dolfiny: Convenience wrappers for DOLFINx

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Motivation | why dolfiny?

DOLFINx advantages

- access to low level interfaces, light core
- more flexible, more explicit
- demands bottleneck-awareness

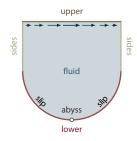
DOLFINx shortcomings (today)

- user code often quite verbose
- increased complexity to end-user
- consistent approach to extensions?

dolfiny: Python, collection of wrappers, extensions + new functionality



Mesh and MeshTags | challenge: problem setup



- Gmsh to DOLFINx
- merge named non-overlapping MeshTags
- ➤ sub-classed XDMFFile

```
import mesh_cavity_gmshapi as mg
# Create the geometry/mesh of the cavity using Gmsh Python API
qmsh, tdim = mq.mesh cavity qmshapi() # see demos in dolfiny repo
import dolfinv.mesh
# Get mesh and meshtags
mesh, mts = dolfiny.mesh.gmsh_to_dolfin(gmsh, tdim, prune_z=True)
# Get merged MeshTags for each codimension
subdomains, subdomains keys = dolfiny.mesh.merge meshtags(mts, tdim - 0)
interfaces, interfaces keys = dolfiny.mesh.merge meshtags(mts, tdim - 1)
markpoints, markpoints keys = dolfiny.mesh.merge meshtags(mts, tdim - 2)
# Define shorthands for labelled tags
fluid = subdomains keys["fluid"]
upper = interfaces keys["upper"]
lower = interfaces keys["lower"]
sides = interfaces keys["sides"]
abyss = markpoints keys["abyss"]
```

```
import dolfiny.io

# Create output XDMF file
ofile = dolfiny.io.XDMFFile(comm, f"{name}.xdmf", "w")

# Write mesh, meshtags
ofile.write_mesh_meshtags(mesh, mts)
```



Restriction | challenge: weak interface constraints

upper Sapis fluid abyss lower

import dolfiny.function

```
# Locate dofs: restriction
rdofsV = dolfiny.mesh.locate_dofs_topological(V, subdomains, fluid)
rdofsV = dolfiny.function.unroll_dofs(rdofsV, V.dofmap.bs)
rdofsP = dolfiny.mesh.locate_dofs_topological(P, subdomains, fluid)
rdofsL = dolfiny.mesh.locate_dofs_topological(L, interfaces, lower)
```

import dolfiny.restriction

```
# Set up restriction
r_fspaces, r_dofs = [V, P, L], [rdofsV, rdofsP, rdofsL]
restriction = dolfiny.restriction.Restriction(r fspaces, r dofs)
```

- restrict full function space to subset of dofs
- discrete/algebraic approach



SNES interface | challenge: nonlinear (restricted) problem

- ► SNESBlockProblem interfaces to PETSc SNES
- custom block-wise convergence monitors
- ▶ allows MatNest and AIJ/BAIJ as matrix storage layout
- supports restrictions

```
# Define state as (ordered) list of functions
m, \delta m = [v, p, \lambda], [\delta v, \delta p, \delta \delta]
# Overall form (as list of forms)
F = dolfiny.function.extract_blocks(f, \delta m)
import dolfiny.snesblockproblem
# Create nonlinear problem: SNES
problem = dolfiny.snesblockproblem.SNESBlockProblem(F, m, restriction)
# Set/update boundary conditions
problem.bcs = # ...
# Solve nonlinear problem
problem.solve()
```

Restriction uses PETSc.Mat.createSubMatrix()



Interpolation | challenge: expression evaluation

- interpolate UFL expressions into functions
- ▶ supports arbitrary cell-wise UFL expressions: into CG/DG (FFCx/numba)
- supports linear combination of functions for arbitrary function spaces

Cell-wise

Facet-wise (soon)

```
import dolfiny.interpolation
# Function space for interpolated stress vector
S = dolfinx.VectorFunctionSpace(mesh, ("DG", 1))
# Function
s = dolfinx.Function(S)
# Interpolate UFL expression T * n
dolfiny.interpolation.interpolate(T * n, s)
```



Time-dependent forms | challenge: ease-of-use

```
# Global time, Time step size
time, dt = dolfinx.Constant(mesh, 0.0), dolfinx.Constant(mesh, 0.1)
# Define functions representing 1st time derivative
vt, pt, λt = # ... e.g. dolfinx.Function(V, name="vt"), ...
# Define state as (ordered) list of functions
m, mt, \delta m = [v, p, \lambda], [vt, pt, \lambda t], [\delta v, \delta p, \delta \lambda]
import dolfiny.odeint
# Time integrator
odeint = dolfiny.odeint.ODEInt(t=time, dt=dt, x=m, xt=mt)
# Weak form (as one-form), with time-dependent terms
f = # ... \
    + ufl.inner(\delta v, rho * vt + rho * ufl.grad(v) * v) * dx
# Overall form (as one-form)
f = odeint.discretise in time(f)
# Overall form (as list of forms)
F = dolfinv.function.extract blocks(f, \delta m)
# Create nonlinear problem: SNES
problem = dolfiny.snesblockproblem.SNESBlockProblem(F, m, restriction)
# Time steps
for step in timesteps:
   odeint.stage()
   problem.solve()
   odeint.update()
```

- readability of forms
- single step methods
- stencil as expression
- expression-based state updates (interpolation)
- ► ODEInt, ODEInt2 for 1st/2nd order in time ODEs
- based on modified generalised-α method



Summary and outlook

https://github.com/michalhabera/dolfiny

Now

- transfer Gmsh/DOLFINx
- ▶ Restriction
- ▶ interpolation, projection
- ► SNESBlockProblem, SLEPcBlockProblem
- ▶ ODEInt, ODEInt2
- supports MPI parallelism
- various demos

Future

- interpolation on facets
- flexible API for static condensation
- ▶ ...

