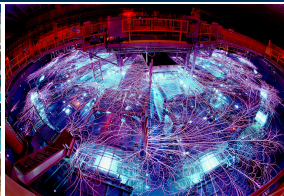


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# Multiphysics Preconditioning with the MueLu Multigrid Library

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## What is the problem?

- **Multiphysics problems:** *application-specific* with *increasing complexity* through new types of physics and/or discretizations
- No resource-efficient *general* black-box solver available

## What can we do about this?

**Flexible software framework** for iterative solvers/preconditioners

- Modular design for application-specific solver layouts
- Usability through simplified user interfaces for non-experts

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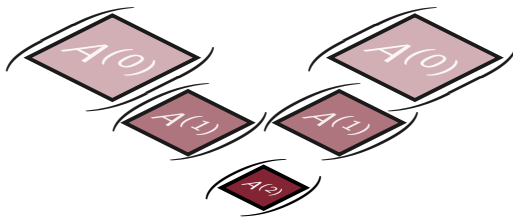
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How to design efficient multigrid preconditioners  
for multiphysics problems?

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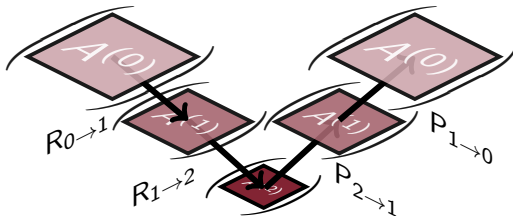
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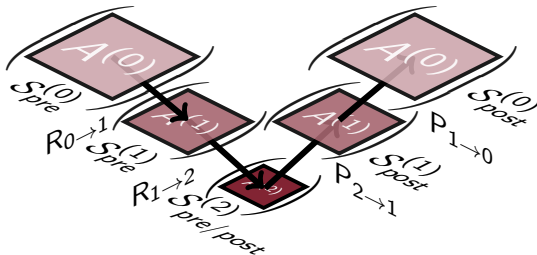




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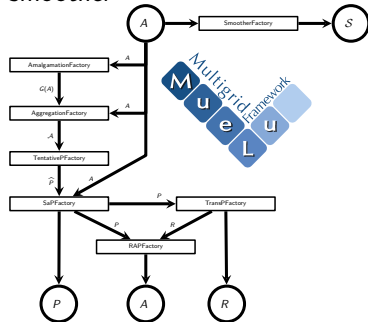


# MueLu – The Trilinos Multigrid framework

## MueLu multigrid framework:

- Extensible software layout
  - Modularity:
    - Preconditioner layout defined by small building blocks
  - Logic: Building blocks connected through logical data dependencies
- Flexible user input system through XML files
- Designed for next-generation HPC systems

**Example:** Building blocks for transfer operators and level smoother

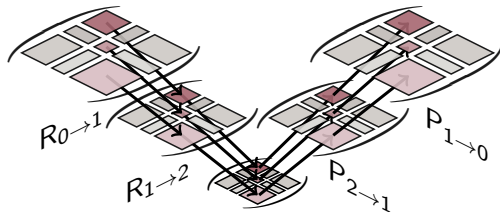


[www.trilinos.org/packages/muelu](http://www.trilinos.org/packages/muelu)

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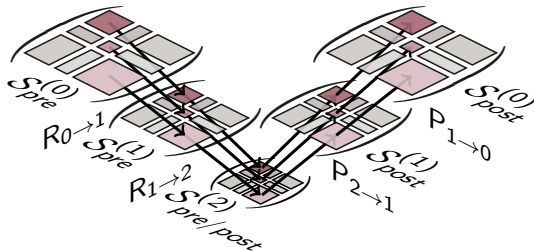
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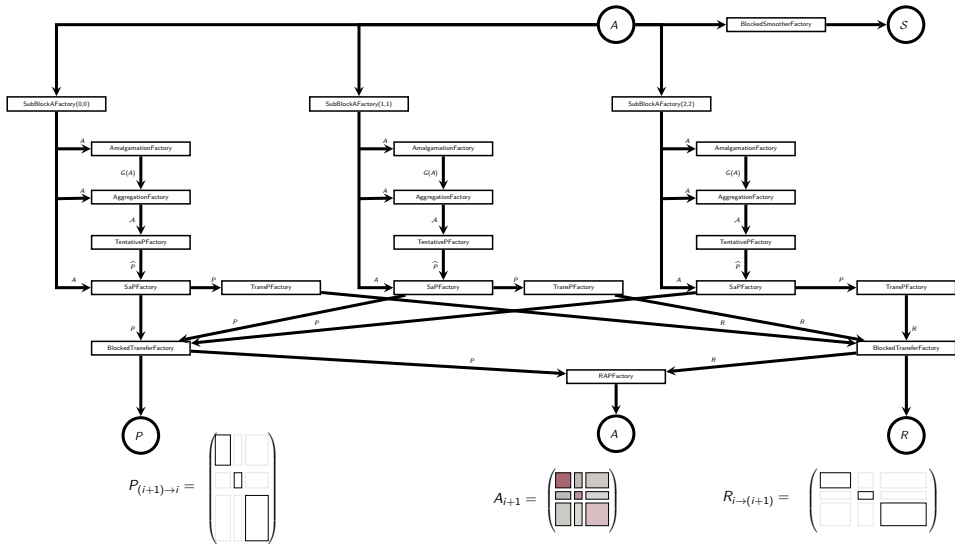
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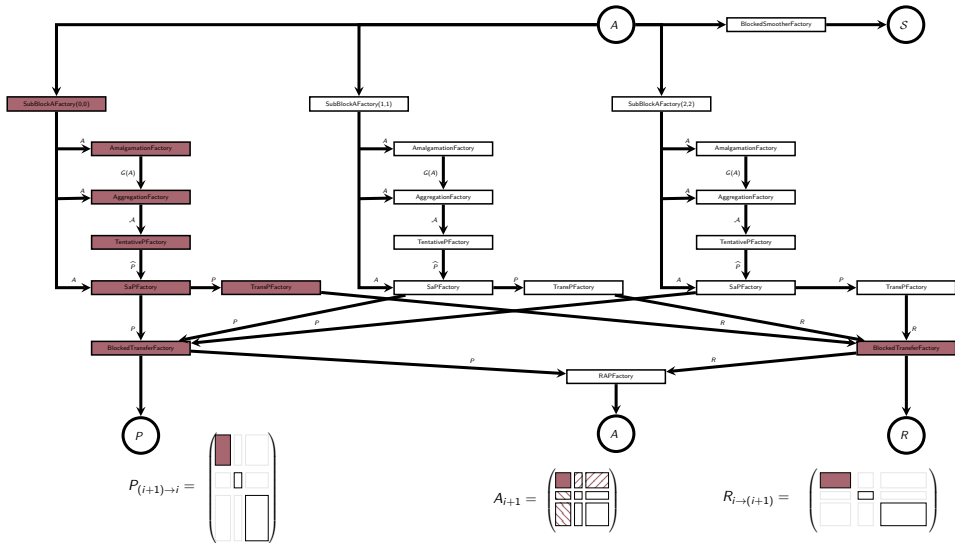
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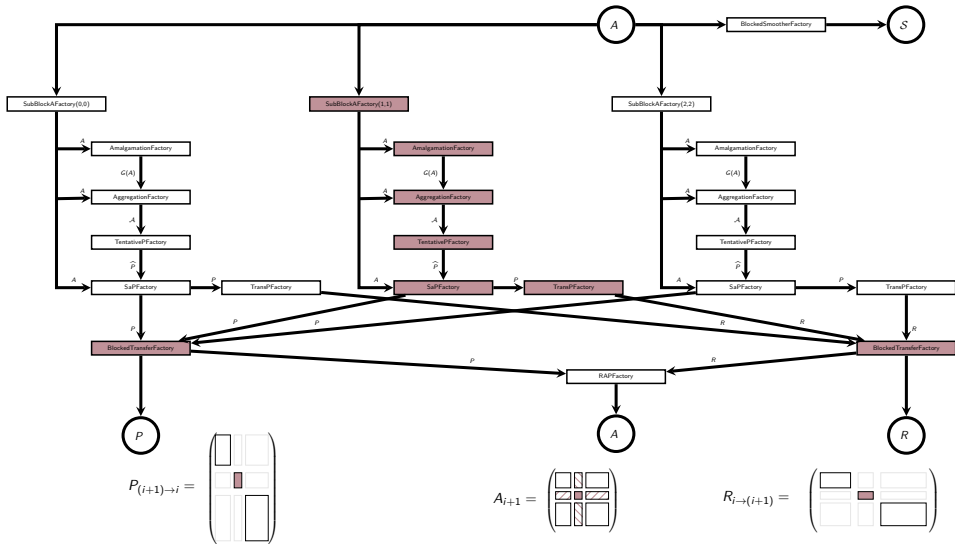
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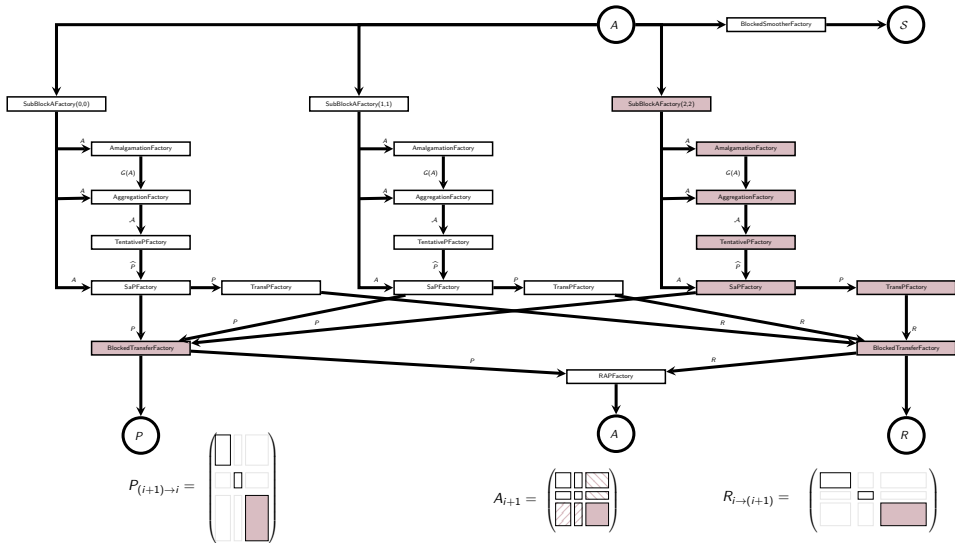
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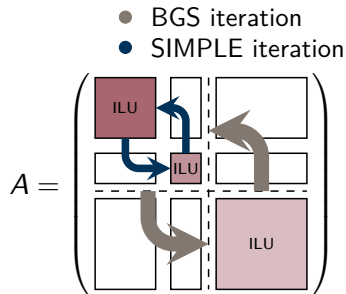
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- Use nested block smoothers:
  - 1 BGS (0.5)
    - 1 SIMPLE (0.8)
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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} - \nabla \cdot \nu \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \left( -\frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{B} + \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \|\mathbf{B}\|^2 \mathbf{I} \right) = \mathbf{0}$$
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with appropriate initial and boundary conditions.

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### Reference solver

- Preconditioned GMRES (from Belos or AztecOO package)
- Fully-coupled MueLu multigrid preconditioner
  - 8 DOFs per node
  - Level smoother: Additive Schwarz (overlap=1) with ILU(0)
  - Non-smoothed transfer operators

P.T. Lin, J.N. Shadid, R.S. Tuminaro, M. Sala, G.L. Hennigan, R.P. Pawlowski; *A parallel fully coupled algebraic multilevel preconditioner applied to multiphysics PDE applications: Drift-diffusion, flow/transport/reaction, resistive MHD*; Int. J. Numer. Meth. Fluids, 64,1148-1179; 2010  
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Incompressible resistive MHD equations:

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Block structure of linear systems after discretization:

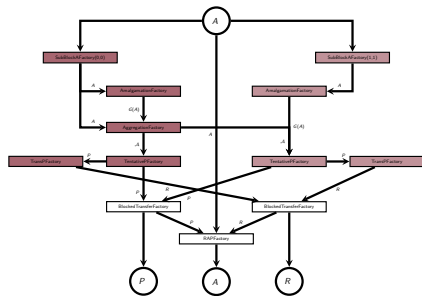
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{\text{red}} & \boxed{\text{gray}} \\ \boxed{\text{gray}} & \boxed{\text{red}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $2 \times 2$  block system with 4 DOFs per node each block
- Solution variables:  $(\mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_y, \mathbf{u}_z, p)$  and  $(\mathbf{B}_x, \mathbf{B}_y, \mathbf{B}_z, r)$

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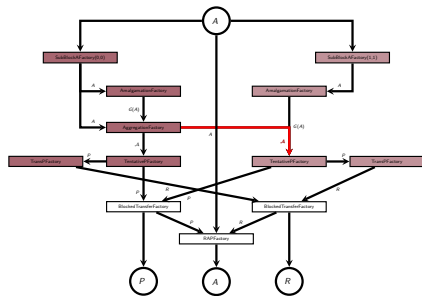


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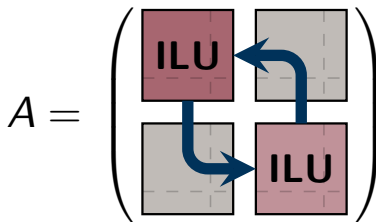


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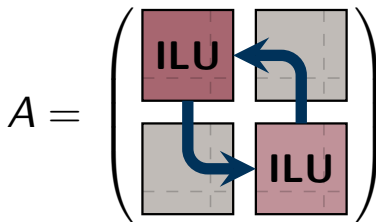


# Block multigrid preconditioner for MHD

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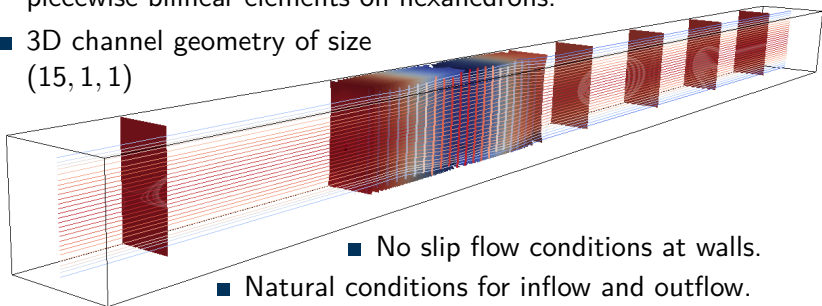


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## MHD generator problem

- Stabilized discretization of MHD equations using equal order piecewise bilinear elements on hexahedrons.
- 3D channel geometry of size (15, 1, 1)



- No slip flow conditions at walls.
- Natural conditions for inflow and outflow.
- Dirichlet BCs for magnetic field at top and bottom



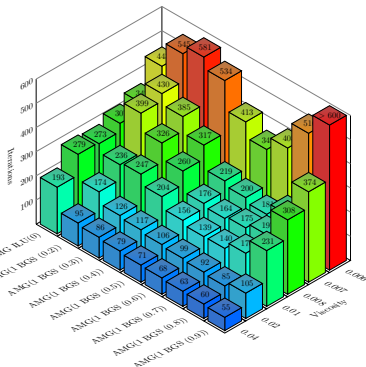
$$\begin{bmatrix} B_x \\ B_y \\ B_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} B_0 (\tanh(x - x_0)/\Delta - \tanh(x - x_f)/\Delta) \end{bmatrix}$$

with  $x_0 = 4.0$ ,  $x_f = 6.0$ ,  $\Delta = 0.5$  and  $B_0 = 3.354$ .

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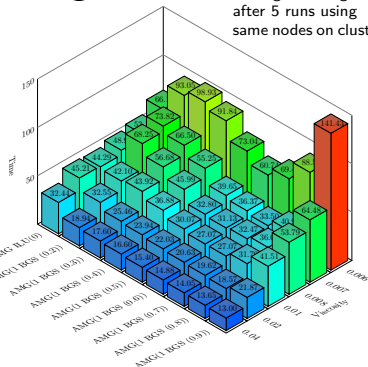
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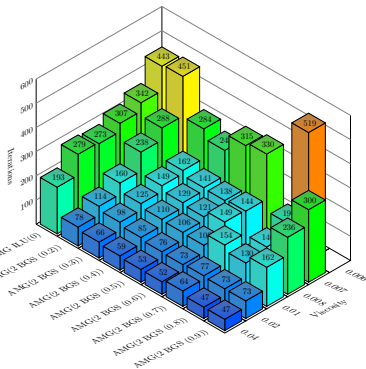
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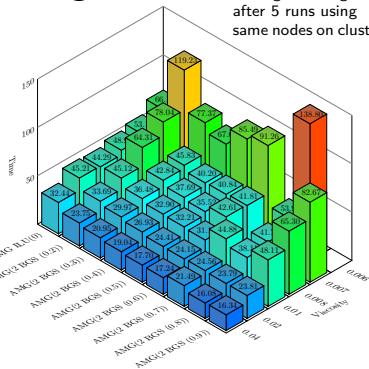
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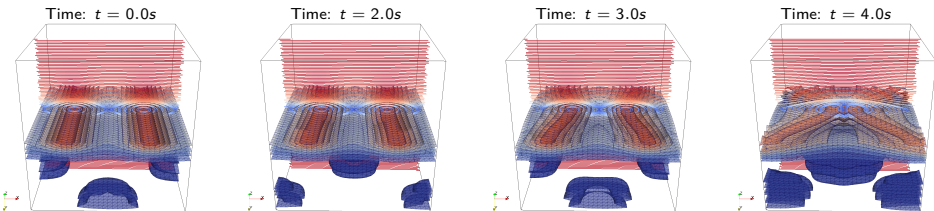
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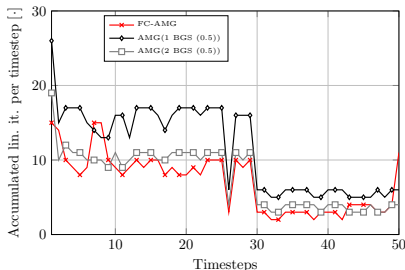
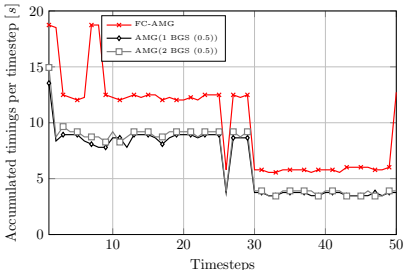
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# Island coalescence problem

- Stabilized discretization of MHD equations using equal order piecewise bilinear elements on hexahedrons.
- 3D cube geometry of size  $(2, 2, 2)$
- 2 magnetic islands as initial condition
- Viscosity:  $\nu = 10^{-4}$
- Timestep size:  $\Delta t \in \{0.05, 0.025, 0.0125\}$
- Relative linear solver tolerance:  $\varepsilon = 10^{-5}$

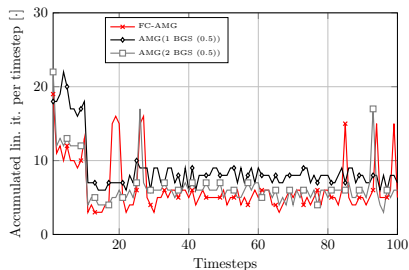
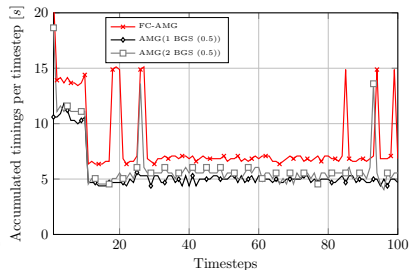


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0	246,016	52,032,384	211.50		8	n BGS(0.5)
1	10,736	1,855,392	172.82	22.92	8	n BGS(0.5)
2	560	80,976	144.60	19.17	2	direct

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0	2,032,128	434,367,360	213.75		64	n BGS(0.5)
1	90,528	15,788,304	174.40	22.45	64	n BGS(0.5)
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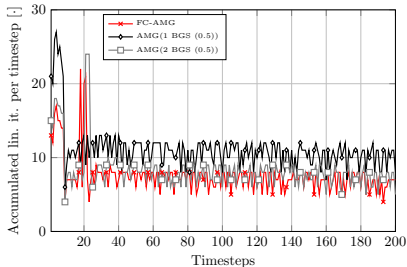
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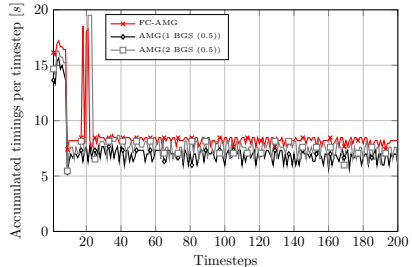
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**Iterations:**



**Timings:**



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0	16,516,096	3,548,896,128	214.88		512	n BGS(0.5)
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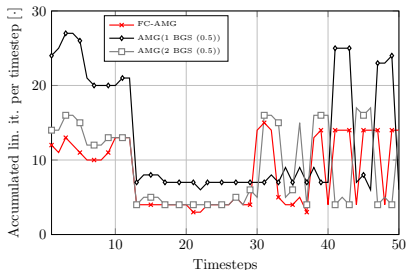
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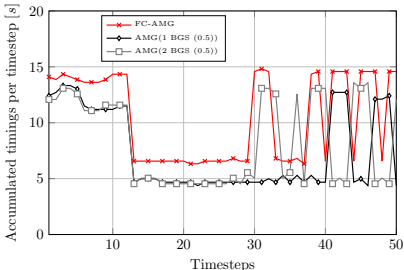
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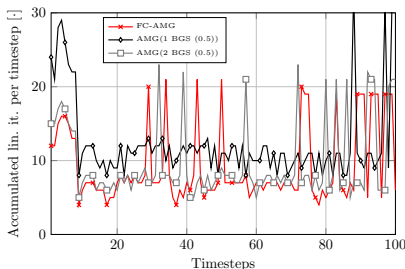
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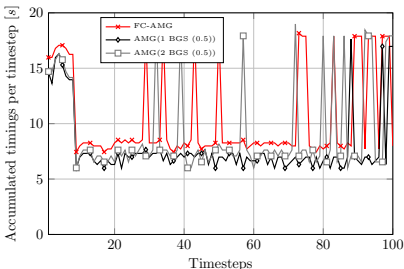
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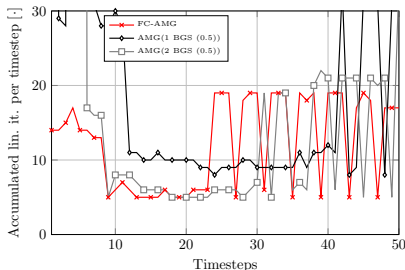
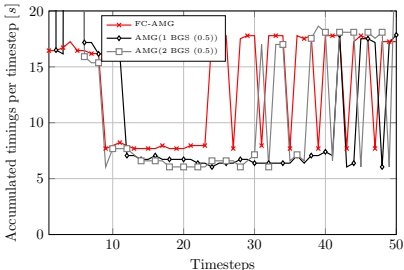
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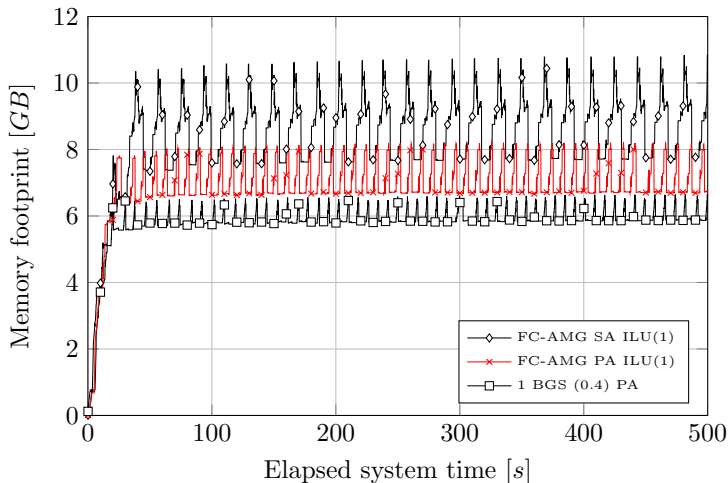
# Island coalescing example

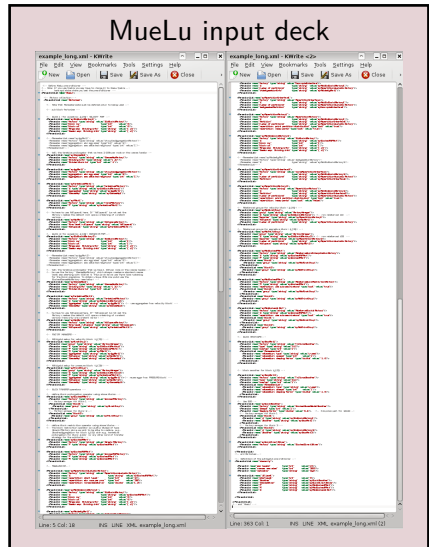
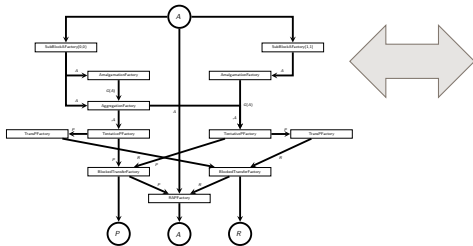
 $CFL = 12.8$  $128 \times 128 \times 128$  mesh $\Delta t = 0.05s$ **Iterations:****Timings:****Multigrid hierarchy:**

$\ell$	rows		nnz	nnz/row	c ratio	procs	smoother
0	16,516,096	3,548,896,128	214.88			512	n BGS(0.5)
1	742,976	130,015,536	174.99	22.23		512	n BGS(0.5)
2	39,488	6,090,336	154.23	18.82		154	n BGS(0.5)
3	4,000	511,056	127.76	9.87		15	n BGS(0.5)
4	384	42,784	111.42	10.42		1	direct

## Island coalescing – memory

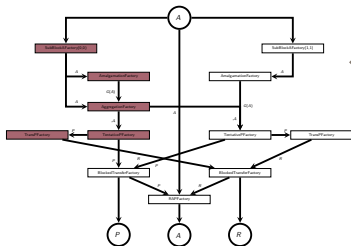
$64 \times 64 \times 64$  mesh on 64 procs



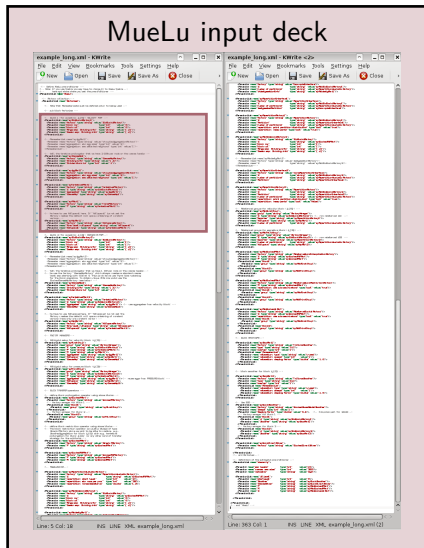


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- Flexible framework for multiphysics preconditioners
  - Modular through building blocks
  - XML based input deck for defining preconditioner layout
- Flexible modular input deck **not** user friendly

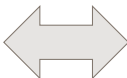
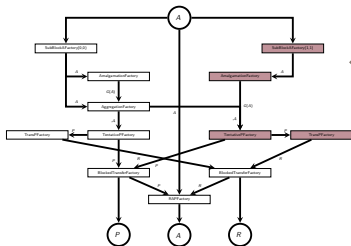


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application-specific simplified user interfaces

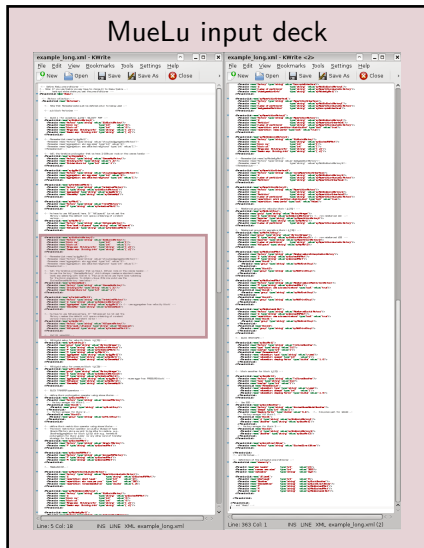


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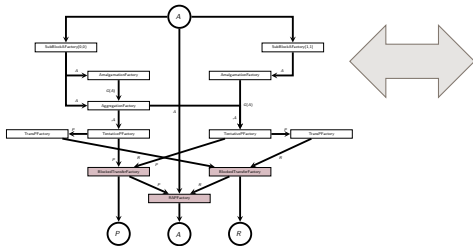


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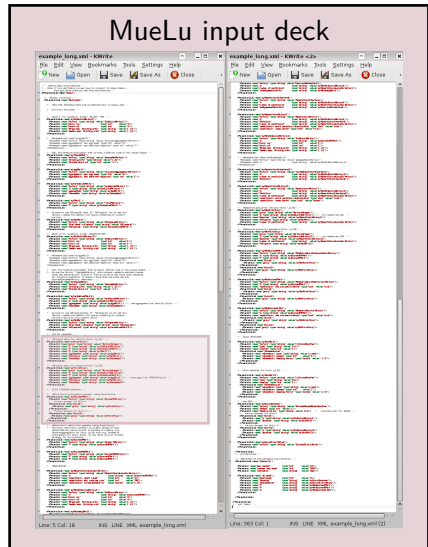


# User interface

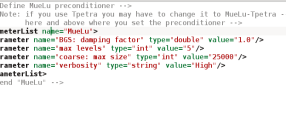
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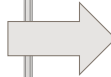




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<!-- Define MueLu preconditioner -->
<!-- Note: if you use Ipetra you may have to change it to MueLu-Ipetra -->
<!-- here and above where you set the preconditioner -->
<ParameterList name="MueLu">
  <Parameter name="BGS: damping factor" type="double" value="1.8"/>
  <Parameter name="max levels" type="int" value="5"/>
  <Parameter name="coarse: max size" type="int" value="25000"/>
  <Parameter name="verbosity" type="string" value="High"/>
</ParameterList>
<!-- end "MueLu" -->

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- Line: 4 Col: 18    PWS LINE XML: example\_short.xml



## FacadeClass

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## The FacadeClass

- takes the simplified user parameters
- expands them to a full MueLu input deck

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