

# On generalized sparse grids

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## Outline

1. High-dimensional problems and curse of dimensionality
2. Dimension decomposition of functions
3. Sparse grids
4. Energy-norm based sparse grids
5. Adaptive sparse grids
6. Applications

# High(er) dimensional problems

- **Classical** physics: most problems in 3d space+time, compl. geometry
- **Higher** dimensional problems ?
  - PDEs from mathematical **modelling, stochastics**
    - diffusion equation, Fokker-Planck equation,
      - diffusion approximation of discrete processes, networks (Mitzlaff, Dai)
      - viscoelasticity in polymer fluids (Rousse), reaction mechanisms in biology and chemistry (Sjoeberg, Loetstedt, Hegland),, option pricing,
      - homogenization with multiple scales (Cioranescu,, Hoang, Matache, Schwab)
    - quantum mechanics, Schrödinger equation (Yserentant, Flad)
    - data analysis, statistical learning (Garcke, Hegland)
    - stochastic PDEs (Todor, Schwab, Matthies)
  - Domain **simple**, product structure
    - $[0,1]^d$ ,  $[-a,a]^d$ , hypersphere  $S_d$ ,  $R^d$  with decay for  $x_i \rightarrow \pm \infty$

# Curse of dimension

- $f : \Omega^{(d)} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}, \quad f \in V^{(r)}, \quad r$  isotropic smoothness
- Bellmann '61: **curse of dimension**

$$\| f - f_N \|_{H^s} = C(d) \cdot N^{-r/d} \quad | \quad f |_{H^{s+r}} = O(N^{-r/d})$$

- Find situations where curse can be **broken** ?
- **Trivial**: restrict to  $r = O(d)$

$$\| f - f_N \| = O(N^{-cd/d}) = O(N^{-c})$$

but practically not very relevant

# Curse of dimension

- Consider class of functions of  $\mathfrak{R}^d$  with  $\nabla f \in FL_1$  where  $FL_1$  class of functions with Fourier transform in  $L_1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  expect  $\|f - f_N\| = O(N^{-1/d})$
- But **Barron** '93 showed  $\|f - f_N\| = O(N^{-1/2})$
- Meanwhile **other** function classes known
  - Radial basis schemes, Gaussian bumps, (Y. Meyer)
  - Niyogi, Girosi '98: ball in Besov space  $B_{1,1}^d(\mathfrak{R}^d) \Rightarrow r = d$
  - Stochastic sampling techniques, MC
  - Spaces with **bounded mixed derivatives**
- In any case: **some smoothness** changes with  $d$

# Concentration of measure

- What means smoothness for  $d \rightarrow \infty$  anyway?
- Concentration of measure: (Milman '88, Talagrand '95, Gromov '99)

f Lipschitz with constant L on d-sphere,

P normalized Lebesgue measure,

X uniformly distributed

Then:  $P(|f(X) - Ef(X)| > t) \leq c_1 \exp(-c_2 t^2 / L^2)$

=> every Lipschitz function on sufficiently high-dimensional domain is well approximated by constant function ! (Hegland, Pozzi '05)

# Lemma of Kolmogorov

- Kolmogorov '56:

ex.  $2d+1$  cont. strictly increasing functions  $\varphi_i : (0,1) \rightarrow (0,1)$

ex.  $d$  constants  $\lambda_i, \sum \lambda_i \leq 1$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \sum_{i=1}^{2d+1} g\left(\sum_{j=1}^d \lambda_j \varphi_i(x_j)\right)$$

for some (non-smooth)  $g \in C(0,1)$  dependent on  $f$

**but: non-constructive result,**

G., Braun 2009: recent constructive proof in Constructive Approximation

- **IBC, weighted RK Hilbert spaces,** Wozniakowski, Sloan

**=> There is hope for high-dimensional problems**

# Approach

- Basic principles:
  - 1dim series expansion with decay
  - d-dim product construction
  - Trunctation of resulting multivariate expansion
- Effect:
  - reduction of cost complexity
  - nearly same accuracy as „full“ product
  - necessary: certain smoothness requirements

# Introductory examples

- Napier's multiplication (John Napier (1550 –1617))
- Archimedes' approach for pi and Cavalieri's/Fubini's theorem
- Sparse grids for integration, approximation of functions and PDEs, etc.



# Summary

**Classical approach:**  $d = 1, \dots, 3/4$

curse of dimension and intractability

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r/d} \quad |f|_{H^{s+r}} = O(N^{-r/d})$$

**Stronger regularity/norms**

curse only wrt log-terms

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r} (\log(N))^{(d-1)/2} \quad |f|_{H_{mix}^{s+r}}$$

or no curse at all

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r} \quad |f|_{H_{mix}^{s+r}}$$

but still not tractable,

constant grows exponentially

$$d = 1, \dots, 10/12$$

**Lower effective dimension  
and lower-dim. manifolds**

no curse due to effective  
dimension

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d^{eff}) \cdot N^{-r/d^{eff}} \quad |f|_{H^{s+r}}$$

and constant grows

exponentially only wrt effective  
dimension

$$d = 1, \dots, 100..$$

$$d^{eff} = 1, \dots, 10$$



# Function decomposition

- splitting of **associated** d-dim function

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_d) &= \sum_{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}} f_u(x_u) \\ &= f_0 + \sum_{i=1}^d f_i(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{i < j}^d f_{i,j}(x_i, x_j) + \\ &\quad \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{i < j}^d \sum_{j < k}^d f_{i,j,k}(x_i, x_j, x_k) + \dots + f_{1, \dots, d}(x_1, \dots, x_d) \end{aligned}$$

- $2^d$  subspaces,  $2^d$  terms
- decomposition into **correlations, clusters**
- Choice of one-dimensional projector P ?

– integral mean  $\Rightarrow$  **ANOVA** decomposition,  
induces decomposition of **variance** of  $f$

(Efron, Stein, Wahba,  
Owen, Hickernell)

– evaluation at one fixed point  $\Rightarrow$  **Anchor ANOVA**

# Function decompositions

- 2d Example:

$$V^{(2)} =$$

$C_1 \times W_2$	$W_1 \times W_2$
$C_1 \times C_2$	$W_1 \times C_2$

$$f(x_1, x_2) = f_0 + f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2)$$

- 3d Example:

$$V^{(3)} =$$

$C_1 \times W_2 \times W_3$	$W_1 \times W_2 \times W_3$
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$C_1 \times W_2 \times C_3$	$W_1 \times W_2 \times C_3$
$C_1 \times C_2 \times C_3$	$W_1 \times C_2 \times C_3$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f_0 + f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + f_3(x_3) + f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) + f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) + f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) + f_{1,2,3}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

# Function decompositions

- approximation by **truncation** after  $q$ -order terms

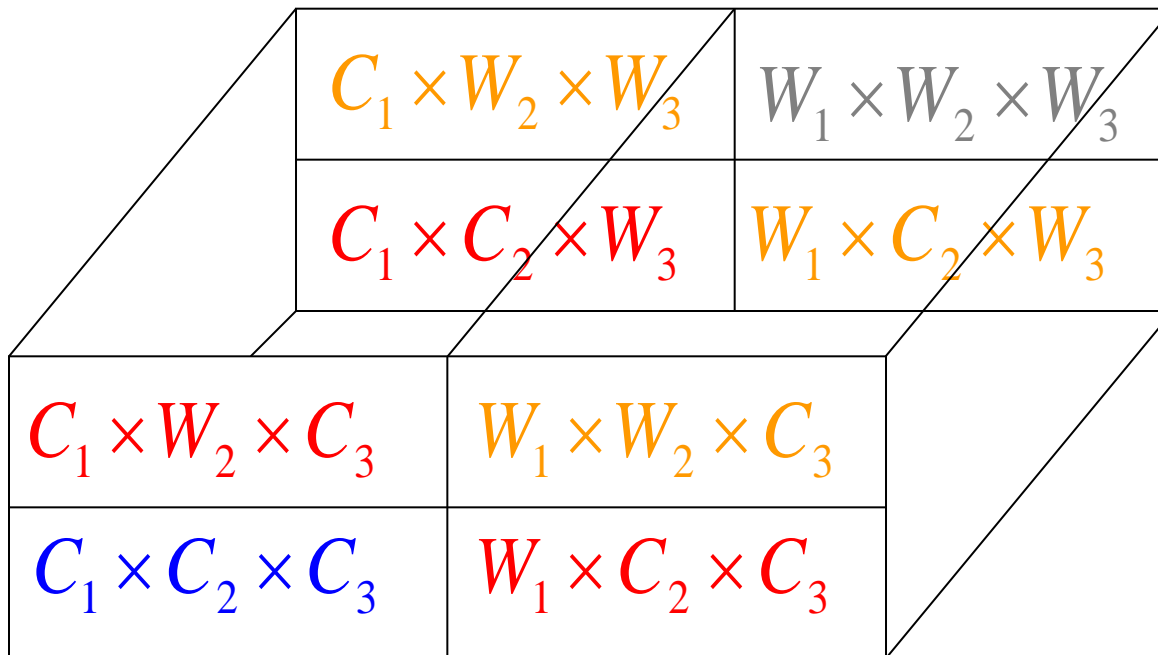
$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) \approx \sum_{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}, |u| \leq q} f_u(x_u)$$

$q = 0$

$q = 1$

$q = 2$

$q = 2$



$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f_0 + f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + f_3(x_3) + f_{1,2}(x_1, x_2) + f_{1,3}(x_1, x_3) + f_{2,3}(x_2, x_3) + f_{1,2,3}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

# Function decompositions

- Fast **decay** of series or even **finite order**  $q \ll d$ ?
- surely not in general, but: consider  $f$  as input-output model

$$(x_1, \dots, x_d) \rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_d)$$

- „Correlated“ effects of the input variables ?
- **Many body expansion** of potential energy surface of molecular systems: mostly only two-, three- or four-body potentials (i.e.  $q=4$ ) for physical reasons
- **Cluster expansions** in statistical mechanics
- Statistics: **second order**, covariances but i.g. not more
- **Data-mining**: MARS, only up to  $q=5, \dots, 7$  for real data

# Truncation

- Truncation after  $q$  terms introduces a **modelling error**
- The remaining subspaces needs to be finitely represented => **discretization error**
- After truncation after  $q$  terms **no more balancing** of modelling error and subsequent discretization error possible.
- **Unnatural** distinction between modelling error and subsequent discretization error
- better: relate it somehow

# Further decomposition of $W$ : Sparse grids

- decompose 1d subspace  $W$  further  $W = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} W_l$
- tensor product and subsequent truncation  
=> sparse grid representation
- Fourier series or polynomials (**global**)  
=> Korobov-spaces, hyperbolic cross approximation
- piecewise polynomials (**local**)  
hierarchical basis, interpolets, **wavelets**, multilevel basis  
=> sparse grid finite element spaces



# History of Sparse Grids

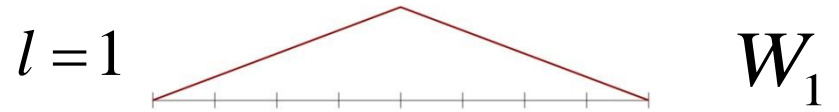
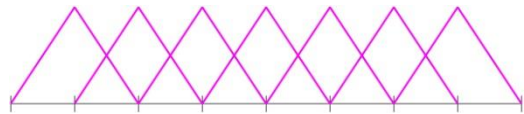
re-invented several times:

1957	Korobov, Babenko	hyperbolic cross points
1963	Smolyak	
1971	Gordon	blending method
1980	Delvos, Posdorf	Boolean interpolation
1990	Zenger, G.	sparse grids
1998	Stromberg, deVore	hyperbolic wavelets

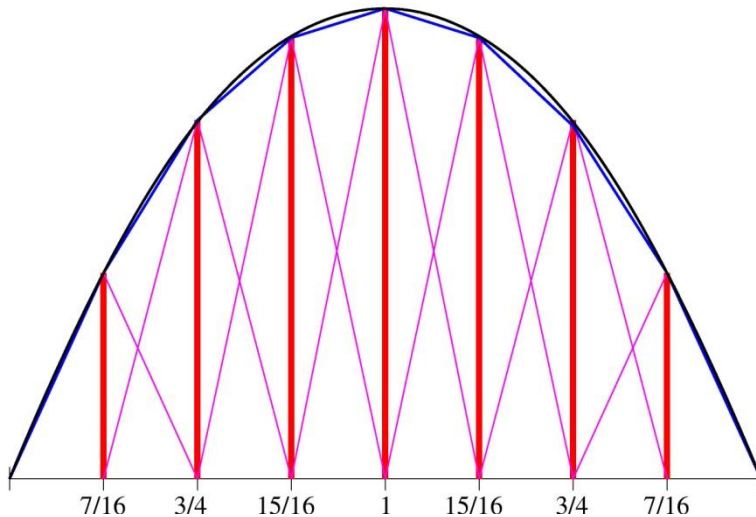
application areas include:

- quadrature (Novak, Ritter)
- interpolation
- data compression
- solution of PDEs
- integral equations
- eigenvalue problems

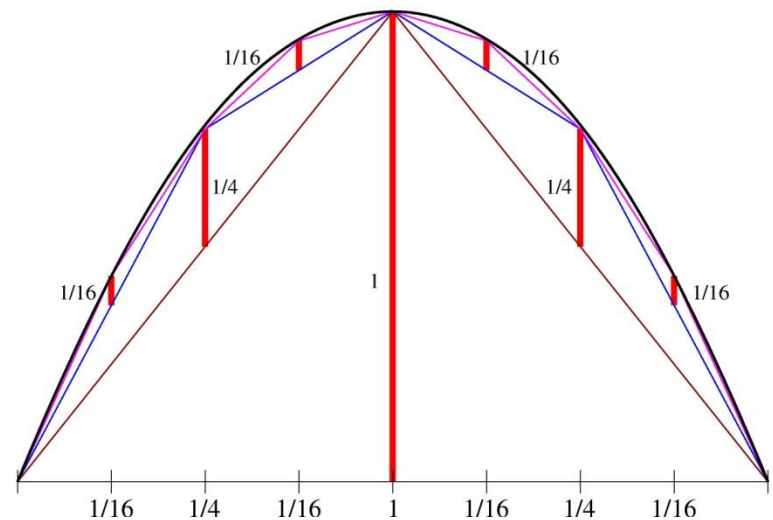
# Example: Hierarchical basis



parabola  $f(x) = -(x-1)(x+1)$  in  $[-1,1]$



conventional coefficients  
no decay from level to level



hierarchical coefficients  
decay by  $\frac{1}{4}$  from level to level

# Tensor product hierarchical basis

Generalization to higher dimension by tensor product

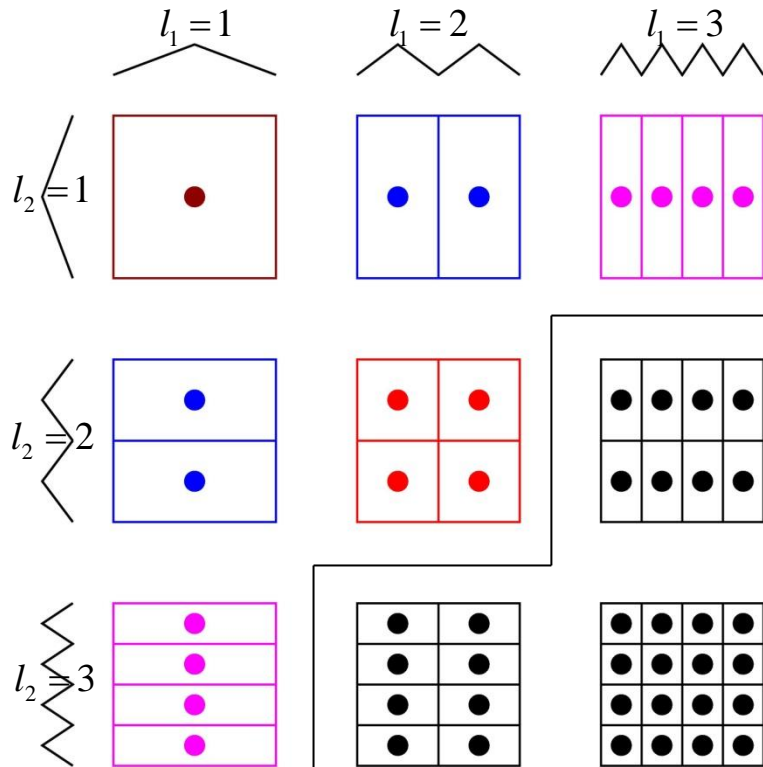


Table of subspaces  $W_{l_1 l_2}$

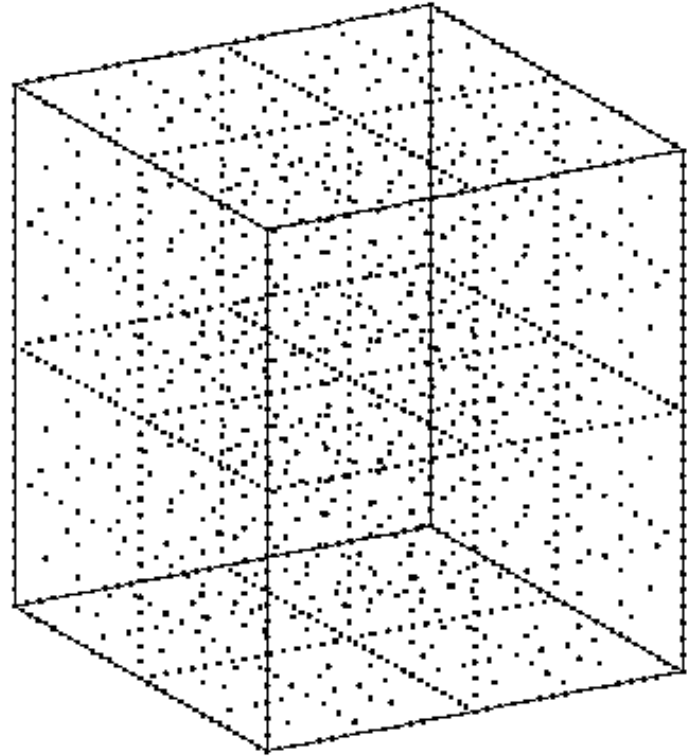
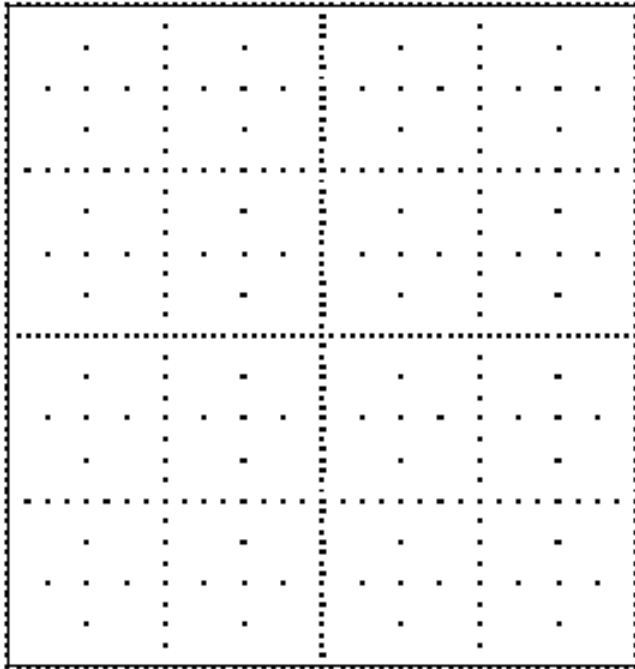
$\frac{1}{256}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{256}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{256}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{256}$
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decay in x- and y-direction by 1/4  
decay in diagonal direction by 1/16

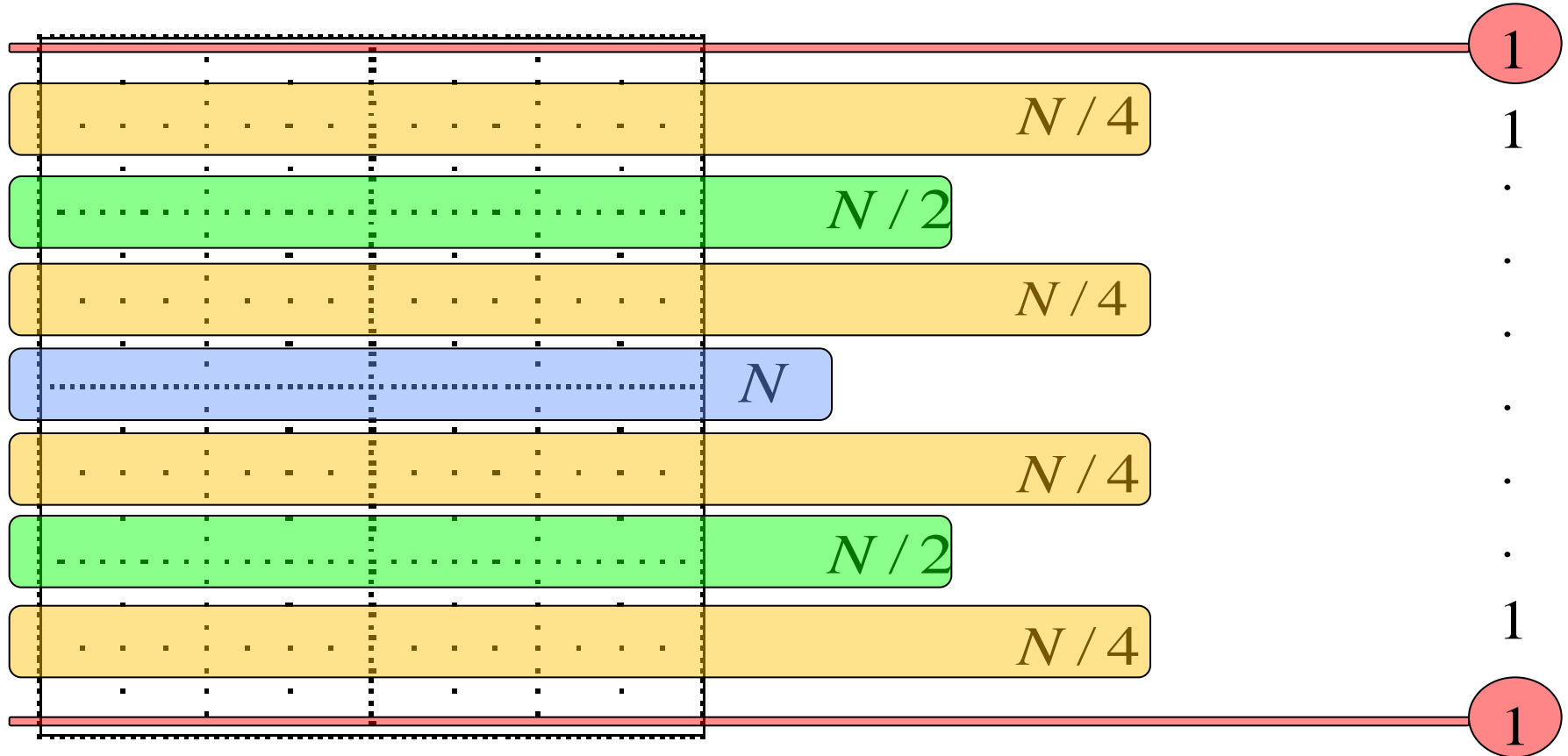
Idea:

Omit points with small associated hierarchial coefficient values

# Regular sparse grids



# cost complexity (d=2,interior points)



$$N +$$

$$2 * N / 2 +$$

$$4 * N / 4 + \dots$$

$$\cong \log(N) * N$$

**Accuracy:**  $f(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{l_1, l_2} f_{l_1, l_2}(x_1, x_2) \quad f_{l_1, l_2}(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{i_1, i_2} f_{l_1, i_1, l_2, i_2} \varphi_{l_1, i_1}(x_1) \varphi_{l_2, i_2}(x_2)$

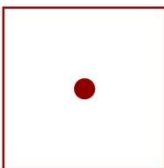
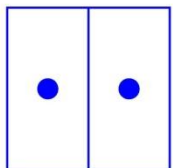
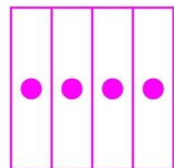
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Contribution  $\| f_{l_1, l_2} \|_2 \leq 3^{-2} \cdot 2^{-2(l_1+l_2)} \cdot \| f \|_{2, \text{mix}}$

truncate at level n

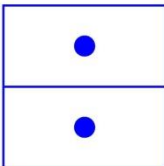
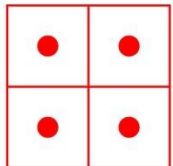
$l_1=1$   $l_1=2$   $l_1=3$

$l_2=1$

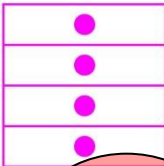
$2^{-2(n+1)} \cdot (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots) \cdot \| f \|_{2, \text{mix}} \cdot 3^{-2}$

$l_2=2$

$2^{-2(n+1)} \cdot (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots) \cdot \| f \|_{2, \text{mix}} \cdot 3^{-2}$

$l_2=3$



$2^{-2(n+1)} \cdot (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots) \cdot \| f \|_{2, \text{mix}} \cdot 3^{-2}$

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$2^{-2(n+2)} \dots$

$2^{-2(n+3)} \dots$

further summation results in

$\| f - f_n^{SG} \|_0 \leq c_2 \cdot n \cdot 2^n \| f \|_{2, \text{mix}}$

# Properties of sparse grids

	Sparse grids	Full grids	
Cost:	$O(N(\log N)^{d-1})$	instead of $O(N^d)$	
Accuracy:	$O(N^{-2}(\log N)^{d-1})$	$O(N^{-2})$	$L_2$ -norm
	$O(N^{-1})$	$O(N^{-1})$	energy-norm
Smoothness:	$\left  \frac{\partial^{2d} f}{\partial x_1^2 \dots \partial x_d^2} \right  \leq c$	$\left  \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} \right  \leq c$	
:			
Space and seminorm:	$H_{mix}^2,  f _2$	$H^2,  f _2$	

breaks **curse** of dimension of conventional full grids  
at least to some extent

Note: **higher** regularity in mixed derivative,  $r \sim d$

# $L^2$ norm-based sparse grids

- For orthogonal wavelets and general stable multiscale systems we can even obtain

$$O(N^{-2}(\log N)^{(d-1)/2})$$

- Hint: estimate directly for squared error.

- Complexities with boundary terms:

- Cost: same order but additional factor of  $3^d$

- Accuracy same order

- Smoothness assumptions related to variation of Hardy and Krause

- Start multiscale series with constant then linear etc.



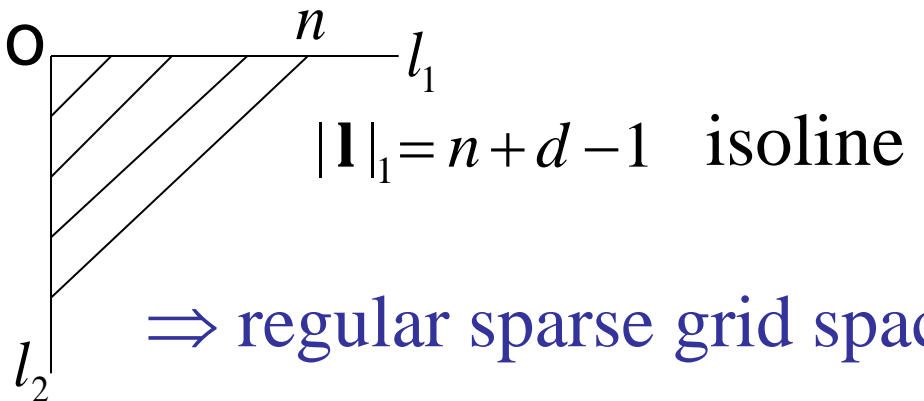
# $L^2$ norm-based sparse grids

- Representation  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{l}} f_{\mathbf{l}}(\mathbf{x}) \quad f_{\mathbf{l}}(\mathbf{x}) \in W_{\mathbf{l}}$   
 $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \quad \mathbf{l} = (l_1, \dots, l_d)$
- cost per subspace  $\dim(W_{\mathbf{l}}) = 2^{|\mathbf{l}-\mathbf{1}|_1}$
- benefit for accuracy  $\|f_{\mathbf{l}}\|_2 \leq 3^{-d} \cdot 2^{-2|\mathbf{l}|_1} \cdot \|f\|_2 = O(2^{-2|\mathbf{l}|_1})$
- choice of best subspaces ?

=> restricted global optimization problem,

=> local benefit<sup>2</sup>/cost ratio

$$V_n^{(d, opt)} = \bigoplus_{|\mathbf{l}|_1 = n+d-1} W_{\mathbf{l}}$$



=> regular sparse grid space

# Energy-norm based sparse grids

- energy norm  $\|f\|_E := \left( \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j=1}^d \left( \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}_j} \right)^2 d\mathbf{x} \right)^{1/2}$

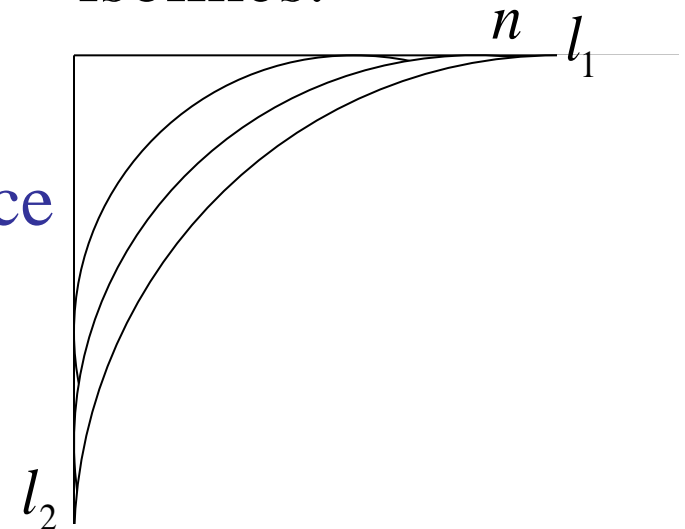
- **benefit** for accuracy

$$\|f_1\|_E \leq \frac{1}{2 \cdot 12^{(d-1)/2}} \cdot 2^{-2|\mathbf{l}_1|} \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^d 2^{2l_j} \right) \cdot |f|_2 = O(2^{-2 \cdot |\mathbf{l}_1|} \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^d 2^{2 \cdot l_j} \right)^{1/2})$$

- Now benefit/cost ratio

$$b^2(\mathbf{l}) / c(\mathbf{l}) \approx \frac{2^{-4 \cdot |\mathbf{l}_1|}}{2^{-|\mathbf{l}_1|}} \cdot \sum_{j=1}^d 2^{2 \cdot l_j}$$

isolines:



⇒ energy-norm based sparse grid space

$$V_n^{(d,E)} = \bigoplus W_{\mathbf{l}}$$

$$|\mathbf{l}_1| - 1/5 \cdot \log_2 \left( \sum_{j=1}^d 4^{l_j} \right) \leq n + d - 1 - 1/5 \cdot \log_2 (4^n + 4d - 4)$$

# Energy-norm based sparse grids

- Properties: complexities now **independent** of  $d$

$$\dim(V_n^{d,E}) = O(2^n) \qquad \|f - f_n^E\|_E = O(2^{-n})$$

- What about the **constants** ?

$$\dim(V_n^{d,E}) \leq \frac{d}{2} (1 - 2^{-2/3})^{-d} \cdot 2^n \leq \frac{d}{2} \overbrace{e^d}^{c_2} \cdot 2^n$$

$$\|f - f_n^E\|_E \leq \underbrace{\frac{d}{3^{(d-1)/2} \cdot 4^{d-1}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{d-1}\right)}_{c_1} \cdot |f|_2 \cdot 2^{-n}$$

Thus:

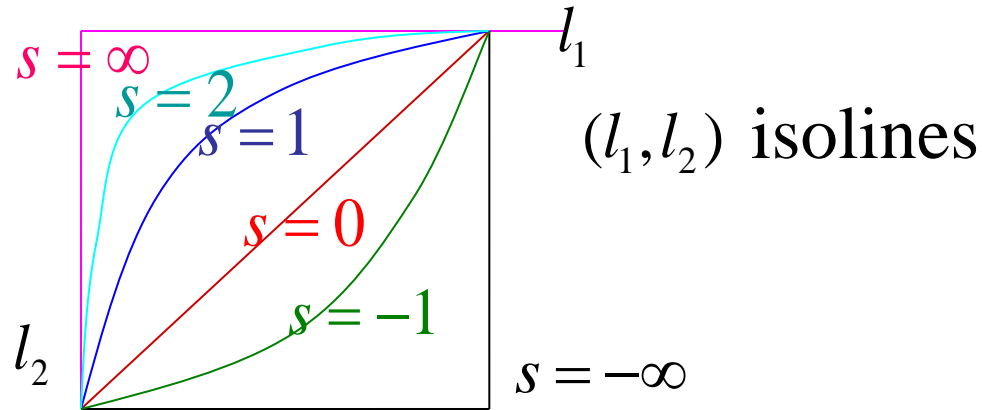
$$\|f - f_n^E\|_E \leq c_1 \cdot 2^{-n} |f|_2 \leq c_1 \cdot \underbrace{2^{-n}}_{2^{-n} \leq c_2 \cdot \dim(V_n^{d,E})^{-1}} \cdot c_2 \cdot |f|_2 \cdot \dim(V_n^{d,E})^{-1}$$

with constant  $c_1 \cdot c_2 = O(d^2 \cdot 0.97515^d)$

# Further generalizations

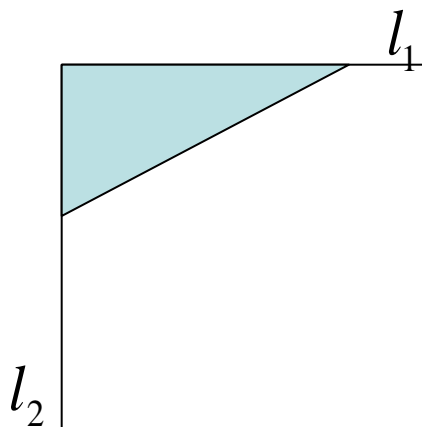
- $H^s$ -norm based optimal sparse grid spaces (G., Knappek )

$$s \in (-\infty, \infty)$$



- More general subspace patterns

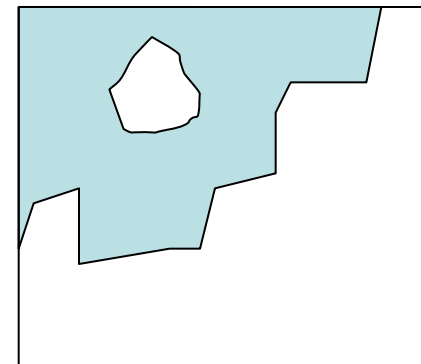
Anisotropic  
sparse grids



general subset of subspaces

$$V_{\mathfrak{I}}^{(d)} = \bigoplus_{l \in \mathfrak{I}} W_l$$

$\mathfrak{I}$  = set of indices



# Further generalizations

- $H_{mix}^{t,l}$  spaces and regularity assumption (G., Knapik)

$$H_{mix}^{t,l}(I^d) := H^{t1+le_1}(I^d) \cap \dots \cap H^{t1+le_d}(I^d)$$

$$H_{mix}^{\mathbf{k}}(I^d) := H^{k_1}(I) \otimes \dots \otimes H^{k_d}(I)$$

Mixture of the standard Sobolev space

$$H^s(I^d) = H_{mix}^{0,s}(I^d)$$

and the space of dominating mixed derivative

$$H_{mix}^t(I^d) = H_{mix}^{t,0}(I^d)$$

Norm equivalency (for stable decompositions, wavelets)

$$\|f\|_{H_{mix}^{t,l}}^2 \approx \sum_{\mathbf{l}} 2^{2t\|\mathbf{l}\|_1 + 2l\|\mathbf{l}\|_\infty} \|f_{\mathbf{l}}\|_0^2$$

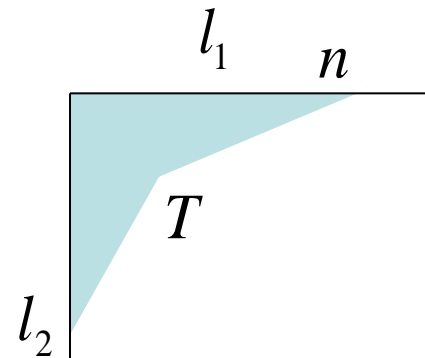
# Further generalizations

- Optimization allows again to determine the best sparse grid spaces  $V_n^T = \bigoplus W_{\mathbf{l}}$

$$I_n^T = \{\mathbf{l} \in N^d : -|\mathbf{l}|_1 + \frac{s}{t} |\mathbf{l}|_\infty \geq -(d+n-1) + \frac{s}{t} n\}$$

with approximations like

$$\inf_{v \in V_n^T} \|f - v\|_{H^s}^2 \leq c 2^{-2(l+t-s)n} \|u\|_{H_{mix}^{t,l}}^2$$



- For a large range of smoothness parameters  $s, t, l$  any log-term is avoided in the cost and accuracy estimates
- But the constants may depend strongly on  $d$

- BTW: The solution of Schrödinger 's equation lives in

$$H_{mix}^{1,1}((\mathbb{R}^3)^d) \quad H_{mix}^{3/4-\varepsilon,1}((\mathbb{R}^3)^d)$$

# Dimension-adapted sparse grids

- So far: function class known, and a-priori choice of best subspaces by optimization
- Size of benefit/cost ratio indicated if subspace is active => patterns for  $\mathfrak{S}$
- Now: for single given function adaptively build up a set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of active indices
- Needed:
  - „local“ error indicator for subspace  $W_1$
  - refinement strategy to build new index set
  - global stopping criterion

# Dimension-adaptive methods

- A proper adaptive algorithm then
  - uses lower resolution in less important dimensions and correlationsand thus automatically detects
  - important dimensions
  - important correlations between the dimensions
- large reduction of cost if important dimensions are few (small **effective dimension, finite order weight spaces**), curse of dimensionality broken
- But: no need to know function class a-priori

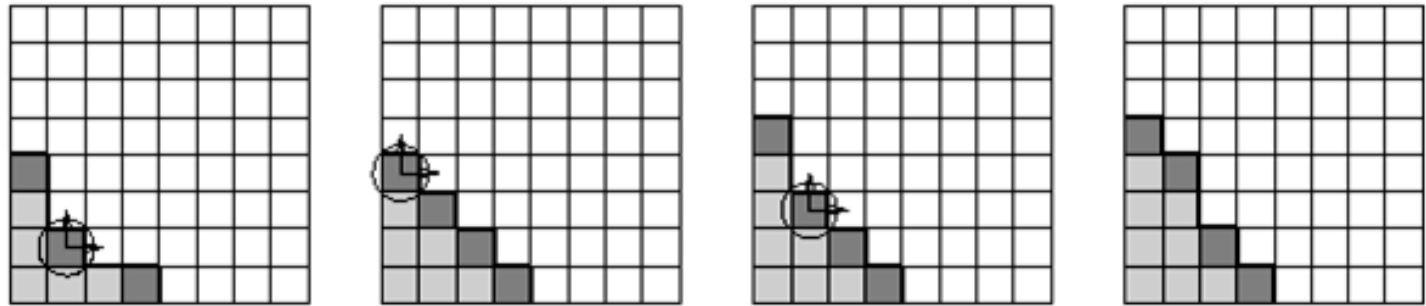
(Hegland '01, Gerstner, G. '03, Garcke '04)



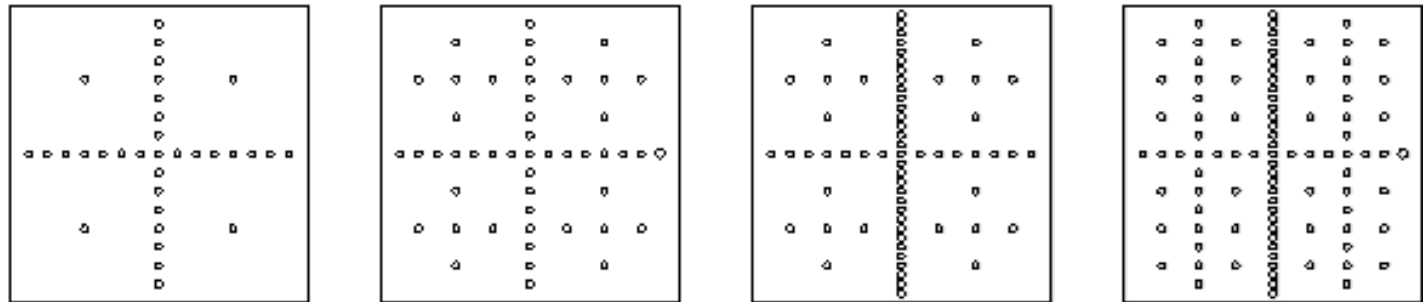
# Example (Index Sets)

Evolution of the algorithm:

index sets:



corresponding  
grids:



Special data structures for the bookkeeping of the different index sets required.  $\Rightarrow O(d^2)$

# Error Estimation

- differential integral for index  $l$

$$d_1 = \| f_1 \|$$

can be used as **local error estimate**

- problem: too early stopping (no saturation)
- solution: consider also **involved work**

$$n_1 = |W_1|$$

and use as estimate

$$\max \left\{ w \frac{d_1}{d_1}, (1-w) \frac{n_1}{n_1} \right\}$$

with weight

$$w \in [0,1].$$

# A simple example

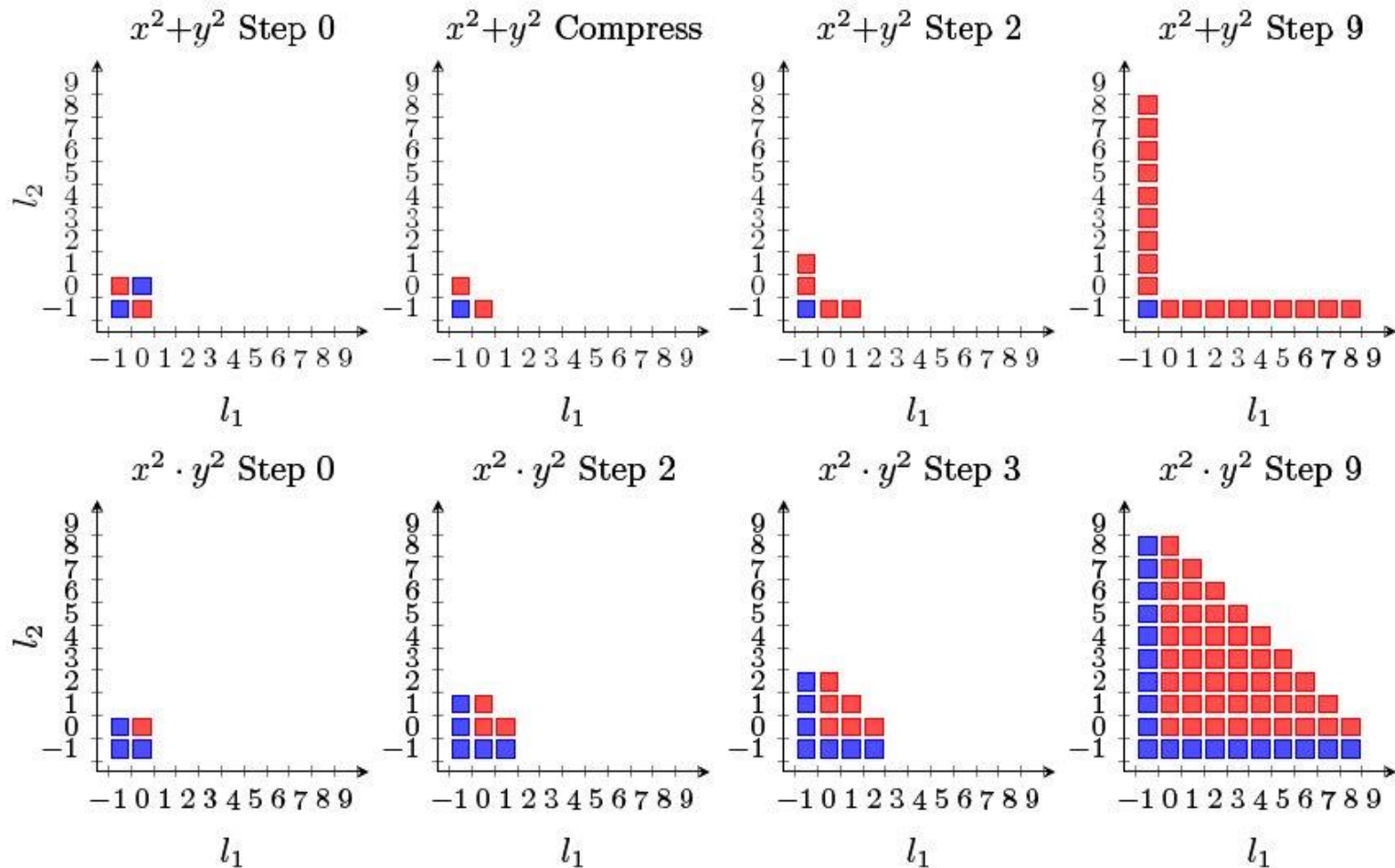


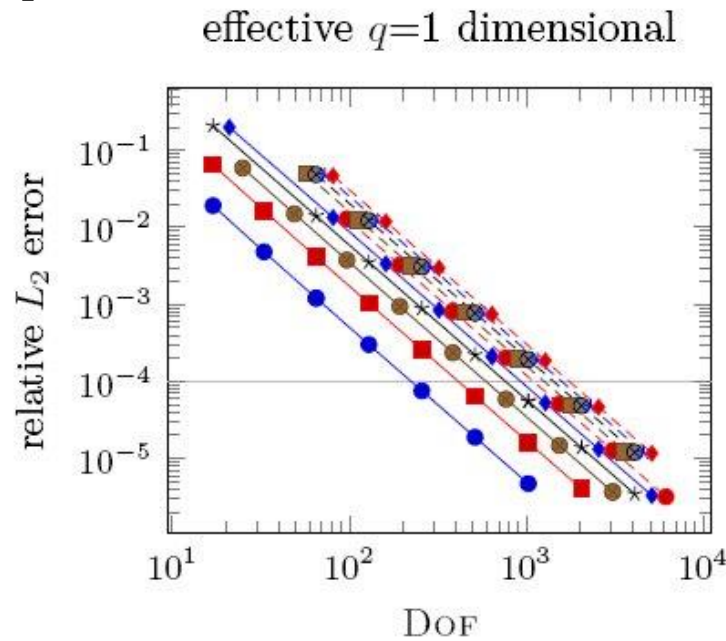
Figure 4.14: Dimension adaptive refinement with the new ANOVA based admissibility criterion for  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$  (top row) and  $f(x, y) = x^2 \cdot y^2$  (bottom row). Here,  $\blacksquare$  indicates a vanishing contribution  $f_l \equiv 0$  whereas  $\blacksquare$  indicates a non-vanishing contribution  $f_l \neq 0$ .

# High nominal but low effective dimension

- Model problem 
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\substack{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\} \\ |u|=q}} \prod_{j \in u} g(x_j)$$

$$g(x) = B(\alpha, \beta)^{-1} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}, \text{ here with } \alpha = 2, \beta = 5$$

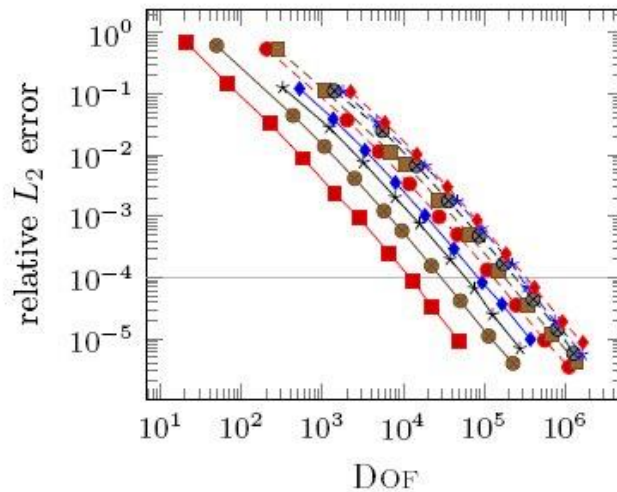
- We expect a behavior of the method as for a smooth  $q$ -dimensional function and cost  $O\left(\binom{d}{q} N_q\right)$  with  $N_q$  cost for one smooth  $q$ -dimensional problem



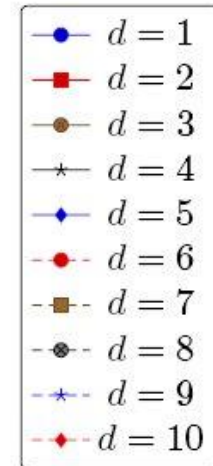
$d$	$N_d^{1-4}$	$N_d^{\bar{\epsilon}}/N_1^{\bar{\epsilon}}$	$\binom{d}{1}$
1	223	1.0	1
2	413	1.8	2
3	590	2.6	3
4	762	3.4	4
5	930	4.2	5
6	1,096	4.9	6
7	1,260	5.6	7
8	1,424	6.4	8
9	1,586	7.1	9
10	1,748	7.8	10

# High nominal but low effective dimension

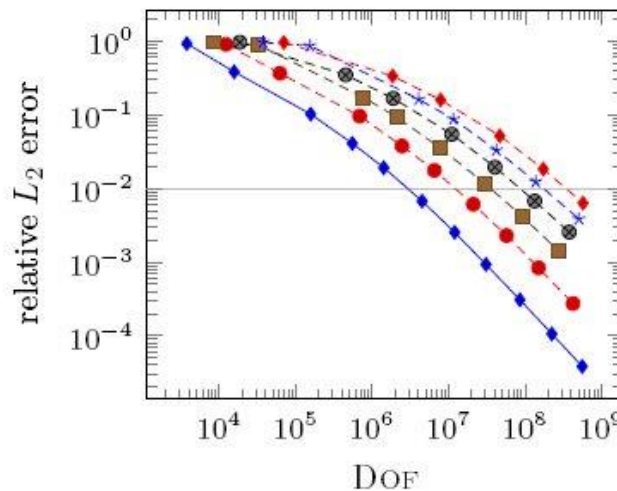
effective  $q=2$  dimensional



$d$	$N_d^{1-4}$	$N_d^{\bar{\epsilon}}/N_2^{\bar{\epsilon}}$	$\binom{d}{2}$
2	12,137	1.0	1
3	29,355	2.4	3
4	58,543	4.8	6
5	83,981	6.9	10
6	130,670	10.8	15
7	179,231	14.8	21
8	241,512	19.9	28
9	283,755	23.4	36
10	330,196	27.2	45



effective  $q=5$  dimensional



$d$	$N_d^{1-2}$	$N_d^{\bar{\epsilon}}/N_5^{\bar{\epsilon}}$	$\binom{d}{5}$
5	2,904,750	1.0	1
6	12,153,200	4.2	6
7	35,269,600	12.1	21
8	85,576,500	29.5	56
9	173,730,000	59.8	126
10	342,084,000	117.8	252

Cost increase factors for a fixed error 0.0001, right cloumn

# Decay of importance of the dimensions

- Weighted model problem  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\substack{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\} \\ |u|=q}} \prod_{j \in u} w_j g(x_j)$
- $$g(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma\pi} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x - x_0}{\gamma}\right)^2\right)^{-1} \text{ with } \gamma = 1/2, x_0 = 0.8, w_j = 2 \cdot 2^{3/2(j-1)}$$

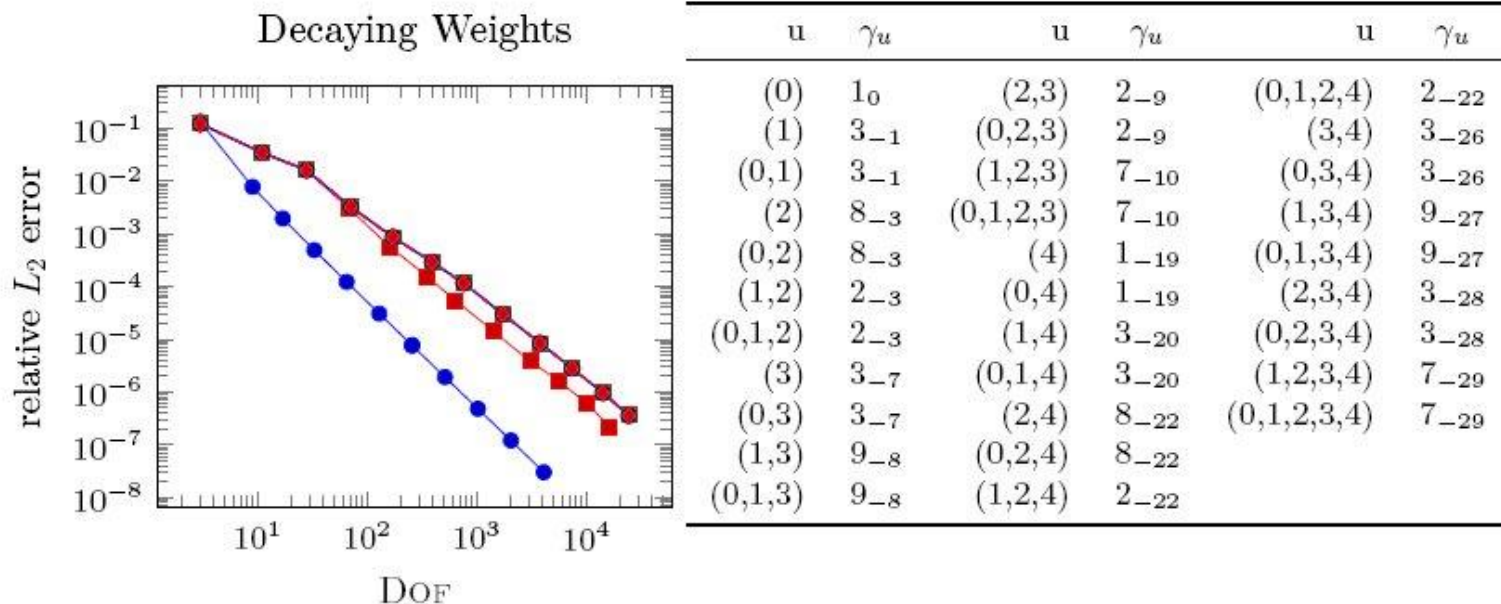


Figure 4.18: Dimension adaptive interpolation of the weighted superposition (4.118) for dimensions  $d = 1, 2, \dots, 10$  and the associated weights for the case  $d = 5$  (ordered by magnitude). See Figure 4.19 for dimension adaptive index sets.

# Decay of importance of the dimensions

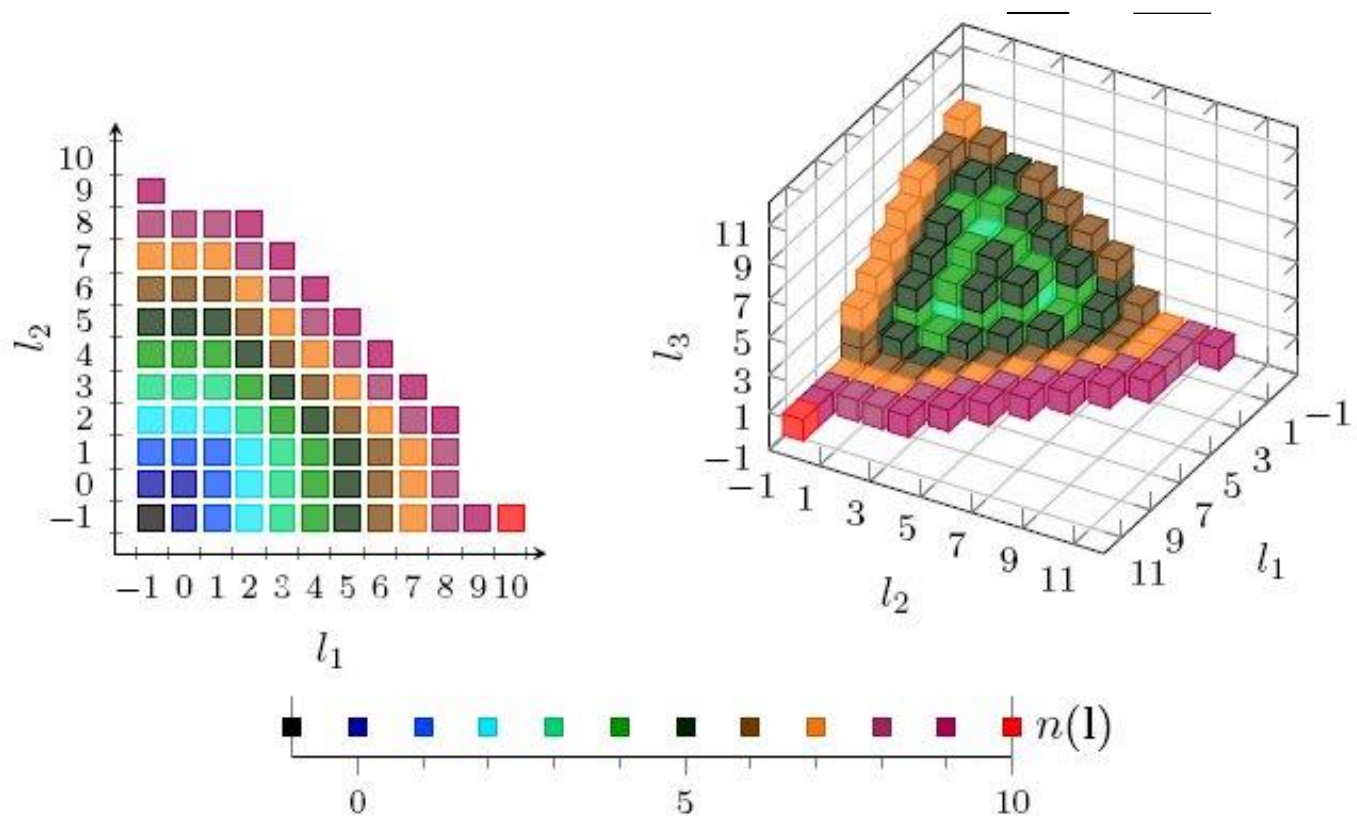


Figure 4.19: Dimension adaptive index sets for the experiment of Figure 4.18 in dimensions  $d = 2$ ,  $d = 3$ . Each level  $n(l)$  has the same color.

# PDE solver

- Problem

right hand side of finite order  $q=4$

$$-\Delta u = h \text{ in } [0,1]^d$$

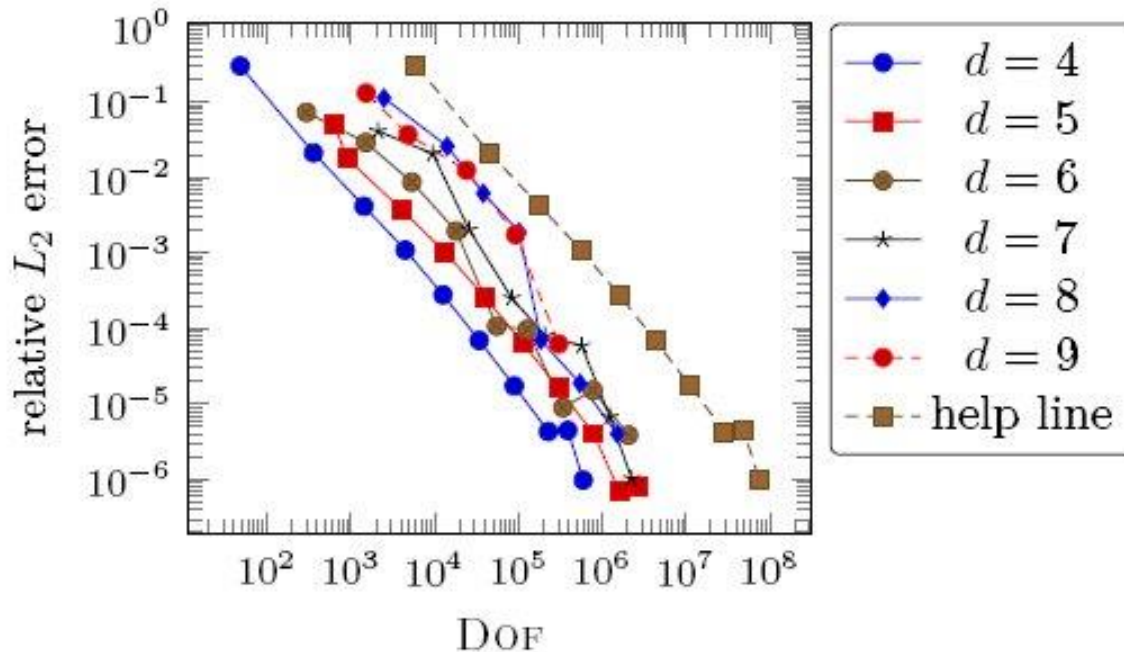
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\substack{u \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\} \\ |u|=q}} \prod_{j \in u} g(x_j)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial [0,1]^d$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma\pi} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x - x_0}{\gamma}\right)^2\right)^{-1} \text{ with } \gamma = 1/2, x_0 = 0.8$$

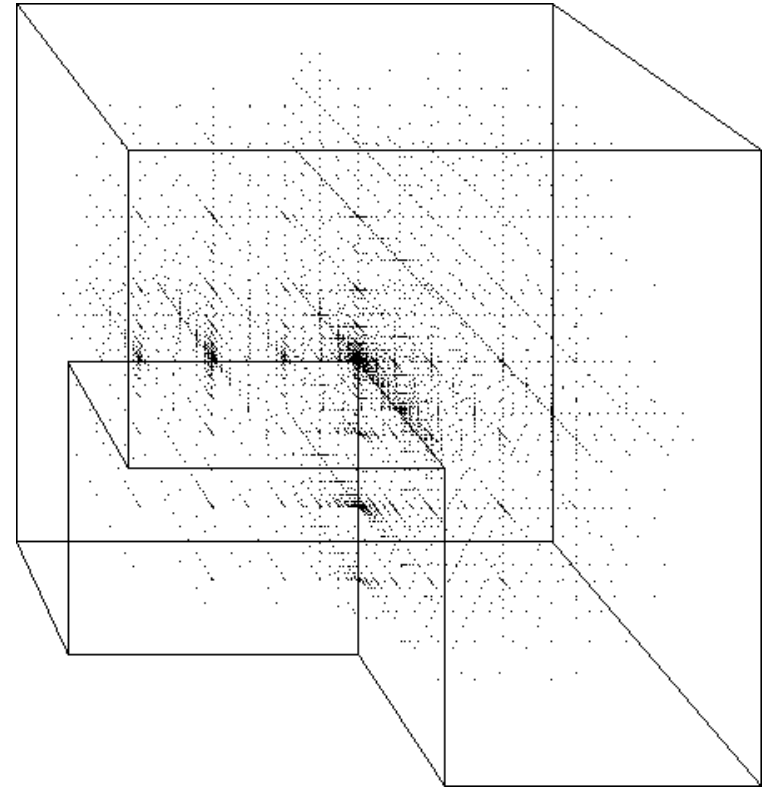
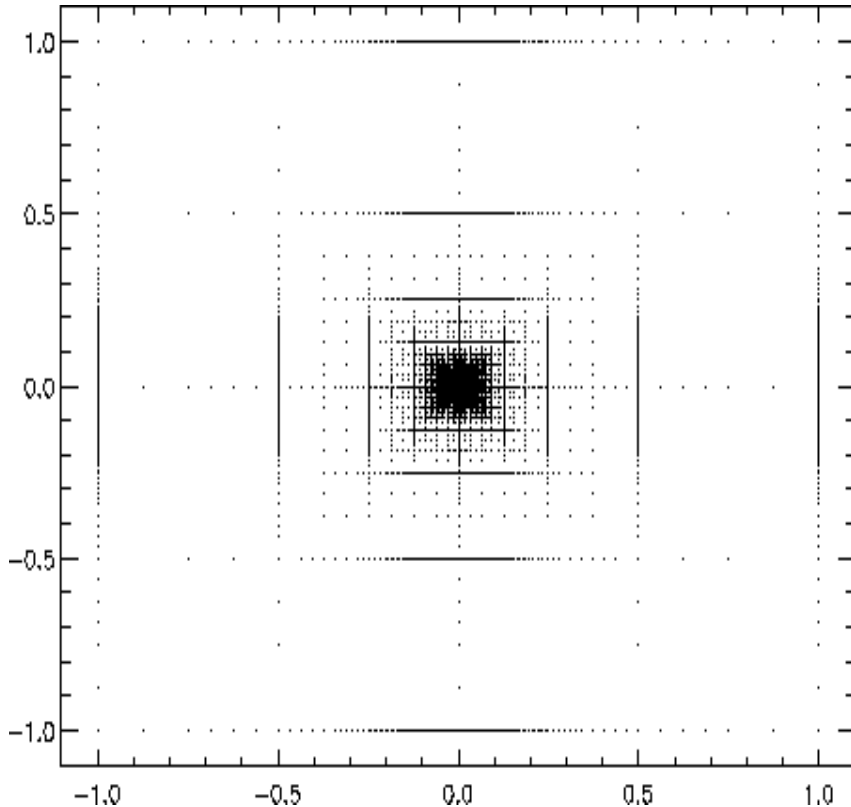
$$f(0, \dots, 0) = f_0$$

Effective four-dimensional PDE



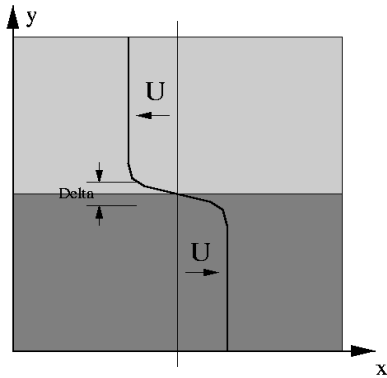


# Locally adaptive sparse grids for PDEs

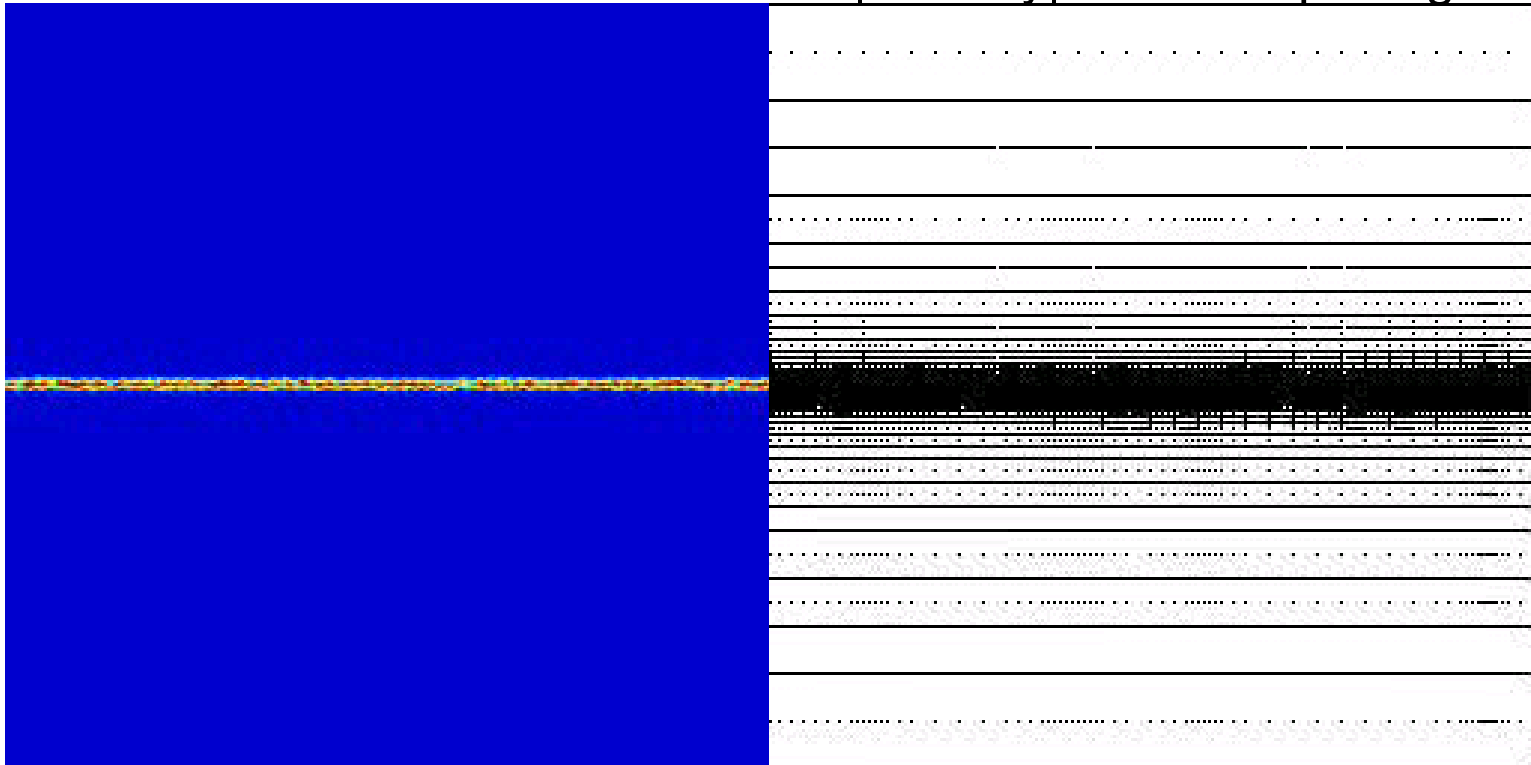


- principle: refine near points with large hierarchical coefficient  
nonlinear **N-term approximation**
- for Besov spaces: **same** rates as isotropic nonlinear refinement schemes (wavelets, adaptive finite elements) (Nitsche, Schwab)
- line/face singularities aligned with coordinate axes are **cheap** to resolve

# 2D Navier-Stokes equation

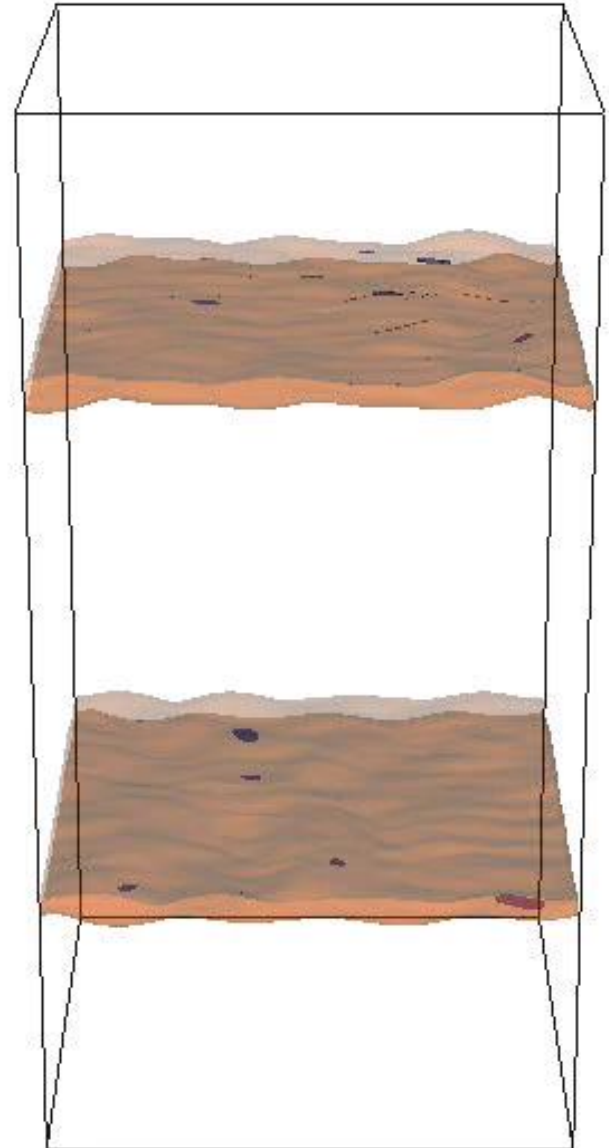


- 2D mixing layer
- Chorin projection scheme, incompressible flow
- $Re=U/v = 16000$
- perturbations for initial condition
- evolution of |vorticity| and adaptive grids



# 3D Navier-Stokes equations

- 3D Mixing layer
- initial conditions analogous to 2D
- $Re=4000$
- discretization as before
- number of DOF between 1 ... 2 million
- three different isosurfaces of vorticity



# Implementation for higher dimensional PDEs

- **naive** implementation of sparse grids for PDEs:

$$\text{work count} \quad O(d^2 2^d \tilde{N})$$

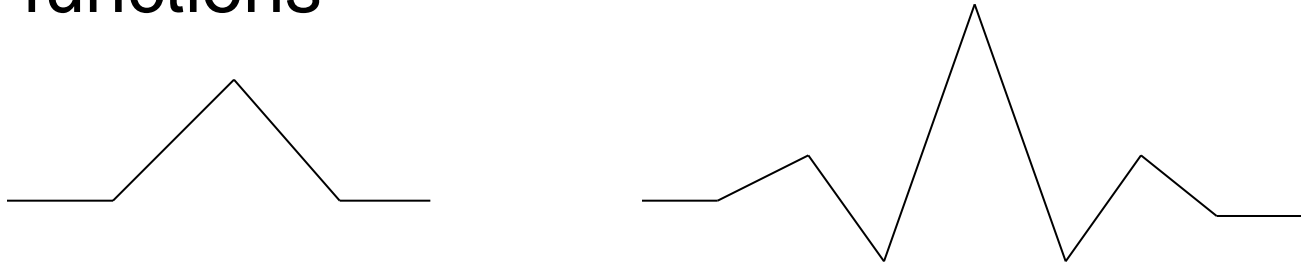
$$\text{storage} \quad O(d\tilde{N})$$

$$\tilde{N} = O(\text{dof})$$

- new **data structures** and **multigrid** algorithms, use of unidirectional principle, hash techniques
- separable, non-constant coefficient functions  
**now:** work count  $O(d^2 \tilde{N})$   
storage  $O(d\tilde{N})$
- elliptic PDEs possible with up to **120** dimensions with homogeneous bc and product-type right hand side (Feuersänger).

# Implementation for higher dimensional PDEs

- implementation uses semi-orthogonal **prewavelets** instead of piecewise linear hat functions

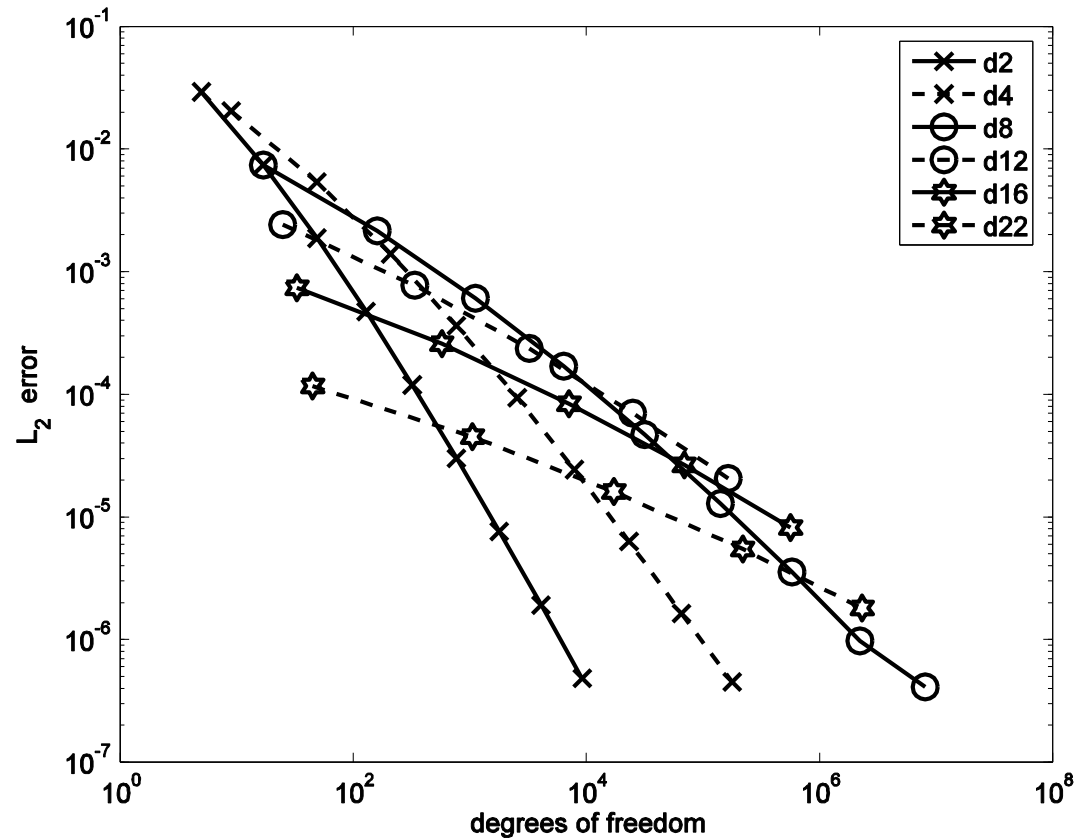


- orthogonality **between** levels simplifies mass matrix contributions and results in improved complexity w.r.t dimension  $d$
- **Full** orthogonal wavelets would reduce complexity to just  $O(d\tilde{N})$  but are more difficult to work with

# Example: 2nd order PDE

$$-\Delta f(x) + \sum_{k=1}^d b_k(x) \partial^k f(x) + c(x) f(x) = r(x), \quad x \in \Omega = [0,1]^d$$
$$f(x) = 0, \quad x \in \partial\Omega$$

Here: **regular**  $L^2$  norm  
based sparse grid  
 $L^2$  convergence rates  
with up to  $d = 22$



We see the influence of the  $\log(N)^{(d-1)}$ -terms  
an **energy norm** approach and adaptivity is necessary

# Caveat

- the regularity term  $|f|_{2,mix}$  might cause problems and can **postpone** the onset of convergence

- Example 1:

$$f(x_1 \dots x_d) = \prod_{j=1}^d \sin(2\pi k_j x_j)$$

$$D^{(2,\dots,2)} f(x_1 \dots x_d) = (-1)^d \prod_{j=1}^d (2\pi k_j)^2 \prod_{j=1}^d \sin(2\pi k_j x_j)$$

$$|f|_{2,mix} = (2\pi)^{2d} \prod_{j=1}^d k_j^2$$

- Thus at most 15-18 dimensions treatable in practice

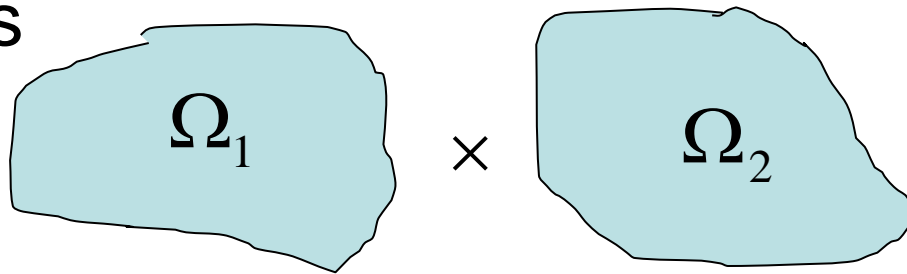




# Tensor product sparse grids

- So far: **one-dimensional** domain, multiscale basis, d-fold tensor product, proper truncation
- Now: E.g. two **general** domains  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2$ , each with
  - its **dimension**  $d_1, d_2$  and its smoothness  $s_1, s_2$
  - its **isotropic** multilevel basis (one level index)
  - tensor product between the two domains and multiscale bases

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$$



- Mixed **regularity**  $H_{mix}^{s_1 s_2}(\Omega) := H^{s_1}(\Omega_1) \times H^{s_2}(\Omega_2)$

# Tensor product sparse grids

- Examples:
  - space  $\times$  time,  $d_1 = 3, d_2 = 1$ , **parabolic** problems
  - space  $\times$  angle  $d_1 = 3, d_2 = 2$ , radiosity
  - space  $\times$  parameters  $d_1 = 3, d_2 = 10 - 20$   
but smooth in parameter variables
  - space  $\times$  stochastics  $d_1 = 3, d_2 = \infty$   
but analytic in stochastic variables
- **Main result:** curse of dimension **only** w.r.t. the larger dimension and/or the lower smoothness
- **Time** comes for **free**, **angle space** comes for **free**, **parametrization/stochastics** comes for **free**, just space dimension matters

# Optimized general sparse grid space

- **Multiscale** analyses on  $\Omega_i, i = 1, 2$  with associated approximation order  $r_i$

$$V_0^{(i)} \subset V_1^{(i)} \subset V_2^{(i)} \subset \dots \subset L^2(\Omega_i)$$

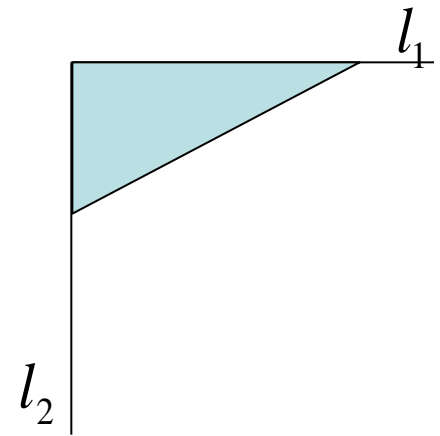
- **Complementary** spaces:

$$W_{l_i}^{(i)} \quad V_{l_i}^{(i)} = W_{l_i}^{(i)} \oplus V_{l_i-1}^{(i)}$$

- **Anisotropic** sparse grid space:

$$\widehat{V}_n^\sigma = \bigoplus_{l_1\sigma+l_2/\sigma \leq n} W_{l_1}^{(1)} \oplus W_{l_2}^{(2)}$$

- Parameter  $\sigma$  now allows to **optimize** with respect to **dimensions**  $d_1, d_2$  and **smoothness**  $s_1, s_2$



# Properties (G.+Harbrecht 2011)

- The sparse grid space  $\widehat{V}_J^\sigma$  possesses

$$\widehat{V}_n^\sigma \sim \begin{cases} 2^{n \max\{d_1/\sigma, n_2\sigma\}} & \text{if } d_1/\sigma \neq d_2\sigma \\ n \cdot 2^{nd_2\sigma} & \text{if } d_1/\sigma = d_2\sigma \end{cases}$$

degrees of freedom.

- For a given  $f \in H_{mix}^{s_1, s_2}(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)$  with  $0 < s_1 \leq r_1$ ,  $0 < s_2 \leq r_2$  we have for the **accuracy**

$$\inf_{\widehat{f}_n \in \widehat{V}_n^\sigma} \|f - \widehat{f}_n\|_{L^2(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)} \leq \begin{cases} 2^{-n \min\{s_1/\sigma, s_2\sigma\}} \|f\|_{H_{mix}^{s_1, s_2}(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)} & \text{if } s_1/\sigma \neq s_2\sigma \\ \sqrt{n} \cdot 2^{-ns_1/\sigma} \|f\|_{H_{mix}^{s_1, s_2}(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)} & \text{if } s_1/\sigma = s_2\sigma \end{cases}$$

- No log-terms** in many situations
- Analogous results by simple **shift** for **other error norms** like  $H_{mix}^{q_1, q_2}(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)$  than just for  $L^2(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2)$

# Space-time sparse grids

- Approximation error and **necessary regularity**

$$\inf_{u_n \in V_n^0} \|u - u_n\|_{H^1(\Omega) \otimes L^2(0,T)} \leq c 2^{-n} \|u\|_{H^2(\Omega) \otimes H^2((0,T))}$$

- How **realistic** are these regularity assumptions?

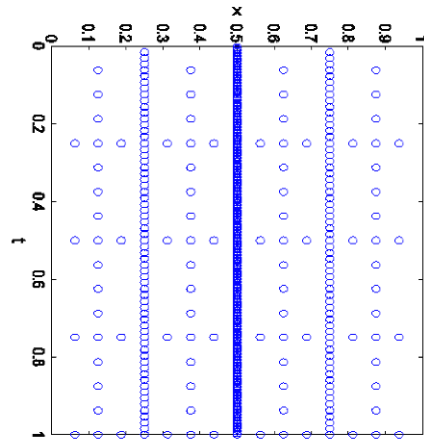
- $\partial_{\bar{x}}^2 \partial_t^2 u$  is also needed for error estimates of conventional discretization methods
- classical regularity theory shows (Ladyzenskaja, Wloka)

$$u \in H^2(\Omega) \otimes H^2((0,T))$$

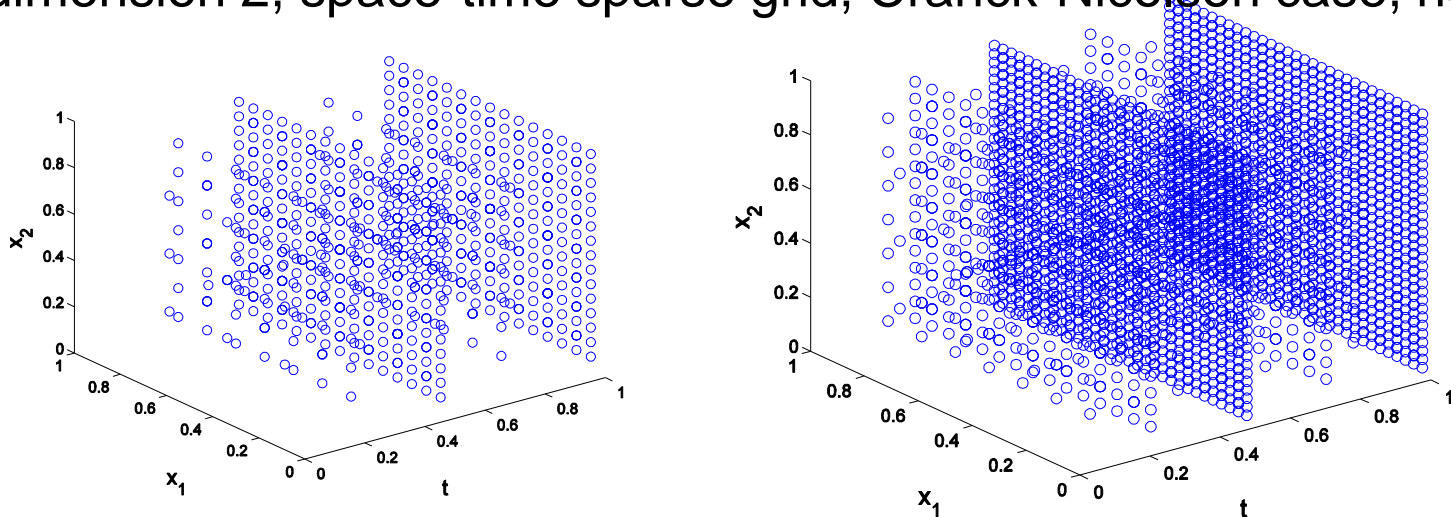
- Space-time sparse grids possess the **same approximation rate** as conventional full space-time grids but only the cost complexity of **space** problem  
**=> time coordinate comes for free**

# Examples of space time sparse grids

space dimension 1, space-time sparse grid, Euler case



space dimension 2, space-time sparse grid, Cranck-Nicolson case,  $n=4,5$ :



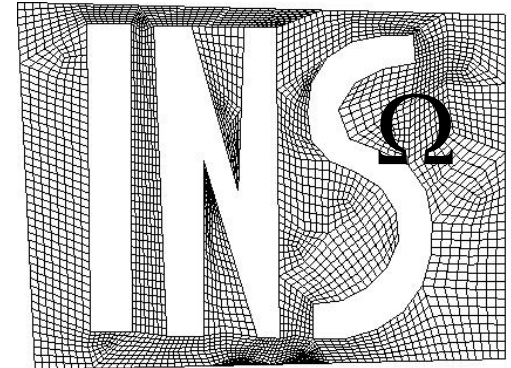
in each time slice there is a conventional full grid

# Instationary distributed control problems

space dimension 2, adaptive space time grids

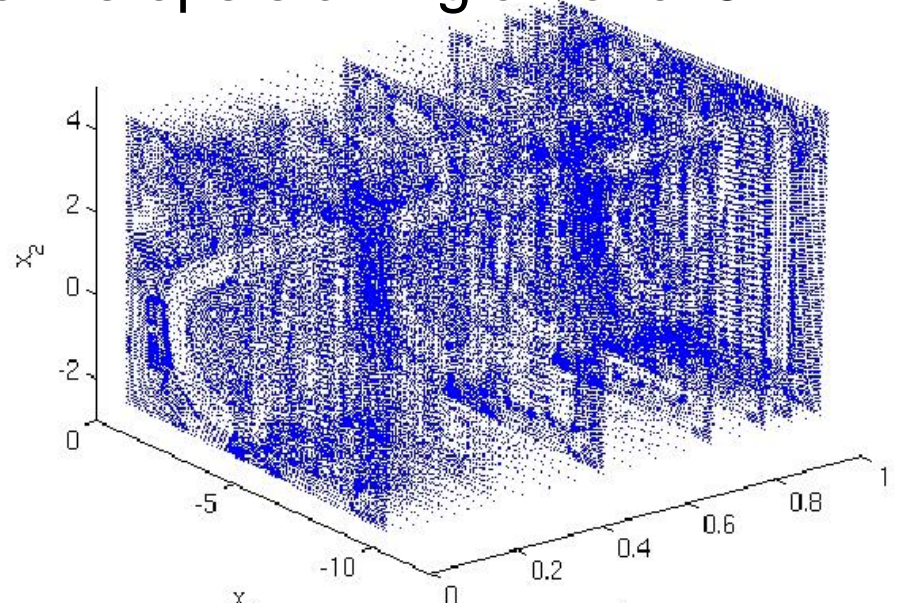
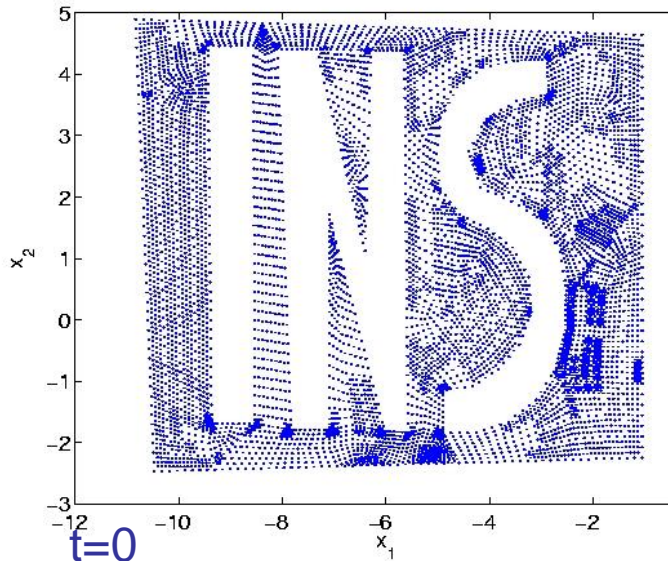
Problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t y - \Delta y - 10^3 p &= 0 \text{ in } \Omega \times (0,1], \\ -\partial_t p - \Delta p + y &= 1 \text{ in } \Omega \times [0,1),\end{aligned}$$

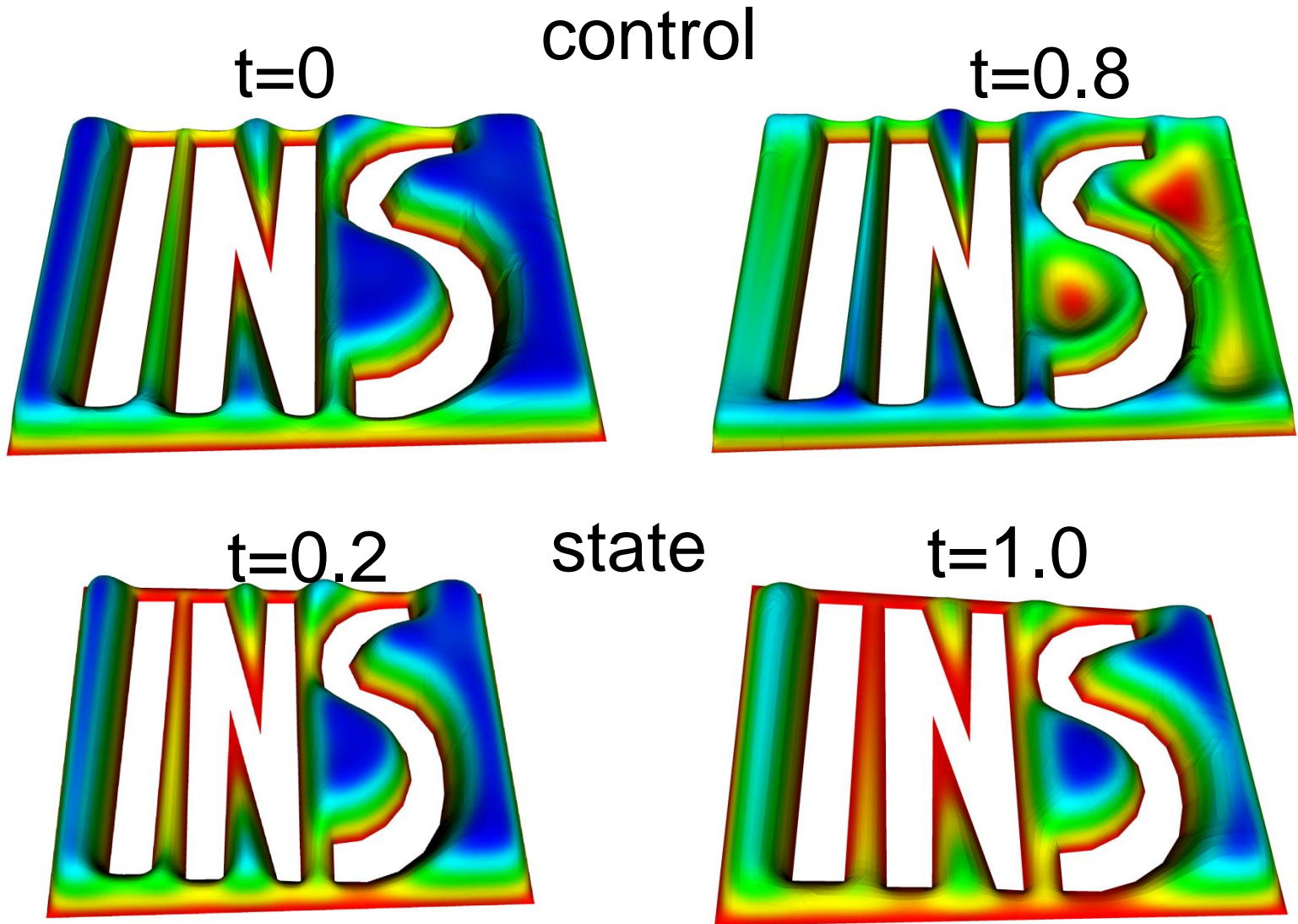


with homogeneous initial/end and boundary conditions

Adaptivity with 5 refinement steps starting at level 3



# Instationary distributed control problems





# Instationary distributed control problems

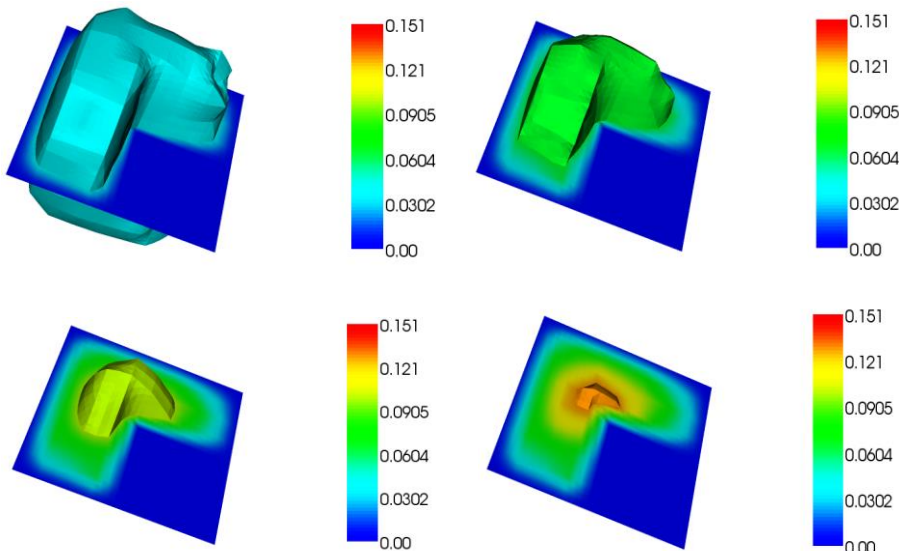
space dimension=3, adaptive space time grids

**Problem:**  $\partial_t y - \Delta y - 10^3 p = 0$  in  $\Omega \times (0,1]$ ,  $\Omega = (-1,1)^3 \setminus (-1,0)^3$   
 $-\partial_t p - \Delta p + y = 1$  in  $\Omega \times [0,1)$ ,

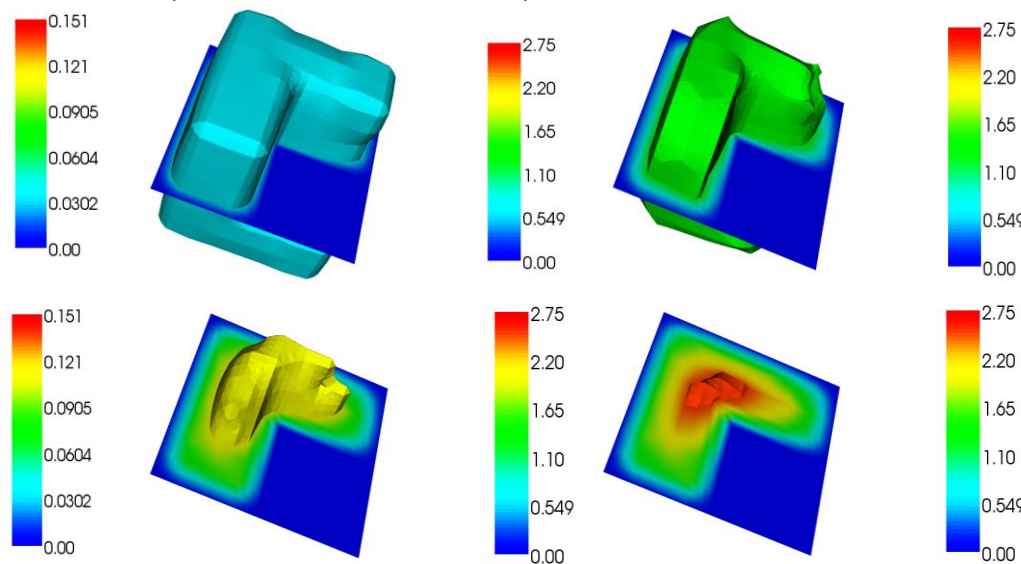
with homogeneous initial/end and boundary conditions

Adaptivity with 4 refinement steps starting at level 3

t=0, state variable, four isosurfaces



t=1, control variable, four isosurfaces



# Stochastic and parametric PDEs

- Solutions  $f(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$  of **stochastic/parametric** PDEs

$$-\nabla \cdot A(\mathbf{x}_2) \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = r(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

live on **product**  $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \in \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$

- of spatial domain  $\Omega_1$  with  $d_1 = 1, 2, 3$
- and stochastic/parametric domain  $\Omega_2$  with  $d_2$  large or even infinity.
- Often: Very **high smoothness** in  $\mathbf{x}_2$  -part  
Here: especially **weighted analyticity** for the different coordinates due to **decay** in covariance
- Therefore, even **infinite-dimensional**  $\Omega_2$  become treatable independently of  $d_2$

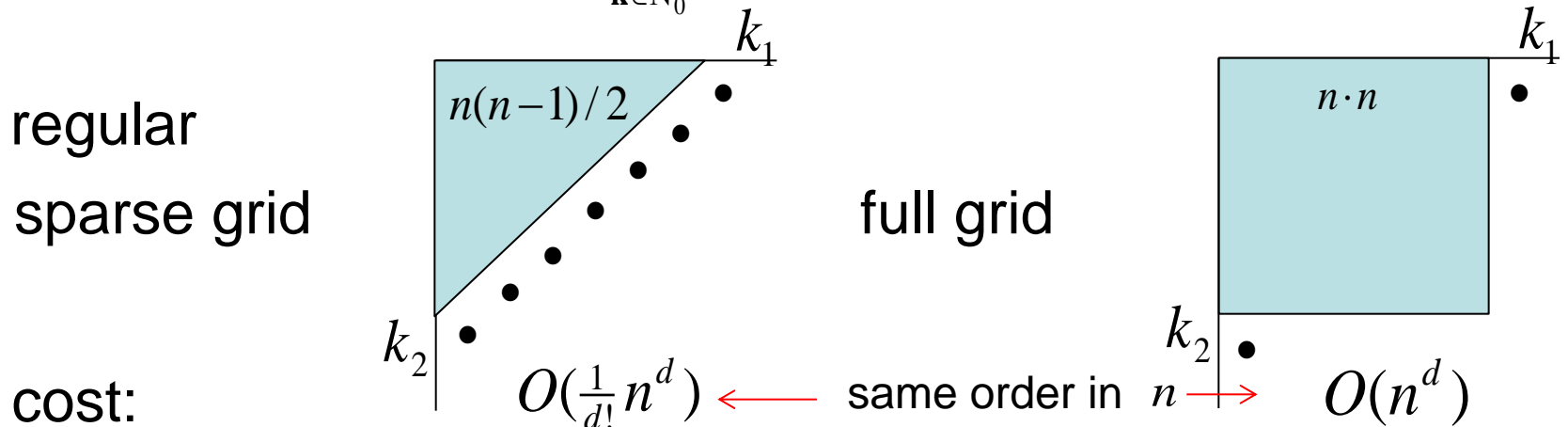
# Stochastic and parametric PDEs

- Sparse grids methods can be used for  $\Omega_2$  to cope with its high dimensionality !
  - The stochastic part is smooth or even **analytic**
    - sparse grids with spectral, polynomial bases
  - The stochastic coordinates are **not** equally important
    - **weights/decay** of the different coordinate directions related to the eigenvalues of covariance of parameters, algebraic or exponential!
    - Then, **anisotropic** sparse grids (with spectral, polynomial bases) and **dimension-adaptive** sparse grids are successfully used
    - The decay kills the curse, the sparse grid approach then reduces the dimension-dependency of the constant
- Moreover: The two-variate **sparse grid product** approach works fine **between** the spatial domain and the parametric/ stochastic domain.

# Sparse grids and analytic functions

- What may happen if the function is too smooth ?
  - 1-D:  $L_2$ -orthogonal **polynomial basis**  $\{\phi_k(x_i)\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0}$
  - d-D: Product of polynomials  $\phi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \phi_{k_1}(x_1) \cdots \phi_{k_d}(x_d)$
- Here: the **isotropic** case:

- Representation  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d} f_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \phi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) \quad |f_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \leq c \cdot 2^{-2(k_1 + \dots + k_d)}$



- cost:  $O(\frac{1}{d!} n^d)$  ← same order in  $n$  →  $O(n^d)$
- accuracy<sup>2</sup>:  $O(n^d \cdot 2^{-2n})$  ← additional log term →  $O(d \cdot 2^{-2n})$

- Anisotropic case: no curse, but still d-dependent constants

# Stochastic and parametric PDEs

- **Weighted** analytic approximation space for  $\Omega_2$

Let be given an ordered real **sequence**  $\mathbf{a} = (a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  with

$$1 = a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq \dots \quad \text{and a fixed base } b > 1$$

$$A_{d_2, \mathbf{a}}(\Omega_2) = \left\{ f \in L^2(\Omega_2) : \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d_2}} b^{2 \sum_{i=1}^{d_2} k_i / a_i} |f_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \leq C < \infty \right\}$$

- **Characterization** of  $\mathbf{a}$ -weighted analytic functions

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d_2}} f_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \phi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) \quad |f_{\mathbf{k}}| \leq c \cdot b^{-\sum_{i=1}^{d_2} k_i / a_i}$$

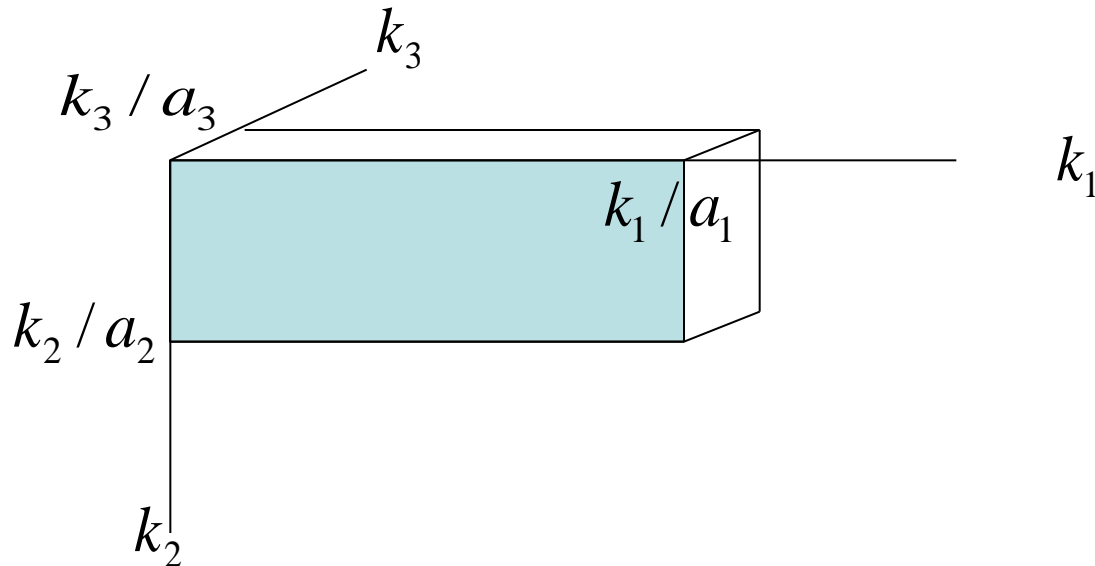
# Discrete anisotropic, regular grid subspace

- **Index set**, brick-type with successively smaller size

$$I_{d_2, \mathbf{a}}(n) := \{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{N}_0^{d_2} : k_i / a_i \leq n \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq d_2\}$$

- Corresponding **subspace**

$$V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, n} := \text{span} \{\phi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{k} \in I_{d_2, \mathbf{a}}(n)\}$$



# Discrete regular grid subspace

- Degrees of freedom

$$\dim(V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, n}) = \prod_{i=1}^{d_2} (1 + \lfloor n \cdot a_i \rfloor) \leq \exp\left(n \cdot \sum_i a_i\right)$$

- With the **summability condition**  $\sum_i a_i \leq A < \infty$  we get, independently of  $d_2$ ,

$$\dim(V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, n}) \leq \exp(n \cdot A)$$

- Accuracy:** about linear in  $n$ , mainly independent of  $d_2$

$$\|f - f_{V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, n}}\|_{L^2(\Omega_2)} \lesssim \begin{cases} \sqrt{d_2} \cdot b^{-n} & \text{in any case} \\ b^{-\mu(n)} & \text{for } \mu(n) := \min_r \{ \lfloor n \cdot a_r \rfloor = 0 \} \\ b^{-(1-\varepsilon) \cdot n} & \text{if } 1/a_r - 1/a_s \geq (r-s)\delta \end{cases}$$

# Stochastic and parametric PDEs

- With the sequence

$$V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, 0} \subset V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, 1} \subset V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, 2} \subset \dots \subset L^2(\Omega_2)$$

and associated sequence of complementary spaces

$$W_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, j} \quad V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, j} = W_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, j} \oplus V_{d_2, \mathbf{a}, j-1}$$

we get, together with the usual sequence of complementary spaces on  $\Omega_1$ , a **two-variate sparse grid** construction on  $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ , which is **independent** of the dimension  $d_2$  (even if  $d_2 = \infty$ ).

- The sparse grid product approach works fine **between** the spatial and the parametric/ stochastic domains.



# Summary

**Classical approach:**  $d = 1, \dots, 3$  or 4  
curse of dimension and intractability

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r/d} \quad |f|_{H^{s+r}} = O(N^{-r/d})$$

**Stronger regularity/norms**  
curse only wrt log-terms

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r} (\log(N))^{(d-1)/2} \quad |f|_{H_{mix}^{s+r}}$$

or **no curse** at all

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d) \cdot N^{-r} \quad |f|_{H_{mix}^{s+r}}$$

but still not tractable,  
constant grows exponentially

$$d = 1, \dots, 10 \text{ to } 12$$

**Lower effective dimension  
and lower-dim. manifolds**

**no curse** due to effective  
dimension

$$\|f - f_N\|_{H^s} = c(d^{eff}) \cdot N^{-r/d^{eff}} \quad |f|_{H^{s+r}}$$

and constant grows  
exponentially only w.r.t. effective  
dimension

$$d = 1, \dots, 100$$

$$d^{eff} = 1, \dots, 10$$

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