

Adaptive Multiscale Methods for the Numerical Treatment of Systems of PDEs

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Literature: see References in notes_kunoth.pdf

Part I: Multilevel Preconditioning for Isogeometric Analysis

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Setup

- Elliptic PDE on physical domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \geq 2$
- Isogeometric analysis $\mathbf{F} : \hat{\Omega} \rightarrow \Omega$ for parametric domain $\hat{\Omega} \subset [0, 1]^d$ with regular mapping \mathbf{F}

Goal: High order approximate solution with fast iterative method

Essential Ingredients

- Isogeometric discretization by tensor product B-splines of degree p
- Iterative solution with **multilevel preconditioner** and **nested iteration**

\leadsto

Result: Solution in **optimal linear complexity**

Problem Setup

Elliptic PDE of order $2r$ on physical domain Ω

$$\begin{aligned} r = 1 : \quad & -\Delta u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \\ r = 2 : \quad & \Delta^2 u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u|_{\partial\Omega} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Weak operator form: for given $f \in H^{-r}(\Omega)$, find $u \in H_0^r(\Omega)$ such that

$$Au = f \quad \text{in } H^{-r}(\Omega)$$

Elliptic operator A defined by $\langle Av, w \rangle := a(v, w)$ symmetric, continuous

$$\text{and coercive on } H_0^r(\Omega): \quad \|Av\|_{H^{-r}(\Omega)} \sim \|v\|_{H^r(\Omega)}$$

Mapping $\mathbf{F} : \hat{\Omega} \rightarrow \Omega$ from parametric domain $\hat{\Omega} \subset [0, 1]^d$ to physical domain Ω

$$\mathbf{F} \text{ regular: } \|D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})\| \sim 1 \text{ for all } \mathbf{x} \in \hat{\Omega}$$

Numerical Solution on Physical Space

Discretization on uniform grid: $V_h \subset H_0^r(\Omega)$

$\dim V_h < \infty \quad \leadsto$

$$\boxed{A_h u_h = f_h \quad (*)}$$

$0 < h < 1$ grid size

Goal: Realize discretization error accuracy ε

with minimal amount of work $\mathcal{O}(N(\varepsilon))$ in amount of unknowns $N(\varepsilon)$

Obstructions for fast numerical solution:

- Large sparse linear system of equations $(*) \leadsto$ iterative solver
- Convergence speed of iterative solver depends on $\text{cond}_2(A_h)$
- Standard discretizations with finite differences or finite elements $\leadsto \text{cond}_2(A_h) \sim h^{-2r}$
 $0 < h < 1$ grid size
- High desired accuracy, resolution of singularities in data and/or geometry \leadsto small h
 \leadsto larger problem \leadsto worse condition number

Ingredients for reaching goal:

- (i) Multilevel preconditioner C_h
multigrid methods, BPX preconditioner, wavelet discretizations $\leadsto \text{cond}_2(C_h A_h) \sim 1$
- (ii) Nested iteration

A-priori Estimates for Finite Elements

Quality measure: Approximation in norm $\|u - u_h\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \leq \varepsilon$

A-priori error estimates: $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ $\dim V_h = N \sim h^{-d}$ uniform grid

$$\begin{aligned} \|u - u_h\|_{L_2(\Omega)} &\lesssim h^s \|u\|_{H^s(\Omega)} & u_h \in V_h & \quad 0 \leq s \leq p+1 \\ \iff \|u - u_N\|_{L_2(\Omega)} &\lesssim N^{-s/d} \|u\|_{H^s(\Omega)} \\ & N \text{ degrees of freedom} & \longleftrightarrow & \text{accuracy } \mathcal{O}(N^{-(p+1)/d}) \end{aligned}$$

Approximation rate determined by

- (i) (piecewise polynomials of degree $p \rightsquigarrow$) approximation order $p+1$ of V_h
- (ii) space dimension d
- (iii) amount of smoothness of u in L_2

Target:

Realize discretization error accuracy $\varepsilon \sim h^{p+1} \sim 2^{-(p+1)J}$ for grid with spacing $h \sim 2^{-J}$

Problem complexity: For $h \sim 2^{-J}$ a total of $N \sim 2^{Jd}$ unknowns

Optimal complexity for iterative solver: Minimal amount of work is $\mathcal{O}(N)$

Isogeometric Elements of Degree p

Mesh on $[0, 1]$: $\Xi := \{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{n+p+1}\}$ a p -open knot vector such that

$$0 = \xi_1 = \dots = \xi_{p+1} < \xi_{p+2} \leq \dots \leq \xi_n < \xi_{n+1} = \dots = \xi_{n+p+1} = 1$$

(allowing internal repeated knots having multiplicity $m_i \leq p - r + 1$)

B-splines of degree p on Ξ defined recursively by

$$p = 0: \quad N_{i,0}(\zeta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \xi_i \leq \zeta < \xi_{i+1}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$p \geq 1: \quad N_{i,p}(\zeta) = \frac{\zeta - \xi_i}{\xi_{i+p} - \xi_i} N_{i,p-1}(\zeta) + \frac{\xi_{i+p+1} - \zeta}{\xi_{i+p+1} - \xi_{i+1}} N_{i+1,p-1}(\zeta)$$

$\leadsto n$ B-splines spanning spline space of piecewise polynomials of degree p

with $p - m_i$ continuous derivatives at inner nodes

$$S_h(\hat{\Omega}) := \text{span} \left\{ B_i(\mathbf{x}) := \prod_{\ell=1}^d N_{i_\ell, p}(x_\ell), \quad i = 1, \dots, N := nd \right\}$$

Mapping $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, \dots, F_d)^T \quad F_i \in S_{\tilde{h}}(\hat{\Omega})$ for some $\tilde{h} \gg h$

$$\leadsto V_h := \{v_h \in H_0^r(\Omega) : v_h \circ \mathbf{F} \in S_h(\hat{\Omega})\}$$

$$\|v\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 := \int_{\hat{\Omega}} |v(\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}))|^2 \|D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})\| d\mathbf{x}$$

Theorem

(S) Uniform stability of basis with respect to $L_2(\Omega)$

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^N c_i B_i \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \right\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 \sim \sum_{i=1}^N |c_i|^2 =: \|\mathbf{c}\|_{\ell_2}^2 \quad \text{for any } \mathbf{c} \in \ell_2 \quad \text{constants} = c(p, d) \neq c(h)$$

(J) Direct or Jackson estimates

$$\inf_{v_h \in V_h} \|v - v_h\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \lesssim h^s |v|_{H^s(\Omega)} \quad \text{for any } v \in H^s(\Omega) \quad 0 \leq s \leq p+1$$

(B) Inverse or Bernstein estimates

$$\|v_h\|_{H^s(\Omega)} \lesssim h^{-s} \|v_h\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \quad \text{for any } v_h \in V_h \text{ and } 0 \leq s \leq p$$

Multilevel Preconditioner

Asymptotically **optimal preconditioner**: C_h such that

$$\text{cond}_2(C_h A_h) \sim 1 \quad \text{independent of } h$$

and **setup** and **application** of C_h in optimal linear complexity $\mathcal{O}(N)$

Schwarz iterative schemes based on subspace corrections

\leadsto Multilevel schemes yielding **optimal** preconditioners:

- ▶ Multiplicative schemes \leadsto multigrid methods
Brandt, Braess, Bramble, Hackbusch, Zulehner ...
IgA: Gahlaoui, Kraus, Tomar ...
- ▶ Additive schemes \leadsto BPX preconditioner; wavelet discretization
Bramble, Pasciak, Xu, Yserentant, Oswald, Dahmen, Kunoth ...

Relevant idea from Approximation Theory: **Multilevel characterization** of function spaces
and **norm equivalences**

Not optimal are preconditioners based on domain decomposition, overlapping Schwarz, hierarchical basis preconditioners. . .
Beirao da Veiga, Cho, Pavarino. Scacci, Kleiss, Pechstein, Jüttler, Langer ...

Multilevel Characterization of Function Spaces

$V_h \longleftrightarrow V_j \quad h \sim 2^{-j} \quad j \text{ resolution level}$

Multiresolution $V_{j_0} \subset V_{j_0+1} \subset \dots \subset V_j \subset V_{j+1} \subset \dots H_0^r(\Omega)$

$$\text{clos}_{H^r(\Omega)} \left(\bigcup_{j=j_0}^{\infty} V_j \right) = H_0^r(\Omega)$$

Linear orthogonal projectors $Q_j : H_0^r(\Omega) \rightarrow V_j$ s.th. $Q_j Q_\ell = Q_j$ for $j \leq \ell \rightsquigarrow Q_j - Q_{j-1}$ projector

Corollary

(S) Φ_j uniformly stable basis for V_j : $\|\mathbf{c}\|_{\ell_2} \sim \|\mathbf{c}^T \Phi_j\|_{L_2(\Omega)}$

(J) Jackson estimate

$$\inf_{v_j \in V_j} \|v - v_j\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \lesssim 2^{-sj} \|v\|_{H^s(\Omega)} \quad v \in H^s(\Omega) \quad 0 < s \leq \delta$$

(B) Bernstein inequality

$$\|v_j\|_{H^s(\Omega)} \lesssim 2^{sj} \|v_j\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \quad v_j \in V_j \quad s < \tau$$

\Rightarrow Norm equivalence

$$\|v\|_{H^r(\Omega)}^2 \sim \sum_{j=j_0}^J 2^{2rj} \|(Q_j - Q_{j-1})v\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 \quad v \in V_J$$

Proof: Norm equivalence on $\hat{\Omega}$ [Dahmen, Kunoth '92] [Oswald '92]

(J) and discrete Hardy inequality \rightsquigarrow upper estimate for $\|\cdot\|_{H^s(\Omega)}$

(B), $\|Q_j\|_{L_2(\Omega)} \lesssim 1$ and Whitney estimate \rightsquigarrow lower estimate

\mathbf{F} regular mapping

Norm Equivalence for Optimal Preconditioning

Corollary: For $H_0^r(\Omega)$ $C_J^{-1} := A_{j_0} Q_{j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} + \sum_{j=j_0}^J 2^{2rj} (Q_j - Q_{j-1}) \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1}$
 is optimal preconditioner for $A_J : V_J \rightarrow V_J$: $\text{cond}_2(C_J^{1/2} A_J C_J^{1/2}) \sim 1$ as $J \rightarrow \infty$

Proof: [Jaffard '92], [Dahmen, Kunoth '92], [Oswald '92]

Isomorphism $\|Av\|_{H^{-r}(\Omega)} \sim \|v\|_{H^r(\Omega)}$ combined with norm equivalence for $H_0^r(\Omega)$ and \mathbf{F} regular mapping

BPX realization of C_J^{-1} : replace $C_J = A_{j_0} Q_{j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} + \sum_{j=j_0}^J 2^{-2rj} (Q_j - Q_{j-1}) \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1}$

by spectrally equivalent preconditioner

$$\hat{C}_J := A_{j_0} Q_{j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} + \sum_{j=j_0}^J 2^{-2rj} Q_j \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \quad \text{is optimal}$$

developed by [Bramble, Pasciak, Xu '90], optimality proved by [Dahmen, Kunoth '92], [Oswald '92]

Hierarchical basis preconditioner by [Yserentant '89] **not optimal**

Optimal BPX-type Preconditioners

$$\hat{C}_J := A_{j_0} Q_{j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} + \sum_{j=j_0}^J 2^{-2rj} Q_j \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \text{ using } Q_j = \sum_{i \in I_j} (\cdot, B_{i,j} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1})_{L_2(\Omega)} B_{i,j} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \leadsto G_J &= A_{j_0}^{-1} \sum_{i \in I_0} (\cdot, B_{i,j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1})_{L_2(\Omega)} B_{i,j_0} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=j_0+1}^J 2^{-2jr} \sum_{i \in I_j} (\cdot, B_{i,j} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1})_{L_2(\Omega)} B_{i,j} \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Implementation: refinement relation for B-splines

\leadsto prolongation $\mathbf{I}_j^{j+1} : V_j \rightarrow V_{j+1}$

restriction $\mathbf{I}_{j+1}^j = (\mathbf{I}_j^{j+1})^T$

For $p = 2$, restriction is $\mathbf{I}_{j+1}^j = 2^{-1/2}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccccccc} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{9}{8} & \frac{3}{8} & & & & & \\ & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & & & & & \\ & & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & & & & \\ & & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & & & & \\ & & & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} & & \\ & & & & & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \\ & & & & & & \frac{9}{8} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right] \in \mathbb{R}^{2^j \times 2^{j+1}}$$

$$\leadsto \mathbf{I}_j^J := \mathbf{I}_{J-1}^J \mathbf{I}_{J-2}^{J-1} \cdots \mathbf{I}_j^{j+1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{I}_j^j := \mathbf{I}_{j+1}^j \mathbf{I}_{j+2}^{j+1} \cdots \mathbf{I}_J^{J-1}$$

$$\leadsto \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_J = \sum_{j=j_0}^J \mathbf{I}_j^J (\text{diag } \mathbf{A}_j)^{-1} \mathbf{I}_j^j \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1}$$

First Numerical Results

Condition numbers $\text{cond}_2(\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_J \mathbf{A}_J)$ for Laplacian on $\Omega = (0, 1)^d$ for $d = 1, 2, 3$
with above BPX preconditioning

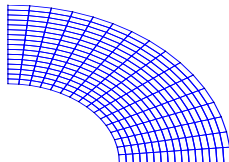
| level j | interval | | | | square | | | | cube | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ |
| 3 | 7.43 | 3.81 | 7.03 | 5.93 | 5.93 | 7.31 | 22.8 | 133 | 3.49 | 39.5 | 356 | 5957 |
| 4 | 8.87 | 4.40 | 9.47 | 7.81 | 5.00 | 9.03 | 40.2 | 225 | 4.85 | 50.8 | 624 | 9478 |
| 5 | 10.2 | 4.67 | 11.0 | 9.36 | 5.70 | 9.72 | 51.8 | 293 | 5.75 | 56.6 | 795 | 11887 |
| 6 | 11.3 | 4.87 | 12.1 | 10.7 | 6.27 | 10.1 | 58.7 | 340 | 6.40 | 59.7 | 895 | 13185 |
| 7 | 12.2 | 5.00 | 12.7 | 11.5 | 6.74 | 10.4 | 63.1 | 371 | 6.91 | 61.3 | 961 | 13211 |
| 8 | 13.0 | 5.10 | 13.0 | 11.9 | 7.14 | 10.5 | 66.0 | 391 | 7.34 | 62.2 | 990 | 13234 |
| 9 | 13.7 | 5.17 | 13.2 | 12.1 | 7.48 | 10.6 | 68.0 | 403 | 7.70 | 62.6 | 1016 | 13255 |
| 10 | 14.2 | 5.22 | 13.4 | 12.2 | 7.77 | 10.6 | 69.3 | 411 | 7.99 | 62.9 | 1040 | |

$d = 1$: no dependence on p

Numerical Results: Dependence on Parametric Mapping \mathbf{F}

Condition numbers of the BPX-preconditioned Laplacian on an analytic arc

| level | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ |
|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 3 | 5.04 (21.8) | 12.4 (8.64) | 31.8 (31.8) | 184 (184) |
| 4 | 11.1 (90.2) | 16.3 (34.3) | 54.7 (32.9) | 291 (173) |
| 5 | 25.3 (368) | 19.0 (139) | 70.1 (98.9) | 376 (171) |
| 6 | 31.9 (1492) | 21.4 (560) | 79.2 (401) | 436 (322) |
| 7 | 37.4 (6015) | 23.1 (2255) | 84.4 (1620) | 471 (1297) |
| 8 | 42.1 (241721) | 24.3 (9062) | 87.3 (6506) | 490 (5217) |
| 9 | 45.7 (969301) | 25.2 (36353) | 89.0 (26121) | 500 (20945) |
| 10 | 48.8 (388690) | 25.9 (145774) | 90.1 (104745) | 505 (83975) |

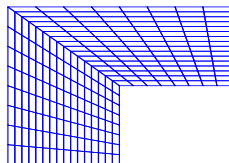


(numbers in brackets: no preconditioning)

Numerical Results: Dependence on Parametric Mapping F

... relative to a C^0 -parametrization of an L-shaped domain

| level | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ |
|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 3 | 14.0 (25.8) | 13.4 (10.2) | 33.5 (33.5) | 194 (194) |
| 4 | 25.2 (108) | 20.6 (41.1) | 56.7 (34.7) | 301 (182) |
| 5 | 36.9 (452) | 26.8 (168) | 72.1 (123) | 383 (180) |
| 6 | 47.9 (1845) | 31.8 (689) | 80.5 (500) | 442 (400) |
| 7 | 57.4 (7465) | 35.4 (2790) | 85.5 (2025) | 477 (1620) |
| 8 | 65.3 (30047) | 38.0 (11244) | 88.3 (8157) | 496 (6533) |
| 9 | 71.8 (120603) | 40.0 (45172) | 90.0 (32773) | 505 (26264) |
| 10 | 77.0 (483618) | 41.2 (181140) | 91.0 (131418) | 511 (105381) |

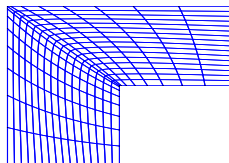


(numbers in brackets: no preconditioning)

Numerical Results: Dependence on Parametric Mapping F

Condition numbers of the BPX-preconditioned Laplacian relative to a **singular** C^1 -parametrization of an L-shaped domain

| level | $p = 1$ | $p = 2$ | $p = 3$ | $p = 4$ |
|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 3 | 15.0 (28.8) | 14.7 (13.2) | 32.8 (32.8) | 185 (185) |
| 4 | 44.1 (133) | 36.2 (53.7) | 56.7 (38.5) | 303 (189) |
| 5 | 91.1 (568) | 70.9 (225) | 95.7 (158) | 388 (196) |
| 6 | 167 (2341) | 147 (931) | 155 (639) | 463 (557) |
| 7 | 443 (9502) | 385 (3804) | 385 (2587) | 887 (2350) |
| 8 | 1136 (38544) | 960 (15353) | 1021 (10491) | 2417 (9604) |
| 9 | 2797 (155276) | 2301 (61619) | 2588 (42355) | 6251 (38695) |
| 10 | 6664 (622565) | 5362 (247091) | 6318 (169844) | 15505 (155143) |



Further Improvement: BPX with SSOR

Split $\mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{L}_j + \mathbf{D}_j + \mathbf{L}_j^T$ and replace $(\text{diag } \mathbf{A}_j)^{-1}$ by SSOR preconditioner

$$\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_J = \sum_{j=j_0}^J \mathbf{I}_j^J (\mathbf{D}_j + \mathbf{L}_j)^{-T} \mathbf{D}_j (\mathbf{D}_j + \mathbf{L}_j)^{-1} \mathbf{I}_j^j \circ \mathbf{F}^{-1} \quad (\text{application in optimal } \mathcal{O}(N) \text{ complexity})$$

Spectral condition numbers of BPX-preconditioned Laplacian for **cubic B-splines** ($p = 3$)
on different geometries and using a **SSOR preconditioning** on each level

| level | square, simple BPX | square | analytic arc | \mathcal{C}^0 -map of L-shaped domain | singular \mathcal{C}^1 -map of L-shaped domain |
|-------|--------------------|--------|--------------|--|---|
| 3 | 22.8 | 3.61 | 3.65 | 3.67 | 3.80 |
| 4 | 40.2 | 6.58 | 6.97 | 7.01 | 7.05 |
| 5 | 51.8 | 8.47 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 14.8 |
| 6 | 58.7 | 9.73 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 32.2 |
| 7 | 63.1 | 10.5 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 77.7 |
| 8 | 66.0 | 11.0 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 180 |
| 9 | 68.0 | 11.2 | 16.5 | 17.0 | 411 |
| 10 | 69.3 | 11.4 | 16.9 | 17.7 | 933 |

Ingredients for Efficient Numerical Solution: Nested Iteration

Recall **goal**: realize discretization error accuracy $\varepsilon_J \sim h^2 \sim 2^{-2J}$ for grid with spacing $h \sim 2^{-J}$ with minimal amount of work $\mathcal{O}(N)$ $N \sim 2^{Jd}$ unknowns

Naive strategy:

- ▶ Iterate only on highest level J and iterate until discretization error accuracy needs $\mathcal{O}(J) = \mathcal{O}(-\log \varepsilon_J)$ iterations to achieve prescribed discretization error accuracy $\varepsilon_J \sim 2^{-2J}$
- ▶ Each application of optimally conditioned \mathbf{A}_J requires $\mathcal{O}(N_J)$ arithmetic operations
 \leadsto a total of $\mathcal{O}(J N_J)$ arithmetic operations iterating on finest level only

Theorem:

Starting with coarsest level j_0 , solve $\mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{y}_j = \mathbf{f}_j$ on each level j up to discretization error accuracy ε_j and prolongate result from level j to next level $j+1$ as initial guess

\leadsto Optimal preconditioner + nested iteration yields method of optimal complexity $\mathcal{O}(N_J)$

to reach discretization error accuracy on finest level J

Proof: For multiplicative Schwarz schemes: known as full multigrid

For additive preconditioners: optimal condition of $\mathbf{A}_j \leadsto$ fixed amount of iterations on each level to reach discretization error accuracy on that level;

spaces nested and $N_j \sim 2^{dj}$ and geometric series argument

[Dahmen, Kunoth, Schneider '99]

Summary

- ▶ Proof for **optimal multilevel preconditioner** such that $\text{cond}_2(\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_J \mathbf{A}_J) = \mathcal{O}(1)$ based on generating system from hierarchical B-splines
(\neq (suboptimal) hierarchical basis preconditioner)
- ▶ **Optimal complexity** of the solver: optimal preconditioner + nested iteration
- ▶ **Use of SSOR within BPX** strongly reduces effect of isomorphism constants, parametric mappings...

Remarks and Outlook

- ▶ Multigrid preconditioners for high order FE based on low order functions [Sundar, Stadler, Biros '14]
- ▶ Extensions for nurbs, generalized splines
- ▶ Dependence of condition numbers on p ? [Manni et al '14], [Gahalaut, Tomar, Douglas '14], [Zulehner et al '14]
- ▶ A-posteriori error estimates \leadsto local refinement
 \leadsto BPX preconditioner possible

Gianelli, Jüttler, Simeon, Vazquez ...

(Further) Literature

BPX for C^0 , C^1 elements

BPX for C^0 , C^1 elements on sphere

(Monotone) multigrid for higher order B-splines (for pricing American options)

[Dahmen, Kunoth '92] [Kunoth '94] [Oswald '92, '94]

[Maes, Kunoth, Bultheel '07]

[Holtz, Kunoth '07]

Iteration history for basis functions of degree $p = 2$ and $p = 3$

