

# Level Set Extrapolation of Immersed Boundary Data in Unfitted Finite Element Methods for Deformable Interfaces

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## Motivation

Problems with moving boundaries:  
 • tumor growth  
 • two phase flows  
 • moving objects  
 ⇒ mesh adaption or unfitted meshes

Types of boundary motion:  
 • translation  
 • deformation  
 • expansion

## Problem statement

**Interface description:**  $\Gamma(t) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega : \phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0\}$   
 $\phi > 0$  in  $\Omega_+(t)$ ,  $\overline{\Omega_+(t)} \subset \Omega \forall t$

### Level set advection

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \phi = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

### Conservation laws in evolving domains

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{f}(u) - \kappa \nabla u] &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega_+(t), \\ [\mathbf{f}(u) - \kappa \nabla u] \cdot \mathbf{n}_+ &= g_\Gamma(u, u_\Gamma) && \text{on } \Gamma(t), \\ u &= u_0 && \text{in } \Omega_+(0) \end{aligned}$$

**Ghost penalites:** extension into  $\Omega \setminus \overline{\Omega_+(t)}$

Dirichlet penalization

$$s_D(w, u) = \int_{\Omega \setminus \Omega_+(t)} \gamma_\Omega w(u - u_-) dx$$

Neumann penalization

$$s_N(w, u) = \int_{\Omega \setminus \Omega_+(t)} \gamma_\Omega \nabla w \cdot (\nabla u - \mathbf{g}_-) dx$$

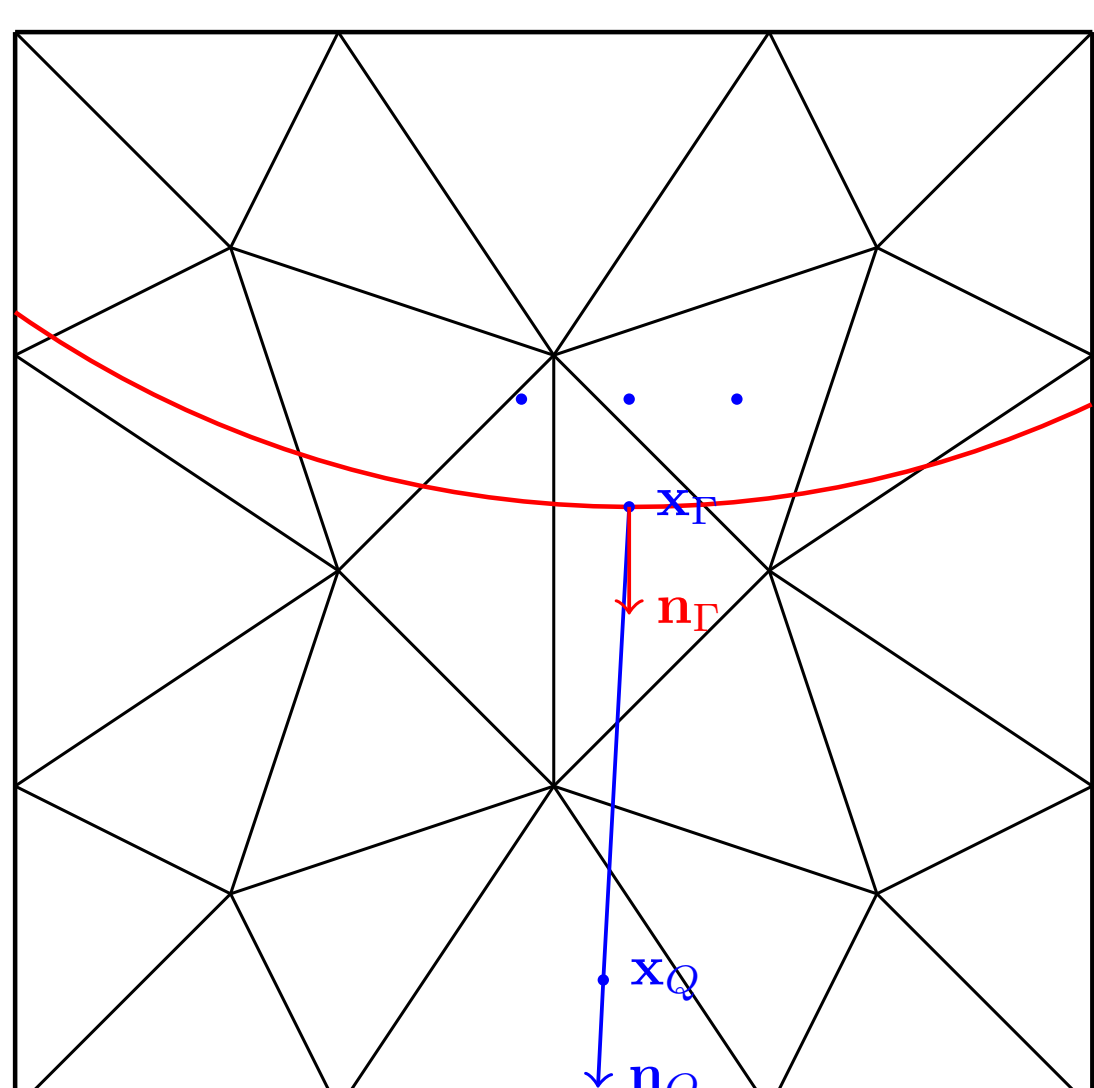
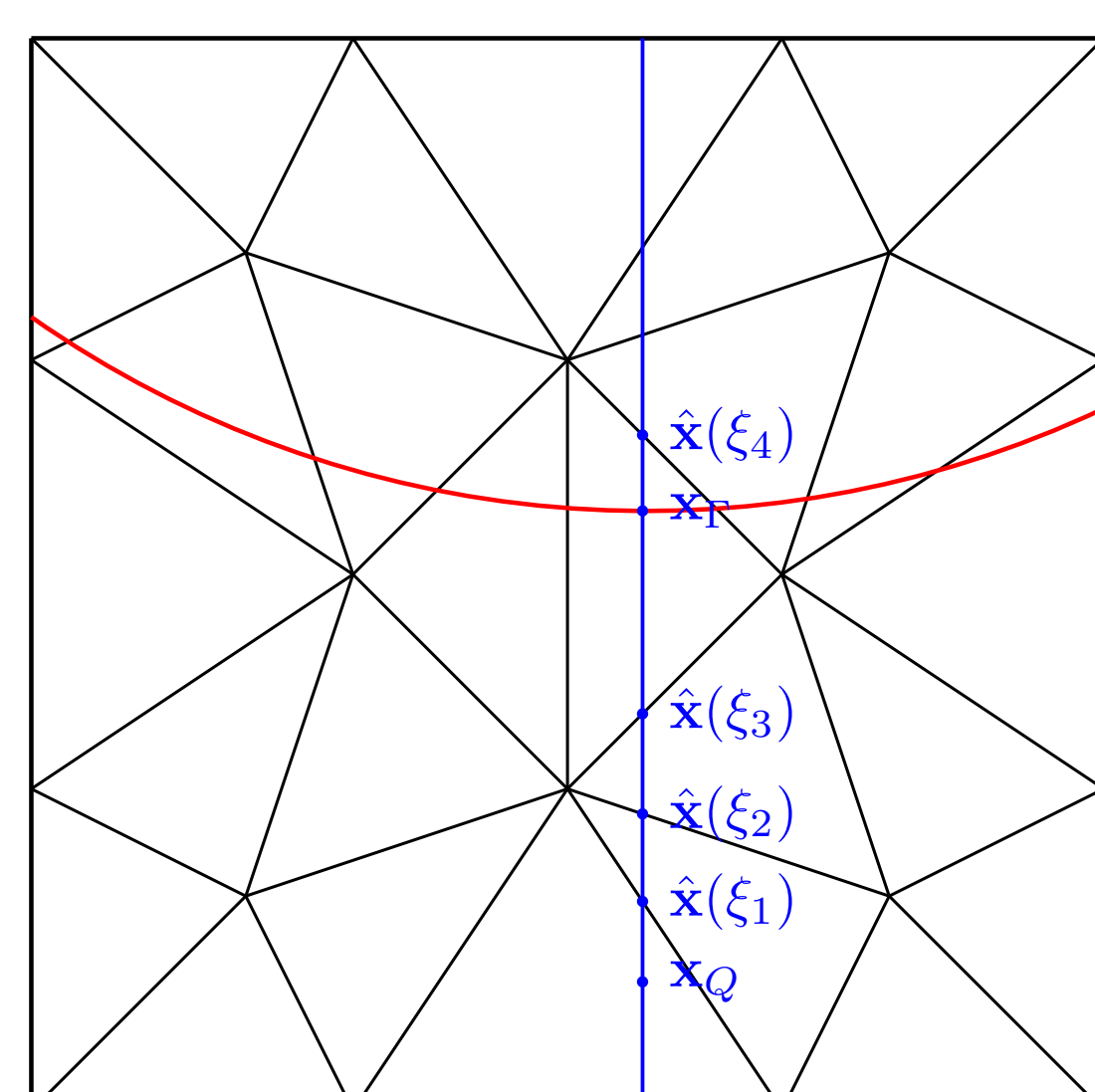
### Fictitious domain formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} H_\varepsilon(\phi) w u dx - \int_{\Omega} \nabla H_\varepsilon(\phi) w \cdot [\mathbf{f}(u) - \kappa \nabla u] dx + s(w, u) \\ + \int_{\Omega} w G(\phi, u, u_\Gamma) \delta_\varepsilon(\phi) |\nabla \phi| ds = 0, \quad \forall w \in V(\Omega) \end{aligned}$$

## Calculation of interface data

### Search algorithm

- Set  $\xi_0 = 0$
- For  $i > 1$ : Find next intersection  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi_i)$ ,  $\xi_i > \xi_{i-1}$  of  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi)$  with a mesh cell boundary
- If  $\phi(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi_i))\phi(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi_{i-1})) < 0$  for  $i = m$  exit loop
- Solve linear/quadratic equation to find the root  $\xi_\Gamma \in [\xi_{m-1}, \xi_m]$  of  $\phi(\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi))$
- Set  $\mathbf{x}_\Gamma = \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\xi_\Gamma)$



### Gradient Reconstruction

Three point interpolation stencil:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{2D}(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma) &= \{\mathbf{x}_P - 0.5\varepsilon\boldsymbol{\tau}_\Gamma, \mathbf{x}_P, \mathbf{x}_P + 0.5\varepsilon\boldsymbol{\tau}_\Gamma\} \\ \mathbf{x}_P &= \mathbf{x}_\Gamma - \varepsilon\mathbf{n}_\Gamma, \quad \boldsymbol{\tau}_\Gamma \perp \mathbf{n}_\Gamma \end{aligned}$$

Approximate normal derivative

$$\partial_n U(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma) = \frac{u_\Gamma(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma) - u_h(\mathbf{x}_P - \varepsilon\mathbf{n}_\Gamma)}{\varepsilon}$$

## Extrapolation of interface data

To be defined: continous extensions  $U, \partial_n U, V$  for calculating

$$G(\phi_h, u_h, u_\Gamma) = F - \kappa \partial_n U - VU, \quad \mathbf{v}_h = -V\mathbf{q}_h, \quad u_{\Omega, h}(u_h, U)$$

### Solution values

$$U(\mathbf{x}_Q) = u_\Gamma(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma) + \nabla U(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma) \cdot (\mathbf{x}_Q - \mathbf{x}_\Gamma)$$

### Normal derivatives

$$\partial_n U(\mathbf{x}_Q) = \partial_n U(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma)$$

### Ghost penalties

Dirichlet version:

$$u_{\Omega, h}(\mathbf{x}_Q) = H_\varepsilon(\phi_h(\mathbf{x}_Q))u_h(\mathbf{x}_Q) + (1 - H_\varepsilon(\phi_h(\mathbf{x}_Q)))U(\mathbf{x}_Q), \quad \gamma_{\Omega, D} = \mathcal{O}(h^{-1})$$

Neumann version:

$$\mathbf{g}_{\Omega, h}(\mathbf{x}_Q) = H_\varepsilon(\phi_h(\mathbf{x}_Q))\nabla u_h(\mathbf{x}_Q) + (1 - H_\varepsilon(\phi_h(\mathbf{x}_Q)))\nabla U(\mathbf{x}_\Gamma), \quad \gamma_{\Omega, N} = \mathcal{O}(h)$$

### Damping function

$$D_\varepsilon(\phi) = H_\varepsilon(\phi + m\varepsilon) - H_\varepsilon(\phi - m\varepsilon), \quad m \geq 2$$

Localized ghost penalties:

$$\begin{aligned} u_{\Omega, h} &= H_\varepsilon(\phi_h)u_h + (1 - H_\varepsilon(\phi_h))D_\varepsilon(\phi_h)U, \\ \mathbf{g}_{\Omega, h} &= H_\varepsilon(\phi_h)\nabla u_h + (1 - H_\varepsilon(\phi_h))D_\varepsilon(\phi_h)\nabla U \end{aligned}$$

⇒ efficient narrow band implementation

## Numerical examples

### (A) Elliptic test - fixed boundary

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x - 0.5)^2 + (y - 0.5)^2 = 0.0625\} = \partial\Omega_+ \\ u_\Gamma(x, y, t) &= (x - 0.5)^2 - (y - 0.5)^2 = u(x, y, t) \end{aligned}$$

⇒ second order convergence

### (B) Parabolic test - moving boundary

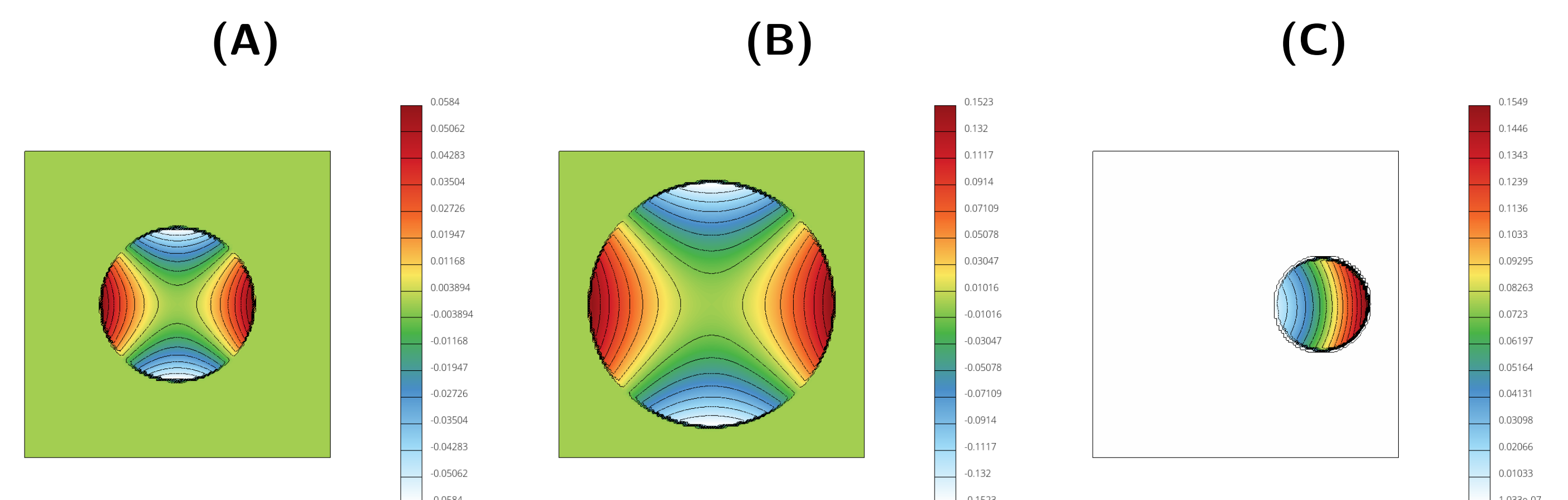
$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(t) &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x - 0.5)^2 + (y - 0.5)^2 = (0.25 + 0.15t)^2\} = \partial\Omega_+(t) \\ u_\Gamma(x, y, t) &= (x - 0.5)^2 - (y - 0.5)^2 = u(x, y, t) \end{aligned}$$

⇒ second order convergence

### (C) Hyperbolic test - fixed boundary

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x - 0.75)^2 + (y - 0.5)^2 = 0.0225\} = \partial\Omega_+ \\ u_\Gamma(x, y, t) &= u_0(x, y, t) = (x - 0.5)^2 + (y - 0.5)^2 = u(x, y, t) \\ \mathbf{v}(x, y) &= (0.5 - y, x - 0.5)^T \end{aligned}$$

⇒ first order convergence



## Summary of new features

- approximation of surface integrals by volume integrals
- fast closest-point search algorithm
- new way to define and calculate compact-support extensions
- narrow-band integration of terms involving extended fluxes, ghost penalties and velocity fields

