

## Update on WP3.2: Themis and Hydrostatic Dynamical Core

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## WP3.2 Milestones

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- ① D3.3 (T0+6) Linear analysis and convergence of higher-order finite-element schemes, journal article
- ② D3.4 (T0+12) Benchmarking of HO FE schemes for the RSW equations on the sphere, journal article
- ③ M3.2 (T0+24) Prototype, efficient 3D implementation of hydrostatic core using HO FE
- ④ D3.5 (T0+30) Cost and accuracy of HO-FE vs DYNAMICO in academic benchmark

## WP3.2 Progress

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- ① Software Framework: Themis
- ② Mimetic Galerkin Differences: Analytic dispersion relationship (with Daniel Le Roux), efficiency work, theoretical properties
- ③ Dynamical Core: RSW done, working on Ripa and HPE
- ④ Papers in preparation: Mimetic Galerkin Differences: overall, RSW, linear modes; Themis

# Software Framework

## Themis



# What is Themis?

- 1 PETSc-based software framework (written in Python)
- 2 Parallel, high-performance\*, automated\* discretization of variational forms
- 3 Using mimetic, tensor-product Galerkin methods on structured grids
- 4 Enables rapid prototyping and experimentation

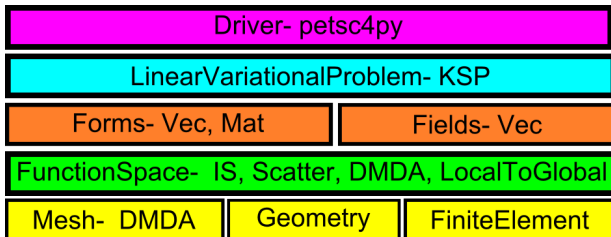
Available online at [https://bitbucket.org/chris\\_eldred/themis](https://bitbucket.org/chris_eldred/themis)

\*- *work in progress*



# Design Principles

- 1 Leverage existing software packages: PETSc, petsc4py, Numpy, Sympy, Instant, ...
- 2 Restrict to a subset of methods: mimetic, tensor-product Galerkin methods on structured grids
- 3 Similar in spirit and high-level design to FEniCS/Firedrake



## Current Capabilities

- 1 Support for structured grids in 1, 2 and 3 dimensions
- 2 Parallelism through MPI
- 3 Automated generation of assembly code (with user supplied kernels)
- 4 Arbitrary curvilinear mappings between physical and reference space
- 5 Support for mixed, vector and standard tensor-product Galerkin function spaces
- 6 Support for mimetic Galerkin difference elements,  $Q_r^- \Lambda^k$  elements (both Lagrange and Bernstein basis) and mimetic spectral elements (single-grid version only)
- 7 Support for essential and periodic boundary conditions

## Planned Extensions

- 1 Facet integrals: enables natural boundary conditions
- 2 Multi-block domains: enables cubed-sphere
- 3 Nonlinear variational problems (via SNES): enables (semi)-implicit timestepping
- 4 Duality/BLAS-based accelerated assembly and matrix-free variants: improved performance (CEMRACS project)
- 5 Multiple element types (in the same domain): enables MGD elements with non-periodic boundaries



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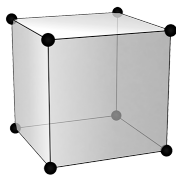
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 & \vec{\nabla} \cdot & & \vec{\nabla} \times & & \vec{\nabla} & \\
 & \delta & & \delta & & \delta & \\
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 \end{array}$$

$$\delta = *d*$$

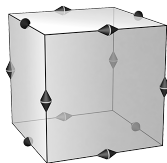
$$\nabla^2 = d\delta + \delta d$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \times = 0 = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla}$$

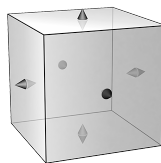
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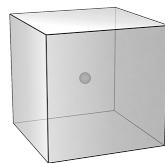
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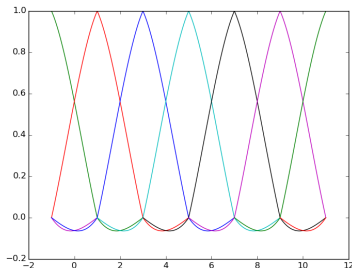
# General Approach to Mimetic Galerkin Spaces

## Mimetic Spaces

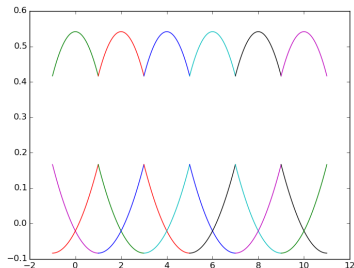
Select 1D Spaces  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  such that :  $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dx}} \mathcal{B}$  (1)

- Use tensor products to extend to n-dimensions
- Works for ANY set of spaces  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  that satisfy this property (mimetic finite elements use  $P_n$  and  $P_{DG,n-1}$ )
- Mimetic spectral element, Mimetic isogeometric methods (B-splines) all fall under this framework
- Our (different) choices of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are guided by linear mode properties and coupling to physics/tracer transport
- See Hiemstra et. al 2014 (and references therein)

# Mimetic Galerkin Differences: Basis



$\mathcal{A} = H_1$  Space (1D)



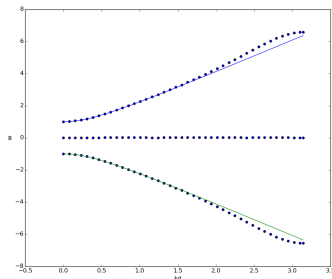
$\mathcal{B} = L_2$  Space (1D)

Single degree of freedom per geometric entity (**physics coupling**)

Higher order by larger stencils (**less local**)

3rd Order Elements

# Mimetic Galerkin Differences- Dispersion



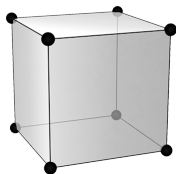
Inertia-Gravity Wave Dispersion Relationship (1D) for 3rd Order Elements

Spectral gap is gone

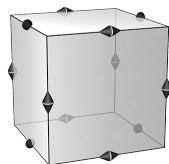
Can show that dispersion relation is  $O(2n)$  where  $n$  is the order

More details in a forthcoming paper

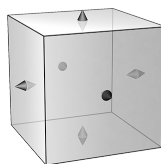
# Overview of 3D Spaces



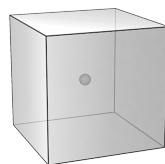
$W_0$



$W_1$



$W_2$



$W_3$

$$W_0 \xrightarrow{\vec{\nabla}} W_1 \xrightarrow{\vec{\nabla} \times} W_2 \xrightarrow{\vec{\nabla} \cdot} W_3$$

$W_0 = \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} = H_1 = \text{Continuous Galerkin}$

$W_1 = (\mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}) \hat{i} + \dots = H(\text{curl}) = \text{Nedelec}$

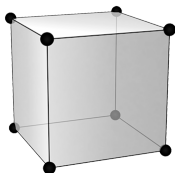
$W_2 = (\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B}) \hat{i} + \dots = H(\text{div}) = \text{Raviart-Thomas}$

$W_3 = \mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B} \otimes \mathcal{B} = L_2 = \text{Discontinuous Galerkin}$

# Dynamical Core

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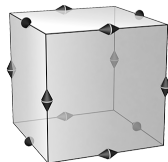
# Grid Staggering for HPE



$W_0$



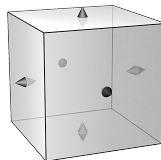
Differential  
Geometry



$W_1$



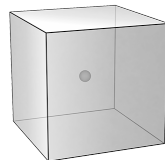
$\vec{\zeta}$



$W_2$

$\vec{v}, \vec{u}, W, \ominus$

CP Grid



$W_3$

$\mu, \ominus, \delta$

L Grid

Follows from differential geometry and Tonti diagram  
Galerkin Version of a C Grid

Question: Where should  $\ominus$  live?



# Poisson Brackets (Lagrangian Vertical Coordinate)

## Poisson Brackets

From Dubos and Tort 2014, evolution of  $\mathcal{F}[\vec{x}] = \mathcal{F}[\mu, \vec{v}, \Theta, z]$  is

$$\frac{d\mathcal{F}}{dt} = \left\{ \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \vec{x}}, \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{x}} \right\}_{SW} + \left\{ \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \vec{x}}, \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{x}} \right\}_{\Theta} + \left\langle \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \right\rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \vec{x}}, \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{x}} \right\}_{SW} = \left\langle \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \mu} - \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \mu} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v}}{\mu} \cdot \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \vec{v}} \times \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \right) \right\rangle \quad (3)$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \vec{x}}, \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{x}} \right\}_{\Theta} = \left\langle \theta \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \Theta} - \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta \Theta} \right) \right\rangle \quad (4)$$

where  $\mu$  is the pseudo-density,  $\vec{v} = \vec{u} - \vec{R}$  is the absolute (covariant) velocity,  $\Theta = \mu\theta$  is the mass-weighted potential temperature and  $z$  is the height.

# Equations of Motion: Lagrangian Vertical Coordinate

## Equations of Motion

Choose  $\mathcal{F} = \int \hat{\mu}$  ( or  $\int \hat{v} / \int \hat{\Theta} / \int \hat{z}$  ) to get:

$$\int \hat{\mu} \left( \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \right) \right) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\int \hat{\Theta} \left( \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left( \theta \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} \right) \right) = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\int \hat{v} \left( \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \frac{\zeta_v}{\mu} \times \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} + \theta \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \Theta} \right) + \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \mu} \right) \right) = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\int \hat{z} \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta z} = \int \hat{z} \left( g\mu + \frac{\partial p}{\partial \eta} \right) = 0 \quad (8)$$

Note that these are ALL 2D except for hydrostatic balance (8)

# Hamiltonian (Lagrangian Vertical Coordinate)

## Hamiltonian and Functional Derivatives

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}[\mu, \vec{v}, \Theta, z] = \int \mu \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}{2} + U \left( \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \eta}, \frac{\Theta}{\mu} \right) + gz \right) \quad (9)$$

$$\int \hat{v} \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \vec{v}} = \int \hat{v} (\mu \vec{u}) \quad (10)$$

$$\int \hat{\mu} \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \mu} = \int \hat{\mu} \left( \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}{2} + gz \right) \quad (11)$$

$$\int \hat{\Theta} \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \Theta} = \int \hat{\Theta} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta} = \int \hat{\Theta} \pi \quad (12)$$

$$\int \hat{z} \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta z} = \int \hat{z} \left( g\mu + \frac{\partial p}{\partial \eta} \right) \quad (13)$$

# Conservation

## Energy

- Arises purely from anti-symmetry of the brackets PLUS  $\frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta z} = 0$
- Mimetic Galerkin methods automatically ensure an anti-symmetric bracket
- Works for ANY choice of  $\mathcal{H}$
- Something similar can be done with a mass-based vertical coordinate, although it is slightly more complicated

## Mass, Potential Vorticity and Entropy

- These are Casimirs
- Can show that this discretization also conserves them

## Remaining Issues and Questions

### Hydrostatic Balance

- 1 Dynamico: Column-wise direct solution
- 2 Can this also be done with Galerkin approach?

### Grid Staggering: Placement of $\Theta$

- 1 Lorenz (Dynamico):  $\mu, \Theta \in \mathbb{W}_3$  (Admits a spurious computational mode in the vertical, poor dispersion properties for high-frequency IGWs)
- 2 Charney-Phillips:  $\Theta \in \mathbb{W}_{2,vert}$  (Avoids computational mode, complicates formulation)
- 3 Differential Geometry:  $\Theta$  is a 0-form  $\rightarrow \Theta \in \mathbb{W}_0$  (Excessive horizontal averaging  $\rightarrow$  computational mode/poor dispersion properties?)

# Workplan

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# Themis Workplan

## CEMRACS: Summer 2016

- ① Duality/BLAS-based assembly and matrix-free variant
- ② Tensor-product assembly and matrix-free variant

## Post-CEMRACS: Fall 2016

- ① Multi-block domains: enables cubed-sphere
- ② Multiple element types (in the same domain): enables MGD elements with non-periodic boundaries
- ③ Papers on Themis and on efficient assembly?

# MGD Elements Workplan

## Fall 2016

- 1 Finish theoretical properties: approximation rates (non-affine grids especially)
- 2 2D dispersion analysis for RSW
- 3 Stationary modes for RSW
- 4 Meet again with Daniel Le Roux (September or October?)
- 5 Papers on MGD, MGD applied to RSW/Ripa and MGD Linear Modes?



# Dynamical Core Workplan

## Fall 2016

- 1 Ripa
- 2 Multilayer RSW and Ripa
- 3 HPE: Lagrangian and Mass-based vertical coordinates

## Spring 2017

- 1 Explore  $\Theta$  staggering and vertical FE linear modes
- 2 Explore stabilization:  $\theta$  reconstruction,  $\vec{Q}$  flux (APVM, SUPG), other stabilizations
- 3 Test cases: DCMIP, others?
- 4 Efficiency: additional work, comparisons with Dynamico
- 5 Papers on HPE FE Dycore and Vertical Linear Modes?