Ice Sheet System model

Ice flow models

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Ice Sheet flow equations

Incompressibility

$$\forall \boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega \qquad \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = \mathrm{Tr}\,(\dot{\epsilon}) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \tag{1}$$

- $\boldsymbol{v} = (u, v, w)$ ice velocity (m/yr)
- $\dot{\epsilon}$ strain rate tensor (yr^{-1})

Incompressible viscous fluid

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}' = 2\mu\dot{\epsilon} \tag{2}$$

- $\boldsymbol{\sigma}'$ deviatoric stress
- μ ice viscosity
- $\dot{\epsilon}$ strain rate tensor

Glen's flow law

$$\mu = \frac{B}{2\,\dot{\varepsilon}_e^{\frac{n-1}{n}}} \tag{3}$$

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- n Glen's law coefficient ($n = 3$)
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Conservation of momentum

$$\forall \boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega \qquad \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}' - \nabla P + \rho \boldsymbol{g} = \boldsymbol{0} \tag{4}$$

Assumptions:

1. Stokes flow (quasi-static assumption)
2. Coriolis effect negligible

Boundary conditions

Ice/Air interface: Free surface	Γ_s	$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = P_{atm}\, \boldsymbol{n} \simeq \boldsymbol{0}$
Ice/Ocean interface: water pressure	Γ_w	$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = P_w\, \boldsymbol{n}$
Ice/Bedrock interface (1): lateral friction	Γ_b	$(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} + \beta \boldsymbol{v})_{\parallel} = \boldsymbol{0}$
Ice/Bedrock interface (2): impenetrability	Γ_b	$\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{n} = \boldsymbol{0}$
Side boundaries: Dirichlet	Γ_u	$\boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{v}_{obs}$

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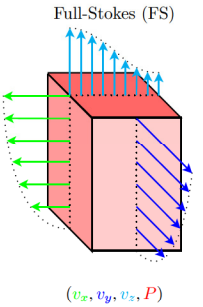
Full-Stokes model:

- Momentum balance + incompressibility
- 3D model
- Four unknowns (v_x, v_y, v_z, p)



Model equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(2\mu\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} + \mu\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} + \mu\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x}\right) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} + \mu\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(2\mu\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} + \mu\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y}\right) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} + \mu\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\mu\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} + \mu\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(2\mu\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z}\right) - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \rho g = 0 \end{cases}$$

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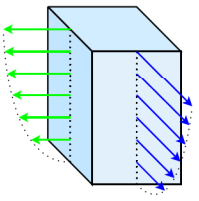
Blatter-Pattyn (BP)

Higher-order model:

- [Blatter, 1995, Pattyn, 2003]
- 3D model
- Horizontal and vertical velocity decoupled
- 2 (v_x, v_y) + 1 (v_z) unknowns



(v_x, v_y)

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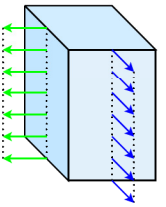
MacAyeal-Morland (SSA)

Shelfy-stream approximation:

- [MacAyeal, 1989]
- 2D model
- Horizontal and vertical velocity decoupled
- 2 (v_x, v_y) + 1 (v_z) unknowns



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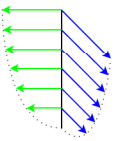
Hutter (SIA)

Shallow ice approximation:

- [Hutter, 1983]
- 3D analytical model
- 2 unknowns (v_x, v_y) computed separately



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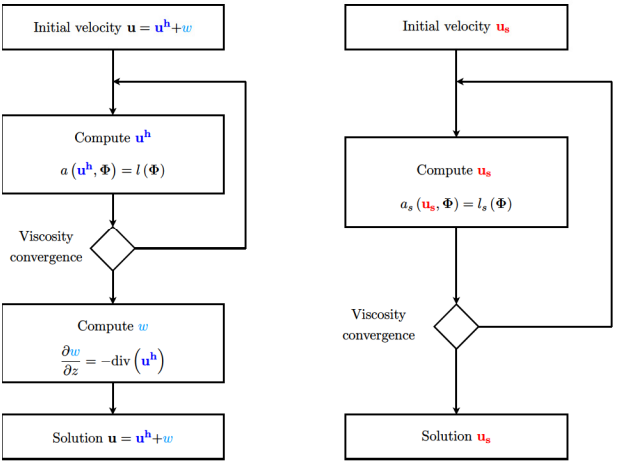

Vertical velocity computed with incompressibility for 2d shelfy-stream and 3d Blatter/Pattyn modes.

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Flow equation

`setflowequation` is used to generate the approximation used to compute the velocity

- Arguments:
  1. model
  2. approximation names
  3. approximation domains
- Domains can be Argus files or array of element flags
- Approximation available
  - stokes (Full-Stokes model)
  - pattyn (Higher-order model)
  - macayeal (Shallow Shelf Approximation)
  - hutter (Shallow Ice Approximation)
- Possibility of coupling models

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- Examples

```
md=setflowequation(md,'hutter','all')
md=setflowequation(md,'stokes','all')
md=setflowequation(md,'macayeal','all')
md=setflowequation(md,'pattyn','all')
```

- To diplay the type of approximation:

```
>> plotmodel(md,'data','elements_type')
```

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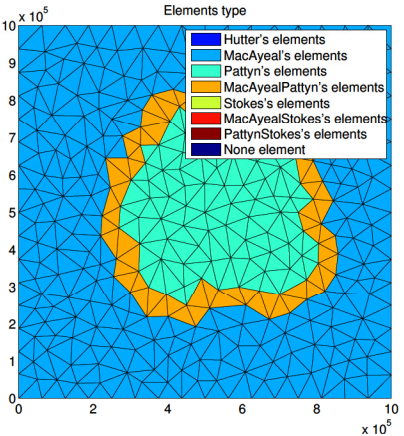

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Flow equation class

```
>> md.flowequation

ans =

   flow equation parameters:
            ismacayealpattyn       : 0    -- is the macayeal or pattyn approximation used ?
            ishutter               : 0    -- is the shallow ice approximation used ?
            isstokes               : 0    -- are the Full-Stokes equations used ?
            vertex_equation        : N/A  -- flow equation for each vertex
            element_equation       : N/A  -- flow equation for each element
            bordermacayeal         : N/A  -- vertices on MacAyeal's border (for tiling)
            borderpattyn           : N/A  -- vertices on Pattyn's border (for tiling)
            borderstokes           : N/A  -- vertices on Stokes' border (for tiling)
```

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Diagnostic class

```
>> md.diagnostic

ans =

   Diagnostic solution parameters:

      Convergence criteria:
         restol                  : 0.0001          -- mechanical equilibrium residue convergence criterion
         reltol                  : 0.01            -- velocity relative convergence criterion, NaN -> not applied
         abstol                  : 10              -- velocity absolute convergence criterion, NaN -> not applied
         maxiter                 : 100             -- maximum number of nonlinear iterations
         viscosity_overshoot     : 0               -- over-shooting constant new=new+C*(new-old)

      boundary conditions:
         spcvx                   : N/A             -- x-axis velocity constraint (NaN means no constraint)
         spcvy                   : N/A             -- y-axis velocity constraint (NaN means no constraint)
         spcvz                   : N/A             -- z-axis velocity constraint (NaN means no constraint)
         icefront                : N/A             -- segments on ice front list (last column 0-> Air, 1-> Water, ...
                  2->Ice

      Rift options:
         rift_penalty_threshold : 0                -- threshold for instability of mechanical constraints
         rift_penalty_lock      : 10               -- number of iterations before rift penalties are locked

      Penalty options:
         penalty_factor          : 3               -- offset used by penalties: penalty = Kmax*10^offset
         vertex_pairing          : N/A             -- pairs of vertices that are penalized

      Other:
         shelf_dampening         : 0               -- use dampening for floating ice ?  Only for Stokes model
         stokesreconditioning    : 10000000000000  -- multiplier for incompressibility equation.  Only for Stokes model
         referential             : N/A             -- local referential
         requested_outputs       : N/A             -- additional outputs requested
```

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Boundary conditions

Boundary conditions created automatically or manually

- Automatically:

```
>> md=SetIceSheetBC(md)
>> md=SetIceShelfBC(md,'Front.exp')
>> md=SetMarineIceSheefBC(md,'Front.exp')
```

- Manually: fields to change
  - `md.diagnostic.spcvx`
  - `md.diagnostic.spcvy`
  - `md.diagnostic.spcvz`
  - `md.diagnostic.icefront`
- To diplay the boundary conditions

```
>> plotmodel(md,'data','BC')
```

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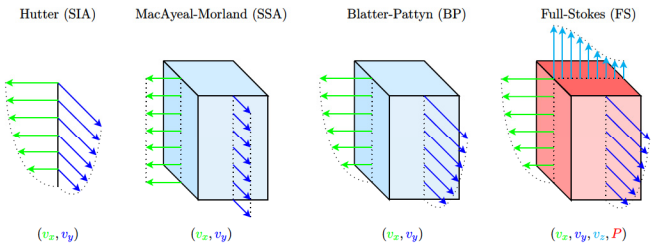
"Everything should be made as simple as possible, but no simpler." Albert Einstein

Model	Dim.	Unknowns	Reference
Full-Stokes (FS)	3d	4	[Stokes, 1845]
Blatter-Pattyn (BP)	3d	2 + 1	[Blatter, 1995, Pattyn, 2003]
Shallow shelf (SSA)	2d	2 + 1	[MacAyeal, 1989]
Shallow ice (SIA)	2d	2 + 1	[Hutter, 1983]



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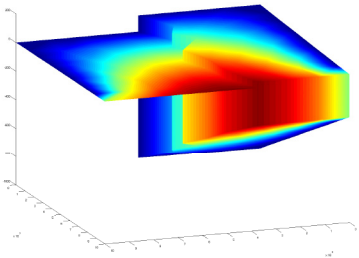
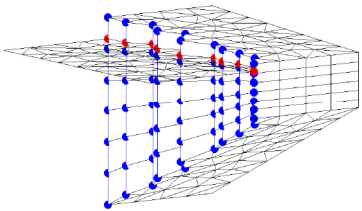
Penalty method

- Only to couple SSA and HO
- Very stiff spring to penalize differences between degrees of freedom





Using penalties to couple models:

```
md=setflowequation(md,'macayeal','FloatingIce.exp','fill','pattyn','coupling','penalties')
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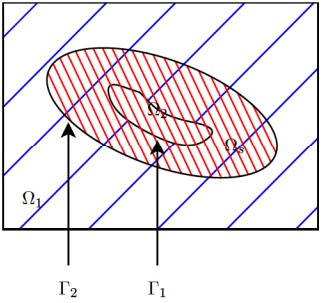
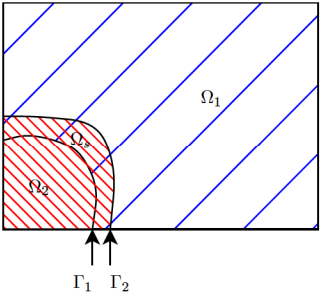
Domain Decomposition

- $\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$
- $\Omega_S = \Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2 \neq \varnothing$
- $\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u_1}_{|\Omega_1} + \boldsymbol{u_2}_{|\Omega_2} \in \tilde{V}(\Omega) = (V_1(\Omega_1) + V_2(\Omega_2))$





$$\text{Find } \boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u_1}_{|\Omega_1} + \boldsymbol{u_2}_{|\Omega_2} \in \tilde{V},$$

$$\forall (\boldsymbol{v_1}, \boldsymbol{v_2}) \in \tilde{V} \qquad a(\boldsymbol{u_1} + \boldsymbol{u_2}, \boldsymbol{v_1} + \boldsymbol{v_2}) = l(\boldsymbol{v_1} + \boldsymbol{v_2})$$

$\rightarrow$ Infinite number of solutions for the continuous problem

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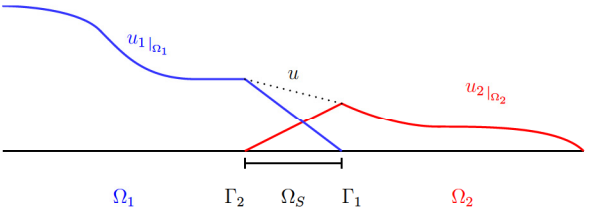
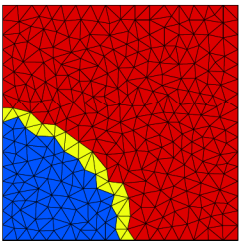
Discretization



We take advantage of the discretization to avoid the redundancy:

→ Create one layer of elements in the superposition zone



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Multi-model formulation

Two different models: a_1, a_2 and l_1, l_2

Find $\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u_1}_{|\Omega_1} + \boldsymbol{u_2}_{|\Omega_2} \in (V_1 + V_2)$, such that:

$$\forall \boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{v_1}_{|\Omega_1} + \boldsymbol{v_2}_{|\Omega_2} \in (V_1 + V_2)$$

$$\underbrace{a_1\left(\boldsymbol{u_1}_{|\Omega_1}, \boldsymbol{v_1}_{|\Omega_1}\right)}_{\text{model 1}} + \underbrace{a_2\left(\boldsymbol{u_2}_{|\Omega_2}, \boldsymbol{v_2}_{|\Omega_2}\right)}_{\text{model 2}} + \underbrace{a_2\left(\boldsymbol{u_1}_{|\Omega_1}, \boldsymbol{v_2}_{|\Omega_2}\right) + a_1\left(\boldsymbol{u_2}_{|\Omega_2}, \boldsymbol{v_1}_{|\Omega_1}\right)}_{\text{model coupling}}$$

$$= \underbrace{l_1\left(\boldsymbol{v_1}_{|\Omega_1}\right)}_{\text{model 1}} + \underbrace{l_2\left(\boldsymbol{v_2}_{|\Omega_2}\right)}_{\text{model 2}}$$

- Coupling different mechanical models
- Easy to implement (local modification of stiffness matrices)

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- Examples

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md=setflowequation(md,'pattyn',md.elementongroundedice,'fill','macayeal','coupling','penalties')
md=setflowequation(md,'pattyn',md.elementongroundedice,'fill','macayeal','coupling','tiling')
md=setflowequation(md,'stokes','Contour.exp','fill','pattyn')
```

- Use `exptool` to create EXP contours

```
>> exptool('Contour.exp')
```

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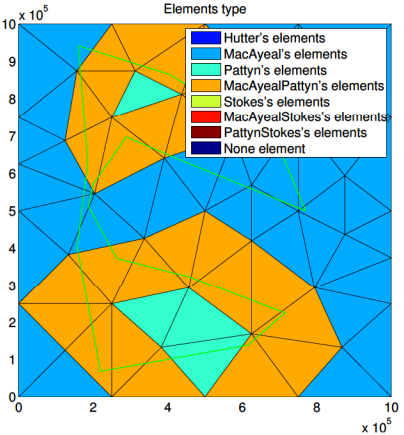
- To diplay the type of approximation:

```
>> ...
        plotmodel(md,'data','elements_type','edgecolor','k','expdisp','Contour.exp
```



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