
Computational Strategies for High Dimensional Option Pricing Problems

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Why high dimensional?



Potential factors

- equities

$$dS_i = rS_i \ dt + \sigma_{S_i} S_i \ dW_{S_i} \quad (\text{eg GBM})$$

eg basket options $i \leq d = 10, 1000$

- FX-rates

$$dx = (r_d - r_f)x \ dt + \sigma_x x \ dW_x$$

- short rates

$$dr = \kappa(\theta - r) \ dt + \sigma_r \ dW_r \quad (\text{eg Hull-White})$$

- LIBOR rates

$$dL_i = \mu_i(L_i)L_i \ dt + \sigma_{L_i} L_i \ dW_{L_i} \quad (\text{BGM})$$

eg Bermudan swaptions $i \leq d = 10, 100$



Example I: FX option

- exchange rate x
- spot rates r_d (*domestic*) und r_f (*foreign*)
- European put u on x , strike K , expiry T

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x^2 x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=d,f} \sigma_{r_i}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r_i^2} + (r_d - r_f) x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \sum_{i=d,f} \kappa_i (\theta_i - r_i) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} - r_d u = 0$$

terminal condition

$$u(x, r_d, r_f, T) = (K - x)^+$$

- $\sigma_{r_i} = 0.15$, $\kappa_i = 0.5$, $\theta_i = 0.045$, $K = 0.95$, $T = 10$ a
- spot price $S = 0.9$, spot rates $r_d = r_f = 0.05$



Example II: basket options

- stocks S_1, \dots, S_d with covariance $\Sigma = (\sigma_{ij})$
- basket $\sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i S_i$ with strike K
- European/American put u on basket

Black-Scholes equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sigma_{ij} S_i S_j \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial S_i \partial S_j} + r \sum_{i=1}^d S_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial S_i} - ru = 0$$

or associated obstacle problem

terminal condition $u(\mathbf{S}, T) = \left(K - \sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i S_i \right)^+$



Example III: swaptions

- tenor structure $T_0 = 0, T_1, \dots, T_d = T$
- LIBOR rates L_i with volatilities σ_i , correlation $\rho_{ij} = e^{-\alpha|i-j|}$
- Bermudan swaption u

BGM model

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sigma_i \sigma_j \rho_{ij} L_i L_j \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial L_i \partial L_j} - \sum_{j=1}^d \mu_j(\mathbf{L}) L_j \frac{\partial u}{\partial L_j} = 0$$

with

$$\mu_j(\mathbf{L}) = \begin{cases} \sigma_j \sum_{k=j+1}^d \frac{\delta_k L_k}{1+\delta_k L_k} \sigma_k \rho_{jk} & j < d \\ 0 & j = d \end{cases}$$



Model framework

Ito processes for **underlyings** (equities, FX-rates, interest rates,...)
or parameters (volatilities, interest rates,...)

$$dx_i = \beta_i(\mathbf{x}, t) dt + \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}, t) dW_i$$

(Anti-)Parabolic PDE for option in $(\underline{x}_1, \bar{x}_1) \times \dots \times (\underline{x}_d, \bar{x}_d)$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \sum_{i,j=1}^d a_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} - \sum_{i=1}^d b_i(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} - c(\mathbf{x})u = 0,$$

where

$$a_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \text{for } x_i \in \{\underline{x}_i, \bar{x}_i\},$$

$$b_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \text{for } x_i \in \{\underline{x}_i, \bar{x}_i\} \text{ or at least}$$

$$b_i(\mathbf{x})n_i(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.$$

→ **existence & uniqueness** without boundary conditions

Zhou, Li: *Multi-factor Financial Derivatives on Finite Domains*, 2003.



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If we choose a **reasonable** number of points in each direction, say $32 = 2^5$, the same total number is already obtained for

$$\dim = 6.$$



Overall strategy

**Model transformation
and/or reduction:**

Principal components
Asymptotic analysis

...

**Optimal discrete
approximation spaces:**

Sparse grids
Dimensional adaptivity

...

**Optimal complexity
solution algorithm:**

Multigrid solver
Robust relaxation

...

**Fast software
on parallel platform:**

Efficient datastructures
Parallel programming

...



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Correlation data (DAX)

	1.00	0.62	0.65	0.59	0.33	0.61	0.57	0.66	0.01	0.28	0.61	0.38	0
Expansions	0.62	1.00	0.77	0.74	0.45	0.74	0.59	0.76	0.21	0.34	0.64	0.27	0
Sparse grids	0.65	0.77	1.00	0.73	0.54	0.77	0.57	0.83	0.10	0.44	0.69	0.33	0
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Implementation	0.33	0.45	0.54	0.43	1.00	0.51	0.42	0.54	0.37	0.27	0.59	0.46	0
	0.61	0.74	0.77	0.68	0.51	1.00	0.62	0.75	0.31	0.38	0.66	0.28	0
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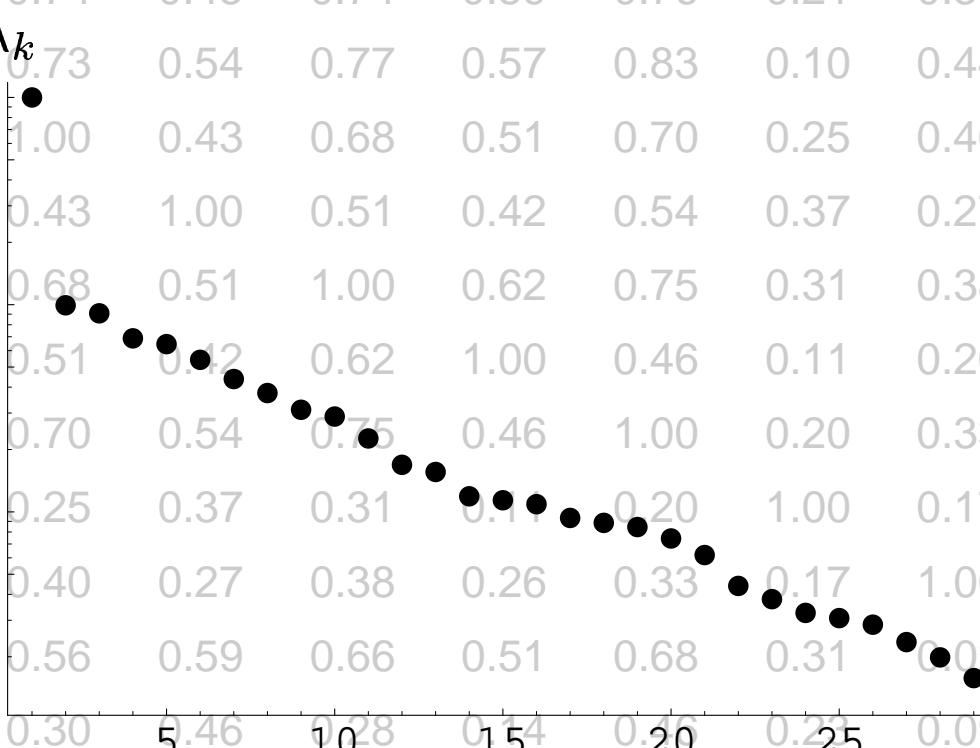
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$\frac{\sigma(\Sigma)}{\lambda_1}$, DAX (16. 1. 2003)

● spectral gap after λ_1

● exponential decay from λ_2

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Commerzb.	5.7	0.623	0.82	0.73	1.00	0.77	0.72
Allianz	27.0	0.570	0.91	0.80	0.77	1.00	0.90
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error of lower-dim. approximations, $T = 1a$, a-t-m:

1D	2D	3D	4D
6.24 %	4.99 %	2.50 %	0.87 %



Expand the solution in the small parameters $\lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_d$

- $$u(\mathbf{S}, t, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = u_1(\mathbf{S}, t, \lambda_1) + \sum_{k=2}^d \lambda_k \frac{\partial u}{\partial \lambda_k} \Big|_{(\mathbf{S}, t, \lambda_1)} + R(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

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⇒ only (numerical) solution of 2-dim PDEs required!



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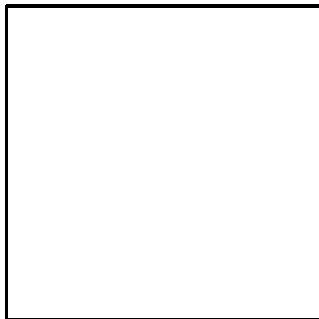
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Isotropic Cartesian ('full') grid on cubic domain:

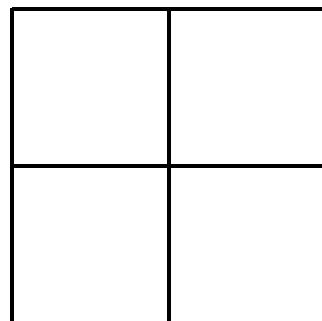
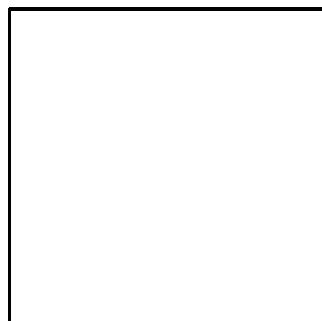


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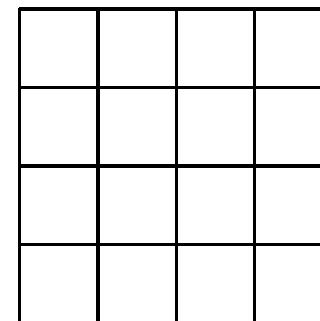
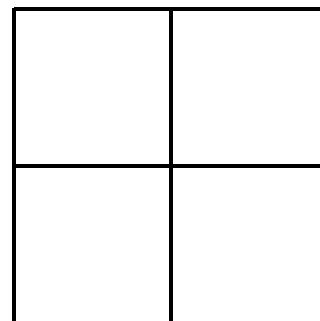
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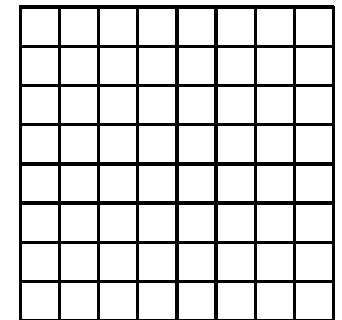
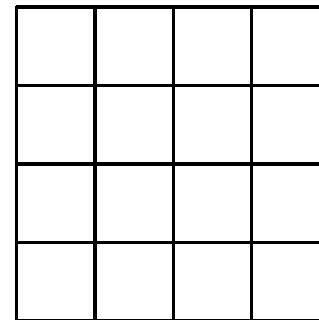
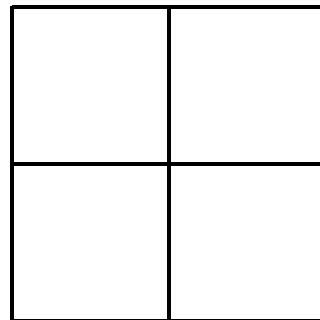
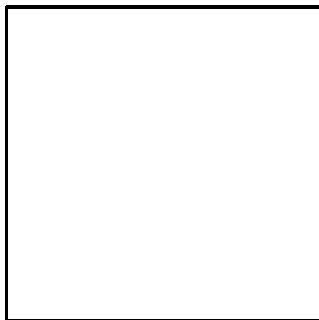
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'Curse of dimensionality':

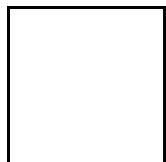
- on level n we face $N \sim 2^{nd}$ points/elements
- accuracy ϵ requires $N(\epsilon) \sim \epsilon^{-d/2}$ degrees of freedom (order 2)

→ exponential growth of unknowns



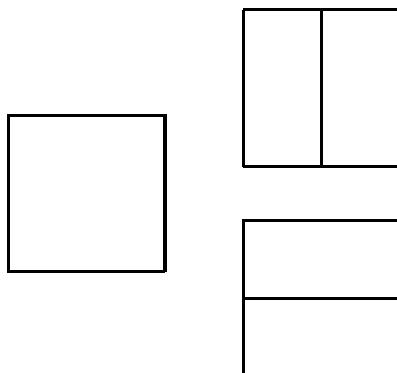
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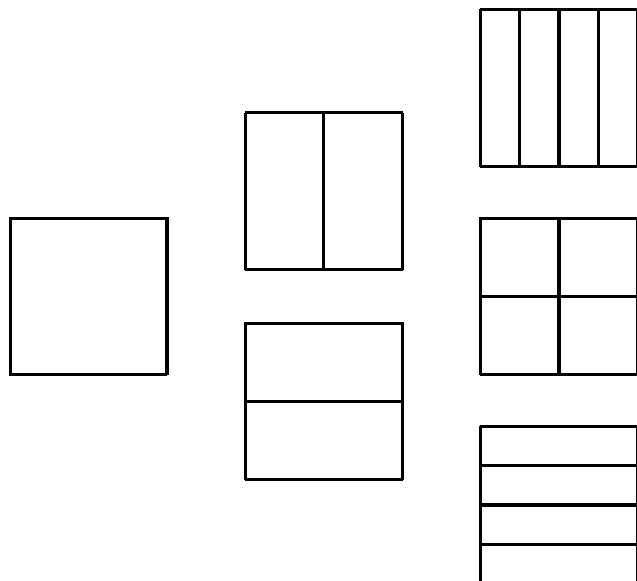
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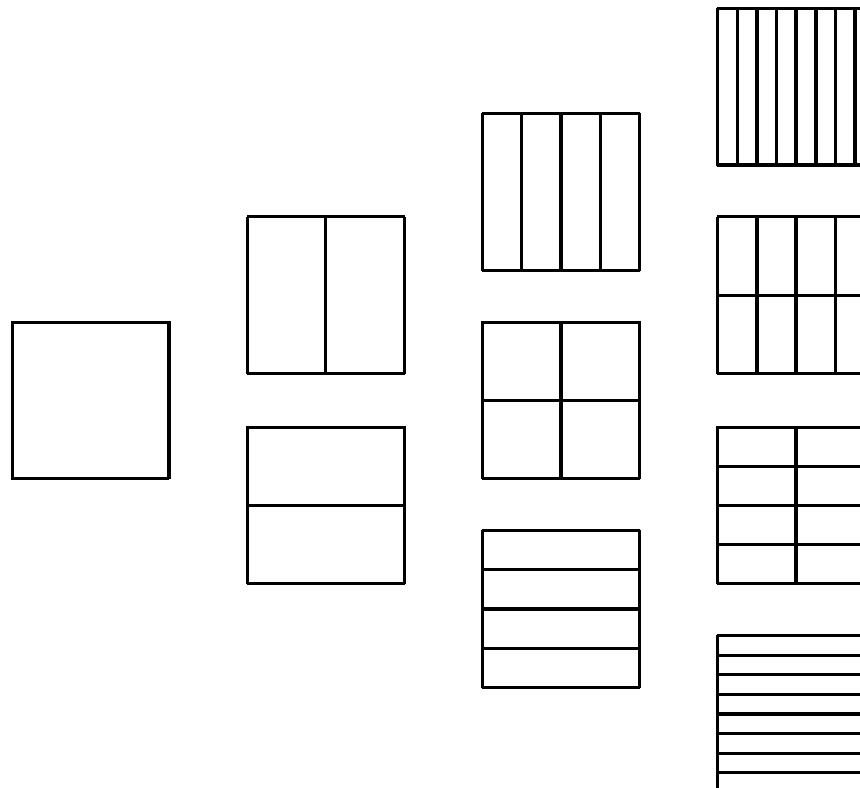
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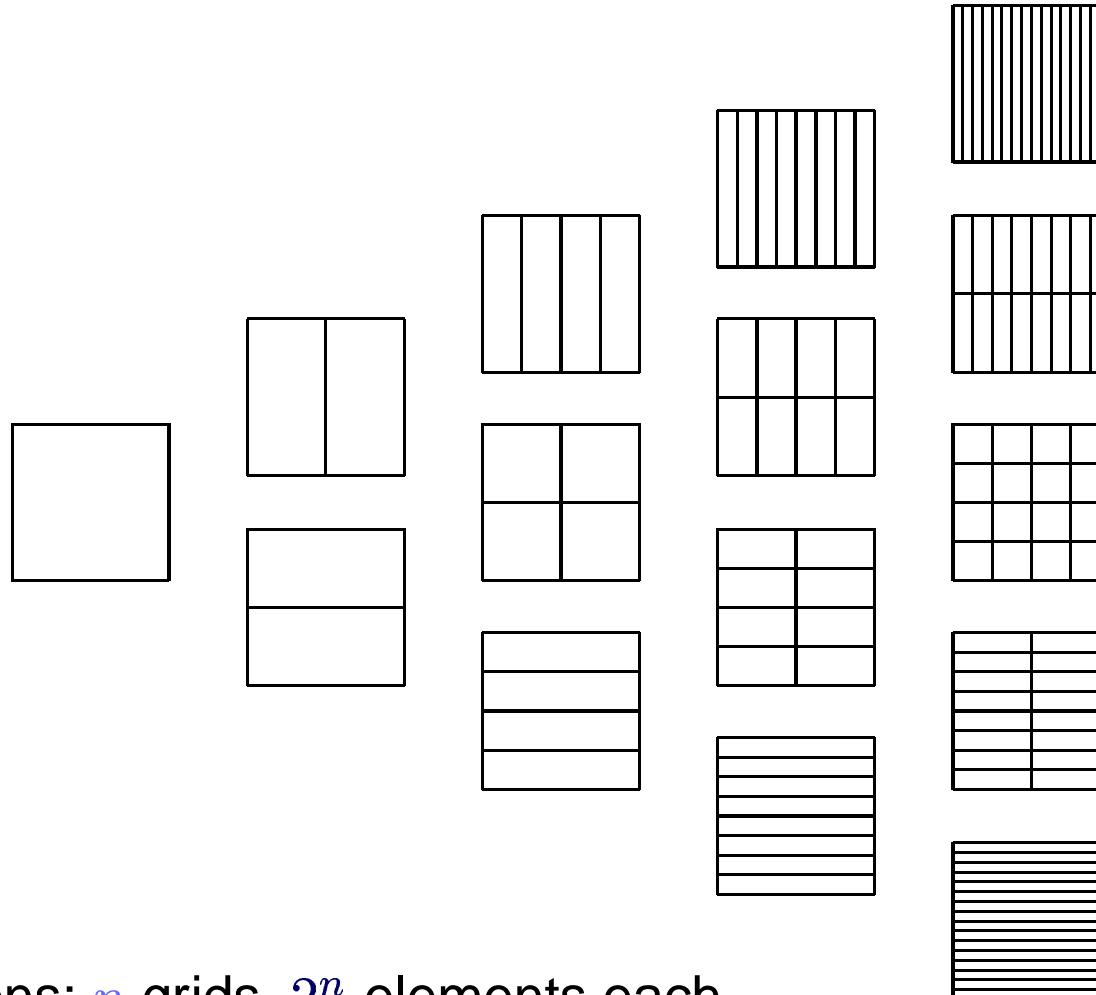
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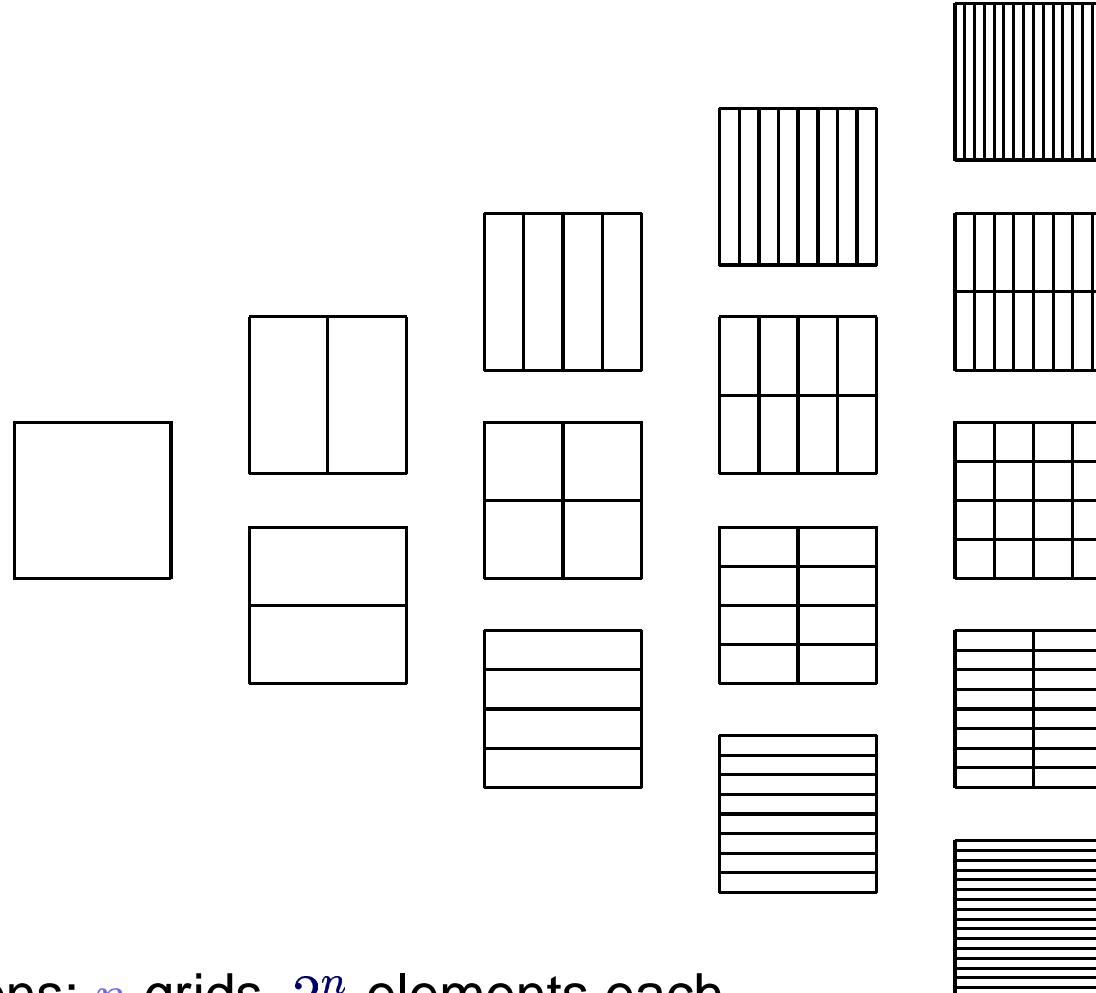


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d dimensions: $\binom{n+d-1}{d-1}$ grids, 2^n elements each

Approximation property

For sufficiently smooth functions [Bungartz, 1992]

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$$\|u - u_n\|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{6^d} \left\| \frac{\partial^{2d} u}{\partial x_1^2 \dots \partial x_d^2} \right\|_\infty \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^i \binom{n+i-1}{i} \right) 2^{-2n}$$

Sparse grids

$$= \mathcal{O}(n^{d-1} 2^{-2n})$$

Multigrid

Implementation for an interpolating multilinear spline on the sparse grid of level n .

The number of nodes/elements is

$$N_n = \mathcal{O}(n^{d-1} 2^n),$$

finest grid size $h = 2^{-n}$.



- Bungartz: *Finite Elements of Higher Order on Sparse Grids*, 1996.

$$\|u_h - u\|_E \leq c(d) h^p$$

for finite elements of order p and $\partial^\alpha u \in \mathcal{C}, |\alpha|_\infty \leq p + 1$.

- Petersdorff, Schwab: *Numerical Solution of Parabolic Equations in High Dimensions*, 2002.

For wavelets of order p , $u(., 0) \in H^\epsilon$, the semidiscrete solution fulfills ($\theta_0 \in]0, 1]$, $\delta > 0$)

$$\|u_h(t) - u(t)\|_2 \leq Ch^{\theta_0 p + \delta} t^{-(p+1)d/2} \|u_0\|_2$$

hp-Discontinuous-Galerkin time stepping, order ' $r = \log h$ ':

$$\|\hat{u}_h(t) - u(t)\|_2 \leq Ch^{\theta_0 p + \delta}.$$



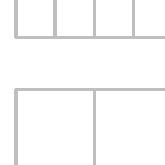
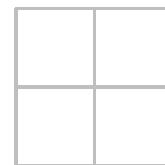
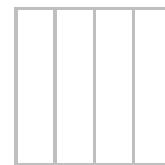
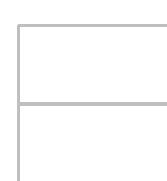
Combination technique

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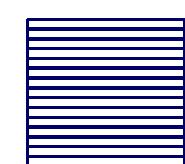
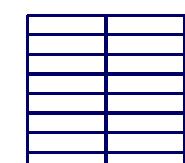
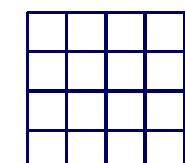
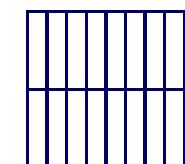
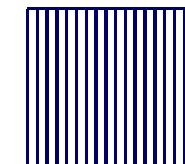
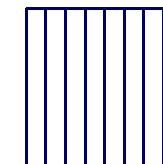
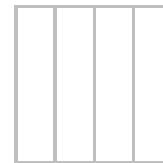
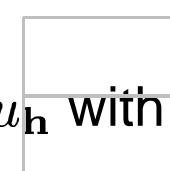


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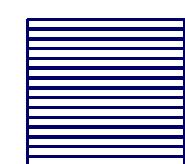
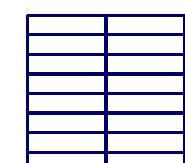
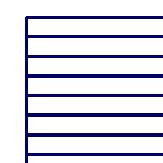
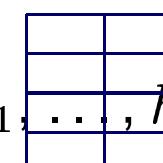
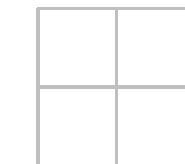


d dimensions:

- given numerical solutions u_h with grid sizes h_1, \dots, h_d

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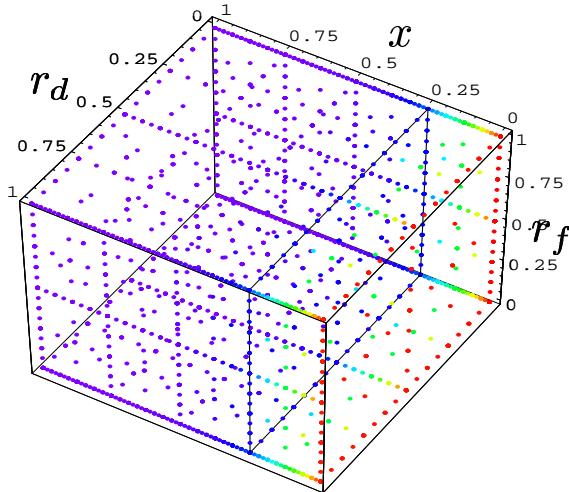
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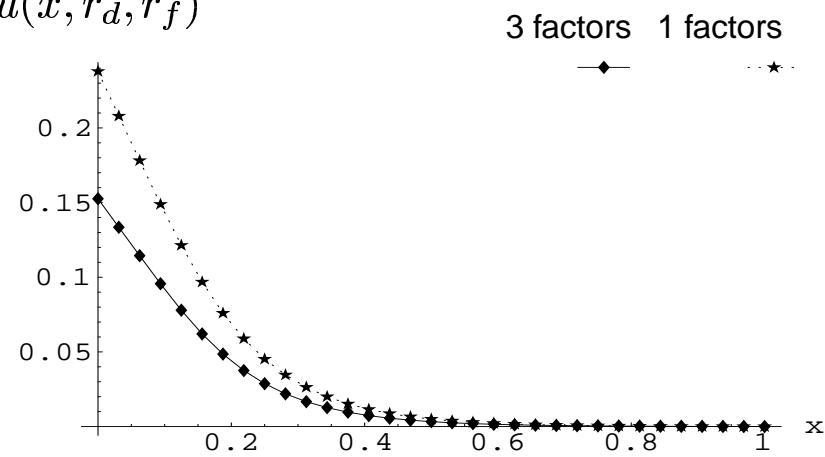
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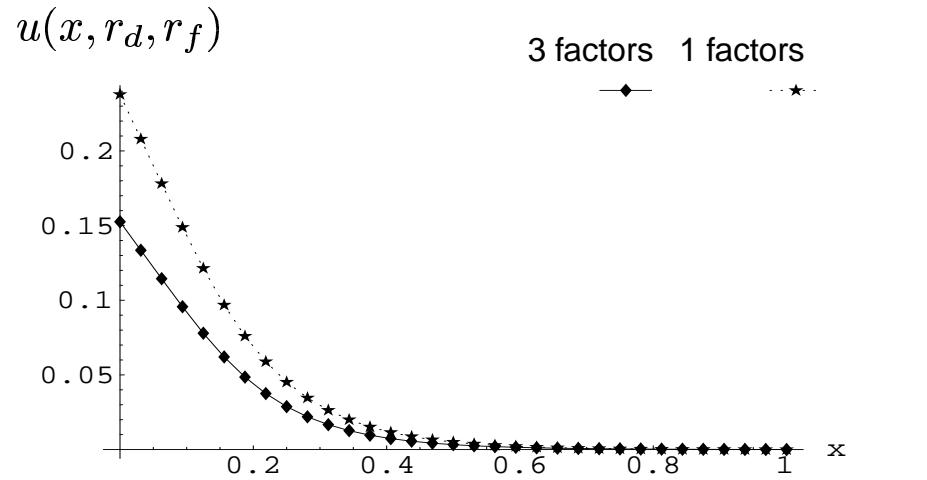
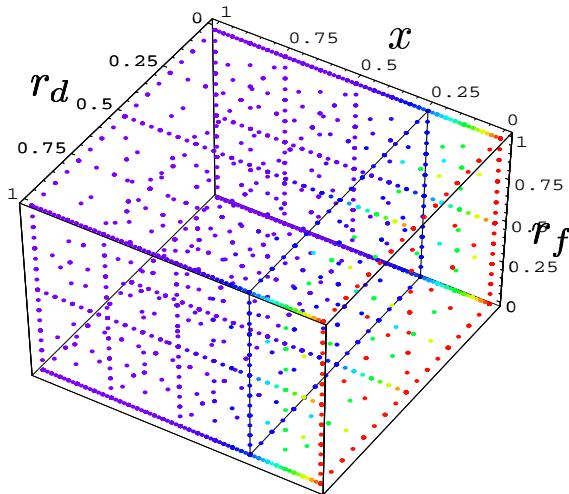
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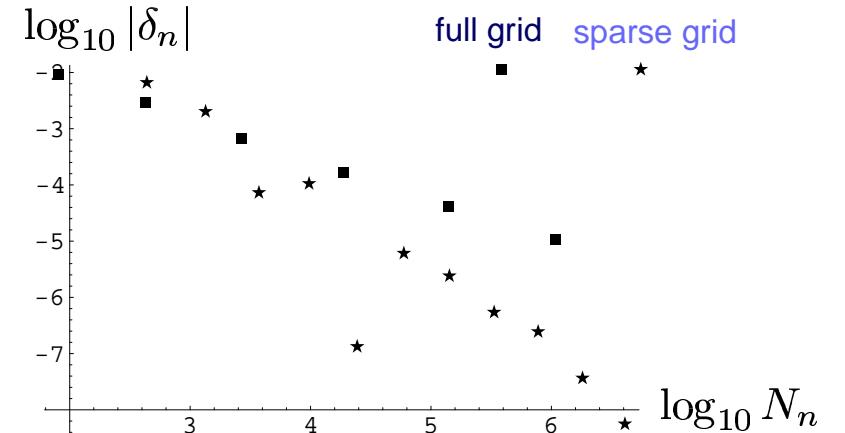
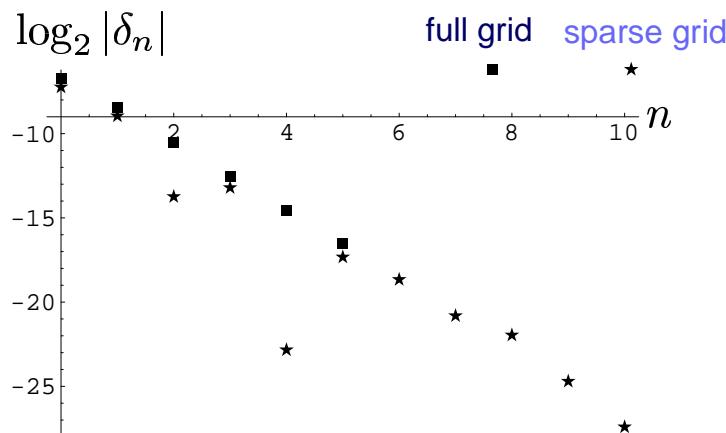


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Level	Full grid solution	Sparse grid solution	Total full grid points	Total sparse grid points
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4	62.3506	50.5246	83521	107427
5		56.8943	1185921	273013
6		59.5418	17850625	678793
7		57.7917	276922881	1658035
8		58.7684	4.36×10^9	3990775

[Blackham, 2004]

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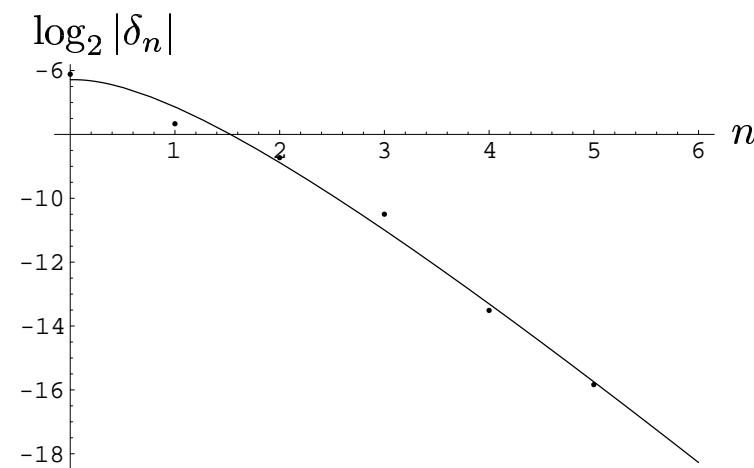


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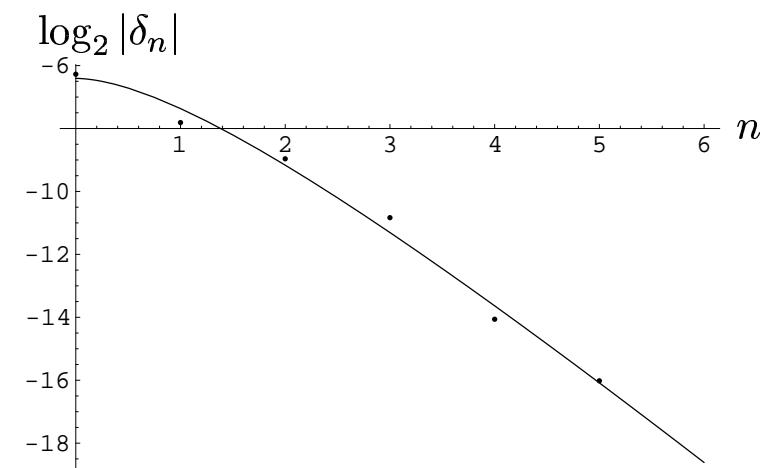
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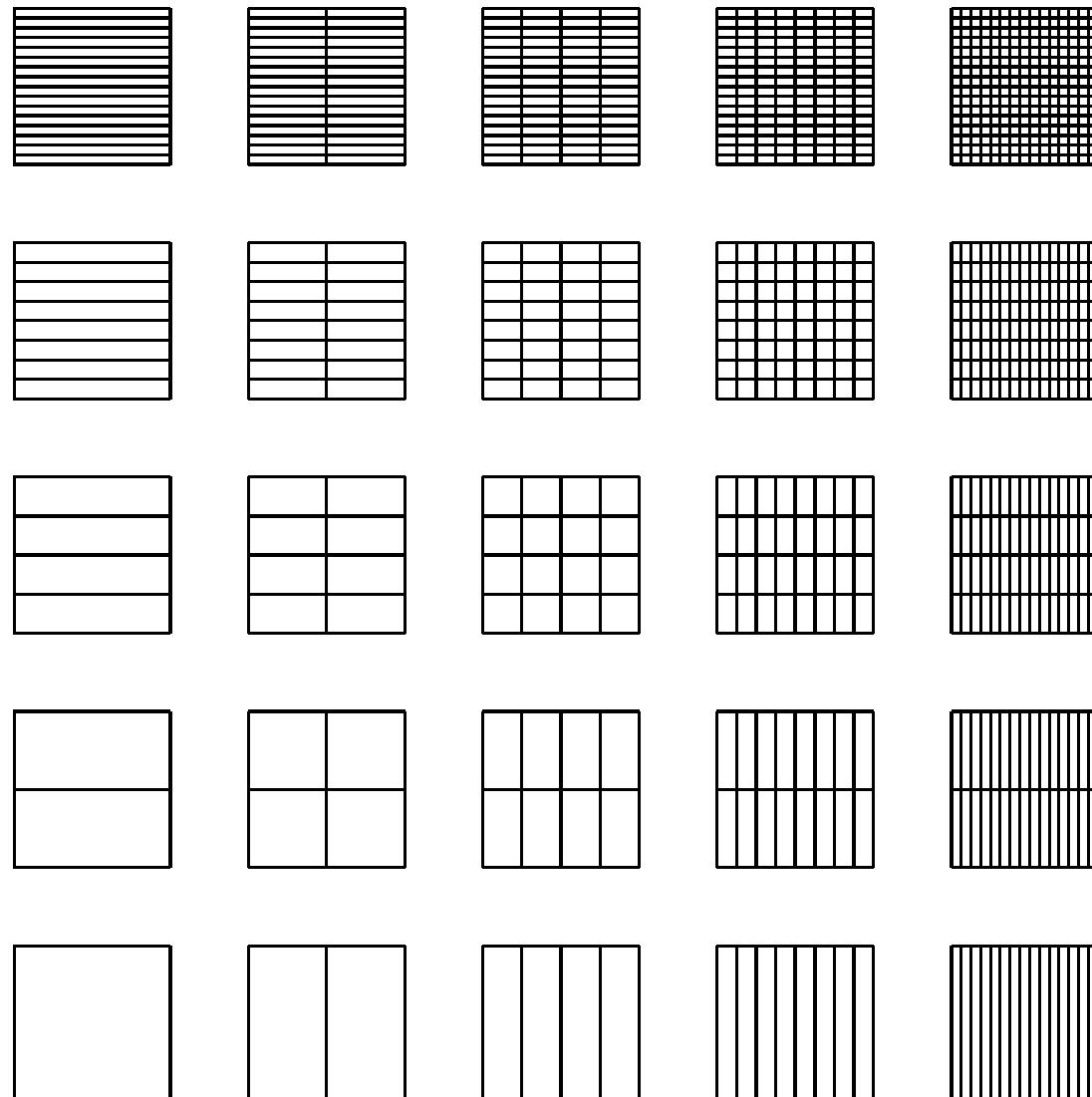


American option, order ~ 2.07



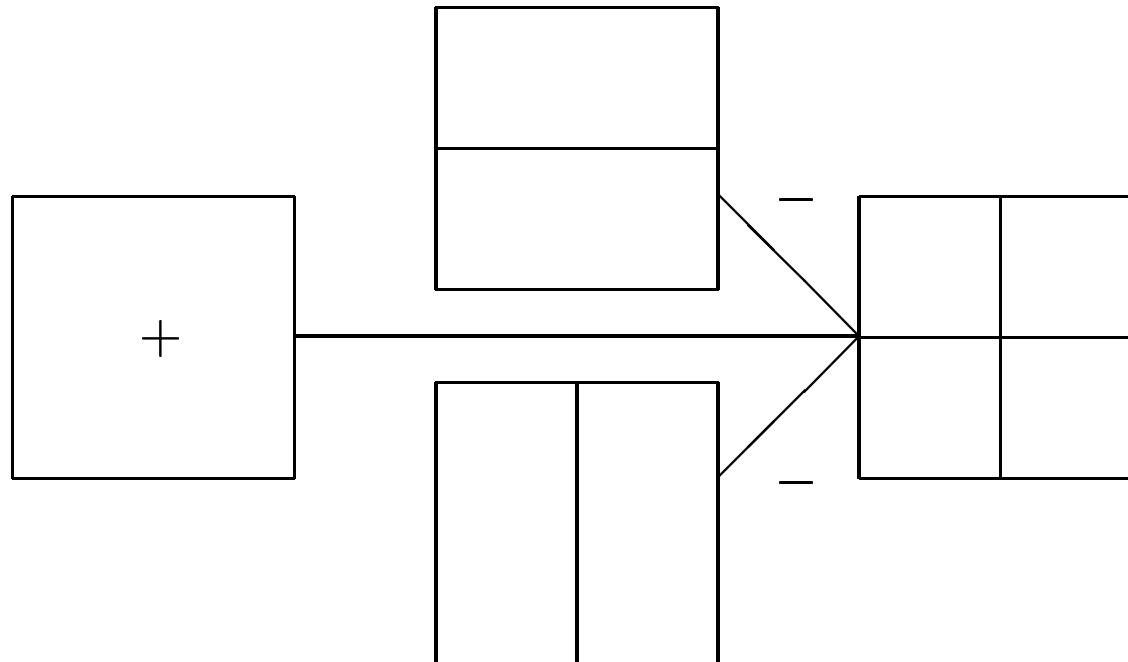
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Hierarchical surplus

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$$\begin{aligned}\Delta u_{i,j} &= u_{i,j} - (u_{i-1,j} + u_{i,j-1}) + u_{i-1,j-1} \\ &= \Delta_1 \Delta_2 u_{i,j}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_1 u_{i,j} = u_{i,j} - u_{i-1,j} \text{ etc.}$$

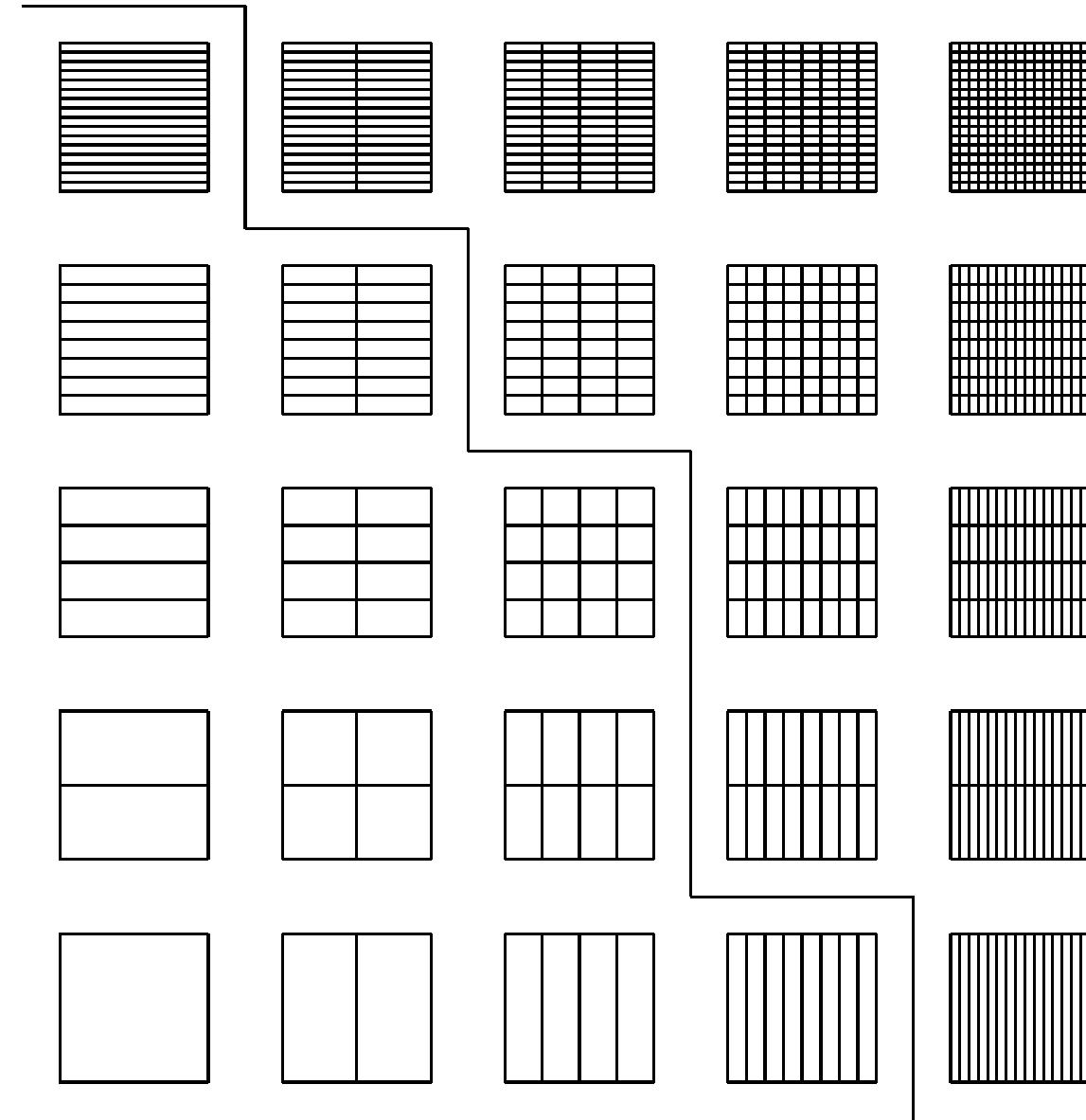


Grid of grids (2)

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Hierarchical representation

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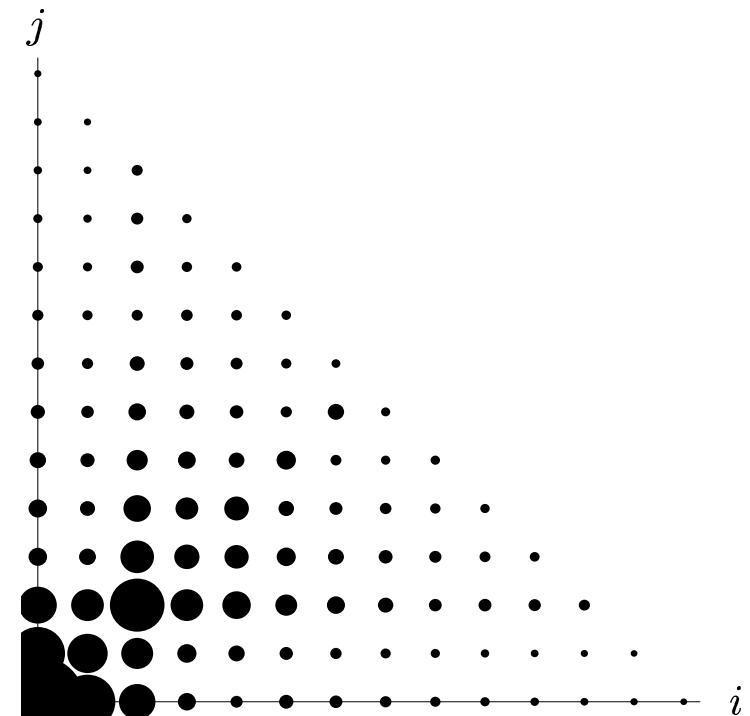
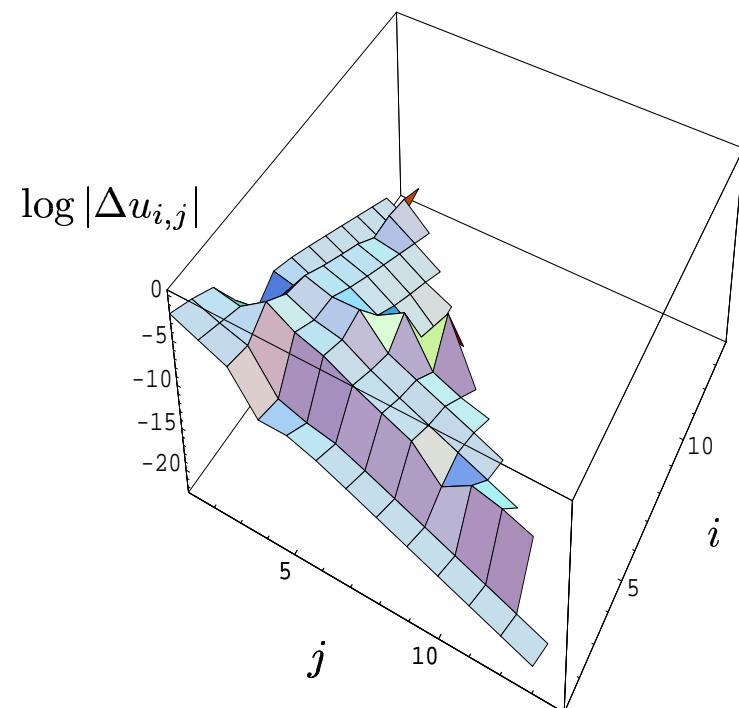


- When and how fast will u_n converge?
- Optimal strategy for choice of \mathcal{M}_n ?

Example: Black-Scholes 2d

2 equity basket, BMW and Daimler, $\rho = 0.89$, $T = 1$

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$$\text{radius} \sim |\log |\Delta u_{i,j}||^{-1}$$



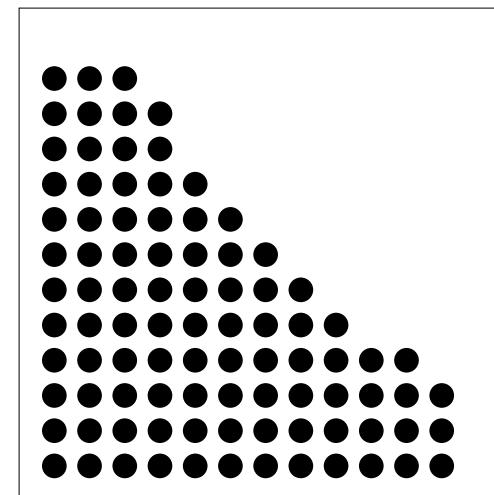
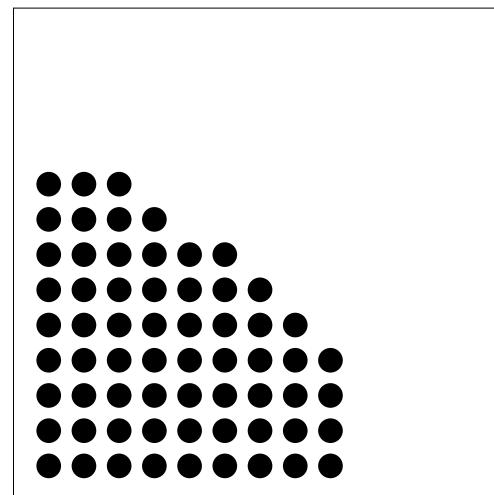
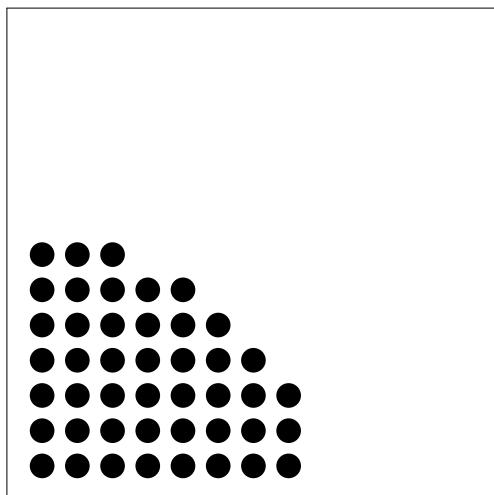
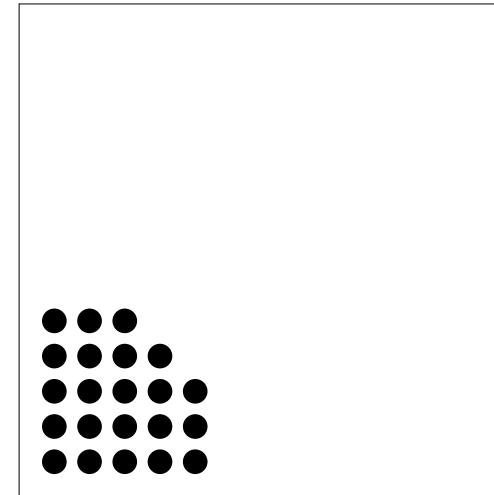
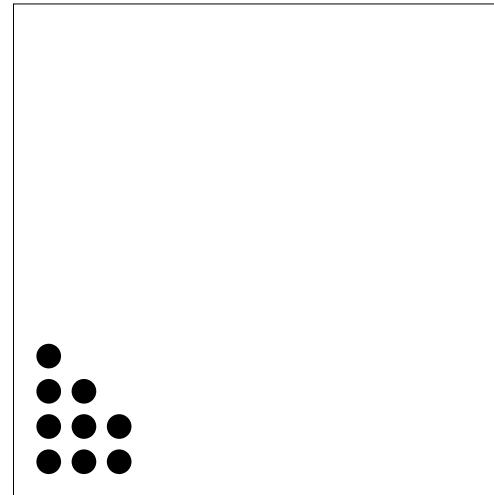
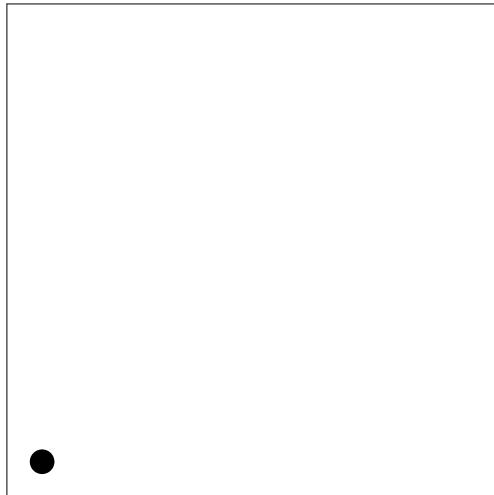
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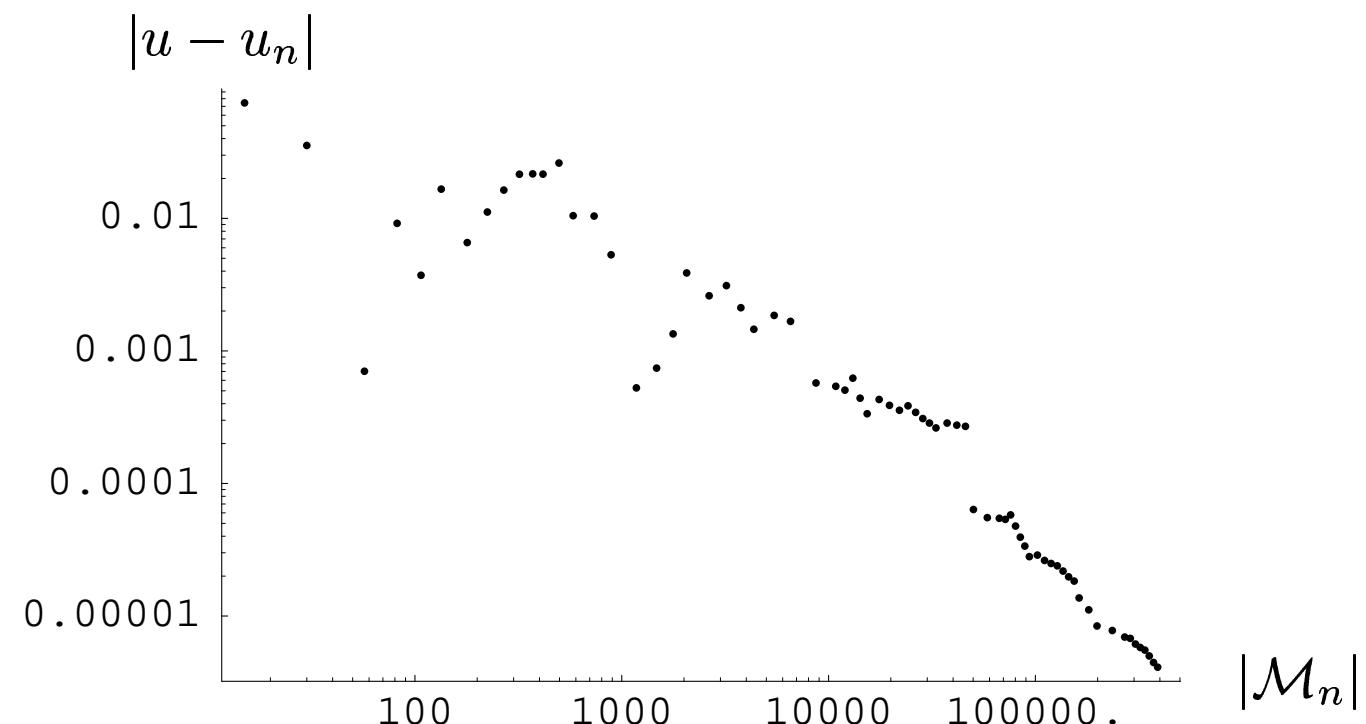
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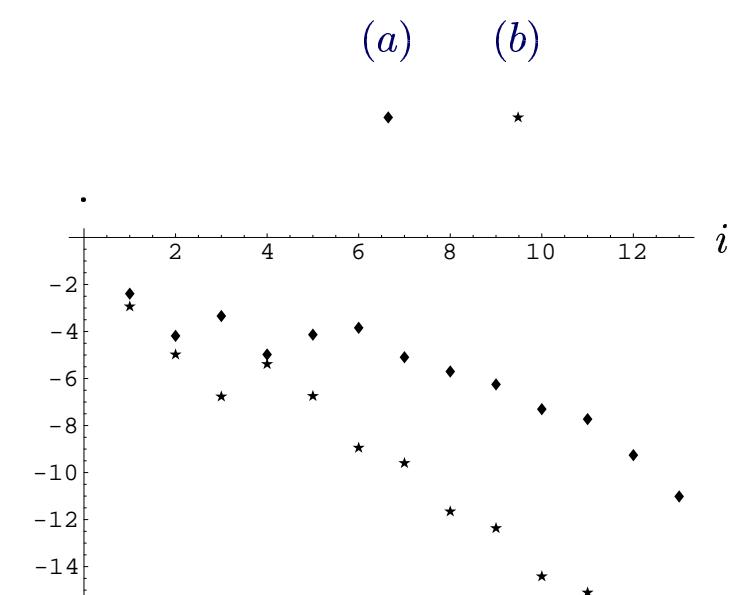
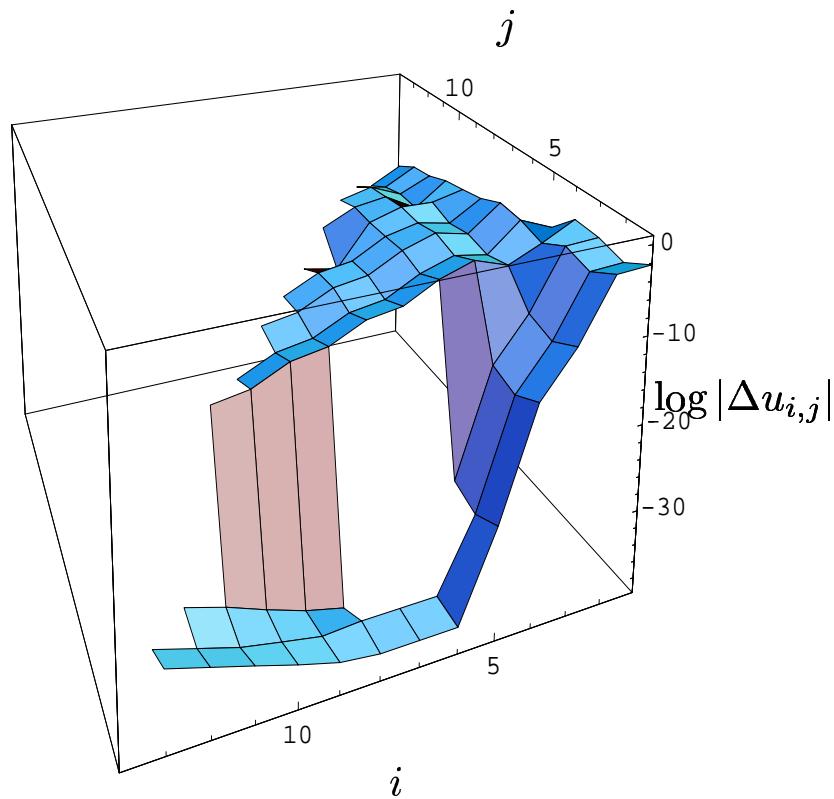
Same system expressed in eigenvectors, $\lambda_1 = 0.431$, $\lambda_2 = 0.024$

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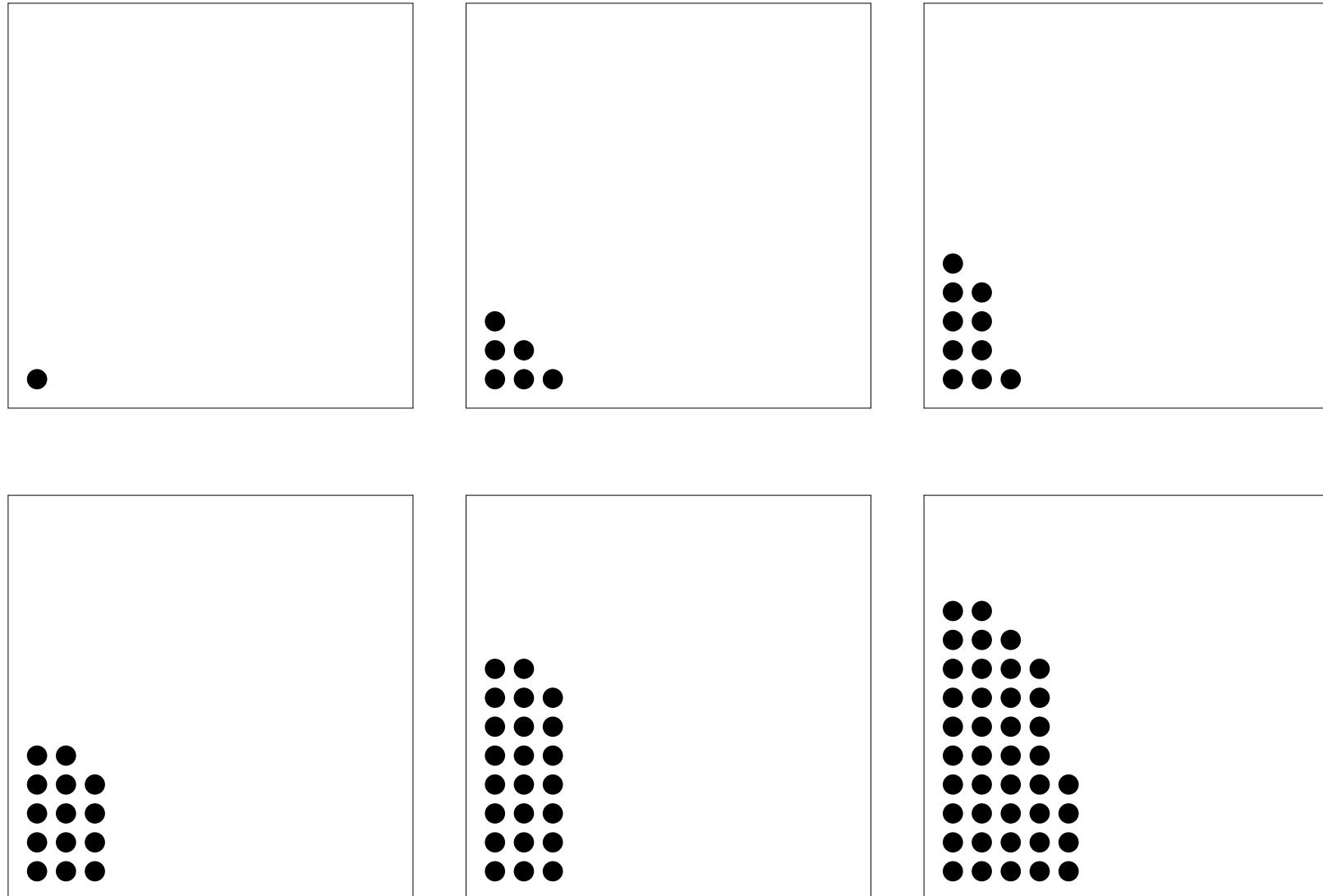
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(a) $\log |\Delta u_{i,3}|$ (b) $\log |\Delta u_{2,i}|$

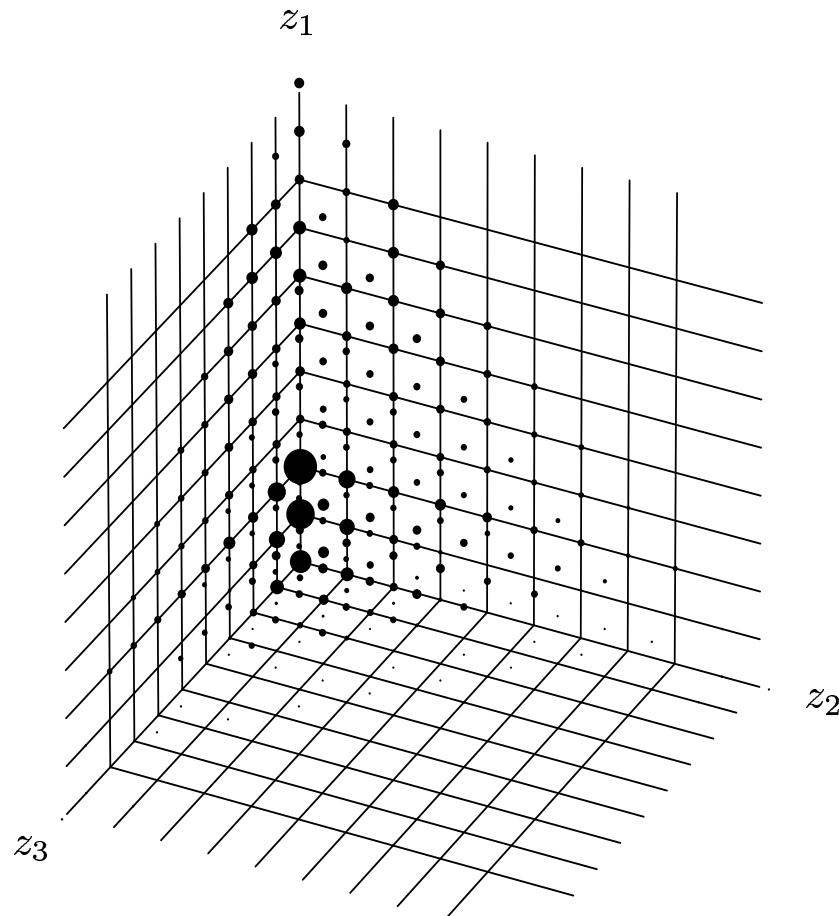
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Example: Black-Scholes 3d, PCA

add VW, $\lambda_1 = 0.653, \lambda_2 = 0.069, \lambda_3 = 0.023$

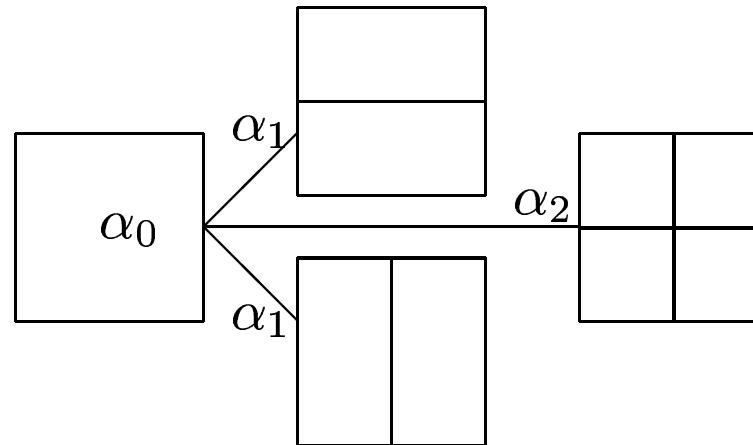


- ‘points’ at boundary: 469
- ‘points’ in interior: 1728
- $\sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \partial \mathcal{M}} |\Delta u_{\mathbf{i}}| = 0.4369$
- $\sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{M}}} |\Delta u_{\mathbf{i}}| = 0.0035$



Multivariate extrapolation

Error expansion: $\hat{u}_{h_1, h_2} = u + c_1 h_1^2 + c_2 h_2^2 + c_{12} h_1^2 h_2^2 + \mathcal{O}(h_1^4 + h_2^4)$



$$\hat{u}_{h_1, h_2} = \alpha_0 u_{h_1, h_2} + \alpha_1 (u_{h_1/2, h_2} + u_{h_1, h_2/2}) + \alpha_2 u_{h_1/2, h_2/2}$$

- Richardson: $\alpha_0 = -\frac{1}{3}, \alpha_1 = 0, \alpha_2 = \frac{4}{3}, \quad \mathcal{O}(h_1^2 h_2^2 + h_1^4 + h_2^4)$
- Schüller, Lin: $\alpha_0 = -\frac{5}{3}, \alpha_1 = \frac{4}{3}, \alpha_2 = 0 \quad \mathcal{O}(h_1^2 h_2^2 + h_1^4 + h_2^4)$
- CR: $\alpha_0 = \frac{1}{9}, \alpha_1 = \frac{-4}{9}, \alpha_2 = \frac{16}{9}, \quad \mathcal{O}(h_1^4 + h_2^4)$



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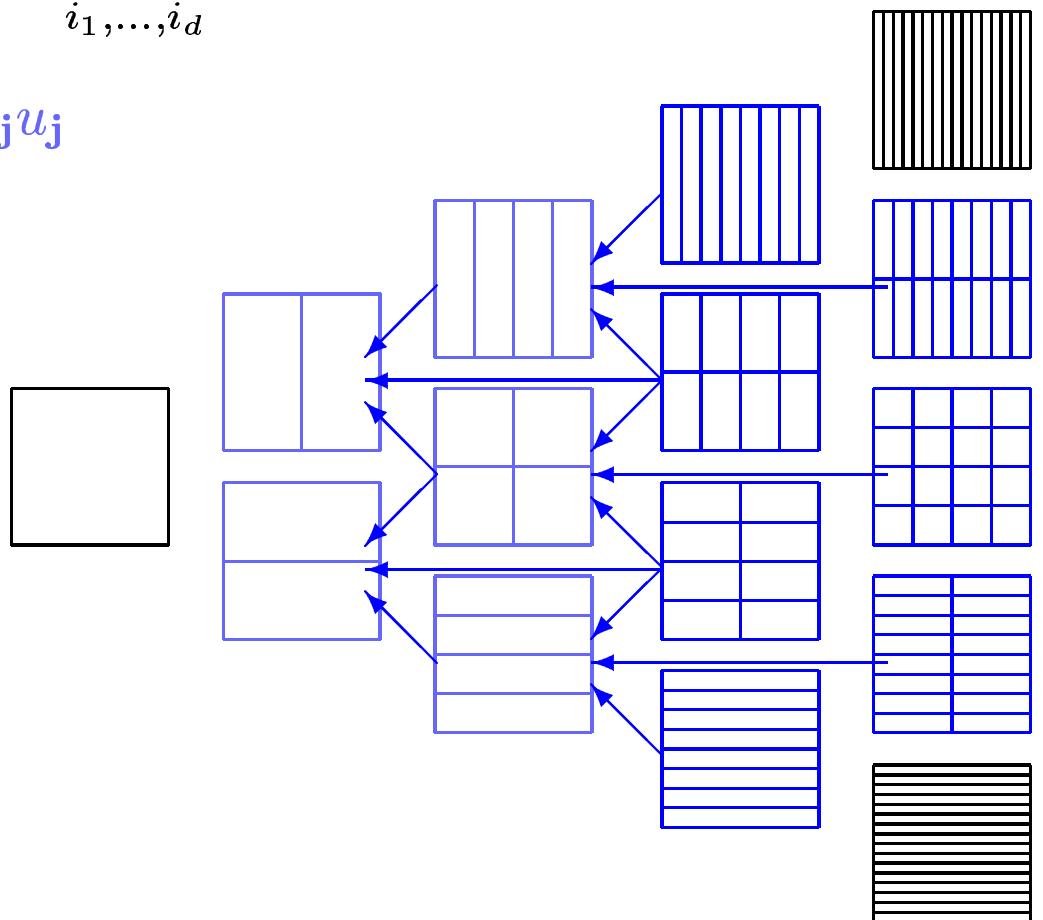
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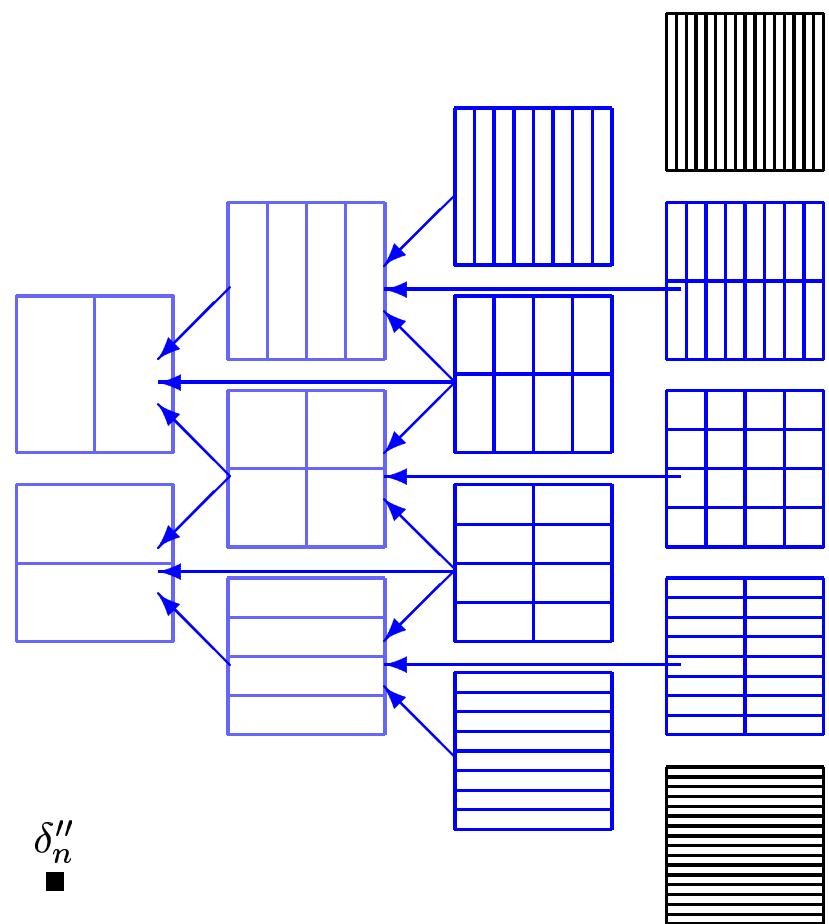
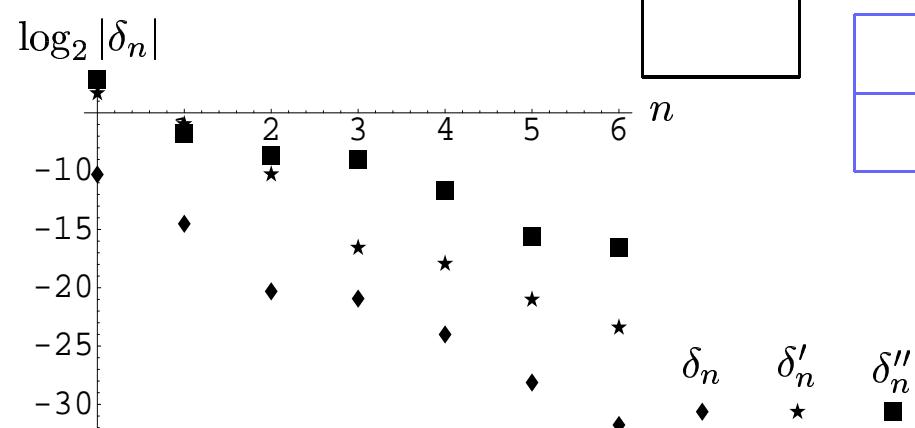
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eg 2D Black-Scholes:

- level l
- N_l unknowns
- initial residual $\|\mathbf{r}_0^l\|$
- final residual $\|\mathbf{r}^l\|$
- n_l iterations

l	N_l	$\ \mathbf{r}_0^l\ $	$\ \mathbf{r}^l\ $	n_l
3	81	$1.94 \cdot 10^1$	$2.67 \cdot 10^{-4}$	3
4	289	$7.98 \cdot 10^0$	$1.33 \cdot 10^{-3}$	3
5	1089	$3.31 \cdot 10^0$	$1.18 \cdot 10^{-3}$	3
6	4225	$1.30 \cdot 10^0$	$1.04 \cdot 10^{-3}$	3
7	16641	$4.94 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$6.52 \cdot 10^{-3}$	2
8	66049	$1.93 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.03 \cdot 10^{-3}$	2
9	263169	$9.15 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$5.94 \cdot 10^{-4}$	2

R., Wittum: *On Multigrid for Anisotropic Equations and Variational Inequalities*. 2004.



Iterative solution - robustness

- degeneracy of the equation at boundaries
- strongly anisotropic grids

	l_1	l_2	l_3	N	T	T/N
Expansions	0	0	15	131076	106.88	0.000815405
Sparse grids	0	3	12	73746	29.71	0.000402869
Multigrid	0	6	9	66690	21.46	0.000321787
Implementation	1	2	12	61455	27.89	0.000453828
	1	5	9	50787	21.7	0.000427275
	2	2	11	51225	25.54	0.000498585
	2	5	8	42405	20.12	0.000474472
	3	4	8	39321	19.91	0.000506345
	4	4	7	37281	33.61	0.000901532
	5	5	5	35937	17.58	0.000489189

eg 3D Black-Scholes:

- levels l_1, l_2, l_3
- $2^{l_i} + 1$ points
- N unknowns
- CPU time T



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Parallelisation

5D basket: Level n , M_n unknowns, max unknowns/grid m_n , grids ν_n

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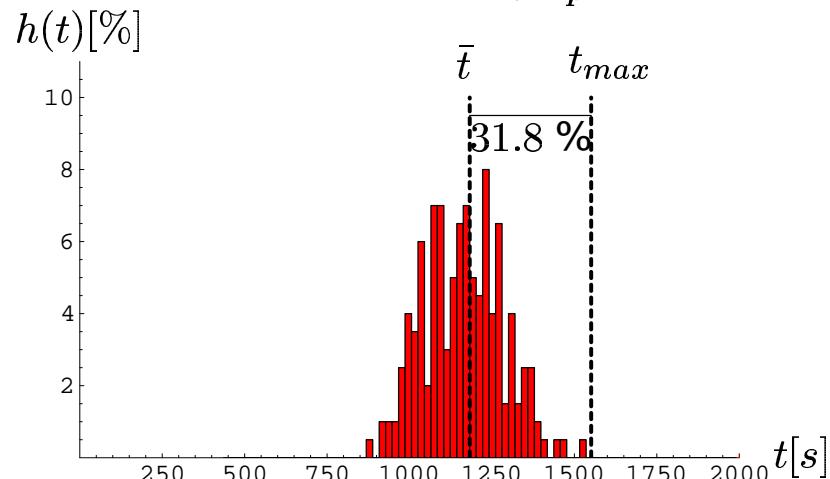


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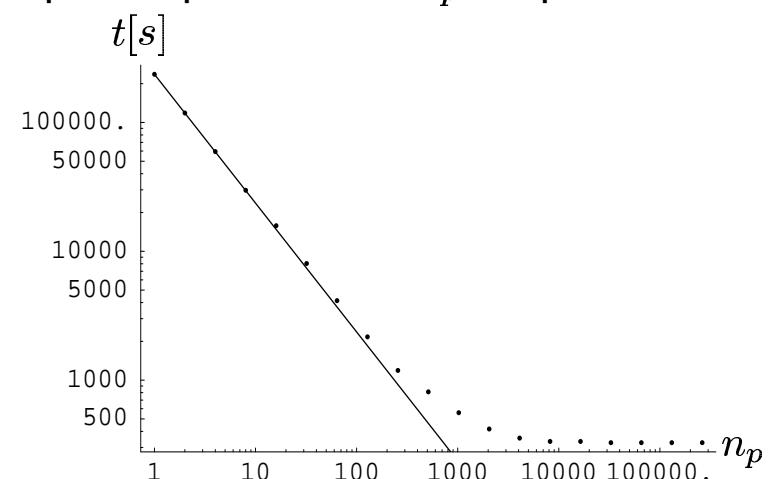
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Distribution of CPU-time, $n_p = 200$



Speed-up for n_p processors



Conclusions

From an algorithmic point of view, the presented framework

- automatically detects and exploits lower dimensional structures
- chooses asymptotically optimal discrete approximation spaces
- solves the discrete systems in linear complexity
- is inherently parallel

Practically relevant features include

- easy estimation of the Greeks
- comparable efficiency for American and Bermudan contracts
- extensible to calibration and more general models

