

Memo of FreeFem++

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Elements of syntax: the scripts look alike C/C++ programs

Firstly, FreeFem++ is a compiler and after it is launched, it creates code (a kind of byte code). The language is polymorphic, but it is not an object oriented language.

The following keywords are reserved; the operators are like in C, excepting: \wedge & |
+ - * / \wedge // $a^b = a^b$
== != < > <= >= & |// $a|b \equiv a \text{ or } b$, $a\&b \equiv a \text{ and } b$
= += -= /= *=

BOOLEAN: 0 \Leftrightarrow false , \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow true = 1

```
// Automatic cast for numerical values: bool, int, reel, complex , so  
func heavyside = real(x>0.);
```

```
for (int i=0;i<n;i++) { ... ;}  
if ( <bool exp> ) { ... ;} else { ...;};  
while ( <bool exp> ) { ... ;}  
break continue key words
```

drawback: all local variables are almost static (????),
bug if break is used before a variable declaration in the same block,
bug if fespace is used as a function argument.

Elements of syntax: special keywords for finite elements (FE)

```
x,y,z                                //    current coordinates
label, region    //    label of BC (border), Region (sub-domain)
N.x, N.y, N.z,   //    normal's components
int i = 0;       //    an integer variable
real a=2.5;      //    a real variable (double precision)
bool b=(a<3.);   //    a boolean variable
real[int] array(10) ; //    a real array of 10 values
mesh Th; mesh3 Th3; //    a 2d mesh and a 3d mesh
fespace Vh(Th,P2); //    Def. of a 2d finite-element space
fespace Vh3(Th3,P1); //    Def. of a 3d finite-element space
Vh u=x; //    a finite-element function or array
Vh3<complex> uc = x+ li *y; //    complex valued FE function
u(.5,.6,.7); //    value of the FE function u at point (.5,.6,.7)
u[]; //    the array of DoF value associated to FE function u
u[][5]; //    6th element of the array (numbering begins
//    with index 0, like in C)
```

Elements of syntax: weak form, matrix and vector 2/4

```
fespace V3h(Th, [P2,P2,P1]);
V3h [u1,u2,p]=[x,y,z];           // a vector finite element
                                  // function or array
    // remark u1[] <==> u2[] <==> p[] same array of unknowns
macro div(u,v) (dx(u)+dy(v)) // definition of a macro
                                  // (like #define in C)
macro Grad(u) [dx(u),dy(u)] // the macro ends with //
varf a([u1,u2,p],[v1,v2,q])=
    int2d(Th) ( Grad(u1)'*Grad(v1) +Grad(u2)'*Grad(v2)
              -div(u1,u2)*q -div(v1,v2)*p)
    +on(1,2,u1=g1,u2=g2);

matrix A=a(V3h,V3h,solver=UMFPACK);
real[int] b=a(0,V3h);
u2[] =A^-1*b;           // or you can also use u1[]=... or p[]=...
```

Elements of syntax: matrix and vector tools

```
func Heaveside=(x>0); // a formal line function
func real g(int i, real a) { .....; return i+a;}
A = A + A'; A = A'*A // matrix operation (only two terms)
A = [ [ A,0],[0,A' ] ]; // block matrix
int[int] I(15),J(15); // two arrays for renumbering
// the aim here is to transform a matrix into a sparse matrix
matrix B;
B = A; // copy of matrix A
B=A(I,J); // B(i,j) = A(I(i),J(j))
B=A(I^-1,J^-1); // B(I(i),J(j))= A(i,j)
// resize the sparse matrix (remove the other parts)
B.resize(10,20);
int[int] I(1),J(1); real[int] C(1);
[I,J,C]=A; // extract the sparse terms of the matrix A
// (the arrays are resized)
A=[I,J,C]; // set a new matrix
matrix D=[diagofA] ; // set a diagonal matrix D
// from the array diagofA.
real[int] a=2:12; // set a[i]=i+2; i=0 to 10.
```

Elements of syntax: formal computations using arrays

*a formal array is [exp1, exp1, ..., expn]
the Hermitian transposition is [exp1, exp1, ..., expn]'*

```
complex a=1,b=2,c=3i;
func va=[ a,b,c]; // is a formal array in [ ]
a =[ 1,2,3i]'*va ; cout « a « endl; // Hermitian product
matrix<complex> A=va*[ 1,2,3i]'; cout « A « endl;
a =[ 1,2,3i]'*va*2.;
a =(va+[ 1,2,3i])'*va*2.;
va./va; // term to term /
va.*va; // term to term *
trace(va*[ 1,2,3i]') ; //
(va*[ 1,2,3i]')[1][2] ; // get coefficients
det ([[1,2],[ -2,1]]); // just for matrices 1x1 et 2x2
```

useful macros to define operators for your PDE.

```
macro grad(u) [dx(u),dy(u)] //
macro div(u1,u2) (dx(u1)+dy(u2)) // do not forget ()
```

List of Plugins

```
ls /usr/local/lib/ff++/3.34-3/lib/
```

```
BernadiRaugel.dylib      complex_SuperLU_DIST_FreeFem.dylib  medit.dylib
BinaryIO.dylib          complex_pastix_FreeFem.dylib        metis.dylib
DxWriter.dylib          dSuperLU_DIST.dylib                mmg3d-v4.0.dylib
Element_Mixte.dylib     dfft.dylib                          mpi-cmaes.dylib
Element_P1dcl.dylib     ff-Ipopt.dylib                      msh3.dylib
Element_P3.dylib        ff-NLopt.dylib                      mshmet.dylib
Element_P3dc.dylib      ff-cmaes.dylib                      myfunction.dylib
Element_P4.dylib        fflapack.dylib                      myfunction2.dylib
Element_P4dc.dylib      ffnewuoa.dylib                      parms_FreeFem.dylib
Element_PkEdge.dylib    ffrandom.dylib                      pcm2rnm.dylib
FreeFemQA.dylib         freeyams.dylib                       pipe.dylib
MPICG.dylib             funcTemplate.dylib                  ppm2rnm.dylib
MUMPS.dylib             gmsh.dylib                           qf11to25.dylib
MUMPS_FreeFem.dylib     gsl.dylib                            real_SuperLU_DIST_FreeFem.dylib
MUMPS_seq.dylib         hips_FreeFem.dylib                  real_pastix_FreeFem.dylib
MetricKuate.dylib      ilut.dylib                           scotch.dylib
MetricPk.dylib          interfacepastix.dylib               shell.dylib
Morley.dylib            iovtk.dylib                          splitedges.dylib
NewSolver.dylib         isoline.dylib                       splitmesh3.dylib
SuperLu.dylib           isolineP1.dylib                     splitmesh6.dylib
UMFPACK64.dylib         lapack.dylib                         symmetrizeCSR.dylib
VTK_writer.dylib        lgbmo.dylib                          tetgen.dylib
VTK_writer_3d.dylib     mat_dervieux.dylib                  thresholdings.dylib
addNewType.dylib        mat_psi.dylib
```



Important Plugins

- `qf11to25` add more quadrature rules in 1d, 2d, and tools to build your own q. rule
- `Element_*`, `Morlay`, `BernadiRaugel` add a new kind of 2d finite element
- `SuperLu`, `UMFPACK64`, `SuperLu`, `MUMPS_seq` add sequential sparse solver
- `metis`, `scotch` mesh partitioning
- `ffrandom` true random number generator: `srandomdev`, `srandom`, `random`
- `gsl` the `gsl` lib interface (lots of special functions)
- `shell`, `pipe` tools to work with directories and files, `pipe` interface
- `dfft` interface with `fftw3` library for FFT
- **`msh3`**, **`tetgen`** 3d mesh tools and `tetgen` interface
- `lapack` a small Lapack interface of full linear solver, full eigenvalue problems
- `ff-Ipopt` interface with `Ipopt` optimisation software
- `ppm2rnm` interface with `ppm` library to read `ppm` bitmaps
- `isoline` tools to build a border from a contour level (`isoline`)
- `freeyams`, `mesh met`, `mmg3d-v4`, `medit` interface of library of P. Frey to adapt meshes in 3d.

Important Plugin with MPI

- `scharwz` a new parallel linear solver (see `schwarz.edp` in Examples)
- `MUMPS` a new version of MUMPS interface
- `MPICG` parallel version of CG and GMRES
- `mpi-cmaes` parallel version of stochastic optimization algorithm.
- `hips_FreeFem,parms_FreeFem,MUMPS_FreeFem` old parallel linear solver interface.

Laplace equation, weak formulation

Let Ω be a domain, with a partition of $\partial\Omega = \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_e$.

Find u such that:

$$-\Delta u = 1 \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u = 2 \text{ on } \Gamma_2, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_e. \quad (1)$$

Let us denote by $V_g = \{v \in H^1(\Omega) / v|_{\Gamma_2} = g\}$.

The basic variational (weak) formulation of this problem is: find $u \in V_2(\Omega)$, such that

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v = \int_{\Omega} 1v + \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \vec{n}} v, \quad \forall v \in V_0(\Omega) \quad (2)$$

The idea of the finite element method is just: replace V_g with a finite-element space, and use `FreeFem++` to easily code this weak formulation.

Poisson equation in a fish (domain) with FreeFem++

The idea of the finite element method is just: replace V_g with a finite-element space, and use FreeFem++ to write the following program:

```
mesh3 Th("fish-3d.msh");           // read a 3d mesh
fespace Vh(Th,P1);                 // define the P1 FE space

Vh u,v;                            // set test (v) and unknown (u) functions in Vh
macro Grad(u) [dx(u),dy(u),dz(u)] // EOM Grad operator in 3d
solve laplace(u,v,solver=CG) =
  int3d(Th) ( Grad(u)'*Grad(v) )
  - int3d(Th) ( 1*v )
  + on(2,u=2);                       // Dirichlet bc on  $\gamma_2$ 
plot(u,fill=1,wait=1,value=0,wait=1);
```

Run:fish.edp

Run:fish3d.edp

- All boundaries (internal or not) were defined through a label number: this number is defined in the mesh data structure. This label number is assigned to an edge in 2d and a face in 3d: **FreeFem++ never uses label numbers on vertices.**
- To define and compute an integral over a sub-domain or a boundary, you can use the region, respectively label numbers. It is not possible to compute 1d integrals in 3d domains.
- Presently, there are no available Finite Elements defined on a surface in FreeFem++.
- You can store a list of label or region numbers into an integer array (`int [int]`).

Remark on varf instruction

The functions appearing in the variational form are formal and local to the `varf` definition; the only important thing is the order in the parameter list, like in the example:

```
varf vb1 ([u1,u2], [q]) = int2d(Th) ( (dy(u1)+dy(u2)) *q)
                        +int2d(Th) (1*q) + on(1,u1=2);
varf vb2 ([v1,v2], [p]) = int2d(Th) ( (dy(v1)+dy(v2)) *p)
                        +int2d(Th) (1*p) ;
```

To build the matrix from the bilinear part of the variational of type `varf` write simply

```
matrix B1 = vb1(Vh,Wh, ...);
matrix<complex> C1 = vb1(Vh,Wh, ... );
//   where the fespace has the correct number of components
//   Vh is "fespace" for the unknown fields with 2 components
//   ex fespace Vh(Th, [P2,P2]); or fespace Vh(Th,RT);
//   Wh is "fespace" for the test fields with 1 component
```

To build a vector, use $u1 = u2 = 0$ by setting to 0 the unknown part.

```
real[int]  b = vb2(0,Wh);
complex[int]  c = vb2(0,Wh);
```

Remark: in this case the mesh used to define \int, u, v can be different.

FreeFem++ uses only the label number of edges (2d) or faces (3d).

- The instruction "on" in the scalar form (for Dirichlet BC): `on(1, u = g)`
The meaning of "on" is: for all i , degree of freedom (DoF), of the concerned boundary, the diagonal term of the matrix $a_{ii} = tgv$ with the *terrible giant value* `tgv` ($=10^{30}$ by default) and the right-hand side $b[i] = "(\Pi_h g)[i]" \times tgv$, where the $"(\Pi_h g)[i]"$ is the boundary DoF value given by the interpolation of g .
- The instruction "on" in the vectorial form (for Dirichlet BC): `on(1, u1=g1, u2=g2)`
If you have a vectorial finite element, like `RT0`, the 2 components are coupled: so you have: $b[i] = "(\Pi_h(g1, g2))[i]" \times tgv$, where Π_h is the vectorial finite element interpolant.
- a linear form on Γ (for Neumann BC in 2d)
`-int1d(Th) (f*w)` or `-int1d(Th, 3) (f*w)`
(only the border of label 3 is used in the second example)
- a bilinear form on Γ or Γ_2 (for Robin/Fourier BC in 2d)
`int1d(Th) (K*v*w)` or `int1d(Th, 2) (K*v*w)`.
- a linear form on Γ (for Neumann BC in 3d)
`-int2d(Th) (f*w)` or `-int2d(Th, 3) (f*w)`

Build a simple 2d Mesh

First example: generate a 10×10 grid mesh of the unit square $]0, 1[^2$

```
int [int] labs=[10,20,30,40];           // bottom, right, top, left
mesh Th1 = square(10,10,label=labs,region=0,[x,y]);           //
plot (Th1,wait=1);
int [int] old2newlabs=[10,11, 30,31];   // 10 -> 11, 30 -> 31
Th1=change (Th1,label=old2newlabs) ;    //
// possible changes in 2d or 3d: region=a, fregion=f,
// flabel=f
```

a L shape domain $]0, 1[^2 \setminus]\frac{1}{2}, 1[^2$

```
mesh Th = trunc(Th1,(x<0.5) | (y < 0.5),label=1);
plot (Th,cmm="Th");
mesh Thh = movemesh(Th,[-x,y]);
mesh Th3 = Th+movemesh(Th,[-x,y]);      // glue two meshes
plot (Th3,cmm="Th3");
```

Run:mesh1.edp

Build a 2d Mesh from borders

A Circle with or without a hole:

Remark: by default, the domain is on the left side of the border (if the number of segments is positive).

```
border Co(t=0,2*pi) { x=cos(t); y=sin(t); label=1;}
border Ci(t=0,2*pi) { x=cos(t)/2; y=sin(t)/2; label=2;}
plot(Co(30)+Ci(15),wait=1);
mesh Thf=buildmesh(Co(30)+Ci(15));           // without hole
                                           // two regions:
cout <<" The two Regions of Thf : " << Thf(0,0).region<< " "
<< Thf(0,0.9).region << endl;
plot(Thf,wait=1);
mesh Thh=buildmesh(Co(30)+Ci(-15));         // with hole
plot(Thh,wait=1);
```

Load a file containing a triangular mesh:

```
mesh Th2("april-fish.msh");
build with emc2, bamg, modulef, etc...
```

Run: [mesh-circles.edp](#)

Build a more complicated 2d Mesh using implicit loops

A L-shaped domain $]0, 1[^2 \setminus]\frac{1}{2}, 1[^2$ with 6 multi-borders.

```
int nn=30; real dd=0.5;
real[int,int] XX=[[0,0],[1,0],[1,dd],[dd,dd],[dd,1],[0,1]];
int[int] NN=[nn,nn*dd,nn*(1-dd),nn*(1-dd),nn*dd,nn];
border bb(t=0,1;i)
{
    // i is the the index of the multi-border loop
    int ii = (i+1)%XX.n; real t1 = 1-t;
    x = XX(i,0)*t1 + XX(ii,0)*t;
    y = XX(i,1)*t1 + XX(ii,1)*t;
    label = 1; ; }
plot(bb(NN),wait=1);
mesh Th=buildmesh(bb(NN));
plot(Th,wait=1);
Run:mesh-multi.edp
```

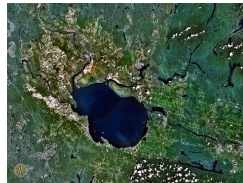
Build a 2d Mesh from an image 1/2

```
load "ppm2rnm" load "isoline" load "shell"
string lac="lac-oxford", lacjpg =lac+".jpg", lacpgm =lac+".pgm";
if(stat(lacpgm)<0) exec("convert "+lacjpg+" "+lacpgm);
real[int,int] Curves(3,1); int[int] be(1); int nc;
{
  real[int,int] ff1(lacpgm); // read the image
  int nx = ff1.n, ny=ff1.m; // grey value in 0 to 1 (dark)
  mesh Th=square(nx-1,ny-1, [(nx-1)*(x), (ny-1)*(1-y)]);
  fespace Vh(Th,P1); Vh f1; f1[]=ff1; // array to fe function.
  real iso =0.3; // try some values for the level-set
  real[int] viso=[iso];
  nc=isoline(Th, f1, iso=iso, close=0, Curves, beginend=be,
    smoothing=.1, ratio=0.5);
  for(int i=0; i<min(3,nc); ++i)
  { int i1=be(2*i), i2=be(2*i+1)-1;
    plot(f1, viso=viso, [Curves(0, i1:i2), Curves(1, i1:i2)],
      wait=1, cmm=i); }}
}
```

Build a 2d Mesh from an image 2/2

```
int[int] iii=[1,2];           // chose two components ...
int[int] NC=[-300,-300];     // 2 components
border G(t=0,1;i) {
P=Curve(Curves,be(2*iii[i]),be(2*iii[i]+1)-1,t);
        label= iii[i];}

plot(G(NC),wait=1);
mesh Th=buildmesh(G(NC));
plot(Th,wait=1);
real scale = sqrt(AreaLac/Th.area);
Th=movemesh(Th,[x*scale,y*scale]);
Run: lac.edp                (Lake Saint Jean in Quebec, Canada.)
```



Build a simple 3d Mesh: a cube with buildlayer

```
load "msh3" buildlayer
int nn=10;
int[int]
    rup=[0,2], // label: upper face 0-> 2 (region -> label)
    rdown=[0,1], // label: lower face 0-> 1 (region -> label)
    rmid=[1,1 ,2,1 ,3,1 ,4,1 ], // 4 Vert. 2d label -> 3d
    rtet= [0,0]; //
real zmin=0,zmax=1;
mesh3 Th=buildlayers(square(nn,nn,),nn,
    zbound=[zmin,zmax],
    region=rtet,
    labelmid=rmid,
    labelup = rup,
    labeldown = rdown);
Th= trunc(Th, ((x<0.5) | (y< 0.5) | (z<0.5)),label=3);
// remove 1/2 cube
plot("cube",Th);
Run:Cube.edp
```

Build a complex 3d Mesh: a "lake" with buildlayer

```
load "msh3"//      buildlayer
load "medit"//     medit
int nn=5;
border cc(t=0,2*pi){x=cos(t);y=sin(t);label=1;}
mesh Th2= buildmesh(cc(100));
fespace Vh2(Th2,P2);
Vh2 ux,uz,p2;
int[int] rup=[0,2],  rdown=[0,1],  rmid=[1,1];
func zmin= 2-sqrt(4-(x*x+y*y));  func zmax= 2-sqrt(3.);
//      we get nn*coef layers
mesh3 Th=buildlayers(Th2,nn,
                    coef= max((zmax-zmin)/zmax,1./nn),
                    zbound=[zmin,zmax],
                    labelmid=rmid,  labelup = rup,
                    labeldown = rdown);          //      label def

medit ("lac",Th);
Run:Lac.edp Run:3d-leman.edp
```

Build an axisymmetric 3d Mesh with buildlayer

```
func f=2*((.1+(((x/3))* (x-1) * (x-1) /1+x/100))^(1/3.)- (.1)^(1/3.));
real yf=f(1.2,0);
border up(t=1.2,0.) { x=t;y=f;label=0;}
border axe2(t=0.2,1.15) { x=t;y=0;label=0;}
border hole(t=pi,0) { x= 0.15 + 0.05*cos(t);y= 0.05*sin(t);
    label=1;}
border axe1(t=0,0.1) { x=t;y=0;label=0;}
border queue(t=0,1) { x= 1.15 + 0.05*t; y = yf*t; label =0;}
int np= 100;
func bord= up(np)+axe1(np/10)+hole(np/10)+axe2(8*np/10)
    + queue(np/10);
plot( bord); // plot the border ...
mesh Th2=buildmesh(bord); // the axisymmetric 2d mesh
plot(Th2,wait=1);
int[int] l23=[0,0,1,1];
Th=buildlayers(Th2,coef= max(.15,y/max(f,0.05)), 50
    ,zbound=[0,2*pi],transfo=[x,y*cos(z),y*sin(z)]
    ,facemerge=1,labelmid=l23);
```

Run:3daximesh.edp

Build the 3d Mesh of a Sphere

```
load "tetgen"
mesh Th=square(10,20,[x*pi-pi/2,2*y*pi]); // ] -  $\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}$  [x] 0, 2 $\pi$  [
func f1 =cos(x)*cos(y); func f2 =cos(x)*sin(y); func f3 = sin(x);
// the partial derivative of the parametrization
func f1x=sin(x)*cos(y); func f1y=-cos(x)*sin(y);
func f2x=-sin(x)*sin(y); func f2y=cos(x)*cos(y);
func f3x=cos(x); func f3y=0;
// M = DFtDF
func m11=f1x^2+f2x^2+f3x^2; func m21=f1x*f1y+f2x*f2y+f3x*f3y;
func m22=f1y^2+f2y^2+f3y^2;
func perio=[[4,y],[2,y],[1,x],[3,x]];
real hh=0.1/R; real vv= 1/square(hh);
Th=adaptmesh(Th,m11*vv,m21*vv,m22*vv,IsMetric=1,periodic=perio);
int[int] ref=[0,L]; // the label of the Sphere to L ( 0 -> L)
mesh3 ThS= movemesh23(Th,transfo=[f1*R,f2*R,f3*R],orientation=1,
label=ref);
```

Run:Sphere.edp Run:sphere6.edp

Build a 3d Mesh from a surface (boundary) mesh

```
include "MeshSurface.idp"           //    tool for surface meshes
mesh3 Th;
try { Th=readmesh3("Th-hex-sph.mesh"); }           //    try to read
catch(...) { //    catch a reading error, then build the mesh...
  real hs = 0.2; //    mesh size on a sphere
  int[int] NN=[11,9,10];
  real [int,int] BB=[[-1.1,1.1],[-.9,.9],[-1,1]]; //    Mesh Box
  int [int,int] LL=[[1,2],[3,4],[5,6]]; //    Label Box
  mesh3 ThHS = SurfaceHex(NN,BB,LL,1)+Sphere(0.5,hs,7,1);
                                           //    surface meshes

  real voltet=(hs^3)/6.; //    volume mesh control
  real[int] domaine = [0,0,0,1,voltet,0,0,0.7,2,voltet];
  Th = tetg(ThHS,switch="pqaAAYYQ",
            nbofregions=2,regionlist=domaine);
  savemesh(Th,"Th-hex-sph.mesh"); } //    save for the next run
```


- `change` change label and region numbering in 2d and 3d
- `movemesh`, `checkmovemesh`, `movemesh23`, `movemesh3`
- `triangulate` (2d) , `tetgconvexhull` (3d) build a mesh for a set of points
- `emptymesh` (2d) built an empty mesh (for Lagrange multipliers)
- `freeyams` optimize the surface mesh
- `mmg3d` optimize a volume mesh with constant surface mesh
- `mshmet` compute metrics
- `isoline` extract level-set (isoline) in 2d
- `trunc` remove parts of the mesh and split all elements (2d, 3d)
- `splitmesh` split a 2d mesh in a non regular way.

In Euclidean geometry the length $|\gamma|$ of a curve γ of \mathbb{R}^d parametrized by $\gamma(t)_{t=0..1}$ is

$$|\gamma| = \int_0^1 \sqrt{\langle \gamma'(t), \gamma'(t) \rangle} dt$$

We introduce the metric $\mathcal{M}(x)$ as a field of $d \times d$ symmetric positive definite matrices, and the length ℓ of Γ w.r.t \mathcal{M} is:

$$\ell = \int_0^1 \sqrt{\langle \gamma'(t), \mathcal{M}(\gamma(t))\gamma'(t) \rangle} dt$$

The key-idea is to construct a mesh for which the lengths of the edges are close to 1, accordingly to \mathcal{M} .

Mesh adaptivity: Metrics intersection

For a metric \mathcal{M} , the unit ball $\mathcal{B}\mathcal{M}$ (obtained by plotting the maximum mesh size in all directions), is a ellipse.

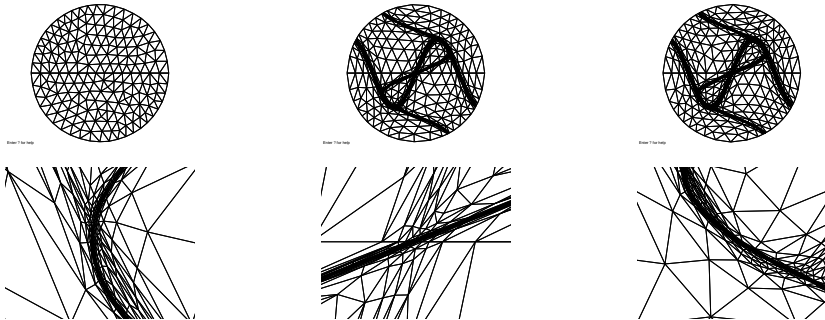
If you we have two unknowns u and v , we just compute the metrics \mathcal{M}_u and \mathcal{M}_v , find a metric \mathcal{M}_{uv} , called intersection, defined by the biggest ellipse such that:

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}_v) \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}_u) \cap \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}_v)$$

Example of an adaptive mesh

$$u = (10x^3 + y^3) + \tanh(500(\sin(5y) - 2x));$$

$$v = (10y^3 + x^3) + \tanh(5000(\sin(5y) - 2x));$$



Run:Adapt-uv.edp

Mesh adaptivity: A corner singularity (adaptivity with metrics)

The domain is a L-shaped polygon $\Omega =]0, 1[^2 \setminus]\frac{1}{2}, 1[^2$ and the PDE is

$$\text{find } u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \text{ such that } -\Delta u = 1 \text{ in } \Omega.$$

The solution has a singularity at the re-entrant angle and we wish to capture it numerically.



example of Mesh adaptation

Mesh adaptivity: A corner singularity (FreeFem++ program)

```
int[int] lab=[1,1,1,1];
mesh Th = square(6,6,label=lab);
Th=trunc(Th,x<0.5 | y<0.5, label=1);

fespace Vh(Th,P1);          Vh u,v;          real error=0.1;
problem Probem1(u,v,solver=CG,eps=1.0e-6) =
    int2d(Th) ( dx(u)*dx(v) + dy(u)*dy(v) )
    - int2d(Th) ( v ) + on(1,u=0);
for (int i=0;i< 7;i++)
{ Probem1;                  // solving the pde
  Th=adaptmesh(Th,u,err=error,nbvx=100000);
                          // adaptativity using the Hessian of u
  plot(Th,u,wait=1,fill=1);      u=u;
  error = error/ (1000.^(1./7.)) ; } ;
```

Run:CornerLap.edp

Mesh adaptivity: building the metrics from the solution u

For P_1 continuous Lagrange finite elements, the optimal metric norms for the interpolation error (used in the function `adaptmesh` in FreeFem++) are:

- L^∞ : $\mathcal{M} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} |\nabla \nabla u| = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} |\mathcal{H}|$, where $\mathcal{H} = \nabla \nabla u$
- L^p : $\mathcal{M} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} |\det(\mathcal{H})|^{\frac{1}{2p+2}} |\mathcal{H}|$, (result by F. Alauzet, A. Dervieux)

For the norm $W^{1,p}$, the optimal metric \mathcal{M}_ℓ for the P_ℓ Lagrange finite element is given by (with only acute triangles) (thanks to J-M. Mirebeau)

$$\mathcal{M}_{\ell,p} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (\det \mathcal{M}_\ell)^{\frac{1}{\ell p + 2}} \mathcal{M}_\ell$$

and (see `MetricPk` plugin and function)

- for P_1 : $\mathcal{M}_1 = \mathcal{H}^2$ (sub-optimal: for acute triangles, take \mathcal{H})

- for P_2 : $\mathcal{M}_2 = 3 \sqrt{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}^2 + \begin{pmatrix} b & c \\ c & a \end{pmatrix}^2}$ with

$$D^{(3)}u(x,y) = (ax^3 + 3bx^2y + 3cxy^2 + dy^3)/3!,$$

Run: `adapt.edp`

Run: `AdaptP3.edp`