

HIGH-PERFORMANCE RADIATIVE TRANSPORT EQUATION SOLVER

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RADIATIVE TRANSFER

- neutron transport
- combustion
- optical tomography
- laser radiation...

Propagation of photons

- absorption
- scattering
- emission

INTEGRO-DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

Spectral radiance

- space coordinates (x, y, z)
- solid angles (θ, ψ)
- wavelength λ
- time t

\implies 7D problem

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial I_\lambda}{\partial t} + \vec{s} \cdot \nabla I_\lambda + (\kappa + \sigma) I_\lambda = \sigma \oint_{\Omega} \varphi \cdot I_\lambda \, d\Omega + \kappa B_\lambda$$

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DG also possible [Le Hardy, Favennec, Rousseau 2016]

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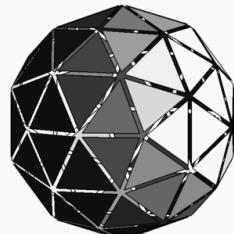
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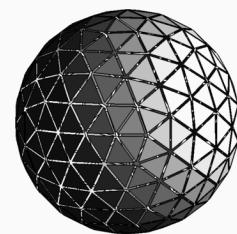
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Compact form, $\forall m \in \llbracket 1; N_d \rrbracket$,

$$a_m^{(d)}(I_m, v) + \sum_{n=1}^{N_d} a_{m,n}(I_n, v) = L_m(v)$$

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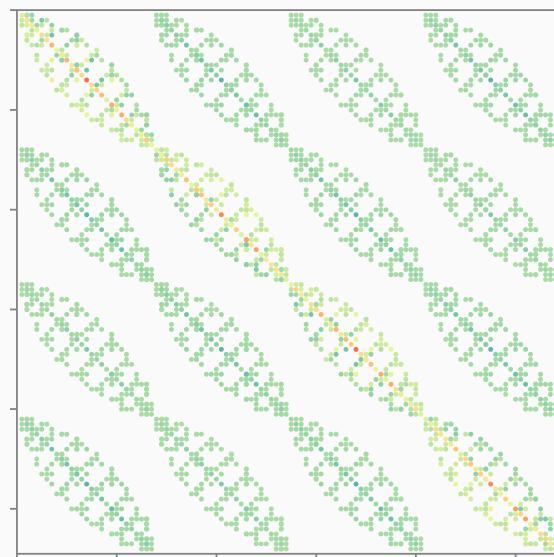
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VECTORIAL VARIATIONAL FORMULATION

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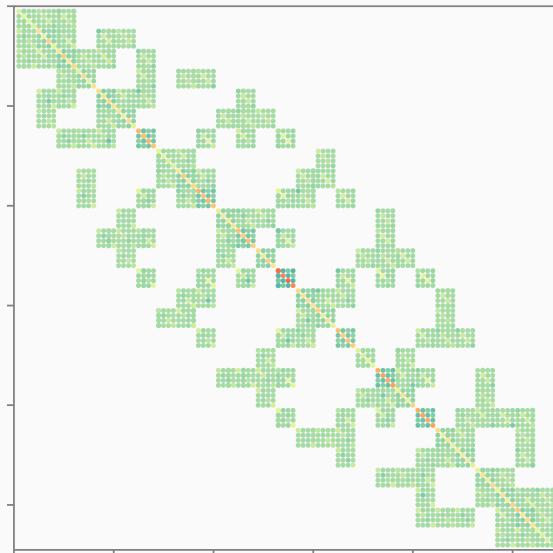
$$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \left[\vec{\mathbb{S}}^\dagger \nabla \mathbb{I} + (\kappa + \sigma) \mathbb{I} - \Phi : \mathbb{I} \right] \odot \left(\mathbb{V} + \gamma \vec{\mathbb{S}}^\dagger \nabla \mathbb{V} \right) = 0$$

with

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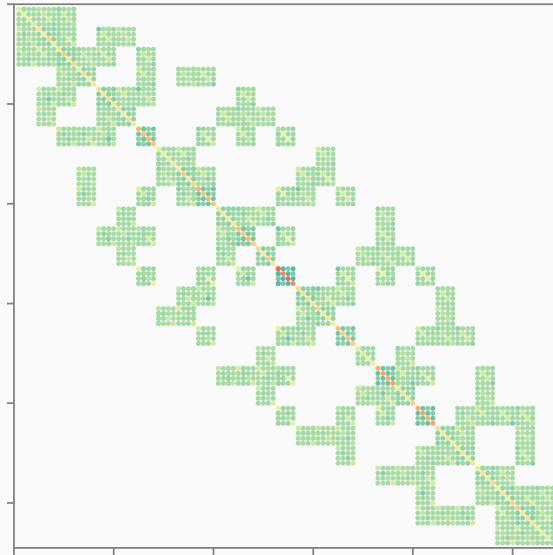
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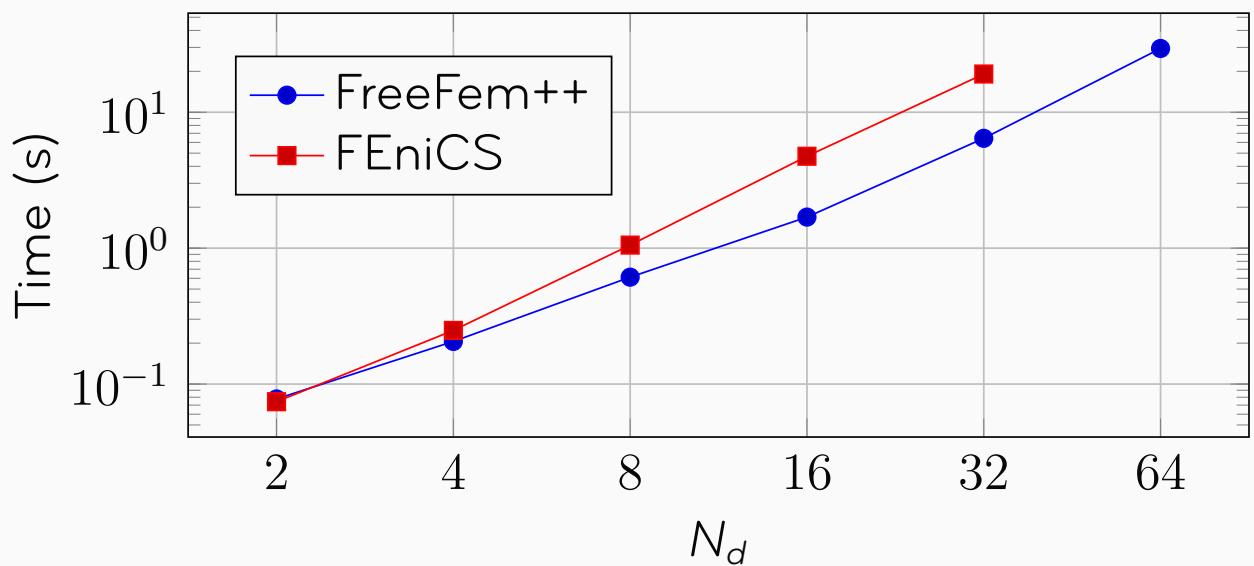
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- interleaved degrees of freedom between components
- sparse matrix with dense blocks of order N_d
- number of nonzeros grows quadratically with N_d

MATRIX-FREE SOLVER

ASSEMBLY WITH GENERAL PURPOSE DSL



Fixed spatial mesh with 6,768 triangles

⇒ curse of dimensionality

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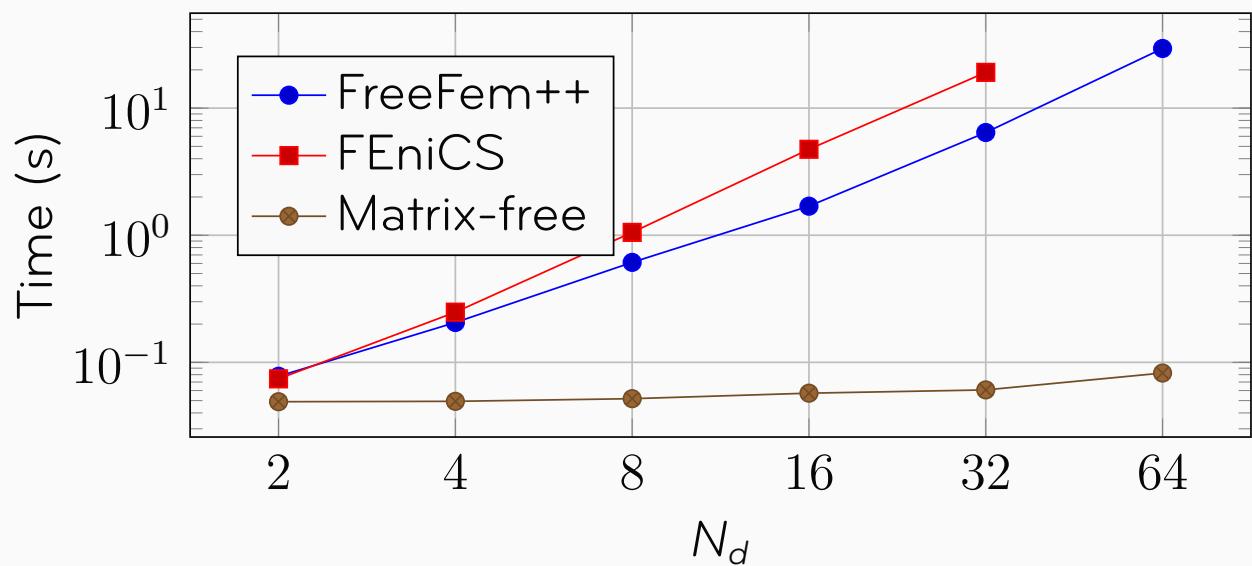
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- high fraction of the peak of an Intel SKL ($\approx 26 \text{ GFLOP/s}$)

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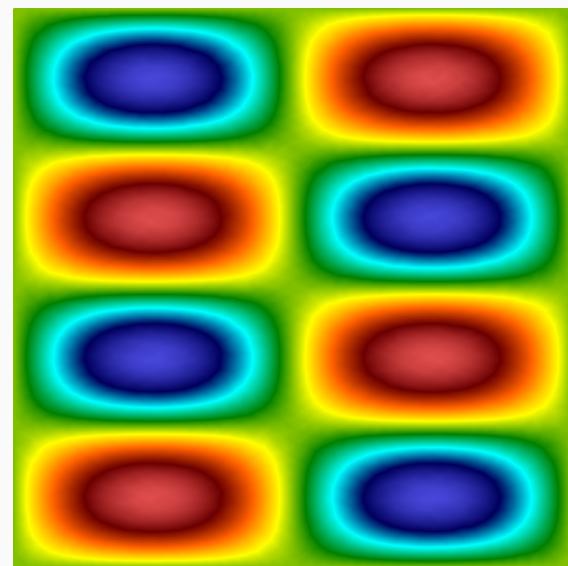
Explicit

- “pruned” operator with diagonal dense blocks

$$\Phi = \sigma \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \varphi_{1,1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_2 \varphi_{2,2} & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & \omega_{N_d} \varphi_{N_d, N_d} \end{bmatrix}$$

NUMERICAL RESULTS

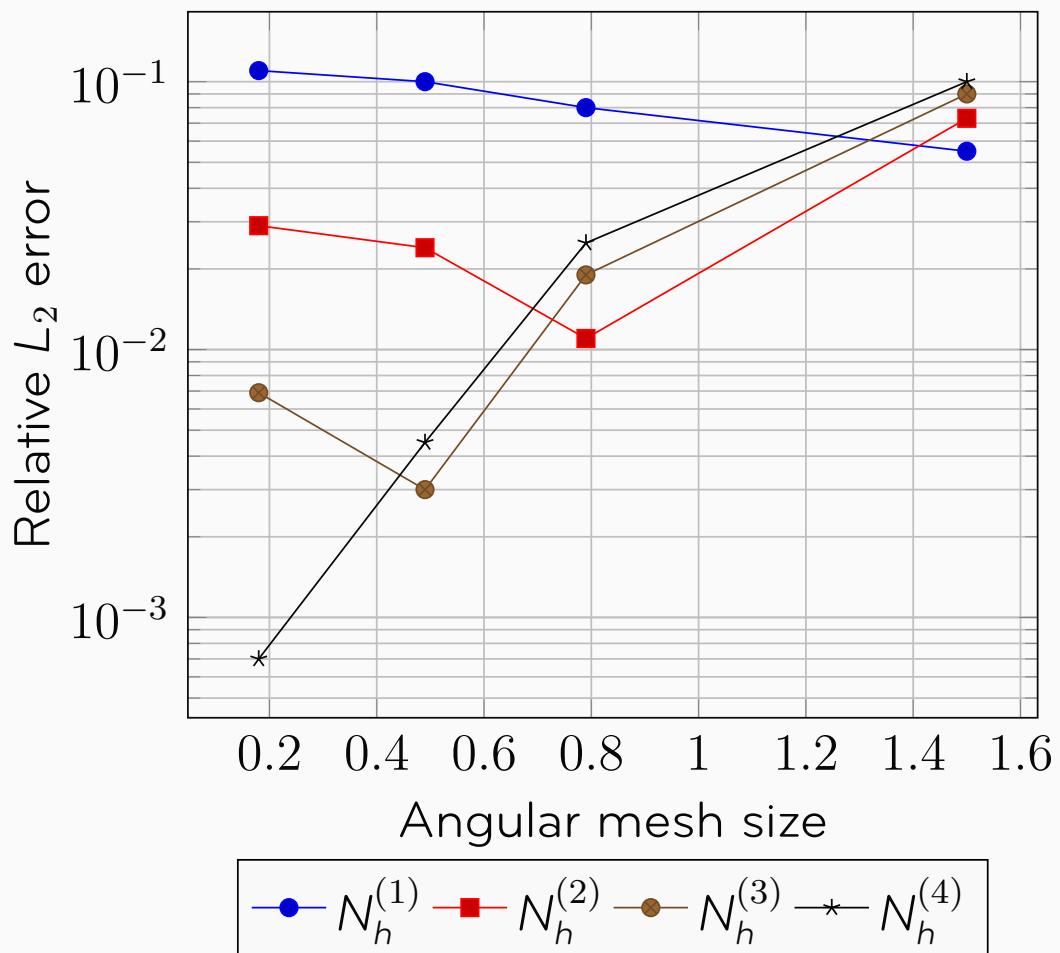
MANUFACTURED SOLUTION



$$D = 2\pi (1 + \sin(2\pi x) \sin(4\pi y))$$

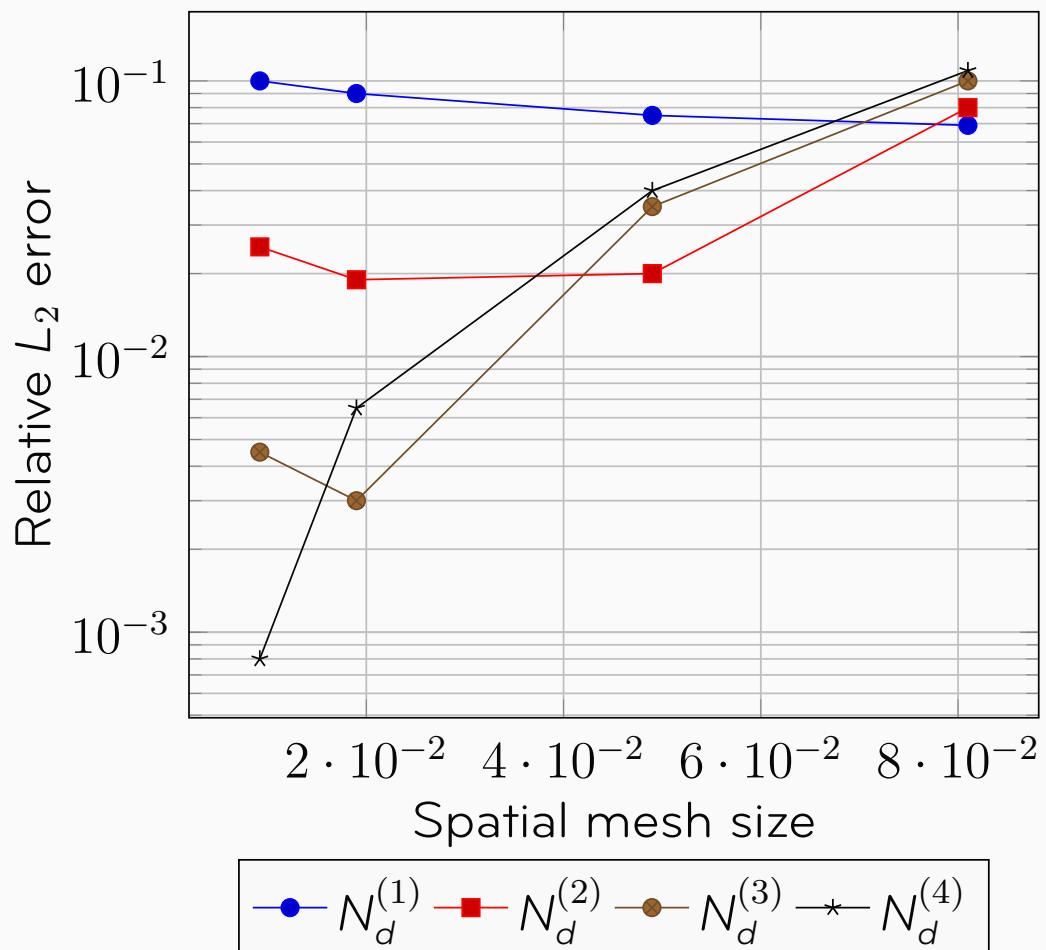
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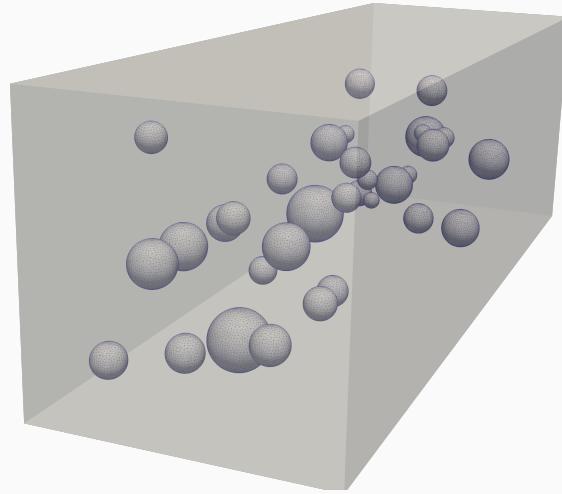
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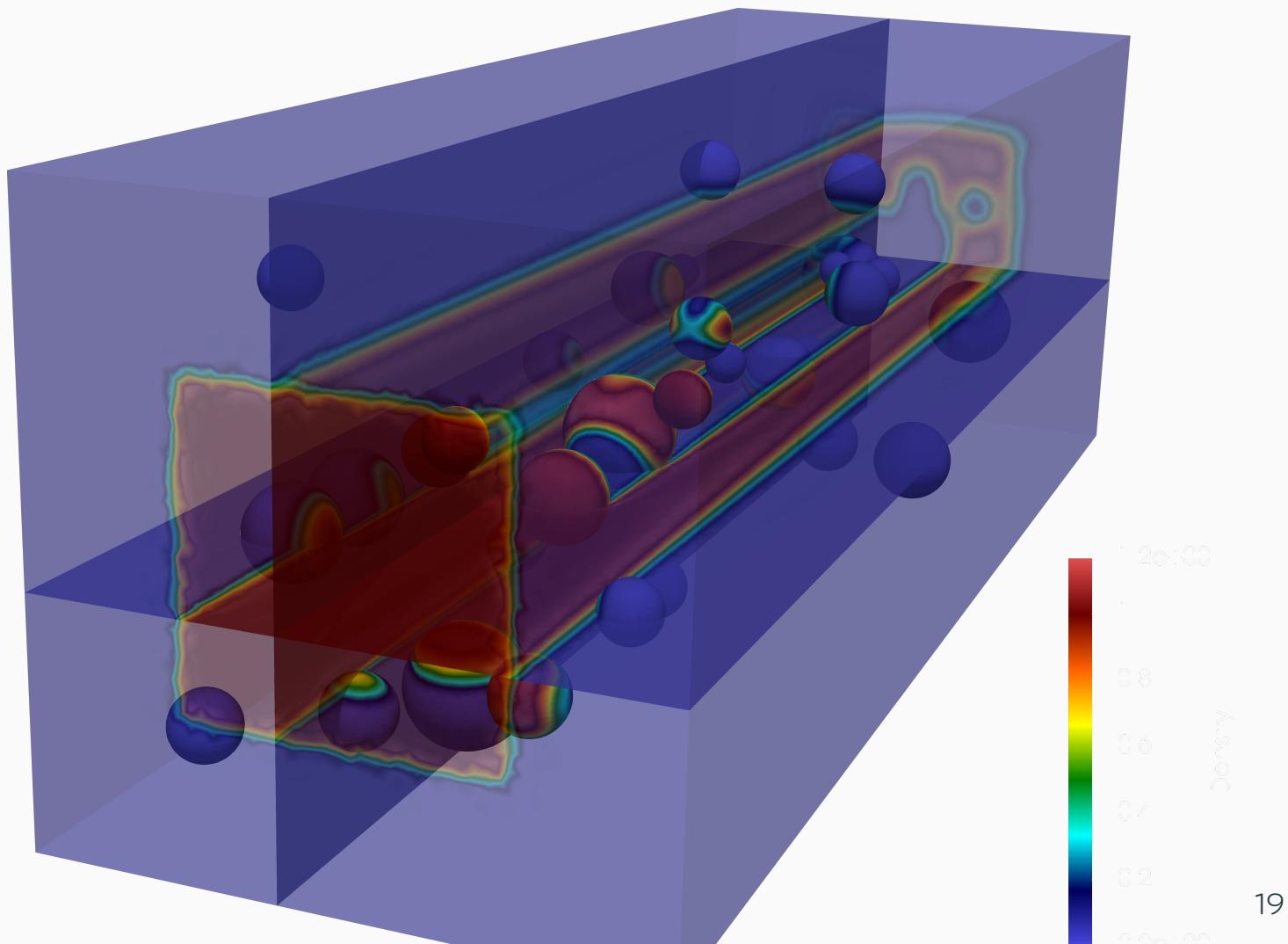


LARGE-SCALE EXPERIMENTS

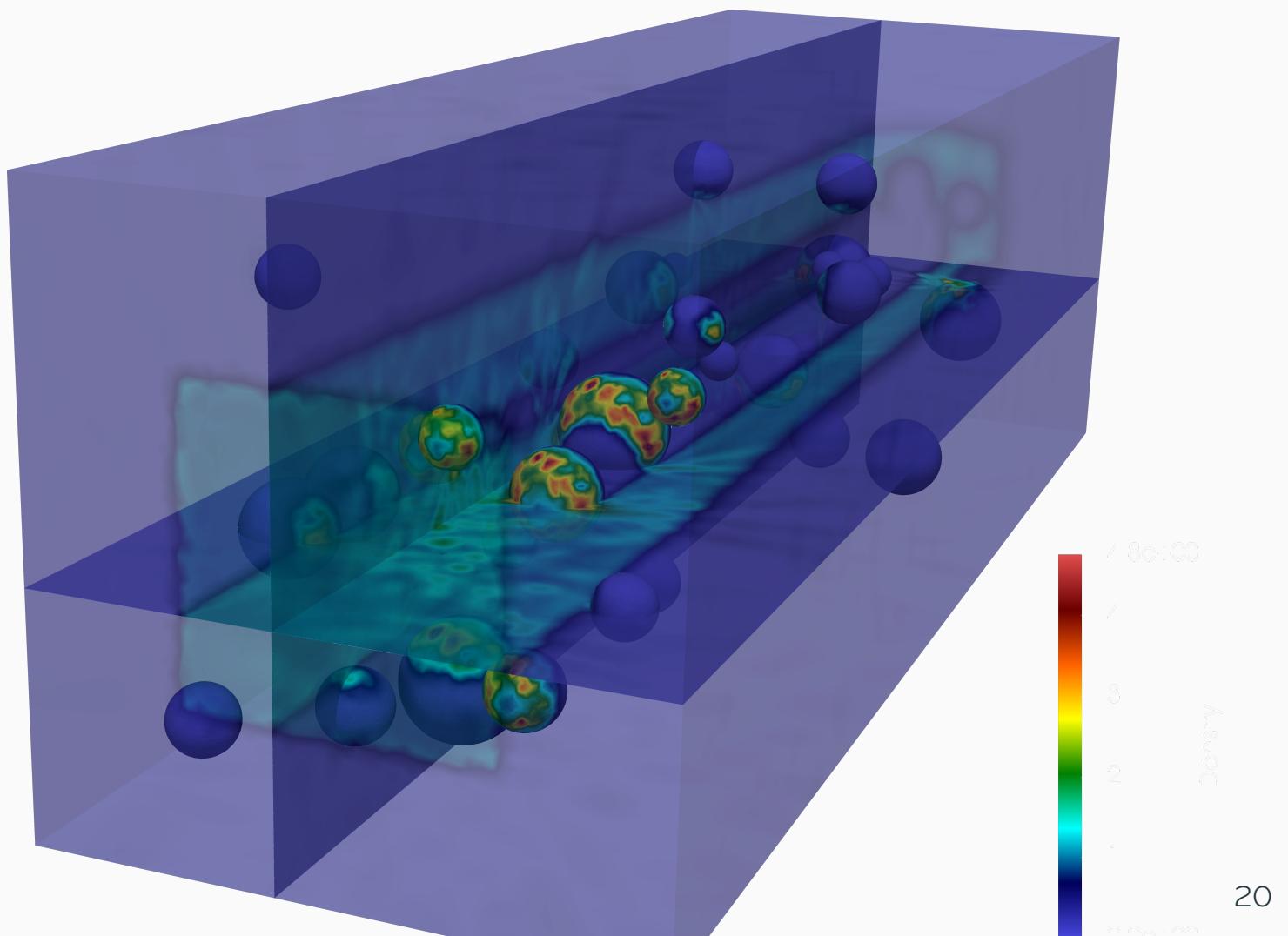
- Henyey–Greenstein phase scattering function φ
- transparent ($\kappa = \sigma = 10^{-6}$) material with absorbing and scattering inclusions
- MKL PARDISO used as a subdomain solver
- three million tetrahedra, $N_d = 2,048$



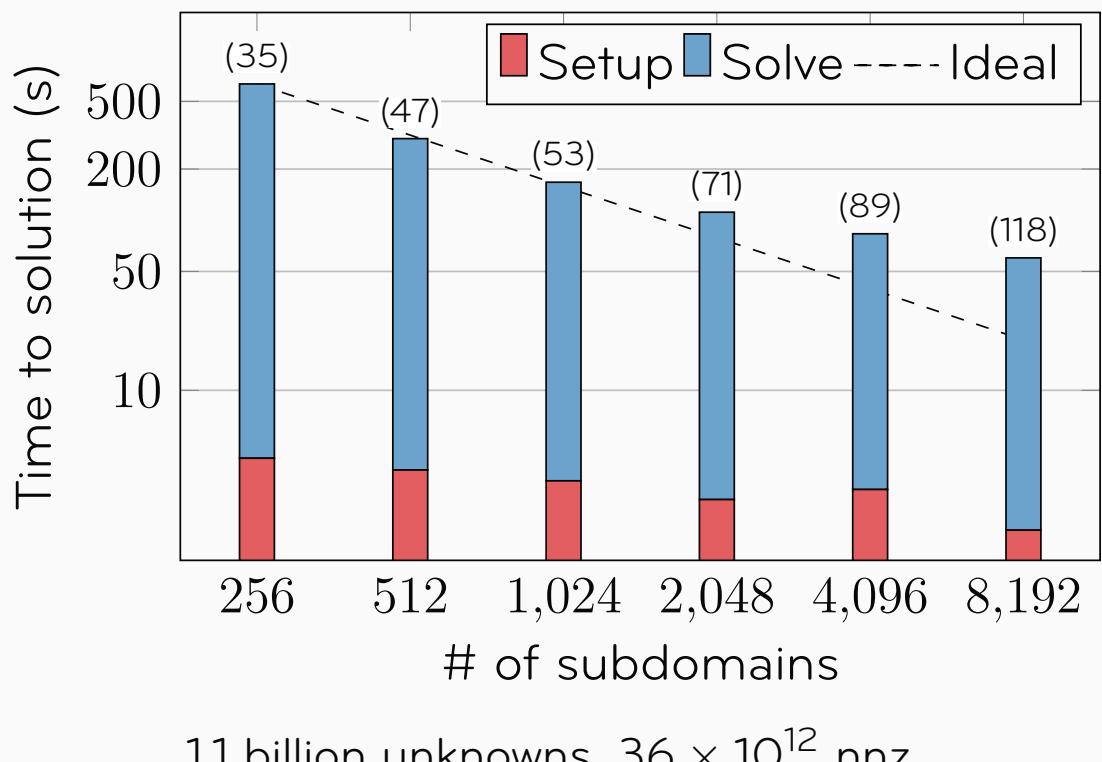
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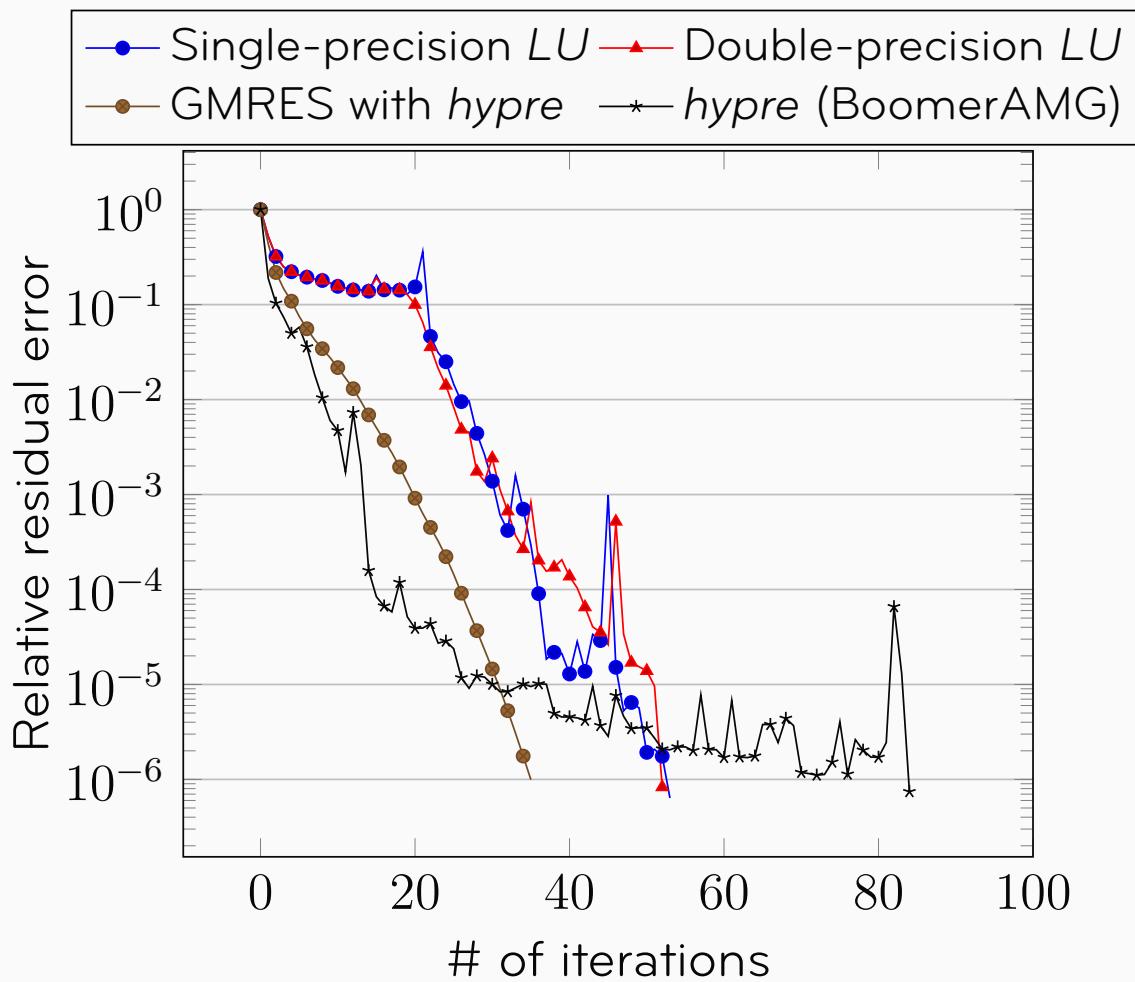
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SCALING



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BOOMERAMG STATISTICS

lev	rows	entries	sparse	entries per row			avg
				min	max	avg	
0	66204390	986172550	0.000	6	33	14.9	
1	5984174	180411300	0.000	3	80	30.1	
2	496183	19823983	0.000	2	92	40.0	
3	39630	1625090	0.001	3	89	41.0	
4	2739	87273	0.012	4	78	31.9	
5	164	1774	0.066	4	21	10.8	
6	19	37	0.102	1	3	1.9	

Complexity: grid = 1.098527
operator = 1.204781
memory = 1.328484

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