

# Localized Orthogonal Decomposition techniques for solving multiscale problems

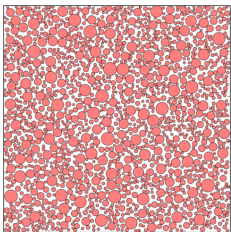
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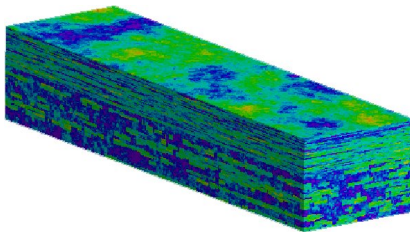
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# Multiscale problems

Applications such as



▷ composite materials



▷ flow in a porous medium

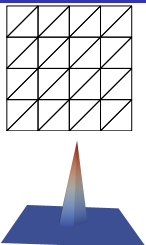
require numerical solution of partial differential equations with rough data (module of elasticity, conductivity, or permeability).

Major challenge: Features on **multiple non-separated scales**.

# Finite elements (FE) – methodology

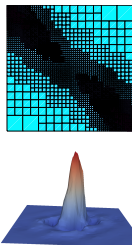
The numerical solution of PDEs by FEM consists of

- construction of an “appropriate” FE mesh
- choosing (local) basis functions (of variable degree of approximation)



An optimal construction should be adapted to the local behavior of the exact solution and, hence, should take into account

- local singularities of the solution (e.g. singularities at re-entrant corners)
- effects of singular perturbations in the solutions (e.g. boundary layers)
- scales and amplitudes of rough coefficients



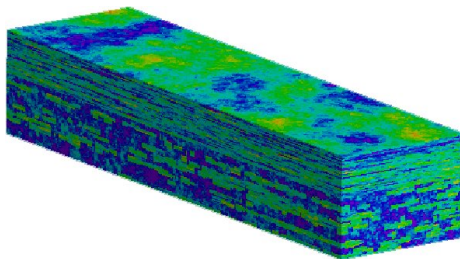
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# Model multiscale problem

Poisson's equation

$$-\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} \nabla u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

with data  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq A \in L^\infty(\Omega)$

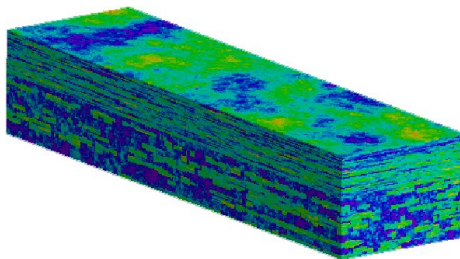


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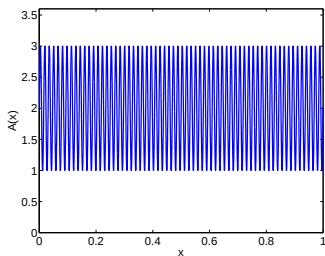
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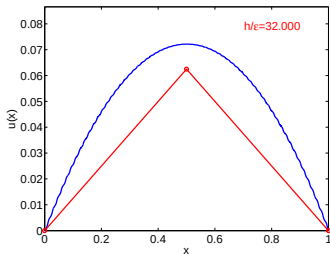
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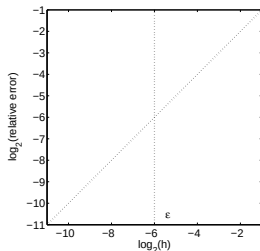
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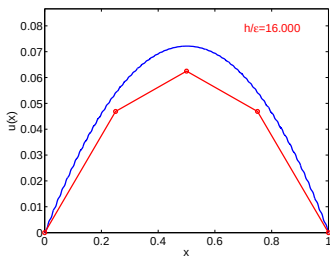
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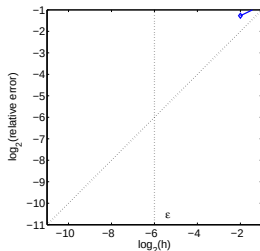
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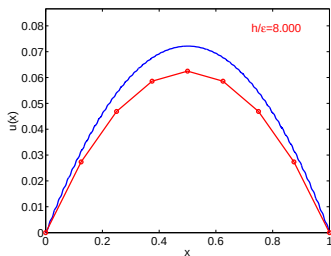
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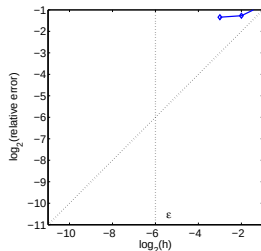
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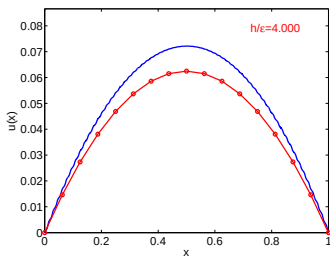
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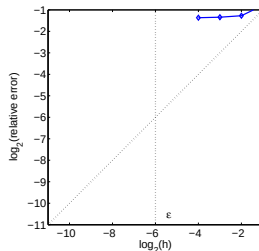
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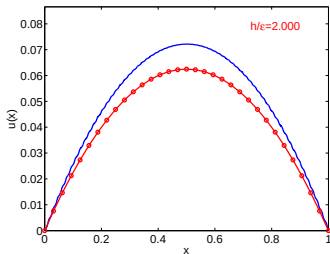
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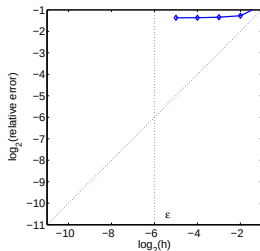
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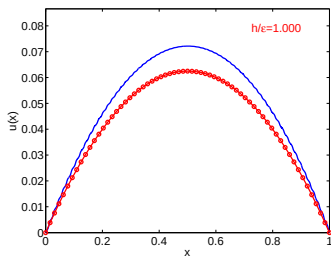
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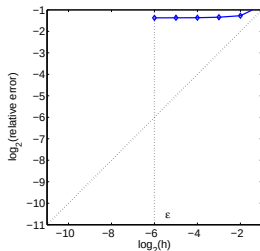
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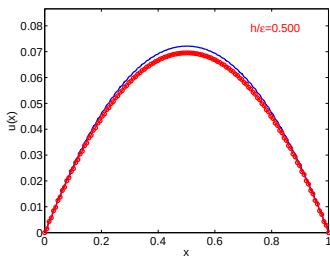
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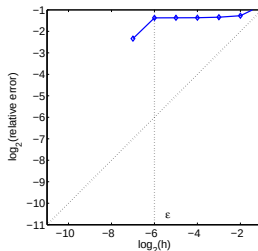
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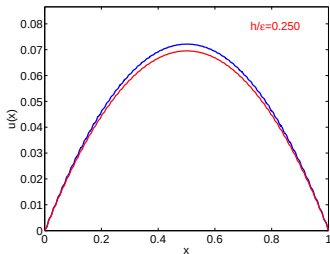
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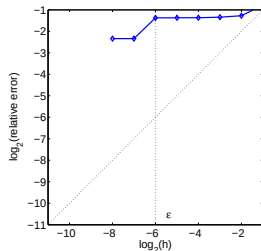
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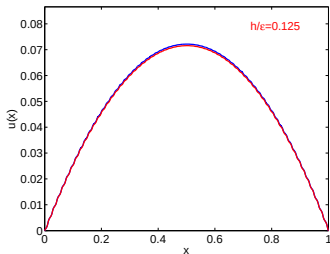
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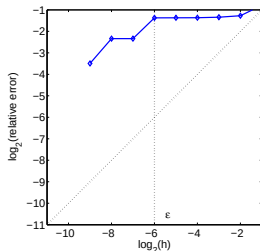
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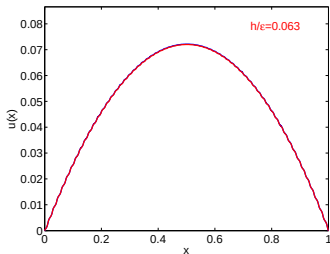
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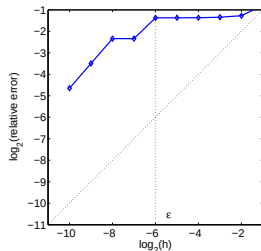
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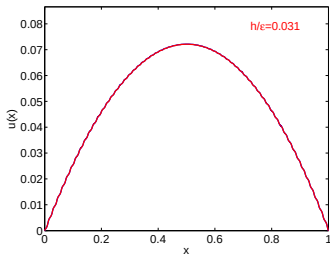
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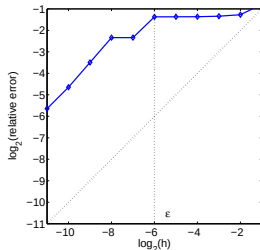
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Examples (periodic coefficients)

- We have  $\|u - u_h\| := \|A^{1/2} \nabla(u - u_h)\| \leq C(A, f)h = C'(f)\frac{h}{\epsilon}$ .
- We need to resolve the fine scale features even to get the coarse scale behavior right.

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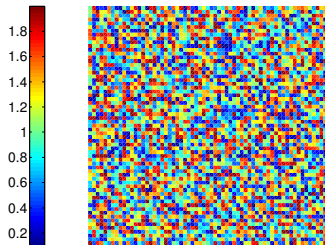
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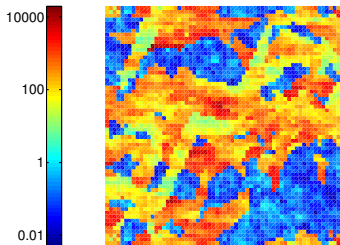
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Examples (rough coefficients)



random material (academic)



porous medium (SPE10 benchmark)

# Objectives

Without any assumptions on scales ...

- Construction of an upscaled variational problem based on a generalized FEM (coarse mesh  $\mathcal{T}$  of size  $H$  & modified nodal basis functions)
- Computation of basis functions involves solution of PDE only on local patches of coarse elements with diam  $\approx H \log(1/H)$
- Error estimate

$$|||u - u_H^{\text{ms}}||| := \|A^{1/2} \nabla(u - u_H^{\text{ms}})\| \leq C(f)H$$

with  $C(f)$  independent of scales of  $A$



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## Common idea

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

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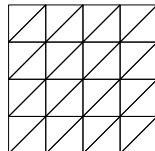
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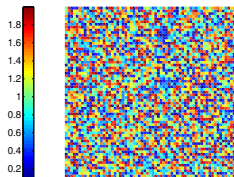
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## Example:



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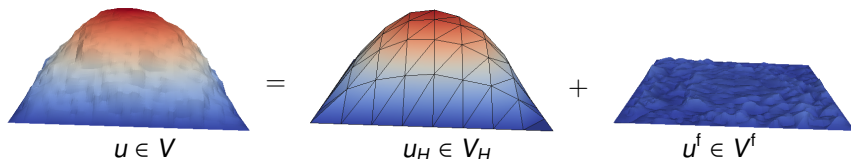
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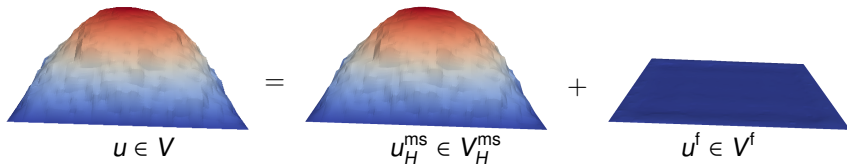
- For each  $v \in V_H$  define finescale projection  $\mathfrak{F}v \in V^f$  by

$$a(\mathfrak{F}v, w) = a(v, w) \quad \text{for all } w \in V^f$$

## Orthogonal Decomposition

$$V = V_H^{\text{ms}} \oplus V^f \quad \text{with } V_H^{\text{ms}} := (V_H - \mathfrak{F}V_H)$$

Example:



# Error analysis

## Lemma

$$|||u - u_H^{\text{ms}}||| \leq C\alpha^{-1/2} \|Hf\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$$

*Sketch of proof:*

- Orthogonal decomposition yields  $u^f := u - u_H^{\text{ms}} \in V^f$
- We use that  $\mathfrak{I}_{\mathcal{T}} u^f = 0$  and an interpolation estimate to get,

$$\begin{aligned} |||u^f|||^2 &= a(\underbrace{u^f + u_H^{\text{ms}}}_{=u}, u^f) = F(u^f) = F(u^f - \mathfrak{I}_{\mathcal{T}} u^f) \\ &\leq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}} \|f\|_{L^2(T)} \|u^f - \mathfrak{I}_{\mathcal{T}} u^f\|_{L^2(T)} \leq C\alpha^{-1/2} \|Hf\|_{L^2(\Omega)} |||u^f||| \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

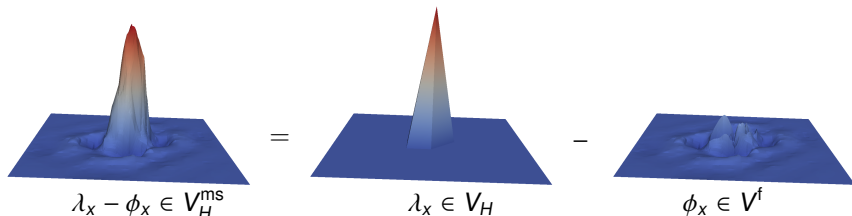
# Modified nodal basis

- $\mathcal{N}$  denotes set of interior vertices of  $\mathcal{T}$
- $\lambda_x \in V_H$  denotes classical nodal basis function ( $x \in \mathcal{N}$ )
- $\phi_x = \mathfrak{F}\lambda_x \in V^f$  denotes finescale correction of  $\lambda_x$  ( $x \in \mathcal{N}$ )

## Ideal multiscale FE space

$$V_H^{\text{ms}} = \text{span} \{ \lambda_x - \phi_x \mid x \in \mathcal{N} \}$$

## Example



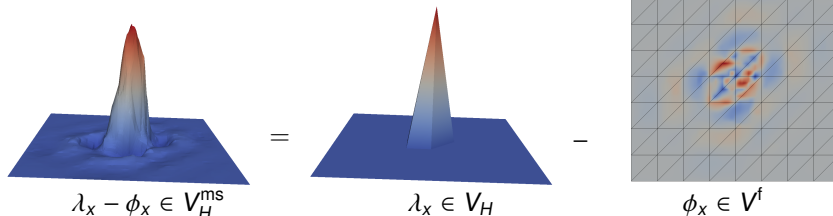
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- $\mathcal{N}$  denotes set of interior vertices of  $\mathcal{T}$
- $\lambda_x \in V_H$  denotes classical nodal basis function ( $x \in \mathcal{N}$ )
- $\phi_x = \mathfrak{F}\lambda_x \in V^f$  denotes finescale correction of  $\lambda_x$  ( $x \in \mathcal{N}$ )

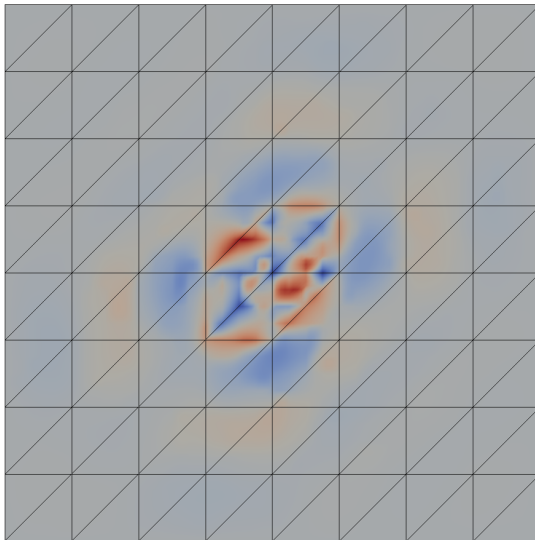
## Ideal multiscale FE space

$$V_H^{\text{ms}} = \text{span} \{ \lambda_x - \phi_x \mid x \in \mathcal{N} \}$$

## Example



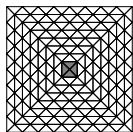
# Modified nodal basis



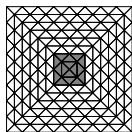
Assuming more regularity on  $A$  we have  $\lambda_x - \phi_x \in H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

# Localization

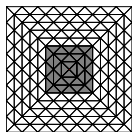
- Define nodal patches of  $k$ -th order  $\omega_{x,k}$  about  $x \in \mathcal{N}$



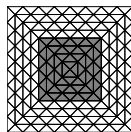
$\omega_{x,1}$



$\omega_{x,2}$



$\omega_{x,3}$



$\omega_{x,4}$

- Localized corrections  $\phi_{x,k} \in V^f(\omega_{x,k}) := \{v \in V^f \mid v|_{\Omega \setminus \omega_{x,k}} = 0\}$   
solve

$$a(\phi_{x,k}, w) = a(\lambda_x, w) \quad \text{for all } w \in V^f(\omega_{x,k})$$

## Localized multiscale FE spaces

$$V_{H,k}^{\text{ms}} = \text{span}\{\lambda_x - \phi_{x,k} \mid x \in \mathcal{N}\}$$



# The multiscale method

**Multiscale approximation** seeks  $u_{H,k}^{\text{ms}} \in V_{H,k}^{\text{ms}}$  such that

$$a(u_{H,k}^{\text{ms}}, v) = F(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in V_{H,k}^{\text{ms}}$$

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## Remarks:

- $\dim V_{H,k}^{\text{ms}} = |\mathcal{N}| = \dim V_H$
- basis functions of the multiscale method have local support and are totally independent
- overlap of the supports is proportional to the parameter  $k$
- error analysis suggests  $k \approx \log \frac{1}{H}$
- method can take advantage of periodicity

# Error Analysis

## Lemma (Truncation error)

*There exist  $C_1 < \infty$  and  $\gamma < 1$  independent of  $x$ ,  $k$ ,  $H$  such that*

$$|||\phi_x - \phi_{x,k}||| \leq C_1 \gamma^k |||\phi_x|||.$$

## Theorem (Main result)

$$|||u - u_{H,k}^{\text{ms}}||| \leq C_2 \left( \gamma^k \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + \|Hf\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right)$$

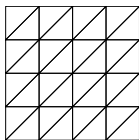
*holds with a constant  $C_2$  that does not depend on  $H$ ,  $f$ , or  $u$ .*

The Theorem holds without any assumptions on scales or regularity!

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# Full discretization

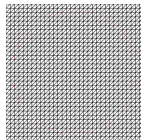
- Finescale mesh



$\mathcal{T}$

mesh refinement

$\rightsquigarrow$



$\mathcal{T}_h$  with  $h \leq H$

- Reference FE space

$$V_h := \{v \in V \mid \forall T \in \mathcal{T}(\Omega), v|_T \in P_1(T)\}$$

- Reference FE solution  $u_h \in V_h$  solves

$$a(u_h, v) = F(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in V_h$$

- Fully discrete corrections  $\phi_{x,k}^h \in V_h^f(\omega_{x,k}) := V^f(\omega_{x,k}) \cap V_h$  satisfy

$$a(\phi_{x,k}^h, w) = a(\lambda_x, w) \quad \text{for all } w \in V_h^f(\omega_{x,k})$$

# Full discretization

## Fully discrete multiscale FE spaces

$$V_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h} = \text{span}\{\lambda_x - \phi_{x,k}^h \mid x \in \mathcal{N}\}$$

Fully discrete multiscale approximation  $u_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h} \in V_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h}$  satisfies

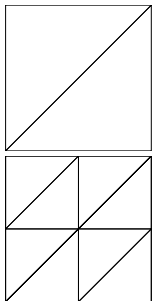
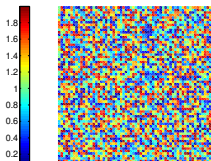
$$a(u_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h}, v) = F(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in V_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h}$$

## Theorem (Error estimate)

$$|||u - u_{H,k}^{\text{ms},h}||| \leq C_3 \left( |||u - u_h||| + \gamma^k \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + \|Hf\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right)$$

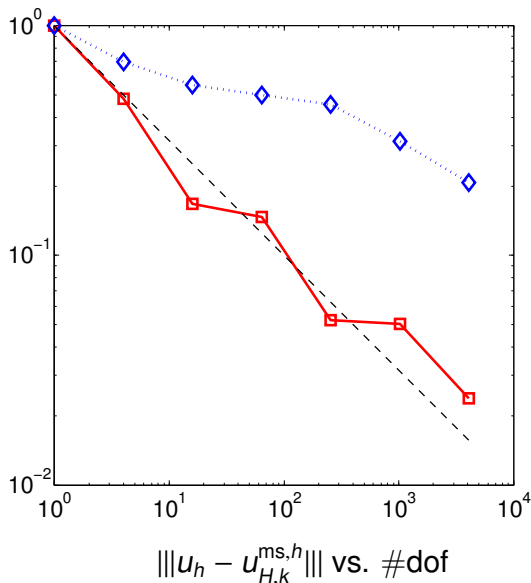
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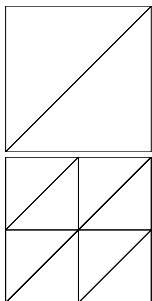
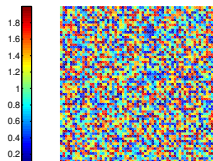


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$$h = 2^{-9}, k = \log(1/H)$$

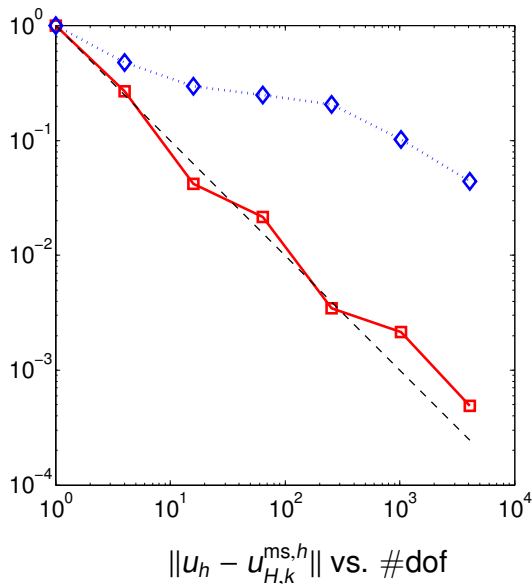


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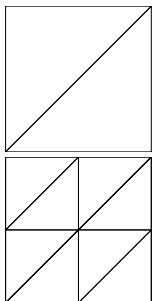
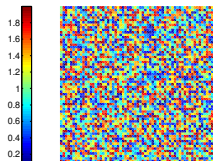


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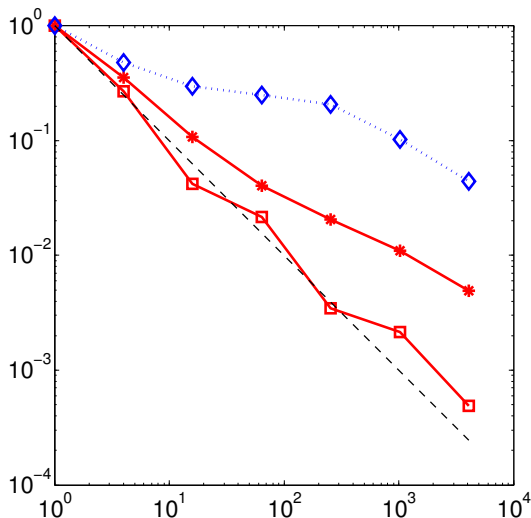


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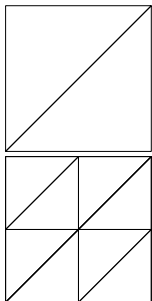
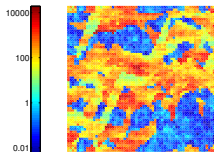
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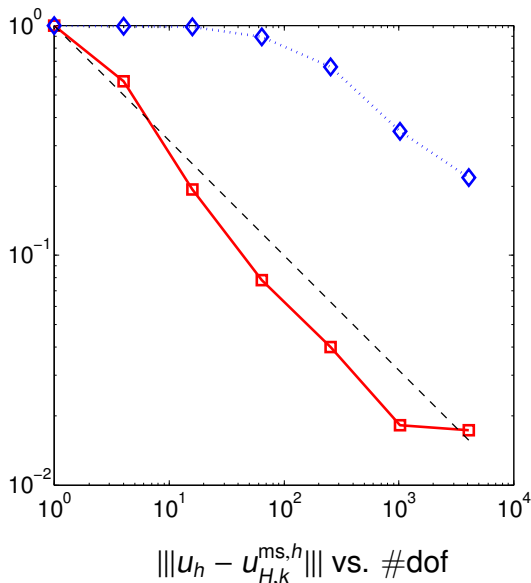
$$\|u_h - \mathfrak{I}_{\mathcal{T}} u_{H,k}^{ms,h}\| \text{ vs. } \#dof$$



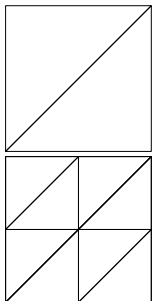
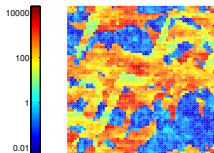
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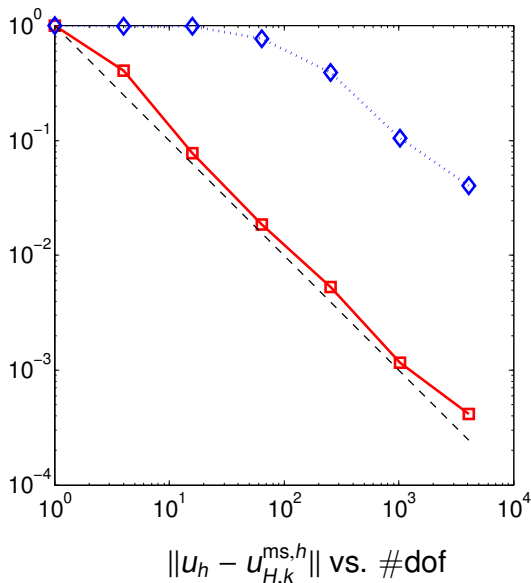
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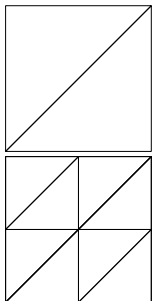
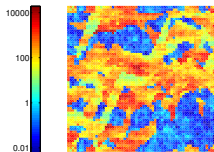
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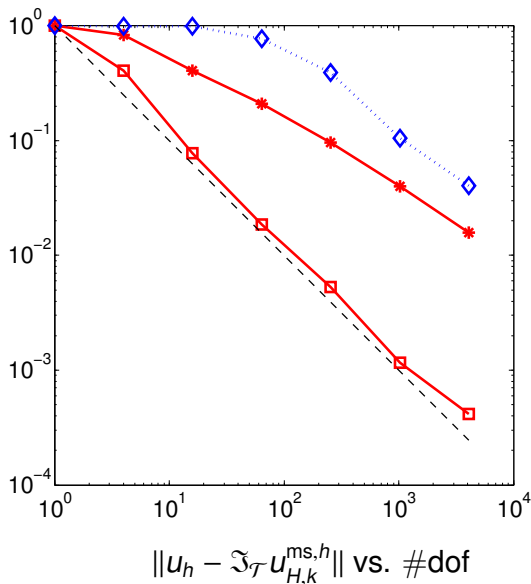


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# Semi-linear PDE's

We consider with  $F$  monotone and Lipschitz continuous,

$$-\nabla \cdot A \nabla u + F(u, \nabla u) = g, \text{ in } \Omega \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega,$$

and let  $u_H^{\text{ms}} \in \text{span}\{\lambda_x - \phi_x \mid x \in \mathcal{N}\}$  be the multiscale approximation.

## Lemma

$$\|\nabla(u - u_H^{\text{ms}})\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \lesssim \gamma^k \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + \|Hf\|_{L^2(\Omega)}.$$

- Same basis as in linear case is used i.e. same decay rate.
- The basis will not change in the non-linear iteration.



P. Henning, A. Målqvist, and D. Peterseim.

A localized orthogonal decomposition method for semi-linear elliptic problems.

*Mathematical Modelling and Numerical Analysis*, 2014.

# Eigenvalue Problems

Let  $u \in V$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  solve,

$$-\nabla \cdot A \nabla u = \lambda u, \text{ in } \Omega \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega.$$

We use the same space  $V_H^{\text{ms}}$  and solve,

$$a(u_H^{\text{ms}}, v) = \lambda_H(u_H^{\text{ms}}, v), \quad \forall v \in V_H^{\text{ms}}.$$

## Theorem

It holds,  $\frac{\lambda_h^{(\ell)} - \lambda_H^{(\ell)}}{\lambda_h^{(\ell)}} \leq \ell^{1/2} (\lambda_h^{(\ell)})^2 \alpha^{-2} H^4.$



A. Målqvist and D. Peterseim.

Computation of eigenvalues by numerical upscaling. *in review Numerische Mathematik.*

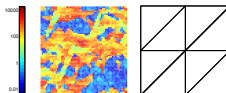
# Eigenvalue Problem



| $\ell$ | $\lambda_h^{(\ell)}$ | $e^{(\ell)}(1/2\sqrt{2})$ | $e^{(\ell)}(1/4\sqrt{2})$ | $e^{(\ell)}(1/8\sqrt{2})$ | $e^{(\ell)}(1/16\sqrt{2})$ |
|--------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1      | 9.6436869            | 0.003494567               | 0.000034466               | 0.000000546               | 0.000000010                |
| 2      | 15.1989274           | 0.009621397               | 0.000079887               | 0.000000845               | 0.000000010                |
| 3      | 19.7421815           | 0.023813222               | 0.000213097               | 0.000002073               | 0.000000023                |
| 4      | 29.5281571           | 0.096910157               | 0.000724615               | 0.000006574               | 0.000000076                |
| 5      | 31.9265496           | 0.094454625               | 0.000874659               | 0.000009627               | 0.000000138                |
| 6      | 41.4922250           | -                         | 0.002395227               | 0.000019934               | 0.000000254                |
| 7      | 44.9604884           | -                         | 0.002443271               | 0.000019683               | 0.000000223                |
| 8      | 49.3631826           | -                         | 0.003651870               | 0.000028869               | 0.000000308                |
| 9      | 49.3655623           | -                         | 0.004266472               | 0.000032835               | 0.000000355                |
| 10     | 56.7389993           | -                         | 0.006863742               | 0.000055219               | 0.000000618                |
| 11     | 65.4085991           | -                         | 0.011534878               | 0.000082414               | 0.000000856                |
| 12     | 71.0947630           | -                         | 0.012596114               | 0.000090083               | 0.000001002                |
| 13     | 71.6064671           | -                         | 0.014249938               | 0.000098736               | 0.000001006                |
| 14     | 79.0043994           | -                         | 0.021801461               | 0.000164436               | 0.000001605                |
| 15     | 89.3706421           | -                         | 0.033550079               | 0.000211985               | 0.000002296                |
| 16     | 92.3648207           | -                         | 0.040060692               | 0.000239441               | 0.000002295                |
| 17     | 97.4459210           | -                         | 0.037438984               | 0.000284936               | 0.000002724                |
| 18     | 98.7545147           | -                         | 0.044544409               | 0.000269854               | 0.000002559                |
| 19     | 98.7545639           | -                         | 0.047835987               | 0.000276139               | 0.000002539                |
| 20     | 101.6755971          | -                         | 0.038203654               | 0.000297356               | 0.000002909                |

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|--------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1      | 21.4144522           | 5.472755371                | 0.237181706                | 0.010328293                | 0.000781683                 |
| 2      | 40.9134676           | -                          | 0.649080539                | 0.032761482                | 0.002447049                 |
| 3      | 44.1561133           | -                          | 1.687388874                | 0.097540102                | 0.004131422                 |
| 4      | 60.8278691           | -                          | 1.648439518                | 0.028076168                | 0.002079812                 |
| 5      | 65.6962136           | -                          | 2.071005692                | 0.247424446                | 0.006569640                 |
| 6      | 70.1273082           | -                          | 4.265936007                | 0.232458016                | 0.016551520                 |
| 7      | 82.2960238           | -                          | 3.632888104                | 0.355050163                | 0.013987920                 |
| 8      | 92.8677605           | -                          | 6.850048057                | 0.377881216                | 0.049841235                 |
| 9      | 99.6061234           | -                          | 10.305084010               | 0.469770376                | 0.026027378                 |
| 10     | 109.1543283          | -                          | -                          | 0.476741452                | 0.005606426                 |
| 11     | 129.3741945          | -                          | -                          | 0.505888044                | 0.062382302                 |
| 12     | 138.2164330          | -                          | -                          | 0.554736550                | 0.039487317                 |
| 13     | 141.5464639          | -                          | -                          | 0.540480876                | 0.043935515                 |
| 14     | 145.7469718          | -                          | -                          | 0.765411709                | 0.034249528                 |
| 15     | 152.6283573          | -                          | -                          | 0.712383825                | 0.024716759                 |
| 16     | 155.2965039          | -                          | -                          | 0.761104705                | 0.026228034                 |
| 17     | 158.2610708          | -                          | -                          | 0.749058367                | 0.091826207                 |
| 18     | 164.1452194          | -                          | -                          | 0.840736127                | 0.118353184                 |
| 19     | 171.1756923          | -                          | -                          | 0.946719951                | 0.111314058                 |
| 20     | 179.3917590          | -                          | -                          | 0.928617606                | 0.119627862                 |

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# Current and future work

- Gross-Pitaevskii equation,

$$-\Delta u + Vu + u^3 = \lambda u, \quad \|u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = 1.$$

- Time dependent problems, parabolic and hyperbolic.
- Quadratic eigenvalue problems: damped systems,

$$Kx + \lambda Cx + \lambda^2 Mx = 0.$$

- Nonlinear systems modeling two phase flow (in collaboration with geoscience in Uppsala).
- Applications in material science.
- Main mathematical challenge: Convergence independent of aspect ratio.