

Robust multigrid methods in isogeometric analysis

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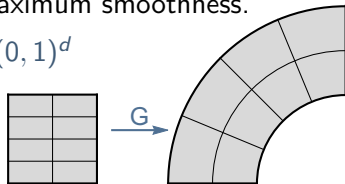
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- **Multi-patch domains:**

Per-patch geometry functions \mathbf{G}_k :

$$\bar{\Omega} = \bigcup_{k=1}^K \overline{\mathbf{G}_k(\hat{\Omega})}$$

- Pull-back principle:

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Linear solvers

How to solve $A_h \underline{u}_h = \underline{f}_h$?

Note:

$$\kappa(M_h) = \mathcal{O}(2^{pd}), \quad \kappa(A_h) = \mathcal{O}(h^{-2}2^{pd}).$$

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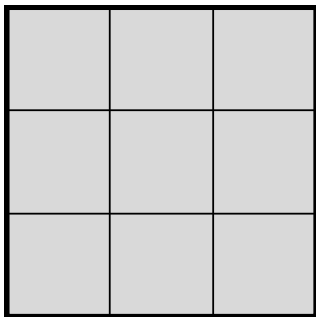
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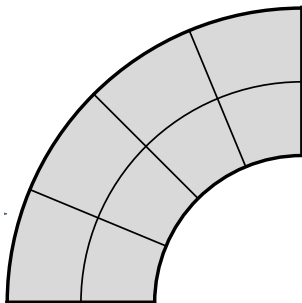


Iteration counts

$\ell \setminus p$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3	8	9	25	53	66	>100	>100
4	8	9	24	75	>100	>100	>100
5	8	9	23	73	>100	>100	>100
6	8	9	24	73	>100	>100	>100
7	8	9	24	70	>100	>100	>100

V-cycle, $\epsilon = 10^{-8}$

Quarter annulus

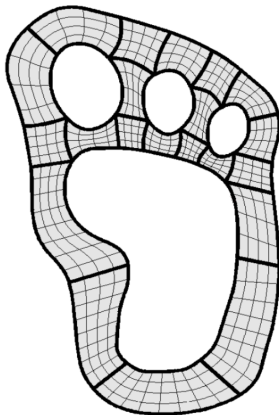


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5	16	13	23	61	>100	>100	>100
6	18	14	23	63	>100	>100	>100
7	19	15	24	68	>100	>100	>100

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4	16	14	25	74	>100	>100	>100
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Computational complexity

- The cost for applying the smoother is linear in the number of non-zeros of A_h , thus each smoothing step costs

$$\mathcal{O}(p^d N) \text{ flops.}$$

- Computational costs for one multigrid cycle are asymptotically the same.

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Approximation error estimates and inverse inequalities for B-splines of maximum smoothness. *M³AS*, 2016.

The space

$V_0 := \{u \in \mathcal{S}_{p,h}(0,1) : u^{(i)}(0) = u^{(i)}(1) = 0 \ \forall i=1,3,\dots,2\lfloor p/2 \rfloor - 1\}$
satisfies both

- a **robust inverse estimate**

$$\|u_0\|_{H^1(0,1)} \leq 2\sqrt{3}h^{-1} \|u_0\|_{L_2(0,1)} \quad \text{for } u_0 \in V_0$$

- a **robust approximation error estimate**

$$\inf_{u_0 \in V_0} \|u - u_0\|_{L_2(0,1)} \leq \sqrt{2}h \|u\|_{H^1(0,1)}$$

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Tensor-product structure (for unit square):

$$A_h = K \otimes M + M \otimes K$$

$$\approx \sum_{(\alpha,\beta) \in \{0,1\}^2} (\Pi_\alpha \otimes \Pi_\beta)(K_\alpha \otimes M_\beta + M_\alpha \otimes K_\beta)(\Pi_\alpha \otimes \Pi_\beta)^T$$

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using $K_0 \lesssim h^{-2}M_0$

Convergence theory

Can show

$$L_h \approx A_h + h^{-2} M_h$$

Theorem

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- The setup of the smoother costs

$$\mathcal{O}(pN + p^{3d}) \text{ flops}$$

and for applying the smoother costs

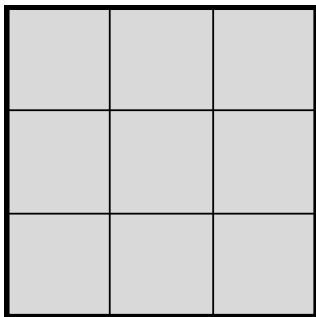
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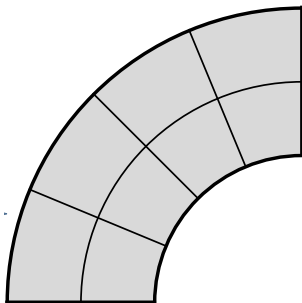
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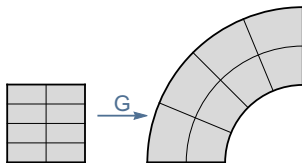
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Remember **pull-back principle**:



Substitution rule yields

$$A_h \approx \hat{A}_h,$$

which is **robust** in grid size h and spline degree p , but **heavily depending** on geometry function G .

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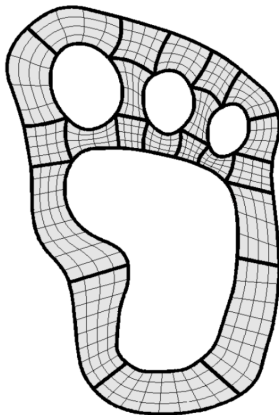
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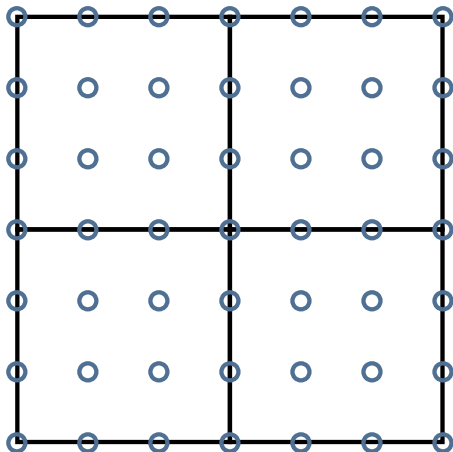
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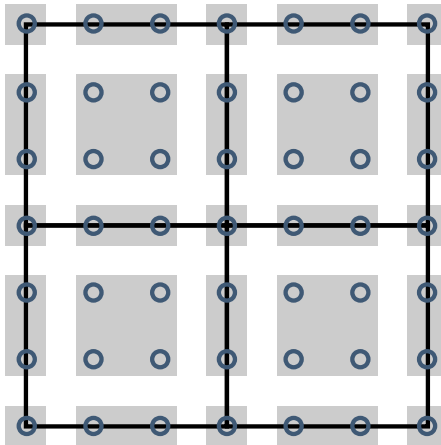
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The splitting between the subspaces is almost stable:

$$A_h + h^{-2}M_h \lesssim \sum_T P_T(A_T + h^{-2}M_T)P_T^\top \lesssim \rho(A_h + h^{-2}M_h)$$

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*If $\mathcal{O}(\rho)$ smoothing steps are applied (independent of grid size **but depending on the geometry function**), the W-cycle multigrid solver converges robustly.*



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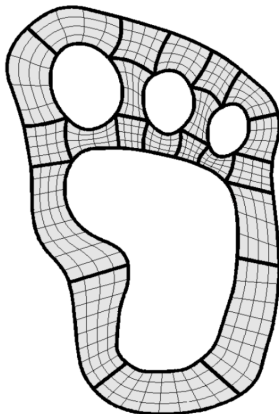
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or, if $\mathcal{O}(p)$ smoothing steps are applied,

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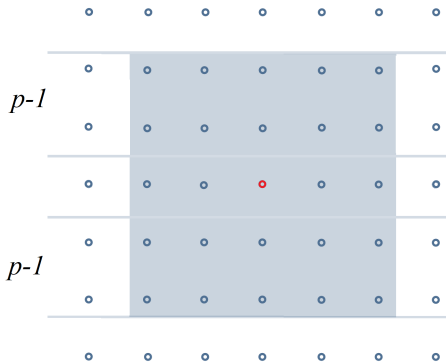
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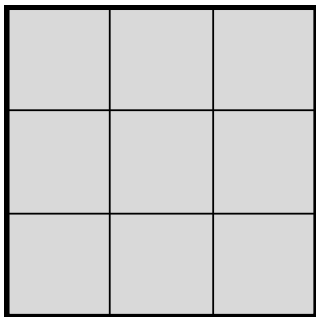


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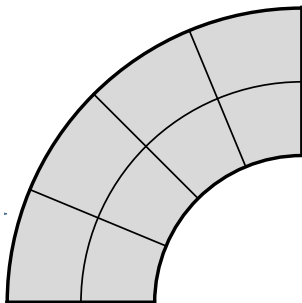


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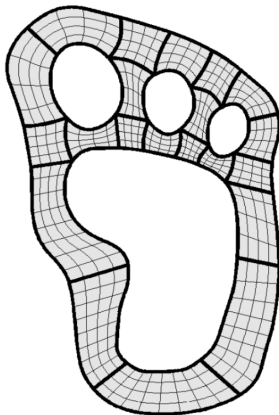


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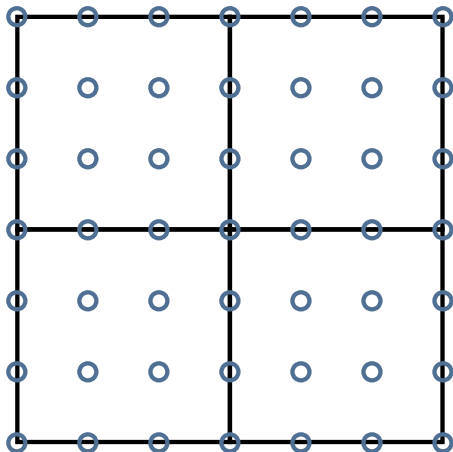
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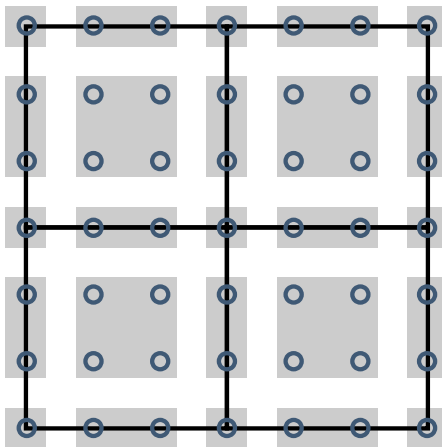
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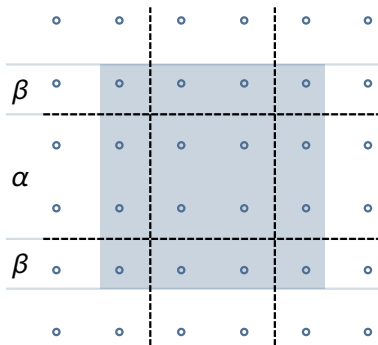
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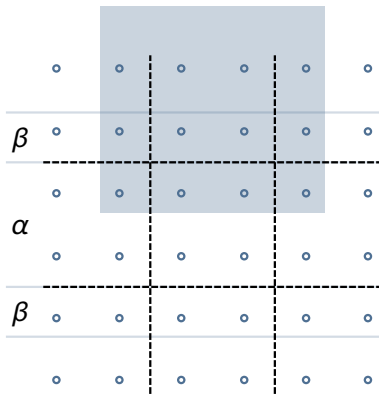
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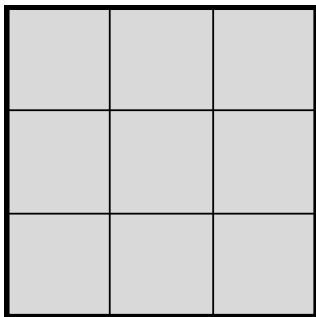
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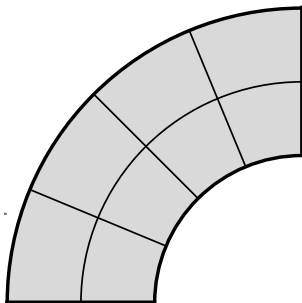


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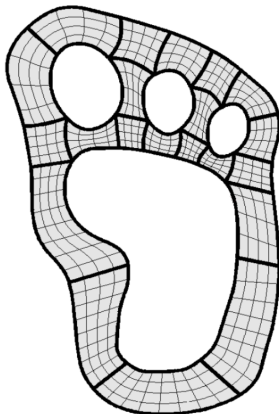


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