

The Portable Extensible Toolkit for Scientific Computing

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Unit Objectives

- Introduce PETSc
- Download, Configure, Build, and Run an Example
- Empower students to learn more about PETSc

What I Need From You

- Tell me if you do not understand
- Tell me if an example does not work
- Suggest better wording or **figures**
- Followup problems at petsc-maint@mcs.anl.gov

Ask Questions!!!

- Helps **me** understand what you are missing
- Helps **you** clarify misunderstandings
- Helps **others** with the same question

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Tutorial Repositories

<http://petsc.cs.iit.edu/petsc/TutorialExamples>

- Very simple
- Shows how to create your own project
- Uses multiple languages

<http://petsc.cs.iit.edu/petsc/GUCAS09TutorialCode>

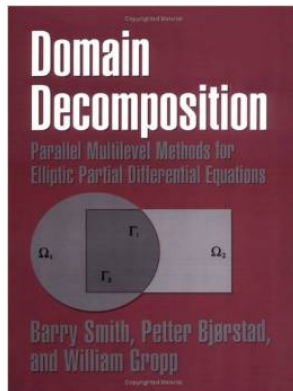
- Fairly complex
- Shows how to use most PETSc features
- Uses C and C++

How did PETSc Originate?

PETSc was developed as a Platform for Experimentation

We want to experiment with different

- Models
- Discretizations
- Solvers
- Algorithms
 - which blur these boundaries



The Role of PETSc

Developing parallel, nontrivial PDE solvers that deliver high performance is still difficult and requires months (or even years) of concentrated effort.

*PETSc is a toolkit that can ease these difficulties and reduce the development time, but it is not a black-box PDE solver, nor a **silver bullet**.*

— Barry Smith

Advice from Bill Gropp

You want to think about how you decompose your data structures, how you think about them globally. [...] If you were building a house, you'd start with a set of blueprints that give you a picture of what the whole house looks like. You wouldn't start with a bunch of tiles and say, "Well I'll put this tile down on the ground, and then I'll find a tile to go next to it." But all too many people try to build their parallel programs by creating the smallest possible tiles and then trying to have the structure of their code emerge from the chaos of all these little pieces. You have to have an organizing principle if you're going to survive making your code parallel.

(<http://www.rce-cast.com/Podcast/rce-28-mpich2.html>)

What is PETSc?

A freely available and supported research code for the parallel solution of nonlinear algebraic equations

Free

- Download from <http://www.mcs.anl.gov/petsc>
- Free for everyone, including industrial users

Supported

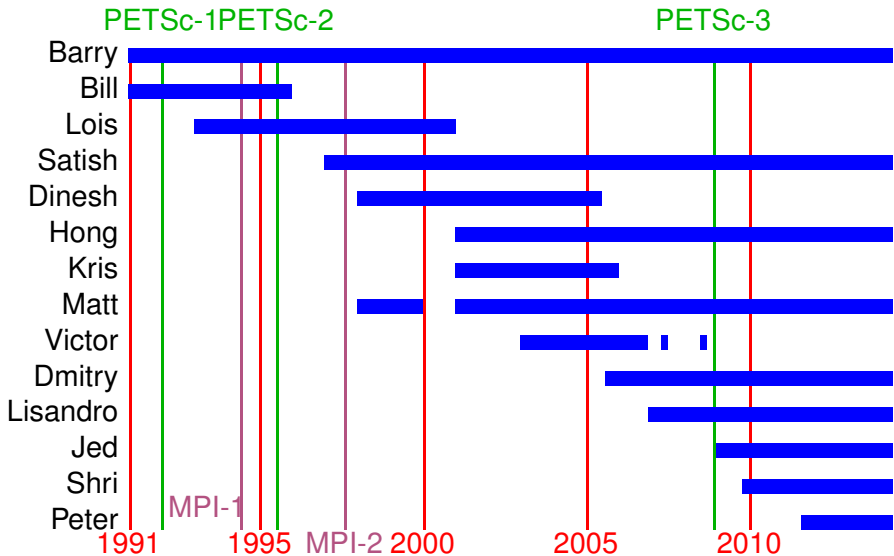
- Hyperlinked manual, examples, and manual pages for all routines
- Hundreds of tutorial-style examples
- Support via email: petsc-maint@mcs.anl.gov

Usable from C, C++, Fortran 77/90, Matlab, Julia, and Python

What is PETSc?

- Portable to any parallel system supporting MPI, including:
 - Tightly coupled systems
 - Cray XT6, BG/Q, NVIDIA Fermi, K Computer
 - Loosely coupled systems, such as networks of workstations
 - IBM, Mac, iPad/iPhone, PCs running Linux or Windows
- PETSc History
 - Begun September 1991
 - Over 60,000 downloads since 1995 (version 2)
 - Currently 400 per month
- PETSc Funding and Support
 - Department of Energy
 - SciDAC, MICS Program, AMR Program, INL Reactor Program
 - National Science Foundation
 - CIG, CISE, Multidisciplinary Challenge Program

Timeline



What Can We Handle?

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 - UNIC on BG/P and XT5
 - PFLOTRAN for flow in porous media
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Who Uses PETSc?

Computational Scientists

- Earth Science
 - PyLith (CIG)
 - Underworld (Monash)
 - Magma Dynamics (LDEO, Columbia, Oxford)
- Subsurface Flow and Porous Media
 - STOMP (DOE)
 - PFLOTRAN (DOE)

Who Uses PETSc?

Computational Scientists

- CFD
 - Firedrake
 - Fluidity
 - OpenFOAM
 - freeCFD
 - OpenFVM
- MicroMagnetics
 - MagPar
- Fusion
 - XGC
 - BOUT++
 - NIMROD

Who Uses PETSc?

Algorithm Developers

- Iterative methods
 - Deflated GMRES
 - LGMRES
 - QCG
 - SpecEst
- Preconditioning researchers
 - Prometheus (Adams)
 - ParPre (Eijkhout)
 - FETI-DP (Klawonn and Rheinbach)

Who Uses PETSc?

Algorithm Developers

- Finite Elements

- libMesh
- MOOSE
- PETSc-FEM
- Deal II
- OOFEM

- Other Solvers

- Fast Multipole Method (PetFMM)
- Radial Basis Function Interpolation (PetRBF)
- Eigensolvers (SLEPc)
- Optimization (TAO)

The PETSc Team



Bill Gropp



Barry Smith



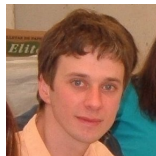
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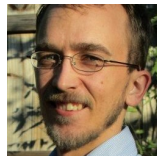
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Downloading PETSc

- The latest tarball is on the PETSc site:
<http://www.mcs.anl.gov/petsc/download>
- There is a **Debian package** (`aptitude install petsc-dev`)
- There is a **Git development repository**

Cloning PETSc

- The full development repository is open to the public
 - <https://bitbucket.org/petsc/petsc/>
- Why is this better?
 - You can clone to any release (or any specific ChangeSet)
 - You can easily rollback changes (or releases)
 - You can get fixes from us the same day
- All releases are just tags:
 - [Source at tag v3.4.4](#)

Unpacking PETSc

- Just clone development repository

- `git clone http://bitbucket.org/petsc/petsc.git`
- `git clone -rv3.4.4 petsc petsc-3.4.4`

or

- Unpack the tarball

- `tar xzf petsc.tar.gz`

Exercise 1

Download and Unpack PETSc!

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Configuring PETSc

- Set `$PETSC_DIR` to the installation root directory
- Run the configuration utility
 - `$PETSC_DIR/configure`
 - `$PETSC_DIR/configure -help`
 - `$PETSC_DIR/configure -download-mpich`
 - `$PETSC_DIR/configure -prefix=/usr`
- There are many examples on the installation page
- Configuration files are in `$PETSC_DIR/$PETSC_ARCH/conf`
 - Configure header is in `$PETSC_DIR/$PETSC_ARCH/include`
 - `$PETSC_ARCH` has a default if not specified

Configuring PETSc

- You can easily reconfigure with the same options
 - `./$PETSC_ARCH/conf/reconfigure-$PETSC_ARCH.py`
- Can maintain several different configurations
 - `./configure -PETSC_ARCH=linux-fast`
`-with-debugging=0`
- All configuration information is in the logfile
 - `./$PETSC_ARCH/conf/configure.log`
 - **ALWAYS** send this file with bug reports

Configuring PETSc for Unstructured Meshes

- `-with-clanguage=cxx`
- `-with-shared-libraries -with-dynamic-loading`
- `-download-f-blas-lapack -download-mpich`
- `-download-boost -download-fiat`
`-download-generator`
- `-download-triangle -download-tetgen`
- `-download-chaco -download-parmetis`
`-download-zoltan`
- `-with-sieve`

Automatic Downloads

- Starting in 2.2.1, some packages are automatically
 - Downloaded
 - Configured and Built (in `$PETSC_DIR/externalpackages`)
 - Installed with PETSc
- Currently works for
 - `petsc4py`
 - PETSc documentation utilities (Sowing, lgrind, c2html)
 - BLAS, LAPACK, BLACS, ScaLAPACK, PLAPACK
 - MPICH, MPE, OpenMPI
 - ParMetis, Chaco, Jostle, Party, Scotch, Zoltan
 - MUMPS, Spooles, SuperLU, SuperLU_Dist, UMFPack, pARMS
 - BLOPEX, FFTW, SPRNG
 - Prometheus, HYPRE, ML, SPAI
 - Sundials
 - Triangle, TetGen
 - FIAT, FFC, Generator
 - Boost

Exercise 2

Configure your downloaded PETSc.

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Building PETSc

- There is now One True Way to build PETSc:
 - `make`
 - `make install` if you configured with `--prefix`
 - Check build when done with `make test`
- Can build multiple configurations
 - `PETSC_ARCH=linux-fast make`
 - Libraries are in `$PETSC_DIR/$PETSC_ARCH/lib/`
- Complete log for each build is in logfile
 - `./$PETSC_ARCH/conf/make.log`
 - ALWAYS send this with bug reports

Exercise 3

Build your configured PETSc.

Exercise 4

Reconfigure PETSc to use ParMetis.

- 1 `linux-c-debug/conf/reconfigure-linux-c-debug.py`
 - `-PETSC_ARCH=linux-parmetis`
 - `-download-metis -download-parmetis`
- 2 `PETSC_ARCH=linux-parmetis make`
- 3 `PETSC_ARCH=linux-parmetis make test`

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Running PETSc

- Try running PETSc examples first
 - `cd $PETSC_DIR/src/snes/examples/tutorials`
- Build examples using make targets
 - `make ex5`
- Run examples using the make target
 - `make runex5`
- Can also run using MPI directly
 - `mpirun ./ex5 -snes_max_it 5`
 - `mpiexec ./ex5 -snes_monitor`

Using MPI

- The **M**essage **P**assing **I**nterface is:
 - a library for parallel communication
 - a system for launching parallel jobs (mpirun/mpiexec)
 - a community standard
- Launching jobs is easy
 - `mpiexec -n 4 ./ex5`
- You should never have to make MPI calls when using PETSc
 - Almost never

MPI Concepts

- Communicator
 - A context (or scope) for parallel communication (“Who can I talk to”)
 - There are two defaults:
 - yourself (PETSC_COMM_SELF),
 - and everyone launched (PETSC_COMM_WORLD)
 - Can create new communicators by splitting existing ones
 - Every PETSc object has a communicator
 - Set PETSC_COMM_WORLD to put all of PETSc in a subcomm
- Point-to-point communication
 - Happens between two processes (like in `MatMult()`)
- Reduction or scan operations
 - Happens among all processes (like in `VecDot()`)

Alternative Memory Models

- Single process (address space) model
 - OpenMP and threads in general
 - Fortran 90/95 and compiler-discovered parallelism
 - System manages memory and (usually) thread scheduling
 - Named variables refer to the same storage
- Single name space model
 - HPF, UPC
 - Global Arrays
 - Titanium
 - Variables refer to the coherent values (distribution is automatic)
- Distributed memory (shared nothing)
 - Message passing
 - Names variables in different processes are unrelated

Common Viewing Options

- Gives a text representation
 - `-vec_view`
- Generally views subobjects too
 - `-snes_view`
- Can visualize some objects
 - `-mat_view draw::`
- Alternative formats
 - `-vec_view binary:sol.bin:, -vec_view ::matlab,`
`-vec_view socket`
- Sometimes provides extra information
 - `-mat_view ::ascii_info, -mat_view`
`::ascii_info_detailed`
- Use `-help` to see all options

Common Monitoring Options

- Display the residual
 - `-ksp_monitor`, graphically `-ksp_monitor_draw`
- Can disable dynamically
 - `-ksp_monitors_cancel`
- Does not display subsolvers
 - `-snes_monitor`
- Can use the true residual
 - `-ksp_monitor_true_residual`
- Can display different subobjects
 - `-snes_monitor_residual`, `-snes_monitor_solution`,
`-snes_monitor_solution_update`
 - `-snes_monitor_range`
 - `-ksp_gmres_krylov_monitor`
- Can display the spectrum
 - `-ksp_monitor_singular_value`

Exercise 5

Run SNES Example 5 using some custom options.

- 1 `cd $PETSC_DIR/src/snes/examples/tutorials`
- 2 `make ex5`
- 3 `mpiexec ./ex5 -snes_monitor -snes_view`
- 4 `mpiexec ./ex5 -snes_type tr -snes_monitor
-snes_view`
- 5 `mpiexec ./ex5 -ksp_monitor -snes_monitor
-snes_view`
- 6 `mpiexec ./ex5 -pc_type jacobi -ksp_monitor
-snes_monitor -snes_view`
- 7 `mpiexec ./ex5 -ksp_type bicg -ksp_monitor
-snes_monitor -snes_view`

Exercise 6

Create a new code based upon SNES Example 5.

1 Create a new directory

- `mkdir -p /home/knepley/proj/newsim/src`

2 Copy the source

- `cp ex5.c /home/knepley/proj/newsim/src`
- **Add `myStuff.c` and `myStuff2.F`**

3 Create a PETSc makefile

- `bin/ex5: src/ex5.o src/myStuff.o src/myStuff2.o`
- `${CLINKER} -o $@ $^ ${PETSC_SNES_LIB}`
- `include ${PETSC_DIR}/conf/variables`
- `include ${PETSC_DIR}/conf/rules`

To get the project ready-made

```
hg clone http://petsc.cs.iit.edu/petsc/tutorials/SimpleTutorial newsim
```

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Getting More Help

- <http://www.mcs.anl.gov/petsc>
- Hyperlinked documentation
 - Manual
 - Manual pages for every method
 - HTML of all example code (linked to manual pages)
- FAQ
- Full support at petsc-maint@mcs.anl.gov
- High profile users
 - David Keyes
 - Marc Spiegelman
 - Richard Katz
 - Brad Aagaard
 - Aron Ahmadi

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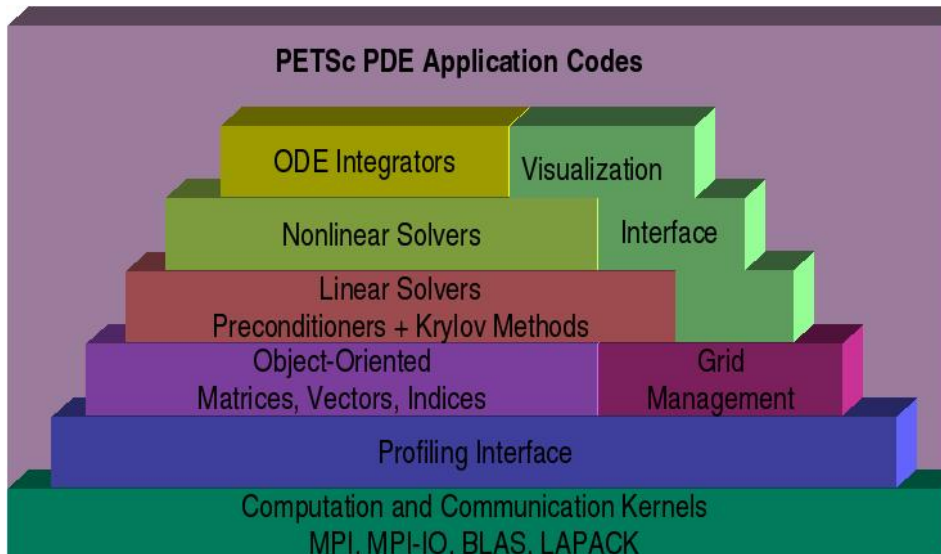
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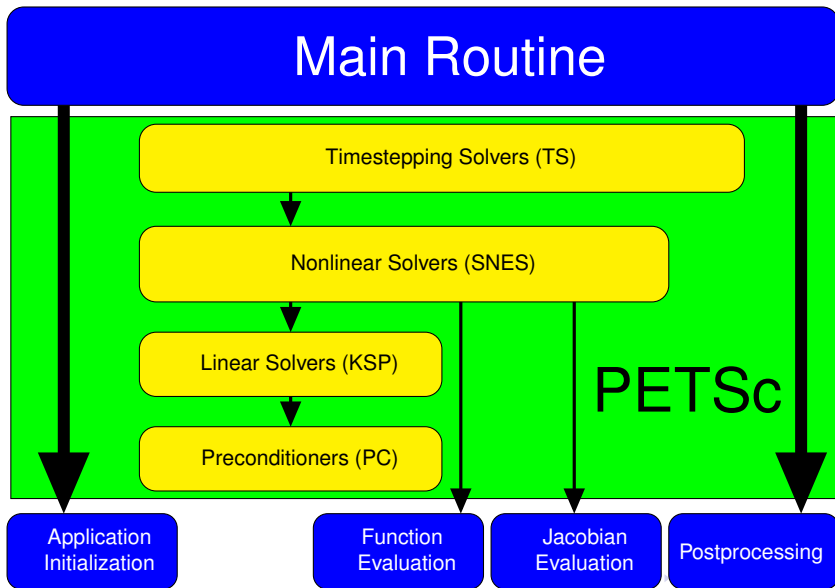
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PETSc Structure



Flow Control for a PETSc Application



Levels of Abstraction

In Mathematical Software

- Application-specific interface
 - Programmer manipulates objects associated with the application
- High-level mathematics interface
 - Programmer manipulates mathematical objects
 - Weak forms, boundary conditions, meshes
- Algorithmic and discrete mathematics interface
 - Programmer manipulates mathematical objects
 - Sparse matrices, nonlinear equations
 - Programmer manipulates algorithmic objects
 - Solvers
- Low-level computational kernels
 - BLAS-type operations, FFT

Object-Oriented Design

- Design based on **operations** you perform,
 - rather than the data in the object
- Example: A vector is
 - **not** a 1d array of numbers
 - **an object** allowing addition and scalar multiplication
- The efficient use of the computer is an added difficulty
 - which often leads to code generation

The PETSc Programming Model

- Goals

- Portable, runs everywhere
- High performance
- Scalable parallelism

- Approach

- Distributed memory (“shared-nothing”)
- No special compiler
- Access to data on remote machines through MPI
- Hide within objects the details of the communication
- User orchestrates communication at a higher abstract level

Symmetry Principle

Interfaces to mutable data must be symmetric.

- Creation and query interfaces are paired
 - “No get without a set”
- Fairness
 - “If you can do it, your users will want to do it”
- Openness
 - “If you can do it, your users will want to undo it”

Empiricism Principle

Interfaces must allow easy testing and comparison.

- Swapping different implementations
 - “You will not be smart enough to pick the solver”
- Commonly violated in FE code
 - Elements are hard coded
- Also avoid assuming structure outside of the interface
 - Making continuous fields have discrete structure
 - Temptation to put metadata in a different places

Experimentation is Essential!

Proof is not currently enough to examine solvers

- N. M. Nachtigal, S. C. Reddy, and L. N. Trefethen, *How fast are nonsymmetric matrix iterations?*, SIAM J. Matrix Anal. Appl., **13**, pp.778–795, 1992.
- Anne Greenbaum, Vlastimil Ptak, and Zdenek Strakos, *Any Nonincreasing Convergence Curve is Possible for GMRES*, SIAM J. Matrix Anal. Appl., **17** (3), pp.465–469, 1996.

Collectivity

- MPI communicators (`MPI_Comm`) specify collectivity
 - Processes involved in a computation
- Constructors are collective over a communicator
 - `VecCreate(MPI_Comm comm, Vec *x)`
 - Use `PETSC_COMM_WORLD` for all processes and `PETSC_COMM_SELF` for one
- Some operations are collective, while others are not
 - collective: `VecNorm()`
 - not collective: `VecGetLocalSize()`
- Sequences of collective calls must be in the same order on each process

What is not in PETSc?

- ~~Unstructured mesh generation and manipulation~~
 - In 3.2, we have `DMMesh` objects
- Discretizations
 - In 3.2, we have an interface to **FIAT**
 - **DealII**
- Higher level representations of PDEs
 - **FEniCS (FFC/Syfi)** and **Sundance**
- Load balancing
 - Interface to **Zoltan**
- Sophisticated visualization capabilities
 - Interface to **MayaVi2** and **Paraview** through VTK
- Eigenvalues
 - **SLEPc** and **BLOPEX**
- Optimization and sensitivity
 - **TAO**

Basic PETSc Object Usage

Every object in PETSc supports a basic interface

Function	Operation
<code>Create ()</code>	create the object
<code>Get/SetName ()</code>	name the object
<code>Get/SetType ()</code>	set the implementation type
<code>Get/SetOptionsPrefix ()</code>	set the prefix for all options
<code>SetFromOptions ()</code>	customize from the command line
<code>SetUp ()</code>	perform other initialization
<code>View ()</code>	view the object
<code>Destroy ()</code>	cleanup object allocation

Also, all objects support the `-help` option.

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Correctness Debugging

- Automatic generation of tracebacks
- Detecting memory corruption and leaks
- Optional user-defined error handlers

Interacting with the Debugger

- Launch the debugger
 - `-start_in_debugger [gdb,dbx,noxterm]`
 - `-on_error_attach_debugger [gdb,dbx,noxterm]`
- Attach the debugger only to some parallel processes
 - `-debugger_nodes 0,1`
- Set the display (often necessary on a cluster)
 - `-display khan.mcs.anl.gov:0.0`

Debugging Tips

- Put a breakpoint in `PetscError()` to catch errors as they occur
- PETSc tracks memory overwrites at both ends of arrays
 - The `CHKMEMQ` macro causes a check of all allocated memory
 - Track memory overwrites by bracketing them with `CHKMEMQ`
- PETSc checks for leaked memory
 - Use `PetscMalloc()` and `PetscFree()` for all allocation
 - Print unfreed memory on `PetscFinalize()` with `-malloc_dump`
- Simply the best tool today is **valgrind**
 - It checks memory access, cache performance, memory usage, etc.
 - <http://www.valgrind.org>
 - Need `-trace-children=yes` when running under MPI

Exercise 7

Use the debugger to find a SEGV Locate a memory overwrite using CHKMEMQ.

- Get the example
 - `hg clone -r1`
`http://petsc.cs.iit.edu/petsc/SimpleTutorial`
- Build the example `make`
- Run it and watch the fireworks
 - `mpiexec -n 2 ./bin/ex5 -use_coords`
- Run it under the debugger and correct the error
 - `mpiexec -n 2 ./bin/ex5 -use_coords`
`-start_in_debugger -display :0.0`
 - `hg update -r2`
- Build it and run again smoothly

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Performance Debugging

- PETSc has integrated profiling
 - Option `-log_summary` prints a report on `PetscFinalize()`
- PETSc allows user-defined events
 - Events report time, calls, flops, communication, etc.
 - Memory usage is tracked by object
- Profiling is separated into stages
 - Event statistics are aggregated by stage

Using Stages and Events

- Use `PetscLogStageRegister()` to create a new stage
 - Stages are identifier by an integer handle
- Use `PetscLogStagePush/Pop()` to manage stages
 - Stages may be nested, but will not aggregate in a nested fashion
- Use `PetscLogEventRegister()` to create a new stage
 - Events also have an associated class
- Use `PetscLogEventBegin/End()` to manage events
 - Events may also be nested and will aggregate in a nested fashion
 - Can use `PetscLogFlops()` to log user flops

Adding A Logging Stage

C

```
int stageNum;  
  
PetscLogStageRegister(&stageNum, "name");  
PetscLogStagePush(stageNum);  
  
/* Code to Monitor */  
  
PetscLogStagePop();
```

Adding A Logging Stage

Python

```
with PETSc.LogStage('Fluid Stage') as fluidStage:  
    # All operations will be aggregated in fluidStage  
    fluid.solve()
```

Adding A Logging Event

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```
static int USER_EVENT;

PetscLogEventRegister(&USER_EVENT, "name", CLS_ID);
PetscLogEventBegin(USER_EVENT,0,0,0,0);

/* Code to Monitor */

PetscLogFlops(user_event_flops);
PetscLogEventEnd(USER_EVENT,0,0,0,0);
```

Adding A Logging Event

Python

```
with PETSc.logEvent('Reconstruction') as recEvent:  
    # All operations are timed in recEvent  
    reconstruct(sol)  
    # Flops are logged to recEvent  
    PETSc.Log.logFlops(user_event_flops)
```

Adding A Logging Class

```
static int CLASS_ID;
```

```
PetscLogClassRegister(&CLASS_ID, "name");
```

- Class ID identifies a class uniquely
- Must initialize before creating any objects of this type

Matrix Memory Preallocation

- PETSc sparse matrices are dynamic data structures
 - can add additional nonzeros freely
- Dynamically adding many nonzeros
 - requires additional memory allocations
 - requires copies
 - can kill performance
- Memory preallocation provides
 - the freedom of dynamic data structures
 - good performance
- Easiest solution is to replicate the assembly code
 - Remove computation, but preserve the indexing code
 - Store set of columns for each row
- Call preallocation routines for all datatypes
 - `MatSeqAIJSetPreallocation()`
 - `MatMPIAIJSetPreallocation()`
 - Only the relevant data will be used

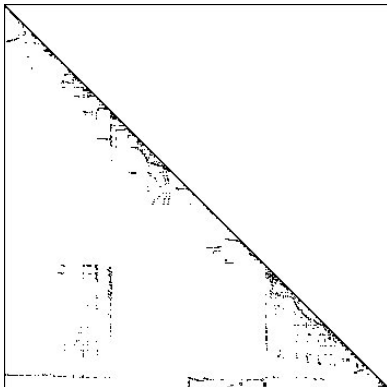
Matrix Memory Preallocation

Sequential Sparse Matrices

```
MatSeqAIJPreallocation(Mat A, int nz, int nnz[])
```

nz: expected number of nonzeros in any row

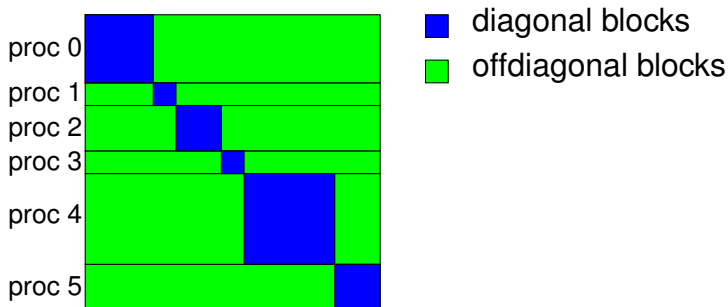
nnz(i): expected number of nonzeros in row *i*



Matrix Memory Preallocation

ParallelSparseMatrix

- Each process locally owns a submatrix of contiguous global rows
- Each submatrix consists of diagonal and off-diagonal parts



- `MatGetOwnershipRange(Mat A, int *start, int *end)`
`start`: first locally owned row of global matrix
`end-1`: last locally owned row of global matrix

Matrix Memory Preallocation

Parallel Sparse Matrices

```
MatMPIAIJPreallocation(Mat A, int dnz, int dnnz[],  
int onz, int onnz[])
```

dnz: expected number of nonzeros in any row in the diagonal block

dnnz(i): expected number of nonzeros in row *i* in the diagonal block

onz: expected number of nonzeros in any row in the offdiagonal portion

onnz(i): expected number of nonzeros in row *i* in the offdiagonal portion

Matrix Memory Preallocation

Verifying Preallocation

- Use runtime option `-info`

- Output:

```
[proc #] Matrix size:  %d X %d; storage space:  
%d unneeded, %d used
```

```
[proc #] Number of mallocs during MatSetValues( )  
is %d
```

```
[merlin] mpirun ex2 -log_info  
[0]MatAssemblyEnd_SeqAIJ:Matrix size: 56 X 56; storage space:  
[0] 310 unneeded, 250 used  
[0]MatAssemblyEnd_SeqAIJ:Number of mallocs during MatSetValues() is 0  
[0]MatAssemblyEnd_SeqAIJ:Most nonzeros in any row is 5  
[0]Mat_AIJ_CheckInode: Found 56 nodes out of 56 rows. Not using Inode routine  
[0]Mat_AIJ_CheckInode: Found 56 nodes out of 56 rows. Not using Inode routine  
Norm of error 0.000156044 iterations 6  
[0]PetscFinalize:PETSc successfully ended!
```

Exercise 8

Return to Exercise 7 and add more profiling.

- Update to the next revision
 - `hg update -r3`
- Build, run, and look at the profiling report
 - `make ex5`
 - `./bin/ex5 -use_coords -log_summary`
- Add a new stage for setup
- Add a new event for `FormInitialGuess()` and log the flops
- Build it again and look at the profiling report

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- Profiling PETSc
- **Serial Performance**
- Modeling Code

STREAM Benchmark

Simple benchmark program measuring **sustainable** memory bandwidth

- Prototypical operation is Triad (WAXPY): $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y} + \alpha\mathbf{x}$
- Measures the memory bandwidth bottleneck (much below peak)
- Datasets outstrip cache

Machine	Peak (MF/s)	Triad (MB/s)	MF/MW	Eq. MF/s
Matt's Laptop	1700	1122.4	12.1	93.5 (5.5%)
Intel Core2 Quad	38400	5312.0	57.8	442.7 (1.2%)
Tesla 1060C	984000	102000.0*	77.2	8500.0 (0.8%)

Table: Bandwidth limited machine performance

<http://www.cs.virginia.edu/stream/>

Analysis of Sparse Matvec (SpMV)

Assumptions

- No cache misses
- No waits on memory references

Notation

m Number of matrix rows

nz Number of nonzero matrix elements

V Number of vectors to multiply

We can look at bandwidth needed for peak performance

$$\left(8 + \frac{2}{V}\right) \frac{m}{nz} + \frac{6}{V} \text{ byte/flop} \quad (1)$$

or achievable performance given a bandwidth BW

$$\frac{Vnz}{(8V + 2)m + 6nz} BW \text{ Mflop/s} \quad (2)$$

Towards Realistic Performance Bounds for Implicit CFD Codes, Gropp, Kaushik, Keyes, and Smith.

Improving Serial Performance

For a single matvec with 3D FD Poisson, Matt's laptop can achieve at most

$$\frac{1}{(8 + 2) \frac{1}{7} + 6} \text{ bytes/flop} (1122.4 \text{ MB/s}) = \mathbf{151} \text{ MFlops/s}, \quad (3)$$

which is a dismal **8.8%** of peak.

Can improve performance by

- Blocking
- Multiple vectors

but operation issue limitations take over.

Improving Serial Performance

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which is a dismal 8.8% of peak.

Better approaches:

- Unassembled operator application (Spectral elements, FMM)
 - N data, N^2 computation
- Nonlinear evaluation (Picard, FAS, Exact Polynomial Solvers)
 - N data, N^k computation

Performance Tradeoffs

We must balance storage, bandwidth, and cycles

- Assembled Operator Action
 - Trades cycles and storage for bandwidth in application
- Unassembled Operator Action
 - Trades bandwidth and storage for cycles in application
 - For high orders, storage is impossible
 - Can make use of FERari decomposition to save calculation
 - Could store element matrices to save cycles
- Partial assembly gives even finer control over tradeoffs
 - Also allows introduction of parallel costs (load balance, . . .)

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Importance of Computational Modeling

Without a model,
performance measurements are meaningless!

Before a code is written, we should have a model of

- computation
- memory usage
- communication
- bandwidth
- achievable concurrency

This allows us to

- **verify** the implementation
- **predict** scaling behavior

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Application Integration

- Be willing to experiment with algorithms
 - No optimality without interplay between physics and algorithmics
- Adopt flexible, extensible programming
 - Algorithms and data structures not hardwired
- Be willing to play with the real code
 - Toy models are rarely helpful
- If possible, profile before integration
 - Automatic in PETSc

PETSc Integration

PETSc is a set a library interfaces

- We do not seize `main()`
- We do not control output
- We propagate errors from underlying packages
- We present the same interfaces in:
 - C
 - C++
 - F77
 - F90
 - Python

See Gropp in [SIAM, OO Methods for Interop SciEng, '99](#)

Integration Stages

- **Version Control**
 - It is impossible to overemphasize
 - We use **Git**
- **Initialization**
 - Linking to PETSc
- **Profiling**
 - Profile **before** changing
 - Also incorporate command line processing
- **Linear Algebra**
 - First PETSc data structures
- **Solvers**
 - Very easy after linear algebra is integrated

Initialization

- Call `PetscInitialize()`
 - Setup static data and services
 - Setup MPI if it is not already
- Call `PetscFinalize()`
 - Calculates logging summary
 - Shutdown and release resources
- Checks compile and link

Profiling

- Use `-log_summary` for a performance profile
 - Event timing
 - Event flops
 - Memory usage
 - MPI messages
- Call `PetscLogStagePush()` and `PetscLogStagePop()`
 - User can add new stages
- Call `PetscLogEventBegin()` and `PetscLogEventEnd()`
 - User can add new events

Command Line Processing

- Check for an option
 - `PetscOptionsHasName()`
- Retrieve a value
 - `PetscOptionsGetInt()`, `PetscOptionsGetIntArray()`
- Set a value
 - `PetscOptionsSetValue()`
- Check for unused options
 - `-options_left`
- Clear, alias, reject, etc.
- Modern form uses
 - `PetscOptionsBegin()`, `PetscOptionsEnd()`
 - `PetscOptionsInt()`, `PetscOptionsReal()`
 - Integrates with `-help`

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Vector Algebra

What are PETSc vectors?

- Fundamental objects representing
 - solutions
 - right-hand sides
 - coefficients
- Each process locally owns a subvector of contiguous global data

Vector Algebra

How do I create vectors?

- `VecCreate(MPI_Comm, Vec*)`
- `VecSetSizes(Vec, PetscIntn, PetscInt N)`
- `VecSetType(Vec, VecType typeName)`
- `VecSetFromOptions(Vec)`
 - Can set the type at runtime

Vector Algebra

A PETSc Vec

- Supports all vector space operations
 - `VecDot()`, `VecNorm()`, `VecScale()`
- Has a direct interface to the values
 - `VecGetArray()`, `VecGetArrayF90()`
- Has unusual operations
 - `VecSqrtAbs()`, `VecStrideGather()`
- Communicates automatically during assembly
- Has customizable communication (**PetscSF**, **VecScatter**)

Parallel Assembly

Vectors and Matrices

- Processes may set an arbitrary entry
 - Must use proper interface
- Entries need not be generated locally
 - Local meaning the process on which they are stored
- PETSc automatically moves data if necessary
 - Happens during the assembly phase

Vector Assembly

- A three step process
 - Each process sets or adds values
 - Begin communication to send values to the correct process
 - Complete the communication

```
VecSetValues(Vec v, PetscInt n, PetscInt rows[],  
            PetscScalar values[], InsertMode mode)
```

- Mode is either `INSERT_VALUES` or `ADD_VALUES`
- Two phases allow overlap of communication and computation
 - `VecAssemblyBegin(Vecv)`
 - `VecAssemblyEnd(Vecv)`

One Way to Set the Elements of a Vector

```
VecGetSize(x, &N);
MPI_Comm_rank(PETSC_COMM_WORLD, &rank);
if (rank == 0) {
    val = 0.0;
    for(i = 0; i < N; ++i) {
        VecSetValues(x, 1, &i, &val, INSERT_VALUES);
        val += 10.0;
    }
}
/* These routines ensure that the data is
   distributed to the other processes */
VecAssemblyBegin(x);
VecAssemblyEnd(x);
```

A Better Way to Set the Elements of a Vector

```
VecGetOwnershipRange(x, &low, &high);
val = low*10.0;
for(i = low; i < high; ++i) {
    VecSetValues(x, 1, &i, &val, INSERT_VALUES);
    val += 10.0;
}
/* No data will be communicated here */
VecAssemblyBegin(x);
VecAssemblyEnd(x);
```

Selected Vector Operations

Function Name	Operation
VecAXPY(Vec y, PetscScalar a, Vec x)	$y = y + a * x$
VecAYPX(Vec y, PetscScalar a, Vec x)	$y = x + a * y$
VecWAYPX(Vec w, PetscScalar a, Vec x, Vec y)	$w = y + a * x$
VecScale(Vec x, PetscScalar a)	$x = a * x$
VecCopy(Vec y, Vec x)	$y = x$
VecPointwiseMult(Vec w, Vec x, Vec y)	$w_i = x_i * y_i$
VecMax(Vec x, PetscInt *idx, PetscScalar *r)	$r = \max r_i$
VecShift(Vec x, PetscScalar r)	$x_i = x_i + r$
VecAbs(Vec x)	$x_i = x_i $
VecNorm(Vec x, NormType type, PetscReal *r)	$r = x $

Working With Local Vectors

It is sometimes more efficient to directly access local storage of a `Vec`.

- PETSc allows you to access the local storage with
 - `VecGetArray(Vec, double *[])`
- You must return the array to PETSc when you finish
 - `VecRestoreArray(Vec, double *[])`
- Allows PETSc to handle data structure conversions
 - Commonly, these routines are fast and do not involve a copy

VecGetArray in C

```
Vec          v;  
PetscScalar *array;  
PetscInt    n, i;  
  
VecGetArray(v, &array);  
VecGetLocalSize(v, &n);  
PetscSynchronizedPrintf(PETSC_COMM_WORLD,  
    "First element of local array is %f\n", array[0]);  
PetscSynchronizedFlush(PETSC_COMM_WORLD);  
for(i = 0; i < n; ++i) {  
    array[i] += (PetscScalar) rank;  
}  
VecRestoreArray(v, &array);
```

VecGetArray in F77

```
#include "finclude/petsc.h"
```

```
Vec          v;  
PetscScalar  array(1)  
PetscOffset  offset  
PetscInt     n, i  
PetscErrorCode ierr  
  
call VecGetArray(v, array, offset, ierr)  
call VecGetLocalSize(v, n, ierr)  
do i=1,n  
  array(i+offset) = array(i+offset) + rank  
end do  
call VecRestoreArray(v, array, offset, ierr)
```

VecGetArray in F90

```
#include "finclude/petsc.h90"

Vec          v;
PetscScalar  pointer :: array(:)
PetscInt     n, i
PetscErrorCode ierr

call VecGetArrayF90(v, array, ierr)
call VecGetLocalSize(v, n, ierr)
do i=1,n
  array(i) = array(i) + rank
end do
call VecRestoreArrayF90(v, array, ierr)
```

VecGetArray in Python

```
with v as a:  
    for i in range(len(a)):  
        a[i] = 5.0*i
```

DMDAVecGetArray in C

```
DM          da;
Vec         v;
DMDALocalInfo *info;
PetscScalar **array;

DMDAVecGetArray(da, v, &array);
for(j = info->ys; j < info->ys+info->ym; ++j) {
  for(i = info->xs; i < info->xs+info->xm; ++i) {
    u      = x[j][i];
    uxx    = (2.0*u - x[j][i-1] - x[j][i+1])*hydhx;
    uyy    = (2.0*u - x[j-1][i] - x[j+1][i])*hxdhy;
    f[j][i] = uxx + uyy;
  }
}
DMDAVecRestoreArray(da, v, &array);
```

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Matrix Algebra

What are PETSc matrices?

- Fundamental objects for storing stiffness matrices and Jacobians
- Each process locally owns a contiguous set of rows
- Supports many data types
 - AIJ, Block AIJ, Symmetric AIJ, Block Matrix, etc.
- Supports structures for many packages
 - MUMPS, Spooles, SuperLU, UMFPack, DSCPack

How do I create matrices?

- `MatCreate(MPI_Comm, Mat*)`
- `MatSetSizes(Mat, PetscIntm, PetscInt n, M, N)`
- `MatSetType(Mat, MatType typeName)`
- `MatSetFromOptions(Mat)`
 - Can set the type at runtime
- `MatSeqAIJPreallocation(Mat, PetscIntnz, const PetscInt nnz[])`
- `MatXAIJPreallocation(Mat, bs, dnz[], onz[], dnzu[], onzu[])`
- `MatSetValues(Mat, m, rows[], n, cols [], values [], InsertMode)`
 - **MUST** be used, but does automatic communication

Matrix Polymorphism

The PETSc `Mat` has a single user interface,

- Matrix assembly
 - `MatSetValues()`
- Matrix-vector multiplication
 - `MatMult()`
- Matrix viewing
 - `MatView()`

but multiple underlying implementations.

- AIJ, Block AIJ, Symmetric Block AIJ,
- Dense
- Matrix-Free
- etc.

A matrix is defined by its **interface**, not by its **data structure**.

Matrix Assembly

- A three step process
 - Each process sets or adds values
 - Begin communication to send values to the correct process
 - Complete the communication
- `MatSetValues(Matm, m, rows[], n, cols [], values [], mode)`
 - `mode` is either `INSERT_VALUES` or `ADD_VALUES`
 - Logically dense block of values
- Two phase assembly allows overlap of communication and computation
 - `MatAssemblyBegin(Matm, MatAssemblyType type)`
 - `MatAssemblyEnd(Matm, MatAssemblyType type)`
 - `type` is either `MAT_FLUSH_ASSEMBLY` or `MAT_FINAL_ASSEMBLY`

One Way to Set the Elements of a Matrix

Simple 3-point stencil for 1D Laplacian

```
v[0] = -1.0; v[1] = 2.0; v[2] = -1.0;
if (rank == 0) {
  for(row = 0; row < N; row++) {
    cols[0] = row-1; cols[1] = row; cols[2] = row+1;
    if (row == 0) {
      MatSetValues(A,1,&row,2,&cols[1],&v[1],INSERT_VALUES);
    } else if (row == N-1) {
      MatSetValues(A,1,&row,2,cols,v,INSERT_VALUES);
    } else {
      MatSetValues(A,1,&row,3,cols,v,INSERT_VALUES);
    }
  }
}
MatAssemblyBegin(A, MAT_FINAL_ASSEMBLY);
MatAssemblyEnd(A, MAT_FINAL_ASSEMBLY);
```

A Better Way to Set the Elements of a Matrix

Simple 3-point stencil for 1D Laplacian

```
v[0] = -1.0; v[1] = 2.0; v[2] = -1.0;
MatGetOwnershipRange(A,&start,&end);
for(row = start; row < end; row++) {
  cols[0] = row-1; cols[1] = row; cols[2] = row+1;
  if (row == 0) {
    MatSetValues(A,1,&row,2,&cols[1],&v[1],INSERT_VALUES);
  } else if (row == N-1) {
    MatSetValues(A,1,&row,2,cols,v,INSERT_VALUES);
  } else {
    MatSetValues(A,1,&row,3,cols,v,INSERT_VALUES);
  }
}
MatAssemblyBegin(A, MAT_FINAL_ASSEMBLY);
MatAssemblyEnd(A, MAT_FINAL_ASSEMBLY);
```

Why Are PETSc Matrices That Way?

- No one data structure is appropriate for all problems
 - Blocked and diagonal formats provide performance benefits
 - PETSc has many formats
 - Makes it easy to add new data structures
- Assembly is difficult enough without worrying about partitioning
 - PETSc provides parallel assembly routines
 - High performance still requires making most operations local
 - However, programs can be incrementally developed.
 - `MatPartitioning` and `MatOrdering` can help
- Matrix decomposition in contiguous chunks is simple
 - Makes interoperation with other codes easier
 - For other ordering, PETSc provides “Application Orderings” (AO)

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Solver Types

- **Explicit:**
 - Field variables are updated using local neighbor information
- **Semi-implicit:**
 - Some subsets of variables are updated with global solves
 - Others with direct local updates
- **Implicit:**
 - Most or all variables are updated in a single global solve

Linear Solvers

Krylov Methods

- Using PETSc linear algebra, just add:
 - `KSPSetOperators(KSPksp, MatA, MatM, MatStructure flag)`
 - `KSPSolve(KSPksp, Vecb, Vecx)`
- Can access subobjects
 - `KSPGetPC(KSPksp, PC*pc)`
- Preconditioners must obey PETSc interface
 - Basically just the KSP interface
- Can change solver dynamically from the command line
 - `-ksp_type bicgstab`

Nonlinear Solvers

- Using PETSc linear algebra, just add:
 - `SNESSetFunction(SNESsnes, Vecr, residualFunc, void *ctx)`
 - `SNESSetJacobian(SNESsnes, MatA, MatM, jacFunc, void *ctx)`
 - `SNESsolve(SNESsnes, Vecb, Vecx)`
- Can access subobjects
 - `SNESGetKSP(SNESsnes, KSP*ksp)`
- Can customize subobjects from the cmd line
 - Set the subdomain preconditioner to ILU with `-sub_pc_type ilu`

Basic Solver Usage

Use `SNESetFromOptions()` so that everything is set dynamically

- Set the type
 - Use `-snes_type` (or take the default)
- Set the preconditioner
 - Use `-npc_snes_type` (or take the default)
- Override the tolerances
 - Use `-snes_rtol` and `-snes_atol`
- View the solver to make sure you have the one you expect
 - Use `-snes_view`
- For debugging, monitor the residual decrease
 - Use `-snes_monitor`
 - Use `-ksp_monitor` to see the underlying linear solver

3rd Party Solvers in PETSc

Complete table of solvers

1 Sequential LU

- ILUDT (SPARSEKIT2, Yousef Saad, U of MN)
- EUCLID & PILUT (Hypre, David Hysom, LLNL)
- ESSL (IBM)
- SuperLU (Jim Demmel and Sherry Li, LBNL)
- Matlab
- UMFPACK (Tim Davis, U. of Florida)
- LUSOL (MINOS, Michael Saunders, Stanford)

2 Parallel LU

- MUMPS (Patrick Amestoy, IRIT)
- SPOOLES (Cleve Ashcroft, Boeing)
- SuperLU_Dist (Jim Demmel and Sherry Li, LBNL)

3 Parallel Cholesky

- DSCPACK (Padma Raghavan, Penn. State)
- MUMPS (Patrick Amestoy, Toulouse)
- CHOLMOD (Tim Davis, Florida)

4 XYTLlib - parallel direct solver (Paul Fischer and Henry Tufo, ANL)

3rd Party Preconditioners in PETSc

Complete table of solvers

- 1 Parallel ICC
 - BlockSolve95 (Mark Jones and Paul Plassman, ANL)
- 2 Parallel ILU
 - PaStiX (Faverge Mathieu, INRIA)
- 3 Parallel Sparse Approximate Inverse
 - Parasails (Hypre, Edmund Chow, LLNL)
 - SPAI 3.0 (Marcus Grote and Barnard, NYU)
- 4 Sequential Algebraic Multigrid
 - RAMG (John Ruge and Klaus Steuben, GMD)
 - SAMG (Klaus Steuben, GMD)
- 5 Parallel Algebraic Multigrid
 - Prometheus (Mark Adams, PPPL)
 - BoomerAMG (Hypre, LLNL)
 - ML (Trilinos, Ray Tuminaro and Jonathan Hu, SNL)

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Higher Level Abstractions

The PETSc `DA` class is a topology and discretization interface.

- Structured grid interface
 - Fixed simple topology
- Supports stencils, communication, reordering
 - Limited idea of operators
- Nice for simple finite differences

The PETSc `Mesh` class is a topology interface.

- Unstructured grid interface
 - Arbitrary topology and element shape
- Supports partitioning, distribution, and global orders

Higher Level Abstractions

The `PETSc_DM` class is a hierarchy interface.

- Supports multigrid
 - `PCMG` combines it with a multigrid preconditioner
- Abstracts the logic of multilevel methods

The `PetscSection` class is a helper class for data layout.

- Functions over unstructured grids
 - Arbitrary layout of degrees of freedom
- Enables distribution and assembly

3 Ways To Use PETSc

User manages all topology (just use `Vec` and `Mat`)

- All indexing is user managed

PETSc manages single topology (use `DM`)

- `DMDA` manages structured grids using (i, j, k) indexing
- `DMMesh` manages unstructured grids using `PetscSection` for indexing
- Communication is setup automatically
- Use `KSPSetDM()` and `SNESSetDM()` to notify solver

PETSc manages a hierarchy (use `PCMG`)

- Only automated for `DMDA`

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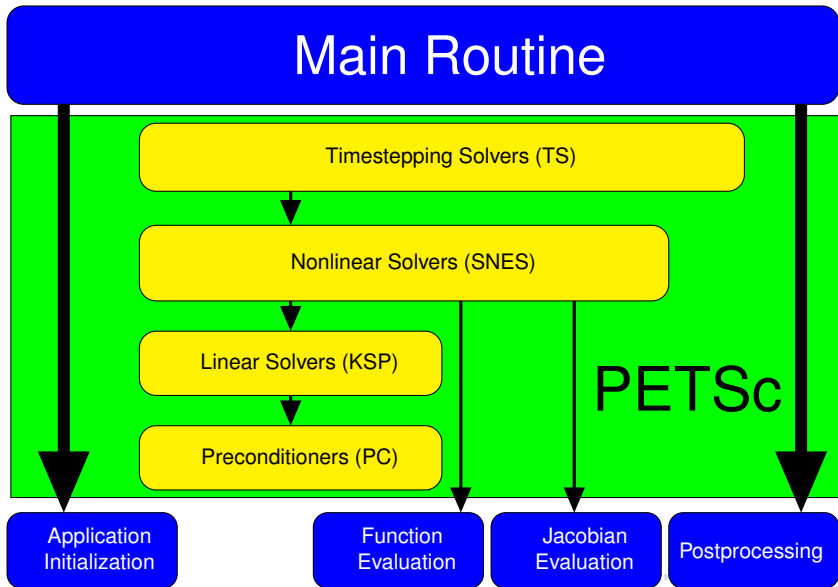
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Flow Control for a PETSc Application



SNES Paradigm

The SNES interface is based upon callback functions

- FormFunction(), set by SNESSetFunction()
- FormJacobian(), set by SNESSetJacobian()

When PETSc needs to evaluate the nonlinear residual $F(x)$,

- Solver calls the **user's** function
- User function gets application state through the `ctx` variable
 - PETSc never sees application data

Topology Abstractions

- DMDA
 - Abstracts Cartesian grids in any dimension
 - Supports stencils, communication, reordering
 - Nice for simple finite differences
- DMMesh
 - Abstracts general topology in any dimension
 - Also supports partitioning, distribution, and global orders
 - Allows arbitrary element shapes and discretizations

Assembly Abstractions

- `DM`
 - Abstracts the logic of multilevel (multiphysics) methods
 - Manages allocation and assembly of local and global structures
 - Interfaces to `PCMG` solver

- `PetscSection`
 - Abstracts functions over a topology
 - Manages allocation and assembly of local and global structures
 - Will merge with `DM` somehow

SNES Function

User provided function calculates the nonlinear residual:

```
PetscErrorCode (*func)(SNES snes, Vec x, Vec r, void *ctx)
```

`x`: The current solution

`r`: The residual

`ctx`: The user context passed to `SNESSetFunction()`

- Use this to pass application information, e.g. physical constants

SNES Jacobian

User provided function calculates the Jacobian:

```
PetscErrorCode (*func)(SNES snes, Vec x, Mat *J, Mat *M, void *ctx)
```

`x`: The current solution

`J`: The Jacobian

`M`: The Jacobian preconditioning matrix (possibly `J` itself)

`ctx`: The user context passed to `SNESSetJacobian()`

- Use this to pass application information, e.g. physical constants

Alternatively, you can use

- matrix-free finite difference approximation, `-snes_mf`
- finite difference approximation with coloring, `-snes_fd`

SNES Variants

- Picard iteration
- Line search/Trust region strategies
- Quasi-Newton
- Nonlinear CG/GMRES
- Nonlinear GS/ASM
- Nonlinear Multigrid (FAS)
- Variational inequality approaches

Finite Difference Jacobians

PETSc can compute and explicitly store a Jacobian via 1st-order FD

- Dense
 - Activated by `-snes_fd`
 - Computed by `SNESDefaultComputeJacobian()`
- Sparse via colorings (default)
 - Coloring is created by `MatFDColoringCreate()`
 - Computed by `SNESDefaultComputeJacobianColor()`

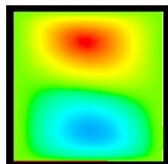
Can also use Matrix-free Newton-Krylov via 1st-order FD

- Activated by `-snes_mf` without preconditioning
- Activated by `-snes_mf_operator` with user-defined preconditioning
 - Uses preconditioning matrix from `SNESSetJacobian()`

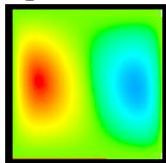
SNES Example

Driven Cavity

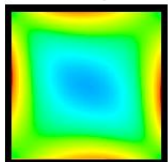
Solution Components



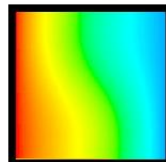
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velocity: v



vorticity:



temperature: T

- Velocity-vorticity formulation
- Flow driven by lid and/or buoyancy
- Logically regular grid
 - Parallelized with `DMDA`
- Finite difference discretization
- Authored by David Keyes

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Driven Cavity Application Context

```
typedef struct {  
    /*———— basic application data ————*/  
    PetscReal lid_velocity;  
    PetscReal prandtl;  
    PetscReal grashof;  
    PetscBool draw_contours;  
} AppCtx;
```

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Driven Cavity Residual Evaluation

```
Residual(SNES snes, Vec X, Vec F, void *ptr) {
  AppCtx      *user = (AppCtx *) ptr;

  /* local starting and ending grid points */
  PetscInt      istart, iend, jstart, jend;
  PetscScalar   *f; /* local vector data */
  PetscReal     grashof = user->grashof;
  PetscReal     prandtl = user->prandtl;
  PetscErrorCode ierr;

  /* Code to communicate nonlocal ghost point data */
  VecGetArray(F, &f);
  /* Code to compute local function components */
  VecRestoreArray(F, &f);
  return 0;
}
```

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Better Driven Cavity Residual Evaluation

```

ResLocal(DMDALocalInfo *info ,
        PetscScalar **x, PetscScalar **f, void *ctx)
{
    for(j = info->ys; j < info->ys+info->ym; ++j) {
        for(i = info->xs; i < info->xs+info->xm; ++i) {
            u      = x[j][i];
            uxx = (2.0*u - x[j][i-1] - x[j][i+1])*hxdhx;
            uyy = (2.0*u - x[j-1][i] - x[j+1][i])*hxdhy;
            f[j][i].u = uxx + uyy - .5*(x[j+1][i].omega-x[j-1][i].omega)*hx;
            f[j][i].v = uxx + uyy + .5*(x[j][i+1].omega-x[j][i-1].omega)*hy;
            f[j][i].omega = uxx + uyy +
                (vxp*(u - x[j][i-1].omega) + vxm*(x[j][i+1].omega - u))*hy +
                (vyp*(u - x[j-1][i].omega) + vym*(x[j+1][i].omega - u))*hx -
                0.5*grashof*(x[j][i+1].temp - x[j][i-1].temp)*hy;
            f[j][i].temp = uxx + uyy + prandtl*
                ((vxp*(u - x[j][i-1].temp) + vxm*(x[j][i+1].temp - u))*hy +
                 (vyp*(u - x[j-1][i].temp) + vym*(x[j+1][i].temp - u))*hx);
        }}
}

```

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4 Advanced PETSc

- SNES

- DA

What is a DMDA?

DMDA is a topology interface on structured grids

- Handles parallel data layout
- Handles local and global indices
 - `DMDAGetGlobalIndices()` and `DMDAGetAO()`
- Provides local and global vectors
 - `DMGetGlobalVector()` and `DMGetLocalVector()`
- Handles ghost values coherence
 - `DMGlobalToLocalBegin/End()` and `DMLocalToGlobalBegin/End()`

Residual Evaluation

The **DM** interface is based upon *local* callback functions

- FormFunctionLocal()
- FormJacobianLocal()

Callbacks are registered using

- SNESSetDM(), TSSetDM()
- DMSNESSetFunctionLocal(), DMTSSetJacobianLocal()

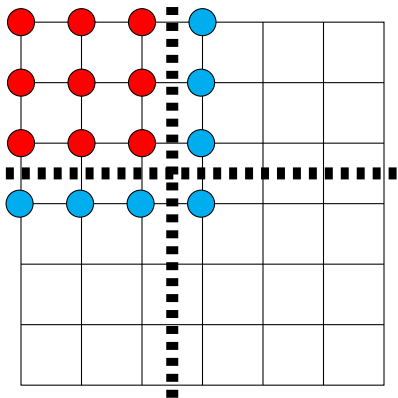
When PETSc needs to evaluate the nonlinear residual **F(x)**,

- Each process evaluates the local residual
- PETSc assembles the global residual automatically
 - Uses DMLocalToGlobal() method

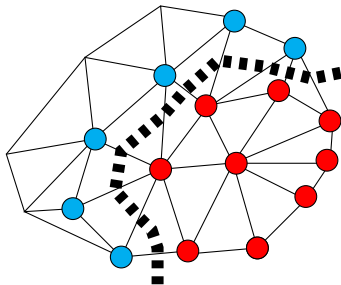
Ghost Values

To evaluate a local function $f(x)$, each process requires

- its local portion of the vector x
- its **ghost values**, bordering portions of x owned by neighboring processes



- Local Node
- Ghost Node



DMDA Global Numberings

Proc 2			Proc 3	
25	26	27	28	29
20	21	22	23	24
15	16	17	18	19
10	11	12	13	14
5	6	7	8	9
0	1	2	3	4
Proc 0			Proc 1	

Natural numbering

Proc 2			Proc 3	
21	22	23	28	29
18	19	20	26	27
15	16	17	24	25
6	7	8	13	14
3	4	5	11	12
0	1	2	9	10
Proc 0			Proc 1	

PETSc numbering

DMDA Global vs. Local Numbering

- **Global:** Each vertex has a unique id belongs on a unique process
- **Local:** Numbering includes vertices from neighboring processes
 - These are called **ghost** vertices

Proc 2			Proc 3	
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X
12	13	14	15	X
8	9	10	11	X
4	5	6	7	X
0	1	2	3	X
Proc 0			Proc 1	

Local numbering

Proc 2			Proc 3	
21	22	23	28	29
18	19	20	26	27
15	16	17	24	25
6	7	8	13	14
3	4	5	11	12
0	1	2	9	10
Proc 0			Proc 1	

Global numbering

DMDA Local Function

User provided function calculates the nonlinear residual (in 2D)

```
(* If)(DMDALocalInfo *info, PetscScalar**x, PetscScalar**r, void *ctx)
```

`info`: All layout and numbering information

`x`: The current solution (a multidimensional array)

`r`: The residual

`ctx`: The user context passed to `DMDASNESSetFunctionLocal()`

The local DMDA function is activated by calling

```
DMDASNESSetFunctionLocal(dm, INSERT_VALUES, lfunc, &ctx)
```

Bratu Residual Evaluation

$$\Delta u + \lambda e^u = 0$$

```

ResLocal(DMDALocalInfo *info, PetscScalar **x, PetscScalar **f, void *ctx)
for(j = info->ys; j < info->ys+info->ym; ++j) {
  for(i = info->xs; i < info->xs+info->xm; ++i) {
    u = x[j][i];
    if (i==0 || j==0 || i == M || j == N) {
      f[j][i] = 2.0*(hydhx+hxddy)*u; continue;
    }
    u_xx    = (2.0*u - x[j][i-1] - x[j][i+1])*hydhx;
    u_yy    = (2.0*u - x[j-1][i] - x[j+1][i])*hxddy;
    f[j][i] = u_xx + u_yy - hx*hy*lambda*exp(u);
  }}

```

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DMDA Local Jacobian

User provided function calculates the Jacobian (in 2D)

```
(* ljac )(DMDALocalInfo *info, PetscScalar**x, Mat J, void *ctx)
```

`info`: All layout and numbering information

`x`: The current solution

`J`: The Jacobian

`ctx`: The user context passed to `DASetLocalJacobian()`

The local DMDA function is activated by calling

```
DMDASNESSetJacobianLocal(dm, ljac, &ctx)
```

Bratu Jacobian Evaluation

```

JacLocal(DMDALocalInfo *info, PetscScalar **x, Mat jac, void *ctx) {
for(j = info->ys; j < info->ys + info->ym; j++) {
  for(i = info->xs; i < info->xs + info->xm; i++) {
    row.j = j; row.i = i;
    if (i == 0 || j == 0 || i == mx-1 || j == my-1) {
      v[0] = 1.0;
      MatSetValuesStencil(jac, 1, &row, 1, &row, v, INSERT_VALUES);
    } else {
      v[0] = -(hx/hy); col[0].j = j-1; col[0].i = i;
      v[1] = -(hy/hx); col[1].j = j; col[1].i = i-1;
      v[2] = 2.0*(hy/hx+hx/hy)
            - hx*hy*lambda*PetscExpScalar(x[j][i]);
      v[3] = -(hy/hx); col[3].j = j; col[3].i = i+1;
      v[4] = -(hx/hy); col[4].j = j+1; col[4].i = i;
      MatSetValuesStencil(jac, 1, &row, 5, col, v, INSERT_VALUES);
    }
  }
}
}
}
}

```

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A DMDA is more than a Mesh

A DMDA contains **topology**, **geometry**, and (sometimes) an implicit Q1 **discretization**.

It is used as a template to create

- Vectors (functions)
- Matrices (linear operators)

DMDA Vectors

- The **DMDA** object contains only layout (topology) information
 - All field data is contained in PETSc **Vecs**
- Global vectors are parallel
 - Each process stores a unique local portion
 - `DMCreateGlobalVector(DM da, Vec *gvec)`
- Local vectors are sequential (and usually temporary)
 - Each process stores its local portion plus ghost values
 - `DMCreateLocalVector(DM da, Vec *lvec)`
 - includes ghost and boundary values!

Updating Ghosts

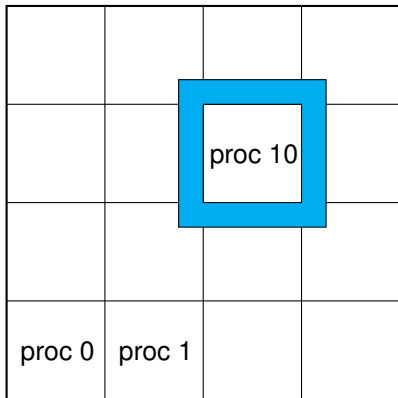
Two-step process enables overlapping computation and communication

- `DMGlobalToLocalBegin(da, gvec, mode, lvec)`
 - `gvec` provides the data
 - `mode` is either `INSERT_VALUES` or `ADD_VALUES`
 - `lvec` holds the local and ghost values
- `DMGlobalToLocalEnd(da, gvec, mode, lvec)`
 - Finishes the communication

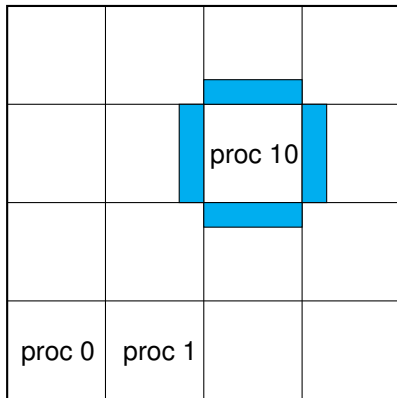
The process can be reversed with `DALocalToGlobalBegin/End()`.

DMDA Stencils

Both the **box** stencil and **star** stencil are available.



Box Stencil



Star Stencil

Setting Values on Regular Grids

PETSc provides

```
MatSetValuesStencil(Mat A, m, MatStencil idxm[], n, MatStencil idxn[],  
                  PetscScalar values[], InsertMode mode)
```

- Each row or column is actually a **MatStencil**
 - This specifies grid coordinates and a component if necessary
 - Can imagine for unstructured grids, they are *vertices*
- The values are the same logically dense block in row/col

Creating a DMDA

`DMDACreate2d(comm, bdX, bdY, type, M, N, m, n, dof, s, lm[], ln[], DMDA *da)`

`bd`: Specifies boundary behavior

- `DM_BOUNDARY_NONE`, `DM_BOUNDARY_GHOSTED`, or `DM_BOUNDARY_PERIODIC`

`type`: Specifies stencil

- `DMDA_STENCIL_BOX` or `DMDA_STENCIL_STAR`

`M/N`: Number of grid points in x/y-direction

`m/n`: Number of processes in x/y-direction

`dof`: Degrees of freedom per node

`s`: The stencil width

`lm/n`: Alternative array of local sizes

- Use `NULL` for the default

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What is Sieve?

Sieve is intended to connect
topology and discretization
with linear algebra.

It introduces new PETSc classes:

- Mesh, `Overlap`
- Section, just a ghosted `Vec`
- Numbering, `GlobalOrder`

Mesh Algorithms for PDE with Sieve I: Mesh Distribution,
Scientific Programming, **17**(3), 215–230, 2009.

Topology management

- Meshes creation, manipulation, visualization
- Boundary extraction
- Cracks and faults
- Arbitrary dimension, shape, embedding
- Geometries are just fields

Numbering and Labeling

- **Labels** are bi-directional maps from mesh pieces to \mathbb{Z}
 - Ex Piece dimension, material type, boundary condition type
 - Can extract slice corresponding to a given value
- **Numberings** map mesh pieces to \mathbb{Z}
 - Guaranteed to be contiguous set of integers
 - Mainly used for output
- **Orderings** map mesh pieces to \mathbb{Z}
 - Mainly used for dof offsets
 - Supports distinction between local and global offsets

Parallelism

- Supports ghosted vectors (called `Sections`)
 - Creates scatter between ghosted and global representations
 - Allows indexing by mesh piece
- Preallocates matrices
 - Uses information in a `GlobalOrder`
- Represents connections between meshes (called `Overlaps`)
 - Can synchronize data on parts using any combination function
 - Scatter construction code is independent of mesh type

- Can define dof for each mesh piece
 - Interfaces with `FieldSplit` preconditioner
 - Can extract subfields as another vector with shared storage
- Can introduce constraints and BC
 - Handles automatic elimination
- Can extract values over an element closure

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