

PSYDAC: a parallel finite element solver with automatic code generation

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PSYDAC is a Python 3 library for the solution of partial differential equations, with a focus on isogeometric analysis using B-spline finite elements.

In order to use PSYDAC [1], the user defines the geometry and the model equations in an abstract form using SymPDE [2], an extension of Sympy [3] that provides the mathematical expressions and checks their semantic validity. Once a finite element discretization has been chosen, PSYDAC maps the abstract concepts to concrete objects, the basic building blocks being MPI-distributed vectors and matrices. Python code is generated for the all the computationally intensive operations (matrix and vector assembly, matrix-vector products, etc.), and it is accelerated using either Numba [4] or Pyccel [5].

In this talk we illustrate the latest library support for multi-patch geometries and finite element exterior calculus.

References

- [1] PSYDAC: <https://github.com/pyccel/psydac>
- [2] SymPDE: <https://github.com/pyccel/sympde>
- [3] Sympy: <https://www.sympy.org>
- [4] Numba: <https://numba.pydata.org>
- [5] Pyccel: <https://github.com/pyccel/pyccel>