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# Hierarchical Model Adaptivity

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## Definition

- Hierarchy of models
- Adaptivity of models

## Hierarchical Structure

- Physical phenomena can be described by various systems of PDEs.
- These models differ in complexity (perhaps **incrementally**)

# Hierarchy of models

## What is a hierarchy of models?

Get a complicated model and simplify it using physical reasoning, if possible. This results in a model hierarchy.

## Example of hierarchical model structure

<b>Navier-Stokes Equations:</b>	$\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} - \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f}$
<b>Stokes Flow:</b>	$-\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f}$
<b>Euler Equations:</b>	$\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f}$

# Adaptivity of models

What do we mean by adaptivity of models?

The capability to choose the PDE system that is most appropriate **locally**, based on certain criteria as the computation goes on.

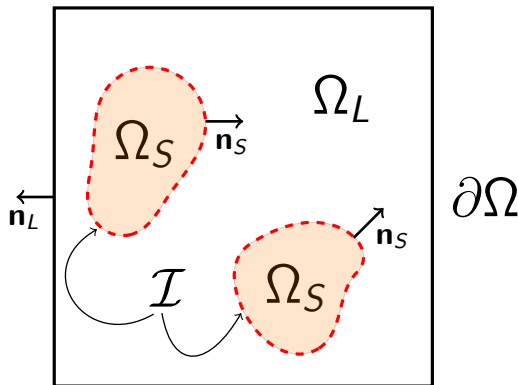


Figure 1: A combined problem with different PDE systems in  $\Omega_L$  and in  $\Omega_S$ .

# Hierarchical Model Adaptivity

## Definition of *Hierarchical* Model Adaptivity

A hierarchy of PDE systems modelling a physical phenomenon is created by successively simplifying the complicated system. Models are adaptively selected from a hierarchy of models.

## Further considerations

- Complicated models are more descriptive but also slower.
- Simpler models are faster but contain less detail.

## Research questions

- How do we couple models?
- How do we switch between models (in real-time)?

# Combined Stokes-Laplace problem

# Model Problem: Individual Equations

## Stokes Equations

Find  $(\mathbf{u}, p)$  in  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  such that:

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= \mathbf{f}, & \text{in } \Omega \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, & \text{in } \Omega \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} &= 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

## Poisson Equation

Find  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  such that:

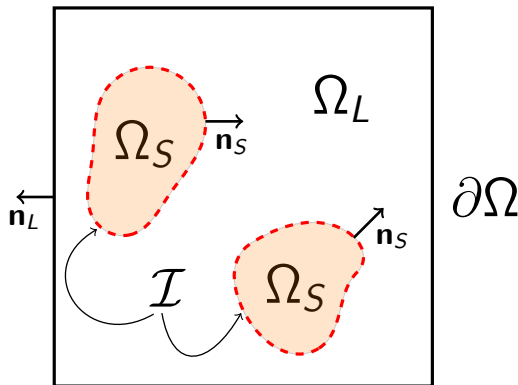
$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{f}, & \text{in } \Omega \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} &= 0. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

The variables  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $p$  represent the velocity, the forcing and the pressure respectively.

# Combined Stokes-Laplace problem

## A coupling of the Stokes and Laplace problems

The Laplace problem is a good approximation to the Stokes problem if the divergence of the velocity is zero or small.



**Figure 2:** The combined Stokes-Laplace problem with the Stokes equation in  $\Omega_S$  and Laplace's Equation in  $\Omega_L$



# Finite Element Method

## What does the FEM do?

- Approximates the PDE
- Approximates the solution's Function Space
- Translate our problem into a finite-dimensional linear algebra problem
- Can approximate very complicated domains

## Weak Formulation

Multiply our problem by a test function and integrate by parts. This is the weak form of the problem.

# Model Problem: Individual Weak Formulations

## Stokes Equations Weak form

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} - p(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) &= \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V} \\ \int_{\Omega} q(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) &= 0 \quad \forall q \in \mathbb{P}, \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ in } \Omega$$

## Laplace's Equation Weak form

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V} \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

# Model Problem: Combined Weak Formulation

## Stokes Equation Weak form in $\Omega_S$

$$\int_{\Omega_S} \nabla \mathbf{u}_S : \nabla \mathbf{v}_S - p(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_S) + \int_{\mathcal{I}} (p \mathbf{n}_S - \nabla \mathbf{u}_S \mathbf{n}_S) \cdot \mathbf{v}_S = \int_{\Omega_S} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v}_S \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V}_S$$
$$\int_{\Omega_S} q(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_S) = 0 \quad \forall q \in \mathbb{P}.$$

## Laplace's Equation Weak form in $\Omega_L$

$$\int_{\Omega_L} \nabla \mathbf{u}_L : \nabla \mathbf{v}_L - \int_{\mathcal{I}} \mathbf{v}_L \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{u}_L \mathbf{n}_L) = \int_{\Omega_L} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v}_L \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_L \in \mathbb{V}_L.$$

# Combined Weak form

## Weak form for combined problem

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} - \int_{\Omega_S} p (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \int_{\mathcal{I}} (p \mathbf{n}_S - \llbracket \nabla \mathbf{u} \rrbracket) \cdot \mathbf{v} &= \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V} \\ \int_{\Omega_S} q (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) &= 0 \quad \forall q \in \mathbb{P}, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where the jump accross  $\mathcal{I}$  is given by:

$$\llbracket \nabla \mathbf{u} \rrbracket := \mathbf{n}_S \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}_S + \mathbf{n}_L \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}_L. \quad (4)$$

# Does my problem have a solution?

## *inf-sup* conditions

A problem is well-posed if it accepts a unique solution which is also stable - e.g. that can be controlled by the problem data (see [2]). Inf-sup conditions are necessary and sufficient conditions for our problem to be well-posed (see [1]). This condition, for an abstract variational problem is

$$\inf_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{V}} \sup_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V}} \frac{a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})}{|\mathbf{u}|_1 |\mathbf{v}|_1} \geq \alpha > 0 \quad (5)$$

## Solvability Condition

For the *inf-sup* conditions to hold in this case, we require that on  $\mathcal{I}$

$$\int_{\mathcal{I}} (p/\mathbf{n}_S - \llbracket \nabla \mathbf{u} \rrbracket) \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0. \quad (6)$$

# Implementation of Adaptivity

## Model and Mesh Adaptivity

Model and Mesh Adaptivity are driven by an a-posteriori error indicator. This is a quantity that can be computed from available information

## The a-posteriori error indicator

$$\eta_{R,K} = \begin{cases} \left( h_K^2 \| \mathbf{f}_T + \Delta \mathbf{u}_T - \nabla p_T \|_K^2 + \| \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}_T \|_K^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{K,\Omega} \setminus \mathcal{I}} h_E \| [\![ \nabla \mathbf{u}_T - p_T ]\!] \|_E^2 \right) & \text{if } K \in \Omega_L \\ \left( h_K^2 \| \mathbf{f}_T + \Delta \mathbf{u}_T \|_K^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{K,\Omega} \setminus \mathcal{I}} h_E \| [\![ \nabla \mathbf{u}_T ]\!] \|_E^2 \right)^{1/2} & \text{if } K \in \Omega_L \end{cases}$$

We implement model and mesh adaptivity by breaking the indicator into a **modelling error** and a **discretisation error**.

Numerical simulations

# Simulations: Analytical Solution

How do we check that our model works?

We manufacture a solution and use it on a simple problem.

## Analytical Solution

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 200x^2(1-x)^2y(1-y)(1-2y) \\ -200y^2(1-y)^2x(1-x)(1-2x) \end{bmatrix} \text{ and} \quad (7)$$

$$p = x(x-0.5)(x-1)(y^3-1.5y^2+0.625y-0.0625) \quad (8)$$



# Simulations: Stokes Solution

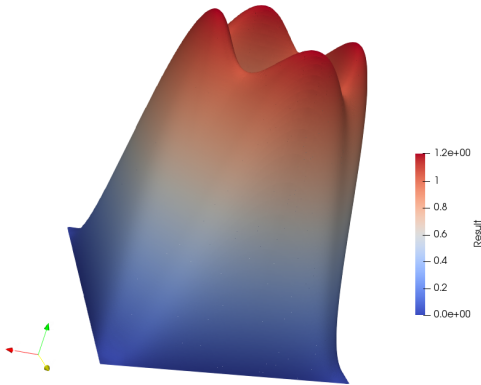


Figure 3: Stokes velocity magnitude

# Simulations: Stokes with Laplace

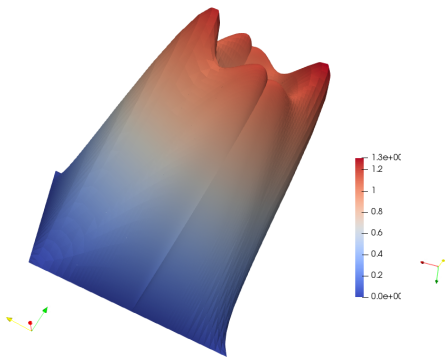


Figure 4: Velocity Mangitude

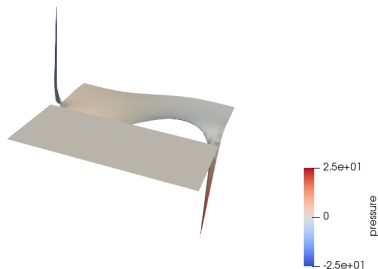


Figure 5: Pressure

# Future-steps/Questions?

## Future steps

- Identify the reason for the non-zero velocity gradient jump
- Model Mesh adaptivity with non-fixed domains
- Try a different model hierarchy

Thank you! Questions?

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