Robust Solvers for Elliptic Problems in Fluid Models **Context**

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- **Aim** : We are interested in devising a robust and optimal solver for the Laplacian operator and the mass matrix.
- **Problem**: Hyperbolic models with small viscosities are in general strongly nonlinear and coupled and ill-conditioned.
- **Solutions**: Use algorithm (Physic based preconditioning, semi implicit scheme etc) which allows to split and reformulate the full system to some simpler systems.
- **Simple systems**: Laplacian, small advection or vector elliptic operators.
- Key point: Operator inversion under control (Convergence, computational cost, robustness, optimality).

Context

O Linearized Euler Equation:

$$
\begin{cases}\n\frac{\partial_t \mathbf{u} + a \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + c \nabla p}{\partial_t p + a \cdot \nabla p + c \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}} = 0 \longrightarrow \begin{cases}\n\mathbf{u}^{n+1} + \Delta t a \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^{n+1} + c \Delta t \nabla p^{n+1} & = \mathbf{u}^n \\
p^{n+1} + \Delta t a \cdot \nabla p^{n+1} + c \Delta t \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^{n+1} & = p^n\n\end{cases}
$$

Using splitting scheme with reformulation, we obtain predictor-corrector scheme:

$$
\begin{cases}\n\mathbf{u}^* + \Delta t \mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^* = \mathbf{u}^n \\
\rho^{n+1} + \Delta t \mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \rho^{n+1} - c^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta \rho^{n+1} = \rho^n - c \Delta t \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^* \\
\mathbf{u}^{n+1} = \mathbf{u}^* - c \Delta t \nabla \rho^{n+1}\n\end{cases}
$$

- Conclusion: when a is small we need to perform mass matrices inversion and stiffness matrix inversion. Aim: To come up with a Laplacian and mass solver.
- Remark: this approach is extendable to complex systems. Other approaches could give similar outcome.

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Isogeometric Analysis

Definition (IgA)

Is a recently developed computational approach that offers the possibility of integrating FEA into conventional CAD design tools.

- Finite Elements Analysis (FEA) models are created from CAD representations.
- Creating FEA models accounts more than 80 % of overall analysis time and is a major engineering bottelneck.
- The geometry is approximated in the FEA mesh
- Use B-Splines as basis functions in the Tokamak context:
	- Adapt geometry to the physics.
	- Using high order polynomial.

B-Splines

B-Splines

To create a family of B-Splines, we need a non-decreasing sequence of knots $T = (t_i)_{1 \le i \le N+k}$, also called **knot vector**, with $k = p + 1$. Each set of knots $\mathcal{T}_j = \{t_j, \cdots, t_{j+p}\}$ will generate a *B-spline N_j*.

Definition (B-Spline series)

The j-th B-Spline of order k is defined by the recurrence relation:

$$
N_j^k = w_j^k N_j^{k-1} + (1 - w_{j+1}^k) N_{j+1}^{k-1}
$$

where,

$$
w_j^k(x) = \frac{x - t_j}{t_{j+k-1} - t_j} \qquad \qquad N_j^0(x) = \chi_{[t_j, t_{j+1}]}(x)
$$

for $k > 1$ and $1 \leq i \leq N$.

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Multigrid

Multigrid Idea

Project the system in a subspace, solve the resulting system in this subspace and interpolate the solution in order to improve the previous approximation.

Multigrid Components

The Multigrid combines two iterative methods:

Smoother: a classic iterative method,

Coarse Grid Correction: projection of the error equation, solution of the restricted problem, interpolation.

Multigrid Algorithm 2 Grid Cycle

- **1 Iterate** on $A_f u = b_f$ to reach u_f (in our case, 5 Gauss-Seidel steps).
- **2** Restrict the residual $r_f = b_f A_f u_f$ to the coarse grid by $r_c = Rr_f$
- **3 Solve** $A_cE_c = r_c$ (or come close to E_c by 5 iterations from $E = 0$).
- **1** Interpolate E_c back to $E_f = PE_c$. Add E_f to u_f .
- **Iterate** 5 more times on $A_f u = b_f$ starting from the improved u_f + E_f .

Prolongation and Restriction Operators for B-Splines

These operators are based on the **knot insertion** algorithm. For the 1D case: one can insert a new knot t, where $t_i \leq t \leq t_{i+1}$.

For this purpose, we use the De Boor's algorithm.

$$
\tilde{\mathcal{T}} = \{t_1, ..., t_j, t, t_{j+1}, ..., t_{N+k}\}
$$
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$$
\alpha_i = \begin{cases}\n1, & 1 \le j \le j - k + 1 \\
\frac{t - t_j}{t_{j+k-1} - t_j}, & j - k + 2 \le i \le j \\
0, & j + 1 \le i\n\end{cases}
$$

 $\mathbf{Q_i} = \alpha \mathbf{P_i} + (1 - \alpha_i) \mathbf{P_{i-1}}$

Prolongation and Restriction Operators Cont'd

This can be written in the matrix form as: $Q = AP$. The basis transformation A is called the knot insertion matrix of degree k-1 from T to T˜.

The insertion matrix from T_0 to T_n is simply:

$$
A := A_0^n = A_0^1 A_1^2 A_2^3 ... A_{n-1}^n
$$

In 2D, the interpolation operator can be constructed using the Kronecker product.

The Problem with Multigrid: Numerical Take-1D

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The Problem with Multigrid: Numerical Take-2D

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- • PDE: $Lu = g$ after discretization gives $L_n u_n = g_n$ with $\{L_n\}_n$ is a sequence of discretizations.
- GLT: is a generalization of fourier analysis for the discretization of PDEs.
- Application to the Laplacian operator: using GLT in the fourier space:

$L_n \approx M_p D_n$

Where M_p is homogenous to the mass matrix, and D_n is the FD of the Laplacian operator in the fourier space.

- Low frequency problem: the eigenvalues of D_n are $(2-2cos(\theta))$, solved via the MG.
- High frequency problem: M_p tends to zero when p is large.
- **Idea**: preconditioning by M^{-1} and use exploit kronecker product for the inversion.

GLT: From Cardinal BSplines to the Toeplitz Matrix

Theorem

The symbol m_p is given by

$$
\mathfrak{m}_{p}(x,\theta) := \mathfrak{m}_{p}(\theta) = \phi_{2p+1}(p+1) + 2\sum_{k=1}^{p} \phi_{2p+1}(p+1-k)\cos(k\theta)
$$

Toeplitz matrix

is a real/complex valued $n \times n$ matrix $\overline{I}_{n} = \left(t_{jk} \right)_{j,k=0,...,n-1}$, where $t_{ik} = t_{i-k}$, i.e.

$$
T_n(f(\theta)) = \begin{pmatrix} t_0 & t_{-1} & t_{-2} & \dots & t_{-(n-1)} \\ t_1 & t_0 & t_{-1} & \dots & \\ t_2 & t_1 & t_0 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ t_{n-1} & \dots & & & \vdots \\ t_{n-1} & \dots & & & \vdots \\ t_{n-1} & \dots & & & \vdots \\ \end{pmatrix}_{\text{N-cember 16, 2016}} \quad \text{where } n = 0, 2016 \quad \text{or} \quad n = 17 / 28
$$

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Results: GLT as a Smoother

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Mass on a circle and square

Table 2: Number of iterations-mass matrix on a circle 64*64

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MG+GLT on a Circle

Computational Costs

Table 4: Computational cost comparison for the Laplacian operator -2D 64*64 elements

This is not yet optimized!

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Conclusions and Future Prospects

Conclusions:

- **GLT** treats the problem arising from the high degree component.
- \bullet GLT + MG gives a robust and optimal solver for the Laplacian operator.
- **Can be used also for the mass matrix.**

Future work:

- Short time:
	- Optimization
	- Apply the GLT theory to vector elliptic operators; grad div

$$
\mu \mathbf{u} - \nabla \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0
$$

Ill-conditioned when $\mu \rightarrow 0$

Long term: Applying this with time integration schemes for models like Euler and MHD.

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