

MeQUR: Uncertainty in THM Coupled Analyses of Barrier Integrity

Numerical Approximation of Random Fields

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Second-order random fields

Common assumptions/notation:

- finite mean

$$f_0(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}[Z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)], \quad \mathbf{x} \in D$$

- finite covariances

$$c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := \mathbf{Cov}(Z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot), Z(\mathbf{y}, \cdot)) = \mathbf{E}[(Z(\mathbf{x}, \cdot) - f_0(\mathbf{x}))(Z(\mathbf{y}, \cdot) - f_0(\mathbf{y}))]$$

- (Wide-sense) **stationarity**, i.e., $c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = c(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$

- **Isotropy**

$$c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = c(|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|) \quad (\text{Euclidean distance})$$

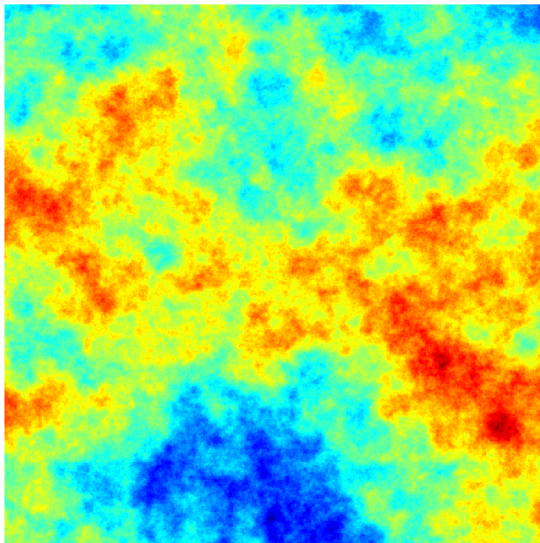
- (Statistical) **anisotropy**

$$c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = c((\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^\top \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})) \quad \mathbf{M} \text{ symmetric positive definite.}$$

- Gaussian RF: $[Z(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, Z(\mathbf{x}_n)]$ multivariate Gaussian for any n , $\{\mathbf{x}_j\}_{j=1}^n$.

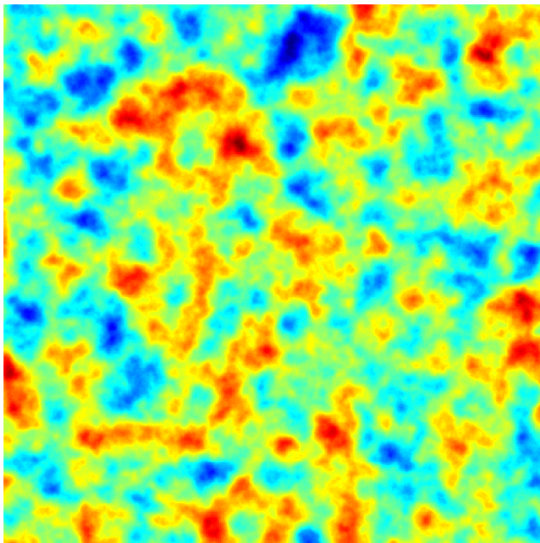
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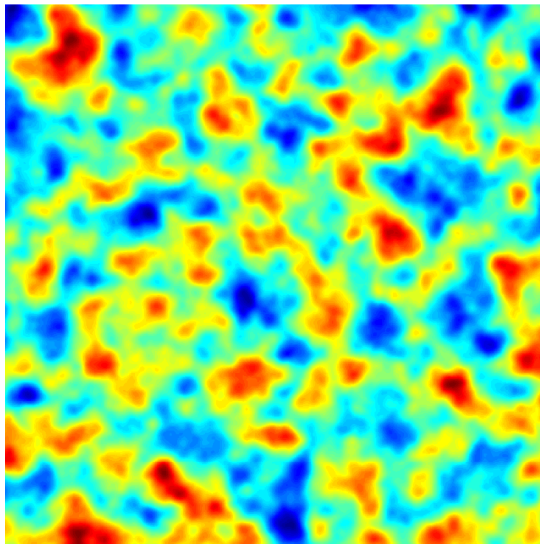
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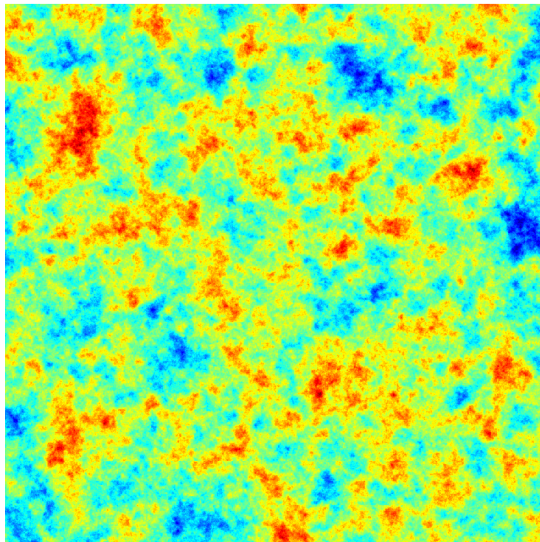
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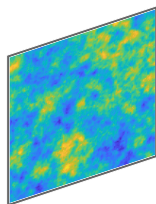
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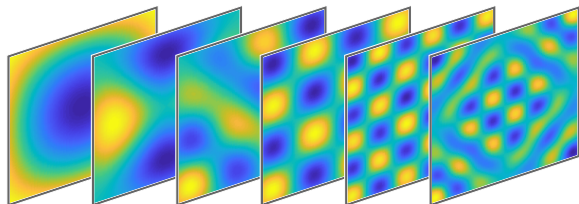
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KL expansion of Gaussian RF

- For Gaussian RF we have $\xi_m \sim N(0, 1)$ for all m .
- Truncated Gaussian RF: randomness completely contained in i.i.d. Gaussian random vector $\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_M)$.
- Spatial discretization determined by that of covariance operator.



\mathbf{Z}



$$\approx \xi_1 \sqrt{\lambda_1} \mathbf{f}_1 + \xi_2 \sqrt{\lambda_2} \mathbf{f}_2 + \xi_3 \sqrt{\lambda_3} \mathbf{f}_3 + \xi_4 \sqrt{\lambda_4} \mathbf{f}_4 + \xi_5 \sqrt{\lambda_5} \mathbf{f}_5 + \xi_6 \sqrt{\lambda_6} \mathbf{f}_6 + \dots + \xi_M \sqrt{\lambda_M} \mathbf{f}_M$$

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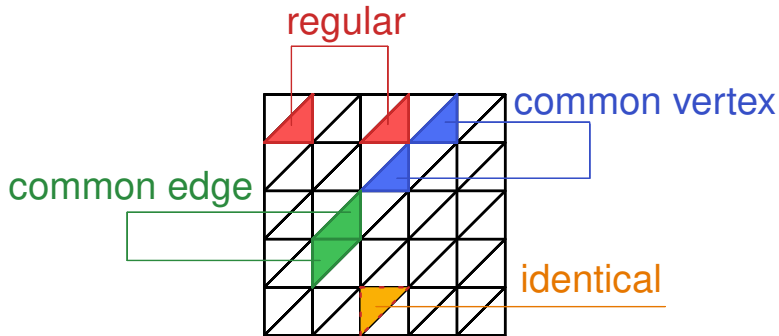
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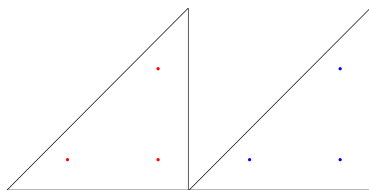
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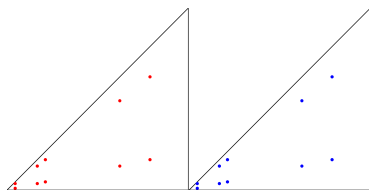


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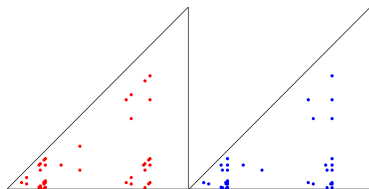
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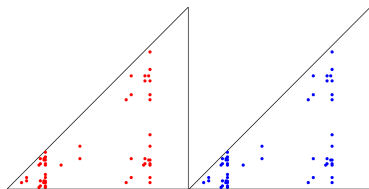
regular (Gauss rule for triangles)



common vertex



common edge



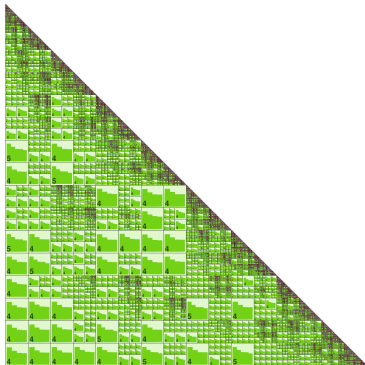
identical

Quadrature nodes on reference element pairs [Sauter & Schwab(2011)].

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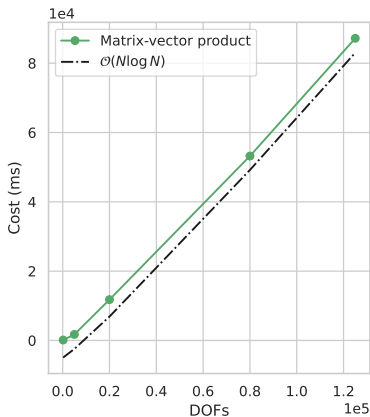
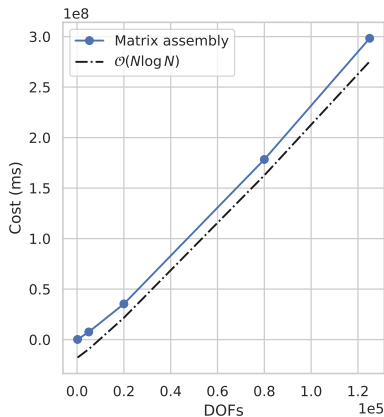
Hierarchical matrix approximation of C

- Arrange DoF in **clusters**.
- Low-rank approximation of far-field cluster blocks.
- For N DoF results on $O(N \log N)$ complexity for assembly, storage and matrix-vector product. [[Hackbusch\(2015\)](#)]



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Hierarchical matrix approximation of C



Complexity of matrix assembly and matrix vector multiplication reduced from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N \log N)$.

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Thick-restart Lanczos eigensolver

- For KL expansion: need only M dominant eigenpairs of \mathbf{C} .
- Hierarchical matrix approximation makes assembly and matrix-vector products inexpensive.
- Ideal setting for Krylov subspace-based eigensolvers.
- Covariance operators symmetric positive definite: can use Lanczos process based on short recurrences.
- Thick-restart variant [Wu & Simon(2000)] allows iterative refinement of target eigenspaces.
- Developed extensions for generalized eigenvalue problem, block methods for multiple eigenvalues.

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Software tool `klème`

- `klème` (KL expansion made easy) C++ software library for efficient solution of covariance eigenvalue problems for use with THM simulator OGS.
- Based on highly optimized packages Eigen, HLIBpro, Spectra, SlepC.
- Available on TUC Gitlab server, includes DOXYGEN online documentation.

Mesh	
Gmsh	
Mesh and element info	

Basis function	
Eigen	
DG0	CG1

Quadrature	
Eigen	
Dunavant	Sauter-Schwab

Mass matrix
Eigen
Sparse matrix

Kernel matrix	
Eigen	HLIBpro
Dense matrix	Hierarchical matrix

Eigensolver	
Spectra	SLEPc
Arnoldi	Thick-restart Lanczos

Postprocess
Eigen
.msh and .vtk

`klème` components.

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kleme minimal working example

```
#include <kleme.h>
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    // parse mesh
    kleme::Mesh mesh(argv[1]);

    // define dofhandler to handle mesh and basis function
    kleme::DofHandler dofhandler(mesh, 0);

    // create and assemble mass matrix
    kleme::Mass m_matrix(&dofhandler);
    m_matrix.assemble_matrix();

    // prepare quadrature rule and kernel for later use
    // in assembling stiffness matrix
    kleme::Quadrature quad(mesh.get_dim(), 2);
    kleme::ExponentialKernel kernel(1, 0.1, 45, 0.5);

    // create and assemble stiffness matrix
    kleme::StiffnessHmatrix k_hmatrix(&dofhandler, &kernel, &quad);
    k_hmatrix.assemble_matrix();

    // create solver
    kleme::SLEPc_Solver solver_hmatrix(&k_hmatrix, &m_matrix);
    int no_of_eigens = 100;
    solver_hmatrix.solve(no_of_eigens);

    // postprocess
    kleme::Postprocess postprocess(&dofhandler);
    postprocess.write_vtk(slepcc_solver.eigen_vectors, "slepcc_eigens.vtk");

    return 0;
}
```

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