

Convergence analysis for Multi-level Spectral Deferred Corrections (MLSDC)

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Motivation

- MLSDC: Multi-level extension of Spectral Deferred Corrections (SDC)
- Several numerical examples indicate its convergence **but** yet no general theoretical proof exists
- Convergence proofs for SDC exist

⇒ Try to use similar ideas to prove MLSDC convergence

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→ How to solve this system efficiently?

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- Order limit $M + 1$ stems from collocation problem
 - Higher order for last point in time (e.g. $2M$ for Radau quadrature)

Multi-level SDC (MLSDC)

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- Multi-level method to solve the collocation problem with SDC iterations on different grids/levels
- Here: Two-grid algorithm (Ω_H : coarse, Ω_h : fine)
- E.g. different resolution in time (number of quadrature nodes M) or space (degrees of freedom N) on the grids
- I_h^H, I_H^h transfer operators (restriction and interpolation)

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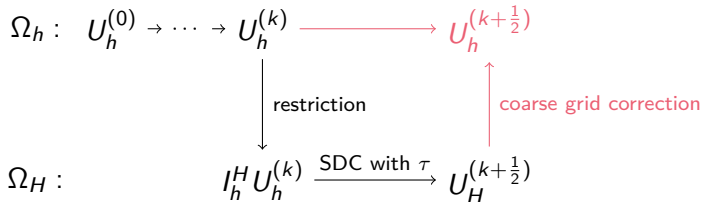
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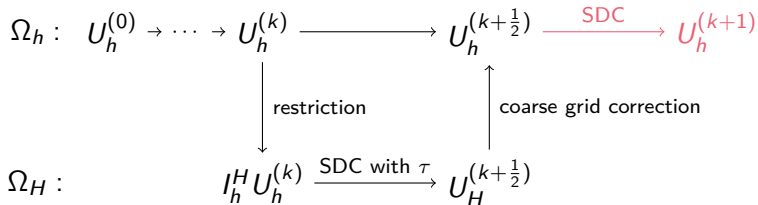
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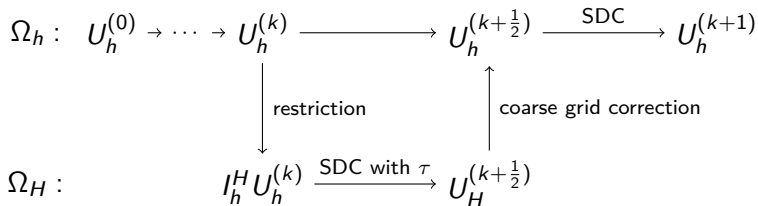
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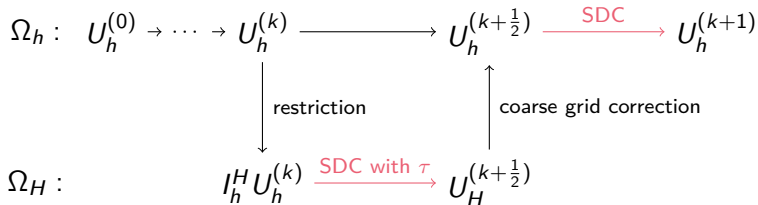
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→ Further analyzed $\|(I - I_H^h I_h^H)e_h\|$

- Assumptions: Coarsening in space with step size Δx , Lagrange interpolation of order p for I_H^h , injection for I_h^H
- If e_h sufficiently smooth:

$$\|(I - I_H^h I_h^H)e_h\| \leq C\Delta x^p \|e_h\|$$

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⇒ Can we see this practically?

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- Initial value problem:

$$\begin{aligned}u_t(x, t) &= 0.1u_{xx}(x, t) \quad \forall t \in [0, \Delta t], \quad x \in [0, 1], \\u(0, t) &= 0, \quad u(1, t) = 0, \\u(x, 0) &= \sin(4\pi x)\end{aligned}$$

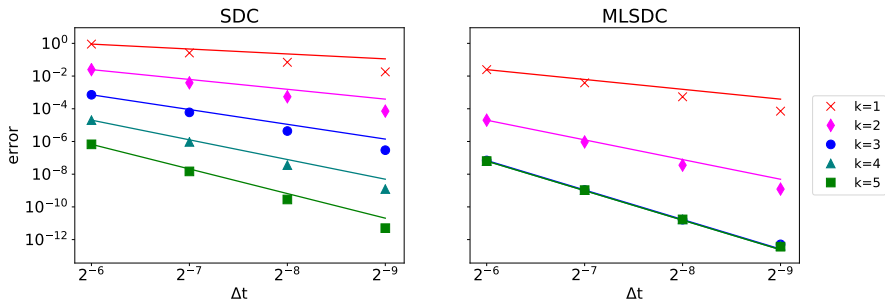
- Analytical solution known
- Method parameters:
 - Transformed to ODE by finite-difference method
 - $M = 5$ quadrature nodes
 - Q_Δ corresponds to right-hand rectangle rule (implicit Euler)

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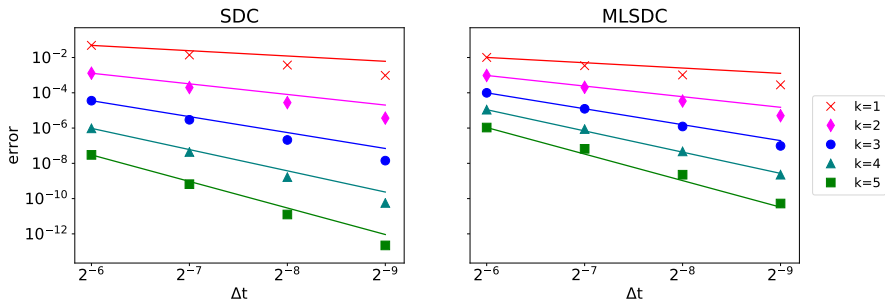


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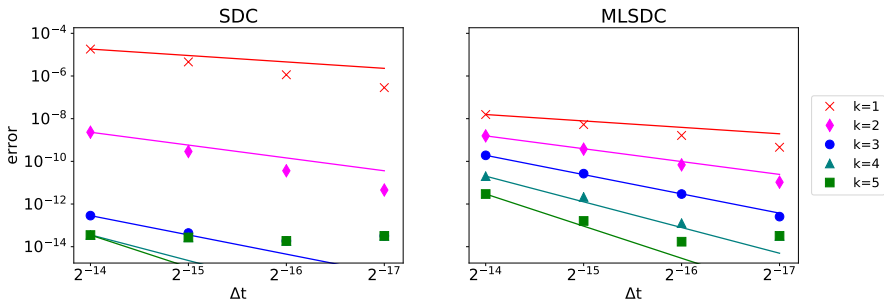


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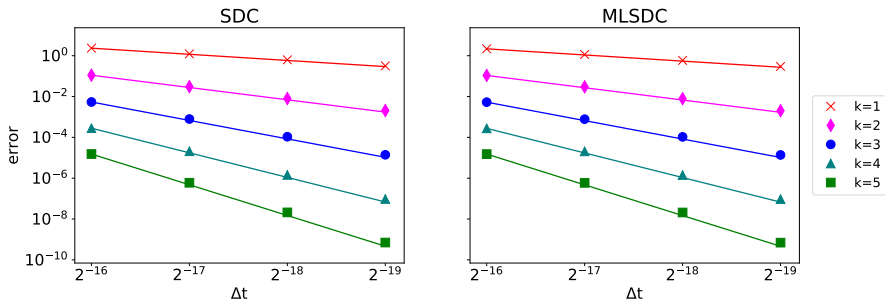


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What's next?

- Further analysis of conditions for the smoothness of the error
- Use convergence results to construct a time-adaptive method
- Convergence analysis for other extensions of SDC (e.g. SISDC)