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# Discontinuous Galerkin multiscale methods for second order elliptic problems

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#### Model problem

Consider the elliptic problem

$$-\nabla \cdot A\nabla u + (\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u + cu) = f \text{ in } \Omega,$$
$$u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega.$$

where  $0 < A_{min} \in \mathbb{R} \leq A(x) \in L^{\infty}(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}_{sym})$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in [W^{1}_{\infty}(\Omega)]^{d}$ ,  $c \in L^{\infty}(\Omega)$ ,  $f \in L^{2}(\Omega)$ , with the standard assumption

$$c_o^2 = c - rac{1}{2} 
abla \cdot \mathbf{b} \geq c_0 \in \mathbb{R} > 0.$$

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### Discontinuous Galerkin discretization

Split Ω into a elements T = {T}, and let E = {e} be the set of all edges in T.



Figure: Example of a mesh on a unit square.

 Let V<sub>H</sub> be the space of all discontinuous piecewise (bi)linear polynomials.



Figure: Example of  $\{v\}$  and [v]

The bilinear form is defined by:

$$a_H(u,v) := a_H^{\mathsf{d}}(u,v) + a_H^{\mathsf{c-r}}(u,v).$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{a}_{H}^{\mathsf{d}}(u,v) &:= (A\nabla_{H}u, \nabla_{H}v)_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_{H}} \left(\frac{\sigma_{e}}{h_{e}}([u], [v])_{L^{2}(e)} - (\{\nu_{e} \cdot A\nabla u\}, [v])_{L^{2}(e)} - (\{\nu_{e} \cdot A\nabla v\}, [u]_{L^{2}(e)})\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_e$  is a constant and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_{H}^{c\text{-r}}(u,v) &:= (\mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla_{H}u + cu, v)_{L^{2}(\Omega)} + \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_{H}} (b_{e}[u], [v])_{L^{2}(e)} \\ &- \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_{H}(\Omega)} (\nu_{e} \cdot \mathbf{b}\{u\}, [v])_{L^{2}(e)} - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_{H}(\Gamma)} \frac{1}{2} ((\nu_{e} \cdot \mathbf{b})u, v)_{L^{2}(e)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $b_e = |\nu_e \cdot \mathbf{b}|/2$ .

- $a_{H}^{d}(\cdot, \cdot)$  approximates the diffusion a interior penalty method.
- $a_{H}^{c-r}(\cdot, \cdot)$  approximates the convection-reaction using upwind.

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• The energy-norm is defined by

$$|||v|||_{H}^{2} = ||A^{1/2}\nabla_{H}v||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + ||c_{o}v||_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}} (\frac{\sigma}{H} + \frac{|\mathbf{b} \cdot \nu|}{2})||[v]||_{L^{2}(e)}^{2}$$

• Let  $\mathcal{V}_H$  be the space of discontinuous piecewise (bi)linear polynomials.

(One scale) DG method Find  $u_H \in \mathcal{V}_H$  such that

$$a_H(u_H, v) = F(v), \quad ext{for all } v \in \mathcal{V}_H.$$

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# Figure: The coefficient *A* in the model problem.

Figure: Reference solution.

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#### Objective with the multiscale method

• Eliminate the dependency of A via a multiscale method i.e.,

$$|||u-u_H^{ms,L}||| \le C_f H,$$

where H does not resolve the variation in A

• Construct an adaptive algorithm to focus computational effort to critical areas (for Poisson's equation with variable coefficients).

### Some known methods

- Upscaling techniques: Durlofsky et al. 98, Nielsen et al. 98.
- Variational multiscale method: Hughes et al. 95, Arbogast 04, Larson-Målqvist 05, Nolen et al. 08, Nordbotten 09.
- MsFEM: Hou-Wu 96, Efendiev-Ginting 04, Aarnes-Lie 06.
- Residual free bubbles: Brezzi et al. 98.
- Heterogeneous multiscale method: Engquist-E 03, E-Ming-Zang 04, Ohlberger 05.
- Equation free: Kevrekidis et al. 05.
- GFEM: Babuska-Lipton et al. 11.
- Metric based upscaling: Owhadi-Zang et al. 06.
- Generalized MsFEM: Efendiev et al. 13.
- ...

#### Remarks

• Local approximations (in parallel) on a fine scale are used to modify a coarse scale space or equation.

### Multiscale split

- Consider a coarse  $\mathcal{V}_H$  and a fine space  $\mathcal{V}_h$ , such that  $\mathcal{V}_H \subset \mathcal{V}_h$ .
- Let Π<sub>H</sub> be the L<sup>2</sup>-projection onto V<sub>H</sub>. This will be used as the split between the coarse and fine scale.
- Define  $\mathcal{V}^f(\omega) = \{ v \in \mathcal{V}_h(\omega) : \Pi_H v = 0 \}.$
- We have a  $L^2$ -orthogonal split;  $\mathcal{V}_h = \mathcal{V}_H \oplus \mathcal{V}^f$ .



Figure:  $u_h = u_H + u^f$ 

#### Corrected basis functions

• For each basis function  $\lambda_{T,j} \in \mathcal{V}_H$  we calculate a corrector, find  $\phi_{T,j}^L \in \mathcal{V}^f(\omega_T^L)$  such that

$$\mathsf{a}_h(\phi_{T,j}^L,\mathsf{v}_f)=\mathsf{a}_h(\lambda_{T,j},\mathsf{v}_f), \quad ext{for all } \mathsf{v}_f\in\mathcal{V}^f(\omega_T^L).$$

where supp $(\lambda_{T,j}) = T$  and L indicates the size of the patch.

- Let the new corrected space be defined by V<sup>ms</sup><sub>H</sub> = span{λ<sub>T,j</sub> − φ<sup>L</sup><sub>T,j</sub>}.
- We have an  $u_h = u_H^{ms} + u^f$  where  $u_h \in \mathcal{V}_h$ ,  $u_H^{ms} \in \mathcal{V}_H^{ms}$ , and  $u^f \in \mathcal{V}^f$ .



**Figure**:  $u_h = u_H^{ms} + u^f$ 

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#### Examples of corrected basis functions





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## Example of corrected basis function

• With b = [0, 0]'.



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### Example of corrected basis function

• With  $\mathbf{b} = -[1, 0]'$ .



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### Example of corrected basis function

• With  $\mathbf{b} = -[2,0]'$ .



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### Example of corrected basis function

• With  $\mathbf{b} = -[4, 0]'$ .



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### Example of corrected basis function

• With 
$$\mathbf{b} = -[8,0]'$$
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#### Example of corrected basis function

• With  $\mathbf{b} = -[16, 0]'$ .



#### Discontinuous Galerkin multiscale method

Consider the problem: find  $u_H^{ms,L} \in \mathcal{V}_L^{ms} = \operatorname{span}\{\lambda_{T,j} - \phi_{T,j}^L\}$  such that

$$a_h(u_H^{ms,L},v)=F(v), \quad ext{for all } v\in \mathcal{V}_H^{ms,L}.$$

- dim $\mathcal{V}_H^{ms,L}$  = dim $\mathcal{V}_H$
- The basis function are solved independently of each other.
- Method can take advantage of periodicity.

# A priori error bound for Poisson's equation with variable coefficients

Lemma (Decay of corrected basisfunctions) For  $\phi_{T,j} \in \mathcal{V}^{f}(\omega_{i}^{L})$ , there exist a,  $0 < \gamma < 1$ , such that  $|||\phi_{T,j} - \phi_{T,j}^{L}||| \lesssim \gamma^{L} |||\lambda_{j} - \phi_{T,j}|||.$ 

### **Theorem** For $u_H^{ms,L} \in \mathcal{V}_H^{ms,L}$ , there exist a, $0 < \gamma < 1$ , such that

 $|||u - u_{H}^{ms,L}||| \lesssim |||u - u_{h}||| + ||H(f - \Pi_{H}f)||_{L^{2}} + H^{-1}(L)^{d/2}\gamma^{L}||f||_{L^{2}}.$ 

Choosing  $L = \lceil C \log(H^{-1}) \rceil$  both terms behave in the same manor with an appropriate C.

Note: Theorem holds without any assumptions on scales or regularity!



A priori error bound for convection-diffusion-reaction Under the assumption  $\mathcal{O}(||A||_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)}) = \mathcal{O}(||H\mathbf{b}||_{L^{\infty}(\Omega)})$  we have:

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 $|||\phi_{\mathcal{T},j} - \phi_{\mathcal{T},j}^{\mathcal{L}}||| \lesssim \gamma^{\mathcal{L}}|||\lambda_j - \phi_{\mathcal{T},j}|||.$ 

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#### Elfverson and Målqvist

Discontinuous Galerkin multiscale method for convection dominated problems. *Technical report.* 

# **Theorem** For $u_{H}^{ms,L} \in \mathcal{V}_{H}^{ms,L}$ , such that

$$|||u - u_H^{ms,L}|||_h \le |||u - u_H|||_h + C_{A_{max}/A_{min},f}H$$

given  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and choosing  $L = \lceil C \log(H^{-1}) \rceil$ .

Note: Theorem holds without any assumptions on scales or regularity!

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#### Poisson's equation on L-shaped domain



- Choose  $L = \lceil 2 \log(\frac{1}{H}) \rceil$ .
- Let the right hand side be:  $f = 1 + sin(\pi x) + sin(\pi y).$
- Let  $H = 2^{-m}$  for  $m = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}.$
- Reference mesh is 2<sup>-8</sup>.



Figure: Permeabilities are piecewise constant on a mesh with size  $2^{-5}$ , with ratio  $A_{max}/A_{min} = \{10, 7 \cdot 10^6\}$ 

#### Convection-diffusion-reaction problems

$$-\nabla \cdot A \nabla u + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u + c u = f \text{ in } \Omega,$$
$$u = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega$$



- Let A = 1, c = 0, and  $\mathbf{b} = C[1, 0]$ ' for C = 32, 54, 128.
- Choose  $L = \lceil 2 \log(\frac{1}{H}) \rceil$ .
- Let the right hand side be:  $f = 1 + sin(\pi x) + sin(\pi y).$
- Let  $H = 2^{-m}$  for  $m = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}.$
- Reference mesh is 2<sup>-7</sup>.

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• Let c = 0, and  $\mathbf{b} = [1, 0]'$ .





Figure: Diffusion coefficient A,  $A_{max}/A_{min} = 100$  and  $A_{min} = 0.01$ .

Figure: #dofs vs  $|||u_h - u_{H,L}^{ms}|||/|||u_h|||$ 

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#### Convection-diffusion-reaction problems

$$-\nabla \cdot A \nabla u + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u + c u = f \text{ in } \Omega,$$
$$u = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega$$

• Let c = 0, and  $\mathbf{b} = [512, 0]$ '.



Figure: Diffusion coefficient A with  $A_{max}/A_{min} \sim 10^5$ .



Figure: #dofs vs  $|||u_h - u_{H,L}^{ms}|||/|||u_h|||$ 

#### Adaptivity and a posteriori error bound for pure diffusion

Theorem (A posteriori error bound) Let  $u_H^{ms,L}$  be the multiscale solution, then

$$|||u - u_H^{ms,L}||| \lesssim \left(\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \rho_{h,T}^2\right)^{1/2} + \left(\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \xi_{h,T}^2\right)^{1/2} + \left(\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H} \rho_{L,\omega_T}^2\right)^{1/2}$$

- $\rho_{L,\omega_T^L}^2$ ,  $\xi_{h,T}^2$  and  $\rho_{h,K}^2$  depends on  $u_H^{ms,L}$ .
- $\rho^2_{L,\omega_{T}^{L}}$  measures the effect of the truncated patches.
- $\rho_{h,T}^2$  and  $\xi_{h,T}^2$  measures the effect of the refinement level.

# ELFVERSON, GEORGOULIS, AND MÅLQVIST

An adaptive discontinuous Galerkin multiscale method for elliptic problems. *To appear in Multiscale Modeling and Simulations (MMS)*.

Let 
$$u_{H}^{ms,L} = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}} u_{H,T}^{ms,L}$$
 we have

$$\begin{split} \rho_{L,\omega_{T}^{L}}^{2} &= \sum_{e \in \Gamma(\partial \omega_{T}^{L})} \frac{H^{2}}{hA_{min}} \left( \| \mathbf{n} \cdot \{A \nabla u_{H,T}^{ms,L}\} \|_{L^{2}(e)} + \frac{\sigma}{h} \| [u_{H,T}^{ms,L}] \|_{L^{2}(e)} \right)^{2}, \\ \rho_{T} &= \frac{h}{A_{min}^{1/2}} \| (1 - \Pi)f + \nabla \cdot A \nabla u_{H}^{ms,L} \|_{L^{2}(T)} \\ &\quad + \frac{h^{1/2}}{A_{min}^{1/2}} \left( \| [A \nabla u_{H}^{ms,L}] \|_{L^{2}(\partial T)} + \frac{\sigma}{h} \| [u_{H}^{ms,L}] \|_{L^{2}(\partial T)} \right), \\ \xi_{T}^{2} &= \| A^{1/2} \nabla (u_{H}^{ms,L} - \mathcal{I}_{h}^{c} u_{H}^{ms,L}) \|_{L^{2}(T)}^{2} + \| \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{h}} [u_{H}^{ms,L}] \|_{L^{2}(\partial T)}. \end{split}$$

### Numerical experiment

• We consider the permeabilities





Figure: Permeabilities One left and SPE right.

#### Numerical experiments

• Using a refinement level of 30% we have.



Figure: Convergence plot for One left and SPE right.

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Figure: The level of refinement and size of the patches illustrated in the upper resp. lower plots for the different permeability One (left) and SPE (right). White is where most refinements resp. larger patch are used and black is where least refinements resp. smallest patches are used.

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