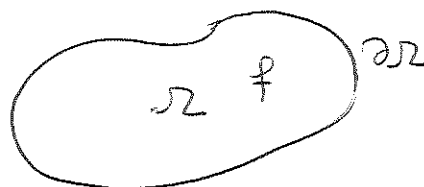


## 2. COUPLING IN SPACE OF HOMOGENEOUS PROBLEMS: DOMAIN DECOMPOSITION METHODS

### 1. INTRODUCTION

We wish to solve:

$$\begin{aligned} Lu &= f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u &= \bar{u} \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$



For example,  $Lu = -\nabla \cdot k \nabla u$ .

### Procedure

- a) Split  $\Omega$  into  $s$  subdomains  $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_s$ , i.e.,  $\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^s \Omega_i$
- b) Write down the transmission conditions between subdomains
- c) Solve a boundary value problem within each subdomain  $\Omega_i$
- d) Obtain the solution in  $\Omega$  (global solution)
  - Using an iterative method
  - " a direct "

### Motivation

Suppose that when the problem is discretized, each subdomain has  $n$  degrees of freedom (dof).

Cost of solving a problem  $\propto (\text{dof})^p$ ,  $p > 1$ .

$$(sn)^p > sn^p \Rightarrow \text{less cost to solve each system}$$

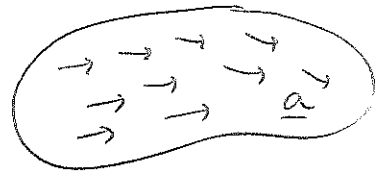
$$(sn)^2 > sn^2 \Rightarrow \text{less components to be stored in the matrices of the discrete problem}$$

- Parallelization: very often, the local problems on  $\Omega_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, s$ , can be solved in parallel
- Physics: DD allow to couple
  - Different physics
  - Domains in relative motion.

## 2. CONVECTION-DIFFUSION EQUATION

Continuous problem

$$\begin{aligned} -k \Delta u + \alpha \cdot \nabla u + su &= f \text{ in } \Omega \\ u &= \bar{u} \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$



$$k > 0, \quad \nabla \cdot \alpha = 0, \quad s \geq 0$$

Weak form:

$$\int_{\Omega} \delta u (-k \Delta u + \alpha \cdot \nabla u + su) = \int_{\Omega} \delta u f \quad \forall \delta u$$

$$\int_{\Omega} k \nabla \delta u \cdot \nabla u + \int_{\Omega} \delta u \alpha \cdot \nabla u + \int_{\Omega} \delta u s u = \int_{\Omega} \delta u f \quad \forall \delta u \mid \delta u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

$$V(\bar{u}) := \{ v \in H^1(\Omega) \mid v = \bar{u} \text{ on } \partial\Omega \}$$

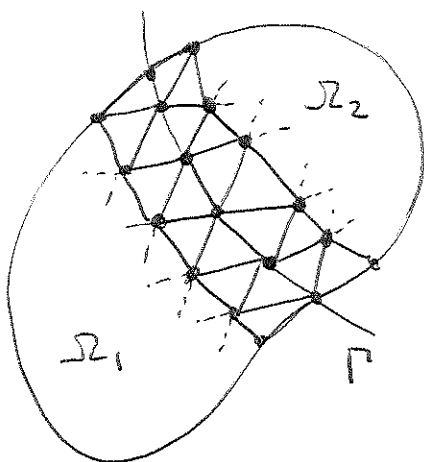
Find  $u \in V(\bar{u})$  such that

$$B(u, \delta u) = L(\delta u) \quad \forall \delta u \mid \delta u \in V(0)$$

$$B(u, \delta u) = \int_{\Omega} k \nabla \delta u \cdot \nabla u + \int_{\Omega} \delta u \alpha \cdot \nabla u + \int_{\Omega} \delta u s u$$

$$L(\delta u) = \int_{\Omega} \delta u f$$

Finite element approximation



$\Omega = \cup K$ , f.e. partition

$$u \approx u_h, \quad u_h|_K \in P_p(K)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u_h|_K \text{ polynomial} \\ u_h \in H^1(\Omega) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow u_h \in C^0(\Omega)$$

$$u_h(x) = \sum_a N^a(x) U^a, \quad N^a(x)|_K \in P_p(K)$$

Consider nodal degrees of freedom:

$$N^a(x^b) = \delta^{ab}, \quad U^a = u_h(x^a)$$

$$V_h(\bar{u}) = \{ v \in V(\bar{u}) \mid v|_K \in P_p(K) \}$$

Discret problem: find  $u_h \in V_h(\bar{u})$  such that

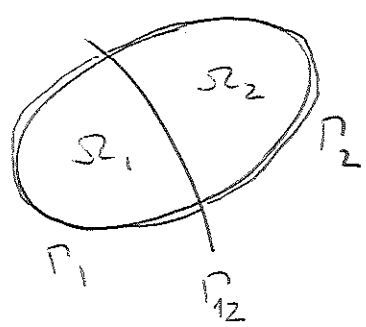
$$B(u_h, \delta u_h) = L(\delta u_h) \quad \forall \delta u_h \in V_h(0)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{a,b} \delta U^b \underbrace{B(N^a, N^b)}_{A^{ba}} U^a = \sum_b \delta U^b \underbrace{L(N^b)}_{F^b} \quad \forall \delta U$$

$$\therefore \boxed{AU = F} \quad (\text{with or without BC's})$$

### 3. NON-OVERLAPPING DOMAIN DECOMPOSITION METHODS

#### 3.1. GEOMETRIC VERSION (CONTINUOUS PROBLEM)



$$\bar{\Omega} = \bar{\Omega}_1 \cup \bar{\Omega}_2$$

$$\Gamma_{12} = \bar{\Omega}_1 \cap \bar{\Omega}_2$$

$$\Gamma_i = \partial\Omega \cap \bar{\Omega}_i$$

If  $u_i := u|_{\Omega_i}$ , then holds:

$$Lu_i = f \quad \text{in } \Omega_i, \quad i=1,2$$

$$u_i = \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_i} \quad \text{on } \Gamma_i, \quad i=1,2$$

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} u_1 = u_2 \\ k_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial n} = k_2 \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial n} \end{matrix}} \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \text{ for a fixed } n$$

Direct method: Steklov - Poincaré operator

Let  $u_i = u_i^0 + \tilde{u}_i$ ,  $i=1,2$ , with:

$$\left. \begin{matrix} Lu_i^0 = f & \text{in } \Omega_i \\ u_i^0 = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_i \\ u_i^0 = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} L\tilde{u}_i = 0 & \text{in } \Omega_i \\ \tilde{u}_i = \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_i} & \text{on } \Gamma_i \\ \tilde{u}_i = \varphi & \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \end{matrix} \right\}$$

Problem: obtain  $\varphi$  such that  $u_2 = u_1^0 + \tilde{u}_2$  is  $u|_{\Omega_2}$ . We must ensure that:

$$k_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial n} = k_2 \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial n} \Leftrightarrow k_1 \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_1}{\partial n} - k_2 \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_2}{\partial n} = -k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^0}{\partial n} + k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^0}{\partial n}$$

Define:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S} : H^{1/2}(\Gamma_{12}) &\longrightarrow H^{-1/2}(\Gamma_{12}) \\ \varphi &\longmapsto k_1 \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_1}{\partial n} - k_2 \frac{\partial \tilde{u}_2}{\partial n} \\ \mathcal{G} &= -k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^0}{\partial n} + k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^0}{\partial n} \in H^{-1/2}(\Gamma_{12}) \end{aligned}$$

Problem: find  $\varphi \in H^{1/2}(\Gamma_{12})$  such that

$$\mathcal{S} \varphi = \mathcal{G}$$

Def:  $\mathcal{S}$ : Steklov-Poincaré operator.

Iteration-by-subdomains: Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel methods

Problem in  $\Omega_1$ :

$$\mathcal{L} u_1^{(k)} = f$$

$$u_1^{(k)} = \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_1}$$

Problem in  $\Omega_2$ :

$$\mathcal{L} u_2^{(k)} = f$$

$$u_2^{(k)} = \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_2}$$

$$\boxed{k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(k)}}{\partial n} = k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k-1)}}{\partial n} \text{ on } \Gamma_{12} \quad u_2^{(k)} = u_1^{(k)} \text{ on } \Gamma_{12}}$$

Dirichlet - Neumann (DN) coupling.

$l = k-1$ : Jacobi scheme (parallel)

$l = k$ : Gauss-Seidel scheme (sequential)

Remark: At the discrete level, Dirichlet conditions can be prescribed in a strong way or in a weak way, using the so-called "mortar elements". Neumann conditions need to be prescribed weakly.

Other methods

• Neuman-Neumann algorithm:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta u_1^{(k+1)} &= f && \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ u_1^{(k+1)} &= \varphi^{(k)} && \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \\ u_1^{(k+1)} &= \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_1} && \text{on } \Gamma_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \Delta u_2^{(k+1)} &= f && \text{in } \Omega_2 \\ u_2^{(k+1)} &= \varphi^{(k)} && \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \\ u_2^{(k+1)} &= \bar{u}|_{\Gamma_2} && \text{on } \Gamma_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$
  

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta \psi_1^{(k+1)} &= 0 \\ k_1 \frac{\partial \psi_1^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} &= k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} - k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} \\ \psi_1^{(k+1)} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \Delta \psi_2^{(k+1)} &= 0 \\ k_2 \frac{\partial \psi_2^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} &= k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} - k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k+1)}}{\partial n} \\ \psi_2^{(k+1)} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\varphi^{(k+1)} = \varphi^{(k)} - \theta \left( \sigma_1 \psi_1^{(k+1)} \Big|_{\Gamma_{12}} - \sigma_2 \psi_2^{(k+1)} \Big|_{\Gamma_{12}} \right)$$

Local problems can be solved in parallel.

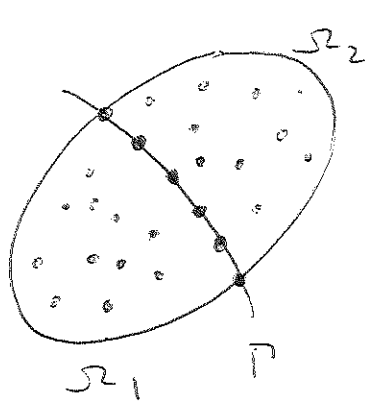
• Robin-Robin algorithm:

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| <p><u>Problem in <math>\Omega_1</math></u></p> $\begin{aligned} \Delta u_1^{(k)} &= f && \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ u_1^{(k)} &= \bar{u} _{\Gamma_1} && \text{on } \Gamma_1 \\ k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(k)}}{\partial n} + \delta_1 u_1^{(k)} &= k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k-1)}}{\partial n} + \delta_2 u_2^{(k-1)} \end{aligned}$ | <p><u>Problem in <math>\Omega_2</math></u></p> $\begin{aligned} \Delta u_2^{(k)} &= f && \text{in } \Omega_2 \\ u_2^{(k)} &= \bar{u} _{\Gamma_2} && \text{on } \Gamma_2 \\ k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k)}}{\partial n} + \delta_2 u_2^{(k)} &= k_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(l)}}{\partial n} + \delta_1 u_1^{(l)} \end{aligned}$ |
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with  $\delta_1 + \delta_2 > 0$ .

$l = k-1$  : Jacobi scheme (parallel)  
 $l = k$  : Gauss-Seidel " (sequential)

### 3.2. ALGEBRAIC VERSION (DISCRETE PROBLEM)



Discrete problem:

$$AU = F$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{1\Gamma} & 0 \\ A_{\Gamma 1} & A_{\Gamma\Gamma} & A_{\Gamma 2} \\ 0 & A_{2\Gamma} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_\Gamma \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_\Gamma \\ F_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U_1 = A_{11}^{-1} (F_1 - A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma)$$

$$U_2 = A_{22}^{-1} (F_2 - A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma)$$

$$A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} (F_1 - A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma) + A_{\Gamma\Gamma} U_\Gamma + A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} (F_2 - A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma) = F_\Gamma$$

$$\underbrace{(A_{\Gamma\Gamma} - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} A_{1\Gamma} - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} A_{2\Gamma})}_{S} U_\Gamma = \underbrace{F_\Gamma - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} F_1 - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} F_2}_{G}$$

$$\boxed{SU_\Gamma = G}$$

Def:  $S$ : Schur complement. It is exactly the discrete version of the Steklov-Poincaré operator.

Remark If an iterative algebraic solver is used to solve  $SU_\Gamma = G$ , one only needs to evaluate

$$z^{(k)} = SU_\Gamma^{(k)} = A_{\Gamma\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)} - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)} - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)}$$

• Evaluate  $y_i^{(k)} = A_{i\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)}$

• Solve  $A_{ii} x_i^{(k)} = y_i^{(k)}$

• Evaluate  $z_i^{(k)} = A_{\Gamma i} x_i^{(k)}$

In parallel

Property

$$\text{If } \text{cond}(A) = O(h^{-2}) \Rightarrow \text{cond}(S) = O(h^{-1})$$

Iterative methods: iteration-by-subdomains

The original system can be written as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{1r} \\ A_{r1} & A_{rr}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ U_r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_r - A_{r2} U_2 - A_{rr}^{(2)} U_r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{22} U_2 = F_2 - A_{2r} U_r$$

Consider the iterative scheme:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{1r} \\ A_{r1} & A_{rr}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1^{(k)} \\ U_r^{(k)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_r - A_{r2} U_2^{(k-1)} - A_{rr}^{(2)} U_r^{(k-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{22} U_2^{(k)} = F_2 - A_{2r} U_r^{(k)}$$

← Neumann conditions

← Dirichlet conditions

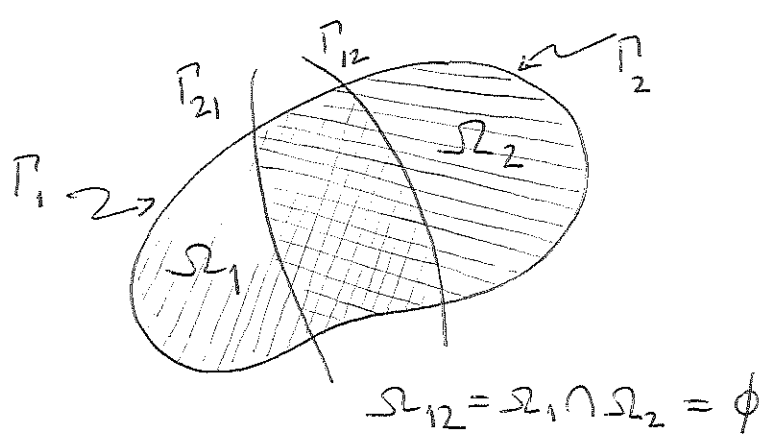
- $l = k-1$  . Jacobi scheme (parallel)
- $l = k$  . Gauss-Seidel scheme (sequential)

- $U_1, U_r$  is solved with  $A_{r2} U_2$  known, i.e., fluxes from  $\Omega_2$
- $U_2$  " " " "  $U_r$  " " " " unknown from  $\Omega_1$

The scheme considered is the algebraic version of the Dirichlet-Neumann scheme:

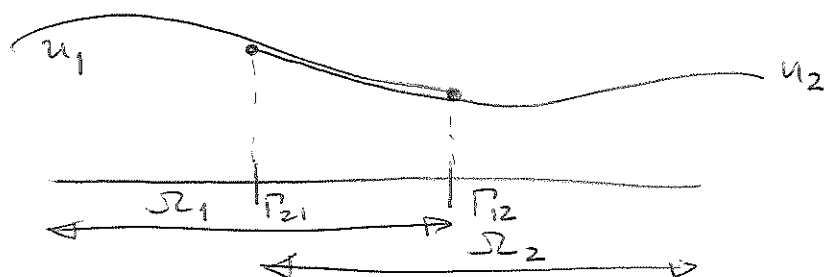
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| $\begin{aligned} \Delta u_1^{(k)} &= f \text{ in } \Omega_1 \\ u_1^{(k)} &= \bar{u}  _{\Gamma_1} \text{ on } \Gamma_1 \\ k \frac{\partial u_1^{(k)}}{\partial n} &= k_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k-1)}}{\partial n} \text{ on } \Gamma_{12} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} \Delta u_2^{(k)} &= f \\ u_2^{(k)} &= \bar{u}  _{\Gamma_2} \text{ on } \Gamma_2 \\ u_2^{(k)} &= u_1^{(l)} \text{ on } \Gamma_{12} \end{aligned}$ |
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4. SCHWARZ'S METHOD



The original problem (with  $\bar{u} = 0$  for simplicity) is equivalent to:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}u_1 &= f & \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ u_1 &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1 \\ u_1 &= u_2 & \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}u_2 &= f & \text{in } \Omega_2 \\ u_2 &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_2 \\ u_2 &= u_1 & \text{on } \Gamma_{21} \end{aligned} \right\}$$



Iteration-by-subdomains:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}u_1^{(k)} &= f & \text{in } \Omega_1 \\ u_1^{(k)} &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1 \\ u_1^{(k)} &= u_2^{(k-1)} & \text{on } \Gamma_{12} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}u_2^{(k)} &= f & \text{in } \Omega_2 \\ u_2^{(k)} &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_2 \\ u_2^{(k)} &= u_1^{(k)} & \text{on } \Gamma_{21} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$l = k-1$ . Jacobi-like scheme: ADDITIVE SCHWARZ (parallel)

$l = k$ . Gauss-Seidel-like scheme: MULTIPLICATIVE SCHWARZ (seq.)

The scheme converges, the speed depending on the width of  $\Omega_{12}$

## 5. DOMAIN DECOMPOSITION METHODS AS PRECONDITIONERS

Recall the equation for the interface degrees of freedom:

$$S U_{\Gamma} = G \quad (S: \text{Schur complement})$$

A Richardson iterative scheme to solve this problem with preconditioner  $P$  would be:

$$U_{\Gamma}^{(k)} = U_{\Gamma}^{(k-1)} + P^{-1} (G - S U_{\Gamma}^{(k-1)}), \quad k=1, 2, \dots$$

If  $P=S$ ,  $U_{\Gamma}^{(1)}$  would be exact, regardless of the initial guess  $U_{\Gamma}^0$ .

It turns out that

The iteration-by-subdomain schemes correspond to Richardson iterations for the Schur complement system with an appropriate preconditioner  $P$



Let us prove this for the Dirichlet-Neumann scheme. Define:

$$S_1 = A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(1)} - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} A_{1\Gamma}, \quad S_2 = A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(2)} - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} A_{2\Gamma}$$

$$S = S_1 + S_2$$

Consider the Gauss-Seidel-type iteration-by-subdomain:

$$A_{11} U_1^{(k)} = F_1 - A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)} \Rightarrow U_1^{(k)} = A_{11}^{-1} (F_1 - A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)})$$

$$A_{22} U_2^{(k-1)} = F_2 - A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} \Rightarrow U_2^{(k-1)} = A_{22}^{-1} (F_2 - A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k-1)})$$

$$A_{\Gamma 1} U_1^{(k)} + A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(1)} U_\Gamma^{(k)} = F_\Gamma - A_{\Gamma 2} U_2^{(k-1)} - A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(2)} U_\Gamma^{(k-1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} (F_1 - A_{1\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k)}) + A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(1)} U_\Gamma^{(k)} \\ = F_\Gamma - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} (F_2 - A_{2\Gamma} U_\Gamma^{(k-1)}) - A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(2)} U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(1)} - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} A_{1\Gamma}) U_\Gamma^{(k)} \\ = F_\Gamma - A_{\Gamma 1} A_{11}^{-1} F_1 - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} F_2 - (A_{\Gamma\Gamma}^{(2)} - A_{\Gamma 2} A_{22}^{-1} A_{2\Gamma}) U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow S_1 U_\Gamma^{(k)} = G - S_2 U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} = G - S U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} + S_1 U_\Gamma^{(k-1)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{U_\Gamma^{(k)} = U_\Gamma^{(k-1)} + S_1^{-1} (G - S U_\Gamma^{(k-1)})}$$

which is a Richardson iteration for the Schur complement equation with preconditioner  $P = S_1$ .

It can be shown that the preconditioners for the NN and the RR iteration-by-subdomain schemes are:

$$\text{NN: } P = (\sigma_1 S_1^{-1} + \sigma_2 S_2^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$\text{RR: } P = (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)^{-1} (\gamma_1 I + S_1) (\gamma_2 I + S_2)$$

In the parallel implementation of multi-domain DD schemes, a major problem is to devise preconditioners such that the condition number of  $P^{-1}S$  remains bounded when the number of subdomains grows (scalability problem).

## 6. APPLICATION TO THE NAVIER-STOKES EQUATIONS

Consider the NS equations written as

$$\mathcal{N}(u, p) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{F} & \text{in } \Omega, t > 0 \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, t > 0 \\ u = u^0 & \text{in } \Omega, t = 0 \end{cases}$$

where

$$\mathcal{N}(u, p) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla u - \nabla \Delta u + \nabla p \\ \nabla \cdot u \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{F} = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The (pseudo)-stress is now given by

$$t = -p n + \nabla \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$$

Therefore, an iteration-by-subdomain DN scheme would be (using a Gauss-Seidel-type iteration):

$$\mathcal{N}(u_1^{(k)}, p_1^{(k)}) = \mathcal{F} \text{ in } \Omega_1, t \text{ fixed}, t > 0$$

$$u_1^{(k)}|_{\Gamma} = u_2^{(k-1)}|_{\Gamma} \text{ on } \Gamma, t \text{ fixed}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(u_2^{(k)}, p_2^{(k)}) = \mathcal{F} \text{ in } \Omega_2, t \text{ fixed}$$

$$-p_2^{(k)} n + \nabla_2 \frac{\partial u_2^{(k)}}{\partial n} = -p_1^{(k)} n + \nabla_1 \frac{\partial u_1^{(k)}}{\partial n} \text{ on } \Gamma, t \text{ fixed.}$$

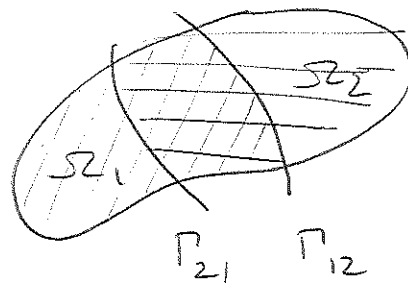
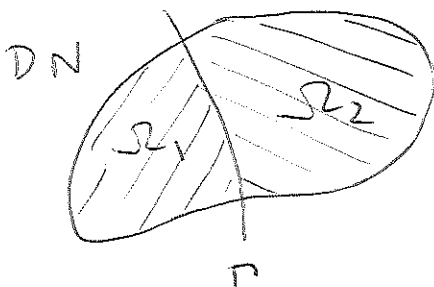
whereas a Schwarz's method would be

$$\mathcal{N}(u_1^{(k)}, p_1^{(k)}) = \mathcal{F} \text{ in } \Omega_1, t \text{ fixed}$$

$$u_1^{(k)}|_{\Gamma} = u_2^{(k-1)}|_{\Gamma_{12}} \text{ on } \Gamma_{12}, t \text{ fixed}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(u_2^{(k)}, p_2^{(k)}) = \mathcal{F} \text{ in } \Omega_2, t \text{ fixed}$$

$$u_2^{(k)}|_{\Gamma_{21}} = u_1^{(k)}|_{\Gamma_{21}} \text{ on } \Gamma_{21}, t \text{ fixed}$$



Schwarz