

1 – DG Methods for Diffusion Problems

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The Finite Difference Method (FDM)

- Consider linear convection: $u_t + u_x = 0$ for $x \in [0, 1]$, $u(0) = u(1)$
- Approximate u_x point-wise using difference formulas:

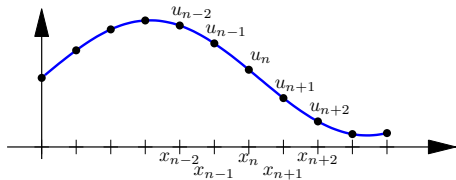
$$\frac{d}{dx}u(x_n) \approx \frac{u_{n+1} - u_{n-1}}{2\Delta x}$$

or high-order:

$$\frac{d}{dx}u(x_n) \approx \frac{u_{n+2} - 8u_{n+1} + 8u_{n-1} - u_{n-2}}{12\Delta x}$$

or one-sided (e.g. for stability, “upwinding”):

$$\frac{d}{dx}u(x_n) \approx \frac{3u_n - 16u_{n-1} + 36u_{n-2} - 48u_{n-3} + 25u_{n-4}}{25\Delta x}$$

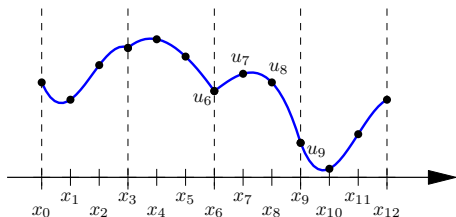


- Simple, efficient, flexible
- Needs *structured neighborhood* of nodes – hard to generalize to unstructured grids in 2-D and 3-D

The Finite Element Method (FEM)

- Discretize domain into *elements* (intervals)
- Seek approximate solution in space of piecewise polynomials \hat{X}
- Impose equation weakly: Seek $\hat{u} \in \hat{X}$ such that for all $v \in \hat{X}$:

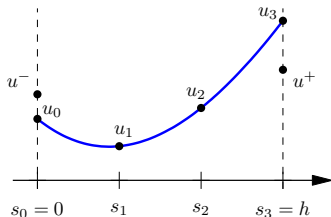
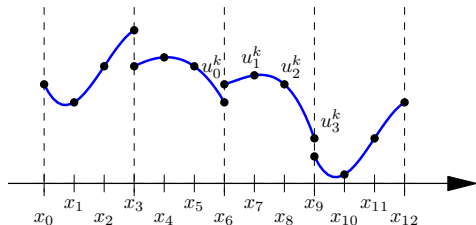
$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 (\hat{u}_t + \hat{u}_x) v \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \hat{u}_t v \, dx + \int_0^1 \hat{u}_x v \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \hat{u}_t v \, dx - \int_0^1 \hat{u} v_x \, dx = 0 \end{aligned}$$



- Leads to semi-discrete system $M\mathbf{u}_t + K\mathbf{u} = 0$, with element-wise local M, K matrices
- M^{-1} dense \implies Explicit methods for $\mathbf{u}_t = -M^{-1}K\mathbf{u}$ not practical
- Also, unclear how to stabilize by upwinding (but other techniques exist, such as Streamline Upwind Petrov-Galerkin)

The Discontinuous Galerkin Method

- Do not enforce continuity – allow “jumps” between elements



- Galerkin formulation for single element $\kappa = [0, h]$: For all $v \in P^p(\kappa)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^h (\hat{u}_t + \hat{u}_x) v \, dx &= \int_0^h \hat{u}_t v \, dx + \int_0^h \hat{u}_x v \, dx \\ &= \int_0^h \hat{u}_t v \, dx - \int_0^h \hat{u} v_x \, dx + \mathcal{U}(u^+, u_p) v(h) - \mathcal{U}(u_0, u^-) v(0) \end{aligned}$$

- Numerical flux function* $\mathcal{U}(u_R, u_L)$ allows for stabilization by high-order upwinding, e.g. $\mathcal{U}(u_R, u_L) = u_L$

The Discontinuous Galerkin Method

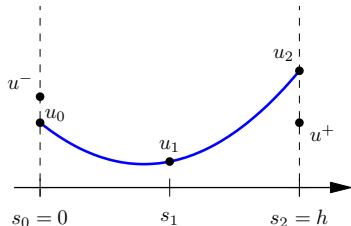
- The DG formulation leads to linear system of equations:

$$M\mathbf{u}_t + K\mathbf{u} + \begin{pmatrix} -u^- & 0 & \dots & 0 & u_p \end{pmatrix}^T = 0$$

- For example, with $p = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_t &= -M^{-1}K\mathbf{u} - M^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -u^- & 0 & u_2 \end{pmatrix}^T \\ &= \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} -6 & -4 & 1 \\ 2.5 & 0 & -1 \\ -4 & 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ -1.5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} u^- \end{aligned}$$

- Element-wise local FD-type stencil
- Stabilized, “upwinded” through u^-
- Extends naturally to other PDEs, N-D, unstructured meshes



The DG Scheme – Details of Discretization

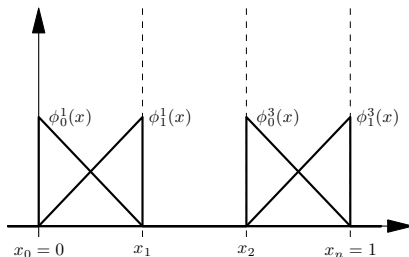
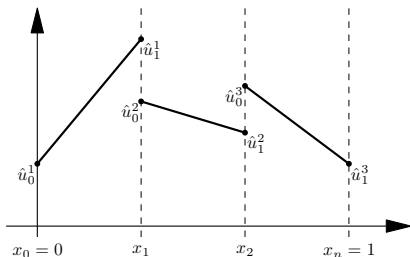
- Consider the 1-D conservation law

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} = 0$$

- Seek a solution in space of piecewise polynomial functions X_h
- Nodal representation with values u_i^k for local node i in element k :

$$u_h(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=0}^p u_i^k \phi_i^k(x)$$

- Example, piecewise linear functions ($p = 1$):



The DG Scheme – Details of Discretization

- Galerkin formulation: Find $u_h \in X_h$ such that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\partial u_h}{\partial t} v \, dx + \int_0^1 \frac{\partial f(u_h)}{\partial x} v \, dx = 0$$

- Set $v = \phi_i^k$ and integrate by parts

$$\int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \frac{\partial u_h}{\partial t} \phi_i^k \, dx + [f(u_h(x)) \phi_i^k(x)]_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} - \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f(u_h) \frac{d\phi_i^k}{dx} \, dx = 0$$

- Use a numerical flux function $F(u_R, u_L)$ at the discontinuities

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \frac{\partial u_h}{\partial t} \phi_i^k \, dx + F(u_0^{k+1}, u_p^k) \phi_i^k(x_k) - F(u_0^k, u_p^{k-1}) \phi_i^k(x_k) \\ & - \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f(u_h) \frac{d\phi_i^k}{dx} \, dx = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The DG Scheme – Details of Discretization

- Example: $f(u) = u$, $F(u_R, u_L) = u_L$

$$\int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^p u_j^k \phi_j^k(x) \right) \phi_i^k dx - \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^p u_j^k \phi_j^k(x) \right) \frac{d\phi_i^k}{dx} dx \\ + u_p^k \phi_i^k(x_k) - u_p^{k-1} \phi_i^k(x_{k-1}) = 0$$

- Rearrange to obtain a linear system of equations

$$M^k \dot{u}^k - C^k u^k + \begin{bmatrix} -u_p^{k-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & u_0^k \end{bmatrix}^T = 0$$

for element k , with elementary matrices

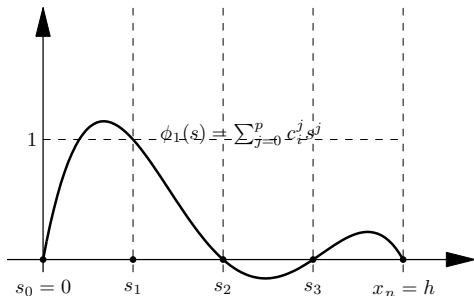
$$M_{ij}^k = \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \phi_i^k \phi_j^k dx \text{ and } C_{ij}^k = \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \frac{d\phi_i^k}{dx} \phi_j^k dx$$

Calculating Elementary Matrices

- Consider an element of degree p , width h , and a nodal basis at the points $s_i = h_i/p$, $i = 0, \dots, p$
 - For p high (> 4), use Gauss-Lobatto points instead
- Write basis functions in monomial form $\phi_i(s) = \sum_{j=0}^p c_i^j s^j$
 - For p high (> 4), use an orthogonal basis instead
- Nodal basis functions are defined by

$$\phi_i(s_k) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- Produces a linear system of equations



Calculating Elementary Matrices

- The linear system of equations has the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & s_0 & s_0^2 & \cdots & s_0^p \\ 1 & s_1 & s_1^2 & \cdots & s_1^p \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & s_p & s_p^2 & \cdots & s_p^p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_0^0 & c_1^0 & \cdots & c_p^0 \\ c_0^1 & c_1^1 & \cdots & c_p^1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_0^p & c_1^p & \cdots & c_p^p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

or $VC = I$, which gives the coefficient matrix $C = V^{-1}$

- Use Gaussian quadrature or explicit polynomial integration to compute the elementary matrices

$$M_{ij} = \int_0^h \phi_i(s) \phi_j(s) ds$$

$$C_{ij} = \int_0^h \phi'_i(s) \phi_j(s) ds$$

DG for Elliptic Problems – Historical Overview

- Enforcing Dirichlet conditions by penalties
 - Lions (1968), Babuška (1973) – Penalty term
 - Nitsche (1971) – additional terms in bilinear form for consistency
- Interior Penalty (IP) methods
 - Babuška and Zlámal (1973) – enforce C^1 -continuity by penalties
 - Wheeler (1978), Arnold (1979) – Nitsche's method for spaces of discontinuous piecewise polynomials
- DG methods
 - Bassi and Rebay (1997) – apply RKDG to unknown and its gradient
 - Cockburn and Shu (1998) – generalized the ideas, the LDG method
- Unification
 - Arnold, Brezzi, Cockburn, Marini (2000,2002) – showed that most methods fit in a unified framework by choosing appropriate numerical fluxes

Second-order Equations

- Consider the 1-D Poisson equation

$$-\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} = f(x) \quad \text{in } [0, 1]$$

with homogeneous Dirichlet conditions $u(0) = u(1) = 0$

- Standard Continuous Galerkin FEM would consider the space $X_{h,0}$ of continuous piecewise polynomials satisfying the Dirichlet conditions, and solve for $u_h \in X_{h,0}$ s.t.

$$\int_0^1 -\frac{d^2 u_h}{dx^2} v \, dx = \int_0^1 \frac{du_h}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} \, dx - \left[\frac{du_h}{dx} v \right]_0^1 = \int_0^1 \frac{du_h}{dx} \frac{dv}{dx} \, dx = \int_0^1 f v \, dx$$

for all $v \in X_{h,0}$

- With discontinuous functions, appropriate numerical fluxes must be chosen at all element boundaries

The 1-D Poisson Equation

- To define a DG discretization, first split into first order system:

$$-\sigma' = f(x), \quad u' = \sigma$$

- Multiply by test functions v, τ , integrate over an element, and integrate by parts to obtain the weak form

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} f(x) v \, dx &= \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} -\sigma' v \, dx = \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \sigma v' \, dx - [\hat{\sigma} v]_0^1 \\ \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \sigma \tau \, dx &= \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} u' \tau \, dx = - \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} u \tau' \, dx + [\hat{u} \tau]_0^1 \end{aligned}$$

- Galerkin formulation: Find $u_h, \sigma_h \in X_h$ s.t. for all elements k

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \sigma_h v' \, dx &= \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} f(x) v \, dx + [\hat{\sigma}(u_h, \sigma_h) v]_0^1, & \forall v \in X_h \\ \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \sigma_h \tau \, dx &= - \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} u_h \tau' \, dx + [\hat{u}(u_h) \tau]_0^1, & \forall \tau \in X_h \end{aligned}$$

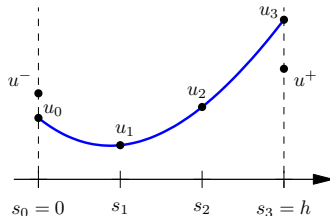
- Remains only to define the *numerical fluxes* $\hat{u}(u_h), \hat{\sigma}(u_h, \sigma_h)$

The BR1 Fluxes

- The BR1 fluxes:

$$\hat{u} = \{u_h\}, \quad \hat{\sigma} = \{\sigma_h\}$$

where $\{\cdot\}$ is the *averaging* operator



- For example, with notation according to the figure:

$$\hat{u}(0) = (u^- + u_0)/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{u}(h) = (u_3 + u^+)/2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}(0) = (\sigma^- + \sigma_0)/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\sigma}(h) = (\sigma_3 + \sigma^+)/2$$

- Simple, intuitive (no preference to direction in equation)
- However, unstable and non-compact stencil

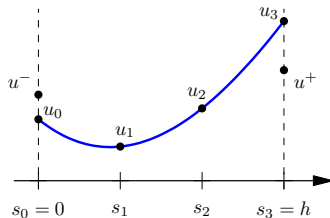
Interior Penalty (IP)

- In the *interior penalty* method, we set

$$\hat{u} = \{u_h\}$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \{\nabla u_h\} + C_{11} \llbracket u_h \rrbracket$$

for some $C_{11} > 0$, where $\{\cdot\}$ is the *averaging* operator and $\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$ is the *jump* operator



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$$\hat{u}(0) = (u^- + u_0)/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{u}(h) = (u_3 + u^+)/2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}(0) = (u'_h|_{x=0^-} + u'_h|_{x=0^+})/2 + C_{11}(u^- - u_0)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}(h) = (u'_h|_{x=h^-} + u'_h|_{x=h^+})/2 + C_{11}(u_3 - u^+)$$

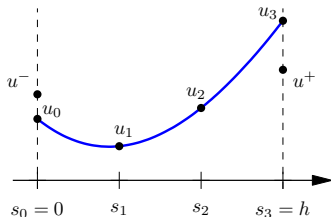
- Convergent with optimal order of accuracy
- However, C_{11} is problem dependent, introduces stiffness

The Local Discontinuous Galerkin (LDG) Method

- In the *LDG* method, we set

$$\hat{u} = \{u_h\} + C_{12}[[u_h]]$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \{\sigma_h\} + C_{11}[[u_h]] - C_{12}[[\sigma_h]]$$



- For the special cases $C_{11} = 0$ (minimal dissipation LDG) and $C_{12} = 1/2$ we get a simple upwind/downwind structure
- For example, with notation according to the figure:

$$\hat{u}(0) = u_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{u}(h) = u^+$$

$$\hat{\sigma}(0) = \sigma^- \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\sigma}(h) = \sigma_3$$

- Simple and general
- Convergent with optimal order of accuracy
- However, in general a non-compact stencil in higher dimensions

Higher Space Dimensions

- From Arnold, Brezzi, Cockburn, Marini (2002)
- Model problem:

$$-\Delta u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

- Rewrite as first-order system

$$\sigma = \nabla u, \quad -\nabla \cdot \sigma = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

- Multiply by test functions τ, v , integrate over element K , integrate by parts \Rightarrow weak formulation:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_K \sigma \cdot \tau \, dx &= - \int_K u \nabla \cdot \tau \, dx + \int_{\partial K} u n_K \cdot \tau \, ds \\ \int_K \sigma \cdot \nabla v \, dx &= \int_K f v \, dx + \int_{\partial K} \sigma \cdot n_K v \, ds \end{aligned}$$

Higher Space Dimensions

- Introduce finite element spaces for triangulation $\mathcal{T}_h = \{K\}$:

$$V_h := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : v|_K \in \mathcal{P}_p(K) \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

$$\Sigma_h := \{\tau \in [L^2(\Omega)]^2 : \tau|_K \in [\mathcal{P}_p(K)]^2 \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

- The flux formulation: Find $u_h \in V_h$ and $\sigma_h \in \Sigma_h$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_K \sigma_h \cdot \tau \, dx &= - \int_K u_h \nabla \cdot \tau \, dx + \int_{\partial K} \hat{u}_K n_K \cdot \tau \, ds, \quad \forall \tau \in [\mathcal{P}_p(K)]^2 \\ \int_K \sigma_h \cdot \nabla v \, dx &= \int_K f v \, dx + \int_{\partial K} \hat{\sigma}_K \cdot n_K v \, ds, \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{P}_p(K) \end{aligned}$$

for all elements $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$

- Need to define the *numerical fluxes* \hat{u}_K and $\hat{\sigma}_K$

Higher Space Dimensions

- Denote the union of the element edges Γ , the interior edges $\Gamma^0 := \Gamma \setminus \partial\Omega$, and the trace space $T(\Gamma) := \prod_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} L^2(\partial K)$
- For an interior edge e , with unit normal vectors n_1, n_2 define the *jump* and *average* of $q \in T(\Gamma)$ by

$$\{q\} = \frac{1}{2}(q_1 + q_2), \quad \llbracket q \rrbracket = q_1 n_1 + q_2 n_2$$

and for $\sigma \in [T(\Gamma)]^2$ by

$$\{\sigma\} = \frac{1}{2}(q_1 + q_2), \quad \llbracket \sigma \rrbracket = \sigma_1 \cdot n_1 + \sigma_2 \cdot n_2$$

- For boundary edges, set

$$\llbracket q \rrbracket = qn, \quad \{\sigma\} = \sigma$$

- Note: The jump of a scalar is vector valued (in the normal direction), the jump of a vector is scalar

The Primal Formulation

- Summing over all K , the flux formulation can be written

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} \sigma_h \cdot \tau \, dx &= - \int_{\Omega} u_h \nabla_h \cdot \tau \, dx + \int_{\Gamma} \llbracket \hat{u} \rrbracket \cdot \{\tau\} \, ds + \int_{\Gamma^0} \{\hat{u}\} \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} \sigma_h \cdot \nabla_h v \, dx - \int_{\Gamma} \{\hat{\sigma}\} \cdot \llbracket v \rrbracket \, ds - \int_{\Gamma^0} \llbracket \hat{\sigma} \rrbracket \{v\} \, ds &= \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx\end{aligned}$$

- With some manipulations, σ_h can be expressed as

$$\sigma_h = \sigma_h(u_h) := \nabla_h u_h - r(\llbracket \hat{u}(u_h) - u_h \rrbracket) - l(\{\hat{u}(u_h) - u_h\})$$

where r, l are *lifting operators* defined by

$$\int_{\Omega} r(\phi) \cdot \tau \, dx = - \int_{\Gamma} \phi \cdot \{\tau\} \, ds, \quad \int_{\Omega} l(q) \cdot \tau \, dx = - \int_{\Gamma^0} q \llbracket \tau \rrbracket \, ds \quad \forall \tau \in \Sigma_h$$

The Primal Formulation

- This leads to the *primal formulation*

$$B_h(u_h, v) = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx \quad \forall v \in V_h$$

with the *primal form*

$$\begin{aligned} B_h(u_h, v) = & \int_{\Omega} \nabla_h u_h \cdot \nabla_h v \, dx + \int_{\Gamma} (\llbracket \hat{u} - u_h \rrbracket \cdot \{\nabla_h v\} - \{\hat{\sigma}\} \cdot \llbracket v \rrbracket) \, ds \\ & + \int_{\Gamma^0} (\{\hat{u} - u_h\} \llbracket \nabla_h v \rrbracket - \llbracket \hat{\sigma} \rrbracket \{v\}) \, ds \end{aligned}$$

- Standard FEM formulation without σ_h
- In implementations it is often easier to work directly with the flux formulation

Consistency and Conservation

- The numerical fluxes are *consistent* if for smooth functions v

$$\hat{u}(v) = v|_{\Gamma}, \quad \hat{\sigma}(v, \nabla v) = \nabla v|_{\Gamma}$$

\Rightarrow consistency of the primal formulation and Galerkin orthogonality $B_h(u - u_h, v) = 0, \forall v \in V_h$

- The numerical fluxes are *conservative* if $\hat{u}(\cdot)$ and $\hat{\sigma}(\cdot, \cdot)$ are single-valued on Γ
 \Rightarrow adjoint consistency of the primal form

Some DG Methods

- Some of the most important schemes are summarized below:

Method	\hat{u}_K	$\hat{\sigma}_K$	Stable
Bassi-Rebay (BR1)	$\{u_h\}$	$\{\sigma_h\}$	\times
Bassi-Rebay (BR2)	$\{u_h\}$	$\{\nabla_h u_h\} - \alpha_r(\llbracket u_h \rrbracket)$	$\inf_e \eta_e > 3$
Interior Penalty	$\{u_h\}$	$\{\nabla_h u_h\} + C_{11} \llbracket u_h \rrbracket$	$C_{11} > C_{11}^*$
LDG	$\{u_h\} + C_{12} \cdot \llbracket u_h \rrbracket$	$\{\sigma_h\} + C_{11} \llbracket u_h \rrbracket - C_{12} \llbracket \sigma_h \rrbracket$	$C_{11} > 0$

- $\alpha_r(\phi) = -\eta_e \{r_e(\phi)\}$ on an edge e , where r_e is defined by

$$\int_{\Omega} r_e(\varphi) \cdot \tau \, dx = - \int_e \varphi \cdot \{\tau\} \, ds, \quad \forall \tau \in \Sigma_h, \varphi \in [L^1(e)]^2$$

- C_{11}^* is mesh dependent, explicit form derived by Shahbazi (2005)
- The methods BR2, IP, and LDG are all commonly used

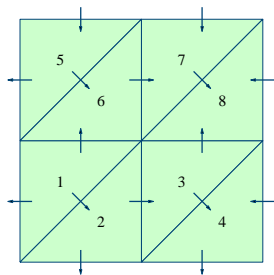
The LDG Method

- In the LDG method, we use the fluxes

$$\hat{\sigma}_K = \{\sigma_h\} + C_{11} \llbracket u_h \rrbracket - C_{12} \llbracket \sigma_h \rrbracket$$

$$\hat{u}_K = \{u_h\} + C_{12} \cdot \llbracket u_h \rrbracket$$

- Here, $C_{11} > 0$ (or zero for the *minimal dissipation LDG method*, Cockburn and Dong 2007)



- An important special case for C_{12} is the choice

$$C_{12} = \frac{1}{2}(S_{K^+}^{K^-} n^+ + S_{K^-}^{K^+} n^-)$$

where $S_{K^+}^{K^-} \in \{0, 1\}$ is a *switch* for the edge shared by K^- and K^+

- This leads to a simple upwind/downwind scheme:

$$\hat{\sigma}_K = C_{11} \llbracket u_h \rrbracket + \begin{cases} \sigma_h^+ & \text{if } S_{K^+}^{K^-} = 0 \\ \sigma_h^- & \text{if } S_{K^+}^{K^-} = 1 \end{cases}, \quad \hat{u}_K = \begin{cases} u_h^- & \text{if } S_{K^+}^{K^-} = 0 \\ u_h^+ & \text{if } S_{K^+}^{K^-} = 1 \end{cases}$$

LDG Switch Functions

- *Natural switch*: Order the elements, let N_K be the index of element K , and set

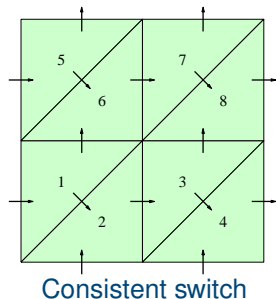
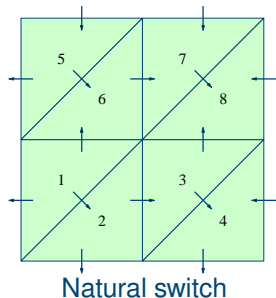
$$S_{K+}^{K-} = 1 \text{ if } N_{K+} > N_{K-}, \quad 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Simple, leads to beneficial matrix structure, but unstable if $C_{11} = 0$ in the original LDG method

- *Consistent switch*: For example define any constant vector β and set

$$S_{K+}^{K-} = 1 \text{ if } n^+ \cdot \beta > 0, \quad 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

- In general, any choice of switch leads to a *non-compact stencil*



The Compact DG (CDG) Method

- To address the non-compactness of the LDG method and its sensitivity to the switch, Peraire and Persson developed the *Compact DG* method (2008)
- Recall the original LDG fluxes:

$$\hat{\sigma}_K = \{\sigma_h\} + C_{11}[[u_h]] - C_{12}[[\sigma_h]]$$

$$\hat{u}_K = \{u_h\} + C_{12} \cdot [[u_h]]$$

- Now, introduce the *edge fluxes* σ_h^e on edge e by

$$\int_K \sigma_h^e \cdot \tau \, dx = - \int_K u_h \nabla \cdot \tau \, dx + \int_{\partial K} \hat{u}_K^e n_K \cdot \tau \, ds, \quad \forall \tau \in [\mathcal{P}_p(K)]^2$$

where

$$\hat{u}_K^e = \begin{cases} \hat{u}_K & \text{on edge } e, \text{ as defined above} \\ u_h & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

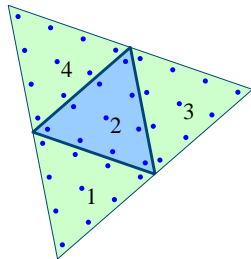
The Compact DG (CDG) Method

- The numerical fluxes for CDG are then simply given by

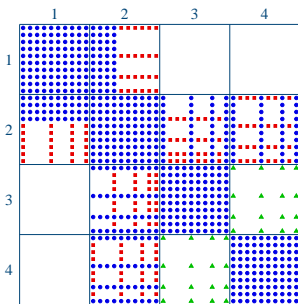
$$\hat{\sigma}_K^e = \{\sigma_h^e\} + C_{11}[[u_h]] - C_{12}[[\sigma_h^e]]$$

on edge e

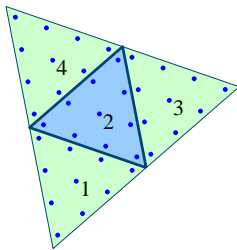
- The modification eliminates the non-compact terms in the primal form, while retaining all the good properties of the LDG scheme
- In addition, better stability properties are observed with in particular less sensitivity to the choice of switch function



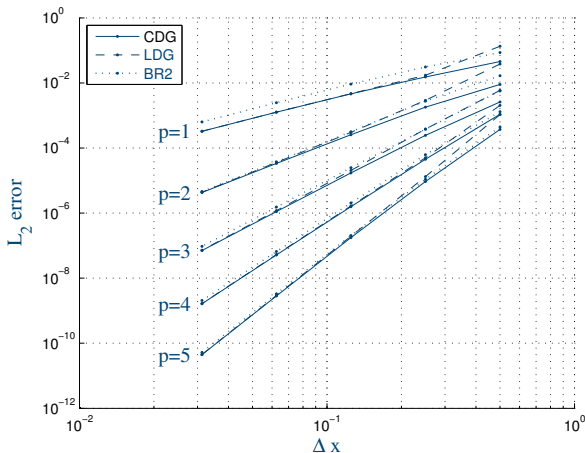
The CDG Method – Summary



CDG : ●
LDG : ● and ▲
BR2 : ● and ■

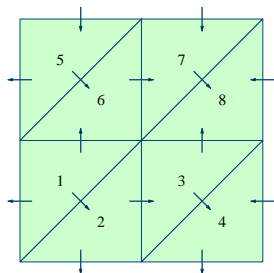


- Element-wise compact stencil
- Less connectivities than LDG/BR2/IP
- More accurate than LDG and BR2



Switches and Null-space Dimensions

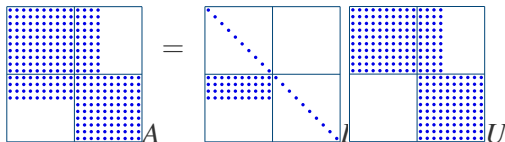
- Unlike the LDG scheme, the CDG scheme appears to be stable for $C_{11} = 0$ and an *inconsistent switch* such as highest element number
- Simple test [Sherwin et al 05]: Poisson problem, periodic boundary conditions, expected nullspace dimension = 1



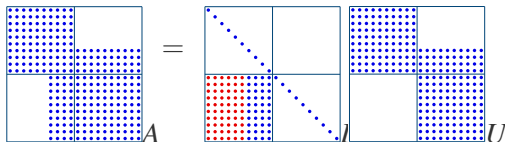
		Nullspace dimension						
Polynomial order p		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Consistent switch	CDG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	LDG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Natural switch	CDG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	LDG	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

ILU and Switch Orientation

- Orientation of lower-triangular blocks important for ILU sparsity
- Take advantage of CDG's insensitivity to orientation



Switch 1:
Same LU storage

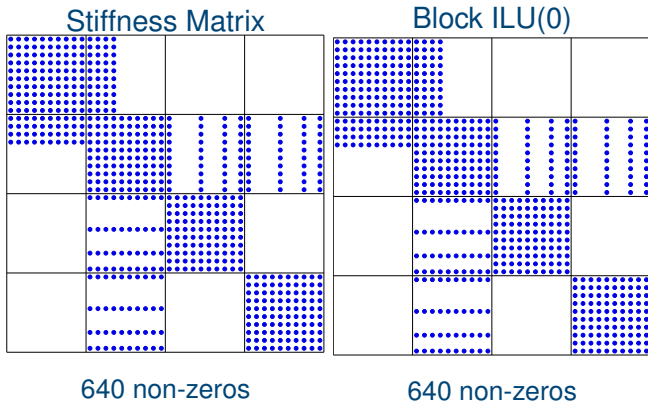


Switch 2:
More LU storage

Switches and Null-space Dimensions

- No additional non-zeros in block-ILU(0) factorization using CDG
- Dense lower-triangular blocks using BR2 / IP

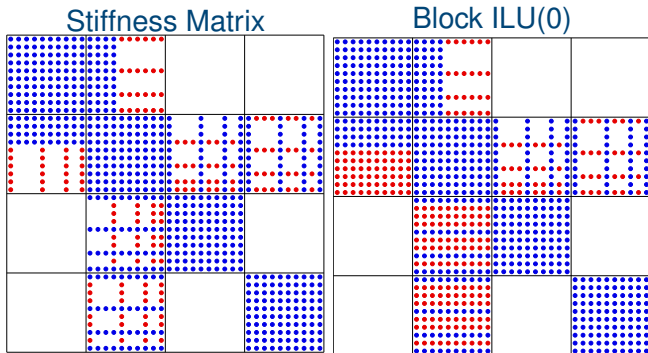
CDG



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BR2 / IP

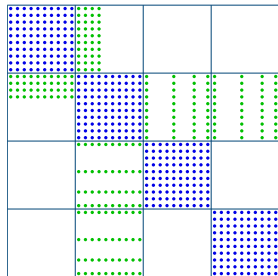


784 non-zeros

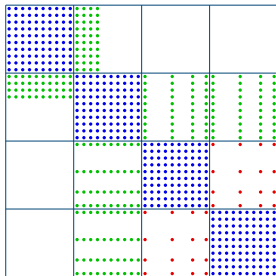
892 non-zeros

Matrix Representation

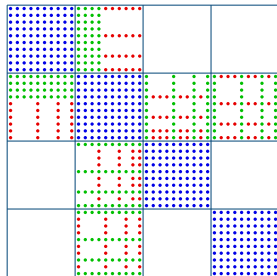
- Block matrix representation *fundamental for high performance*
 - Solver algorithms based on blocks
 - Up to 10 times higher performance with optimized BLAS
- Compact stencil \implies Matrix structure given by mesh connectivities
- Hard to store LDG/BR2/IP efficiently



CDG – 2 arrays



LDG – 3 arrays + struct



BR2 / IP – 3 arrays