



Parallel Concepts

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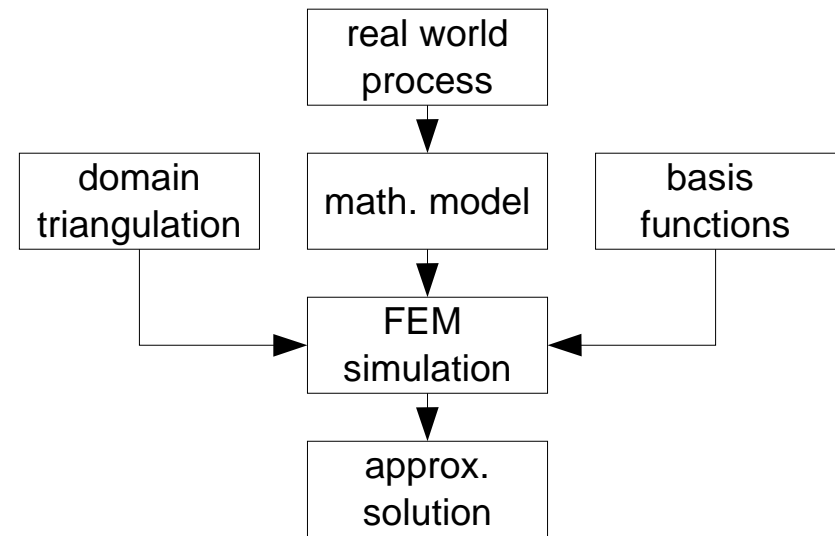
What is AMDiS?

AMDiS (Adaptive MultiDimensional Simulations)

- C++ library for the numerical solution of PDEs of 2nd order

$$\partial_t u - \nabla \cdot A \nabla u + b \cdot \nabla u + cu = f$$

- Implements the finite element method (FEM)
- Local mesh adaption based on local error estimates
- Enables
 - ➔ Computation in 1d, 2d, 3d
 - ➔ Coupling of problems (same or different dimension)
 - ➔ Solution of PDE systems



- Design goals: high level of abstraction, generality, extensibility, efficiency



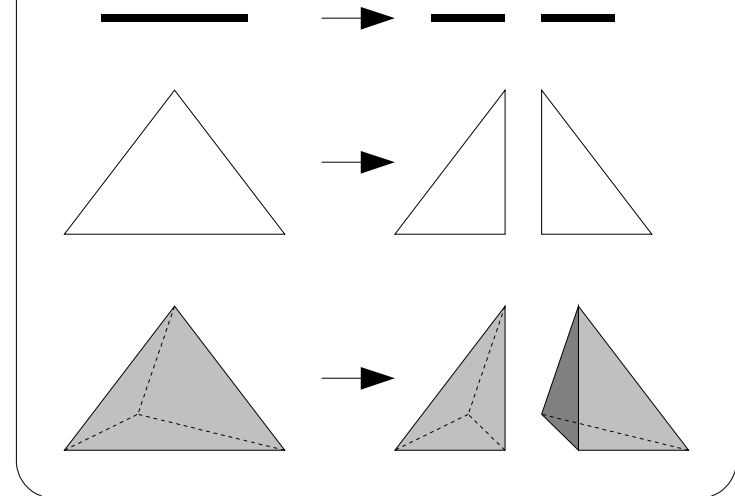
Adaptivity

Idea

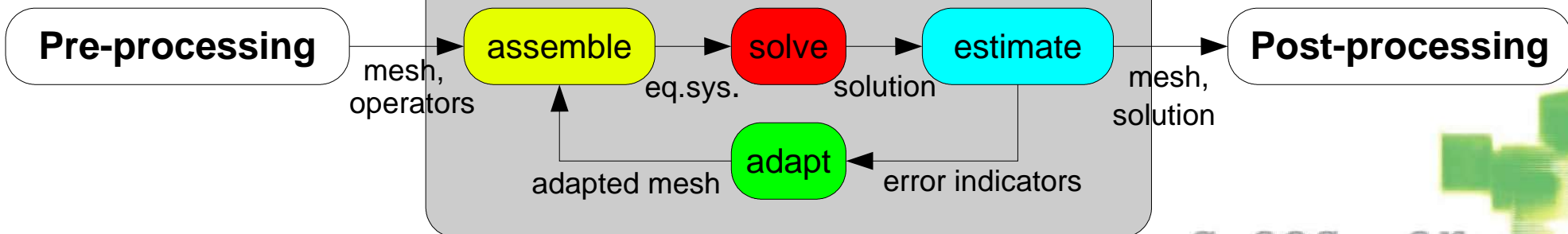
Reach given error tolerance with minimal effort

1. Start with a **coarse macro triangulation**
2. Calculate solution (**assemble**, **solve**)
3. **Estimate** local and global **error indicators**
4. If tolerance not reached
 - > refine elements with large errors
 - > Goto 2

Bisectioning of simplices:



stationary adaption loop

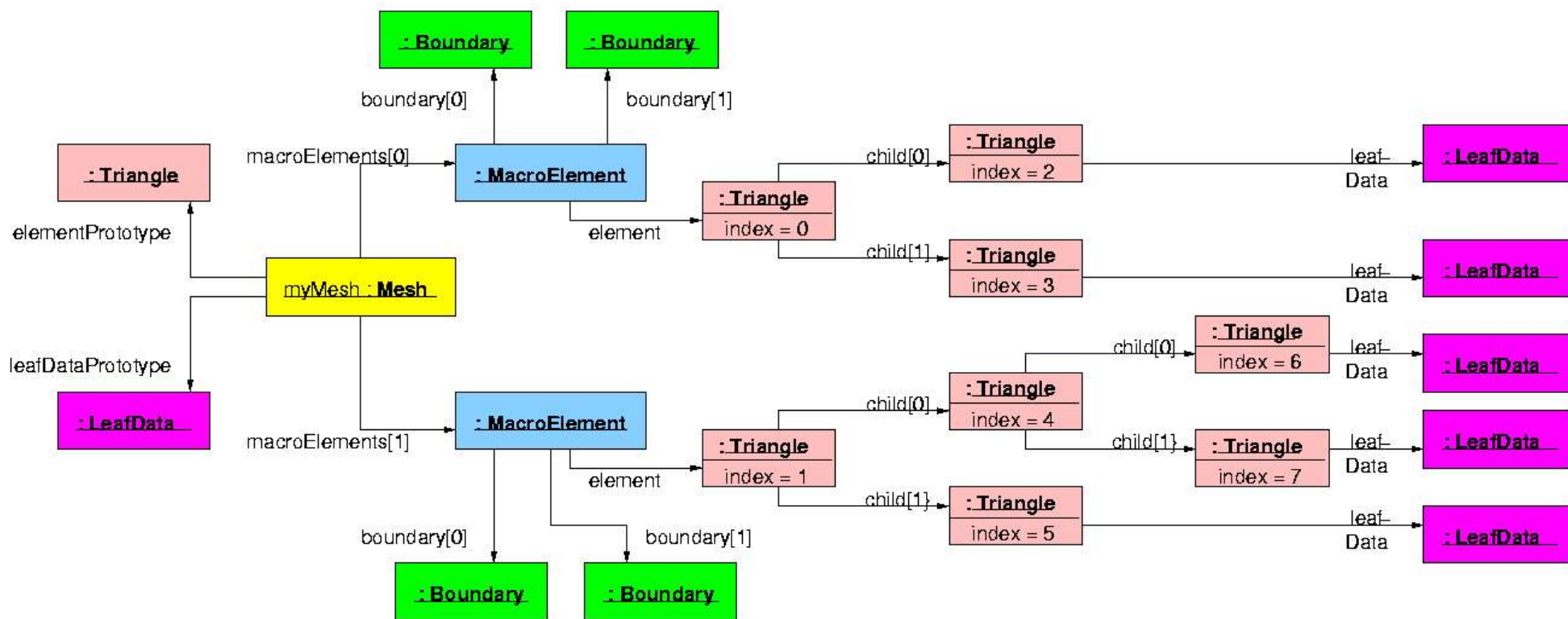
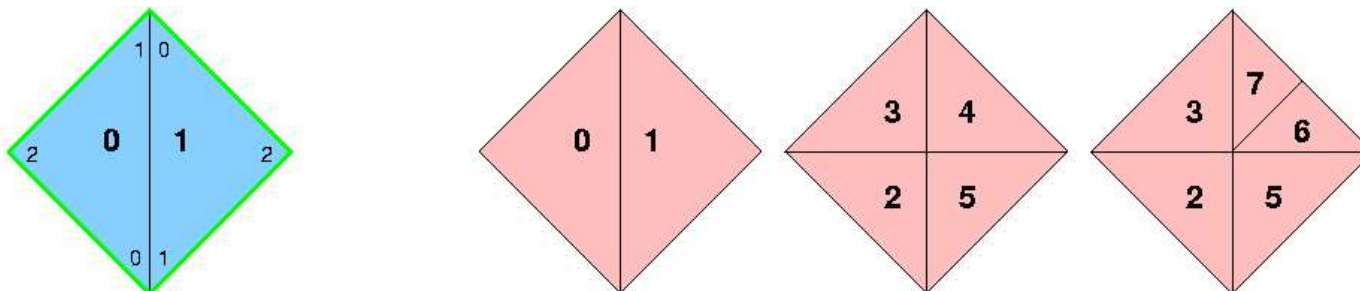


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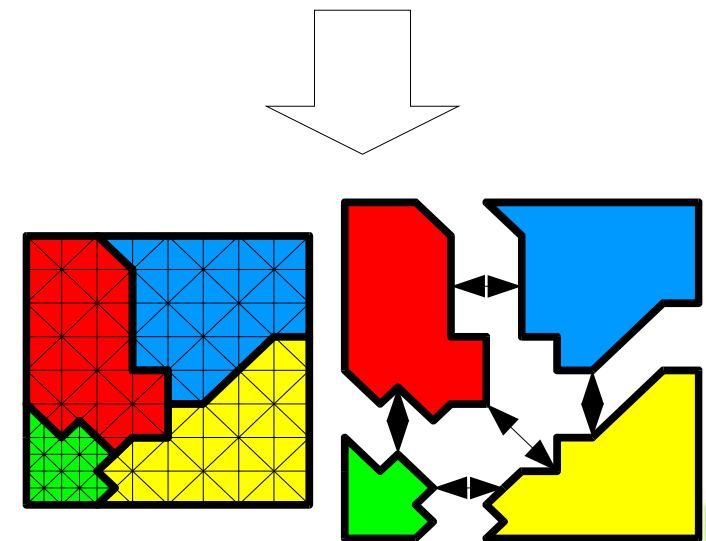
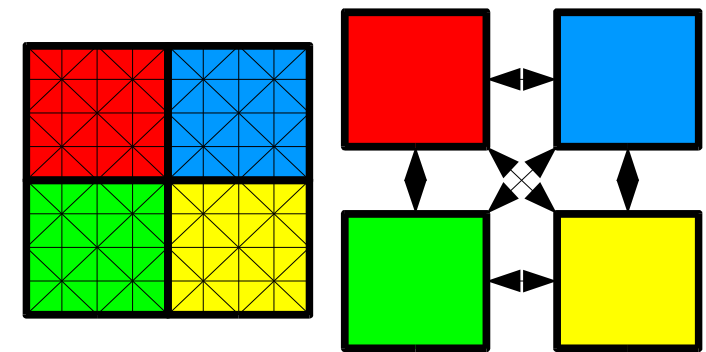
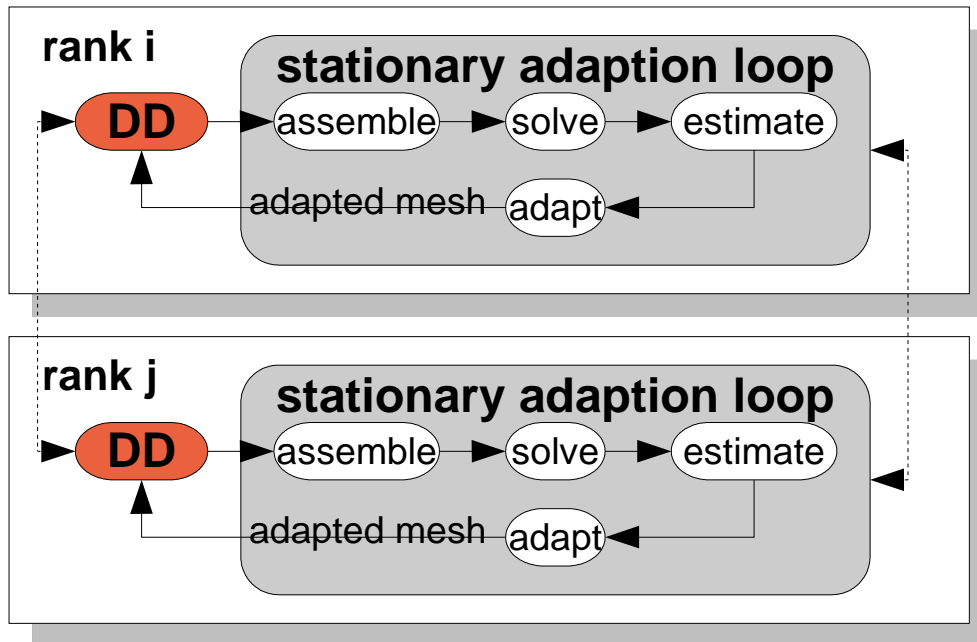
Hierarchical mesh structure

Example instance diagram:



Classical adaptive Domain Decomposition

- DD tries to balance the load for **current mesh**
- Each processor computes **on it's domain only**
=> Communication at domain boundaries
=> Adaption of many software components
- After mesh adaption -> new load balanced DD!
=> Communication needed
 - to calculate DD
 - to redistribute mesh elements

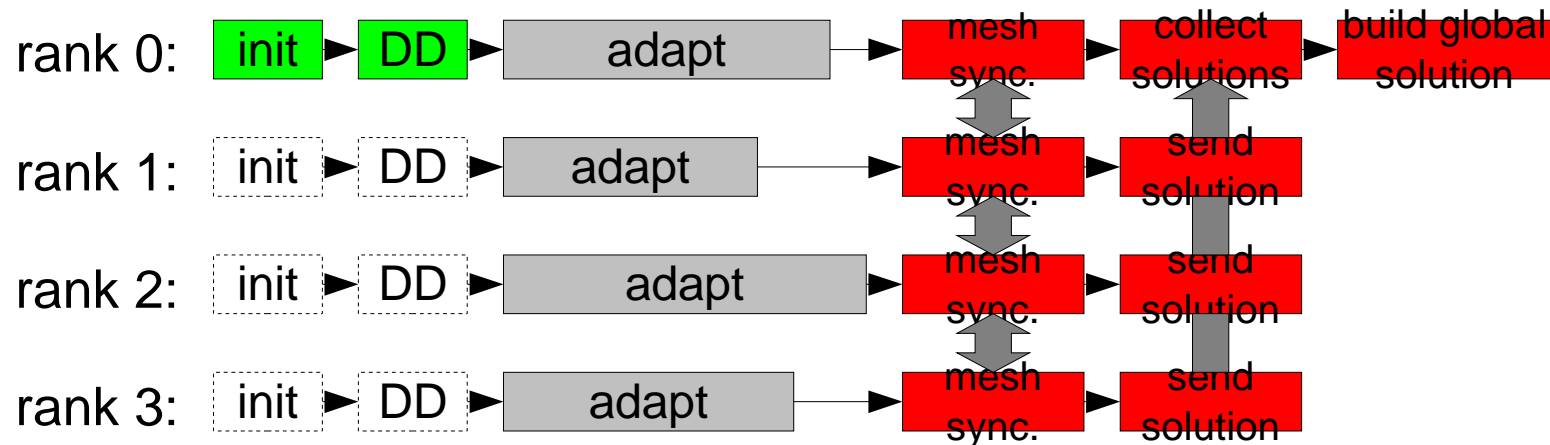
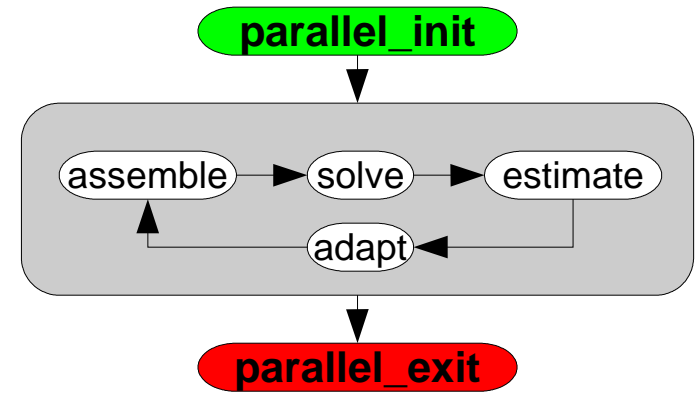


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Parallel adaptive meshing in AMDiS

- (1) • Solve problem on rel. coarse mesh.
• Estimate element errors.
• Create partitions with approx. equal error.
- (2) • Each processor solves problem on whole domain.
• Refinement allowed only in own partition.
- (3) • Create composite mesh.
• Create global solution.



Literature: “A new paradigm for parallel adaptive meshing algorithms”,
R. E. Bank and M. Holst, SIAM Rev. 2003



Error-weighted spectral bisectioning

Problem: S – set of mesh elements, $n = |S|$, w_1, w_2 - weights

Find sets P_1 and P_2 s.t. (a) $P_1 \cup P_2 = S \wedge P_1 \cap P_2 = \emptyset$

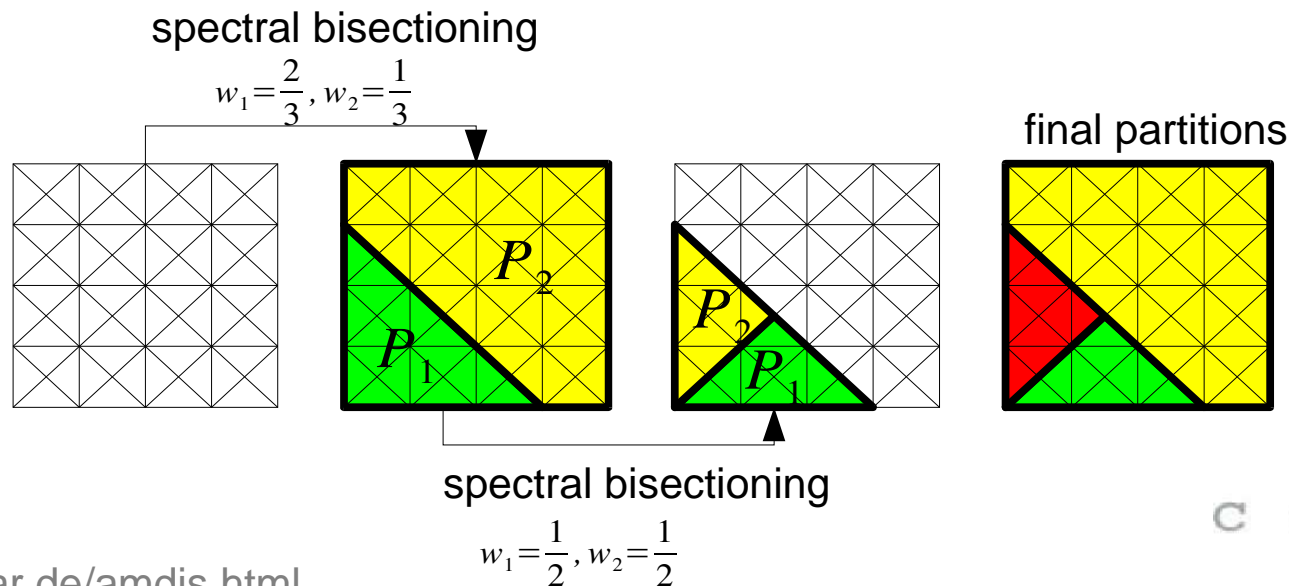
(b) $|C|$ is minimized with

$$C = \{(\sigma_i, \sigma_j) \mid \sigma_i \text{ and } \sigma_j \text{ are neighbour elements and belong to different partitions}\}$$

(c) P_1 and P_2 are connected

(d) $w_1 \cdot \text{error}(P_1) \approx w_2 \cdot \text{error}(P_2)$

Example for 3 partitions:

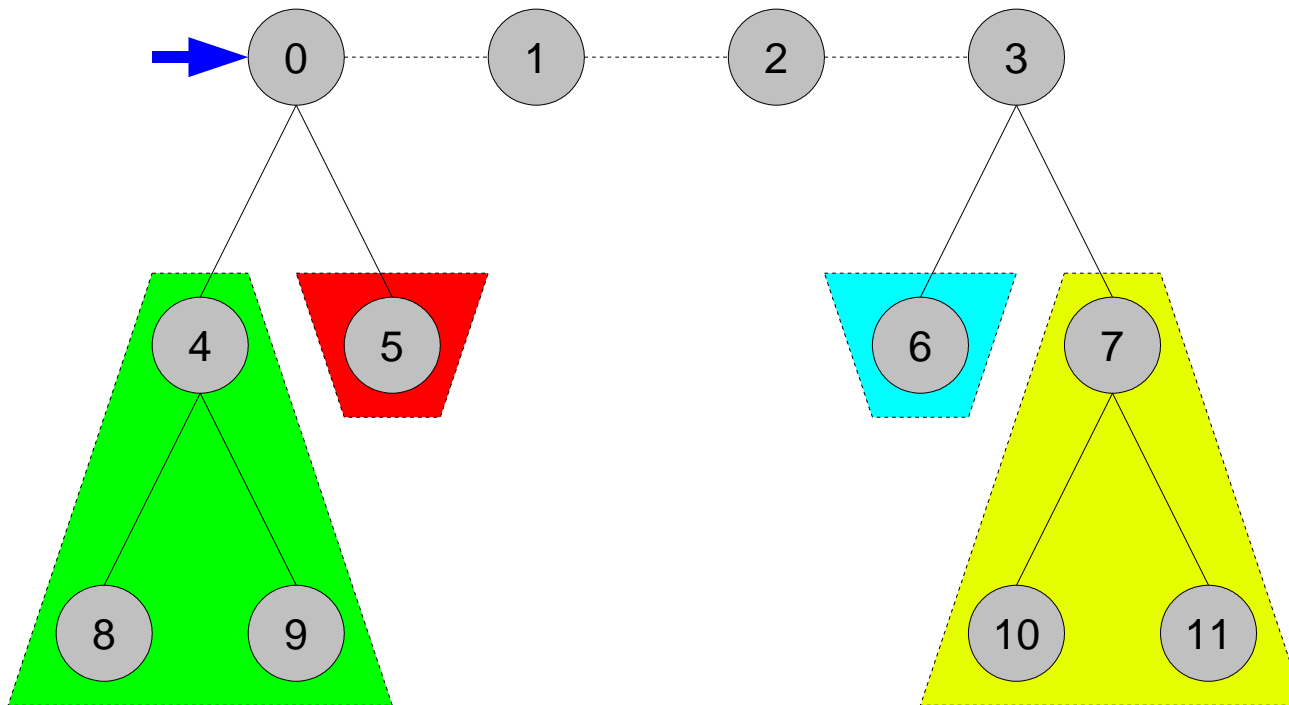
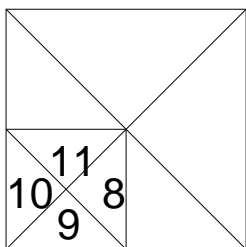
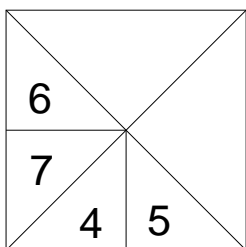
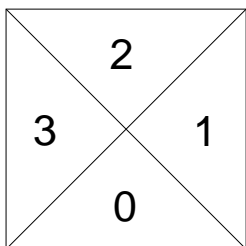


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Mesh structure code



Pre-order traverse:

0 4 8 9 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 6 7 10 11

Has children?

1 1 0 0 0 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 0 1 0 0

decimal:

24 | 0 | 0 | 20

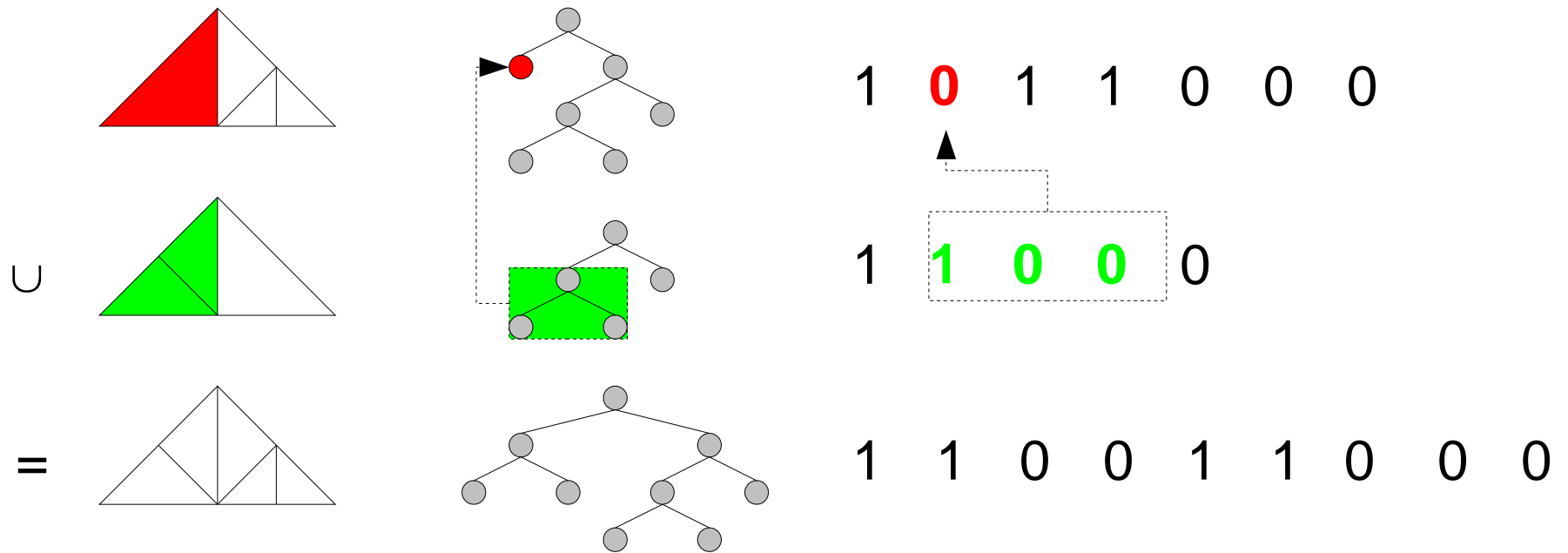


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Mesh synchronization

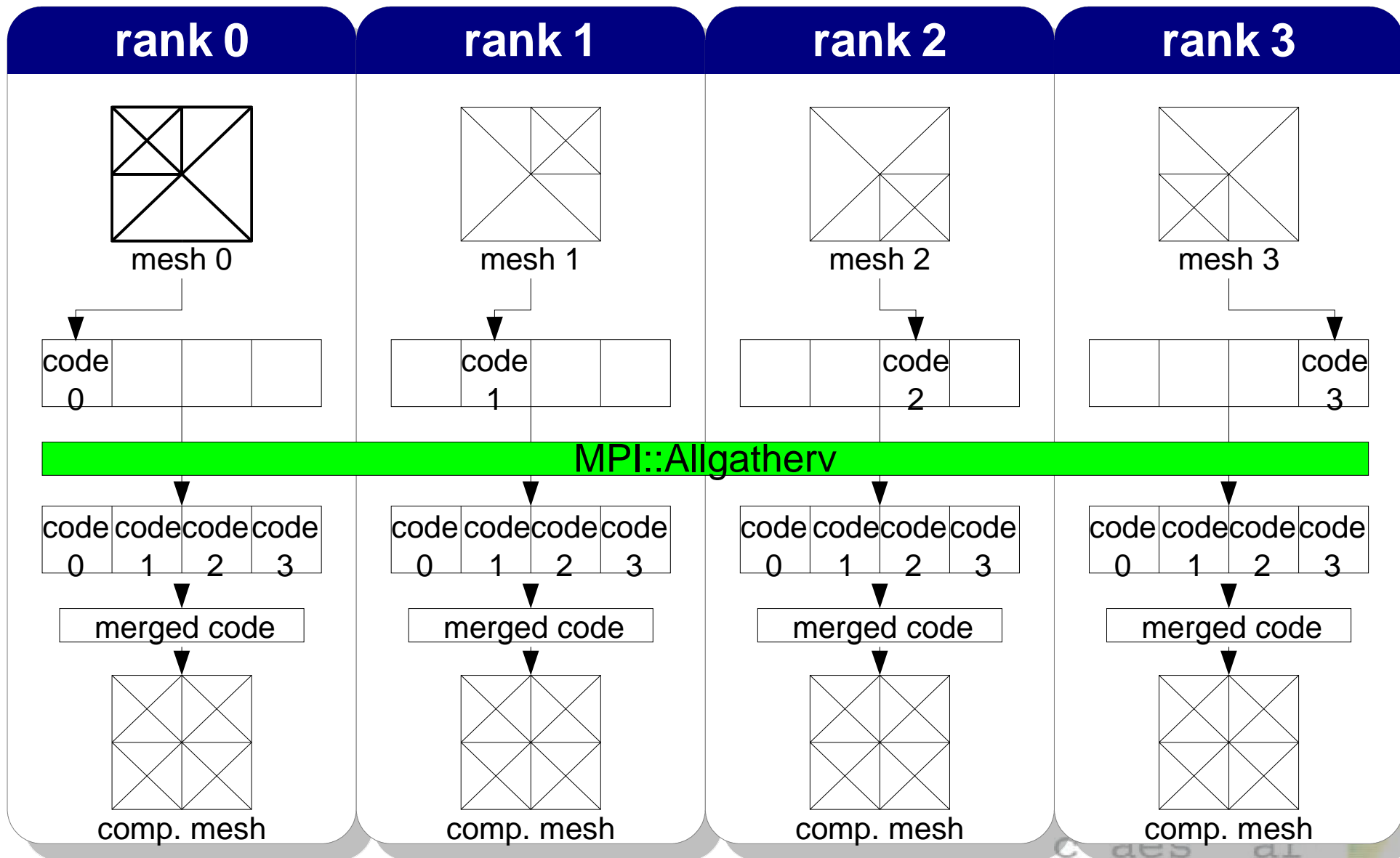
Merging codes:



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Mesh synchronization (2)



Partition of Unity

Building global solution by Partition of Unity method:

$\{\Omega_i\}$: open covering of Ω

u_i : approximate solution on local domain Ω_i

ϕ_i : continuous partition of unity subordinate to the covering $\{\Omega_i\}$

$$\phi_i(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega$$

$$\phi_i(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \notin \Omega_i$$

$$\sum \phi_i(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \in \Omega$$

Global solution:

$$u_G(x) = \sum \phi_i(x) u_i(x)$$



Partition of Unity (2)

Theorem:

h_i : edge size of mesh i on Ω_i

$h := \max h_i$

H_i : edge size of mesh i on $\Omega \setminus \Omega_i$

$H := \max H_i$

Assume $u \in H^2(\Omega)$, then

$$\|u - u_G\|_{H^1} \leq C(h + H^2)$$

In particular, if $H \leq \sqrt{h}$ then

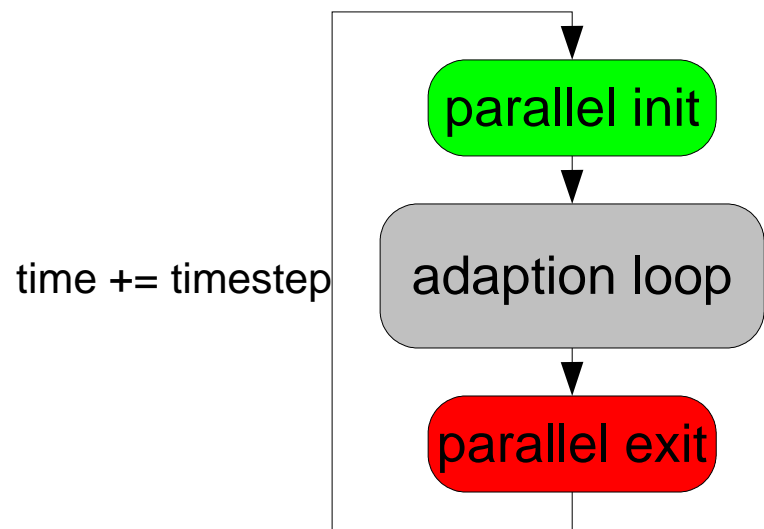
$$\|u - u_G\|_{H^1} \leq C(h)$$

Time dependent problems

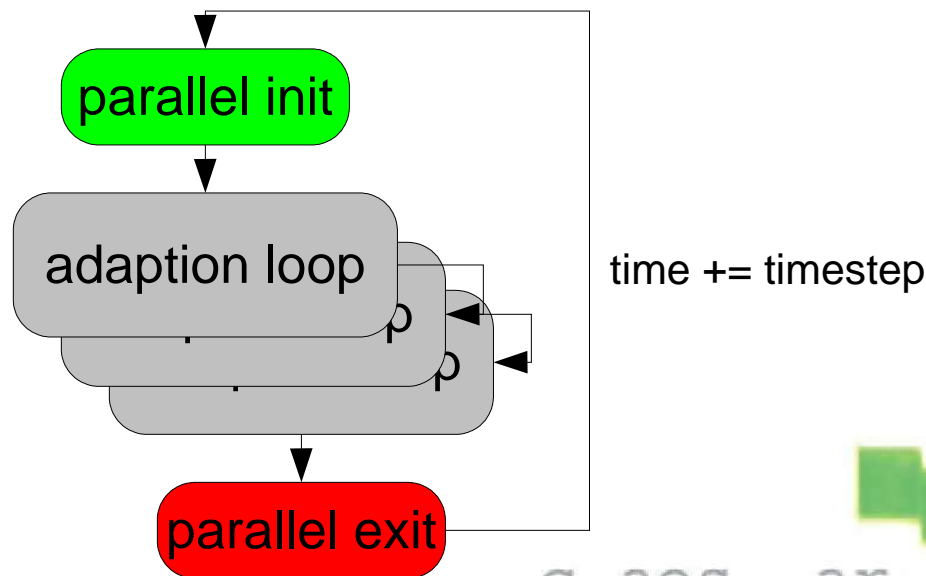
Repartitioning:

- (1) Store composite mesh structure code of last timestep
- (2) Go back to macro triangulation
- (3) Do initial iterations for the new timestep
- (4) Compute new DD
- (5) Refine processors partition according to structure code

after every timestep:



after every i-th timestep:



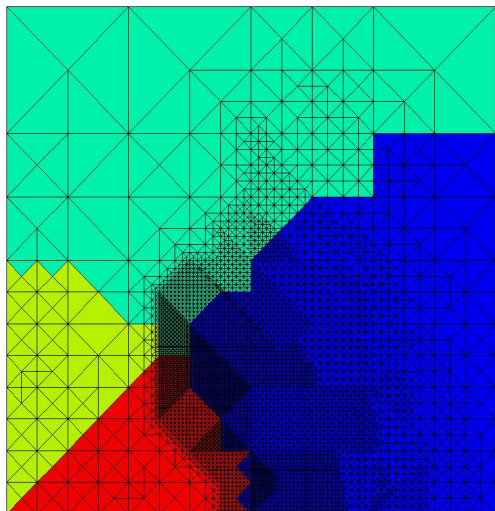
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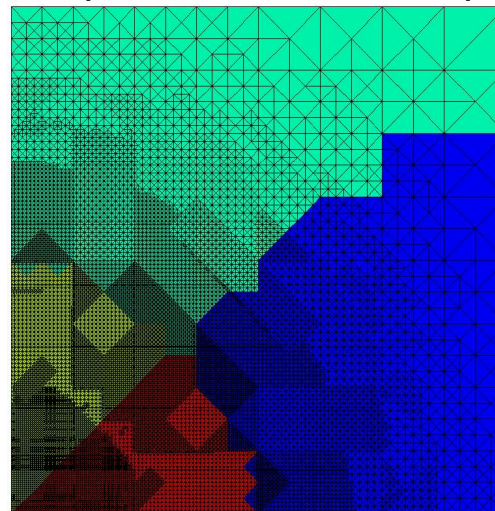
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Example repartitioning

final mesh rank 0, timestep 1

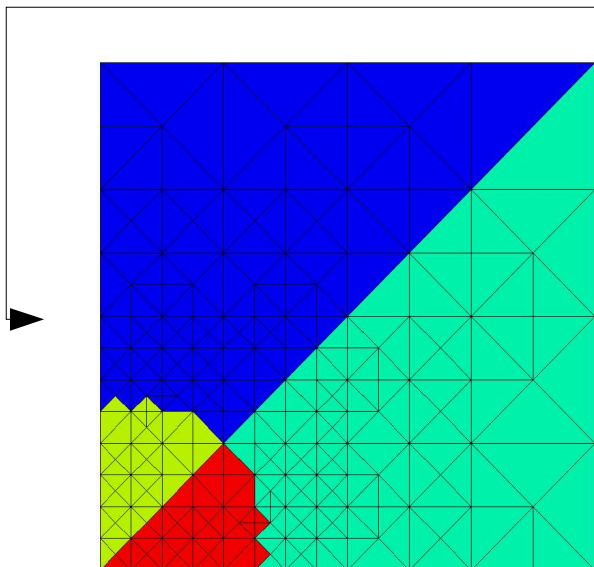


composite mesh timestep 1



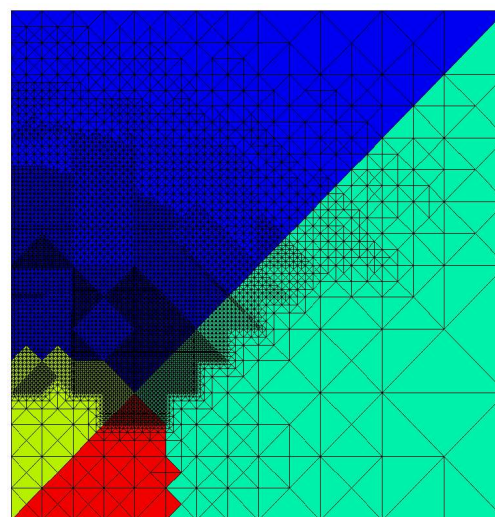
→
mesh
sync.

repartitioning



DD timestep 2

→
refine



start mesh rank 0, timestep 2



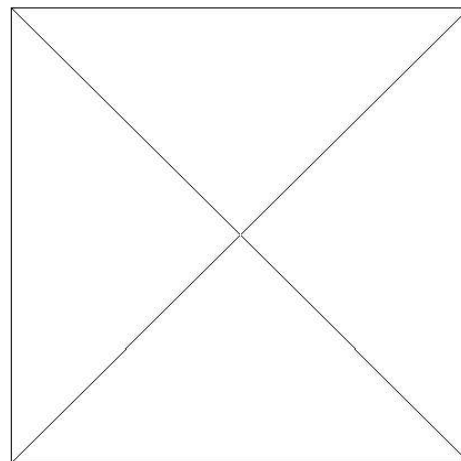
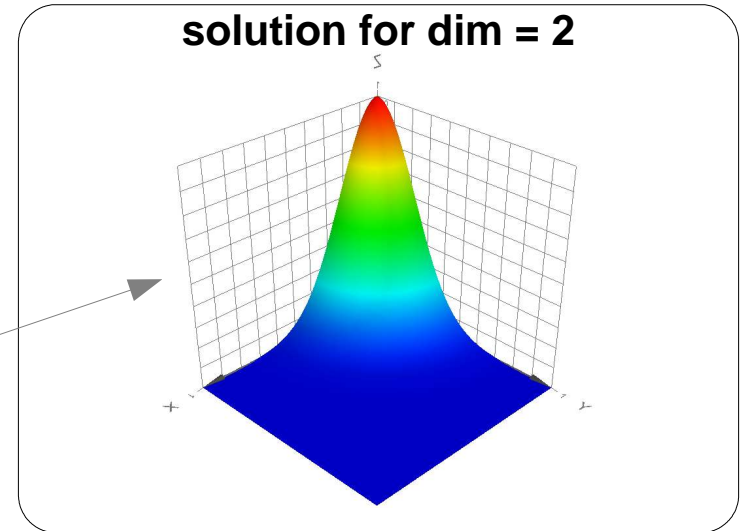
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Poisson equation: $-\Delta u(x) = f(x) \quad x \in \Omega$
 $u(x) = g(x) \quad x \in \partial\Omega$

$$f(x) = -(400x^2 - 20 \cdot \text{dim}) e^{-10x^2} \quad g(x) = e^{-10x^2}$$

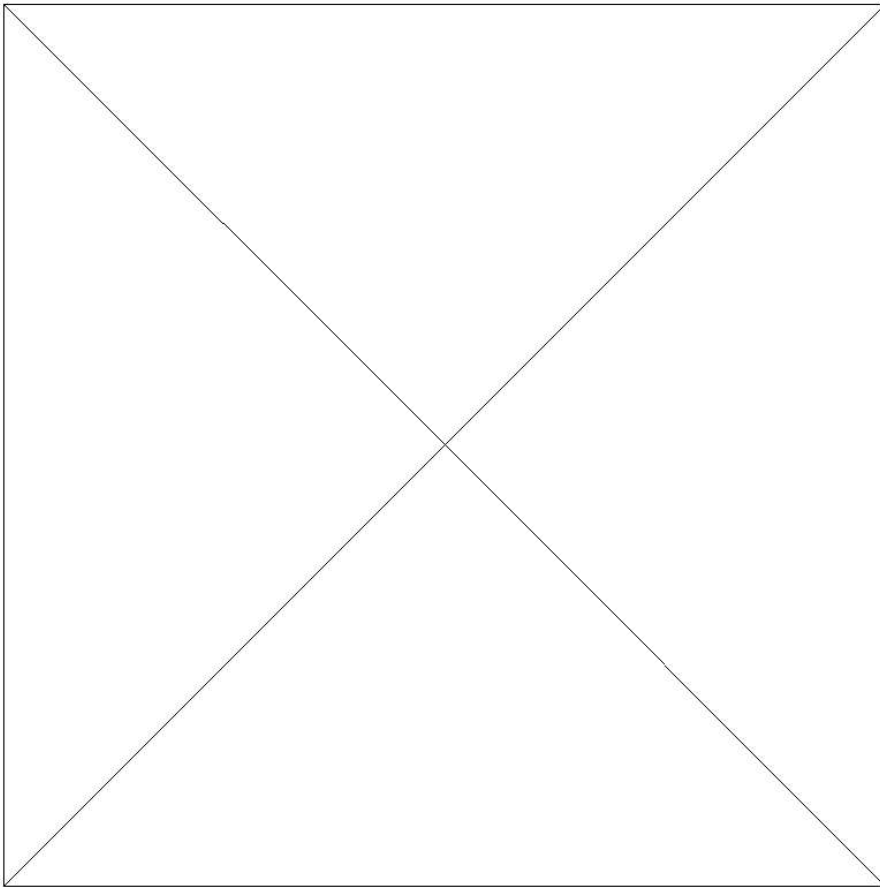
Solution: $u(x) = e^{-10x^2}$



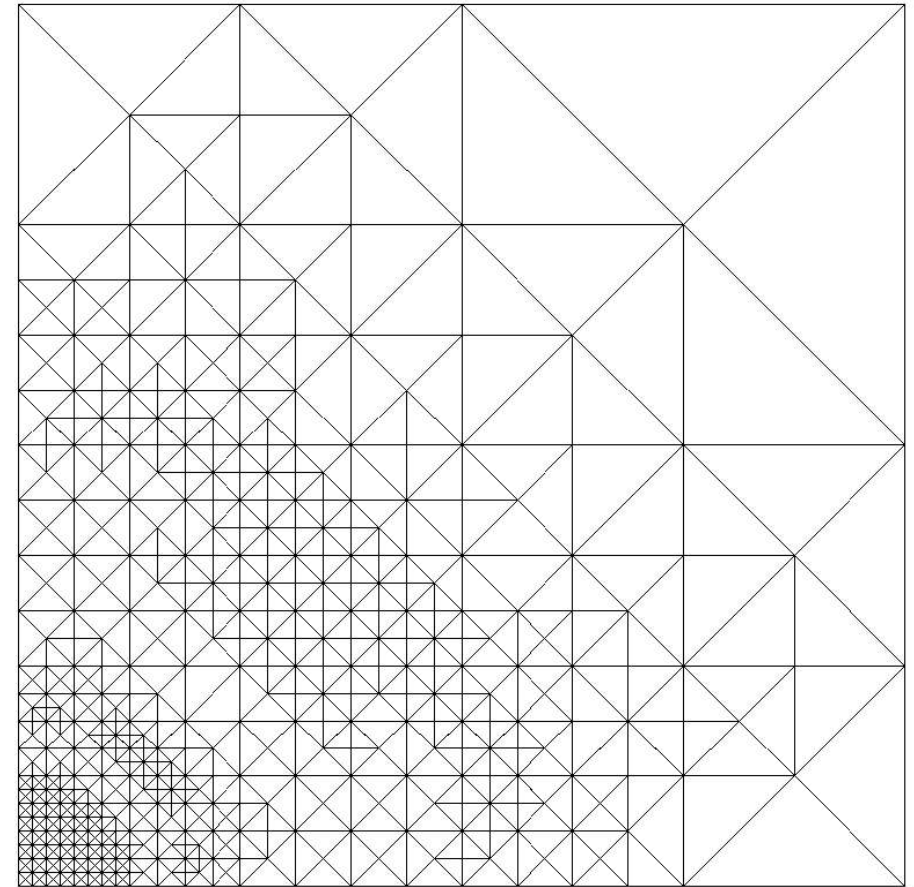
macro triangulation



Partitioning



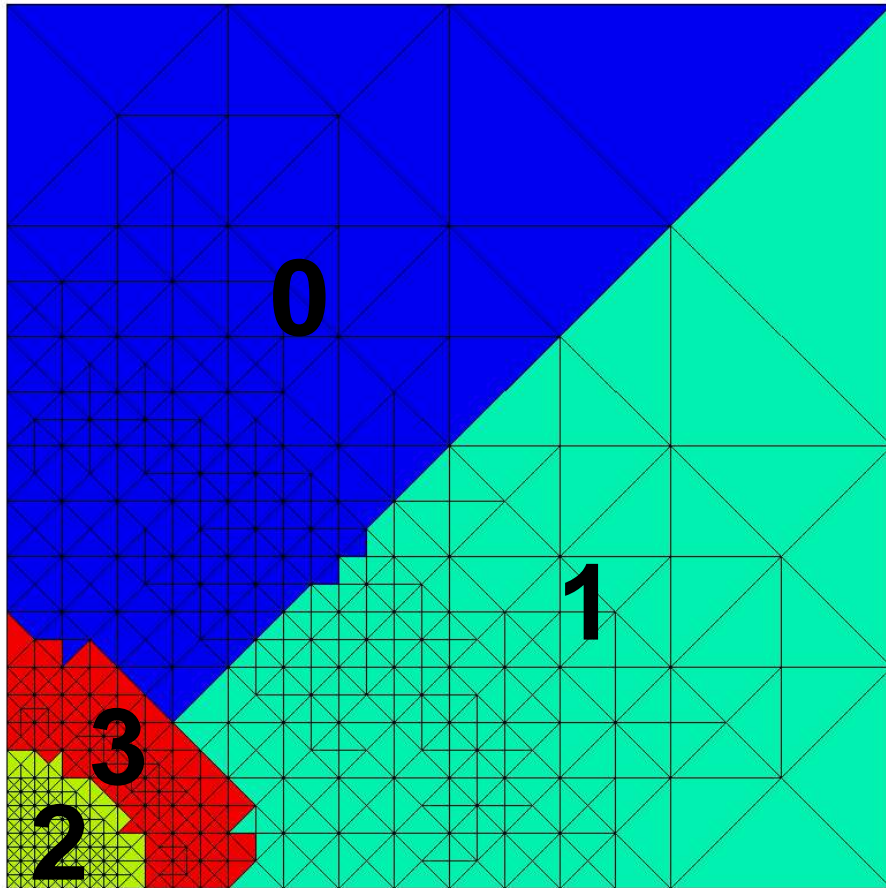
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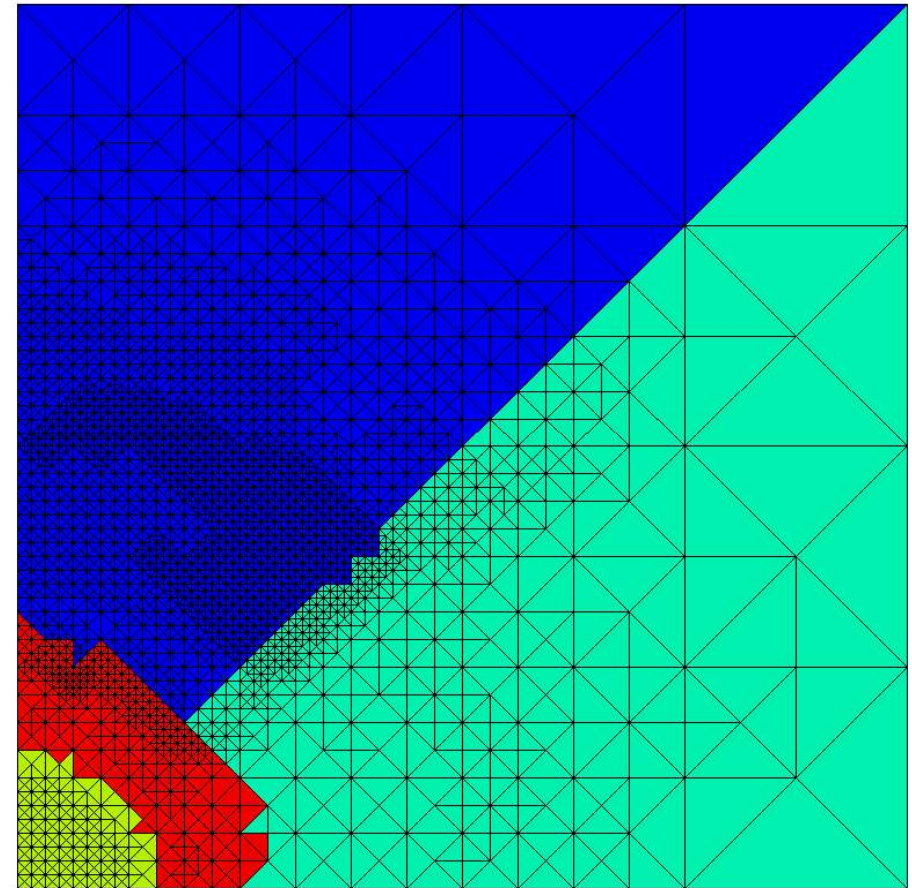
mesh after 6 initial iterations



Partitioning



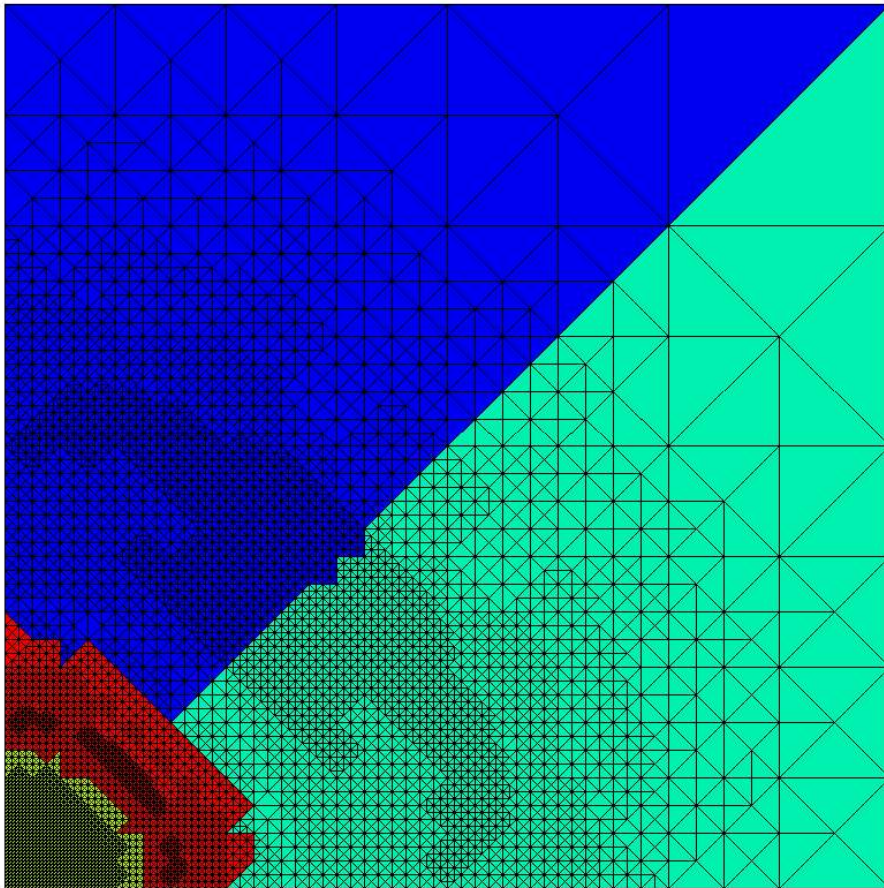
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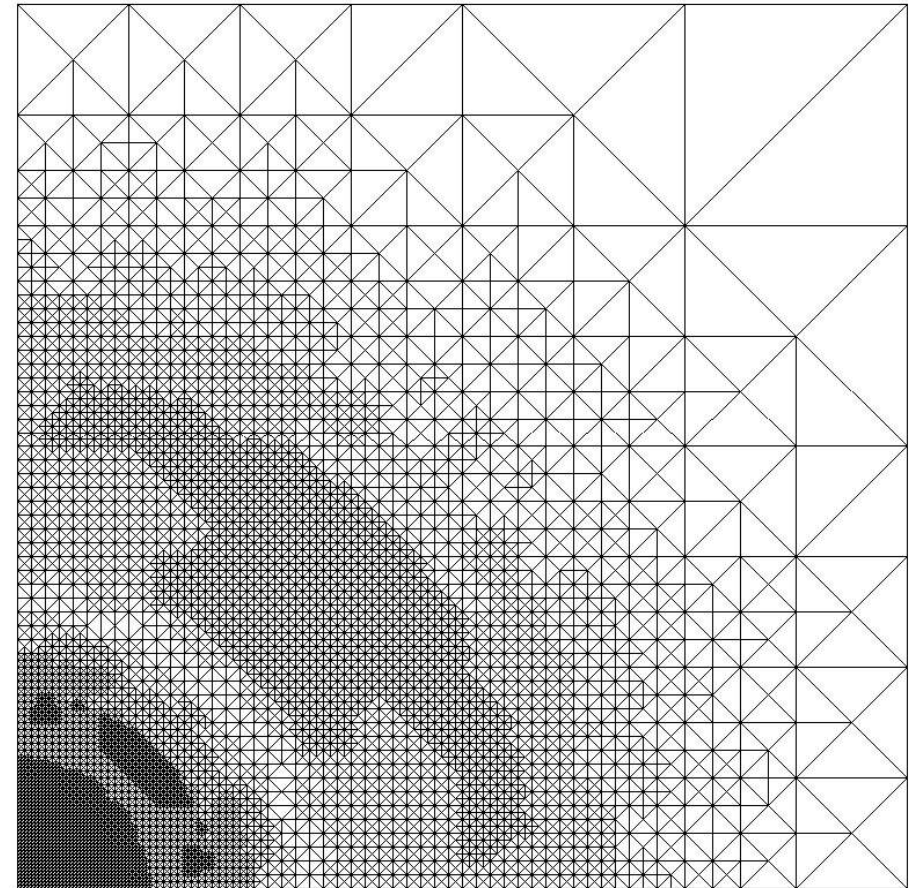
final rank0 mesh



Composite mesh and corresponding sequential mesh



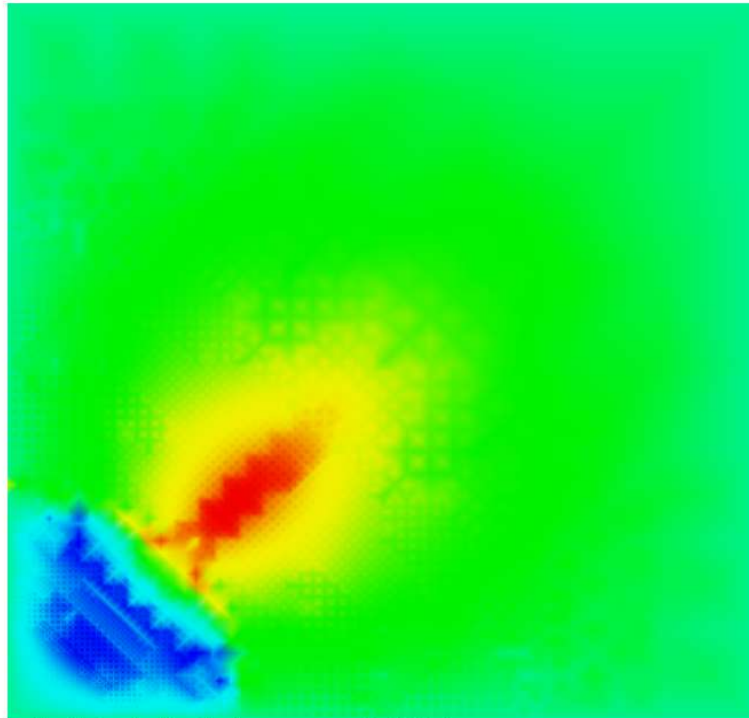
after mesh synchronization



sequential mesh



Pointwise error



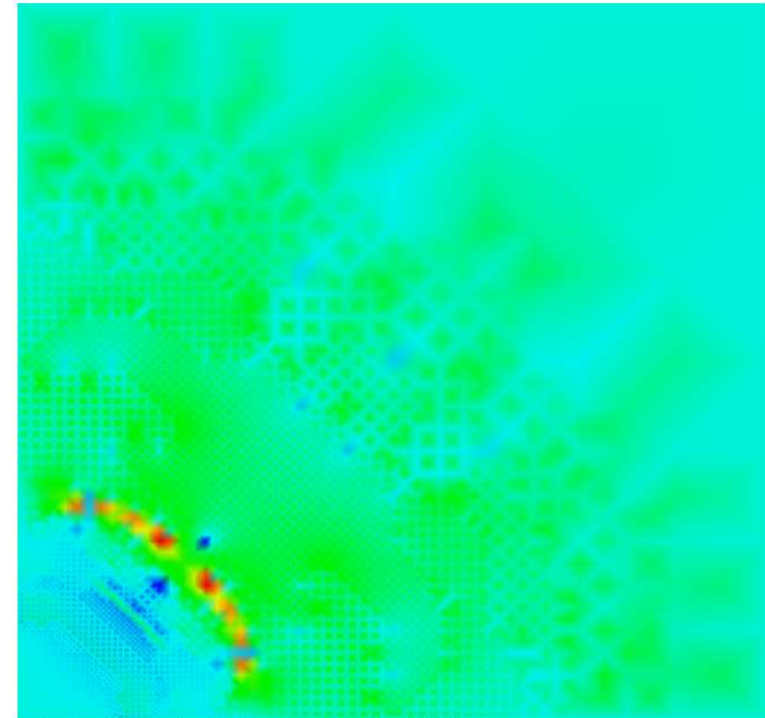
elliptMesh (t=0) (true error1) / Volume



-0.0004816 -0.0001414 0.0001987 0.0005389 0.000879

after PU

total error: $2.67 \cdot 10^{-2}$



elliptMesh (t=0) (true error2) / Volume



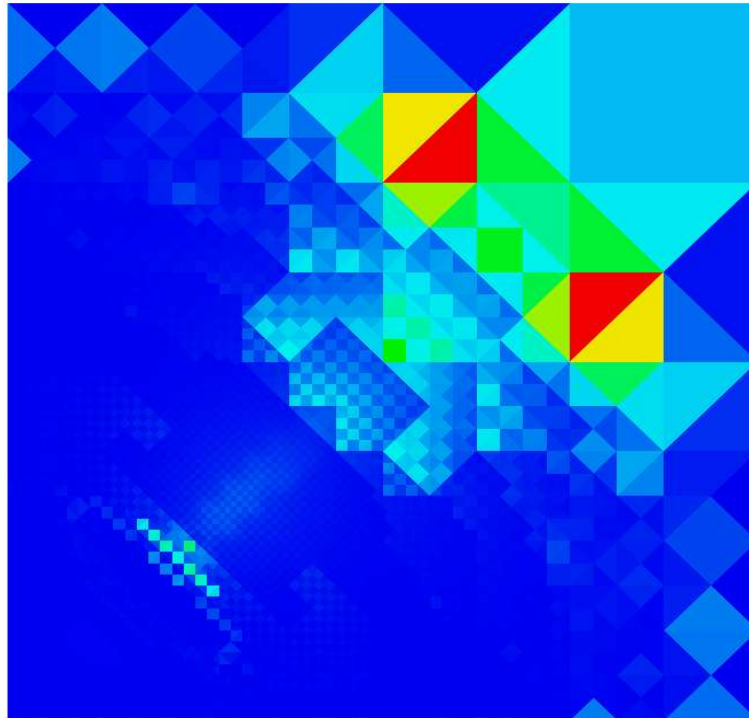
-0.0001397 -2.204e-05 9.56e-05 0.0002132 0.0003309

after final solve

$3.69 \cdot 10^{-3}$



L2 error



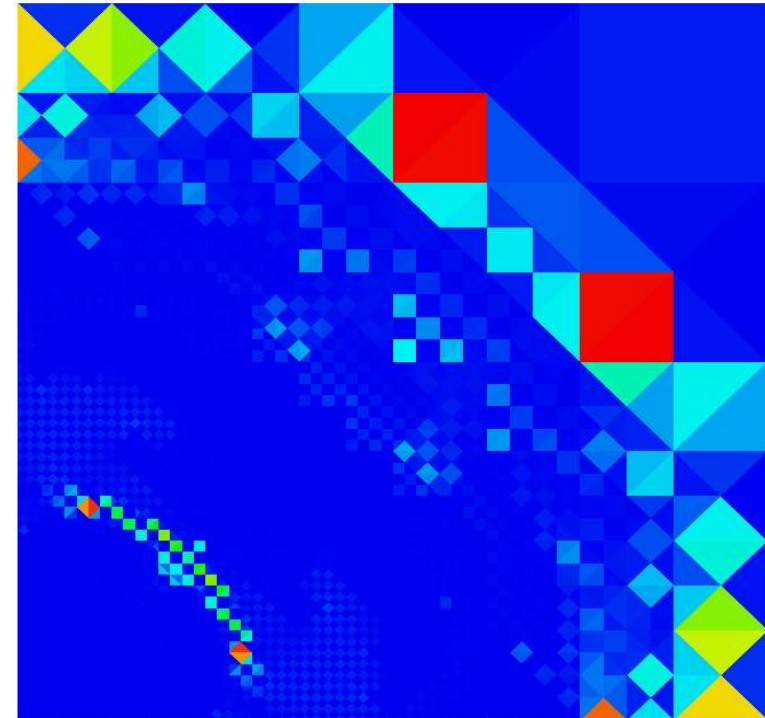
elliptMesh (t=0) (output/L2Error_1) / Volume



5.291e-20 0.52e-11 1.304e-10 1.950e-10 2.008e-10

after PU

total error: $2.67 \cdot 10^{-4}$



elliptMesh (t=0) (output/L2Error_2) / Volume



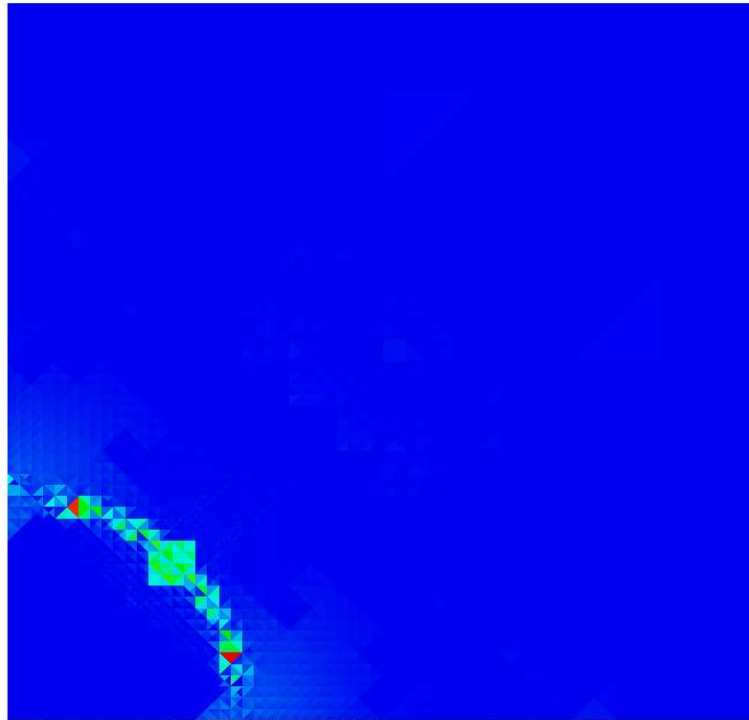
5.958e-19 8.504e-12 1.713e-11 2.569e-11 3.426e-11

after final solve

$7.01 \cdot 10^{-5}$



H1 error



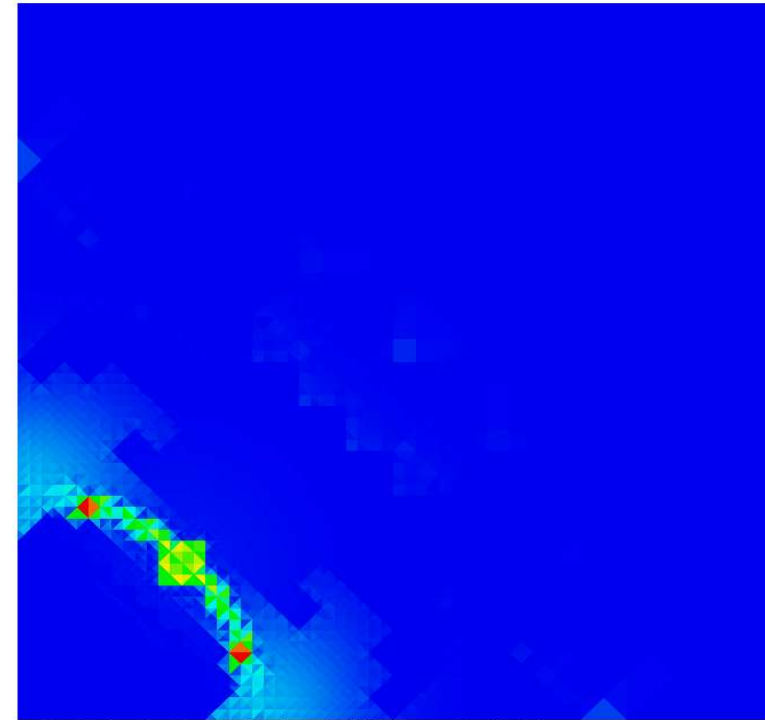
elliptMesh (t=0) (output/H1Error_1) / Volume



3.785e-14 2.469e-07 4.939e-07 7.408e-07 9.877e-07

after PU

total error: $1.19 \cdot 10^{-2}$



elliptMesh (t=0) (output/H1Error_2) / Volume



4.095e-16 1.372e-07 2.743e-07 4.115e-07 5.487e-07

after final solve

$1.15 \cdot 10^{-2}$

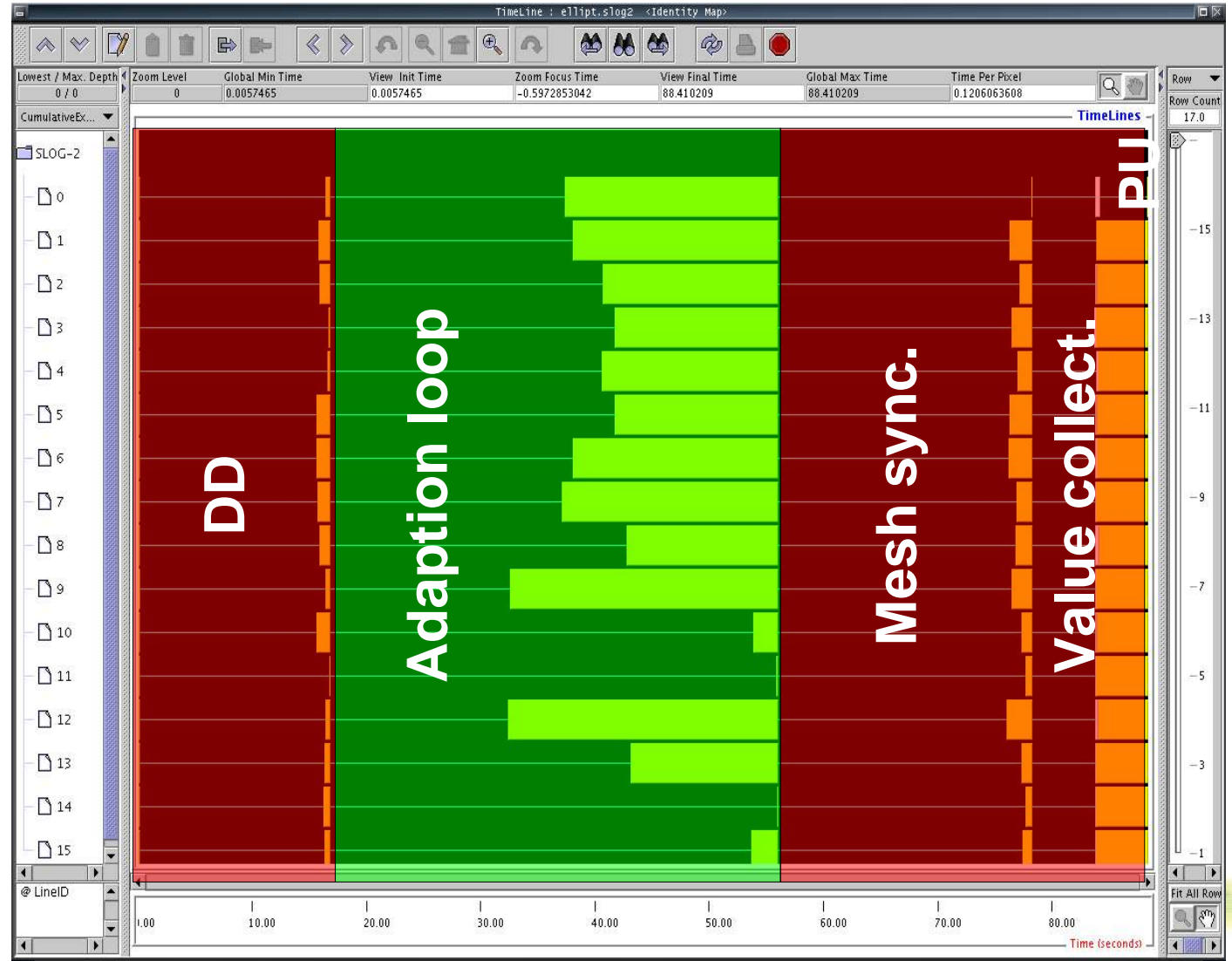


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Speed-up and load balance

#procs	Time [sec]	Speed-Up
1	358	1
2	235	1.52
4	147	2.44
8	120	2.98



■ “sequential part”
■ “parallel part”

Conclusion

- Parallel adaptive meshing successfully implemented in AMDiS
- Partitioning by error-weighted spectral bisectioning
- Global solution built by Partition of Unity
- Time dependent problems manageable

- Speed-up and load balance not yet optimal

Further work:

- Performance improvement
- Goal-oriented error estimates