

# A one-field discontinuous Galerkin formulation of non-linear Kirchhoff-Love shells

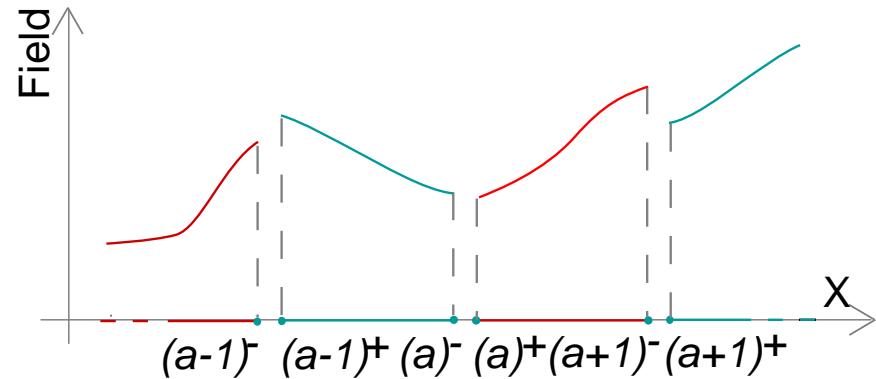
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# Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

- Main idea
  - Finite-element discretization
  - Same **discontinuous** polynomial approximations for the

- **Test functions**  $\varphi_h$  and
- **Trial functions**  $\delta\varphi$



- Definition of operators on the interface trace:
  - **Jump operator:**  $[\![\bullet]\!] = \bullet^+ - \bullet^-$
  - **Mean operator:**  $\langle \bullet \rangle = \frac{\bullet^+ + \bullet^-}{2}$
- Continuity is weakly enforced, such that the method
  - Is consistent
  - Is stable
  - Has the optimal convergence rate

# Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

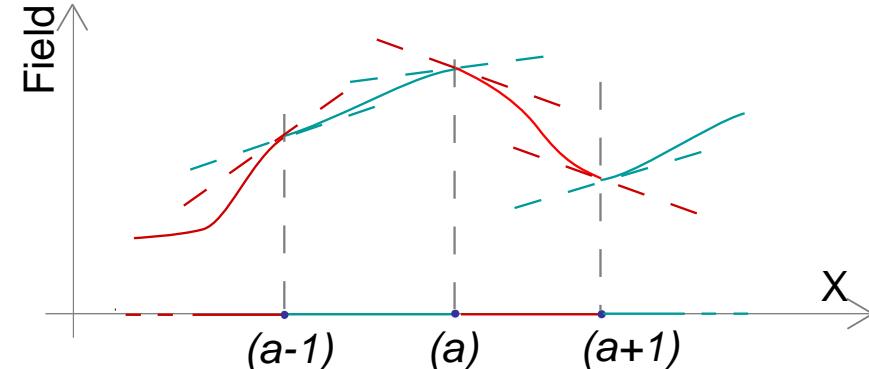
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- Discontinuous Galerkin methods vs Continuous
  - More expensive (more degrees of freedom)
  - More difficult to implement
  - ...
- So why discontinuous Galerkin methods?
  - Weak enforcement of  $C^1$  continuity for high-order equations
    - Strain-gradient effect
    - Shells with complex material behaviors
    - Toward computational homogenization of thin structures?
  - Exploitation of the discontinuous mesh to simulate dynamic fracture [Seagraves, Jérusalem, Noels, Radovitzky, col. ULg-MIT]:
    - Correct wave propagation before fracture
    - Easy to parallelize & scalable

# Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

- Continuous field / discontinuous derivative

- No new nodes
- Weak enforcement of  $C^1$  continuity
- Displacement formulations of high-order differential equations
- Usual shape functions in 3D (no new requirement)
- Applications to
  - Beams, plates [Engel et al., CMAME 2002; Hansbo & Larson, CALCOLO 2002; Wells & Dung, CMAME 2007]
  - Linear & non-linear shells [Noels & Radovitzky, CMAME 2008; Noels IJNME 2009]
  - Damage & Strain Gradient [Wells et al., CMAME 2004; Molari, CMAME 2006; Bala-Chandran et al. 2008]



# Topics

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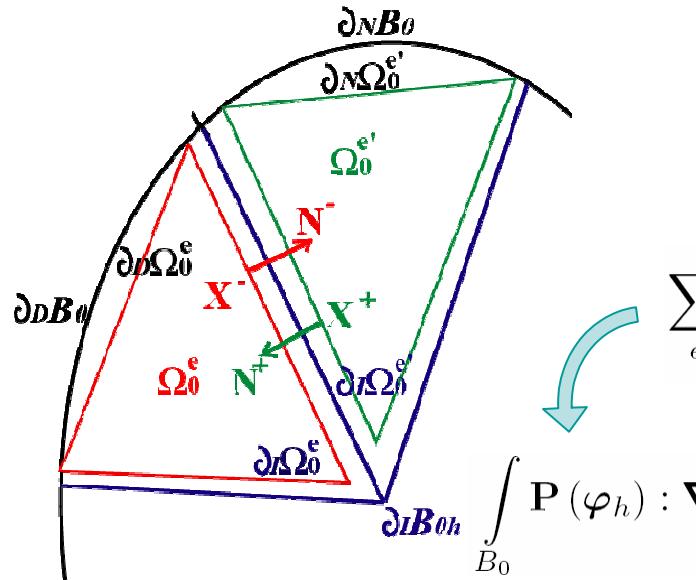
- Key principles of DG methods
  - Illustration on volume FE
- Kirchhoff-Love Shell Kinematics
- Non-Linear Shells
- Numerical examples
- Conclusions & Perspectives

# Key principles of DG methods

- Application to non-linear mechanics
  - Formulation in terms of the first Piola stress tensor  $\mathbf{P}$

$$\nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T = 0 \text{ in } \Omega \quad \& \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \bar{T} \text{ on } \partial_N \Omega \\ \varphi_h = \bar{\varphi}_h \text{ on } \partial_D B \end{array} \right.$$

- New weak formulation obtained by integration by parts **on each element  $\Omega^e$**



$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega_0^e} \nabla_0 \cdot \mathbf{P}^T(\varphi_h) \cdot \delta \varphi \, dB = 0$$

$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega_0^e} -\mathbf{P}(\varphi_h) : \nabla_0 \delta \varphi \, dB + \sum_e \int_{\partial\Omega_0^e} \delta \varphi \cdot \mathbf{P}(\varphi_h) \cdot \mathbf{N} \, d\partial B = 0$$

$$+ \int_{\partial_I B_0} \llbracket \delta \varphi \cdot \mathbf{P}(\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \mathbf{N}^- d\partial B = \int_{\partial_N B_0} \bar{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \delta \varphi d\partial B$$

# Key principles of DG methods

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- Interface term rewritten as the sum of 3 terms

- Introduction of the numerical flux  $\mathbf{h}$

$$\int_{\partial_I B_0} \llbracket \delta \varphi \cdot \mathbf{P}(\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \mathbf{N}^- d\partial B \rightarrow \int_{\partial_I B_0} \llbracket \delta \varphi \rrbracket \cdot \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{P}^+, \mathbf{P}^-, \mathbf{N}^-) d\partial B$$

- Has to be consistent: 
$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{P}^+, \mathbf{P}^-, \mathbf{N}^-) = -\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{P}^-, \mathbf{P}^+, \mathbf{N}^+) \\ \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{P}_{\text{exact}}, \mathbf{P}_{\text{exact}}, \mathbf{N}^-) = \mathbf{P}_{\text{exact}} \cdot \mathbf{N}^- \end{cases}$$

- One possible choice:  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{P}^+, \mathbf{P}^-, \mathbf{N}^-) = \langle \mathbf{P} \rangle \cdot \mathbf{N}^-$

- Weak enforcement of the compatibility

$$\int_{\partial_I B_0} \llbracket \varphi_h \rrbracket \cdot \left\langle \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial \mathbf{F}} : \nabla_0 \delta \varphi \right\rangle \cdot \mathbf{N}^- d\partial B$$

- Stabilization controlled by parameter  $\beta$ , for all mesh sizes  $h^s$

$$\int_{\partial_I B_0} \llbracket \varphi_h \rrbracket \otimes \mathbf{N}^- : \left\langle \frac{\beta}{h^s} \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial \mathbf{F}} \right\rangle : \llbracket \delta \varphi \rrbracket \otimes \mathbf{N}^- d\partial B$$

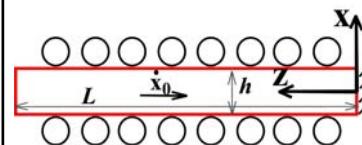
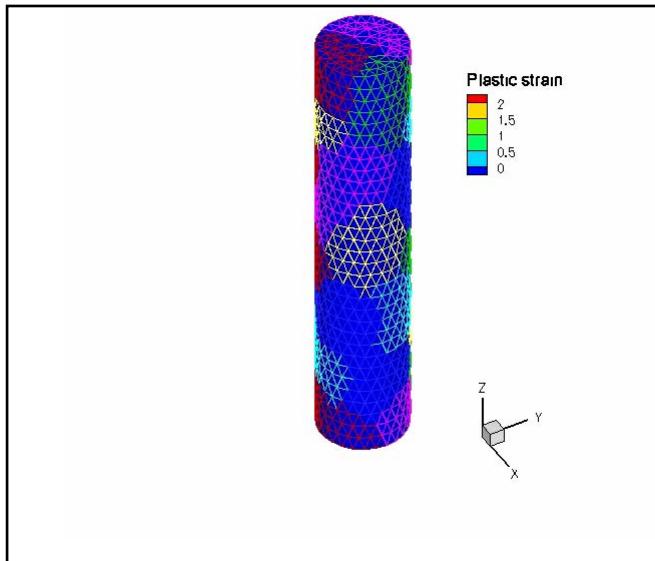
Noels & Radovitzky, IJNME 2006 & JAM 2006

- These terms can also be explicitly derived from a variational formulation (Hu-Washizu-de Veubeke functional)

# Key principles of DG methods

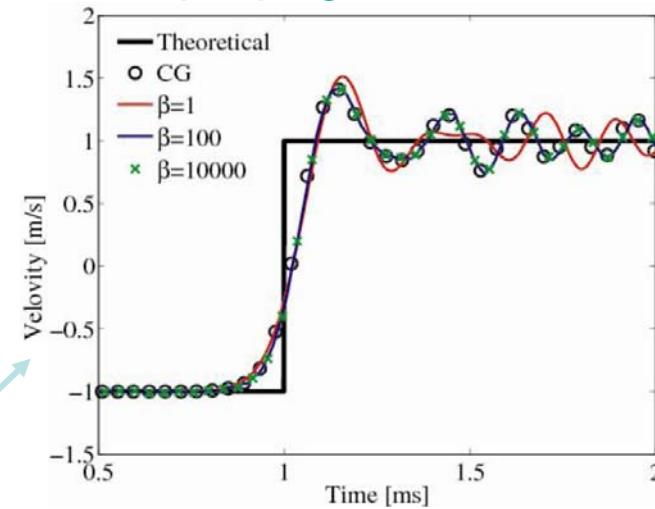
- Numerical applications
  - Properties for a polynomial approximation of order  $k$ 
    - Consistent, stable for  $\beta > C^k$ , convergence in the  $e$ -norm in  $k$
    - Explicit time integration with conditional stability
    - High scalability
  - Examples

## Taylor's impact



Time evolution of the free face velocity

## Wave propagation



# Kirchhoff-Love Shell Kinematics

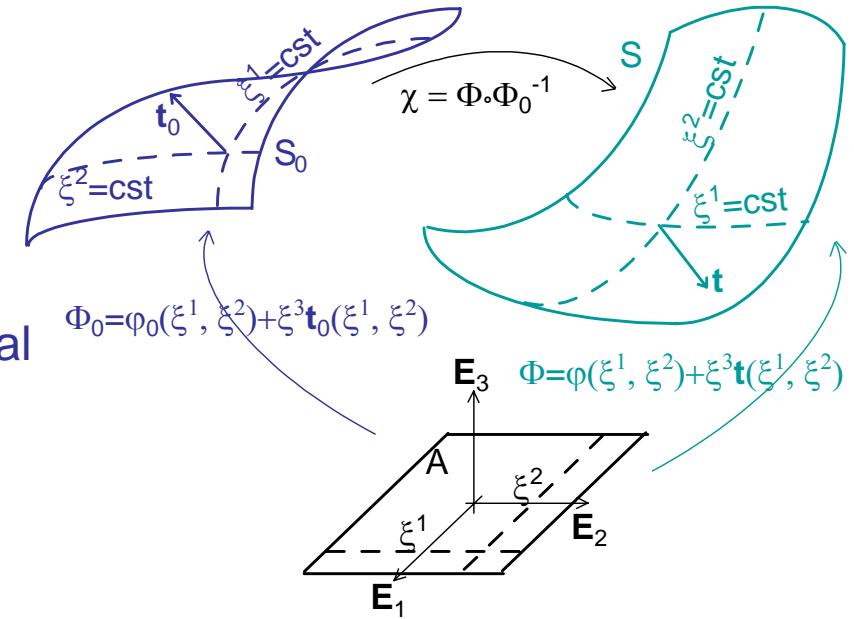
- Description of the thin body

$$x = \Phi(\xi^I) = \varphi(\xi^\alpha) + \xi^3 \lambda_h \mathbf{t}(\xi^\alpha)$$

Mapping of the mid-surface

Thickness stretch

Mapping of the normal to the mid-surface



- Deformation mapping

$$\mathbf{F} = \nabla \Phi \circ [\nabla \Phi_0]^{-1} \text{ with}$$

$$\nabla \Phi = g_i \otimes \mathbf{E}^i \quad \& \quad g_i = \nabla \Phi \mathbf{E}_i = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \xi^i}$$

$$\rightarrow g_\alpha = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \xi^\alpha} = \varphi_{,\alpha} + \xi^3 \lambda_h \mathbf{t}_{,\alpha} + \xi^3 \mathbf{t} \lambda_{h,\alpha} \quad \& \quad g_3 = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \xi^3} = \lambda_h \mathbf{t}$$

- Shearing is neglected

$$\rightarrow t = \frac{\varphi_{,1} \wedge \varphi_{,2}}{\|\varphi_{,1} \wedge \varphi_{,2}\|}$$

& the gradient of thickness stretch  $\lambda_{h,\alpha}$  neglected

# Kirchhoff-Love Shell Kinematics

- Resultant equilibrium equations:

- Linear momentum

$$\frac{1}{\bar{j}} (\bar{j} \mathbf{n}^\alpha)_{,\alpha} + \mathbf{n}^A = 0$$

- Angular momentum

$$\frac{1}{\bar{j}} (\bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha)_{,\alpha} - \mathbf{l} + \lambda \mathbf{t} + \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^A = 0$$

- In terms of resultant stresses:

$$\mathbf{n}^\alpha = \frac{1}{\bar{j}} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \sigma \mathbf{g}^\alpha \det(\nabla \Phi) d\xi^3$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha = \frac{1}{\bar{j}} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \xi^3 \sigma \mathbf{g}^\alpha \det(\nabla \Phi) d\xi^3$$

$$\mathbf{l} = \frac{1}{\bar{j}} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \sigma \mathbf{g}^3 \det(\nabla \Phi) d\xi^3$$

of resultant applied tension  $\mathbf{n}^A$  and torque  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}^A$

and of the mid-surface Jacobian  $\bar{j} = \|\varphi_{,1} \wedge \varphi_{,2}\|$

# Non-linear Shells

- Material behavior

- Through the thickness integration by Simpson's rule
- At each Simpson point

- Internal energy  $W(\mathbf{C}=\mathbf{F}^T\mathbf{F})$  with

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}_j \mathbf{g}_0^i \otimes \mathbf{g}_0^j = g_{ij} \mathbf{g}_0^i \otimes \mathbf{g}_0^j \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{ij} \mathbf{g}_i \otimes \mathbf{g}_j = 2 \frac{\det(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi_0)}{\det(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi)} \frac{\partial W}{\partial g_{ij}} \mathbf{g}_i \otimes \mathbf{g}_j \end{array} \right.$$

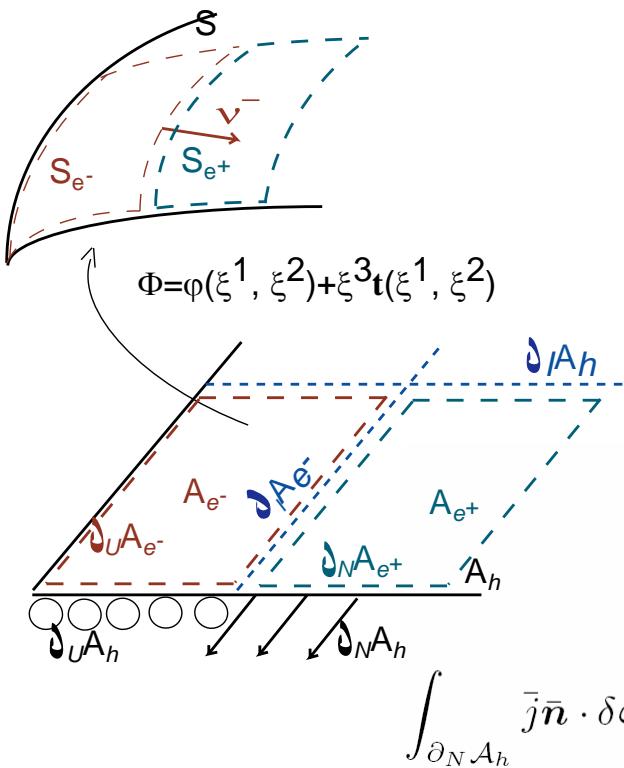
- Iteration on the thickness ratio  $\lambda_h = \frac{h_{\max} - h_{\min}}{h_{\max 0} - h_{\min 0}}$  in order to reach the plane stress assumption  $\sigma^{33}=0$

- Simpson's rule leads to the resultant stresses:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{n}^\alpha = \frac{1}{j} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{g}^\alpha \det(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi) d\xi^3 \\ \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha = \frac{1}{j} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \xi^3 \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{g}^\alpha \det(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi) d\xi^3 \\ \mathbf{l} = \frac{1}{j} \int_{h_{\min 0}}^{h_{\max 0}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{g}^3 \det(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Phi) d\xi^3 \end{array} \right.$$

# Non-linear Shells

- Discontinuous Galerkin formulation
  - New weak form obtained from the momentum equations
  - Integration by parts on each element  $A^e$
  - Across 2 elements  $\delta t$  is discontinuous



$$0 = \int_{A_e} (\bar{j} \mathbf{n}^\alpha (\varphi_h))_{,\alpha} \cdot \delta \varphi dA + \int_{A_e} \mathbf{n}^A \cdot \delta \varphi \bar{j} dA + \int_{A_e} \left[ (\bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha (\varphi_h))_{,\alpha} - \bar{j} \mathbf{l} \right] \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h dA + \int_{A_e} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^A \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h \bar{j} dA$$

$$- \sum_e \int_{\bar{A}_e} \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot (\delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h)_{,\alpha} dA + \sum_e \int_{\partial A_e} \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h \nu_\alpha dA$$

$$\int_{A_h} \bar{j} \mathbf{n}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot \delta \varphi_{,\alpha} dA + \int_{A_h} \bar{j} \mathbf{l} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h dA + \int_{A_h} \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot (\delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h)_{,\alpha} dA + \int_{\partial_I A_h \cup \partial_T A_h} [\delta \mathbf{t} \cdot \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha] \nu_\alpha^- d\partial A = \int_{\partial_N A_h} \bar{j} \bar{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \varphi dA + \int_{\partial_M A_h} \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h dA + \int_{A_h} \mathbf{n}^A \cdot \delta \varphi \bar{j} dA + \int_{A_h} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^A \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h \bar{j} dA$$

# Non-linear Shells

- Interface terms rewritten as the sum of 3 terms

- Introduction of the numerical flux  $\mathbf{h}$

$$\int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha(\varphi_h) \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h \rrbracket \nu_\alpha^- d\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \delta \mathbf{t} \rrbracket \cdot \mathbf{h} \left( (\bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha)^+, (\bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha)^-, \nu_\alpha^- \right) d\mathcal{A}$$

- Has to be consistent:  $\mathbf{h}(\lambda_h \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_{\text{exact}}^\alpha, \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_{\text{exact}}^\alpha, \nu_\alpha^-) = \lambda_h \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_{\text{exact}}^\alpha \nu_\alpha^-$
- One possible choice:  $\mathbf{h}((\bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha)^+, (\bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha)^-, \nu_\alpha^-) = \nu_\alpha^- \langle \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha \rangle$

- Weak enforcement of the compatibility

$$\int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \mathbf{t}(\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \langle \delta(\bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha) \rangle \nu_\alpha^- d\partial\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Linearization leads to the material tangent modulii } \mathcal{H}_m$$

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$$\int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \mathbf{t}(\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \langle \bar{j}_0 \mathcal{H}_m^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\delta \varphi_{,\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{,\delta} + \varphi_{,\gamma} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t}_{,\delta}) \varphi_{,\beta} + \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha \cdot \varphi_{,\beta} \delta \varphi_{,\beta} \rangle \nu_\alpha^- d\partial\mathcal{A}$$

- Stabilization controlled by parameter  $\beta$ , for all mesh sizes  $h^s$

$$\int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h \cup \partial_T \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \mathbf{t}(\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \varphi_{,\beta} \left\langle \frac{\beta \bar{j}_0 \mathcal{H}_m^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{h^s} \right\rangle \llbracket \delta \mathbf{t} \rrbracket \cdot \varphi_{,\gamma} \nu_\alpha^- \nu_\delta^- d\partial\mathcal{A}$$

# Non-linear Shells

- New weak formulation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \bar{j} \mathbf{n}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot \delta \varphi_{,\alpha} d\mathcal{A} + \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \bar{j} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha (\varphi_h) \cdot (\delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h)_{,\alpha} d\mathcal{A} + \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \bar{j} \mathbf{l} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h d\mathcal{A} + \\
 & \int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h \cup \partial_T \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \mathbf{t} (\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \langle \bar{j}_0 \mathcal{H}_m^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\delta \varphi_{,\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{t}_{,\delta} + \varphi_{,\gamma} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t}_{,\delta}) \varphi_{,\beta} + \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha \cdot \varphi_{,\beta} \delta \varphi_{,\beta} \rangle \nu_\alpha^- d\partial \mathcal{A} \\
 & \int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h \cup \partial_T \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \delta \mathbf{t} \rrbracket \cdot \langle \bar{j} \lambda_h \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\alpha \rangle \nu_\alpha^- d\partial \mathcal{A} + \int_{\partial_I \mathcal{A}_h \cup \partial_T \mathcal{A}_h} \llbracket \mathbf{t} (\varphi_h) \rrbracket \cdot \varphi_{,\beta} \left\langle \frac{\beta \bar{j}_0 \mathcal{H}_m^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{h^s} \right\rangle \llbracket \delta \mathbf{t} \rrbracket \cdot \varphi_{,\gamma} \nu_\alpha^- \nu_\delta^- d\partial \mathcal{A} = \\
 & \int_{\partial_N \mathcal{A}_h} \bar{j} \bar{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \varphi d\mathcal{A} + \int_{\partial_M \mathcal{A}_h} \bar{j} \bar{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h d\mathcal{A} + \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathbf{n}^\mathcal{A} \cdot \delta \varphi \bar{j} d\mathcal{A} + \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^\mathcal{A} \cdot \delta \mathbf{t} \lambda_h \bar{j} d\mathcal{A}
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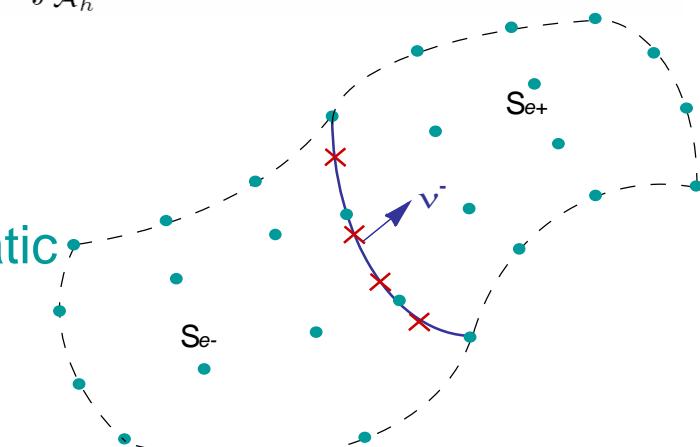
- Implementation

- Shell elements

- Membrane and bending responses
    - 2x2 (4x4) Gauss points for bi-quadratic (bi-cubic) quadrangles

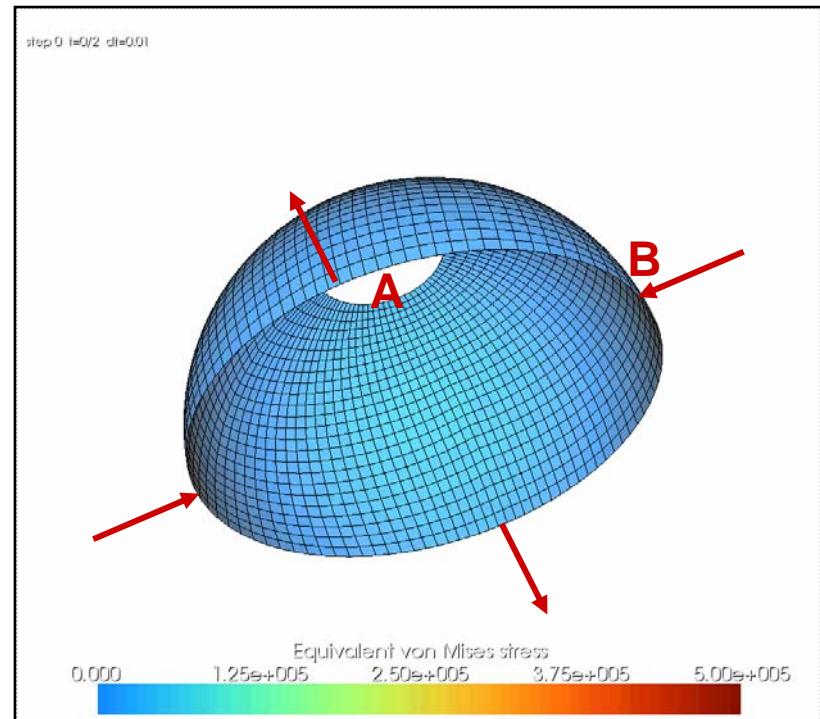
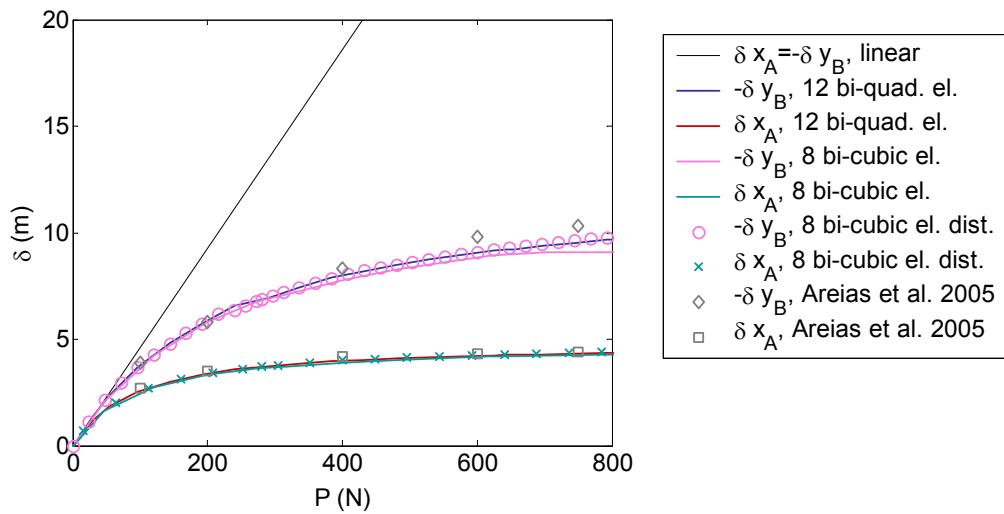
- Interface elements

- 3 contributions
    - 2 (4) Gauss points for quadratic (cubic) meshes
    - Contributions of neighboring shells evaluated at these points



# Numerical examples

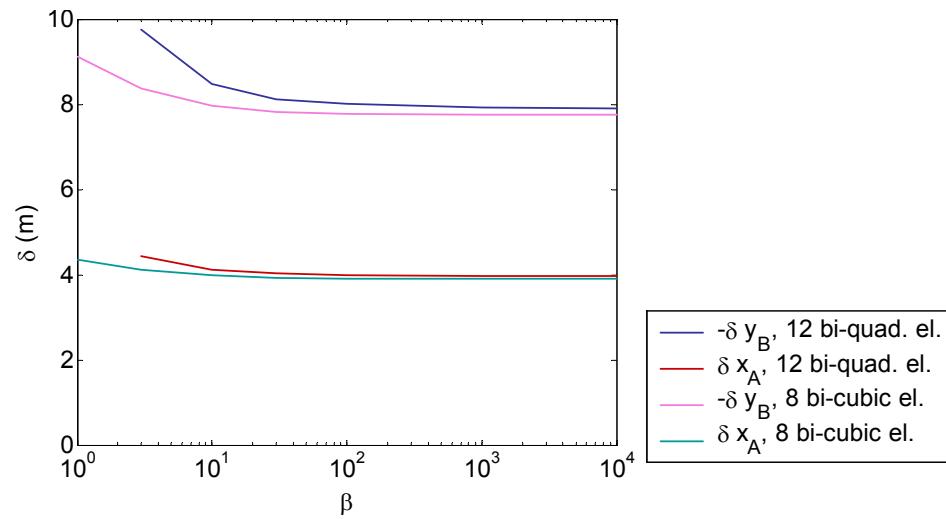
- Pinched open hemisphere
  - Properties:
    - 18-degree hole
    - Thickness 0.04 m; Radius 10 m
    - Young 68.25 MPa; Poisson 0.3
  - Comparison of the DG methods
    - Quadratic, cubic & distorted el. with literature



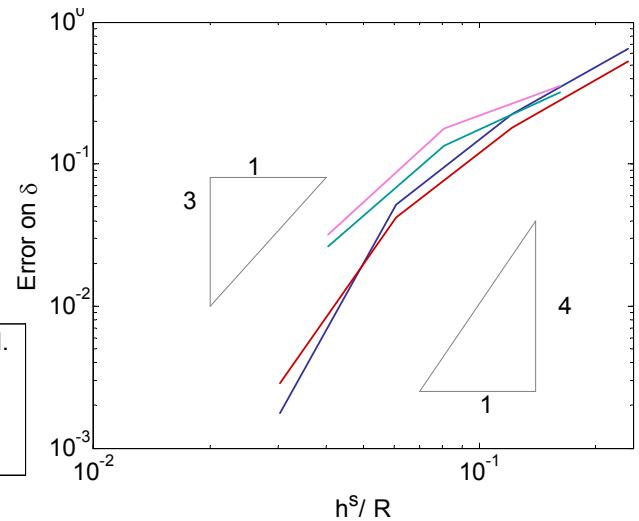
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- Pinched open hemisphere

Influence of the stabilization  
parameter



Influence of the mesh size



- Stability if  $\beta > 10$
- Order of convergence in the  $L^2$ -norm in  $k+1$

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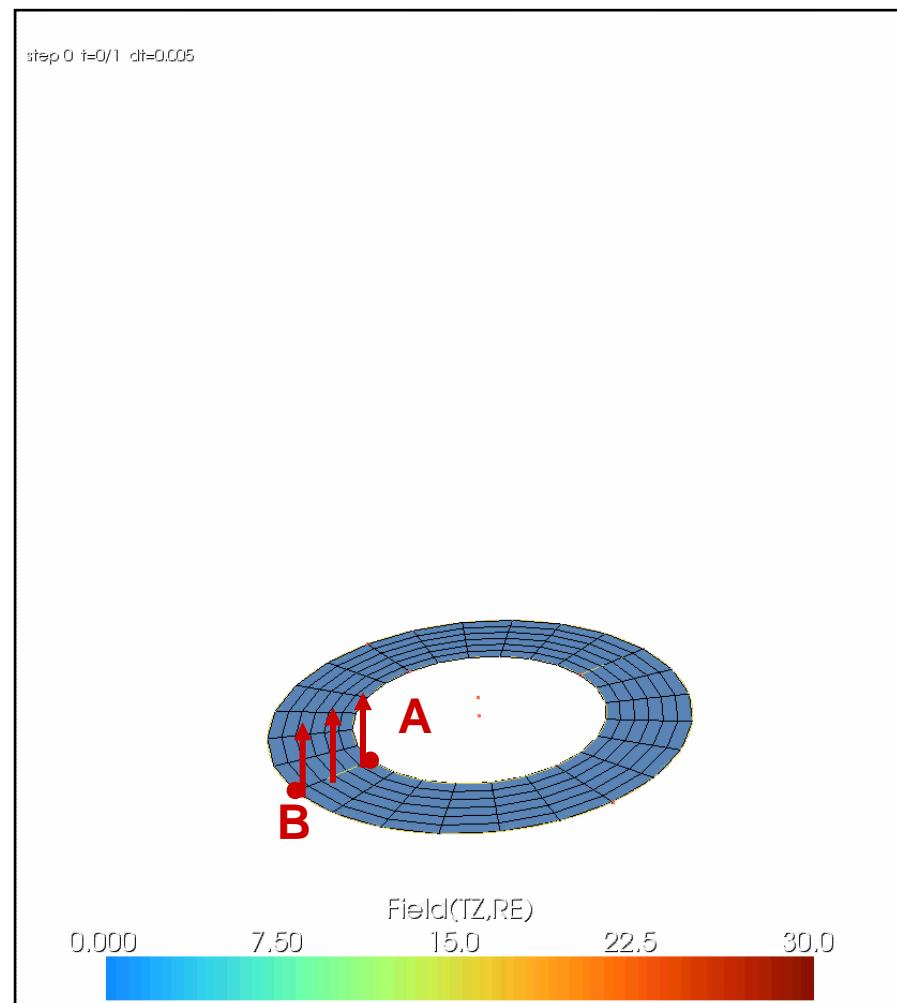
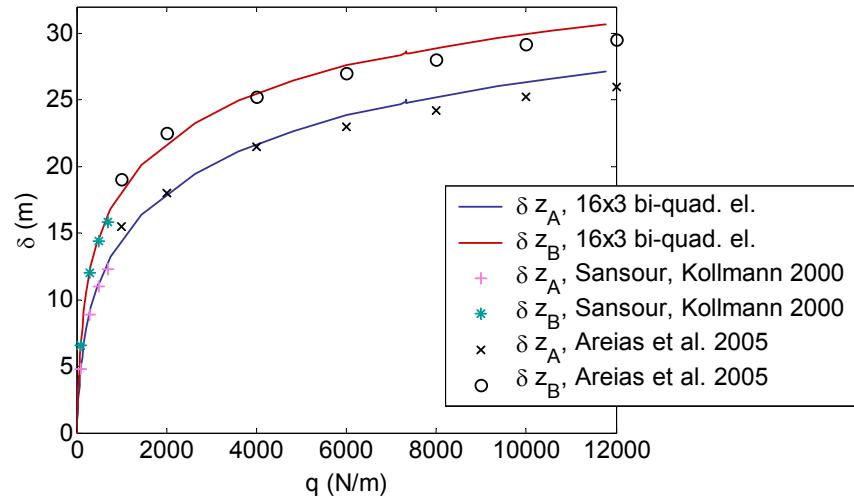
- Plate ring

- Properties:

- Radii 6 -10 m
    - Thickness 0.03 m
    - Young 12 GPa; Poisson 0

- Comparison of DG methods
  - Quadratic elements

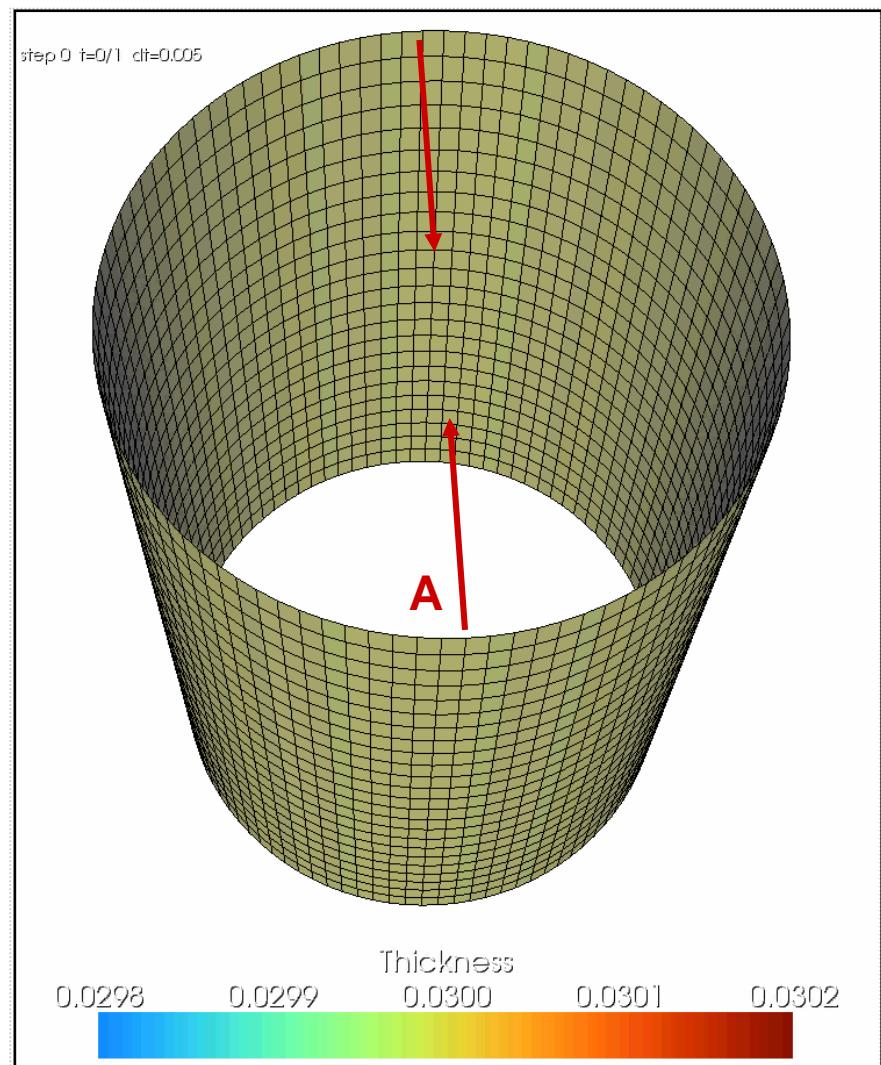
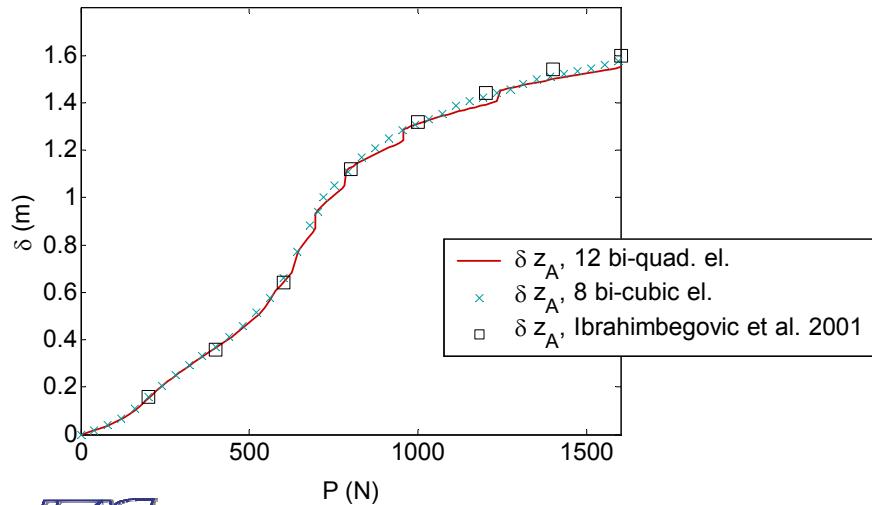
with literature



# Numerical examples

- Clamped cylinder

- Properties:
  - Radius 1.016 m; Length 3.048 m; Thickness 0.03 m
  - Young 20.685 MPa; Poisson 0.3
- Comparison of DG methods
  - Quadratic & cubic elements with literature



# Conclusions & Perspectives

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- Development of a discontinuous Galerkin framework for non-linear Kirchhoff-Love shells
  - Displacement formulation (no additional degree of freedom)
    - Strong enforcement of  $C^0$  continuity
    - Weak enforcement of  $C^1$  continuity
  - Quadratic elements:
    - Method is stable if  $\beta \geq 10$
    - Reduced integration (but hourglass-free)
  - Cubic elements:
    - Method is stable if  $\beta \geq 10$
    - Full Gauss integration (but locking-free)
  - Convergence rate:
    - $k-1$  in the energy norm
    - $k+1$  in the L2-norm

# Conclusions & Perspectives

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- Perspectives
  - Next developments:
    - Plasticity
    - Dynamics ...
  - Full DG formulation
    - Displacements and their derivatives discontinuous
    - Application to fracture
  - Application of this displacement formulation to computational homogenization of thin structures