Adaptive Refinement for *hp*-version Trefftz Discontinuous Galerkin Methods for the Homogeneous Helmholtz Problem

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### Section 1

### Introduction



Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , d = 2, 3 be a bounded polygonal/polyhedral domain. We seek  $u : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$\begin{split} -\Delta u - k^2 u &= 0 & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_D, \\ \nabla u \cdot \boldsymbol{n} + i k \vartheta u &= g_R & \text{on } \Gamma_R, \end{split} \tag{sound-soft scattering}$$

where

$$k = \frac{\omega L}{c}$$

is the wavenumber ( $\omega$  is the frequency of the wave, L is the measure of the domain, and c is the speed of sound in the material). Wavenumber is related to the wave length

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$



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We want to search for a solution in a finite dimensional subspace of  $H^1(\Omega)$ . To that end we subdivide the domain  $\Omega$  into a mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$  of non-overlapping elements K, where each element has a size  $h_K$ .







We can denote by  $\mathcal{F}_h^I$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_h^R$  and  $\mathcal{F}_h^D$  all interior, Robin boundary, and Dirichlet boundary edges/faces, respectively.

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We can also define a discontinuous Galerkin finite element method (DGFEM), where the space of functions is discontinuous over element boundaries:

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Problems with FEM:

- Number of *degrees of freedom* required to obtain given accuracy increases with wave number *k*.
- *h*-version FEM affected by pollution effect [Babuška & Sauter, 2000]:

$$\|u-u_h\| \leq \frac{C(k)}{v_h \in V_q^{CG}(\mathcal{T}_h)} \|u-v_h\|$$

C(k) is an increasing function in k.

In order to minimise pollution it has been shown the following conditions should be met (for DGFEM):

$$p = \lceil ln(k) \rceil, \qquad \frac{kh}{p} \leq C.$$

[Sauter & Zech (2015)]

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#### Numerical Fluxes

$$\begin{split} ik\widehat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_{hp} &= \begin{cases} \{\!\{\nabla_h u_{hp}\}\!\} - \alpha ik[\![u_{hp}]\!] & \text{on interior faces,} \\ \nabla_h u_{hp} - (1 - \delta) (\nabla_h u_{hp} + ik\vartheta u_{hp}\boldsymbol{n} - g_R\boldsymbol{n}) & \text{on faces on } \Gamma_R, \\ \nabla_h u_{hp} - \alpha iku_{hp}\boldsymbol{n} & \text{on faces on } \Gamma_D, \end{cases} \\ \widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}_{hp} &= \begin{cases} \{\!\{u_{hp}\}\!\} - \beta(ik)^{-1}[\![\nabla_h u_{hp}]\!] & \text{on interior faces,} \\ u_{hp} - \delta ((ik\vartheta)^{-1}\nabla_h u_{hp} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} + u_{hp} - (ik\vartheta)^{-1}g_R) & \text{on faces on } \Gamma_R, \\ 0 & \text{on faces on } \Gamma_D, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

with flux parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $0 < \delta \leq 1/2$ .



### Trefftz Discontinuous Galerkin FEM for Helmholtz

Find  $u_{hp} \in V_p(\mathcal{T}_h)$  such that,

$$\mathcal{A}_h(u_{hp}, v_{hp}) = \ell_h(v_{hp}),$$

for all  $v_{hp} \in V_p(\mathcal{T}_h)$ , where

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{h}(u,v) &= \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{l}} \{\!\!\{u\}\!\} [\![\nabla_{h}\bar{v}]\!] \, ds - \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{l}} \beta(ik)^{-1} [\![\nabla_{h}u]\!] [\![\nabla_{h}\bar{v}]\!] \, ds \\ &- \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{l} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{D}} \{\!\!\{\nabla_{h}u\}\!\} \cdot [\![\bar{v}]\!] \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{l} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{D}} \alpha ik [\![u]\!] \cdot [\![\bar{v}]\!] \, ds \\ &+ \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} (1-\delta) u \nabla_{h} \bar{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds - \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} \delta(ik\vartheta)^{-1} (\nabla_{h}u \cdot \mathbf{n}) (\nabla_{h} \bar{v} \cdot \mathbf{n}) \, ds \\ &- \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} \delta \nabla_{h} u \cdot \mathbf{n} \bar{v} \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} (1-\delta) ik \vartheta u \bar{v} \, ds, \\ \ell_{h}(v) &= - \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} \delta(ik\vartheta)^{-1} g_{R} \nabla_{h} \bar{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \, ds + \int_{\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R}} (1-\delta) g_{R} \bar{v} \, ds. \end{split}$$



Penalty Type	$\alpha$	$\beta$	δ
DG-type Gittelson, Hiptmair & Perugia, 2009	$aq_K^2/kh_K$	bkh <sub>K</sub> /q <sub>K</sub>	₫ <i>kh<sub>K</sub>/q<sub>K</sub></i>
Constant Hiptmair, Moiola & Perugia, 2011	a	Ъ	d
UWVF Cessenat & Després, 1998	1/2	1/2	1/2
Non-Uniform Mesh Hiptmair, Moiola & Perugia, 2014	$ah_{max}/h_K$	b <i>h</i> max/ <i>hK</i>	$dh_{max}/h_K$

### Section 3

### Adaptive Refinement



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We propose using the Hessian of the numerical solution, based on work on anisotropic meshes for standard FE [Formaggia & Perotto, 2001, 2003].



#### Plane Wave Refinement Algorithm (2D)

Let  $(\lambda_1, \mathbf{v}_1), (\lambda_2, \mathbf{v}_2)$  be the eigenpairs of  $\mathbf{H}(\operatorname{Re}(u_h(\mathbf{x}_K)))$ , and  $(\mu_1, \mathbf{w}_1), (\mu_2, \mathbf{w}_2)$  the eigenpairs of  $\mathbf{H}(\operatorname{Im}(u_h(\mathbf{x}_K)))$  s.t.  $|\lambda_1| \ge |\lambda_2|$ ,  $|\mu_1| \ge |\mu_2|$ ; then, for constant C > 1, we can select the first plane wave direction as follows:

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[C., Houston, Perugia (2018)]









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An *a posteriori* error bounds exists for the *h*-version of the method in  $\mathbb{R}_2$ .

#### A posteriori Error Bound — h-version Only

For the TDGFEM, with the constant flux parameters, the following error bound holds:

$$\begin{split} \|u - u_{h}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} &\leq C(k, d_{\Omega}) \left\{ \left\| \alpha^{1/2} h_{F}^{s} \llbracket u_{h} \rrbracket \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{I} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{D})}^{2} + \frac{1}{k^{2}} \|\beta^{\frac{1}{2}} h_{F}^{s} \llbracket \nabla u_{h} \rrbracket \|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{I})}^{2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{k^{2}} \left\| \delta^{1/2} h_{F}^{s} \left( g_{R} - \nabla u_{h} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{F} + ik\vartheta u_{h} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R})}^{2} \right\} \end{split}$$

where s depends on the regularity of the solution to the adjoint problem  $(z \in H^{3/2+s}(\Omega))$ .

[Kapita, Monk & Warburton, 2015]



#### A posteriori Error Bound — hp-version

We propose the following potential *a posteriori* error bound with constants derived numerical to ensure the bound is efficient:

$$\begin{aligned} \|u - u_{hp}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} &\leq C \Biggl\{ k \Biggl\| \alpha^{1/2} h_{F}^{1/2} q_{F}^{-1/2} \llbracket u_{hp} \rrbracket \Biggr\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{I} \cup \mathcal{F}_{h}^{D})}^{2} \\ &+ \|\beta^{\frac{1}{2}} h_{F}^{3/2} q_{F}^{-3/2} \llbracket \nabla u_{hp} \rrbracket \|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{I})}^{2} \\ &+ \left\| \delta^{1/2} h_{F}^{3/2} q_{F}^{-3/2} \left( g_{R} - \nabla u_{hp} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{F} + i k u_{hp} \right) \right\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{F}_{h}^{R})}^{2} \Biggr\} \end{aligned}$$

for smooth solution of the adjoint.

[C., Houston, Perugia (2018)]



#### Modified hp-refinement Strategy [Melenk & Wohlmuth, 2001]

Let  $\mathcal{T}_{h,0}$  be the initial mesh,  $\mathcal{T}_{h,i}$  the mesh after *i* refinements,  $\eta_{K,i}$  the error indicator for  $K \in \mathcal{T}_{h,i}$ , and  $\eta_{K,i}^{\text{pred}}$  the predicted error for  $K \in \mathcal{T}_{h,i}$ .

for 
$$K \in \mathcal{T}_{h,i}$$
 do  
if  $K$  is marked for refinement then  
if  $\eta_{K,i}^2 > (\eta_{K,i}^{\text{pred}})^2$  then  
*h*-refinement: Subdivide  $K$  into  $N$  sons  $K_s, s \in 0, ..., N$   
 $(\eta_{K_s,i+1}^{\text{pred}})^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{N} \gamma_h \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2q_K} \eta_{K,i}^2$ ,  $i \leq s \leq N$   
else  
*p*-refinement:  $q_K \leftarrow q_K + 1$   
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We now consider a wavenumber k given by the piecewise constant function

$$k(x, y) = \begin{cases} k_1 := \omega n_1 & \text{if } y \leq 0, \\ k_2 := \omega n_2 & \text{if } y > 0, \end{cases}$$

where, we  $\omega = 11$ ,  $n_1 = 2$ , and  $n_2 = 1$ , with appropriate inhomogeneous Dirichlet boundary condition, such that , for a constant  $0 \le \theta_i \le \pi/2$ ,

$$u(x,y) = \begin{cases} T e^{i(K_1 x + K_2 y)} & \text{if } y > 0, \\ e^{ik_1(x\cos(\theta_i) + y\sin(\theta_i))} + R e^{ik_1(x\cos(\theta_i) - y\sin(\theta_i))} & \text{if } y < 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $K_1 = k_1 \cos(\theta_i)$ ,  $K_2 = \sqrt{k_2^2 - k_1^2 \cos^2(\theta_i)}$ ,

$$R = -\frac{K_2 - k_1 \sin(\theta_i)}{K_2 + k_1 \sin(\theta_i)},$$

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Summary:

- With plane wave basis functions it is possible to refine the wave directions.
- *hp*-adaptive refinement results in exponential convergence.
- Combining plane wave direction adaptivity with *hp*-adaptive refinement often leads to reduced error compared to standard refinement.

Future Aims:

- Develop robust *hp*-version *a posteriori* error bounds..
- Use the eigenvalues/eigenvectors to develop anisotropic *p*-refinement (unevenly spaced plane waves).