

Higher Order Fourier Finite Element Methods for Hodge Laplacian Problems on Axisymmetric Domains

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Abstract

In this paper, we construct a new family of higher order Fourier finite element spaces to discretize the axisymmetric Hodge Laplacian problems. We demonstrate that these new higher order Fourier finite element methods provide improved computational efficiency as well as increased accuracy.

1 Introduction

The finite element method (FEM) is a numerical technique for approximating solutions to complex partial differential equations (PDEs). Many PDEs cannot be solved using analytical techniques; rather their solutions must be approximated. The FEM is an ideal candidate for approximating solutions due to its efficiency, well developed theory, adaptability, and accuracy.

An axisymmetric problem is a three-dimensional ($3D$) problem that is symmetrical about the z -axis (the axis of rotation). Beyond mathematical research and advancement, axisymmetric problems have a variety of applications in fields such as biomedical engineering, electromagnetism, and optics. For example, the numerical solution for the axisymmetric Maxwell equations can be used to design efficient antennas for hepatic microwave ablation, an alternative treatment to various types of cancer where a small antenna is inserted into the tumor to burn it [3].

Restated, an axisymmetric problem is a $3D$ problem such that if we take a two-dimensional ($2D$) slice of the problem domain, then we can regain the entire $3D$ domain by rotating the $2D$ slice about the z -axis. This slicing method allows one to perform a dimension reduction, transforming a $3D$ problem into a set of $2D$ problems, where the solution to each $2D$ problem is a Fourier mode of the $3D$ solution. For any computational method, solving a $2D$ problem is much more efficient and less complex than solving a $3D$ problem. Thus, performing a dimension reduction significantly reduces computational efforts. One important thing to note about this dimension reduction is that the $2D$ problems will be posed in weighted function spaces, with the weight being the radial component r .

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We define the 2D slice on the meridian half-plane, $\mathbb{R}_+^2 = \{(r, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : r > 0\}$, as the domain, Ω , and its boundary as $\partial\Omega$. We use Γ_1 to denote the part of $\partial\Omega$ that is not on the z -axis and Γ_0 to denote the artificial boundary $\partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma_1$.

Given an axisymmetric problem, Fourier FEMs use an appropriate FEM to approximate the solution, where the solution to each 2D problem is the n^{th} Fourier mode of the 3D solution.

Given a scalar function u defined on an axisymmetric domain $\breve{\Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, u can be written as in [18, 19],

$$u = u_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n \cos(n\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_{-n} \sin(n\theta). \quad (1.1)$$

For a vector-valued function, we let $u = u_r e_r + u_\theta e_\theta + u_z e_z$, where e_r, e_θ, e_z are the cylindrical basis. Then, we divide u into its symmetric and anti-symmetric parts, $u = u^s + u^a$. From [18, 19], its Fourier series decomposition is

$$\begin{aligned} u^s &= \begin{bmatrix} u_r^0 \\ 0 \\ u_z^0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} u_r^n \cos(n\theta) \\ u_\theta^n \sin(n\theta) \\ u_z^n \cos(n\theta) \end{bmatrix}, \\ u^a &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ u_\theta^0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \begin{bmatrix} u_r^{-n} \sin(n\theta) \\ u_\theta^{-n} \cos(n\theta) \\ u_z^{-n} \sin(n\theta) \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

By applying the usual grad, curl, and div operators in cylindrical coordinates to Eq. (1.1) or (1.2), we get the operators for the n^{th} Fourier mode,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grad}_{rz}^n u &= \begin{bmatrix} \partial_r u \\ -\frac{n}{r} u \\ \partial_z u \end{bmatrix}, \\ \text{curl}_{rz}^n \begin{bmatrix} u_r \\ u_\theta \\ u_z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -\left(\frac{n}{r} u_z + \partial_z u_\theta\right) \\ \partial_z u_r - \partial_r u_z \\ \frac{n u_r + u_\theta}{r} + \partial_r u_\theta \end{bmatrix}, \\ \text{div}_{rz}^n \begin{bmatrix} u_r \\ u_\theta \\ u_z \end{bmatrix} &= \partial_r u_r + \frac{u_r - n u_\theta}{r} + \partial_z u_z. \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

We assume $n > 0$ throughout this paper.

Axisymmetric problems with axisymmetric data have been studied in many previous works including in [2, 9, 10, 12]. Additionally, axisymmetric problems with general data, where the functions are not axisymmetric, have also been studied in [7, 8, 13, 16]. In [1], the Hodge Laplacian and its discretization are studied in a uniform framework. The author of [17] applied the theory developed in [1] to axisymmetric problems with axisymmetric data. The work in [17] was extended in [19] to the Hodge Laplacian problem and its discretization for general axisymmetric problems with non-axisymmetric data. The scalar and vector Laplacian with various boundary conditions are both examples of Hodge Laplacian problems. Additionally, these are important problems because they are fundamental to many problems which arise in mathematical models.

In [19], Oh constructs a new family of lowest order Fourier finite element spaces to approximate Hodge Laplacian problems on axisymmetric domains. Our research expands these results by constructing another family of Fourier finite element spaces using higher order Fourier FEMs. Our higher order Fourier FEMs are based on higher order basis functions and provide improved computational efficiency and accuracy when compared with the lowest order Fourier FEMs.

The following sections of this paper are organized as follows. In section 2, we define the relevant standard finite element spaces and construct the new first order family of Fourier finite element spaces. Section 3 presents the Hodge Laplacian on axisymmetric domains and the four main problems solved in this paper. In section 4, we present the discrete mixed formulation of each problem and describe how matrices and vectors are constructed and used in the FEM program for the $k = 1$ case. Section 5 compares the numerical results of the four first order programs in this work with the lowest order programs in [19].

2 Fourier Finite Element Spaces for Axisymmetric Problems

In the following subsections and throughout this paper, we define a finite element triangulation as T_h on a given domain Ω such that T_h satisfies the usual geometric conformity conditions in [6]. We assume that T_h is quasi-uniform with a representative mesh size h .

The author of [17] constructs the new family of Fourier finite element spaces, denoted by A_{h_0} , B_{h_0} , C_{h_0} , and D_{h_0} , by using the P_1 space and the lowest order Nédélec, Raviart Thomas, and P_k spaces (denoted by ND_0 , RT_0 , and P_0 respectively). The P_k space consists of polynomials of at most degree k . Both the Nédélec and Raviart Thomas spaces consist of vector-valued functions. In 2D, the Nédélec and Raviart Thomas spaces are rotations of each other. There are known FEM examples, as in section 2.3 of [1], where the P_k approximation converges to the wrong solution, while the Raviart Thomas approximation converges to the correct solution, thus motivating our use of these spaces. For more details on the Nédélec and Raviart Thomas spaces, refer to [15, 20].

The A_{h_0} space is constructed from the P_1 space, the B_{h_0} space from the P_1 and the ND_0 spaces, the C_{h_0} space from the RT_0 and the P_0 spaces, and the D_{h_0} space from the P_0 space. The main motivation for these spaces is that they satisfy the exact sequence property and the so-called commuting diagram property. Refer to [17, 19] for more information on the construction and motivation behind this lowest order family of Fourier finite element spaces which are defined as,

$$\begin{aligned} A_{h_0} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{grad}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in A_1 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ B_{h_0} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{curl}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in B_1 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ C_{h_0} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{div}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in C_1 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ D_{h_0} &= \{u \in L_r^2(\Omega) : u|_T \in D_1 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

where A_1 , B_1 , C_1 , and D_1 are lowest order polynomial spaces with the following form,

where $\alpha_i, \beta_j, \gamma_l \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
A_1 &= \{\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 r\}, \\
B_1 &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{n} \beta_1 + \beta_4 r - \frac{1}{n} \beta_3 z - \beta_6 r z \\ \beta_1 + \beta_2 r + \beta_3 z \\ \beta_5 r + \beta_6 r^2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \\
C_1 &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 r \\ \frac{1}{n} \gamma_1 + \gamma_3 r \\ \gamma_4 + \gamma_2 z \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \\
D_1 &= \{\alpha_1\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

The weighted Hilbert spaces used in Eq. (2.1) are defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}
L_r^2(\Omega) &= \left\{ u : \iint_{\Omega} u(r, z)^2 r dr dz < \infty \right\}, \\
H_r(\text{grad}^n, \Omega) &= \{u \in L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{grad}_{rz}^n u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega)\}, \\
H_r(\text{curl}^n, \Omega) &= \{u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{curl}_{rz}^n u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega)\}, \\
H_r(\text{div}^n, \Omega) &= \{u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{div}_{rz}^n u \in L_r^2(\Omega)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Additionally, the corresponding standard (non-weighted) function spaces are defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}
L^2(\Omega) &= \left\{ u : \iint_{\Omega} u(r, z)^2 dA < \infty \right\}, \\
H^1(\Omega) &= \{u \in L^2(\Omega) : \text{grad } u \in L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega)\}, \\
H(\text{curl}, \Omega) &= \{u \in L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) : \text{curl } u \in L^2(\Omega)\}, \\
H(\text{div}, \Omega) &= \{u \in L^2(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) : \text{div } u \in L^2(\Omega)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Throughout the paper, we will use N to denote the number of vertices, N_m for the number of midpoints, N_e for the number of edges, and N_t for the number of triangles all on a particular mesh. We also use v_i to denote the i^{th} vertex, e_i to denote the i^{th} edge, and T_i to denote the i^{th} triangle. We use the vertices (x_{i_1}, y_{i_1}) and (x_{i_2}, y_{i_2}) to denote the endpoints of edge e_i . Lastly, we use $\vec{n}^{(i)}$ to denote the unit outward normal vector to e_i and $\vec{t}^{(i)}$ to denote the unit tangent vector to e_i .

We will construct a new first order family of Fourier finite element spaces from the P_2 space and the first order spaces ND_1 , RT_1 , and P_1 in a similar way to how [17, 19] construct the lowest order family of spaces. We define the P_2 , ND_1 , RT_1 , and P_1 spaces in the following subsections.

2.1 P_2 Space

The P_2 space is defined as

$$P_2 = \left\{ u \in H^1(\Omega) : u|_T = \alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 z^2 + \alpha_4 r + \alpha_5 z + \alpha_6 \quad \forall T \in T_h \right\}.$$

For each triangle, there are 6 degrees of freedom for the P_2 space; 1 for each vertex and 1 for each edge midpoint. Let us use $\{\psi_i\}_{i=1}^{N+N_m}$ to denote the basis of P_2 .

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the P_2 space, where v_j represents each vertex and edge midpoint in the mesh,

$$\psi_i(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}. \quad (2.3)$$

2.2 ND₁ Space

The ND₁ space is defined as

$$\text{ND}_1 = \left\{ u \in H(\text{curl}, \Omega) : u|_T = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 r + \beta_2 z + \beta_3 - \beta_7 r z - \beta_8 z^2 \\ \beta_4 r + \beta_5 z + \beta_6 + \beta_7 r^2 + \beta_8 r z \end{bmatrix} \quad \forall T \in T_h \right\}.$$

For each triangle, there are 8 degrees of freedom for the ND₁ space; 2 for each edge and 2 for the triangular element. Let us use $\{\Phi_i\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$ to denote the basis of ND₁.

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the ND₁ space, where T_j represents each triangle in the mesh and $(x_{i_1}, y_{i_1}), (x_{i_2}, y_{i_2})$ represent the pair of endpoints for each edge in the mesh,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \quad dt &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) t \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \quad dt &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_{T_j} \Phi_i \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad dA &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_{T_j} \Phi_i \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad dA &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= \Phi_i \cdot \vec{t}^{(i)}, \\ \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle &= \langle x_{j_1}, y_{j_1} \rangle (1 - t) + \langle x_{j_2}, y_{j_2} \rangle t, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 1, \\ x'(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} x(t), \\ y'(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} y(t). \end{aligned}$$

2.3 RT₁ Space

The RT₁ space is defined as

$$\text{RT}_1 = \left\{ u \in H(\text{curl}, \Omega) : u|_T = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z \\ \gamma_4 r + \gamma_5 z + \gamma_6 + \gamma_7 r z + \gamma_8 z^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \forall T \in T_h \right\}.$$

For each triangle, there are 8 degrees of freedom for the RT₁ space; 2 for each edge and 2 for the triangular element. Let us use $\{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$ to denote the basis of RT₁.

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the RT_1 space, where T_j represents each triangle in the mesh and $(x_{i_1}, y_{i_1}), (x_{i_2}, y_{i_2})$ represent the pair of endpoints for each edge in the mesh,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) t \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_{T_j} \phi_i \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \, dA &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \\ \int_{T_j} \phi_i \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \, dA &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= \phi_i \cdot \vec{n}^{(i)}, \\ \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle &= \langle x_{j_1}, y_{j_1} \rangle (1 - t) + \langle x_{j_2}, y_{j_2} \rangle t, \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1, \\ x'(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} x(t), \\ y'(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} y(t). \end{aligned}$$

2.4 P_1 Space

The P_1 space is defined as

$$P_1 = \{u \in H^1(\Omega) : u|_T = \alpha_1 r + \alpha_2 z + \alpha_3 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}.$$

For each triangle, there are 3 degrees of freedom for the P_1 space; 1 for each vertex. Let us use $\{\chi_i\}_{i=1}^N$ to denote the basis of P_1 .

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the P_1 space, where v_j represents each vertex in the mesh,

$$\chi_i(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}. \quad (2.6)$$

2.5 New Family of Fourier Finite Element Spaces

We will use the notation A_{h_1} , B_{h_1} , C_{h_1} , and D_{h_1} to represent the new first order family of Fourier finite element spaces that we construct in this section. We construct the new first order family of Fourier finite element spaces in a consistent way to what the author of [17] did for the lowest order family of Fourier finite element spaces. The lowest order family satisfies the so-called commuting diagram property (Theorem 4.1 of [17]), and the first order family will continue to satisfy this property.

We define the first order family of Fourier finite element spaces as

$$\begin{aligned} A_{h_1} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{grad}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in A_2 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ B_{h_1} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{curl}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in B_2 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ C_{h_1} &= \{u \in H_r(\text{div}^n, \Omega) : u|_T \in C_2 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \\ D_{h_1} &= \{u \in L_r^2(\Omega) : u|_T \in D_2 \quad \forall T \in T_h\}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

where A_2 , B_2 , C_2 , and D_2 are first order polynomial spaces with the following form and $\alpha_i, \beta_j, \gamma_l \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 &= \{\alpha_1 r^3 + \alpha_2 r^2 z + \alpha_3 r z^2 + \alpha_4 r^2 + \alpha_5 r z + \alpha_6 r\}, \\ B_2 &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n}(\beta_1 r^2 + \beta_2 r z + \beta_3 r - \beta_7 r^2 z - \beta_8 r z^2 - \beta_{11} z^2 - \beta_{13} z - \beta_{14}) \\ \beta_9 r^2 + \beta_{10} r z + \beta_{11} z^2 + \beta_{12} r + \beta_{13} z + \beta_{14} \\ \frac{1}{n}(\beta_4 r^2 + \beta_5 r z + \beta_6 r + \beta_7 r^3 + \beta_8 r^2 z) \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \\ C_2 &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z \\ \frac{1}{n}(\gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_9 r^2 + \gamma_{10} r z + \gamma_{11} r) \\ \gamma_4 r + \gamma_5 z + \gamma_6 + \gamma_7 r z + \gamma_8 z^2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \\ D_2 &= \{\alpha_1 r + \alpha_2 z + \alpha_3\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

The construction of these spaces is given in more detail in the following subsections.

2.6 A_{h_1} : Weighted Fourier \mathbf{P}_2 Space

There are 6 local degrees of freedom in the A_{h_1} space; 1 for each vertex and 1 for each edge midpoint. In comparison, there are 3 degrees of freedom for each triangle in the A_{h_0} space; 1 for each vertex. Let us use $\{\psi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{N+N_m}$ to denote the basis of A_{h_1} .

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the A_{h_1} space, where v_j represents each vertex and edge midpoint in the mesh,

$$\frac{n}{r} \psi_i^n(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}. \quad (2.9)$$

The basis functions on each triangle have the following form and satisfy Eq. (2.9),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_i^n &= \frac{r}{n} \quad i \\ &= \frac{r}{n} (\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 z^2 + \alpha_4 r + \alpha_5 z + \alpha_6) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (\alpha_1 r^3 + \alpha_2 r^2 z + \alpha_3 r z^2 + \alpha_4 r^2 + \alpha_5 r z + \alpha_6 r), \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

where ψ_i represents the basis functions for the \mathbf{P}_2 space.

2.7 B_{h_1} : Weighted Fourier \mathbf{ND}_1 and \mathbf{P}_2 Space

There are 14 local degrees of freedom in the B_{h_1} space; 2 for each edge, 1 for each vertex and edge midpoint, and 2 for the triangular element. The lowest order space,

B_{h_0} , has only 6 local degrees of freedom; 1 for edge and 1 for each vertex. Let us use $\{\zeta_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t+N+N_m} = \{\Phi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t} \cup \{\Psi_j^n\}_{j=1+(2N_e+2N_t)}^{N+N_m+(2N_e+2N_t)}$ to denote the basis of B_{h_1} .

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the B_{h_1} space, where v_j represents each vertex and edge midpoint in the mesh, T_j represents each triangle in the mesh, and $(x_{i_1}, y_{i_1}), (x_{i_2}, y_{i_2})$ represent the pair of endpoints for each edge in the mesh,

$$\zeta_{i_\theta}^n(v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.11.1)$$

$$\int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.11.2)$$

$$\int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) t \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.11.3)$$

$$\int_{T_j} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n\zeta_{ir}^n + \zeta_{i_\theta}^n}{n\zeta_{iz}^n} \\ \frac{r}{r} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \, dA = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.11.4)$$

$$\int_{T_j} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n\zeta_{ir}^n + \zeta_{i_\theta}^n}{n\zeta_{iz}^n} \\ \frac{r}{r} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \, dA = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.11.5)$$

where

$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n\zeta_{ir}^n + \zeta_{i_\theta}^n}{n\zeta_{iz}^n} \\ \frac{r}{r} \end{bmatrix} \cdot t^{(i)},$$

$$\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle = \langle x_{j_1}, y_{j_1} \rangle (1-t) + \langle x_{j_2}, y_{j_2} \rangle t, \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

We note that Eq. (2.11.1) is the same as what must hold for the basis of P_2 , $\{\psi_j\}_{j=1}^{N+N_m}$. Therefore, for the subset of basis functions on vertices and midpoints in the B_{h_1} space, $\{\Psi_j^n\}_{j=1+(2N_e+2N_t)}^{N+N_m+(2N_e+2N_t)}$, we let

$$\Psi_{j_\theta}^n = \psi_j = \alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 z^2 + \alpha_4 r + \alpha_5 z + \alpha_6.$$

Furthermore, to satisfy Eq. (2.11.2 - 2.11.5) for this subset of basis functions, we let

$$\Psi_{j_r}^n = -\frac{1}{n} \Psi_{j_\theta}^n = -\frac{1}{n} (\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 z^2 + \alpha_4 r + \alpha_5 z + \alpha_6),$$

and

$$\Psi_{j_z}^n = 0,$$

so that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{n\Psi_{j_r}^n + \Psi_{j_\theta}^n}{n\Psi_{j_z}^n} \\ \frac{r}{r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n(-\frac{1}{n}\Psi_{j_\theta}^n) + \Psi_{j_\theta}^n}{r} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

At this point, we have defined the subset of basis functions, $\{\Psi_j^n\}_{j=1+(2N_e+2N_t)}^{N+N_m+(2N_e+2N_t)}$, so that they satisfy Eq. (2.11.1 - 2.11.5).

Now for the subset of basis functions on edges and triangles in the B_{h_1} space, $\{\Phi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$. If we let $\Phi_{i_\theta}^n = 0$, then we guarantee that the basis functions will satisfy Eq. (2.11.1).

Furthermore, with $\Phi_{i_\theta}^n = 0$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{r}(\Phi_{i_r}^n + \Phi_{i_\theta}^n) \\ \frac{n}{r}\Phi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{r}\Phi_{i_r}^n \\ \frac{n}{r}\Phi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix}.$$

We note that Eq. (2.11.2 - 2.11.5) is very similar to what must hold for the basis of ND_1 , $\{\Phi_i\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$, as in Eq. (2.4). Thus, if we let

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{r}\Phi_{i_r}^n \\ \frac{n}{r}\Phi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{i_r} \\ \Phi_{i_z} \end{bmatrix},$$

then Eq. (2.11.2 - 2.11.5) matches Eq. (2.4). We define

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{i_r}^n &= \frac{r}{n}\Phi_{i_r} \\ &= \frac{r}{n}(\beta_1r + \beta_2z + \beta_3 - \beta_7rz - \beta_8z^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{n}(\beta_1r^2 + \beta_2rz + \beta_3r - \beta_7r^2z - \beta_8rz^2), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{i_z}^n &= \frac{r}{n}\Phi_{i_z} \\ &= \frac{r}{n}(\beta_4r + \beta_5z + \beta_6 + \beta_7r^2 + \beta_8rz) \\ &= \frac{1}{n}(\beta_4r^2 + \beta_5rz + \beta_6r + \beta_7r^3 + \beta_8r^2z), \end{aligned}$$

to satisfy Eq. (2.11.2 - 2.11.5) for the subset of basis functions $\{\Phi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$.

The basis functions for the B_{h_1} space have the following form on each triangle,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_i^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n}(\beta_1r^2 + \beta_2rz + \beta_3r - \beta_7r^2z - \beta_8rz^2) \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{n}(\beta_4r^2 + \beta_5rz + \beta_6r + \beta_7r^3 + \beta_8r^2z) \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Psi_j^n &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{n}(\alpha_1r^2 + \alpha_2rz + \alpha_3z^2 + \alpha_4r + \alpha_5z + \alpha_6) \\ \alpha_1r^2 + \alpha_2rz + \alpha_3z^2 + \alpha_4r + \alpha_5z + \alpha_6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

2.8 C_{h_1} : Weighted Fourier RT₁ and P₁ Space

There are 11 local degrees of freedom in the C_{h_1} space. On each triangle in the mesh, there are 2 basis functions for each edge, 1 for each vertex, and 2 for the triangular element. The C_{h_0} space has 4 degrees of freedom for each triangle; 1 for each edge and 1 for the triangular element. Let us use $\{\xi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t+N} = \{\phi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t} \cup \{\chi_j^n\}_{j=1+(2N_e+2N_t)}^{N+(2N_e+2N_t)}$ to denote the basis of C_{h_1} .

The following must hold for each of the degrees of freedom used to construct the basis for the C_{h_1} space, where T_j represents each triangle in the mesh, v_j represents each vertex

in the mesh, and $(x_{i_1}, y_{i_1}), (x_{i_2}, y_{i_2})$ represent the pair of endpoints for each edge in the mesh,

$$\int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.13.1)$$

$$\int_0^1 f(x(t), y(t)) t \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.13.2)$$

$$\int_{T_i} \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{i_r}^n \\ \xi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \, dA = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.13.3)$$

$$\int_{T_i} \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{i_r}^n \\ \xi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \, dA = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.13.4)$$

$$\frac{n \xi_{i_\theta}^n - \xi_{i_r}^n}{r} (v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}, \quad (2.13.5)$$

where

$$f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \xi_{i_r}^n \\ \xi_{i_z}^n \end{bmatrix} \cdot \vec{n}^{(i)},$$

$$\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle = \langle x_{j_1}, y_{j_1} \rangle (1 - t) + \langle x_{j_2}, y_{j_2} \rangle t, \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Notice that Eq. (2.13.1 - 2.13.4) is the same as Eq. (2.5), which details what must hold for the basis of RT_1 , $\{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$. Therefore, for the subset of basis functions on edges and triangles in the C_{h_1} space, $\{\phi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{2N_e+2N_t}$, we let

$$\phi_{i_r}^n = \phi_{i_r} = \gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z,$$

and

$$\phi_{i_z}^n = \phi_{i_z} = \gamma_4 r + \gamma_5 z + \gamma_6 + \gamma_7 r z + \gamma_8 z^2.$$

Then, we need to satisfy Eq. (2.13.5) for this subset of basis functions. This is done by solving the following

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n \phi_{i_\theta}^n - \phi_{i_r}^n}{r} &= 0 \\ \frac{n}{r} \phi_{i_\theta}^n - \frac{1}{r} (\gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z) &= 0 \\ \frac{n}{r} \phi_{i_\theta}^n &= \frac{1}{r} (\gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z) \\ \phi_{i_\theta}^n &= \frac{1}{n} (\gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we let $\phi_{i_\theta}^n = \frac{1}{n} (\gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z)$.

Now, to solve for the subset of basis functions on vertices in the C_{h_1} space, $\{\chi_j^n\}_{j=1+(2N_e+2N_t)}^{N+(2N_e+2N_t)}$, we begin by letting $\chi_{j_r}^n, \chi_{j_z}^n = 0$ to satisfy Eq. (2.13.1 - 2.13.4). Then, we need to satisfy Eq. (2.13.5). We notice that by setting $\chi_{j_r}^n = 0$, then

$$\frac{n \chi_{j_\theta}^n - \chi_{j_r}^n}{r} = \frac{n}{r} \chi_{j_\theta}^n.$$

Now the condition looks similar to that of the P_1 space in Eq. (2.6), so we let

$$\chi_{j\theta}^n = \frac{r}{n} \chi_j = \frac{1}{n} (\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 r),$$

where χ_j is the basis function for the P_1 space. We see that

$$\frac{n\chi_{j\theta}^n}{r} = \frac{n(\frac{1}{n})(\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 r)}{r} = \alpha_1 r + \alpha_2 z + \alpha_3 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases},$$

which satisfies Eq. (2.13.5) in the same way that the basis functions for the P_1 space do.

The basis functions for the C_{h_1} space have the following form on each triangle,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_i^n &= \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z \\ \frac{1}{n}(\gamma_1 r + \gamma_2 z + \gamma_3 + \gamma_7 r^2 + \gamma_8 r z) \\ \gamma_4 r + \gamma_5 z + \gamma_6 + \gamma_7 r z + \gamma_8 z^2 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \chi_j^n &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{n}(\alpha_1 r^2 + \alpha_2 r z + \alpha_3 r) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

2.9 D_{h_1} : Weighted Fourier P_1 Space

Similarly to how D_{h_0} was set to be the P_0 space, we let D_{h_1} be the P_1 space. We use $\{\chi_i\}_{i=1}^N$ to denote the basis of D_{h_1} as well as P_1 , where χ_i has the following form on each triangle,

$$\chi_i = \alpha_1 r + \alpha_2 z + \alpha_3. \quad (2.15)$$

3 Hodge Laplacian Problems on Axisymmetric Domains

The main framework for the Hodge Laplacian with $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ was built in [1]. A similar framework is established for axisymmetric problems in [17, 19] where the abstract Hodge Laplacian with $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ is defined in the following way,

$$L_k = d^{k-1} \delta_k + \delta_{k+1} d^k. \quad (3.1)$$

We define d^k as,

$$\begin{aligned} d^0 u &= \text{grad}_{rz}^n u, \\ d^1 u &= \text{curl}_{rz}^n u, \\ d^2 u &= \text{div}_{rz}^n u, \\ d^3 u &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

with the operators in (1.3). We define δ_k as,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_0 u &= 0, \\ \delta_1 u &= -\text{div}_{rz}^{n*} u, \\ \delta_2 u &= \text{curl}_{rz}^{n*} u, \\ \delta_3 u &= -\text{grad}_{rz}^{n*} u, \end{aligned}$$

with the following operators,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{grad}_{rz}^{n*} u &= \begin{bmatrix} \partial_r u \\ \frac{n}{r} u \\ \partial_z u \end{bmatrix}, \\ \text{curl}_{rz}^{n*} \begin{bmatrix} u_r \\ u_\theta \\ u_z \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{r} u_z - \partial_z u_\theta \\ \partial_z u_r - \partial_r u_z \\ \frac{-nu_r + u_\theta}{r} + \partial_r u_\theta \end{bmatrix}, \\ \text{div}_{rz}^{n*} \begin{bmatrix} u_r \\ u_\theta \\ u_z \end{bmatrix} &= \partial_r u_r + \frac{u_r + nu_\theta}{r} + \partial_z u_z.\end{aligned}$$

Note that when $k = 0$, d^{k-1} does not exist and similarly, when $k = 3$, δ_{k+1} does not exist. Therefore, the affected terms are set equal to zero.

We denote the domain of L_k as D_L^k , which is defined by

$$D_L^k = \{u \in V^k \cap V_k^* \mid d^k u \in V_{k+1}^*, \quad \delta_k u \in V^{k-1}\}.$$

The spaces V^k and V_k^* are Hilbert spaces associated with their respective operators,

$$\begin{aligned}V^0 &= H_r(\text{grad}^n, \Omega), \\ V^1 &= H_r(\text{curl}^n, \Omega), \\ V^2 &= H_r(\text{div}^n, \Omega), \\ V^3 &= L_r^2(\Omega),\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}V_0^* &= L_r^2(\Omega), \\ V_1^* &= H_{r,0}(\text{div}^{n*}, \Omega) \\ &= \{(u_r, u_\theta, u_z) \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{div}_{rz}^{n*} u \in L_r^2(\Omega), (u_r, u_z) \cdot n = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1\}, \\ V_2^* &= H_{r,0}(\text{curl}^{n*}, \Omega) \\ &= \{(u_r, u_\theta, u_z) \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{curl}_{rz}^{n*} u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega), \\ &\quad (u_r, u_z) \cdot t = 0 \text{ and } u_\theta = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1\}, \\ V_3^* &= H_{r,0}(\text{grad}^{n*}, \Omega) \\ &= \{(u_r, u_\theta, u_z) \in L_r^2(\Omega) : \text{grad}_{rz}^{n*} u \in L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega) \times L_r^2(\Omega), u = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1\}.\end{aligned}$$

From [19], a solution $u \in D_L^k$ that satisfies the Hodge Laplacian problem $L_k u = f$, must satisfy the following

$$(d^k u, d^k v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} + (\delta_k u, \delta_k v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} = (f, v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall v \in V^k \cap V_k^*.$$

Let us use $(\cdot, \cdot)_{L_r^2(\Omega)}$ to denote the inner-product associated with $L_r^2(\Omega)$, i.e.,

$$(u, v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} = \iint_{\Omega} u v r dr dz.$$

Finally, we can define the weighted mixed formulation of the abstract Hodge Laplacian with $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$. Let $\sigma = \delta_k u$, then σ and u satisfy the following mixed formulation:

Find $(\sigma, u) \in V^{k-1} \times V^k$ such that,

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma, \tau)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} - (d^{k-1}\tau, u)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} &= 0, & \forall \tau \in V^{k-1}, \\ (d^{k-1}\sigma, v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} + (d^k u, d^k v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} &= (f, v)_{L_r^2(\Omega)}, & \forall v \in V^k. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

The discretization of each of the four Hodge Laplacian problems with $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ are given in detail in the next section. The problem as written in Eq. (3.2) corresponds to the following four problems as shown in [19].

$k = 0$: The Neumann Problem for the Axisymmetric Poisson Equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\operatorname{div}_{rz}^{n*} \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^n u &= f & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^n u \cdot \vec{n} &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

$k = 1$: The Axisymmetric Vector Laplacian $\operatorname{curl} \operatorname{curl} + \operatorname{grad} \operatorname{div}$

$$\begin{aligned} -\operatorname{grad}_{rz}^n \operatorname{div}_{rz}^{n*} u + \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^{n*} \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^n u &= f, \\ (\operatorname{curl}_{rz}^n u)_{rz} \cdot \vec{t} &= 0, (\operatorname{curl}_{rz}^n u)_\theta = 0, u_{rz} \cdot \vec{n} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

$k = 2$: The Axisymmetric Vector Laplacian $\operatorname{curl} \operatorname{curl} + \operatorname{grad} \operatorname{div}$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^n \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^{n*} u - \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^{n*} \operatorname{div}_{rz}^n u &= f, \\ u_{rz} \cdot \vec{t} &= 0, u_\theta = 0, \operatorname{div}_{rz}^n u = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

$k = 3$: The Dirichlet Problem for the Axisymmetric Poisson Equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\operatorname{div}_{rz}^n \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^{n*} u &= f & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

4 Implementation of Finite Element Methods for Hodge Laplacian Problems

We will present the discrete mixed formulation of each problem in this section and describe in detail how matrices and vectors are constructed and used in the FEM program for the $k = 1$ case.

4.1 Discrete Mixed Formulations

$k = 0$ Discrete Mixed Formulation:

Find $u_h \in A_{h_1}$ such that

$$(\operatorname{grad}_{rz}^n u_h, \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^n v_h)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} = (F, v_h)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall v_h \in A_{h_1}. \quad (4.1)$$

$k = 1$ Discrete Mixed Formulation:

Find $(\sigma_h, u_h) \in A_{h_1} \times B_{h_1}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_h, \tau_h)_r - (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \tau_h, u_h)_r &= 0 & \forall \tau_h \in A_{h_1}, \\ (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \sigma_h, v_h)_r + (\text{curl}_{rz}^n u_h, \text{curl}_{rz}^n v_h)_r &= (F, v_h)_r & \forall v_h \in B_{h_1}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

$k = 2$ Discrete Mixed Formulation:

Find $(\sigma_h, u_h) \in B_{h_1} \times C_{h_1}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_h, \tau_h)_r - (\text{curl}_{rz}^n \tau_h, u_h)_r &= 0 & \forall \tau_h \in B_{h_1}, \\ (\text{curl}_{rz}^n \sigma_h, v_h)_r + (\text{div}_{rz}^n u_h, \text{div}_{rz}^n v_h)_r &= (F, v_h)_r & \forall v_h \in C_{h_1}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

$k = 3$ Discrete Mixed Formulation:

Find $(\sigma_h, u_h) \in C_{h_1} \times D_{h_1}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_h, \tau_h)_r - (u_h, \text{div}_{rz}^n \tau_h)_r &= 0 & \forall \tau_h \in C_{h_1}, \\ (\text{div}_{rz}^n \sigma_h, v_h)_r &= (F, v_h)_r & \forall v_h \in D_{h_1}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

4.2 Implementation of the $k = 1$ Case

In this subsection, we focus on the $k = 1$ case to provide the details of implementation. The other cases are programmed in a similar way.

Let $N_1 = N + N_m$ and $N_2 = 2N_e + 2N_t + N + N_m$. Then, let us use $\{\psi_i^n\}_{i=1}^{N_1}$ to denote the basis of A_{h_1} as defined in Eq. (2.10) and $\{\zeta_j^n\}_{j=1}^{N_2}$ to denote the basis of B_{h_1} as defined in Eq. (2.12). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_h &= \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} a_i \psi_i^n, \\ u_h &= \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} b_j \zeta_j^n, \end{aligned}$$

and Eq. (4.2) can be rewritten as,

$$\begin{aligned} (\sum_{i=1}^{N_1} a_i \psi_i^n, \psi_l^n)_r &= (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \psi_l^n, \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} b_j \zeta_j^n)_r & \forall \psi_l^n \in \{\psi_l^n\}_{l=1}^{N_1}, \\ (\sum_{i=1}^{N_1} a_i \text{grad}_{rz}^n \psi_i^n, \zeta_m^n)_r + (\sum_{j=1}^{N_2} b_j \text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_j^n, \text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_m^n)_r &= (F, \zeta_m^n)_r & \forall \zeta_m^n \in \{\zeta_m^n\}_{m=1}^{N_2}. \end{aligned}$$

The above system of equations can again be rewritten as,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} (\psi_i^n, \psi_l^n)_r a_i &= \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \psi_l^n, \zeta_j^n)_r b_j & \forall \psi_l^n \in \{\psi_l^n\}_{l=1}^{N_1}, \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \psi_i^n, \zeta_m^n)_r a_i + \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} (\text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_j^n, \text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_m^n)_r b_j &= (F, \zeta_m^n)_r & \forall \zeta_m^n \in \{\zeta_m^n\}_{m=1}^{N_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\vec{\sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} a_i$ and $\vec{u} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} b_j$. Then, we define the following vectors and matrices

$$\begin{aligned} M(i, l) &= (\psi_i^n, \psi_l^n)_r, & M &\in \mathbb{R}^{(N_1 \times N_1)}, \\ B(l, j) &= (\text{grad}_{rz}^n \psi_l^n, \zeta_j^n)_r, & B &\in \mathbb{R}^{(N_1 \times N_2)}, \\ S(j, m) &= (\text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_j^n, \text{curl}_{rz}^n \zeta_m^n)_r, & S &\in \mathbb{R}^{(N_2 \times N_2)}, \\ \vec{F}(m) &= (F, \zeta_m^n)_r, & F &\in \mathbb{R}^{(N_2 \times 1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

Then, the system of equations reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} M\vec{\sigma} &= B\vec{u}, \\ B^T \vec{\sigma} + S\vec{u} &= \vec{F}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

By solving, we get

$$\vec{u} = (B^T M^{-1} B + S)^{-1} \vec{F},$$

$$\vec{\sigma} = M^{-1} B \vec{u}.$$

Note that since M is symmetric positive definite, it is an invertible matrix.

5 Numerical Results

We will present numerical results of the weighted Hodge Laplacian on axisymmetric domains in this section. We will compare the results for the lowest and first order Fourier FEMs for each of $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$.

For each problem with a known exact solution, we define our domain as the unit square in \mathbb{R}^2 such that the vertices of Ω are $(0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1), (0, 1)$.

Note that in the error charts throughout this section, the order of convergence, also referred to as the rate in this paper, is calculated by taking $\log_2(\frac{\text{error}_k}{\text{error}_{k+1}})$ where k is the mesh level. Generally, as can be observed in the error charts presented, the rate is a positive number since the error reduces to zero as the mesh level increases. However, if the mesh level $k+1$ error is larger than the mesh level k error, then the rate is a negative number. On lower level meshes, like mesh levels 1 and 2, the efficiency of the method may not yet be demonstrated and negative rates may be observed in these coarse meshes.

5.1 The $k = 0$ Case

The problem written below has the same left-hand side as the weighted Hodge Laplacian with $k = 0$, but has a modified right-hand side where $Q_h : H_r(\text{grad}^n, \Omega) \rightarrow A_{h_1}$ is a projection that satisfies

$$(\text{grad}_{rz}^n Q_h u, \text{grad}_{rz}^n v_h)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} = (\text{grad}_{rz}^n u, \text{grad}_{rz}^n v_h)_{L_r^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall v_h \in A_{h_1}. \quad (5.1)$$

We define u as $u = r \sin(z)$.

Table 5.1: $k = 0$ case with Fourier mode $n = 1$

mesh level	Lowest Order		First Order	
	$\ u - Q_h u\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - Q_h u\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate
1	8.47e-03		1.64e-03	
2	2.76e-03	1.62	2.54e-04	2.69
3	7.52e-04	1.88	3.51e-05	2.86
4	1.99e-04	1.92	4.59e-06	2.93
5	5.10e-05	1.96	5.86e-07	2.97
6	1.29e-05	1.99	7.41e-08	2.98
7	3.23e-06	1.99	9.31e-09	2.99
8	8.09e-07	2.00	1.17e-09	3.00

Table 5.1 shows the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors between the exact solution u and the approximated solution $Q_h u$ computed by both the lowest and first order programs.

Table 5.2: $k = 0$ case approximate solution vector lengths

mesh level	length of approximate solution vector	
	Lowest Order	First Order
1	4	9
2	9	25
3	25	81
4	81	289
5	289	1089
6	1089	4225
7	4225	16641
8	16641	66049

Table 5.2 shows the length of the solution vector \vec{x} representing the approximation for $Q_h u$ in each mesh level. Note that in this problem, the length of the solution vector \vec{x} is the same as the length of the vector \vec{b} and dimensions of the FEM matrix, S .

First of all, the order of convergence for the first order program is 3, while that of the lowest order program is 2. As a result, the 5th mesh of the lowest order program and 3rd mesh of the first order program have similar $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm error measurements of 5.10e–05 and 3.51e–05. However, the first order program has an FEM matrix of dimension 81×81 in the 3rd mesh, whereas the lowest order program has an FEM matrix of dimension 289×289 in the 5th mesh. This shows that the first order program approximates u with more accuracy than the lowest order program and while using a much smaller matrix. Furthermore, comparing the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm error measurements of the 5th mesh for each program reveals that the first order program yields an approximation with two digits of accuracy more than the lowest order program.

5.2 The $k = 1$ Case

For the $k = 1$ case we define f such that the exact solution (σ, u) is

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= -5r^3 + 4r^2 - (2z - 1)\left(\frac{1}{3}r^3 - \frac{1}{2}r^2\right), \\ u &= [r^4 - r^3, 0, (z^2 - z)\left(\frac{1}{3}r^3 - \frac{1}{2}r^2\right)]^T.\end{aligned}$$

Recall from Eq. (3.4) that $f = -\text{grad}_{rz}^n \text{div}_{rz}^{n*} u + \text{curl}_{rz}^{n*} \text{curl}_{rz}^n u$.

Table 5.3: $k = 1$ case with Fourier mode $n = 2$

mesh level	Lowest Order				First Order			
	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate
1	1.15e-01		3.42e-02		2.26e-03		1.64e-02	
2	6.51e-02	0.82	2.55e-02	0.42	6.49e-04	1.80	9.96e-03	0.72
3	1.95e-02	1.74	1.80e-02	0.50	9.47e-05	2.78	3.19e-03	1.64
4	5.16e-03	1.92	9.96e-03	0.85	1.24e-05	2.93	8.53e-04	1.90
5	1.31e-03	1.97	5.12e-03	0.96	1.59e-06	2.97	2.18e-04	1.97
6	3.30e-04	1.99	2.58e-03	0.99	2.01e-07	2.99	5.50e-05	1.99

Table 5.3 depicts the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors between the exact solution (σ, u) and the approximated solution (σ_h, u_h) for the $k = 1$ case with $n = 2$. The σ - and u -errors

are bounded by a constant multiple of the best approximation error in the corresponding finite element spaces. The difference in the order of convergences for σ and u also follows by the best approximation error properties of each finite element space.

Table 5.4: $k = 1$ case approximate solution vector lengths

mesh level	length of solution vector $\vec{\sigma}$		length of solution vector \vec{u}	
	Lowest Order	First Order	Lowest Order	First Order
1	4	9	9	23
2	9	25	25	73
3	25	81	81	257
4	81	289	289	961
5	289	1089	1089	3713
6	1089	4225	4225	14593

Table 5.4 shows the lengths of the solution vectors $\vec{\sigma}$ and \vec{u} representing σ_h and u_h in each mesh level.

By looking at table 5.3, we can easily see that the first order program has a higher order of convergence for both parts of the solution. As a result, the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the error for u_h in the 2nd mesh of the first order program and the 4th mesh of the lowest order program are the both 9.96e–03. Additionally, the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the error for σ_h in the 3rd mesh for the first program, 9.47e–05, is smaller than that of the 6th mesh in the lowest order program, 3.30e–04.

In addition to comparing the errors, we can compare the size of the vectors in each mesh level relative to the error produced. In the 4th mesh of the first order program the $\vec{\sigma}$ vector is 289×1 and the \vec{u} vector is 961×1 , while in the 5th mesh of the lowest order program, they are 289×1 and 1089×1 , respectively. The $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for σ_h for these meshes are 1.24e–05 for the first order program and 1.31e–03 for the lowest order program. These numbers indicate that the approximated solution σ_h from the first order program is accurate to the 5th decimal place, while the lowest order program only produces accuracy to the 3rd decimal place. This comparison indicates that the first order program produces far more accurate results, specifically two digits of accuracy more, with the same $\vec{\sigma}$ vector length. In fact, if we look at the 2nd mesh of the first order program, where the $\vec{\sigma}$ vector is 25×1 and the \vec{u} vector is 73×1 , the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the error for σ_h is 6.49e–04. With both vectors more than a tenth of the length smaller than in the 5th mesh of the lowest order program, the first order program still produces an approximated solution for σ that is accurate to an additional decimal point than the lowest order program. These results show that the first order program produces more accurate approximations with less computation and a faster rate of convergence.

5.3 The $k = 2$ Case

For the $k = 2$ case we define f such that the exact solution (σ, u) is

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= [nr(r-1), -3r^2 + 2r, 0]^T, \\ u &= [0, 0, r^2(r-1)]^T.\end{aligned}$$

As defined in Eq. (3.5), $f = \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^n \operatorname{curl}_{rz}^{n*} u - \operatorname{grad}_{rz}^{n*} \operatorname{div}_{rz}^n u$.

Table 5.5: $k = 2$ case with Fourier mode $n = 10$

mesh level	Lowest Order				First Order			
	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate
1	9.46e-01		4.72e-02		1.04e-02		2.75e-02	
2	6.13e-01	0.63	3.06e-02	0.63	2.52e-02	-1.27	1.31e-02	1.08
3	3.32e-01	0.88	2.02e-02	0.60	1.37e-02	0.88	3.70e-03	1.82
4	1.72e-01	0.95	1.10e-02	0.88	4.83e-03	1.51	9.74e-04	1.93
5	8.70e-02	0.98	5.64e-03	0.96	1.46e-03	1.73	2.49e-04	1.97
6	4.37e-02	0.99	2.84e-03	0.99	4.27e-04	1.77	6.26e-05	1.99

Table 5.5 shows the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for the approximated solution (σ_h, u_h) in comparison to the exact solution (σ, u) for the $k = 2$ case with Fourier mode $n = 10$.

Table 5.6: $k = 2$ case approximate solution vector lengths

mesh level	length of solution vector $\vec{\sigma}$		length of solution vector \vec{u}	
	Lowest Order	First Order	Lowest Order	First Order
1	9	23	7	18
2	25	73	24	57
3	81	257	88	201
4	289	961	336	753
5	1089	3713	1312	2913
6	4225	14593	5184	11457

In table 5.6, we show the lengths of the solution vectors $\vec{\sigma}$ and \vec{u} representing σ_h and u_h in each mesh level.

By comparing the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for u_h between the lowest and first order, we see that the 3rd mesh of the first order program produces a smaller error of 3.70e-03 when compared to 5.64e-03 in 5th mesh of the lowest order program. Additionally, the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the error for σ_h is 1.37e-02 for the first order program and 8.70e-02 for the lowest order program. These both indicate that for lower mesh levels, the first order program produces a smaller error for both parts of the solution. Furthermore, by comparing the order of convergence for the two parts of the solution in each program, we see that the first order program has a higher order of convergence, indicating that it decreases the error between mesh levels at a faster rate than the lowest order program.

We also compare the size of vectors in each mesh level of each program which has a direct correlation to the number of computations required. In the 4th mesh of the first order program, the $\vec{\sigma}$ vector is 961×1 and the \vec{u} vector is 753×1 and in the 5th mesh of the lowest order program they are 1089×1 and 1312×1. By examining the table, we can see that the smaller vectors in the first order program produce errors with one more digit of accuracy than those in the lowest order program for both parts of the solution. Furthermore, with even smaller vectors of lengths 257 and 201 in the 3rd mesh, the first order program still produces errors that are smaller for both parts of the solution when compared to the 5th mesh of the lowest order program. These results indicate that the first

order program approximates solutions with more accuracy and efficiency when compared to the lowest order program.

Table 5.7: $k = 2$ case with Fourier modes $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

mesh level	n = 1		n = 2		n = 3		n = 4		n = 5	
	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_f^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_f^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_f^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_f^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_f^2(\Omega)}$	rate
1	3.66e-02		2.40e-02		1.75e-02		1.45e-02		1.30e-02	
2	2.90e-02	0.34	2.08e-02	0.21	1.83e-02	-0.07	1.90e-02	-0.39	2.05e-02	-0.65
3	1.21e-02	1.25	8.88e-03	1.23	7.71e-03	1.25	7.94e-03	1.26	8.77e-03	1.22
4	4.57e-03	1.41	3.33e-03	1.42	2.80e-03	1.46	2.76e-03	1.52	2.97e-03	1.56
5	1.66e-03	1.46	1.19e-03	1.48	9.66e-04	1.53	9.12e-04	1.60	9.47e-04	1.65
6	5.92e-04	1.49	4.20e-04	1.50	3.30e-04	1.55	2.98e-04	1.62	2.97e-04	1.67

Table 5.7 shows the order of convergence for σ_h gradually increasing as n increases from 1 to 5.

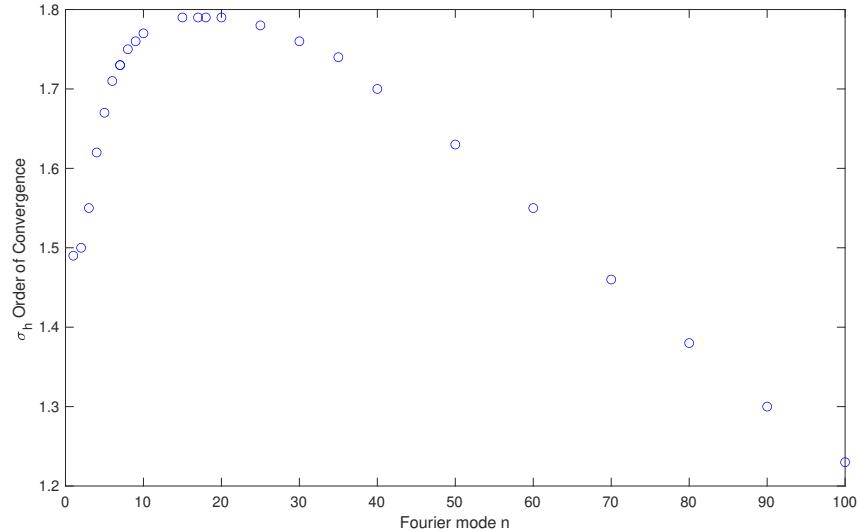


Figure 5.1: Fourier mode n vs. σ_h order of convergence for the $k = 2$ case

Figure 5.1 shows the relationship between the n^{th} Fourier mode and the order of convergence for σ_h from mesh level 6 in the given problem. We observe that the order of convergence approaches 1.8 as n increases from 1 to 20, then begins to fall as n continues to increase. The convergence analysis related to the Fourier mode n remains as future work.

5.4 The $k = 3$ Case

For the $k = 3$ case we define f such that the exact solution (σ, u) is

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= [-\sin(\pi z)(2r-1), -n \sin(\pi z)(r-1), -\pi \cos(\pi z)(r^2-r)]^T, \\ u &= \sin(\pi z)(r^2-r). \end{aligned}$$

where $f = -\text{div}_{rz}^n \text{grad}_{rz}^{n*} u$ as defined in Eq. (3.6).

Table 5.8: $k = 3$ case with Fourier mode $n = 5$

mesh level	Lowest Order				First Order			
	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ \sigma - \sigma_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$\ u - u_h\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate
1	1.16e+00		9.16e-02		8.58e-01		5.77e-02	
2	7.54e-01	0.63	4.99e-02	0.87	5.31e-01	0.69	2.55e-02	1.18
3	4.37e-01	0.79	2.47e-02	1.02	2.62e-01	1.02	7.80e-03	1.71
4	2.37e-01	0.88	1.21e-02	1.03	1.30e-01	1.01	2.03e-03	1.94
5	1.26e-01	0.91	6.01e-03	1.01	6.50e-02	1.00	5.13e-04	1.99
6	6.65e-02	0.92	3.00e-03	1.00	3.25e-02	1.00	1.28e-04	2.00
7	3.48e-02	0.93	1.50e-03	1.00	1.62e-02	1.00	3.21e-05	2.00

The $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors of the approximated solution (σ_h, u_h) compared to the exact solution (σ, u) for the $k = 3$ case with Fourier mode $n = 5$ are shown in table 5.8.

 Table 5.9: $k = 3$ case approximate solution vector lengths

mesh level	length of solution vector $\vec{\sigma}$		length of solution vector \vec{u}	
	Lowest Order	First Order	Lowest Order	First Order
1	7	18	2	4
2	24	57	8	9
3	88	201	32	25
4	336	753	128	81
5	1312	2913	512	289
6	5184	11457	2048	1089
7	20608	45441	8192	4225

Table 5.9 depicts the lengths of the solution vectors $\vec{\sigma}$ and \vec{u} representing σ_h and u_h for the approximated solutions in each mesh.

For this particular example, the order of convergence for the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for σ_h is 1 for both the lowest and first order program. However, the order of convergence for the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for u_h is 1 for the lowest order program and 2 for the first order program.

If we compare the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors for u_h in the 5th mesh of the first order program and the 7th mesh of the lowest order program, we see that the error in the first order program, 5.13e–04, is smaller than the error in the lowest order program, 1.50e–03. In the 7th mesh of the lowest order program, the $\vec{\sigma}$ vector is 20608×1 and the \vec{u} vector is 8192×1. In comparison, in the 5th mesh of the first order program the vectors are 2913×1 and 289×1, respectively. The much smaller vectors in the first order program are more efficient to build and produce smaller errors for the approximation of u . These results show that the first order program is more efficient and produces better approximations than the lowest order program.

Finally, we present the results of the $k = 3$ case with an unknown exact solution and $f = 2$.

For this problem, we define an L-shaped domain in \mathbb{R}^2 such that the vertices of Ω are $(0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 1), (0, 1)$.

Table 5.10: $k = 3$ case with no known exact solution and $n = 3$

mesh level m	$\ u_{m-1} - u_m\ _{L_r^2(\Omega)}$	rate	$ u_{m-1} - u_m _{H_r^1(\Omega)}$	rate
2	3.81e-03		4.97e-02	
3	1.63e-03	1.23	4.22e-02	0.24
4	5.20e-04	1.65	2.62e-02	0.69
5	1.46e-04	1.84	1.44e-02	0.86
6	3.93e-05	1.89	7.68e-03	0.91
7	1.06e-05	1.89	4.09e-03	0.91

Table 5.10 contains the $L_r^2(\Omega)$ -norm and the $H_r^1(\Omega)$ -norm of the errors of the approximated solution u_{m-1} compared to the approximated solution u_m in the next mesh level, where u_m denotes u_h in the m^{th} mesh level.

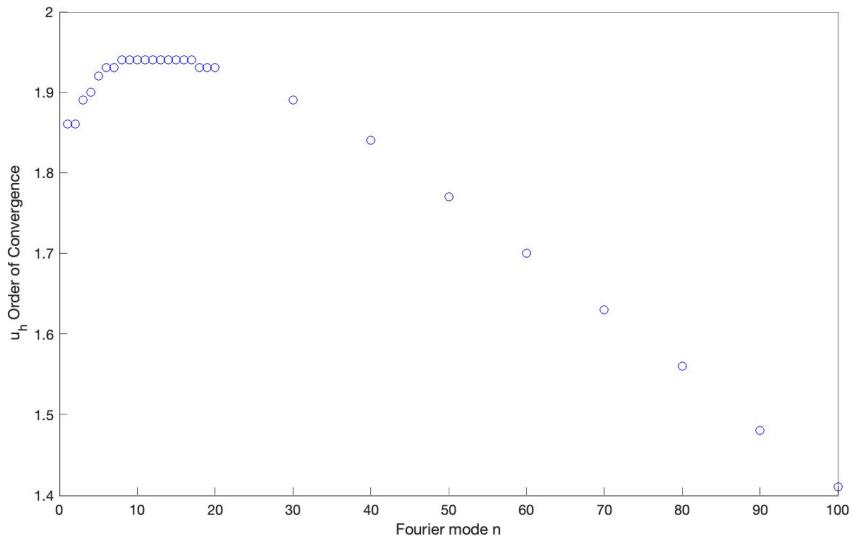


Figure 5.2: Fourier mode n vs. u_h order of convergence for the $k = 3$ case

Figure 5.2 shows the relationship between the n^{th} Fourier mode and the order of convergence for σ_h from mesh level 7 in the given problem.

6 Concluding Remarks

This research studied higher order Fourier FEMs for Hodge Laplacian problems on axisymmetric domains using a new family of Fourier finite element spaces. The new family of Fourier finite element spaces is extended from [17] and is constructed with higher order spaces. Through numerical examples, we have shown that higher order programs yield better results with less computation and more efficiency when compared to the lowest order programs.

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