

Albany/FELIX: A Robust & Scalable Trilinos- Based Finite-Element Ice Flow Dycore Built for Advanced Architectures & Analysis

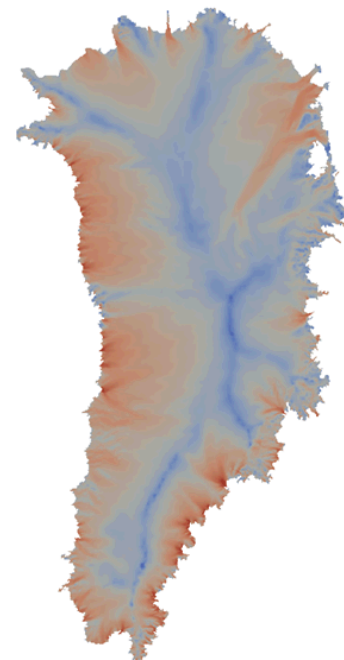
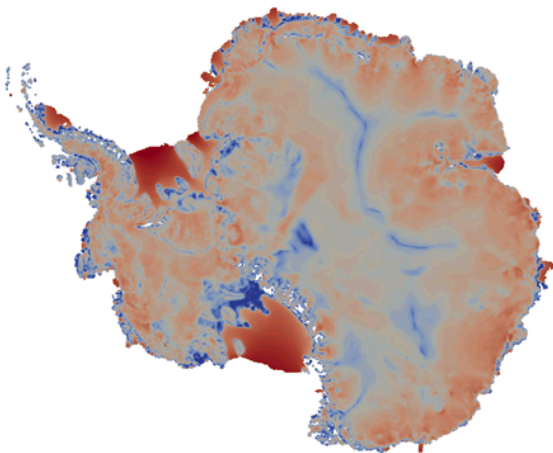
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The PISCEES Project and the *Albany/FELIX* Solver



“PISCEES” = Predicting Ice Sheet Climate & Evolution at Extreme Scales
5 year project funded by SciDAC, which began in June 2012

Sandia’s Role in the PISCEES Project: to **develop** and **support** a robust and scalable land ice solver based on the “First-Order” (FO) Stokes physics

- Steady-state stress-velocity solver based on FO Stokes physics is known as ***Albany/FELIX****.
- Requirements for *Albany/FELIX*:**
 - Scalable, fast, robust.
 - Dynamical core (dycore) when coupled to codes that solve thickness and temperature evolution equations (*CISM/MPAS LI* codes).
 - Advanced analysis capabilities (adjoint-based deterministic inversion, Bayesian calibration, UQ, sensitivity analysis).
 - Performance-portability.

Dycore will provide actionable predictions of 21st century sea-level rise (including uncertainty).

**FELIX*=“Finite Elements for Land Ice eXperiments”

This talk

***Albany/FELIX* Solver (steady):**
 Ice Sheet PDEs (First Order Stokes)
 (stress-velocity solve)

***CISM/MPAS* Land Ice Codes (dynamic):**
 Ice Sheet Evolution PDEs
 (thickness, temperature evolution)

The First-Order Stokes Model for Ice Sheets & Glaciers

- Ice sheet dynamics are given by the **“First-Order” Stokes PDEs**: approximation* to viscous incompressible **quasi-static** Stokes flow with power-law viscosity.

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_1) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} \\ -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_2) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} \end{cases}, \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\epsilon}_1^T &= (2\dot{\epsilon}_{11} + \dot{\epsilon}_{22}, \dot{\epsilon}_{12}, \dot{\epsilon}_{13}) \\ \dot{\epsilon}_2^T &= (2\dot{\epsilon}_{12}, \dot{\epsilon}_{11} + 2\dot{\epsilon}_{22}, \dot{\epsilon}_{23}) \\ \dot{\epsilon}_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Viscosity μ is nonlinear function given by **“Glen’s law”**:

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} A^{-\frac{1}{n}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}^2 \right)^{\left(\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

($n = 3$)

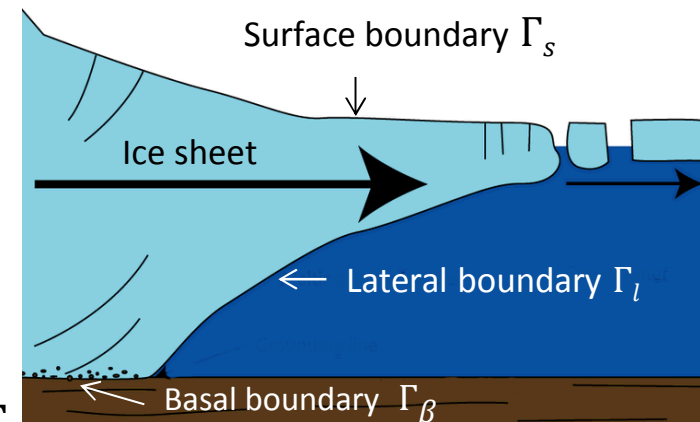
- Relevant boundary conditions:

- Stress-free BC:** $2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_i \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$, on Γ_s

- Floating ice BC:**

$$2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_i \cdot \mathbf{n} = \begin{cases} \rho g z \mathbf{n}, & \text{if } z > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } z \leq 0 \end{cases}, \quad \text{on } \Gamma_l$$

- Basal sliding BC:** $2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_i \cdot \mathbf{n} + \beta u_i = 0$, on Γ_β



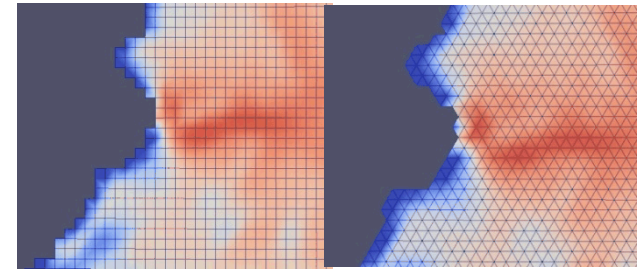
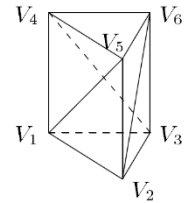
$$\beta = \text{sliding coefficient} \geq 0$$

***Assumption:** aspect ratio δ is small and normals to upper/lower surfaces are almost vertical.

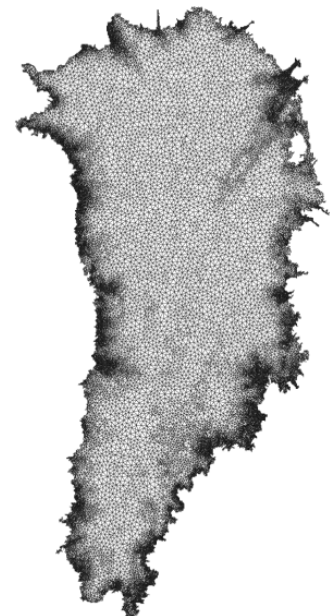
Algorithmic Choices for *Albany/FELIX*: Discretization & Meshes

- **Discretization**: unstructured grid finite element method (FEM)

- Can handle readily complex geometries.
- Natural treatment of stress boundary conditions.
- Enables regional refinement/unstructured meshes.
- Wealth of software and algorithms.

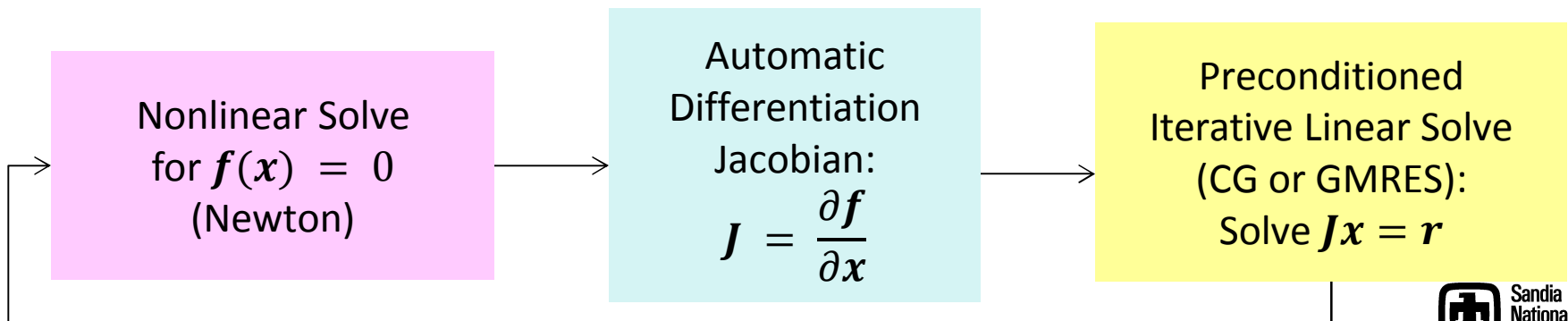


- **Meshes**: can use any mesh but interested specifically in
 - ***Structured hexahedral*** meshes (compatible with *CISM*).
 - ***Tetrahedral*** meshes (compatible with *MPAS LI*)
 - ***Unstructured Delaunay triangle*** meshes with regional refinement based on gradient of surface velocity.
 - All meshes are extruded (structured) in vertical direction as tetrahedra or hexahedra.



Algorithmic Choices for *Albany/FELIX*: Nonlinear & Linear Solver

- **Nonlinear solver:** full Newton with analytic (automatic differentiation) derivatives and homotopy continuation
 - Most robust and efficient for steady-state solves.
 - Jacobian available for preconditioners and matrix-vector products.
 - Analytic sensitivity analysis.
 - Analytic gradients for inversion.
- **Linear solver:** preconditioned iterative method
 - **Solvers:** Conjugate Gradient (CG) or GMRES
 - **Preconditioners:** ILU or algebraic multi-grid (AMG)



The *Albany/FELIX* Solver: Implementation in *Albany* using *Trilinos*

The ***Albany/FELIX*** First Order Stokes solver is implemented in a Sandia (open-source*) parallel C++ finite element code called...

Started
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"Agile Components"

- Discretizations/meshes
- Solver libraries
- Preconditioners
- Automatic differentiation
- Many others!



- Configure/build/test/documentation

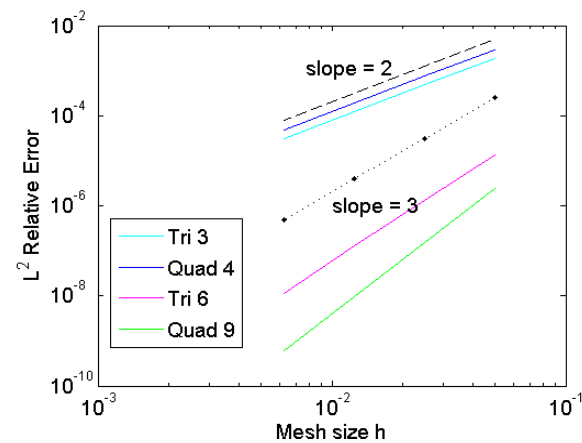
Land Ice Physics Set
(***Albany/FELIX code***)

Other Albany
Physics Sets

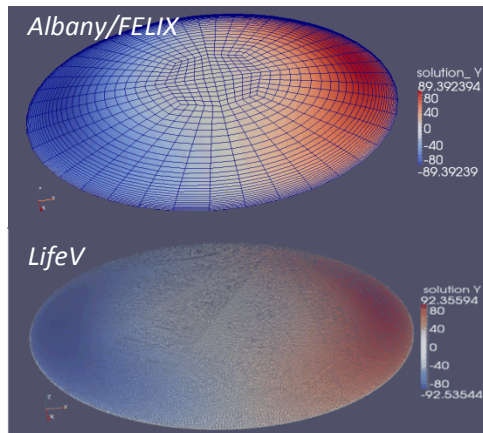
*Available on `github`: <https://github.com/gahansen/Albany>
(Salinger et al., 2015).

Use of ***Trilinos*** components has enabled the ***rapid*** development of the
Albany/FELIX First Order Stokes dycore!

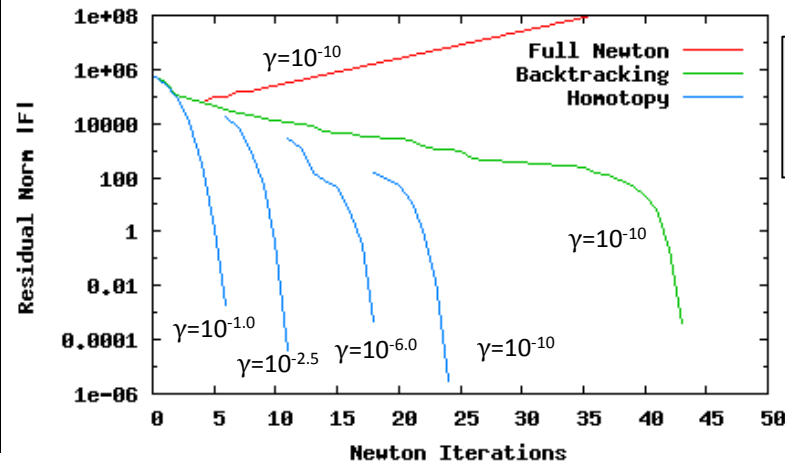
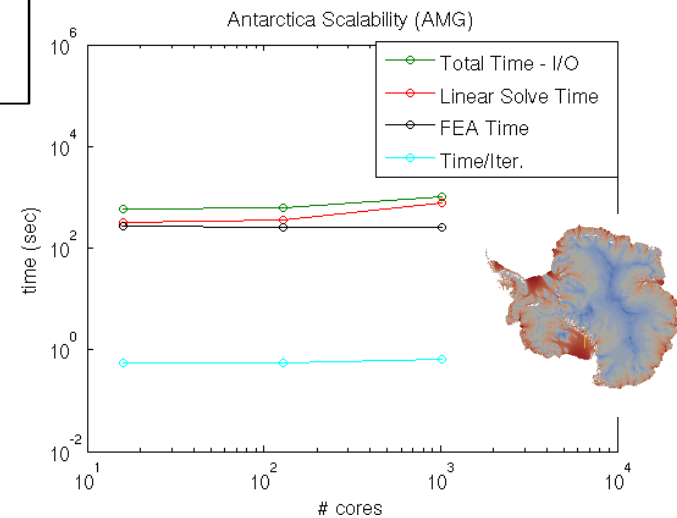
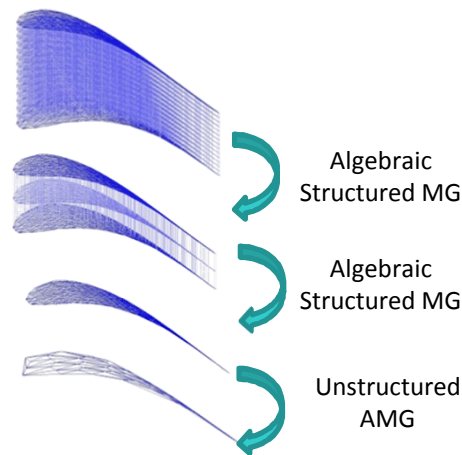
The *Albany/FELIX* Solver is Verified, Scalable, Fast and Robust!



Verified via MMS and
code-to-code
comparisons.



Scalable via algebraic multi-
grid (AMG) preconditioning



$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} A^{-\frac{1}{n}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}^2 + \gamma \right)^{\left(\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

Robust via homotopy
continuation w.r.t. γ .

Next Generation Capabilities in *Albany*

- **Uncertainty Quantification**

- Leverages *DAKOTA* toolkit.
- Sampling, sensitivity analysis, parameter studies, calibration.
- Embedded techniques (*Stokhos* + *DAKOTA*).



- **Performance Portability**

- Leverages C++ *Kokkos* package from *Trilinos*.
- A *programming model* as much as a software library.
- Provides automatic access to OpenMP, CUDA, Pthreads, etc.
- Templated meta-programming: `parallel_for`, `parallel_reduce` (templates describe an *execution space*).
- Memory layout abstraction (“array of structs” vs. “struct of arrays”, locality).



Ice Sheet Evolution Models

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$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = Hflux - \nabla \cdot \int_z \mathbf{u} dz$$

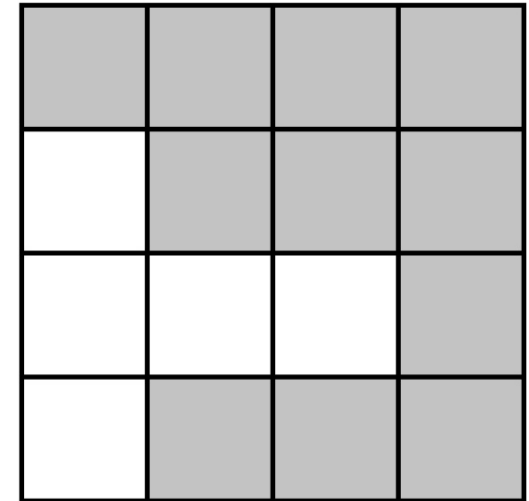
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time t_0

Ice-covered ("active")
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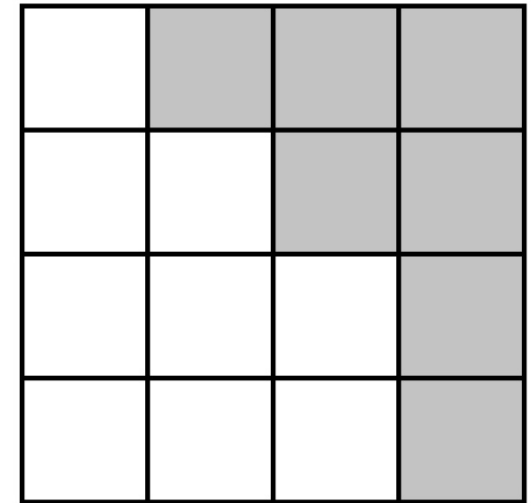
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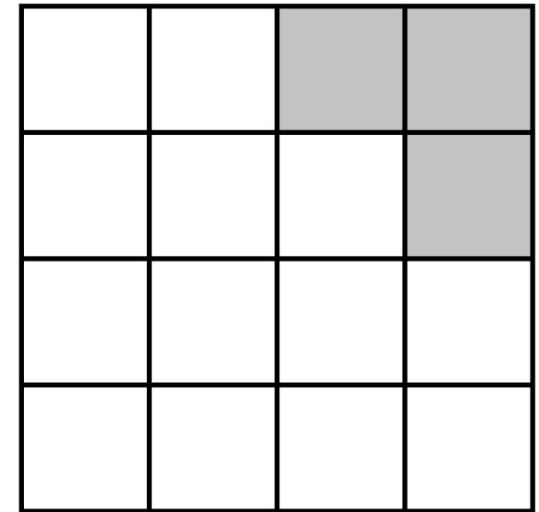
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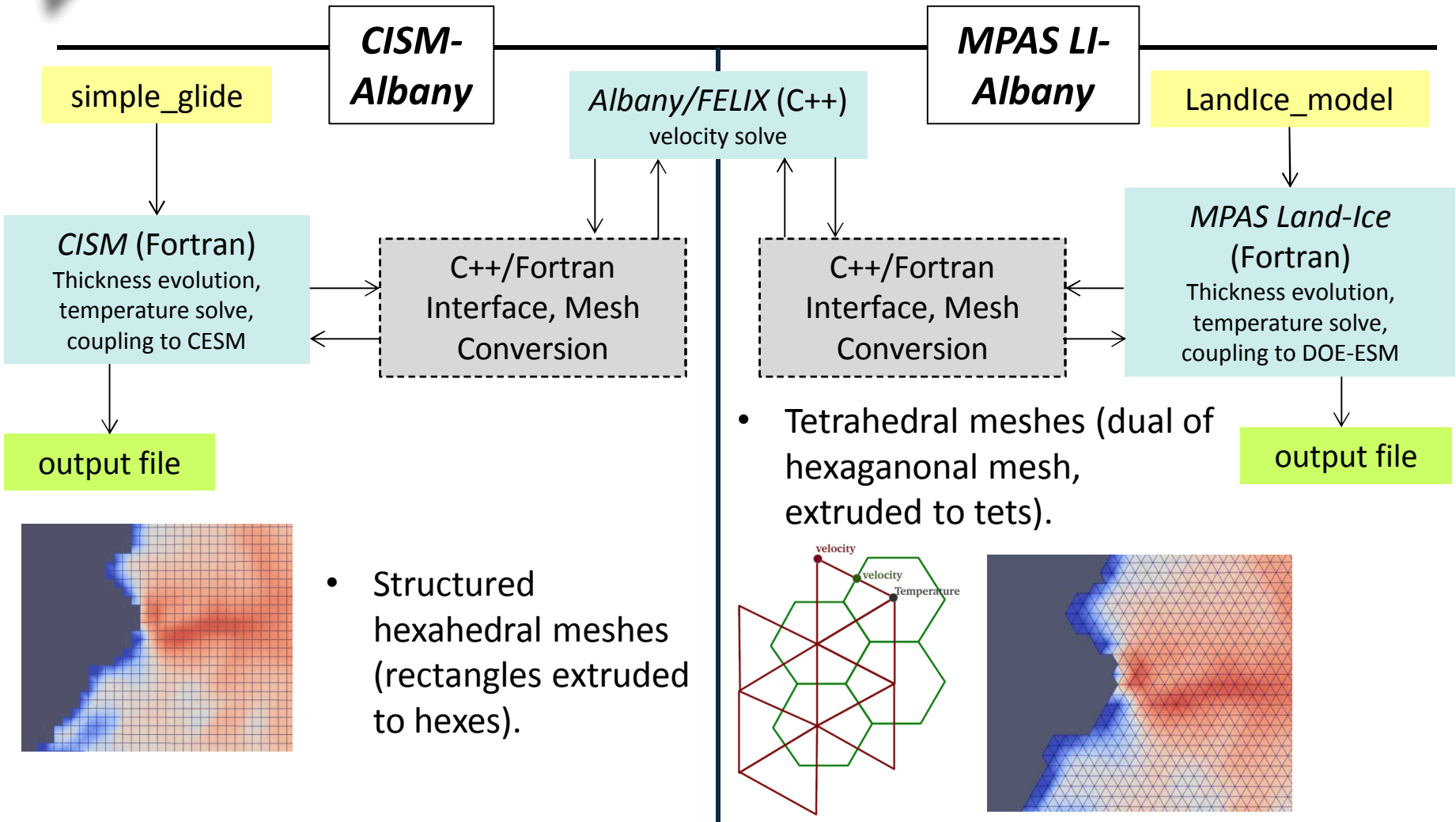
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time t_2

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Interfaces to *CISM* and *MPAS LI* for Transient Simulations



Albany/FELIX has been coupled to two land ice dycores: **Community Ice Sheet Model (CISM)** and **Model for Prediction Across Scales for Land Ice (MPAS LI)**

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Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)

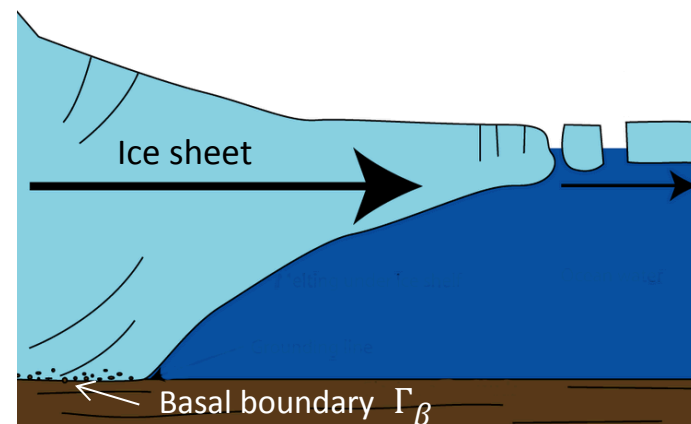
Problem Definition

Quantity of Interest (QoI) in Ice Sheet Modeling:
total ice mass loss/gain during 21st century
→ *sea level rise prediction.*

There are several sources of uncertainty, most notably:

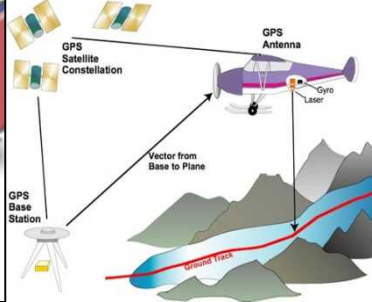
- Climate forcings (e.g., surface mass balance).
- **Basal friction (β).**
- Bedrock topography.
- Geothermal heat flux.
- Model parameters (e.g., Glen's flow law exponent).

As a first step, we focus on effect of uncertainty in **basal friction(β)** only.



Basal sliding BC:

$$2\mu\dot{\epsilon}_i \cdot \mathbf{n} + \beta u_i = 0, \text{ on } \Gamma_\beta$$



Uncertainty Quantification Workflow

Step 1: Model Initialization through Bayesian Calibration

What are the model parameters that render a given set of observations?

Observations (*known*): measurements of ice velocity at top surface (\mathbf{u}^{obs}).

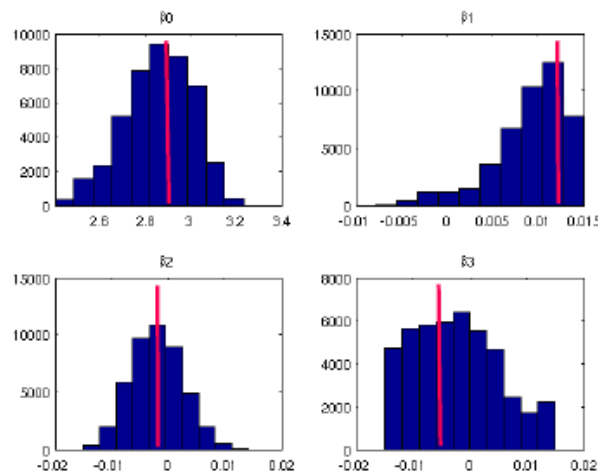
Parameters (*unknown*): basal sliding field $\beta(x, y)$ at basal surface.

Step 2: Uncertainty Propagation

What is the impact of uncertain parameters in the model on quantities of interest (QOI)?

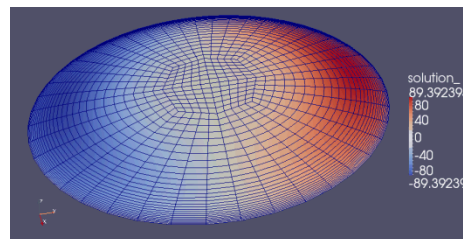
Parameters (*known from Step 1*): PDF of $\beta(x, y)$.

QOI (*unknown*): sea-level rise during 21st century.

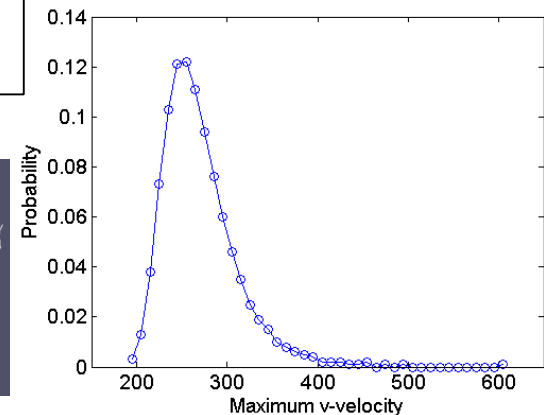


$$\beta(x, y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 y + \beta_3 r$$

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$$\beta(x, y) \sim \text{Normal}(1, 0.2)$$



Uncertainty Quantification Workflow (cont'd)

Goal: Uncertainty Quantification in 21st century sea level (QoI)

- **Deterministic inversion:** perform adjoint-based deterministic inversion to estimate initial ice sheet state (i.e., characterize the present state of the ice sheet to be used for performing prediction runs).
- Use deterministic inversion to build a **Gaussian posterior** for the inverse problem (based on recovered fields and Hessian) [Future work].
- **Bayesian calibration:** construct the posterior distribution using Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) run on an emulator of the forward model.
- **Forward propagation:** sample the obtained distribution and perform ensemble of forward propagation runs to compute the uncertainty in the QoI.

Deterministic Inversion: Estimation of Ice Sheet Initial State

Objective: find ice sheet initial state that

- Matches observations (e.g., surface velocity, temperature, etc.)
- Matches present-day geometry (elevation, thickness).
- Is in “equilibrium” with climate forcings (SMB).

Approach: invert for unknown/uncertain ice sheet model parameters.

- Significantly reduces non-physical transients without model spin-up.

Available data/measurements:

- (Ice extent and surface topography.)
- Surface velocity.
- Surface mass balance (SMB).
- Ice thickness H (sparse measurements).

Field to be estimated:

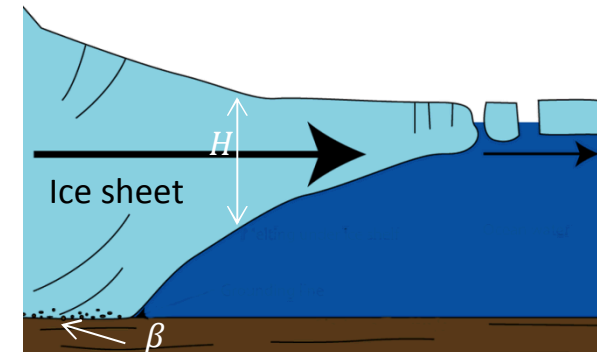
- Ice thickness H (allowed to be weighted by observational uncertainties).
- Basal friction β (spatially variable proxy for all basal processes)

Assumptions:

- Ice flow described by FO Stokes equations.
- Ice is close to mechanical equilibrium.
- Temperature field is given.

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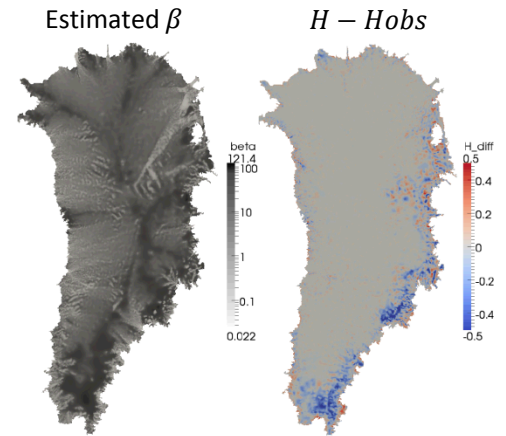


Deterministic Inversion: Estimation of Ice Sheet Initial State (cont'd)

First Order Stokes PDE Constrained Optimization Problem:

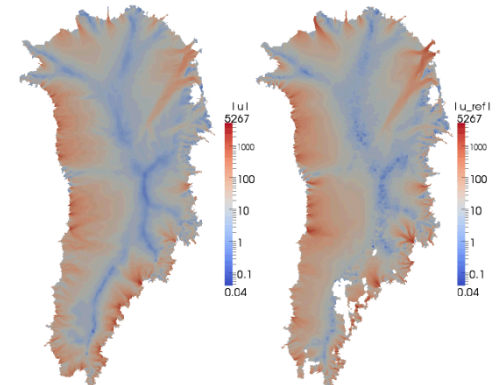
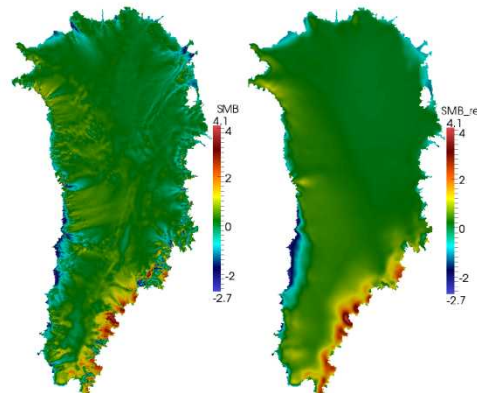
$$J(\beta, H) = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_v \int_{\Gamma_{top}} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{obs}|^2 ds + \frac{1}{2} \alpha \int_{\Gamma} |\text{div}(\mathbf{U}H) - \text{SMB}|^2 ds + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_H \int_{\Gamma_{top}} |H - H^{obs}|^2 ds + \mathcal{R}(\beta) + \mathcal{R}(H)$$

- Minimize difference between:
 - Computed and measured **surface velocity** (\mathbf{u}^{obs}) → *common*
 - Computed divergence flux and measured **surface mass balance** (**SMB**) → *novel*
 - Computed and **reference thickness** (H^{obs}) → *novel*
- Control variables:
 - Basal friction** (β).
 - Thickness** (H).



Estimated divergence (left) vs. reference SMB (right)

Estimated (left) vs. reference surface velocity (right)



Software tools for adjoint-based inversion:

- Albany** (assembly)
- Trilinos** (linear/nonlinear solvers)
- ROL** (gradient-based optimization).

Bayesian Calibration: Proof-of-Concept using KLE

Albany/FELIX has been hooked up to **DAKOTA/QUESO** (in “black-box” mode) for **UQ/Bayesian calibration**.

Difficulty in UQ: “Curse of Dimensionality”
The β -field inversion problem has $O(100K)$ dimensions!

Approach: Reduce $O(100K)$ dimensional problem to $O(10)$ dimensional problem.

- For initial proof-of-concept, we use the **Karhunen-Loeve Expansion (KLE)**:

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$$\beta(\omega) = \bar{\beta} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sqrt{\lambda_k} \phi_k \xi_k(\omega)$$

$\bar{\beta}$ = solution to
deterministic inversion
problem (previous slide)

*In practice, expansion is done on $\log(\beta)$ to avoid negative values of β .

Inference/calibration is for coefficients of KLE
 \Rightarrow **significant dimension reduction.**

Bayesian Calibration: Proof-of-Concept Using KLE (cont'd)

- **Step 1 (Trilinos):** Reduce $O(100K)$ dimensional problem to $O(10)$ dimensional problem using **Karhunen-Loeve Expansion (KLE)**:

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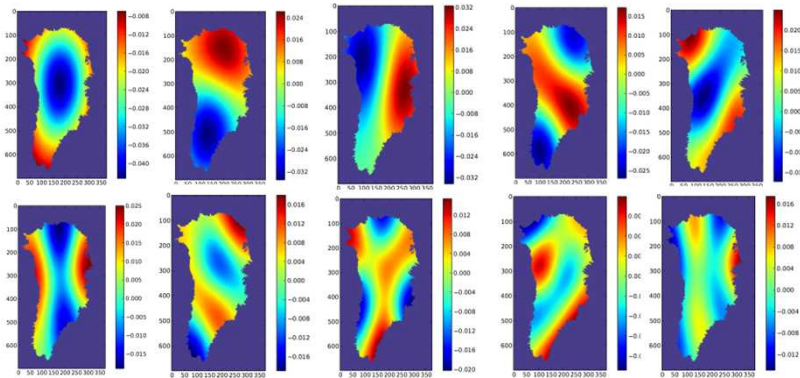
- **Step 2 (DAKOTA): Polynomial Chaos Expansion (PCE)** emulator for mismatch over surface velocity discrepancy.
- **Step 3 (QUESO): Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)** calibration using PCE emulator.
→ can obtain posterior distributions on KLE coefficients.

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Bayesian Calibration: Illustration on 4km GIS Problem

- Mean $\bar{\beta}$ field obtained XXXX (right).
- 10 KLE modes capture ??% of covariance energy (due to correlation length; only spatial correlation has been considered).



- Mismatch function (calculated in *Albany/FELIX*):

$$J(\beta, H) = \int_{\Gamma_{top}} \frac{1}{\sigma_u^2} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^{obs}|^2 ds$$

- PCE emulator was formed for the mismatch $J(\beta, H)$ using uniform prior distributions.
- For calibration, MCMC was performed on the PCE with ??K samples.

Bayesian Calibration: Illustration on 4km GIS Problem (cont'd)

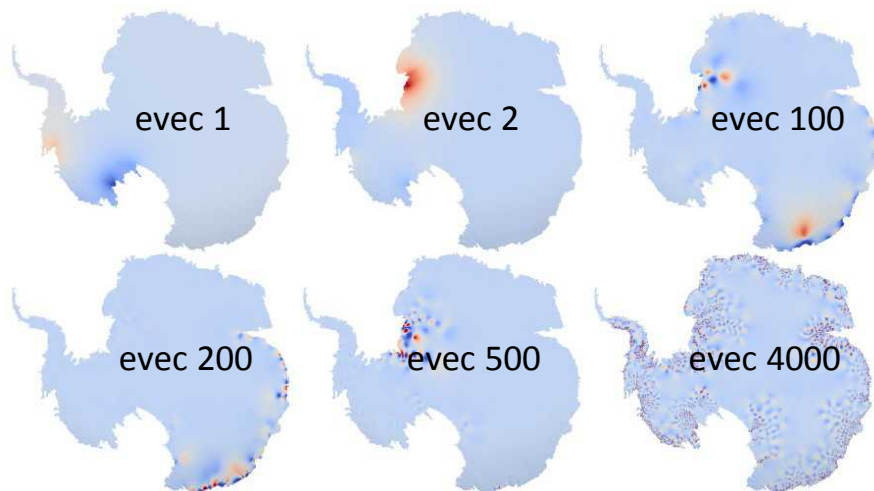
- Insert pictures of distributions; discussion.

Bayesian Calibration: Building Gaussian Distribution using Hessian

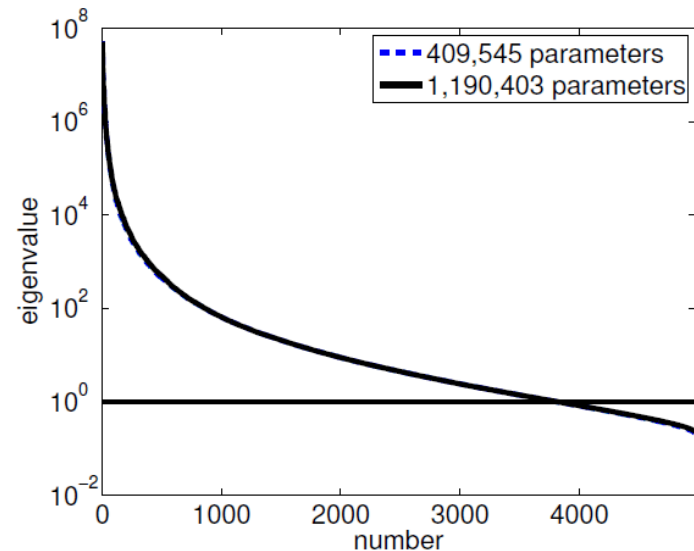
- Hessian of the merit functional (velocity mismatch) can provide a way to compute the covariance of a Gaussian posterior:

$$\mathbf{C}_{post} = (\mathbf{C}_{prior} \mathbf{H}_{misfit} + \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{prior}$$

- We want to limit only the most important directions (eigenvectors) of \mathbf{C}_{post} .

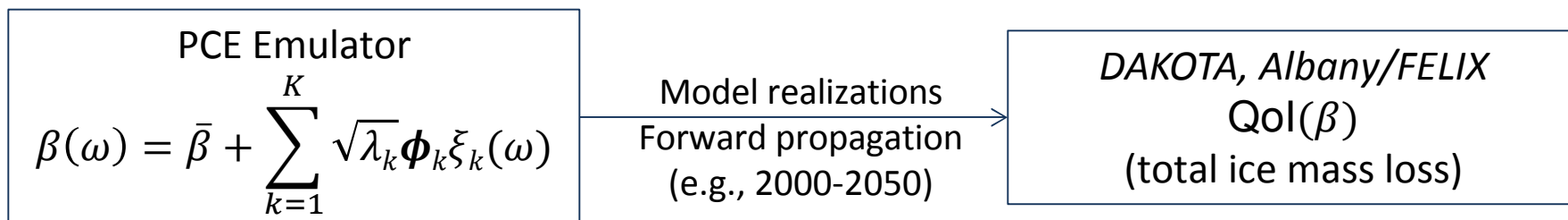


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- Issue:** there are still too many (~ 1000) significant eigenvalues (*right*: log-linear plot of spectra for 2 sample Hessians).

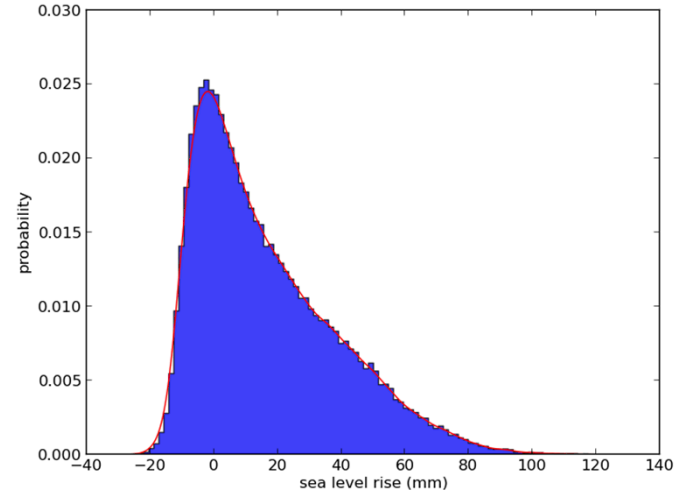
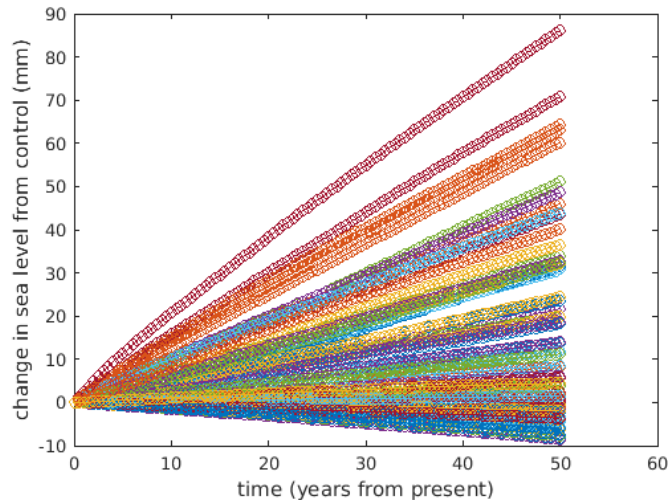
Forward Propagation



- Parameter (β) distribution can either be assumed to be Gaussian (based on Hessian information) or can be the result of Bayesian calibration.
- Emulator is built using *DAKOTA* coupled with *Albany/FELIX* for forward runs.
 - Use **compressed sensing** to adaptively select significant modes and basis from parameter space. The hope is that only a few modes affect the Qol.
 - Could use cheaper physical models to reduce computational time of forward model.
- MCMC (*QUESO*) used to perform uncertainty propagation.
- More details: priors, etc?

Forward Propagation: Illustration on 4km GIS Problem

- Explain procedure!



- *Left:* SLR distribution from an ensemble of 66 high-fidelity simulations (ensemble members were differenced against a control run using the $\bar{\beta}$ distribution). **All 66 runs ran to completion out-of-the-box on Hopper!**
- *Right:* PDF of SLR from the PCE build using compressed sensing with the 66 high-fidelity simulations. The PDF was generated by sampling the 10D KLE modes.

Forward Propagation: Illustration on 4km GIS Problem (cont'd)

Explanations for long tail in sea level PDF:

- Rapid sliding is confined to an area that is a small fraction of the overall ice sheet.
- A perturbation to the initial beta field that further increases β in areas where there is already very little sliding won't affect the output much.
- Decreasing β in areas where there is currently little sliding has a very large effect, since velocity in those regions will change significantly from the initial condition.

Forward Propagation: Illustration on 4km GIS Problem (cont'd)

Outline

Albany/FELIX = new land-ice solver with ***next-generation*** capabilities.

- **Overview:** the PISCEES project and the First Order (FO) Stokes model.
- The ***Albany/FELIX*** First-Order (FO) Stokes diagnostic solver.
- ***Coupling*** of ***Albany/FELIX*** to the ***CISM*** and ***MPAS*** codes for prognostic simulations of the ice sheet evolution.
- **Uncertainty Quantification (UQ):** Bayesian calibration and forward propagation of uncertainty.
- **Performance portability.**
- **Summary** and ongoing work.
- **Questions?**



Performance-Portability via *Kokkos*



With I. Demeshko (SNL)

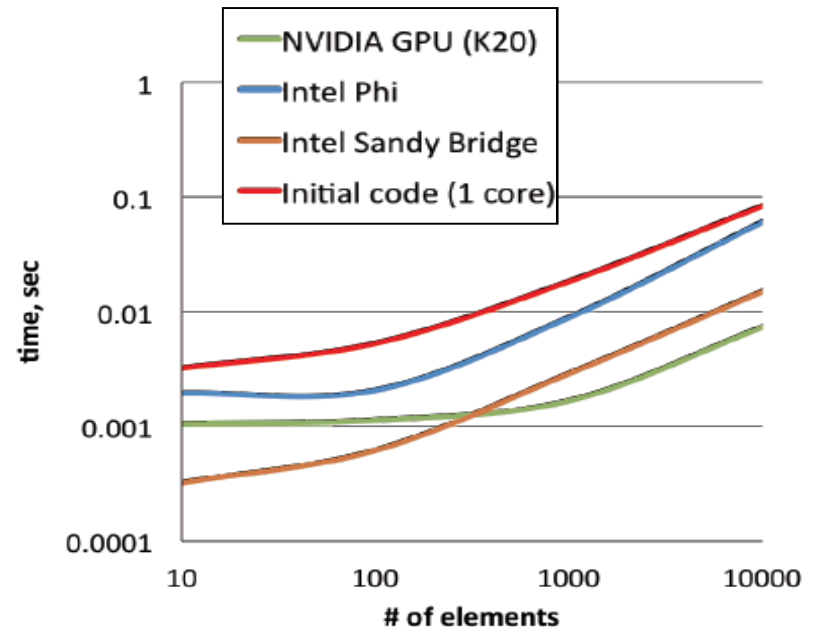
We need to be able to run *Albany/FELIX* on **new architecture machines** (hybrid systems) and **manycore devices** (multi-core CPU, NVIDIA GPU, Intel Xeon Phi, etc.) .

- **Kokkos**: *Trilinos* library and programming model that provides performance portability across diverse devices with different memory models.
- With *Kokkos*, you write an algorithm once, and just change a template parameter to get the optimal data layout for your hardware.



Performance-Portability via *Kokkos* (continued)

- **Right:** results for a **mini-app** that uses finite element kernels from *Albany/FELIX* but none of the surrounding infrastructure.
 - “# of elements” = threading index (allows for on-node parallelism).
 - # of threads required before the Phi and GPU accelerators start to get enough work to warrant overhead: ~100 for the Phi and ~1000 for the GPU.
- **Below:** preliminary results for 3 of the finite element assembly kernels, as part of **full *Albany/FELIX*** code run.



Kernel	Serial	16 OpenMP Threads	GPU
Viscosity Jacobian	20.39 s	2.06 s	0.54 s
Basis Functions w/ FE Transforms	8.75 s	0.94 s	1.23 s
Gather Coordinates	0.097 s	0.107 s	5.77 s

Note: *Gather Coordinates* routine requires copying data from host to GPU.

Summary and Ongoing Work

Summary: this talk described...

- The development of a finite element land ice solver known as *Albany/FELIX* written using the libraries of the *Trilinos* libraries.
- Coupling of *Albany/FELIX* to the *CISM* and *MPAS* codes for transient simulations of ice sheet evolution.
- Advanced, next generation capabilities (UQ, performance portability) were highlighted.

Verification, science simulations, scalability, robustness, UQ, advanced analysis: all attained in **~1.5 FTE of effort!**

Ongoing/future work:

- Science runs using *CISM-Albany* and *MPAS-Albany*.
- Bayesian calibration using better bases than KLE (e.g., Hessian eigenvectors).
- Continued porting of code to new architecture supercomputers (*Titan*, *Cori Phase I*).
- Delivering code to climate community and coupling to earth system models.

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Thank you! Questions?

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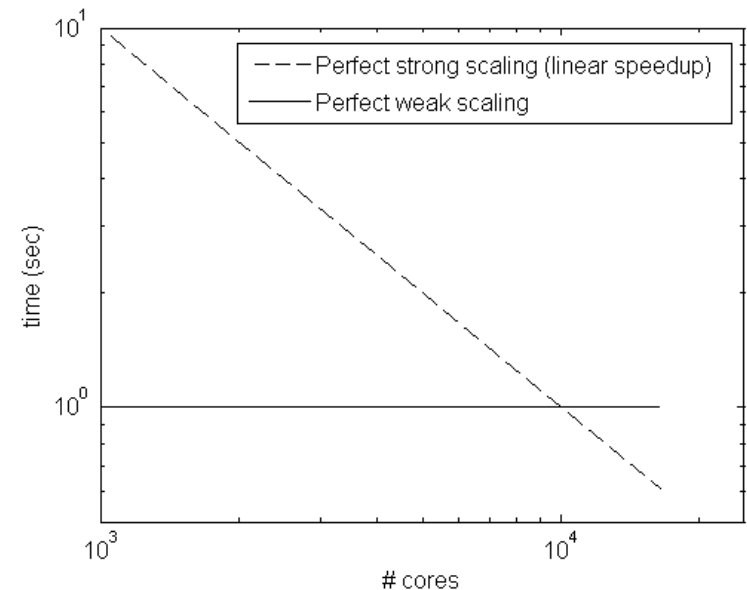
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Definitions: Strong vs. Weak Scaling

Scalability (a.k.a. **Scaling Efficiency**) = measure of the efficiency of a code when increasing numbers of parallel processing elements (CPUs, cores, processes, threads, etc.).

- **Strong scaling:** how the solution time varies with the number of cores for a fixed total problem size.
 - ⇒ Fix problem size, increase # cores.
 - **Ideal:** linear speed-up with increase in # cores.
- **Weak scaling:** how the solution time varies with the number of cores for a fixed problem size per core.
 - ⇒ Increase problem size and # cores s.t. # dofs/core is approximately constant.
 - **Ideal:** solution time remains constant as problem size and # cores increases.





Scalability via Algebraic Multi-Grid Preconditioning with Semi-Coarsening

Bad aspect ratios ruin classical AMG convergence rates!

- relatively small horizontal coupling terms, hard to smooth horizontal errors

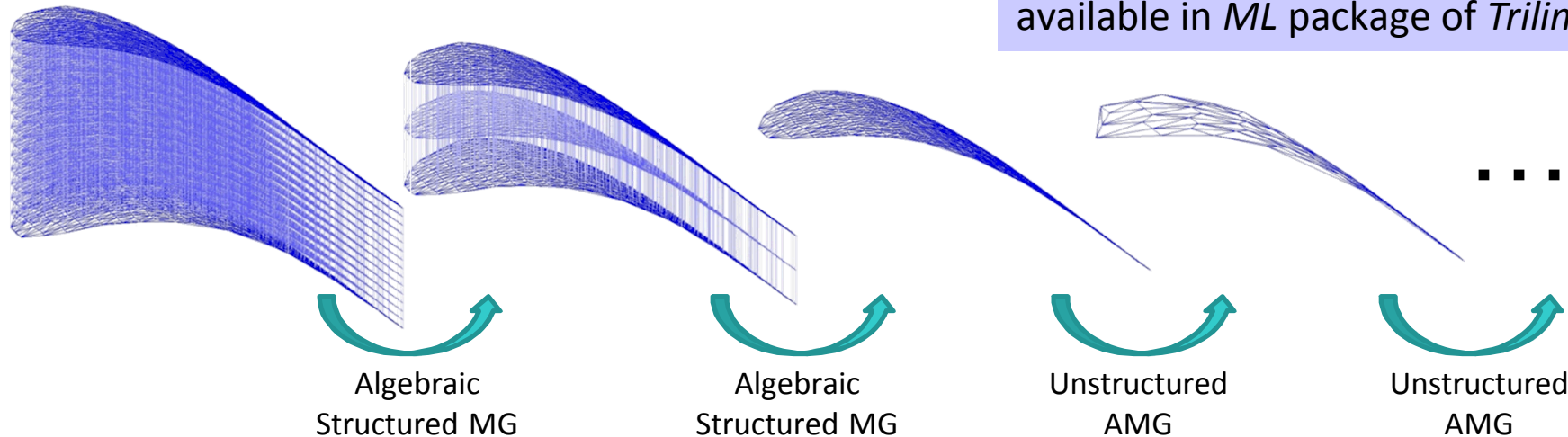
⇒ Solvers (AMG and ILU) must take aspect ratios into account



We developed a **new AMG solver** based on aggressive **semi-coarsening** (*figure below*)

- Algebraic Structured MG (\equiv matrix depend. MG) used with vertical line relaxation on finest levels + traditional AMG on 1 layer problem

New AMG preconditioner is available in *ML* package of *Trilinos*!



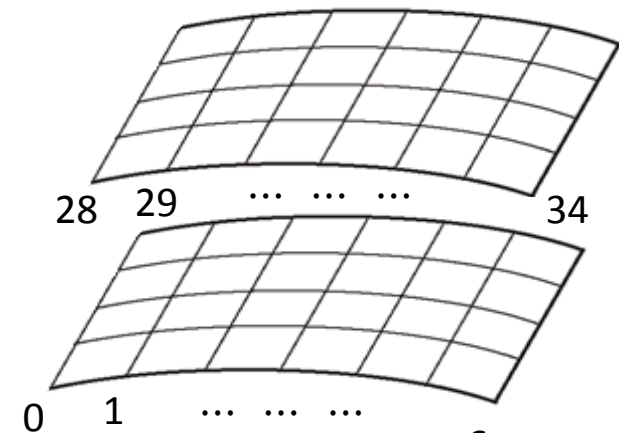
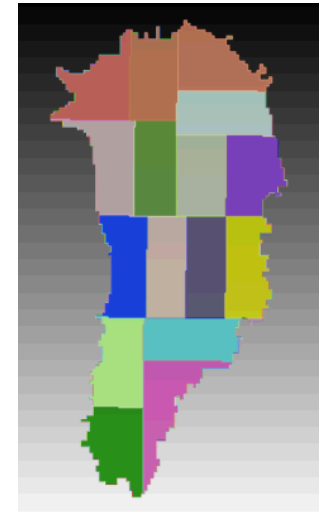
Scaling studies (next slides):
New AMG preconditioner vs. ILU

See (Tuminaro, 2014), (Tezaur *et al.*, 2015), (Tuminaro *et al.*, 2015).

Importance of Node Ordering & Mesh Partitioning

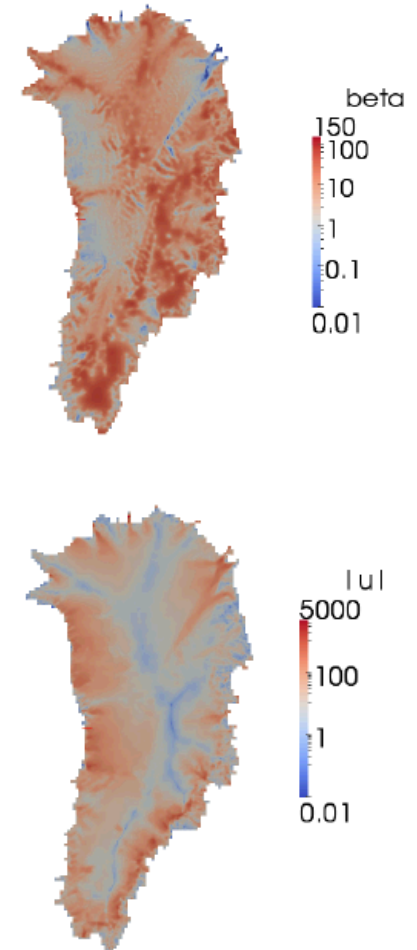
Our studies revealed that **node ordering** and **mesh partitioning** matters for linear solver performance, especially for the ILU preconditioner!

- It is essential that incomplete factorization accurately captures vertical coupling, which is dominant due to anisotropic mesh.
- This is accomplished by:
 - Ensuring all points along a vertically extruded grid line reside within a single processor (“**2D mesh partitioning**”; top right).
 - Ordering the equations such that grid layer k 's nodes are ordered before all dofs associated with grid layer $k + 1$ (“**row-wise ordering**”; bottom right).

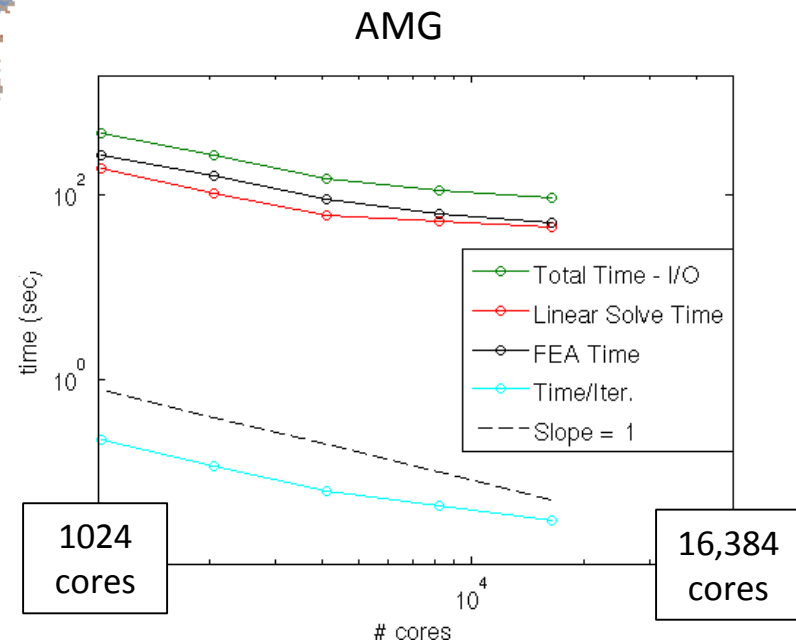
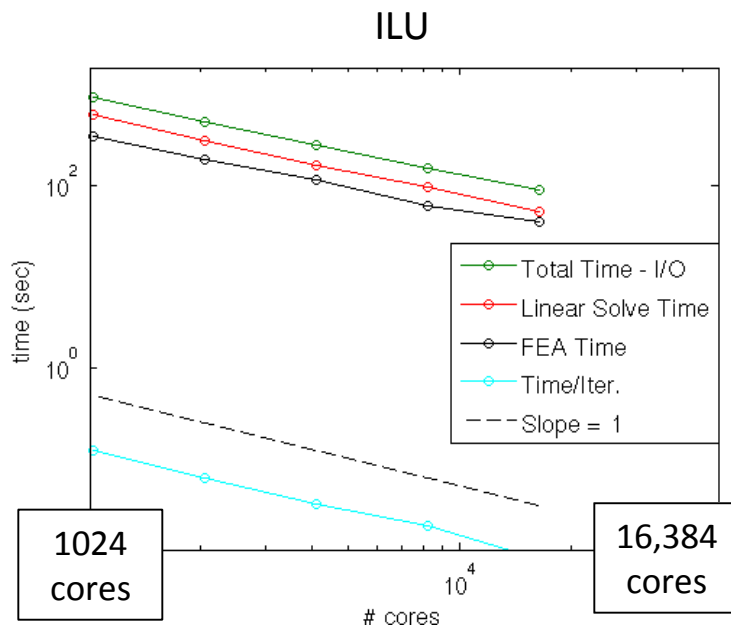


Strong Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution GIS Problem

- Uniform quadrilateral mesh with 1 km horizontal resolution, extruded vertically using 40 layers (69.8M hex elements, 143M dofs).
- Run on 1024→16,384 cores of *Hopper* (16-fold increase).
- Realistic basal friction coefficient and bed topographies calculated by solving a deterministic inversion problem that minimized modeled and observed surface velocity mismatch (Perego *et al.*, 2014; top right).
- Realistic 3D temperature field calculated in *CISM* (Shannon *et al.*)
- **Preconditioner:** ILU vs. new AMG (with aggressive semi-coarsening).
- **Iterative linear solver:** Conjugate Gradient (CG).



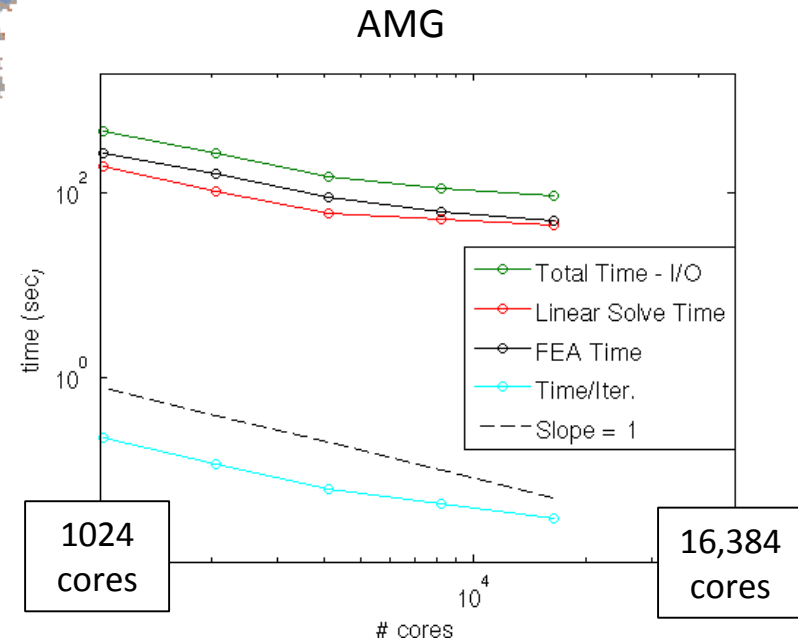
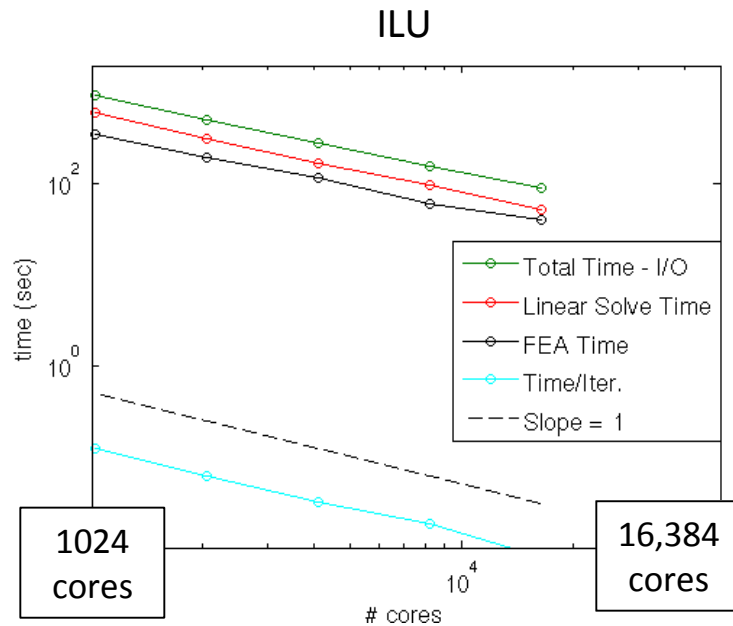
Strong Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution GIS Problem (cont'd)



1024 core run:

- AMG preconditioner solves are much faster than ILU (e.g., 194.3 sec for AMG vs. 607.9 sec for ILU).
 - Primarily due to better convergence rate obtained with AMG vs. ILU.

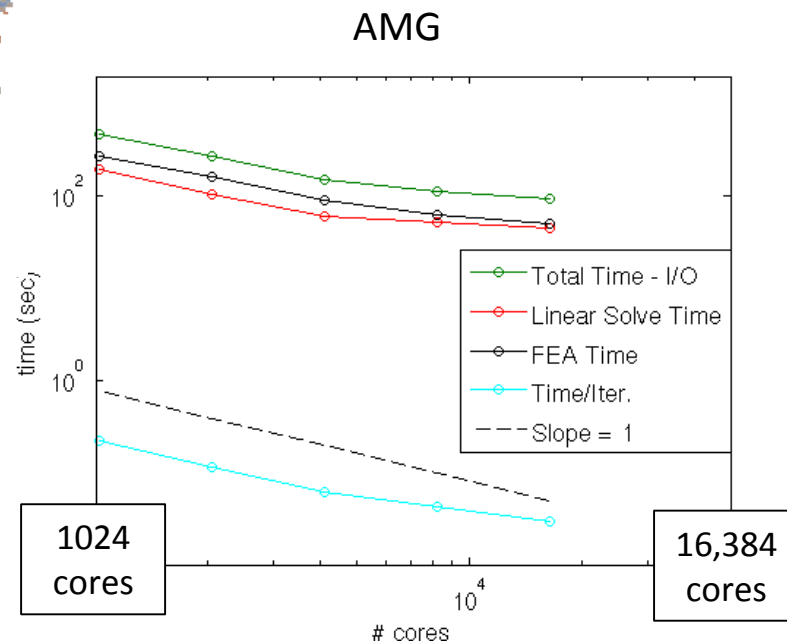
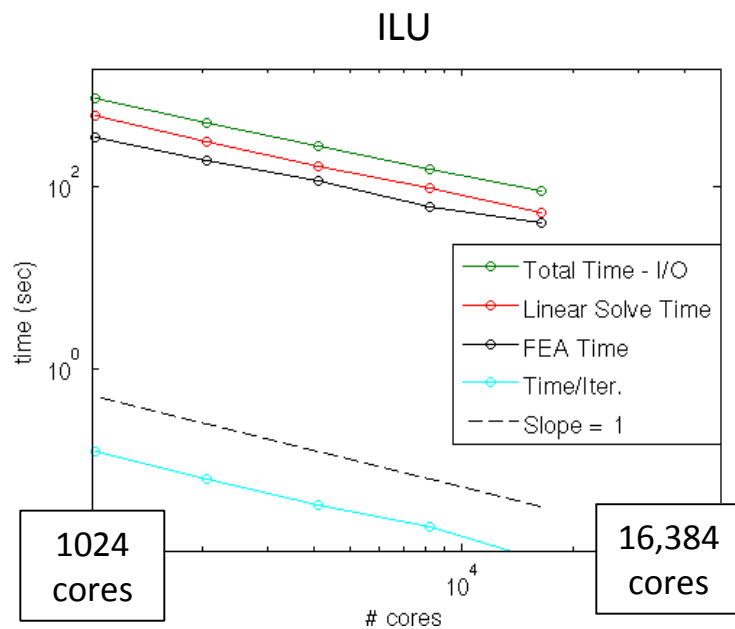
Strong Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution GIS Problem (cont'd)



16,384 core run:

- ILU preconditioner fairly effective relative to AMG when # dofs/core is modest (e.g., 10K dofs/core).
 - ILU requires slightly more iterations/linear solve but cost/iteration is higher for AMG.
 - AMG solver is very inefficient when # dofs/core is small; communication costs in coarse level processing dominate.

Strong Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution GIS Problem (cont'd)

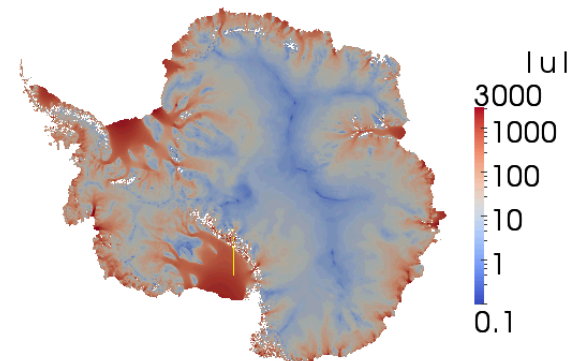
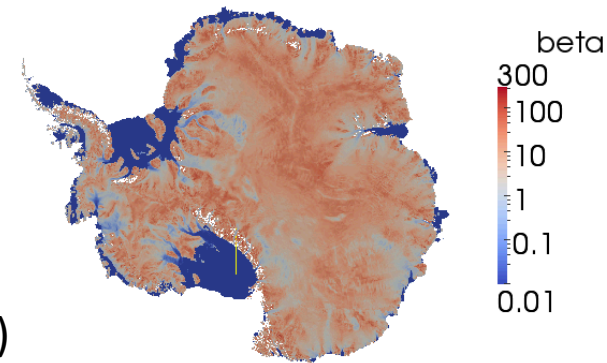


Summary:

- ILU preconditioner scales better in the strong sense than AMG.
- However, ILU-preconditioned solve is slower for lower #s of cores (more dofs/core).

Weak Scaling Study for a Moderate-Resolution AIS Problem

- 3 hexahedral meshes considered:
 - 8 km horizontal resolution + 5 vertical layers (2.52M dofs) → 16 cores of *Hopper*.
 - 4 km horizontal resolution + 10 vertical layers (18.5M dofs) → 128 cores of *Hopper*.
 - 2 km horizontal resolution + 20 vertical layers (141.5M dofs) → 1024 cores of *Hopper*.
- Ice sheet geometry based on BEDMAP2 (Fretwell *et al.*, 2013) and 3D temperature field from (Pattyn, 2010)
- Realistic regularized* basal friction coefficient and bed topographies calculated by solving a deterministic inversion problem that minimizes modeled and observed surface velocity mismatch on finest (2km) resolution geometry (Perego *et al.*, 2014; top right).
- **Preconditioner:** ILU vs. new AMG (with aggressive semi-coarsening).
- **Iterative linear solver:** GMRES.



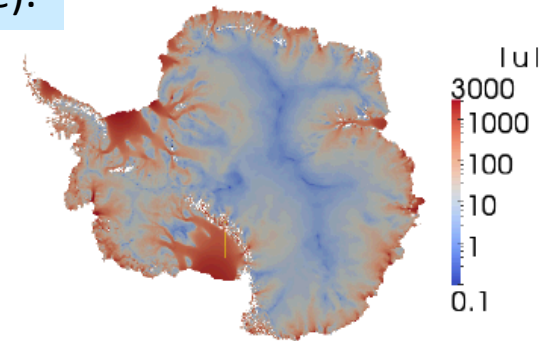
*Setting $\beta = \delta > 0$, with $\delta \ll 1$ under ice shelves.

Weak Scaling Study for a Moderate-Resolution AIS Problem (cont'd)

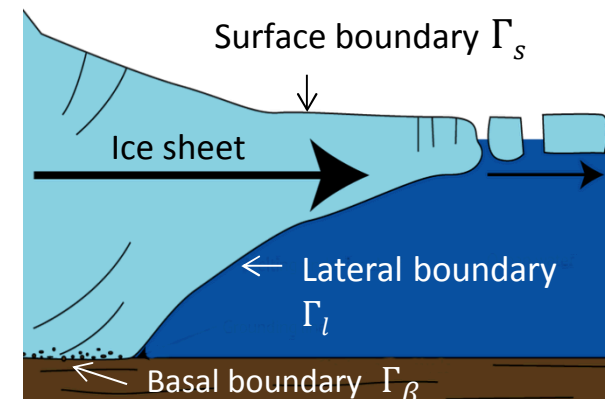
Antarctica is fundamentally different than Greenland:
AIS contains large ice shelves (floating extensions of land ice).

- **Along ice shelf front:** open-ocean BC (Neumann).
- **Along ice shelf base:** zero traction BC (Neumann).

⇒ For vertical grid lines that lie within ice shelves, top and bottom BCs resemble Neumann BCs so sub-matrix associated with one of these lines is almost* singular.



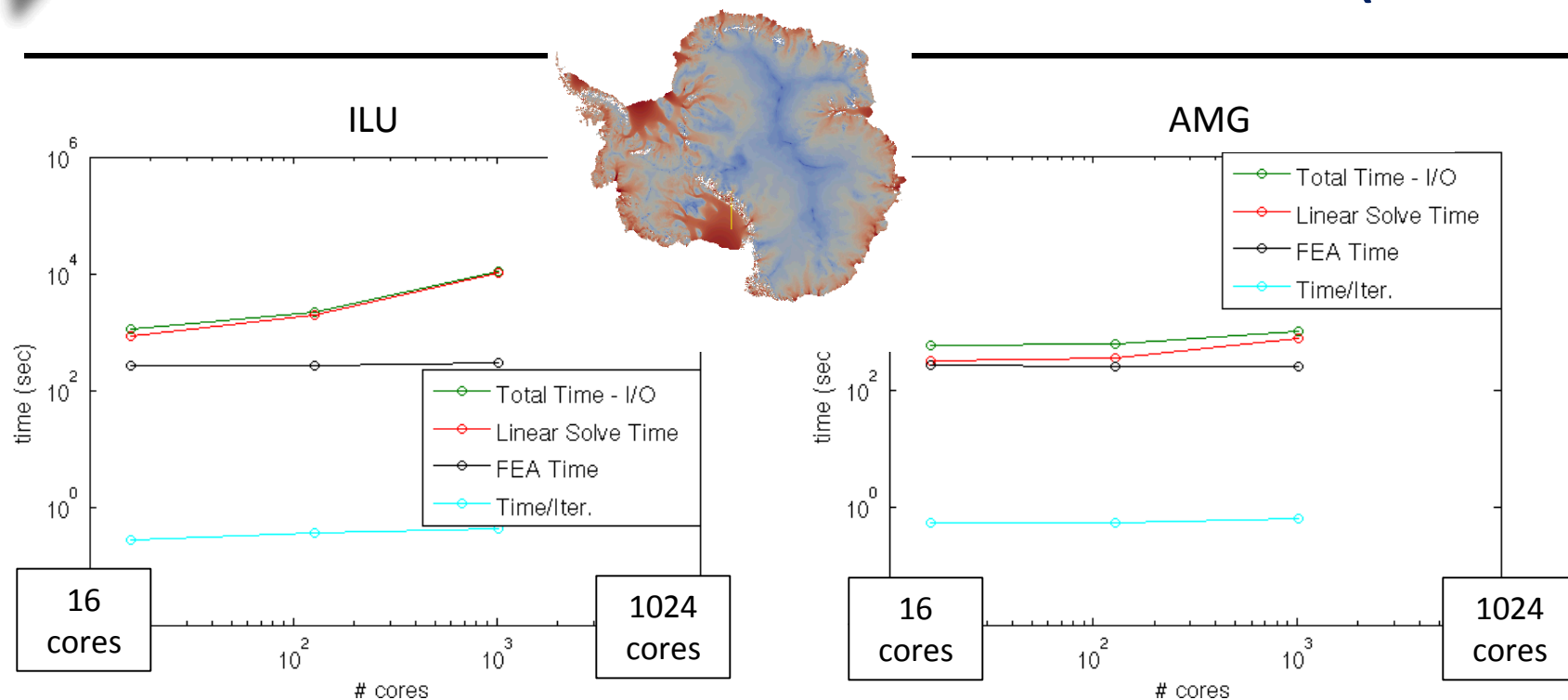
(vertical > horizontal coupling)
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Neumann BCs
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nearly singular submatrix associated with vertical lines



⇒ Ice shelves give rise to severe ill-conditioning of linear systems!

*Completely singular in the presence of islands and some ice tongues.

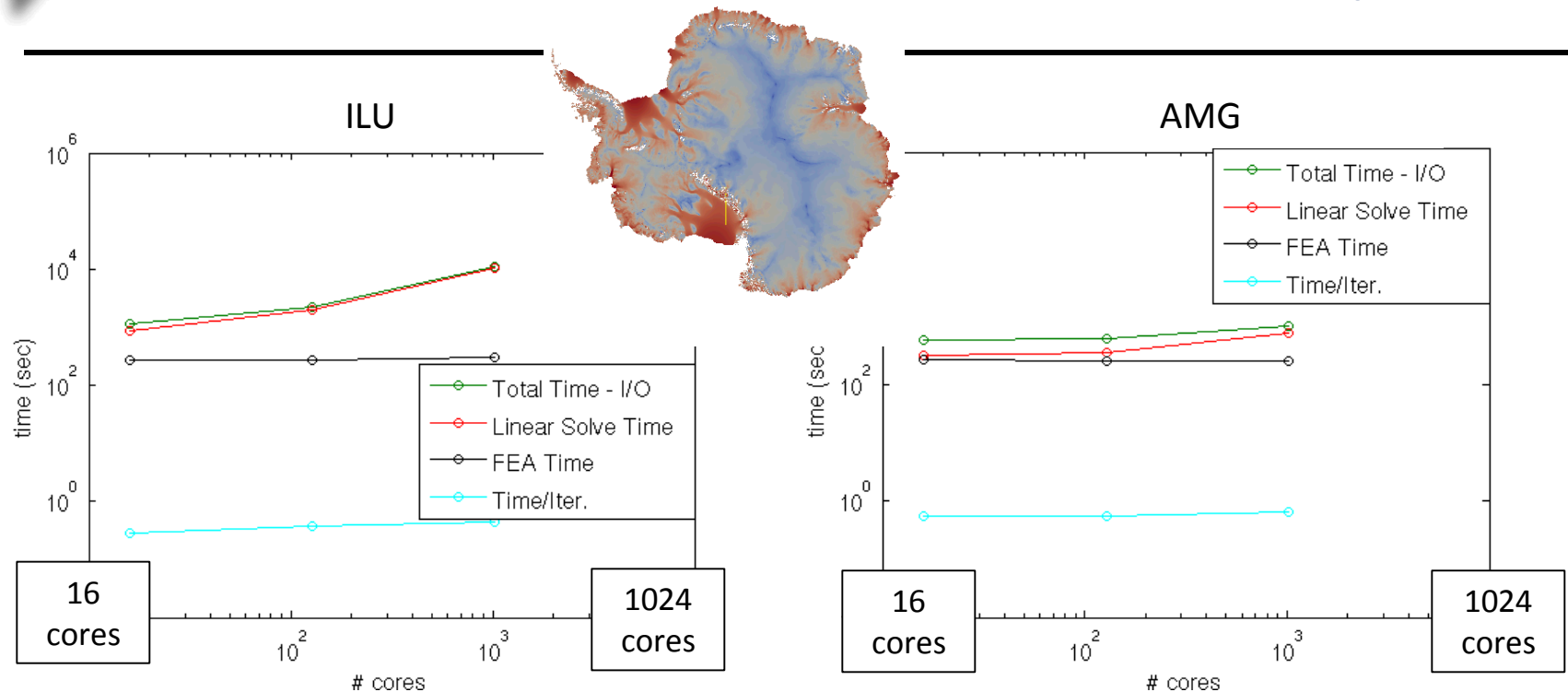
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ILU vs. AMG:

- ILU solver > 10× slower than AMG solver on 1024 core problem.
 - Due to extremely poor convergence of ILU solver (~700 iterations/solve) → resulting from ill-conditioning of underlying linear systems.
- AMG iterations do grow as problem refined (14.4 iterations/solve on 16 cores vs. 35.5 iterations/solve on 1024 cores), but it is better suited to linear systems associated with AIS.

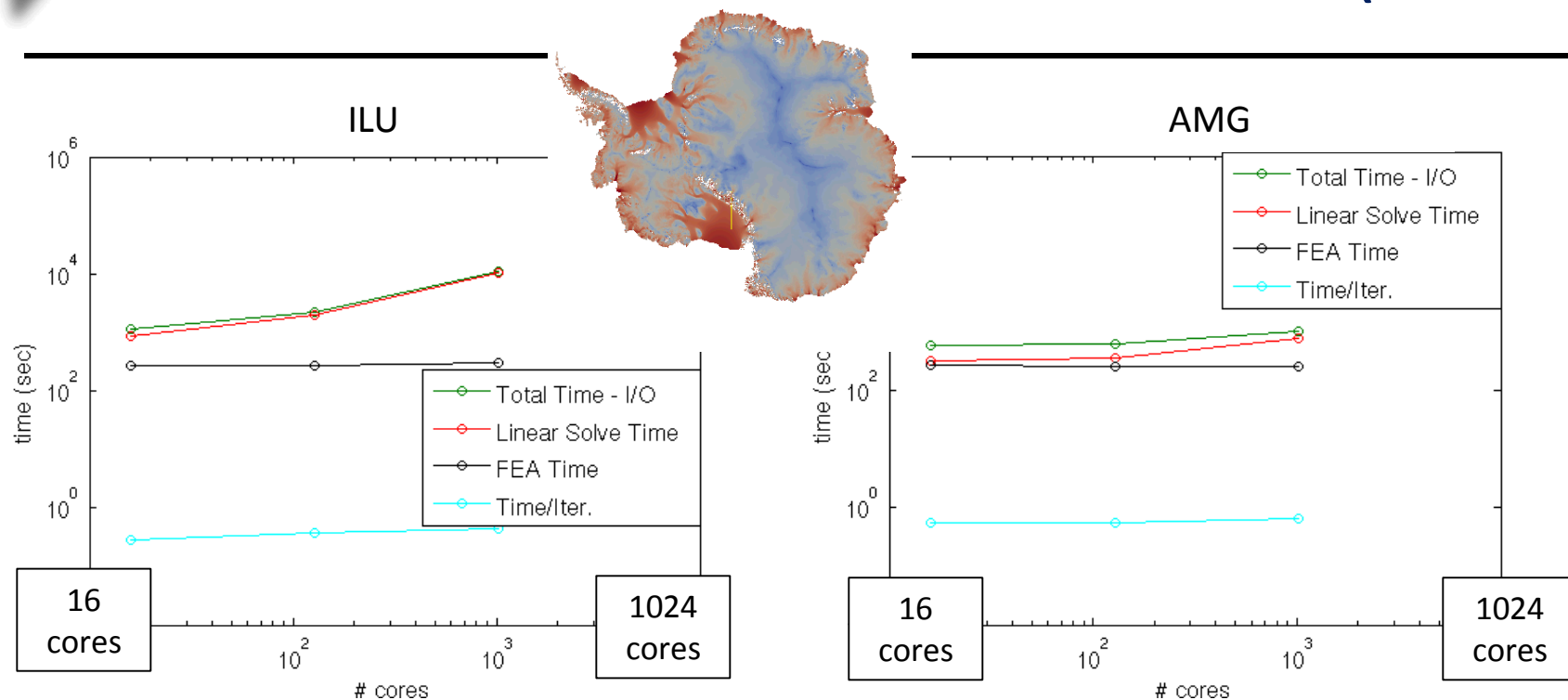
Weak Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution AIS Problem (cont'd)



GMRES vs. CG:

- GMRES solver found to be more effective than CG, even though problem is symmetric.
 - We believe GMRES is somewhat less sensitive to rounding errors associated with the severe ill-conditioning induced by the presence of ice shelves.
 - GMRES and CG minimize different norms.

Weak Scaling Study for a Fine-Resolution AIS Problem (cont'd)



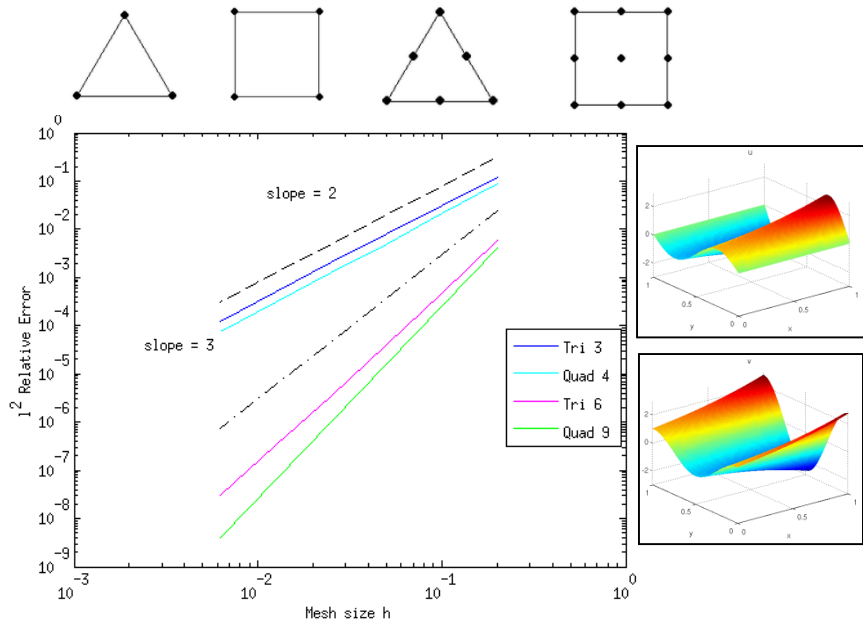
Summary:

- Severe ill-conditioning caused by ice shelves!
- GMRES less sensitive than CG to rounding errors from ill-conditioning [also minimizes different norm].
- AMG preconditioner less sensitive than ILU to ill-conditioning.

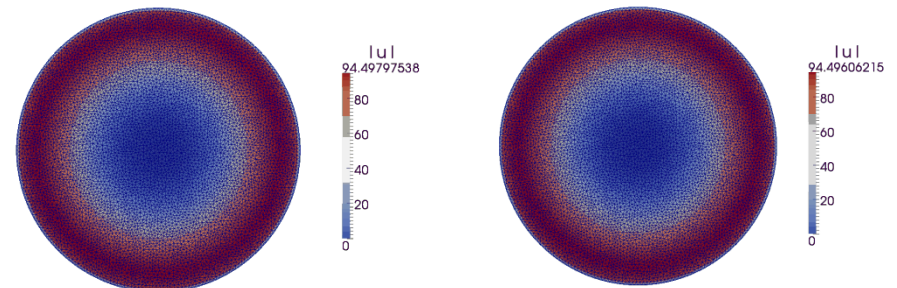
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Appendix: Verification/Mesh Convergence Studies

Stage 1: solution verification on 2D MMS problems we derived.



Stage 2: code-to-code comparisons on canonical ice sheet problems.

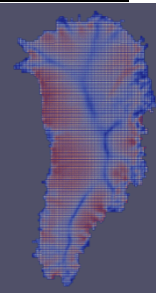
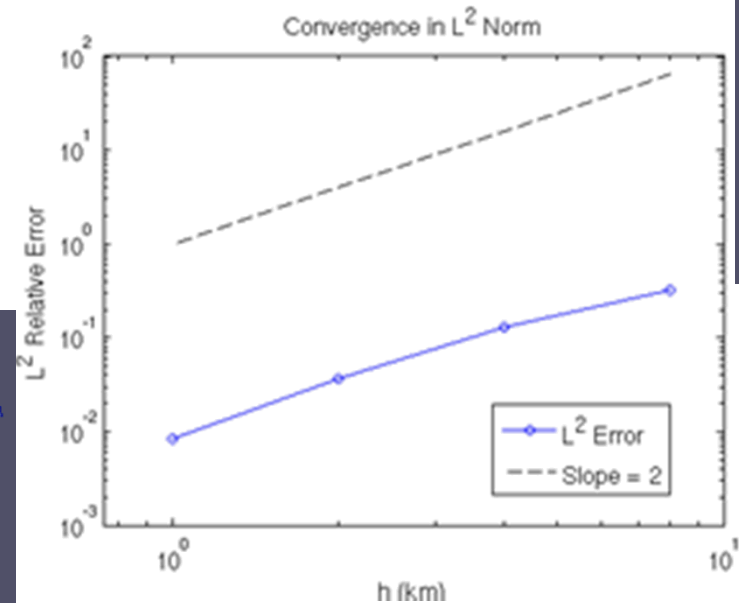
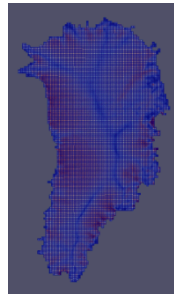


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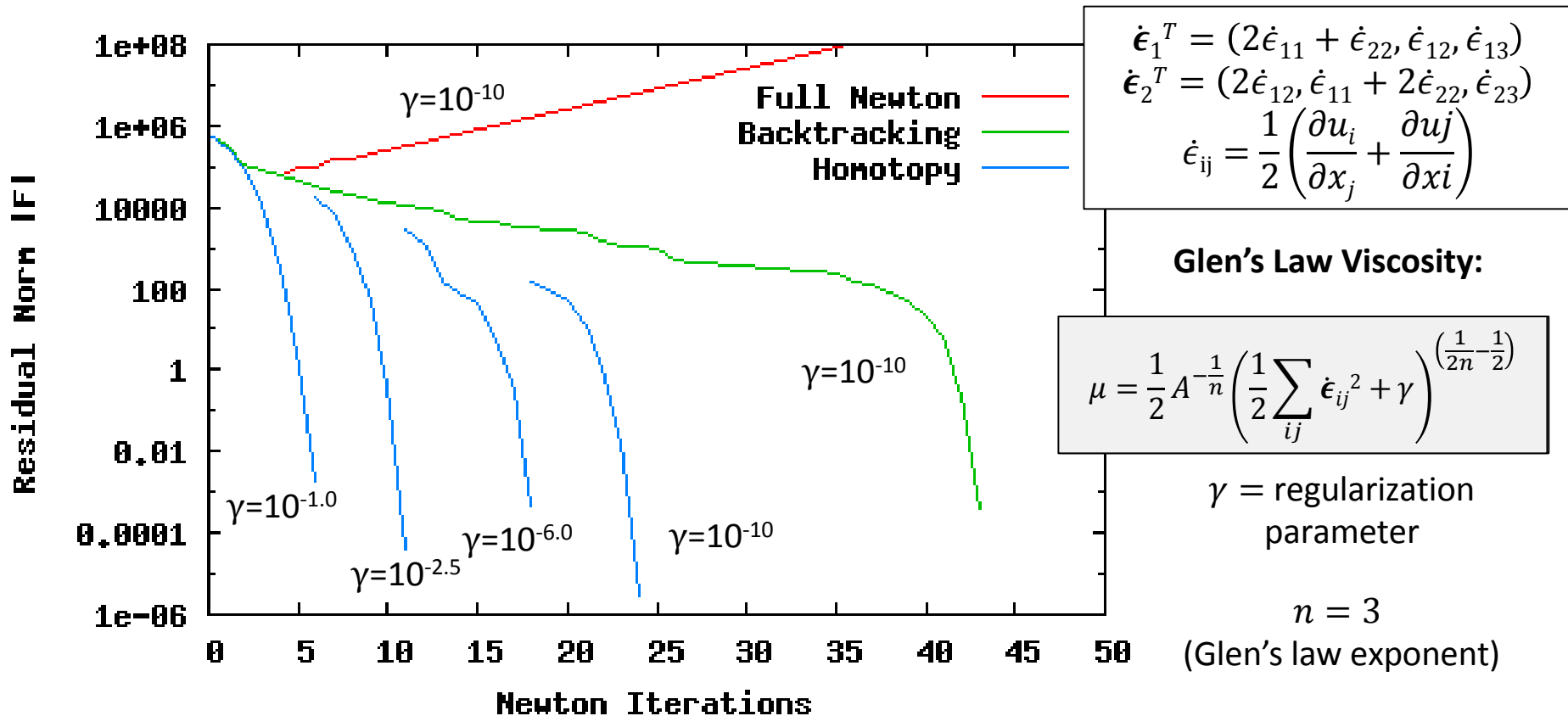
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Stage 3: full 3D mesh convergence study on Greenland w.r.t. reference solution.

*Are the Greenland problems resolved?
Is theoretical convergence rate achieved?*



Appendix: Robustness of Newton's Method via Homotopy Continuation (LOCA)



- Newton's method most robust with full step + homotopy continuation of $\gamma \rightarrow 10^{-10}$: converges out-of-the-box!