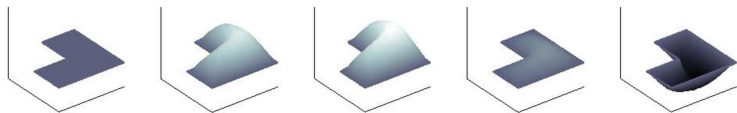


Sparse space-time Petrov-Galerkin discretizations for parabolic evolution equations

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$$(\partial_t - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{a}(t, \mathbf{x}) \nabla) u(t, \mathbf{x}) = f(t, \mathbf{x}) \quad \text{in } J \times D,$$

$$u(0, \mathbf{x}) = g(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{in } D,$$

$$u(t, \mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \text{on } J \times \partial D,$$

and **preconditioning** of the resulting linear algebraic system.

- ▶ $J = (0, T)$ temporal interval
- ▶ $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ bounded domain
- ▶ $\mathbf{a} =$ diffusion coefficient $(\mathbf{a} \in L^\infty(J \times D))$
- ▶ $f =$ source $(f \in L^2(J; H^{-1}(D)))$
- ▶ $g =$ initial value $(g \in L^2(D))$

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- ▶ various space-time variational formulations are available
- ▶ quasi-optimality (cf. Céa's lemma) from space-time stability
- ▶ massively parallel space-time compressive algorithms
- ▶ low regularity assumptions on \mathbf{a} , f and g , but none on u
- ▶ high order approximation in time and space possible
- ▶ space-time error control; towards space-time adaptivity
- ▶ novel parabolic multilevel preconditioners
- ▶ application:

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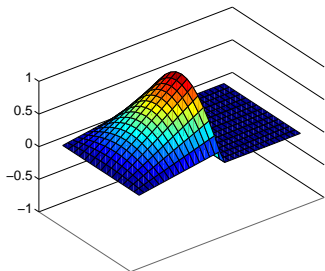
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Example: given $u^* \in L^2(J \times D)$ and $\alpha > 0$, minimize

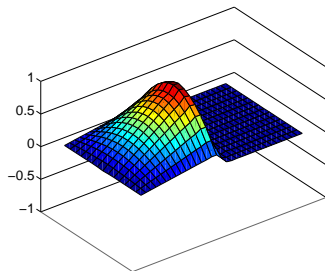
$$\|u - u^*\|_{L^2(J \times D)}^2 + \alpha \|(f, g)\|^2$$

where u solves the parabolic PDE. The mapping $(f, g) \mapsto u$ enters the optimality conditions. \rightsquigarrow “correct” discretization?

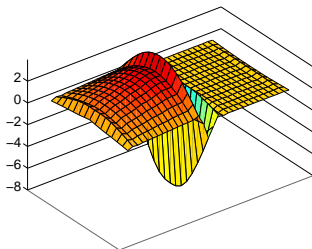
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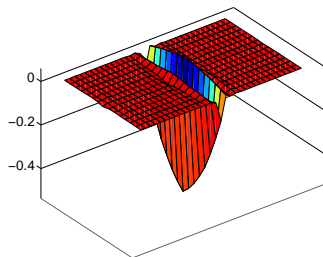
Computed state



Computed control



Difference to target state



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Suppose $\mathbf{a} = 1$, $f = 0$, and $-\Delta g = \lambda^2 g$, then

$$u(t, \mathbf{x}) = w(t)g(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\partial_t + \lambda^2)w(t) = 0 \quad \text{on } J, \quad w(0) = 1.$$

This motivates the variational formulation: find $w \in H^1(J)$ s.t.

$$\int_J (\partial_t w + \lambda^2 w) v_1 dt + w(0) v_0 \stackrel{!}{=} 1 v_0 \quad \forall v_1 \in L^2(J), v_0 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

This set-up will suffice to exhibit the main difficulty with $u \mapsto u_L$.

For $w \in H^1(J)$ and $v = (v_0, v_1) \in \mathbb{R} \times L^2(J)$ define B_λ and F by

$$\langle B_\lambda w, v \rangle := \int_J (\partial_t w + \lambda^2 w) v_1 dt + w(0) v_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle F, v \rangle := 1 v_0.$$

The variational formulation thus reads:

$$\text{Find } u \in X: \quad \langle B_\lambda u, v \rangle = \langle F, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in Y$$

where $X := H^1(J)$ and $Y := \mathbb{R} \times L^2(J)$.

It is well-posed only if any perturbation $B_\lambda(u + w) - B_\lambda u$ can be detected by some test function v :

$$\gamma := \inf_{w \neq 0} \sup_{v \neq 0} \frac{\langle B_\lambda w, v \rangle}{\|w\| \|v\|} > 0.$$

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A family of subspaces X_L, Y_L , parameterized by “level” L , is called **space-time stable** if $\gamma_L \geq \gamma > 0$ in

$$\gamma_L := \inf_{w_L \neq 0} \sup_{v_L \neq 0} \frac{\langle B_\lambda w_L, v_L \rangle}{\|w_L\| \|v_L\|} > 0.$$

Outline of the talk

- ▶ The “natural” X_L and Y_L are not space-time stable.
- ▶ Abstract stable MinRes discrete variational formulation.
- ▶ Space-time (sparse) discretization of the heat equation.
- ▶ Novel parabolic multilevel preconditioners.

The “natural” X_L and Y_L are not space-time stable

Take

↓ finite set of nodes

- ▶ temporal mesh $\mathcal{T}_L = \{\inf J =: t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{2L+1} := \sup J\}$
- ▶ $X_L \subset H^1(J)$ continuous piecewise affine on \mathcal{T}_L
- ▶ $Y_L := \mathbb{R} \times \partial_t X_L \subset \mathbb{R} \times L^2(J)$ piecewise constant on \mathcal{T}_L

This is equivalent to Crank-Nicolson time-stepping, see

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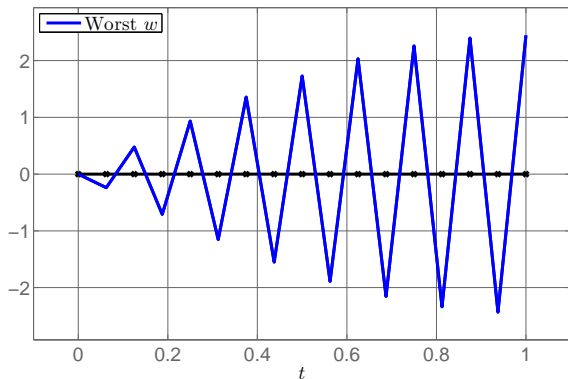
Do we have stability

$$\gamma_L := \inf_{w_L \neq 0} \sup_{v_L \neq 0} \frac{\langle B_\lambda w_L, v_L \rangle}{\|w_L\|_\lambda \|v_L\|_\lambda} \geq \gamma > 0$$

uniformly in $\lambda > 0$ (and independently of u)?

The norms $\|\cdot\|_\lambda$ allow to generalize to the parabolic PDE.

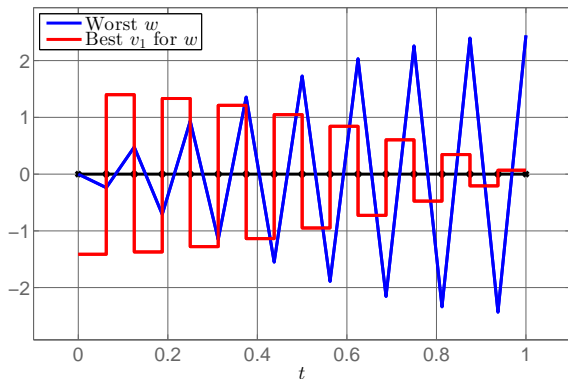
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cf. I. Babuška and T. Janik, The h-p [...] for parabolic equations. II., **1990**, also for the discussion of the Crank-Nicolson time-stepping method.

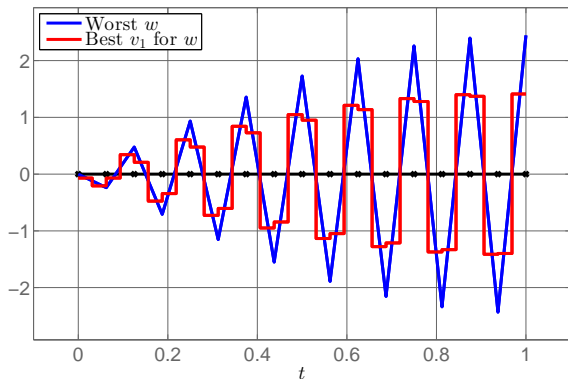
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May get arbitrarily small for some temporal mesh

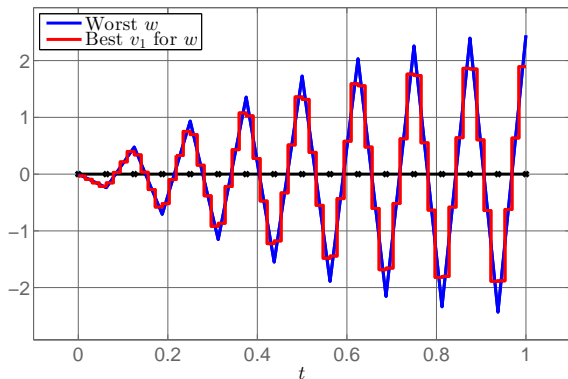
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A unit-norm $w \in X_L$ that realizes the worst case $\gamma_L \approx 0.8671 \geq \sqrt{3/4}$
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Cannot get much worse for any temporal mesh

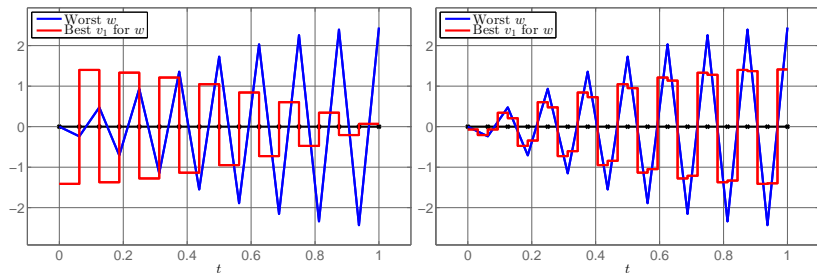
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A unit-norm $w \in X_L$ that realizes the worst case $\gamma_L \approx 0.9685 \geq \sqrt{15/16}$
and its best-detecting unit-norm $v_1 \in \partial_t X_{L+2}$

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How to incorporate the finer test space \uparrow
in the discrete variational formulation?

Abstract stable MinRes discrete variational formulation

Let

- ▶ X and Y be real Hilbert spaces,
- ▶ $B : X \rightarrow Y'$ be a bounded linear operator,
- ▶ $X_L \subset X$ and $Y_L \subset Y$ be finite-dimensional subspaces,
- ▶ the pair X_L, Y_L satisfy the discrete inf-sup condition $\gamma_L > 0$,

$$\gamma_L := \inf_{w_L \neq 0} \sup_{v_L \neq 0} \frac{\langle Bw_L, v_L \rangle}{\|w_L\| \|v_L\|} > 0.$$

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Let $u \in X$. Given Bu , the goal is to

$$\text{find } u_L \in X_L \text{ such that } Bu \approx Bu_L.$$

Remarks

- ▶ No assumption on B^{-1} .
- ▶ $\dim X_L < \dim Y_L$ is ok.

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Thm. For each $u \in X$ there exists a unique $T_L u \in X_L$ such that

$$R_L(T_L u) \leq \inf_{w_L \in X_L} R_L(w_L), \quad R_L(w_L) := \sup_{v_L \neq 0} \frac{|\langle Bu - Bw_L, v_L \rangle|}{\|v_L\|}.$$

The map T_L is linear, $T_L^2 = T_L$, and $\|T_L\| \leq \gamma_L^{-1} \|B\|$. Therefore,

$$\|u - T_L u\| \leq \frac{\|B\|}{\gamma_L} \inf_{w_L \in X_L} \|u - w_L\| \quad (\text{quasi-optimality})$$

Abstract stable MinRes discrete variational formulation

Given $X_L \subset X$ and $Y_L \subset Y$ with $\gamma_L > 0$, the MinRes solution to

$$Bu = F \in Y'$$

is therefore well-defined as the residual minimizer,

$$u_L := \arg \min_{w_L \in X_L} R_L(w_L), \quad R_L(w_L) := \sup_{v_L \neq 0} \frac{|\langle F - Bw_L, v_L \rangle|}{\|v_L\|}.$$

Operator preconditioning: With bases for X_L and Y_L , the sol'n u_L is approximated by iterating on the linear algebraic system

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{N}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{N}^{-1} \mathbf{F},$$

where the matrices \mathbf{N} and \mathbf{M} measure the Y and the X norms. **The condition number is controlled by γ_L^{-1} .**

On the heat equation: a selection of related efforts

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On the heat equation: variational formulation

Define the spaces

- ▶ $X := L^2(J; V) \cap H^1(J; V')$, where $V := H_0^1(D)$,
- ▶ $Y := H \times L^2(J; V)$, where $H := L^2(D)$.

Encode the heat eq'n in a **space-time variational formulation**

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with the bounded linear operators $B : X \rightarrow Y'$ and $F \in Y'$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Bw, v \rangle &:= \int_J \langle \partial_t w - \nabla \cdot a \nabla w, v_1 \rangle dt + (w(0), v_0)_{L^2(D)}, \\ \langle F, v \rangle &:= \int_J \langle f, v_1 \rangle dt + (g, v_0)_{L^2(D)}. \end{aligned}$$

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Default norms on X and Y :

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$$\|v\|_Y^2 := \|v_0\|_H^2 + \|v_1\|_{L^2(J; V)}^2, \quad v = (v_0, v_1) \in Y.$$

The norm on V is the H^1 -seminorm.

On the heat equation: Space-time stability

Take nested sequences of closed nontrivial subspaces ($L \in \mathbb{N}_0$)

- ▶ $E_L \subseteq E_{L+1} \subseteq H^1(J)$ and $F_L \subseteq F_{L+1} \subseteq L^2(J)$ such that the compatibility condition

$$\tau := \inf_{L \in \mathbb{N}} \left[\inf_{e \in \partial_t E_L + E_L \setminus \{0\}} \sup_{f \in F_L \setminus \{0\}} \frac{(e, f)_{L^2(J)}}{\|e\|_{L^2(J)} \|f\|_{L^2(J)}} \right] > 0$$

holds. For example,

- ▶ $E_L = F_L = \{\text{polynomials up to degree } L\}$, (Babuška & Janik)
 - ▶ $E_L = F_L = \{\sin + \cos \text{ up to frequency } L\}$, (Langer & Wolfmayr)
 - ▶ $F_L = \partial_t E_L + E_L$,
 - ▶ $E_L = \{\sim 2^L \text{ hats on uniform mesh}\}$, $F_L = E_{L+1}$. (R.A.)
- ▶ $V_L \subseteq V_{L+1} \subseteq V$
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$$\kappa := \inf_{L \in \mathbb{N}} \left[\inf_{\chi' \in V_L \setminus \{0\}} \sup_{\chi \in V_L \setminus \{0\}} \frac{(\chi', \chi)_H}{\|\chi'\|_{V'} \|\chi\|_V} \right] > 0$$

holds. For example,

- ▶ wavelet Riesz bases for V' , H , and V , (Schwab & Stevenson)
 - ▶ P1 FEM on quasi-uniform meshes, (Babuška & Janik)
 - ▶ if the H -projection is V -stable. (cf. Bramble, Pasciak & Steinbach)
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discrete trial and test spaces, **or** ...

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Theorem

There exists $c > 0$ such that

$$\inf_{L \in \mathbb{N}} \gamma_L \geq c\tau\kappa.$$

In fact, $c = 1$ if $a \equiv 1$ and the norm on X is taken as

$$\|w\|_X^2 = \|\partial_t w\|_{L^2(J; V')}^2 + \|w\|_{L^2(J; V)}^2 + \|w(T)\|_H^2.$$

On the heat equation: Conditional space-time stability

Take

$(L \in \mathbb{N}_0)$

- ▶ $E_L \subset H^1(J)$ pw. polynomial on any temporal mesh \mathcal{T}_L ,
- ▶ $V_L \subset V$ any nontrivial finite-dimensional subspace,
- ▶ $X_L := E_L \otimes V_L$ and $Y_L := V_L \times [\partial_t E_L \otimes V_L]$ (\equiv cG method).

Theorem

There exists $c > 0$ such that

$$\gamma_L \geq c\kappa \min\{1, \text{CFL}_L^{-1}\}$$

where

$$\text{CFL}_L := \max \Delta \mathcal{T} \times \sup_{x \in V_L \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|x\|_V}{\|x\|_{V'}} \sim \Delta t \times \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}.$$

The dependence on CFL_L cannot be improved, in general.

On the heat equation: Example 1

Set-up

- ▶ equidistant temporal mesh $\mathcal{T}_L = \{k2^{-L} : k = 0, \dots, 2^{L+1}\}$
- ▶ L-shaped domain $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$
- ▶ $V_0 \subset H_0^1(D)$ P1 FEM on a simplicial triangulation (pdetool)
- ▶ X_L continuous piecewise affine on \mathcal{T}_L with values in V_0
- ▶ $Y_L := V_0 \times \partial_t X_L$ piecewise constant on \mathcal{T}_L
- ▶ source $f(t, \mathbf{x}) := \sin(t)$, initial condition $g(\mathbf{x}) := 0$

Corollary.

- ▶ The family X_L, Y_{L+1} is space-time stable.
- ▶ The family X_L, Y_L (C-N) is conditionally space-time stable.

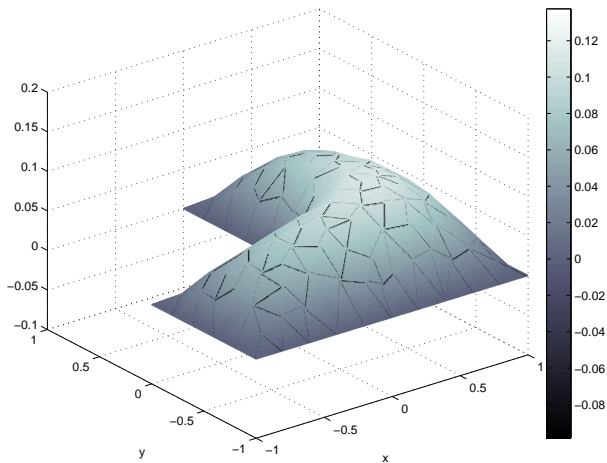


Figure: Solution to the heat equation on the L-shaped domain (snapshot, almost uniform triangular mesh, 32'705 spatial dof's).

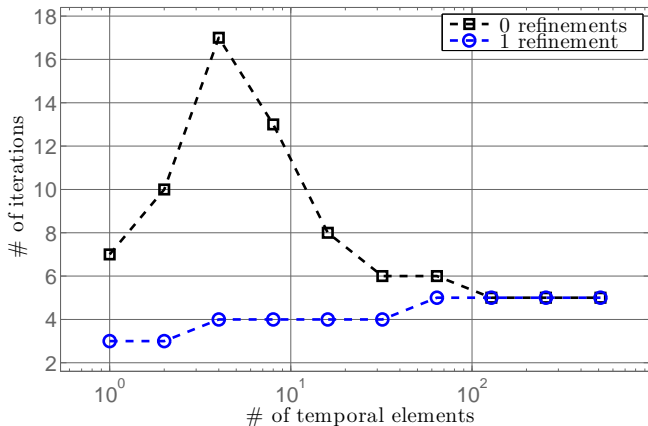


Figure: Number of iterations for the “operator preconditioned LSQR” for Y_L vs. Y_{L+1} as test space (GNE tol. 10^{-4}). The effect of γ_L is seen.

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in $J \times D = (0, 2) \times (-1, 1)$, with zero I.C. and zero Dirichlet B.C.

The problem is of the form

$$Bu + G(u) = F$$

which we solve using the fixed point iteration

$$u_L^i := [w \mapsto T_L B^{-1}(F - G(w))]^i(0), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots$$

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$$X_L := \sum_{0 \leq k+l \leq L} E_k \otimes V_l, \quad Y_L := V_L \times \sum_{0 \leq k+l \leq L} [E_{k+1} \otimes V_l].$$

On the heat equation: Example 2

Summary of parameters:

- ▶ level of discretization: $L = 0, 1, \dots, 7$
- ▶ number of fixed point iterations: $i = 0, 1, \dots, 8$
- ▶ full tensor product (**FTP**) solution: u_L^i
- ▶ sparse tensor product (**STP**) solution: \hat{u}_L^i
- ▶ reference solution: FTP with $L = 8$ and $i = 10$

The PDE data:

- ▶ $\partial_t u(t, x) - \partial_{xx} u(t, x) + 10 u(t, x)^3 = f(t, x)$
- ▶ $f(t, x) = \sin(\pi t/2)^2 \cos(\cos(\pi t/2) + x)$
- ▶ is posed on $J \times D = (0, 2) \times (-1, 1)$
- ▶ zero initial value
- ▶ homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions

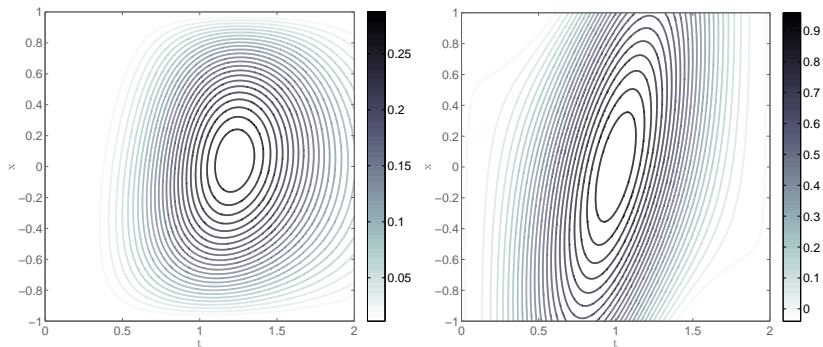


Figure: The solution u (left) and the source f (right)

Note: $\|10u^3\|_{L^\infty(J \times D)} \approx \frac{1}{6} \|f\|_{L^\infty(J \times D)}$.

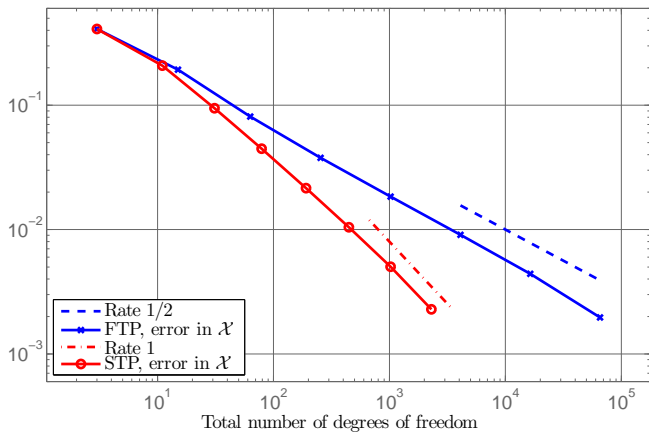


Figure: Error of the FTP u_L^i and the STP \hat{u}_L^i solutions for fixed $i = 10$ as a function of the total number of degrees of freedom, $L = 0, \dots, 7$

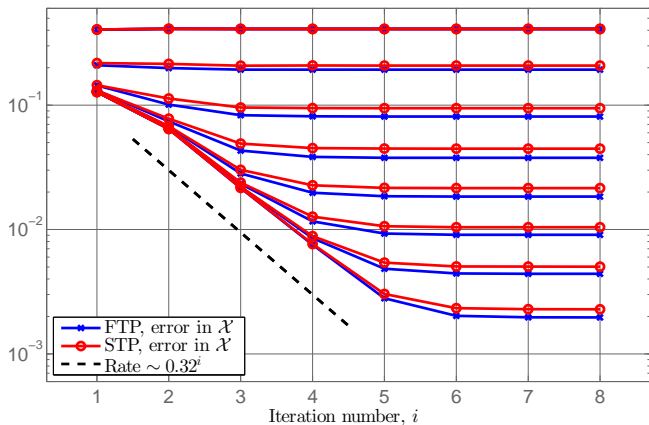


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Parabolic multilevel preconditioners

Operator preconditioning: With bases for X_L and Y_L , the sol'n u_L is approximated by iterating on the linear algebraic system

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{N}^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{B}^T\mathbf{N}^{-1}\mathbf{F},$$

where the matrices \mathbf{N} and \mathbf{M} measure the Y and the X norms, possibly only approximately.

Parabolic multilevel preconditioners: variant A

Proposition

An s.p.d. isomorphism $M : X \rightarrow X'$ on $X = L^2(J; V) \cap H^1(J; V')$ is defined by

$$\langle Mw, w \rangle := \sum_{k, \ell \in \mathbb{N}} \{2^{0k} 2^{2\ell} + 2^{2k} 2^{-2\ell}\} \|(P_k^\Delta \otimes Q_\ell^\Delta)w\|_{L^2(J; H)}^2$$

where P_k^Δ and Q_ℓ^Δ are suitable projections on $L^2(J)$ and H .

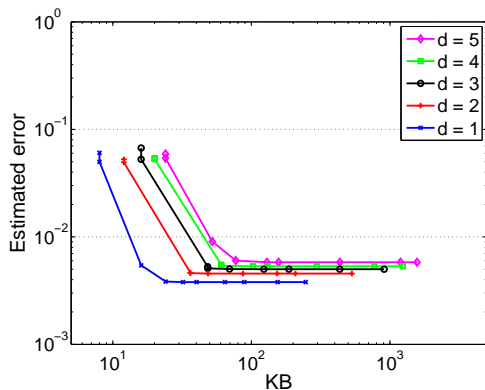
Then, \mathbf{M}^{-1} is obtained from M^{-1} .

An s.p.d. isomorphism

$$N : Y \rightarrow Y' \quad \text{on} \quad H \times Y = L^2(J; V)$$

can be defined analogously.

Parabolic multilevel preconditioners: variant A



R.A. and C. Tobler, Multilevel preconditioning and low rank tensor iteration for space-time simultaneous discretizations of parabolic PDEs, (2012)

Figure: Space-time MinRes PG coupled with the `htucker` toolbox: error of the solution computed in the **hierarchical Tucker** low rank format for a space-time problem of full size of up to 127PB

Parabolic multilevel preconditioners: variant B

The matrix

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}_t \otimes \mathbf{A}_x + \mathbf{A}_t \otimes (\mathbf{M}_x \mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{M}_x)$$

measures the X norm (via $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{w}$), where $\mathbf{M}_{t,x}$ is the mass and $\mathbf{A}_{t,x}$ is the stiffness matrix, subscript indicating *time* or *space*.

Diagonalize \mathbf{M}_t and \mathbf{A}_t simultaneously by taking \mathbf{V}_t such that

$$\mathbf{V}_t^T \mathbf{M}_t \mathbf{V}_t = \mathbf{I}_t \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{V}_t^T \mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{V}_t = \mathbf{D}_t$$

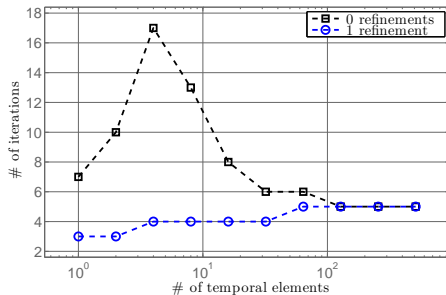
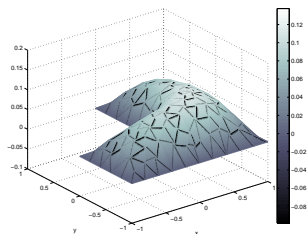
are diagonal. Then

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1} = (\mathbf{V}_t \otimes \mathbf{I}_x) (\mathbf{I}_t \otimes \mathbf{A}_x + \mathbf{D}_t \otimes (\mathbf{M}_x \mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{M}_x))^{-1} (\mathbf{V}_t^T \otimes \mathbf{I}_x).$$

Need to solve (many, approx., in parallel) problems of the form

$$(\mathbf{A}_x + k^2 \mathbf{M}_x \mathbf{A}_x^{-1} \mathbf{M}_x) \mathbf{w} = \dots$$

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