

Deal.II Matrix Free Solver for Advection-Diffusion-Reaction

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Mathematical Background

Advection-Diffusion-Reaction

Problem

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla u) + \beta \cdot \nabla u + \gamma u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \Gamma_D \subset \partial\Omega \\ \nabla u \cdot \vec{n} = h & \text{on } \Gamma_N = \partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma_D \end{cases}$$

Weak Formulation

$$\text{Find } u \in V \quad a(u, v) = f(v) - a(R_g, v) \quad \forall v \in V$$

where:

$$a(u, v) = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \mu \nabla u \cdot \nabla v}_{\text{diffusion}} + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} (\beta \cdot \nabla u)v}_{\text{advection}} + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \gamma u v}_{\text{reaction}}$$

$$f(v) = \int_{\Omega} fv + \int_{\Gamma_N} hv$$

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Matrix-Free discretization

$$(A_k)_{ij} = \int_k [\mu \nabla \varphi_j \nabla \varphi_i] + [\beta \cdot \nabla \varphi_j \varphi_i] + [\gamma \varphi_j \varphi_i]$$

$$(A_k)_{ij} \approx \sum_{q=1}^{N_q} [\mu(\nabla \varphi_j(x_q) \cdot \nabla \varphi_i(x_q)) + \beta \cdot \nabla \varphi_j(x_q) \varphi_i(x_q) + \gamma \varphi_j(x_q) \varphi_i(x_q)] |J_q| w_q$$

$$(A_k)_{ij} \approx \sum_{q=1}^{N_q} \nabla \varphi_i(x_q) \underbrace{[\mu J_q w_q]}_{D_\mu} \nabla \varphi_j(x_q) + \sum_{q=1}^{N_q} \varphi_i(x_q) \underbrace{[\beta J_q w_q]}_{D_\beta} \nabla \varphi_j(x_q) + \sum_{q=1}^{N_q} \varphi_i(x_q) \underbrace{[\gamma J_q w_q]}_{D_\gamma} \varphi_j(x_q)$$

$$A_k = \underbrace{B^T D_\mu B}_{\text{Diffusion}} + \underbrace{B^T D_\beta K}_{\text{Advection}} + \underbrace{K^T D_\gamma K}_{\text{Reaction}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_{qj} &= \nabla \phi_j(x_q) & B, K &\in \mathbb{R}^{N_q \times N_{\text{DoF}}} \\ K_{qj} &= \phi_j(x_q) & D_\mu, D_\beta, D_\gamma &\in \mathbb{R}^{N_q \times N_q} \end{aligned}$$

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Non-Homogeneous lifting

Deal.II Matrix-Free classes **do not** natively support **non-homogeneous problems**...

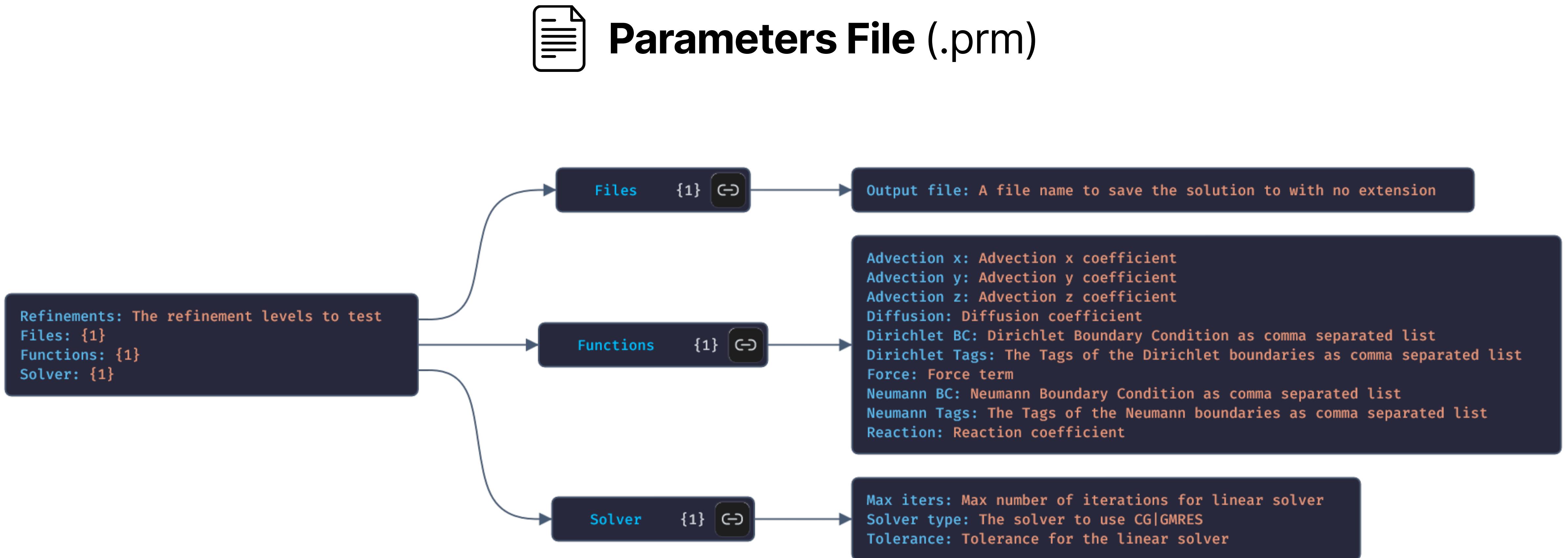
Our solution:

Solve for $Au_0 = \hat{f}$

Where $\hat{f} = f - Au_g$ and $u_g = \begin{cases} g & \text{on the boundary nodes} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$

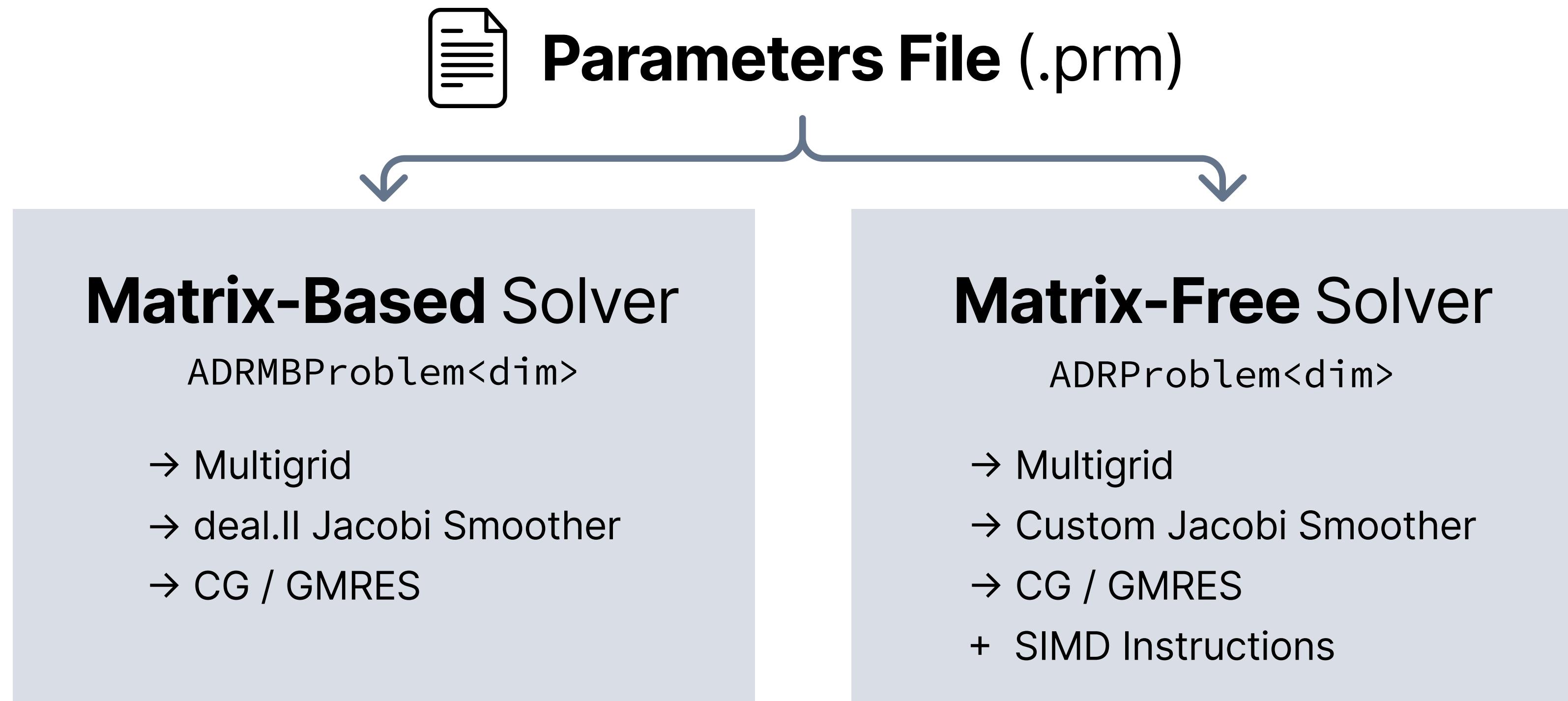
Project Architecture

Problem definition system



Project Architecture

Solver classes



Usage example

```
Utilities::MPI::MPI_InitFinalize mpi_init(argc, argv, 1);
MatrixBasedADR::ADRMBProblem<3> adr_problem;
adr_problem.run("../input/params/pb_3d_mb.prm");
```

Project Architecture

Documentation

Matrix-Free ADR Solver

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Matrix-Free FEM Solver for the Advection-Diffusion-Reaction Equation

A finite element solver for the advection-diffusion-reaction (**ADR**) equation in 2D/3D using [deal.II](#). Compares a **matrix-free** approach (sum factorization + SIMD vectorization + geometric multigrid) against a traditional **matrix-based** approach (sparse matrix assembly) in terms of performance and memory usage.

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Mathematical Formulation

Strong form

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla u) + \beta \cdot \nabla u + \gamma u = f & \text{in } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d \in \{1, 2, 3\} \\ u = g & \text{on } \Gamma_D \subset \partial\Omega \\ \nabla u \cdot \vec{n} = h & \text{on } \Gamma_N = \partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma_D \end{cases}$$

where μ is the diffusion coefficient, β is the advection coefficient, γ is the reaction coefficient, and f is the forcing term.

Weak form

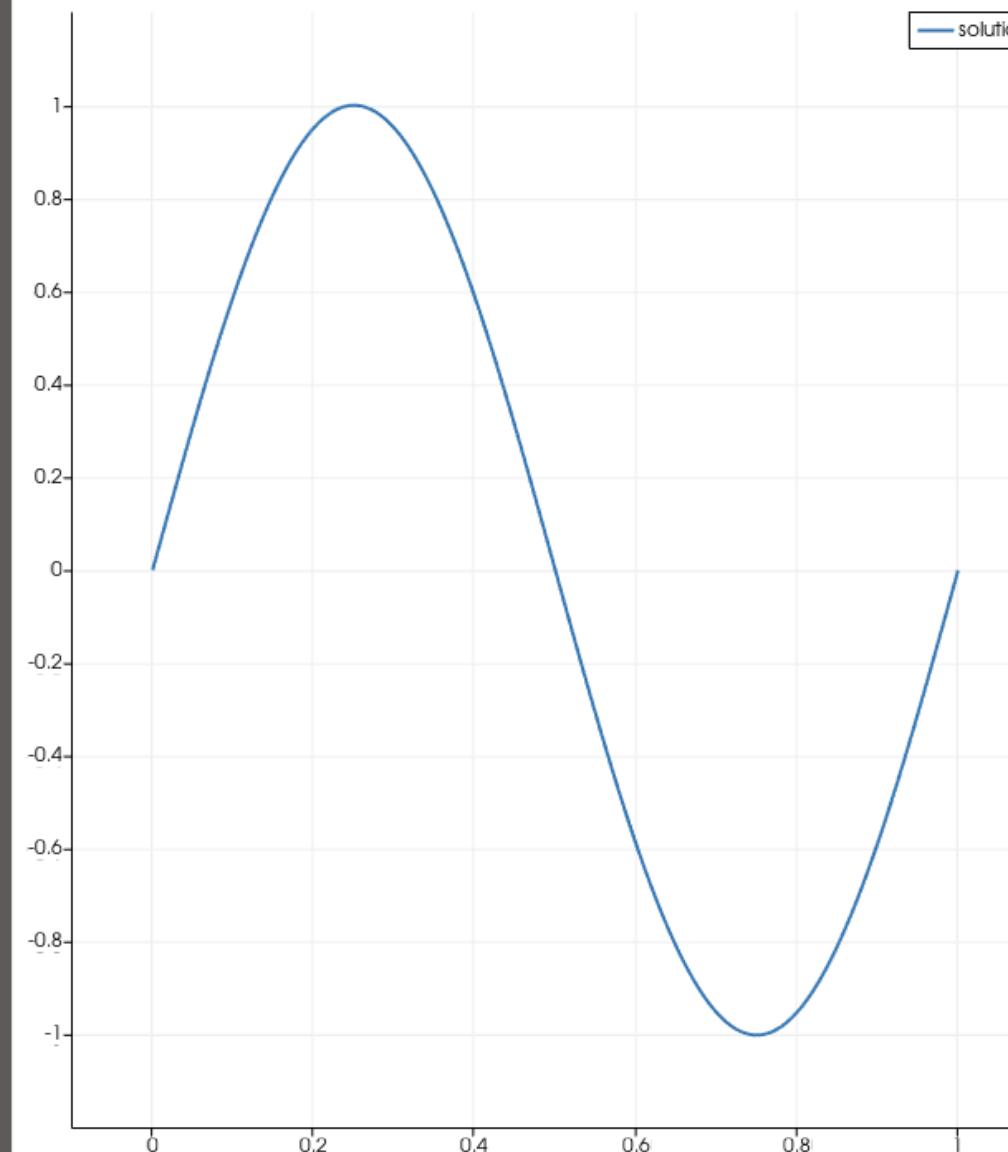
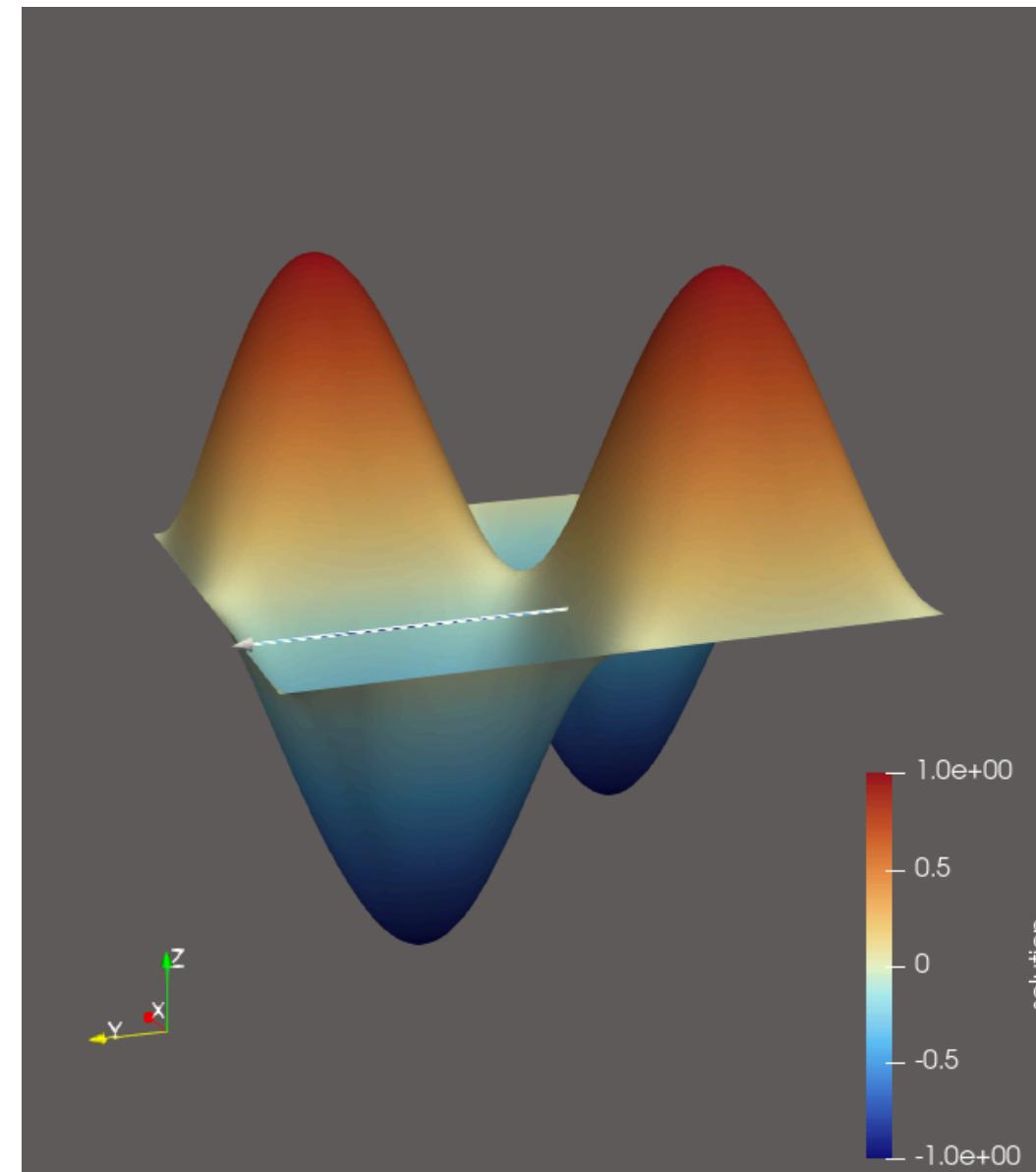
Benchmarks

Homogeneous Dirichlet Boundary Conditions

Running on: Intel i7-14700HX @ 5.3GHz
20 Cores | 28 Threads

2D

$$u_{ex} = \sin(2\pi x)\sin(2\pi y) \quad \Omega = [0, 1]^2$$



$$\begin{aligned}\beta_{\text{small}} &= [0.1 \quad 0.3]^T \\ \beta_{\text{medium}} &= [10 \quad 30]^T \\ \beta_{\text{big}} &= [20 \quad 60]^T\end{aligned}$$

Matrix free solver, Single rank

| Ref. | DoF | Small Time (s) | Medium Time (s) | Big Time (s) |
|------|--------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 5 | 4225 | 0.54 | 0.62 | 0.94 |
| 6 | 16641 | 2.04 | 2.43 | 3.46 |
| 7 | 66049 | 8.41 | 9.64 | 14.40 |
| 8 | 263169 | 35.74 | 44.12 | 57.82 |

Benchmarks

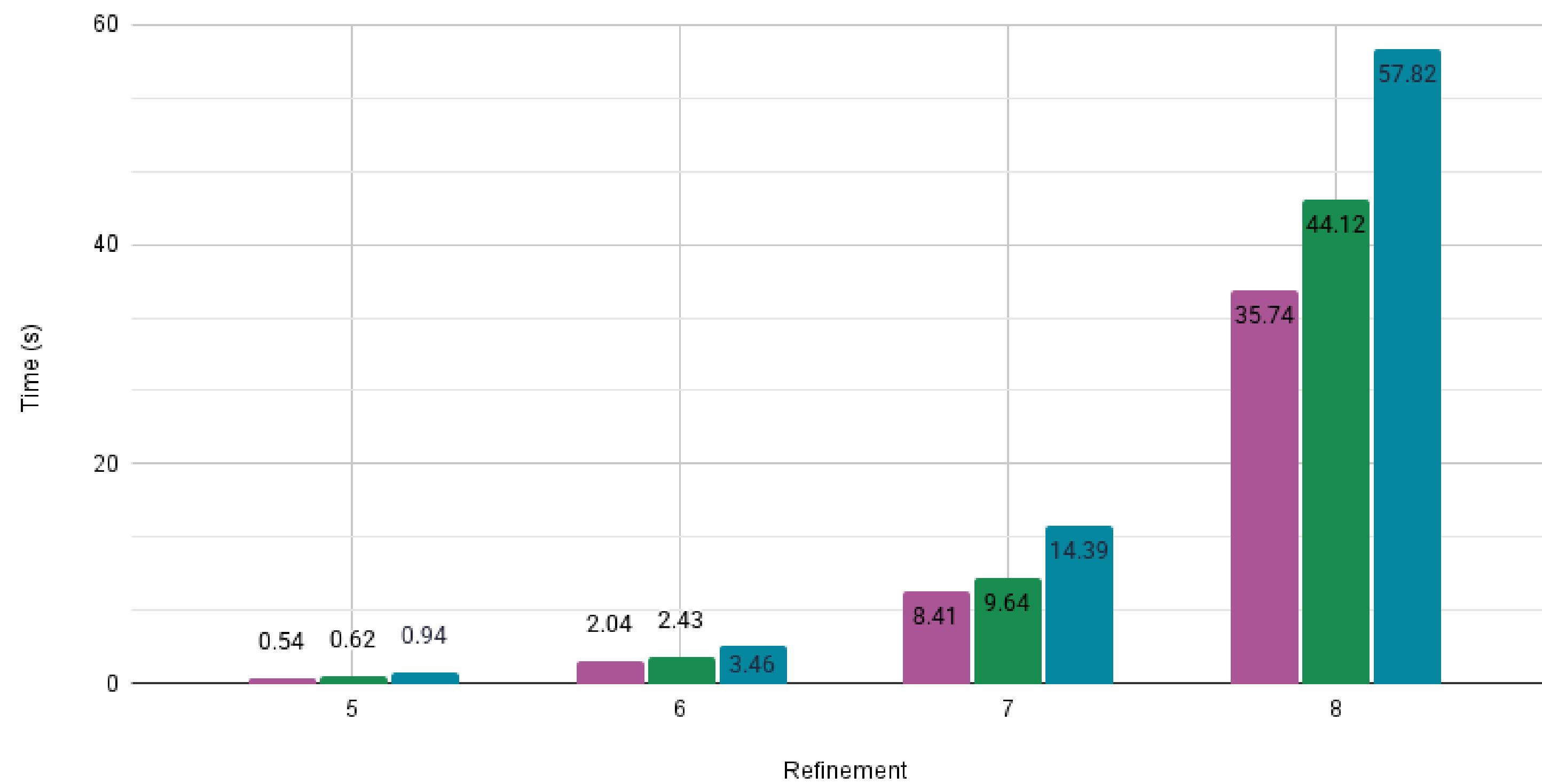
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$\|\beta\| \ll \mu \implies$ A symmetric Jacobi is a good Smoother

$\|\beta\| \gg \mu \implies$ A not symmetric Jacobi is not a good Smoother

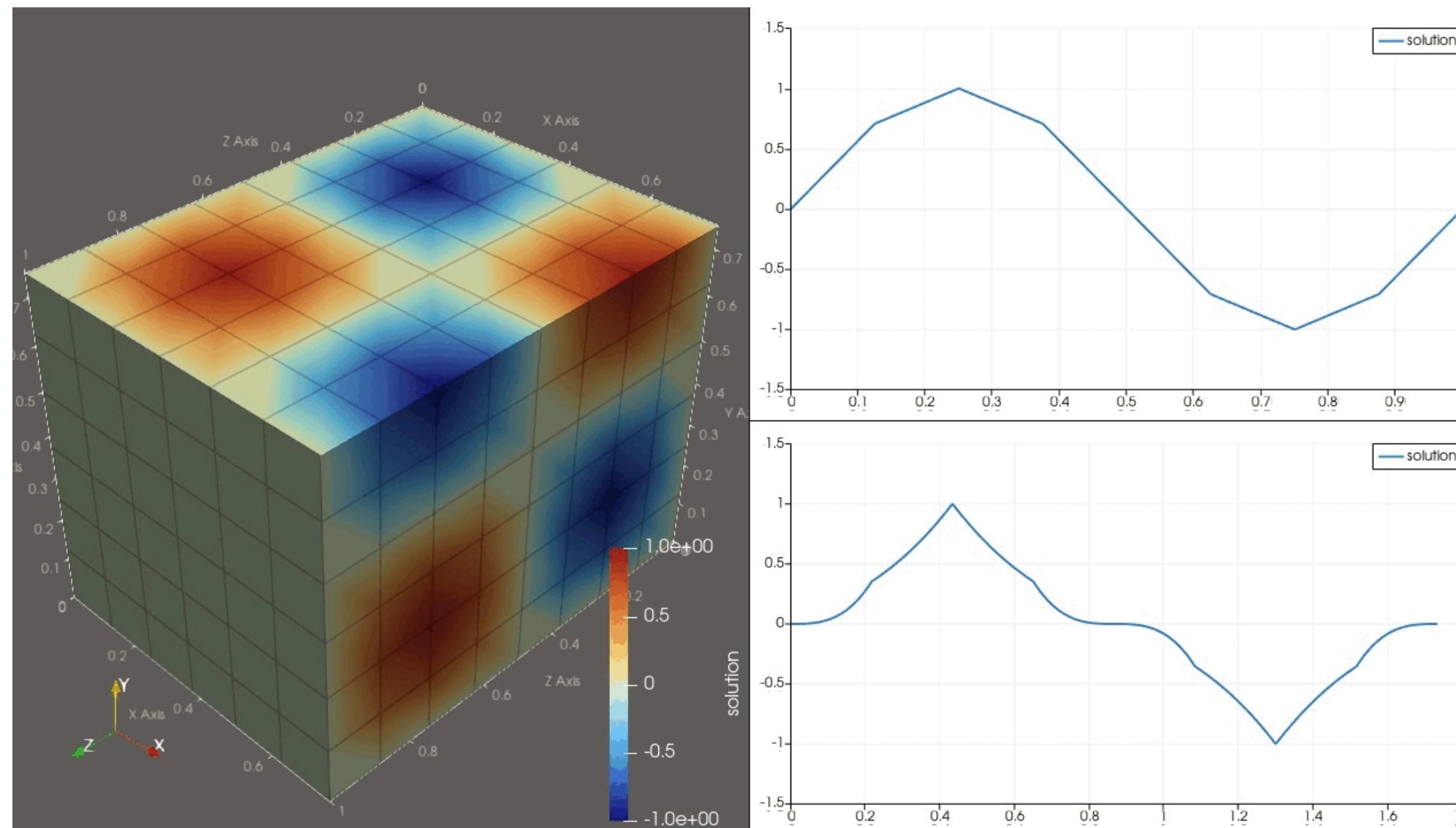
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$$u_{ex} = \sin(2\pi x)\sin(2\pi y)\sin(2\pi z) \quad \Omega = [0, 1]^3 \quad \beta = [0.1 \quad 0.2 \quad 0.1]^T$$



Matrix Free vs Matrix Based, Single rank

| DoF | Matrix Based Time (s) | Matrix Free Time (s) | Matrix Based Memory (MB) | Matrix free Memory (MB) |
|---------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 4913 | 17.14 | 0.83 | 4.94 | 1.28 |
| 35937 | 133.98 | 6.76 | 38.29 | 9.92 |
| 274625 | 1057.77 | 58.54 | 301.82 | 78.26 |
| 2146689 | 8448.95 | 553.39 | 2396.80 | 622.17 |

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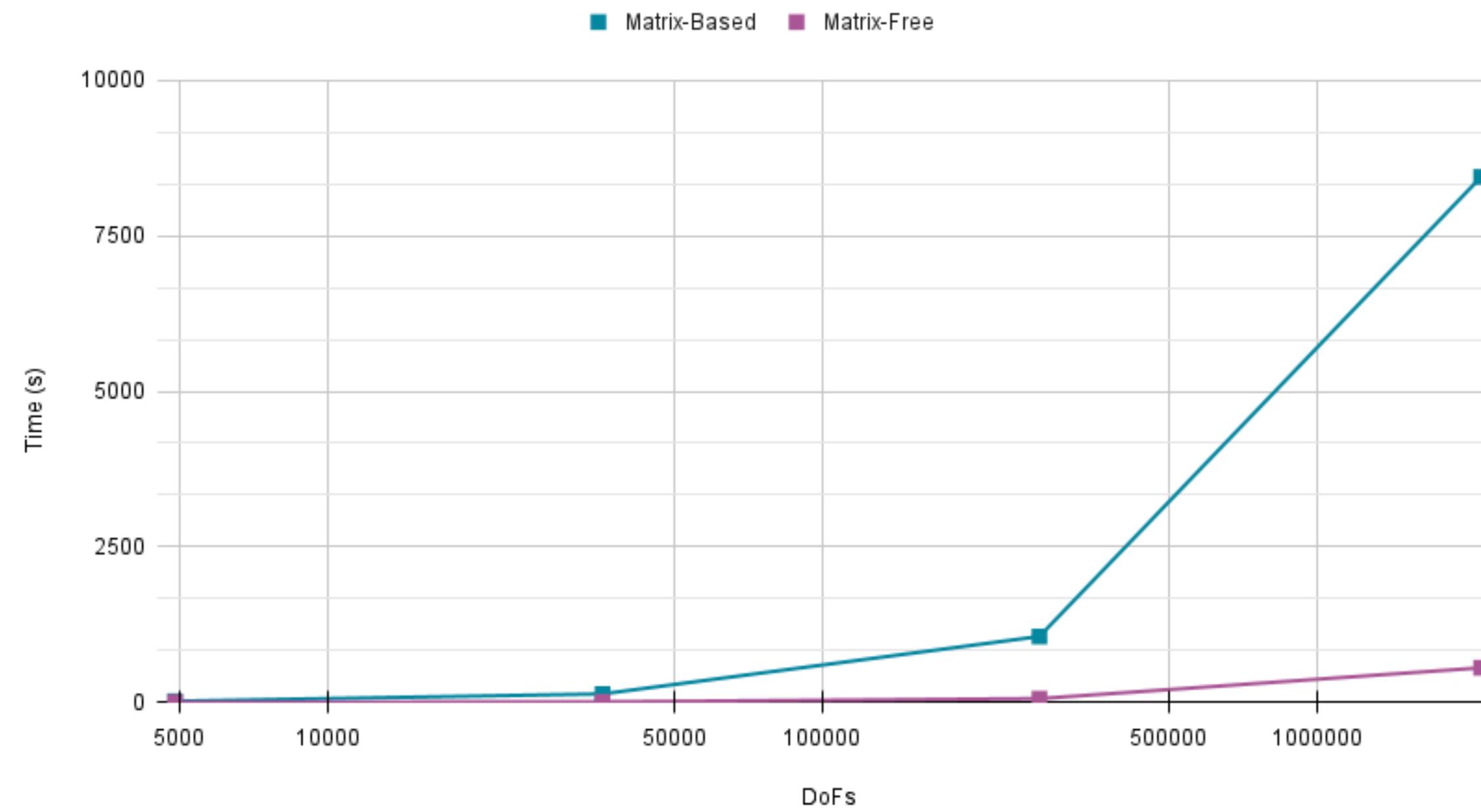
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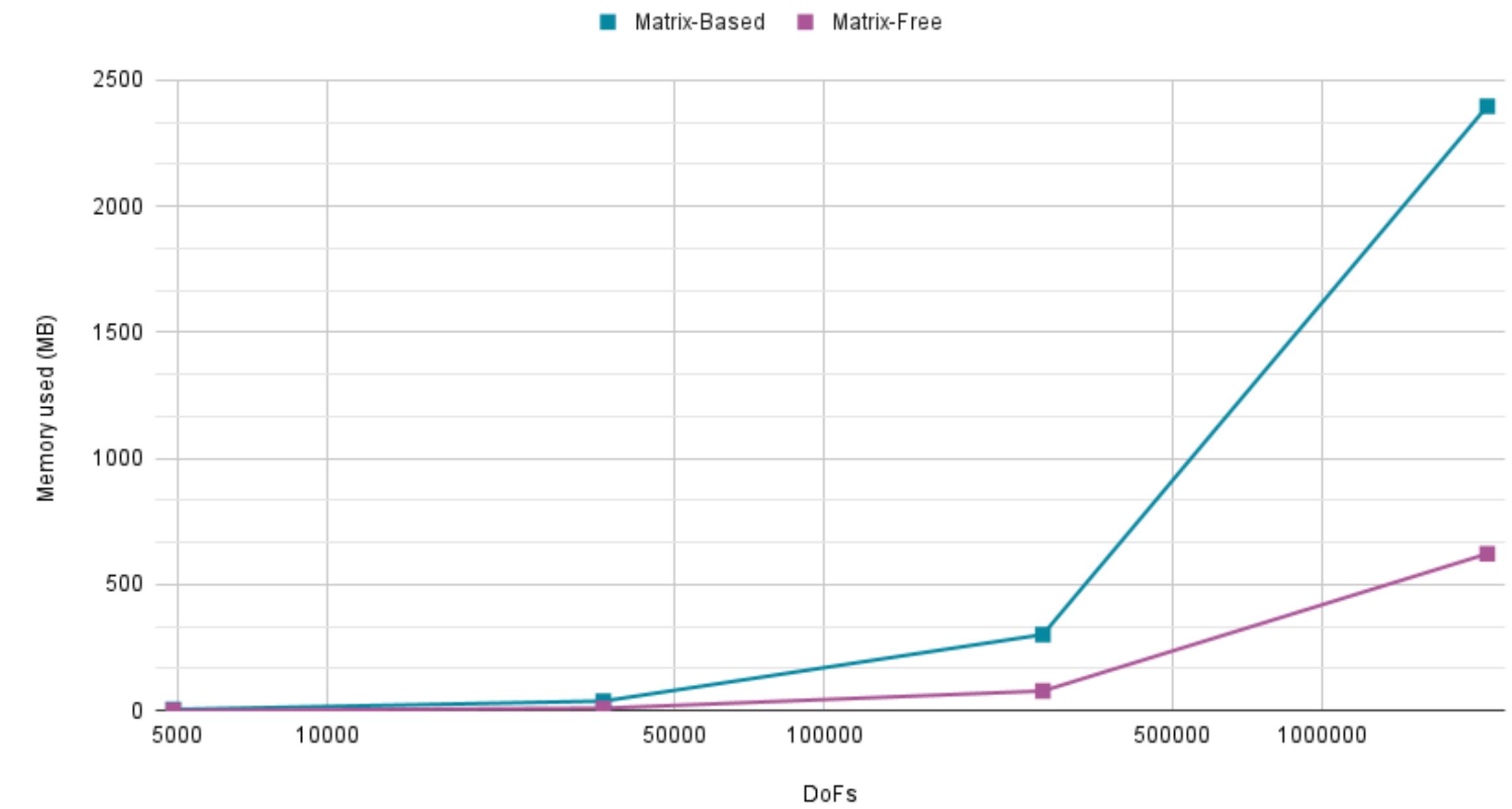
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Computation time for homogeneous Dirichlet problem



Memory usage for homogeneous Dirichlet problem



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Matrix Free solver Parallel Speedup

| Type | MPI Ranks | Time (s) | Memory (MB) |
|--------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Matrix based | 1 | 1075.50 | 8448.95 |
| Matrix free | 1 | 553.39 | 622.17 |
| Matrix free | 4 | 156.02 | 161.92 |
| Matrix free | 8 | 109.64 | 82.80 |
| Matrix free | 16 | 106.66 | 42.42 |
| Matrix free | 20 | 98.97 | 34.59 |

Benchmarks

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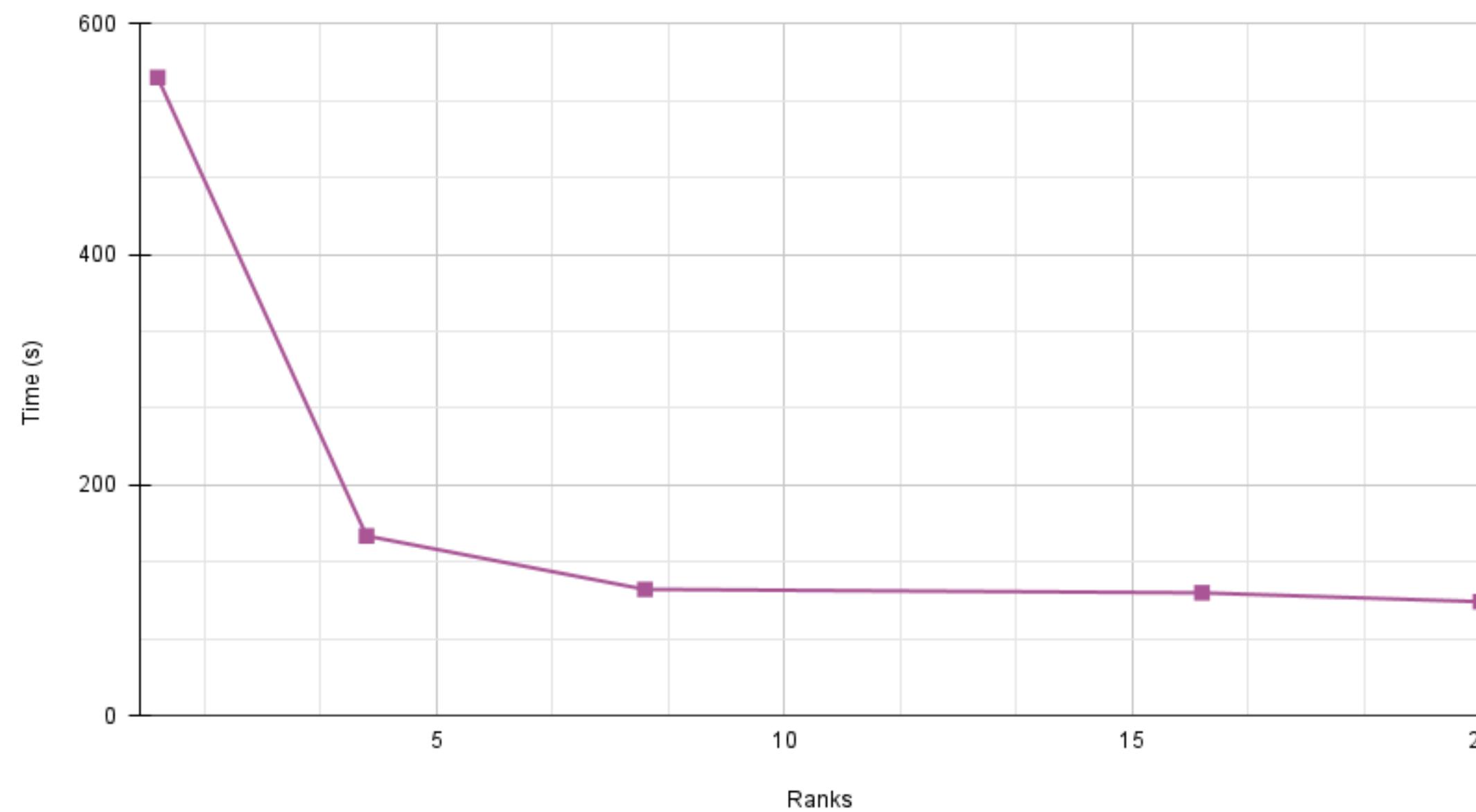
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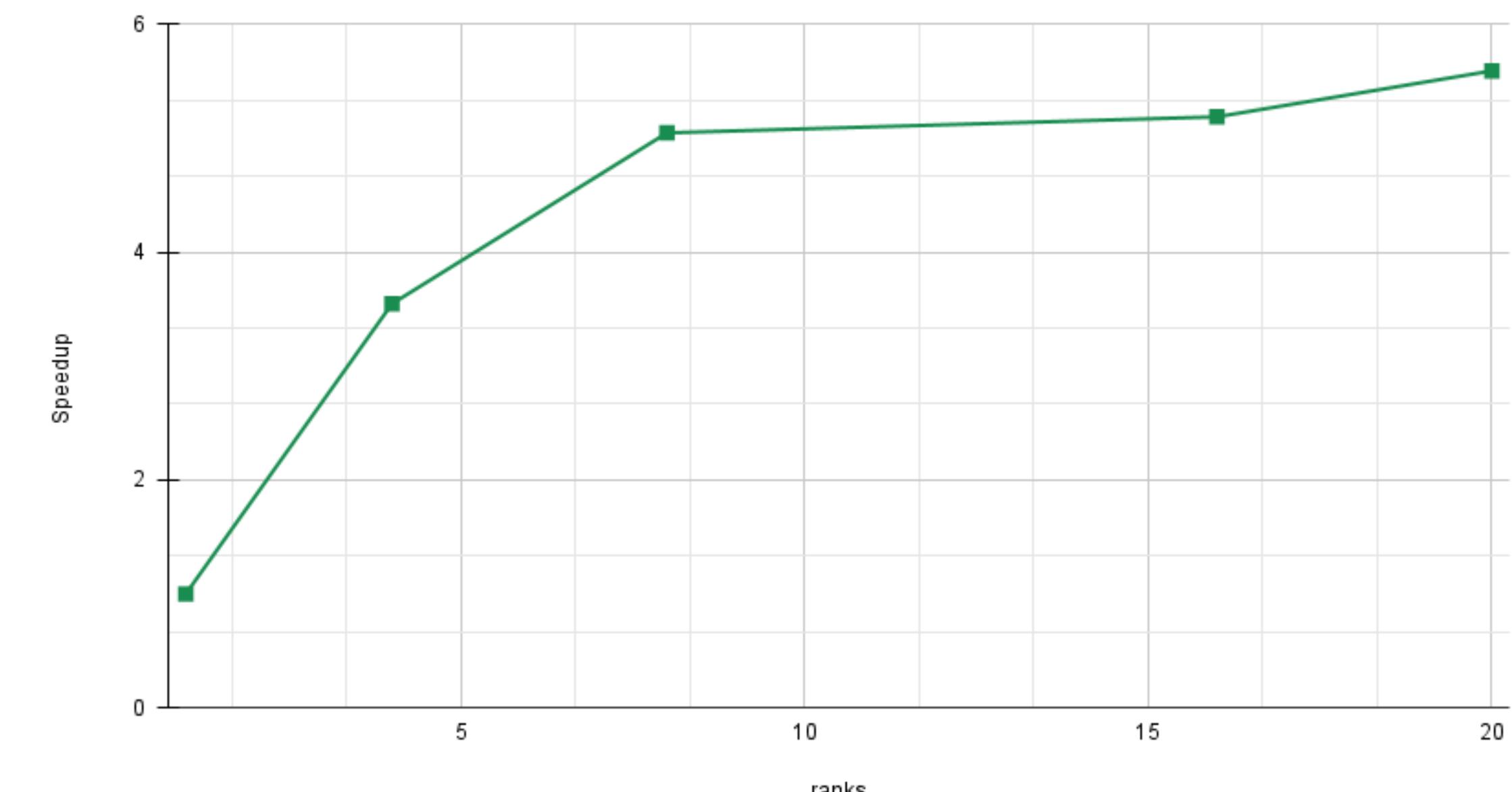
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Matrix Free solver Parallel Speedup

Computation time vs Ranks



Computation time Speed up



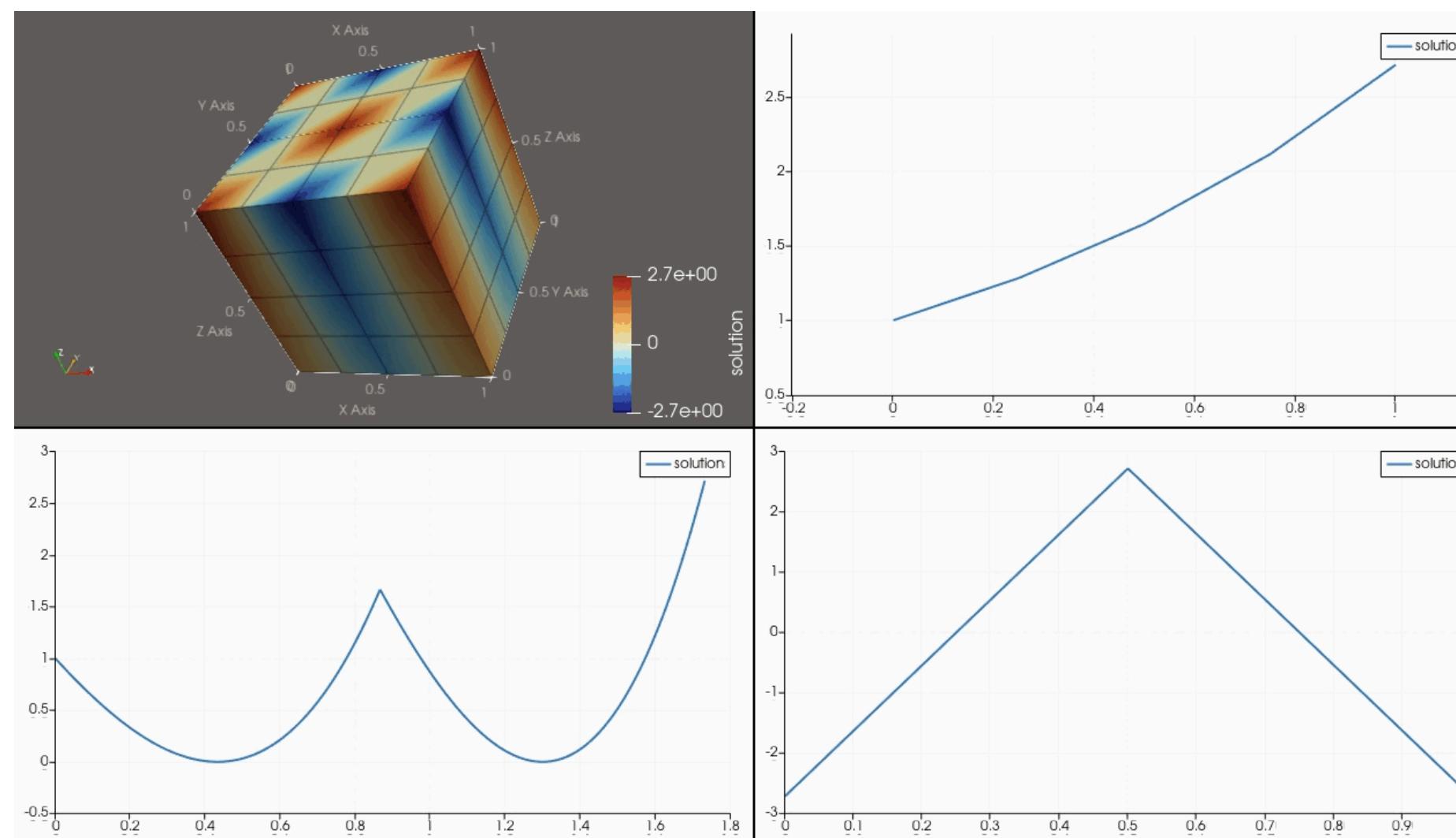
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Non-Homogeneous Dirichlet Boundary Conditions

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$$u_{ex} = e^z \cos(2\pi x) \cos(2\pi y) \quad \Omega = [0, 1]^3$$



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|--------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 729 | 2.59 | 0.15 | 0.66 | 0.18 |
| 4913 | 20.06 | 0.97 | 4.93 | 1.28 |
| 35937 | 163.84 | 7.19 | 38.29 | 9.91 |
| 274625 | 1075.50 | 64.74 | 301.81 | 78.26 |

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