



# Efficient Schwarz Domain Decomposition Preconditioning Techniques on Current Hardware Using FROSCh

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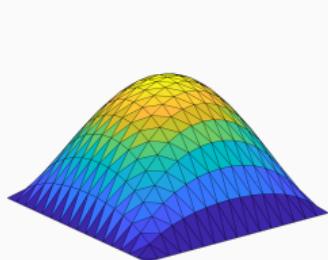
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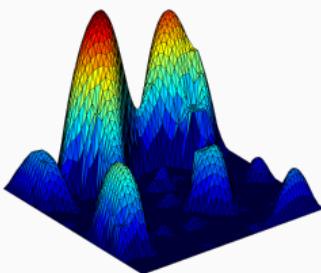
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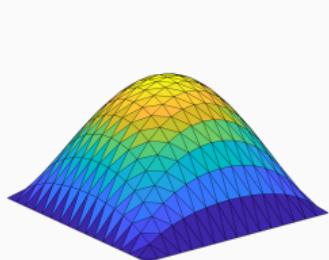
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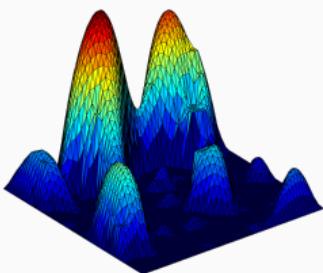
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⇒ We introduce a preconditioner  $\mathbf{M}^{-1} \approx \mathbf{A}^{-1}$  to improve the condition number:

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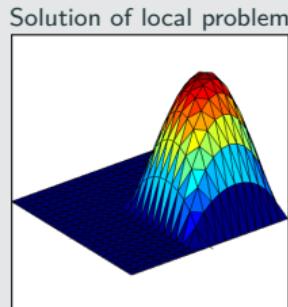
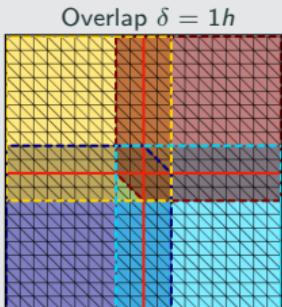
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# Two-Level Schwarz Preconditioners

## One-level Schwarz preconditioner



Based on an **overlapping domain decomposition**, we define a **one-level Schwarz operator**

$$M_{OS-1}^{-1} K = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i^\top K_i^{-1} R_i K,$$

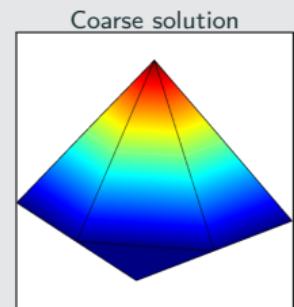
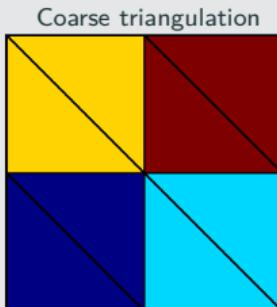
where  $R_i$  and  $R_i^\top$  are restriction and prolongation operators corresponding to  $\Omega'_i$ , and  $K_i := R_i K R_i^\top$ .

**Condition number estimate:**

$$\kappa(M_{OS-1}^{-1} K) \leq C \left( 1 + \frac{1}{H\delta} \right)$$

with subdomain size  $H$  and overlap width  $\delta$ .

## Lagrangian coarse space



The **two-level overlapping Schwarz operator** reads

$$M_{OS-2}^{-1} K = \underbrace{\Phi K_0^{-1} \Phi^\top K}_{\text{coarse level - global}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N R_i^\top K_i^{-1} R_i K}_{\text{first level - local}},$$

where  $\Phi$  contains the coarse basis functions and  $K_0 := \Phi^\top K \Phi$ ; cf., e.g., [Toselli, Widlund \(2005\)](#).  
The construction of a Lagrangian coarse basis requires a coarse triangulation.

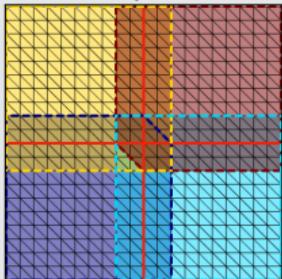
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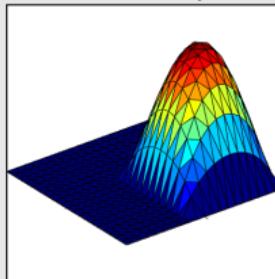
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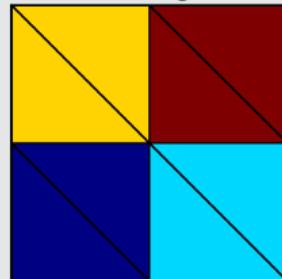


Solution of local problem

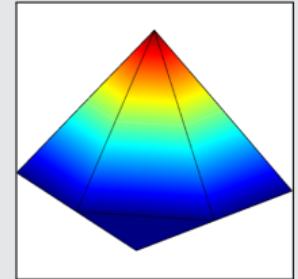


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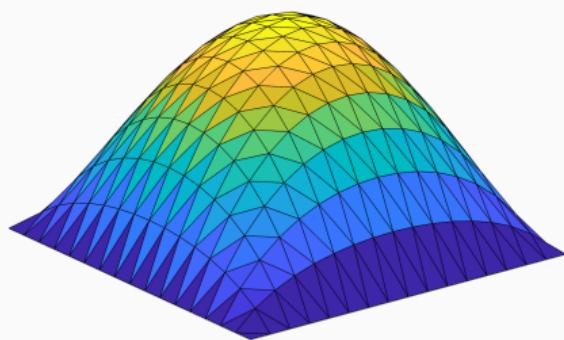
Coarse triangulation



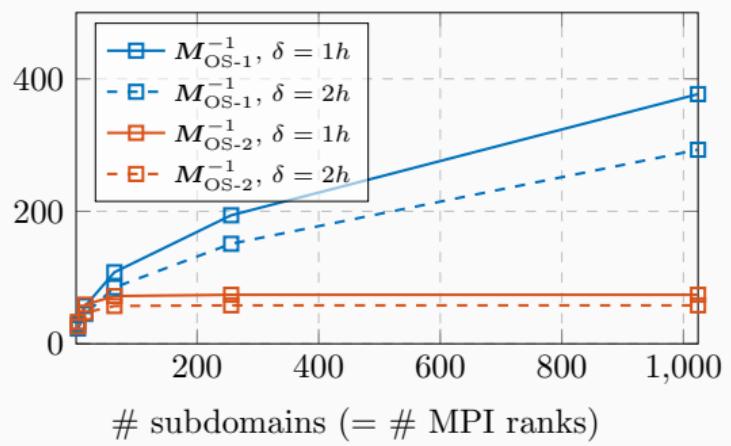
Coarse solution



Diffusion model problem in two dimensions,  
 $H/h = 100$

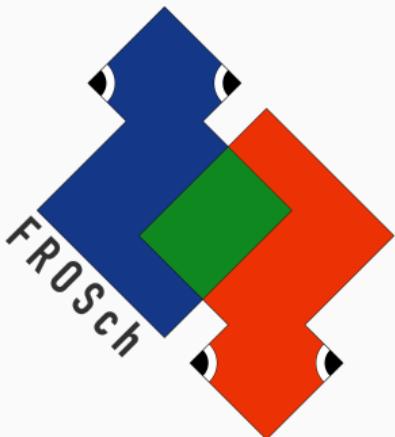


# iterations



# subdomains (= # MPI ranks)

# FROSCh (Fast and Robust Overlapping Schwarz) Framework in Trilinos



## Software

- Object-oriented C++ domain decomposition solver framework with MPI-based distributed memory parallelization
- Part of TRILINOS with support for both parallel linear algebra packages EPETRA and TPETRA
- Node-level parallelization and performance portability on CPU and GPU architectures through KOKKOS and KOKKOSKERNELS
- Accessible through unified TRILINOS solver interface STRATIMIKOS

## Methodology

- Parallel scalable multi-level Schwarz domain decomposition preconditioners
- Algebraic construction based on the parallel distributed system matrix
- Extension-based coarse spaces

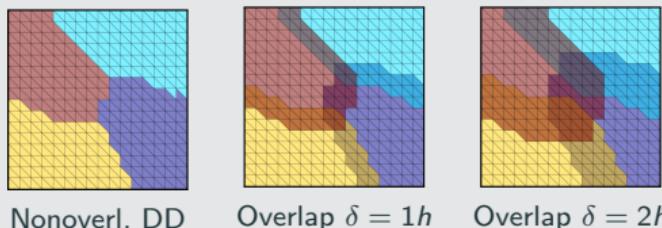
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# Algorithmic Framework for FROSCH

## First level – Overlapping DD

In FROSCH, the overlapping subdomains  $\Omega'_1, \dots, \Omega'_N$  are constructed by **recursively adding layers of elements** to the nonoverlapping subdomains; this can be performed based on the sparsity pattern of  $K$ .



## First level – Computation $K_i$

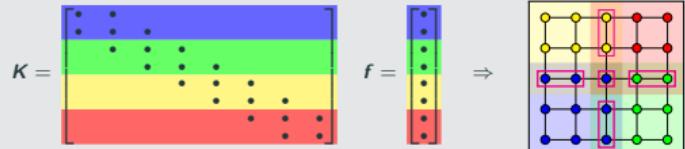
The overlapping matrices

$$K_i = R_i K R_i^\top$$

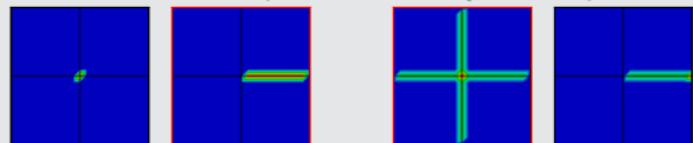
can easily be extracted from  $K$  since  $R_i$  is just a **global-to-local index mapping**.

## Coarse level – Interface basis

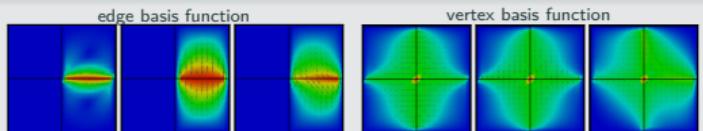
1. Algebraic identification of interface components:



2. Interface basis = partition of unity  $\times$  null space



## Coarse level – Extensions into interior



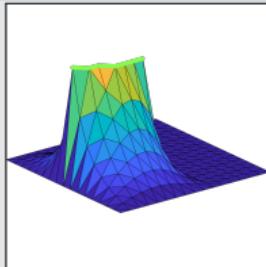
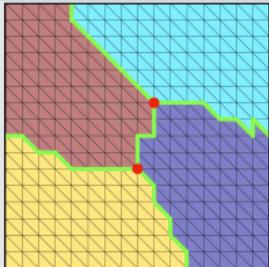
The values in the interior of the subdomains are computed via the **extension operator**:

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_I \\ \Phi_\Gamma \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -K_{II}^{-1} K_{I\Gamma}^T \Phi_\Gamma \\ \Phi_\Gamma \end{bmatrix}.$$

(For elliptic problems: energy-minimizing extension)

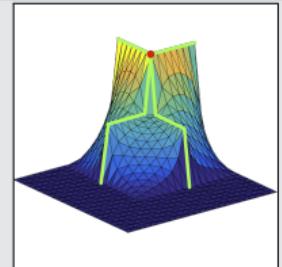
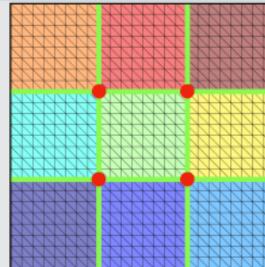
# Examples of FROSch Coarse Spaces

## GDSW (Generalized Dryja–Smith–Widlund)



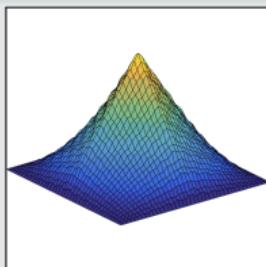
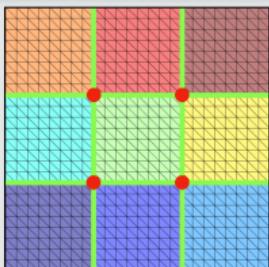
- Dohrmann, Klawonn, Widlund (2008)
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## RGDSW (Reduced dimension GDSW)



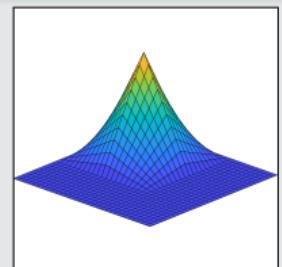
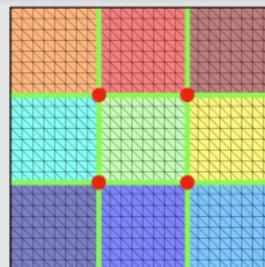
- Dohrmann, Widlund (2017)
- H., Klawonn, Knepper, Rheinbach, Widlund (2022)

## MsFEM (Multiscale Finite Element Method)



- Hou (1997), Efendiev and Hou (2009)
- Buck, Iliev, and Andrä (2013)
- H., Klawonn, Knepper, Rheinbach (2018)

## Q1 Lagrangian / piecewise bilinear



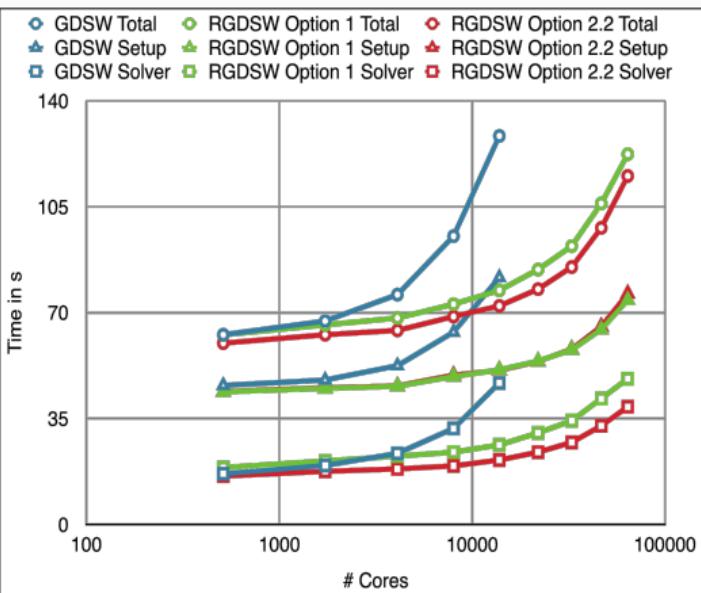
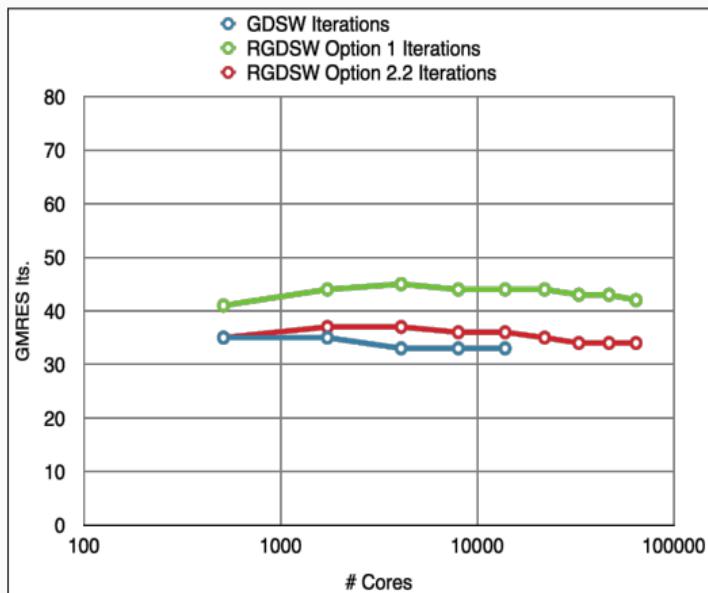
Piecewise linear interface partition of unity functions and a structured domain decomposition.

# Weak Scalability up to 64 k MPI ranks / 1.7 b Unknowns (3D Poisson; Juqueen)

Model problem: Poisson equation in 3D

Coarse solver: MUMPS (direct)

Largest problem: 374 805 361 / 1 732 323 601 unknowns



Cf. [Heinlein, Klawonn, Rheinbach, Widlund \(2017\)](#); computations performed on Juqueen, JSC, Germany.

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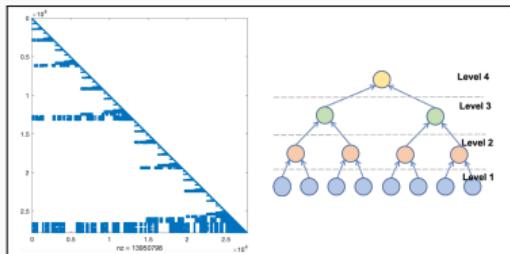
## **Performing the Subdomain Solves on GPUs**

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# Sparse Triangular Solver in KokkosKernels (Amesos2 – SuperLU/Tacho)

## SuperLU & SpTRSV

- Supernodal LU factorization with partial pivoting
- Triangular solver with **level-set scheduling** (KOKKOSKERNELS); cf. Yamazaki, Rajamanickam, Ellingwood (2020)

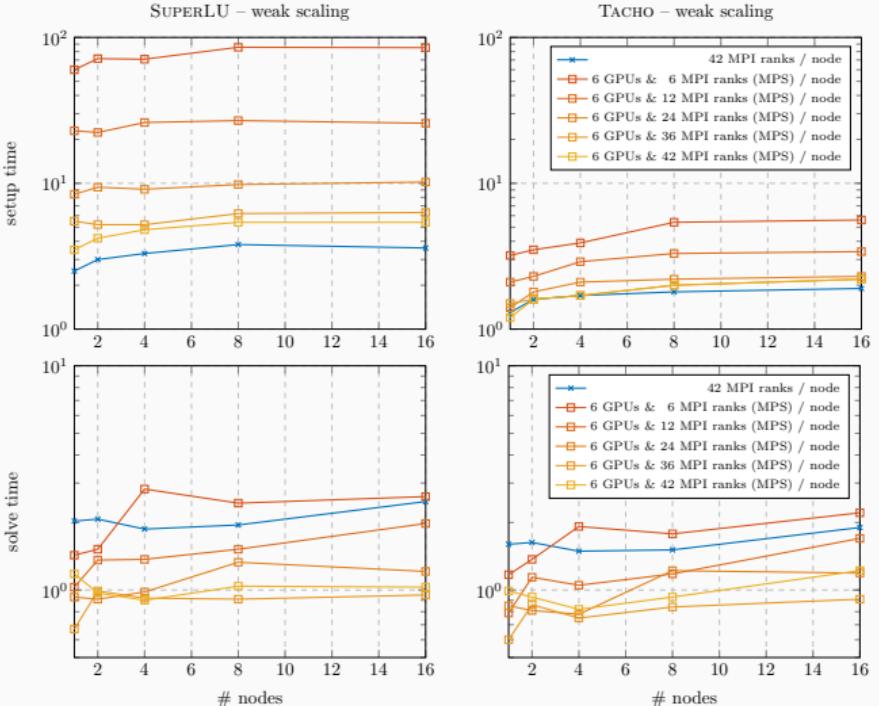


## Tacho

- Multifrontal factorization with pivoting inside frontal matrices
- Implementation using KOKKOS using **level-set scheduling**

Cf. Kim, Edwards, Rajamanickam (2018)

## Three-Dimensional Linear Elasticity – Weak Scalability of FROSch



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Yamazaki, Heinlein, Rajamanickam (2023)

# Three-Dimensional Linear Elasticity – ILU Subdomain Solver

ILU level		0	1	2	3
setup					
CPU	No	1.5	1.9	3.0	4.8
	ND	1.6	2.6	4.4	7.4
GPU	KK(No)	1.4	1.5	1.8	2.4
	KK(ND)	1.7	2.0	2.9	5.2
	Fast(No)	1.5	1.6	2.1	3.2
	Fast(ND)	1.5	1.7	2.5	4.5
speedup		1.0×	1.2×	1.4×	1.5×
solve					
CPU	No	2.55 (158)	3.60 (112)	5.28 (99)	6.85 (88)
	ND	4.17 (227)	5.36 (134)	6.61 (105)	7.68 (88)
GPU	KK(No)	3.81 (158)	4.12 (112)	4.77 (99)	5.65 (88)
	KK(ND)	2.89 (227)	4.27 (134)	5.57 (105)	6.36 (88)
	Fast(No)	1.14 (173)	1.11 (141)	1.26 (134)	1.43 (126)
	Fast(ND)	1.49 (227)	1.15 (137)	1.10 (109)	1.22 (100)
speedup		2.2×	3.2×	4.3×	4.8×

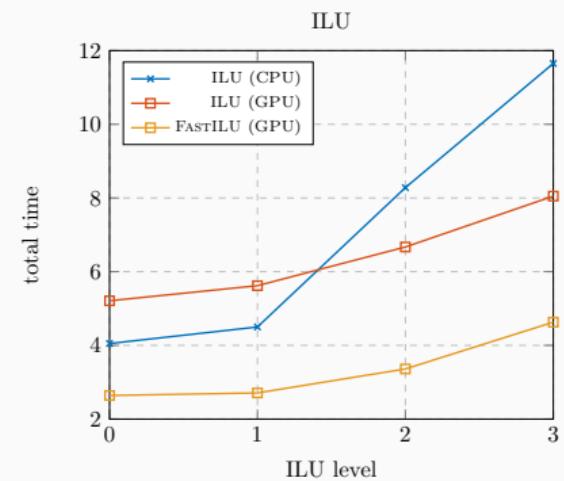
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## ILU variants

- KOKKOSKERNELS ILU (KK)
- Iterative FASTILU (Fast); cf. [Chow, Patel \(2015\)](#) and [Boman, Patel, Chow, Rajamanickam \(2016\)](#)

No reordering (**No**) and nested dissection (**ND**)



# Three-Dimensional Linear Elasticity – Weak Scalability Using ILU(1)

# nodes	1	2	4	8	16
# dofs	648 K	1.2 M	2.6 M	5.2 M	10.3 M
setup					
CPU		<b>1.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.4</b>
GPU	KK	1.4	2.0	2.2	2.4
	Fast	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>
speedup		<b>1.3×</b>	<b>1.0×</b>	<b>1.0×</b>	<b>0.9×</b>
solve					
CPU		<b>3.60 (112)</b>	<b>7.26 (84)</b>	<b>6.93 (78)</b>	<b>6.41 (75)</b>
GPU	KK	4.3 (119)	3.9 (110)	4.8 (105)	4.3 (97)
	Fast	<b>1.2 (154)</b>	<b>1.0 (133)</b>	<b>1.1 (130)</b>	<b>1.3 (117)</b>
speedup		<b>3.3×</b>	<b>3.8×</b>	<b>3.4×</b>	<b>2.5×</b>
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## Related works

- One-level Schwarz with local solves on GPU: [Luo, Yang, Zhao, Cai \(2011\)](#)
- Solves of dense local Schur complement matrices in BDDC on GPUs: [Šístek & Oberhuber \(2022\)](#)

# **Learning Extension Operators Using Graph Neural Networks**

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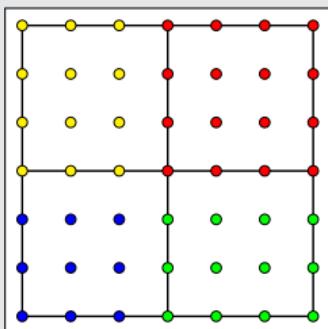
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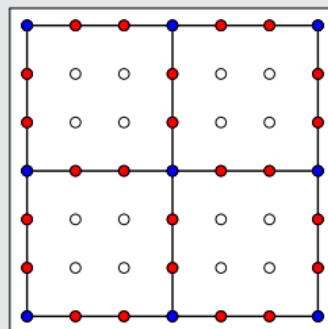
**Subdomain-based**



- The  $\omega_j$  are based on nonoverl. subdomains  $\Omega_j$
- No extensions needed

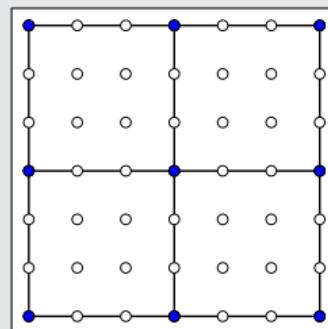
Cf. [Nicolaides \(1987\)](#)

**GDSW**



- The  $\omega_j$  are based on partition of the interface
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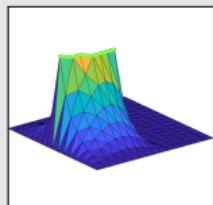
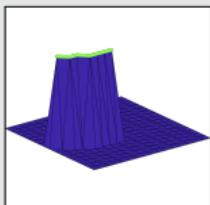
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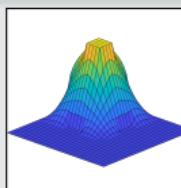
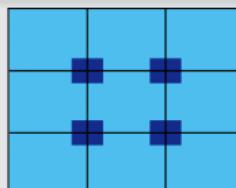
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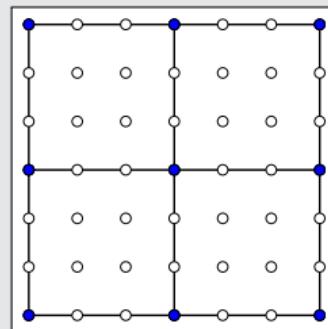


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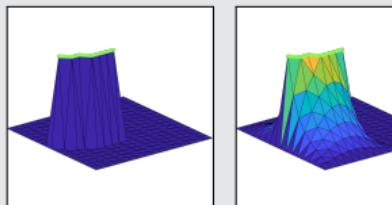
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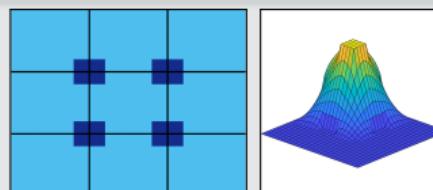
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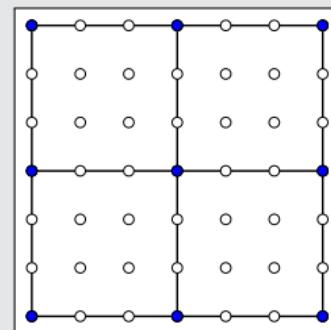


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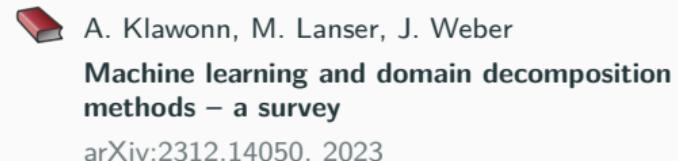
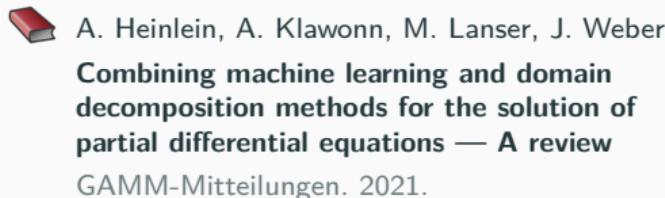
## Coarse spaces for domain decomposition methods

- Prediction of the geometric location of adaptive constraints (adaptive BDDC & FETI-DP as well as AGDSW): [Heinlein, Klawonn, Langer, Weber \(2019, 2020, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2022\)](#)
- Prediction of the adaptive constraints: [Klawonn, Langer, Weber \(preprint 2023, 2024\)](#)
- Prediction of spectral coarse spaces for BDDC for stochastic heterogeneities: [Chung, Kim, Lam, Zhao \(2021\)](#)
- Learning interface conditions and coarse interpolation operators: [Taghibakhshi et al. \(2022, 2023\)](#)

## Algebraic multigrid (AMG)

- Prediction of coarse grid operators: [Tomasi, Krause \(2023\)](#)
- Coarsening: [Taghibakhshi, MacLachlan, Olson, West \(2021\); Antonietti, Caldana, Dede \(2023\)](#)

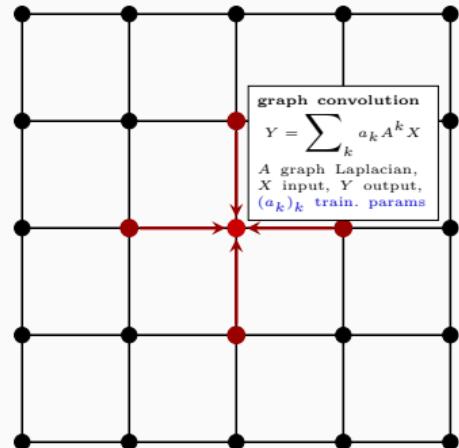
An overviews of the **state-of-the-art on domain decomposition and machine learning** in early 2021 and 2023:



# Prediction via Graph Convolutional Networks

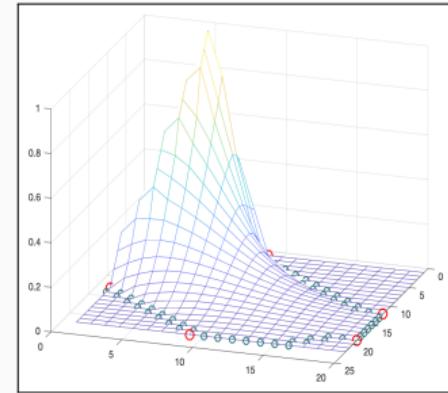
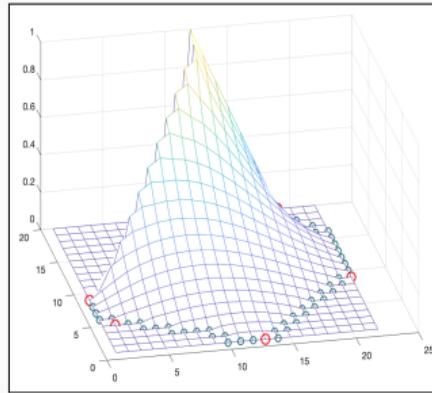
Graph convolutional networks (GCNs) introduced in [Kipf and Welling \(2017\)](#) are an example of graph neural networks (GNNs) and are well-suited for learning operations on simulation meshes:

- Generalization of classical convolutional neural networks (CNNs) [LeCun \(1998\)](#) to graph-based data sets.
- Consist of message passing layers, which perform a graph convolution operation on each node of the graph.
- Graph convolutions are invariant to position and permutation of the input vector.



## Local approach

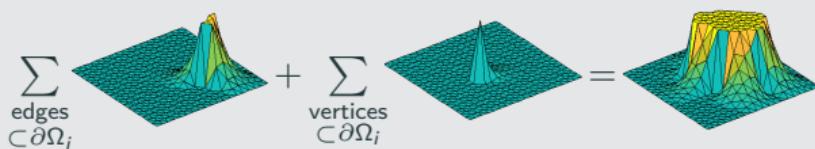
- Input: subdomain matrix  $K_i$
- Output: basis functions  $\{\varphi_j^{\Omega_i}\}_j$  on the same subdomain
- Training on subdomains with varying geometry
- Inference on unseen subdomains



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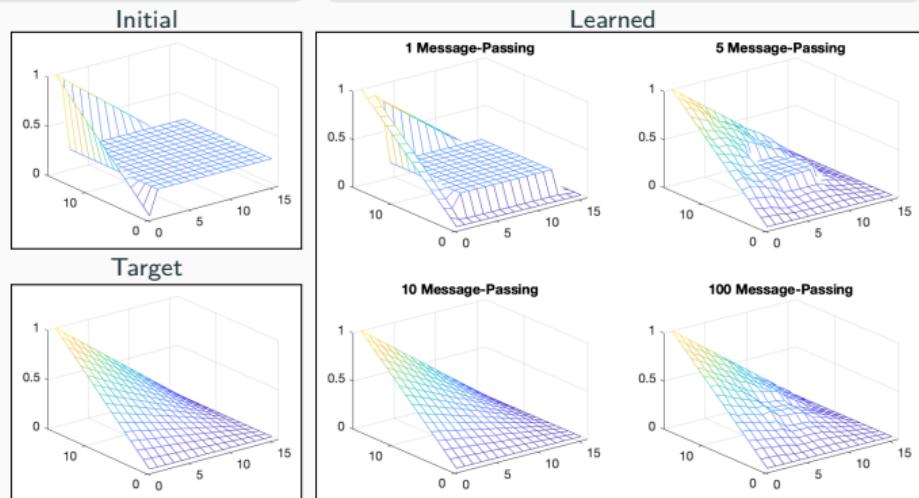
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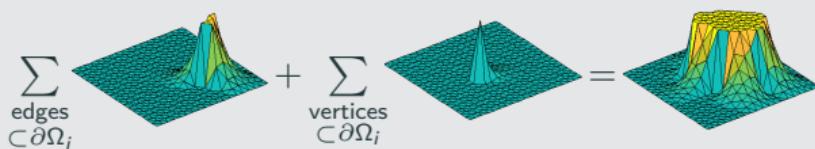
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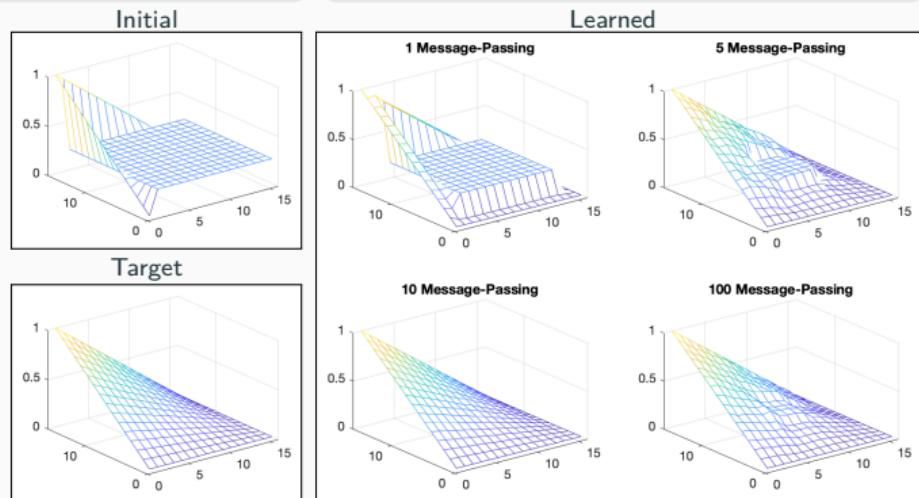
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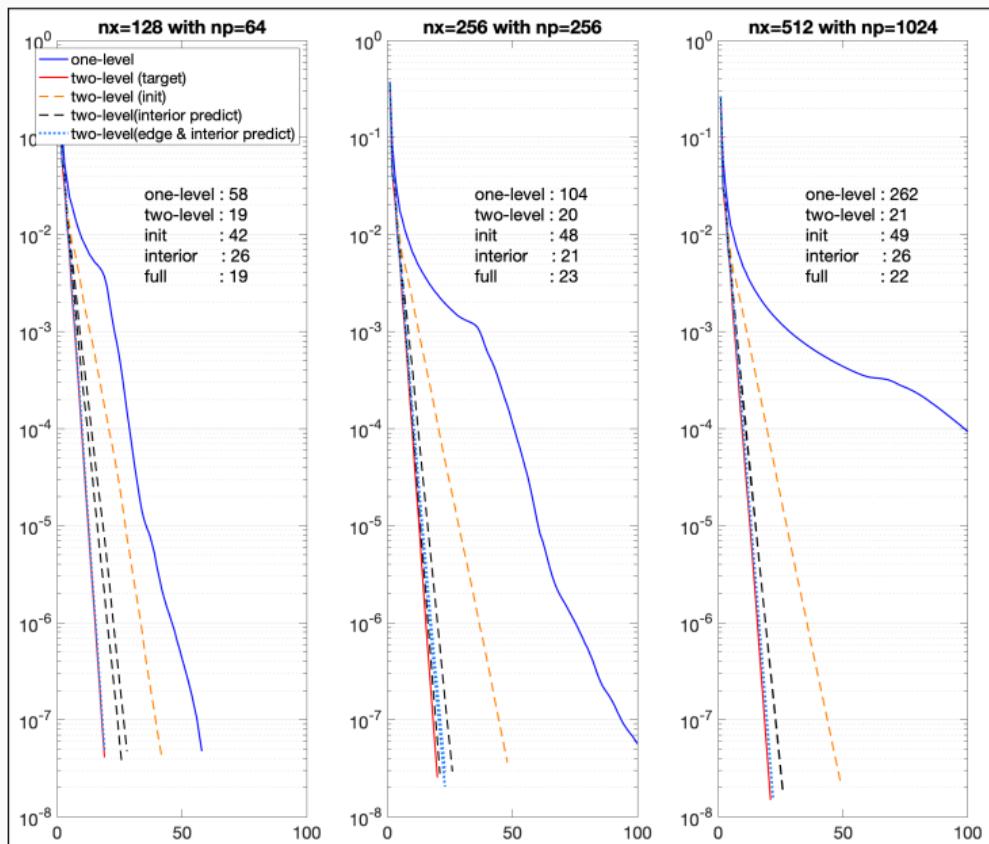
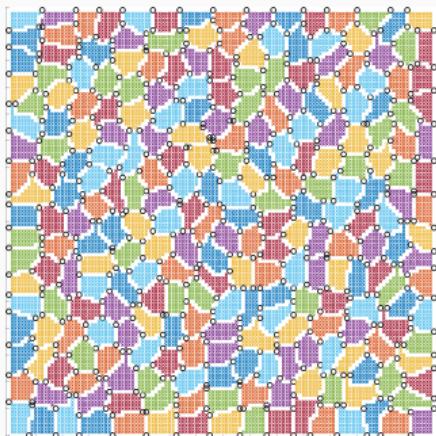
# Numerical Results – Weak Scaling Study

**Model problem:** 2D Laplacian model problem discretized using finite differences on a structured grid

$$-\Delta u = 1 \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega,$$

decomposed using METIS:



## FROSCh

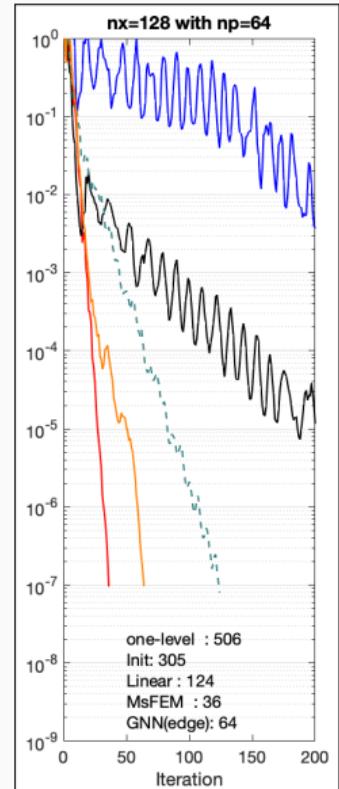
- FROSCh is based on the **Schwarz framework** and **energy-minimizing coarse spaces**, which provide **numerical scalability** using **only algebraic information** for a **variety of applications**

## Subdomain solves on GPUs

- Subdomain solves make up a **major part of the total solver time**.
- Using the **GPU triangular solve** from KOKKOSKERNELS, we can **speed up** the **solve phase** of FROSCh. It can be **further improved** using **ILU**.

## Learning extension operators

- Extensions** are a major component in the **construction of coarse spaces** for domain decomposition methods.
- Using **GNNs** and **known properties from the theory**, we can **learn extension operators** that lead to a **scalable coarse spaces**.



Thank you for your attention!