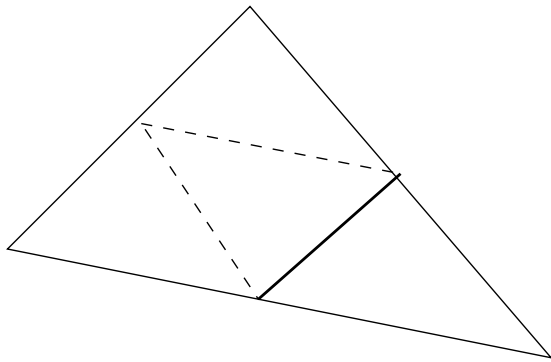


$$\begin{aligned}
 d(v, v) &= k_1 \left[ 2(v_1 - v_2)^2 + 2v_3^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \\
 &\quad + k_2 \left[ 2v_2^2 + 2v_1^2 + 2v_3^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \quad \text{isotropy}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_E(v, v) &\geq \frac{1}{2} k_1 \left[ 2v_3^2 + 2(v_1 - v_2)^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} k_2 \left[ 2v_2^2 + 2v_3^2 + 2(v_1 - v_3)^2 \right] \frac{\Delta}{h^2} \\
 &\geq \frac{1}{8} d(v, v) \quad (\text{robust estimate})
 \end{aligned}$$

## Robust block tridiagonal preconditioner

Axelsson, Padiy, 1999 macroelement construction:



$$A_{11,E} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \quad B_{11,E} = \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \circ & \circ \\ & \bullet & \circ \\ \text{sym} & & \bullet \end{bmatrix}$$

only one of  $\circ$  can be nonzero !

$$\text{cond} \left( B_{11,E}^{-1} A_{11,E} \right) \leq \frac{1 + \sqrt{7/15}}{1 - \sqrt{7/15}} \doteq 5.31$$

Construction of preconditioner:

- analyzing of strong couplings
  - reordering unknowns
- } block tridiagonal preconditioner

**3D** - block tridiagonal preconditioner works for rectangular meshes and orthotropy  $k_1 \gg k_2 \sim k_3$  not for  $k_1 \sim k_2 \gg k_3$ .

## Optimal multi-level preconditioners

- Solve  $A_{11}$ :
  - $A_{11} \sim \text{diag}(A_{11})$  for isotropic Laplacian
  - $A_{11} \sim \text{block3diag}(A_{11})$  for anisotropic Laplacian in 2D
- Solve  $\bar{A}_{22}$ :
  - few Chebyshev or GCG iterations with the same ML preconditioner

**If everything is well balanced, we can get optimal method !**

Axelsson 1981, Axelsson, Gustafsson 1983, Axelsson, Vassilevski 1989, 1990, 1994, ...

**Further development - robustness:** in 2D we can get optimal method, which is robust w.r.t. anisotropy

Axelsson, Padiy 1999, Axelsson 2002



## General multi-level solvers

Solve the problem:  $Au=b$  with **CG** or **GPCG[m]** method

### Multilevel preconditioner

- Solve  $A_{11}$ :
  - $A_{11} \sim \text{ilu}(A_{11})$
  - $A_{11} \sim \text{milu}(A_{11})$
  - inner CG with preconditioner  $\text{diag}(A_{11})$ ,  $\text{ilu}(A_{11})$ ,  $\text{milu}(A_{11})$  etc
- Solve  $\bar{A}_{22}$ :
  - inner CG or GPCG iterations with the same ML preconditioner

**Notes:** MILU or MIC(0) is a good  $A_{11}$  solver, for corresponding theory see Notay 1998. The use of inner CG for both  $A_{11}$  and  $\bar{A}_{22}$  requires stabilization by GPCG in the outer iterations.

## Implementation issues

**Preparatory phase:**

refine triangulation

& assembly matrices.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{T}_1 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}_m \\ A^{(1)} & \longrightarrow & A^{(2)} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & A^{(m)} \\ & & I_{12}^{(2)} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & I_{12}^{(m)} \end{array}$$

|| If the initial triangulation is **distributed** among  $p$  **processors**  $\Rightarrow$  parallel work on **refinement & assembling**  $\Rightarrow$  matrices arise in a distributed form.

**Solution phase: for level  $k = 2, \dots, m$**

- ★ implement CG iteration with || matrix - vector multiplication
- ★ implement ML preconditioner with main operations
  - different  $\text{appsolve}(A_{11})$  some of them are highly parallelizable, e. g. diagonal, inner iterations,
  - $\text{appsolve}(A_{22})$  by inner iterations is again parallelizable, if  $k=2$   $\text{directsolve}(A_{22})$  is less parallelizable.

More discussion e. g. Neytcheva 1995, Douglas, Haase, Langer: Tutorial 2003

## Numerical experiments 1 ( $B_A$ )

Model problem:  $\Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$ ,  $f = f(x, y) = 1 + 2x + 3y$

$$-\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{grad}u) = f \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

$$u = \quad \text{on } \Gamma_D = \partial\Omega$$

Test 1: **Additive** preconditioner,  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$ . **Left:** level, ref., #dof, inner acc., maxit, A=addit.

1	2	4				25	31	25	25
2	2	9	6	2	A	57	57	55	53
3	2	25	6	2	A	104	109	108	107
4	2	81	6	2	A				
5	2	289	6	2	A				
6		1089	6	2	A				

Above: numbers of iterations

A11 - exact, diag, cholinc, mic(0)

A22(row) - exact, inner CG, V cycle

## Numerical experiments 2 ( $B_M$ )

Model problem:  $\Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$ ,  $f = f(x, y) = 1 + 2x + 3y$

$$-\operatorname{div}(\operatorname{grad}u) = f \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

$$u = \quad \text{on } \Gamma_D = \partial\Omega$$

Test 2: **Multiplicative** preconditioner,  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$ . **Left:** level, ref., #dof, inner acc., maxit, M=multiplicative.

1	2	4				7	74	22	12
2	2	9	6	2	M	8	439	38	13
3	2	25	6	2	M	12	57	21	20
4	2	81	6	2	M				
5	2	289	6	2	M				
6		1089	6	2	M				

Above: numbers of iterations

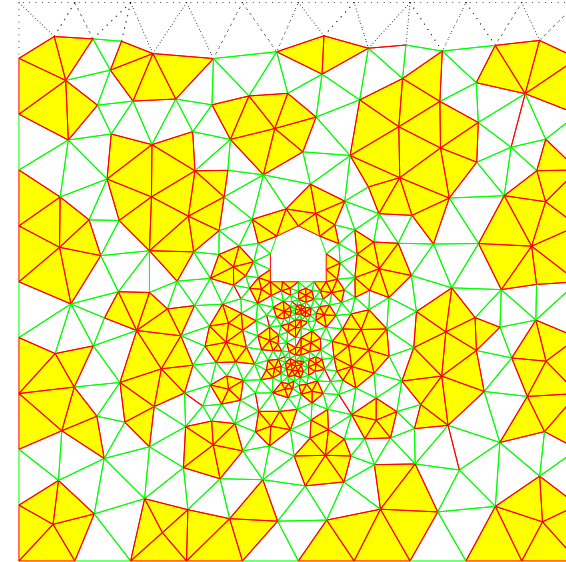
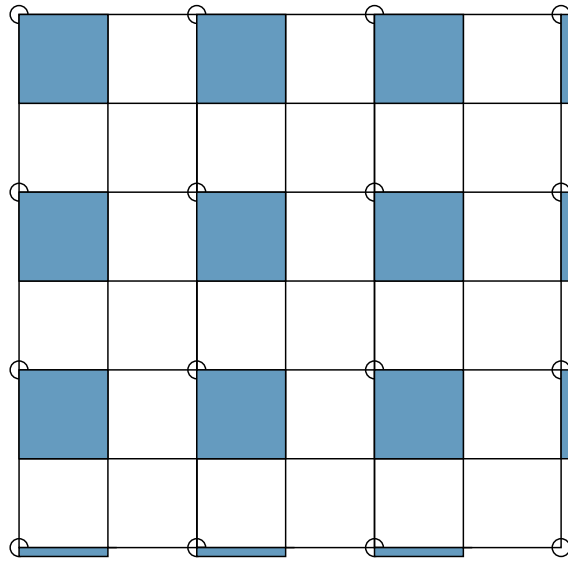
A11 - exact, diag, cholinc, mic(0)

A22(row) - exact, inner CG, V cycle

## Algebraic hierarchy: aggregation/agglomeration

- **standard AMLI** uses **geometric hierarchy** of nested FE grids, which has some disadvantages
- using hierarchy of problems created **algebraically** (as in AMG) leads to another AMLI variants
- AMLI with hierarchy of problems created by **aggregation** was introduced in Notay NLAA 2002, 2005 with adaptive aggregation procedure, rescaling aggregated matrices and MIC(0) solver for the pivot block
- AMLI with hierarchy of problems created by **agglomeration** of finite elements and using local Schur complements was introduced in Kraus IMET 2004, NLAA 2005
- next we show AMLI - aggregation method with regular aggregation on regular grids

## AMLI with aggregation (algebraic hierarchy)

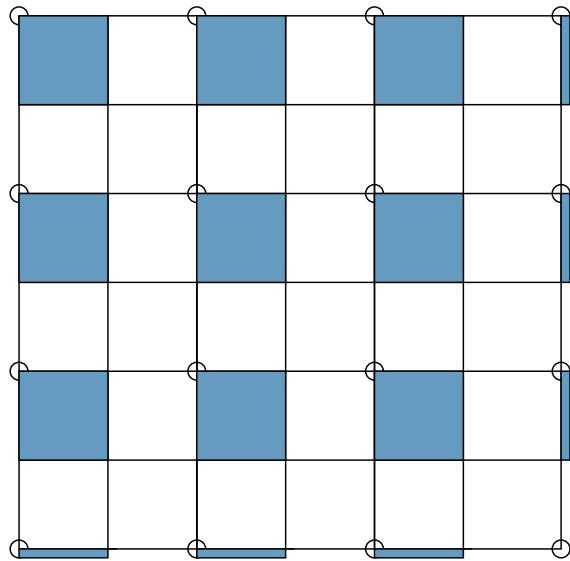


AMLI uses a space decomposition and HB. This can be done also via aggregation of nodes/DOF's. Let us select one node (DOF block) in each aggregation as a C-node (o) and let the remaining nodes be F-nodes.

$$\phi_i^{HB} = \sum_k J_{ik} \phi_i^h, \quad J = (J_{ij}) = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 & 0 \\ I_{21} & I_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} F \\ C \end{matrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} I_{21} \text{ Boolean, one} \\ \text{unity per column} \end{matrix}$$

If  $i \in G_j$  is a C-node, then  $\phi_i^{HB} = \sum_{k \in G_j} \phi_i^h \dots$

## AMLI-aggregation on regular grids



- All the same as for geometric hierarchy
- local CBS analysis

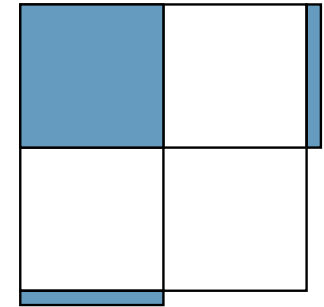
$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \langle D\text{grad}(u), \text{grad}(v) \rangle dx = \sum_E \int_E \langle D\text{grad}(u), \text{grad}(v) \rangle dx$$

$$a(u, v) = \sum_E a_E(u, v), \quad a(u, u) = \sum_E a_E(u, u), \quad a(v, v) = \sum_E a_E(v, v)$$

## CBS constant for decomposition by aggregation

$V_h = V_a \oplus V_a^+$ ,  $a(u, v) = \sum_E a_E(u_E, v_E)$ , E macroelements:

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 10^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \varphi & -\sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$



k=	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0°	.8966	.9080	.9123	.9128	.9129	.9129	.9129
15°	.8966	.9210	.9710	.9961	.9996	1.000	1.000
30°	.8966	.9391	.9879	.9997	.9999	1.000	1.000
45°	.8966	.9453	.9907	.9990	.9999	1.000	1.000

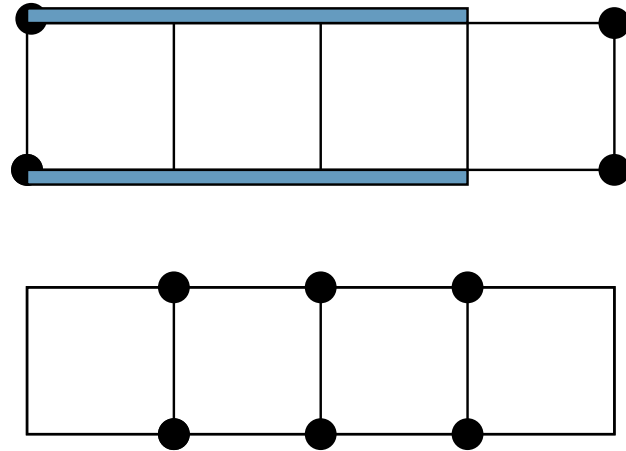


# CBS constant for aggregation - anisotropy

$$V_h = V_a \oplus V_a^+,$$

$$a(u, v) = \sum_E a_E(u_E, v_E),$$

E macroelements:



k=	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0°	.8966	.9080	.9123	.9128	.9129	.9129	.9129
aniso	.9013		.8660		.8660		.8660
90°	.8966	.9080	.9123	.9128	.9129	.9129	.9129
aniso	.9013		.9255		.9258		.9258

## Numerical experiments 3 ( $B_A, B_M$ )

$\Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1), f = f(x, y) = 1 + 2x + 3y$	1	2	2500	6	2	A
$-\text{div}(\text{grad}u) = f \text{ in } \Omega,$	2	2	676	6	2	A
$u = \text{ on } \Gamma_D = \partial\Omega$	3	2	196	6	2	A
	4	2	64	6	2	A
<b>Right:</b> level, coarsening, #dof, inner acc., max. number of inner it., A/M	5		25			

Test 3: Left: **Additive** preconditioner,  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$ .

Right: **Multiplicative** preconditioner,  $\varepsilon = 10^{-6}$ .

21	30	23	23	11	126	16	13
63	61	68	66	15	472	25	18
146	173	154	155	38	112	52	51

Above: numbers of iterations. A11(col) - exact, diag, cholinc, mic(0).  
A22(row) - exact, inner CG, V cycle

## Numerical experiments 4

Outer iterations by CG by default. Otherwise GPCG[m].

$\bar{A}_{22}$  system solved by 2 CG iterations with multiplicative hierarchical preconditioner,  $A_{11}$  system is solved by different methods.

Overall numbers of outer iterations:

**15** for  $A_{11}$  system solved exactly,

**472** for  $A_{11} \sim \text{diag}(A_{11})$ ,

**25** for  $A_{11} \sim \text{cholinc}(A_{11})$ . Reduces to 23 iterations for GPCG[1].

**18** for  $A_{11} \sim \text{mic0}(A_{11})$ . Reduces to 17 iterations for GPCG[1].

**22** for  $A_{11}$  system solved by inner CG with diagonal preconditioner and GPCG[1]. For outer CG does not converges!

**15** for  $A_{11}$  system solved by inner CG with cholinc and GPCG[1],

**15** for  $A_{11}$  system solved by inner CG with mic(0) and GPCG[1].

## HD with aggregation

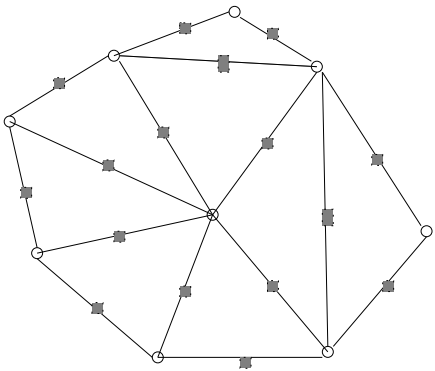
- :-) fully algebraical approach,
- :-) regular aggregation on regular grid gives the same  $A_{11}$  as HB approach,  $\bar{A}_{22}$  with the same stencil, on uniform grid differing from  $A_H$  by a scaling factor
- :-( CBS constant is bigger and depending on anisotropy

### Possible improvements

1. problem dependent aggregation,
2. algebraical improvement

# Nonconforming FE

BVP: find  $u \in V(\Omega) : a(u, v) = b(v) \quad \forall v \in V(\Omega)$   
 $a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \langle D\nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx, \quad D \dots 2 \times 2 \text{ SPD}$   
 $V = \{v \in H^1(\Omega), v(x) = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_0\}$



## *Crouzeix - Raviart FE:*

$\Omega \rightarrow$  triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_h$

$\mathcal{T}_h \rightarrow M_h$  - set of mid points

$[v]$  - jump of  $v$  on edges of  $T$

$$\tilde{U}_h = \{v \in L_2(\Omega) : v|_T \in P_1 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h, [v](x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in M_h\}$$

$$\tilde{V}_h = \left\{ v \in \tilde{U}_h : v(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in M_h \cap \Gamma_0 \right\},$$

$$a_h(u, v) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T \langle D\nabla u, \nabla v \rangle dx$$

# Nonconforming FE

*Nonconforming FEM:*

$$\text{find } u_h \in \tilde{V}_h(\Omega) : a_h(u_h, v_h) = b(v_h) \quad \forall v_h \in \tilde{V}_h(\Omega)$$

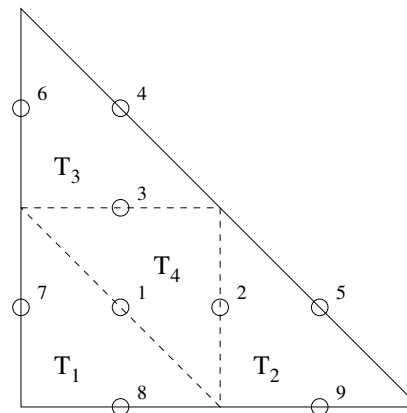
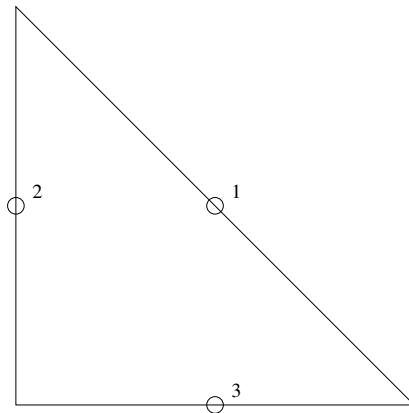
$$u \in H^2(\Omega) \Rightarrow \|u - u_h\| \leq ch |u|_2$$

*Advantages:* locking free elements, sparsity and regularity of the pattern of FE matrices

**Hierarchic construction:**

$$\tilde{V}_H \not\subset \tilde{V}_h!$$

$$V_H \subset \tilde{V}_h$$



basis functions  $\phi_1 \dots \phi_9$

## Hierarchic preconditioners for CR matrices

**FR construction:** let denote I - inner nodes {1, 2, 3}, S - side nodes

$$\text{NB } \phi_1 \dots \phi_9 \xrightarrow{J} \text{HB } \tilde{\phi}_1 \dots \tilde{\phi}_9 \quad \tilde{A}_h = JA_h J^T$$

$$\tilde{A}_h = \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} & \tilde{A}_{II} & \tilde{A}_{IS}^1 & \tilde{A}_{IS}^2 & \phi_{1,\dots} \\ \hline & \tilde{A}_{SI}^1 & \tilde{A}_{SS}^{11} & \tilde{A}_{SS}^{12} & \phi_4 - \phi_5, \dots \\ & \tilde{A}_{SI}^2 & \tilde{A}_{SS}^{21} & \tilde{A}_{SS}^{22} & \phi_4 + \phi_5, \dots \end{array} \quad B = A_{SS} - A_{SI}A_{II}^{-1}A_{IS}$$

$$B = \begin{array}{c|cc|} & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ \hline & B_{21} & B_{22} \end{array}$$

**DA construction**

$$\text{NB } \phi_1 \dots \phi_9 \xrightarrow{J} \text{HB } \tilde{\phi}_1 \dots \tilde{\phi}_9 \quad \tilde{A}_h = JA_h J^T$$

$$\tilde{A}_h = \begin{array}{c|cc|c} & \tilde{A}_{11} & \tilde{A}_{12} & \phi_{1,\dots} \\ \hline & & & \phi_4 - \phi_5, \dots \\ & \tilde{A}_{21} & \tilde{A}_{22} & \phi_4 + \phi_4 + \phi_5, \dots \end{array} \quad \rightarrow \tilde{A}_{22} = 4A_H$$

## AMLI for nonconforming CR FEM

$$\gamma_{FR} : \quad \langle B_{12}x_2, x_1 \rangle \leq \gamma_{FR} \sqrt{\langle B_{11}x_1, x_1 \rangle} \sqrt{\langle B_{22}x_2, x_2 \rangle}$$

$$\gamma_{DA} : \quad \langle \tilde{A}_{12}y_2, y_1 \rangle \leq \gamma_{DA} \sqrt{\langle \tilde{A}_{11}y_1, y_1 \rangle} \sqrt{\langle \tilde{A}_{22}y_2, y_2 \rangle}$$

**Theorem** (Margenov, Neytcheva, RB, NLAA 2004): *Let us consider nested triangular grids, with coarse triangles consisting from 4 smaller ones. Assume that the coefficient matrix  $D$  has no jumps within the coarse triangles. Then*

$$\gamma_{FR} < \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}, \quad \gamma_{DA} \leq \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}$$

*for any element size and shape and general anisotropic Laplacian.*

**Theorem** (Margenov, Neytcheva, RB, NLAA 2005): There is block tridiagonal optimal robust solver for the pivot block and it is possible to construct robust optimal AMLI preconditioners for CR FEM systems.



## Conclusions

We talk about AMLI type hierarchical preconditioners

- main ingredients - decomposition, local block solver, global block solver - polynomial stabilization
- construction - multiplicative/additive, geometric/algebraic hierarchy, global/local refinement
- various local block solvers
- implementation including parallelization
- robustness

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