

# A coupled Electro-Thermo-Mechanical Discontinuous Galerkin method applied on composite materials

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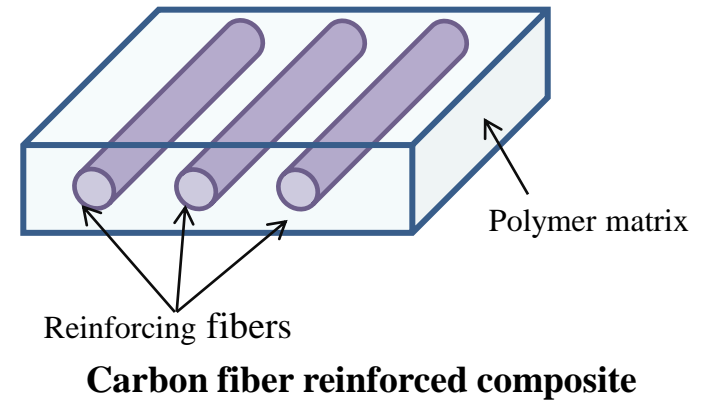
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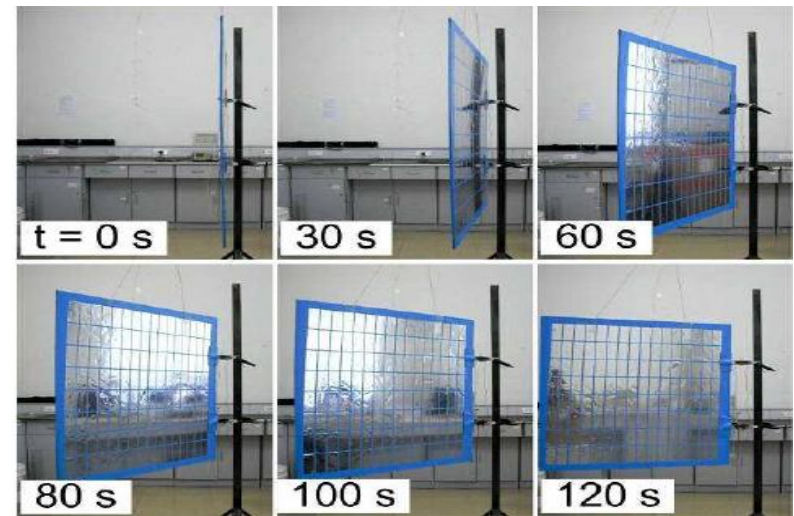
# Introduction

## Carbon fiber polymer composites

- Multifunctional materials
  - Structural capabilities
  - Electrical and thermal functions



**Application:** Activation of fiber reinforced shape memory polymer composites in its application in deployable hinge in space [1].



Shape recovery process of a prototype of solar array actuated by SMPC hinge

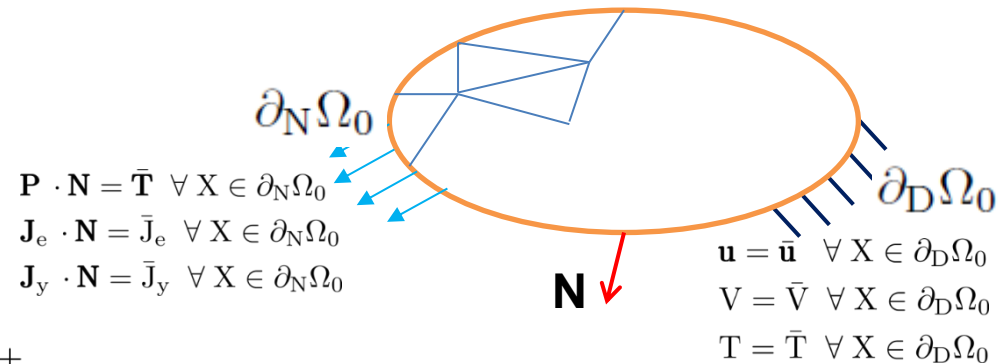


# Outline

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- DG Formulation for Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupled problem
  - Weak form of equations
  - Numerical properties i.e. solution uniqueness, convergence rate...
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# Governing equations for Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupling



$$\forall \mathbf{u}, V, T \in [H^2(\Omega_0)]^3 \times H^2(\Omega_0) \times H^{2^+}(\Omega_0)$$

## Conservation of momentum balance

$$\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T = 0 \quad \forall X \in \Omega_0$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{F}, T, \mathbf{I})$$

Electric current density

Energy flux

Heat flux

## Conservation of electric charge

$$\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{J}_e = 0 \quad \forall X \in \Omega_0$$

$$\mathbf{J}_e = \mathbb{J}_e(\mathbf{F}, V, T)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_e = \mathbf{L} \cdot (-\nabla_0 V) + \alpha \mathbf{L} \cdot (-\nabla_0 T)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_y = \mathbf{Q} + V \mathbf{J}_e$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{K} \cdot (-\nabla_0 T) + \alpha T \mathbf{J}_e$$

## Conservation of energy

$$\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{J}_y = 0 \quad \forall X \in \Omega_0$$

$$\mathbf{J}_y = \mathbb{J}_y(\mathbf{F}, V, T)$$

# Electro-Thermal constitutive relations

- Vector of the unknown fields:  $\begin{pmatrix} f_V \\ f_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{V}{T} \\ \frac{1}{T} \end{pmatrix}$
- Matrix form of fluxes and fields gradient

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{J}_e \\ \mathbf{J}_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{f_T} \mathbf{L} & -\frac{f_V}{f_T^2} \mathbf{L} + \alpha \frac{1}{f_T^2} \mathbf{L} \\ -\frac{f_V}{f_T^2} \mathbf{L} + \alpha \frac{1}{f_T^2} \mathbf{L} & \frac{\mathbf{K}}{f_T^2} - 2\alpha \frac{f_V}{f_T^3} \mathbf{L} + \alpha^2 \frac{1}{f_T^3} \mathbf{L} + \frac{f_V^2}{f_T^3} \mathbf{L} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_0 f_V \\ \nabla_0 f_T \end{pmatrix}$$

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**Fluxes**
**Coefficient matrix**
**Field gradients**

**Z**

- $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{J}_e \\ \mathbf{J}_y \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_0 f_V \\ \nabla_0 f_T \end{pmatrix}$  are conjugated pairs of fluxes and fields gradient

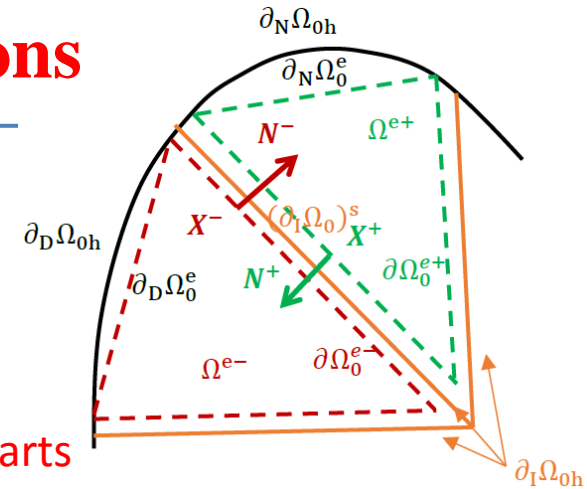
# Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) method

- Similarity to FEM, to solve PDE's
  - Geometry approximated by polyhedral elements
  - Continuity ensured inside elements
    - Polynomial solution of finite degree
- Main difference with FEM:
  - Compatibility weakly ensured
    - Inter-element continuity weakly constrained
    - Support of nodal shape functions restrained to one element

$$X^{k(+)} = \left\{ \mathbf{G}_h \in [L^2(\Omega_{0h})]^3 \times L^2(\Omega_{0h}) \times L^{2(+)}(\Omega_{0h}) \mid \mathbf{G}_h|_{\Omega_0^e} \in [\mathbb{P}^k(\Omega_0^e)]^3 \times \mathbb{P}^k(\Omega_0^e) \times \mathbb{P}^{k(+)}(\Omega_0^e) \forall \Omega_0^e \in \Omega_{0h} \right\}$$

- Allows / eases:
  - High scalability and high accuracy order
  - Irregular and non-conforming meshes
  - hp-adaptivity

# DG main concepts and equations



• Strong form:

$$\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T = 0, \quad (+\text{BC's})$$

• DG weak form:

$$\int_{\Omega_{0h}} (\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T) \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} d\Omega_0 = 0$$

by parts

• Define operators

Jump operator  $[[\mathbf{u}]] = \mathbf{u}^+ - \mathbf{u}^-$

Average operator  $\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle = \frac{\mathbf{u}^+ + \mathbf{u}^-}{2}$

$$\int_{\Omega_{0h}} \mathbf{P} : \nabla_0 \delta \mathbf{u} d\Omega_0 + \int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h}} [[\delta \mathbf{u}]] \cdot \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle \cdot \mathbf{N}^- dS_0 + ( ) + ( ) = b(\delta \mathbf{u})$$

• Supplementary terms:

- **Consistency** term (appears naturally above)

- **Symmetrisation** term (optimal convergence rate)

- Quadratic **stabilization** term ( $\mathcal{B}$  = stabilisation parameter)

BC's terms

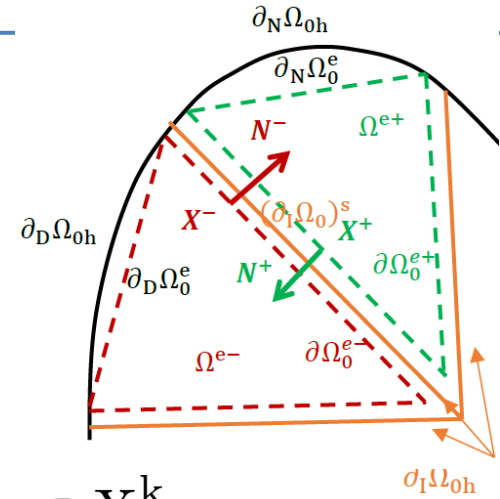
$$\int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h}} [[\mathbf{u}]] \cdot \langle \mathcal{H}_0 : \nabla_0 \delta \mathbf{u} \rangle \cdot \mathbf{N}^- dS_0$$

$$\int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h}} [[\mathbf{u}]] \otimes \mathbf{N}^- : \left\langle \frac{\mathcal{H}_0 \mathcal{B}}{h_s} \right\rangle : [[\delta \mathbf{u}]] \otimes \mathbf{N}^- dS_0$$

# Nonlinear DG formulation of Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupling

- Introducing vector of the unknowns field  $\mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ f_V \\ f_T \end{pmatrix}$
- Defining  $\nabla_0(\mathbf{J}) = \nabla_0 \mathbb{J}(\mathbf{G}, \nabla_0 \mathbf{G}, \mathbb{I}) = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T \\ \nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{J}_e \\ \nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{J}_y \end{pmatrix} = 0$
- Finding  $\mathbf{G}_h \in X^{k^+}$

$$A(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = B(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{G}_h \in X^k$$



**Structural term + DG terms = Boundary terms**

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) &= \int_{\Omega_{0h}} \nabla_0 \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{G}_h, \nabla_0 \mathbf{G}_h) d\Omega_0 + \int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h} \cup \partial_D \Omega_{0h}} \llbracket \delta \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{N}_h}^T \rrbracket \langle \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{G}_h, \nabla_0 \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS_0 \\
 &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h} \cup \partial_D \Omega_{0h}} \llbracket \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{N}_h}^T \rrbracket \langle \mathbf{J}_{0 \nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h) \nabla_0 \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS_0 + \int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h} \cup \partial_D \Omega_{0h}} \llbracket \delta \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{N}_h}^T \rrbracket \langle \mathbf{J}_{0 \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h) \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS_0 \\
 &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_{0h} \cup \partial_D \Omega_{0h}} \llbracket \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{N}_h}^T \rrbracket \left\langle \frac{\mathbf{J}_{0 \nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h) \mathcal{B}}{h_s} \right\rangle \llbracket \delta \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{N}_h} \rrbracket dS_0
 \end{aligned}$$

Consistency

Symmetry

Stability

$$B(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = BC' s$$

**Remark:** we use an abuse of notations when defining  $\nabla_0 \mathbf{G}$ ,  $\mathbf{N}$



# Nonlinear DG formulation of Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupling

- Considering small deformation

$$\nabla \left( \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{H}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{z}_{11} & \mathbf{z}_{12} \\ 0 & \mathbf{z}_{21} & \mathbf{z}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nabla \mathbf{u} \\ \nabla f_V \\ \nabla f_T \end{pmatrix} \right) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \alpha_{th}^T \mathcal{H}_0 \frac{1}{f_T^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nabla \mathbf{u} \\ \nabla f_V \\ \nabla f_T \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

- Strong form:**  $\nabla(\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{G}, \nabla \mathbf{G})) + \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}) \nabla \mathbf{G} = 0$  in  $\Omega$ . + BC's

- Weak form:**  $\mathbf{G}_h \in X^{k^+}$   $a(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}; \delta \mathbf{G}_h) \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{G}_h \in X^k$

$$a(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = \int_{\Omega_h} \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{G}_h, \nabla \mathbf{G}_h) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega_h} \mathbf{G}_h^T \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}_h) \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h d\Omega$$

$$+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} \left[ \delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T \right] \langle \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{G}_h, \nabla \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS + \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} \left[ \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T \right] \langle \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}_h) \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS \rightarrow \text{Consistency}$$

$$+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} \left[ \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T \right] \langle \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h) \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS + \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} \left[ \delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T \right] \langle \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}_h) \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS \rightarrow \text{Symmetry}$$

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$$b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = BC's$$

# Solution uniqueness

- The **mesh dependent norm**

$$\| \mathbf{G} \|_1^2 = \sum_e \| \mathbf{G} \|_{H^1(\Omega^e)}^2 + \sum_s h_s \| \mathbf{G} \|_{H^1(\partial\Omega^e)}^2 + \sum_s h_s^{-1} \| [\mathbf{G}_n] \|_{L^2(\partial\Omega^e)}^2$$

Where  $\partial\Omega^e = \partial_I\Omega^e \cup \partial_D\Omega^e$

- **Consistency form**

$\mathbf{G}^e \in [H^2(\Omega)]^3 \times H^2(\Omega) \times H^{2^+}(\Omega)$  the solution of the strong form.

Thus as  $[\mathbf{G}^e] = 0$  on  $\partial_I\Omega^e$

$$a(\mathbf{G}^e, \delta\mathbf{G}^e) = b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta\mathbf{G}^e) \quad \forall \delta\mathbf{G}^e \in X, \quad (1)$$

- **Weak form**

The weak form, reads as finding  $\mathbf{G}_h \in X^k$ , such that

$$a(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta\mathbf{G}_h) = b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}; \delta\mathbf{G}_h) \quad \forall \delta\mathbf{G}_h \in X^k \subset X \quad (2)$$

Replacing  $\delta\mathbf{G}^e = \delta\mathbf{G}_h$ , then subtracting (2) from (1)

$$a(\mathbf{G}^e, \delta\mathbf{G}_h) - a(\mathbf{G}_h, \delta\mathbf{G}_h) = b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta\mathbf{G}_h) - b(\bar{\mathbf{G}}, \delta\mathbf{G}_h) = 0 \quad \forall \delta\mathbf{G}_h \in X^k$$

# Solution uniqueness

$$\mathcal{A}(\underline{\mathbf{G}}^e; \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{B}(\underline{\mathbf{G}}^e; \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}^e, \mathbf{G}_h; \delta \mathbf{G}_h)$$

Fixed

Fixed

$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  Bilinear

Expansion of Taylor series  
on interface terms



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) &= \int_{\Omega_h} \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) (\nabla \mathbf{G}^e - \nabla \mathbf{G}_h) d\Omega \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) (\nabla \mathbf{G}^e - \nabla \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \left\langle \frac{\mathcal{B}}{h_s} \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) \right\rangle [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}]] dS. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) &= \int_{\Omega_h} \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T (\mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e, \nabla \mathbf{G}^e) \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h) d\Omega \\ &+ \int_{\Omega_h} \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T (\mathbf{o}'_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) (\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h)) d\Omega \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e, \nabla \mathbf{G}^e) (\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{o}'_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) (\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}^e) \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}^e, \mathbf{G}_h; \delta \mathbf{G}_h) &= \int_{\Omega_h} \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h^T (\bar{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \nabla \mathbf{G}^e - \nabla \mathbf{G}_h)) d\Omega \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \bar{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h, \nabla \mathbf{G}^e - \nabla \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle (\mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) - \mathbf{v}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h)) \nabla \delta \mathbf{G}_h \rangle dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \left\langle \frac{\mathcal{B}}{h_s} (\mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e) - \mathbf{w}_{\nabla \mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}_h)) \right\rangle [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}]] dS \\ &- \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\mathbf{G}_n^{eT} - \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}^e) - \mathbf{o}(\mathbf{G}_h) \rangle \delta \mathbf{G}_h dS \\ &+ \int_{\partial_I \Omega_h \cup \partial_D \Omega_h} [[\delta \mathbf{G}_{h_n}^T]] \langle \bar{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h) \rangle dS \end{aligned}$$



Nonlinear

# Solution uniqueness

Splitting  $\zeta$  into its components  $\Rightarrow$

$$\zeta = \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h - \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} \\ = \boldsymbol{\eta} + \boldsymbol{\xi}$$

The interpolant of  $\mathbf{G}^e$  in  $X^k$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} \in X$$

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} = \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_h \in X^k$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_h, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) \\ = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{G}^e; \boldsymbol{\eta}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{G}^e; \boldsymbol{\eta}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}^e, \mathbf{G}_h; \delta \mathbf{G}_h)$$

## Fixed point formulation

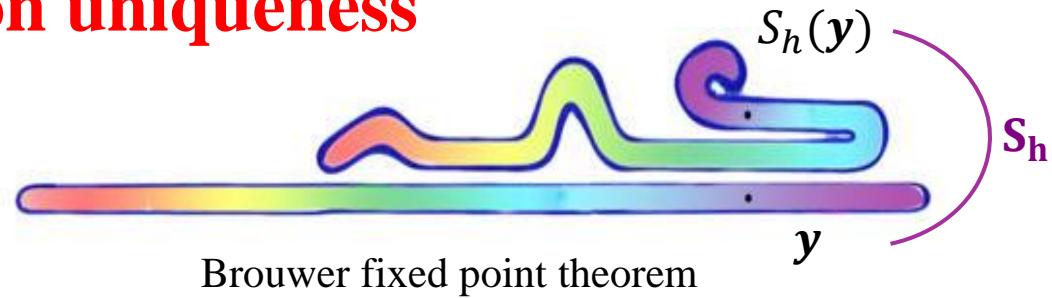
Map  $S_h : X^k \rightarrow X^k$  as follows

$$\forall \mathbf{y} \in X^k, \text{ Find } S_h(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{G}_y \in X^k$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_y, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{G}^e; \mathbf{I}_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_y, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) \\ = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{G}^e; \boldsymbol{\eta}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{G}^e; \boldsymbol{\eta}, \delta \mathbf{G}_h) + \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{G}^e, \mathbf{y}; \delta \mathbf{G}_h)$$

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# Solution uniqueness



The existence of the discrete solution  $G_h$

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The existence of a fixed point  $S_h(y) = y$  in the map  $S_h$

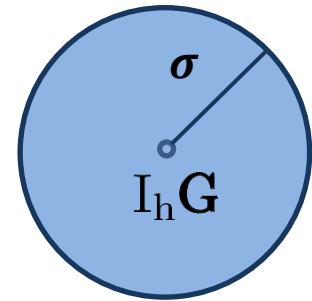
$S_h$  map to itself

$S_h$  is continuous map

# Solution uniqueness

## Definition of the ball $O_\sigma$

- Radius:  $\sigma$
- Center:  $I_h \mathbf{G}$  the interpolant of  $\mathbf{G}^e$



$$O_\sigma(I_h \mathbf{G}) = \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in X^k \text{ such that } \|\| I_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{y} \|\|_1 \leq \sigma \right\}$$

$$\text{with } \sigma = \frac{\|\| I_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}^e \|\|_1}{h_s^\varepsilon}, \quad 0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{4}$$

# Solution uniqueness

- Assumption  $C_\alpha, C_y, C^k$  and Lemmas (e.g. trace inequality, inverse inequality)
- Bound the bilinear terms  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$
- Bound the nonlinear term  $\mathcal{N}$

Stabilization parameter  $\beta > \text{Const}(C_\alpha, C_y, C^k)$

$S_h$  maps  $O_\sigma(I_h \mathbf{G})$  into itself

Continuity of  $S_h$  in the ball  $O_\sigma(I_h \mathbf{G})$

$$h_s \rightarrow 0 \implies I_h \mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}_y \rightarrow 0$$

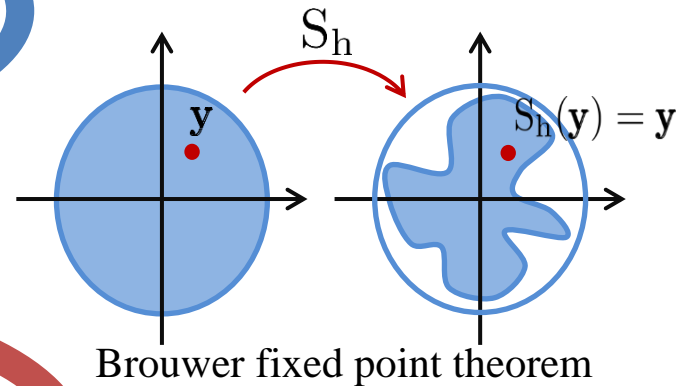
$$\| \mathbf{G}_{y_1} - \mathbf{G}_{y_2} \| \leq C^k h_s^{\mu-2-\varepsilon} \| \mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{y}_2 \|$$

$$\mathbf{y} \in O_\sigma(I_h \mathbf{G}) \\ S_h(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y}$$

**Brouwer fixed point**

$S_h(\mathbf{y})$  has a fixed point  $\mathbf{G}_h$

**The existence of unique solution of the nonlinear elliptic problem for  $k \geq 2$**



# A priori error estimates

$H^1$ -norm

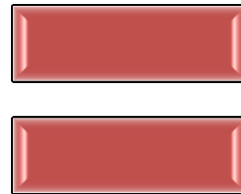
$$\| \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h \|_1 \leq C^k h_s^{\mu-1} \| \mathbf{G}^e \|_{H^s(\Omega_h)}$$

$$\mu = \min \{s, k + 1\}$$

$L^2$ -norm

$$\| \mathbf{G}^e - \mathbf{G}_h \|_{L^2(\Omega_h)} \leq C^k h_s^\mu \| \mathbf{G}^e \|_{H^s(\Omega_h)}$$

$H^1, L^2$ -norms are optimal in the mesh size for linear elliptic problem



$H^1, L^2$ -norms are optimal in the mesh size for nonlinear elliptic problem



# Numerical results

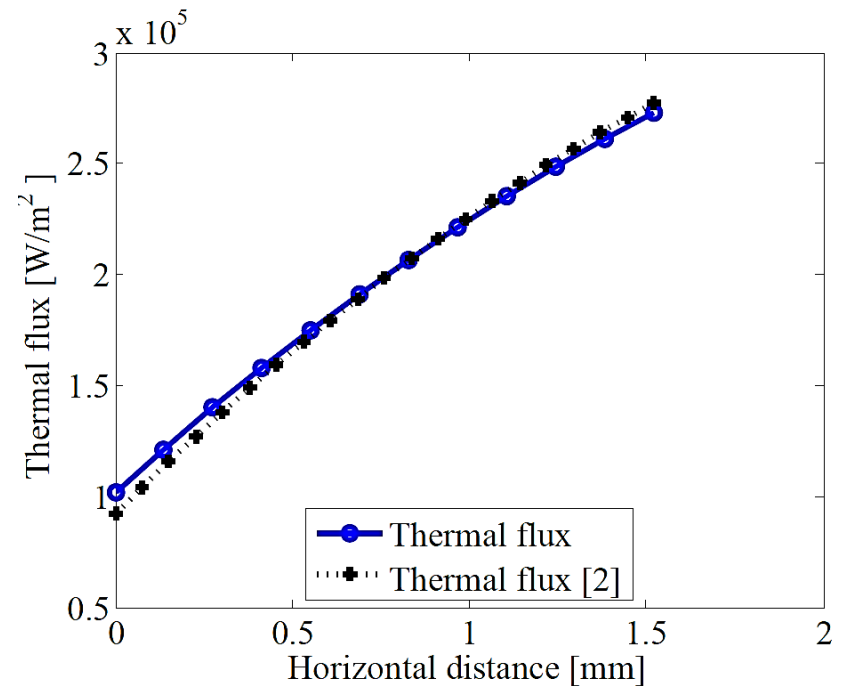
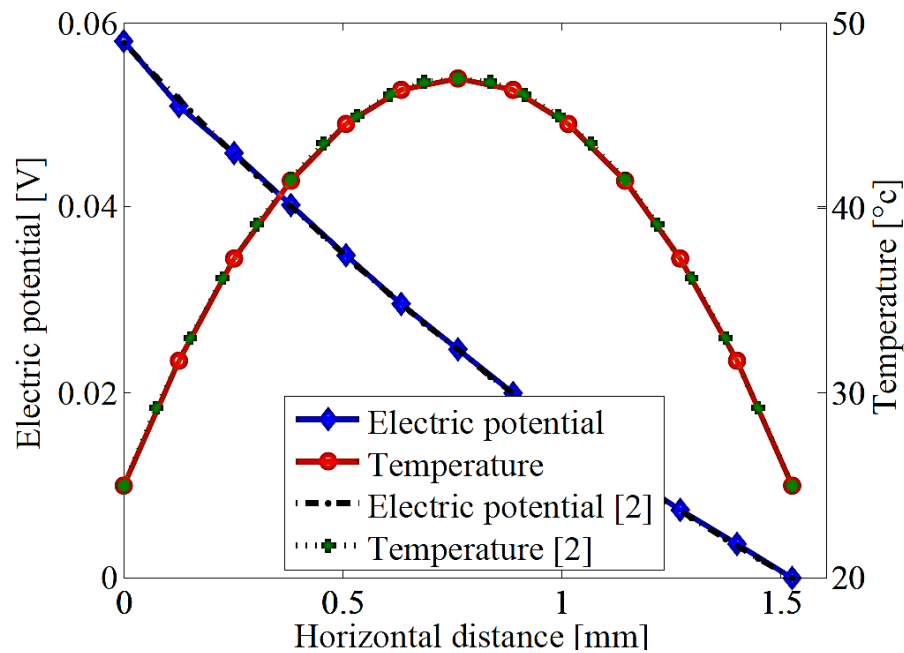
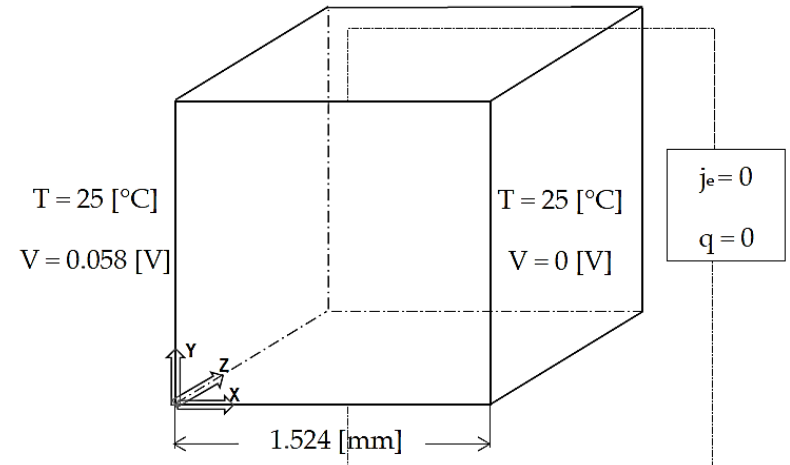
## 1-D example with one material

### (Electro-Thermal coupling)

Material parameters of bismuth telluride

$\mathbf{l}$ [S/m]	$\mathbf{k}$ [W/(K · m)]	$\alpha$ [V/K]
diag( $8.422 \times 10^4$ )	diag(1.612)	$1.941 \times 10^{-4}$

[2]. L. Liu. International Journal of Engineering Science, 2012

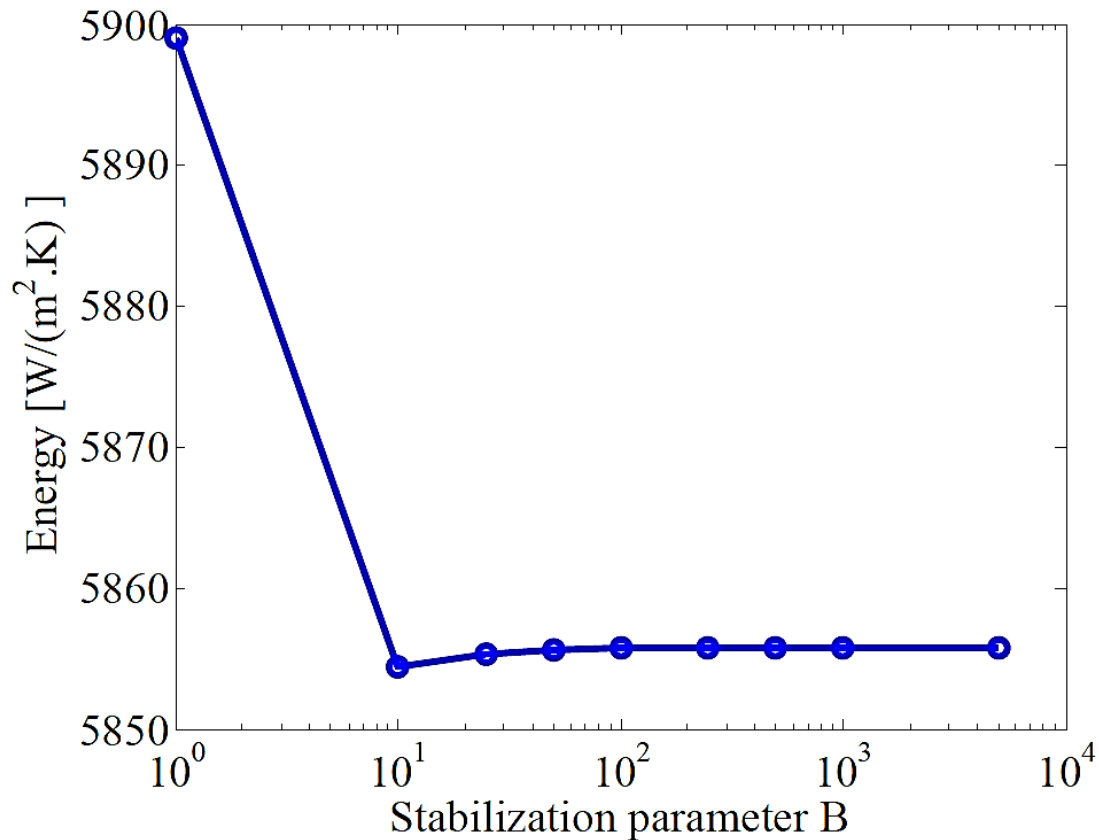


# Numerical results

## 1-D example with two materials

(Electro-Thermal coupling)

The effect of the **stabilization parameter** on the quality of the approximation

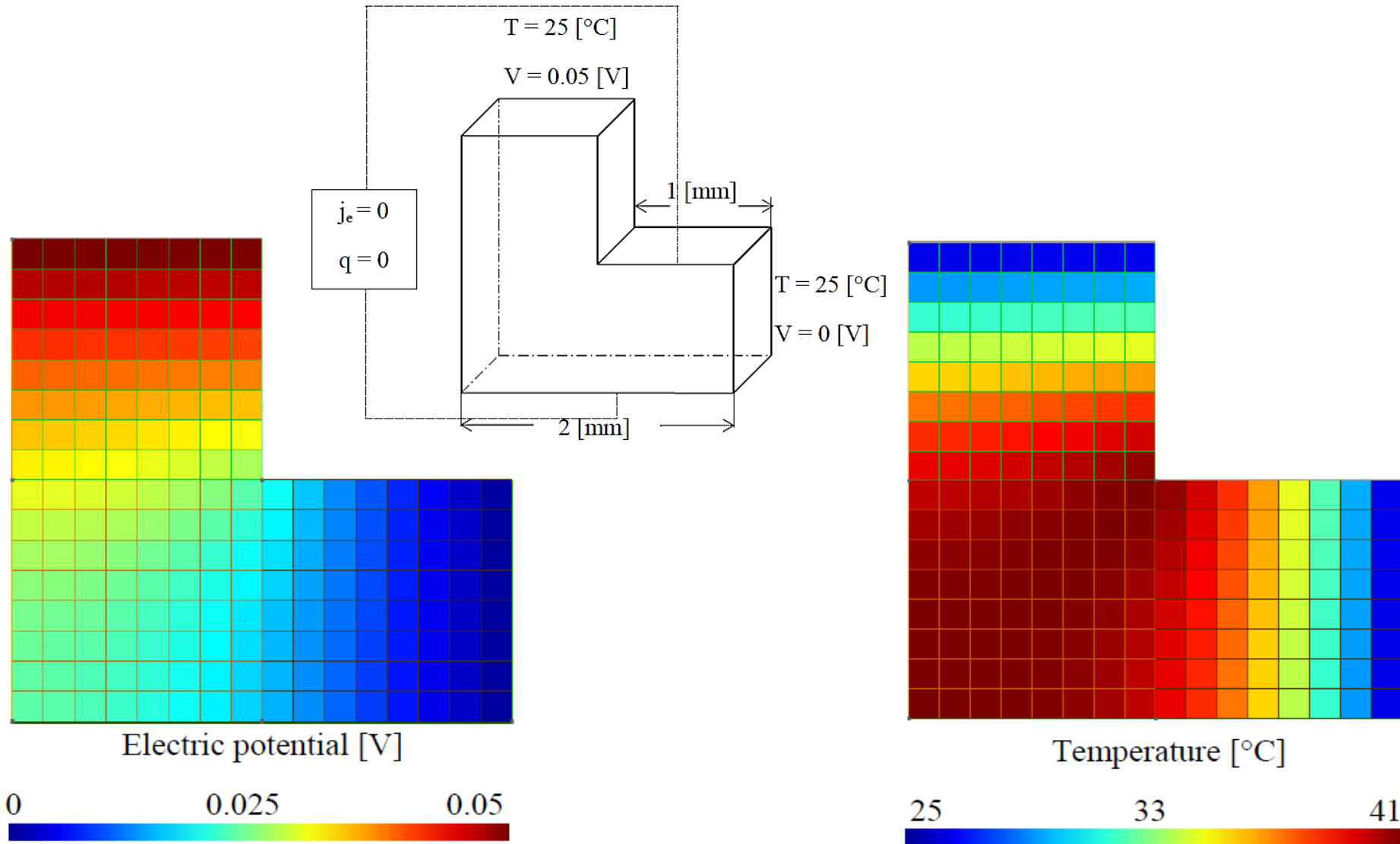


**DG formulation is stable for stabilization parameter >10**

# Numerical results

## 2-D study of convergence order

(Electro-Thermal coupling)



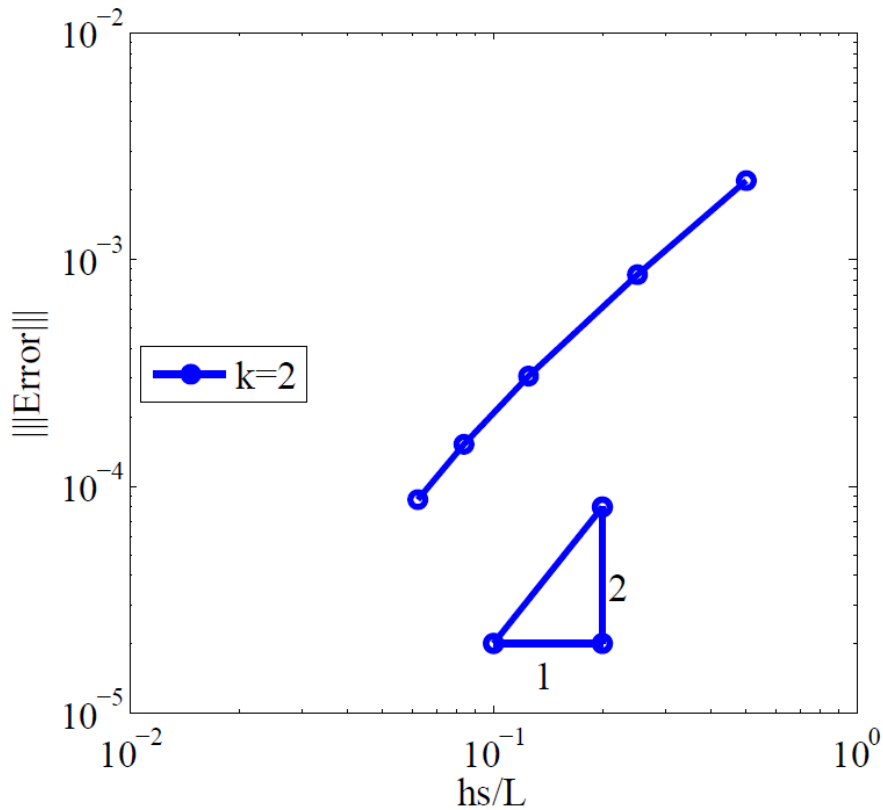
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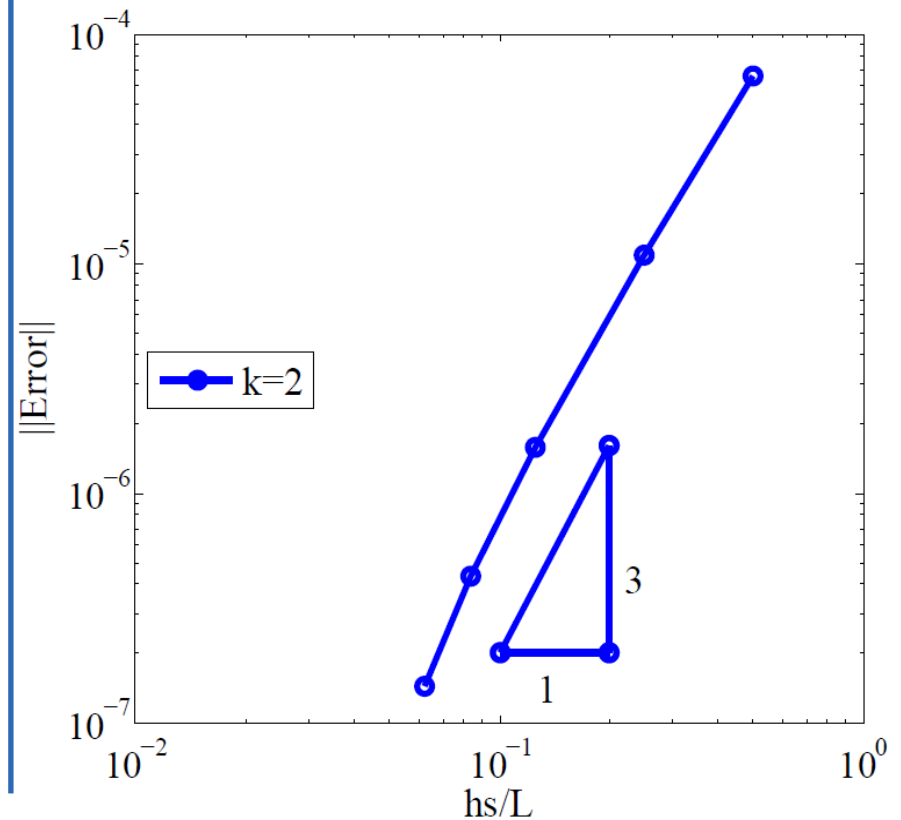
$H^1$ -norm

Theor. converg. ord.:  $k$



$L^2$ -norm

Theor. converg. ord.:  $k+1$



Convergence rates agree with the theoretical estimates

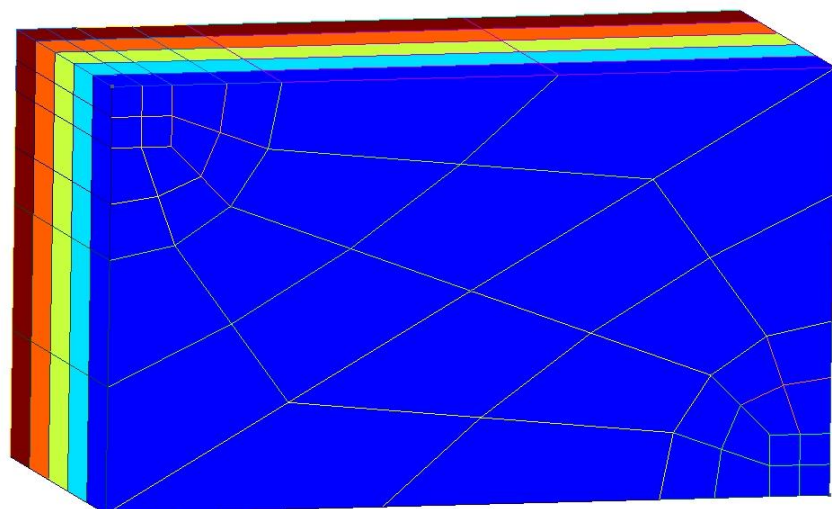
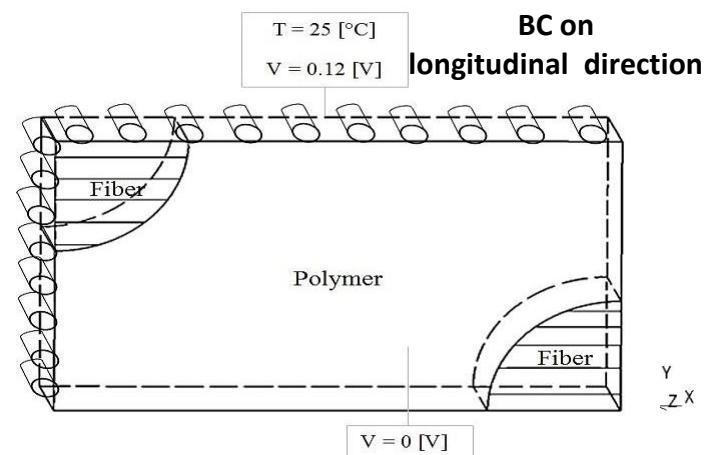
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## 3-D unit cell simulation for composite material

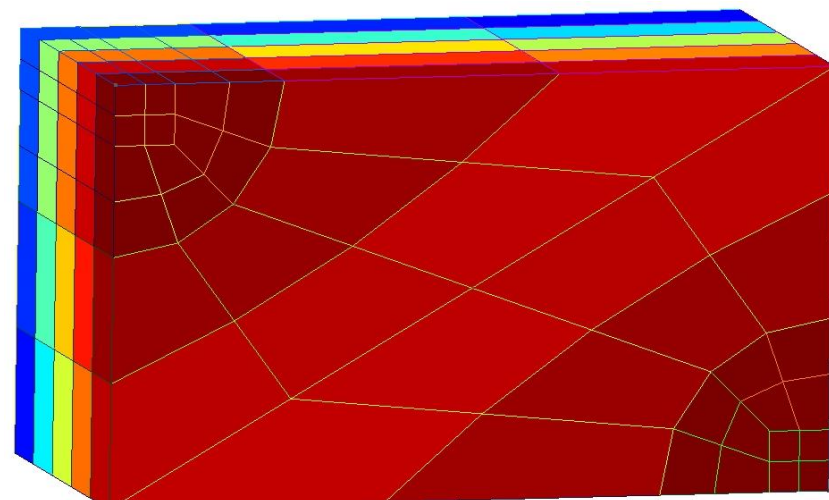
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DG formulation is also applicable for irregular mesh



Electric potential [V]



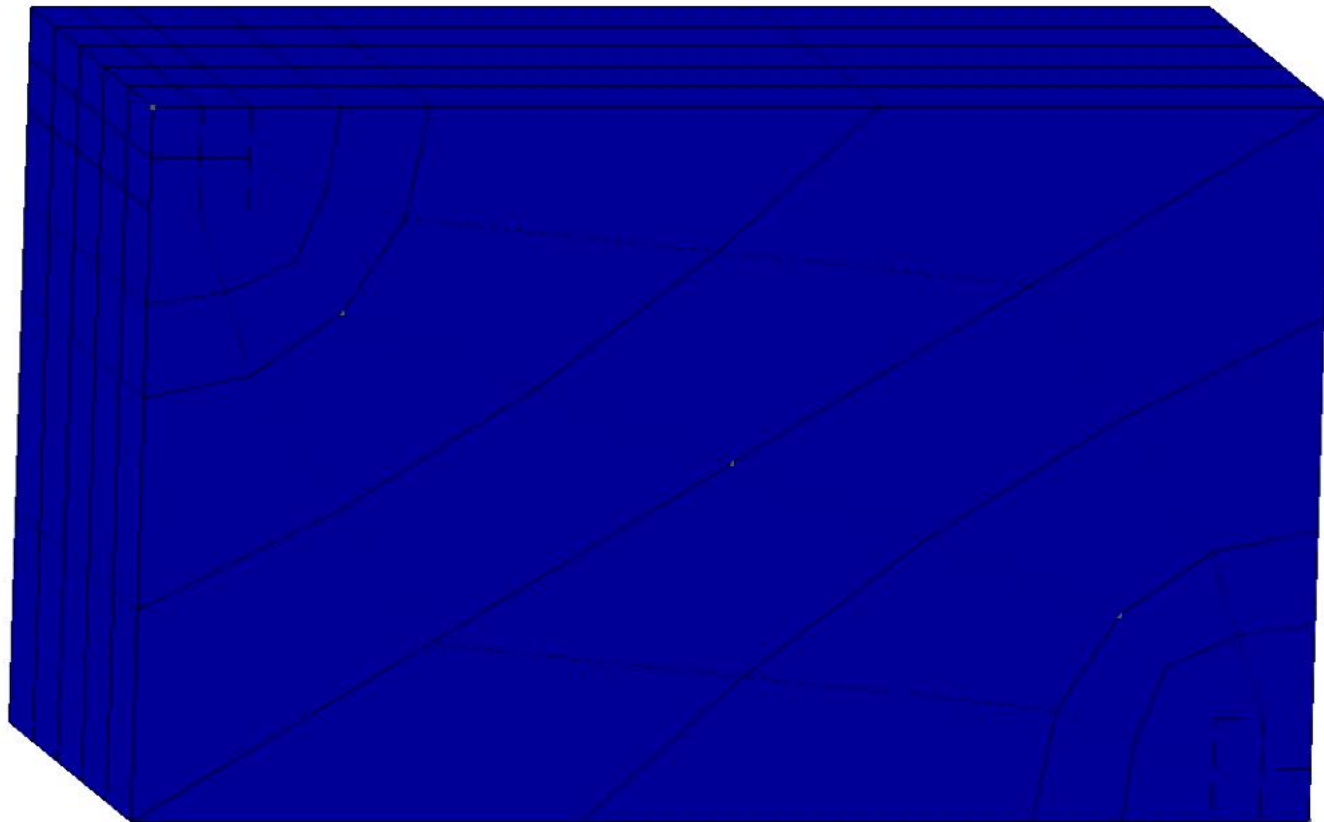
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Temperature [K] - step 0 (1/21)

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Y  
Z X

magnified

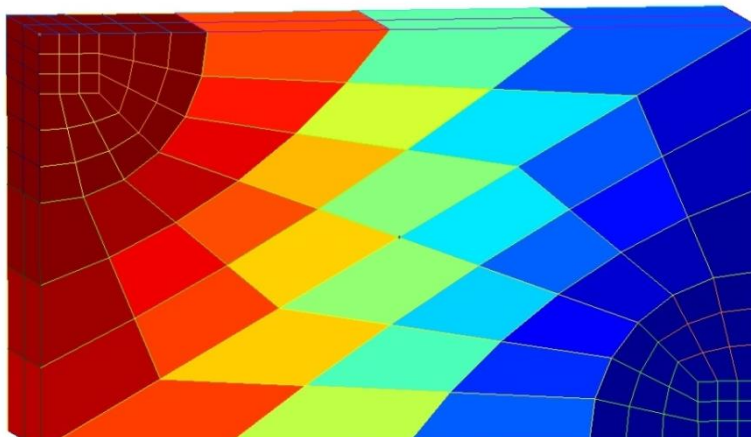
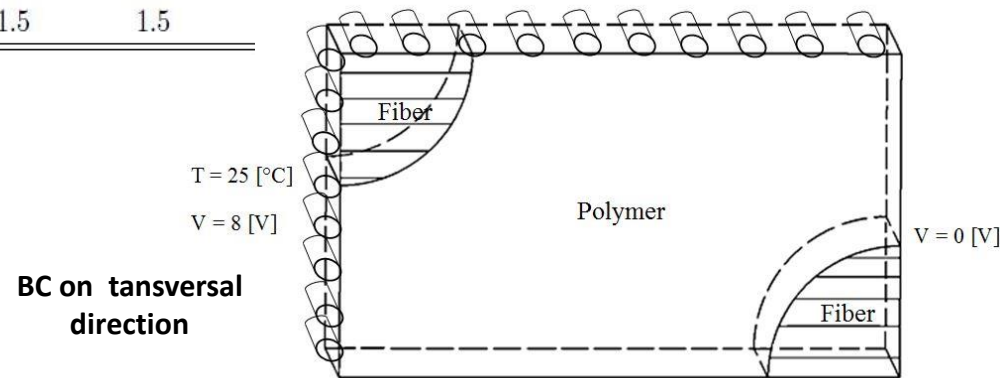
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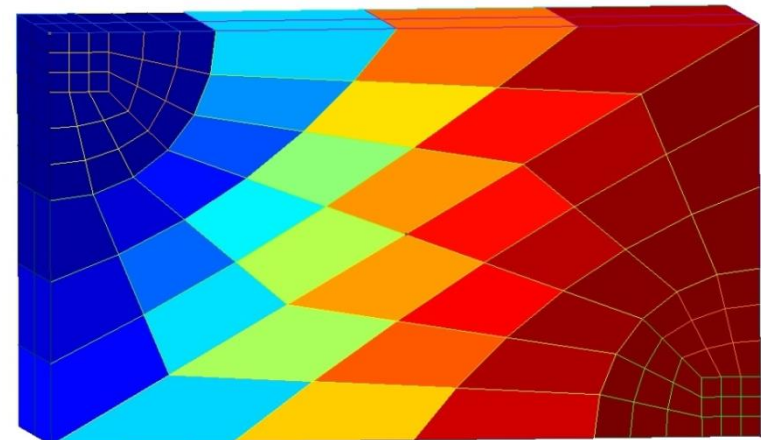
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- A consistent and stable DG method was developed for Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupled problems
- The DG numerical properties were derived:
  - Uniqueness fixed point form
  - Optimal convergence rates in  $L_2$ ,  $H_1$ -norm with respect to the mesh size
  - Convergence rates agree with the error analysis derived in the theory

## Perspectives

- Extension to Electro-Thermo-Mechanical coupled problems to recover shape memory composite material behavior
- Plug in multiscale analyses



**Thank you for your attention** 😊

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