

Development of a Terrestrial Dynamical Core for E3SM (TDycore)

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Tale of Two Talks

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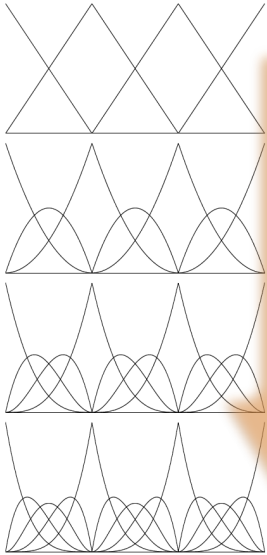
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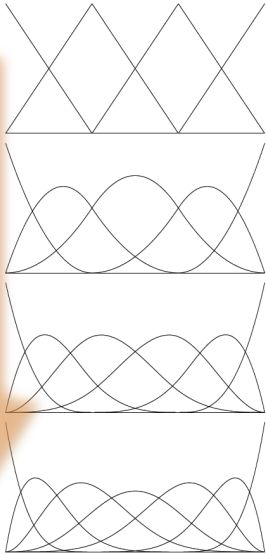
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Higher Continuous Basis?

Standard C^0 basis

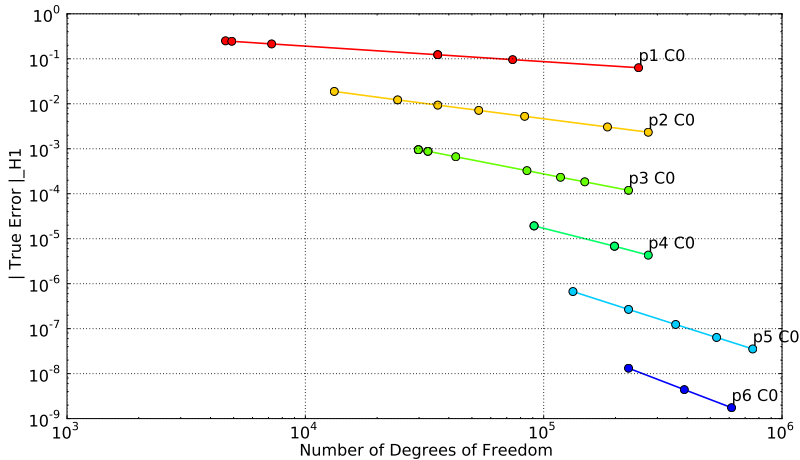


Increasing p

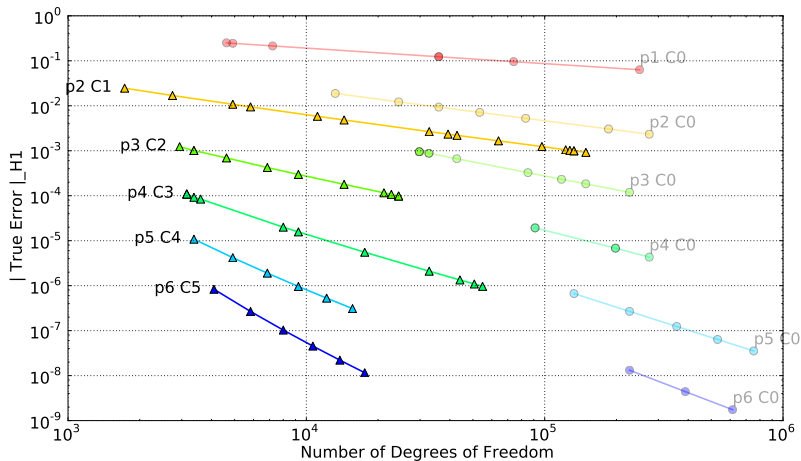


C^{p-1} continuous basis

Poisson problem on unit cube



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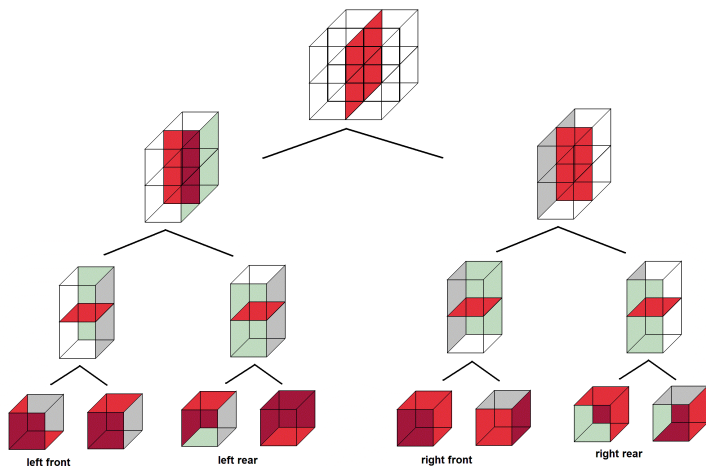
Spoiler Alert!

	C^0	C^{p-1}	C^{p-1}/C^0
Multifrontal direct solver	$\mathcal{O}(N^2 + Np^6)$	$\mathcal{O}(N^2 p^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(p^3)$
Iterative solvers*	$\mathcal{O}(Np^4)$	$\mathcal{O}(Np^6)$	$\mathcal{O}(p^2)$

*Estimates for Matrix-Vector products

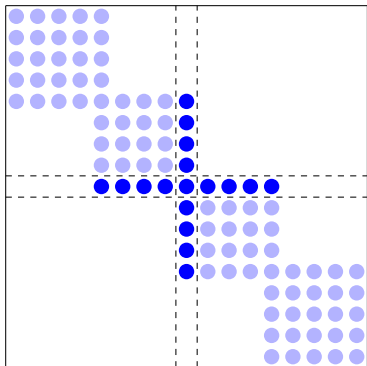
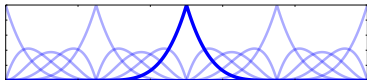
Multi-frontal direct solver

Based on the concepts of the Schur complement and nested dissection.

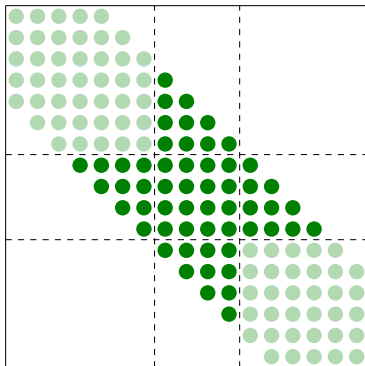
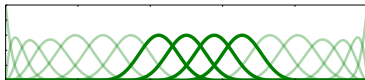


Key concept: size s of the separator

$s = 1$ for C^0

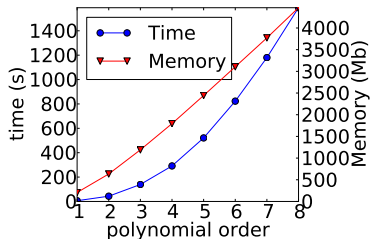
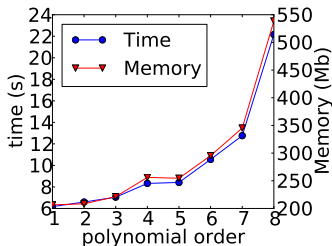


$s = p$ for C^{p-1}

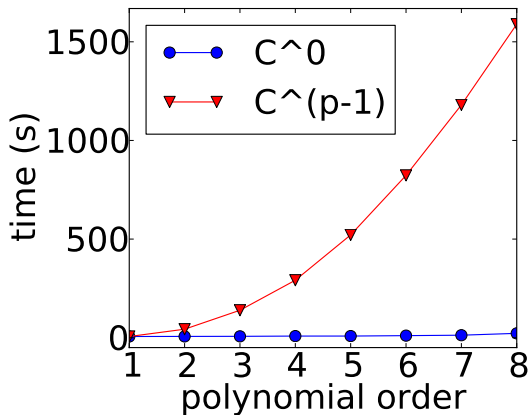


Estimates and Results ($d = 3, N = 30k$)

	C^0	C^{p-1}
Time	$\mathcal{O}(N^2 + Np^6)$	$\mathcal{O}(N^2 p^3)$
Memory	$\mathcal{O}(N^{4/3} + Np^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(N^{4/3} p^2)$



Solution time for C^0 vs C^{p-1} ($d = 3, N = 30k$)



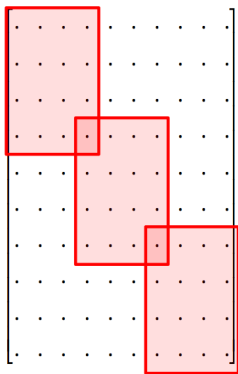
Much more complex to assess costs:

$$P(Ax - b) = 0$$

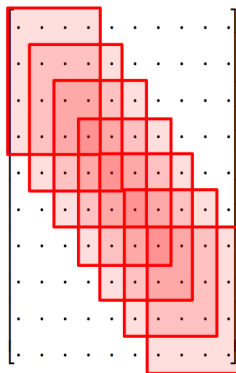
Need a model for:

- ▶ Matrix-vector multiplication
- ▶ Preconditioner (P) setup and application
- ▶ Convergence

Sample Linear Systems



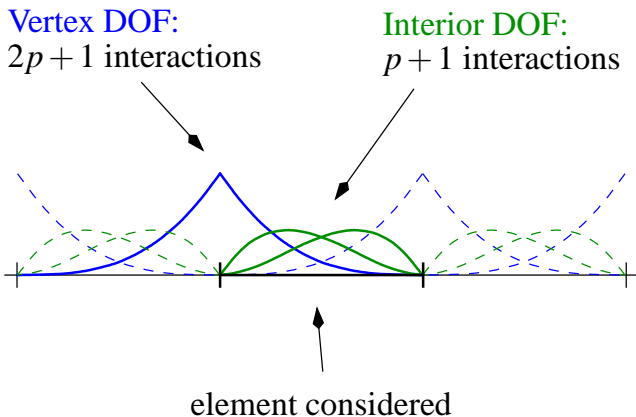
C^0 space



C^{p-1} space

Matrix-vector multiplication - C^0

The cost of a sparse matrix-vector multiply is proportional to the number of nonzero entries in the matrix.



Matrix-vector multiplication - C^0

Dimension	Entity	Number of Entities	DOFs per Entity	Number of interactions
1D	vertex	1	1	$(2p + 1)$
1D	interior	1	$(p - 1)$	$(p + 1)$
2D	vertex	1	1	$(2p + 1)^2$
2D	edge	2	$(p - 1)$	$(2p + 1)(p + 1)$
2D	interior	1	$(p - 1)^2$	$(p + 1)^2$
3D	vertex	1	1	$(2p + 1)^3$
3D	edge	3	$(p - 1)$	$(2p + 1)^2(p + 1)$
3D	face	3	$(p - 1)^2$	$(2p + 1)(p + 1)^2$
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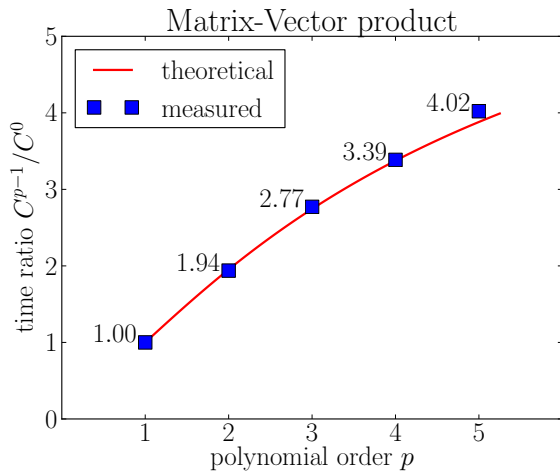
$$\begin{aligned} \text{nnz}^{C^0} &= \underbrace{(p-1)^3}_{\text{interior DOF}} \cdot (p+1)^3 \\ &+ \underbrace{3(p-1)^2}_{\text{face DOF}} \cdot (2p+1)(p+1)^2 \\ &+ \underbrace{3(p-1)}_{\text{edge DOF}} \cdot (2p+1)^2(p+1) \\ &+ \underbrace{1}_{\text{vertex DOF}} \cdot (2p+1)^3 \\ &= p^6 + 6p^5 + 12p^4 + 8p^3 \\ &= p^3(p+2)^3 = \mathcal{O}(p^6) \end{aligned}$$

Matrix-vector multiplication - C^{p-1}

The B-spline C^{p-1} basis is very regular, each DOF interacts with $2p + 1$ others in 1D.

$$\text{nnz}^{C^{p-1}} = p^3(2p + 1)^3 = 8p^6 + 12p^5 + 6p^4 + p^3 = \mathcal{O}(8p^6)$$

Matrix-vector multiplication



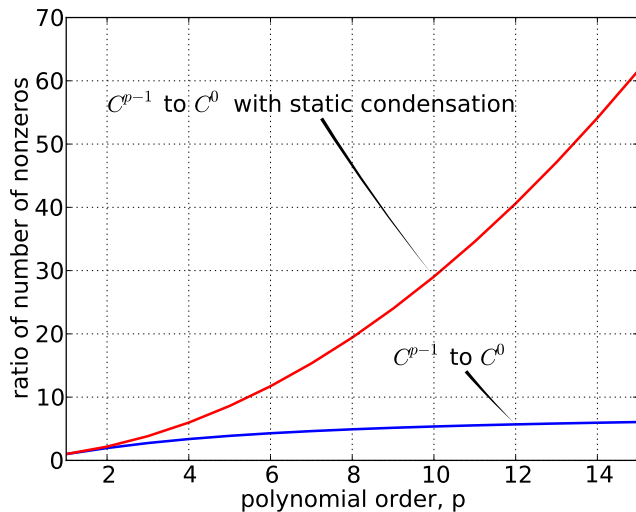
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However, for C^0 spaces, we can use static condensation as in the multifrontal direct solver.

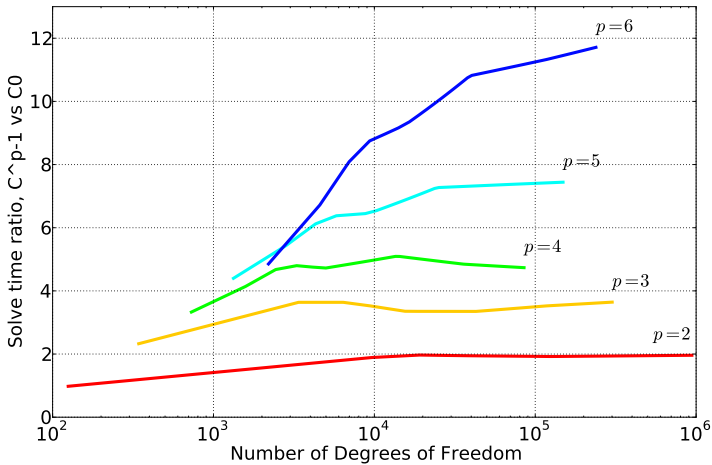
Entity	Number of Entities	DOFs per Entity	Number of interactions	Statically condensed
vertex	1	1	$(2p + 1)^3$	$-8(p - 1)^3$
edge	3	$(p - 1)$	$(2p + 1)^2(p + 1)$	$-4(p - 1)^3$
face	3	$(p - 1)^2$	$(2p + 1)(p + 1)^2$	$-2(p - 1)^3$

$$33p^4 - 12p^3 + 9p^2 - 6p + 3 = \mathcal{O}(33p^4)$$

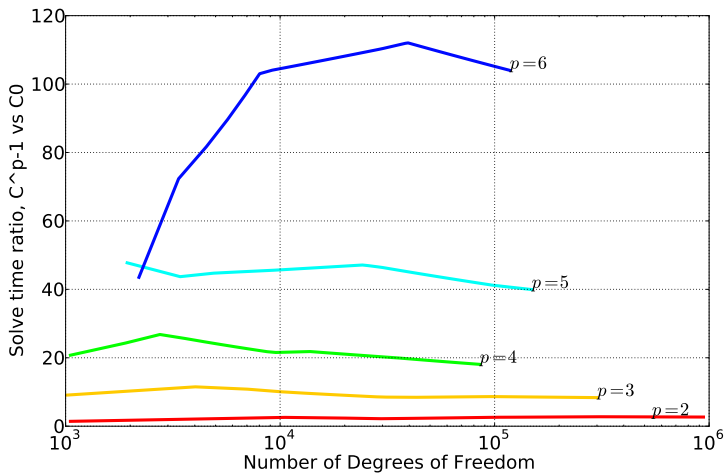
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3D Poisson + CG + ILU



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Related Publications

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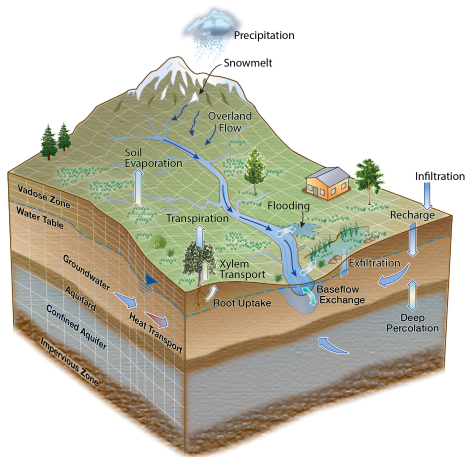
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Energy Exascale Earth System Model (E3SM)

- ▶ The terrestrial water cycle is a key component of the Earth system model
- ▶ While conceptually key processes transport water laterally, the representation is 1D in current models
- ▶ Requirements: accurate velocities on distorted grids with uncertain and rough coefficients at global scale
- ▶ Naturally think of mixed finite elements



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Candidate approaches:

- ▶ Mixed finite elements (BDM) + FieldSplit/BDDC/hybridization
- ▶ Wheeler-Yotov (WY) + AMG
- ▶ Arnold-Boffi-Falk (ABF) + FieldSplit/BDDC/hybridization
- ▶ Multipoint flux approximation (MFPA) + AMG

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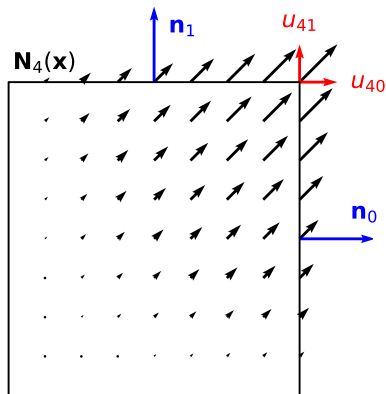
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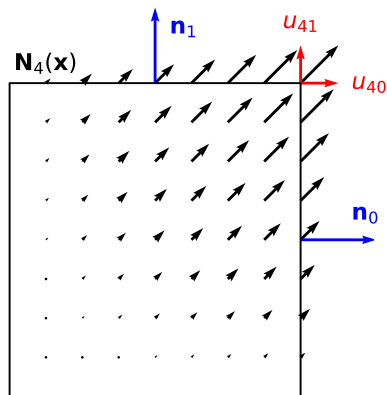
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This means that velocity DOFs only couple to each other at vertices.

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- 1: **for** vertex v in mesh **do**
- 2: setup vertex local problem
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ P \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} G \\ F \end{bmatrix}$$
- 3: **for** element e connected to v **do**
- 4: $A \leftarrow (K^{-1} \mathbf{u}_v, \mathbf{v}_v)_{\Omega_e}$
- 5: $B^T \leftarrow -(p_e, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_v)_{\Omega_e}$
- 6: $G \leftarrow -\langle \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{v}_v \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\Gamma_{D,e}}$
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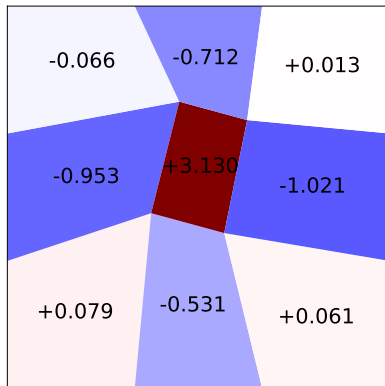
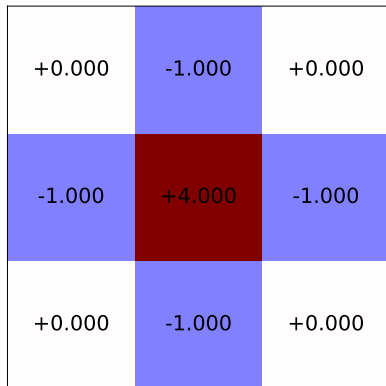
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Global cell-centered pressure system which is SPD

Sample Wheeler-Yotov Stencils

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$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

+0.000	-1.000	+0.000
-3.000	+8.000	-3.000
+0.000	-1.000	+0.000

$$R_{10} K R_{10}^T$$

+0.133	-0.985	-0.209
-2.865	+7.850	-2.865
-0.209	-0.985	+0.133

$$R_{45} K R_{45}^T$$

+0.250	-1.500	-0.750
-1.500	+7.000	-1.500
-0.750	-1.500	+0.250

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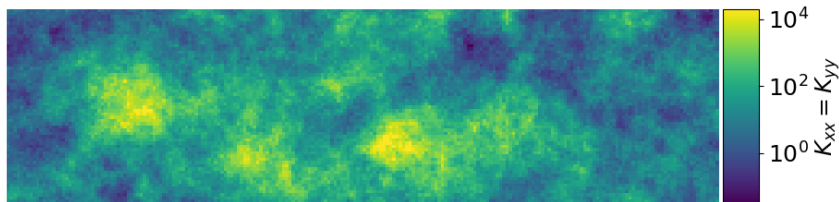
$$K \cdot (10^{-3} \text{ if } x > 2/3)$$

+0.000	-1.000	+0.000
-1.000	+3.002	-0.002
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SPE10 Test Problem

We use the permeabilities from the SPE10 problem:

- ▶ $60 \times 220 \times 85 = 1,122,000$ cells
- ▶ Diagonal permeability $K_{xx} = K_{yy} \neq K_{zz}$
- ▶ We induce flow by Dirichlet conditions
- ▶ Solve on original permeabilities and also rotate around two axes



Sample slice of the permeability field

Solver Options

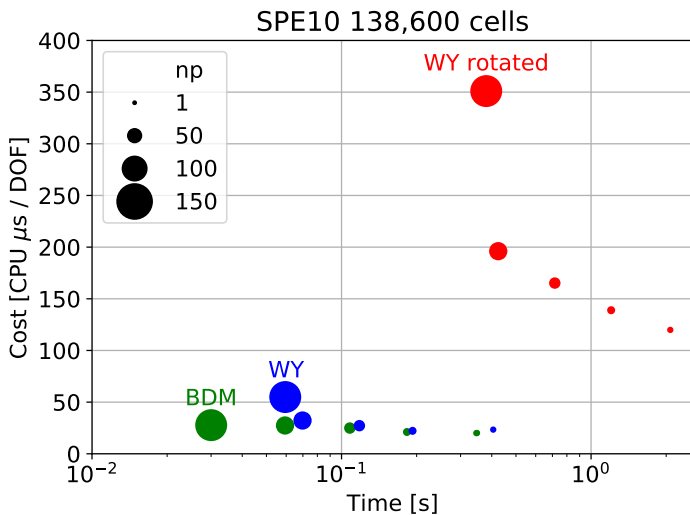
WY Options

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-pc_type hypre
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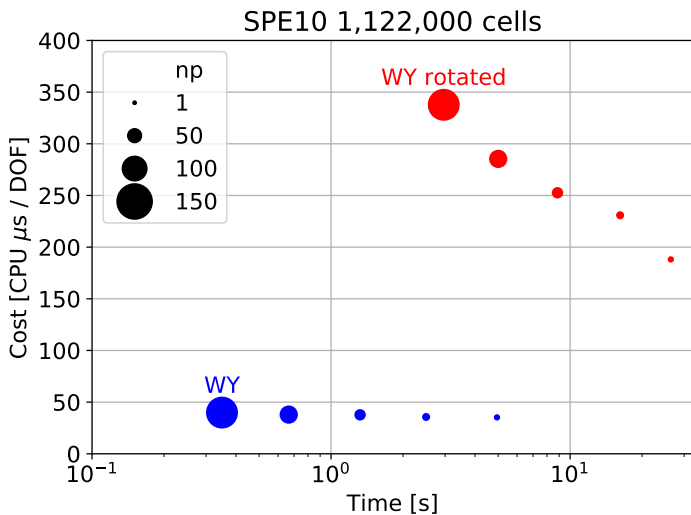
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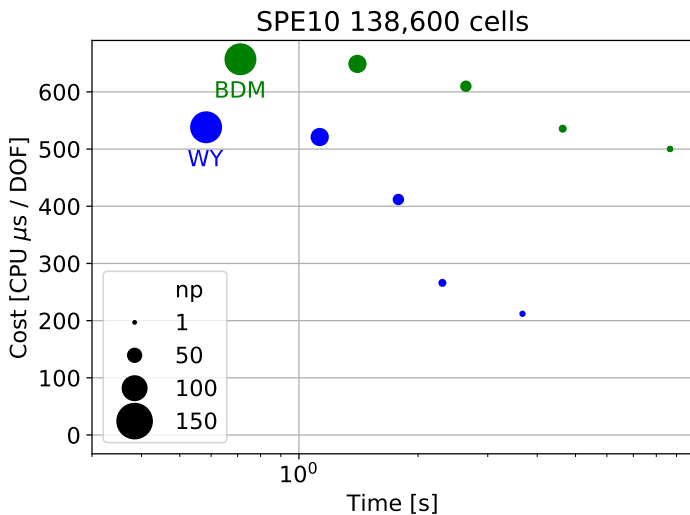
Solver Performance



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Assembly Performance (not optimized)



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Talk/Meeting:

- ▶ All of the presented work uses PETSc (PetIGA + DMPLex/Section)
- ▶ Using DMPLex/Section opens doors for solver approaches
- ▶ Most of my exposure to solvers comes from using PETSc
- ▶ Originally exposed to PETSc ≈ 11 years ago at DOE ACTS workshops