

A Nested Dissection Parallel Direct Solver for Simulations of 3D DC/AC Resistivity Measurements

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OUTLINE

- Formulation of the resistivity measurement simulation model problem
- Sequential algorithm
- Parallel algorithm
- Scalability of the parallel solver
- Parallel solver details
- Conclusions and future work (inversions)

FORMULATION OF THE MODEL PROBLEM

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma} + j\omega\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J}^{\text{imp}} \quad (\text{Ampere's Law}) \\
 \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -j\omega\boldsymbol{\mu}\mathbf{H} - \mathbf{M}^{\text{imp}} \quad (\text{Faraday's Law}) \\
 \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\mathbf{E}) = \rho \quad (\text{Gauss' Law of Electricity}) \\
 \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\mu}\mathbf{H}) = 0 \quad (\text{Gauss' Law of Magnetism})
 \end{array} \right.$$

H	magnetic field	ω	angular frequency
E	electric field	ρ	electric charge distribution
$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$	dielectric permittivity	J^{imp}	impressed electric current
$\boldsymbol{\mu}$	magnetic permeability	M^{imp}	impressed magnetic current
$\boldsymbol{\sigma}$	electrical conductivity		

FORMULATION OF THE MODEL PROBLEM

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\mathbf{H} magnetic field $\omega = \mathbf{0}$ DC formulation

\mathbf{E} electric field ρ electric charge distribution

$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ dielectric permittivity \mathbf{J}^{imp} impressed electric current

$\boldsymbol{\mu}$ magnetic permeability

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Taking the curl of the Ampere's law and utilizing the Gauss' Electric law we obtain the **conductive media equation**

$$\nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \nabla u) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

where u scalar potential such that $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla u$

Variational formulation

Find $u \in u_D + H_D^1(\Omega)$ such that

$$\langle \nabla v, \boldsymbol{\sigma} \nabla u \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} = \langle v, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \langle v, \mathbf{h} \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma_N)} \quad \forall v \in H_D^1(\Omega)$$

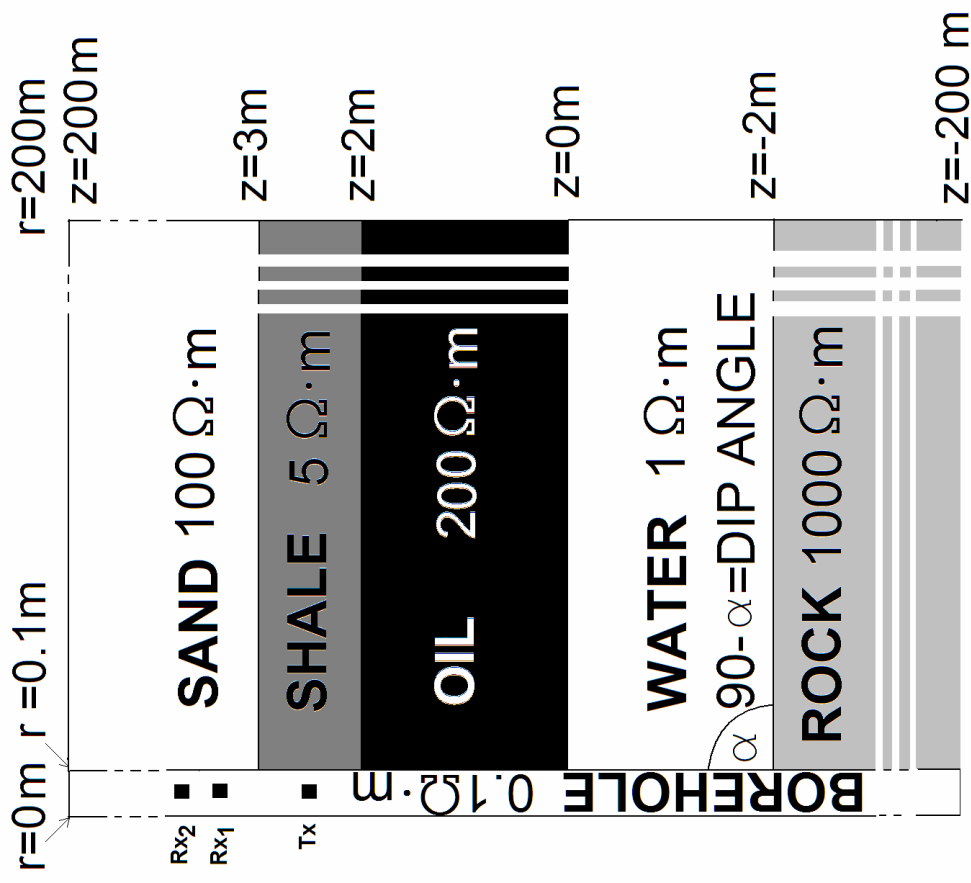
u_D lift of essential Dirichlet b.c.

$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \nabla u$ prescribed flux on Γ_N

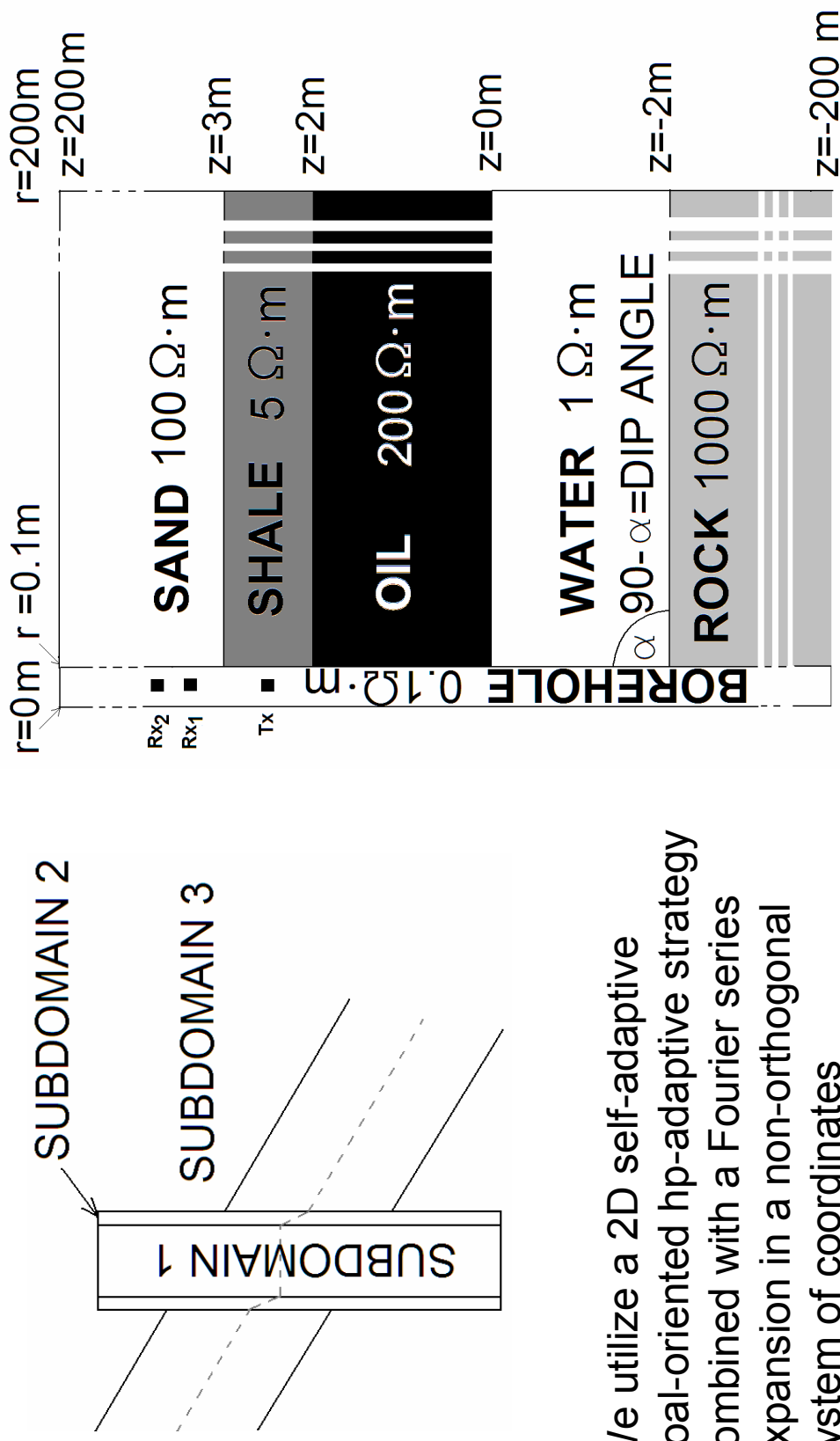
$$H_D^1(\Omega) = \left\{ u \in H^1(\Omega) : u|_{\Gamma_D} = 0 \right\}$$

FORMULATION OF THE MODEL PROBLEM

- 1 transmitter
- 2 receiver electrodes
- transmitter electrode modeled by the impressed electric current \mathbf{J}^{imp}
- five different layers in the formation with resistivities 100 $\Omega \cdot m$ (sand) 5 $\Omega \cdot m$ (shale) 200 $\Omega \cdot m$ (oil) 1 $\Omega \cdot m$ (water) 1000 $\Omega \cdot m$ (rock)
- borehole with resistivity 0.1 $\Omega \cdot m$
- 0 Dirichlet b.c. on the external boundary of the domain
- 0 Neumann b.c. on the axis of symmetry

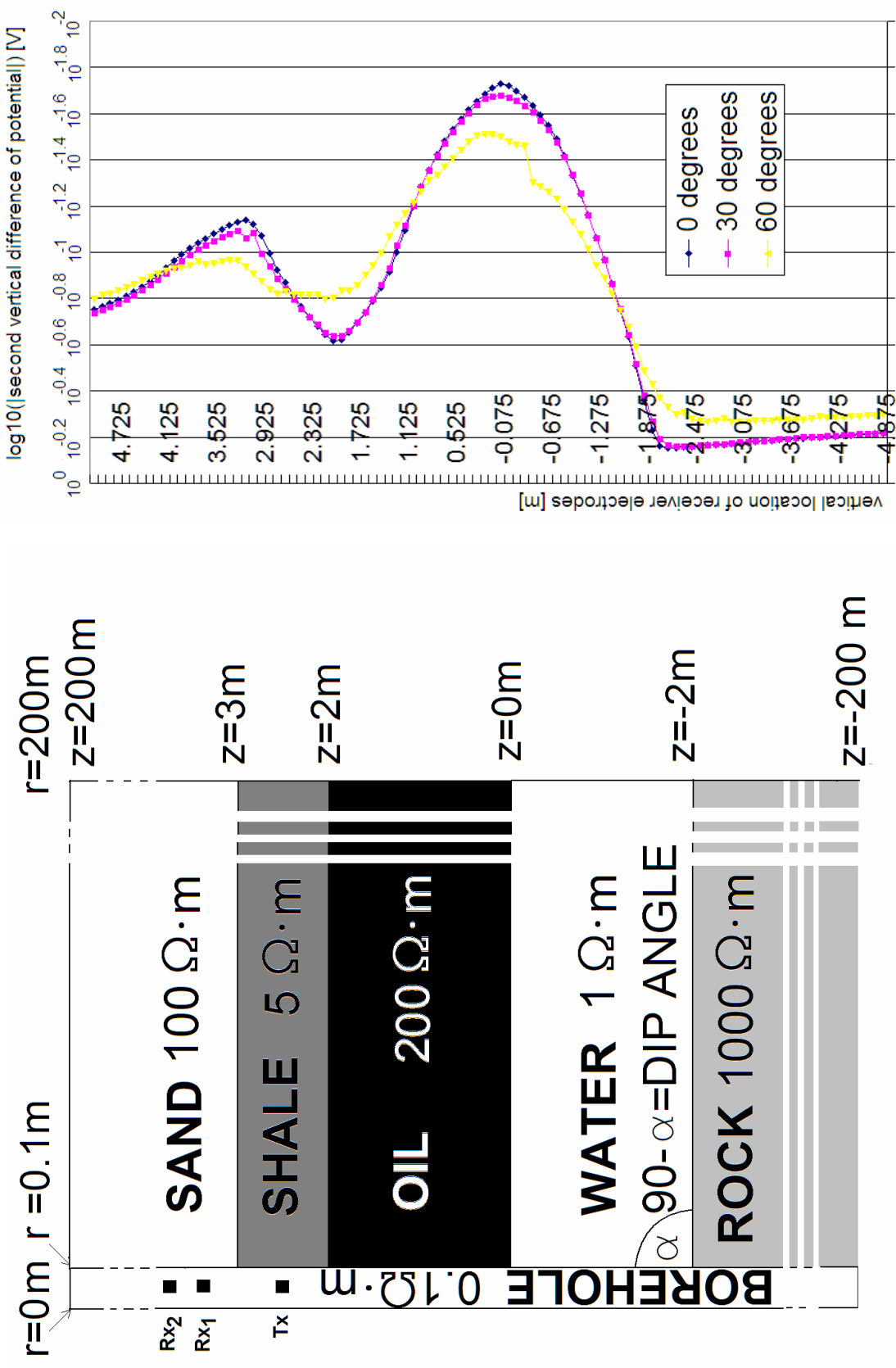


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We utilize a 2D self-adaptive goal-oriented hp-adaptive strategy combined with a Fourier series expansion in a non-orthogonal system of coordinates

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SEQUENTIAL ALGORITHM

Loop over electrode locations

Iterations of the goal-oriented self-adaptive hp FEM

Solve the problem over the coarse mesh

Solve the problem over the fine mesh

Compute **relative error** estimations over finite elements

If maximum **relative error** < required accuracy **then** exit

Make decisions about optimal refinements

Perform optimal refinements

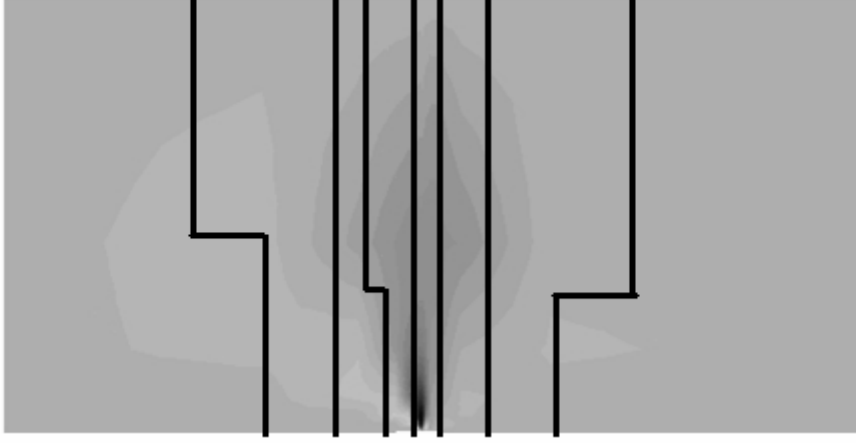
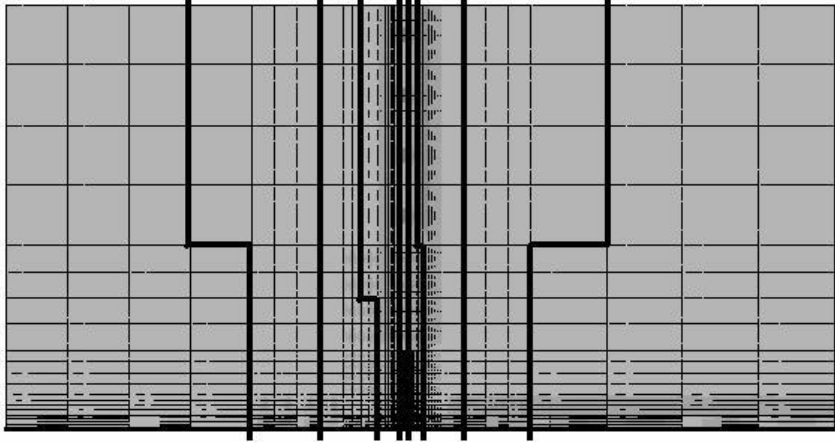
End

Store second vertical difference of potential
at receiver electrodes

End

PARALLEL ALGORITHM

- Each processor is assigned to a set of finite elements.
- Each node from the interface is assigned to multiple processor owners.
- Local copy of the entire data structure is stored on every processor.
- But each processor performs computations only on assigned set of finite elements.
- Only local solution degrees of freedom are stored to save memory.



PARALLEL ALGORITHM

Redistribute the computational mesh between processors

Loop over electrode locations

Iterations of the goal-oriented self-adaptive hp FEM

Solve the coarse mesh problem by parallel solver

Solve the fine mesh problem by parallel solver

Compute **relative error** estimations over finite elements

Compute global maximum relative error (mpi_allreduce)

If maximum **relative error** < required accuracy **then** exit

Make **local** decisions about optimal refinements

Broadcast required refinements

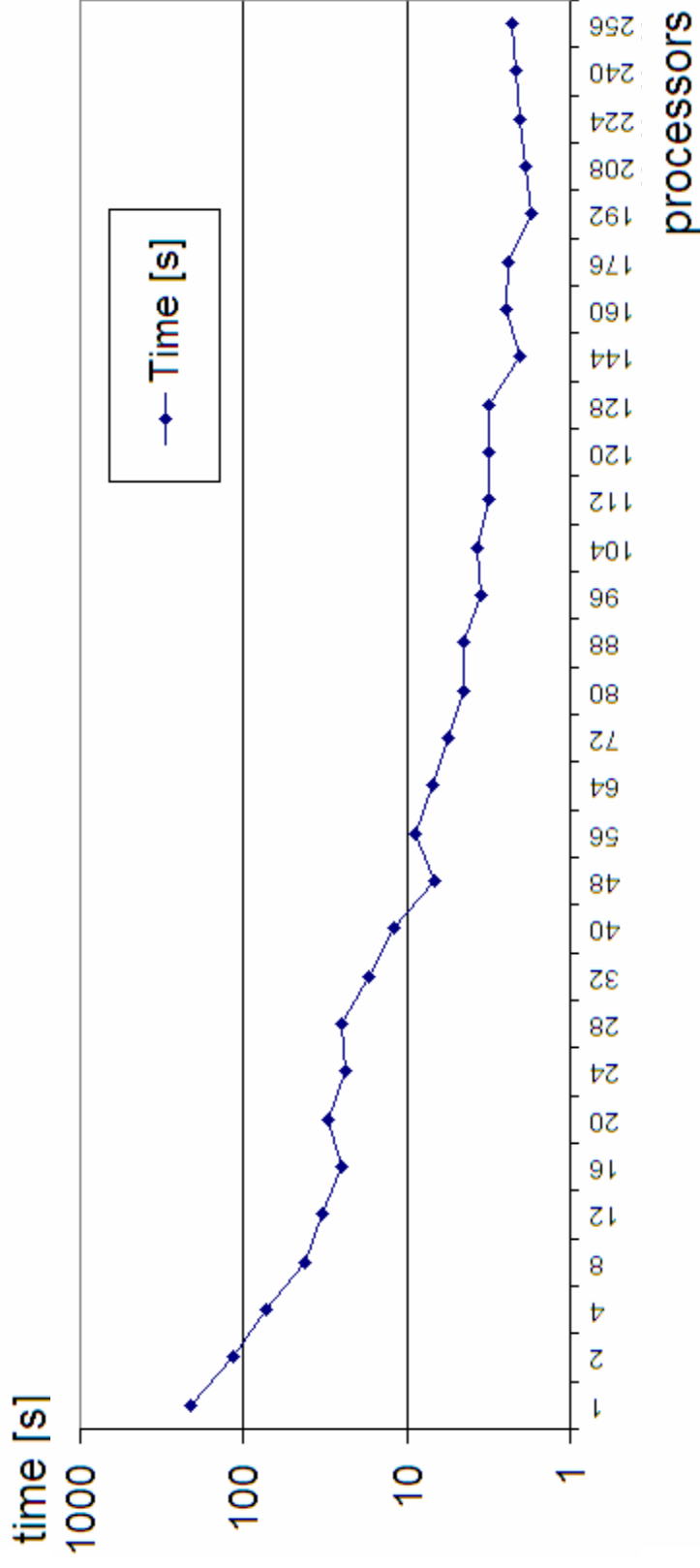
Perform optimal refinements **on the whole local mesh**

End

Store second vertical difference of potential
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(requires communication to gather distributed solution)

SCALABILITY OF THE PARALLEL SOLVER

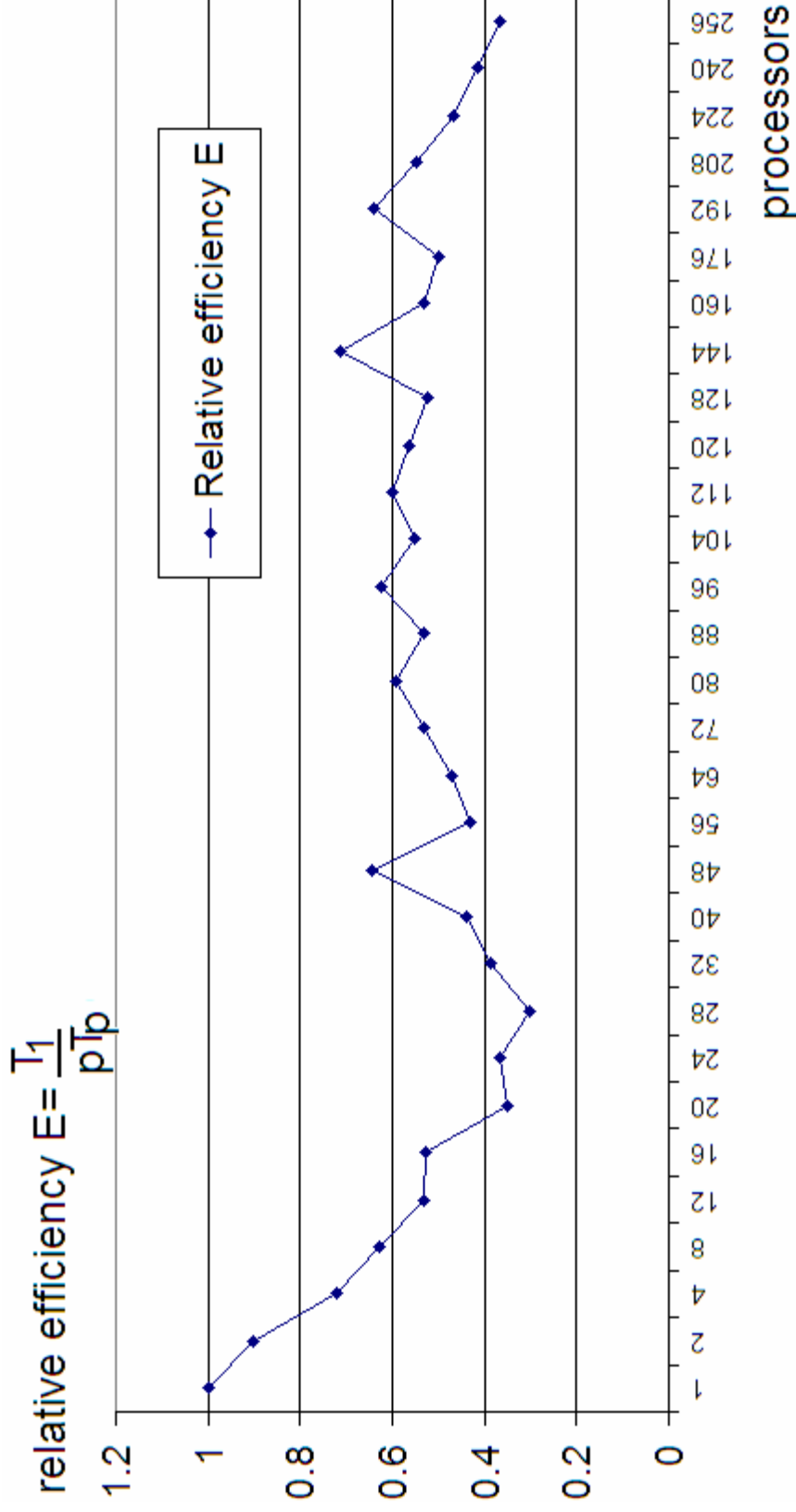


Fine mesh, 10 Fourier modes, 141 000 degrees of freedom

211 seconds on 1 processor (per single electrode location)

1.75 seconds on 192 processors (per single electrode location)

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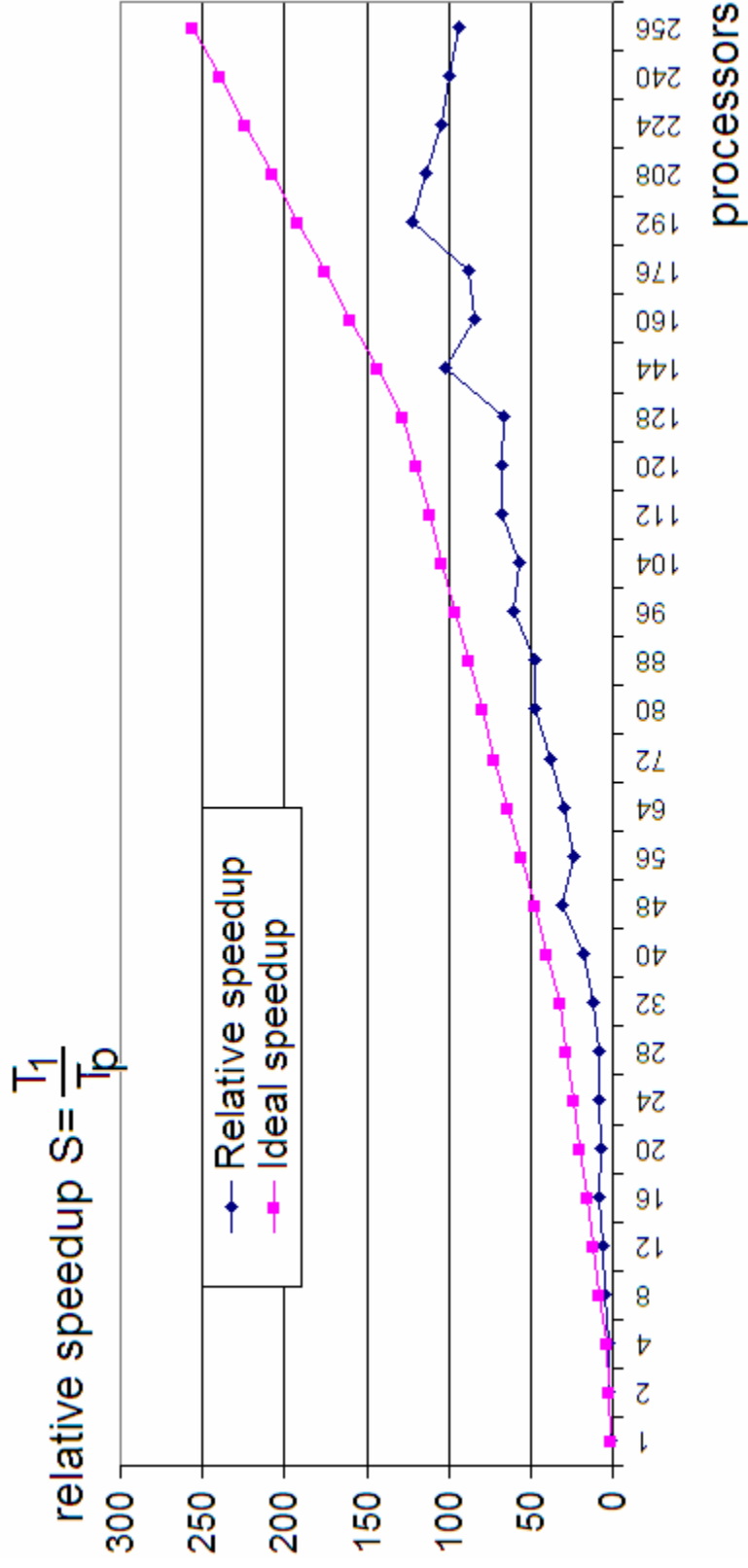


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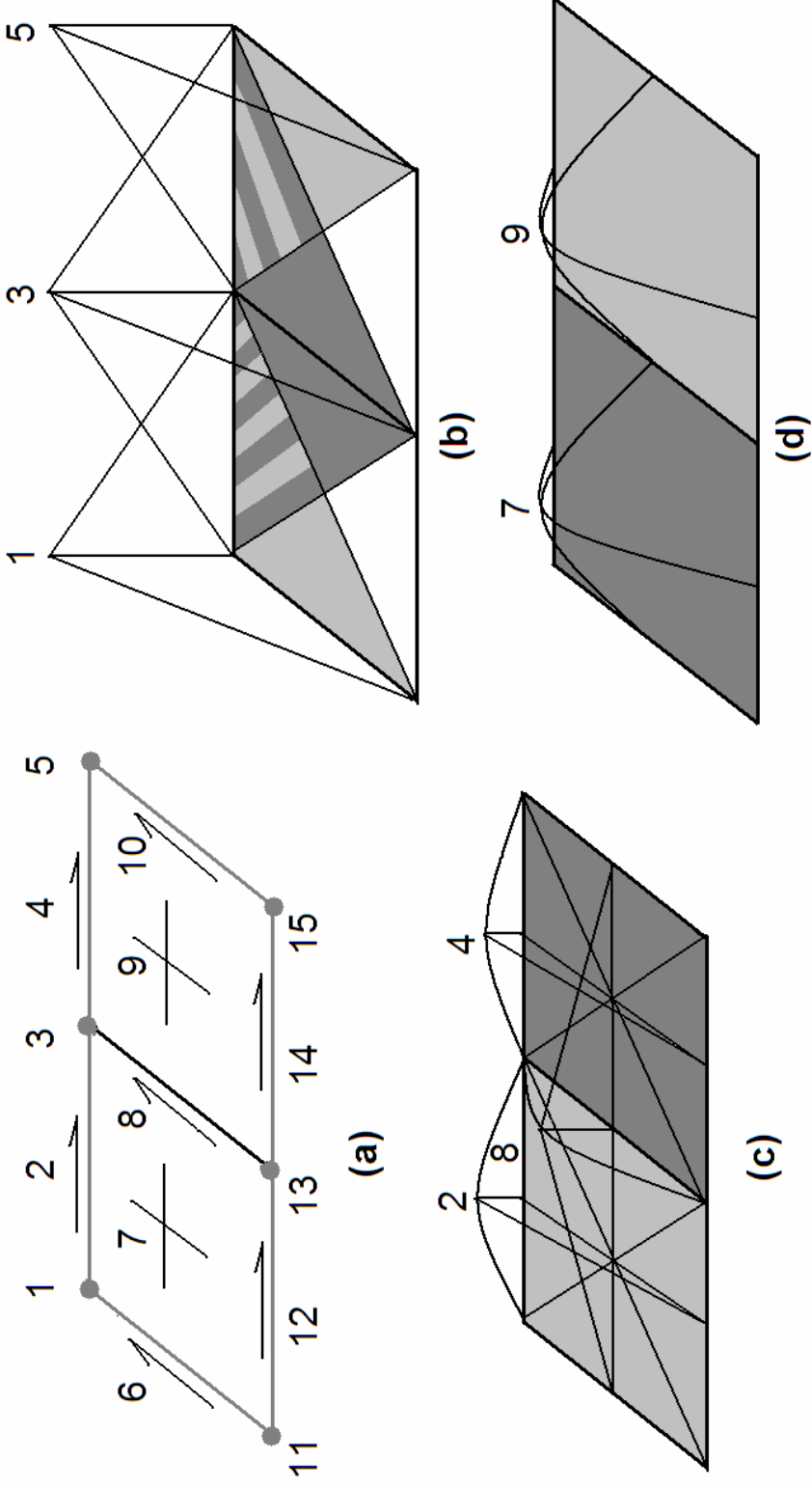


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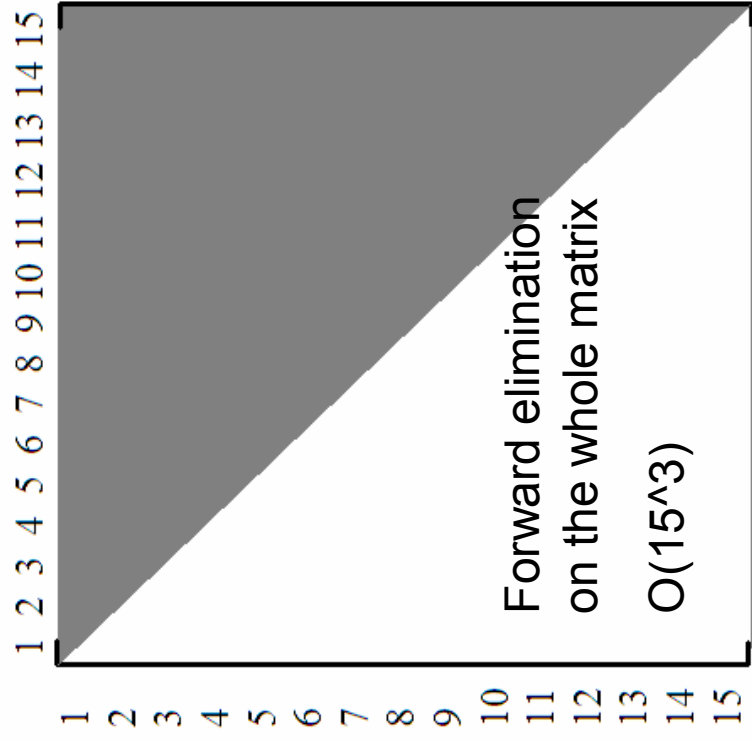
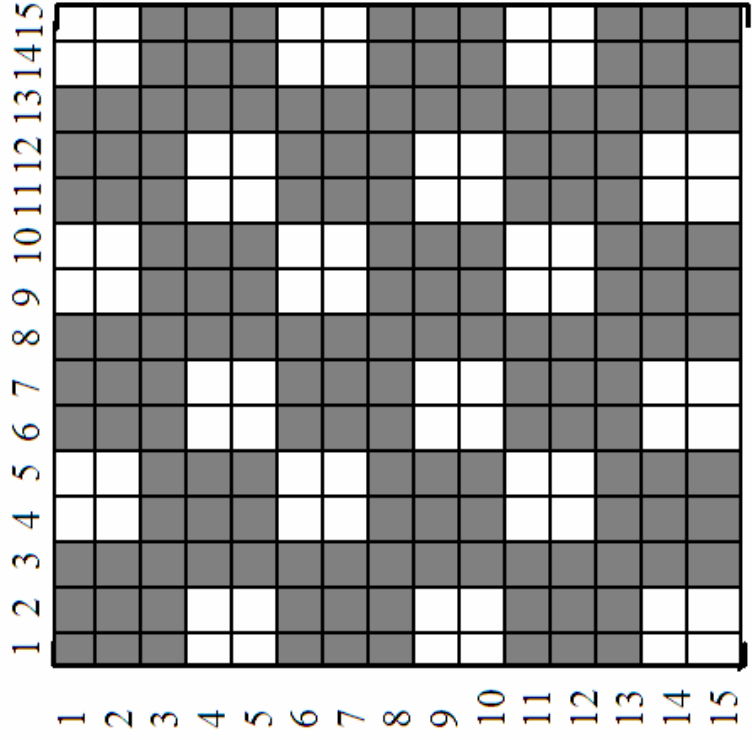
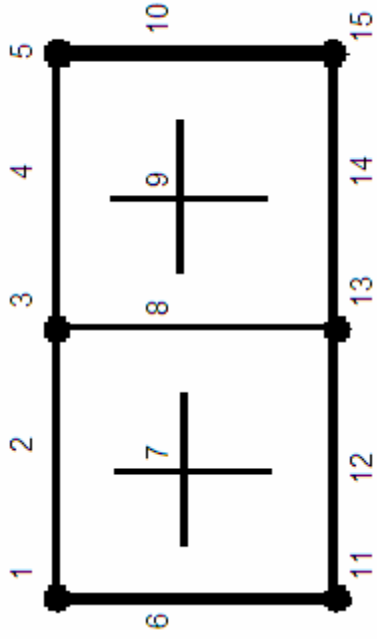
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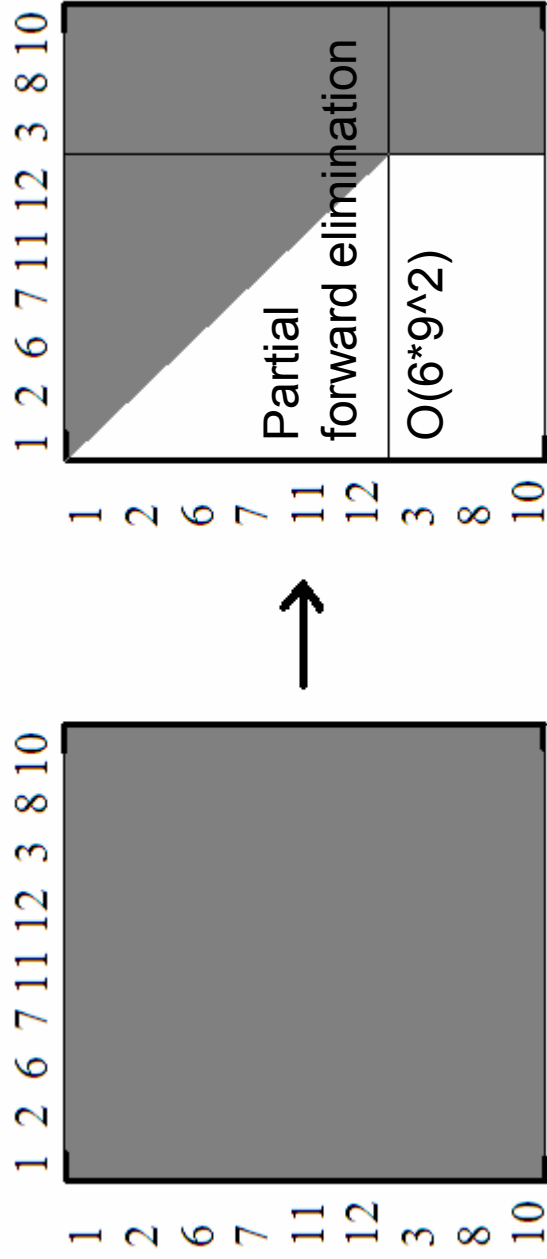
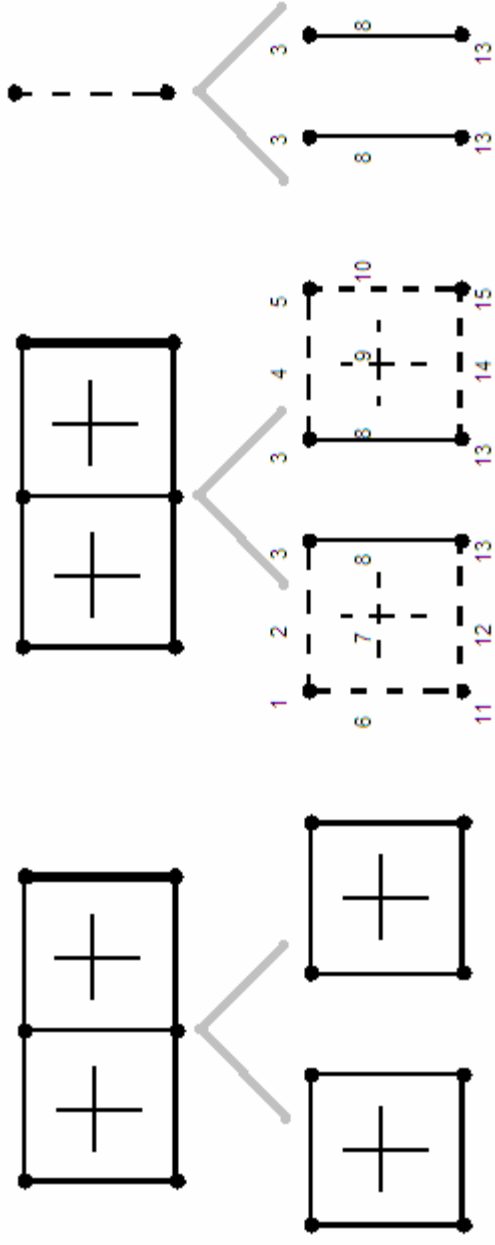
$$b(\mathbf{e}_{hp}^i, \mathbf{e}_{hp}^j) = \langle \nabla \mathbf{e}_{hp}^i, \boldsymbol{\sigma} \nabla \mathbf{e}_{hp}^j \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}$$

$$l(\mathbf{e}_{hp}^j) = \langle \mathbf{e}_{hp}^j, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} + \langle \mathbf{e}_{hp}^j, \mathbf{h} \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma_N)}$$

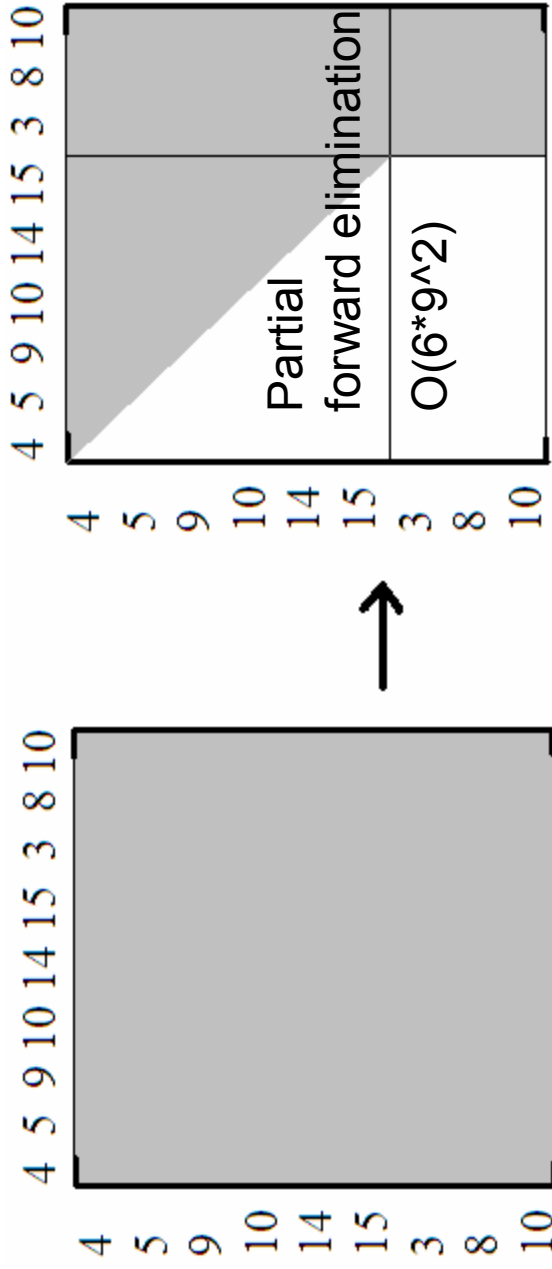
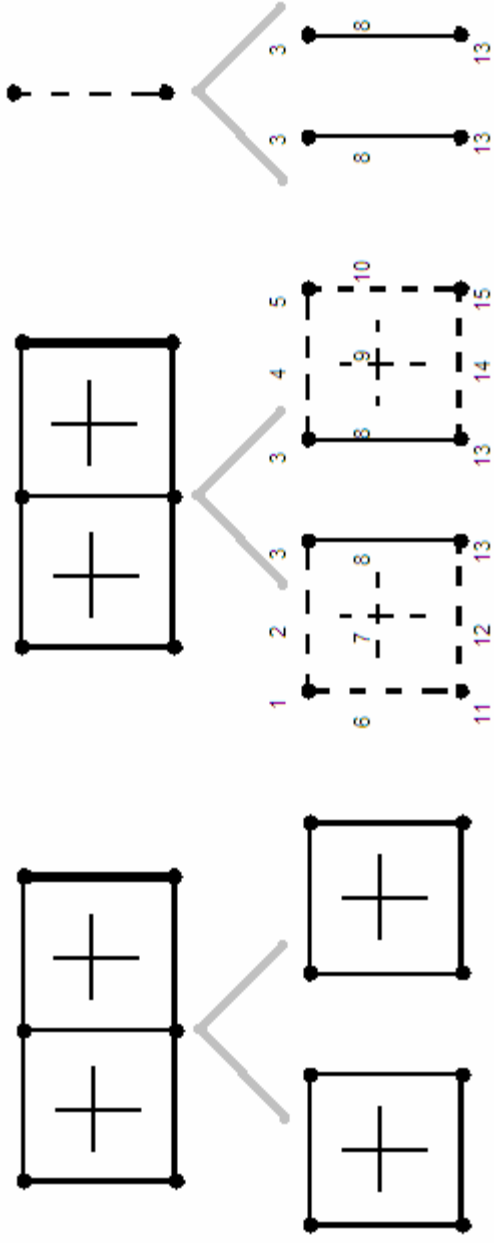
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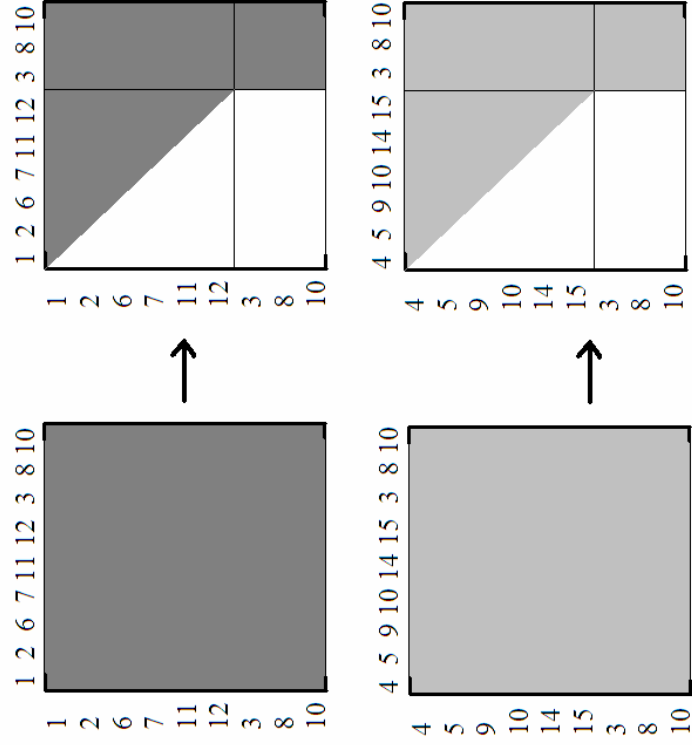
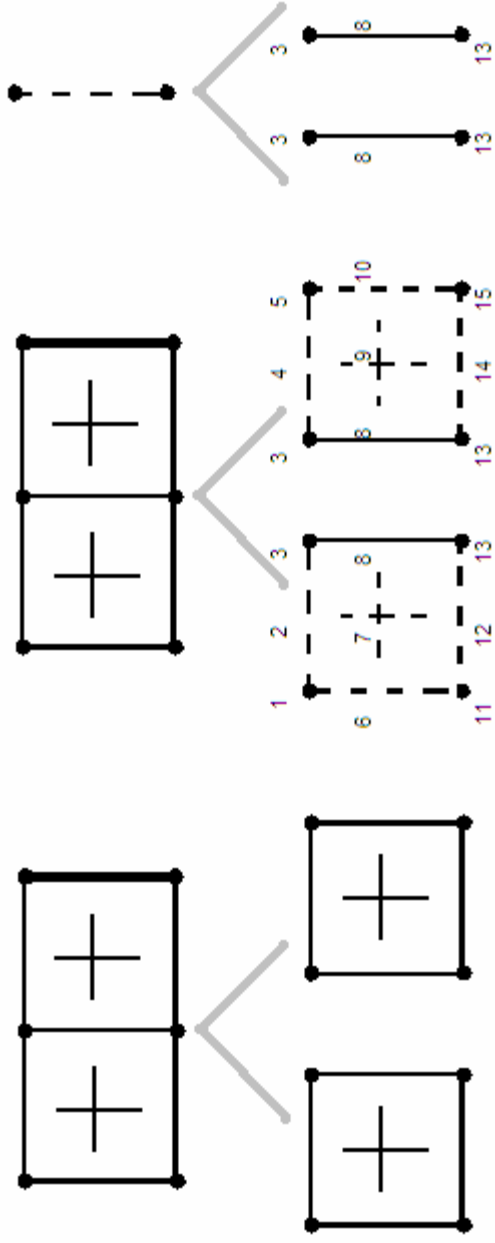
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Full forward elimination

$O(3^3)$



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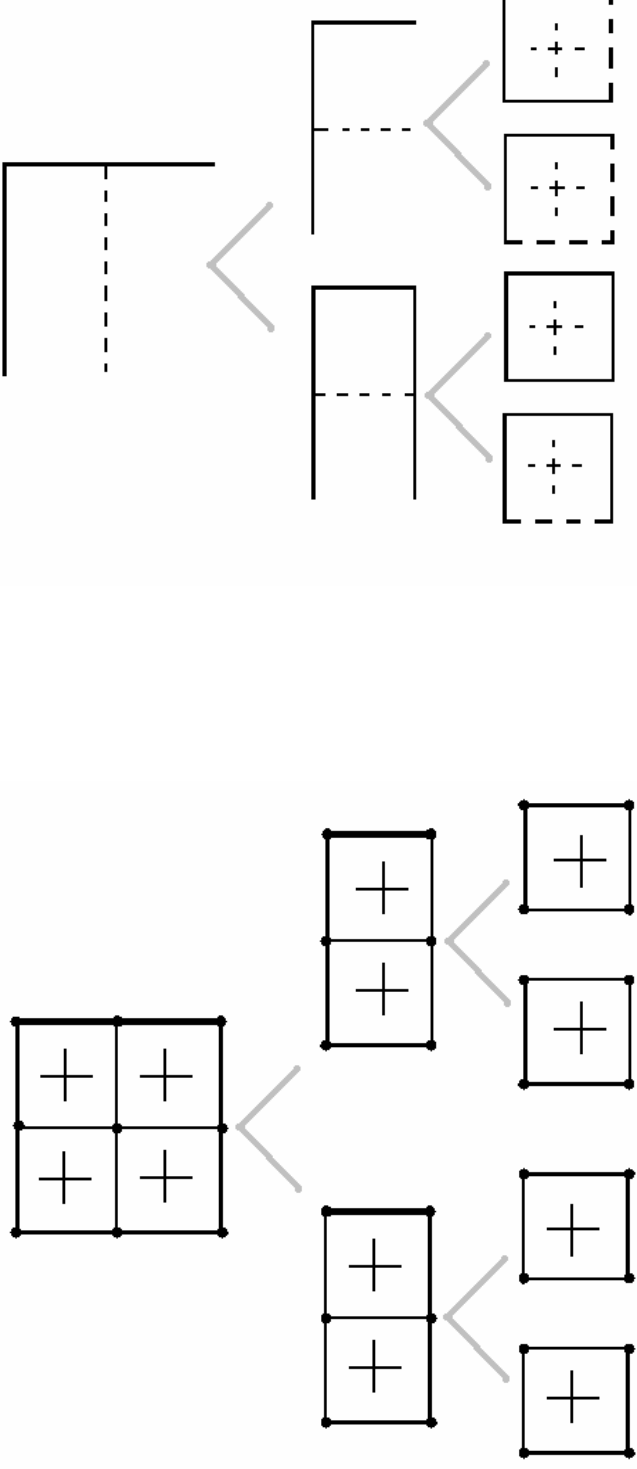
Forward elimination over the whole matrix

$$15^3 = 3375 \text{ operations}$$

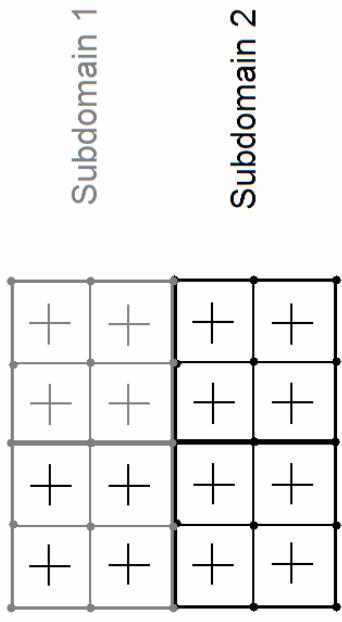
Partial forward eliminations over elements

$$6 \cdot 9^2 + 6 \cdot 9 + 3^3 = 486 + 486 + 27 = 999$$

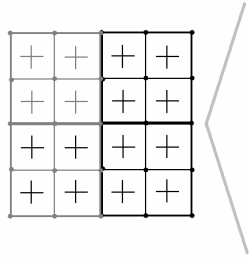
The idea is generalized into the whole domain



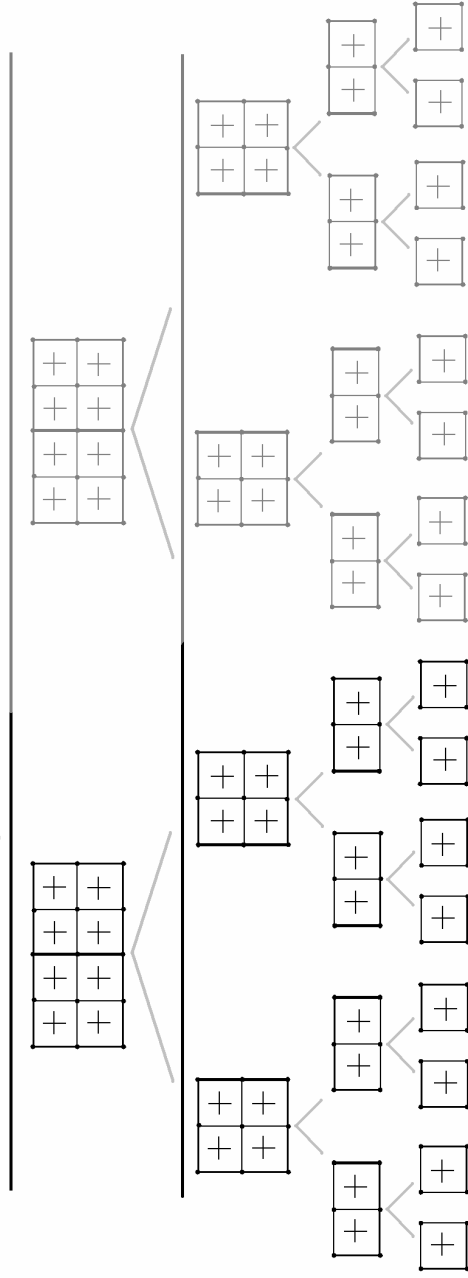
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Level of subdomains

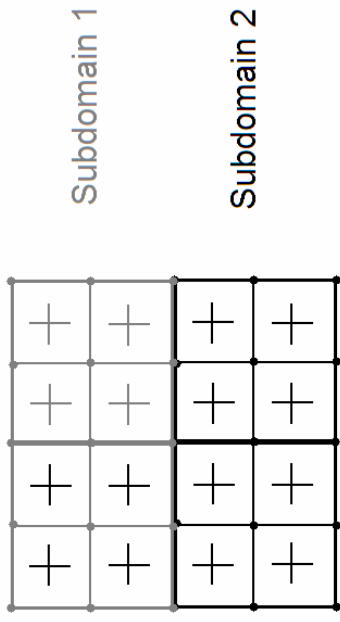


Level of initial mesh elements



Level of refinement trees

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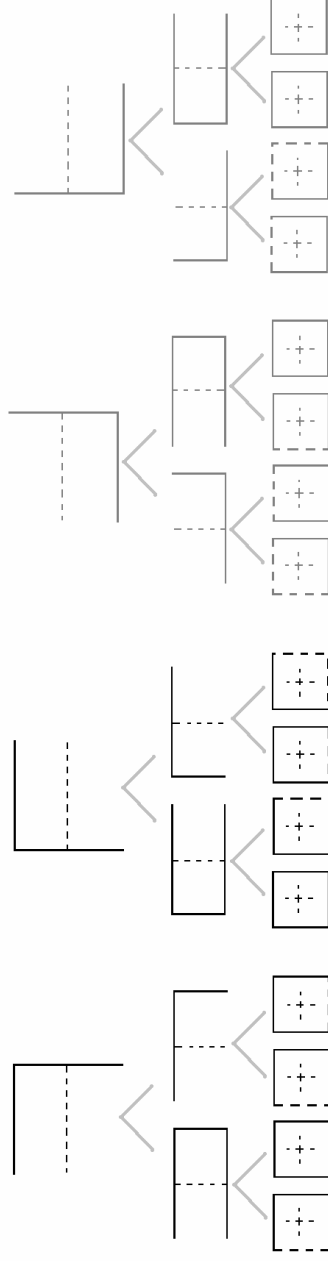
Level of subdomains



Level of initial mesh elements



Level of refinement trees



SOLVER RECURSIVE ALGORITHM

```
matrix function recursive_solver(tree_node)
```

```
if tree_node has no son nodes then
```

```
    eliminate leaf element stiffness matrix  
    internal nodes
```

```
return Schur complement sub-matrix
```

```
else if tree_node has son nodes then  
do for each son
```

```
    son_matrix = recursive_solver(tree_node_son)
```

```
    merge son_matrix into new_matrix
```

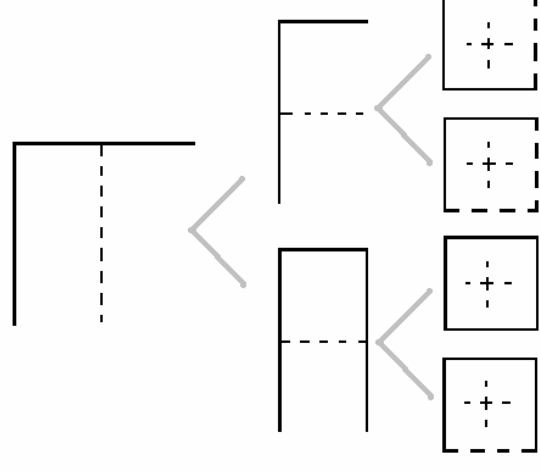
```
enddo
```

```
decide which unknowns of new_matrix can be eliminated
```

```
perform partial forward elimination on new_matrix
```

```
return Schur complement sub-matrix
```

```
endif
```



PARALLEL SOLVER RECURSIVE ALGORITHM

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```
    if son node is assign to current processor
```

```
        son_matrix = recursive_solver(tree_node_son)
```

```
    if current processor k is the first processor in processors group
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```
        RECEIVE son_matrix from processor 2k+1
```

```
        merge son_matrix into new_matrix
```

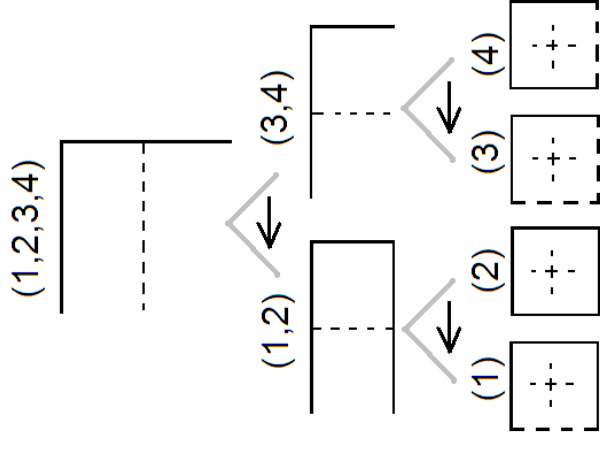
```
    else SEND son_matrix to the first processor in processors group
```

```
enddo
```

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decide which unknowns of new_matrix can be eliminated
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perform partial forward elimination on new_matrix
```

```
return Schur complement sub-matrix
```



CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

- A new parallel direct solver has been developed.
- The solver recursively utilizes the Schur complement pattern to eliminate fully aggregated degrees of freedom on every level of the elimination tree.
- The solver recursively travels the refinement trees, the tree of initial mesh elements as well as the tree of sub-domains.
- The parallel version of the solver provides over 60% relative efficiency on 200 processors.
- The solver is able to reduce the solution time of 141000 degrees of freedom problem from 211 seconds to 1.75 seconds on 192 processors.
- The single logging position can be solved within 2 seconds on 200 processors.
- The future work will involve application of the parallel solver to the inverse problem modeling.