

**Maillages non conformes  
et conditions d'interface arbitraires.  
Application au cas à coefficients discontinus**

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# Arbitrary Interface Conditions and Non conforming grids

Model elliptic problem:

$$\eta p + \vec{a} \cdot \nabla p - \operatorname{div}(\kappa \nabla p) = f \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad p = g \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega.$$

**Arbitrary transmission conditions** as matching conditions can be useful in **optimized Schwarz (a.k.a two-field)** domain decomposition methods :

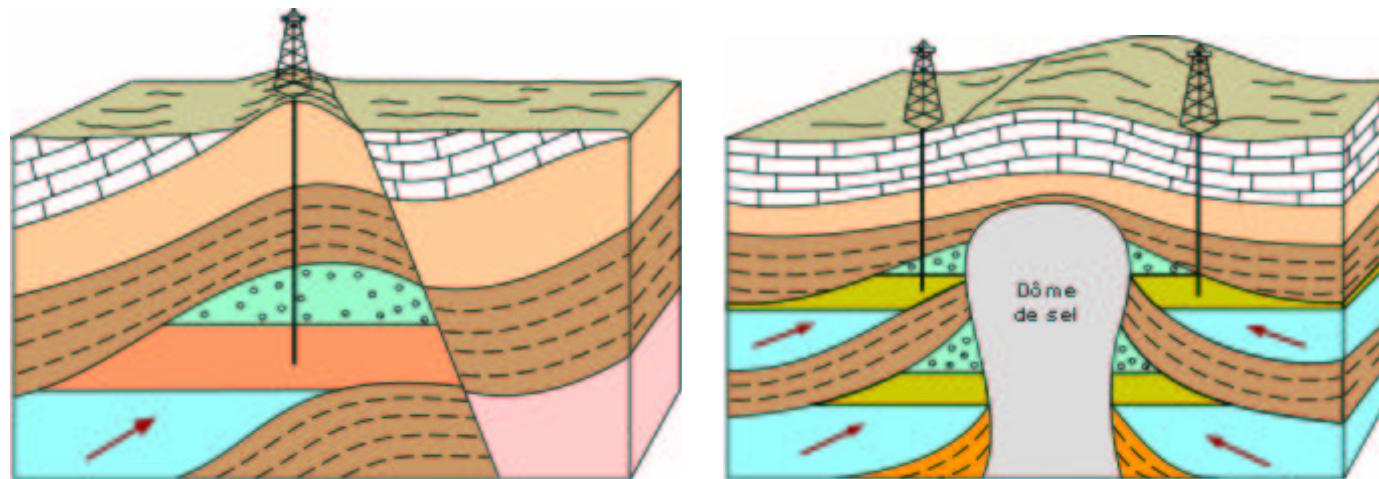
Iterative matching at the interface for a two subdomains decomposition:

$$\kappa_1 \frac{\partial p_1^{n+1}}{\partial n_1} + S_1 p_1^{n+1} = -\kappa_2 \frac{\partial p_2^n}{\partial n_2} + S_1 p_2^n$$

$$\kappa_2 \frac{\partial p_2^{n+1}}{\partial n_2} + S_2 p_2^{n+1} = -\kappa_1 \frac{\partial p_1^n}{\partial n_1} + S_2 p_1^n$$

**Problem :** How to discretize these conditions with finite volume and nonmatching grids?

## Example: Sedimentary Basin formation

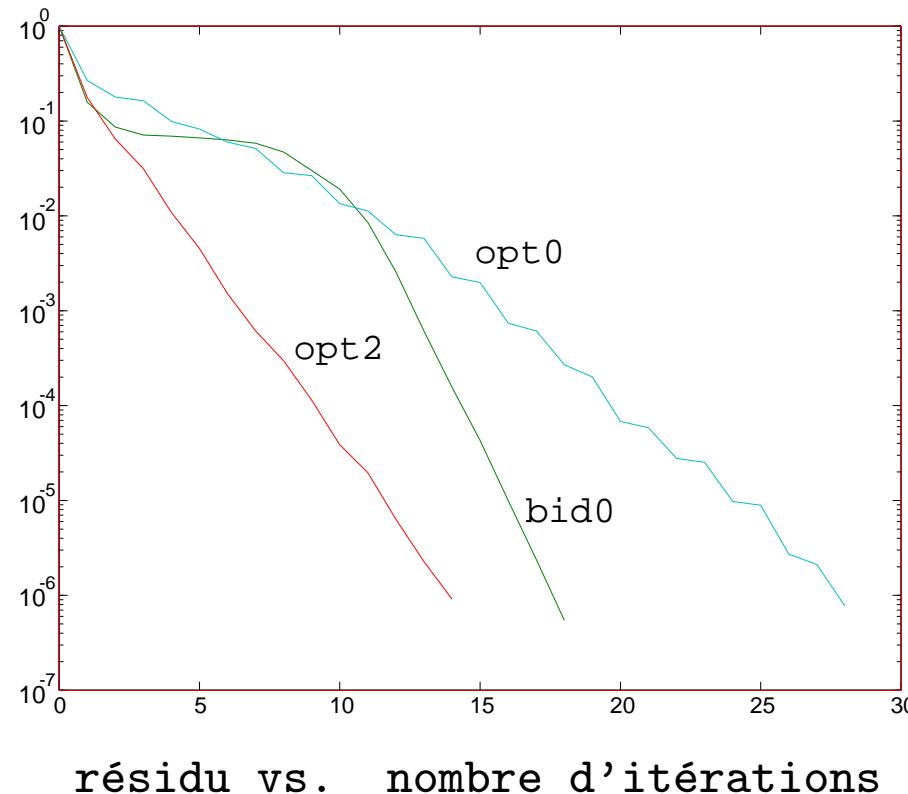


Location of oil, water, pressure in layers (drilling)

# Conditions d'interface optimisées pour les MDD

travail en commun avec E. Flauraud

Construction algébrique de conditions d'interface (CI) optimisées  
Sauts du coefficient  $\kappa$  de 4 ordres de grandeur.



Comparaison entre des conditions de type Robin ( $S = \alpha$ ) et des conditions d'ordre 2 ( $S = \alpha - \beta\partial^2/\partial\tau^2$ )

# Valeurs propres du problème sous-structuré

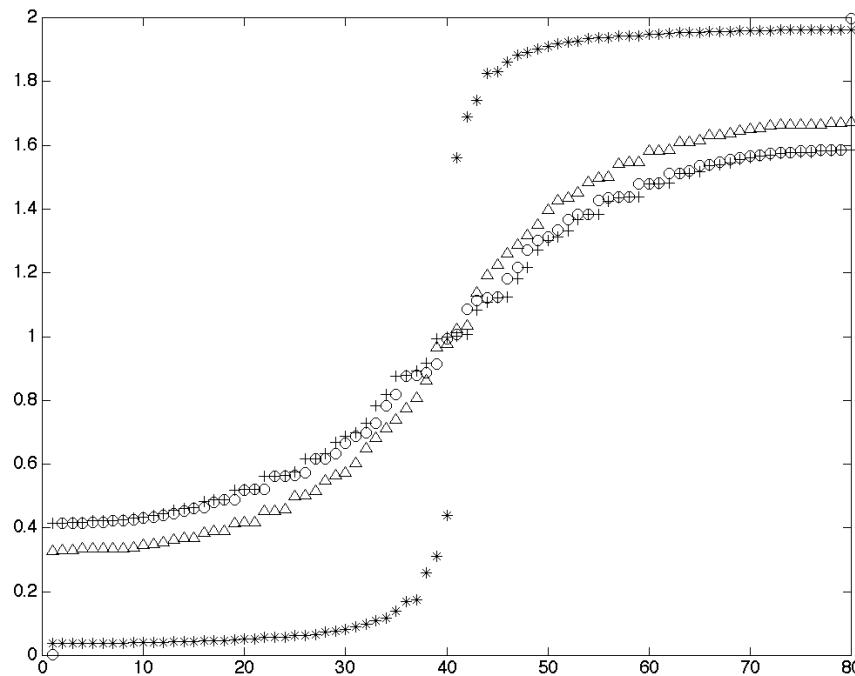
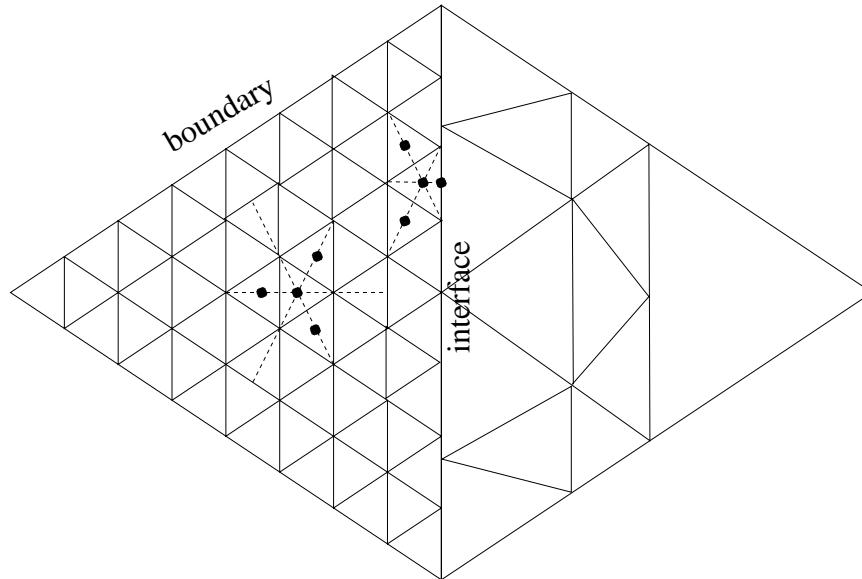


Figure 1: Conditions d'interface: star: opt0, triangle: opt2, circle: bid0, cross: bid2

# Bibliography : Cell-Centered Finite Volume Schemes on the interfaces

Integrating the PDE in the volume  $K$  yields :

$$\int_K \eta p + \int_{\partial K} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{n} p - \int_{\partial K} \frac{\partial p}{\partial n} = \int_K f,$$

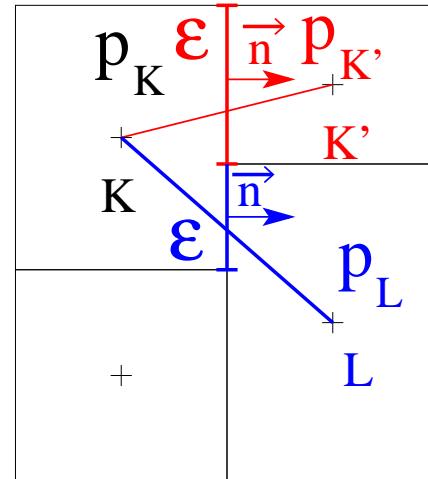


we shall call  $(p_K)_{K \in \mathcal{T}}$  the approximation of  $p(x_K)$  and  $(p_\epsilon)_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}}$  the interface.

## TPFA

$$u_{K,K'} = \frac{p_K - p_{K'}}{d(x_K, x_{K'})} \text{meas}(\epsilon)$$

Consistency is lost because  $[K', K]$  and  $\vec{n}$  are not parallel.  $F_{K,\epsilon}$  is a bad approximation of the outward flux.

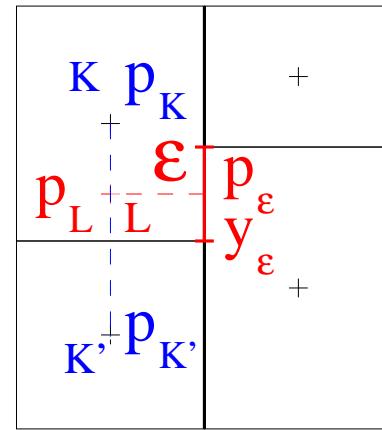


- Scheme is stable.
- No consistency for outward flux through interface.
- Error Estimate:  $O(h^{1/2})$  instead of  $O(h)$  (classical FV). Caustrès-Herbin-Hubert.

## Ceres (IFP)

$$p_L = \frac{meas([K,L])p_K + meas([K',L])p_{K'}}{meas([K,K'])}$$

$$u_\epsilon = \frac{p_\epsilon - p_L}{d(y_\epsilon, x_L)}$$



- Interpolation on subgrid inside the subdomains.
- No stability proven.
- Error Estimate seems to be in  $O(h)$ .

## Mortar Method with Finite Element

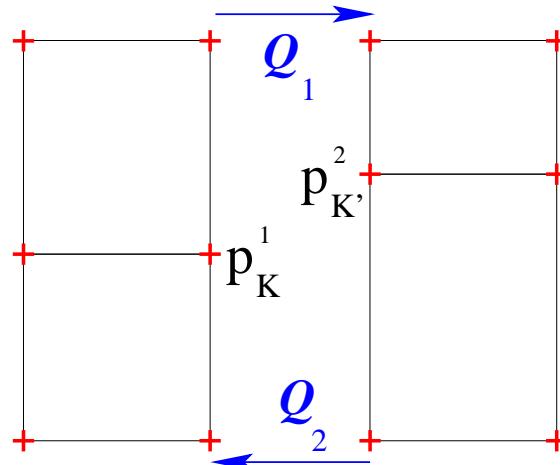
$Q_i$  are  $L^2$  orthogonal projectors on the trace of FE of  $\Omega_i$  and modify interface conditions in mortar conditions:

$$p_1 = Q_1(p_2)$$

$$u_2 = -Q_2(u_1)$$

They are no more symmetric:

$\Omega_1$  is the slave,  $\Omega_2$  the master.

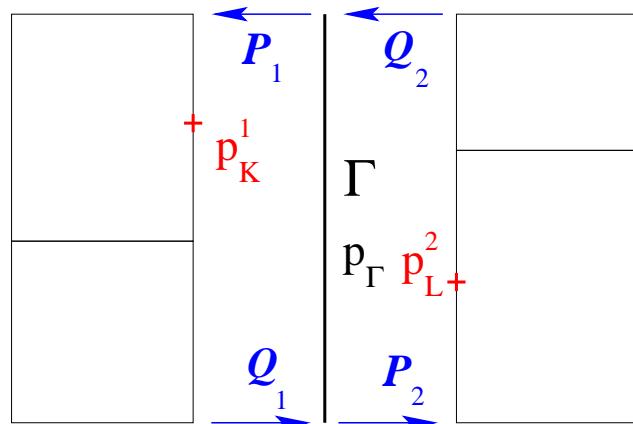


- Method based on finite element discretisation.
- Error estimate in  $O(h)$  with  $P_1$  FE.
- Dirichlet/Neumann Interface conditions type.

Bernardi-Maday-Patera.

## Mortar Method with Mixed Finite Element

Mortar method extended to Mixed Finite Element (Mass conservation): a space of function is introduced in  $\Gamma$ .



Interface conditions are:

$$p_1 = P_1(p_\Gamma)$$

$$p_2 = P_2(p_\Gamma)$$

$$Q_1(u_1) = Q_2(u_2)$$

- Error estimate in  $(O(h))$  with P1/P0 MFE.
- Dirichlet/Neumann interface conditions type.

Arbogast-Cowsar-Wheeler-Yotov.

## New Cement

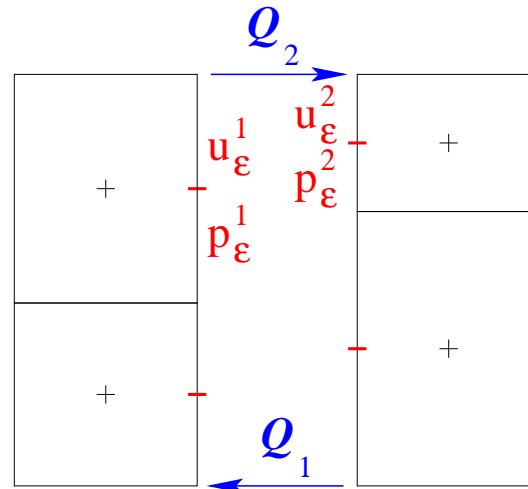
Mortar method extended to Robin interface conditions using FV  
( $Q_i$   $L^2$  orthogonal projector).

The robin interface conditions are:

$$u_1 + \alpha_{glob} p_1 = Q_1(-u_2 + \alpha_{glob} p_2)$$

$$u_2 + \alpha_{glob} p_2 = Q_2(-u_1 + \alpha_{glob} p_1)$$

They are symmetric.



- Unique and global  $\alpha$ : problem in heterogeneous media.
- Error estimate and solution depend on  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha_{opt} = O(1/h)^{1/2}$ ):  
 $\alpha = O(1/h)^\gamma \implies O(h^{1-\gamma/2})$

Achdou-Japhet-Maday-Nataf , *Numer. Math.* 92 (2002)

## Goal of the new method

- Finite volume scheme.
- Non-Matching Grids.
- Error estimate in  $O(h)$ : as Finite Volume on Matching Grids.
- Arbitrary interface conditions.
- Generalization to heterogeneous media.

## The finite volume method in the subdomains (R. Herbin, 95, Num. Meth. P.D.E)

- The domain  $\Omega$  is partitioned into  $N$  non-overlapping subdomains.
- Let  $\mathcal{T}_i$  be a partition of  $\Omega_i$  made of polygonal closed sets  $K$  :

$$\bar{\Omega}_i = \cup_{K \in \mathcal{T}_i} K.$$

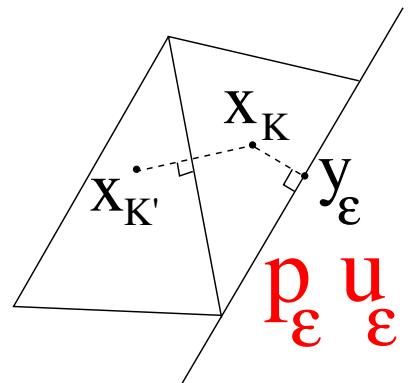
- $\mathcal{E}_{\Omega_i}$  is the set of the edges of  $\mathcal{T}_i$ .
- For two control volumes  $K$  and  $K'$  with  $K \cap K' \in \mathcal{E}_{\Omega_i}$ , let

$$[K, K'] = \partial K \cap \partial K'.$$

- $\mathcal{E}_{iD}$  is the set of the edges on  $\partial\Omega \cap \partial\Omega_i$  : Dirichlet boundary conditions.
- $\mathcal{E}_i$  is the set of the edges on  $\partial\Omega_i \setminus \partial\Omega$ . **Transmission conditions** will be enforced on  $\partial\Omega_i \setminus \partial\Omega$ .

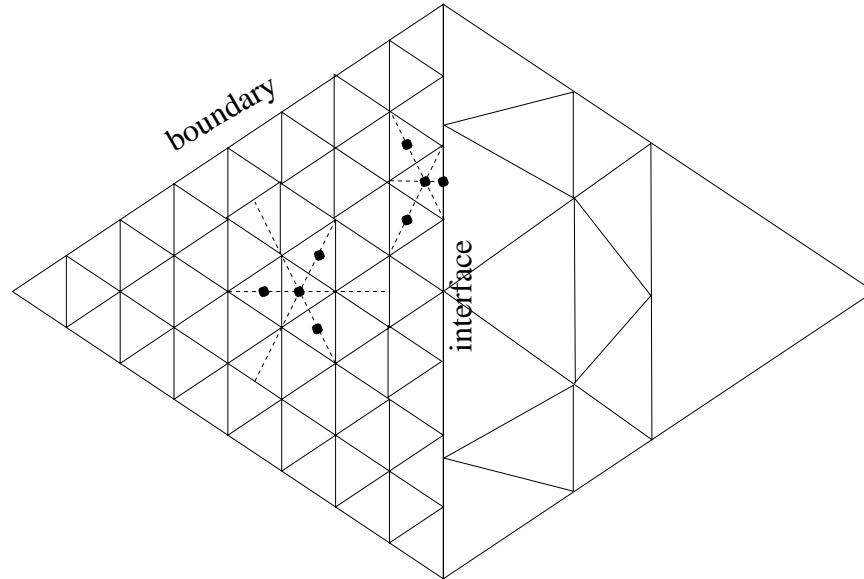
**Assumption** We suppose that there exist points  $(y_\epsilon)_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i \cup \mathcal{E}_{iD}}$  ( $y_\epsilon \in \epsilon$ ) and  $(x_K)_{K \in \mathcal{T}_i} \in K$  such that

1. For two adjacent volumes  $K$  and  $K'$ , the line  $[x_K, x_{K'}]$  is orthogonal to the edge  $[K, K']$ .
2. For each edge  $\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i \cup \mathcal{E}_{iD}$ , the straight line  $[x_{K(\epsilon)}, y_\epsilon]$  is orthogonal to the edge  $\epsilon$ .



**The scheme in the subdomains** Integrating the PDE in the volume  $K$  yields :

$$\int_K \eta p + \int_{\partial K} \vec{a} \cdot n p - \int_{\partial K} \frac{\partial p}{\partial n} = \int_K f,$$



we shall call  $(p_K)_{K \in \mathcal{T}}$  the approximation of  $p(x_K)$  and  $(p_\epsilon)_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}}$  the approximation of  $p(y_\epsilon)$ .

# Discrétisation Volumes Finis

$$\int_K \eta p + \int_{\partial K} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{n} p - \int_{\partial K} \frac{\partial p}{\partial n} = \int_K f,$$

est discrétisé par

$$\begin{aligned} \eta \text{meas}(K) p_K^i - \sum_{K' \in \mathcal{N}_i(K)} \frac{p_{K'}^i - p_K^i}{d(x_{K'}, x_K)} \text{meas}([K, K']) \\ \sum_{K' \in \mathcal{N}(K)} a_{KK'} p_K^+ - \sum_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_{iD}} \frac{g_\epsilon^i - p_K^i}{d(y_\epsilon, x_K)} \text{meas}(\epsilon) - \sum_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i} u_\epsilon^i \text{meas}(\epsilon) &= F_K \end{aligned}$$

avec  $p_K^+$  décentrage amont,  $a_{KK'} = \int_{[KK']} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{n}_K$  et  $u_\epsilon$  défini par

$$u_\epsilon^i = \frac{p_\epsilon^i - p_K^i}{d(y_\epsilon, x_K)} \text{ on } \epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i$$

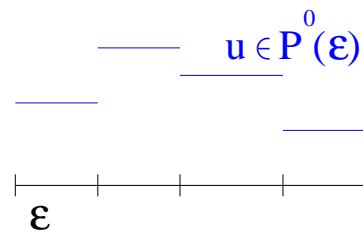
et avec **des conditions d'interfaces** sur  $\mathcal{E}_i$  à définir liant  $(u_\epsilon^i, p_\epsilon^i)$  avec  $(u_\epsilon^j, p_\epsilon^j)$  où  $\Omega_j$  est un sous-domaine voisin de  $\Omega_i$ .

## Dirichlet-Neumann interface conditions

Transmission operators  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  between the non conforming grids on the interface  $\mathcal{E}_i \neq \mathcal{E}_j$ :

$$Q_1 : P^0(\mathcal{E}_2) \longmapsto P^0(\mathcal{E}_1)$$

$$Q_2 : P^0(\mathcal{E}_1) \longmapsto P^0(\mathcal{E}_2)$$



where  $P^0(\mathcal{E}_i)$  space of piecewise constant functions  $\mathcal{E}_i$ .

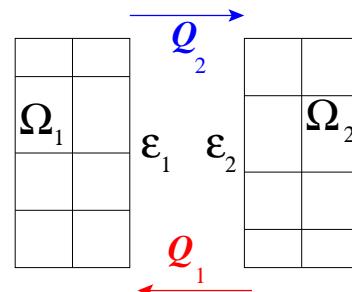
**Assumption 1**  $\forall u \in P^0(\mathcal{E}_2)$  and  $\forall v \in P^0(\mathcal{E}_1)$

$$\langle Q_1(u), v \rangle = \langle u, Q_2(v) \rangle \quad (A1)$$

Dirichlet-Neumann Interface conditions (mortar type):

$$p_2 = Q_2(p_1)$$

$$u_1 = Q_1(-u_2)$$



$\Omega_1$  is the master and  $\Omega_2$  the slave (conforming grids  $Q_i = Id$ ).

## Arbitrary Interface Conditions

Arbitrary Interface Conditions:  $S_i : P^0(\mathcal{E}_i) \longmapsto P^0(\mathcal{E}_i)$

**Assumption 2**  $S_i$  is positive definite

A2

Arbitrary Interface Conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_1(S_2(Q_2(p_1))) + u_1 &= Q_1(S_2(p_2) - u_2) \\ p_2 + Q_2(S_1^{-1}(Q_1(u_2))) &= Q_2(p_1 - S_1^{-1}(u_1)) \end{aligned}$$

Example of interface conditions:

- Steklov-Poincaré operator ( $S_i = (DtN_i)_h$ )
- Robin interface conditions  $S_i = \text{diag}(\alpha_\epsilon^i)$ ,  $S_i = \text{diag}(\alpha_{opt}^i)$  optimized of order 1 or 2 ( $S_i$  tridiagonal)

In New Cement, the interface relation was

$$u_1 + S_2(p_1) = Q_1(-u_2 + S_2(p_2))$$

## Dirichlet/Neumann and arbitrary interface conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} p_2 & = & Q_2(p_1) \\ u_1 & = & Q_1(-u_2) \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (5) \\ (6) \end{array} & \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} S_2(p_2) & = & S_2(Q_2(p_1)) \\ S_1^{-1}(u_1) & = & S_1^{-1}(Q_1(-u_2)) \end{array} \right. \\ & \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} Q_1(S_2(p_2)) & = & Q_1(S_2(Q_2(p_1))) \\ Q_2(S_1^{-1}(u_1)) & = & Q_2(S_1^{-1}(Q_1(-u_2))) \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (5') \\ (6') \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

$(6) + (5')$  and  $(5) + (6')$  yield arbitrary interface conditions

$$Q_1(S_2(Q_2(p_1))) + u_1 = Q_1(S_2(p_2) - u_2) \quad (7)$$

$$p_2 + Q_2(S_1^{-1}(Q_1(u_2))) = Q_2(p_1 - S_1^{-1}(u_1)) \quad (8)$$

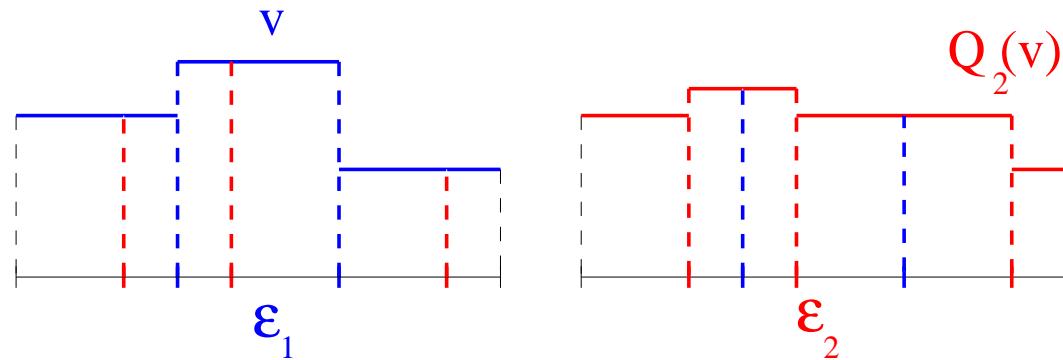
$Q_i = P_i^C$   $L^2$  orthogonal projection on  $P^0(\mathcal{E}_i)$

$$\forall f \in L^2(\Gamma), \forall \epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i, Q_i(f) = \frac{1}{meas(\epsilon)} \int_{\epsilon} f$$

$\forall u_j \in P^0(\mathcal{E}_j), \forall \epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i, i \neq j,$

$$[Q_i(u_j)]_{\epsilon} = [P_i^C(u_j)] = \sum_{\epsilon' \in \mathcal{E}_j} \frac{meas(\epsilon \cap \epsilon')}{meas(\epsilon)} u_{\epsilon'}^j$$

Operator  $Q_i$  satisfies assumption (A1).

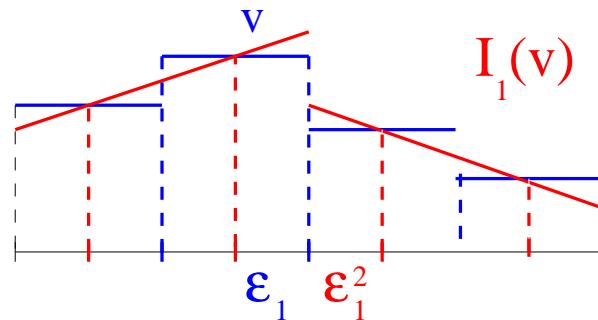


$(Q_2(v) \text{ mean value on } \epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_2 \text{ of } v \in P^0(\mathcal{E}_1))$

## $Q_i$ defined via a linear rebuilding

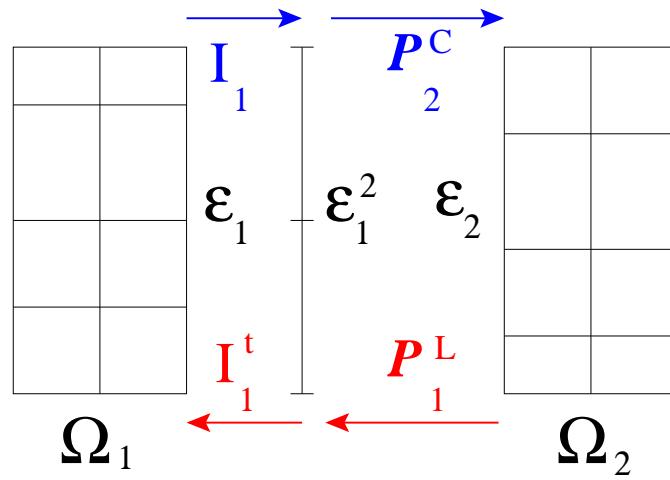
We introduce ( $i = 1, 2$ ):

- the interface grid:  $\mathcal{E}_i^2$  coarsening by a factor 2 of  $\mathcal{E}_i$ .
- $P_d^1(\mathcal{E}_i^2)$  discontinuous piecewise linear functions on  $\mathcal{E}_i^2$ .
- interpolation operator  $I_i : P^0(\mathcal{E}_i) \longmapsto P_d^1(\mathcal{E}_i^2)$  and its transpose  $I_i^t$  (w.r.t. the scalar product  $L^2(\Gamma)$ ,  $\forall u \in P^0(\mathcal{E}_i)$  and  $\forall v \in P^1(\mathcal{E}_i^2)$   $\langle I_i(u), v \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma)} = \langle u, I_i^t(v) \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma)}$ ).



- $P_i^L$   $L^2$  orthogonal projection on  $P_d^1(\mathcal{E}_i^2)$

## Transmission scheme



The definitions of the transmission operators are inspired by I. Yotov's work in mixed finite element method :

$$Q_2 = P_2^C I_1$$

$$Q_1 = Q_2^t = I_1^t P_1^L$$

They satisfy assumption (A1) (but are not projections).

## Theoretical Results

- Globally and locally well-posed problems
- Dirichlet/Neumann and arbitrary interface conditions are equivalent
- Error estimate:
  - $O(h)^{1/2}$  with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections
  - $O(h)$  with linear rebuilding
  - $O(h)$  with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections if the master is a subgrid of the slave
  - Maximum principle with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections if the slave is subgrid of the master.
- Error estimate done with a convective term as well

## Global well posedness and stability estimate

**Discrete Norm Definition:**

$$\begin{aligned} \|v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 &= \sum_{K \in \tau} (v_K)^2 \text{meas}(K) \\ |v|_{1,\tau}^2 &= \sum_{K \in \tau} \sum_{K' \in \mathcal{N}(K)} \frac{(v_K - v_{K'})^2}{d(x_K, x_{K'})} \text{meas}([K, K']) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_D} \frac{(v_K)^2}{d(x_K, y_\epsilon)} \text{meas}(\epsilon) + \sum_{\epsilon \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{(v_\epsilon - v_K)^2}{d(x_K, y_\epsilon)} \text{meas}(\epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

## Global well posedness and stability estimate

**Theorem 1** *Under assumptions A1 and A2, the global problem defined by the set of equations VF-(7)-(8) is well posed and there exists  $C > 0$  independent of the mesh size such that:*

$$\sum_{i=1,2} [\eta ||p_i||_{L^2(\Omega_i)}^2 + |p_i|_{1,\mathcal{T}_i}^2] \leq C \sum_{i=1}^2 ||F_i||_{L^2(\Omega_i)}^2$$

⇒ The global discret problem has a unique solution without further assumption on the mesh

## Local Well posedness

**Theorem 2** *Under assumptions A1 and A2, the local problem defined in  $\Omega_1$  by the equations FV-(7) and the local problem defined in  $\Omega_2$  by the equations FV-(8) are well posed.*

⇒ each local problem has an unique solution

For iteratively solving the domain decomposition problem, we have to compute local solution at each iteration.

## Error Estimate

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**General Error Estimate:** For admissible meshes

If we define  $e_K = p(x_K) - p_K$  and  $e_\epsilon = p(y_\epsilon) - p_\epsilon$ , with  $p \in C^2(\Omega)$  solution of (2),  $\exists C > 0$  such that:

$$\left( \eta \|e\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + |e|_{1,\tau}^2 \right)^{1/2} = Ch$$

## Error Estimate

**Assumption 3**  $\exists C, \beta > 0$  such that:

$$\forall \epsilon \in \mathcal{E}_i, \ diam(\epsilon) \leq Cd(x_K, y_\epsilon)^\beta$$

**Theorem 3** Under assumptions A1-A2-A3, we have:

$$(1) \quad \left( \sum_{i=1,2} [\eta \|e_i\|_{L^2(\Omega_i)}^2 + |e_i|_{1,\mathcal{T}_i}^2] \right)^{1/2} \leq C(\Omega)h^\gamma$$

with  $\gamma = 1/2$  with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections ( $\beta = 1$ ) and  $\gamma = 1$  with linear rebuilding ( $\beta = 1/2$ ).

Recall that

- $\gamma = 1$  with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections if the master is a subgrid of the slave ( $\beta = 1/2$ ).
- Maximum principle holds with  $L^2$  orthogonal projections if the slave is a subgrid of the master.

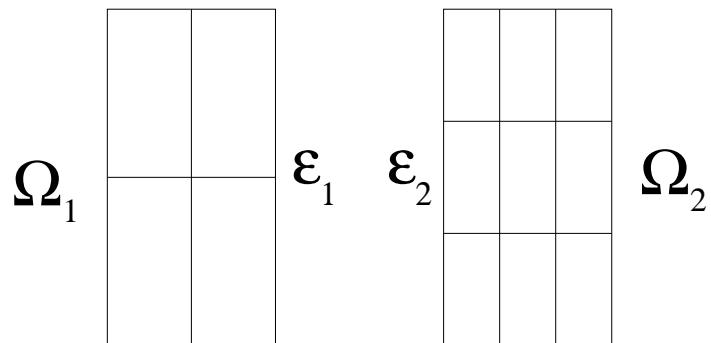
## Numerical Results in the homogeneous case

Numerical tests have been done with the equation in four subdomains :

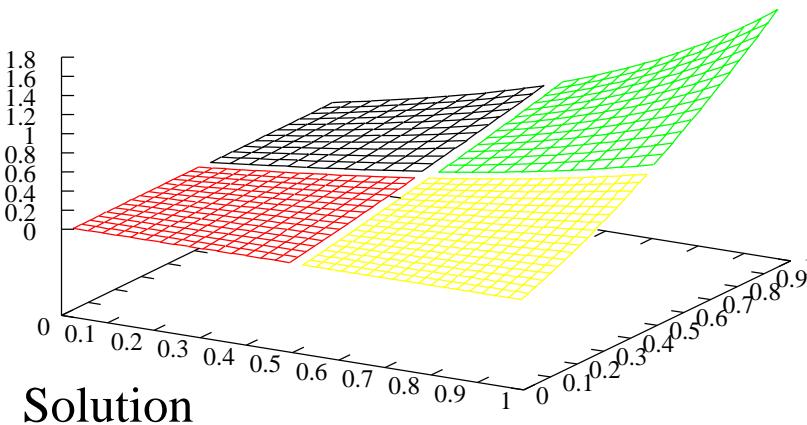
$$\begin{aligned} p - \Delta p &= x^3y^2 - 6xy^2 - 2x^3 + (1 + x^2 + y^2)\sin(xy) \text{ in } \Omega \\ p &= p_0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

This results have been compared to the analytical solution which is  $p(x, y) = x^3y^2 + \sin(xy)$ .

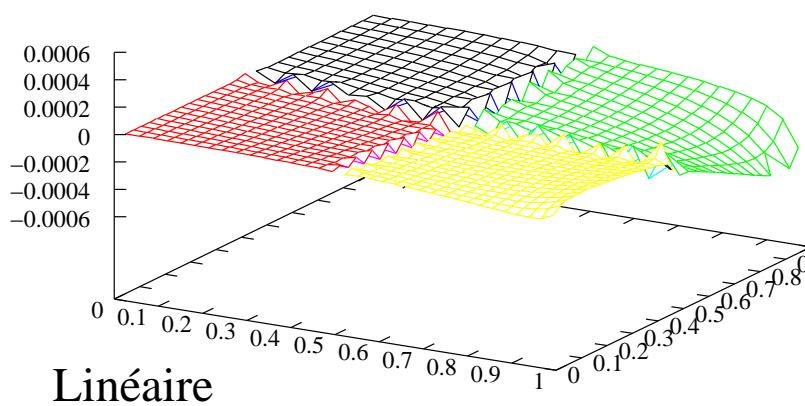
A substructuring method and a GMRES algorithm have been used.



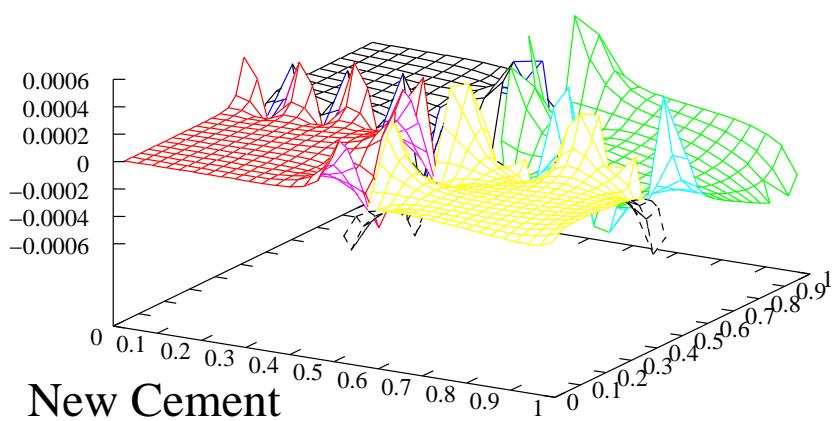
## Solution and Error: 4 Domains



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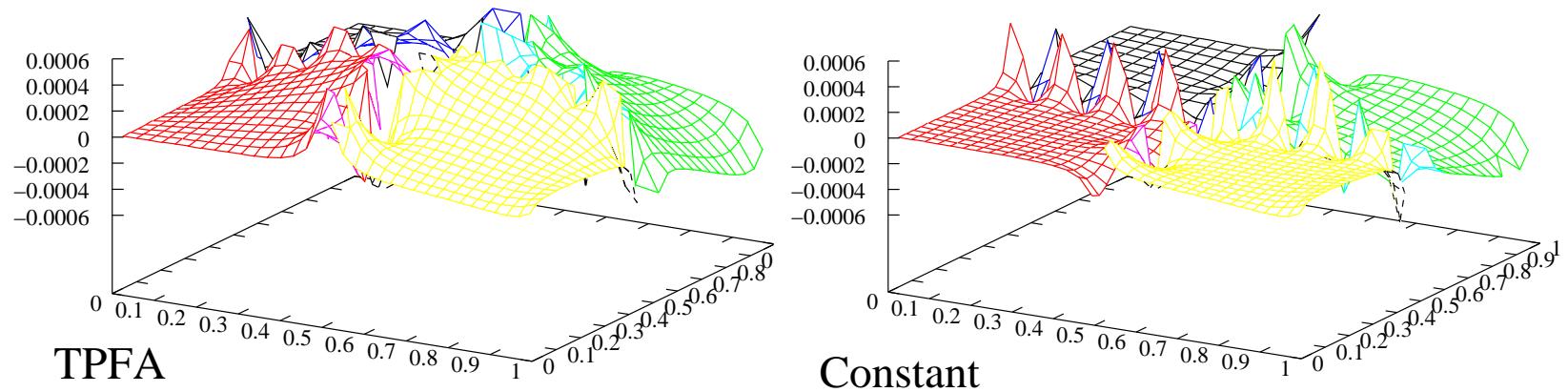


Linéaire



New Cement

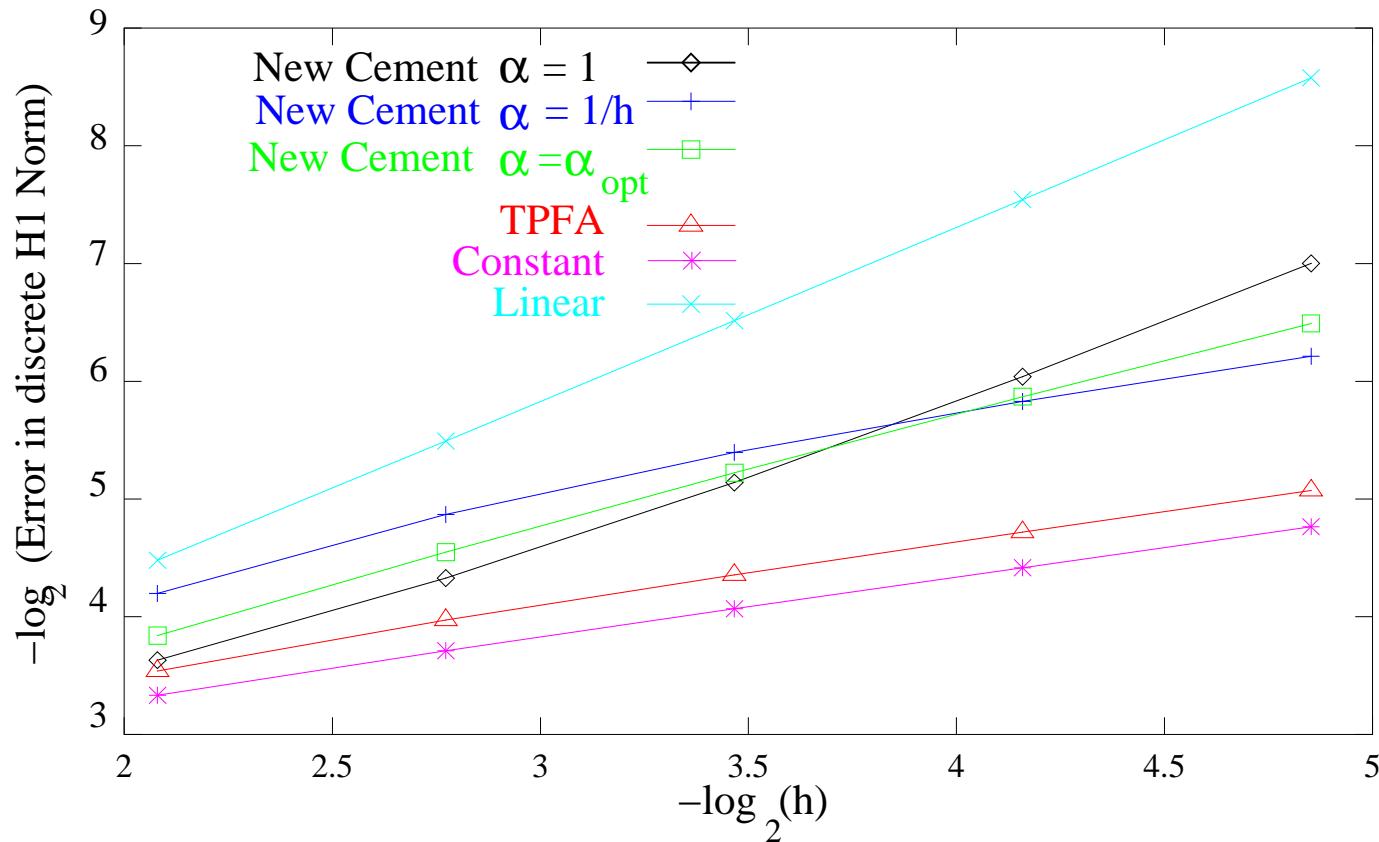
## Error: 4 Domains



Numerical results obtained with  $\alpha_{ij} = 1$  ( $i \neq j$ , et  $i, j = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ) and for grids

- $\Omega_1$ :  $12 \times 12$  cells
- $\Omega_2$ :  $14 \times 14$  cells
- $\Omega_3$ :  $16 \times 16$  cells
- $\Omega_4$ :  $18 \times 18$  cells

## 4 Domains

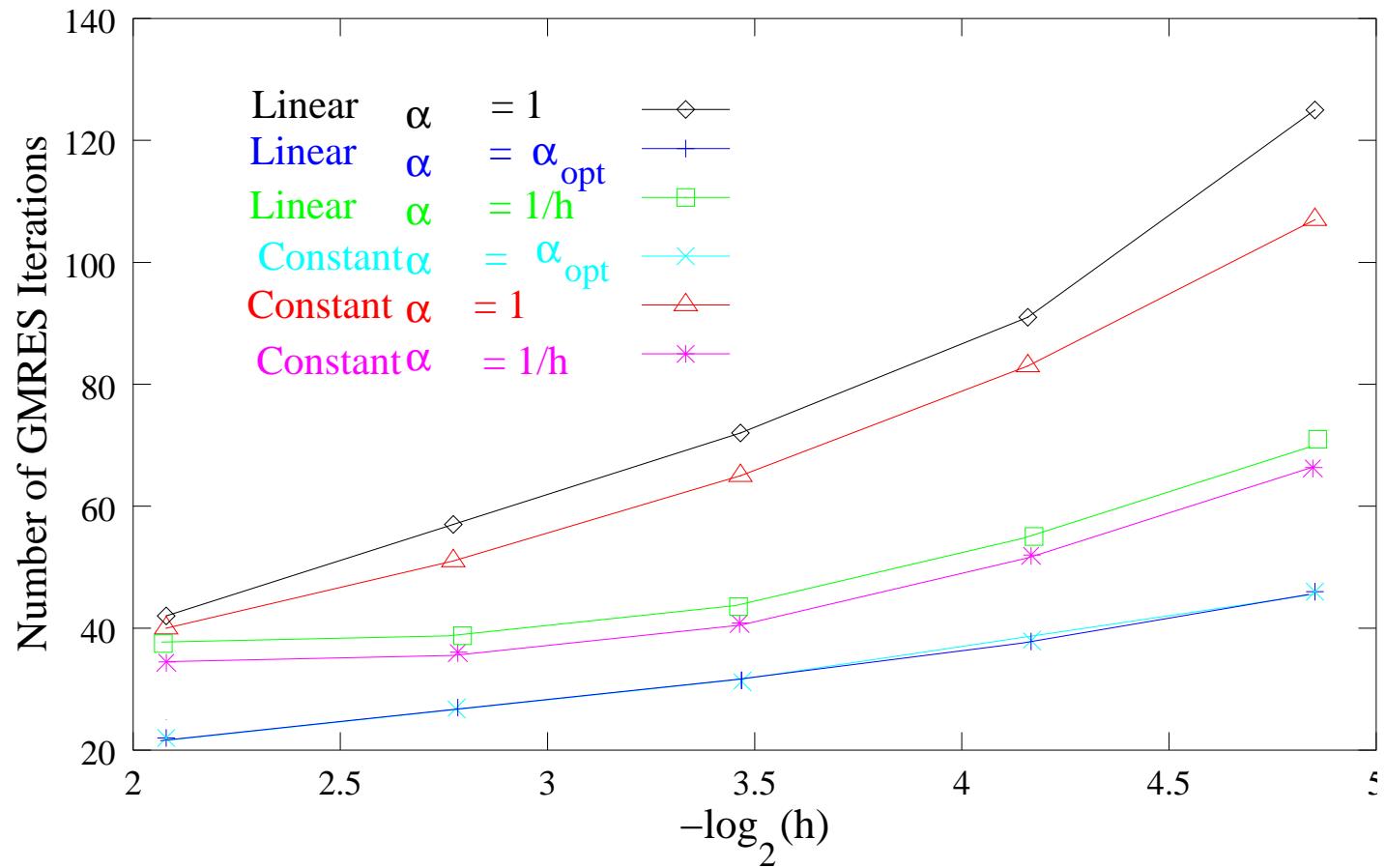


Linear  $\simeq 1.3$ ; New Cement( $\alpha = cte$ ) $\simeq 1.3$ ;

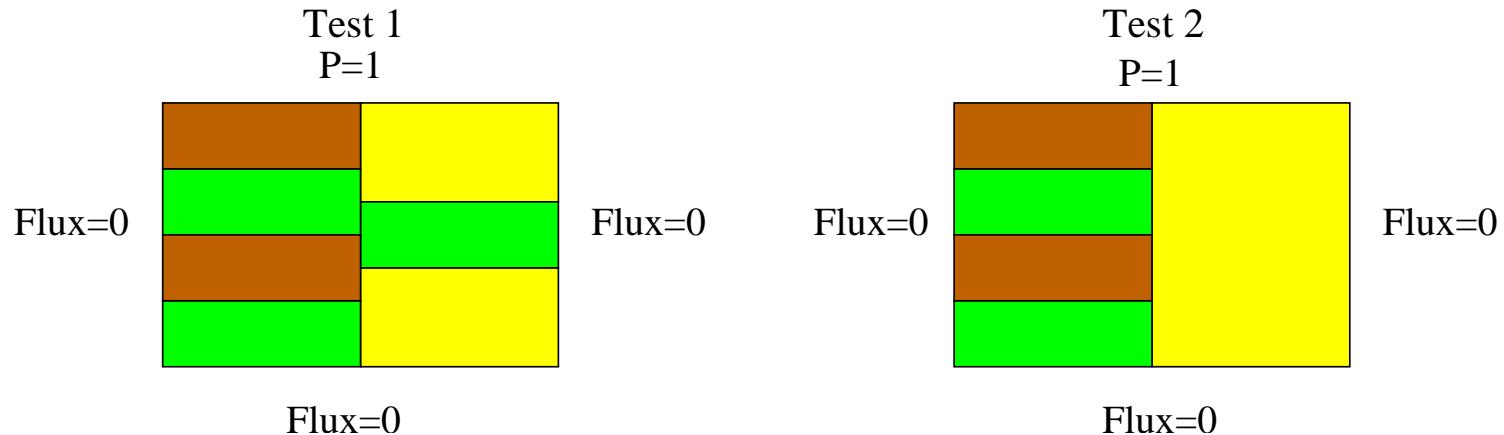
New Cement( $\alpha = \alpha_{\text{opt}}$ ) $\simeq 0.9$ ;

New Cement( $\alpha = 1/h$ ) $\simeq 0.6$  Constant $\simeq 0.5$ ; TPFA $\simeq 0.5$ ;

## Iteration counts: 4 Domains



# Heterogeneous Problem

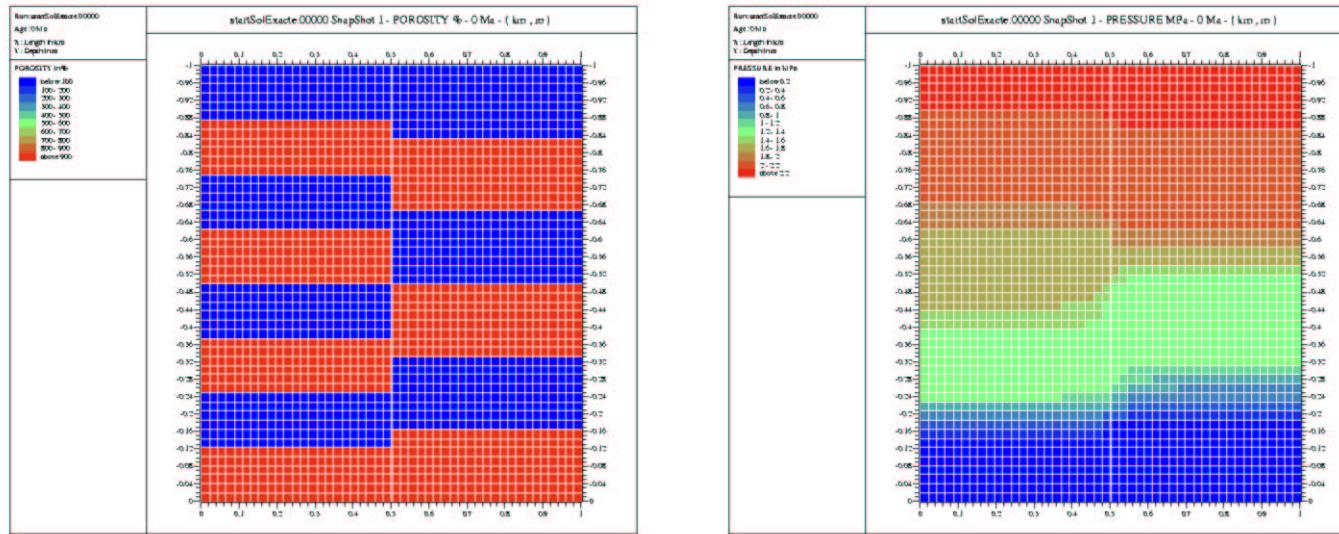


$$\eta p - \operatorname{div}(\kappa \nabla p) = C$$

with  $\eta$  and  $\kappa$  highly discontinuous and anisotropic.

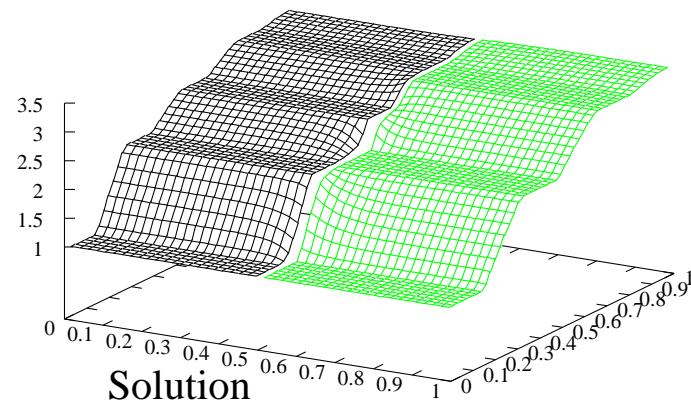
The flux across the interface is a highly discontinuous function. The points of discontinuities are located on the intersection points of the lithology. This feature has to be taken into account by the numerical scheme.

# Non conforming heterogeneities

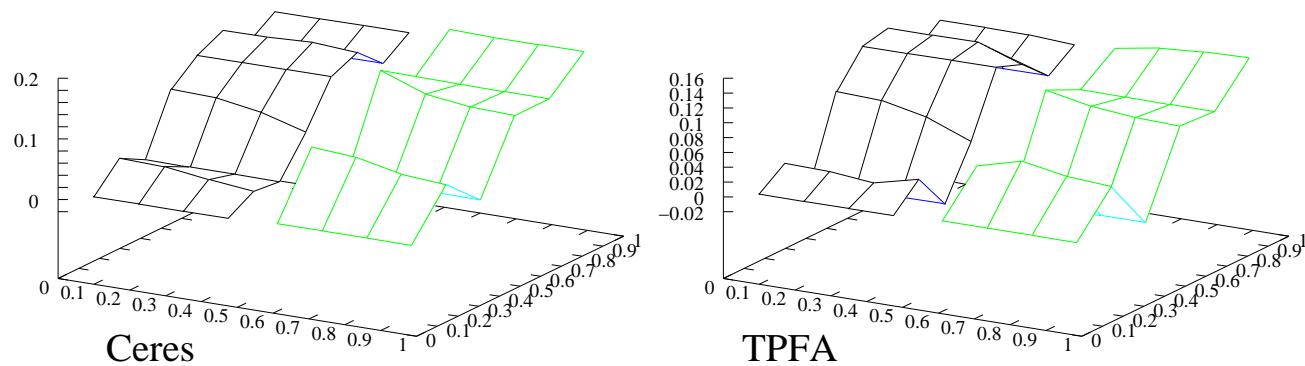
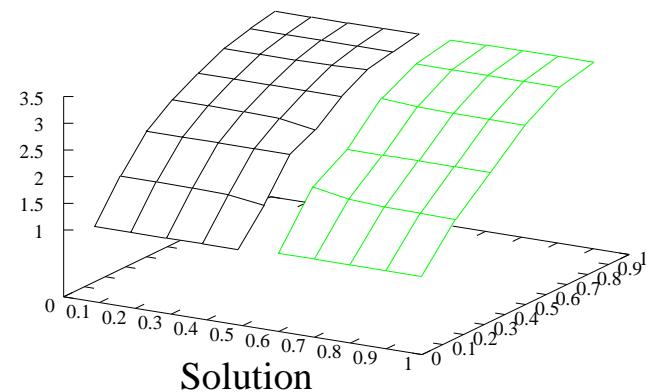


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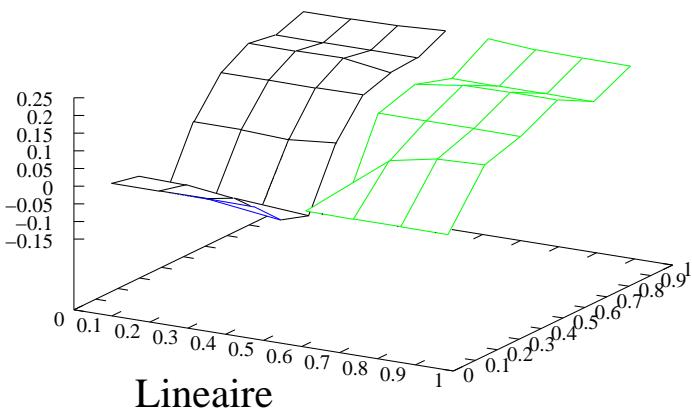
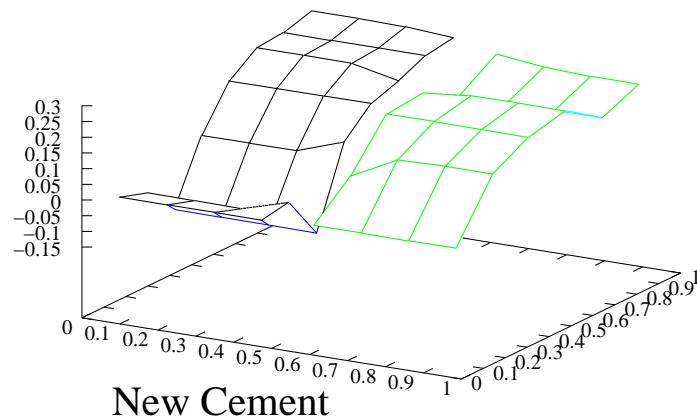
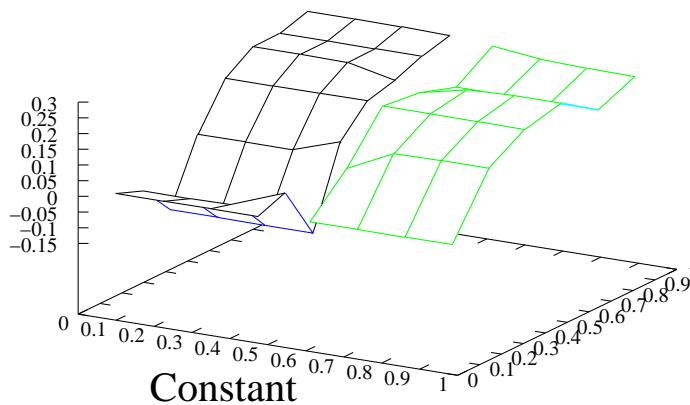
Solution



# Basin Modeling



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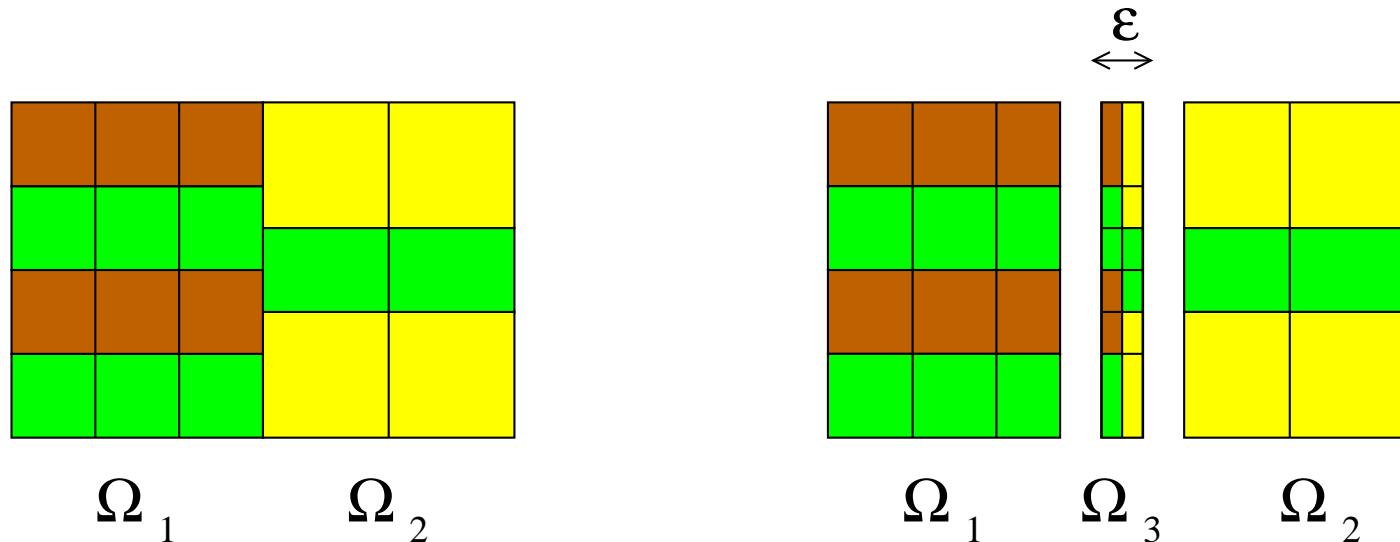


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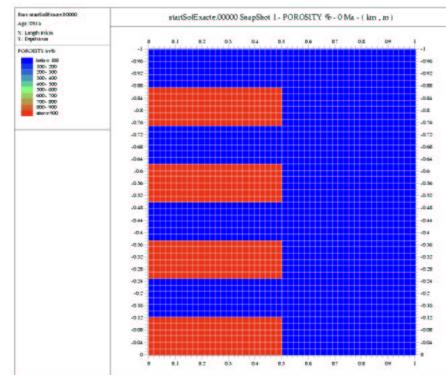
- Modified transmission operators that are  $\kappa$  dependant.

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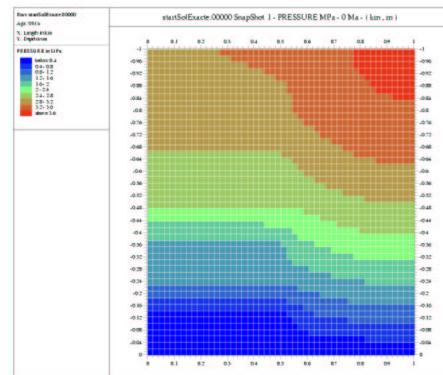
- A third subdomain is added in between ( $\epsilon \ll 1$ )



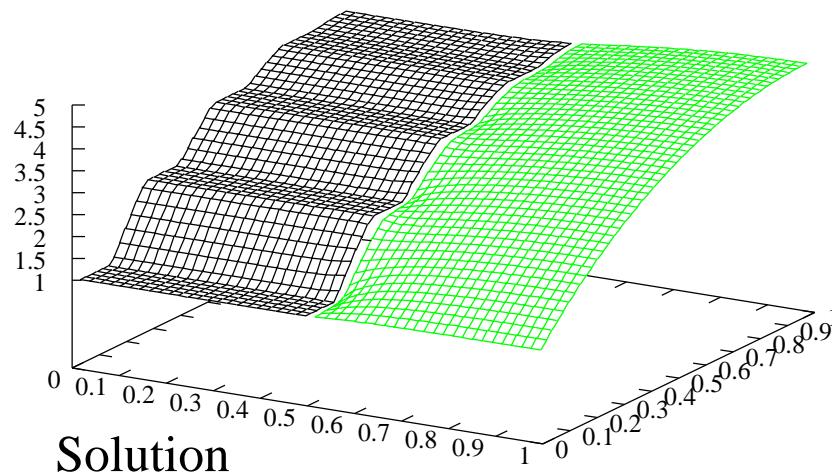
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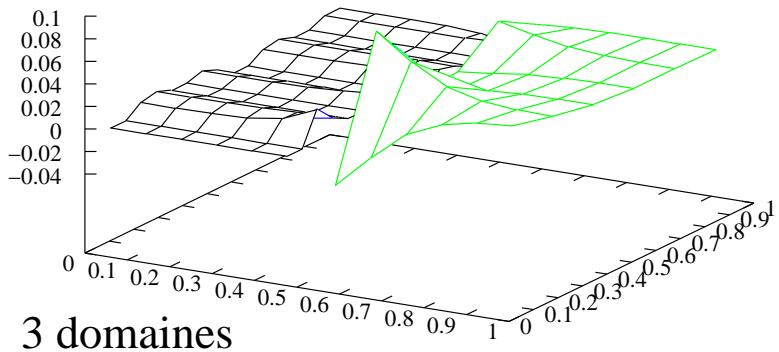
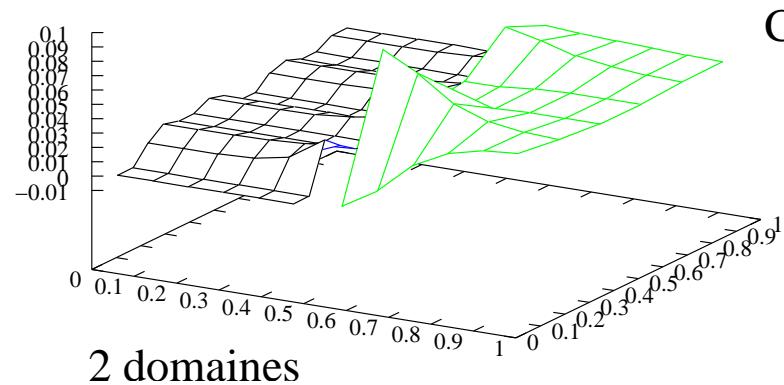
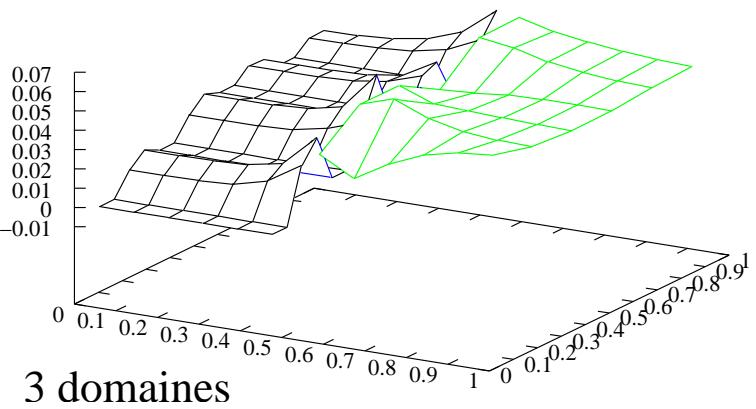
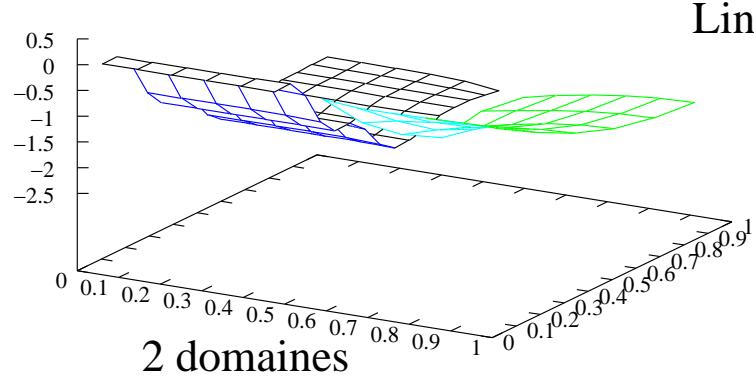
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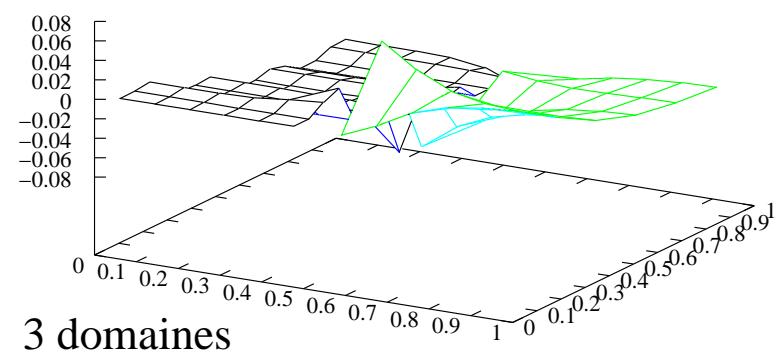
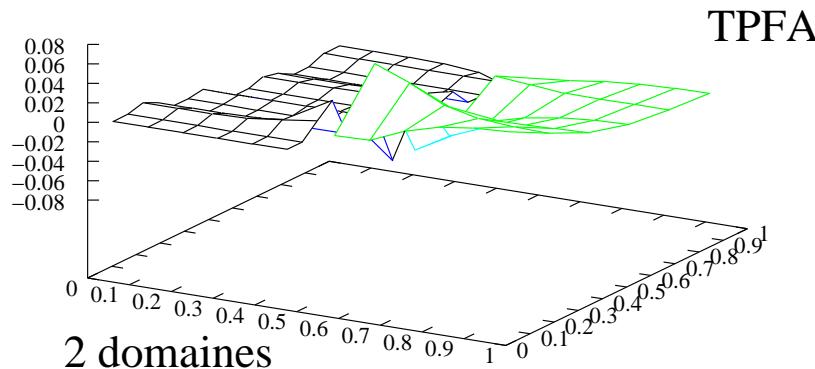
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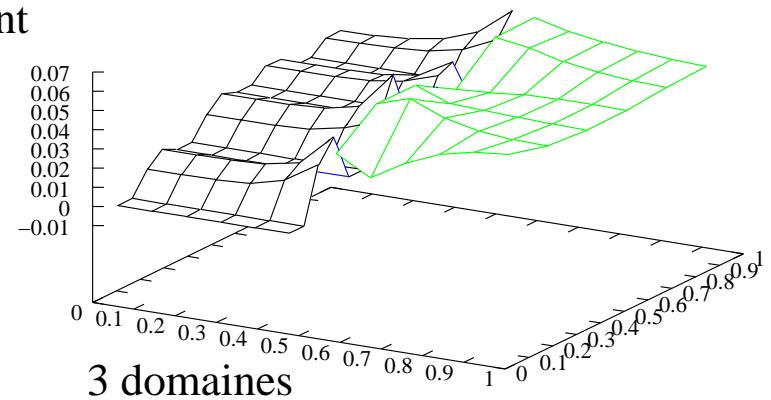
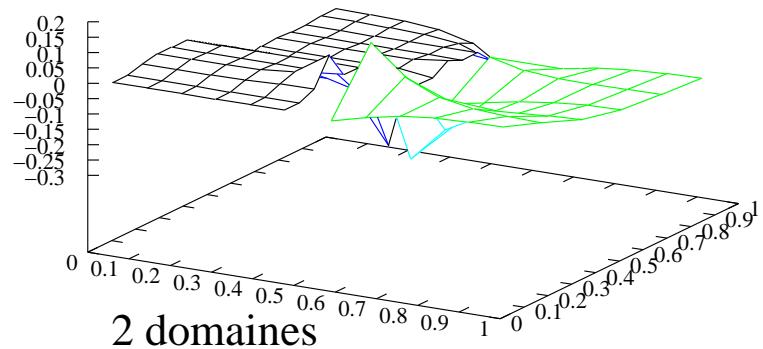
# Linear and Ceres



# TPFA and Constant



# Constant



## Conclusion

- Method for arbitrary interface conditions
- Addition of a third subdomain for robustness w.r.t. heterogeneities

## Prospects

- Analysis of the same idea for a Finite Element discretization
- Overlapping non conforming meshes

Thanks !