

Hierarchical Solution Concepts for Flow Control Problems

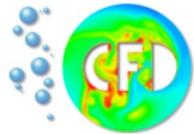
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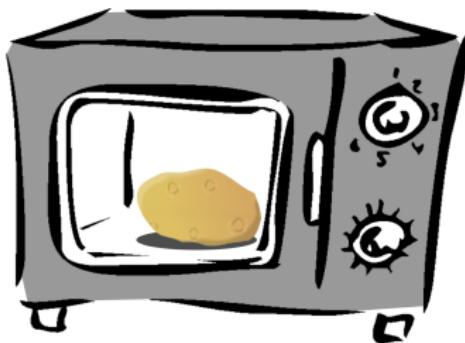
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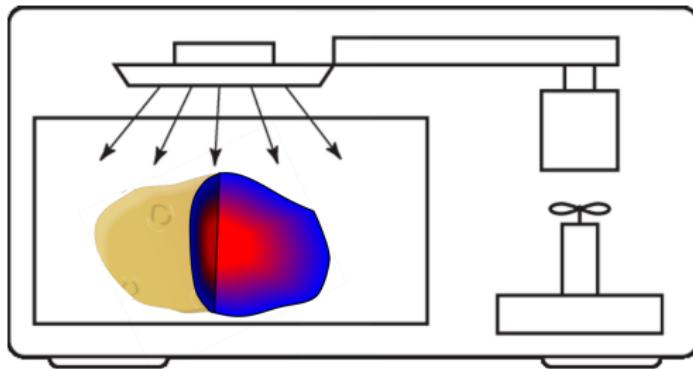


**What is the optimal microwave field?
→ Find best RHS f such that $u \approx z$ (given temp.)!**

Minimisation with the heat equation as side condition:

$$J(u, f) := \frac{1}{2} \|u - z\|_{\mathcal{Q}}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|f\|_{\mathcal{Q}}^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \min!$$

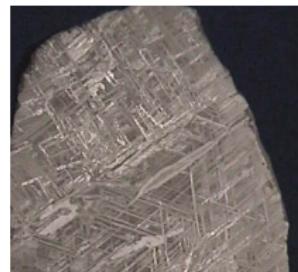
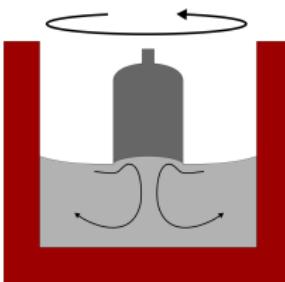
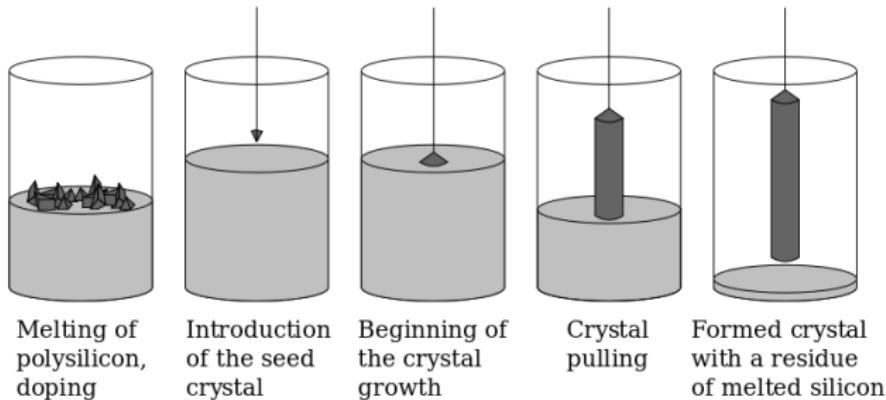
with $\partial_t u - \Delta u = f$ in $\mathcal{Q} := (0, T) \times \Omega$



Czochralski method for crystal growth



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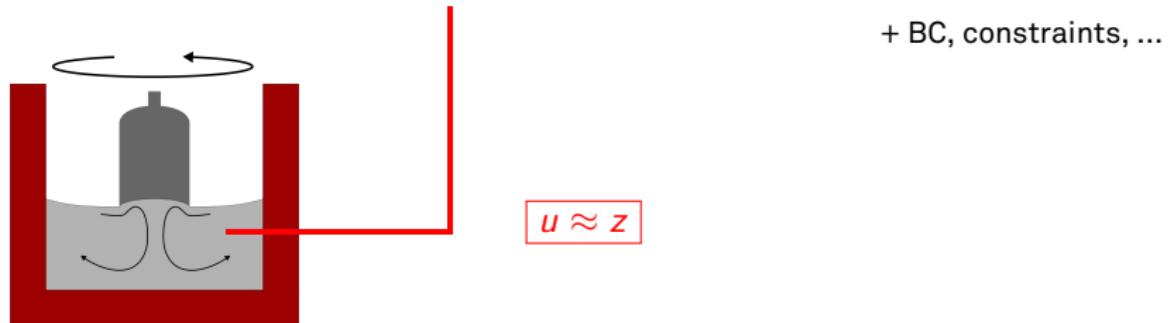
Turbulence on the interface \Rightarrow Structural defects

Distributed Control for the nonstationary Navier-Stokes equation
of tracking-type for a given z on $Q = \Omega \times (0, T)$:

$$J(u, f) = \frac{1}{2} \|u - z\|_Q^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|f\|_Q^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \min!$$

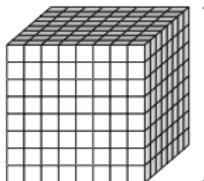
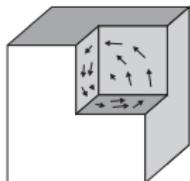
subject to

$$\begin{aligned} u_t - \nu \Delta u + (u \nabla) u + \nabla p &= f && \text{in } Q \\ -\nabla \cdot u &= 0 && \text{in } Q \end{aligned}$$

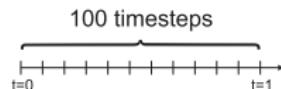


Difficulty 1: Very high number of degrees of freedom

$u, f:$



100x100x100 cells



- Distributed control $\Rightarrow f$ „lives“ in the domain
- 4D, fully coupled, lin. FEM $\approx 500.000.000$ DOFs ≈ 4 GB
- here prototypically: 2D + time \Rightarrow 3D

Difficulty 2: fine meshes \Rightarrow bad condition

- Eqn. contains $-\Delta + \text{convection}$
- conventional solvers degenerate

Consequence: Conventional optimisation not applicable

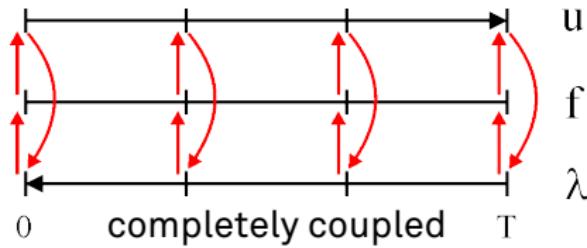
Idea 1: Use methods from optimal control

Lagrange approach on $\mathcal{Q} = (0, T) \times \Omega \Rightarrow$ KKT system

$$\begin{aligned} u_t - \nu \Delta u + (u \nabla) u + \nabla p &= f \\ -\lambda_t - \nu \Delta \lambda - (u \nabla) \lambda + (\nabla u)^T \lambda + \nabla \xi &= u - z \\ \alpha f + \lambda &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$u(0) = u_0, \quad \lambda(T) = 0$$

+ incompressibility, BC, constraints, ...



Idea 2: Eliminate variables, apply Newton.

$$\begin{aligned} u_t - \nu \Delta u + \dots &= f \\ -\lambda_t - \nu \Delta \lambda + \dots &= u - z \\ \alpha f + \lambda &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Method 2: With $x = (u, \lambda, p, \xi)$, apply Newton solver to

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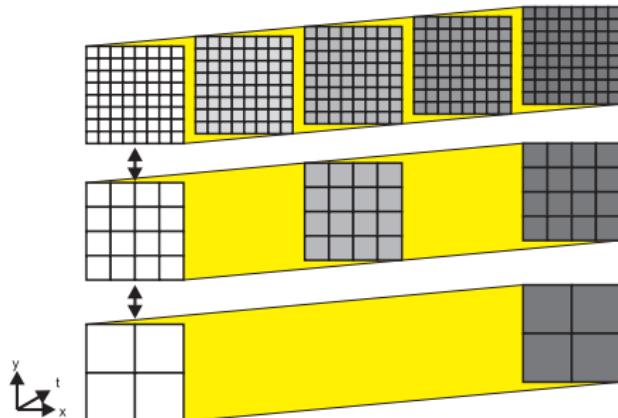
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Expensive parts:

- $F'(f_n)\bar{f} = -F(f_n)$ \Rightarrow space-time linear system in f .
- $G'(x_n)\bar{x} = -G(x_n)$ \Rightarrow space-time linear system in x .

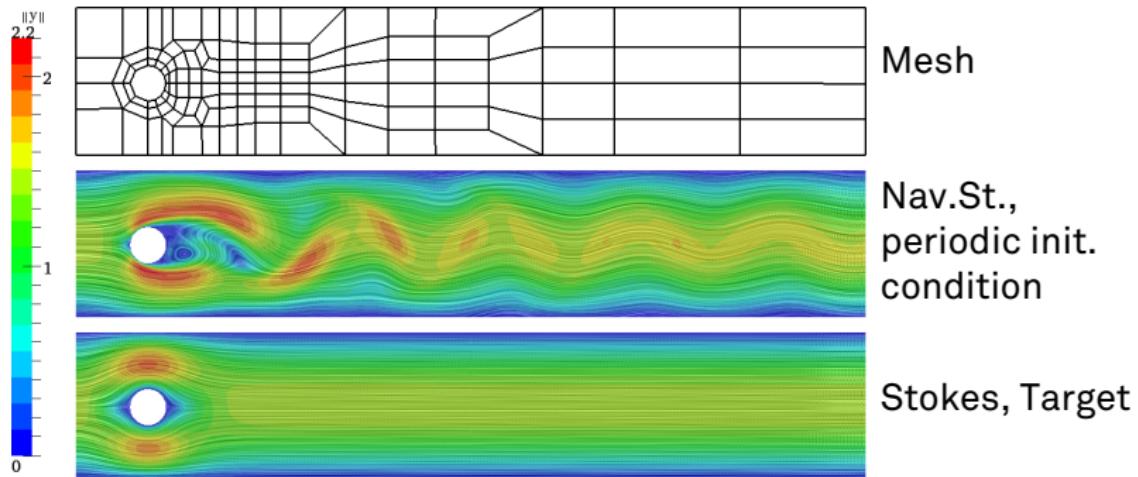
Solve using multigrid on a space-time hierarchy:



On each level: CG, BiCGStab, GMRES,...

Flow-around-cylinder

(based on DFG benchmark BENCH2)



- Problem/Init. Cond.: Navier–Stokes, $Re = 100$, $t \in [0, 0.35]$
- Target flow z: Stationary Stokes flow
- Coarse mesh: Standard DFG benchmark

Discretisation:

- Q_2/P_1^{disc} in space, IE in time
- Coarse mesh: 520 elements, 20 timesteps, $\times 8$ per level

| SLv. | #int. | #DOF(f) | #DOF(x) |
|------|-------|------------|-------------|
| 2 | 20 | 87 360 | 237 120 |
| 3 | 40 | 682 240 | 1 863 680 |
| 4 | 80 | 5 391 360 | 14 776 320 |
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Solver configuration (method 1+2):

- Residual reduction Newton 10^{-6}
- Residual reduction space-time MG 10^{-2}

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| | Newton in f | Newton in x |
|----------------------|---|--|
| alg. complexity | low...medium → black-box applicable | high |
| $-F(u), -G(x)$ | simulation (nl.) → stopping criteria? robustness? | MatVec |
| apply $F'(u), G'(x)$ | simulation (lin.) → stopping criteria? robustness? | MatVec |
| preconditioner | \emptyset → not necessary? | expensive → inexact ✓ → parallelisable ✓ |
| Space-time MG | ✓ | ✓ |

Two solution methods analysed:

- Newton in $f \leftrightarrow$ Newton in (u, λ, p, ξ)
- Space-time MG for linear subproblems

Main achievements:

- "Optimal" complexity
- $T_{\text{opt}}/T_{\text{sim}} \approx 20 - 50 \rightarrow$ for 'optimal' sim.
- Newton in (u, λ, p, ξ) usually more efficient than in f

Extensions: Combination of the methods? (Reduced-SQP)

Method 2: Construction of preconditioners

Algorithm (Defect correction loop)

$$\bar{x}_{new} = \bar{x} + C^{-1}(-G(x_n) - G'(x_n)\bar{x})$$

Discrete counterparts of $G'(x_n)$ and C (e.g., Block Jacobi):

$$G'_h(x_n) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & M_{12} & & \\ M_{22} & A_{22} & M_{23} & \\ & M_{32} & A_{33} & \ddots \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}, \quad C_h = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & & & \\ & A_{22} & & \\ & & A_{33} & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow C^{-1} = \text{solve coupled Nav.St. } (A_{ii}^{-1}) \text{ in each timestep}$