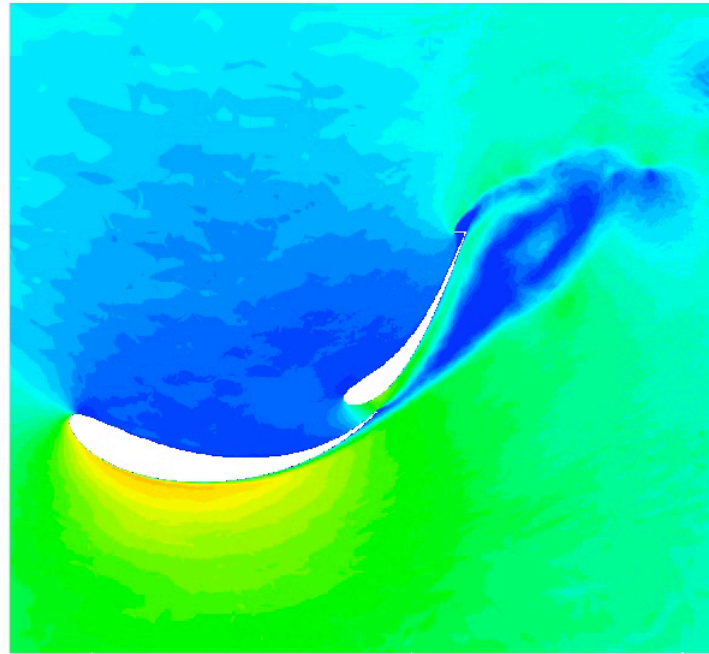


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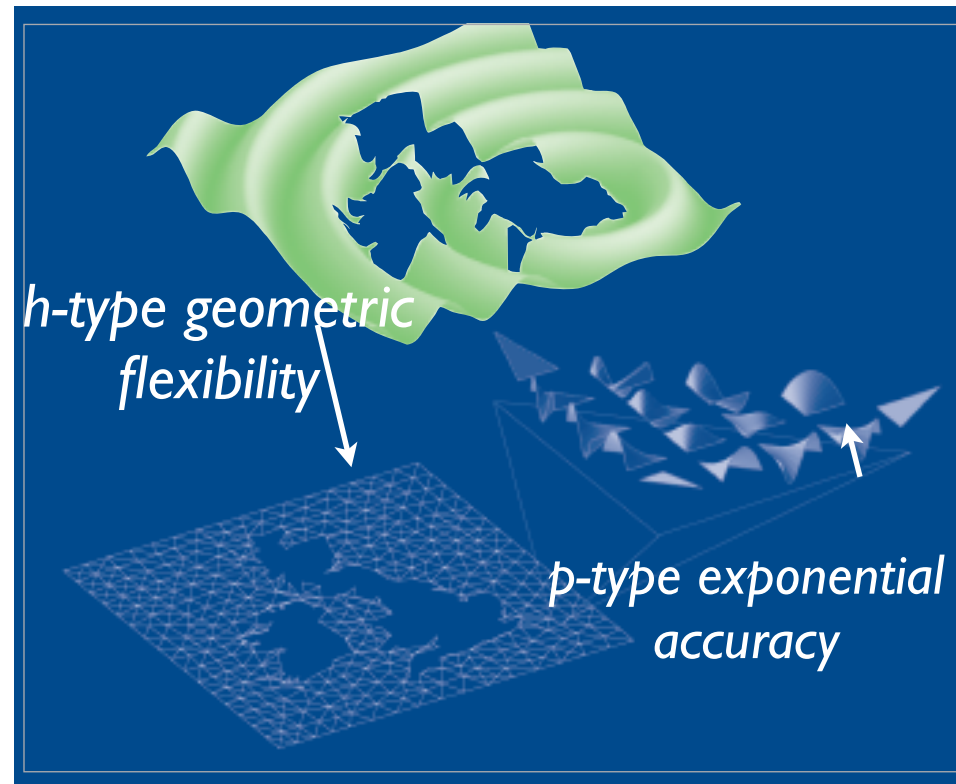
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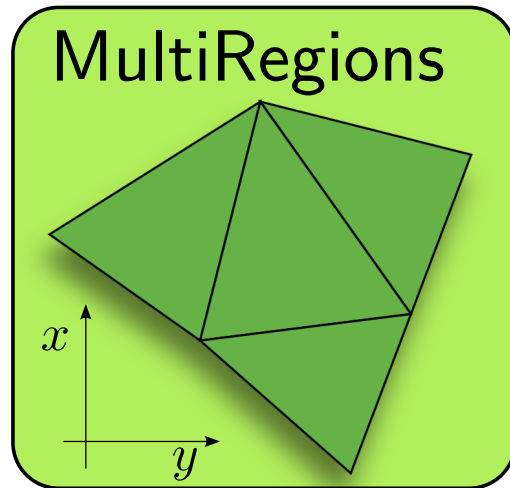
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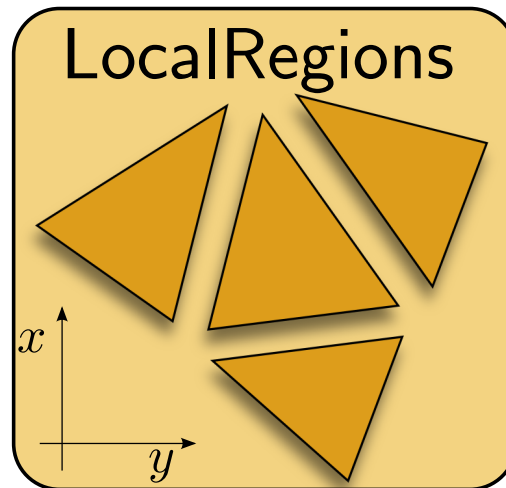
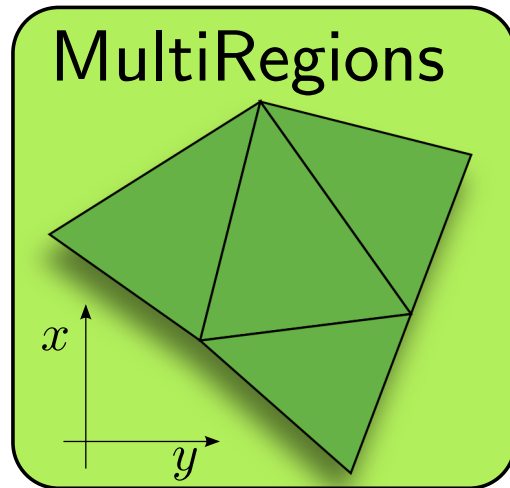
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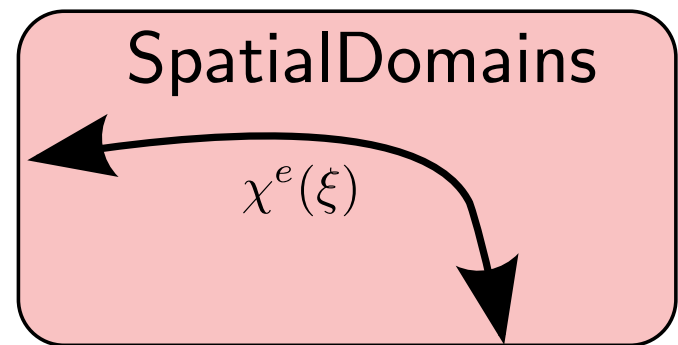
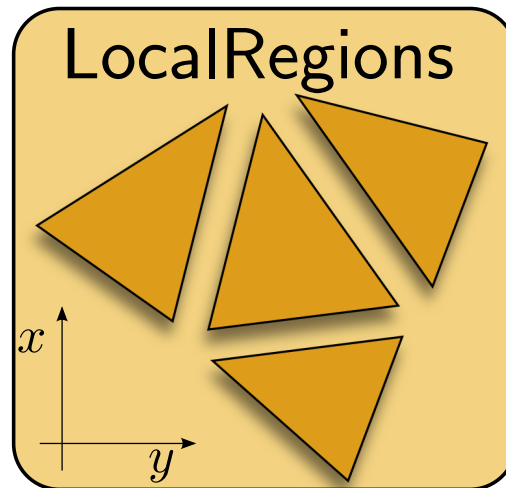
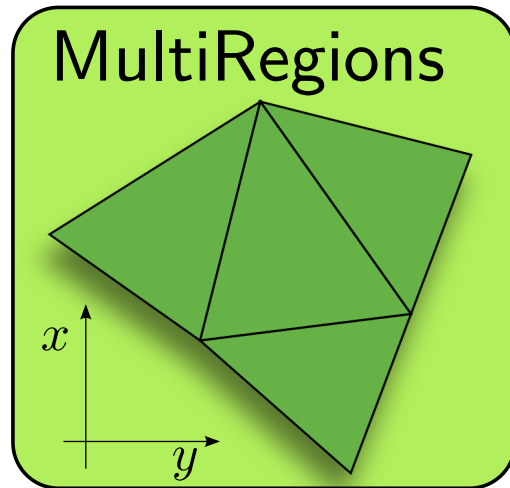
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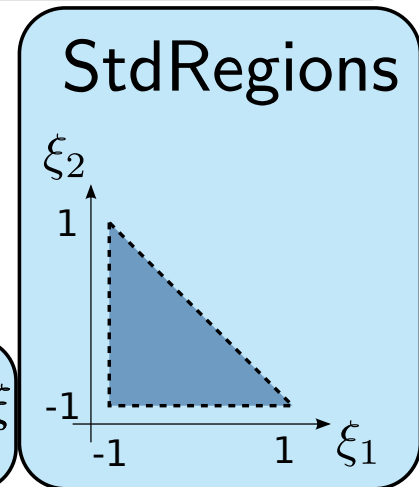
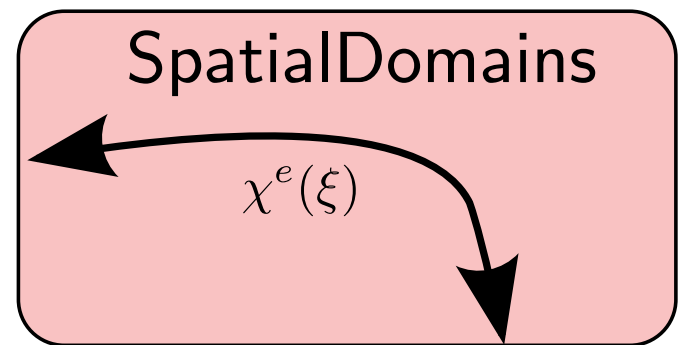
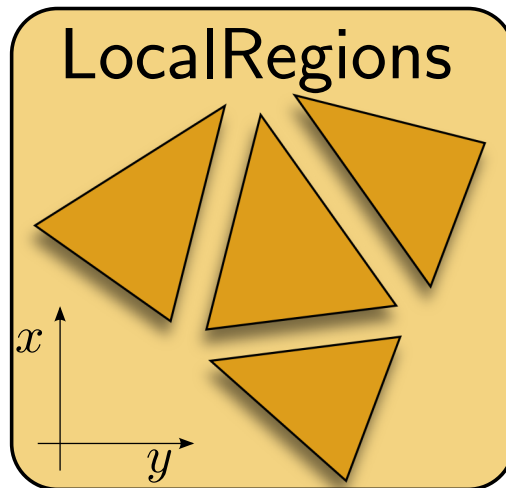
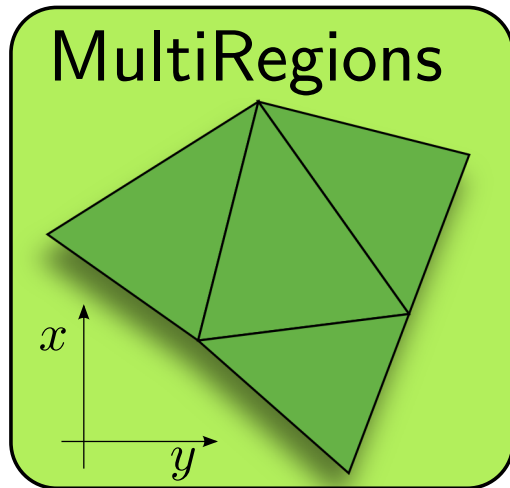
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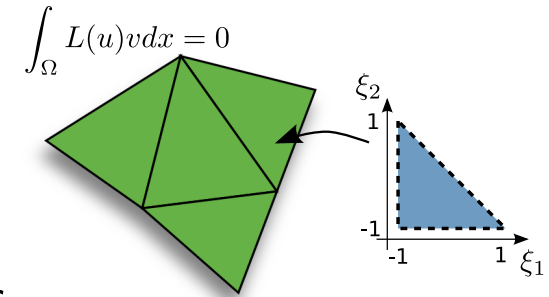
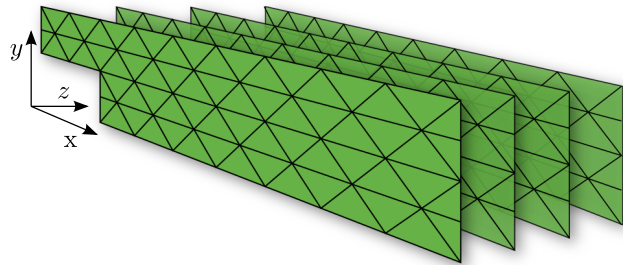
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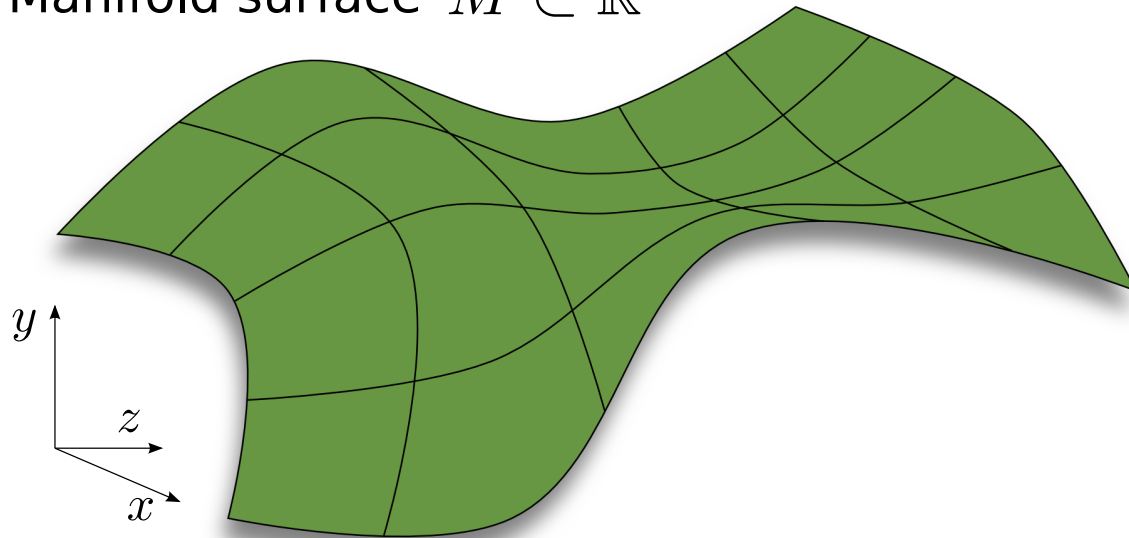
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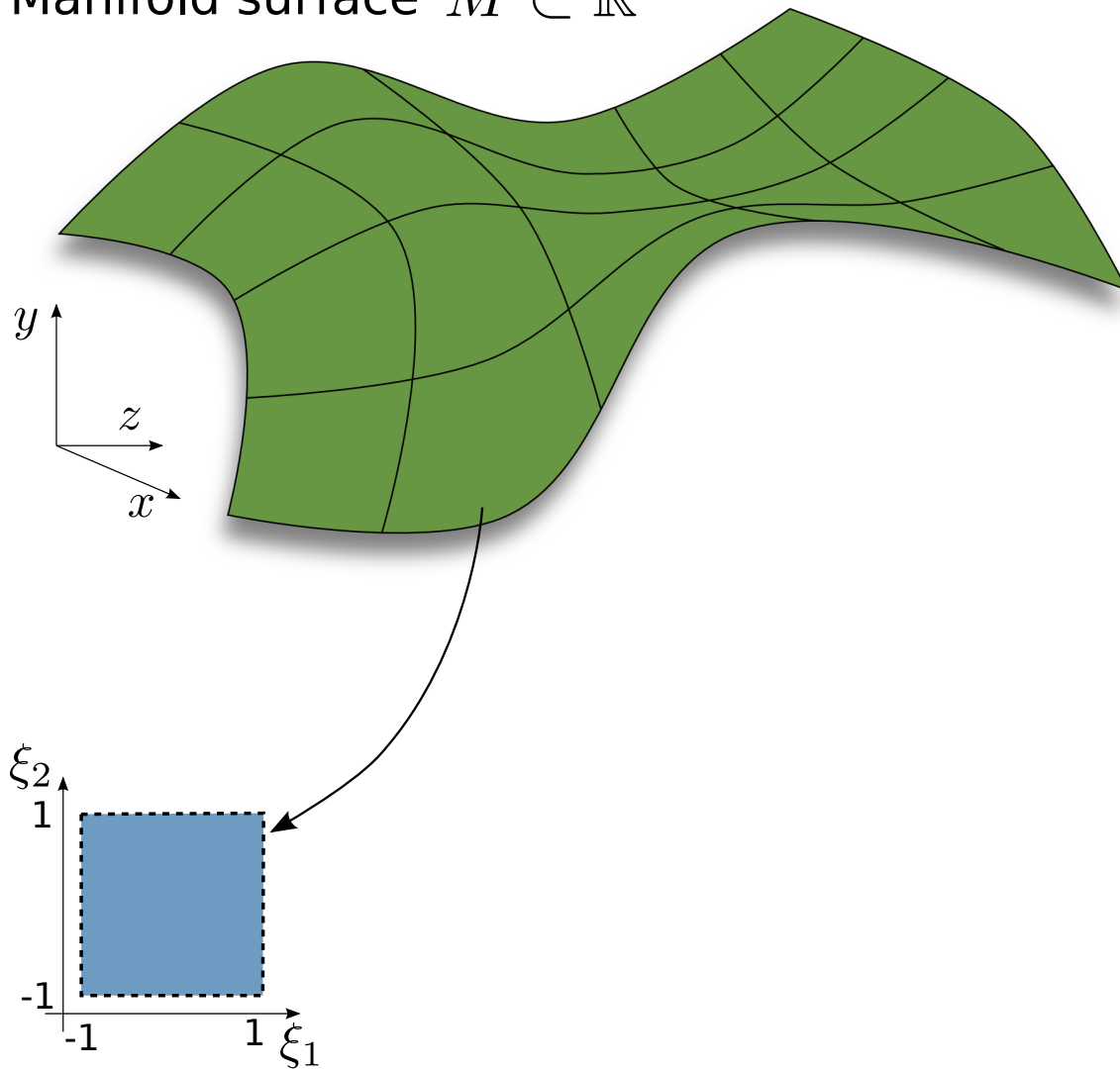


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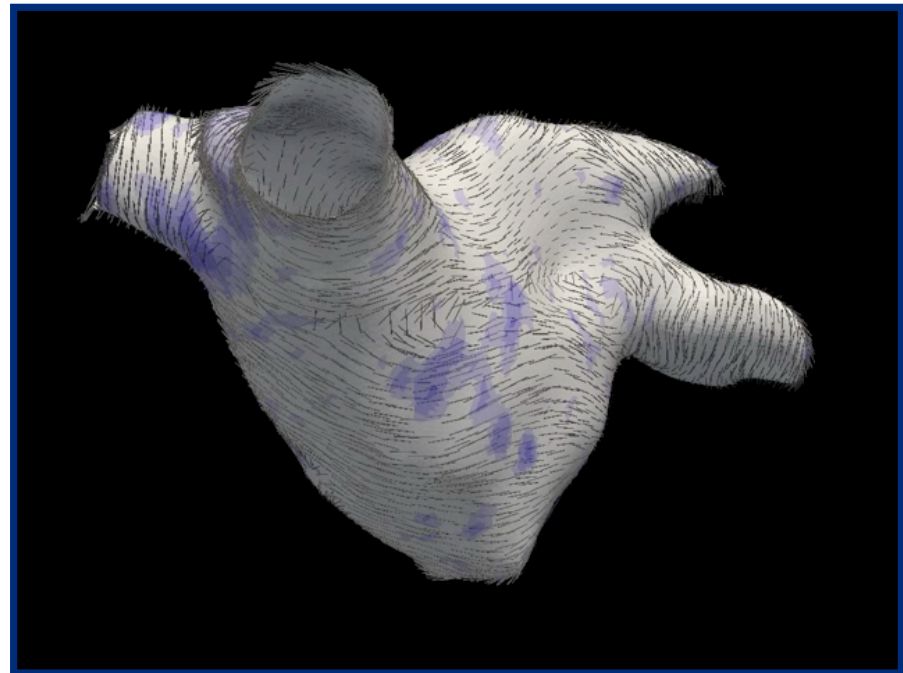
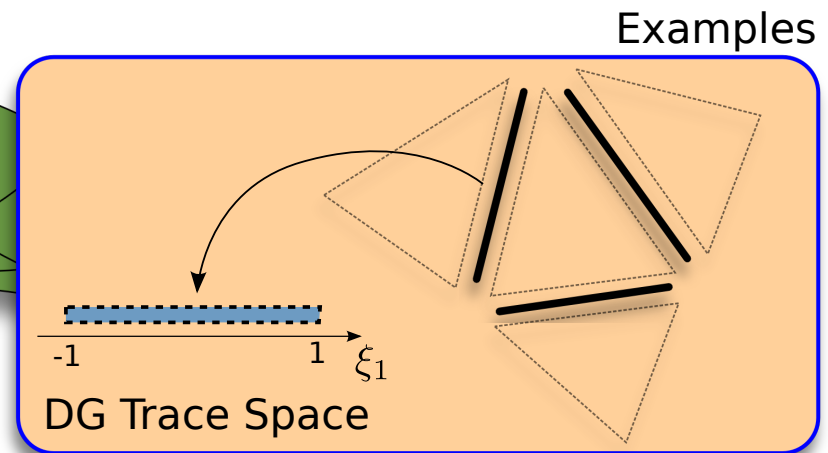
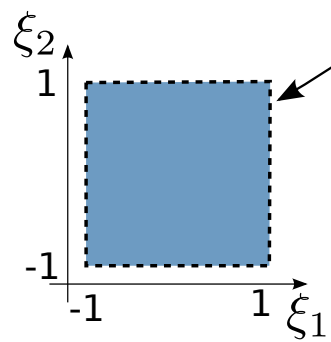
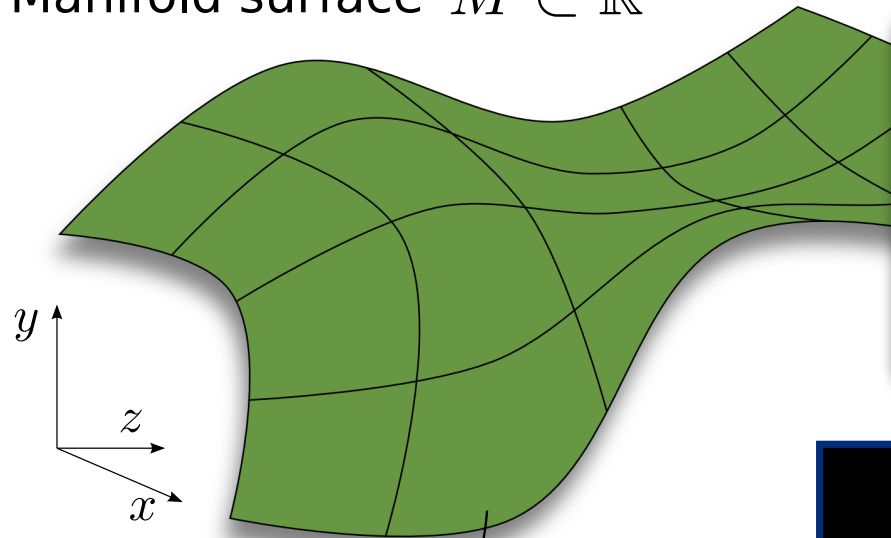


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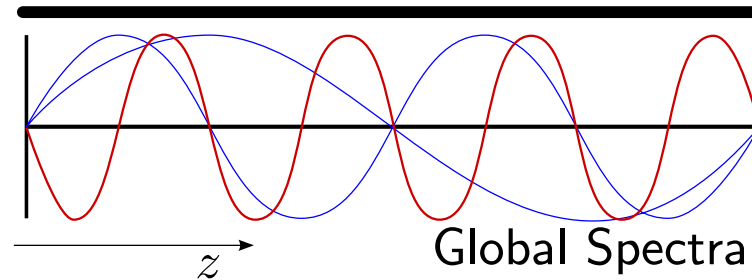
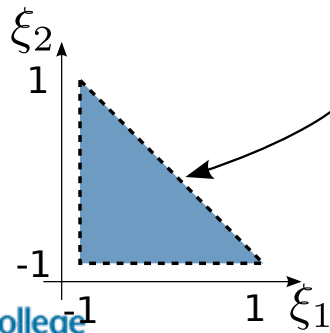
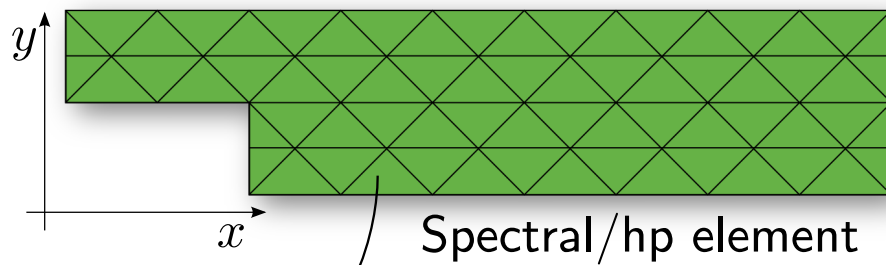
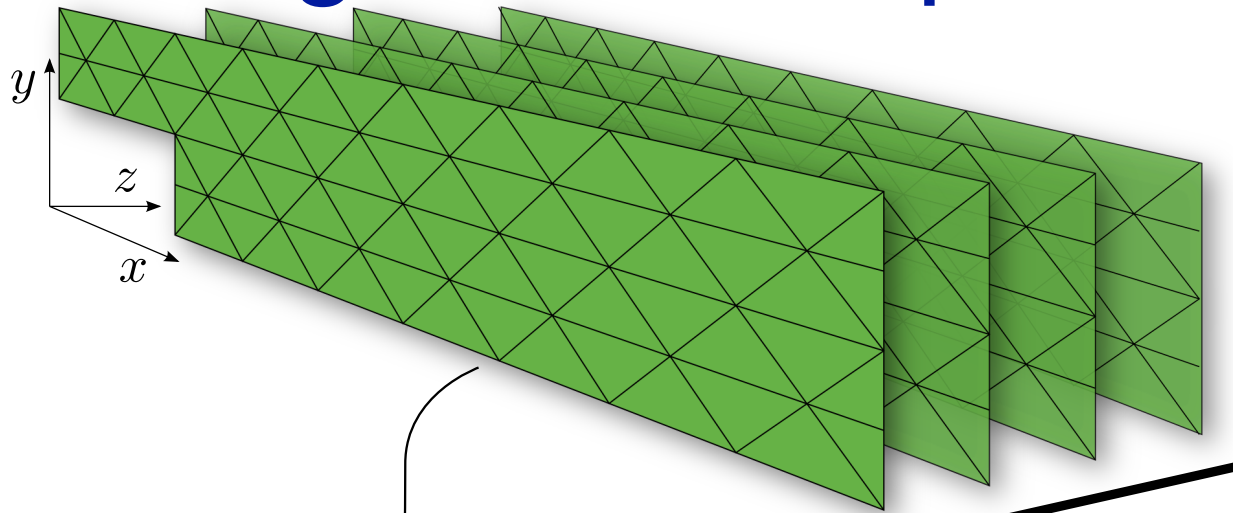
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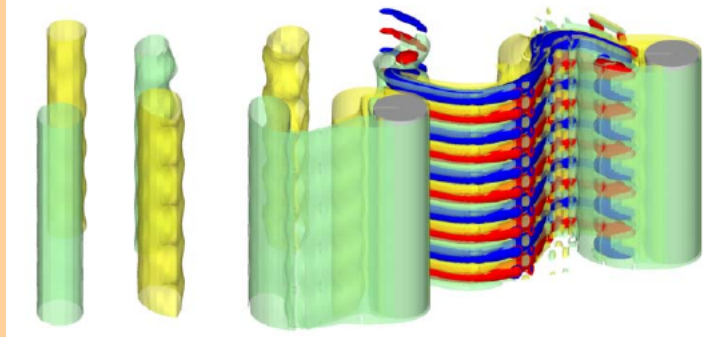


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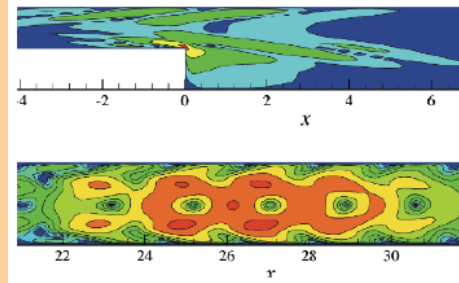
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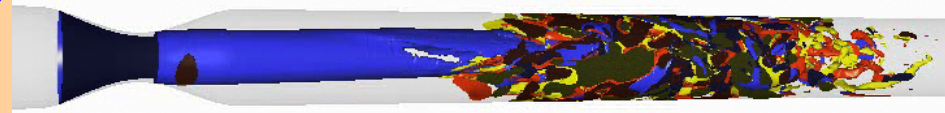
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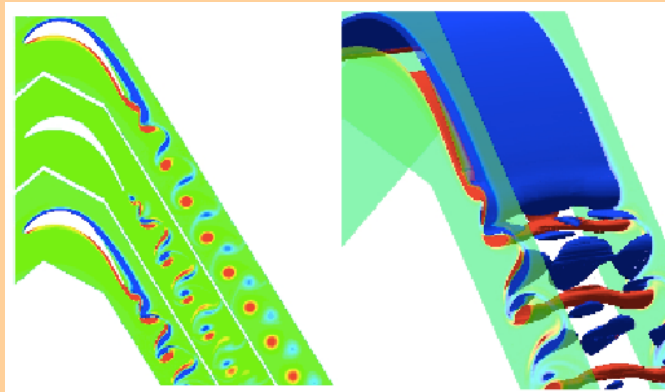
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Stability of basic flows

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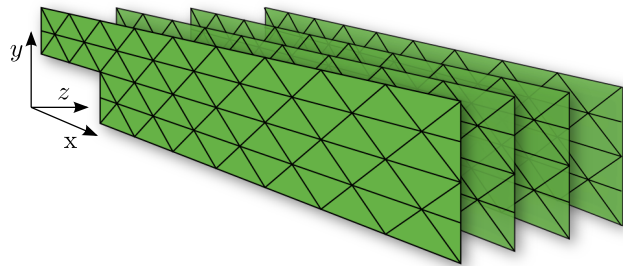
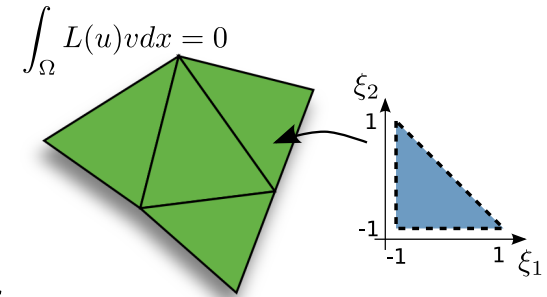


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Biomedical and Engineering applications

Mathematical Construction

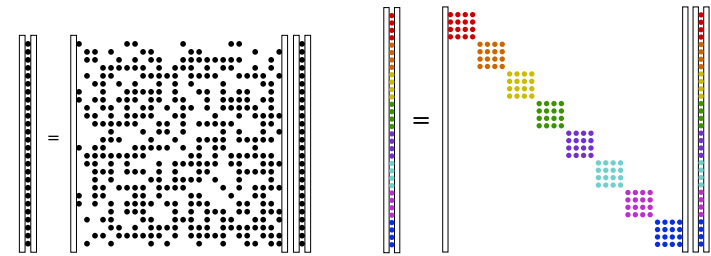
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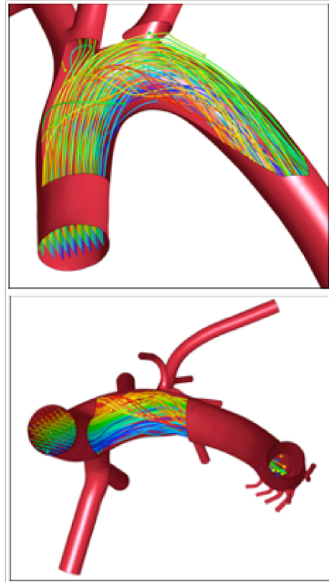
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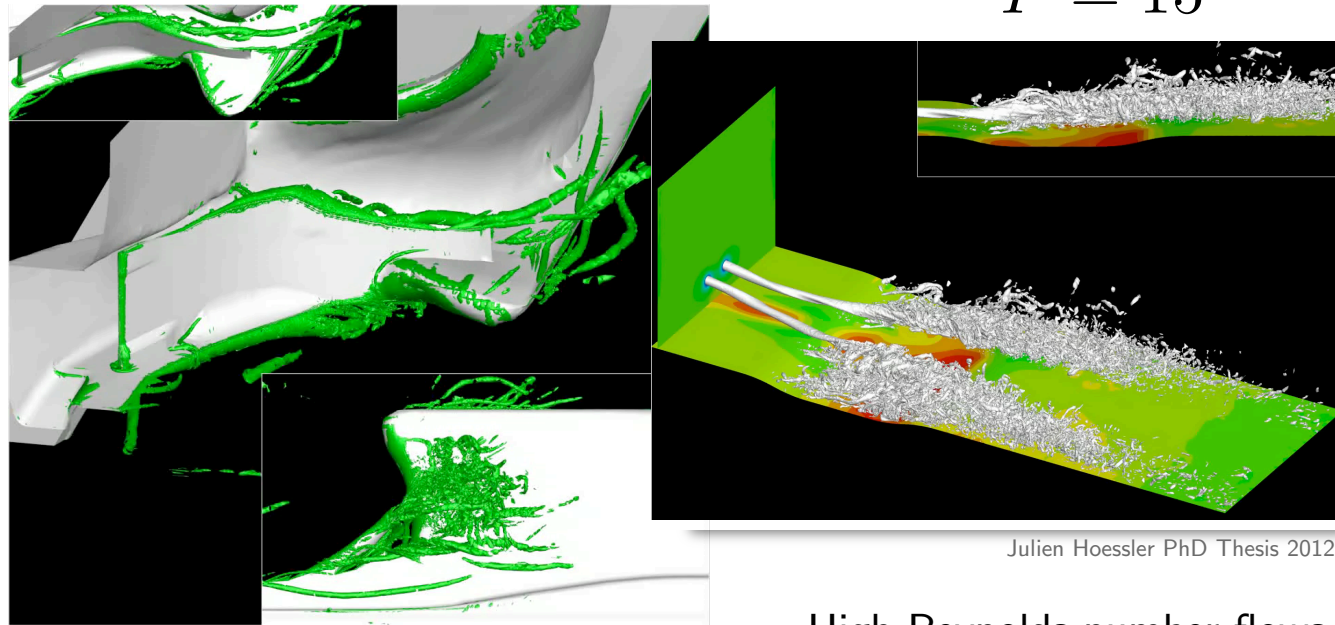


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High Order
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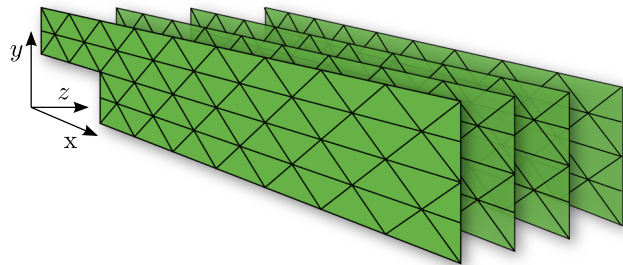
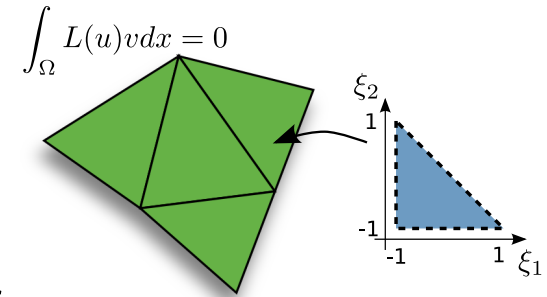
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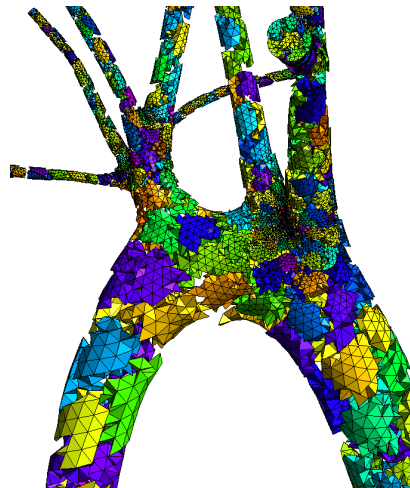
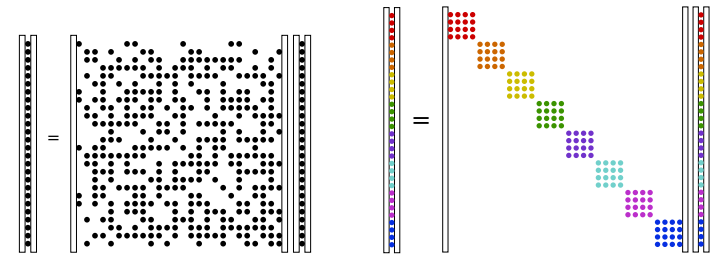
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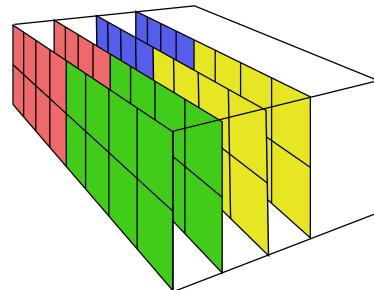
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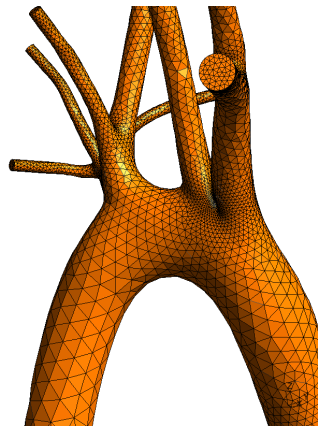


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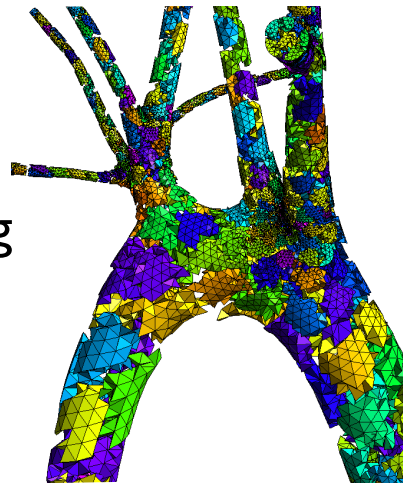


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Hybrid Numbering & Mixed Parallelisation



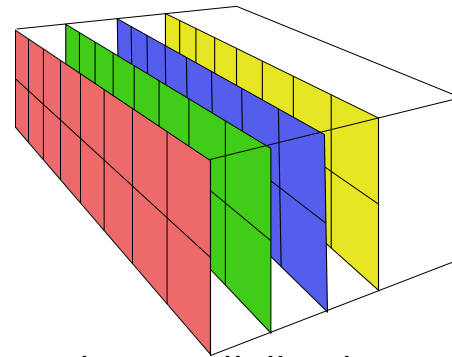
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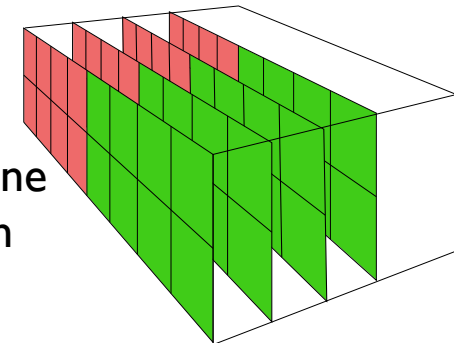
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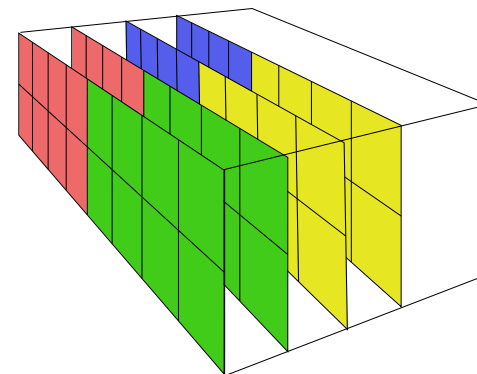
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Fourier parallelisation



Spectral/hp plane parallelisation

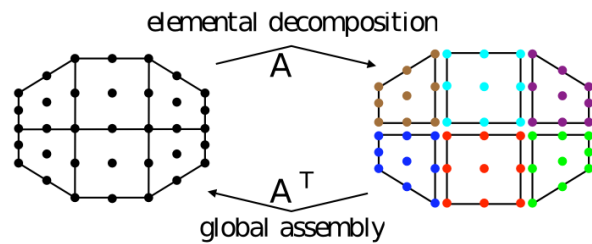


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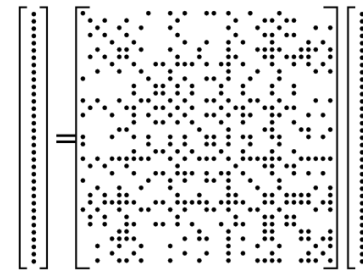
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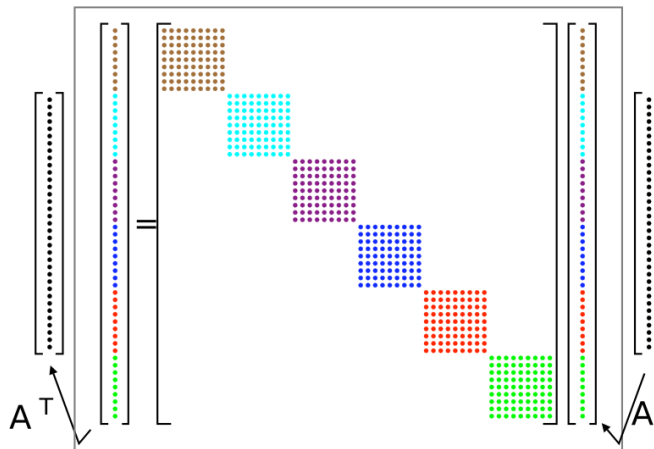
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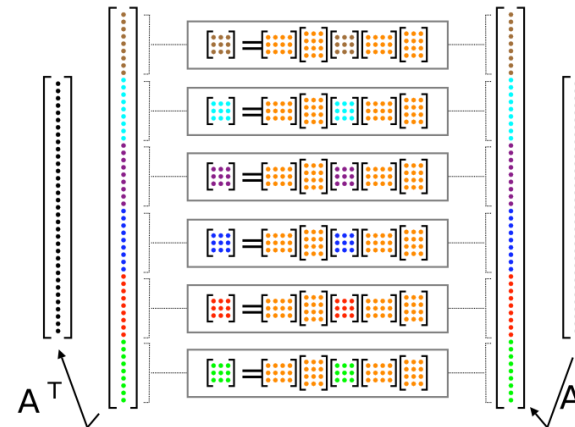
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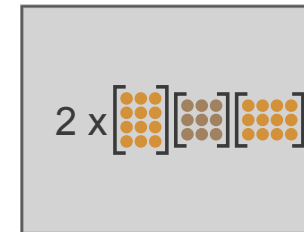
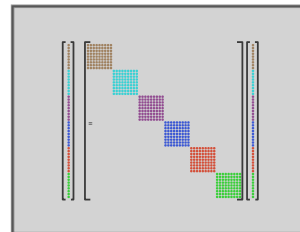
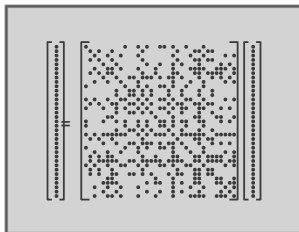
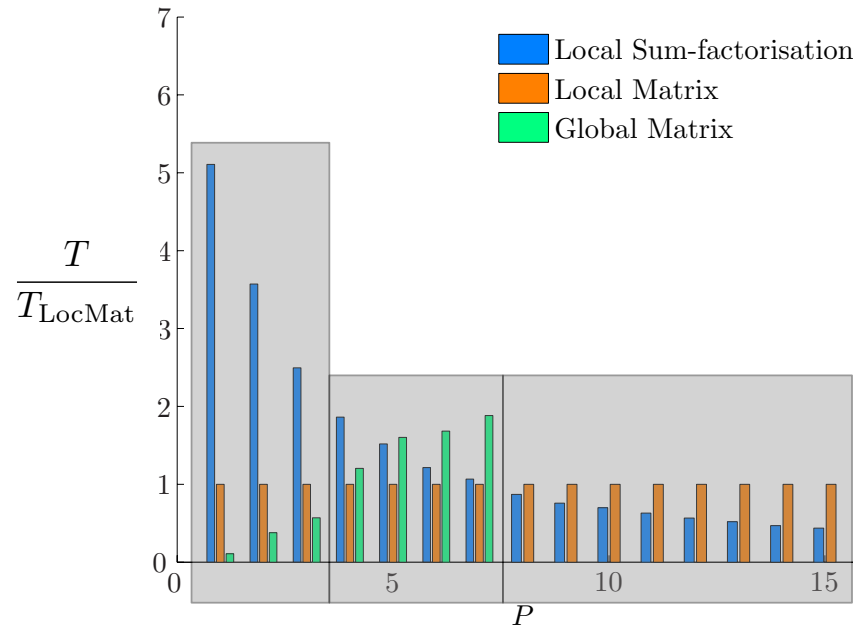
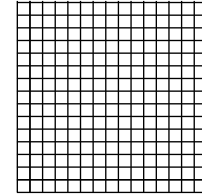


(c) sum-factorisation approach



Computational results

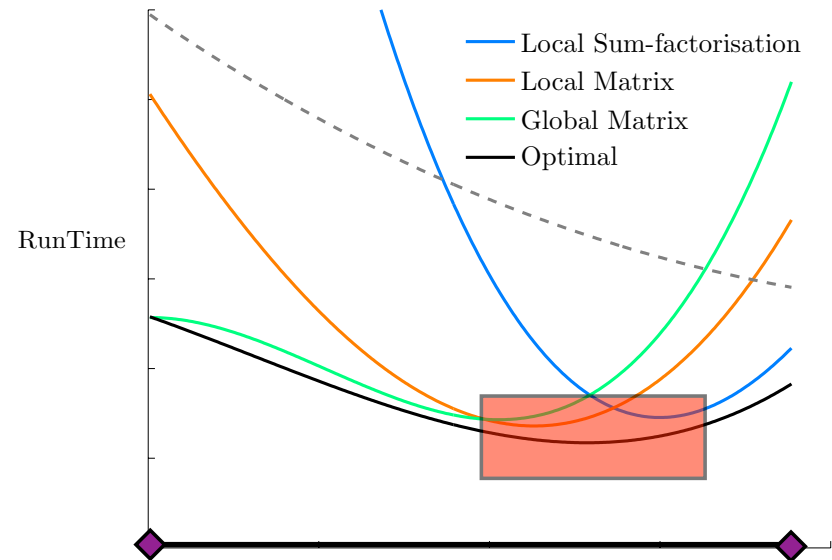
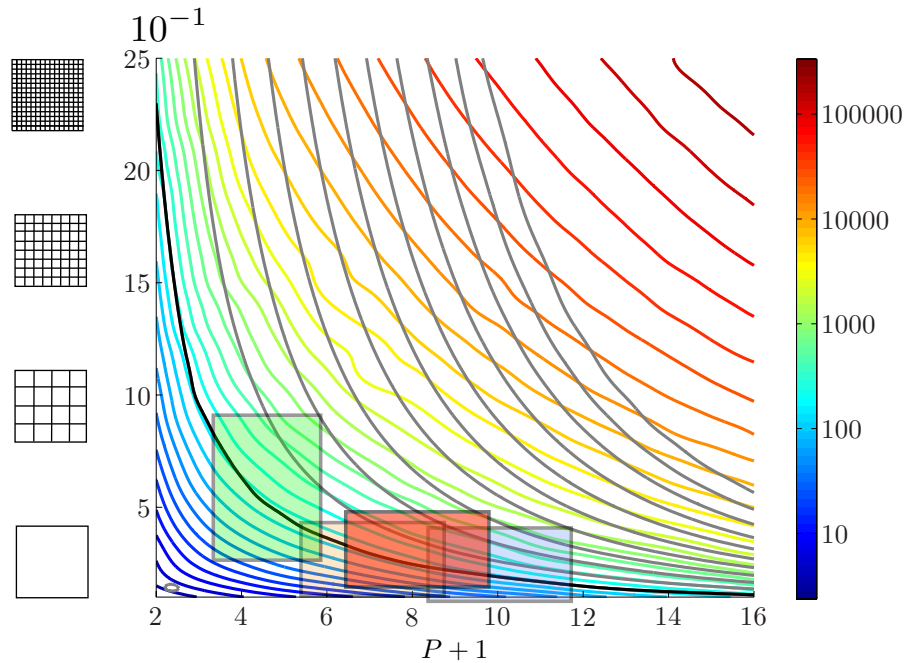
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Error vs computational cost?

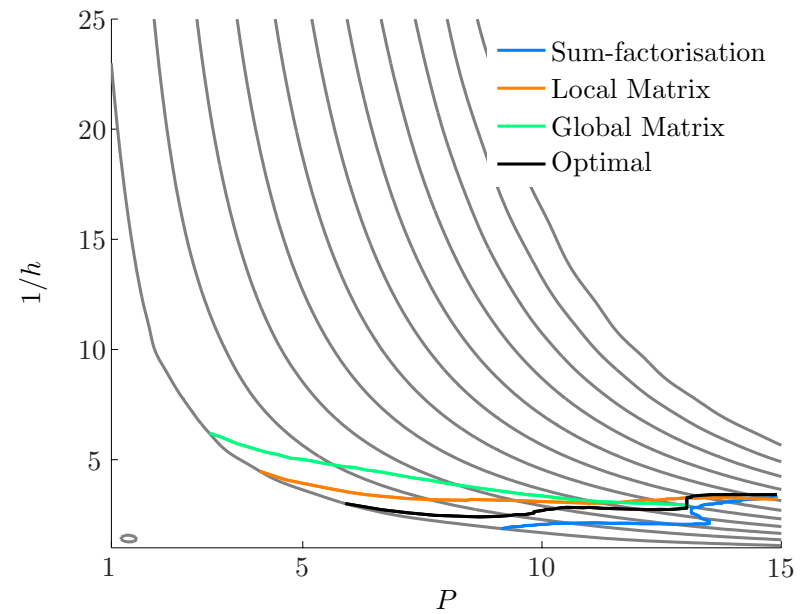
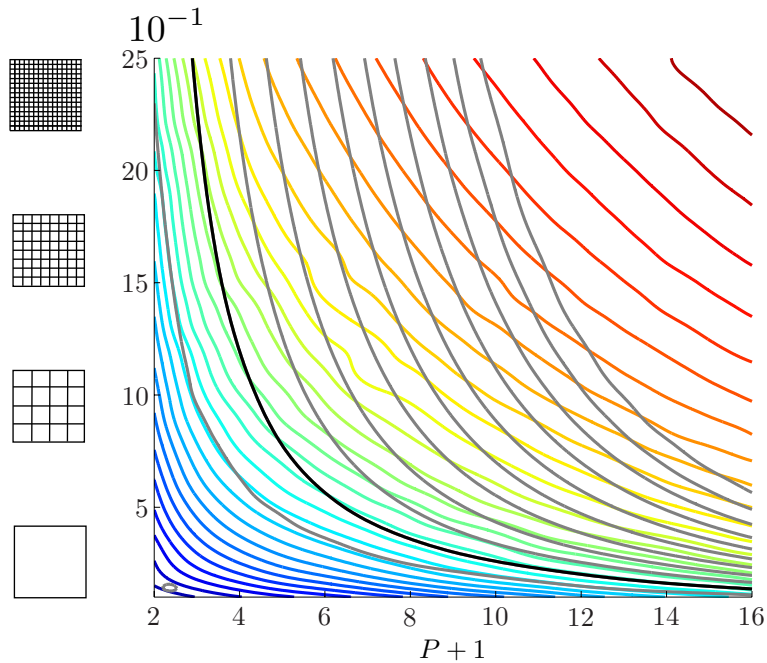
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9 Elements, $P=6$

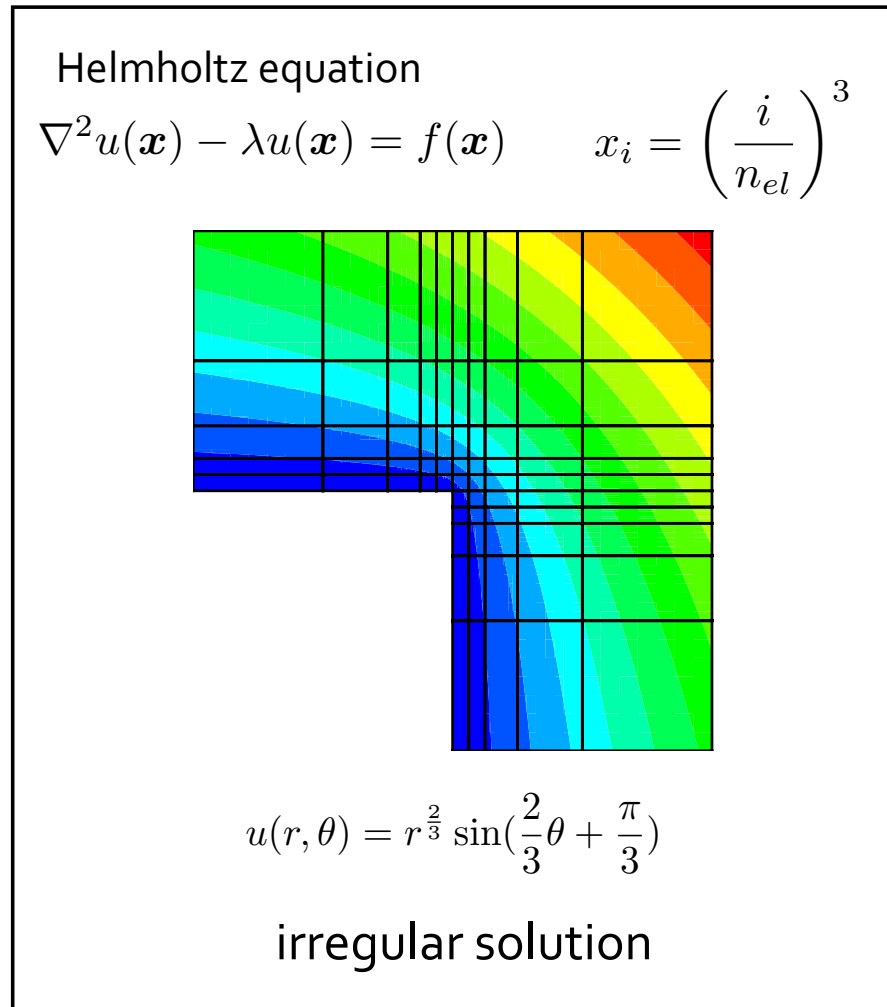
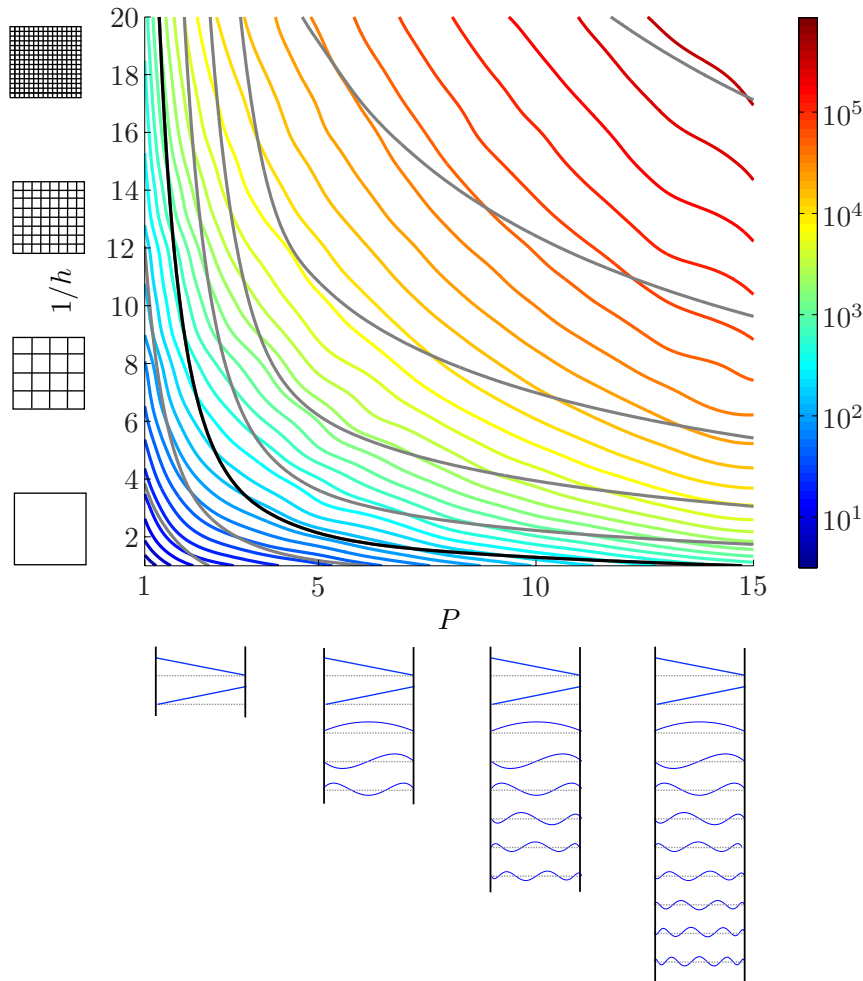
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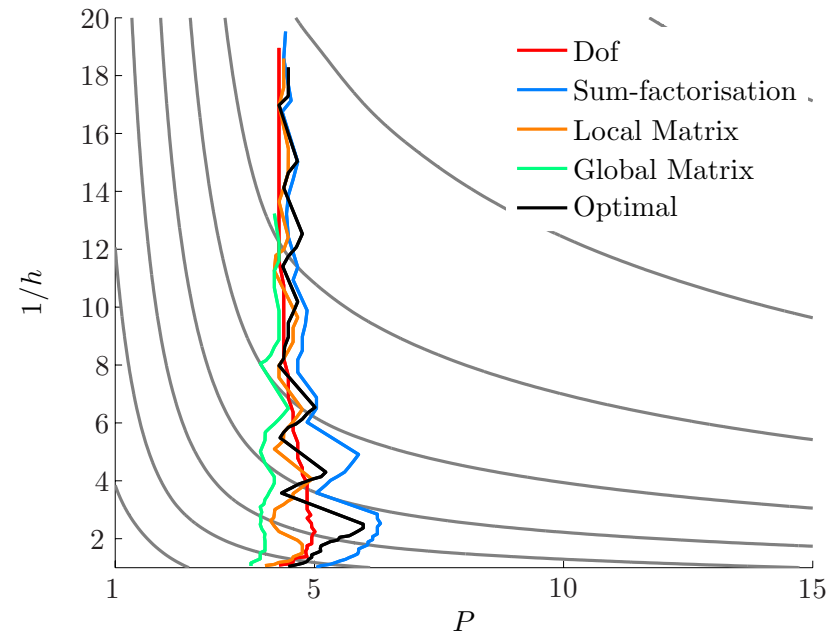
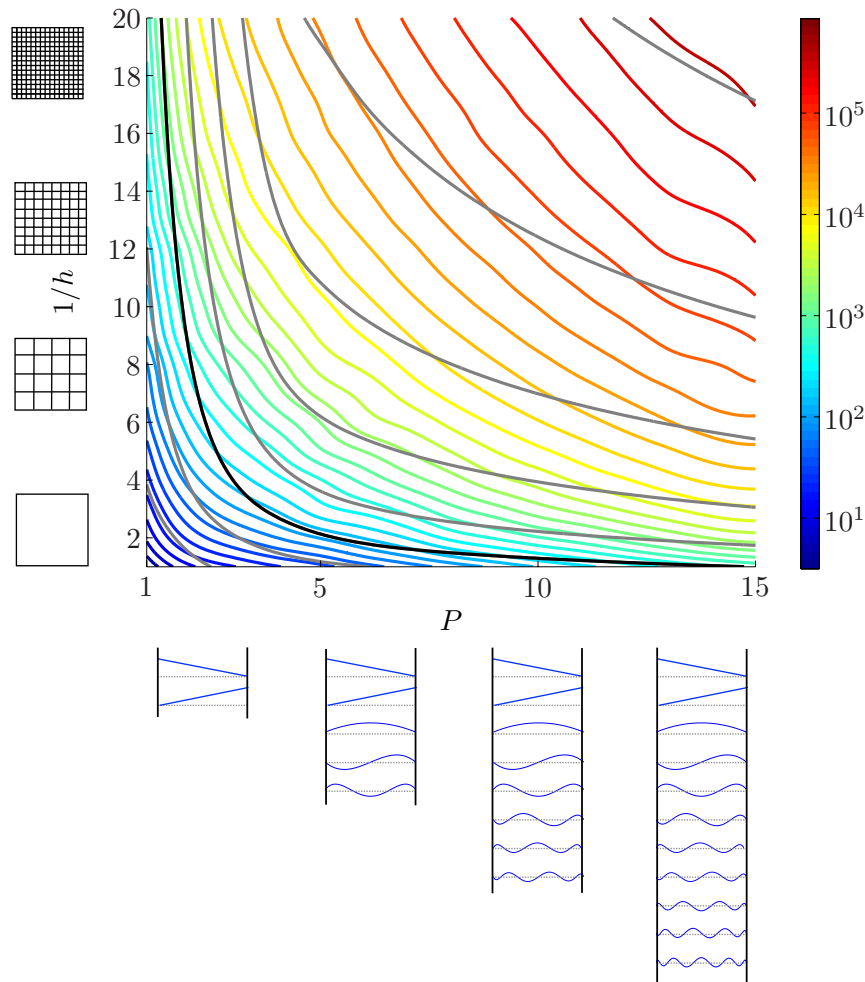
Computational results: Non smooth solution

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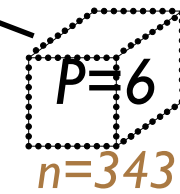
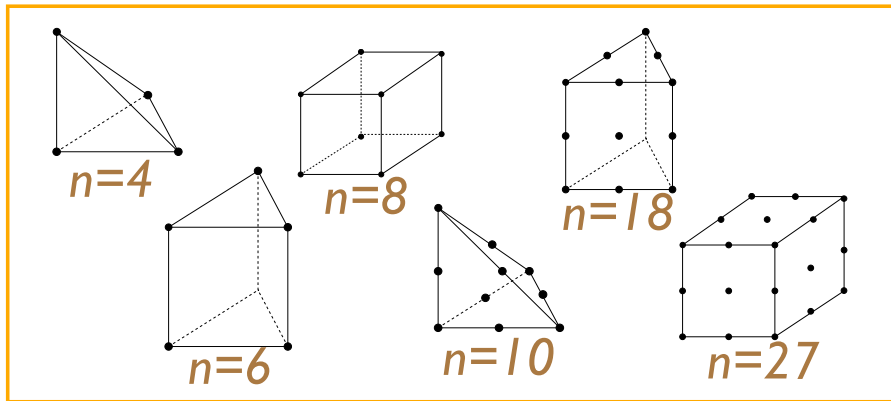
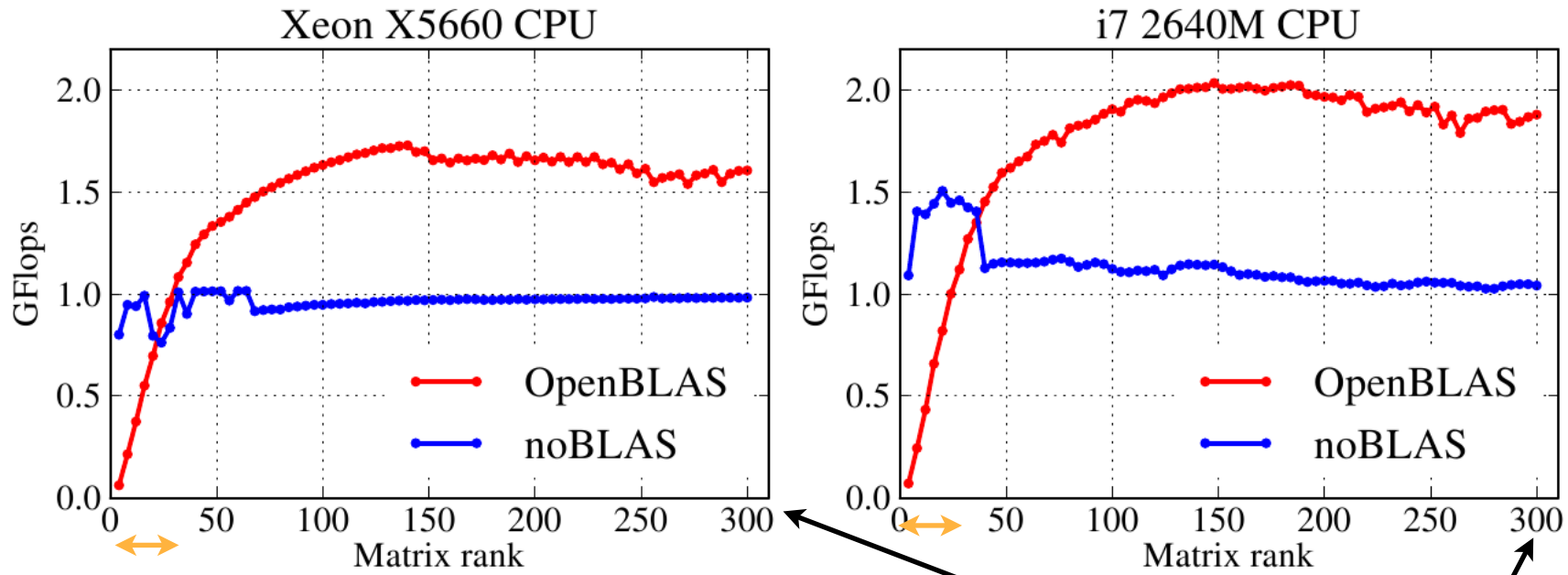
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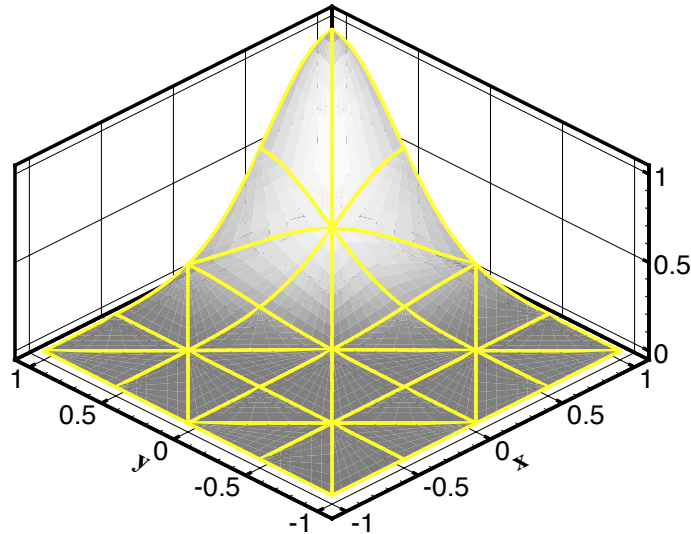
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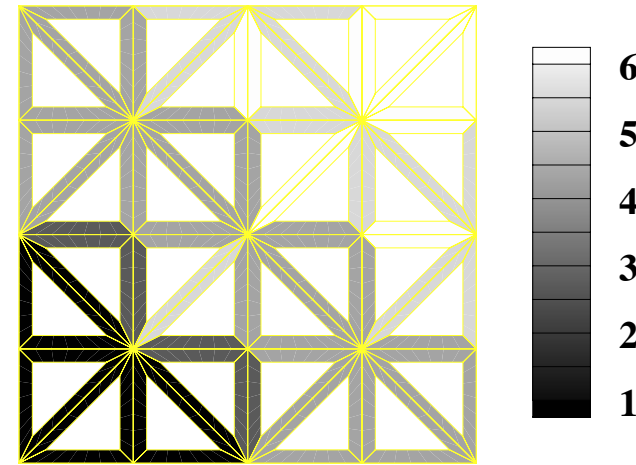
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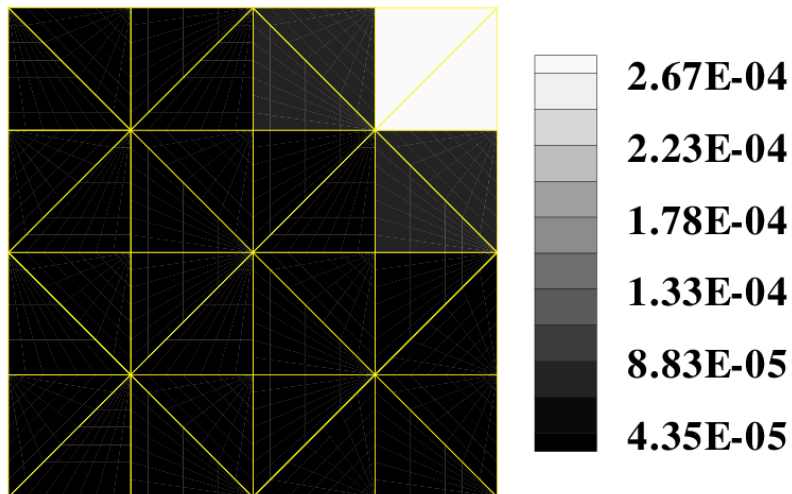
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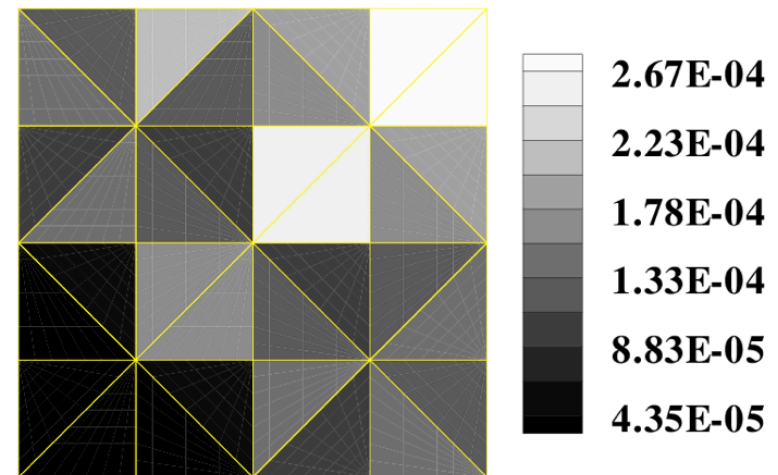
Solution



Variable P

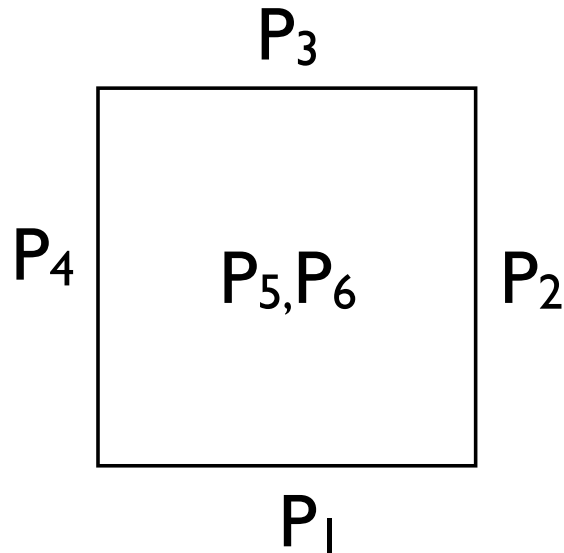


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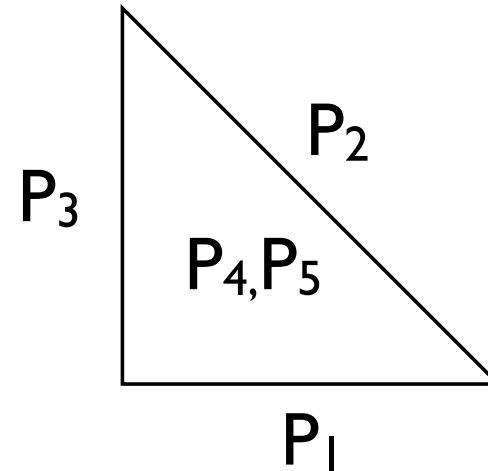


Variable P Error

How many parameters?



6 parameters

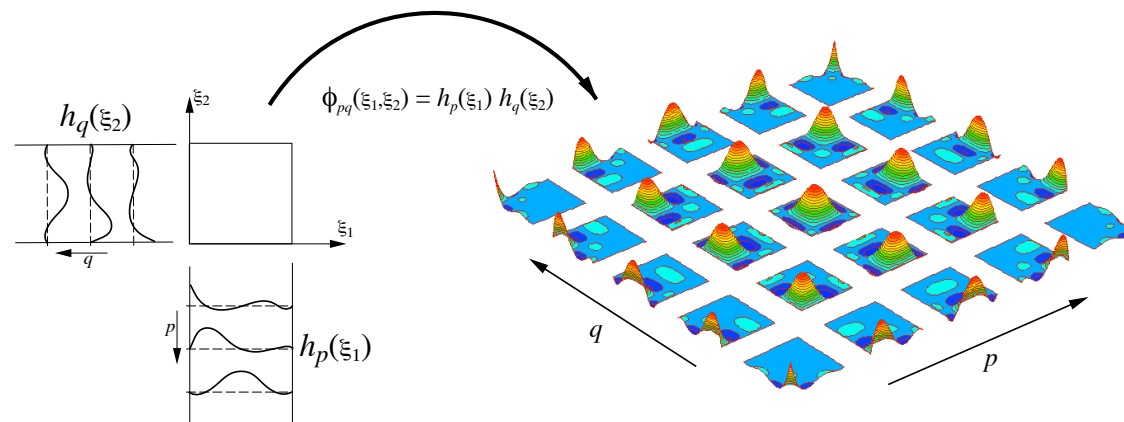
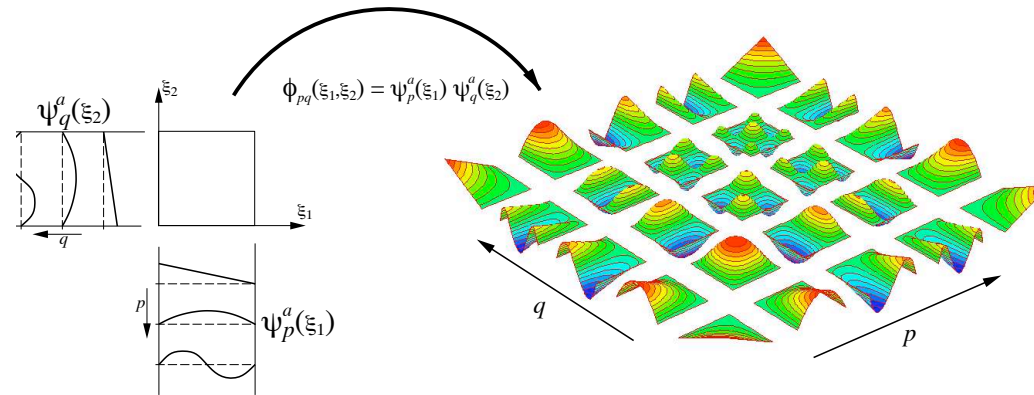


5 parameters

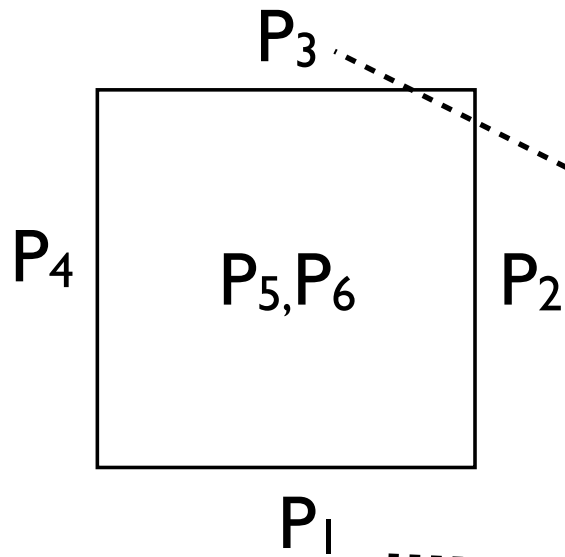
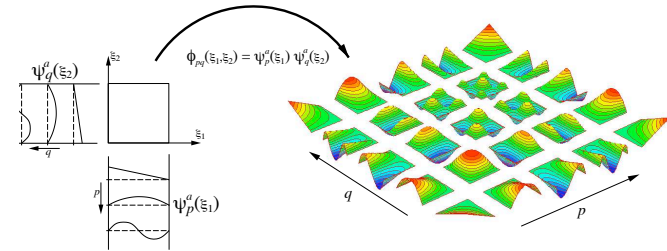
Hexahedral: 12 edges, 8 faces, 1 interior = 31 parameters

Tetrahedral: 6 edges, 4 faces, 1 interior = 17 parameters

Tensor product design

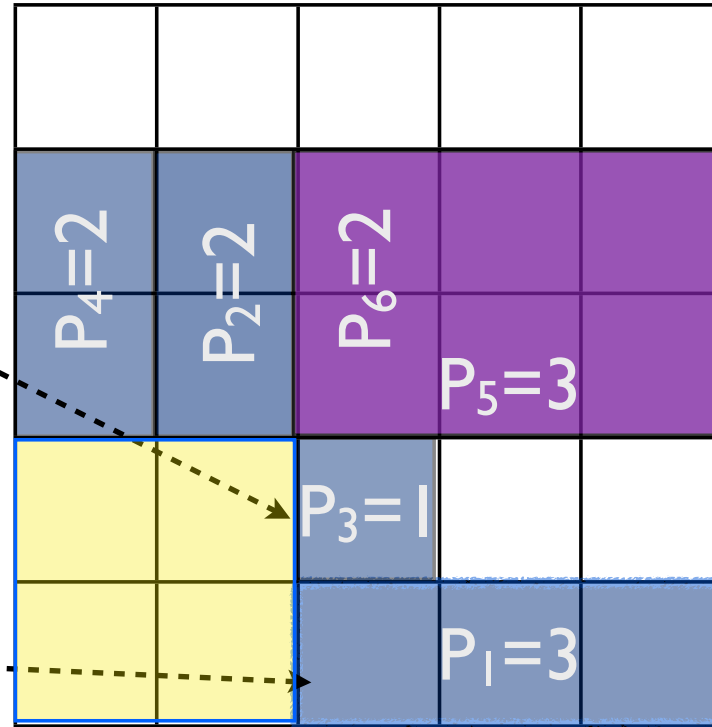


Zero packing



6 parameters

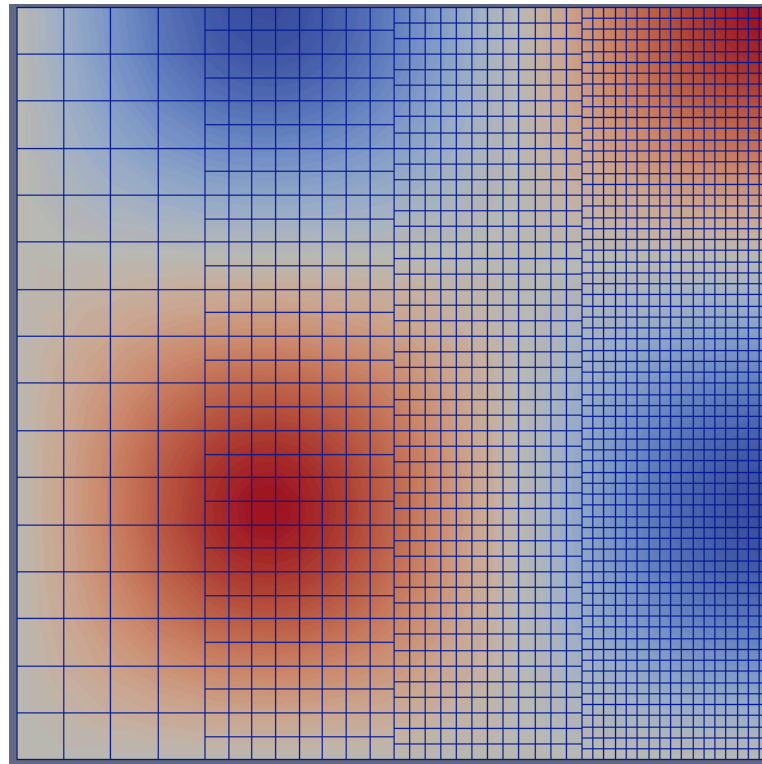
$$\max(P_2, P_4, P_5) = 2$$



$$\max(P_1, P_3, P_5) = 3$$

2 parameters

Helmholtz example

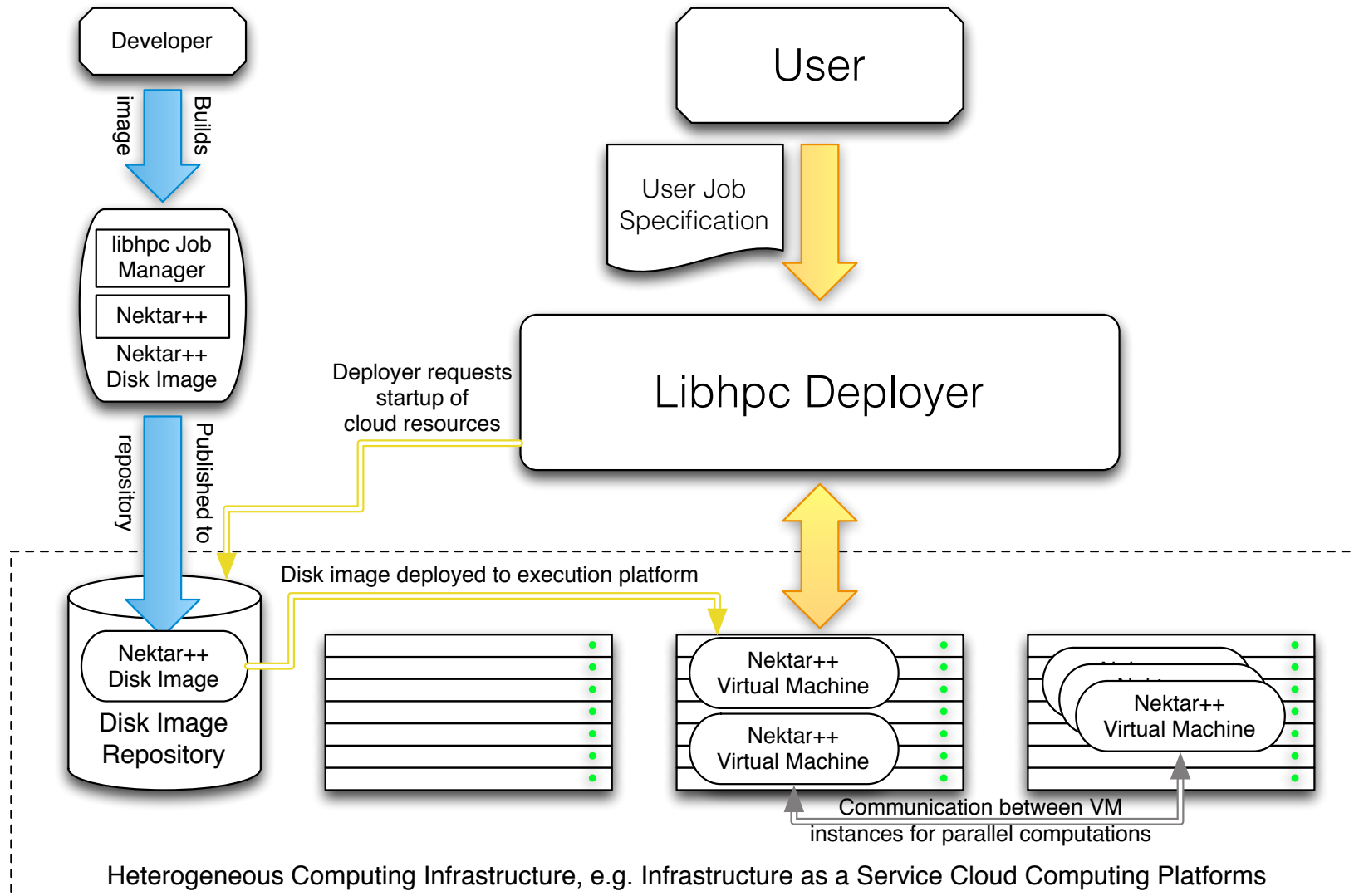


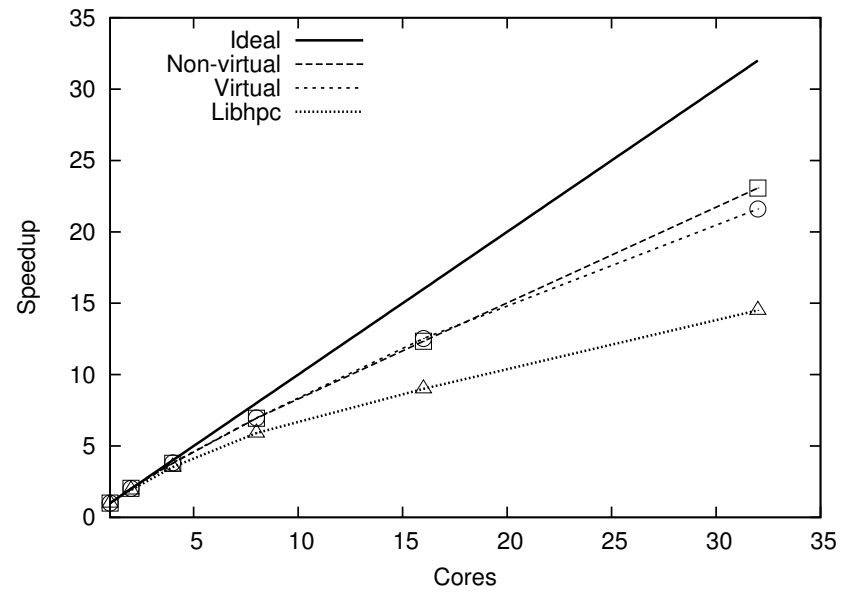
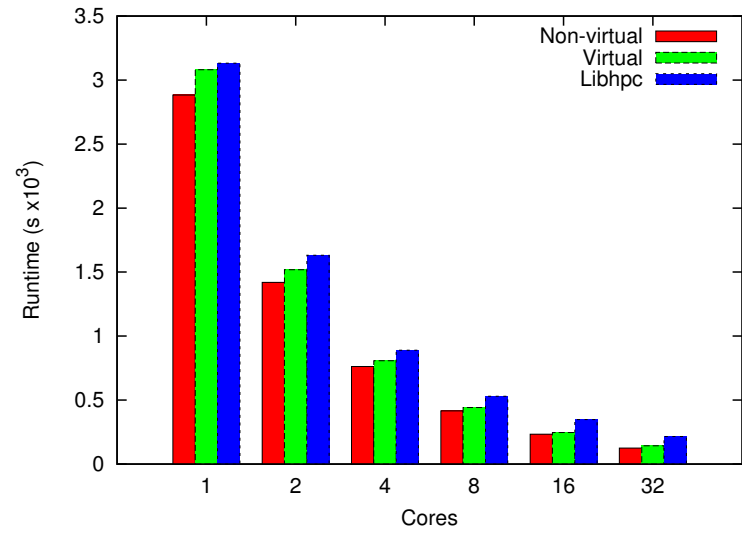
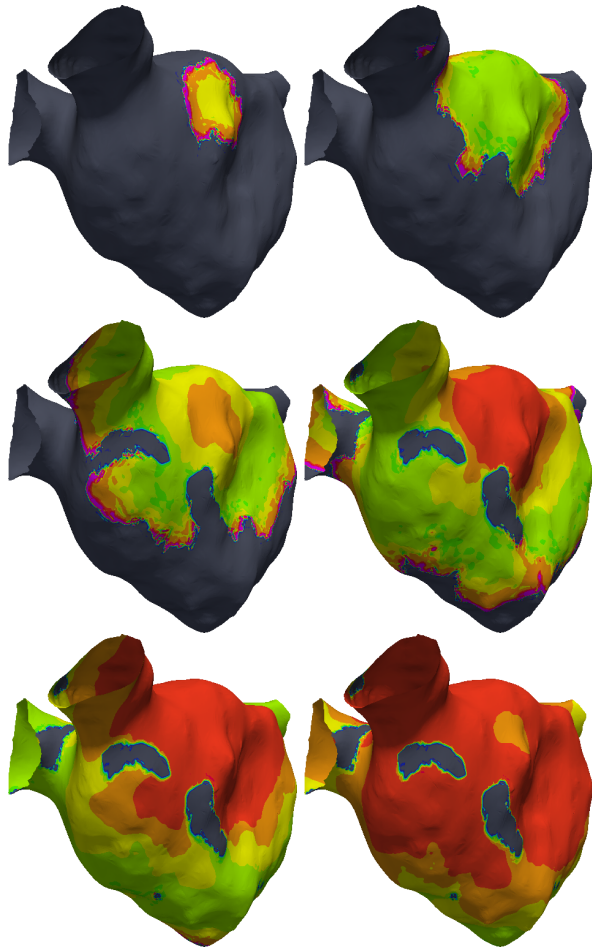
P=4 P=8 P=12 P=17

LibHPC

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- Target software on multi-core, distributed & heterogeneous platforms
- Run on Infrastructure-as-a-service (IaaS) clouds
- Why?
 - Intermittent running makes access to HPC difficult
 - Scale resource beyond local capacity





Summary

- Presented implementation optimisations to blend high and low order polynomial order
 - Mixed implementation of basic operators
 - Mixed Fourier discretisations.
- Does cloud computing offer possibilities?