Space-time Trefftz discontinuous Galerkin methods for wave problems

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Minimal Trefftz example: Laplace equation

Imagine you want to approximate the solution u of Laplace eq.

 $\Delta u = 0$ in $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, (+any BCs on $\partial \Omega$),

using a standard discontinuous Galerkin (DG) method. You seek the approximate solution in

$$\left\{ v_{hp} \in L^2(\Omega) : \left. v_{hp} \right|_K \in \mathbb{P}^p(K) \; \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\}$$

where $\mathbb{P}^{p}(K)$ is the space of polynomials of degree at most p on the element K of a mesh \mathcal{T}_{h} .

Why not use only (piecewise) harmonic polynomials

$$\left\{ v_{hp} \in L^2(\Omega) : v_{hp|K} \in \mathbb{P}^p(K), \ \Delta v_{hp|K} = 0 \ \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\} \quad ?$$

Comparable accuracy for $\mathcal{O}(p^{n-1} \cdot \#el)$ vs $\mathcal{O}(p^n \cdot \#el)$ DOFs. (E.g., n=2, p=10: 21 vs 66 DOFs/el.; p=20: 41 vs 231 DOFs/el.) Consider a linear PDE $\mathcal{L}u = 0$.

Trefftz methods are finite element schemes such that test and trial functions are solutions of the PDE in each element K of the mesh \mathcal{T}_h .

E.g.: piecewise harmonic polynomials if $\mathcal{L}u = \Delta u$.

Our main interest is in wave propagation, in:

- ► Frequency domain, Helmholtz eq. $-\Delta u k^2 u = 0$ lot of work done, h/p/hp-theory, Maxwell, elasticity... (recent survey: Hiptmair, AM, Perugia, arXiv:1506.04521)
- ▶ Time domain, wave equation

 $-\Delta U + rac{1}{c^2}rac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}U = 0$

Trefftz methods are in space-time, as opposed to semi-discretisation + time-stepping.

Trefftz methods for wave equation

Why Trefftz methods? Comparing with standard DG,

- better accuracy per DOFs and higher convergence orders;
- ▶ PDE properties "known" by discrete space, e.g. dispersion;
- lower dimensional quadrature needed;
- ▶ simpler and more flexible, adapted bases and adaptivity...

No typical drawbacks of time-harmonic Trefftz (ill-cond., quad.).

Existing works on Trefftz for time-domain wave equation:

- MACIAG, SOKALA, WAUER 2005–2011, LIU, KUO 2016, single element Trefftz;
- PETERSEN, FARHAT, TEZAUR, WANG 2009&2014, DG with Lagrange multipliers;
- EGGER, KRETZSCHMAR, SCHNEPP, TSUKERMAN, WEILAND 3×2014–2015, Maxwell equations; KRETZSCHMAR, MOIOLA, PERUGIA, SCHNEPP 2015, analysis; MOIOLA, PERUGIA, arXiv:1610.08002.
- BANJAI, GEORGOULIS, LIJOKA 2016, interior penalty-DG (see talk on Wednesday).

Simplest Trefftz space: Trefftz polynomials

Consider wave eq. $-\Delta U + c^{-2}U'' = 0$ in $K \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ (c const). Choose Trefftz space of polynomials of deg. < p on element K:

 $\mathbb{U}^p(K) := \big\{ v \in \mathbb{P}^p(K), \ -\Delta v + c^{-2}v'' = 0 \big\}.$

▶ Basis functions are easily constructed:

$$b_{j,\ell}(\mathbf{x},t) = (\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} - ct)^j$$

for suitable propagation directions $\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell}$ ($|\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell}| = 1$).

► Orders of approximation in h are for free, because Taylor polynomial of (smooth) U belongs to U^p(K).

► dim
$$(\mathbb{U}^p(K)) = \mathcal{O}_{p\to\infty}(p^n) \ll \dim (\mathbb{P}^p(K)) = \mathcal{O}_{p\to\infty}(p^{n+1}).$$

Part II

Trefftz-DG for acoustic wave equations

Initial-boundary value problem

First order initial–boundary value problem (Dirichlet): find (v, σ)

$$\begin{cases} \nabla v + \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0} & \text{in } Q = \Omega \times (0, T) \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}, \ n \in \mathbb{N} \\ \nabla \cdot \sigma + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = 0 & \text{in } Q, \\ v(\cdot, 0) = v_0, \quad \sigma(\cdot, 0) = \sigma_0 & \text{on } \Omega, \\ v(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T). \end{cases}$$

From $-\Delta U + c^{-2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U = 0$, choose $v = \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}$ and $\sigma = -\nabla U$. Velocity *c* piecewise constant. $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ Lipschitz bounded.

- ▶ Neumann $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = g$ & Robin $\frac{\vartheta}{c} v \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = g$ BCs ($\boldsymbol{\checkmark}$),
- Maxwell equations (\checkmark) ,

Extensions: elasticity,

- ▶ 1^{st} order hyperbolic systems (~),
- Maxwell equations in dispersive materials...

Space-time mesh and assumptions

Introduce space-time polytopic mesh T_h on Q. Assume: $c = c(\mathbf{x})$ constant in elements.

Assume: each face $F = \partial K_1 \cap \partial K_2$ with normal $(\mathbf{n}_F^{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{n}_F^t)$ is either

- ▶ space-like: $c|\mathbf{n}_{F}^{x}| < n_{F}^{t}$, denote $F \subset \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\mathrm{space}}$, or
- time-like: $n_F^t = 0$, denote $F \subset \mathcal{F}_h^{\text{time}}$.



DG elemental equation and numerical fluxes

Trefftz
space:
$$\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h) := \left\{ (w, \tau) \in L^2(Q), (w|_K, \tau|_K) \in H^1(K)^{1+n}, \\ \nabla w + \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \nabla \cdot \tau + c^{-2} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0} \; \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\}.$$

Multiplying PDEs with test (w, τ) , integrating by parts in K, using Trefftz property and summing over $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$: $\forall (w, \tau) \in \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h)$

$$\sum_{K\in\mathcal{T}_h}\int_{\partial K}\left(\left(\upsilon\,\tau+\sigma\,w\right)\cdot\mathbf{n}_K^x+\left(\sigma\cdot\tau+\frac{1}{c^2}\,\upsilon\,w\right)n_K^t\right)\mathrm{d}S=0.$$

We approximate skeleton traces of (v, σ) with numerical fluxes $(\hat{v}_{hp}, \hat{\sigma}_{hp})$, defined as $\alpha, \beta \in L^{\infty}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial})$

$$\widehat{v}_{hp} := \begin{cases} \overline{v}_{hp}^{-} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}}, \\ v_{hp} & v_{0} & \sigma_{hp} := \begin{cases} \overline{\sigma}_{hp}^{-} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}}, \\ \sigma_{hp} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{T}, \\ \sigma_{0} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{0}, \\ \{\!\!\{ \overline{v}_{hp} \}\!\!\} + \beta[\!\![\overline{\sigma}_{hp}]\!\!]_{\mathbf{N}} & \{\!\!\{ \overline{\sigma}_{hp} \}\!\!\} + \alpha[\!\![\overline{v}_{hp}]\!\!]_{\mathbf{N}} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}}, \\ g & \sigma_{hp} - \alpha(v - g) \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{x} & \text{ on } \mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}. \end{cases}$$

 $\alpha=\beta=\mathbf{0}\rightarrow\mathsf{K}\mathsf{R}\mathsf{E}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{Z}\mathsf{S}\mathsf{C}\mathsf{H}\mathsf{M}\mathsf{A}\mathsf{R}\mathsf{-}\mathsf{S}.\mathsf{-}\mathsf{T}.\mathsf{-}\mathsf{W}.\,,\quad\alpha\beta\geq\frac{1}{4}\rightarrow\mathsf{M}\mathsf{O}\mathsf{N}\mathsf{K}\mathsf{-}\mathsf{R}\mathsf{I}\mathsf{C}\mathsf{H}\mathsf{T}\mathsf{E}\mathsf{R}.$

Substituting the fluxes in the elemental equation and choosing any finite-dimensional $\mathbf{V}_p(\mathcal{T}_h) \subset \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h)$, write Trefftz-DG as:

Seek
$$(v_{hp}, \sigma_{hp}) \in \mathbf{V}_{p}(\mathcal{T}_{h})$$
 s.t., $\forall (w, \tau) \in \mathbf{V}_{p}(\mathcal{T}_{h})$,
 $\mathcal{A}(v_{hp}, \sigma_{hp}; w, \tau) = \ell(w, \tau)$ where
 $\mathcal{A}(v_{hp}, \sigma_{hp}; w, \tau) \coloneqq \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}}} \left(\frac{v_{hp}^{-} \llbracket w \rrbracket_{t}}{c^{2}} + \sigma_{hp}^{-} \cdot \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{t} + v_{hp}^{-} \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{N} + \sigma_{hp}^{-} \cdot \llbracket w \rrbracket_{N} \right) dS$
 $+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}}} \left(\{\!\{v_{hp}\}\!\} \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{N} + \{\!\{\sigma_{hp}\}\!\} \cdot \llbracket w \rrbracket_{N} + \alpha \llbracket v_{hp} \rrbracket_{N} \cdot \llbracket w \rrbracket_{N} + \beta \llbracket \sigma_{hp} \rrbracket_{N} \llbracket \tau \rrbracket_{N} \right) dS$
 $+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}}} (c^{-2} v_{hp} w + \sigma_{hp} \cdot \tau) dS + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}} (\sigma_{hp} \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega} + \alpha v_{hp}) w dS,$
 $\ell(w, \tau) \coloneqq \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{0}} (c^{-2} v_{0} w + \sigma_{0} \cdot \tau) dS + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}} g(\alpha w - \tau \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}) dS.$

Global, implicit and explicit schemes

1 Trefftz-DG formulation is global in space-time domain *Q*: large linear system! Might be good for adaptivity.

2 If mesh is partitioned in time-slabs $\Omega \times (t_{j-1}, t_j)$, matrix is block lower-triangular: for each time-slab a system can be solved sequentially: implicit method.



3 If mesh is suitably chosen, Trefftz-DG solution $\uparrow t$ can be computed with a sequence of local systems: explicit method, allows parallelism!

"Tent pitching algorithm" of Üngör-Sheffer, Monk-Richter, Gopalakrishnan-Monk-Sepúlveda, Gopalakrishnan-Schöberl-Wintersteiger... (See talk tomorrow.)

Versions 1-2-3 are algebraically equivalent (on the same mesh).



Tent-pitched elements/patches obtained from regular space meshes in 2+1D give parallelepipeds or octahedra+tetrahedra:



Trefftz requires quadrature on faces only:

only the shape of space elements matters.

Simplices around a tent pole can be merged in single element.

Part III

Trefftz-DG error analysis

Trefftz-DG norms

Assume $\alpha, \beta > 0$, $\gamma := c |\mathbf{n}_F^x| / n_F^t \in [0, 1)$ on $\mathcal{F}_h^{\text{space}}$. Define jump/averages seminorms on $H^1(\mathcal{T}_h)^{1+n}$:

$$\begin{split} \|\|(\boldsymbol{w},\boldsymbol{\tau})\|\|_{DG}^{2} &:= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left\| c^{-1} \boldsymbol{w} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{0} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{T})}^{2} + \left\| \boldsymbol{\tau} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{0} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{T})^{n}}^{2} \\ &+ \left\| \left(\frac{1 - \gamma}{n_{F}^{t}} \right)^{1/2} c^{-1} \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{t} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}})}^{2} + \left\| \left(\frac{1 - \gamma}{n_{F}^{t}} \right)^{1/2} \|\boldsymbol{\tau}\|_{t} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}})^{n}}^{2} \right) \\ &+ \left\| \alpha^{1/2} \|\boldsymbol{w}\|_{N} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}})^{n}}^{2} + \left\| \beta^{1/2} \|\boldsymbol{\tau}\|_{N} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}})}^{2} + \left\| \alpha^{1/2} \boldsymbol{w} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}})^{n}}^{2} \right) \\ &+ \left\| \left(\frac{n_{F}^{t}}{1 - \gamma} \right)^{1/2} c^{-1} \boldsymbol{w}^{-1} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}})}^{2} + 2 \left\| \left(\frac{n_{F}^{t}}{1 - \gamma} \right)^{1/2} \boldsymbol{\tau}^{-1} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}})^{n}}^{2} \\ &+ \left\| \beta^{-1/2} \left\| \boldsymbol{w} \right\} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}})}^{2} + \left\| \alpha^{-1/2} \left\| \boldsymbol{\tau} \right\} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}})^{n}}^{2} + \left\| \alpha^{-1/2} \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{n} \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}})^{n}}^{2} \end{split}$$

They are norms on Trefftz space $\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h)$.

Trefftz-DG a priori error analysis

From integration by parts and Cauchy–Schwarz:

$$\begin{split} \forall (\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}), (\boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) \in \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h) : & (\alpha, \beta > 0) \\ \mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}; \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \geq |||(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})|||_{DG}^2 & \text{coercivity,} \\ |\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}; \boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\tau})| \leq 2 \, |||(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})|||_{DG^+} \, |||(\boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{\tau})|||_{DG} & \text{continuity,} \\ \psi \end{split}$$

Existence & uniqueness of discrete solution (only for Trefftz!) Unconditional stability and quasi-optimality:

 $|||(\upsilon - \upsilon_{hp}, \sigma - \sigma_{hp})|||_{DG} \leq 3 \inf_{(w_{hp}, \boldsymbol{ au}_{hp}) \in \mathbf{V}_p(\mathcal{T}_h)} |||(\upsilon - w_{hp}, \sigma - \boldsymbol{ au}_{hp})|||_{DG^+}.$

Can control L^2 norm of error on space-like faces, e.g. $L^2(\Omega \times \{t\})$.

Energy dissipation: (if
$$g = 0$$
)

$$\frac{1}{2}\int_{\Omega\times\{T\}} (c^{-2}v_{hp}^2 + |\sigma_{hp}|^2) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} \leq \frac{1}{2}\int_{\Omega\times\{0\}} (c^{-2}v_0^2 + |\sigma_0|^2) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}.$$

Energy dissipation controlled by jumps and mismatch with BCs.

Stability and error bound in $L^2(Q)$ norm

 $||| \cdot |||_{DG}$ controls jumps on mesh skeleton and traces on ∂Q . Error bounded in mesh-independent \mathbf{X}^* norm (e.g. $L^2(Q)^{1+n}$) if

$$\|(w, \boldsymbol{\tau})\|_{\mathbf{X}^*} \leq C_{(\mathcal{T}_h, \alpha, \beta)} |||(w, \boldsymbol{\tau})|||_{DG} \qquad orall (w, \boldsymbol{\tau}) \in \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{T}_h).$$

To prove this, consider auxiliary inhomogeneous IBVP

$$\begin{cases} \nabla z + \partial \zeta / \partial t = \Phi & \text{ in } Q, \quad \Phi \in L^2(Q)^n, \\ \nabla \cdot \zeta + c^{-2} \partial z / \partial t = \psi & \text{ in } Q, \quad \psi \in L^2(Q), \\ z(\cdot, 0) = 0, \quad \zeta(\cdot, 0) = \mathbf{0} & \text{ on } \Omega, \\ z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) = 0 & \text{ on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T). \end{cases}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ holds, if } \forall (\psi, \Phi) \in \mathbf{X} \subset L^2(Q)^{1+n} \\ 2 \left\| n_t^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{z}{c} \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{sp}} \cup \mathcal{F}_h^T)}^2 + 2 \left\| n_t^{\frac{1}{2}} \zeta \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{sp}} \cup \mathcal{F}_h^T)^n}^2 + \left\| \frac{z}{\beta^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{time}})}^2 + \left\| \frac{\zeta \cdot \mathbf{n}_K^x}{\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\|_{L^2(\mathcal{F}_h^{\mathrm{time}} \cup \mathcal{F}_h^\partial)}^2 \\ \leq C_{(\mathcal{T}_h, \alpha, \beta)}^2 \left\| (\psi, \Phi) \right\|_{\mathbf{X}}^2 \end{aligned}$

Here \mathbf{X}^* is the norm dual to \mathbf{X} $(\mathbf{X} \subset L^2(Q)^{1+n} \subset \mathbf{X}^*)$.

Sketch of duality proof, à la Monk–Wang

$$\begin{aligned} \|(w,\tau)\|_{\mathbf{X}^*} &= \sup_{\mathbf{0} \neq (\psi,\Phi) \in \mathbf{X}} \frac{\int_{\mathcal{G}} (w\psi + \tau \cdot \Phi) \, \mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}t}{\|(\psi,\Phi)\|_{\mathbf{X}}}. & (w,\tau) \text{ Irefftz, IDG error,} \\ (\psi,\Phi) \text{ ``dual'' IBVP source,} \\ (z,\zeta) \text{ ``dual'' IBVP solution.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{G}} (w\psi + \tau \cdot \Phi) \, \mathrm{d}V &= \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{K} \left(w\nabla \cdot \zeta + c^{-2}w \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} + \tau \cdot \nabla z + \tau \cdot \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial t} \right) \, \mathrm{d}V \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{\partial K} \left(w\zeta \cdot \mathbf{n}_K^x + \tau \cdot \mathbf{n}_K^x z + c^{-2}w z n_K^t + \tau \cdot \zeta n_K^t \right) \, \mathrm{d}S \qquad (\text{IBP & Trefftz}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^{\text{space}}} \underbrace{\left[w\zeta + \tau z \right]_{\mathbf{N}} + \left[c^{-2}wz + \tau \cdot \zeta \right]_{t}}_{\leq c^{-1} |\left[w \right]_t | (\gamma|\zeta| + c^{-1}|z|) + |\left[\tau \right]_t | (\gamma c^{-1}|z| + |\zeta|)} \, \mathrm{d}S \\ + \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^{\text{tm}}} \underbrace{\left[w\zeta + \tau z \right]_{\mathbf{N}}}_{= \left[w \right]_{\mathbf{N}} \zeta + \left[\tau \right]_{\mathbf{N}^2}} \, \mathrm{d}S + \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^{D}} \left(w\zeta \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^x + \tau \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^x \underbrace{z}_{=0} \right) \, \mathrm{d}S \\ + \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^{\text{time}}} \underbrace{\left[w\zeta + \tau z \right]_{\mathbf{N}}}_{= \left[w \right]_{\mathbf{N}} \zeta + \left[\tau \right]_{\mathbf{N}^2}} \, \mathrm{d}S + \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^{D}} \left(w\zeta \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^x + \tau \cdot \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^x \underbrace{z}_{=0} \right) \, \mathrm{d}S \\ \leq \left\| \left\| (w, \tau) \right\| \right\|_{\text{DG}} \cdot \left(L^2 \text{ norms of skeleton fraces of } z, \zeta \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

When does adjoint stability hold?

In 1D, using Gronwall + energy + integration by parts \Rightarrow explicit bound for $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}^* = L^2(Q)^{1+n}$

2 *n*D, no time-like faces ($\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}} = \emptyset$), impedance BCs only, \Rightarrow explicit bound for $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}^* = L^2(Q)^{1+n}$

3 3D, Dirichlet BCs, "space
$$\times$$
 time" elements

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{X}^* = H^{-1}(0, T; L^2(\Omega)) \times L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\Omega)^3)$$



Difficulty: bounding trace $\|\boldsymbol{\zeta} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{\boldsymbol{x}}\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}^{\text{time}}_{\iota})}, \boldsymbol{\zeta} \in L^{2}(0,T;H(\text{div};\Omega)).$ In all cases, if $\alpha_{|K_1 \cap K_2} \sim \beta_{|K_1 \cap K_2} \sim \frac{\max_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_K^x}{\min\{h_{K_1}^x, h_{K_1}^x\}}$, then $C \sim (1/\max_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \{h_K^x\} + \#_{\text{interfaces}}^{\text{space}})^{1/2}.$

Part IV

Discrete Trefftz spaces

Polynomial Trefftz spaces

If $n \ge 2$, not all solutions (v, σ) of $\nabla v + \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}$, $\nabla \cdot \sigma + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = 0$ satisfy $(v, \sigma) = (\frac{\partial}{\partial t}U, -\nabla U)$ for U solution of $\Delta U - c^{-2} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2} = 0$ (e.g. if $\operatorname{curl} \sigma_0 \neq \mathbf{0}$).

Define two local polynomial Trefftz spaces on mesh element K

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{T}^{p}(K) &:= \mathbf{T}(K) \cap \mathbb{P}^{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})^{1+n} \\ &= \Big\{ (w, \tau) \in \mathbb{P}^{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})^{1+n} : \nabla w + \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \nabla \cdot \tau + c^{-2} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0} \Big\} \\ \mathbb{W}^{p}(K) &:= \Big\{ \Big(\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, -\nabla U \Big) : \ U \in \mathbb{P}^{p+1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}), \Delta U + c^{-2} \frac{\partial^{2} U}{\partial t^{2}} = \mathbf{0} \Big\}. \\ &\mathbb{W}^{p}(K) \subset \mathbb{T}^{p}(K), \qquad \text{equality} \iff n = 1. \end{split}$$

We can use \mathbb{W}^p if IBVP at hand comes from a 2nd-order IBVP.

$$\dim \left(\mathbb{W}^{p}(K)\right) = \frac{2p+n+2}{p+1} \binom{p+n}{n} - 1 = \mathcal{O}_{p \to \infty}(p^{n})$$

$$\leq \dim \left(\mathbb{T}^{p}(K)\right) = (n+1)\binom{p+n}{n} = \mathcal{O}_{p \to \infty}(p^{n})$$

$$\ll \dim \left(\mathbb{P}^{p}(K)^{1+n}\right) = (p+n+1)\binom{p+n}{n} = \mathcal{O}_{p \to \infty}(p^{n+1})$$

Bases for $\mathbb{T}^p(K)$ and $\mathbb{W}^p(K)$

We generate basis of \mathbb{T}^p by "evolving" polynomial initial conditions. Elements are in the form

$$(v, \sigma) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^n, \ k+|\alpha| \le p} \left(a_{v,k,\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} t^k, \ a_{\sigma_1,k,\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} t^k, \ \dots, \ a_{\sigma_n,k,\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} t^k \right),$$

for $a_{v,k,oldsymbollpha}, a_{\sigma_1,k,oldsymbollpha}, \ldots, a_{\sigma_n,k,oldsymbollpha} \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying recurrence relations

$$\begin{aligned} a_{v,k,\alpha} &= -\frac{c^2}{k} \sum_{m=1}^n (\alpha_m + 1) a_{\sigma_m,k-1,\alpha+\mathbf{e}_m}, \qquad k = 1, \dots, p, \\ a_{\sigma_m,k,\alpha} &= -\frac{1}{k} (\alpha_m + 1) a_{v,k-1,\alpha+\mathbf{e}_m}, \qquad |\alpha| \le p - k - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Basis of
$$\mathbb{W}^p$$
: $\mathbb{W}^p(K) := \operatorname{span}\left\{\left(\frac{\partial U_{j,\ell}}{\partial t}, -\nabla U_{j,\ell}\right), \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq j \leq p+1, \\ 1 \leq \ell \leq \frac{2j+n-1}{j+n-1}{j+n-1 \choose j} \right\}$
 $U_{j,\ell}(\mathbf{x},t) := (\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} - ct)^j.$

Choice of directions $\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell}$: (corresponding to homog. polyn. deg. j)

- ▶ n = 1, left/right directions $\mathbf{d}_{j,1} = 1$, $\mathbf{d}_{j,2} = -1$, $\mathbb{T}^p(K) = \operatorname{span}\{(x \pm ct)^j\}$;
- ▶ n = 2, any distinct $\{\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell}\}_{\ell=1,\dots,2j+1}$ give a basis;
- ► $n \ge 3$, $(\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} ct)^j$ linearly indep. $\iff [Y_N^m(\mathbf{d}_{j,\ell})]_{N \le j,m;\ell}$ full rank.

h-approximation and convergence

Explicit *h*-approximation bounds follow from Bramble–Hilbert, since Taylor polynomials are in $\mathbb{T}^p/\mathbb{W}^p$.

On K star-shaped wrt $\{(\mathbf{x},t), |\mathbf{x}|^2 + c^2|t|^2 < \rho_K^2 h_K^2\}$, $h_K = \operatorname{diam} K$

 $(v, \sigma) \in \mathbf{T}(K) \cap H^{s+1}(K)^{1+n} \Rightarrow \exists (w_{hp}, \tau_{hp}) \in \mathbb{T}^{p}(K) \text{ s.t. } \forall j \le m := \min\{p, s\}$ $|(v - w_{hp}, \sigma - \tau_{hp})|_{H^{j}_{c}(K)} \le 2\binom{n+j}{n} \frac{(n+1)^{m+1-j}}{(m-j)!} \frac{h_{K}^{m+1-j}}{
ho^{(n+1)/2}} |(v, \sigma)|_{H^{m+1}_{c}(K)}.$

If $(v, \sigma) = (\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, -\nabla U)$, same bound holds with $(w_{hp}, \tau_{hp}) \in \mathbb{W}^p(K)$ (up to factor $\frac{(n+j+1)\min\{n+1,j\}}{j+1}$).

Combined with quasi-optimality \rightarrow convergence bounds, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} |||(v - v_{hp}, \sigma - \sigma_{hp})|||_{DG} & (\text{using } \mathbf{V}_{p}(\mathcal{T}_{h}) = \mathbb{T}^{p}(\mathcal{T}_{h})) \\ &\leq \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \frac{36\sqrt{2}}{\rho_{K}^{1+n/2}} \frac{\left((n+1)h_{K}\right)^{s_{K}+\frac{1}{2}}}{(s_{K}-1)!} \left| (c^{-1/2}v, c^{1/2}\sigma) \right|_{H_{c}^{s_{K}+1}(K)} \end{aligned}$$

hp-approximation and convergence in 1+1D

In 1D, solution expands in left- and right-propagating waves:

$$\begin{cases} v(x,t) = \frac{c}{2} \left(u_R(x-ct) + u_L(x+ct) \right), & \left\{ u_R = \frac{v}{c} + \sigma \right\} \\ \sigma(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(u_R(x-ct) - u_L(x+ct) \right), & \left\{ u_L = \frac{v}{c} - \sigma \right\} \\ & I_R = \frac{h_K^t}{h_K^t} + \frac{I_L}{h_K} \end{cases}$$

 u_R , u_L are functions of one real variable on intervals I_R , I_L : 1D polynomial *hp*-approx. bounds "transported" to $\mathbb{T}^p(K)$.

1D hp-convergence estimate

$$|||(v - v_{hp}, \sigma - \sigma_{hp})|||_{DG} \le 87 \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \frac{\left(2h_K\right)^{s_K + \frac{3}{2}}}{p_K^{s_K}} \left| (c^{-1}v, \sigma) \right|_{W_c^{s_K + 1, \infty}(K)}$$

with $K = (x_K, x_K + h_K) \times (t_K, t_K + h_K/c)$, $\alpha^{-1} = \beta = c$, $1 \le s_K \le p_K$

► Exponential convergence for analytic solutions: $\sim \exp(-b\#\text{DOFs})$ instead of $\exp(-b\sqrt{\#\text{DOFs}})$.

Numerical example



Gaussian wave, uniform mesh of squares, *p*-convergence:

Part V

Extensions

Maxwell's equations

$$\begin{split} \nabla\times\mathbf{E} &+ \frac{\partial(\mu\mathbf{H})}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0}, \qquad \nabla\times\mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial(\epsilon\mathbf{E})}{\partial t} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{in } \mathcal{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}^{3+1}, \\ \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}}\times\mathbf{E} &= \mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}}\times\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x},t) \qquad \qquad \text{Dirichlet/PEC BCs}, \\ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}_{t} &:= (\mathbf{v}^{-} - \mathbf{v}^{+}) \\ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v} \end{bmatrix}_{\mathbf{T}} &:= \mathbf{n}_{K_{1}}^{\mathbf{x}}\times\mathbf{v}_{|_{K_{1}}} + \mathbf{n}_{K_{2}}^{\mathbf{x}}\times\mathbf{v}_{|_{K_{2}}} \end{aligned}$$
(tangential) jumps.

Trefftz-DG formulation:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{E}_{hp},\mathbf{H}_{hp};\mathbf{v},\mathbf{w}) = & \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{space}}} \left(\epsilon \mathbf{E}_{hp}^{-} \cdot \left[\mathbf{v} \right]_{t} + \mu \mathbf{H}_{hp}^{-} \cdot \left[\mathbf{w} \right]_{t} - \mathbf{E}_{hp}^{-} \cdot \left[\mathbf{w} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} + \mathbf{H}_{hp}^{-} \cdot \left[\mathbf{v} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} \right) \mathrm{d}S \\ &+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{T}} (\epsilon \mathbf{E}_{hp} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mu \mathbf{H}_{hp} \cdot \mathbf{w}) \, \mathrm{d}S + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}} \left(\mathbf{H}_{hp} + \alpha (\mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}} \times \mathbf{E}_{hp}) \right) \cdot (\mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}} \times \mathbf{v}) \, \mathrm{d}S \\ &+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\text{time}}} \left(- \left\{ \left[\mathbf{E}_{hp} \right] \right\} \cdot \left[\mathbf{w} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} + \left\{ \left[\mathbf{H}_{hp} \right] \right\} \cdot \left[\mathbf{v} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} + \alpha \left[\mathbf{E}_{hp} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \left[\mathbf{v} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} + \beta \left[\mathbf{H}_{hp} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \left[\mathbf{w} \right]_{\mathbf{T}} \right) \, \mathrm{d}S, \\ \ell_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) &= \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}} (\epsilon \mathbf{E}_{0} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mu \mathbf{H}_{0} \cdot \mathbf{w}) \, \mathrm{d}S + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{\partial}} (\mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}} \times \mathbf{g}) \cdot \left(- \mathbf{w} + \alpha (\mathbf{n}_{\Omega}^{\mathbf{x}} \times \mathbf{v}) \right) \, \mathrm{d}S. \end{split}$$

Well-posedness and stability identical to wave equation. Explicit approximation bounds in h. Impedance BCs also fine. Error bounds in $L^2(Q)^6$ for tent-pitched meshes and impedance.

Symmetric hyperbolic systems

As in MONK-RICHTER: piecewise-constant A > 0, constant A_j

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_t + \sum_j \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{x}_j} &= \mathbf{0} & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\ (\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{N})\mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{g} & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}_0 & \text{on } \Omega \times \{0\}, \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}|_{\partial K} &:= \sum_j n_K^j \mathbf{A}_j, \\ +\text{conditions on } \mathbf{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Decomposition $M|_{\partial K} := n_K^t A + \sum_j n_K^j A_j = M_K^+ + M_K^-$ such that $M^+ \ge 0$, $M^- \le 0$, $M_{K_1}^+ + M_{K_2}^- = 0$ on $\partial K_1 \cap \partial K_2$, leads to

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u},\mathbf{w}) &= \sum_{K_1,K_2} \int_{\partial K_1 \cap \partial K_2} \mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathsf{M}_{K_1}^+ (\mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2) \, \mathrm{d}S + \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^T} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathsf{M}\mathbf{w} \, \mathrm{d}S \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial \Omega \times (0,T)} (\mathsf{D} + \mathsf{N}) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} \, \mathrm{d}S, \\ \ell(\mathbf{w}) &= - \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^0} \mathbf{u}_0 \cdot \mathsf{M}\mathbf{w} \, \mathrm{d}S - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial \Omega \times (0,T)} \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{w} \, \mathrm{d}S. \\ |||\mathbf{u}||_{DG}^2 &:= \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}) = \sum_{K_1,K_2} \int_{\partial K_1 \cap \partial K_2} (\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2) \cdot \frac{\mathsf{M}^+ - \mathsf{M}^-}{2} (\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2) \, \mathrm{d}S \\ &+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_h^T \cup \mathcal{F}_h^0} \mathbf{u} \cdot \frac{\mathsf{M}^+ - \mathsf{M}^-}{2} \mathbf{u} \, \mathrm{d}S + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial \Omega \times (0,T)} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathsf{N}\mathbf{u} \, \mathrm{d}S. \end{split}$$

Relation with UWVF and finite differences

With $\alpha c = \beta/c = \delta = 1/2$, TDG operator reads $(Id - F^*II)$, F isometry, II "trace-flipping", as in Cessenat–Despres' UWVF. True in 1+1D; only formally because of a trace issue in n+1D...

In 1+1D, without BCs, with piecewise constant basis, on Cartesian-product mesh, (implicit) TDG reads:

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{v_j^n - v_j^{n-1}}{h_t} + \frac{\sigma_{j+1}^n - \sigma_{j-1}^n}{2h_x} = \alpha h_x \frac{v_{j-1}^n + v_{j+1}^n - 2v_j^n}{h_x^2}, \qquad \stackrel{\uparrow t}{\underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} K_{j-1}^n K_j^n K_{j+1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_j^n K_{j+1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_j^n K_{j+1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_j^n K_{j+1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n \\ K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^n K_{j-1}^$$

On a uniform rhombic mesh, with piecewise constant basis, (explicit) TDG is Lax–Friedrichs:



Extensions and open problems

We have described and (a priori) analysed a Trefftz scheme for the wave equation.

Basis functions are piecewise-solution polynomials.

See arXiv:1610.08002.

- More general space-time meshes (not aligned to t);
- non/less dissipative methods (is our dissipation too much?);
- analysis of non-penalised methods ($\alpha = \beta = 0$);
- mesh-independent stability in more general cases;
- Maxwell, elasticity, first-order hyperbolic systems, dispersive/Drude-type models for plasmas, ...;
- Trefftz hp-approximation theory in dimensions > 1;
- other bases: non-polynomial, trigonometric, directional...;
- (directional) adaptivity;



