

# Parallel Geometric-Algebraic Multigrid on Unstructured Forests of Octrees

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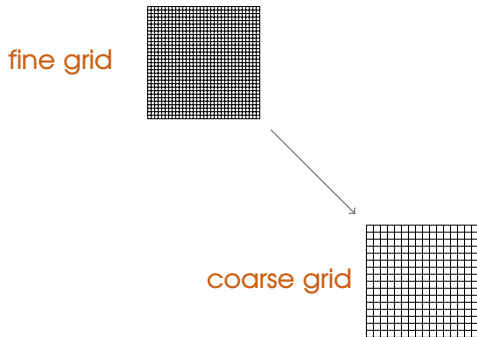
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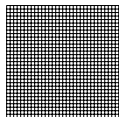




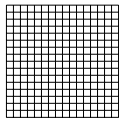
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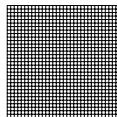
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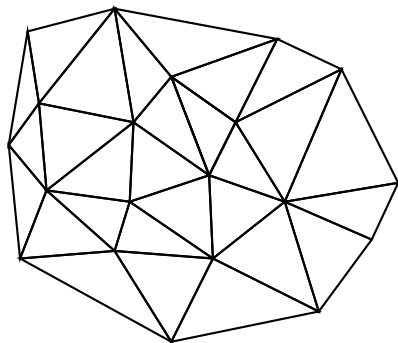


$u = u + e$ , correct

$e_c = A_c^{-1} r_c$ , direct solve

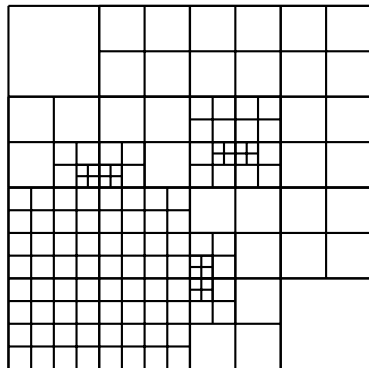
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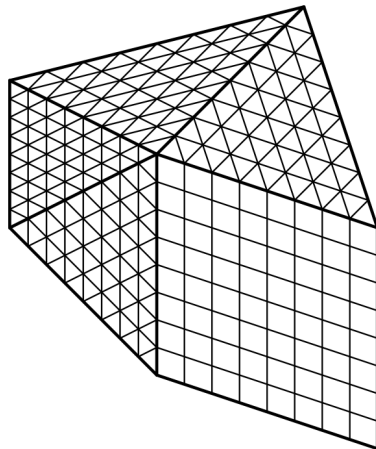
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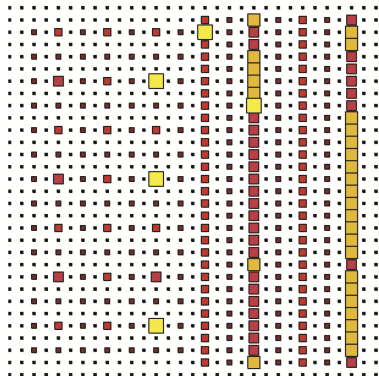
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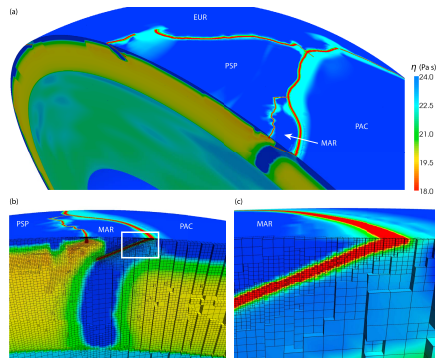
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  - Adams et al., SC'04
  - Hypre(CHPC'10), `trilinos::ML`
  - graph based coarsening
  - need assembled matrix



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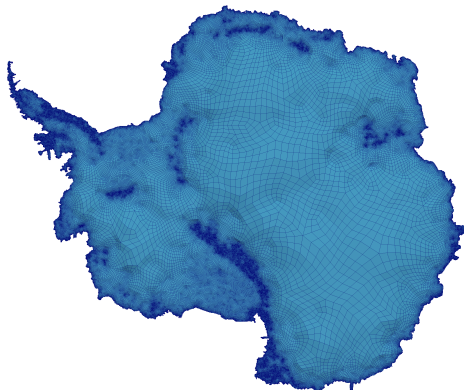
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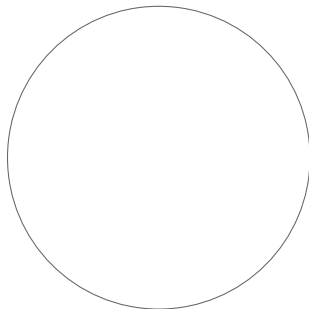
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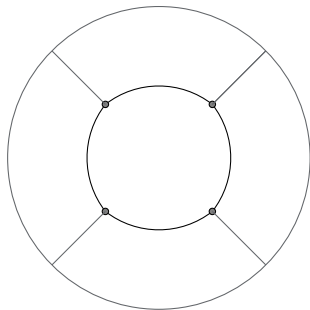
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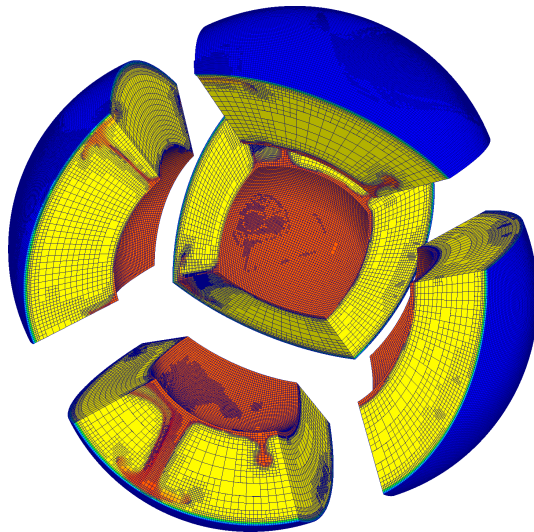
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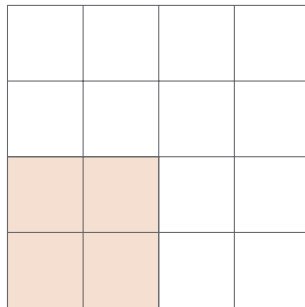
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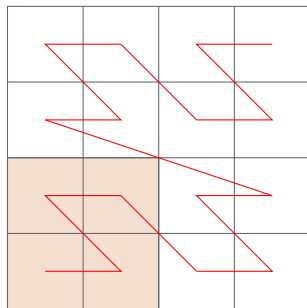
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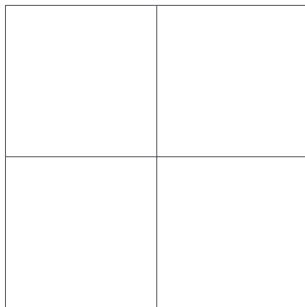
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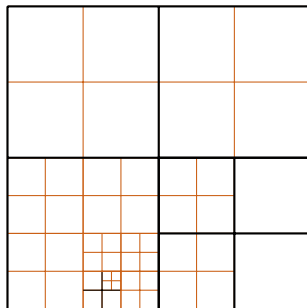
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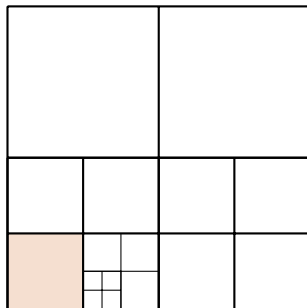


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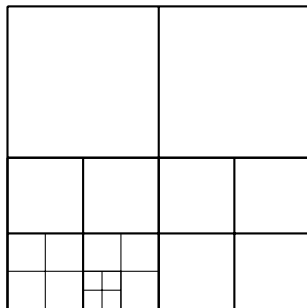




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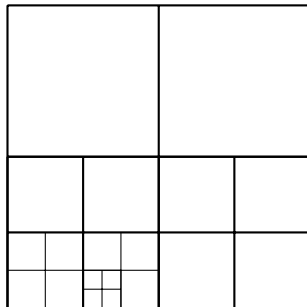




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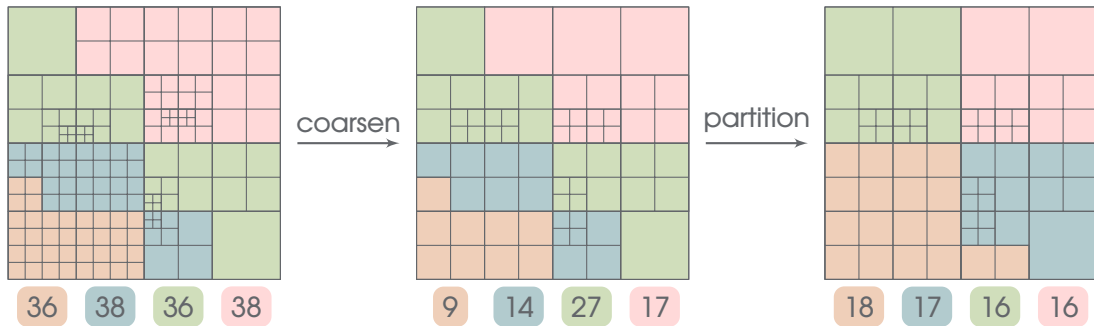
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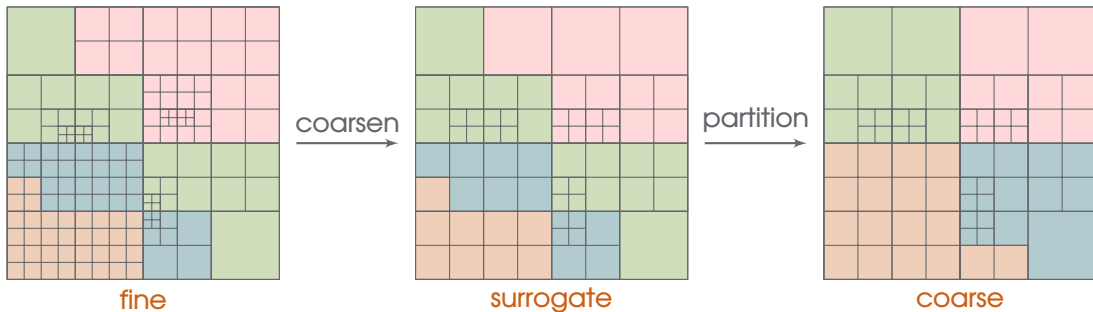
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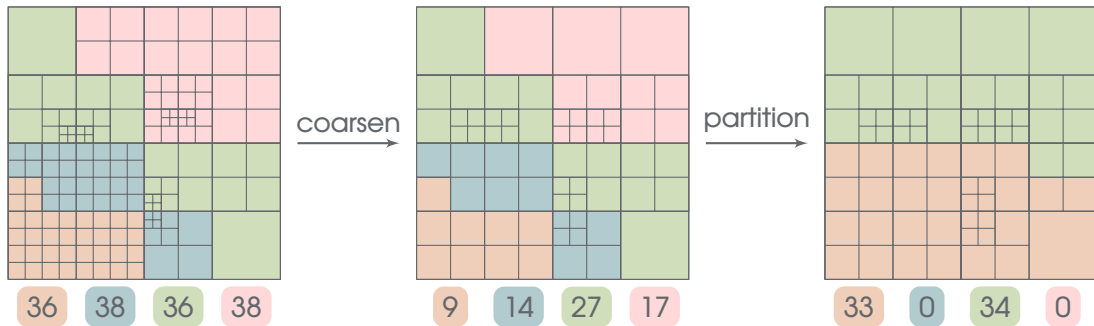
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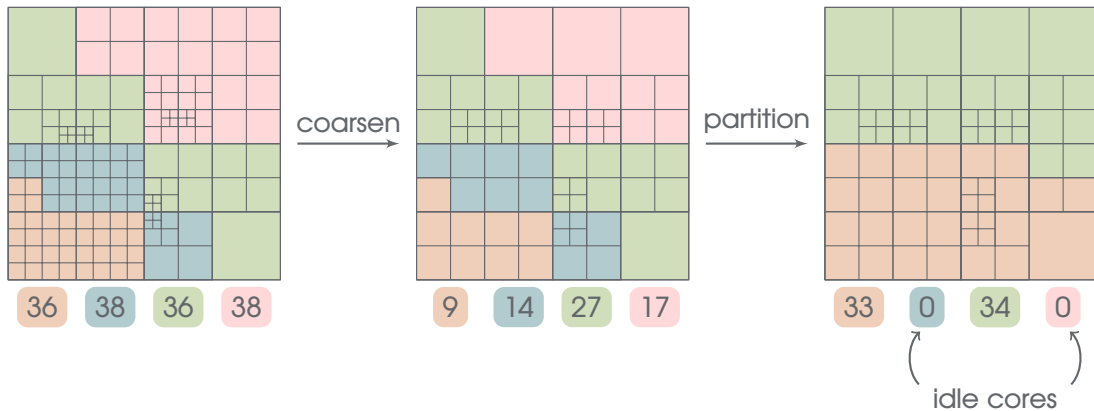
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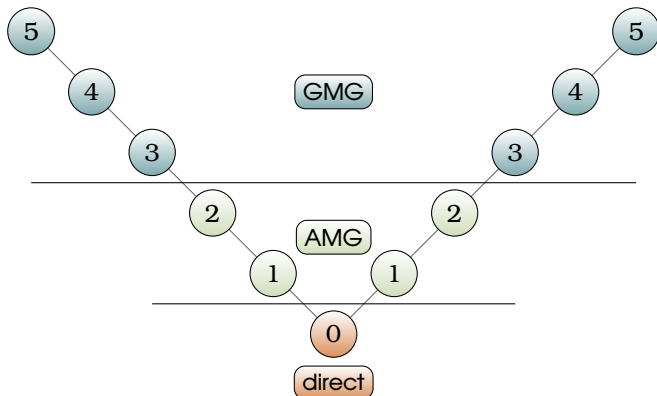
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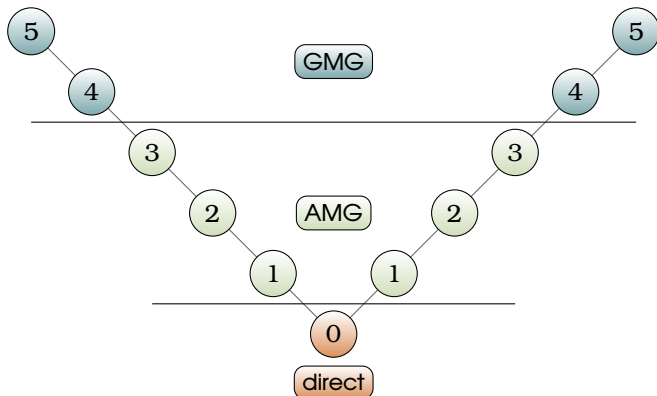
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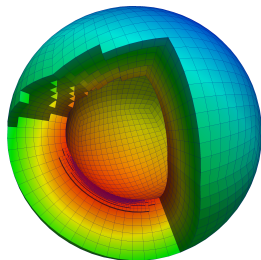
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Test problem

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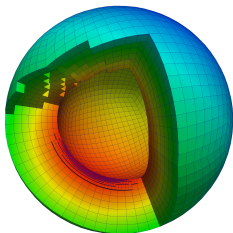
$$\mu(\mathbf{x}) = 10^6(1 + e^{-(x-x_1)^2/2\sigma_1^2} + e^{-(x-x_2)^2/2\sigma_2^2})$$

- 3D Poisson problem
- Dirichlet boundary conditions
- isotropic spatially varying coefficient
- forest of 24 Octrees

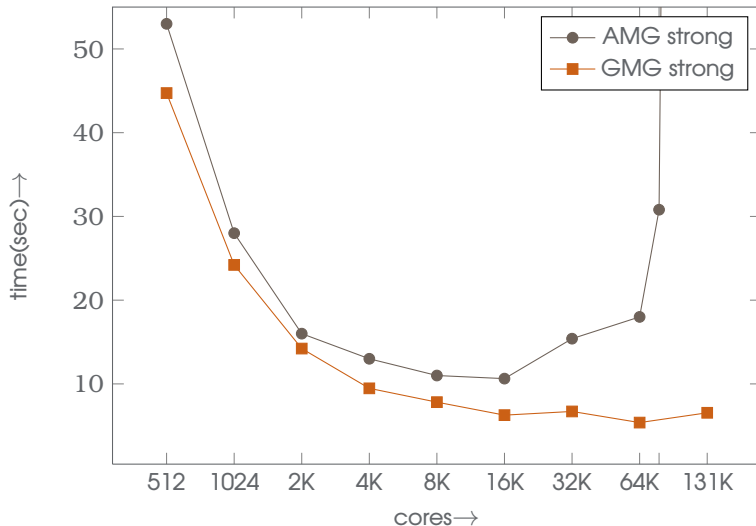


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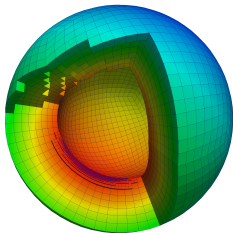
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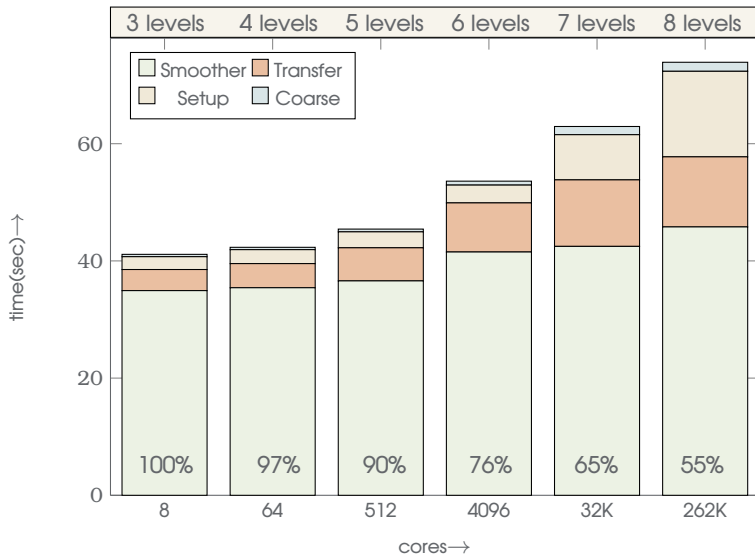
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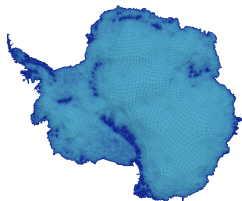


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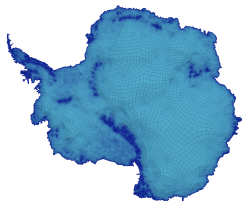
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- limitations of the macromesh
  - limited to unstructured hexahedral meshes
  - scalability of coarse solver
- anisotropy
  - parallel plane and line smoothers
  - harder to identify in octrees
- jumping coefficients
  - coefficient aware inter-grid operators
- extend to higher-order discretizations



- parallel, matrix-free multigrid method on geometry-conforming unstructured forests of octrees
- v-cycle implementation uses only non-blocking point-to-point communications
- demonstrated strong scalability from 512 to 131K cores
- demonstrated weak scalability up to 262K cores using one MPI process per core
- largest solve was on a mesh with 45K octrees with 100 billion unknowns on 262K cores sustaining 272 TFlops/s

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