

Robust discretizations and solvers for poroelastic problems

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- Introduction to Poroelasticity problem
- Solvers for Poroelastic problems. Robust Preconditioners
- Parameter-robust preconditioners for the full stabilized P1-RT0-P0 system
- Cheaper approach: special static condensation and parameter-robust preconditioners
- Conclusions

Poroelasticity problem. Introduction

- The theory of **poro-elasticity** addresses the time dependent coupling between the deformation of a porous material and the fluid flow inside it.



Poroelasticity problem. Subsidence

SUBSIDENCE from groundwater pumping in San Joaquin Valley (California)



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Poroeelasticity problem

QUASI-STATIC BIOT'S MODEL:

Equilibrium equation: $\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}' - \alpha \nabla p = \rho \mathbf{g}, \quad \text{in } \Omega,$

(or equivalently $\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \rho \mathbf{g}, \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}' - \alpha p \mathbf{I}$)

Generalized form of Hooke's law: $\boldsymbol{\sigma}' = \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \mathbf{I} + 2\mu \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \text{in } \Omega,$

Compatibility equation: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^t), \quad \text{in } \Omega.$

Darcy's law: $\mathbf{w} = -\frac{1}{\mu_f} K(\nabla p - \rho_f \mathbf{g}), \quad \text{in } \Omega,$

Continuity equation: $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{M} p + \alpha \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \right) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} = f, \quad \text{in } \Omega.$

- λ and μ : Lamé coefficients
- α : Biot-Willis constant and M : Biot's modulus
- K : Permeability of the porous medium and ρ : density of the solid
- μ_f : viscosity of the fluid and ρ_f : density of the fluid
- $\mathbf{u}$: displacement vector and p : pore pressure
- $\boldsymbol{\sigma}'$ and $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$: effective stress and strain tensors
- $\mathbf{w}$: velocity of the fluid relative to the soil
- f : a forced fluid extraction or injection process and $\mathbf{g}$: gravity vector

Poroelasticity problem

Two-field (displacement-pressure) formulation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla(\lambda + \mu)\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \mathbf{u} + \alpha \nabla p &= \rho \mathbf{g}, \\ \frac{1}{M} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\mu_f} K (\nabla p - \rho_f \mathbf{g}) \right) &= f. \end{aligned}$$

Three-field (fluid velocity) formulation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla(\lambda + \mu)\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \mathbf{u} + \alpha \nabla p &= \rho \mathbf{g}, \\ K^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w} + \nabla p &= \rho_f \mathbf{g}, \\ \frac{1}{M} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} &= f. \end{aligned}$$

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Three-field (solid pressure) formulation

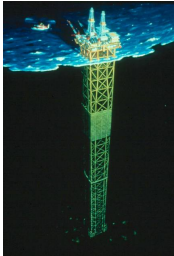
$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \mu \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p_s + \alpha \nabla p &= \rho \mathbf{g}, \\ \lambda^{-1} p_s + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, \\ \frac{1}{M} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\mu_f} K (\nabla p - \rho_f \mathbf{g}) \right) &= f. \end{aligned}$$

Three-field (total pressure) formulation (Lee, Mardal, Winther, 2017)

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \mu \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \mu \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p_T &= \rho \mathbf{g}, \\ -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} - \lambda^{-1} (p_T - \alpha p) &= 0, \\ \left(\frac{1}{M} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\lambda} \right) \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} - \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} \frac{\partial p_T}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\mu_f} K (\nabla p - \rho_f \mathbf{g}) \right) &= f. \end{aligned}$$

Poroelasticity problem - Many Applications!

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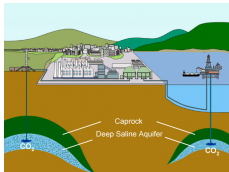
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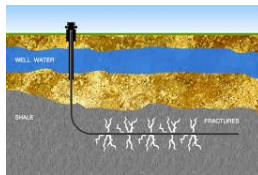
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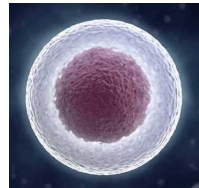
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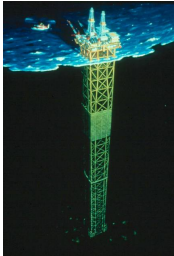


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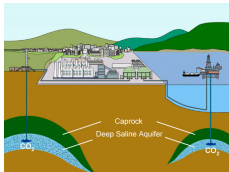
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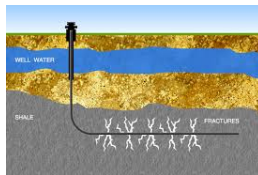
Large variation of model parameters in many practical problems



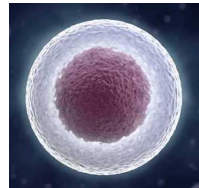
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DESIRABLE PROPERTIES

- Free of non-physical oscillations (**MONOTONICITY?**)
- **Uniform stability** with respect to the discretization and physical parameters

Search for parameter-robust stable discretizations

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After discretization... we need to solve $\mathcal{A}x = f$

- Strongly coupled, ill-conditioned large systems of equations.
- Many physical parameters $(\lambda, \mu, M, K, \alpha)$ and discretization parameters (h, τ) are involved.

Solution of large-sparse systems

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Mainly two approaches:

- **Iterative coupling methods**: solve sequentially the equations for fluid flow and geomechanics until a converged solution is achieved.
 - **Flexibility**: two different codes for fluid flow and geomechanics can be linked for solving the poroelastic problems.
 - Most frequently used: **fixed-stress split method**.

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- **Monolithic or fully coupled methods**: the linear system is solved simultaneously for all the unknowns.

MONOLITHIC APPROACHES

● Monolithic multigrid methods (design of the smoother)

- F.J. Gaspar, F.J. Lisbona, C. Oosterlee, R. Wienands, A systematic comparison of coupled and distributive smoothing in multigrid for the poroelasticity system, Numer. Linear Algebra Appl. 11 (2004) 93-113.
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● Preconditioners for Krylov subspace methods

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Preconditioner Framework

Setup:

- Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$ equipped with inner product $(\cdot, \cdot)_{\mathcal{H}}$ and norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}}$
- Operator $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{H} \mapsto \mathcal{H}'$

Linear system: given $\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{H}'$, find $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}$ such that $\mathcal{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}$

Well-posedness:

Continuity:
$$\sup_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} \sup_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{\langle \mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{H}} \|\mathbf{y}\|_{\mathcal{H}}} \leq \beta$$

Inf-sup condition:
$$\inf_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} \sup_{\mathbf{0} \neq \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{\langle \mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{H}} \|\mathbf{y}\|_{\mathcal{H}}} \geq \gamma > 0$$

The well-posedness of the discretized system provides a convenient framework with which to construct block preconditioners

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Norm-equivalent Preconditioner

Preconditioner $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{H}' \mapsto \mathcal{H}$ is **symmetric positive definite** ($\mathcal{MA} : \mathcal{H} \mapsto \mathcal{H}$)

Norm-equivalence

If $\mathcal{A}$ is well-posed w.r.t the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}}$. Choose $\mathcal{M}$ such that

$$c_1 \|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}^2 \leq c_2 \|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$$

then $\mathcal{M}$ and $\mathcal{A}$ are **norm-equivalent** and $\kappa(\mathcal{MA}) \leq \frac{c_2 \beta}{c_1 \gamma}$

Theorem (Convergence of preconditioned MINRES)

There exists a constant $\delta \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\langle \mathcal{MA}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^m), \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^m) \rangle^{1/2} \leq 2\delta^m \langle \mathcal{MA}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^0), \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^0) \rangle^{1/2}$$

where

$$\delta = \frac{\kappa(\mathcal{MA}) - 1}{\kappa(\mathcal{MA}) + 1}$$

Field-of-Values Equivalent Preconditioner

Preconditioner $\mathcal{M}_L : \mathcal{H}' \mapsto \mathcal{H}$ is a general operator ($\mathcal{M}_L \mathcal{A} : \mathcal{H} \mapsto \mathcal{H}$)

Field-of-Value equivalence

The operators $\mathcal{M}_L$ and $\mathcal{A}$ are **FoV-equivalent**, if for any $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}$,

$$\sigma \leq \frac{(\mathcal{M}_L \mathcal{A} \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}}{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}}, \quad \frac{\|\mathcal{M}_L \mathcal{A} \mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}} \leq \Upsilon.$$

Theorem (Convergence of preconditioned GMRES)

If $\mathbf{x}^m$ is the m -th iteration of GMRES method and $\mathbf{x}$ is the exact solution,

$$\frac{\|\mathcal{M}_L \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^m)\|_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}}{\|\mathcal{M}_L \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^0)\|_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}} \leq \left(1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{\Upsilon^2}\right)^{m/2}$$

Application to Poroelasticity. Two-field formulation

Two-field formulation

We consider the discretization of poroelasticity problem given by operators of the form $\mathcal{A}_C = \begin{pmatrix} A & B' \\ B & -C \end{pmatrix}$, where C is bounded, selfadjoint and positive definite.

$\mathcal{A}_C$ is an isomorphism $\Leftrightarrow$ For any $q \in \mathcal{Q}_h^{k'}$, $\sup_{v \in \mathcal{U}_h^k} \frac{\langle B v, q \rangle}{\|v\|_A} \geq \gamma_B \|q\| - \|q\|_C$

If inf-sup condition for B is satisfied with $C = 0$,
then it is also satisfied with $C > 0$



Stable finite element pair for Stokes is also stable for poroelasticity

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• P1-P1 + Stabilization

• MINI element + Stabilization

Robust preconditioners for the two-field formulation in:

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Three-field formulation

$$\begin{aligned} -\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}' + \alpha \nabla p &= \rho \mathbf{g}, & \text{where } \boldsymbol{\sigma}' &= 2\mu \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{u}) + \lambda \operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u}) \mathbf{I}, \\ \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w} + \nabla p &= \rho_f \mathbf{g}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{M} p + \alpha \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \right) + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{w} &= f. \end{aligned}$$

Boundary
conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} p &= 0, & \text{for } x \in \Gamma_t, & \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}' \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{0}, & \text{for } x \in \Gamma_t, \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{0}, & \text{for } x \in \Gamma_c, & \quad \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0, & \text{for } x \in \Gamma_c, \end{aligned}$$

Initial condition:

$$\left(\frac{1}{M} p + \alpha \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \right) (\mathbf{x}, 0) = 0$$

- $\Gamma_t \cup \Gamma_c = \Gamma$.
- $\mathbf{n}$ is the unit outward normal to the boundary.

Variational formulation

Introducing the spaces:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{V} &= \left\{ \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega), \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \text{ en } \Gamma_c \right\}, \\ \mathbf{W} &= \left\{ \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{H}(\operatorname{div}, \Omega), (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{n})|_{\Gamma_c} = 0 \right\}, \\ Q &= L^2(\Omega),\end{aligned}$$

and the bilinear form:

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = 2\mu \int_{\Omega} \varepsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}) \, d\Omega + \lambda \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} \, d\Omega.$$

For each $t \in (0, T]$, find $(\mathbf{u}(t), \mathbf{w}(t), p(t)) \in \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{W} \times Q$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) - (\alpha p, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}) &= (\rho \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}, \\ (K^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{r}) - (p, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{r}) &= (\rho_f \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{r}), \quad \forall \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{W}, \\ \left(\frac{1}{M} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t}, q \right) + \left(\alpha \operatorname{div} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t}, q \right) + (\operatorname{div} \mathbf{w}, q) &= (f, q), \quad \forall q \in Q.\end{aligned}$$

- Implicit Euler scheme + triple of finite element spaces $(\mathbf{V}_h, \mathbf{W}_h, Q_h)$

For $m \geq 1$, find $(\mathbf{u}_h^m, \mathbf{w}_h^m, p_h^m) \in \mathbf{V}_h \times \mathbf{W}_h \times Q_h$ such that

$$a(\mathbf{u}_h^m, \mathbf{v}_h) - (\alpha p_h^m, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_h) = (\rho \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{v}_h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h,$$

$$\tau(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w}_h^m, \mathbf{r}_h) - \tau(p_h^m, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{r}_h) = \tau(\rho_f \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{r}_h), \quad \forall \mathbf{r}_h \in \mathbf{W}_h,$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{M} p_h^m, q_h \right) + (\alpha \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}_h^m, q_h) + \tau(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{w}_h^m, q_h) = (\tilde{f}, q_h), \quad \forall q_h \in Q_h.$$

Definition (Adler, Gaspar, Hu, Ohm, Rodrigo, & Zikatanov 2018)

The triple of spaces $(\mathbf{V}_h, \mathbf{W}_h, Q_h)$ is *Stokes-Biot stable* if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:

- $a(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}_h) \leq C_V \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_1 \|\mathbf{v}_h\|_1$, for all $\mathbf{u}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h$, $\mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h$;
- $a(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{u}_h) \geq \alpha_V \|\mathbf{u}_h\|_1^2$, for all $\mathbf{u}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h$;
- The pair of spaces $(\mathbf{W}_h, Q_h)$ is Poisson stable;
- The pair of spaces $(\mathbf{V}_h, Q_h)$ is Stokes stable.

Stability

We introduce the **weighted norm**:

$$\begin{aligned} |||(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{w}_h, p_h)||| &= \left(\|\mathbf{u}_h\|_A^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{w}_h\|_{K^{-1}\mu_f}^2 + \tau^2 \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{\xi^2} + \frac{1}{M} \right)^{-1} \|\operatorname{div} \mathbf{w}_h\|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{\xi^2} + \frac{1}{M} \right) \|p_h\|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \xi = \sqrt{\lambda + \frac{2\mu}{d}}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Adler, Gaspar, Hu, Ohm, Rodrigo, & Zikatanov 2018)

If the triple $(\mathbf{V}_h, \mathbf{W}_h, Q_h)$ is Stokes-Biot stable, the block matrix form $\mathcal{A}$ is well-posed with respect to the weighted norm, i.e. the following continuity and inf-sup condition hold for $\mathbf{x}_h = (\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{w}_h, p_h) \in \mathbf{X}_h = \mathbf{V}_h \times \mathbf{W}_h \times Q_h$ and $\mathbf{y}_h \in \mathbf{X}_h$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{0 \neq \mathbf{x}_h \in \mathbf{X}_h} \sup_{0 \neq \mathbf{y}_h \in \mathbf{X}_h} \frac{(\mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}_h, \mathbf{y}_h)}{|||\mathbf{x}_h||| |||\mathbf{y}_h|||} &\leq \varsigma, \\ \inf_{0 \neq \mathbf{y}_h \in \mathbf{X}_h} \sup_{0 \neq \mathbf{x}_h \in \mathbf{X}_h} \frac{(\mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}_h, \mathbf{y}_h)}{|||\mathbf{x}_h||| |||\mathbf{y}_h|||} &\geq \gamma, \end{aligned}$$

with constants $\varsigma > 0$ and $\gamma > 0$ independent of mesh size h , time step size τ , and the physical parameters.

Implicit Euler scheme + P1-RT0-P0

$$\mathbf{V}_h = \left\{ \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V} \mid \mathbf{v}_h|_T \in [\mathbb{P}_1(T)]^d, \text{ for all } T \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{W}_h = \left\{ \mathbf{w}_h \in \mathbf{W} \mid \mathbf{w}_h|_T = \mathbf{a} + \eta \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \eta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\},$$

$$Q_h = \{q_h \in Q \mid q_h|_T \in \mathbb{P}_0(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}.$$

Implicit Euler scheme + P1-RT0-P0

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$$\mathbf{W}_h = \left\{ \mathbf{w}_h \in \mathbf{W} \mid \mathbf{w}_h|_T = \mathbf{a} + \eta \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \eta \in \mathbb{R}, \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \right\},$$

$$Q_h = \{ q_h \in Q \mid q_h|_T \in \mathbb{P}_0(T), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h \}.$$

- RT0-P0 is Poisson stable
- P1-P0 is not Stokes stable

Numerical Experiment

- **Domain:** $\Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$.
- **Dirichlet** boundary conditions for displacements and pressure.
- We cover Ω with a **uniform triangular grid** by dividing an $(N \times N)$ uniform square mesh into right triangles.
- $\lambda = 2, \mu = 1$.
- $\mu_f = 1, \alpha = 1, M = 10^6$.
- **Diagonal permeability tensor** $K = kI$ with **constant** k .
- We set $\tau = 1$ and $t_{\max} = 1$, so that we only perform **one time step**.
- the **exact solution** is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}(x, y, t) &= \operatorname{curl} \varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_y \varphi \\ -\partial_x \varphi \end{pmatrix}, \quad \varphi(x, y) = [xy(1-x)(1-y)]^2, \\ p(x, y, t) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Numerical Experiment

Energy norm and L^2 -norm for displacement and pressure errors

		$N = 8$	$N = 16$	$N = 32$	$N = 64$	$N = 128$
$\kappa = 10^{-4}$	$\ \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_h\ _A$	0.0209	0.0089	0.0043	0.0022	0.0011
	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2}$	0.0535	0.0088	0.0015	0.0003	7.38×10^{-5}
$\kappa = 10^{-6}$	$\ \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_h\ _A$	0.0477	0.0271	0.0060	0.0022	0.0011
	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2}$	0.3277	0.3199	0.0763	0.0099	0.0012
$\kappa = 10^{-8}$	$\ \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_h\ _A$	0.0503	0.0497	0.0418	0.0147	0.0019
	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2}$	0.3553	0.7157	1.1509	0.6537	0.1152
$\kappa = 10^{-10}$	$\ \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_h\ _A$	0.0503	0.0503	0.0501	0.0484	0.0330
	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2}$	0.3550	0.7271	1.4576	2.7836	3.4508

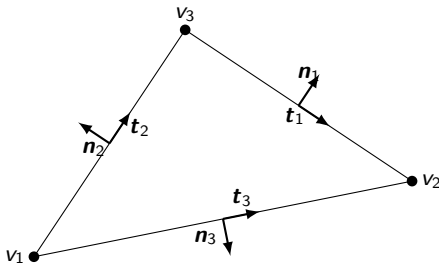
Results confirm poor approximation when k/h is small

Stabilization by Bubbles (Girault & Raviart 1986)

Enrich linear finite element by face bubbles: $\mathbf{V}_h = \mathbf{V}_{h,l} \oplus \mathbf{V}_b$

Example: bubbles in 2D

$$\Phi_1 = \mathbf{n}_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3, \quad \Phi_2 = \mathbf{n}_2 \lambda_1 \lambda_3, \quad \Phi_3 = \mathbf{n}_3 \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$



P1+bubbles-RT0-P0 is Stokes-Biot stable

Stabilization by face bubbles.

- Implicit Euler scheme + $\mathbf{V}_h$ -RT0-P0

$\mathbf{V}_h = \mathbf{V}_{h,l} \oplus \mathbf{V}_b$, where

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For $m \geq 1$, find $(\mathbf{u}_h^m, \mathbf{w}_h^m, p_h^m) \in \mathbf{V}_h \times \mathbf{W}_h \times Q_h$ such that

$$a(\mathbf{u}_h^m, \mathbf{v}_h) - (\alpha p_h^m, \text{div } \mathbf{v}_h) = (\rho \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{v}_h), \quad \forall \mathbf{v}_h \in \mathbf{V}_h,$$

$$\tau(\mathbf{K}^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w}_h^m, \mathbf{r}_h) - \tau(p_h^m, \text{div } \mathbf{r}_h) = \tau(\rho_f \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{r}_h), \quad \forall \mathbf{r}_h \in \mathbf{W}_h,$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{M} p_h^m, q_h \right) + (\alpha \text{div } \mathbf{u}_h^m, q_h) + \tau(\text{div } \mathbf{w}_h^m, q_h) = (\tilde{f}, q_h), \quad \forall q_h \in Q_h.$$

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We also denote:

$$a(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{v}_h) \rightarrow A_u, \quad -(\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u}_h, q_h) \rightarrow B_u,$$

$$\text{such that } A_u = \begin{pmatrix} A_{bb} & A_{bl} \\ A_{lb} & A_{ll} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } B_u = (B_b, B_l).$$

Numerical results. Poroelastic problem 2D

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		$N = 8$	$N = 16$	$N = 32$	$N = 64$	$N = 128$
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	$\ p - p_h\ _{L^2}$	0.0322	0.0168	0.0104	0.0052	0.0020
$k = 10^{-6}$	$\ \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_h\ _A$	0.0153	0.0073	0.0036	0.0018	0.0009
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The errors are appropriately reduced independently of the physical parameters.

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Since the triple $(\mathbf{V}_h, \mathbf{W}_h, Q_h)$ is Stokes-Biot stable, the block matrix form $\mathcal{A}$ is well-posed with respect to the weighted norm:

$$\begin{aligned} |||(\mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{w}_h, p_h)||| &= \left(\|\mathbf{u}_h\|_A^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{w}_h\|_{K^{-1}\mu_f}^2 + \tau^2 \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{\xi^2} + \frac{1}{M} \right)^{-1} \|\operatorname{div} \mathbf{w}_h\|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{\xi^2} + \frac{1}{M} \right) \|p_h\|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \xi = \sqrt{\lambda + \frac{2\mu}{d}}. \end{aligned}$$

independently of discretization and physical parameters.

Norm-equivalent Preconditioner for the full system

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FoV-equivalent Preconditioners for the full system

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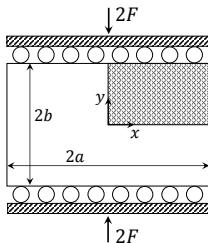
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Numerical experiments

- Linear system solved using preconditioned FGMRES to a relative residual tolerance of 10^{-8}
- Q_u is solved using AMG preconditioned GMRES to a relative residual tolerance of 10^{-3}
- Q_w is solved using HX preconditioned GMRES to a relative residual tolerance of 10^{-3}
- Q_p is calculated directly since the pressure block, $\mathcal{M}_p$, is diagonal
- Solved using [HAZMATH](http://www.hazmath.net): A Simple Finite Element, Graph, and Solver Library (www.hazmath.net)

Numerical experiments: Mandel problem

2D physical and computational domains for Mandel's problem



- **Benchmark problem:** the analytical solution for the pore pressure can be found in Abousleiman et al. 1996
- **Computational domain:** $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$.
- Uniform triangular grid on Ω , obtained by dividing a $N \times N$ uniform square grid into right triangles.
- **Material properties:** $\mu_f = 1$, $\alpha = 1$, $M = 10^6$
- Lamé coefficients computed as $\lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1-2\nu)(1+\nu)}$ and $\mu = \frac{E}{1+2\nu}$, where E is the Young modulus and ν is the Poisson ratio.

Numerical experiments: Mandel problem

Iteration counts for the block preconditioners
with varying discretization parameters.

		$\mathcal{B}_D$					$\mathcal{B}_L$					$\mathcal{B}_U$				
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$
0.1		28	35	37	38	37	15	17	17	17	16	15	17	17	17	17
0.01		21	22	28	33	35	10	12	15	16	16	9	12	14	16	16
0.001		19	19	19	22	27	8	8	9	12	14	7	7	8	11	13
0.0001		16	17	17	17	17	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	8

		$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$					$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L$					$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U$				
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$
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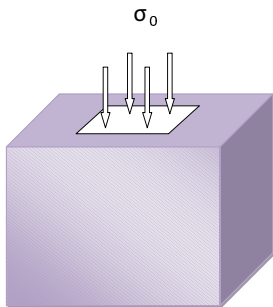
	$\nu = 0.0$ and varying K					
	1	10^{-2}	10^{-4}	10^{-6}	10^{-8}	10^{-10}
$\mathcal{B}_D$	23	27	38	35	17	10
$\mathcal{B}_L$	7	9	15	16	9	5
$\mathcal{B}_U$	13	15	17	16	8	3
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$	35	29	38	35	17	10
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L$	14	15	16	16	9	6
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U$	27	19	17	16	9	2

	$K = 10^{-6}$ and varying ν					
	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.45	0.49	0.499
$\mathcal{B}_D$	45	50	39	37	32	21
$\mathcal{B}_L$	16	18	11	9	7	6
$\mathcal{B}_U$	20	22	15	13	11	12
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$	45	50	39	37	32	25
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L$	17	19	12	10	11	9
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U$	21	23	19	20	24	16

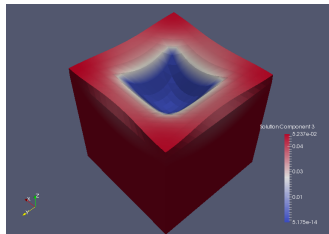
Numerical experiments: 3D footing problem

Three-dimensional footing problem

- Block of porous soil: $\Omega = (0, 1)^3$
- Uniform load of intensity $\sigma_0 = 3 \times 10^4$ per unit area



Computational domain



Example solution

Numerical experiments: 3D footing problem

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with varying discretization parameters

		$\mathcal{B}_D$				$\mathcal{B}_L$				$\mathcal{B}_U$			
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
0.1		60	65	65	*	34	36	36	*	32	34	34	*
0.01		47	57	68	*	30	34	37	*	26	31	35	*
0.001		40	42	49	*	26	28	32	*	20	23	28	*
0.0001		40	42	42	*	24	35	36	*	20	20	21	*

		$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$				$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L$				$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U$			
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
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(* means the direct method for solving diagonal blocks is out of memory)

Numerical experiments: 3D footing problem

Iteration counts for the block preconditioners
with varying physical parameters, K and ν

	$\nu = 0.2$ and varying K					
	1	10^{-2}	10^{-4}	10^{-6}	10^{-8}	10^{-10}
$\mathcal{B}_D$	28	28	49	68	42	35
$\mathcal{B}_L$	20	20	27	37	26	24
$\mathcal{B}_U$	18	18	26	35	21	14
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$	28	28	49	68	42	42
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L$	20	20	28	37	27	25
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U$	21	21	27	35	22	24

	$K = 10^{-6}$ and varying ν					
	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.45	0.49	0.499
$\mathcal{B}_D$	72	68	51	46	35	26
$\mathcal{B}_L$	41	37	25	21	17	20
$\mathcal{B}_U$	38	35	25	21	17	20
$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D$	72	68	51	46	35	26
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$$\begin{aligned} a(\mathbf{u}_h^b, \mathbf{v}_h^b) &\rightarrow A_{bb}, & a(\mathbf{u}_h^l, \mathbf{v}_h^b) &\rightarrow A_{bl}, & a(\mathbf{u}_h^l, \mathbf{v}_h^l) &\rightarrow A_{ll}, \\ -(p_h, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_h^b) &\rightarrow B_b, & -(p_h, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v}_h^l) &\rightarrow B_l, & -(p_h, \operatorname{div} \mathbf{r}_h) &\rightarrow B_w, \\ (K^{-1} \mu_f \mathbf{w}_h, \mathbf{r}_h) &\rightarrow M_w, & (p_h, q_h) &\rightarrow M_p, \end{aligned}$$

Perturbation of the bilinear form. Elimination of bubbles

- For the restriction of $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ onto the space spanned by bubble functions $\mathbf{V}_b$, we have

$$a_b(\mathbf{u}_b, \mathbf{v}_b) := a(\mathbf{u}_b, \mathbf{v}_b) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} a_{b,T}(\mathbf{u}_b, \mathbf{v}_b) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \sum_{e, e' \in \partial T} u_e v_{e'} a_T(\Phi_{e'}, \Phi_e).$$

- On each element, $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$, then introduce

$$d_{b,T}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = (d+1) \sum_{e \in \partial T} u_e v_e a_T(\Phi_e, \Phi_e), \quad d_b(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} d_{b,T}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}).$$

- Replacing $a_b(\cdot, \cdot)$ with $d_b(\cdot, \cdot)$ gives a perturbation, $a^D(\cdot, \cdot)$, of $a(\cdot, \cdot)$:

$$a^D(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) := d_b(\mathbf{u}_b, \mathbf{v}_b) + a(\mathbf{u}_b, \mathbf{v}_l) + a(\mathbf{u}_l, \mathbf{v}_b) + a(\mathbf{u}_l, \mathbf{v}_l)$$

Lemma: A spectral equivalence result

The following inequalities hold:

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \leq a^D(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}) \leq \eta a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{V}_h,$$

where η depends on the shape regularity of the mesh.

Perturbation of the bilinear form. Elimination of bubbles

We define the following **block form of the discrete operator**:

$$\mathcal{A}^D \begin{pmatrix} U_b \\ U_l \\ P \\ W \end{pmatrix} = b, \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{A}^D = \begin{pmatrix} D_{bb} & A_{bl} & \alpha B_b^T & 0 \\ A_{bl}^T & A_{ll} & \alpha B_l^T & 0 \\ -\alpha B_b & -\alpha B_l & \frac{1}{M} M_p & -\tau B_w \\ 0 & 0 & \tau B_w^T & \tau M_w \end{pmatrix}$$

After **eliminating the degrees of freedom corresponding to the bubble functions**, we obtain:

$$\mathcal{A}^E = \begin{pmatrix} A_{ll} - A_{bl}^T D_{bb}^{-1} A_{bl} & \alpha B_l^T - \alpha A_{bl}^T D_{bb}^{-1} B_b^T & 0 \\ -\alpha B_l + \alpha B_b D_{bb}^{-1} A_{bl} & \frac{1}{M} M_p + \alpha^2 B_b D_{bb}^{-1} B_b^T & -\tau B_w \\ 0 & \tau B_w^T & \tau M_w \end{pmatrix}.$$

We have the **same degrees of freedom as in the original P1-RT0-P0 method** for the three-field formulation.

Well-posedness for the bubble-eliminated system

Here, $\mathbf{X}_h^E$ denotes the discretized finite-element space after bubble elimination.

Theorem (Adler, Gaspar, Hu, Ohm, Rodrigo, & Zikatanov 2018)

If the full system is well-posed as shown before, then the bubble-eliminated system satisfies the following inequalities for $\mathbf{x}^E = (\mathbf{u}_l, p_h, \mathbf{w}_h)^T \in \mathbf{X}_h^E$ and $\mathbf{y}^E = (\mathbf{v}_l, q_h, \mathbf{r}_h)^T \in \mathbf{X}_h^E$,

$$\inf_{0 \neq \mathbf{x}^E \in \mathbf{X}_h^E} \sup_{0 \neq \mathbf{y}^E \in \mathbf{X}_h^E} \frac{(\mathcal{A}^E \mathbf{x}^E, \mathbf{y}^E)}{\|\mathbf{x}^E\|_{\mathcal{D}^E} \|\mathbf{y}^E\|_{\mathcal{D}^E}} \geq \gamma^*,$$

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where,

$$\mathcal{D}^E = \begin{pmatrix} A_{ll} - A_{bl}^T D_{bb}^{-1} A_{bl} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha^2 B_b D_{bb}^{-1} B_b^T + c_p^{-1} M_p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau M_w + \tau^2 c_p A_w \end{pmatrix},$$

with $\|\mathbf{x}^E\|_{\mathcal{D}^E}^2 = (\mathcal{D}^E \mathbf{x}^E, \mathbf{x}^E)$.

Thus, the bubble-eliminated system is **well-posed** w.r.t. the weighted norm defined above, **independently of the discretization and physical parameters**.

Norm-equivalent Preconditioners for the bubble-eliminated system

Block diagonal preconditioners:

$$\mathcal{B}_D^E = \begin{pmatrix} A_{ll} - A_{bl}^T D_{bb}^{-1} A_{bl} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_p^{-1} M_p + \alpha^2 B_b D_{bb}^{-1} B_b^T & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau M_w + \tau^2 c_p A_w \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

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If the linear system is well-posed w.r.t $\|\cdot\|_D$, then we have

$$\kappa(\mathcal{B}_D^E \mathcal{A}) \leq C_1 \text{ and } \kappa(\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D^E \mathcal{A}) \leq C_2$$

where C_1 and C_2 are constants independent of the physical parameters $(\lambda, \mu, M, K, \alpha)$ and the discretization parameters (h, τ) .

FoV-equivalent Preconditioners for the bubble-eliminated system: Left Preconditioning

Block lower triangular preconditioner:

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- FoV-equivalent constants are independent of the physical parameters $(\lambda, \mu, M, K, \alpha)$ and the discretization parameters (h, τ)
- Preconditioned GMRES converges uniformly

Numerical experiments: Mandel problem

Iteration counts for the block preconditioners
with varying discretization parameters

		$\mathcal{B}_D^E$					$\mathcal{B}_L^E$					$\mathcal{B}_U^E$				
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$
0.1		25	31	36	39	39	18	20	21	20	19	17	20	21	21	20
0.01		27	26	25	30	34	14	13	17	19	19	13	14	17	18	19
0.001		27	28	27	22	25	13	13	12	13	16	9	11	11	13	15
0.0001		22	25	25	24	22	10	11	11	11	11	9	9	9	10	11

		$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D^E$					$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L^E$					$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U^E$				
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{128}$
0.1		25	31	36	39	39	18	20	21	20	19	17	20	21	21	20
0.01		27	26	25	30	34	14	14	17	19	19	13	14	17	18	19
0.001		27	28	27	22	25	13	14	12	13	16	9	11	12	14	15
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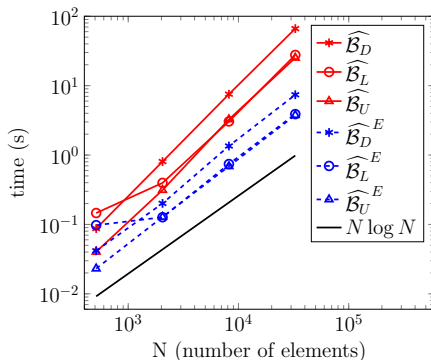
	$\nu = 0.0$ and varying K					
	1	10^{-2}	10^{-4}	10^{-6}	10^{-8}	10^{-10}
B_D^E	36	38	42	34	23	19
B_L^E	14	15	19	19	11	7
B_U^E	23	22	21	19	11	3
$\widehat{B_D^E}$	49	38	42	34	23	14
$\widehat{B_L^E}$	17	18	19	19	11	8
$\widehat{B_U^E}$	34	24	21	19	11	2

	$K = 10^{-6}$ and varying ν					
	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.45	0.49	0.499
B_D^E	43	50	43	43	43	30
B_L^E	20	23	17	15	13	8
B_U^E	24	28	23	23	21	16
$\widehat{B_D^E}$	43	50	43	43	43	24
$\widehat{B_L^E}$	20	23	18	17	14	12
$\widehat{B_U^E}$	25	29	24	24	26	14

Numerical experiments: Mandel problem

Performance comparison between the block diagonal, block upper triangular and block lower triangular preconditioners for the full and the bubble-eliminated systems

$\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ (timing results versus mesh size)



Solving the bubble-eliminated system is faster than solving the full-bubble system

Numerical experiments: 3D footing problem

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		$\mathcal{B}_D^E$				$\mathcal{B}_L^E$				$\mathcal{B}_U^E$			
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
0.1		61	65	66	*	41	41	39	*	39	39	38	*
0.01		54	58	66	*	39	42	43	*	33	39	41	*
0.001		58	58	53	*	37	39	40	*	28	32	35	*
0.0001		59	61	60	*	35	38	38	*	29	29	30	*

		$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_D^E$				$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_L^E$				$\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_U^E$			
$\tau \backslash h$		$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
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(* means the direct method for solving diagonal blocks is out of memory)

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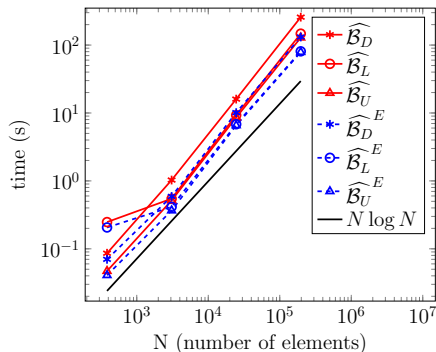
	$\nu = 0.2$ and varying K					
	1	10^{-2}	10^{-4}	10^{-6}	10^{-8}	10^{-10}
B_D^E	33	33	51	66	60	61
B_L^E	20	20	29	43	38	35
B_U^E	20	20	29	41	28	18
$\widehat{B_D^E}$	33	33	51	66	60	61
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B_U^E	44	41	31	27	24	21
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