

FEEL MANUAL  
A LIBRARY FOR  
FINITE AND SPECTRAL ELEMENT METHODS IN  
1D, 2D AND 3D

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## Chapter 1

# Building and Programming Environment

### 1.1 Building Feel

#### 1.1.1 Getting the source via an archive

Feel is distributed as a tarball once in a while. The tarballs are available at

<http://ljkforge.imag.fr/feel>

Download the latest tarball. Then follow the steps and replace *x,y,z* with the corresponding numbers

```
| tar xzf feel-x.y.z.tar.gz  
| cd feel-x.y.z
```

#### 1.1.2 Getting the source via Subversion

**Creating RSA keys** In order to download the sources of Feel, you have to go in LJKForge website (<https://ljkforge.imag.fr>) and create an account. After the administrator approval, you have to demand the rights to see the project tree.

Then, you will have to create RSA keys to be able to connect to the server using ssh. To do that you have to type the commands : `ssh-keygen -t dsa` and `ssh-keygen -t rsa` to create the keys. After that, you have to copy the `id_dsa.pub` and `id_rsa.pub` files in the My Page ↗ Account Maintenance ↗ Edit SSH Keys section of the LJKForge website. Those files are located in the `~/.ssh/` folder of your computer. You will be able to connect to the server within an hour.

**Important :** If you don't have the same login on your computer as on LJKForge, you must add the commands

```
host ljkforge.imag.fr  
user <your_login_ljkforge>
```

in the `~/.ssh/config` file.

#### Downloading the sources

To be able to download the Feel sources, you need subversion and SSH ↗ 1.xxx installed on your computer. In a command prompt, go where you want Feel to be downloaded and type the following command.

`svn co svn+ssh://login@ljkforge.imag.fr/svn/feel/feel/trunk` *feel* where *login* is your login name in the LJKForge platform. Then, if you want to download the *feel-test* sources type :

```
| cd feel/benchmarks  
| svn co svn+ssh://login@ljkforge.imag.fr/svn/feel-test/feel-test/trunk validation
```

### 1.1.3 Dealing with software dependencies

In order to install Feel, you have to install many dependencies before. Those libraries and programs are necessary for the compilation and installation of the Feel libraries.

This is the list of all the librairies you must have installed on your computer, and the `*-dev` packages for some of them.

Here is the list of required packages:

- g++ ( $\geq 4.4$ )
- MPI : openmpi (preferred) or mpich
- Boost ( $\geq 1.39$ )
- Petsc ( $\geq 2.3.3$ )
- Cmake ( $\geq 2.6$ )
- Gmsh<sup>1</sup>
- Libxml2

Here is the list of optional packages:

- Eigen2
- Superlu
- Suitesparse(umfpack)
- Metis: scoth with the metis interface (preferred), metis (non-free)
- Trilinos ( $\geq 8.0.8$ )
- Google perftools
- Paraview<sup>2</sup>, this is not stricly required to run Feel programs but it is somehow necessary for visualisation
- Python ( $\geq 2.5$ ) for the validation tools

Note that all these packages are available under Debian/GNU/Linux and Ubuntu. They should be available

### 1.1.4 Compiling Feel with the CMake

Feel build system supports `cmake`<sup>3</sup>. This should become the preferred way to build Feel as it is much simpler and more powerful in many ways than the autotools.

Feel, using `cmake`, can be built either in source and out of source and different build type:

- `minsizerel` : minimal size release
- `release` release
- `debug` : debug
- `none`(default)

<sup>1</sup>Gmsh is a pre/post processing software for scientific computing available at <http://www.geuz.org/gmsh>

<sup>2</sup>Paraview is a few parallel scientific data visualisation platform, <http://www.paraview.org>

<sup>3</sup><http://www.cmake.org>

**CMake In Source Build** This is not advised, you should consider out source builds, see next paragraph.  
Enter the source tree and type

```
cmake .
make
```

To customize or change some build setting one can use the `cmake` curse interface `ccmake`

```
ccmake . # configure and generate
make
```

**CMake Out Source Build** Create a build directory

```
mkdir feel.opt
cd feel.opt
cmake jdirectory where the feel source are,
# e.g cmake ../feel if feel.opt is at the same
# directory level as feel
make
```

you can customize the build type:

```
# Debug build type (-g...)
cmake -D CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Debug
# Release build type (-O3...)
cmake -D CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=Release
...
```

### Compiling the Feel tutorial

If the command `make check` has been run before the tutorial should be already compiled and ready. The steps are as follows to build the Feel tutorial

```
cd opt/doc/tutorial
make check
```

Here is what the directory should look like

```
cd opt/doc/tutorial
ls

laplacian  Makefile  myintegrals  mymesh  pngs/
tutorial.blg  tutorial.out  tutorial.toc  laplacian.o  myapp
myintegrals.o  mymesh.o  stokes.assert  tutorial.aux  pdfs/  styles/
stokes      stokes.o  tutorial.bbl  tutorial.log  tutorial.pdf
```

## 1.2 Programming environment

### 1.3 Namepaces

- `Feel`
- `Feel::po`
- `Feel::mpl`
- `Feel::ublas`

- `Feel::math`
- `Feel::fem`
- `Feel::vf`

## 1.4 Libraries

- `feel/feelcore`
- `feel/feelalg`
- `feel/feelpoly`
- `feel/feeldiscr`
- `feel/feelfilters`
- `feel/feelvf`



## Chapter 2

# Tutorial

## 2.1 Creating applications

myapp.cpp

### 2.1.1 Application and Options

As a Feel user, the first step in order to use Feel is to create an application. First we include the `Application` header file, `feel/feelcore/application.hpp` and the header which the internal Feel options. Feel uses the `boost::program_options`<sup>1</sup> library from Boost to handle its command line options

```
#include <feel/options.hpp>
#include <feel/feelcore/feel.hpp>
#include <feel/feelcore/application.hpp>
```

Next to ease the programming and reading, we use the `using` C++ directive to bring the namespace `Feel` to the current namespace

```
using namespace Feel;
```

Then we define the command line options that the applications will provide. Note that on the `return` line, we incorporate the options defined internally in Feel.

```
inline
po::options_description
makeOptions()
{
    po::options_description myappoptions("MyApp options");
    myappoptions.add_options()
        ("dt", po::value<double>()->default_value( 1 ), "time step value")
        ;

    // return the options myappoptions and the feel_options defined
    // internally by Feel
    return myappoptions.add( feel_options() );
}
```

In the example, we provide the options `dt` which takes an argument, a `double` and its default value is 1 if the options is not set by the command line.

Then we describe the application by defining a class `AboutData` which will be typically used by the `help` command line options to describe the application

```
inline
AboutData
makeAbout()
{
    AboutData about( "myapp" ,
                    "myapp" ,
                    "0.1",
                    "my first Feel application",
                    AboutData::License_GPL,
```

<sup>1</sup>[http://www.boost.org/doc/html/program\\_options.html](http://www.boost.org/doc/html/program_options.html)

```

        "Copyright (c) 2008 Universite Joseph Fourier");

    about.addAuthor("Christophe Prud'homme",
                   "developer",
                   "christophe.prudhomme@ujf-grenoble.fr", "");

    return about;
}

```

Now we turn to the class `MyApp` itself: it derives from `Feel::Application`. Two constructors take `argc`, `argv` and the `AboutData` as well as possibly the description of the command line options `Feel::po::option_description`.

The class `MyApp` must redefine the `run()` member function. It is defined as a pure virtual function in `Application`.

```

class MyApp: public Application
{
public:

    /**
     * constructor only about data and no options description
     */
    MyApp( int argc, char** argv, AboutData const& );

    /**
     * constructor about data and options description
     */
    MyApp( int argc, char** argv,
          AboutData const&,
          po::options_description const& );

    /**
     * This function is responsible for the actual work done by MyApp.
     */
    void run();
};

```

The implementation of the constructors is usually simple, we pass the arguments to the super class `Application` that will analyze them and subsequently provide them with a `Feel::po::variable_map` data structure which operates like a map. Have a look at the document `boost::program_options` for further details.

```

MyApp::MyApp(int argc, char** argv,
             AboutData const& ad )
    : Application( argc, argv, ad )
{}
MyApp::MyApp(int argc, char** argv,
             AboutData const& ad,
             po::options_description const& od )
    : Application( argc, argv, ad, od )
{}

```

The `run()` member function holds the application commands/statements. Here we provide the smallest code unit: we print the description of the application if the `--help` command line options is set.

```

void MyApp::run()
{
    /**
     * print the help if --help is passed as an argument
     */
    /** \code */
    if ( this->vm().count( "help" ) )
    {
        std::cout << this->optionsDescription() << "\n";
        return;
    }
    /** \endcode */

    /**

```

```

    * store all subsequent data files in a HOME/feel/doc/tutorial/myapp/
    */
    /** \code */
    /** marker8 #
    this->changeRepository( boost::format( "doc/tutorial/%1%" )
                           % this->about().appName() );

    /** endmarker8 #
    /** \endcode */

    /**
    * print some information that will be written in the log file in
    * HOME/feel/doc/tutorial/myapp/myapp-1.0
    */
    /** \code */
    Log() << "the value of dt is " << this->vm()["dt"].as<double>() << "\n";
    /** \endcode */
}

```

Finally the `main()` function can be implemented. We pass the results of the `makeAbout()` and `makeOptions()` to the constructor of `MyApp` as well as `argc` and `argv`. Then we call the `run()` member function to execute the application.

```

int main( int argc, char** argv )
{
    Feel::Environment env( argc, argv );

    /**
    * intantiate a MyApp class
    */
    /** \code */
    MyApp app( argc, argv, makeAbout(), makeOptions() );
    /** \endcode */

    /**
    * run the application
    */
    /** \code */
    app.run();
    /** \endcode */
}

```

After compiling `myapp`, we can execute it

```

> myapp --help
myapp: my first Feel application
Allowed options:

MyApp options:
  --dt arg (=1)                                time step value

> ./myapp --authors
myapp: my first Feel application
      Author Name      Task      Email Address
-----
Christophe Prud'homme  developer  christophe.prudhomme@ujf-grenoble.fr

```

## 2.1.2 Application, Logging and Archiving

Feel provides some basic logging and archiving support: using the `changeRepository` member functions of the class `Application`, the logfile and results of the application will be stored in a subdirectory of `~/feel`. For example the following code

```

this->changeRepository( boost::format( "doc/tutorial/%1%" )
                       % this->about().appName() );

```

will create the directory `~/feel/myapp` and will store the logfile and any files created after calling `changeRepository`. Refer to the documentation of `Boost::format` of further details about the arguments to be passed to `changeRepository`. The logfile is named `~/feel/myapp/myapp-1.0`. The name

of the logfile is built using the application name, here `myapp`, the number of processes, here 1 and the id of the current process, here 0.

```
> myapp
> cat ~/feel/myapp/myapp-1.0
myapp-1.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 1

> myapp --dt=0.1
> cat ~/feel/myapp/myapp-1.0
myapp-1.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 0.1
```

### 2.1.3 MPI Application

`myapp.cpp`

Feel relies on MPI for parallel computations and the class `Application` initialises the MPI environment.

```
> mpirun -np 2 mympiapp
> cat ~/feel/mympiapp/mympiapp-2.0
mympiapp-2.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 1
[Area 0] we are on processor eta
[Area 0] this is process number 0 out of 2
> cat ~/feel/mympiapp/mympiapp-2.1
mympiapp-2.1 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 1
[Area 0] we are on processor eta
[Area 0] this is process number 1 out of 2

> mpirun -np 2 mympiapp --dt=0.01
> cat ~/feel/mympiapp/mympiapp-2.0
mympiapp-2.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 0.01
[Area 0] we are on processor eta
[Area 0] this is process number 0 out of 2
> cat ~/feel/mympiapp/mympiapp-2.1
mympiapp-2.1 is opened for debug
[Area 0] the value of dt is 0.01
[Area 0] we are on processor eta
[Area 0] this is process number 1 out of 2
```

### 2.1.4 Initializing PETSc and Trilinos

Feel supports also the PETSc and Trilinos framework, the class `Application` takes care of initialize the associated environments.

## 2.2 Mesh Manipulation

`mymesh.cpp`

In this section, we present some of the mesh definition and manipulation tools provided by Feel.

### 2.2.1 Mesh definition

We look at the definition of a mesh data structure. First, we define the type of geometric entities that we shall use to form our mesh. Feel supports

- simplices: segment, triangle, tetrahedron
- tensorized entities: segment, quadrangle, hexahedron

We choose between `Simplex<Dim, Order, RealDim>` and `SimplexProduct<Dim, Order, RealDim>`. They have the same template arguments:

- `Dim`: the topological dimension of the entity

- Order: the order of the entity(usually 1, higher order in development)
- RealDim: the dimension of the real space

```
typedef Simplex<Dim> convex_type;
//typedef Hypercube<Dim, 1,Dim> convex_type;
```

Then we define the mesh type, `Mesh<Entity>` by passing as argument the type of entity it is formed with. At the moment hybrid meshes are not supported.

```
typedef Mesh<convex_type > mesh_type;
typedef boost::shared_ptr<mesh_type> mesh_ptrtype;
```

It is customary, and usually a very good practice, to define the `boost::shared_ptr<>` counterpart which is used actually in practice. We can now instantiate a new mesh data structure.

The next step is to read some mesh files. Feel supports essentially the Gmsh mesh file format. It provides also some classes to manipulate Gmsh `.geo` files and generate `.msh` files. To begin, we use some helper classes to generate a `.geo` file.

- `GmshTensorizedDomain` will allow to create a tensorized domain (e.g. cube) in 1D, 2D and 3D. It allows to modify
  - the characteristic size of the mesh (by default  $h = 0.1$ )
  - the domain, by default it is the cube  $[0; 1] \times [0; 1] \times [0; 1]$
- `GmshSimplexDomain` will allow to create a simplex domain (e.g. segment, triangle or tetrahedron). Again you can modify
  - the characteristic size of the mesh (by default  $h = 0.1$ )
  - the domain vertices, by default  $(-1, -1, -1), (1, -1, -1), (-1, 1, -1), (-1, -1, 1)$

Here is an example

```
auto mesh = createGMSHMesh( _mesh=new mesh_type,
                           _desc=domain( _name=(boost::format( "%1%-%2%" ) % shape % Dim)
                                         _shape=shape,
                                         _dim=Dim,
                                         _h=X[0] ) );

//#endmarker4#

//# marker62 #
exporter->step(0)->setMesh( mesh );
exporter->save();
//# endmarker62 #
}

//
// main function: entry point of the program
//
int main( int argc, char** argv )
{
    Feel::Environment env( argc, argv );

    Application app( argc, argv, makeAbout(), makeOptions() );
    if ( app.vm().count( "help" ) )
    {
        std::cout << app.optionsDescription() << "\n";
        return 0;
    }

    app.add( new MyMesh<1>( app.vm(), app.about() ) );
    app.add( new MyMesh<2>( app.vm(), app.about() ) );
    app.add( new MyMesh<3>( app.vm(), app.about() ) );

    app.run();
}
```

The call to `setCharacteristicLength` allows to change the mesh size to `M_meshSize` which was given for example on the command line using the `Application` framework, see section 2.1. The call to `generate` creates the `.geo` file and generate the associated mesh. Note that `fname` holds the name of the `.msh` file, e.g. `mymesh.msh`. `Feel` adds automatically the `.msh` extension. Also note the last argument of `GmshTensorizedDomain`, it allows to change the type of geometric entities used to generate the mesh. Here we use `Simplex`, we could have also used `SimplexProduct` (quadrangle or hexahedron).

Next we import the mesh using the `ImporterGmsh` class as follows:

At this stage we are ready to use the mesh instance: we can for example export the mesh to a postprocessing format. Two formats are supported at the moment

- `Enight` (case and sos) which is supported by the software `Enight`<sup>2</sup> and `Paraview`<sup>3</sup>
- `Gmsh` which is post-processing format of `Gmsh`

The export stage reads as follows:

In this example, we create a  $\mathbb{P}_0$  function space and save the piecewise constant function that associates to each element the process id it belongs to. In sequential, they all belong to processor 0. In a parallel setting, the mesh is partitioned using `Metis` and each element is associated with a corresponding processor. The figure 2.2.1 displays a partitioned mesh in two regions and the associated  $\mathbb{P}_0$  function.

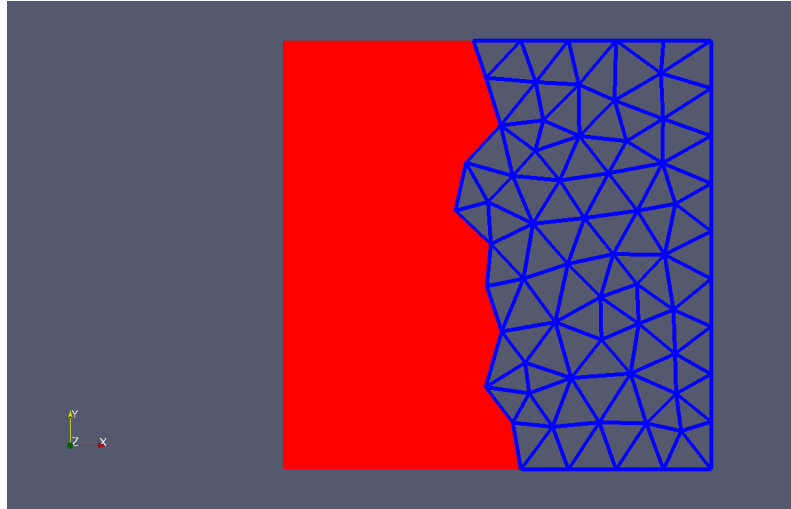


Figure 2.1: Screenshot of Paraview (3.2.1) of a 2D mesh partitioned and distributed on two processors

## 2.2.2 Iterating over the entities of a mesh

`Feel` mesh data structures provides powerful iterators that allows to walk though the mesh in various ways: iterate over element, faces, points, marked<sup>4</sup> elements, marked faces, ...

## 2.3 Function Spaces

### 2.3.1 Defining function spaces and functions

- basis function

<sup>2</sup><http://www.ensight.com>

<sup>3</sup><http://www.paraview.org>

<sup>4</sup>associated to an integer flag denoting a region, material, processor

- function spaces
- element of a function space

### 2.3.2 Using functions spaces and functions

- interpolating
- nodal projection
- saving

## 2.4 Linear Algebra

Feel supports three different linear algebra environments that we shall call *backends*.

- Gmm<sup>5</sup>
- Petsc<sup>6</sup>
- Trilinos<sup>7</sup>

### 2.4.1 Choosing a linear algebra backend

To select a backend in order to solve a linear system, we instantiate the `Backend` class associated.

```
#include <feel/feelalg/backend.hpp>
boost::shared_ptr<Backend<double> > backend =
    Backend<double>::build( BACKEND_PETSC );
```

The backend provides an interface to solve

$$Ax = b \quad (2.1)$$

where  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  sparse matrix and  $x, b$  vectors of size  $n$ . The backend defines the  $\mathbb{G}_+$  types for each of these, e.g.

```
Backend<double>::sparse_matrix_type A;
Backend<double>::vector_type x, b;
```

In practice, we use the `boost::shared_ptr<>` shared pointer to ensure that we won't get memory leaks. The backends provide a corresponding **typedef**

```
Backend<double>::sparse_matrix_ptrtype A( backend->newMatrix( Xh, Yh ) );
Backend<double>::vector_ptrtype x( backend->newVector( Yh ) );
Backend<double>::vector_ptrtype b( backend->newVector( Xh ) );
```

where  $X_h$  and  $Y_h$  are function spaces providing the number of degrees of freedom that will define the size of the matrix and vectors thanks to the helpers functions `Backend::newMatrix()` and `Backend::newVector()`. In a parallel setting, the local/global processor mapping would be passed down by the function spaces.

### 2.4.2 Defining and using matrices and vectors

### 2.4.3 Solving

## 2.5 Variational Formulation

- keywords
- principles

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<sup>5</sup>

<sup>6</sup>

<sup>7</sup>

### 2.5.1 Computing integrals

myintegrals.cpp

We would like to compute some integrals on a domain of  $\Omega = [0, 1]^d \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and parts of the domain, i.e. subregions and (parts of) boundary.

Once we have defined the computational mesh, we would like to compute the area of the domain. We form the integral  $\int_{\Omega} 1$ , the code reads as follows

```
double local_domain_area = integrate( elements(mesh),
                                     constant(1.0)).evaluate()(0,0);
```

`elements(mesh)` returns a pair of iterators over the elements owned by the current processor, `im` is an instance of the `im_type` which provides a quadrature method to integrate exactly polynomials up to degree 2. In our case integrating `constant(degree 0)` would have sufficed, but we will reuse `im` later. Now that we have computed the integral of 1 over the region of  $\Omega$  current processor (ie the area of the domain owned by the processor), we want to compute the area of  $\Omega$ . To do that we collect the integrals on all processors using a `reduce MPI` operation and sum all contributions. We have used here the Boost.MPI library that provides an extremely powerful C++ wrapper around the MPI library. The code reads

```
double global_domain_area=local_domain_area;
if ( this->comm().size() > 1 )
    mpi::all_reduce( this->comm(),
                    local_domain_area,
                    global_domain_area,
                    std::plus<double>() );
```

Finally, we print to the log file the result of the local and global integral calculation. Another calculation is for example to compute the perimeter of the domain

```
Log() << "int_Omega 1 = " << global_domain_area
      << "[ " << local_domain_area << " ]\n";
```

the main difference with the domain area computation resides in the elements with are iterating on: here we are iterating on the boundary faces of the domain to compute the integral using `boundaryfaces(mesh)` to provide the pairs of iterators.

Now say that we want to compute

$$\int_{\Omega} x^2 + y^2 dx dy. \quad (2.2)$$

The Finite Element Embedded Language (FEEL++) language provides the keyword `Px()` and `Py()` to denote the  $x$  and  $y$  coordinates like in equation (2.2). The code reads then

```
double local_boundary_length = integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh),
                                          constant(1.0)).evaluate()(0,0);
double global_boundary_length = local_boundary_length;
if ( this->comm().size() > 1 )
    mpi::all_reduce( this->comm(),
                    local_boundary_length,
                    global_boundary_length,
                    std::plus<double>() );
Log() << "int_BoundaryOmega (1)= " << global_boundary_length
      << "[ " << local_boundary_length << " ]\n";
```

Note that in this case, we really require the use of a quadrature that integrates exactly order 2 polynomials.

Let's run now the tutorial example `myintegrals`. The results are stored in the log file under `~/feel/myintegrals/`.

```
> cat ~/feel/myintegrals/Simplex_2_1/h_0.5/myintegrals-1.0
myintegrals-1.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] int_Omega = 1[ 1 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 4[ 4 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 0.666667[ 0.666667 ]
```

We remark that the results are exact. Integrating higher order polynomials ( $\geq 3$ ) or non-polynomial function would typically require higher order quadrature to get accurate results. To do that increase `imOrder` in the example and try integrating  $f(x, y) = x^3 + xy^2$ .

In order to see what happens in parallel, use `mpirun` to launch `myintegrals` on several processors, for example



```

> mpirun -np 4 myintegrals --hsize=0.1
> cat ~/feel/myintegrals/Simplex_2_1/h_0.1/myintegrals-4.0
myintegrals-4.0 is opened for debug
[Area 0] int_Omega = 1[ 0.253348 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 4[ 1.44444 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 0.666667[ 0.0701812 ]
> cat ~/feel/myintegrals/Simplex_2_1/h_0.1/myintegrals-4.1
myintegrals-4.1 is opened for debug
[Area 0] int_Omega = 1[ 0.288919 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 4[ 0.444444 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 0.666667[ 0.186251 ]
> cat ~/feel/myintegrals/Simplex_2_1/h_0.1/myintegrals-4.2
myintegrals-4.2 is opened for debug
[Area 0] int_Omega = 1[ 0.183219 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 4[ 1.11111 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 0.666667[ 0.105008 ]
> cat ~/feel/myintegrals/Simplex_2_1/h_0.1/myintegrals-4.3
myintegrals-4.3 is opened for debug
[Area 0] int_Omega = 1[ 0.274514 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 4[ 1 ]
[Area 0] int_Omega = 0.666667[ 0.305227 ]

```

## 2.5.2 Standard formulation: the Laplacian case

### Mathematical formulation

laplacian.cpp

In this example, we would like to solve for the following problem in 2D

**Problem 1** find  $u$  such that

$$-\Delta u = f \text{ in } \Omega = [-1; 1]^2 \quad (2.3)$$

with

$$f = 2\pi^2 g \quad (2.4)$$

and  $g$  is the exact solution

$$g = \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi y) \quad (2.5)$$

The following boundary conditions apply

$$u = g|_{x=\pm 1}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0|_{y=\pm 1} \quad (2.6)$$

We propose here two possible variational formulations. The first one, handles the Dirichlet boundary conditions strongly, that is to say the condition is *incorporated* into the function space definitions. The second one handles the Dirichlet condition *weakly* and hence we have a uniform treatment for all types of boundary conditions.

**Strong Dirichlet conditions** The variational formulation reads as follows, we introduce the spaces

$$\mathcal{X} = \left\{ v \in H_1(\Omega) \text{ such that } v = g|_{x=-1, x=1} \right\} \quad (2.7)$$

and

$$\mathcal{V} = \left\{ v \in H_1(\Omega) \text{ such that } v = 0|_{x=-1, x=1} \right\} \quad (2.8)$$

We multiply (2.3) by  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  then integrate over  $\Omega$  and obtain

$$\int_{\Omega} -\Delta u v = \int_{\Omega} f v \quad (2.9)$$

We integrate by parts and reformulate the problem as follows:

**Problem 2** we look for  $u \in \mathcal{X}$  such that for all  $v \in \mathcal{V}$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v = \int_{\Omega} f v \quad (2.10)$$

In the present space setting (2.8) and boundary conditions (2.6), we have the boundary term from the integration by parts which is dropped being equal to 0

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v = 0, \quad (2.11)$$

recalling that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \nabla u \cdot n \quad (2.12)$$

where  $n$  is the outward normal to  $\partial\Omega$  by convention. We now discretize the problem, we create a mesh out of  $\Omega$ , we have

$$\Omega = \cup_{e=1}^{N_{\text{el}}} \Omega^e \quad (2.13)$$

where  $\Omega^e$  can be segments, triangles or tetrahedra depending on  $d$  and we have  $N_{\text{el}}$  of them. We introduce the finite dimensional spaces of continuous piecewise polynomial of degree  $N$  functions

$$X_h = \left\{ v_h \in C^0(\Omega), v_h|_{\Omega^e} \in \mathbb{P}_N(\Omega^e), v_h = g|_{x=-1, x=1} \right\} \quad (2.14)$$

and

$$V_h = \left\{ v_h \in C^0(\Omega), v_h|_{\Omega^e} \in \mathbb{P}_N(\Omega^e), v_h = 0|_{x=-1, x=1} \right\} \quad (2.15)$$

which are our trial and test function spaces respectively. We now have the problem we seek to solve which reads in our continuous Galerkin framework

**Problem 3** we look for  $u_h \in X_h \subset \mathcal{X}$  such that for all  $v \in V_h \subset \mathcal{V}$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u_h \cdot \nabla v_h = \int_{\Omega} f v_h \quad (2.16)$$

**Weak Dirichlet conditions** There is an alternative formulation which allows to treat weakly Dirichlet(Essential) boundary conditions similarly to Neumann(Natural) and Robin conditions. Following a similar development as in the previous section, the problem reads

**Problem 4** we look for  $u \in X_h \subset H_1(\Omega)$  such that for all  $v \in X_h$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{|x=-1, x=1} -\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v - u \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} + \frac{\mu}{h} u v = \int_{\Omega} f v + \int_{|x=-1, x=1} -g \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} + \frac{\mu}{h} g v \quad (2.17)$$

where

$$X_h = \left\{ v_h \in C^0(\Omega), v_h|_{\Omega^e} \in \mathbb{P}_N(\Omega^e) \right\} \quad (2.18)$$

In (3.5),  $g$  is defined by (2.5).  $\mu$  serves as a penalisation parameter which should be  $> 0$ , e.g. between 2 and 10, and  $h$  is the size of the face. The inconvenient of this formulation is the introduction of the parameter  $\mu$ , but the advantage is the *weak* treatment of the Dirichlet condition.

### Feel formulation

First we define the  $f$  and  $g$ . To do that we use the `AUTO` keyword and associate to `f` and `g` their expressions

```
value_type pi = M_PI;
//! deduce from expression the type of g (thanks to keyword 'auto')
auto g = sin(pi*Px())*cos(pi*Py())*cos(pi*Pz());
gproj = vf::project( Xh, elements(mesh), g );

//! deduce from expression the type of f (thanks to keyword 'auto')
auto f = pi*pi*Dim*g;
```

where `M_PI` is defined in the header `cmath`. Using `AUTO` allows to defined `f` and `g` — which are moderately complex object — without having to know the actual type. `AUTO` determines automatically the type of the expression using the `__typeof__` keyword internally.

Then we form the right hand side by defining a linear form whose algebraic representation will be stored in a `vector_ptrtype` which is provided by the chosen linear algebra backend. The linear form is equated with an integral expression defining our right hand side.

```
vector_ptrtype F( M_backend->newVector( Xh ) );
form1( _test=Xh, _vector=F, _init=true ) =
    integrate( elements(mesh), f*id(v) ) +
    integrate( markedfaces( mesh, mesh->markerName("Neumann") ), nu*gradv(gproj)*vf::N()*i
```

`form1` generates an instance of the object representing linear forms, that is to say it mimics the mathematical object  $\ell$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \ell: X_h &\mapsto \mathbb{R} \\ v_h &\mapsto \ell(v_h) = \int_{\Omega} f v \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

which is represented algebraically in the code by the vector `F` using the argument `_vector`. The last argument `_init`, if set to `true`<sup>8</sup>, will zero-out the entries of the vector `F`.

We now turn to the left hand side and define the bilinear form using the `form2` helper function which is passed (i) the trial function space using the `_trial` option, (ii) the test function space using the `_test` option, (iii) the algebraic representation using `_matrix`, i.e. a sparse matrix whose type is derived from one of the linear algebra backends and (iv) whether the associated matrix should initialized using `_init`.

```
/** \code */
sparse_matrix_ptrtype D( M_backend->newMatrix( Xh, Xh ) );
/** \endcode */

//! assemble \int_{\Omega} \nu \nabla u \cdot \nabla v
/** \code */
form2( Xh, Xh, D, _init=true ) =
    integrate( elements(mesh), nu*gradt(u)*trans(grad(v)) );
/** \endcode */
```

Finally, we deal with the boundary condition, we implement both formulation described in appendix ?? . For a *strong* treatment of the Dirichlet condition, we use the `on()` keyword of FEEL++ as follows

```
D->close();
form2( Xh, Xh, D ) +=
    on( markedfaces(mesh, mesh->markerName("Dirichlet")), u, F, g );
```

Notice that we add, using `+=`, the Dirichlet contribution for the bilinear form. The first argument is the set of boundary faces to apply the condition: in gmsh the points satisfying  $x = \pm 1$  are marked using the flags 1 and 3 ( $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$  respectively.)

To implement the weak Dirichlet boundary condition, we add the following contributions to the left and right hand side:

```
form1( _test=Xh, _vector=F ) +=
    integrate( markedfaces(mesh, mesh->markerName("Dirichlet")), g*(-grad(v)*vf::N()
```

Note that we use the command line option `--weakdir` set to 1 by default to decide between weak/strong Dirichlet handling. Apart the uniform treatment of boundary conditions, the weak Dirichlet formulation has the advantage to work also in a parallel environment.

Next we solve the linear system

$$Du = F \quad (2.20)$$

where the `solve` function is implemented as follows

Finally we check for the  $L_2$  error in our approximation by computing

$$\|u - u_h\|_{L_2} = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} (u - u_h)^2} = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} (g - u_h)^2} \quad (2.21)$$

<sup>8</sup>It is set to `false` by default.

where  $u$  is the exact solution and is equal to  $g$  and  $u_h$  is the numerical solution of the problem (2.3) and the components of  $u_h$  in the  $P_2$  Lagrange basis are given by solving (2.20).

The code reads

```
double L2error2 =integrate(elements(mesh),
                           (idv(u)-g)*(idv(u)-g)).evaluate()(0,0);
double L2error =  math::sqrt( L2error2 );

Log() << "||error||_L2=" << L2error << "\n";
```

You can now verify that the  $L_2$  error norm behaves like  $h^{-(N+1)}$  where  $h$  is the mesh size and  $N$  the polynomial order. The  $H_1$  error norm would be checked similarly in  $h^{-N}$ . The figure 2.3 displays the results using Paraview.

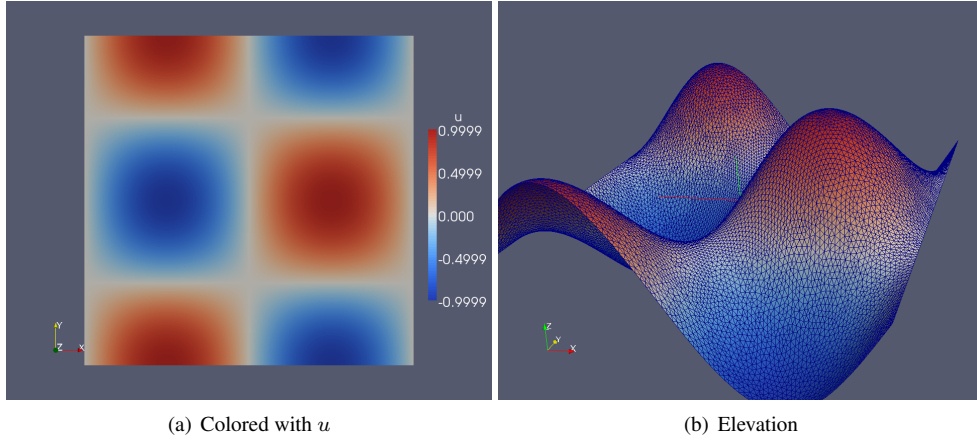


Figure 2.2: Solution of problem 4

### 2.5.3 Mixed formulation: the Stokes case

#### Mathematical formulation

stokes.cpp

We are now interested in solving the Stokes equations, we would like to solve for the following problem in 2D

**Problem 5** find  $(\mathbf{u}, p)$  such that

$$-\mu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega = [-1; 1]^2 \quad (2.22)$$

with

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0} \quad (2.23)$$

where  $\mu$  being the viscosity. The following boundary conditions apply

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{1}_{|y=1}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}_{|\partial\Omega \setminus \{(x,y) \in \Omega | y=1\}} \quad (2.24)$$

In problem (3),  $p$  is known up to a constant  $c$ , i.e. if  $p$  is a solution then  $p + c$  is also solution. To ensure uniqueness we impose the constraint that  $p$  should have zero-mean, i.e.

$$\int_{\Omega} p = 0 \quad (2.25)$$

The problem 5 now reads

**Problem 6** find  $(\mathbf{u}, p, \lambda)$  such that

$$-\mu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad , \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \lambda = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\Omega} p = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega = [-1; 1]^2 \quad (2.26)$$

with

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{0} \quad (2.27)$$

where  $\mu$  being the viscosity. The following boundary conditions apply

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{1}_{|y=1}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}_{|\partial\Omega \setminus \{(x,y) \in \Omega | y=1\}} \quad (2.28)$$

The functional framework is as follows, we look for  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $p$  in  $L_0^2(\Omega)$ . We shall not seek  $p$  in  $L_0^2(\Omega)$  but rather in  $L^2(\Omega)$  and use Lagrange multipliers which live are the constants whose space we denote  $\mathbb{P}_0(\Omega)$ , to enforce (2.25).

Denote  $\mathcal{X} = H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \times \mathbb{P}_0(\Omega)$ , the variational formulation reads we look for  $(\mathbf{u}, p, \lambda) \in \mathcal{X}$  for all  $(\mathbf{v}, q, \nu) \in \mathcal{X}$

$$\int_{\Omega} \mu \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} p + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} q + q \lambda + p \nu = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad (2.29)$$

We build a triangulation  $\Omega_h$  of  $\Omega$ , we choose compatible (piecewise polynomial) discretisation spaces  $X_h$  and  $M_h$ , e.g. the Taylor Hood element ( $\mathbb{P}_N/\mathbb{P}_{N-1}$ ) and we denote  $\mathcal{X}_h = X_h \times M_h \times \mathbb{P}_0(\Omega)$ . The discrete problem now reads, we look for  $(\mathbf{u}_h, p_h, \lambda_h) \in \mathcal{X}_h$  such that for all  $(\mathbf{v}_h, q_h, \nu_h) \in \mathcal{X}_h$

$$\int_{\Omega_h} \mu \nabla \mathbf{u}_h : \nabla \mathbf{v}_h + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}_h p_h + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_h q_h + p_h \nu_h + q_h \lambda_h = \int_{\Omega_h} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v}_h \quad (2.30)$$

The formulation (2.30) leads to a linear system of the form

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A & B & 0 \\ B^T & 0 & C \\ 0 & C^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{A}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_h \\ p_h \\ \lambda_h \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{U}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} F \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{F}} \quad (2.31)$$

where  $A$  corresponds to the  $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$  block,  $B$  to the  $(\mathbf{u}, q)$  block and  $C$  to the  $(p, \nu)$  block.  $\mathcal{A}$  is a symmetric positive definite matrix and thus the system  $\mathcal{AU} = \mathcal{F}$  enjoys a unique solution.

### Feel formulation

Regarding the implementation of the Stokes problem 5, we can start from the laplacian case, from section 2.5.2. The implementation we choose to display here defines and builds  $\mathcal{X}_h$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ .

We start by defining and building  $\mathcal{X}_h$ : first we define the basis functions that will span each subspaces  $X_h$ ,  $M_h$  and  $\mathbb{P}_0(\Omega)$ .

```
typedef BasisU basis_u_type;
typedef BasisP basis_p_type;
typedef Lagrange<0, Scalar> basis_l_type;
typedef bases<basis_u_type, basis_p_type, basis_l_type> basis_type;
```

note that on the `typedef` we build a (MPL) vector of them. Now we are ready to define the function-space  $\mathcal{X}_h$ , much like in the Laplacian case:

```
typedef FunctionSpace<mesh_type, basis_type> space_type;
typedef boost::shared_ptr<space_type> space_ptrtype;
```

Next we define a few types which are associated with  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $u$ ,  $p$  and  $\lambda$  respectively.

```
typedef typename space_type::element_type element_type;
typedef typename element_type::template sub_element<0>::type element_0_type;
typedef typename element_type::template sub_element<1>::type element_1_type;
typedef typename element_type::template sub_element<2>::type element_2_type;
```

Using these types we can instantiate elements of  $\mathcal{X}_h$ ,  $X_h$ ,  $M_h$  and  $\mathbb{P}_0(\Omega_h)$  respectively:

```

space_ptrtype Xh = space_type::New( mesh );

element_type U( Xh, "u" );
element_type V( Xh, "v" );
element_0_type u = U.template element<0>();
element_0_type v = V.template element<0>();
element_1_type p = U.template element<1>();
element_1_type q = V.template element<1>();
element_2_type lambda = U.template element<2>();
element_2_type nu = V.template element<2>();

```

They will serve in the definition of the variational formulation. We can now start assemble the various terms of the variational formulation (2.30). First we define some viscous stress tensor,  $\tau(\mathbf{u}) = \nabla \mathbf{u}$ , associated with the trial and test functions respectively

```

auto deft = gradt(u);
auto def = grad(v);

```

Then we define the total stress tensor times the normal,  $\bar{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}, p)\mathbf{n} = -p\mathbf{n} + 2\mu\tau(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{n}$  where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the normal and  $\bar{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}, p) = -p\mathbb{I} + 2\mu\tau(\mathbf{u})$ :

```

// total stress tensor (trial)
auto SigmaNt = -idt(p)*N()+mu*deft*N();

// total stress tensor (test)
auto SigmaN = -id(p)*N()+mu*def*N();

```

We then form the matrix  $\mathcal{A}$  starting with block  $A$ , block  $B$  block  $C$  and finally the boundary conditions.

```

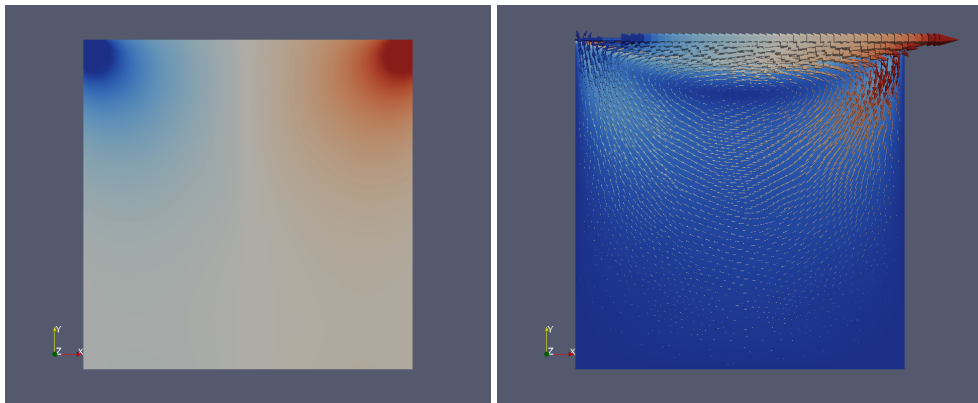
sparse_matrix_ptrtype D( M_backend->newMatrix( Xh, Xh ) );

form2( Xh, Xh, D, _init=true )=integrate( elements(mesh), mu*trace(deft*trans(def)) );
form2( Xh, Xh, D )+=integrate( elements(mesh), - div(v)*idt(p) + divt(u)*id(q) );
form2( Xh, Xh, D )+=integrate( elements(mesh), id(q)*idt(lambda) + idt(p)*id(nu) );
form2( Xh, Xh, D )+=integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh),
                                -trans(SigmaNt)*id(v)
                                -trans(SigmaN)*idt(u)
                                +penalbc*trans(idt(u))*id(v)/hFace() );

```

The figure 2.3 displays  $p$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  which are available in

```
ls ~/feel/doc/tutorial/stokes/Simplex`2`1`2/P2/h`0.05
```



(a) Colored with  $p$ ,  $h = 0.05$

(b) Colored with  $\|\mathbf{u}\|$  and the arrows associated to  $\mathbf{u}$  colored with  $p$

Figure 2.3: Solution of problem 5

# Chapter 3

## Examples

### 3.1 Solving nonlinear equations

Feel allows to solve nonlinear equations thanks to its interface to the interface to the PETSc nonlinear solver library. It requires the implementation of two extra functions in your application that will update the jacobian matrix associated to the tangent problem and the residual.

Consider that you have an application class MyApp with a backend as data member

```
#include <feel/feelcore/feel.hpp>
#include <feel/feelcore/application.hpp>
#include <feel/feelalg/backend.hpp>
namespace Feel {

class MyApp : public Application
{
public:
    typedef Backend<double> backend_type;
    typedef boost::shared_ptr<backend_type> backend_ptrtype;

    MyApp( int argc, char** argv,
          AboutData const& ad, po::options_description const& od )
    :
        // init the parent class
        Application( argc, argv, ad, od ),
        // init the backend
        M_backend( backend_type::build( this->vm() ) ),
        {
            // define the callback functions (works only for the PETSc backend)
            M_backend->nlSolver()->residual =
                boost::bind( &self_type::updateResidual, boost::ref( *this ), _1, _2 );
            M_backend->nlSolver()->jacobian =
                boost::bind( &self_type::updateJacobian, boost::ref( *this ), _1, _2 );
        }
    void updateResidual( const vector_ptrtype& X, vector_ptrtype& R )
    {
        // update the matrix J (Jacobian matrix) associated
        // with the tangent problem
    }
    void updateJacobian( const vector_ptrtype& X, sparse_matrix_ptrtype& J )
    {
        // update the vector R associated with the residual
    }
    void run()
    {
        //define space
        Xh...
        element_type u(Xh);
        // initial guess is 0
    }
};
}
```

```

u = project( M_Xh, elements(mesh), constant(0.) );
vector_ptrtype U( M_backend->newVector( u.functionSpace() ) );
*U = u;

// define R and J
vector_ptrtype R( M_backend->newVector( u.functionSpace() ) );
sparse_matrix_ptrtype J;

// update R
updateJacobian( U, R );
// update J
updateResidual( U, J );

// solve using non linear methods (newton)
// tolerance : 1e-10
// max number of iterations : 10
M_backend->nlSolve( J, U, R, 1e-10, 10 );

// the solution was stored in U
u = *U;
}
private:
    backend_ptrtype M_backend;
};
} // namespace Feel

```

The function `updateJacobian` and `updateResidual` implement the assembly of the matrix  $J$  (jacobian matrix) and the vector  $R$  (residual vector) respectively.

### 3.1.1 A first nonlinear problem

As a simple example, let  $\Omega$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d = 1, 2, 3$ , (i.e.  $\Omega = [-1, 1]^d$ ) with boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . Consider now the following equation and boundary condition

$$-\Delta u + u^\lambda = f, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega. \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$  is a given parameter and  $f = 1$ .

To be described in this section. For now see `doc/tutorial/nonlinearpow.cpp` for an implementation of this problem.

### 3.1.2 Simplified combustion problem: Bratu

As a simple example, let  $\Omega$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d = 1, 2, 3$ , (i.e.  $\Omega = [-1, 1]^d$ ) with boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . Consider now the following equation and boundary condition

$$-\Delta u + \lambda e^u = f, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\lambda$  is a given parameter. Ceci est généralement appelé le problème de Bratu et apparaît lors de la simplification de modèles de processus de diffusion non-linéaires par exemple dans le domaine de la combustion.

To be described in this section. For now see `doc/tutorial/bratu.cpp` for an implementation of this problem.

## 3.2 Natural convection in a heated tank

### 3.2.1 Description

The goal of this project is to simulate the fluid flow under natural convection: the heated fluid circulates towards the low temperature under the action of density and gravity differences. This phenomenon is



important in the sense it models evacuation of heat, generated by friction forces for example, with a cooling fluid.

We shall put in place a simple convection problem in order to study the phenomenon without having to handle the difficulties of more complex domains. We describe then some necessary transformations to the equations, then we define quantities of interest to be able to compare the simulations with different parameter values.

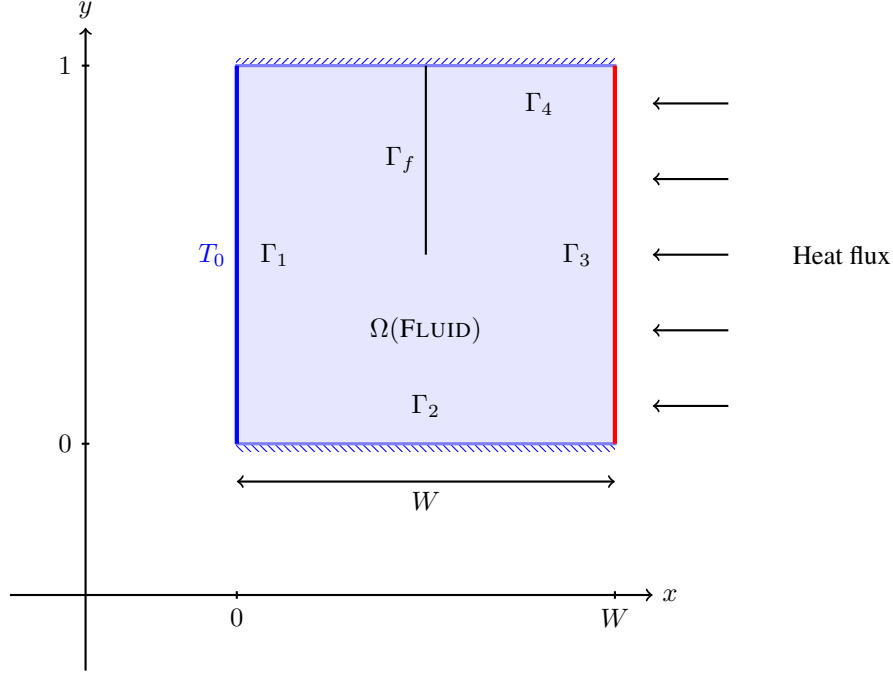


Figure 3.1: Geometry of the model

To study the convection, we use a model problem: it consists in a rectangular tank of height 1 and width  $W$ , in which the fluid is enclosed, see figure 3.1. We wish to know the fluid velocity  $\mathbf{u}$ , the fluid pressure  $p$  and fluid temperature  $\theta$ .

We introduce the adimensionalized Navier-Stokes and heat equations parametrized by the Grashof and Prandtl numbers. These parameters allow to describe the various regimes of the fluid flow and heat transfer in the tank when varying them.

The adimensionalized steady incompressible Navier-Stokes equations reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Gr}}} \Delta \mathbf{u} &= \theta \mathbf{e}_2 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0 \text{ sur } \Omega \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{0} \text{ sur } \partial\Omega \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

where  $\text{Gr}$  is the Grashof number,  $\mathbf{u}$  the adimensionalized velocity and  $p$  adimensionalized pressure and  $\theta$  the adimensionalized temperature. The temperature is in fact the difference between the temperature in the tank and the temperature  $T_0$  on boundary  $\Gamma_1$ .

The heat equation reads:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \theta - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{GrPr}}} \Delta \theta &= 0 \\
 \theta &= 0 \text{ sur } \Gamma_1 \\
 \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} &= 0 \text{ sur } \Gamma_{2,4} \\
 \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} &= 1 \text{ sur } \Gamma_3
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

where Pr is the Prandtl number.

### 3.2.2 Influence of parameters

what are the effects of the Grashof and Prandtl numbers ? We remark that both terms with these parameters appear in front of the  $\Delta$  parameter, they thus act on the diffusive terms. If we increase the Grashof number or the Prandtl number the coefficients multiplying the diffusive terms decrease, and this the convection, that is to say the transport of the heat via the fluid, becomes dominant. This leads also to a more difficult and complex flows to simulate, see figure 3.2. The influence of the Grashof and Prandtl numbers are different but they generate similar difficulties and flow configurations. Thus we look only here at the influence of the Grashof number which shall vary in  $[1, 1e7]$ .

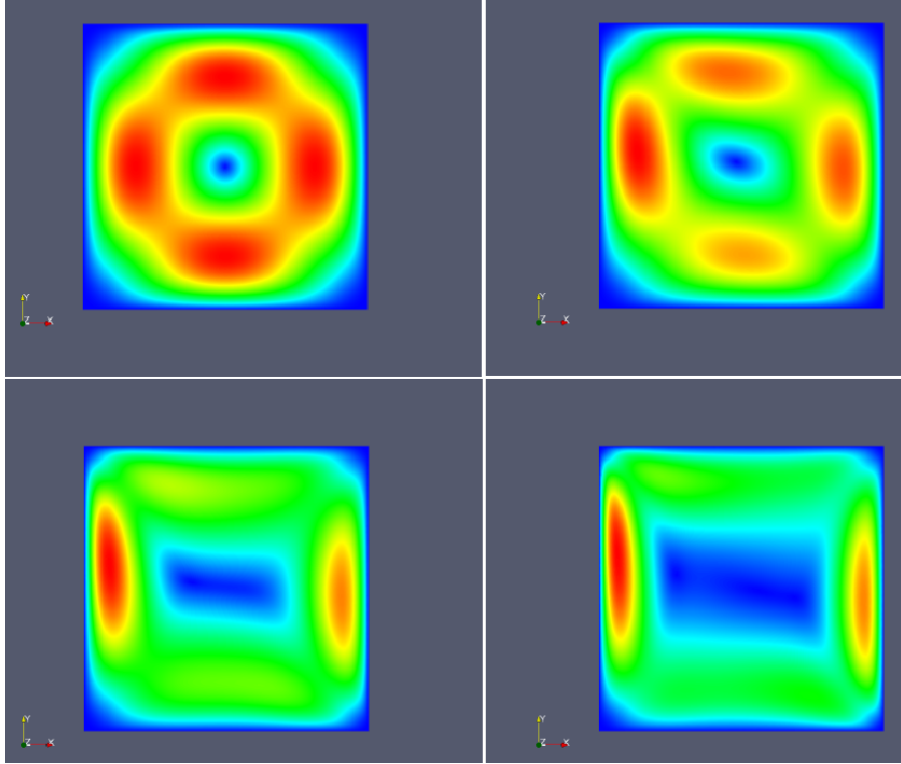


Figure 3.2: Velocity norm with respect to Grashof,  $\text{Gr} = 100, 10000, 100000, 500000$ .  $h = 0.01$  and  $\text{Pr} = 1$ .

### 3.2.3 Quantities of interest

We would like to compare the results of many simulations with respect to the Grashof defined in the previous section. We introduce two quantities which will allow us to observe the behavior of the flow and

heat transfer.

### Mean temperature

We consider first the mean temperature on boundary  $\Gamma_3$

$$T_3 = \int_{\Gamma_3} \theta \quad (3.5)$$

This quantity should decrease with increasing Grashof because the fluid flows faster and will transport more heat which will cool down the heated boundary  $\Gamma_3$ . We observe this behavior on the figure 3.3.

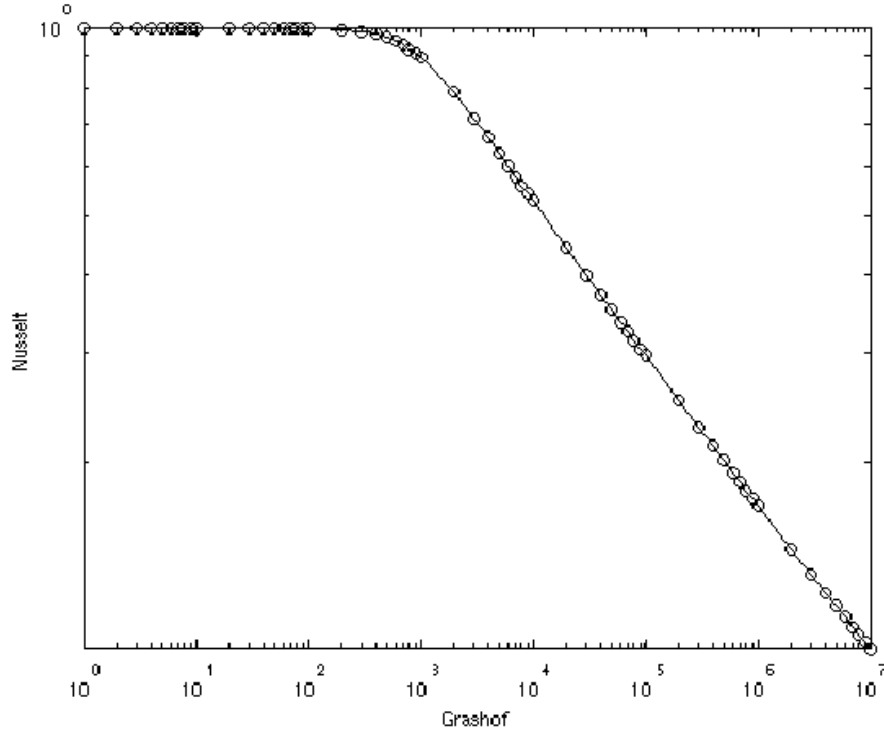


Figure 3.3: Mean temperature with respect to the Grashof number;  $h = 0.02$  with  $\mathbb{P}_3$  Lagrange element for the velocity,  $\mathbb{P}_2$  Lagrange for the pressure and  $\mathbb{P}_1$  Lagrange for the temperature.

### Flow rate

Another quantity of interest is the flow rate through the middle of the tank. We define a segment  $\Gamma_f$  as being the vertical top semi-segment located at  $W/2$  with height  $1/2$ , see figure 3.1. The flow rate, denoted  $D_f$ , reads

$$D_f = \int_{\Gamma_f} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 \quad (3.6)$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0)$ . Note that the flow rate can be negative or positive depending on the direction in which the fluid flows.

As a function of the Grashof, we shall see a increase in the flow rate. This is true for small Grashof, but starting at  $1e3$  the flow rate decreases. The fluid is contained in a boundary layer which is becoming smaller as the Grashof increases.

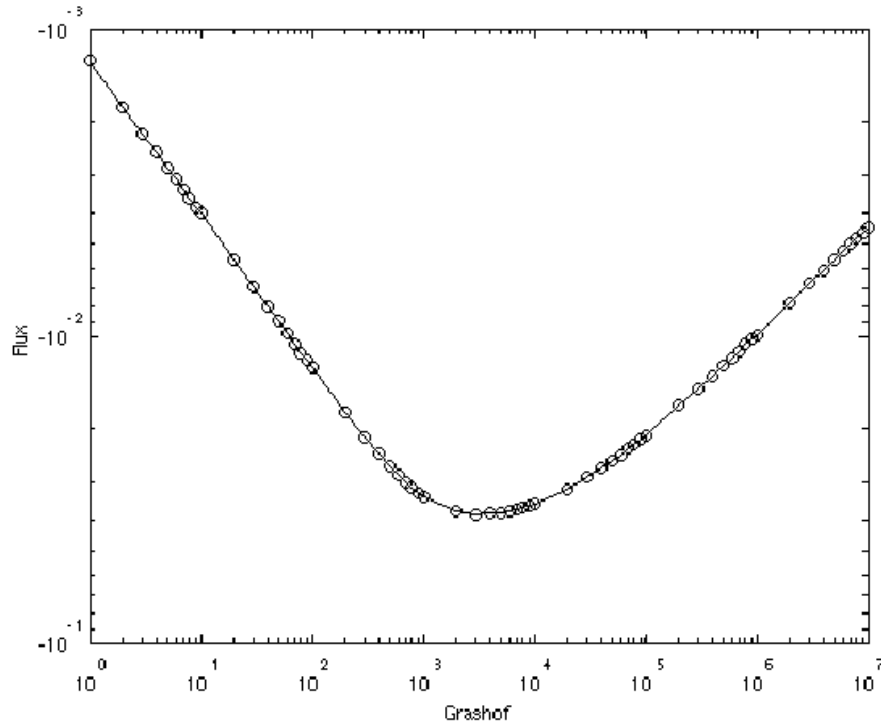


Figure 3.4: Behavior of the flow rate with respect to the Grashof number;  $h = 0.02$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_3$  for the velocity,  $\mathbb{P}_2$  for the pressure and  $\mathbb{P}_1$  for the temperature.

### 3.2.4 Implementation

This application is implemented in `life/doc/tutorial/convection*.cpp`. The implementation solve the full nonlinear problem using the nonlinear solver framework.

# Appendix A

## Random notes

### A.1 Linear Algebra with PETSC

#### A.1.1 Using the Petsc Backend: recommended

Using the Petsc backend is recommended. To do that type in the command line

```
myprog --backend=petsc
```

then you can change the type of solvers and preconditioners by adding Petsc options at *the end of the command lines*, for example

```
-pc_type lu
```

will actually solve the problem in one iteration of an iterative solver (p.ex. gmres).

$$PAx = PB \tag{A.1}$$

where  $P \approx A^{-1}$ . Here  $A$  is decomposed in  $LU$  form and (A.1) is solved in one iteration.

#### A.1.2 List of solvers and preconditioners

List of some iterative solvers (Krylov subspace)

- cg, bicg
- gmres, fgmres, lgmres
- bcgs, bcgsl
- see `petsc/petscksp.h` for more

List of some preconditioners

- lu, choleski
- jacobi, sor
- ilu, icc
- see `petsc/petscpc.h` for more

### A.1.3 What is going on in the solvers?

In order to monitor what is going on (iterations, residual...) Petsc provides some monitoring options

`-ksp_monitor`

For example

`myprog -backend=petsc -ksp_monitor -pc_type lu`

it should show only one iteration.

See <http://www.mcs.anl.gov/petsc/petsc-as/snapshots/petsc-current/docs/manualpages/KSP/KSPMonitorSet.html> for more details

## A.2 Numerical Schemes

### A.2.1 Stokes problem formulation and the pressure

#### A.2.2 The Stokes problem

Consider the following problem,

$$\text{Stokes: } \begin{cases} -\mu\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ . There are no boundary condition on the pressure. This problem is ill-posed, indeed we only control the pressure through its gradient  $\nabla p$ . Thus if  $(\mathbf{u}, p)$  is a solution, then  $(\mathbf{u}, p + c)$  is also a solution with  $c$  any constant. This comes from the way the problem is posed: the box is closed and it is not possible to determine the pressure inside. The remedy is to impose arbitrarily a constraint on the pressure, e.g. its mean value is zero. In other words, we add this new equation to the problem (A.2)

$$\int_{\Omega} p = 0 \quad (\text{A.3})$$

**Remark 1 (The Navier-Stokes case)** *This is also true for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations. We chose Stokes to simplify the exposure.*

#### A.2.3 Reformulation

In order to impose the condition (A.3), we introduce a new unknown, a Lagrange multiplier,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and modify the incompressibility equation. Our problem reads now, find  $(\mathbf{u}, p, \lambda)$  such that

$$\text{Stokes 2: } \begin{cases} -\mu\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= \mathbf{f} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \lambda &= 0 \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} &= 0 \\ \int_{\Omega} p &= 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

**Remark 2 (The pressure as Lagrange multiplier)** *The pressure field  $p$  can actually be seen as a Lagrange multiplier for the velocity  $\mathbf{u}$  in order to enforce the constraint  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$ .  $\lambda$  will play the same role but for the pressure to enforce the condition (A.3). As  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$  as well as the divergence of  $\mathbf{u}$ . Note also that  $\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \approx - \int_{\Omega} \lambda$  from the second equation.*

### A.2.4 Variational formulation

The variational formulation now reads: find  $(\mathbf{u}, p, \lambda) \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \times L_0^2(\Omega) \times \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $(\mathbf{v}, q, \eta) \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \times L_0^2(\Omega) \times \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{Stokes 3: } \begin{cases} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} p) = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} q + \lambda q) = 0 \\ \int_{\Omega} p \eta = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Summing up all three equations we get the following condensed formulation:

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} p + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} q + \lambda q + \eta p = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where  $\mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) = \left\{ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega), \nabla \mathbf{v} \in [L^2(\Omega)]^{d \times d}, \mathbf{v} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \right\}$ ,  $L_0^2(\Omega) = \left\{ v \in L^2(\Omega), \int_{\Omega} v = 0 \right\}$ , and  $\mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) = \left\{ \mathbf{v} \in [L^2(\Omega)]^d \right\}$  that is to say each component of a vector field of  $\mathbf{L}^2(\Omega)$  are in  $L^2(\Omega)$ .

### A.2.5 Implementation

```
/*basis*/
typedef Lagrange<Order, Vectorial> basis_u_type; // velocity
typedef Lagrange<Order-1, Scalar> basis_p_type; // pressure
typedef Lagrange<0, Scalar> basis_l_type; // multipliers
typedef bases<basis_u_type, basis_p_type, basis_l_type> basis_type;
/*space: product of the velocity, pressure and multiplier spaces*/
typedef FunctionSpace<mesh_type, basis_type, value_type> space_type;
// ...
space_ptrtype Xh = space_type::New( mesh );
element_type U( Xh, "u" );
element_type V( Xh, "v" );
element_0_type u = U.element<0>();
element_0_type v = V.element<0>();
element_1_type p = U.element<1>();
element_1_type q = V.element<1>();
element_2_type lambda = U.element<2>();
element_2_type nu = V.element<2>();
// ...
sparse_matrix_ptrtype D( M_backend->newMatrix( Xh, Xh ) );
form2( Xh, Xh, D, _init=true )=
    integrate( elements(mesh), im,
        // ∇u: ∇v
        mu*trace(def*trans(def))
        // ∇·vp + ∇·uq
        - div(v)*idt(p) + divt(u)*id(q)
        // λq + ηp
        +id(q)*idt(lambda) + idt(p)*id(nu) );
// ...
```

### A.2.6 Fix point iteration for Navier-Stokes

#### Steady incompressible Navier-Stokes equations

Consider the following steady incompressible Navier-Stokes equations, find  $(\mathbf{u}, p)$  such that

$$\underbrace{\rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}}_{\text{convection}} - \underbrace{\nu \Delta \mathbf{u}}_{\text{diffusion}} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \text{ on } \Omega \quad (\text{A.7})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

where  $\rho$  is the density of the fluid,  $\nu$  is the dynamic viscosity of the fluid (la viscosité cinématique  $\eta = \nu/\rho$ ) and  $\mathbf{f}$  is the external force density applied to the fluid, (e.g.  $\mathbf{f} = -\rho g \mathbf{e}_2$  with  $\mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1)^T$ ). This equation

system is nonlinear due to the  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}$  convection term. A simple approach to solve (A.7) is to use a fix point algorithm.

The fixpoint algorithm for NS reads as follows, find  $(\mathbf{u}^{(k)}, p^{(k)})$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \mathbf{u}^{(k-1)} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}^{(k)} - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u}^{(k)} + \nabla p^{(k)} &= \mathbf{f} \text{ on } \Omega \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}^{(k)} &= 0 \\ \mathbf{u}^{(k)} &= 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \\ (\mathbf{u}^{(0)}, p^{(0)}) &= (\mathbf{0}, 0) \end{aligned} \tag{A.8}$$

The system (A.8) is now linear at each iteration  $k$  and we can write the variational formulation accordingly. A stopping criterium is for example that  $\|\mathbf{u}^k - \mathbf{u}^{(k-1)}\| + \|p^k - p^{(k-1)}\| < \epsilon$  where  $\epsilon$  is a given tolerance (e.g.  $1e-4$ ) and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the  $L_2$  norm.

Here is the implementation using Life:

```
// define some tolerance ε
epsilon = 1e-4;
// set (u^(0), p^(0)) to (0,0)
velocity_element_type uk(Xh);
velocity_element_type uk1(Xh);
pressure_element_type pk(Ph);
pressure_element_type pk1(Ph);
// by default uk1, uk and pk, pk1 are initialized to 0

// assemble the linear form associated to f
// store in vector F, it does not change over the iterations

// iterations to find (u^(k), p^(k))
do
{
    // save results of previous iterations
    uk1 = uk;
    pk1 = pk;

    //assemble for bilinear form associated to
    // ρu^(k-1) · ∇u^(k) - νΔu^(k) + ∇p^(k)
    // store in matrix A^(k)

    // solve the system A^(k)X = F where X = (u^(k), p^(k))^T

    // use uk, uk1 and pk, pk1 to compute the error estimation at each iteration
    error = ||u^k - u^(k-1)|| + ||p^k - p^(k-1)||
} while( error > epsilon );
```

### A.2.7 A Fix point coupling algorithm

#### Coupling fluid flow and heat transfer: problem

Recall that we have to solve two coupled problems :

$$\text{Heat}(\mathbf{u}) \begin{cases} -\kappa \Delta T + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla T &= 0 \\ T|_{\Gamma_1} &= T_0 \\ \frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{n}}|_{\Gamma_3} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial T}{\partial \mathbf{n}}|_{\Gamma_2, \Gamma_4} &= 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\text{Stokes}(T) : \begin{cases} -\nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p = \mathbf{F} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \\ \mathbf{u}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Where  $\mathbf{F}$  can be taken as  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \beta(T - T_0) \end{pmatrix}$  for some  $\beta > 0$ .  $\beta$  is called the *dilatation coefficient*.



### Coupling fluid flow and heat transfer: algorithm

Here is a simple algorithm fix point strategy in pseudo-code:

```
double tol = 1.e-6;
int maxIter = 50;
//Initial guess Un = 0
do
{
  // Find Tn solution of Heat(Un)
  // Find Unpl solution of Stokes(Tn)
  // compute stopTest = norme(Unpl - Un)
  // Un = Unpl
}while((stopTest < tol) && (niter <= maxIter));
```

**Remark 3 (The unsteady case)** To solve the unsteady problems, one can insert the previous loop in the one dedicated to time discretization

## A.2.8 A Newton coupling algorithm

### A fully coupled scheme

Another possibility is to use a Newton method which allows us to solve the full nonlinear problem coupling velocity, pressure and temperature

$$\text{Find } X \text{ such that } F(X) = 0 \quad (\text{A.9})$$

the method is iterative and reads, find  $X^{(n+1)}$  such that

$$J_F(X^{(n)})(X^{(n+1)} - X^{(n)}) = -F(X^{(n)}) \quad (\text{A.10})$$

starting with  $X^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$  or some other initial value and where  $J_F$  is the jacobian matrix of  $F$  evaluated at  $X = ((u_i)_i, (p_i)_i, (\theta_i)_i)^T$ . For any  $\phi_k, \psi_l$  and  $\rho_m$  the *test* functions associated respectively to velocity, pressure and temperature, our full system reads, Find  $X = ((u_i)_i, (p_i)_i, (\theta_i)_i)^T$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} F_1((u_i)_i, (p_i)_i, (\theta_i)_i) &= \sum_{i,j} u_i u_j a(\phi_i, \phi_k, \phi_j) - \sum_i p_i b(\phi_k, \psi_i) + \sum_i \theta_i c(\rho_i, \phi_k) + \sum_i u_i d(\phi_i, \phi_k) = 0 \\ F_2((u_i)_i, (p_i)_i, (\theta_i)_i) &= \sum_i u_i b(\phi_i, \psi_l) = 0 \\ F_3((u_i)_i, (p_i)_i, (\theta_i)_i) &= \sum_{i,j} u_i \theta_j e(\phi_i, \rho_j, \rho_m) + \sum_i \theta_i f(\rho_i, \rho_m) - g(\rho_m) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.11})$$

where  $F = (F_1, F_2, F_3)^T$  and

$$\begin{aligned} a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \beta) &= \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{v}^T ((\nabla \mathbf{u}) \beta) \\ b(\mathbf{v}, p) &= \int_{\Omega} p (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) - \int_{\partial \Omega} \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} p \\ c(\theta, \mathbf{v}) &= \int_{\Omega} \theta \mathbf{e}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Gr}}} \left( \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T - \int_{\partial \Omega} ((\nabla \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{v} \right) \\ e(\mathbf{u}, \theta, \chi) &= \int_{\Omega} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \theta) \chi \\ f(\theta, \chi) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{GrPr}}} \left( \int_{\Omega} \nabla \theta \cdot \nabla \chi - \int_{\Gamma_1} (\nabla \theta \cdot \mathbf{n}) \chi \right) \\ g(\chi) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{GrPr}}} \int_{\Gamma_3} \chi \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.12})$$

**Remark 4** Note that the boundary integrals are kept in order to apply the weak Dirichlet boundary condition trick, see next section A.3.

### Jacobian matrix

In order to apply the newton scheme, we need to compute the jacobian matrix  $J_F$  by deriving each equation with respect to each unknowns, ie  $u_i, p_i$  and  $\theta_i$ . Consider the first equation

- Deriving the first equation with respect to  $u_i$  we get

$$\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial u_i} = \sum_j u_j a(\phi_i, \phi_k, \phi_j) + \sum_i u_i a(\phi_i, \phi_k, \phi_j) + d(\phi_i, \phi_k) \quad (\text{A.13})$$

- Deriving the first equation with respect to  $p_i$  we get

$$\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_i} = -b(\phi_k, \psi_l) \quad (\text{A.14})$$

- Deriving the first equation with respect to  $\theta_i$  we get

$$\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \theta_i} = c(\rho_i, \rho_k) \quad (\text{A.15})$$

Consider the second equation, only the derivative with respect to  $u_i$  is non zero.

$$\frac{\partial F_2}{\partial u_i} = b(\phi_i, \psi_l) \quad (\text{A.16})$$

Finally the third component

- Deriving with respect to  $u_i$

$$\frac{\partial F_3}{\partial u_i} = \sum_j \theta_j e(\phi_i, \rho_j, \rho_m) \quad (\text{A.17})$$

- Deriving with respect to  $p_i$ ,

$$\frac{\partial F_3}{\partial p_i} = 0 \quad (\text{A.18})$$

- Deriving with respect to  $\theta_i$ ,

$$\frac{\partial F_3}{\partial \theta_i} = \sum_j u_j e(\phi_j, \rho_i, \rho_m) + f(\rho_i, \rho_m) \quad (\text{A.19})$$

$$J_F = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial u_i} & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial p_i} & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \theta_i} \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial u_i} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial p_i} (= 0) & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \theta_i} (= 0) \\ \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial u_i} & \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial p_i} (= 0) & \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial \theta_i} \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{A.20})$$

In order to implement  $J_F$  and solve (A.10),  $J_F$  can be expressed as the matrix associated with the discretisation of

$$\begin{aligned} a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \beta_1) + a(\beta_1, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}) + d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) - b(\mathbf{v}, p) + c(\theta, \mathbf{v}) &= 0 \\ b(\mathbf{u}, q) &= 0 \\ e(\beta_1, \theta, \chi) + f(\theta, \chi) + e(\mathbf{u}, \beta_2, \chi) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.21})$$

where  $\beta_1 = u^{(n)}$ ,  $\beta_2 = \theta^{(n)}$  are known from the previous Newton iteration, indeed  $J_F$  is actually evaluated in  $X^{(n)}$ .

### Life Implementation

Now we use the Life non linear framework in order to implement our Newton scheme (A.10). We need to define two new functions in our application

- `updateJacobian(X, J)` which takes as input  $X = X^{(n)}$  and returns the matrix  $J = J_F(X^{(n)})$
- `updateResidual(X, R)` which takes as input  $X = X^{(n)}$  and returns the vector  $R = F(X^{(n)})$

**Remark 5** *Backend Only the PETSC backend supports the nonlinear solver framework. Use in the command line like in the first section*

```
--backend=petsc
```

Here is a snippet of code that implements the nonlinear framework.

```
class MyApp
{
public:
    void run();
    void updateResidual( const vector_ptrtype& X, vector_ptrtype& R );
    void updateJacobian( const vector_ptrtype& X, sparse_matrix_ptrtype& J);
    void solve( sparse_matrix_ptrtype& D, element_type& u, vector_ptrtype& F );
private:

    backend_ptrtype M_backend;
    sparse_matrix_ptrtype M_jac;
    vector_ptrtype M_residual;
};

void
MyApp::run()
{
    // ...

    // plug the updateResidual and updateJacobian functions
    // in the nonlinear framework
    M_backend->nlSolver()->residual = boost::bind( &self_type::updateResidual,
                                                boost::ref( *this ), _1, _2 );
    M_backend->nlSolver()->jacobian = boost::bind( &self_type::updateJacobian,
                                                boost::ref( *this ), _1, _2 );

    vector_ptrtype U( M_backend->newVector( u.functionSpace() ) );
    *U = u;
    vector_ptrtype R( M_backend->newVector( u.functionSpace() ) );
    this->updateResidual( U, R );
    sparse_matrix_ptrtype J;
    this->updateJacobian( U, J );
    solve( J, u, R );

    *U = u;
    this->updateResidual( U, R );
    // R(u) should be small
    std::cout << "R( u ) = " << M_backend->dot( U, R ) << "\n";

}

void
MyApp::solve( sparse_matrix_ptrtype& D, element_type& u, vector_ptrtype& F )
{
    vector_ptrtype U( M_backend->newVector( u.functionSpace() ) );
    *U = u;
    M_backend->nlSolve( D, U, F, 1e-10, 10 );
    u = *U;
}

void
MyApp::updateResidual( const vector_ptrtype& X, vector_ptrtype& R )
{
    // compute R(X)

    R=M_residual;
}

void
MyApp::updateJacobian( const vector_ptrtype& X, vector_ptrtype& R )
{
    // compute J(X)

    J=M_jac;
}
}
```

see `bratu.cpp` or `nonlinearpow.cpp` for example.

## A.3 Weak Dirichlet boudary conditions

### A.3.1 Basic idea

#### Weak treatment

In order to treat the boundary conditions uniformly (i.e. the same way as Neumann and Robin Conditions), we wish to treat the Dirichlet BC (e.g.  $u = g$ ) weakly.

**Remark 6** *Initial Idea add the penalisation term  $\int_{\partial\Omega} \mu(u - g)$  where  $\mu$  is a constant. But this is not enough, this is not consistent with the initial formulation.*

One can use the Nitsche “trick” to implement weak Dirichlet conditions.

- write the equations in conservative form (i.e. identify the flux);
- add the terms to ensure consistency (i.e the flux on the boundary);
- symmetrize to ensure adjoint consistency;
- add a penalisation term with factor  $\gamma(u - g)/h$  that ensures that the solution will be set to the proper value at the boundary;

#### Penalisation parameter

**Remark 7** *Choosing  $\gamma$   $\gamma$  must be chosen such that the coercivity(or inf-sup) property is satisfied. Difficult to do in general. Increase  $\gamma$  until the BC are properly satisfied, e.g. start with  $\gamma = 1$ , typical values are between 1 and 10.*

*The choice of  $\gamma$  is a problem specially when  $h$  is small.*

#### Advantages, disadvantages

**Remark 8** *Weak treatment: Advantages*

- uniform(weak) treatment of all boundary conditions type
- if boundary condition is independant of time, the terms are assembled once for all
- the boundary condition is not enforced exactly but the convergence order remain optimal

**Remark 9** *Weak treatment: Disadvantages*

- Introduction of the penalisation parameter  $\gamma$  that needs to be tweaked

#### Advantages, disadvantages

**Remark 10** *Strong treatment: Advantages*

- Enforce exactly the boundary conditions

**Remark 11** *Strong treatment : Disadvantages*

- Need to modify the matrix once assembled to reflect that the Dirichlet degree of freedom are actually known. Then even if the boundary condition is independant of time, at every time step if there are terms depending on time that need reassembly (e.g. convection) the strong treatment needs to be reapplied.
- it can be expensive to apply depending on the type of sparse matrix used, for example using CSR format setting rows to 0 except on the diagonal to 1 is not expensive but one must do that also for the columns associated with each Dirichlet degree of freedom and that is expensive.

### A.3.2 Laplacian

#### Example: Laplacian

$$-\Delta u = f(\text{non conservative}), \quad -\nabla \cdot (\nabla u) = f(\text{conservative}), \quad u = g|_{\partial\Omega} \quad (\text{A.22})$$

the flux is vector  $\nabla u$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\partial\Omega} \underbrace{-\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v}_{\text{integration by part}} \underbrace{-\frac{\partial v}{\partial n} u}_{\text{adjoint consistency: symetrisation}} + \underbrace{\frac{\gamma}{h} uv}_{\text{penalisation: enforce Dirichlet condition}} \quad (\text{A.23})$$

$$\int_{\Omega} f \nabla v + \int_{\partial\Omega} \left( \underbrace{-\frac{\partial v}{\partial n} g}_{\text{adjoint consistency}} + \underbrace{\frac{\gamma}{h} v g}_{\text{penalisation: enforce Dirichlet condition}} \right) \quad (\text{A.24})$$

#### Example: Laplacian

```
// bilinear form (left hand side)
form2( Xh, Xh, D ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im_type(),
  -(gradt(u)*N())*id(v) // integration by part
  -(grad(v)*N())*idt(u) // adjoint consistency
  +gamma*id(v)*idt(u)/hFace(); // penalisation
// linear form (right hand side)
form1( Xh, F ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im_type(),
  -(grad(v)*N())*g // adjoint consistency
  +gamma*id(v)*g/hFace(); // penalisation
```

### A.3.3 Convection-Diffusion

#### Example: Convection-Diffusion

**Remark 12** *Convection Diffusion* Consider now the following problem, find  $u$  such that

$$-\Delta u + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u = f, \quad u = g|_{\partial\Omega}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0 \quad (\text{A.25})$$

under conservative form the equation reads

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nabla u + \mathbf{c}u) = f, \quad u = g|_{\partial\Omega}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0 \quad (\text{A.26})$$

the flux vector field is  $\mathbf{F} = -\nabla u + \mathbf{c}u$ . Note that here the condition,  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0$  was crucial to expand  $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{c}u)$  into  $\mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u$  since

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{c}u) = \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u + \underbrace{u \nabla \cdot \mathbf{c}}_{=0} \quad (\text{A.27})$$

#### Weak formulation for convection diffusion

Multiplying by any test function  $v$  and integration by part of (A.26) gives

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + (\mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u)v + \int_{\partial\Omega} (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n})v = \int_{\Omega} f v \quad (\text{A.28})$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the outward unit normal to  $\partial\Omega$ . We now introduce the penalisation term that will ensure that  $u \rightarrow g$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ . (A.28) reads now

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + (\mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u)v + \int_{\partial\Omega} (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{n})v + \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v} = \int_{\Omega} f v + \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{g} \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{A.29})$$

Finally we incorporate the symetrisation of the bilinear form to ensure adjoint consistency and hence proper convergence order

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + (\mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u) v + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla u + \mathbf{c}u) \cdot \mathbf{n}) v + ((-\nabla \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{c}\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{u} + \frac{\gamma}{h} uv = \\ \int_{\Omega} f v + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{c}\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{g} + \frac{\gamma}{h} g v \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.30})$$

#### Example: Convection-Diffusion

```
// bilinear form (left hand side)
form2( Xh, Xh, D ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im_type(),
// integration by part
-(gradt(u)*N())*id(v) + (idt(u)*trans(idv(c))*N())*id(v)
// adjoint consistency
-(grad(v)*N())*idt(u) + (id(v)*trans(idv(c))*N())*idt(u)
// penalisation
+gamma*id(v)*idt(u)/hFace());
// linear form (right hand side)
form1( Xh, F ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im_type(),
// adjoint consistency
-(grad(v)*N())*g + (id(v)*trans(idv(c))*N())*g
// penalisation
+gamma*id(v)*g/hFace());
```

### A.3.4 Stokes

#### Example: Stokes

**Remark 13** *Stokes* Consider now the following problem, find  $(\mathbf{u}, p)$  such that

$$-\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{g}|_{\partial\Omega}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad (\text{A.31})$$

under conservative form the equation reads

$$\nabla \cdot (-\nabla \mathbf{u} + p\mathbb{I}) = \mathbf{f}, \quad (\text{A.32})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (\text{A.33})$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{g}|_{\partial\Omega} \quad (\text{A.34})$$

where  $\mathbb{I}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (in 2D)  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \Omega$  is the identity tensor(matrix) field  $\in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ . The flux tensor field is  $\mathbf{F} = -\nabla \mathbf{u} + p\mathbb{I}$ . Indeed we have the following relation, if  $\mathbb{M}$  is a tensor (rank 2) field and  $\mathbf{v}$  is a vector field

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbb{M}\mathbf{v}) = (\nabla \cdot \mathbb{M}) \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbb{M} : (\nabla \mathbf{v}) \quad (\text{A.35})$$

where  $\mathbb{M} : (\nabla \mathbf{v}) = \text{trace}(\mathbb{M} * \nabla \mathbf{v}^T)$ ,  $*$  is the matrix-matrix multiplication and  $\nabla \cdot \mathbb{M}$  is the vector field with components the divergence of each row of  $\mathbb{M}$ . For example  $\nabla \cdot (p\mathbb{I}) = \nabla \cdot \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix}$  (in 2D)  $= \nabla p$ .

#### Weak formulation for Stokes

Taking the scalar product of (A.32) by any test function  $\mathbf{v}$  (associated to velocity) and multiplying (A.33) by any test function  $q$  (associated to pressure), the variational formulation of (A.32) reads, thanks to (A.35),

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + p \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla \mathbf{u} + p\mathbb{I})\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{A.36})$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the outward unit normal to  $\partial\Omega$ . We now introduce the penalisation term that will ensure that  $\mathbf{u} \rightarrow \mathbf{g}$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ . (A.36) reads now

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + p \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla \mathbf{u} + p\mathbb{I})\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{v} + \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{v} \quad (\text{A.37})$$

Finally we incorporate the symetrisation of the bilinear form to ensure adjoint consistency and hence proper convergence order

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{u} : \nabla \mathbf{v} + p \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla \mathbf{u} + p\mathbb{I})\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{v} + ((-\nabla \mathbf{v} + q\mathbb{I})\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{u} + \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \\ \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} + \int_{\partial\Omega} ((-\nabla \mathbf{v} + q\mathbb{I})\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{g} + \frac{\gamma}{h} \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{v} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.38})$$

### Example: Stokes

```
// total stress tensor (trial)
AUTO( SigmaNt, (-idt(p)*N()+mu*gradt(u)*N()) );
// total stress tensor (test)
AUTO( SigmaN, (-id(p)*N()+mu*grad(v)*N()) );
// linear form (right hand side)
form1( Xh, F ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im,
trans(g)*(-SigmaN+gamma*id(v)/hFace()) );
// bilinear form (left hand side)
form2( Xh, Xh, D ) +=
integrate( boundaryfaces(mesh), im,
-trans(SigmaNt)*id(v)
-trans(SigmaN)*idt(u)
+gamma*trans(idt(u))*id(v)/hFace() );
```

## A.4 Stabilisation techniques

### A.4.1 Convection dominated flows

Consider this type of problem

$$-\epsilon \Delta u + \mathbf{c} \cdot \nabla u + \gamma u = f, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{c} = 0 \quad (\text{A.39})$$

Introduce  $\text{Pe} = \frac{|\mathbf{c}|h}{\epsilon}$  the *Péclet* number. The dominating convection occurs when, on at least some cells,  $\text{Pe} \gg 1$ . We talk about singularly (i.e.  $\epsilon \ll h$ ) perturbed flows.

Without doing anything wiggles occur. There are remedies so called *Stabilisation Methods*, here some some examples:

- Artificial diffusion (streamline diffusion) (SDFEM)
- Galerkin Least Squares method (GaLS)
- Streamline Upwind Petrov Galerkin (SUPG)
- Continuous Interior Penalty methods (CIP)

### A.4.2 The CIP methods

Add the term

$$\sum_{F \in \Gamma_{\text{int}}} \int_F \gamma h_F^2 |\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{n}| [\nabla u][\nabla v] \quad (\text{A.40})$$

where  $\Gamma_{\text{int}}$  is the set of internal faces where the  $Pe \gg 1$  (typically it is applied to all internal faces) and

$$[\nabla u] = \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n}|_1 + \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n}|_2 \quad (\text{A.41})$$

is the jump of  $\nabla u$  (scalar valued) across the face. In the case of scalar valued functions

$$[u] = u\mathbf{n}|_1 + u\mathbf{n}|_2 \quad (\text{A.42})$$

**Remark 14 (Choice for  $\gamma$ )**  $\gamma$  can be taken in the range  $[1e - 2; 1e - 1]$ . A typical value is  $2.5e - 2$ .

```
// define the stabilisation coefficient expression
AUTO( stab_coeff , (gamma abs(trans(N()))*idv(beta))*
      vf::pow(hFace(),2.0));

// assemble the stabilisation operator
form2( Xh, Xh, M ) +=
  integrate(
    // internal faces of the mesh
    internalfaces(Xh->mesh()),
    // integration method
    _Q<OrderOfPolynomialToBeIntegratedExactly>,
    // stabilisation term
    stab_coeff*(trans(jumpt(gradt(u)))*jump(grad(v))));
```

## A.5 Interpolation

In order to interpolate a function defined on one domain to another domain, one can use the `interpolate` function. The basis function of the image space must be of `Lagrange` type.

```
typedef bases<Lagrange<Order, Vectorial> > basis_type; // velocity
typedef FunctionSpace<mesh_type, basis_type, value_type> space_type;
// ...
space_ptrtype Xh = space_type::New( mesh1 );
element_type u( Xh, "u" );
space_ptrtype Yh = space_type::New( mesh2 );
element_type v( Yh, "v" );

// interpolate u on mesh2 and store the result in v
interpolate( Yh, u, v );
```



## Appendix B

# FEEL++

One of Life assets is its finite element embedded language (FEEL++). The language follows the C++ grammar, and provides keywords as well as operations between objects which are, mathematically, tensors of rank 0, 1 or 2.

### B.1 Predefined functions

Some notations

- $f : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$  with  $n = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $m = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $p = 1, 2, 3$ .
- $\Omega^e$  current mesh element

Keyword	Math object	Description	Rank	$M \times N$
<code>P ()</code>	$\vec{P}$	current point coordinates $(P_x, P_y, P_z)^T$	1	$d \times 1$
<code>Px ()</code>	$P_x$	$x$ coordinate of $\vec{P}$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>PY ()</code>	$P_y$	$y$ coordinate of $\vec{P}$ (value is 0 in 1D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>Pz ()</code>	$P_z$	$z$ coordinate of $\vec{P}$ (value is 0 in 1D and 2D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>C ()</code>	$\vec{C}$	element barycenter point coordinates $(C_x, C_y, C_z)^T$	1	$d \times 1$
<code>Cx ()</code>	$C_x$	$x$ coordinate of $\vec{C}$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>CY ()</code>	$C_y$	$y$ coordinate of $\vec{C}$ (value is 0 in 1D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>Cz ()</code>	$C_z$	$z$ coordinate of $\vec{C}$ (value is 0 in 1D and 2D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>N ()</code>	$\vec{N}$	normal at current point $(N_x, N_y, N_z)^T$	1	$d \times 1$
<code>Nx ()</code>	$N_x$	$x$ coordinate of $\vec{N}$ at current point	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>NY ()</code>	$N_y$	$y$ coordinate of $\vec{N}$ at current point (value is 0 in 1D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>Nz ()</code>	$N_z$	$z$ coordinate of $\vec{N}$ at current point (value is 0 in 1D and 2D)	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>eid ()</code>	$e$	index of $\Omega^e$	0	$1 \times 1$

Keyword	Math object	Description	Rank	$M \times N$
<code>emarker()</code>	$m(e)$	marker of $\Omega^e$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>h()</code>	$h^e$	size of $\Omega^e$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>hFace()</code>	$h_\Gamma^e$	size of face $\Gamma$ of $\Omega^e$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>mat&lt;M,N&gt;(m_11, m_12, ..., m_21, m_22, ..., v_1, v_2, ..., v_2, ...)</code>	$\begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & \dots \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & & \end{pmatrix}$	$M \times N$ matrix	2	$M \times N$
<code>vec&lt;M&gt;(v_1, v_2, ...)</code>	$(v_1, v_2, \dots)^T$	column vector with $M$ rows	1	$M \times 1$
<code>trace(expr)</code>	$\text{tr}(f(\vec{x}))$	trace of $f(\vec{x})$	0	$1 \times 1$
<code>abs(expr)</code>	$ f(\vec{x}) $	element wise absolute value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>cos(expr)</code>	$\cos(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise cosinus value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>sin(expr)</code>	$\sin(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise sinus value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>tan(expr)</code>	$\tan(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise tangent value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>acos(expr)</code>	$\text{acos}(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise acos value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>asin(expr)</code>	$\text{asin}(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise asin value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>atan(expr)</code>	$\text{atan}(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise atan value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>cosh(expr)</code>	$\cosh(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise cosh value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>sinh(expr)</code>	$\sinh(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise sinh value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>tanh(expr)</code>	$\tanh(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise tanh value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>exp(expr)</code>	$\exp(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise exp value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>log(expr)</code>	$\log(f(\vec{x}))$	element wise log value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>sqrt(expr)</code>	$\sqrt{f(\vec{x})}$	element wise sqrt value of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>sign(expr)</code>	$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(\vec{x}) \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } f(\vec{x}) < 0 \end{cases}$	element wise sign of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>chi(expr)</code>	$\chi(f(\vec{x})) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(\vec{x}) = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } f(\vec{x}) \neq 0 \end{cases}$	element wise boolean test of $f$	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>id(f)</code>	$f$	test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>idt(f)</code>	$f$	trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>idv(f)</code>	$f$	evaluation function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>grad(f)</code>	$\nabla f$	gradient of test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) + 1$	$p = 1, m \times$
<code>gradt(f)</code>	$\nabla f$	gradient of trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) + 1$	$p = 1, m \times$
<code>gradv(f)</code>	$\nabla f$	evaluation function gradient	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) + 1$	$p = 1, m \times$
<code>div(f)</code>	$\nabla \cdot \vec{f}$	divergence of test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) - 1$	$1 \times 1^2$
<code>divt(f)</code>	$\nabla \cdot \vec{f}$	divergence of trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) - 1$	$1 \times 1$
<code>divv(f)</code>	$\nabla \cdot \vec{f}$	evaluation of function divergence	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x})) - 1$	$1 \times 1$
<code>curl(f)</code>	$\nabla \times \vec{f}$	curl of test function	1	$n = m, n \times$
<code>curlt(f)</code>	$\nabla \times \vec{f}$	curl of trial function	1	$m = n, n \times$
<code>curlv(f)</code>	$\nabla \times \vec{f}$	evaluation of function curl	1	$m = n, n \times$
<code>hess(f)</code>	$\nabla^2 f$	hessian of test function	2	$m = p = 1,$
<code>jump(f)</code>	$[f] = f_0 \vec{N}_0 + f_1 \vec{N}_1$	jump of test function	1	$m = 1, n \times$
<code>jump(f)</code>	$[\vec{f}] = \vec{f}_0 \cdot \vec{N}_0 + \vec{f}_1 \cdot \vec{N}_1$	jump of test function	0	$m = 2, 1 \times$

<sup>1</sup>Gradient of matrix value functions is not implemented, hence  $p = 1$ <sup>2</sup>Divergence of matrix value functions is not implemented, hence  $p = 1$

Keyword	Math object	Description	Rank	$M \times N$
<code>jump</code> (f)	$[f] = f_0 \vec{N}_0 + f_1 \vec{N}_1$	jump of trial function	1	$m = 1, n \times$
<code>jump</code> (f)	$[\vec{f}] = \vec{f}_0 \cdot \vec{N}_0 + \vec{f}_1 \cdot \vec{N}_1$	jump of trial function	0	$m = 2, 1 \times$
<code>jumpv</code> (f)	$[f] = f_0 \vec{N}_0 + f_1 \vec{N}_1$	jump of function evaluation	1	$m = 1, n \times$
<code>jumpv</code> (f)	$[\vec{f}] = \vec{f}_0 \cdot \vec{N}_0 + \vec{f}_1 \cdot \vec{N}_1$	jump of function evaluation	0	$m = 2, 1 \times$
<code>average</code> (f)	$f = \frac{1}{2}(f_0 + f_1)$	average of test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>averaget</code> (f)	$f = \frac{1}{2}(f_0 + f_1)$	average of trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>averagev</code> (f)	$f = \frac{1}{2}(f_0 + f_1)$	average of function evaluation	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>leftface</code> (f)	$f_0$	left test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>leftfacet</code> (f)	$f_0$	left trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>leftfacev</code> (f)	$f_0$	left function evaluation	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>rightface</code> (f)	$f_1$	right test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>rightfacet</code> (f)	$f_1$	right trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>rightfacev</code> (f)	$f_1$	right function evaluation	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m = n, n \times$
<code>maxface</code> (f)	$\max(f_0, f_1)$	maximum of right and left test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>maxfacet</code> (f)	$\max(f_0, f_1)$	maximum of right and left trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>maxfacev</code> (f)	$\max(f_0, f_1)$	maximum of right and left function evaluation	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>minface</code> (f)	$\min(f_0, f_1)$	minimum of right and left test function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>minfacet</code> (f)	$\min(f_0, f_1)$	minimum of right and left trial function	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
<code>minfacev</code> (f)	$\min(f_0, f_1)$	minimum of right and left function evaluation	$\text{rank}(f(\vec{x}))$	$m \times p$
-	$-g$	element wise unary minus		
-	$!g$	element wise logical not		
+	$f + g$	tensor sum		
-	$f - g$	tensor subtraction		
*	$f * g$	tensor product		
/	$f / g$	tensor division ( $g$ scalar field)		
<	$f < g$	element wise less		
<=	$f \leq g$	element wise less or equal		
>	$f > g$	element wise greater		
>=	$f \geq g$	element wise greater or equal		
==	$f = g$	element wise equal		
!=	$f \neq g$	element wise not equal		
&&	$f \text{ and } g$	element wise logical and		
	$f \text{ or } g$	element wise logical or		



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