INTRODUCTION TO MESHFREE METHODS

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- What is a meshfree method?
- When to use a meshfree method?
- CONSTRUCTION OF MESHFREE METHODS
 - Kernel Techniques
 - Moving Least Squares, partition of unity
 - Enrichment
- **3** COMPUTATIONAL CHALLENGES
 - Appropriate data-structures
 - Parallelization



EFFICIENT NUMERICAL SIMULATION

- Optimal complexity automatic algorithms.
 - Discretization with minimal degrees of freedom.
 - Efficient multilevel solver.
 - Load-balanced parallel implementation.
- Utilize a priori knowledge about solution.



- Material discontinuities.
- Geometry induced singularities (asymptotic expansions).
- High resolution local simulations (homogenization, multi-scale information).
- Spectral analysis.

WHAT IS A MESHFREE METHOD?

- Particle methods (physics).
 - Consider particles x_i.
 - Dynamics of multi-particle system.
 - Newtonian mechanics, system of ODEs.
- Scattered data approach (reconstruction).
 - Consider points x_i.
 - Choose/construct appropriate function space V on Ω based on X_N = {x_i | i = 1,..., N} ⊂ Ω.
 - Define appropriate energy functional.
 - Minimize energy over function space, system of PDEs.



- Note only irregular point cloud assumed.
- Capability of h-adaptivity built-in.

WHEN TO USE A MESHFREE METHOD?

Mesh-generation.

- Complex geometries / complicated structure in solution.
- Time-dependent geometries / topological changes / large deformations.





- Higher order problems, i.e. global smoothness.
- Discontinuities and singularities.





CONTRUCTION OF MESHFREE METHODS

• Choice of discretization technique.

- Collocation.
- Rayleigh-Ritz-Galerkin.
- Choice of basis functions.
 - Construction from scattered points only.
 - Meshfree zoo of acronyms:
 - SPH, CSPH, MLSPH, ...
 - RBF, WEBS, ...
 - EFGM, MLPG, RKPM, ...
 - GFEM, XFEM, PUFEM, ...
 - Common ingredients in many meshfree methods:
 - Partition of unity.
 - Enrichment basis.
- Three *separate* components.
 - Local approximability.
 - Inter-particle continuity.
 - Geometry resolution.

SPECIAL KERNEL TECHNIQUES

RECOVERY PROBLEM

Given $\mathcal{X}_N := \{(x_i, f_i) \mid i = 1, ..., N, x_i \in \overline{\Omega}\}$. Find $u : \Omega \to R$ such that

$$u(x_i) \approx f_i$$
 for all $i = 1, \dots, N$. (1)

SMOOTHED PARTICLE HYDRODYNAMICS

Convolution with δ-distribution

$$f(y) = \int_{\Omega} \delta_0(y-x)f(x)dx$$

Convolution with approximate δ-distribution

$$f(y) \approx \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{W}(y-x) f(x) dx$$

Discretization of integration

$$f(\mathbf{y}) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i \mathcal{W}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_i) f(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

KERNEL APPROXIMATION

- A kernel is a function $K : \Omega \times \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$.
- Trial space

$$\mathcal{K} = \operatorname{span}\langle K(\cdot, y), y \in \Omega
angle$$

• Generalized interpolation, e.g. K(x, y) = K(x - y)

$$f_{\mathcal{K}}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} f_j \mathcal{K}(x - x_j)$$

Integral transformation

$$K_{\Omega}^*f(x) := \int_{\Omega} f(y) K(x,y) d\mu(x)$$

• Gaussian $\exp(-\|x-y\|^2)$, RBF $\Phi(\|x-y\|)$, splines, ...

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 for all $i = 1, \dots, N$. (2)

LEAST SQUARES FIT

Consider the space $\mathcal{P}_k(\Omega)$ of all polynomials *p* with degree less than *k*. Minimize the quadratic functional

$$J_{\rm LS}(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (f_i - \pi(x_i))^2$$
(3)

over all polynomials $\pi \in \mathcal{P}_k(\Omega)$.

- Solution *u* is global polynomial.
- Approximation order determined by k.
- Increasing *N* does *not* improve quality.

MOVING LEAST SQUARES TECHNIQUE

LOCALIZED WEIGHTED LEAST SQUARES FIT

Consider the space $\mathcal{P}_k(\Omega)$ and a set of weight functions^{*a*}

 $W_i : \mathbb{R}^D \to \mathbb{R}$ with supp $(W_i) = \omega_i$.

Minimize the pointwise quadratic functional

$$J_{\rm MLS}(\pi)(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} W_i(x)(f_i - \pi(x_i))^2$$
(4)

over all polynomials $\pi \in \mathcal{P}_k(\Omega)$.

^a"Moving" refers to choice $W_i(x) = W(x - x_i)$.

- Localized approximation.
- Approximation order is k.
- Increasing N improves quality.
- Smoothness inherited from weights.

- Solution is *not* a global polynomial.
- For each x^* there is $\pi \in \mathcal{P}_k(\Omega)$ $u_{\mathrm{MLS}}(x^*) = \pi(x^*).$
- There is a representation $u_{\text{MLS}}(x) = \sum f_i \phi_i(x).$

REPRESENTATION

With particular basis $P = (p_q)$ and $G_{\text{MLS}}(x^*)_{q,r} := \sum_{i=1}^N p_q(x_i) W_i(x^*) p_r(x_i)$

 $\phi_i(x) := W_i(x) P(x_i) \cdot (G_{\mathrm{MLS}}(x))^{-1} P(x).$



PROPERTIES

• Locally supported basis functions ϕ_i

 $\operatorname{supp}(\phi_i) = \operatorname{supp}(W_i) = \omega_i.$

- Basis known implicitly only.
- In general $\phi_i(x_j) \neq \delta_{i,j}$.
- Existence of \mathcal{P}_k -unisolvent subset in $\mathcal{X}_N \cap \omega_i$.
- Smoothness of ϕ_i , *u* determined by smoothness of all W_i .
- Polynomial basis is globally fixed.¹
- Partition of unity

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \phi_i \equiv 1$$

independent of polynomial degree $k \ge 0$.

¹Can be generalized to other *global* approximation space.

DECOMPOSITION OF A FUNCTION

• Consider a general function $u \in H^{s}(\Omega)$

 $u = u_{\text{jump}}(u_{\text{smooth}} + u_{\text{singular}}) = H^u_{\text{jump}}(u_{\text{smooth}} + u_{\text{singular}})$

- Employ approximation scheme with
 - higher order basis in smooth regions,
 - discontinuous basis across local jumps,
 - singular basis in vicinity of singularity.
- Consider an *arbitrary* partition of unity φ_i

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \varphi_i u = \sum_{i=1}^{N} H^{u}_{\text{jump}}(\varphi_i u_{\text{smooth}} + \varphi_i u_{\text{singular}})$$

A PU is the perfect glue!

Define approximation space

$$V^{\mathrm{PU}} := \sum_{i=1}^{N} arphi_i V_i(\omega_i).$$

• $V_i = \mathcal{P}_{k(i)}$ • $V_i = H^u_{jump} \mathcal{P}_{k(i)}$ • $V_i = H^u_{jump} (\mathcal{P}_{k(i)} + \{r^{\alpha}_{singular}\})$

ENRICHMENT OF PARTITION OF UNITY

ERROR ESTIMATE [BABUŠKA, MELENK]

Consider $u \in H^1(\Omega)$, $u_i \in V_i(\omega_i)$, $\{\varphi_i\}$ a PU on $\{\omega_i\}$, and $u^{\text{PU}} := \sum_{i=1}^N \varphi_i u_i$

$$\begin{split} \|u - u^{\rm PU}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq \sqrt{M}C_{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \|u - u_{i}\|_{L^{2}(\omega_{i})}^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \nabla(u - u^{\rm PU})\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)} &\leq \sqrt{2M} \Big(\sum_{i=1}^{N} (\frac{C_{\nabla}}{\operatorname{diam}(\omega_{i})})^{2} \|u - u_{i}\|_{L^{2}(\omega_{i})}^{2} + C_{\infty}^{2} \|\nabla(u - u_{i})\|_{L^{2}(\omega_{i})}^{2} \Big)^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{split}$$

Constants M, C_{∞} , and C_{∇} depend on PU only.

- External p-adaptivity (basis and degree).
- External local enrichment for singularities.
- External local jump enrichment for discontinuities.
- Problem-dependent local approximation spaces.
 - Regularity theory, spectral theory, asymptotic expansion, homogenization.
 - Numerical homogenization, microscale simulation, atomistic simulation.
- Resulting approximation functions

 $\varphi_i(x)(H_i(x)p_q(x)), \text{ and } \varphi_i(x)(H_i(x)r^{\alpha_i})$

Basis property?

PARTICLE–PARTITION OF UNITY METHOD

Stability of global basis holds if flat-top PU.



- Zero-order MLS = Shepard functions as PU.
- Explicit representation of PU.

$$\varphi_i(x) = rac{W_i(x)}{\sum_{k=1}^N W_k(x)} = rac{W_i(x)}{\sum_{\omega_k \cap \omega_i \neq \emptyset} W_k(x)}$$

- \mathcal{P}_0 -unisolvent iff $\Omega \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N \omega_i$.
- *Small overlap* of patches ω_i for flat-top PU.

PARTICLE-PUM FEATURES



- Shepard PU {φ_i} with spline weight functions W_i.
- Local approximation spaces.
 - Legendre poynomials ψ_i^n, \ldots
 - Point / edge singularities η_i^m, \ldots
- Assembled basis functions

$$V^{\mathrm{PU}} := \operatorname{span} \langle \varphi_i \psi_i^n, \varphi_i \eta_i^m \rangle$$

- Adaptive sub-division sparsegrid integration scheme.
- Automatic a-priori enrichment identification.
- A-posteriori sub-domain error estimator, hp-adaptivity.
- Multilevel solver and nested iteration.

COMPUTATIONAL CHALLENGES

- Construction of C_Ω := {ω_i} such that P_k(Ω)-unisolvent subset is contained in each ω_i, and Ω ⊂ ⋃_i ω_i.
- Search for all neighbors

$$\mathcal{N}_i := \{ \mathbf{x}_j \in \mathcal{X}_N \, | \, \mathbf{x}_j \in \omega_i \}, \quad \mathcal{C}_i := \{ \omega_j \in \mathcal{C}_\Omega \, | \, \omega_j \cap \omega_i \neq \emptyset \}.$$

- Integration of weak form.
 - Analytic integration not feasible.
 - Appropriate numerical quadrature (piecewise rational and singular integrands).
 - Domain approximation.
- Approximation of essential boundary conditions.
- Parallelization and dynamic load-balancing.
 - Irregular point clouds.
 - Varying local polynomial degrees.
 - Varying local enrichment (discontinuous, singular).

ESSENTIAL BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

Model problem:

 $-\nabla \cdot \mu \nabla u + \nu u = f \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u = g_D \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \quad \nabla u \cdot n = g_N \text{ on } \Gamma_N$

Approaches in meshfree methods:

- Collocation.
 Lagrange multipliers.
- Penalty formulation.

Nitsche's method.

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \mu \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \nu uv - \int_{\Gamma_D} \mu (\nabla u \cdot nv + u \nabla v \cdot n) + \beta \int_{\Gamma_D} uv$$
$$l(v) = \int_{\Omega} fv + \int_{\Gamma_N} g_N v - \int_{\Gamma_D} \mu g_D \nabla v \cdot n + \beta \int_{\Gamma_D} g_D v$$

- Symmetric positive definite system.
- Optimal error bounds, provided inverse estimate holds.
- Regularization parameter β can be estimated efficiently.

TASKS & DATA STRUCTURES





- Construction of a cover from points.
 - Delaunay triangulation, Voronoi cells.
 - Sub-division approach, trees.
 - Dimension-recursive construction.
 - Partition Ω in sub-domains C_i with simple shape.
 - Use a minimal number of sub-domains C_i .
- Geometric search problem.
 - k-nearest neighbors.
 - Minimal trees (e.g. kd-trees).
 - Geometric trees (e.g. PR-trees).
 - Fast insert operations, adaptivity and dynamics.
 - Aspect ratios of cells.

SPACE TREES

DIVISON OF SPACE BY QUADTREE, OCTREE, ...

- Top node / root is associated with complete domain.
- Non-leaf node splits region into 2^D equal sized sub-cells.
- Leaf node is associated with at most q number of points.



MESH APPLICATIONS

- Mesh-generation.
- Parallel h-adaptive FEM.

PARTICLE APPLICATIONS

- Multipol methods.
- Barnes–Hut method.
- Tree-SPH.

GEOMETRIC HIERARCHY



- Define patches $\omega_i = \alpha C_i$ on leaf cells C_i , $\alpha > 1$.
- Set weights W_i on patches ω_i, choose local space V_i on ω_i.

$$V_{k}^{\mathrm{PU}} := \sum_{i} \varphi_{i} V_{i} = \sum_{i} \frac{W_{i}}{\sum_{m} W_{m}} V$$

- Coarsen tree by removing appropriate subset of leafs.
- Refine tree using local estimate on patch ω_i using V_i ⊃ V_i.
- No treatment of hanging nodes, i.e., arbitrary irregularity of tree.
- Spaces V_k^{PU} non-nested, i.e., $V_k^{\text{PU}} \not\subset V_{k+1}^{\text{PU}}$.
- Multilevel solver with appropriate interlevel transfers.

TREE IMPLEMENTATIONS

POINTER-BASED DATA STRUCTURE

```
treenode {
  datatype data;
  treenode *successors[2<sup>d</sup>];
  ...
}
```

- Store links to successors in tree-node.
- Topology explicitly given via graph of links.
- Parallel computation: Pointers to remote nodes?

KEY-BASED DATA STRUCTURE

```
map<keytype, datatype> tree;
hash_map<keytype, datatype> tree;
```

- Without any explicit links between tree nodes.
- Topology implicitly encoded by key-labels.
- Store complete tree in (hashed) associative container.
- Parallelization by sub-division of key-range.

KEY-BASED MEMORY ACCESS

- Direct-address tables / ordinary arrays.
- Allocate memory for every possible key O(#U).
- Assumption universe of keys is small.



- Indirect-address tables / associative containers.
- Universe of keys is large.
- Allocate memory for N = O(#K) only.
- Hash-function $h: U \rightarrow [0, N-1]$.

KEY GENERATION

- Tree topology:
 - Parent/child information easily accessible.
- Tree node *L* corresponds to geometric cell C_L .
- Cheap unique keys (small number of bits).

Construction of *path key*² k_L for cell C_L :

- Assign initial key value k_L = 1 at root cell.
- Concatenate key k_L with d binary descent decisions.
- Descend tree in direction of cell C_L .





²Also known as bit interleaving.

PARALLELIZATION

- Data equi-distributed among processors (memory).
- Work load equi-distributed among processors (CPU).
- Number of neighboring processors minimal (latency).
- Boundary of data among processors minimal (bandwidth).

Consider one-dimensional problem.

- Data locations are contained in interval [0, 1].
- Data are fully ordered.
- Linear walk over data gives optimal partition.



LOAD-BALANCING

Memory load and work load estimate per tree-node. Summation according to ordering of data.

Ordering data in higher dimensions? Use order in key range!

PARALLELIZATION OF TREE



- Key range is one-dimensional.
- Simple sub-domain description via

 $0 = r_0 \leq r_1 \leq \cdots \leq r_{\wp} = \mathsf{k}_{\max}, \quad \Omega_q := \{\mathcal{C}_L \,|\, \mathsf{k}_L \in [r_q, r_{q+1})\}.$

- Path keys induce horizontal order of tree.
 - Maps levels to processors (parallel traversal?).
 - All-to-all communication.
 - # boundary data \approx # volume data.
- Transformation of keys to obtain *vertical* ordering.
 - Maps sub-trees to processors (local traversal!).
 - Small number of neighbors.
 - # boundary data << # volume data.

SPACE-FILLING CURVE

A *space-filling curve* is the graph of a continuous *surjective* mapping

 $c: [0,1] \rightarrow \Omega \Subset \mathbb{R}^D$

for Ω with $\mu_{\mathbb{R}^{D}}(\Omega) > 0$.

- There is no such injective mapping for smooth $\partial \Omega$.
- Iterative construction procedure for some SFC.

DISCRETIZATIONS OF SPACE-FILLING CURVE

The curves c_n associated with the *n*th iteration of a Lebesgue or Hilbert SFC construction are injective, i.e., self-avoiding.

- Travelling sales man.
- Computer graphics.

- Cache optimization.
- Parallelization.

SPACE-FILLING CURVE PARTITIONING



PERFORMANCE OF PARTICLE–PUM

- Simple construction of $V^{PU} = \operatorname{span} \langle \varphi_i \psi_i^n \rangle$: $O(N_0 \log \theta_i)$
- Efficient assembly $A\tilde{u} = \hat{f}$:
- Multilevel solution:
- Adaptive refinement:

 $\psi_i^n
angle: O(N_0 \log N_0) \ O(N(p^d + e)^2) \ O(N(p^d + e)^3) \ O(N((p + 1)^d + e)^3)$

- *Optimal* with respect to number of particles, almost optimal with respect to local approximation spaces.
- Highly flexible general purpose solver.
 - General particle input.
 - Choice of local spaces / enrichments.
 - Automatic refinement in h and p.
- Load-balanced parallel implementation / optimal scaling.

PARALLEL PERFORMANCE

Model problem:

$$\int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{u}) : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{u}) + \int_{\Gamma_{D}} \beta \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} - \boldsymbol{u} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{v}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n}) - (\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{v}) \cdot \boldsymbol{n}) \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$



- Scaling of cover construction, neighbor search, and load-balancing step.
- Scaling of assembly of discrete linear system.
- Scaling of a V (1, 1)-cycle.
- Convergence history of V(1, 1)-iteration.

SINGULARITIES IN TWO DIMENSIONS (H-ADAPTIVE)





| J | dof | eL∞ | $\rho_L \infty$ | e _{L2} | ρ_{L^2} | e _{H1} | ρ_{H^1} | е _Н 1 | $\rho_{H^{1}}^{*}$ | $\epsilon_{H^1}^*$ |
|----|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 14 | 17937 | 2.851_4 | 1.02 | 5.109_5 | 1.17 | 7.102_3 | 0.54 | 5.047_3 | 0.53 | 0.71 |
| 15 | 26235 | 1.796_4 | 1.22 | 3.806_5 | 0.77 | 5.863_3 | 0.50 | 4.173_3 | 0.50 | 0.71 |
| 16 | 41598 | 1.131_4 | 1.00 | 2.404_5 | 1.00 | 4.710_3 | 0.47 | 3.347_3 | 0.48 | 0.71 |
| 17 | 67266 | 7.126_5 | 0.96 | 1.344_5 | 1.21 | 3.654_{3} | 0.53 | 2.602_{-3} | 0.52 | 0.71 |
| 18 | 99162 | 4.489_5 | 1.19 | 9.895_6 | 0.79 | 2.999_{3} | 0.51 | 2.138_3 | 0.51 | 0.71 |
| 19 | 157779 | 2.828_5 | 0.99 | 6.324_6 | 0.96 | 2.410_3 | 0.47 | 1.714_{3} | 0.48 | 0.71 |
| 20 | 259047 | 1.781_5 | 0.93 | 3.465_6 | 1.21 | 1.861_3 | 0.52 | 1.325_{3} | 0.52 | 0.71 |
| 21 | 383805 | 1.122_{-5} | 1.18 | 2.532_{-6} | 0.80 | 1.521_3 | 0.51 | 1.085_3 | 0.51 | 0.71 |
| 22 | 612792 | 7.070_6 | 0.99 | 1.621_6 | 0.95 | 1.220_3 | 0.47 | 8.686_4 | 0.47 | 0.71 |
| 23 | 1014804 | 4.454_6 | 0.92 | 8.828_7 | 1.20 | 9.396_4 | 0.52 | 6.695_4 | 0.52 | 0.71 |
| 24 | 1509102 | 2.806_6 | 1.16 | 6.403_7 | 0.81 | 7.659_4 | 0.51 | 5.465_4 | 0.51 | 0.71 |
| 25 | 2412603 | 1.767_{-6} | 0.98 | 4.109_7 | 0.95 | 6.143_4 | 0.47 | 4.375_4 | 0.47 | 0.71 |
| 26 | 4014459 | 1.113_6 | 0.91 | 2.230_7 | 1.20 | 4.723_4 | 0.52 | 3.366_4 | 0.51 | 0.71 |
| 27 | 5983155 | 7.014_7 | 1.16 | 1.610_7 | 0.82 | 3.844_4 | 0.52 | 2.743_4 | 0.51 | 0.71 |
| 28 | 9575469 | 4.419_7 | 0.98 | 1.034_7 | 0.94 | 3.082_4 | 0.47 | 2.195_4 | 0.47 | 0.71 |
| 29 | 15969915 | 2.784 ₇ | 0.90 | 5.600_8 | 1.20 | 2.368_4 | 0.52 | | | |

optimal rates: $\rho_{12} = 1 = \frac{2}{d}$ and $\rho_{H1} = \frac{1}{2} =$

SINGULARITIES IN TWO DIMENSIONS (EHP-ADAPTIVE)



| J | dof | e∟∞ | $\rho_L \infty$ | e _{L2} | ρ_{L^2} | e _{H1} | ρ_{H^1} | е _Н 1 | $\rho_{H^{1}}^{*}$ | ^е [*] _Н 1 |
|----|------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| 2 | 30 | 7.824 ₂ | 0.13 | 3.138_2 | 0.53 | 1.407 ₁ | 0.29 | 9.962 ₂ | 0.45 | 0.71 |
| 3 | 57 | 4.255 ₂₂ | 0.95 | 1.288_2 | 1.39 | 1.059_1 | 0.44 | 7.899_2 | 0.36 | 0.75 |
| 4 | 105 | 2.678_2 | 0.76 | 5.366 ₃ | 1.43 | 7.193 ₂ | 0.63 | 5.158 ₂ | 0.70 | 0.72 |
| 5 | 156 | 1.686_2 | 1.17 | 3.265_3 | 1.25 | 4.846_2 | 1.00 | 3.490_2 | 0.99 | 0.72 |
| 6 | 218 | 9.969_3 | 1.57 | 2.730_{-3} | 0.54 | 3.230_2 | 1.21 | 2.329_2 | 1.21 | 0.72 |
| 7 | 280 | 6.248_3 | 1.87 | 1.536_{-3} | 2.30 | 2.192_2 | 1.55 | 1.620_{-2} | 1.45 | 0.74 |
| 8 | 358 | 3.883_3 | 1.94 | 7.558_4 | 2.88 | 1.477_{-2} | 1.61 | 1.093_2 | 1.60 | 0.74 |
| 9 | 454 | 2.446_3 | 1.95 | 5.363_4 | 1.44 | 9.885_3 | 1.69 | 7.367 ₃ | 1.66 | 0.75 |
| 10 | 612 | 1.503_3 | 1.63 | 2.393_4 | 2.70 | 6.540_3 | 1.38 | 4.828_3 | 1.41 | 0.74 |
| 11 | 852 | 9.326_4 | 1.44 | 1.464_4 | 1.49 | 4.373_3 | 1.22 | 3.235_3 | 1.21 | 0.74 |
| 12 | 1220 | 5.834_4 | 1.31 | 5.753 ₅ | 2.60 | 2.739_3 | 1.30 | 2.010_3 | 1.33 | 0.73 |
| 13 | 1664 | 3.675_4 | 1.49 | 4.750_5 | 0.62 | 1.812_3 | 1.33 | 1.337_3 | 1.31 | 0.74 |
| 14 | 2018 | 2.315_4 | 2.40 | 2.671_5 | 2.99 | 1.177_{-3} | 2.24 | 8.683_4 | 2.24 | 0.74 |
| 15 | 2369 | 1.458_4 | 2.88 | 1.640_5 | 3.04 | 7.914_4 | 2.47 | 5.885_4 | 2.43 | 0.74 |

SINGULARITIES IN THREE DIMENSIONS (H-ADAPTIVE)



| J | dof | $e_{L^{\infty}}$ | $\rho_{L^{\infty}}$ | e _{L2} | ρ_{L^2} | e _{H1} | ρ_{H^1} | e*1 | $\rho_{H^1}^*$ | $\epsilon_{H^1}^*$ |
|----|--------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 32 | 1.424 _ 1 | 0.25 | 1.323_2 | 0.49 | 1.702_1 | 0.07 | 1.206_1 | 0.14 | 0.71 |
| 2 | 256 | 1.124 ₋₁ | 0.11 | 4.048_3 | 0.57 | 1.007 ₋₁ | 0.25 | 6.927 ₂ | 0.27 | 0.69 |
| 3 | 480 | 8.913_2 | 0.37 | 1.987_3 | 1.13 | 7.291_2 | 0.51 | 4.992_2 | 0.52 | 0.68 |
| 4 | 704 | 7.074_2 | 0.60 | 1.674_{-3} | 0.45 | 6.183 ₂ | 0.43 | 4.220_{-2} | 0.44 | 0.68 |
| 5 | 928 | 5.614_{2} | 0.84 | 1.644_{-3} | 0.07 | 5.792_2 | 0.24 | 3.947_{-2} | 0.24 | 0.68 |
| 6 | 2440 | 4.521_2 | 0.22 | 8.566_4 | 0.67 | 4.102_2 | 0.36 | 2.750_{-2} | 0.37 | 0.67 |
| 7 | 4540 | 3.537_2 | 0.40 | 4.784_4 | 0.94 | 3.229_2 | 0.39 | 2.143_2 | 0.40 | 0.66 |
| 8 | 7424 | 2.805_2 | 0.47 | 3.924_4 | 0.40 | 2.795_2 | 0.29 | 1.847_2 | 0.30 | 0.66 |
| 9 | 15964 | 2.226_2 | 0.30 | 2.610_4 | 0.53 | 2.178_2 | 0.33 | 1.423_{-2} | 0.34 | 0.65 |
| 10 | 30076 | 1.767_{-2} | 0.36 | 1.426_4 | 0.95 | 1.705_{-2} | 0.39 | 1.110_{2} | 0.39 | 0.65 |
| 11 | 53148 | 1.402_2 | 0.41 | 1.028_4 | 0.57 | 1.425_{-2} | 0.32 | 9.227_3 | 0.33 | 0.65 |
| 12 | 110100 | 1.113_{2} | 0.32 | 7.111_5 | 0.51 | 1.137_{-2} | 0.31 | 7.314_3 | 0.32 | 0.64 |
| 13 | 213840 | 8.830_3 | 0.35 | 4.137_5 | 0.82 | 8.885_3 | 0.37 | 5.723_{3} | 0.37 | 0.64 |
| 14 | 372124 | 7.007_3 | 0.42 | 2.792_5 | 0.71 | 7.401_3 | 0.33 | 4.752_3 | 0.34 | 0.64 |
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optimal rates: $\rho_{12} = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{d}$ and $\rho_{H1} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{d}$

CONTINUUM MECHANICS



MAGNETOSTATICS AND PHOTONIC CRYSTALS

 $-\nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \boldsymbol{u} = \nabla \cdot (\mu \boldsymbol{M})$







$$-\nabla \cdot \mu \nabla u - k^2 u = 0$$





OBSTACLE PROBLEM



- Variational inequalities, minimization in *cone* of valid functions.
- Coarse local approximation spaces such that fine constraints satisfied.

SUMMARY

- Meshfree methods.
 - Many different names, many common ingredients.
 - Partition of unity and enrichment.
 - Fluid dynamics, structural mechanics, multi-scale phenomena.
- Data-structures.
 - Key-based tree implementation.
- Dynamic load-balancing.
 - Space-filling curves.

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- Coupling atomistic to continuum models.
- Multiscale simulation techniques.