

What are Composable Solvers?

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Never believe anything
until you run it.

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Optimal solvers often
have many subsolves,
pieced together.

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- ▶ Solve in post-process

What are Composable Solvers?

Linear

(Brown, M. Knepley, et al. 2012)

Nonlinear

(Brune, Matthew G. Knepley, B. F. Smith, and Tu
2015)

Solver People



Bill Gropp



Barry Smith



Jed Brown

Outline

Allen-Cahn Solver

Stokes Solvers

Patch Solvers

Preconditioners for Faults

Lessons

Programming with Options

ex55: Allen-Cahn problem in 2D

- ▶ constant mobility
- ▶ triangular elements

Geometric multigrid method for saddle point variational inequalities:

```
./ex55 -ksp_type fgmres -pc_type mg -mg_levels_ksp_type fgmres  
-mg_levels_pc_type fieldsplit -mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_detect_saddle_point  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_type schur -da_grid_x 65 -da_grid_y 65  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_schur_fact_type full  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_schur_precondition selfp  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_1_ksp_type gmres -mg_coarse_ksp_type preonly  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_1_pc_type none -mg_coarse_pc_type svd  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_ksp_type preonly  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_pc_type sor -pc_mg_levels 5  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_pc_sor_forward -pc_mg_galerkin  
-snes_vi_monitor -ksp_monitor_true_residual -snes_atol 1.e-11  
-mg_levels_ksp_monitor -mg_levels_fieldsplit_ksp_monitor  
-mg_levels_ksp_max_it 2 -mg_levels_fieldsplit_ksp_max_it 5
```


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Use SVD as the coarse grid saddle point solver

```
-mg_coarse_ksp_type preonly -mg_coarse_pc_type svd
```

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-mg_levels_ksp_type fgmres -mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_detect_saddle_point  
-mg_levels_ksp_max_it 2 -mg_levels_pc_type fieldsplit  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_schur_fact_type full  
-mg_levels_pc_fieldsplit_schur_precondition selfp
```

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```

Schur complement solver: GMRES (5 iterates) with no preconditioner

```
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_1_ksp_type gmres  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_1_pc_type none -mg_levels_fieldsplit_ksp_max_it 5
```

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-mg_levels_fieldsplit_1_pc_type none -mg_levels_fieldsplit_ksp_max_it 5
```

A_{00} inverse action: Use only the lower diagonal part of A_{00}

```
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_ksp_type preonly  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_pc_type sor  
-mg_levels_fieldsplit_0_pc_sor_forward
```


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Solver Configuration: No New Code

ex62: P_2/P_1 Stokes Problem on Unstructured Mesh

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Block-Jacobi (Exact), Cohouet & Chabard, **IJNMF**, 1988.

```
-ksp_type gmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type additive  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

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```
-ksp_type fgmr -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type additive  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type gamg  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
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-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type multiplicative  
-pc_fieldsplit_0_fields 1 -pc_fieldsplit_1_fields 0  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type gamg  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & B^T \\ 0 & \hat{A} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

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Diagonal Schur Complement, Olshanskii, et.al., **Numer. Math.**, 2006.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type diag  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type gamg  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type minres -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type none
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ 0 & -\hat{S} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

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Lower Schur Complement, May and Moresi, **PEPI**, 2008.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type lower  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type gamg  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type minres -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type none
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ B^T & \hat{S} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

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Upper Schur Complement, May and Moresi, **PEPI**, 2008.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type upper  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type gamg  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type minres -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type none
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{A} & B \\ & \hat{S} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Uzawa Iteration, Uzawa, 1958

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type upper  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_type richardson -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_max_it 1
```

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Full Schur Complement, Schur, 1905.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
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-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_rtol 1e-10 -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ B^T A^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & A^{-1} B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

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SIMPLE, Patankar and Spalding, **IJHMT**, 1972.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type full
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_rtol 1e-10 -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
-fieldsplit_pressure_inner_ksp_type preonly
-fieldsplit_pressure_inner_pc_type jacobi
-fieldsplit_pressure_upper_ksp_type preonly
-fieldsplit_pressure_upper_pc_type jacobi
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ B^T A^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B^T D_A^{-1} B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & D_A^{-1} B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

ex62: P_2/P_1 Stokes Problem on Unstructured Mesh

Least-Squares Commutator, Kay, Loghin and Wathen, **SISC**, 2002.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type full  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_precondition self  
-fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type gmres -fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu  
-fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_rtol 1e-5 -fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type lsc
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ B^T A^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S}_{\text{LSC}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & A^{-1}B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

ex31: P_2/P_1 Stokes Problem with Temperature on Unstructured Mesh

Additive Schwarz + Full Schur Complement, Elman, Howle, Shadid, Shuttleworth, and Tuminaro, **SISC**, 2006.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type additive  
-pc_fieldsplit_0_fields 0,1 -pc_fieldsplit_1_fields 2  
-fieldsplit_0_ksp_type fgmres -fieldsplit_0_pc_type fieldsplit  
-fieldsplit_0_pc_fieldsplit_type schur  
-fieldsplit_0_pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type full  
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly  
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu  
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_rtol 1e-10  
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi  
-fieldsplit_temperature_ksp_type preonly  
-fieldsplit_temperature_pc_type lu
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ B^T A^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S} \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} I & A^{-1} B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} & 0 \\ 0 & & & L_T \end{pmatrix}$$

Solver Configuration: No New Code

ex31: P_2/P_1 Stokes Problem with Temperature on Unstructured Mesh

Upper Schur Comp. + Full Schur Comp. + Least-Squares Comm.

```
-ksp_type fgmres -pc_type fieldsplit -pc_fieldsplit_type schur
-pc_fieldsplit_0_fields 0,1 -pc_fieldsplit_1_fields 2
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type upper
-fieldsplit_0_ksp_type fgmres -fieldsplit_0_pc_type fieldsplit
-fieldsplit_0_pc_fieldsplit_type schur
-fieldsplit_0_pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type full
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_velocity_ksp_type preonly
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_velocity_pc_type lu
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_pressure_ksp_rtol 1e-10
-fieldsplit_0_fieldsplit_pressure_pc_type jacobi
-fieldsplit_temperature_ksp_type gmres
-fieldsplit_temperature_pc_type lsc
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ B^T A^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{A} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & A^{-1} B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} & G \\ 0 & \hat{S}_{\text{LSC}} \end{pmatrix}$$

The Great Solver Schism: Monolithic or Split?

- ▶ Direct solvers
- ▶ Coupled Schwarz
- ▶ Coupled Neumann-Neumann
(use unassembled matrices)
- ▶ Coupled Multigrid
- ▶ Physics-split Schwarz
(based on relaxation)
- ▶ Physics-split Schur
(based on factorization)
 - ▶ SIMPLE, PCD, LSC
 - ▶ segregated smoothers
 - ▶ Augmented Lagrangian

Need to understand

- ▶ Local spectral properties
- ▶ Global coupling strengths
- ▶ Compatibility properties

Preferred data structures depend on which method is used.

Outline

Allen-Cahn Solver

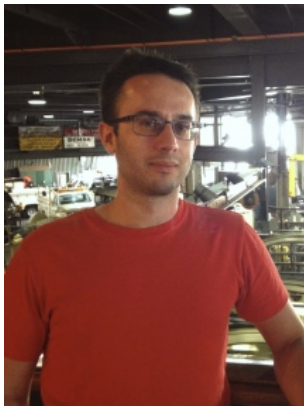
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Patch Solver People



Lawrence Mitchell



Patrick Farrell

Smoothers for

$$L + \alpha K$$

can suffer as $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ if

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Smoothers for

$$-\nabla \cdot 2\nu \epsilon(\mathbf{u}) + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \alpha \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})$$

can suffer as $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ if

$$\mathcal{N}(\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})) \neq \emptyset.$$

The Schur complement is almost

$$S^{-1} \approx -(\nu + \alpha)M_p^{-1}$$

but the velocity smoother is hard.

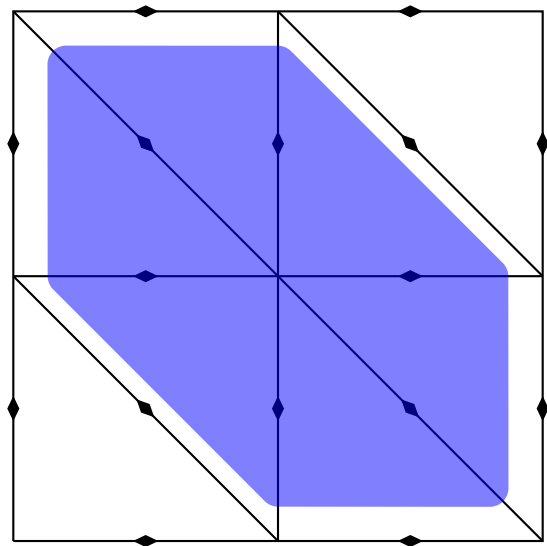
Patch smoothers satisfying

$$\mathcal{N}(K) = \sum_i V_i \bigcap \mathcal{N}(K)$$

are robust.

(Schöberl 1999)

Parameter-Robust Smoothers



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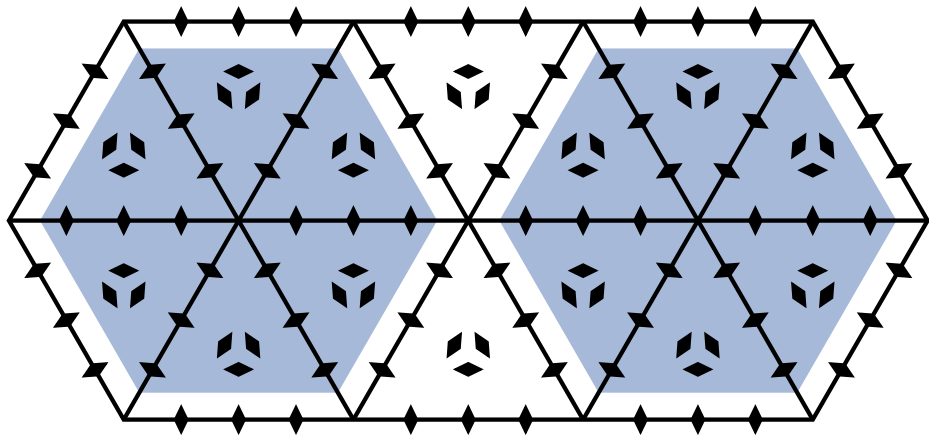
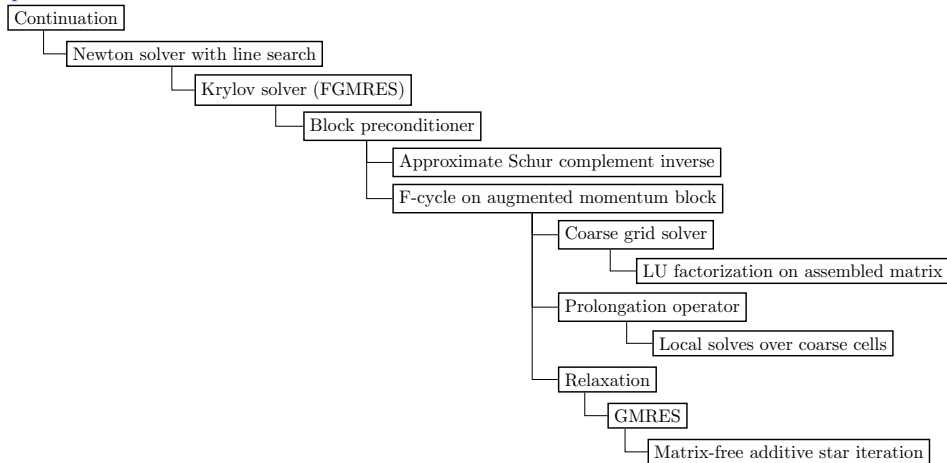


FIG. 3.1. *Star patch for $\mathbb{BDM}_2$ -elements.*

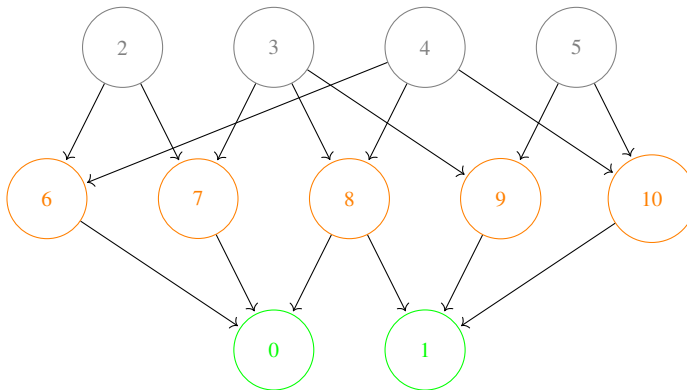
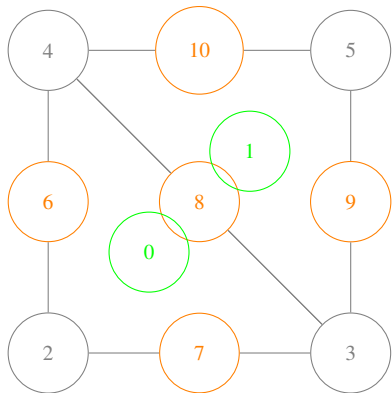
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Incompressible Navier-Stokes

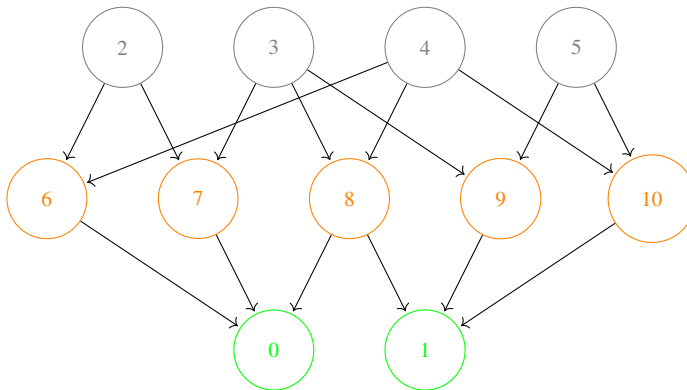
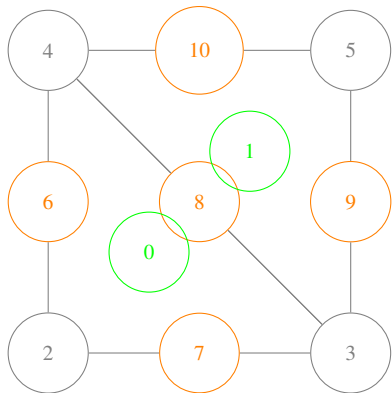


(Farrell, Mitchell, and Wechsung 2019)

Hasse Diagram (Wikipedia 2015)



DMPlex (Lange, Mitchell, Matthew G. Knepley, and Gorman 2016)



Solver for the $\mathcal{H}(\text{div})$ Riesz map

```
-ksp_type cg  
-pc_type mg  
-mg_levels_ksp_type richardson  
-mg_levels_ksp_richardson_scale 0.333333  
-mg_levels_pc_type patch  
-mg_levels_patch_pc_patch_local_type additive  
-mg_levels_patch_pc_patch_construct_type star  
-mg_levels_patch_pc_patch_construct_dim 0
```

(Farrell, Matthew G Knepley, Mitchell, and Wechsung
2021)

Many papers followed

(Adler, Benson, et al. 2021)

(Adler, He, et al. 2022)

(Laakmann, Farrell, and Mitchell 2022)

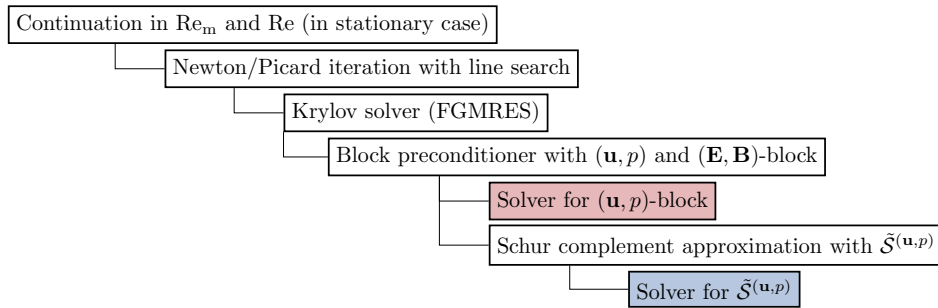
(Abu-Labdeh, MacLachlan, and Farrell 2023)

(Laakmann, Hu, and Farrell 2023)

on different problems.

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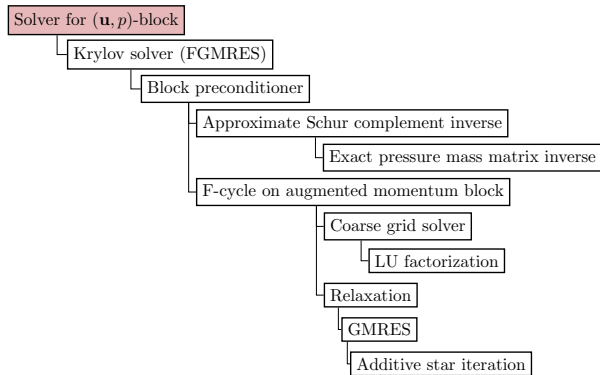
Incompressible Viscoresistive MHD



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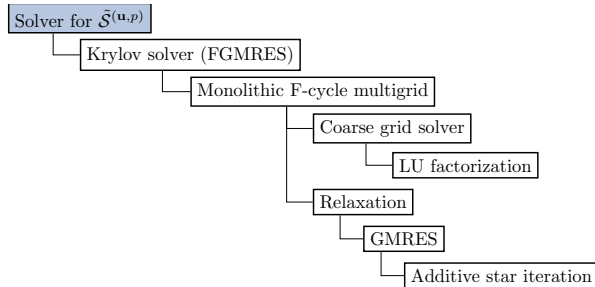
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A modern, community simulator for crustal deformation



Brad Aagaard



Charles Williams

Open-source, community code

- ▶ Modular design
- ▶ Testing
- ▶ Documentation
- ▶ Distribution

PyLith 1.0 released in 2007

A modern, community simulator for crustal deformation

Elasticity

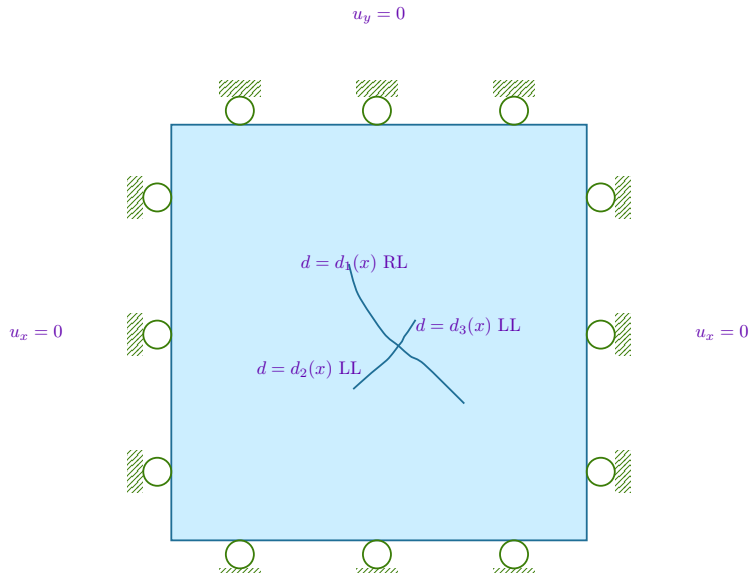
(Aagaard, Matthew G. Knepley, and Williams 2013)

Poroeelasticity

(Walker, Matthew G. Knepley, Aagaard, and Williams 2023)

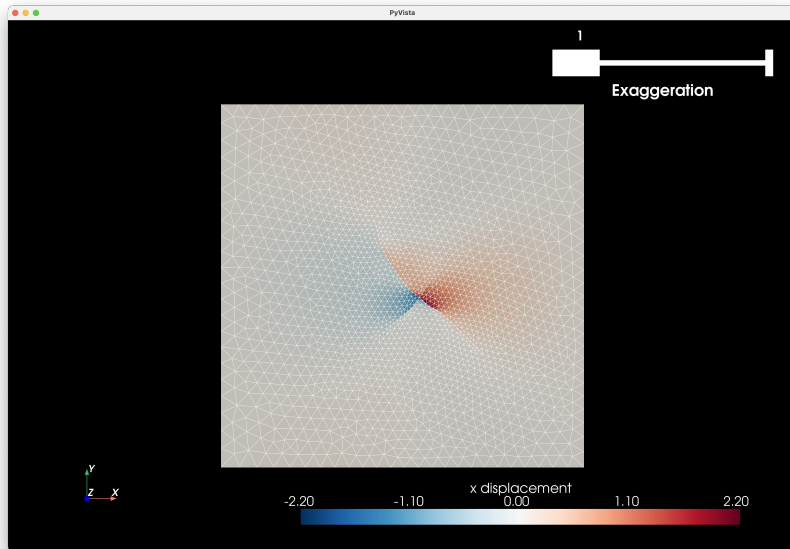
2D Crustal Strike-Slip

2019 Ridgecrest



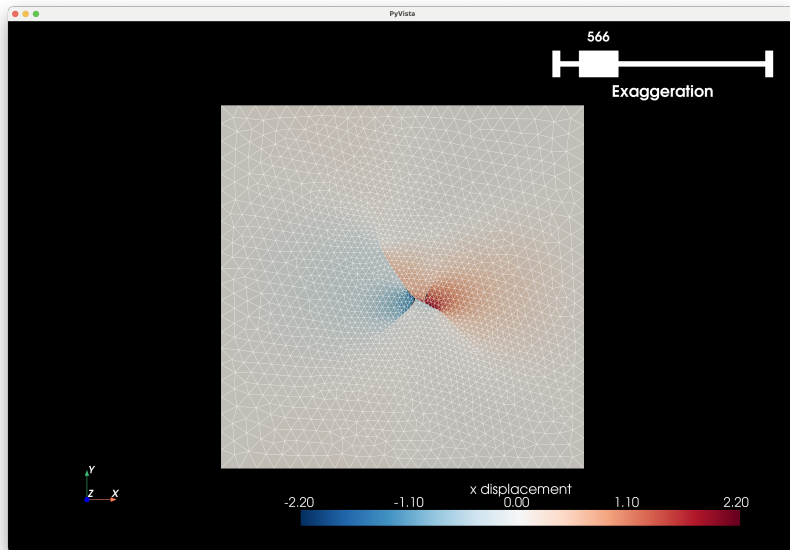
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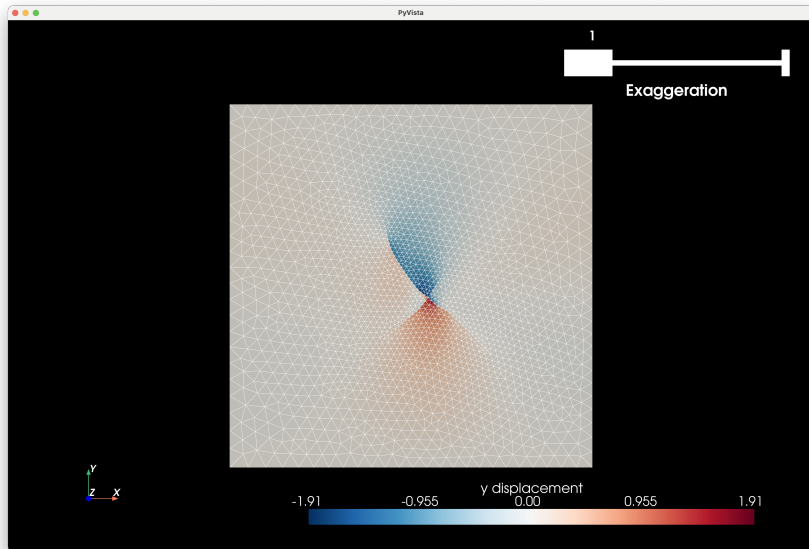
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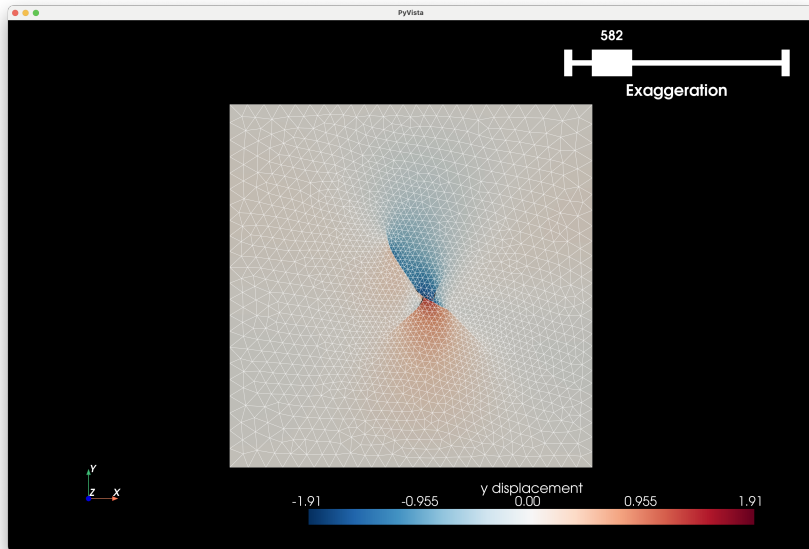
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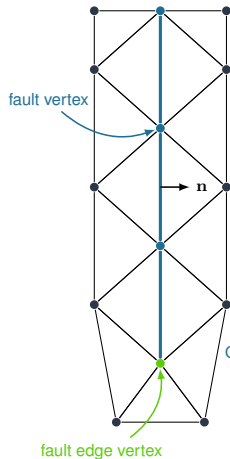
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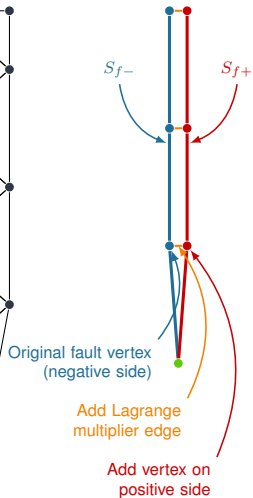


Cohesive Formulation

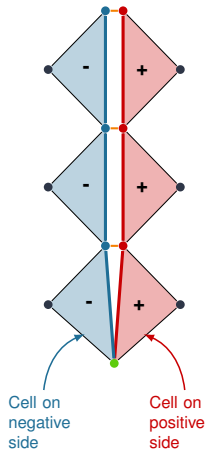
(a) Original mesh



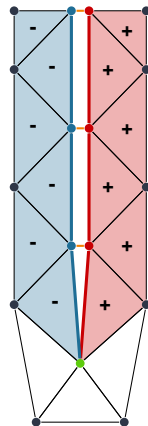
(b) Add colocated vertices



(c) Update cells with fault faces



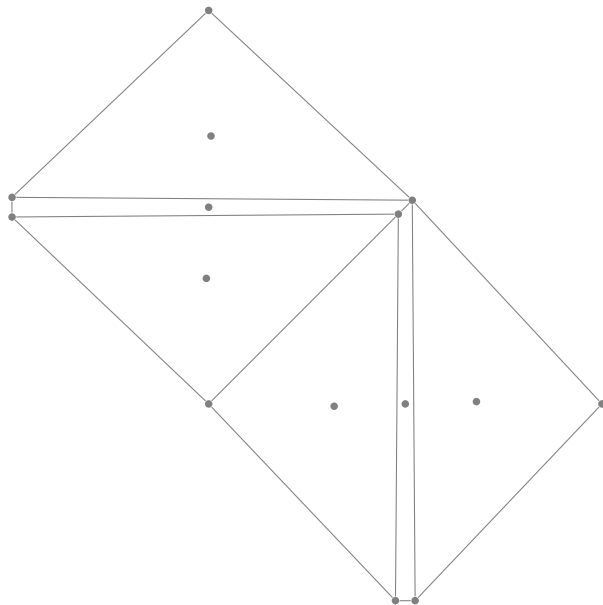
(d) Classify cells and update remaining cells



Governing Equations

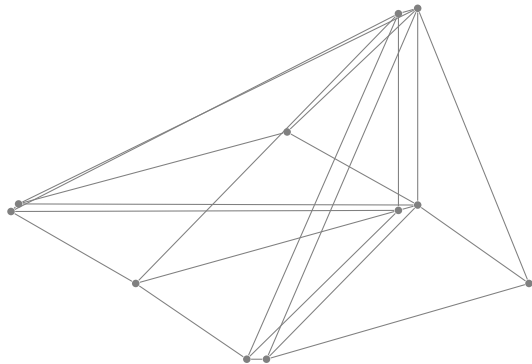
$$\int_{\Omega_f} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} d\Omega = \int_{\Gamma_{f+}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \boldsymbol{\lambda} d\Gamma + \int_{\Gamma_{f-}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} - \boldsymbol{\lambda} d\Gamma$$
$$\mathbf{u}^+ - \mathbf{u}^- = \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Test Mesh



Test Mesh

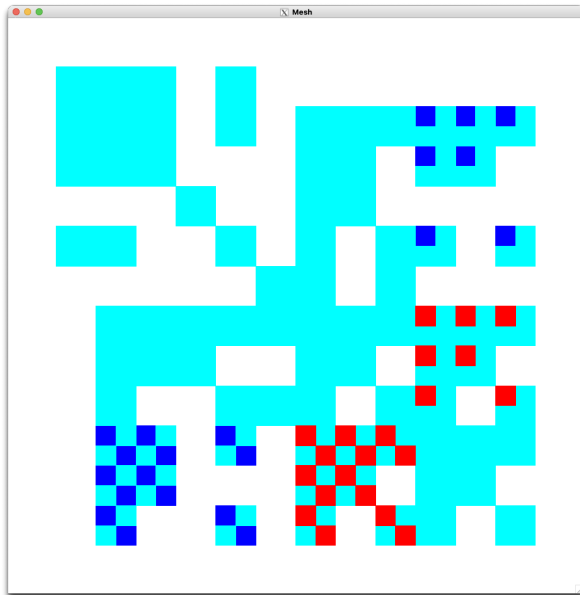
3D



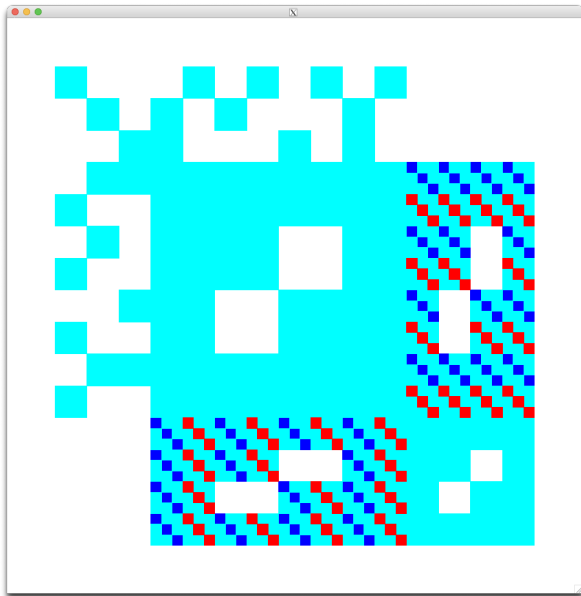
We have a saddle-point system,

$$\begin{pmatrix} E & C \\ C^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f \\ d \end{pmatrix}$$

Jacobian



Jacobian



Schur complement Solver

```
-ksp_gmres_restart 100  
-pc_type fieldsplit  
-pc_use_amat  
-pc_fieldsplit_type schur
```

```
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_factorization_type lower  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_precondition selfp  
-pc_fieldsplit_schur_scale 1.0
```

```
-fieldsplit_displacement_ksp_type preonly  
-fieldsplit_displacement_pc_type ml
```

```
-fieldsplit_lagrange_multiplier_fault_ksp_type preonly  
-fieldsplit_lagrange_multiplier_fault_pc_type ml
```


Schur complement Solver

```
-snes_ksp_ew  
-snes_ksp_ew_rtol0 1e-4  
  
-ksp_gmres_restart 100  
  
-fieldsplit_displacement_ksp_type gmres  
-fieldsplit_displacement_ksp_max_it 10
```

Schur complement Solver

- ▶ $S = -C^T E C$ connects both sides
- ▶ Difficult to precondition S
- ▶ Not scalable with problem size

Reordering

Using topology and layout information,
in DMPlex and PetscSection,
we compute a reordering
and blocking automatically.

Reordering

Mat Object: Jacobian 1 MPI process

type: seqaij

rows=24, cols=24, bs=2 variable blocks set

total: nonzeros=320, allocated nonzeros=320

total number of mallocs used during MatSetValues calls=0

IS Object: Block Sizes 1 MPI process

type: general

Number of indices in set 5

0 12

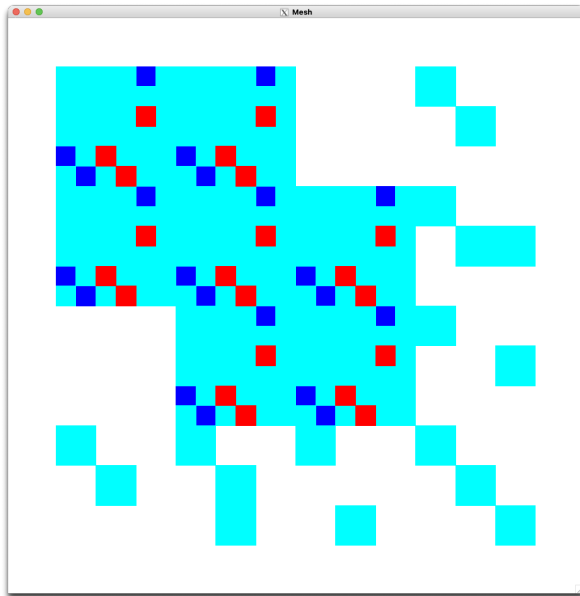
1 6

2 2

3 2

4 2

Reordering



Reordering

Mat Object: Jacobian 1 MPI process

type: seqaij

rows=45, cols=45, bs=3 variable blocks set

total: nonzeros=1341, allocated nonzeros=1341

total number of mallocs used during MatSetValues calls=0

IS Object: Block Sizes 1 MPI process

type: general

Number of indices in set 5

0 27

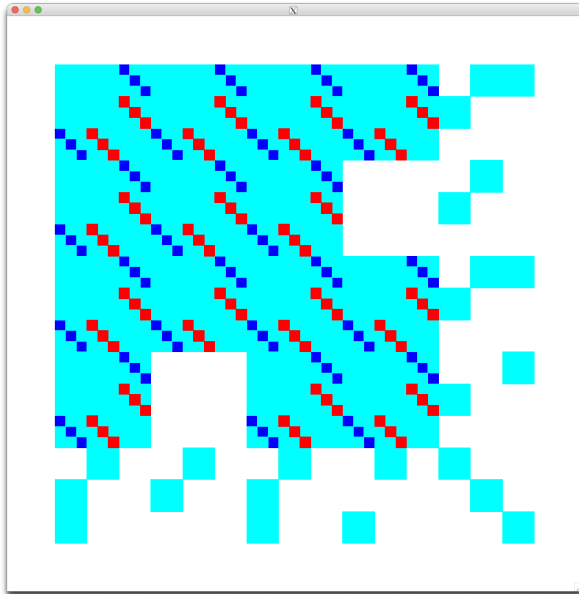
1 9

2 3

3 3

4 3

Reordering



Multigrid Solver

```
-dm_reorder_section  
-dm_reorder_section_type cohesive  
  
-ksp_gmres_restart 100  
-pc_type gamg  
-mg_fine_pc_type vpbjacobi
```


Multigrid Solver

`-mg_levels_pc_type pbjacobi`

`-pc_gamg_coarse_eq_limit 200`

`-mg_fine_ksp_max_it 5`

Multigrid Solver

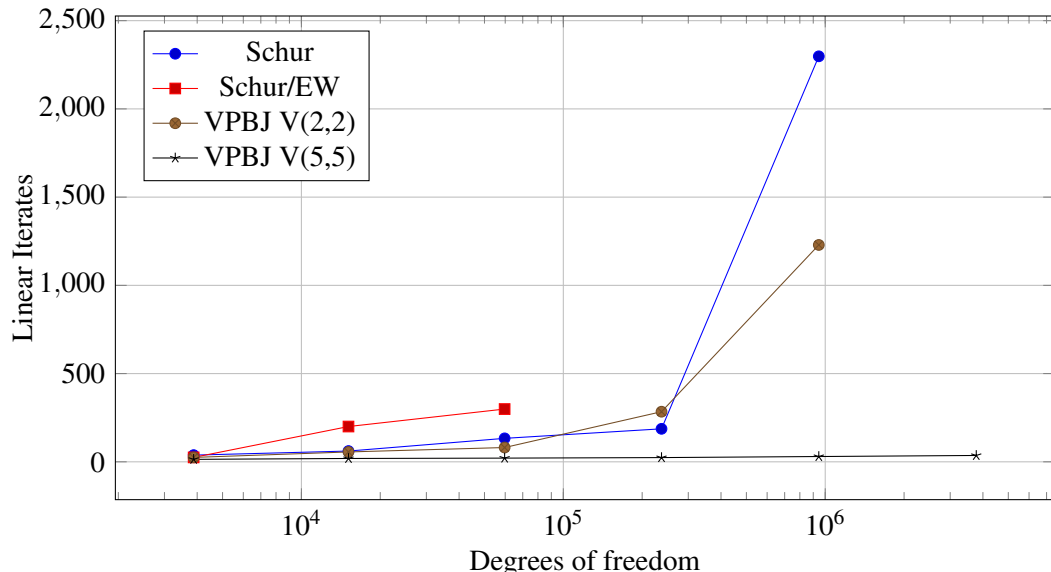
`-pc_gamg_agg_nsmooths 3`

`-mg_fine_ksp_type gmres`

`-mg_fine_ksp_max_it 10`

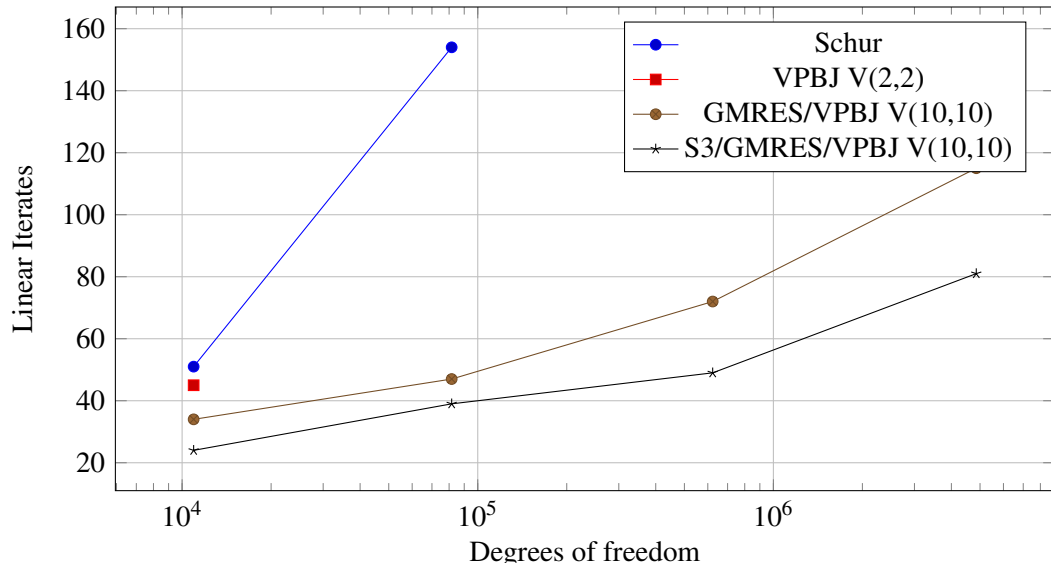
Convergence

2D Variable Strike-Slip-Convergence



Convergence

3D Variable Strike-Slip-Convergence



Outline

Allen-Cahn Solver

Stokes Solvers

Patch Solvers

Preconditioners for Faults

Lessons

Expose better abstractions

Expose better abstractions
at runtime

Expose better abstractions
at runtime
that compose together.

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that compose together.

(Brown, Matthew G. Knepley, and B. Smith 2015)

Build in Layers

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to allow targeted APIs

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that preserve understandability.

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(B. F. Smith and Gropp 1996)

PETSc Integration

PETSc is a set a library interfaces

- ▶ We do not seize `main()`
- ▶ We do not control output
- ▶ We propagate errors from underlying packages
- ▶ We present the same interfaces in:
 - ▶ C
 - ▶ C++
 - ▶ Fortran
 - ▶ Python
 - ▶ Julia

See Gropp in [SIAM, OO Methods for Interop SciEng, '99](#)

Advice from Bill Gropp

You want to think about how you decompose your data structures, how you think about them globally. [...] If you were building a house, you'd start with a set of blueprints that give you a picture of what the whole house looks like. You wouldn't start with a bunch of tiles and say. "Well I'll put this tile down on the ground, and then I'll find a tile to go next to it." But all too many people try to build their parallel programs by creating the smallest possible tiles and then trying to have the structure of their code emerge from the chaos of all these little pieces. You have to have an organizing principle if you're going to survive making your code parallel.

(<http://www.rce-cast.com/Podcast/rce-28-mpich2.html>)

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