# 4. Automating and Optimizing the Computation of the Element Tensor 

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Automating the computation of the element tensor Evaluation by quadrature Evaluation by tensor representation A language for multilinear forms

Optimizing the computation of the element tensor Tensor contractions as matrix-vector products
Finding an optimized computation

- Chapters 5 and 7 in lecture notes


## The assembly algorithm

$A=0$
for $K \in \mathcal{T}$
Compute the element tensor $A^{K}$ (Add $A^{K}$ to $A$ according to $\left\{\iota_{K}\right\}_{K \in \mathcal{T}}$ )

## end for

Need to compute the rank $r$ element tensor $A^{K}$ given by

$$
A_{i}^{K}=a_{K}\left(\phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}, \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}, \ldots, \phi_{i_{r}}^{K, r}\right) \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}
$$

for any given $K \in \mathcal{T}$

## Evaluation by quadrature

- Run-time evaluation by quadrature
- The standard approach
- Basis functions and their derivatives can be pretabulated at the quadrature points
- Used by deal.II and DiffPack


## Basic algorithm

$A^{K}=0$
for $k=1,2, \ldots, N_{q}$
for $i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}$
$A_{i}^{K}+=w_{k}<$ integrand at $x_{k}>$

## end for

end for

- Quadrature points: $\left\{x_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{N_{q}} \subset K$
- Quadrature weights: $\sum_{k=1}^{N_{q}} w_{k}=|K|$


## Poisson's equation with deal.II

```
for (dof_handler.begin_active(); cell! = dof_handler.end(); ++cell)
{
    for (unsigned int i = 0; i < dofs_per_cell; ++i)
        for (unsigned int j = 0; j < dofs_per_cell; ++j)
            for (unsigned int q_point = 0; q_point < n_q_points; ++q_point)
            cell_matrix(i, j) += (fe_values.shape_grad (i, q_point) *
                                fe_values.shape_grad (j, q_point) *
                                fe_values.JxW(q_point));
    for (unsigned int i = 0; i < dofs_per_cell; ++i)
        for (unsigned int q_point = 0; q_point < n_q_points; ++q_point)
        cell_rhs(i) += (fe_values.shape_value (i, q_point) *
                            <value of right-hand side f> *
                            fe_values.JxW(q_point));
```


## Quadrature for Poisson

Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

Approximate the integral by quadrature:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i}^{K} & =\int_{K} \nabla \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1} \cdot \nabla \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2} \mathrm{~d} x \\
& \approx \sum_{k=1}^{N_{q}} w_{k} \nabla \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}\left(x^{k}\right) \cdot \nabla \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}\left(x^{k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Computing the gradient on $K$

Compute gradient of $\phi_{i}^{K}$ on $K$ is obtained from the gradient of $\Phi_{i}$ on $K_{0}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\nabla_{x} \phi_{i}^{K}\left(x_{k}\right) & =\left(F_{K}^{\prime}\right)^{-\top}\left(x_{k}\right) \nabla_{X} \Phi_{i}\left(X_{k}\right) \\
\frac{\partial \phi_{i}^{K}}{\partial x_{j}}\left(x^{k}\right) & =\sum_{l=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{l}}{\partial x_{j}}\left(X^{k}\right) \frac{\partial \Phi_{i}^{K}}{\partial X_{l}}\left(X^{k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $x^{k}=F_{K}\left(X^{k}\right)$ and $\phi_{i}^{K}=\Phi_{i} \circ F_{K}^{-1}$

## Cost of quadrature for Poisson

- Computing gradients: $N_{q} n_{0} d^{2}$ (multiply-add pairs)
- Approximating the integral: $N_{q} n_{0}^{2} d$
- Total cost for computing the element tensor:

$$
N_{q} n_{0} d^{2}+N_{q} n_{0}^{2} d \sim N_{q} n_{0}^{2} d
$$

Also need to compute the mapping $F_{K}$, the inverse $F_{K}^{-1}$ and determinant $\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime}$

## Evaluation by tensor representation

- Precompute integrals on the reference element $K_{0}$
- Used in specialized hand-optimized codes
- Automated by in early versions of DOLFIN for linear elements
- Automated by FFC for general elements
- Integrals automatically precomputed at compile-time


## Tensor representation for Poisson

As before we have

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\int_{K} \nabla \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1} \cdot \nabla \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2} \mathrm{~d} x=\int_{K} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \mathrm{d} x
$$

Make a change of variables:

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\int_{K_{0}} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \mathrm{d} X
$$

## Tensor representation for Poisson

If the mapping $F_{K}$ is affine, the transforms $\partial X / \partial x$ and the determinant $\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime}$ are constant:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i}^{K} & =\int_{K_{0}} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \mathrm{d} X \\
& =\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \mathrm{~d} X
\end{aligned}
$$

## Tensor representation for Poisson

Write as a tensor contraction:

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}
$$

or

$$
A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i \alpha}^{0} & =\int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \mathrm{~d} X \\
G_{K}^{\alpha} & =\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Cost of tensor representation for Poisson

- Computing the tensor $G_{K}: d^{3}$ (multiply-add pairs)
- Computing the tensor contraction: $n_{0}^{2} d^{2}$
- Total cost for computing the element tensor:

$$
d^{3}+n_{0}^{2} d^{2} \sim n_{0}^{2} d^{2}
$$

- Compare to cost for quadrature: $N_{q} n_{0}^{2} d$
- Speedup: $N_{q} / d$


## The tensor representation $A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}$

The rank $r$ element tensor $A^{K}$ corresponding to a multlinear form $a$ can be represented as the tensor contraction

$$
A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}
$$

that is

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha} \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}
$$

- $A^{0}$ is the reference tensor
- $G_{K}$ is the geometry tensor


## Efficient computation of the element tensor

- Compute the reference tensor $A^{0}$ once at compile-time
- Generate code for efficient computation of the geometry tensor $G_{K}$
- Generate code for efficient computation of the tensor contraction $A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}$
- Since $A^{0}$ is known at compile-time, we may automatically optimize the tensor-contraction based on the structure of $A^{0}$


## A canonical form

- Need to find the tensor representation $A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}$ for a general multilinear form
- Write the element tensor in a general canonical form and find the tensor representation for the canonical form:

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} \int_{K} \prod_{j=1}^{m} c_{j}(\gamma) D_{x}^{\delta_{j}(\gamma)} \phi_{\iota_{j}(i, \gamma)}^{K, j}\left[\kappa_{j}(\gamma)\right] \mathrm{d} x
$$

## The canonical form for Poisson

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A_{i}^{K}=\int_{K} \sum_{\gamma=1}^{d} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \mathrm{d} x=\sum_{\gamma=1}^{d} \int_{K} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \mathrm{d} x \\
&=\sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} \int_{K} \prod_{j=1}^{m} c_{j}(\gamma) D_{x}^{\delta_{j}(\gamma)} \phi_{\iota_{j}(i, \gamma)}^{K, j}\left[K_{j}(\gamma)\right] \mathrm{d} x \\
& m=2 \iota(i, \gamma)=\left(i_{1}, i_{2}\right) \\
& c(\gamma)=[1, d] \kappa(\gamma)=(\emptyset, \emptyset) \\
& \mathcal{C}=(1,1) \delta(\gamma)=(\gamma, \gamma)
\end{aligned}
$$

## The canonical form for a stabilization term

A stabilization term in a least-squares stabilized $\mathrm{cG}(1) \mathrm{cG}(1)$ method for Navier-Stokes:

$$
\begin{aligned}
a(v, U) & =\int_{\Omega}(w \cdot \nabla v) \cdot(w \cdot \nabla U) \mathrm{d} x \\
& =\int_{\Omega} \sum_{\gamma_{1}, \gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}=1}^{d} w\left[\gamma_{2}\right] \frac{\partial v\left[\gamma_{1}\right]}{\partial x_{\gamma_{2}}} w\left[\gamma_{3}\right] \frac{\partial U\left[\gamma_{1}\right]}{\partial x_{\gamma_{3}}} \mathrm{~d} x
\end{aligned}
$$

where $w \in V_{h}^{3}=V_{h}^{4}$ is a given approximation of the velocity

## The canonical form for a stabilization term

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A_{i}^{K}=\int_{K} \sum_{\gamma_{1}, \gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}=1}^{d} \sum_{\gamma_{4}=1}^{n_{K}^{3}} \sum_{\gamma_{5}=1}^{n_{K}^{4}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}\left[\gamma_{1}\right]}{\partial x_{\gamma_{2}}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}\left[\gamma_{1}\right]}{\partial x_{\gamma_{3}}} w_{\gamma_{4}}^{K} \phi_{\gamma_{4}}^{K, 3}\left[\gamma_{2}\right] w_{\gamma_{5}}^{K} \phi_{\gamma_{5}}^{K, 4}\left[\gamma_{3}\right] \mathrm{d} x \\
& \\
& =\sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} \int_{K} \prod_{j=1}^{m} c_{j}(\gamma) D_{x}^{\delta_{j}(\gamma)} \phi_{\iota_{j}(i, \gamma)}^{K, j}\left[\kappa_{j}(\gamma)\right] \mathrm{d} x \\
& \\
& m=4 \\
& \mathcal{C}=[1, d]^{3} \times\left[1, n_{K}^{3}\right] \times\left[1, n_{K}^{4}\right]
\end{aligned} \begin{aligned}
\iota(i, \gamma) & =\left(i_{1}, i_{2}, \gamma_{4}, \gamma_{5}\right) \\
c(\gamma)=\left(1,1, w_{\gamma_{4}}^{K}, w_{\gamma_{5}}^{K}\right) & \kappa(\gamma)=\left(\gamma_{1}, \gamma_{1}, \gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}\right) \\
\mathcal{C}= & \delta(\gamma)=\left(\gamma_{2}, \gamma_{3}, \emptyset, \emptyset\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## A representation theorem

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} \int_{K} \prod_{j=1}^{m} c_{j}(\gamma) D_{x}^{\delta_{j}(\gamma)} \phi_{\iota_{j}(i, \gamma)}^{K, j}\left[\kappa_{j}(\gamma)\right] \mathrm{d} x=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}
$$

where

$$
A_{i \alpha}^{0}=\sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}} \int_{K_{0}} \prod_{j=1}^{m} D_{X}^{\delta_{j}^{\prime}(\alpha, \beta)} \Phi_{\iota_{j}(i, \alpha, \beta)}^{j}\left[\kappa_{j}(\alpha, \beta)\right] \mathrm{d} X
$$

and the geometry tensor $G_{K}$ is the outer product of the coefficients of any weight functions with a tensor that depends only on the Jacobian $F_{K}^{\prime}$ :

$$
G_{K}^{\alpha}=\prod_{j=1}^{m} c_{j}(\alpha) \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}^{\prime}} \prod_{j^{\prime}=1}^{m} \prod_{k=1}^{\left|\delta_{j^{\prime}}(\alpha, \beta)\right|} \frac{\partial X_{\delta_{j^{\prime} k}^{\prime}(\alpha, \beta)}}{\partial x_{\delta_{j^{\prime} k} k}(\alpha, \beta)}
$$

## A representation thereom (cont'd)

- Proof same as for Poisson
- Make a change of variables to the reference cell $K_{0}$
- Interchange order of product of summation
- Constructive proof, repeated every time FFC compiles a form

Note that in general, we have a sum of tensor contractions:

$$
A^{K}=\sum_{k} A^{0, k}: G_{K, k}
$$

## Test case 1: the mass matrix

Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} v U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

Tensor representation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i \alpha}^{0} & =\int_{K_{0}} \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1} \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2} \mathrm{~d} X \\
G_{K}^{\alpha} & =\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

Ranks:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|i \alpha| & =2 \\
|\alpha| & =0
\end{aligned}
$$

## Test case 2: Poisson's equation

Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

Tensor representation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i \alpha}^{0} & =\int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \mathrm{~d} X \\
G_{K}^{\alpha} & =\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Ranks:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|i \alpha| & =4 \\
|\alpha| & =2
\end{aligned}
$$

## Test case 3: nonlinear term in Navier-Stokes

Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} v \cdot(w \cdot \nabla) U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

Tensor representation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i \alpha}^{0} & =\sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \int_{K_{0}} \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}[\beta] \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}[\beta]}{\partial X_{\alpha_{3}}} \Phi_{\alpha_{1}}^{3}\left[\alpha_{2}\right] \mathrm{d} X \\
G_{K}^{\alpha} & =w_{\alpha_{1}}^{K} \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{3}}}{\partial x_{\alpha_{2}}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Ranks:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|i \alpha| & =5 \\
|\alpha| & =3
\end{aligned}
$$

## Test case 4: strain-strain term of linear elasticity

Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} \epsilon(v): \epsilon(U) \mathrm{d} x
$$

Tensor representation (first term):

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i \alpha}^{0} & =\sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}[\beta]}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}[\beta]}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \mathrm{~d} X \\
G_{K}^{\alpha} & =\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Ranks:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|i \alpha| & =4 \\
|\alpha| & =2
\end{aligned}
$$

## Extension to non-affine mappings

Consider Poisson again:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i}^{K}= & \int_{K} \nabla \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1} \cdot \nabla \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2} \mathrm{~d} x=\int_{K} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \mathrm{d} x \\
= & \sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime} \mathrm{d} X \\
& \approx \sum_{\alpha_{1}=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{2}=1}^{d} \sum_{\alpha_{3}=1}^{N_{q}} w_{\alpha_{3}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \times \\
& \times \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Extension to non-affine mappings

We obtain a representation of the form

$$
A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}
$$

where the reference tensor $A^{0}$ is now given by

$$
A_{i \alpha}^{0}=w_{\alpha_{3}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right)
$$

and the geometry tensor $G_{K}$ is given by

$$
G_{K}^{\alpha}=\operatorname{det} F_{K}^{\prime}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \sum_{\beta=1}^{d} \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right) \frac{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}}{\partial x_{\beta}}\left(X_{\alpha_{3}}\right)
$$

## A language for multilinear forms

- Language should be close to mathematical notation
- Should be easy to obtain the canonical form from a string in the language
- The tensor representation follows from the canonical form
- Language implemented by FFC


## An algebra for multilinear forms

The vector space of linear combinations of basis functions:

$$
\overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}=\left\{v: v=\sum c_{(\cdot)} \phi_{(\cdot)}^{K}\right\}
$$

The algebra of linear combinations of products of basis functions and their derivatives:

$$
\overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}=\left\{v: v=\sum c_{(\cdot)} \prod \frac{\partial^{|(\cdot)|} \phi_{(\cdot)}^{K}}{\partial x_{(\cdot)}}\right\}
$$

The elements of the algebra $\overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}$ correspond to the integrands of the canonical form

## An example

Consider the bilinear form

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla U+v U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

with corresponding element tensor canonical form

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\gamma=1}^{d} \int_{K} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \frac{\partial \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2}}{\partial x_{\gamma}} \mathrm{d} x+\int_{K} \phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1} \phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2} \mathrm{~d} x
$$

If we let $v=\phi_{i_{1}}^{K, 1} \in \overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}$ and $U=\phi_{i_{2}}^{K, 2} \in \overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}$ then

$$
\nabla v \cdot \nabla U+v U \in \overline{\mathcal{P}}_{K}
$$

## Implementation by operator-overloading

- Implement by operator-overloading in Python or C++
- Basic types:
- BasisFunction, Product, Sum
- Index
- FiniteElement
- Basic operators:
- +, -, * (note absence of /)
- D
- dot, mult, trace, transp
- grad, div, rot


## An example

## Bilinear form:

$$
a(v, U)=\int_{\Omega} \nabla v \cdot \nabla U+v U \mathrm{~d} x
$$

Implementation:

```
element = FiniteElement(...)
v = BasisFunction(element)
U = BasisFunction(element)
a = (dot(grad(v), grad(U)) + v*U)*dx
```


## Computing the tensor contraction

Need to compute the tensor contraction

$$
A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}
$$

where

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}
$$

for all $i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}$

Two different ways to efficiently compute the tensor contraction:

- Phrase as matrix-vector products and call BLAS
- Use the structure of the reference tensor to find an optimized computation


## The naive algorithm

for $i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}$
$A_{i}^{K}=0$
for $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$

$$
A_{i}^{K}=A_{i}^{K}+A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}
$$

end for

## end for

- Flatten tensors to vectors and matrices
- Express the tensor contraction $A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}$ as a matrix-vector product


## Flattening the tensors

Enumerate $\mathcal{I}_{K}$ and $\mathcal{A}$ :

- Let $\left\{i^{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{\left|\mathcal{I}_{K}\right|}$ be an enumeration the primary multiindices
- Let $\left\{\alpha^{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{A}|}$ be an enumeration of the secondary multiindices

For Poisson with quadratic elements on triangles, we may take

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\{i^{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{\left|\mathcal{I}_{K}\right|} & =\{(1,1),(1,2), \ldots,(1,6),(2,1), \ldots,(6,6)\} \\
\left\{\alpha^{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{A}|} & =\{(1,1),(1,2),(2,1),(2,2)\}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Flattening the tensors

Define the flattened element and geometry tensors (vectors) $a^{K} \leftrightarrow A^{K}$ and $g_{K} \leftrightarrow G_{K}$ by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a^{K}=\left(A_{i^{1}}^{K}, A_{i^{2}}^{K}, \ldots, A_{i| |_{K} \mid}^{K}\right)^{\top} \\
& g_{K}=\left(G_{K}^{\alpha^{1}}, G_{K}^{\alpha^{2}}, \ldots, G_{K}^{\alpha|\mathcal{A}|}\right)^{\top}
\end{aligned}
$$

Define the flattened reference tensor (matrix) $\bar{A}^{0}$ by

$$
\bar{A}_{j k}^{0}=A_{i^{j} \alpha^{k}}^{0}, \quad j=1,2, \ldots,\left|\mathcal{I}_{K}\right|, \quad k=1,2, \ldots,|\mathcal{A}|
$$

## Write as a matrix-vector product

We note that

$$
a_{j}^{K}=A_{i j}^{K}=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} A_{i j}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}=\sum_{k=1}^{|\mathcal{A}|} A_{i^{j} \alpha^{k}}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha^{k}}=\sum_{k=1}^{|\mathcal{A}|} \bar{A}_{j k}^{0}\left(g_{K}\right)_{k}
$$

It follows that the tensor contraction

$$
A^{K}=A^{0}: G_{K}
$$

corresponds to the matrix-vector product

$$
a^{K}=\bar{A}^{0} g_{K}
$$

## The general case

In general the element tensor is a sum of tensor contractions:

$$
A^{K}=\sum_{k} A^{0, k}: G_{K, k}
$$

We may still compute the element tensor by a matrix-vector product:

$$
a^{K}=\sum_{k} \bar{A}^{0, k} g_{K, k}=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\bar{A}^{0,1} & \bar{A}^{0,2} & \ldots
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
g_{K, 1} \\
g_{K, 2} \\
\vdots
\end{array}\right]=\bar{A}^{0} g_{K}
$$

## Processing batches of elements

- Matrix-vector product computed by a level 2 BLAS call
- More efficient to compute a matrix-matrix product with a level 3 BLAS call than a set of matrix-vector products with level 2 BLAS calls

Compute the element tensors for a batch $\left\{K_{k}\right\}_{k} \subset \mathcal{T}$ :

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lll}
a^{K_{1}} & a^{K_{2}} & \cdots
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
\bar{A}^{0} g_{K_{1}} & \bar{A}^{0} g_{K_{2}} & \ldots
\end{array}\right]=\bar{A}^{0}\left[\begin{array}{lll}
g_{K_{1}} & g_{K_{2}} & \ldots
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Finding an optimized computation

- Use the structure of the reference tensor $A^{0}$ to find an optimized computation
- The reference tensor may contain zeros
- Take advantage of symmetries
- Look for "complexity-reducing" relations

Will discuss two different symmetry-reducing relations:

- Collinearity
- Closeness in Hamming distance


## Collinearity

Note that

$$
A_{i}^{K}=\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} A_{i \alpha}^{0} G_{K}^{\alpha}=a_{i}^{0} \cdot g_{K}
$$

where the vector $a_{i}^{0}$ is defined by

$$
a_{i}^{0}=\left(A_{i \alpha^{1}}^{0}, A_{i \alpha^{2}}^{0}, \ldots, A_{i \alpha|\mathcal{A}|}^{0}\right)^{\top}
$$

If $a_{i}^{0}$ and $a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}$ are collinear:

$$
a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}=\alpha a_{i}^{0}
$$

for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ it follows that

$$
A_{i^{\prime}}^{K}=a_{i^{\prime}}^{0} \cdot g_{K}=\left(\alpha a_{i}^{0}\right) \cdot g_{K}=\alpha A_{i}^{K}
$$

## Collinearity

- If $a_{i}^{0}$ and $a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}$ are collinear then $A_{i^{\prime}}^{K}$ can be computed from $A_{i}^{K}$ in just one multiplication
- Cost of direct computatation is $|\mathcal{A}|$
- For Poisson the cost is reduced from $|\mathcal{A}|=d^{2}$ to 1
- Look for pairs $\left(a_{i}^{0}, a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}\right)$ that are collinear


## Closeness in Hamming distance

- Find pairs $\left(a_{i}^{0}, a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}\right)$ that are close in Hamming distance
- Hamming distance is number of entries that differ
- If the Hamming distance between $a_{i}^{0}$ and $a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}$ is $\rho$ then the cost of computing $A_{i}^{K}$ from $A_{i^{\prime}}^{K}$ is $\rho$
- Maximum Hamming distance is $\rho=|\mathcal{A}|$


## Closeness in Hamming distance

If $a_{i}^{0}$ and $a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}$ differ only in the first $\rho$ entries then

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i^{\prime}}^{K} & =a_{i^{\prime}}^{0} \cdot g_{K}=a_{i}^{0} \cdot g_{K}+\sum_{k=1}^{\rho}\left(A_{i^{\prime} \alpha^{k}}^{0}-A_{i \alpha^{k}}^{0}\right) G_{K}^{\alpha^{k}} \\
& =A_{i}^{K}+\sum_{k=1}^{\rho}\left(A_{i^{\prime} \alpha^{k}}^{0}-A_{i \alpha^{k}}^{0}\right) G_{K}^{\alpha^{k}}
\end{aligned}
$$

- The vector $\left(A_{i^{\prime} \alpha^{1}}^{0}-A_{i \alpha^{1}}^{0}, A_{i^{\prime} \alpha^{2}}^{0}-A_{i \alpha^{2}}^{0}, \ldots, A_{i^{\prime} \alpha^{\rho}}^{0}-A_{i \alpha^{\rho}}^{0}\right)^{\top}$ can be computed at compile-time
- The cost is reduced from $|\mathcal{A}|$ to $\rho$


## Complexity-reducing relations

- We refer to collinearity and closeness in Hamming distance as complexity-reducing relations
- Define the complexity-reducing relation $\rho\left(a_{i}^{0}, a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}\right) \leq|\mathcal{A}|$ as the minimum of all complexity-reducing relations

How do we systematically explore a complexity-reducing relation to find an optimized computation?

## Minimum spanning trees (MST)

- Let $G=(V, E)$ be a graph with vertices $V$ and edges $E$
- A tree is any connected acyclic subgraph $G^{\prime}=\left(V, E^{\prime}\right)$ of $G$ with $E^{\prime} \subset E$
- A minimum spanning tree for a weighted graph is a tree with minimal edge weight
- Standard algorithms: Prim's algorith, Kruskal's algorithm



## Finding an optimized computation of $A^{K}$

- Let the vertices $V$ correspond to the entries $\left\{A_{i}^{K}\right\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}}$ of the element tensor $A^{K}$
- Put edges between all pairs of vertices $\left(A_{i}^{K}, A_{i^{\prime}}^{K}\right)$
- Put a weight on each edge $\left(A_{i}^{K}, A_{i^{\prime}}^{K}\right)$ given by $\rho\left(a_{i}^{0}, a_{i^{\prime}}^{0}\right)$
- Compute the minimum spanning tree
- Compute the entries $\left\{A_{i}^{K}\right\}_{i \in \mathcal{I}_{K}}$ by traversing the minimum spanning tree


## The minimum spanning tree for Poisson

Reference tensor:

$$
A_{i \alpha}^{0}=\int_{K_{0}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{1}}^{1}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{1}}} \frac{\partial \Phi_{i_{2}}^{2}}{\partial X_{\alpha_{2}}} \mathrm{~d} X \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_{K} \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A}
$$

Quadratic elements on triangles:

- $\mathcal{I}_{K}=[1,6]^{2}$ and $\mathcal{A}=[1,2]^{2}$
- The rank two element tensor $A^{K}$ has 36 entries
- The rank four reference tensor $A^{0}$ has 144 entries
- Reduce operation count from 144 to less than 17 multiply-add pairs
- Compute $A^{K}$ by less than one operation per entry!


## The Poisson reference tensor for quadratics on triangles

| $(3,3,3,3)$ | $(1,0,1,0)$ | $(0,1,0,1)$ | $(0,0,0,0)$ | $-(0,4,0,4)$ | $-(4,0,4,0)$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $(1,1,0,0)$ | $(3,0,0,0)$ | $-(0,1,0,0)$ | $(0,4,0,0)$ | $(0,0,0,0)$ | $-(4,4,0,0)$ |
| $(0,0,1,1)$ | $-(0,0,1,0)$ | $(0,0,0,3)$ | $(0,0,4,0)$ | $-(0,0,4,4)$ | $(0,0,0,0)$ |
| $(0,0,0,0)$ | $(0,0,4,0)$ | $(0,4,0,0)$ | $(8,4,4,8)$ | $-(8,4,4,0)$ | $-(0,4,4,8)$ |
| $-(0,0,4,4)$ | $(0,0,0,0)$ | $-(0,4,0,4)$ | $-(8,4,4,0)$ | $(8,4,4,8)$ | $(0,4,4,0)$ |
| $-(4,4,0,0)$ | $-(4,0,4,0)$ | $(0,0,0,0)$ | $-(0,4,4,8)$ | $(0,4,4,0)$ | $(8,4,4,8)$ |

- Scaled by a factor 6
- $A_{1111}^{0}=A_{1112}^{0}=A_{1121}^{0}=A_{1122}^{0}=3 / 6=1 / 2$
- $A_{1211}^{0}=1 / 6, A_{1212}^{0}=0$ etc.


## Use symmetry

- The element tensor $A^{K}$ is symmetric so we only need to compute 21 of the 36 entries
- The geometry tensor $G_{K}$ is symmetric so we may reduce the vectors:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{i}^{K} & =a_{i}^{0} \cdot g_{K}=A_{i 11}^{0} G_{K}^{11}+A_{i 12}^{0} G_{K}^{12}+A_{i 21}^{0} G_{K}^{21}+A_{i 22}^{0} G_{K}^{22} \\
& =A_{i 11}^{0} G_{K}^{11}+\left(A_{i 12}^{0}+A_{i 21}^{0}\right) G_{K}^{12}+A_{i 22}^{0} G_{K}^{22}=\bar{a}_{i}^{0} \cdot \bar{g}_{K}
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\bar{a}_{i}^{0} & =\left(A_{i 11}^{0}, A_{i 12}^{0}+A_{i 21}^{0}, A_{i 22}^{0}\right)^{\top} \\
\bar{g}_{K} & =\left(G_{K}^{11}, G_{K}^{12}, G_{K}^{22}\right)^{\top}
\end{aligned}
$$

- We directly obtain a reduction from 144 multiply-add pairs to $21 \times 3=63$ multiply-add pairs


## The symmmetry-reduced reference tensor

| $(3,6,3)^{\top}$ | $(1,1,0)^{\top}$ | $(0,1,1)^{\top}$ | $(0,0,0)^{\top}$ | $-(0,4,4)^{\top}$ | $-(4,4,0)^{\top}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $(3,0,0)^{\top}$ | $-(0,1,0)^{\top}$, | $(0,4,0)^{\top}$ | $(0,0,0)^{\top}$ | $-(4,4,0)^{\top}$ |
|  |  | $(0,0,3)^{\top}$ | $(0,4,0)^{\top}$ | $-(0,4,4)^{\top}$ | $(0,0,0)^{\top}$ |
|  |  |  | $(8,8,8)^{\top}$ | $-(8,8,0)^{\top}$ | $-(0,8,8)^{\top}$ |
|  |  |  |  | $(8,8,8)^{\top}$ | $(0,8,0)^{\top}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | $(8,8,8)^{\top}$ |

- $\bar{a}_{12}^{0}, \bar{a}_{16}^{0}, \bar{a}_{26}^{0}$ and $\bar{a}_{45}^{0}$ collinear
- $\bar{a}_{44}^{0}$ and $\bar{a}_{45}^{0}$ close in Hamming distance
- Can you spot any other complexity-reducing relations?


## The minimum spanning tree (upper part)



## The optimized computation

$$
A_{44}^{K}=A_{4411}^{0} G_{K}^{11}+\left(A_{4412}^{0}+A_{4421}^{0}\right) G_{K}^{12}+A_{4422}^{0} G_{K}^{22}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A_{46}^{K}=-A_{44}^{K}+8 G_{K}^{11} \\
& A_{45}^{K}=-A_{44}^{K}+8 G_{K}^{22} \\
& A_{55}^{K}=A_{44}^{K} \\
& A_{66}^{K}=A_{44}^{K} \\
& A_{56}^{K}=-A_{45}^{K}-8 G_{K}^{11} \\
& A_{12}^{K}=-\frac{1}{8} A_{45}^{K} \\
& A_{16}^{K}=\frac{1}{2} A_{45}^{K} \\
& A_{23}^{K}=-A_{12}^{K}+1 G_{K}^{11} \\
& A_{24}^{K}=-A_{16}^{K}-4 G_{K}^{11} \\
& A_{26}^{K}=A_{16}^{K}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A_{13}^{K}=-A_{23}^{K}+1 G_{22}^{K} \\
& A_{14}^{K}=0 A_{23}^{K} \\
& A_{34}^{K}=A_{24}^{K} \\
& A_{15}^{K}=-4 A_{13}^{K} \\
& A_{25}^{K}=A_{14}^{K} \\
& A_{22}^{K}=A_{14}^{K}+3 G_{11}^{K} \\
& A_{33}^{K}=A_{14}^{K}+3 G_{22}^{K} \\
& A_{36}^{K}=A_{14}^{K} \\
& A_{35}^{K}=A_{15}^{K} \\
& A_{11}^{K}=A_{22}^{K}+6 G_{12}^{K}+3 G_{22}^{K}
\end{aligned}
$$

- 17 multiply-add pairs
- Can be reduced further


## Upcoming lectures

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