

Numerical Simulation Methods in Geophysics, Lecture 11: 3D EM modelling

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Recap

- Maxwell's equations (inductive) in time- and frequency domain
- FD: u term needs mass matrix (like in time-stepping)
- from staggered grids (curl) to curl-conforming Nédélec elements
- today: finish modern FE methods for Maxwell, HPC

remaining: 29.1. (FV+advection), 5./6.2. (summary, online), 12.2. (TAP)

Governing equations

$$\nabla \times \sigma^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + \imath\omega\mu\mathbf{H} = \nabla \times \sigma^{-1} \mathbf{j}_s$$

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \imath\omega\sigma\mathbf{E} = -\imath\omega\mathbf{j}_s$$

- air (σ small): H linear (or constant)

TE and TM polarizations: scalar problems

$$-\nabla \cdot \sigma^{-1} \nabla H_x(y, z) + \imath\omega\mu H_x(y, z) = 0$$

$$-\nabla \cdot \mu^{-1} \nabla E_x(y, z) + \imath\omega\sigma E_x(y, z) = 0$$

Original source for Nédélec

A New Family of Mixed Finite Elements in \mathbb{R}^3

J.C. Nédélec

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Summary. We introduce two families of mixed finite element on conforming in $H(\text{div})$ and one conforming in $H(\text{curl})$. These finite elements can be used to approximate the Stokes' system.

Designed for streaming problems (p -pressure, \mathbf{u} -velocity)

$$-v\nabla^2\mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Approach: $\mathbf{w} = \nabla \times \mathbf{u} = -\nabla^2\phi \Rightarrow \mathbf{u} = \nabla \times \phi \quad \nabla \cdot \phi = 0$

EM vector modelling

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + i\omega\sigma\mathbf{E} - \omega^2\epsilon\mathbf{E} = -i\omega\mathbf{j}_s$$

$$\nabla \times \sigma^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + i\omega\mu\mathbf{H} - \omega^2\mu\epsilon\mathbf{H} = \nabla \times \sigma^{-1}\mathbf{j}_s$$

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The weak formulation

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{w} \nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} d\Omega - i\omega \int \mathbf{w} \sigma \mathbf{E} d\Omega = 0$$

Integration, Greens identity $\int a \nabla^2 b = - \int \nabla a \cdot \nabla b - \int a \partial b / \partial n$

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{w} \dots = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \times \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E}) d\Omega + \int \mathbf{n} \times (\mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E}) d\Gamma$$

choose basis that latter term vanishes

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \times \mathbf{w} \cdot (\mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E}) d\Omega - i\omega \int \mathbf{w} \sigma \mathbf{E} d\Omega = 0$$

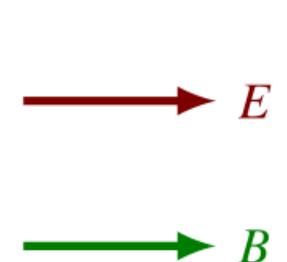
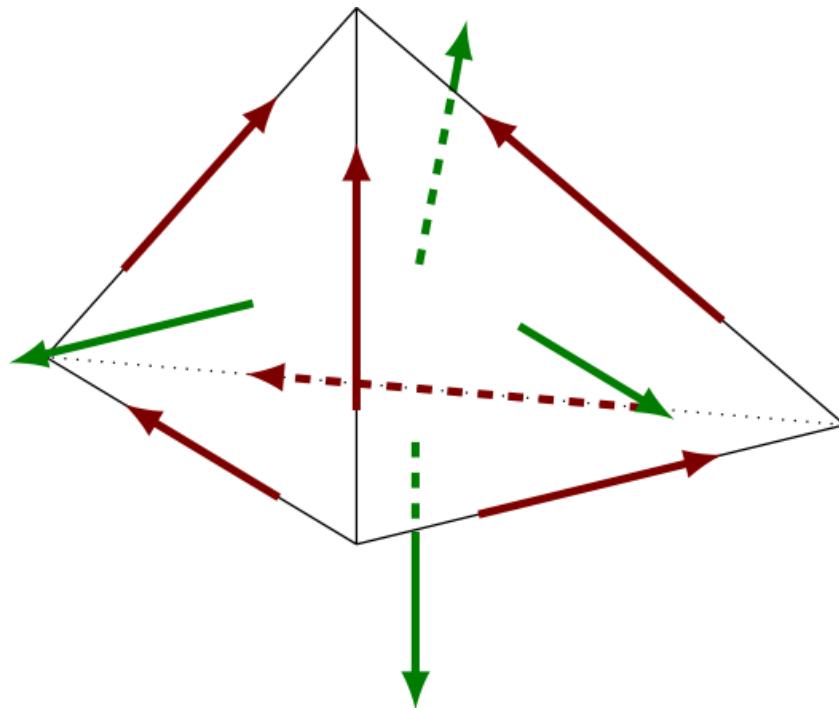
Galerkins method

$$\mathbf{E} = \sum_i u_i \mathbf{u} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{u}_i$$

$$\langle \nabla \times \mathbf{w} | \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{u}_i \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{b} \quad \text{with} \quad A_{i,j} = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \times u_i) \cdot (\mu^{-1} \nabla \times u_j) d\Omega$$

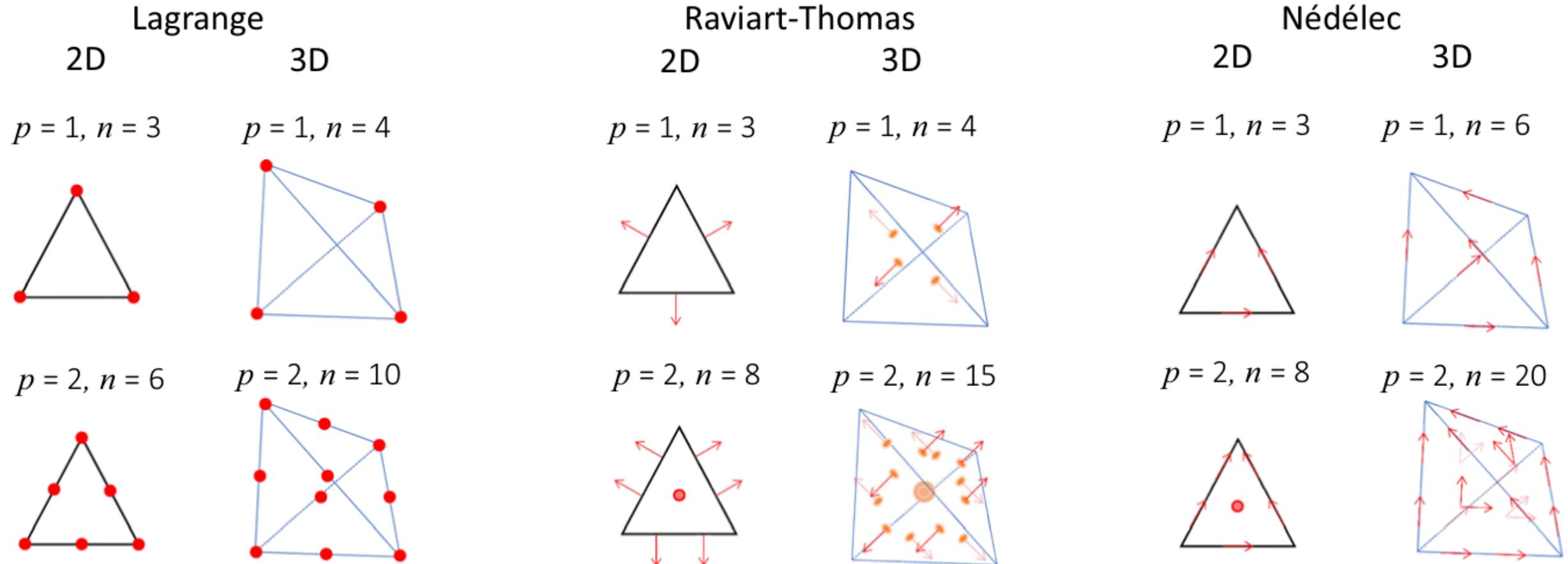
Vectorial solution for EM fields



- $\mathbf{E} \in H^{\text{curl}}(\Omega)$
- $\mathbf{B} \in H^{\text{div}}(\Omega)$
- natural BC: Dirichlet $\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E} = 0$
- Neumann BC:
$$\mathbf{n} \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$$

Schwarzbach & Haber (2013)

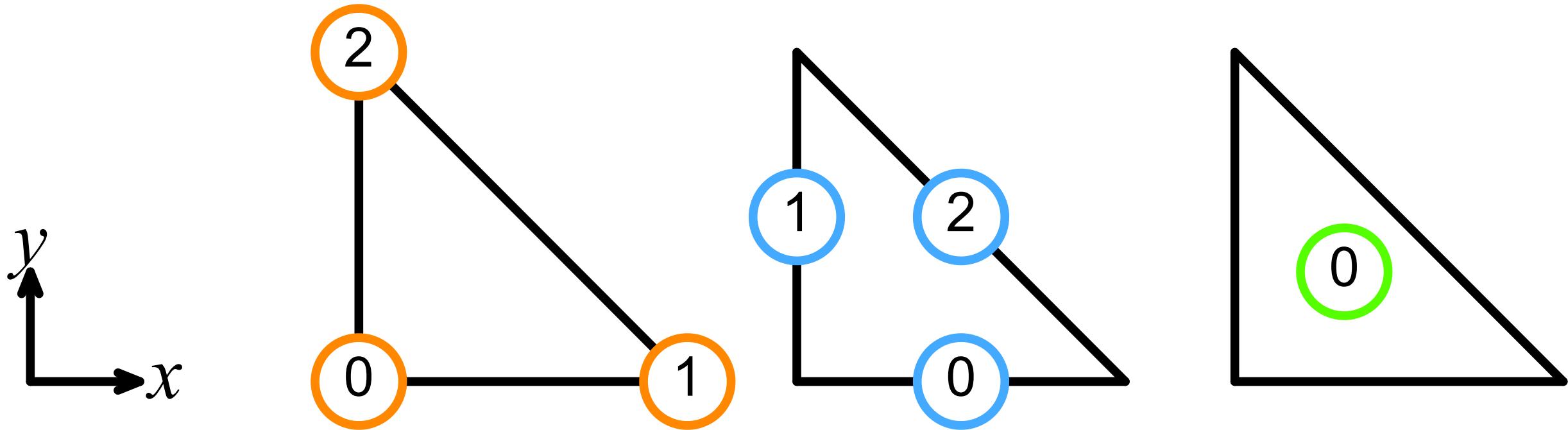
Elements used in EM modelling



$$\mathcal{H}^1(\Omega) := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : \nabla v \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3\} \quad \mathcal{H}(\text{div}; \Omega) := \{v \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3 : \nabla \cdot v \in L^2(\Omega)\} \quad \mathcal{H}(\text{curl}; \Omega) := \{v \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3 : \nabla \times v \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3\}$$

Types of elements relevant for EM problems (Spitzer, 2024)

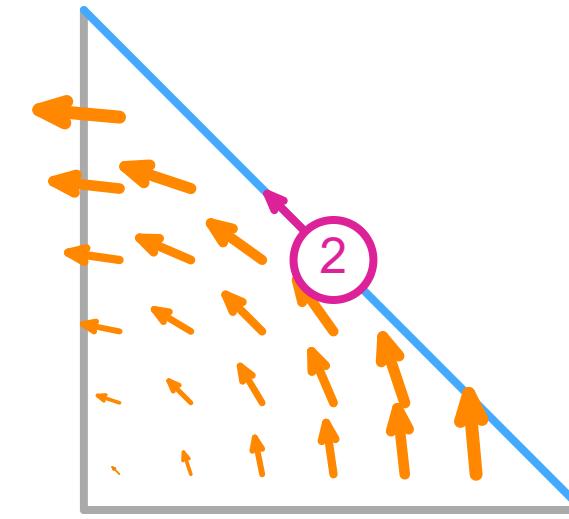
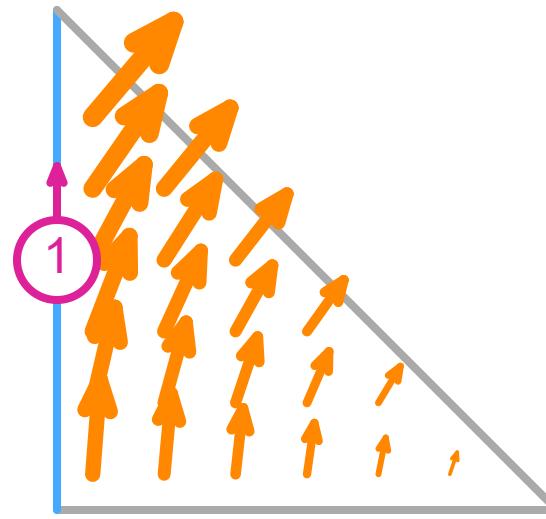
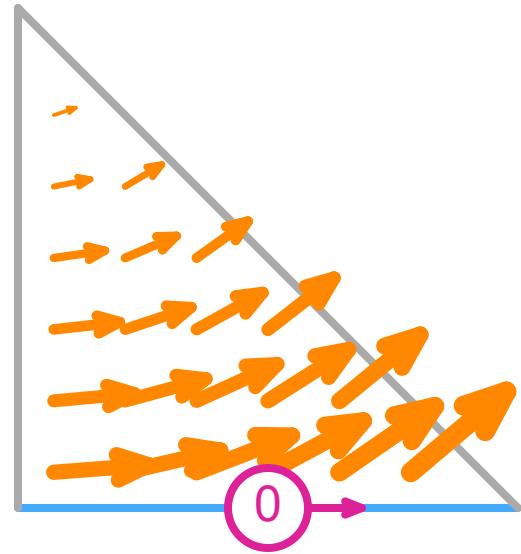
Mesh entities on triangle



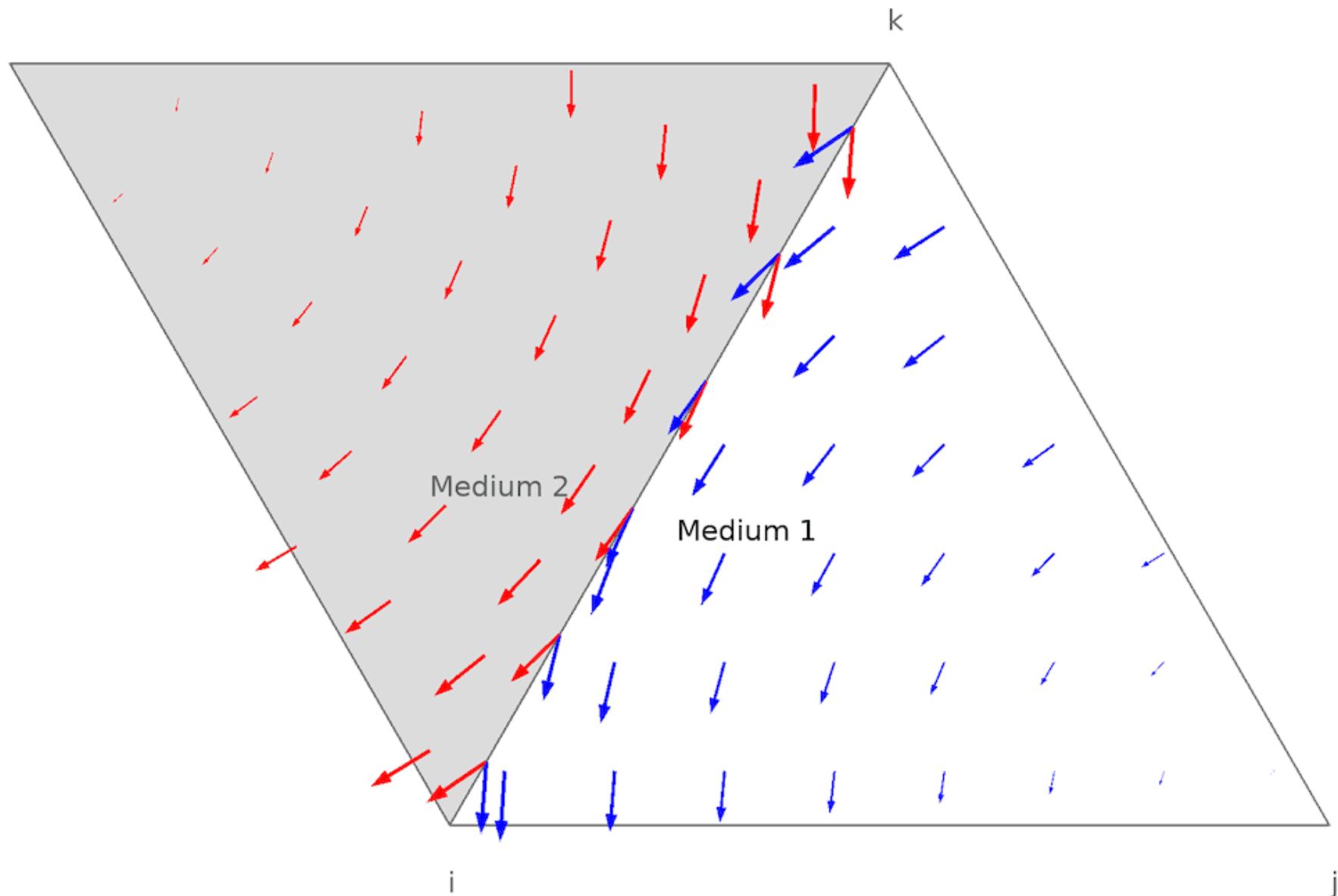
Nodes (yellow), edges (blue) and cells (green) of a triangle

Documentation of DefElements.org

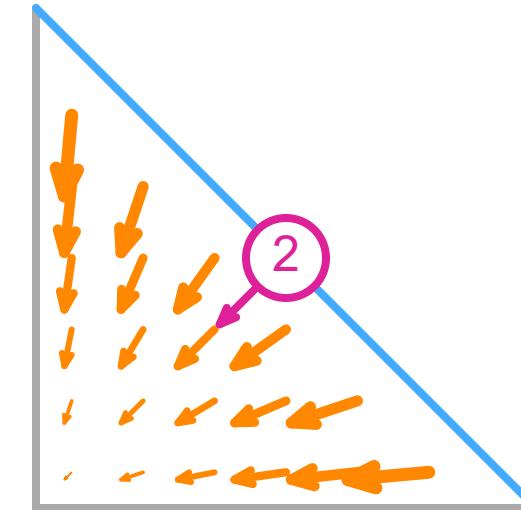
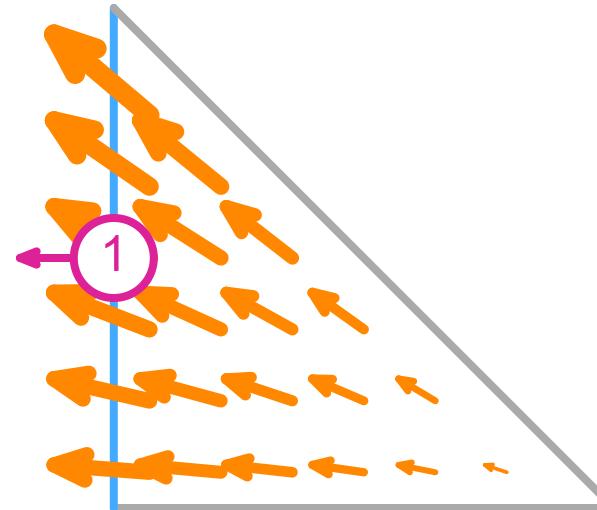
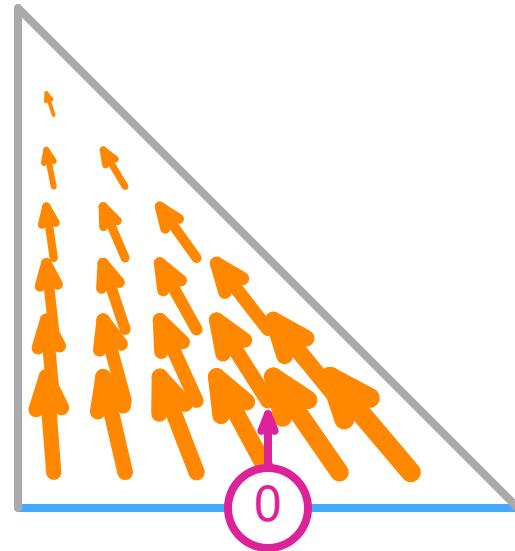
Nédélec elements (first kind) on triangle



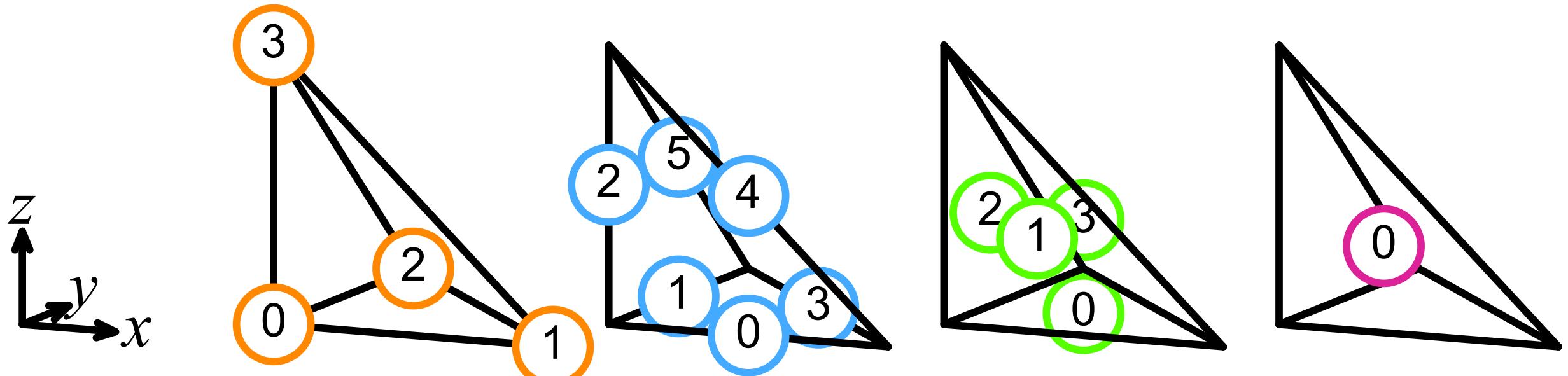
Nedelec shape functions



Raviart-Thomas on the triangle



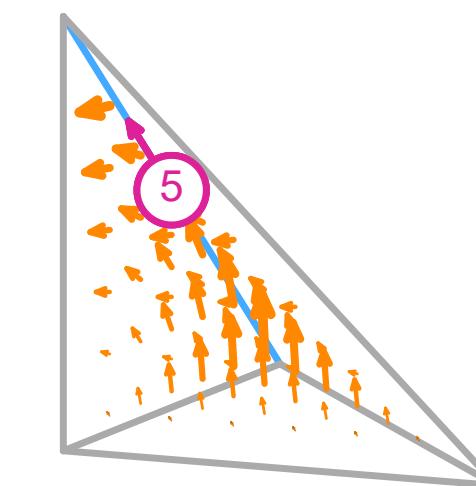
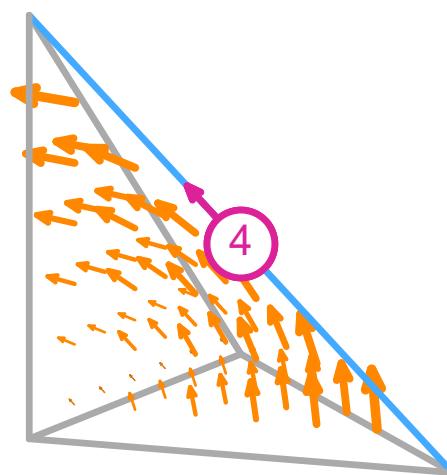
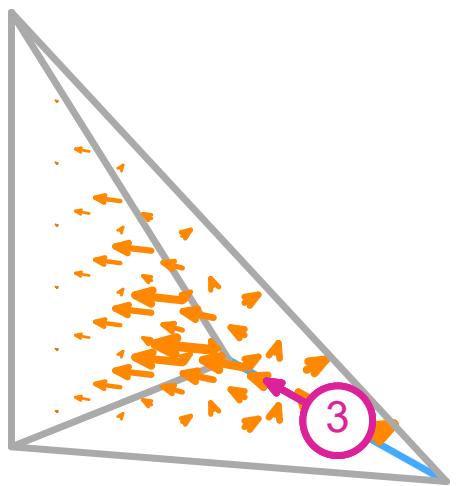
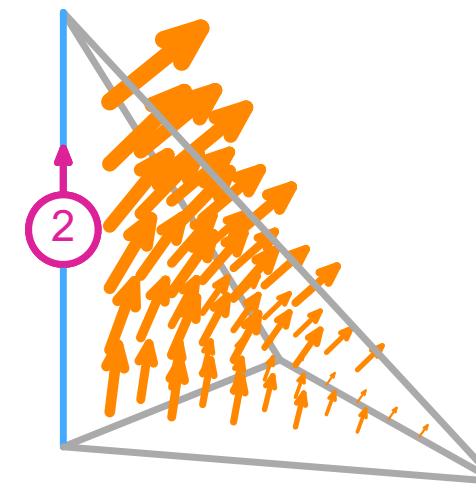
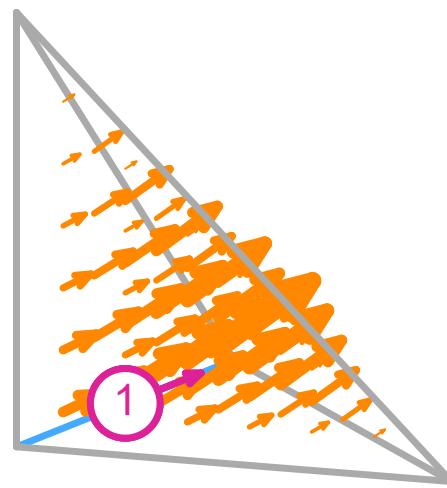
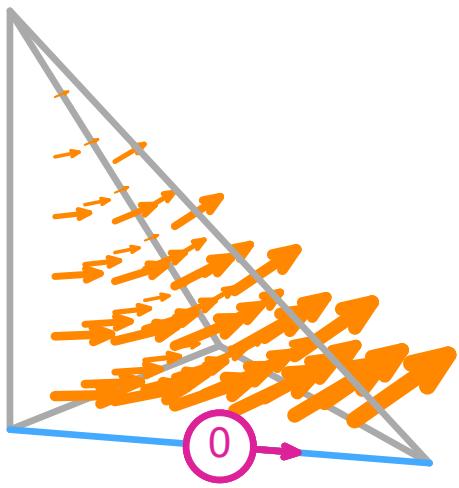
Mesh entities tetrahedron



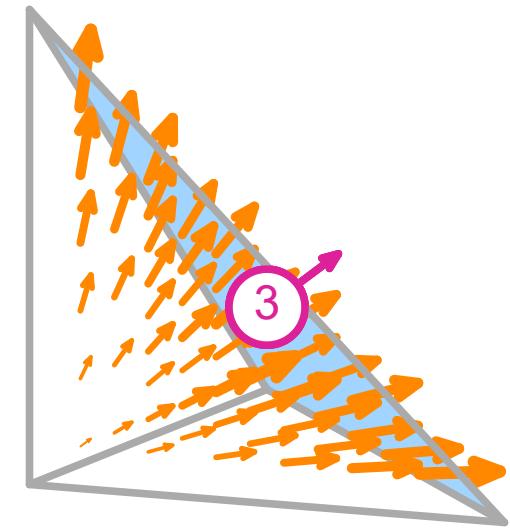
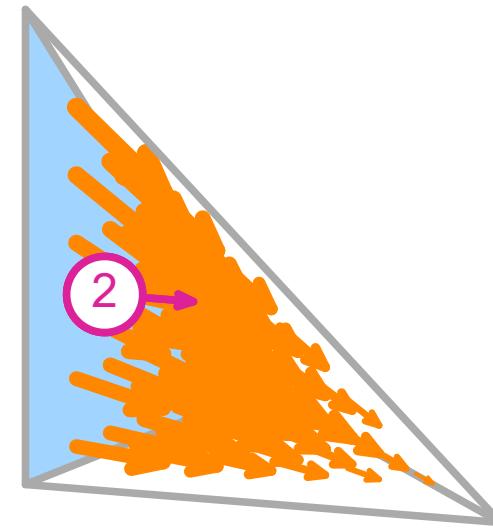
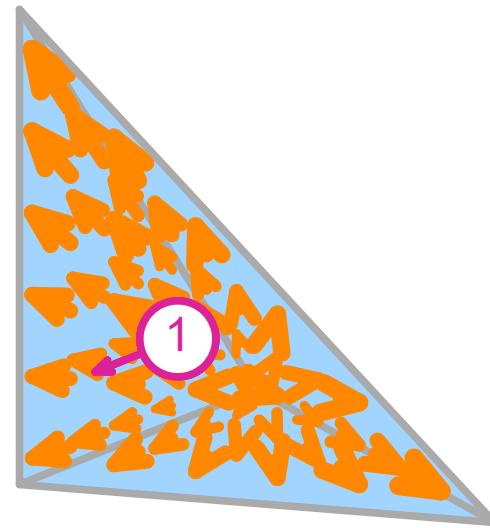
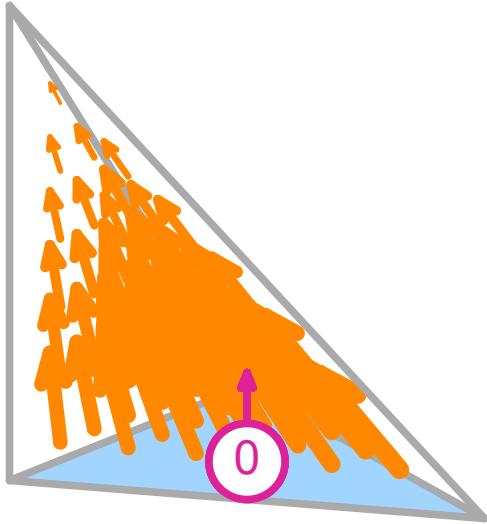
Nodes (orange), edges (blue), faces (green) & cells (purple)

[Documentation of DefElements.org](http://DefElements.org)

Nédélec elements (first kind) on tetrahedron



Raviart-Thomas elements on tetrahedron



Packages

Mesh generation: [TetGen](#) (3D), [GMsh](#) (2D/3D)

FE packages: [FEniCS](#), [NETGEN/NGsolve](#)

Equation solvers: [SuiteSparse](#), [MUMPS](#), [SciPy](#)

Computational frameworks: [PetSc](#), [MPI](#)

EM modelling (and inversion) packages: [Mare2DEM](#), [emg3d](#), [GoFEM](#),
[PETGEM](#), [custEM](#), [SimPEG](#), [ModEM](#), [FEMTIC](#)

FEniCS for pressure & flow

$$-v \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

```
import dolfinx as dfx # API to FEniCS
import ufl # Unified form language

lagrange = element("P", mesh.basix_cell(), p) # shape=(3,)
nedelec = element("N1curl", mesh.basix_cell(), p)

u = ufl.TestFunctions(nedelec)
v = ufl.TrialFunctions(nedelec)

var_form = dfx.fem.form(ufl.curl(ur), ufl.curl(vr)) * ufl.dx))

mixed_ele = mixed_element([lagrange, nedelec]) # real imag
MixedSpace = dfx.fem.functionspace(mesh, mixed_ele)

A = dfx.fem.petsc.assemble_matrix(var_form, bcs=self.bcs)
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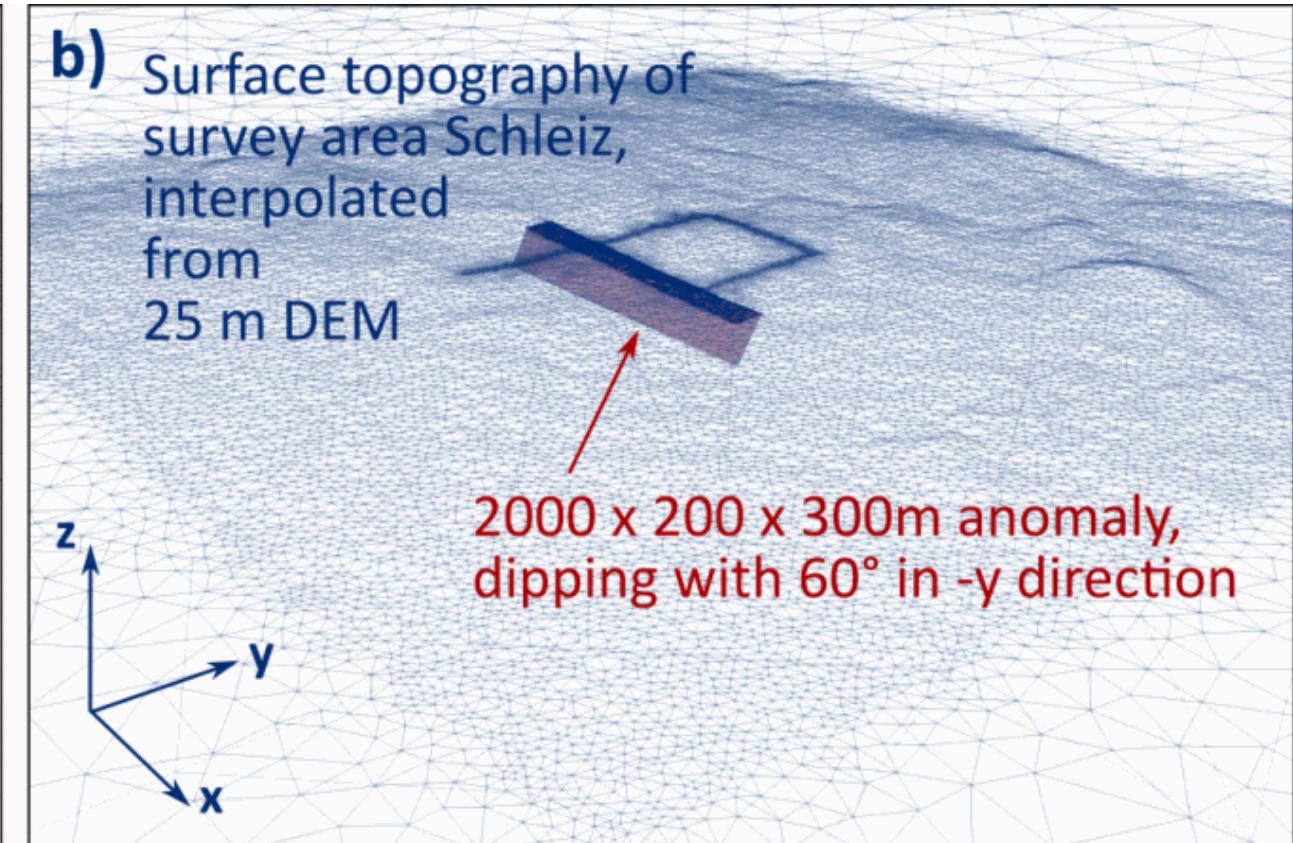
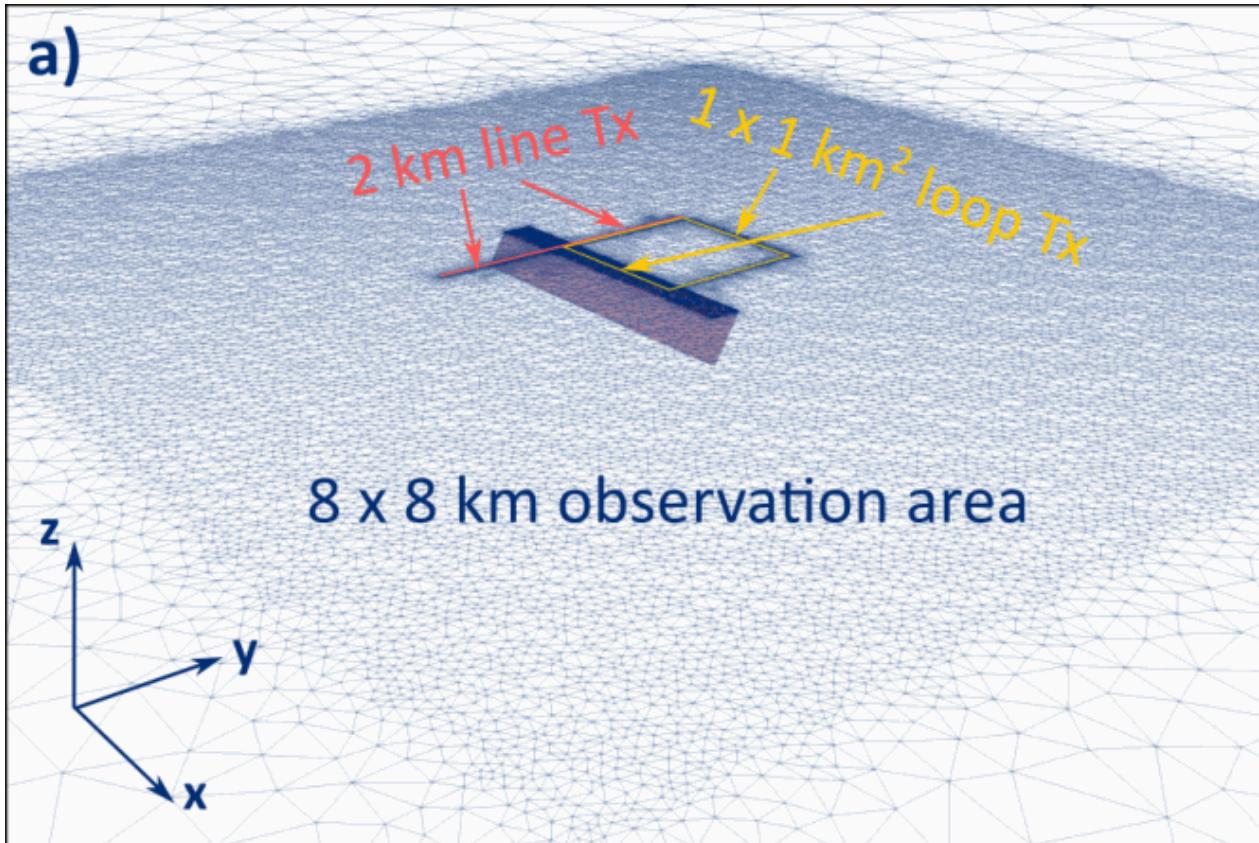
FEniCS for EM

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# E lives on edges
ele = element("N1curl", mesh.basix_cell(), p)
# real and imaginary part of E combined
mixed_ele = mixed_element([ele, ele])
MixedSpace = dfx.fem.functionspace(mesh, mixed_ele)
# Sigma lives on Cells
dg_space = dfx.fem.functionspace(mesh, ("DG", 0)) # sigma
para = dfx.fem.Function(dg_space)
para.x.array[:] = sigma_vector
# Trial and test function
vr, vi = ufl.TrialFunctions(MixedSpace)
ur, ui = ufl.TestFunctions(MixedSpace)
# variational form
var_form = dfx.fem.form(
    ufl.inner(mu * ufl.curl(ur), ufl.curl(vr)) * ufl.dx -
    ufl.inner(mu * ufl.curl(ui), ufl.curl(vi)) * ufl.dx +
    ufl.inner(mu * ufl.curl(ui), ufl.curl(ur)) * ufl.dx -
    ufl.inner(mu * ufl.curl(vi), ufl.curl(ur)) * ufl.dx +
    ufl.inner(mu * ufl.curl(vi), ufl.curl(ui)) * ufl.dx)
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Post-processing

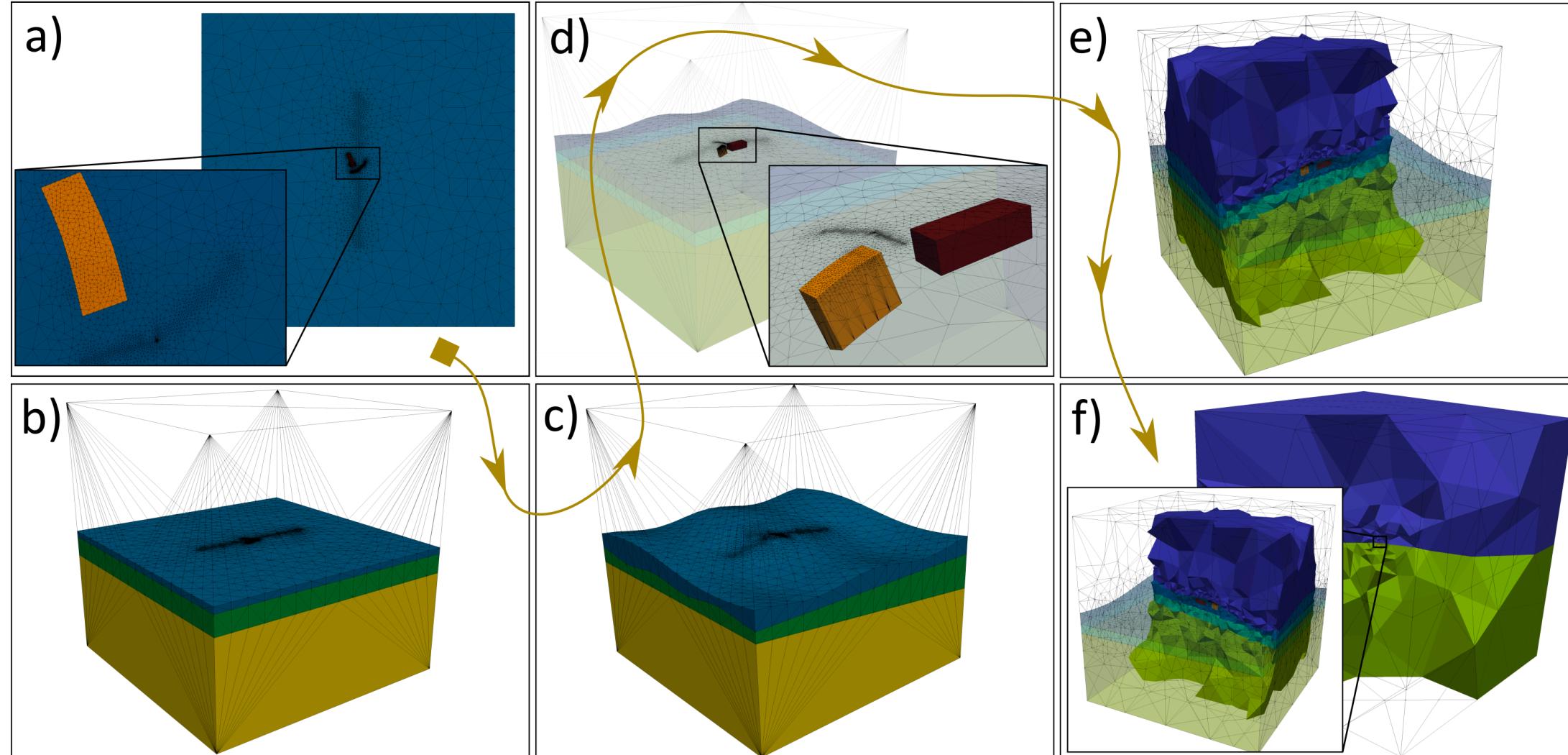
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raviart_thomas = dfx.fem.functionspace(  
    mesh, element("RT", mesh.basix_cell(), p))
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Modelling topography



Modelling incorporating topography (Rochlitz, 2019)

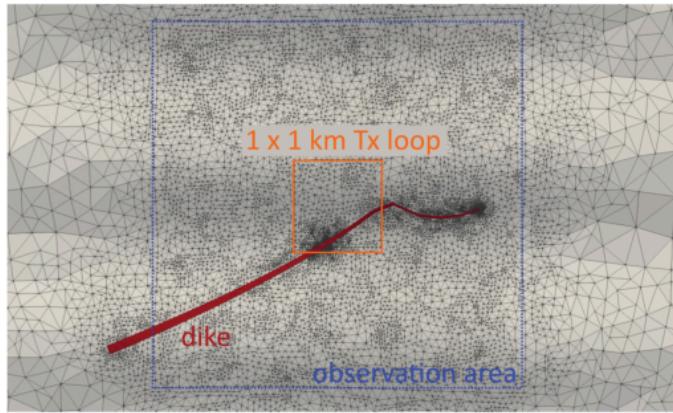
Meshing complicated geometries



Meshing workflow in custEM (Rochlitz et al., 2019)

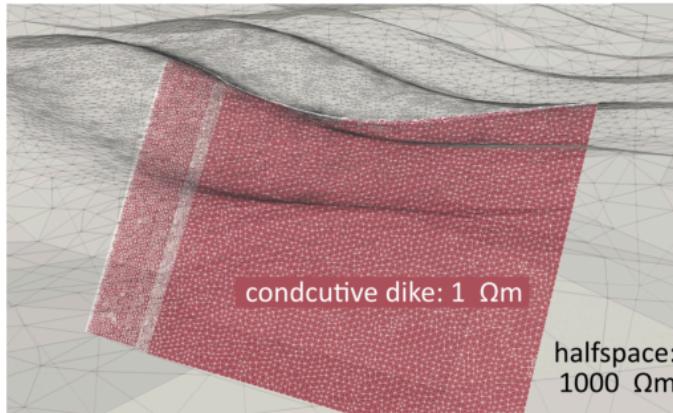
Modelling example

a) surface view (bird perspective)

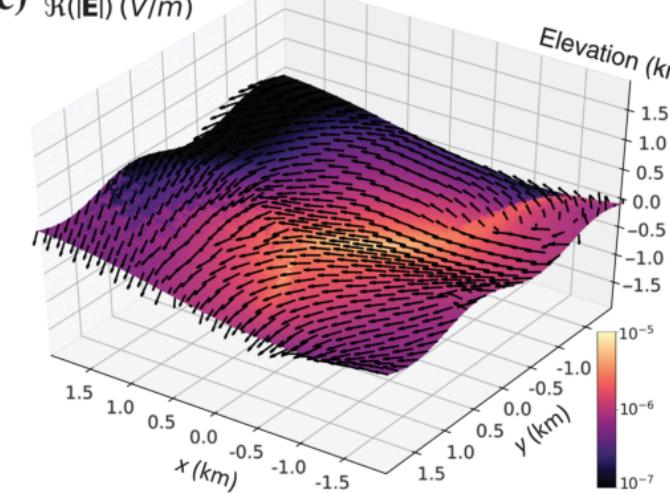


b) horizontal view

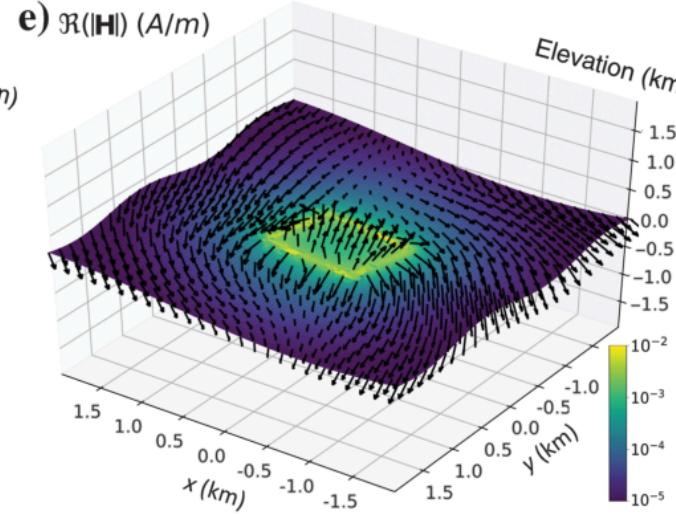
varying sinusoidal topography in x- and y-directions



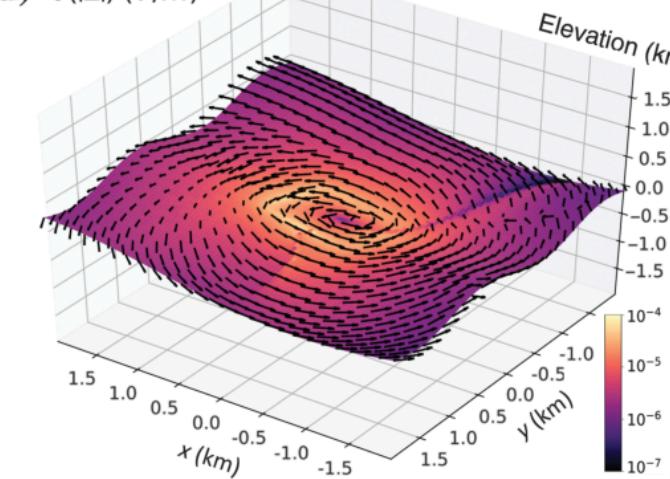
c) $\Re(|\mathbf{E}|)$ (V/m)



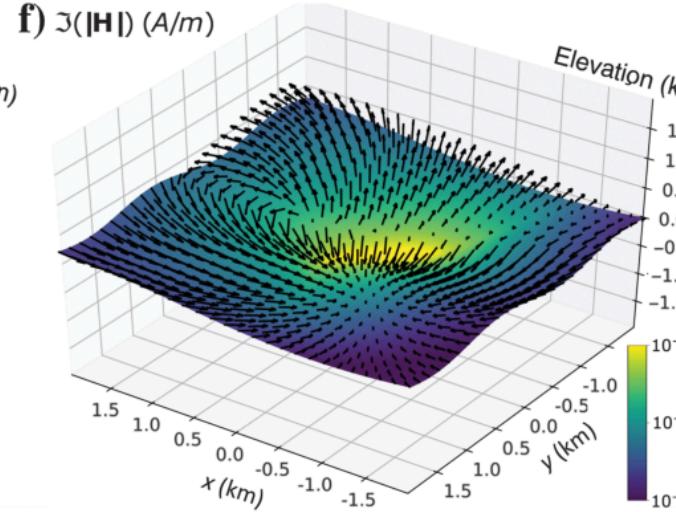
e) $\Re(|\mathbf{H}|)$ (A/m)



d) $\Im(|\mathbf{E}|)$ (V/m)

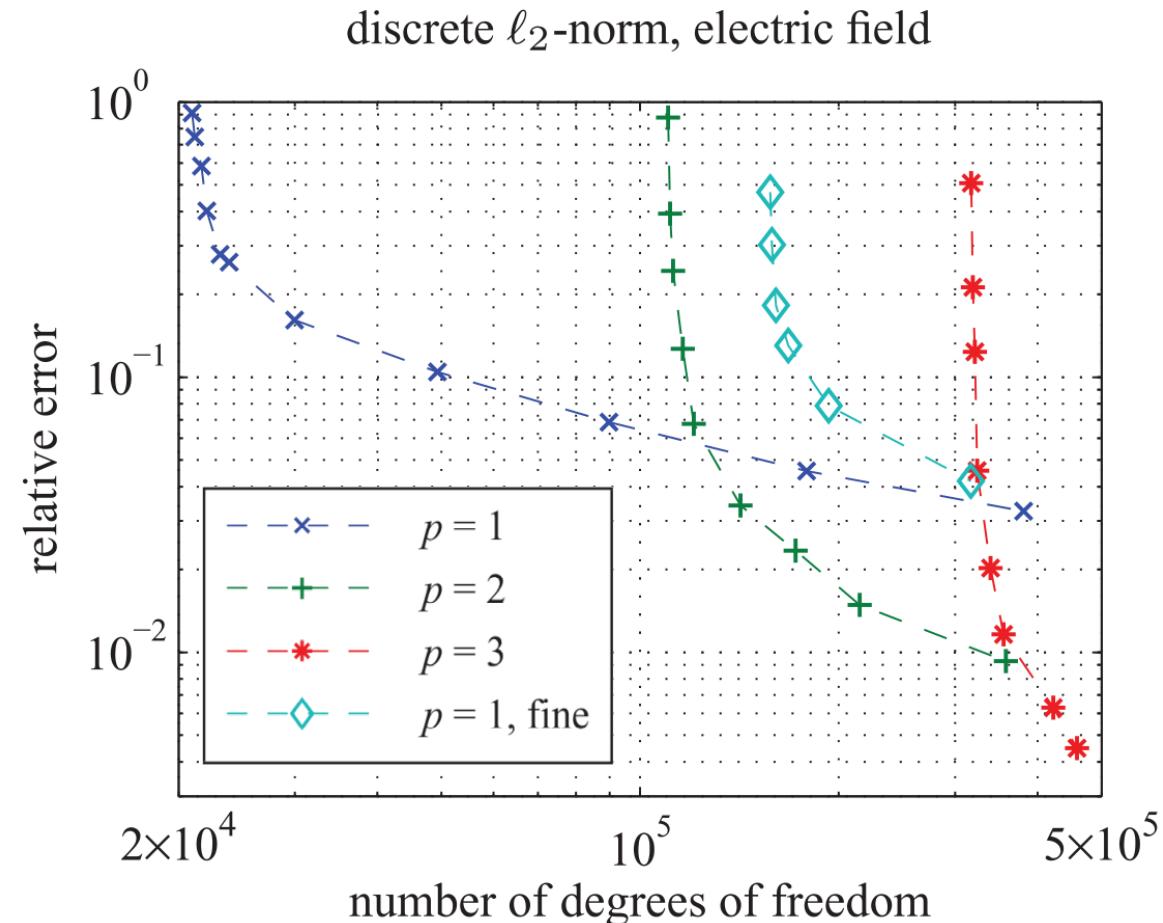


f) $\Im(|\mathbf{H}|)$ (A/m)



Modelling example of a conductive dike (Rochlitz et al., 2019)

Accuracy and refinement



h and p refinement (Schwarzbach et al. 2011)

Boundary conditions

Neumann (implicitly by choice of shape functions)

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{B} = 0$$

Dirichlet

$$u = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

Mixed boundary conditions

So far...

- Dirichlet Boundary conditions $u = u_0$
- Neumann Boundary conditions $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = g_B$

vectorial problems: $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$ (Neumann) or $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$ (Dirichlet)

In general mixed, also called Robin (or impedance convective) BC

$$au + b\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = c$$

Example DC resistivity with point source

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma \nabla u = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j} = I\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_s)$$

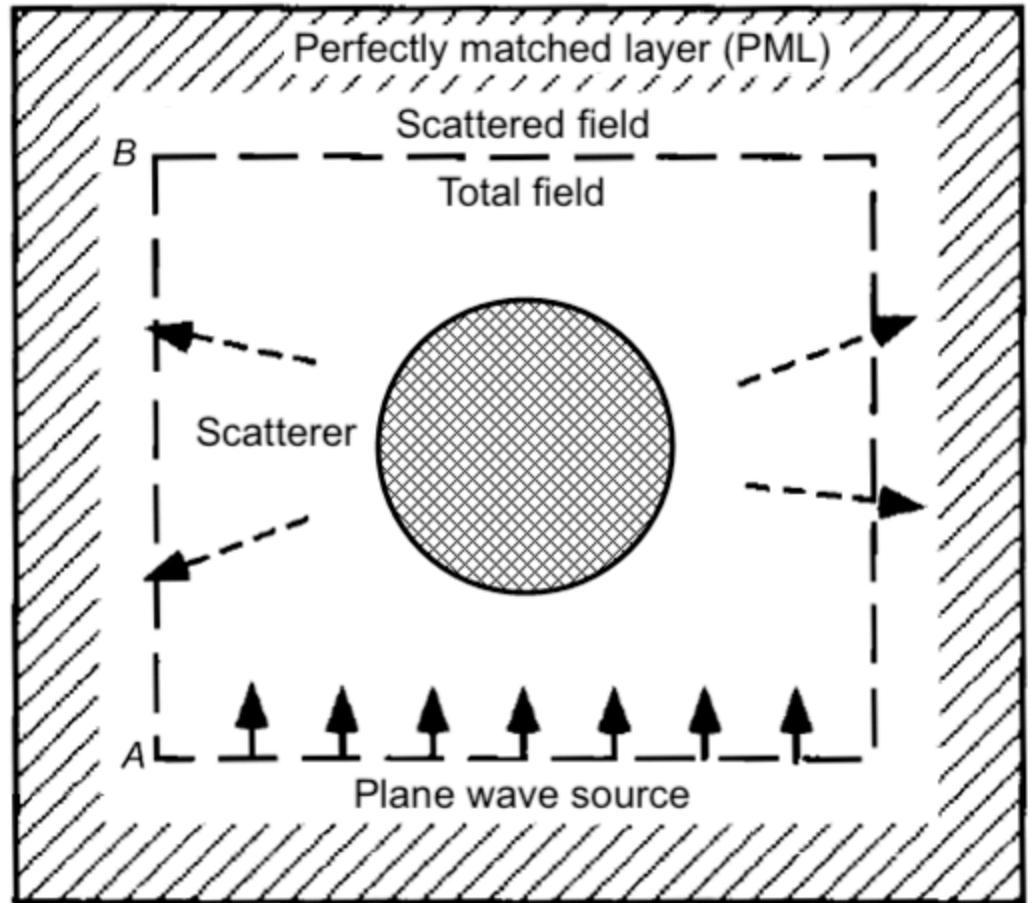
solution for homogeneous σ on surface: $u = \frac{I}{2\pi\sigma} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}_s|}$

E-field $\mathbf{E} = -\frac{I}{2\pi\sigma} \frac{\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}_s}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}_s|^3}$

normal direction $\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{n} = -\frac{u}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}_s|} \cos \phi$ purely geometric

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + \frac{\cos \phi}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_s|} = 0$$

Perfectly matched layers



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + i\sigma/\omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$
$$x \rightarrow x + \frac{i}{\omega} \int^x \sigma(x') dx'$$

Absorbing boundary conditions

wave equation (e.g. in 2D)

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - v^2 \nabla^2 u = 0$$

Fourier transform in t and y (boundary direction) $\Rightarrow \omega, k$

$$\omega^2 \hat{u} - v^2 \frac{\partial^2 \hat{u}}{\partial x^2} + v^2 k^2 \hat{u} = 0$$

ordinary DE with solution $\hat{u} = \sum a_i e^{\lambda x}$ with $\lambda^2 = k^2 - \omega^2/v^2$

Time-domain EM

- Fourier transform excitation \Rightarrow solve in FD \Rightarrow backtransform
- solve with Time-Stepping: Governing equation

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{e} + \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}_s}{\partial t}$$

$$\mathbf{Ku} + \mathbf{M} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{s}$$

Implicit time stepping

$$(\Delta t \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{u}^{n+1} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{u}^n + \Delta t \mathbf{s}^{n+1}$$

second-order

$$(2\Delta t \mathbf{K} + 3\mathbf{M}) \mathbf{u}^{n+2} = \mathbf{M}(4\mathbf{u}^{n+1} - \mathbf{u}^n) - 2\Delta t \mathbf{s}^{n+2}$$

Appendix

2D scalar EM - TM polarization

$$\nabla \times \sigma^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + \omega \mu \mathbf{H} = \nabla \times \sigma^{-1} \mathbf{j}_s$$

Transverse magnetic (TM) mode

Assume the source field is oscillating perpendicular to the modelling plane, i.e.

$$\mathbf{H} = [H_x, 0, 0]^T e^{i\omega t}.$$

Then the PDE holds for the scalar H_x

$$-\nabla \cdot \sigma^{-1} \nabla H_x(y, z) + \omega \mu H_x(y, z) = 0$$

2D scalar EM - TE polarization

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \imath \omega \sigma \mathbf{E} = \nabla \times \mathbf{j}_s$$

Transverse electric (TE) mode

Assume the source field is oscillating perpendicular to the modelling plane, i.e.

$$\mathbf{E} = [E_x, 0, 0]^T e^{\imath \omega t}.$$

Then the PDE holds for the scalar E_x

$$-\nabla \cdot \mu^{-1} \nabla E_x(y, z) + \imath \omega \sigma E_x(y, z) = 0$$