

# *On convergence of multiscale methods*

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## Papers

- M.G. Larson and A. Målqvist, *Adaptive variational multiscale methods based on a posteriori error estimation: energy norm estimates for elliptic problems*, CMAME 2007
- A. Målqvist, *A priori error analysis of a multiscale method*, submitted

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## Motivating example: Secondary oil recovery

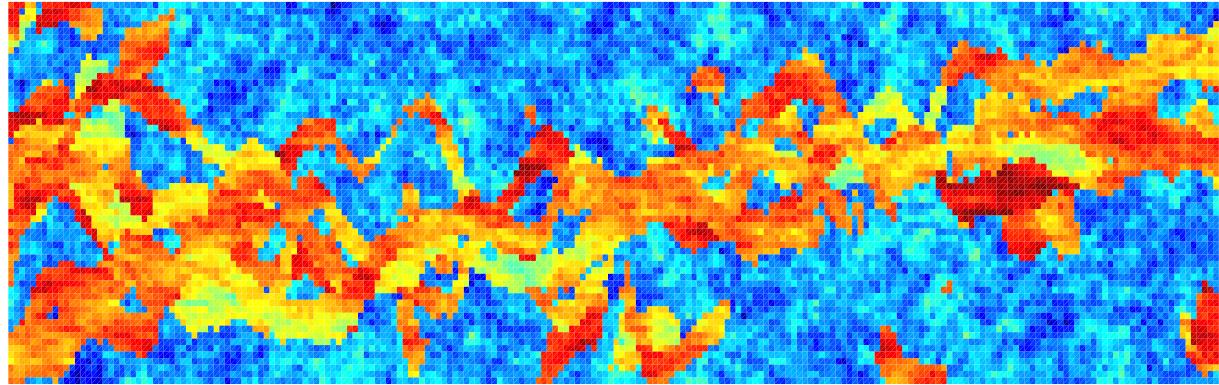


Find pressure  $p$  and water concentration  $s$  such that:

$$-\nabla \cdot k\lambda(s)\nabla p = q, \quad \dot{s} - \nabla \cdot [f(s)\lambda(s)k\nabla p] = g, \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

where  $k$  is permeability,  $\lambda(s)$  the total mobility,  $f$  fractional flow, and  $g, q$  sink and source terms.

## Model problem



We consider the strong form:

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

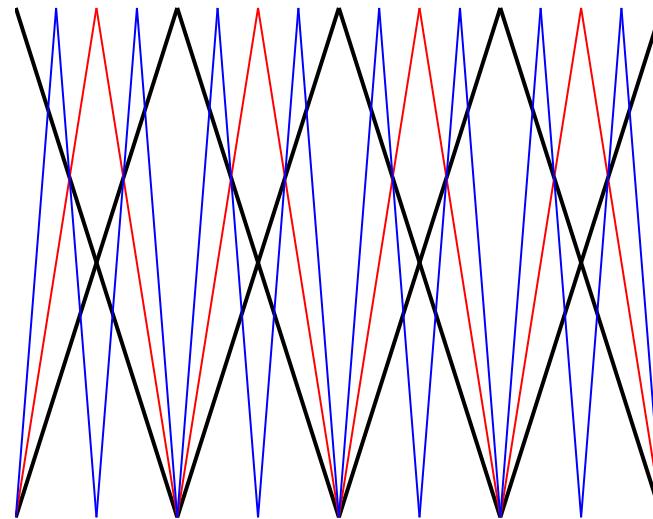
The weak form reads: find  $u \in \mathcal{V} := H_0^1(\Omega)$  such that,

$$\langle u, v \rangle := \int_{\Omega} \alpha \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx := l(v), \quad \text{for all } v \in \mathcal{V}.$$

We assume  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $0 < \alpha_0 \leq \alpha \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ .

## Derivation of multiscale methods

We let  $\mathcal{T}_0$  be a (coarse) mesh of  $\Omega$  and  $\mathcal{T}_J$  be the mesh after  $J$  refinements. Let  $\mathcal{V}_0 \subset \mathcal{V}_J \subset \mathcal{V}$  be corresponding FE spaces.



We let  $\pi_0 : C(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_0$  and  $\mathcal{W}_J = \{w \in \mathcal{V}_J : \pi_0 w = 0\}$ . Let  $\{\chi_i\}$  be hierarchical basis for  $\mathcal{W}_J$  and  $\{\phi_i\}$  a basis for  $\mathcal{V}_0$ .

Reference solution  $u_J \in \mathcal{V}_J$  fulfills  $\langle u_J, w \rangle = l(w)$  for all  $w \in \mathcal{V}_J$ .

## Orthogonal split of scales

We introduce an  $a$ -orthogonal map  $I + T_J$  with  $T_J : \mathcal{V}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_J$ :

$$\langle v_0 + T_J v_0, w \rangle = 0, \quad \text{for all } v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0, w \in \mathcal{W}_J.$$

The map  $T_J$  exists for each  $v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0$  and is unique (Lax-Milgram).

Let  $u_0 = \pi_0 u_J$ . Then there exists a  $u_{l,J} = u_J - u_0 - T_J u_0 \in \mathcal{W}_J$  such that,

$$\langle u_{l,J}, w \rangle = l(w), \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}_J.$$

If we now write  $u_J = u_0 + T_J u_0 + u_{l,J}$  we get the coarse scale equation:

Find  $u_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0$  s.t.  $\langle u_0 + T_J u_0, v_0 \rangle = l(v_0) - \langle u_{l,J}, v_0 \rangle$ , for all  $v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0$

$$(\langle u_0 + T_J u_0, v_0 + T_J v_0 \rangle = l(v_0 + T_J v_0) - \langle u_{l,J}, v_0 + T_J v_0 \rangle)$$

## Three multiscale methods

VMS:

$$\langle u_0 + T_J^{\text{vms}} u_0, v_0 \rangle = l(v_0) - \langle u_{l,J}^{\text{vms}}, v_0 \rangle,$$

$$\langle v_0 + T_J^{\text{vms}} v_0, v \rangle \approx 0,$$

$$\langle u_{l,J}^{\text{vms}}, v \rangle \approx l(v),$$

MsFEM:  $\langle u_0 + T_J^{\text{mfem}} u_0, v_0 + T_J^{\text{mfem}} v_0 \rangle = l(v_0 + T_J^{\text{mfem}} v_0),$

$$\langle v_0 + T_J^{\text{mfem}} v_0, v \rangle \approx 0,$$

Sym-AVMS:  $\langle u_0 + T_J^k u_0, v_0 + T_J^k v_0 \rangle = l(v_0 + T_J^k v_0) - \langle u_{l,J}^k, v_0 + T_J^k v_0 \rangle,$

$$\langle v_0 + T_J^k v_0, v \rangle \approx 0,$$

$$\langle u_{l,J}^k, v \rangle \approx l(v),$$

for all  $v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0$  and  $v \in \mathcal{W}_J$ . Note that  $\langle v_0 + T_J v_0, w_J \rangle = 0$ .

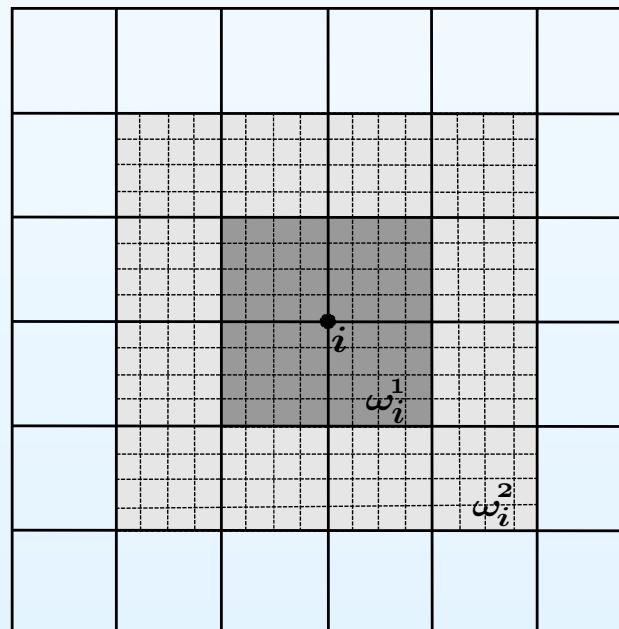
## Approximation of $T_J$ and $u_{l,J}$ in Sym-AVMS

We localize the fine scale equations. Let  $\mathcal{V}_0 = \text{span}(\{\phi_i\})$  and,

$$\langle \phi_i + T_J \phi_i, v \rangle = 0, \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}_J,$$

$$\langle u_{l,J,i}, v \rangle = l(\phi_i v), \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}_J,$$

We introduce a patch  $\omega_i^k$  around  $\text{supp}(\phi_i)$ :



Now let  $\mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k) = \{v \in \mathcal{W}_J : \text{supp}(v) \subset \omega_i^k\}$ .

## Sym-AVMS

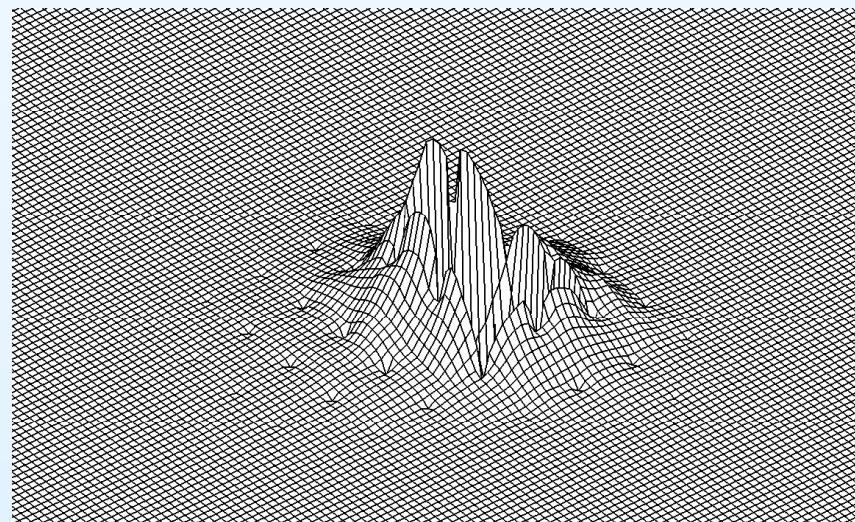
Let  $T_J^k \phi_i \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k)$  and  $u_{l,J}^k \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k)$  be given by,

$$\langle \phi_i + T_J^k \phi_i, v \rangle = 0, \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k),$$

$$\langle u_{l,J,i}^k, v \rangle = l(\phi_i v), \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k).$$

The method reads: Find  $u_0^k \in \mathcal{V}_0$  such that

$$\langle u_0^k + T_J^k u_0^k, v_0 + T_J^k v_0 \rangle = l(v_0 + T_J^k v_0) - \langle u_{l,J}^k, v_0 + T_J^k v_0 \rangle, \quad \forall v_0 \in \mathcal{V}_0.$$

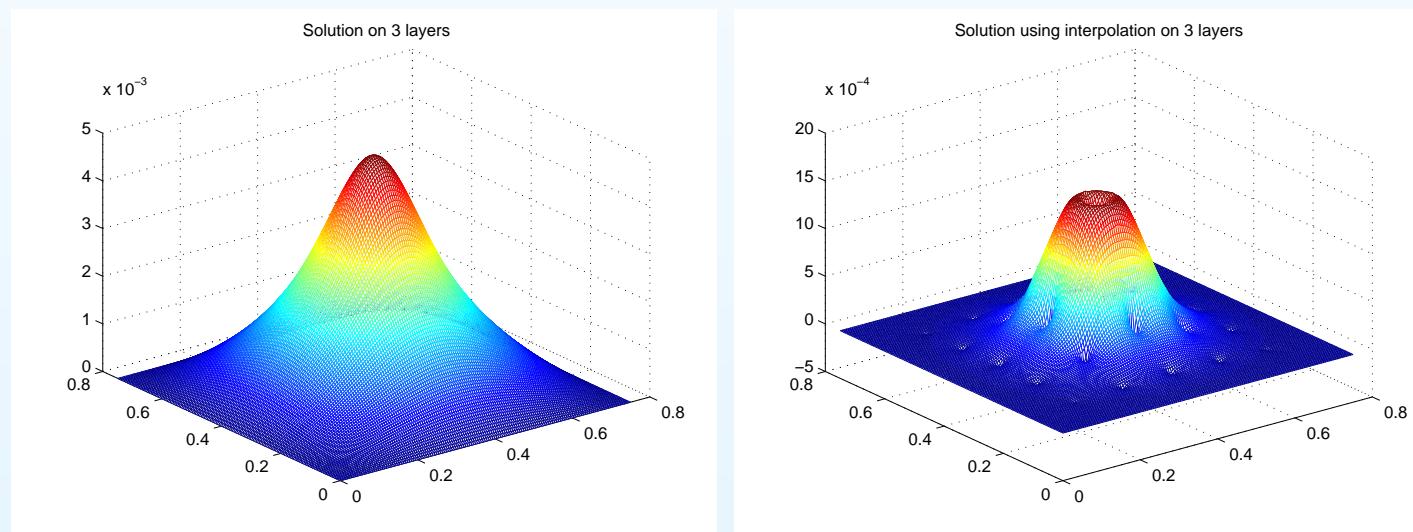


# Observation about decay in $\mathcal{W}$ (Fourier)

Consider the Poisson equation,

$$-\Delta u = \phi_i \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega,$$

where  $\phi_i$  has local support in  $\Omega$ . The weak form reads: find  $u \in \mathcal{Z}$  such that,  $\langle u, v \rangle = (\phi_i, v)$  for all  $v \in \mathcal{Z}$ .

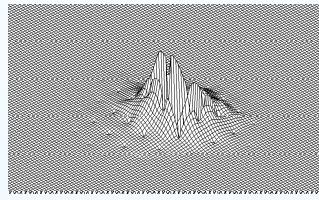


To the left  $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{V}$  (log decay) and right  $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{W}$  (exp decay).

Constraints are realized using Lagrangian multipliers.

## Convergence analysis: basis functions $T_J\phi_i$

We sketch the convergence proof below. We start with the decay of  $T_J\phi_i$ .



Let  $\{\chi_j\}_{j \in \mathcal{M}_J}$  be a hierarchical basis for  $\mathcal{W}_J$ . Let  $\hat{A} = \langle \chi_l, \chi_j \rangle$ ,  $l, j \in \mathcal{M}_J$ . Further let  $T_J\phi_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_J} \alpha_j \chi_j$ . We use CG with  $\hat{\alpha}_0 = 0$  and right hand side  $b_j = -\langle \phi_i, \chi_j \rangle$ . We have,

$$|\alpha - \hat{\alpha}^m|_{\hat{A}} \leq 2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} - 1}{\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} + 1} \right)^m |\alpha|_{\hat{A}} := 2\rho^m |\alpha|_{\hat{A}}, \text{ where } |v|_A^2 = v^T A v.$$

Note that  $\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} \sim J$  in 2D and  $\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} \sim 2^J$  in 3D.

## Convergence analysis: local solutions $T_J\phi_i$

We have  $T_J\phi_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_J} \alpha_j \chi_j$ , with corresponding vector  $\alpha$ , where  $\mathcal{M}_J$  is the set non-coarse nodes on level  $J$ .

Since  $b_j$  has support on a coarse 1-ring and the HB only spreads information within  $\omega_i^k$  in  $2k$  iterations we have,

$$|\alpha_{\Omega \setminus \omega^k}|^2 = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{J}}(\Omega \setminus \omega_i^k)} |\alpha_j|^2 = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{J}}(\Omega \setminus \omega_i^k)} |\alpha_j - \hat{\alpha}_j^{2k}|^2 \leq |\alpha - \hat{\alpha}^{2k}|^2,$$

where  $\alpha_{\Omega \setminus \omega^k}$  only contains the node values outside  $\omega_i^k$ .

Furthermore  $|\alpha_{\Omega \setminus \omega^k}|_{\hat{A}}^2 \leq C|\alpha - \hat{\alpha}^{2k}|_{\hat{A}}^2 \leq C\rho^{4k}|\alpha|_{\hat{A}}^2$  which means that the coefficients in  $\alpha$  decays away from node  $i$  and more precisely  $\|T_J\phi_i\|_{\Omega \setminus \omega_i^k} \leq C\rho^{2k}\|T_J\phi_i\|$ , with  $\|v\|_{\omega}^2 = \langle v, v \rangle_{\omega}$ .

## Convergence analysis: local solutions $T_J^k \phi_i \rightarrow T_J \phi_i$

Now let  $T_J^k \phi_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_J(\omega_i^k)} \alpha_j^k \chi_j$ .

We have  $\langle T_J \phi_i - T_J^k \phi_i, w \rangle = 0$  for all  $w \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k)$ .

Now let  $w = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{M}_J(\omega_i^k)} (\alpha_j - \alpha_j^k) \chi_j \in \mathcal{W}_J(\omega_i^k)$ , with corresponding vectors  $\alpha_{\omega^k}$  and  $\alpha^k$ . We get,

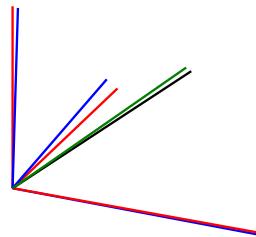
$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha - \alpha^k|_{\hat{A}}^2 &= (\alpha - \alpha_{\omega^k})^T \hat{A} (\alpha - \alpha^k) \\ &= \alpha_{\Omega \setminus \omega^k}^T \hat{A} (\alpha - \alpha^k) \\ &\leq |\alpha_{\Omega \setminus \omega^k}|_{\hat{A}} |\alpha - \alpha^k|_{\hat{A}}, \end{aligned}$$

But now  $|\alpha - \alpha^k|_{\hat{A}} \leq C \rho^{2k} |\alpha|_{\hat{A}}$  or,

$$\|T_J \phi_i - T_J^k \phi_i\| \leq C \rho^{2k} \|T_J \phi_i\| \quad \text{and} \quad \|u_{l,J,i} - u_{l,J,i}^k\| \leq C \rho^{2k} \|u_{l,J,i}\|.$$

## Convergence analysis: system

$$\mathcal{V}_{0,J} = \text{span}(\{\phi_i + T_J \phi_i\}) \text{ (blue)} \quad \mathcal{V}_{0,J}^k = \text{span}(\{\phi_i + T_J^k \phi_i\}) \text{ (red}).$$



We compute  $u_0$  (black) and  $u_0^k$  (green) as projections:

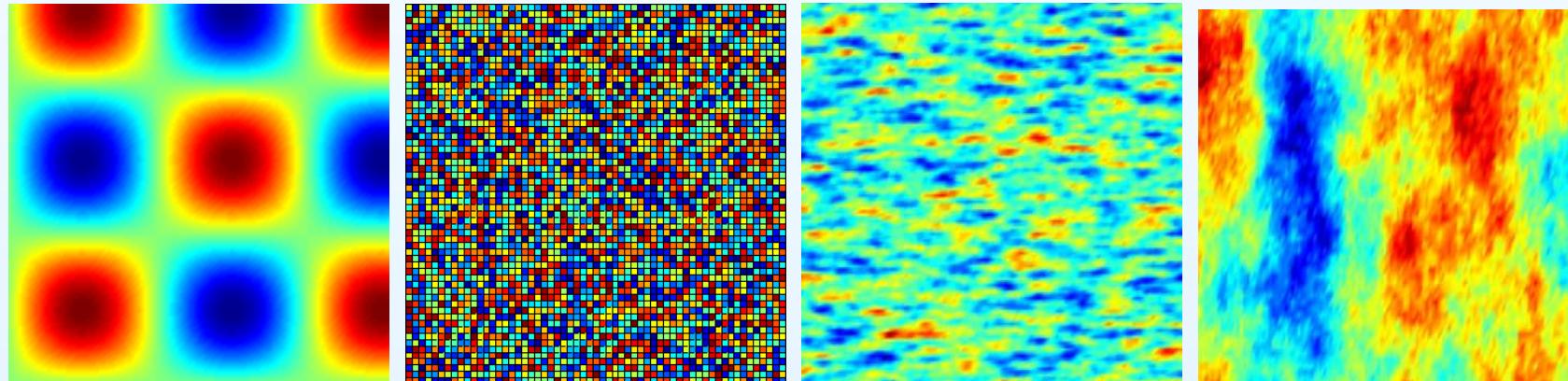
**Theorem 1** *Let  $u_J$  be the reference solution and  $u_J^k$  the Sym-AVMS approximation. Then,*

$$| | | u_J - u_J^k | | | \leq C \left( \|u_J\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} / h_0 + \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right) \rho^{2k},$$

where  $\rho = \frac{\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})}-1}{\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})}+1}$  and  $\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} \sim J$  in 2D and  $\sqrt{\kappa(\hat{A})} \sim 2^J$  in 3D.

## Numerical examples

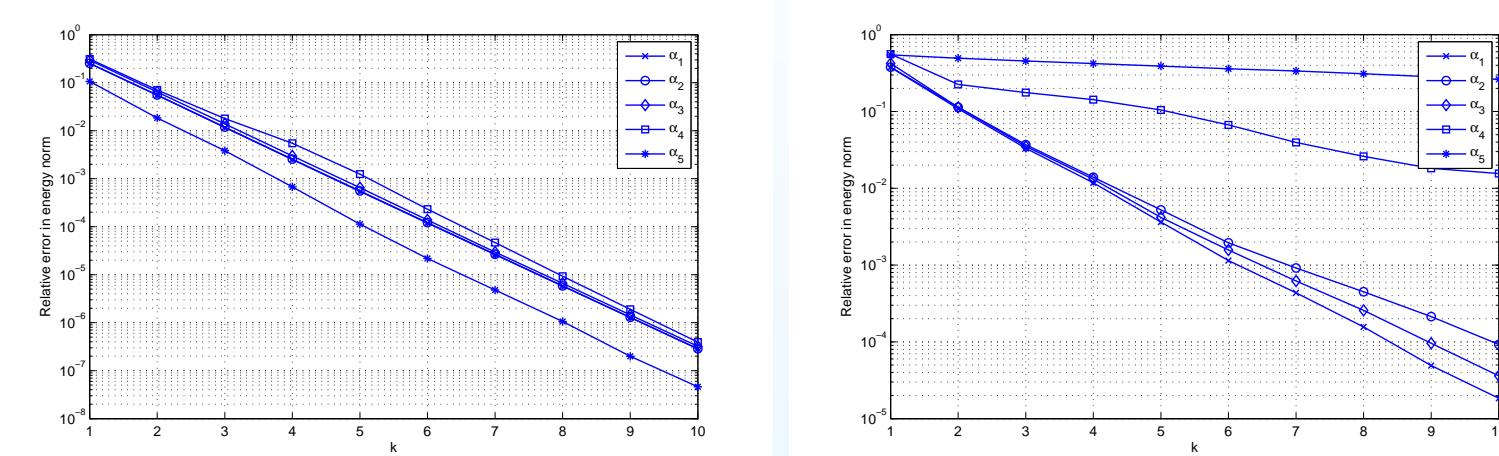
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_1(x, y) = 1, \\ \alpha_2(x, y) = 1 + 0.5 \cdot \sin(8x)\sin(8y), \\ \alpha_3(x, y) = 0.1 + 0.9 * \text{rand}, \quad (x, y) \in \tau, \text{ for all } \tau \in \mathcal{T}_1, \\ \alpha_4(x, y) = a_{\text{GSLIB}}(i, j), \text{ for } \frac{i-1}{120} \leq x < \frac{i}{120}, \frac{j-1}{120} \leq y < \frac{j}{120}, \\ \alpha_5(x, y) = a_{\text{SPE}}(i, j), \text{ for } \frac{i-1}{120} \leq x < \frac{i}{120}, \frac{j-1}{120} \leq y < \frac{j}{120}, \end{array} \right.$$



We let  $f = \chi_{\text{inj}} - \chi_{\text{prod}}$ , with  $\text{supp}(\chi_{\text{inj}}) = [0, 1/60] \times [0, 1/60]$ , and  $\text{supp}(\chi_{\text{prod}}) = [1 - 1/60, 1] \times [1 - 1/60, 1]$ .

# Convergence of local solution $T_J^k \phi_i$

We let  $i = 435$ ,  $J = 3$ , and  $h_0 = 1/30$ , using rectangular mesh.



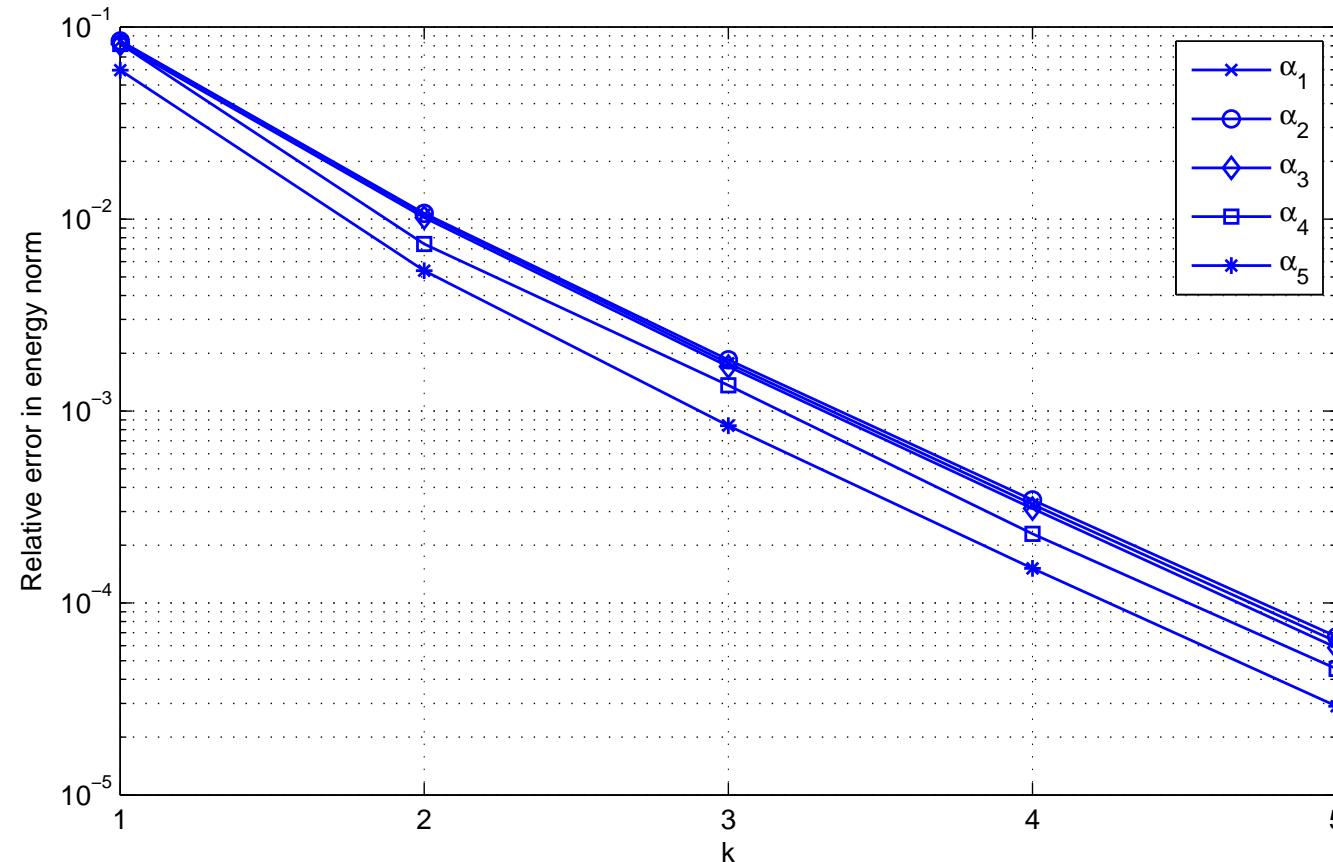
Relative error in energy norm (left). We get exponential convergence in  $k$ .

Corresponding error using  $2k$  cg iterations (right)  $\Rightarrow$  slower convergence for high condition numbers.

Preconditioner that works in the argument?

## Convergence of global solution

Again  $J = 3$  and  $h_0 = 1/30$ . We plot the error  $u_J - u_J^k$  in energy norm (relative).

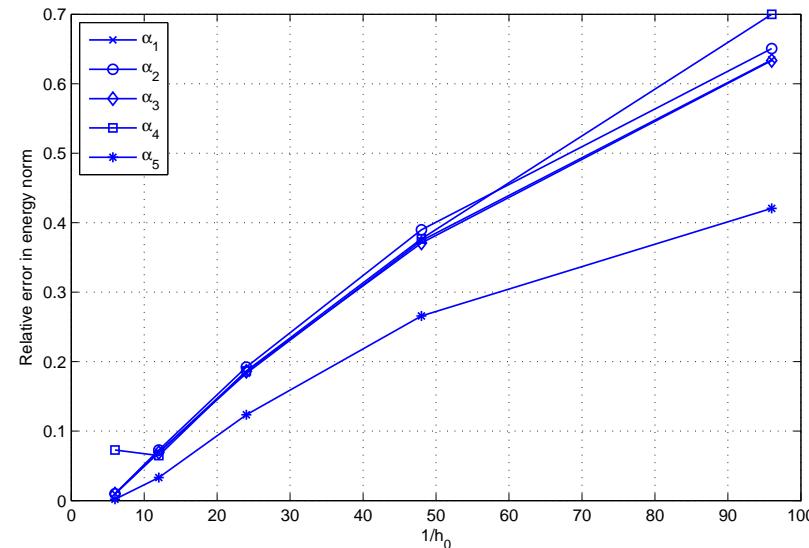


# How does the error depend on $h_0$ ?

Remember

$$\|u_J - u_J^k\| \leq C \left( \|u_J\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} / h_0 + \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \right) \rho^{2k},$$

We let  $J = 2$  and  $k = 3$ .



The bound is probably not sharp in terms of  $h_0$ .

## Summary of this paper

1. We prove an *a priori* error bound and thereby convergence as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  for Sym-AVMS, for fix  $h_0$  and  $J$ .
2. The bound reveals that for fix  $h_0$  and  $J$  we get *exponential decay* in the number of layers  $k$ .
3. Numerics experiments confirms this and furthermore reveals that a very small value  $k \sim 2$  is needed for 2D examples in practise.
4. There are still improvements needed in the analysis in the case when  $\frac{\max_x \alpha(x)}{\min_x \alpha(x)}$  is large and in the dependency on  $h_0$ .  
Preconditioner and/or wavelet basis might resolve this.

## Other recent results and future directions

We have also studied

- multiscale methods for convection dominated stationary and hyperbolic problems
- a posteriori error estimation for Poisson equation, CG, DG, RT
- adaptive algorithms for local mesh/patch size refinement

Future projects include

- improving the convergence result
- adaptive algorithm for hyperbolic problems
- convergence of adaptive algorithms
- solving the coupled system using RT and DG
- multiscale in time
- implement AMVS on parallel machines, 3D