

The Distributed and Unified Numerics Environment (DUNE)

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The Dilemma of Finite Element Software

There are many PDE software packages, each with a particular set of features:

- UG: unstructured, multi-element, red-green refinement, parallel
- Alberta: unstructured, simplicial, bisection refinement
- FEAST: block-structured, parallel
- Many more: DiffPack, DEAL, IPARS, libMesh++, ...

Using one package it may be

- either impossible to have a certain feature
- or very inefficient in certain applications

Extension of the feature set is usually very difficult

Reason: Algorithms are implemented on the basis of a particular grid data structure.

Design Concepts

The three DUNE design concepts:

Flexibility: Separate data structures and algorithms

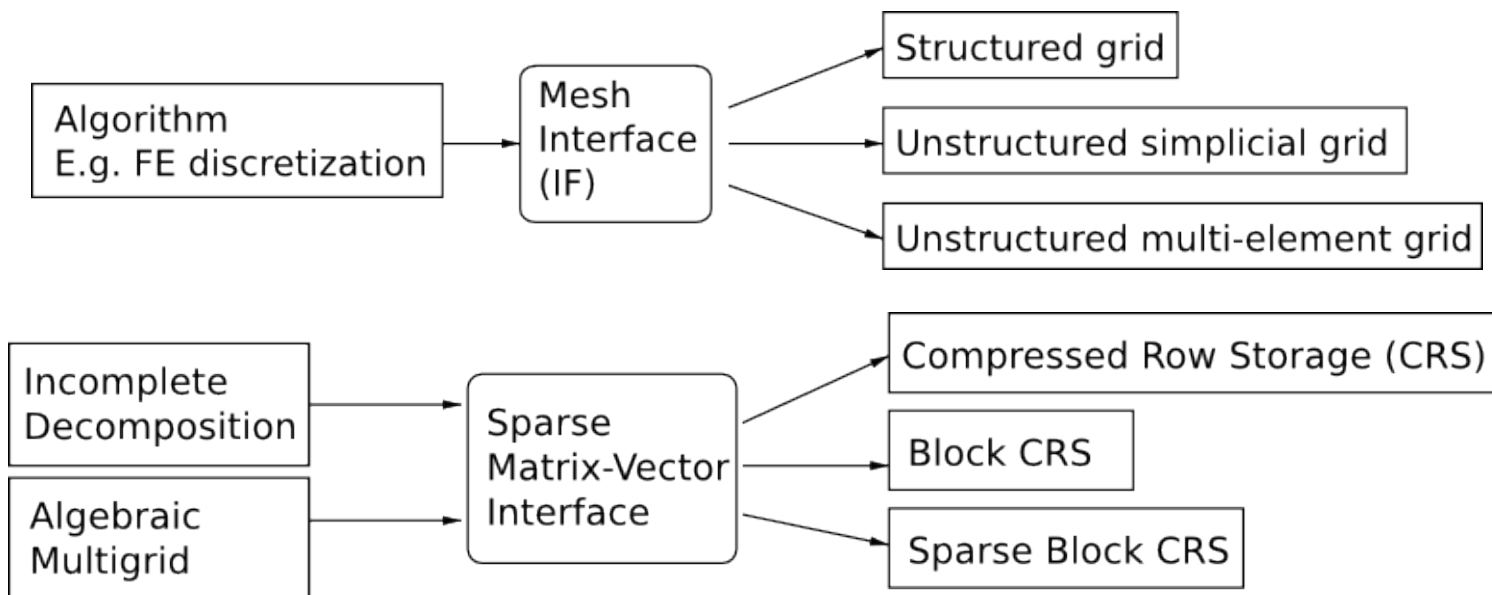
Modularity: Maintainability and software reuse

Efficiency: Low overhead

Concept I: Flexibility

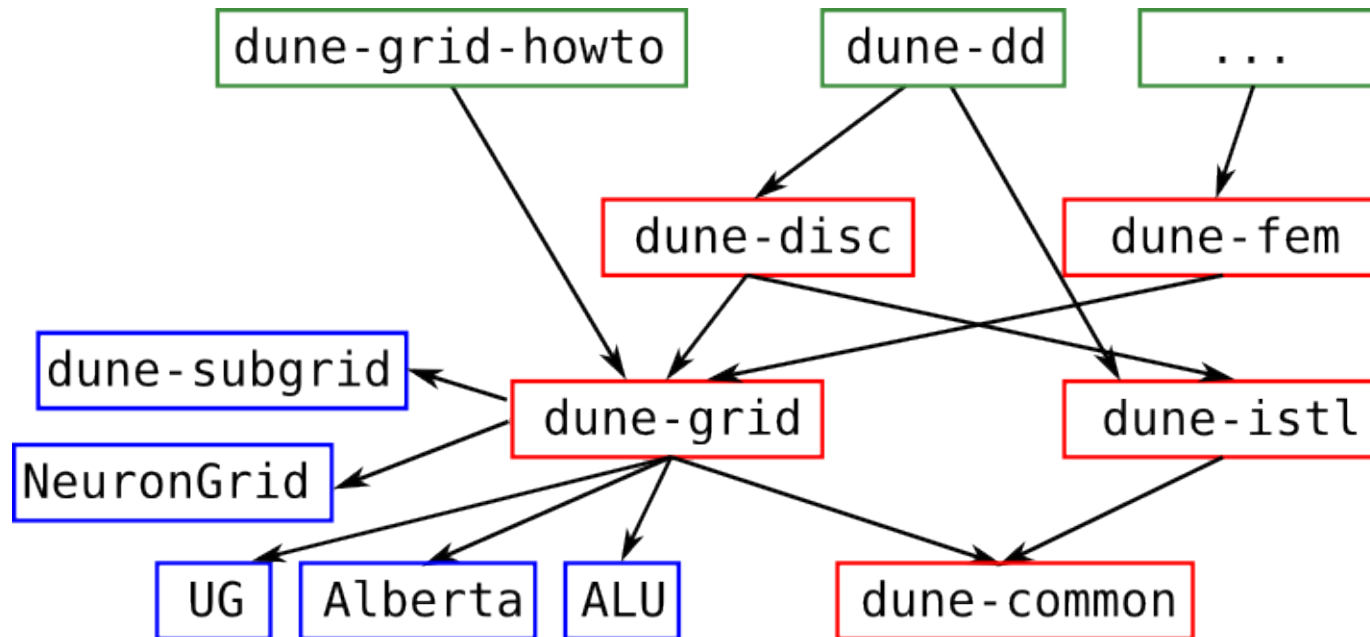
Separate data structure and algorithms

- Determine what algorithms require from a data structure to operate efficiently ('abstract interface')
- Formulate algorithms based in this interface
- Provide different implementations of the interface



Concept II: Modularity

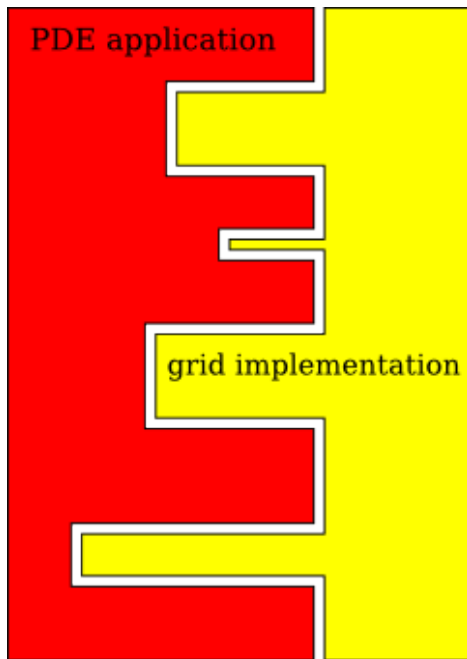
Modularity and reuse of existing PDE software



(Your contribution is welcome!)

Concept III: Efficiency

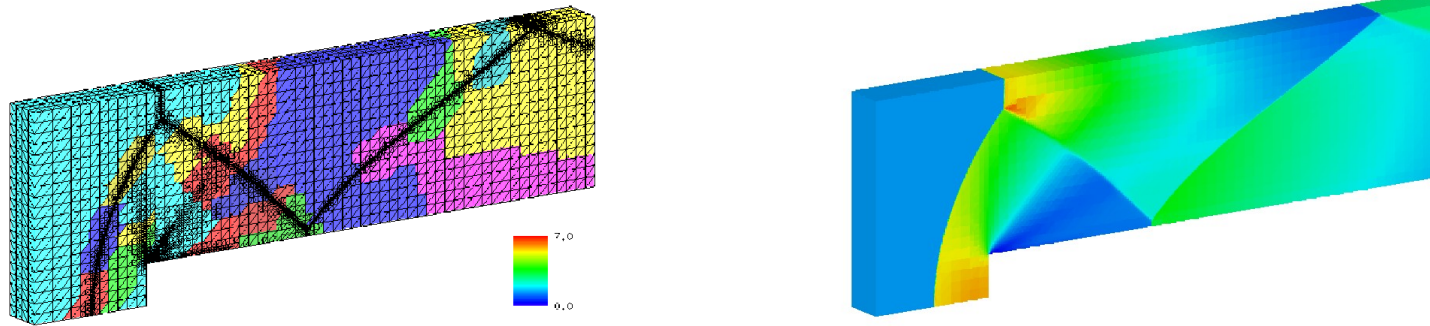
Implementation with generic programming techniques



- Compile-time selection of data structures (static polymorphism)
- Compiler generates code for each algorithm / data structure combination
- All optimizations apply, in particular inlining
- Allows interfaces with fine granularity

Concept III: Efficiency

ALUGrid direct vs. ALUGrid through DUNE

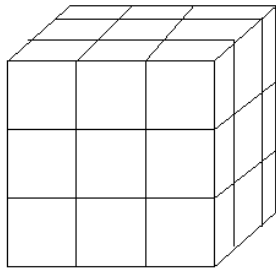


compressible Euler equations

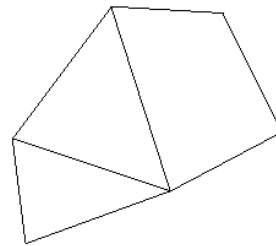
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relative performance loss [%]

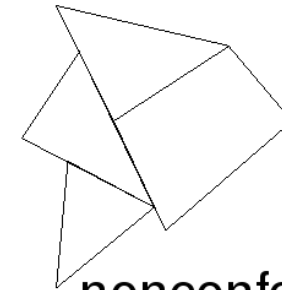
Scope of the Grid Interface



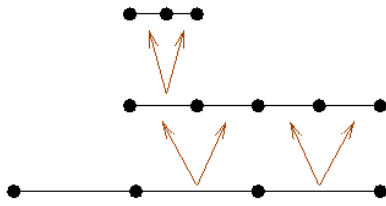
structured, 3D



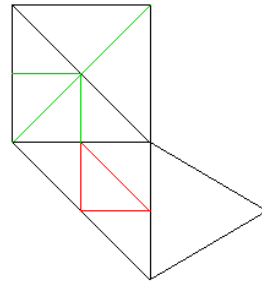
conforming, 2D



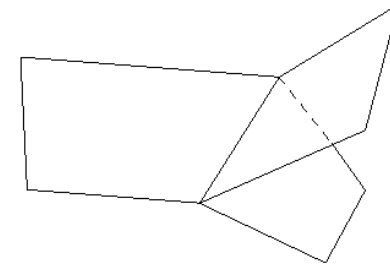
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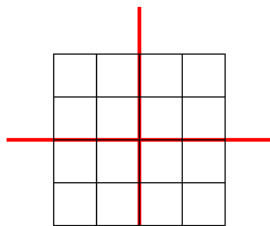
nested, 1D



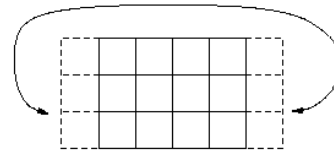
red-green, bisection



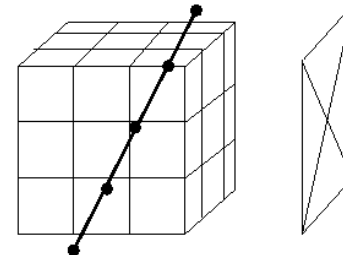
topological spaces



data decomposition



periodic



mixed dimensions

Formal Definition of a Grid

Grids in the DUNE sense are hierarchical!

A hierarchical grid consists of three things:

- A set of entity complexes

$$\mathcal{E} = \{E_0, \dots, E_k\}$$

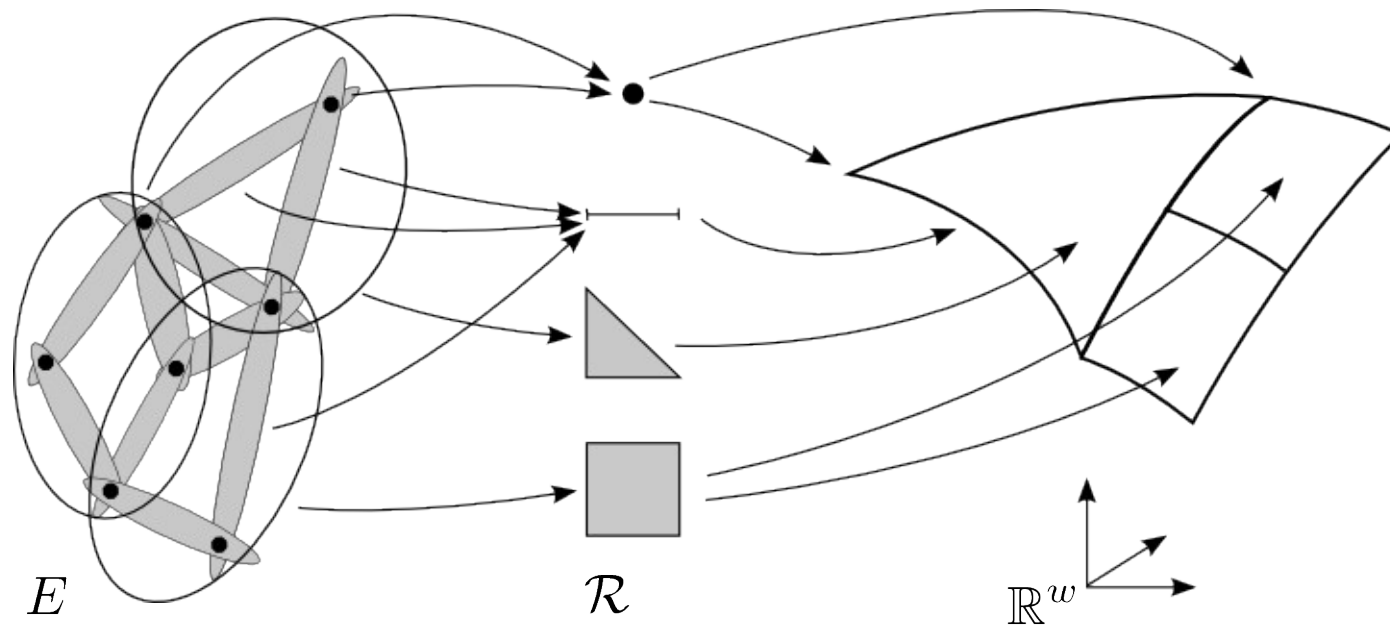
- A set of geometric realizations

$$\mathcal{M} = \{M_0, \dots, M_k\}$$

- A set of father relations

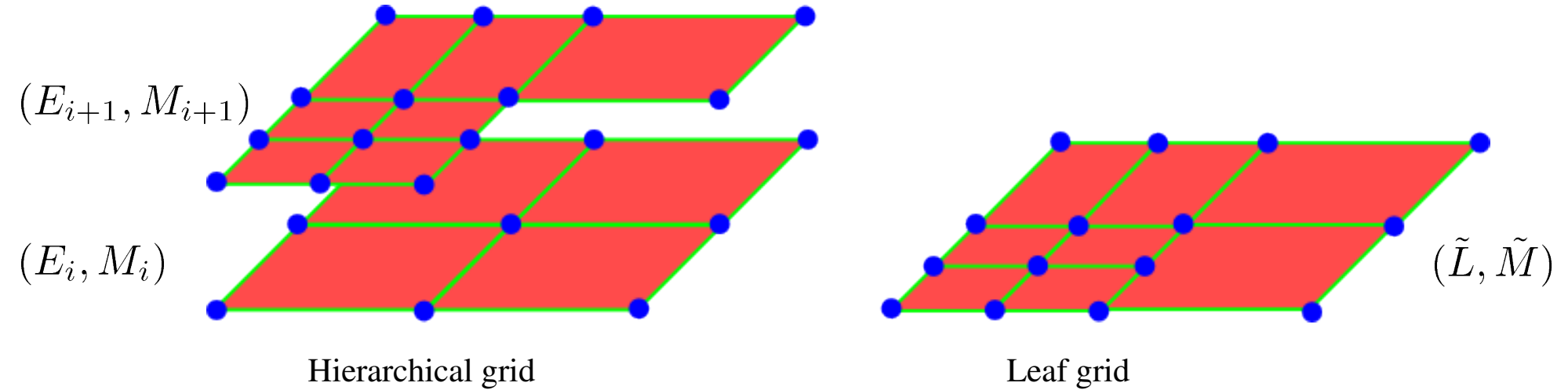
$$\mathcal{F} = \{F_0, \dots, F_{k-1}\}$$

Entity Complexes and Geometric Realizations



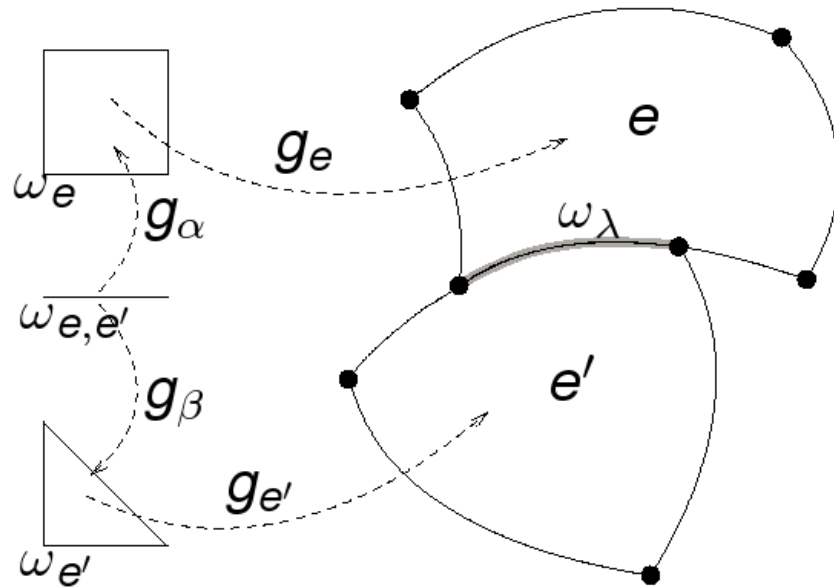
- **Entity complex:** set system of entities, topological information
- **Reference elements:** classify entities
- **Geometric realization:** map from the RE into Euclidean space

Father Relation



- Connect two level grids with a father relation
- Only element father relation appears in the interface
- Leaf entities constitute the **leaf grid**

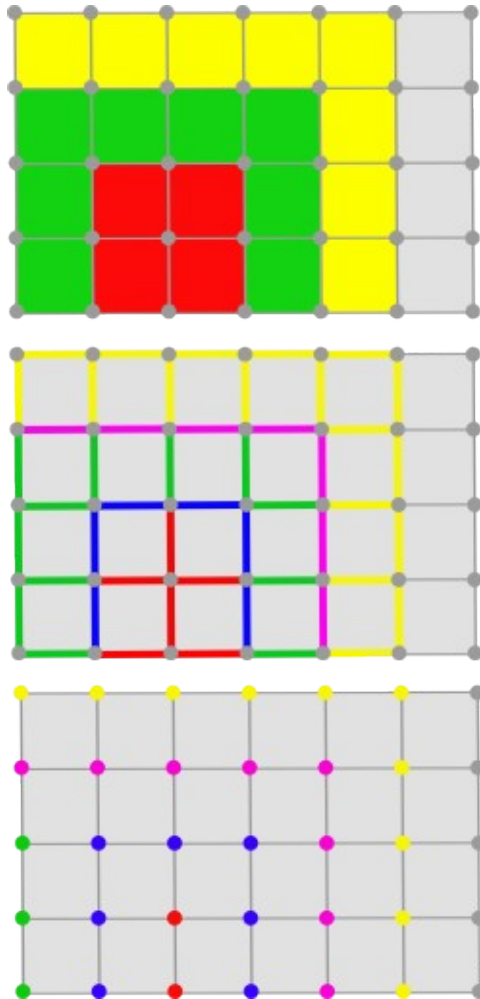
Intersections



- An $d-1$ dimensional point set shared by two elements.
- Described by transformations
 - from a reference element
- Arbitrary nonconforming
 - intersections can be handled.
- Leaf- and level-wise intersections

- Intersections with the domain
 - boundary and the processor boundary

Parallel Data Decomposition



- Grid is mapped to $\mathcal{P} = \{0, \dots, P - 1\}$.
- $E = \bigcup_{p \in \mathcal{P}} E|_p$ possibly overlapping.
- $\pi_p : E|_p \rightarrow$ “partition type”.
- For codimension 0 there are three partition types:
 - *interior*: Nonoverlapping decomposition.
 - *overlap*: Arbitrary size.
 - *ghost*: Rest.
- For codimension > 0 there are two additional types:
 - *border*: Boundary of interior.
 - *front*: Boundary of interior+overlap.
- Allows implementation of overlapping and nonoverlapping DD methods.

Index Sets

- Grid and data are totally decoupled
- Grid entities only provide indices

- **Level index:** consecutive, starting from zero for all entities of a given dimension on a given level
→ index arrays
- **Leaf index:** consecutive, starting from zero for all entities of a given dimension on the leaf grid
→ index arrays
- **Persistent index:** nonconsecutive, does not change during grid modifications (refinement / load balancing)
→ index associative arrays

Implementation

- Mathematical definition translates directly into C++ classes
- Implementations using wrapper and engine classes
- Access to entities by STL-style iterators:
`LevelIterator`, `LeafIterator`, `HierarchicIterator`,
`IntersectionIterator`
- Arbitrary sets of grids can coexist in the same application
- Currently available implementations:
`AlbertaGrid`, `ALUGrid`, `OneDGrid`, `SGrid`, `UGGrid`, `YaspGrid`
- GNU AutoTools build system
- Runs on most flavours of Unix
- Licence: LGPL + linking exception
- Surprisingly easy to use!

Code Example: Grid Creation

Create a structured grid

```
const int dim =3;
typedef Dune :: SGrid < dim , dim > GridType;
Dune :: FieldVector < int , dim > N (3);
Dune :: FieldVector < GridType :: ctype , dim > L (-1.0);
Dune :: FieldVector < GridType :: ctype , dim > H ( 1.0);
GridType grid (N, L, H);
```

Create a UGGrid from an AmiraMesh file

```
const int dim =3;
typedef Dune :: UGGrid < dim > GridType;
GridType grid;
Dune :: AmiraMeshReader<GridType>::read(grid, "filename");
```

Under discussion: interface for unstructured grid creation

Code Example: Grid Traversal

Iterate over all elements on the leaf grid

```
typedef GridType :: Codim <0>:: LeafIterator ElementLeafIterator;  
  
for ( ElementLeafIterator it = grid . template leafbegin <0>();  
      it != grid . template leafend <0>(); ++it )  
{  
    std :: cout << " visiting element which is a " << it -> type ()  
                << std :: endl ;  
}
```

Iterate over all vertices on the leaf grid

```
typedef GridType :: Codim <dim> :: LeafIterator VertexLeafIterator;  
  
for ( VertexLeafIterator it = grid . template leafbegin <dim>();  
      it != grid . template leafend <dim>(); ++it )  
{  
    std :: cout << " visiting vertex at " << it -> geometry () [0]  
                << std :: endl ;  
}
```

Code Example: Quadrature

Integrate a function f over an element $*it$

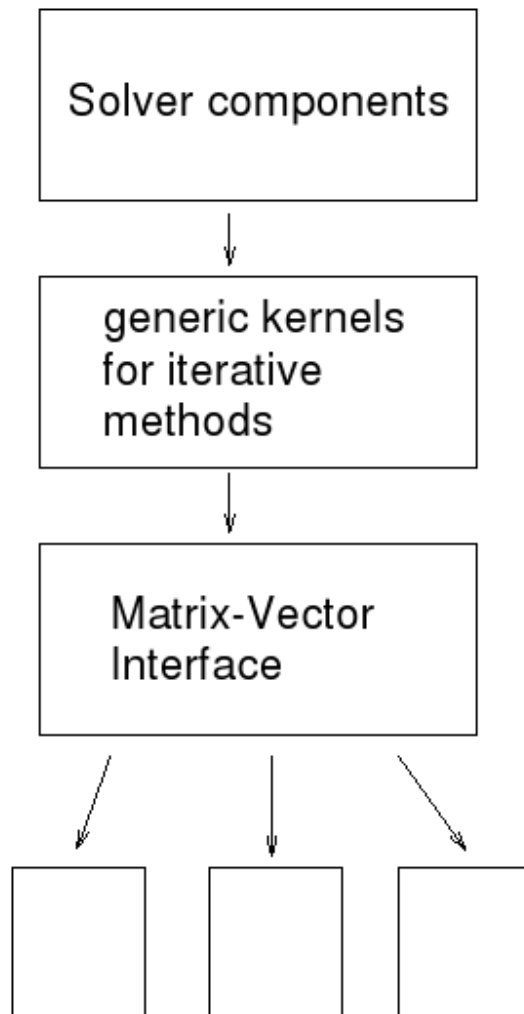
```
Dune :: GeometryType gt = it - > type ();

const Dune :: QuadratureRule < double , dim >&
    rule = Dune :: QuadratureRules < double , dim >:: rule ( gt , p );

double result =0;

for ( int i = 0; i < rule.size(); i++)
{
    FieldVector<double,dim>
        globalPosition = it -> geometry (). global (rule[i] . position ())
    double fval      = f (globalPosition);
    double weight    = rule[i] . weight ();
    double detjac    = it->geometry(). integrationElement (rule[i].position());
    result += fval * weight * detjac ;
}
```

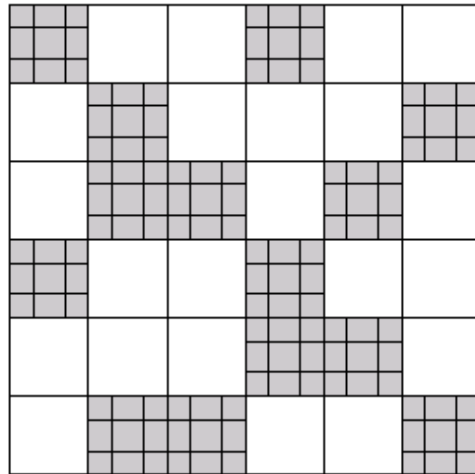
Linear Algebra: dune-istl



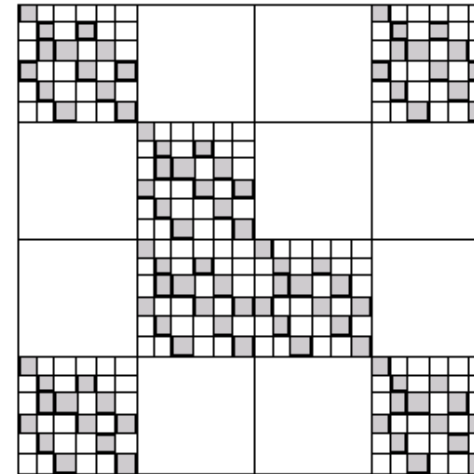
- There are already template libraries for linear algebra: MTL/ITL
- Existing libraries cannot efficiently use (small) structure of FE-Matrices
- Solver components: Based on operator concept, Krylov methods, (A)MG preconditioners
- Generic kernels: Triangular solves, Gauß-Seidel step, ILU decomposition
- Matrix-Vector Interface: Support recursively block structured matrices
- Various implementations of the interface are available

dune-istl is completely independent of dune-grid!

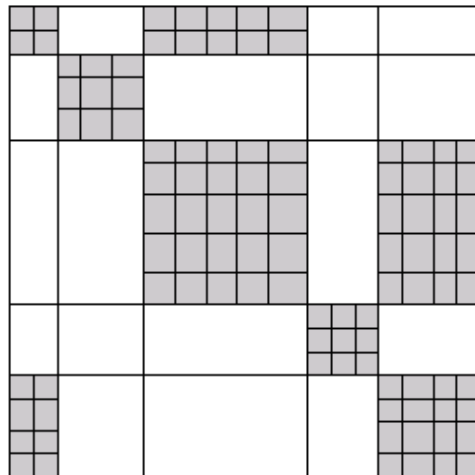
Block Structure in FE Matrices



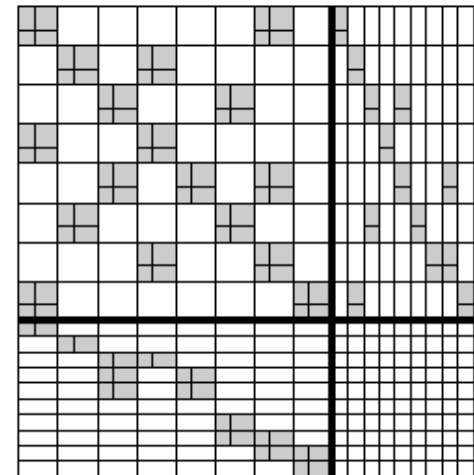
sparse block matrix
blocks are dense
blocks have fixed size
DG fixed p



blocks are sparse
diffusion-reaction systems



blocks are dense
blocks have variable size
DG hp version



2x2 block matrix
each block is sparse
Taylor-Hood elements



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Example Definitions

- A vector containing 20 blocks where each block contains two complex numbers using **double** for each component:

```
typedef FieldVector<complex<double>, 2> MyBlock;  
BlockVector<MyBlock> x(20);  
x[3][1] = complex<double>(1, -1);
```

- A sparse matrix consisting of sparse matrices having scalar entries:

```
typedef FieldMatrix<double, 1, 1> DenseBlock;  
typedef BCRSMMatrix<DenseBlock> SparseBlock;  
typedef BCRSMMatrix<SparseBlock> Matrix;  
Matrix A(10, 10, 40, Matrix::row_wise);  
... // fill matrix  
A[1][1][3][4][0][0] = 3.14;
```

Vector and Matrix Interface

Mainly taken from sparse BLAS

● Vector

- Is a one-dimensional container
- Sequential access
- Random access
- Vector space operations:
Addition, scaling
- Scalar product
- Various norms
- Sizes

● Matrix

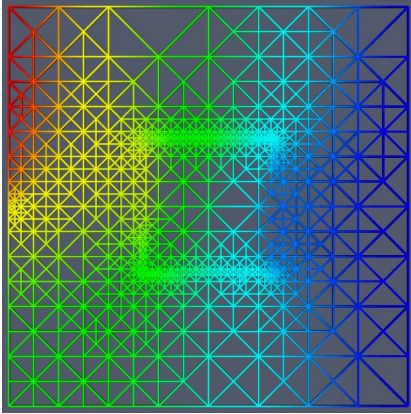
- Is a two-dimensional container
- Sequential access using iterators
- Random access
- Organization is row-wise
- Mappings $y = y + Ax$; $y = y + A^T x$; $y = y + A^H x$;
- Solve, inverse, left multiplication
- Various norms
- Sizes



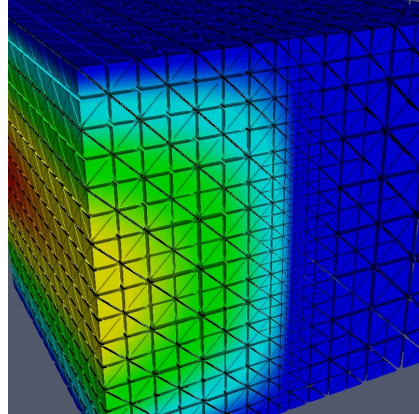
Code Example: Block Gauß-Seidel

```
for (int i=0; i<x->size(); i++) {  
  
    VectorBlock r, v;  
  
    typedef MatrixType::row_type RowType;  
    const RowType& row = matrix[i];  
  
    typedef typename RowType::ConstIterator ColumnIterator;  
  
    r = rhs[i];  
  
    for (ColumnIterator cIt=row.begin(); cIt!=row.end(); ++cIt)  
        // r_i -= A_ij x_j  
        cIt->mmv(x[cIt.index()], r);  
  
    // Compute v = A_{i,i}^{-1} r[i]  
    mat[i][i].solve(v, r);  
  
    // Add correction  
    x[i] += v;  
  
}
```

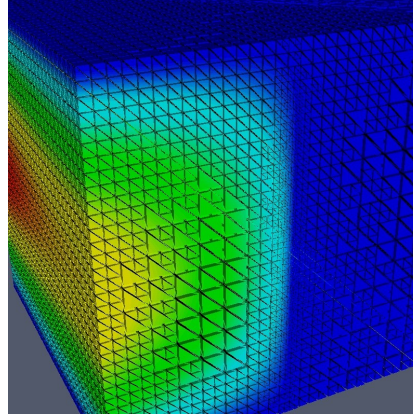
Example: Poisson Problem



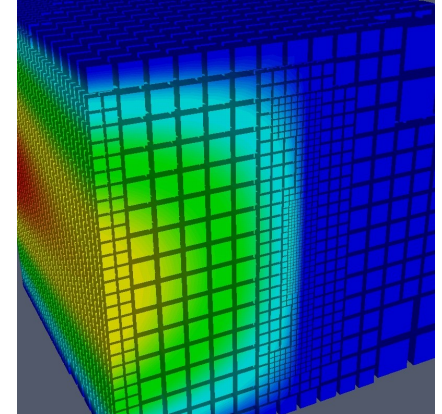
AlbertaGrid, 2d



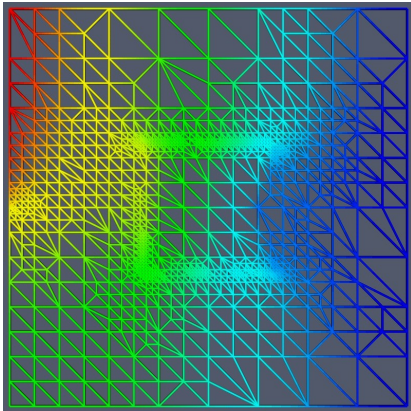
AlbertaGrid, 3d



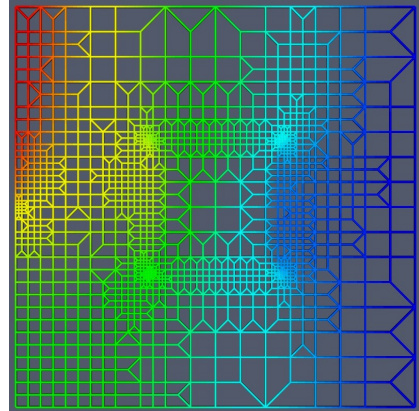
AluSimplexGrid, 3d



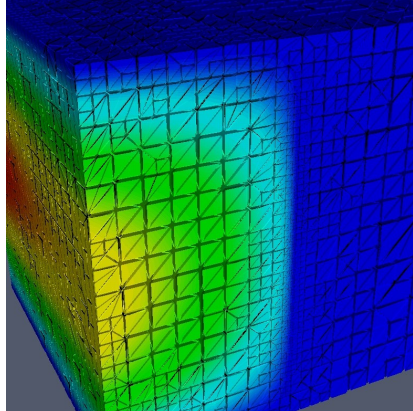
AluCubeGrid, 3d



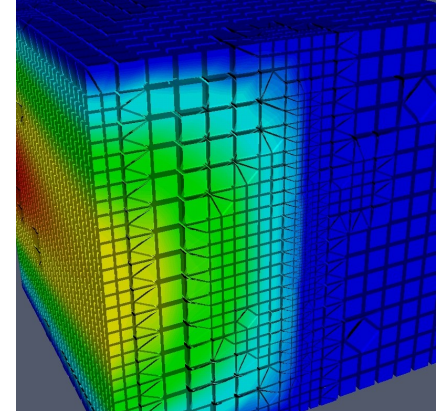
UGGrid, 2d, simplices



UGGrid, 2d, cubes

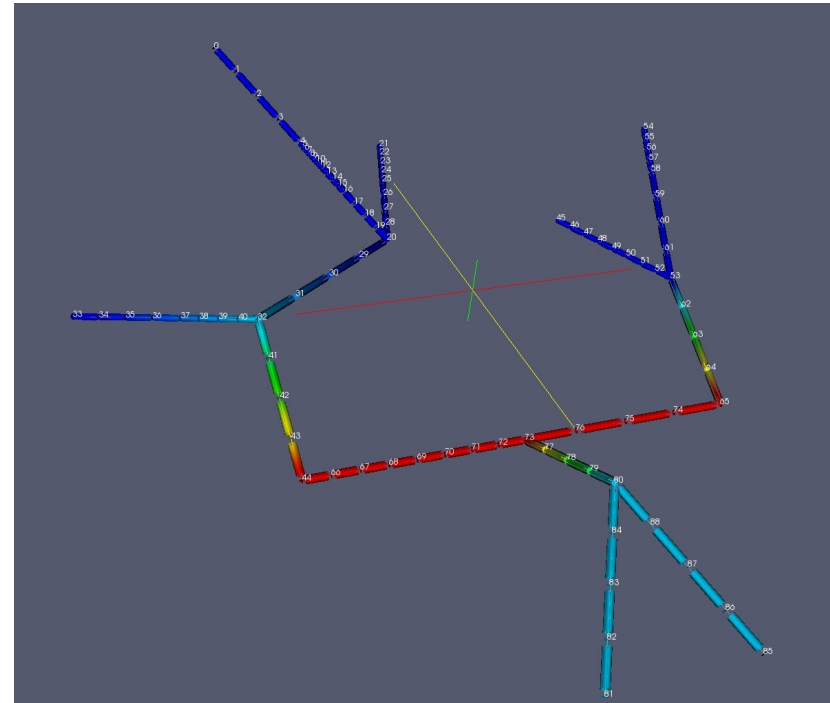
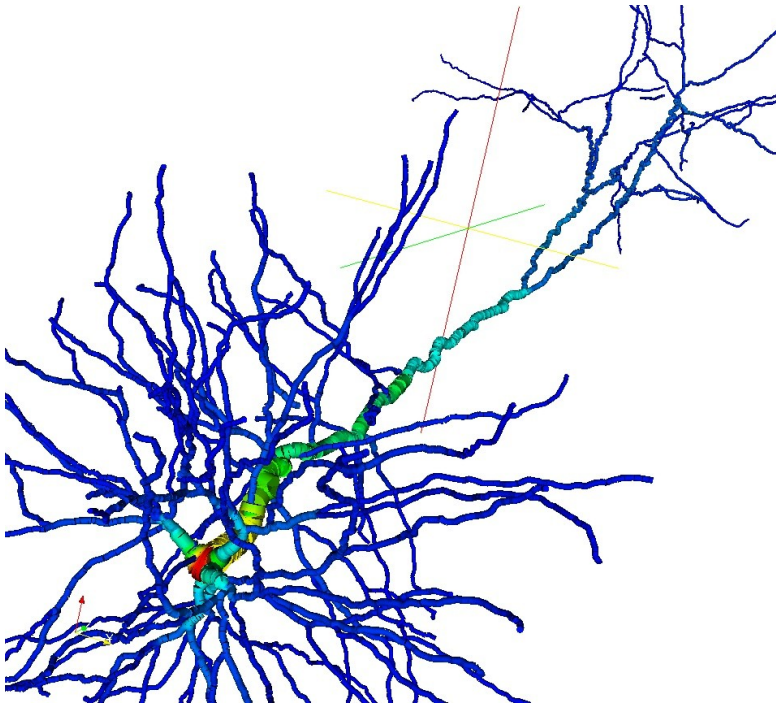


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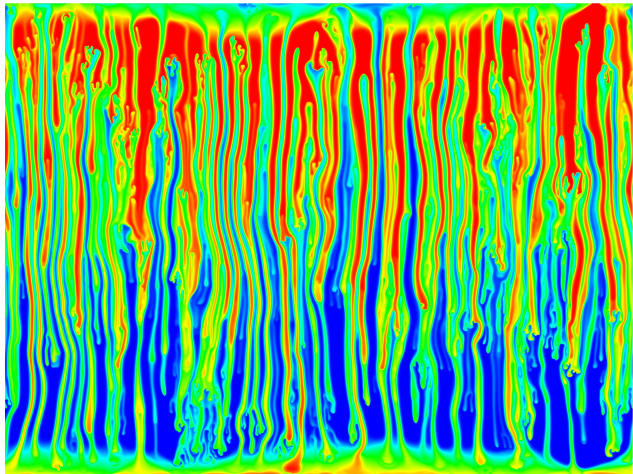
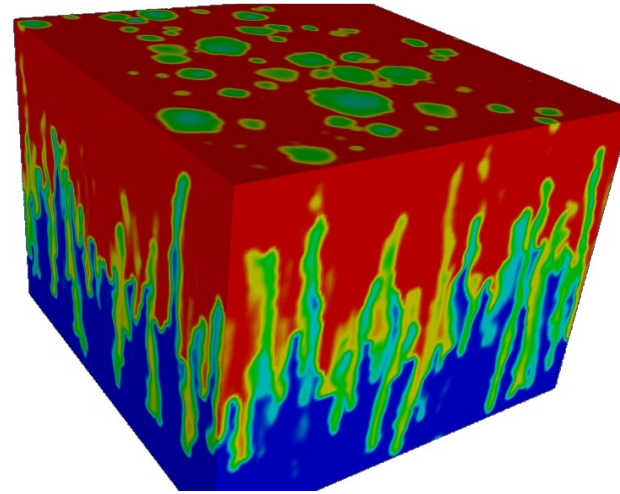
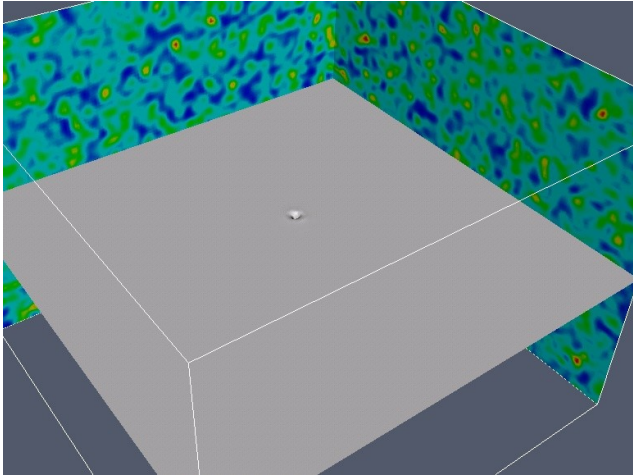
Example: Neuron Grid



- Dendritic tree of L5 B pyramidal neuron (reconstruction by Christiaan de Kock, MPIMF, Heidelberg)
- NeuronGrid simulator (Stefan Lang, Olaf Ippisch)

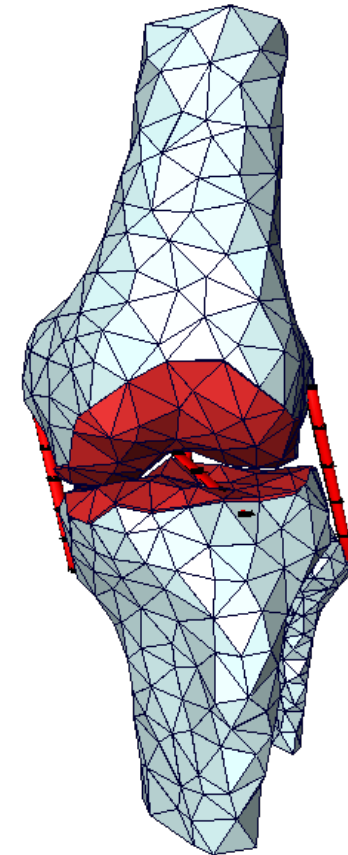
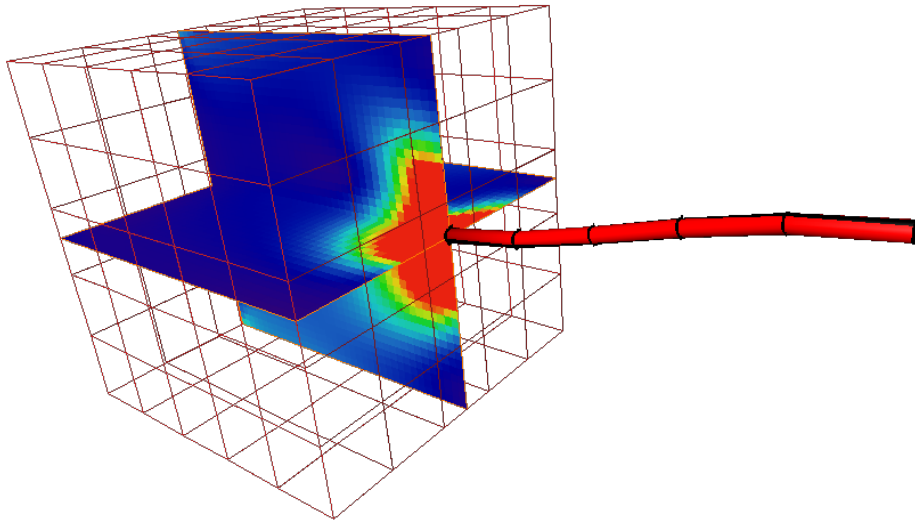
Example: Parallel Computing

Density-driven flow (P. Bastian)



- cell-centered finite volume scheme
- matrix-free implementation
- YaspGrid, $8e8$ cells, 384 processors
- 9000 timesteps, 3 days running time

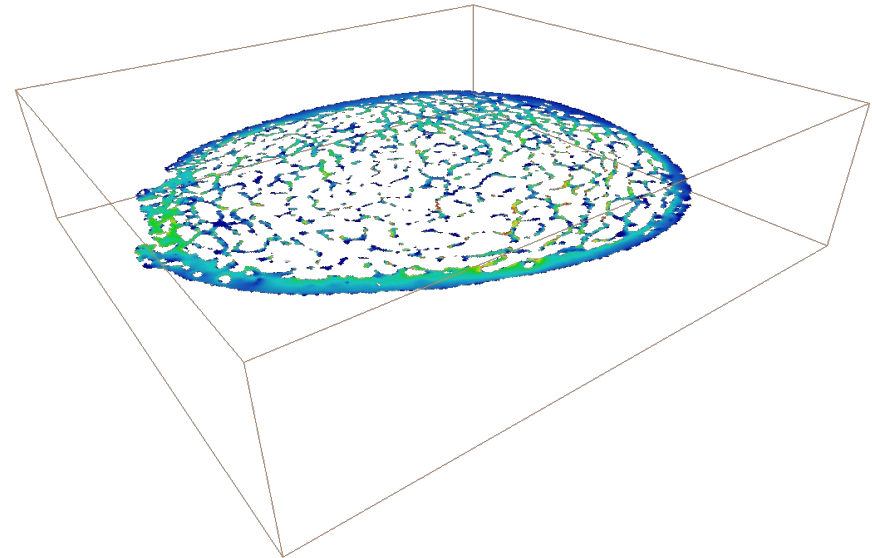
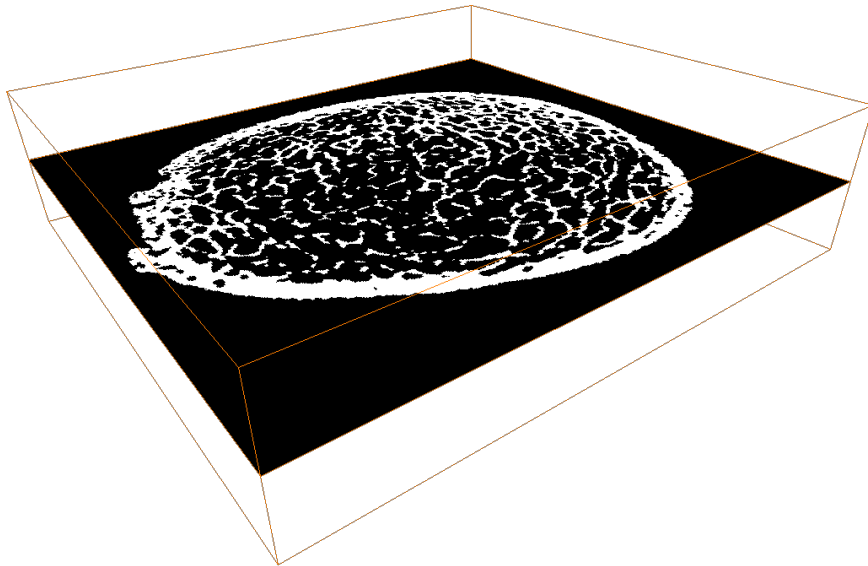
Example: Multidimensional Coupling



- Couple 3d linear elasticity with Cosserat rods
- Left: 1 UGGrid, 1 OneDGrid
- Right: 5 UGGrids, 4 OneDGrids

Example: dune-subgrid

(C. Gräser, S. Prohaska, Z. Ritter, O. Sander.)



- Axial compression of 9mm section of human distal radius
- Subgrid of uniform grid (YaspGrid)
- Uniform grid: $449 \times 422 \times 110$, Subgrid: ca. 4.5×10^6 elements (22%)
- Geometric multigrid with CFE coarse grid spaces

Further Information

- P. Bastian, M. Blatt, A. Dedner, C. Engwer, R. Klöfkorn, M. Oehlberger, and O. Sander, *'A Generic Grid Interface for Parallel and Adaptive Scientific Computing. Part I: Abstract Framework'*, Matheon Preprint 403, submitted to *'Computing'*
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