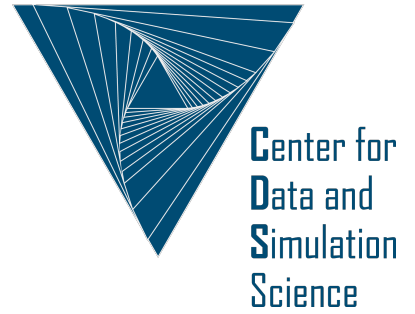


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7 **Abstract.** The hybrid ML-FETI-DP algorithm combines the advantages of adaptive coarse
8 spaces in domain decomposition methods and certain supervised machine learning techniques. Adap-
9 tive coarse spaces ensure robustness of highly scalable domain decomposition solvers, even for highly
10 heterogeneous coefficient distributions with arbitrary coefficient jumps. However, their construction
11 requires the setup and solution of local generalized eigenvalue problems, which is typically compu-
12 tationally expensive. The idea of ML-FETI-DP is to interpret the coefficient distribution as image
13 data and predict whether an eigenvalue problem has to be solved or can be neglected while still
14 maintaining robustness of the adaptive FETI-DP method. For this purpose, neural networks are
15 used as image classifiers. In the present work, the ML-FETI-DP algorithm is extended to three di-
16 mensions, which requires both a complex data preprocessing procedure to construct consistent input
17 data for the neural network as well as a representative training and validation data set to ensure
18 generalization properties of the machine learning model. Numerical experiments for stationary dif-
19 fusion and linear elasticity problems with realistic coefficient distributions show that a large number
20 of eigenvalue problems can be saved; in the best case of the numerical results presented here, 97 %
21 of the eigenvalue problems can be avoided to be set up and solved.

22 **Key words.** ML-FETI-DP, FETI-DP, machine learning, domain decomposition methods, adap-
23 tive coarse spaces, finite elements

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25 **1. Introduction.** Domain decomposition methods are highly scalable, iterative
26 solvers for the solution of large systems of equations such as arising, e.g., from the
27 discretization of partial differential equations by finite elements. Among the most
28 commonly used domain decomposition methods are the FETI-DP (Finite Element
29 Tearing and Interconnecting - Dual Primal) [12, 11, 48, 49], BDDC (Balancing Do-
30 main Decomposition by Constraints) [7, 8, 51, 53, 52] and overlapping Schwarz [61]
31 methods. All of these methods have successfully been applied to a wide range of
32 problems and have been shown to be parallel scalable up to hundred of thousands
33 of cores and beyond [26, 62, 2, 1, 39, 44, 40, 38, 37, 27]. In the present article,
34 we are mostly interested in the solution of highly heterogeneous stationary diffusion
35 or linear elasticity problems with high contrasts in the material distributions. For
36 such cases, including those with arbitrary jumps in the diffusion coefficient or the
37 Young modulus, the convergence rate of standard domain decomposition methods
38 typically deteriorates severely. In particular, the classic condition number bounds for
39 standard domain decomposition methods are only valid under relatively restrictive
40 assumptions concerning the coefficient function or the material distribution. Thus, in
41 case of highly complex coefficient functions, coarse space enhancements are necessary
42 to guarantee a robust algorithm while retaining a good condition number bound to
43 preserve numerical scalability. For FETI-DP algorithms considered in the present

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44 article, such a condition number bound would only depend polylogarithmically on
45 the size of the subproblems while being independent of the contrast of the values of
46 the relevant coefficient functions. To accomplish this in three dimensions for material
47 discontinuities aligned with the interface between subdomains, additional averages
48 along edges and first order moments to enhance the coarse space have been pro-
49 posed in [48, 49]. This approach has been heuristically extended in [43] for material
50 discontinuities not aligned with the interface using certain weighted averages. We
51 have further generalized this technique in [23]. Here, we have integrated general-
52 ized weighted averages along faces and/or edges into the coarse space. Using this
53 approach as a default can help to make FETI-DP and BDDC algorithms more ro-
54 bust for a number of realistic application problems. However, all aforementioned
55 approaches are generally not robust for arbitrary coefficient functions, e.g., with nu-
56 merous discontinuities along and across the interface between subdomains. Hence,
57 adaptive coarse spaces have been developed for different domain decomposition algo-
58 rithms [4, 35, 34, 33, 58, 57, 3, 6, 54, 55, 42, 41, 31, 13, 14, 10, 9, 59, 60, 19, 18, 20].
59 In adaptive coarse spaces, eigenvectors originating from the solution of certain local
60 generalized eigenvalue problems on parts of the interface, e.g., faces or edges, are used
61 to enhance the coarse space. For these techniques, condition number bounds that are
62 robust with respect to arbitrary coefficient distributions can be proven. In particular,
63 the resulting condition number bounds only depend on a user-defined tolerance, which
64 is used as a threshold for the selection of the eigenvectors based on their corresponding
65 eigenvalues, and on geometrical constants. As a drawback, in a parallel implemen-
66 tation, the setup and the solution of the eigenvalue problems take up a significant
67 amount of time; cf. [50, 36]. However, for many realistic coefficient distributions, a
68 large number of eigenvalue problems which are not necessary for a robust convergence
69 of the adaptive domain decomposition method is solved; they are not necessary in the
70 sense that no corresponding eigenvectors are being selected. In order to account for
71 this, in [24], we introduced the concept of training a neural network to make an auto-
72 matic decision whether the solution of a specific local eigenvalue problem is necessary
73 for robustness. In particular, we have focused on the two-dimensional case and the
74 adaptive coarse space introduced in [54] for the FETI-DP method, which is based
75 on local eigenvalue problems on edges between neighboring subdomains; see [42] for
76 the first theoretical proof of a robust condition number bound for this algorithm.
77 We were able to significantly reduce the number of necessary eigenvalue problems on
78 edges by using samples of the coefficient function in the adjacent subdomains as input
79 for the machine learning model; in [25], we have shown that it is actually sufficient to
80 sample in neighborhoods close to the edges. Throughout this paper, we denote the
81 algorithm combining adaptive FETI-DP and machine learning introduced in [24] by
82 ML-FETI-DP.

83 Here, we extend the two-dimensional ML-FETI-DP approach [24] to three-dimen-
84 sional problems. The main concept is very similar, however, the interface between
85 the adaptive FETI-DP algorithm and the neural network, i.e., the preprocessing of
86 the input data for the neural network, requires substantial modifications and en-
87 hancements. In particular, handling faces of three-dimensional unstructured domain
88 decompositions, e.g., obtained from METIS [30], is much more complex compared
89 to edges in two dimensions. Moreover, in the generation of training and validation
90 data, we use METIS domain decompositions and adapt the generation of coefficient
91 distributions based on randomization as described for two dimensions in [24] to three
92 dimensions. The main focus of this paper is thus on the description of the prepro-
93 cessing of the data. As a machine learning approach, we will again - as in [24] -

94 employ feedforward neural networks with Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activation
95 and dropout layers.

96 The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. First, we introduce our
97 model problems, namely stationary diffusion problems and linear elasticity problems.
98 Second, we briefly recapitulate the FETI-DP domain decomposition method and the
99 specific adaptive coarse space approach [33, 54, 55] for three dimensions. Afterwards,
100 we present our machine learning based approach ML-FETI-DP using feedforward
101 neural networks. We then describe the preprocessing of the input data and how we
102 generate appropriate training and validation data for the training process of the neural
103 network. Finally, we show numerical results for different relevant elliptic problems. At
104 first, we consider a coefficient distribution with five balls of different radii in the unit
105 cube. Second, we consider an RVE (Representative Volume Element) representing
106 the microstructure of a dual-phase steel.

107 **2. Model problems and adaptive FETI-DP domain decomposition al-**
108 **gorithms.** In this section, we give a brief introduction of our model problems and
109 shortly describe the classic FETI-DP domain decomposition method [12, 11, 48, 49].
110 Finally, in subsection 2.3.2, we describe the employed adaptive FETI-DP coarse space
111 technique for three dimensions; see [33, 54, 55].

112 **2.1. Diffusion, elasticity, and finite elements.** As a first model problem,
113 we consider a stationary, linear, scalar diffusion problem with a highly heterogeneous
114 coefficient function $\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions on $\partial\Omega$.
115 Thus, the model problem in its variational form can be written as: find $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$
116 such that

$$117 \quad (2.1) \quad \int_{\Omega} \rho \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega).$$

118 Various examples of coefficient functions are discussed in section 4.

119 As a second model problem, we consider the equations of linear elasticity. It
120 consists of finding the displacement $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) := (H_0^1(\Omega))^3$ such that

$$121 \quad (2.2) \quad \int_{\Omega} G \varepsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}) \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Omega} G \beta \operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} \, d\mathbf{x} = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{v} \, d\mathbf{x}$$

122 for all $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega)$, given material functions $G : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\beta : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and a volume
123 force $\mathbf{f} \in (L^2(\Omega))^3$.

124 By a finite element discretization of (2.1) and (2.2) on Ω , we obtain the respective
125 linear system of equations

$$126 \quad (2.3) \quad K_g u_g = f_g.$$

127 We denote the finite element space by V^h and we have $u_g, f_g \in V^h$. Note that,
128 throughout this paper, we assume that the coefficient functions ρ , G , and β are
129 constant on each finite element but may have large jumps from element to element.
130 For simplicity, in the present article, we only consider tetrahedrons and linear finite
131 elements.

132 **2.2. Standard FETI-DP.** Let us briefly describe the classic FETI-DP method
133 and introduce some necessary notation.

134 **2.2.1. Domain decomposition.** We assume a decomposition of Ω into $N \in \mathbb{N}$
 135 nonoverlapping subdomains Ω_i , $i = 1, \dots, N$, i.e., $\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^N \Omega_i$. Each of the sub-
 136 domains is a union of finite elements. The finite element subspaces associated with
 137 Ω_i , $i = 1, \dots, N$, are denoted by W_i , $i = 1, \dots, N$. We obtain local finite element prob-
 138 lems $K^{(i)} u^{(i)} = f^{(i)}$ with $K^{(i)} : W_i \rightarrow W_i$ and $f^{(i)} \in W_i$ by restricting the considered
 139 differential equation (2.1) or (2.2) to Ω_i and discretizing its variational formulation
 140 in the finite element space W_i . Let us remark that the matrices $K^{(i)}$ are, in general,
 141 not invertible for subdomains, which have no contact to the Dirichlet boundary.

142 We introduce the simple restriction operators $R_i : V^h \rightarrow W_i$, $i = 1, \dots, N$, the
 143 block vectors $u^T := (u^{(1)T}, \dots, u^{(N)T})$ and $f^T := (f^{(1)T}, \dots, f^{(N)T})$, and the block
 144 matrices $R^T := (R_1^T, \dots, R_N^T)$ and $K = \text{diag}(K^{(1)}, \dots, K^{(N)})$. We then obtain the
 145 identities

$$146 \quad (2.4) \quad K_g = R^T K R \quad \text{and} \quad f_g = R^T f.$$

147 The application of R^T in (2.4) thus has the effect of a finite element assembly process
 148 of local finite element functions on the interface $\Gamma := \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N \partial\Omega_i \right) \setminus \partial\Omega$.

149 The block matrix K is not invertible as soon as a single subdomain has no contact
 150 to the Dirichlet boundary. Therefore, the system $Ku = f$ has no unique solution and,
 151 more precisely, an unknown vector u might be discontinuous on the interface. We
 152 now proceed to describe how the solution u_g is obtained using FETI-DP, i.e., how the
 153 continuity of $u \in W := W_1 \times \dots \times W_N$ on the interface is enforced.

154 **2.2.2. The FETI-DP saddle point system.** Let us assume, we have sorted
 155 and decomposed an unknown vector u from the product space W into interface vari-
 156 ables u_Γ and all remaining interior variables u_I , i.e., $u^T = (u_I^T, u_\Gamma^T) \in W$. We further
 157 subdivide the degrees of freedoms on the interface u_Γ into primal variables u_Π and
 158 dual variables u_Δ . Throughout this paper, we select all subdomain vertices to be
 159 primal. Continuity in the primal variables is enforced by a finite element assembly
 160 process, while continuity in the dual variables is enforced iteratively by Lagrange
 161 multipliers.

162 For the primal assembly process we introduce the operator R_Π^T , which is similar
 163 to R^T , but assembles only in primal variables. We denote the corresponding primally
 164 assembled finite element space by \widetilde{W} . Thus, we have $R_\Pi : \widetilde{W} \rightarrow W$ and any $\tilde{u} \in \widetilde{W}$
 165 is of the structure $\tilde{u}^T = (u_I^T, u_\Delta^T, \tilde{u}_\Pi^T)$, where \tilde{u}_Π is now a vector of global variables.
 166 The vector \tilde{u}_Π can also be seen as a coarse solution and the corresponding Schur
 167 complement system in the primal variables constitutes the global coarse problem or
 168 second level problem in FETI-DP. We define primally coupled operators by

$$169 \quad (2.5) \quad \tilde{f} = R_\Pi^T f \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{K} = R_\Pi^T K R_\Pi.$$

170 Let us remark that $\tilde{K} : \widetilde{W} \rightarrow \widetilde{W}$ will be a regular matrix if enough primal constraints
 171 are chosen.

172 Enforcing continuity in the dual variables is done by the constraint $B\tilde{u} = 0$, using
 173 a linear jump operator $B = [B^{(1)}, \dots, B^{(N)}]$; see, e.g., [44] for a detailed definition of
 174 B . Each row of B evaluates the jump between two degrees of freedom on the interface
 175 belonging to the same physical node but different subdomains. Thus, each row of B
 176 contains exactly one 1 and one -1 and the remaining entries are zero. Enforcing the
 177 jump condition via Lagrange multipliers, we obtain the FETI-DP saddle point system

$$178 \quad (2.6) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{K} & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{f} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

179 where λ is the vector of the Lagrange multipliers. Let us remark that, due to the
180 constraint $B\tilde{u} = 0$, the solution $\tilde{u} \in \tilde{W}$ is continuous on the interface Γ .

181 **2.2.3. Iterative solution of the FETI-DP system.** By a block elimination
182 in (2.6) we derive the system

$$183 \quad (2.7) \quad F\lambda = d$$

184 with $F = B\tilde{K}^{-1}B^T$ and $d = B\tilde{K}^{-1}\tilde{f}$. Equation (2.7) is solved iteratively with a
185 preconditioned CG or GMRES approach using an additional Dirichlet preconditioner
186 M_D^{-1} ; see also [61]. The preconditioner M_D^{-1} is a weighted sum of local Schur com-
187 plements in the dual variables. Let

$$188 \quad (2.8) \quad S_{\Delta\Delta}^{(i)} = K_{\Delta\Delta}^{(i)} - K_{\Delta I}^{(i)}K_{II}^{(i)-1}K_{\Delta I}^{(i)T}$$

189 be the Schur complement of $K^{(i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, N$ in the dual variables and

$$190 \quad (2.9) \quad B_D = \left(D^{(1)T}B^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(N)}B^{(N)T} \right)$$

191 a scaled jump matrix, where the scaling matrices $D^{(i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, N$ are usually defined
192 by the PDE coefficients. We further define $B_{D,\Delta}$, the restriction of B_D to the dual
193 variables, and $S_{\Delta\Delta} = \text{diag}(S_{\Delta\Delta}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{\Delta\Delta}^{(N)})$. The preconditioner is then defined by

$$194 \quad (2.10) \quad M_D^{-1} = B_{D,\Delta}S_{\Delta\Delta}B_{D,\Delta}^T.$$

195 The application of M_D^{-1} is embarrassingly parallel due to the block diagonal structure
196 of S . The desired solution \tilde{u} is finally obtained by solving

$$197 \quad (2.11) \quad \tilde{K}\tilde{u} = \tilde{f} - B^T\lambda.$$

198 **2.2.4. Condition number bound.** For scalar elliptic partial differential equa-
199 tions as well as for linear elasticity problems, the classic polylogarithmic condition
200 number bound

$$201 \quad (2.12) \quad \kappa(M_D^{-1}F) \leq C \left(1 + \log \left(\frac{H}{h} \right) \right)^2$$

202 holds, with C independent of H and h ; see, e.g., [47, 49, 48]. In (2.12) H is the
203 maximum diameter over all subdomains, h the maximum diameter over all finite ele-
204 ments, and thus H/h is a measure for the number of finite elements per subdomain.
205 In general, different coefficient distributions in two and three dimensions can be cap-
206 tured by different coarse spaces and scalings in the preconditioner M_D^{-1} . Please note
207 that in three dimensions additional coarse constraints based on averages over edges
208 and/or faces are necessary to retain the same logarithmic condition number bound as
209 in (2.12); see, e.g., [48, 49] and for experimental results [12, 46].

210 However, for completely arbitrary and complex coefficient distributions, (2.12)
211 does not hold anymore. In recent years, adaptive coarse spaces have been developed
212 to overcome this limitation [4, 35, 34, 33, 58, 57, 3, 6, 54, 55, 42, 41, 31, 13, 14, 10,
213 9, 59, 60]. In these algorithms, local eigenvalue problems on parts of the interface,
214 i.e., edges or faces, are solved and selected eigenvectors are used to construct appro-
215 priate adaptive constraints. The FETI-DP coarse space is then enriched with these
216 additional primal constraints in the setup phase before the iterative solution phase
217 starts.

2.3. Adaptive FETI-DP in three dimensions.

2.3.1. Enhancing the coarse space with additional constraints. In general, different approaches to implement coarse space enrichments for the FETI-DP method exist. The two most common approaches are a deflation or balancing approach [45, 42] and a transformation of basis approach [48, 44]. In the present paper, we always use the balancing preconditioner to enhance the coarse space with additional constraints, regardless if adaptive or frugal constraints are enforced; see subsection 2.3.2 and subsection 2.4, respectively. Please see [24, Sec. 2.3.1] or [45, 42] for a detailed description of the deflation and balancing approach.

2.3.2. The adaptive constraints. The main idea of adaptive coarse spaces in domain decomposition methods is to enrich the FETI-DP or BDDC coarse space with additional primal constraints, obtained by solving certain local generalized eigenvalue problems on faces or edges, before the iteration starts. In the following, we give a brief description of the algorithm considered in [33, 55] for the convenience of the reader. In three dimensions, for certain equivalence classes \mathcal{X}_{ij} , i.e., faces F_{ij} or edges E_{ij} , we thus solve the generalized eigenvalue problem

$$\langle P_{D_{ij}} v_{ij}, S_{ij} P_{D_{ij}} w_{ij} \rangle = \mu_{ij} \langle v_{ij}, S_{ij} w_{ij} \rangle \quad \forall v_{ij} \in (\text{Ker } S_{ij})^\perp;$$

see [33]. Note that, in this approach, we only have to solve edge eigenvalue problems on edges that belong to more than three subdomains.

Here, we define $S_{ij} = \text{diag}(S_i, S_j)$ and $P_{D_{ij}} = B_{D, \mathcal{X}_{ij}}^T B_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}}$ as a local version of the jump operator $P_D = B_D^T B$ with $B_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}}^{(i)} \\ B_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}}^{(j)} \end{pmatrix}$ and $B_{D, \mathcal{X}_{ij}} = \begin{pmatrix} B_{D, \mathcal{X}_{ij}}^{(i)} \\ B_{D, \mathcal{X}_{ij}}^{(j)} \end{pmatrix}$. We then select all eigenvalues $\mu_{ij} \geq \text{TOL}$ for a user-defined tolerance TOL and use the corresponding eigenvectors $v_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}}$ to automatically design the coarse space. New coarse components then enforce the constraint $(B_{D, \mathcal{X}_{ij}} S_{ij} P_{D_{ij}} w_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}})^T B_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}} v_{\mathcal{X}_{ij}} = 0$ in each iteration, e.g., with projector preconditioning or transformation of basis. When enforcing these constraints for all faces and edges between subdomains, that do not share a face, we obtain the condition number estimate:

$$(2.13) \quad \kappa(M^{-1}K) \leq 4 \max\{N_{\mathcal{F}}, N_{\mathcal{E}} M_{\mathcal{E}}\}^2 \text{TOL};$$

see [33] for the proof. Here, we denote by $N_{\mathcal{F}}$ the maximum number of faces of a subdomain, by $N_{\mathcal{E}}$ the maximum number of edges of a subdomain, and by $M_{\mathcal{E}}$ the maximum multiplicity of an edge. The condition number bound thus only depends on geometrical constants of the domain decomposition and, in particular, not on the contrast of the coefficient function. The choice of the tolerance value is user-dependent and should be selected with reference to the spectral gap of the eigenvalues of the preconditioned solver; see also [28].

Let us note that the first rigorous proof for the condition number bound was given in [42] for two dimensions and was extended to three dimensions in [33] with the additional use of edge eigenvalue problems. In [54, 55] a condition number indicator was presented for the first time, both for two and three dimensions.

2.4. Frugal constraints. As in [24] for the two-dimensional case, we here also consider frugal constraints [23] on certain faces. Frugal constraints build a coarse space which is robust for many diffusion or elasticity problems with jumps in the coefficient function, and the setup of the frugal coarse space is rather cheap compared with the setup of adaptive coarse spaces. This is due to the absence of any local

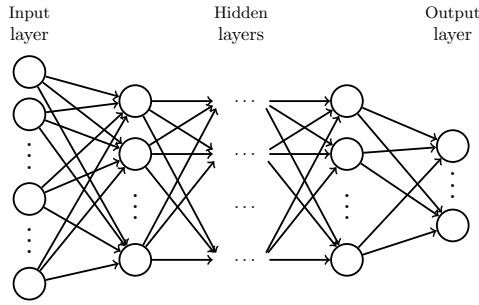


FIG. 1. Structure of a dense feed forward neural network with several hidden layers.

263 eigenvalue problems in the computation of the constraints; see [23] for a detailed dis-
 264 cussion of frugal constraints. Let us remark that, for each face or edge, a single frugal
 265 constraint can be computed in case of a diffusion problem, but up to six in case of a
 266 linear elasticity problem. Nevertheless, for many coefficient distributions, using fru-
 267 gal constraints exclusively is not sufficient to obtain robustness, and hence, the fru-
 268 gal coarse space has to be enriched by additional adaptive constraints on some specific
 269 faces and/or edges. The combination of both coarse spaces, i.e., the adaptive and the
 270 frugal coarse space, and how we can exploit the benefits of both approaches using ma-
 271 chine learning in the ML-FETI-DP approach, is elaborated later; cf. subsections 3.3
 272 and 4.3.

273 3. Selecting necessary eigenvalue problems using machine learning.

274 Here, we extend our approach from [24] to three-dimensional problems. In [24], we
 275 have used machine learning techniques to predict which eigenvalue problems are nec-
 276 essary for robustness of highly heterogeneous two-dimensional linear diffusion and
 277 elasticity problems. This approach is based on the observation that, for many re-
 278 alistic problems with highly heterogeneous coefficient distributions, a large share of
 279 the eigenvalue problems will not yield large eigenvalues $\mu_{ij} > TOL$. In particular,
 280 the number of large eigenvalues that correspond to an equivalence class \mathcal{X}_{ij} can be
 281 attributed to the local part of the coefficient function in the adjacent subdomains.
 282 Hence, in two dimensions, we used a sampling procedure, to construct, for each edge,
 283 an image representation of the coefficient function in the two adjacent subdomains;
 284 cf. [24, Sect. 3.1] and Figure 2 (left). By ‘sampling procedure’, we understand a spe-
 285 cific sequence of evaluations of the coefficient function. Using the resulting image
 286 representation as input, a machine learning model was trained to classify whether the
 287 corresponding eigenvalue problems yield a large eigenvalue or not. Then, only those
 288 eigenvalue problems that are classified as necessary are solved. As already mentioned
 289 in the introduction, we denote this hybrid algorithm which combines the adaptive
 290 FETI-DP algorithm and a machine learning model as ML-FETI-DP. As an extension
 291 to this binary classification, we also introduced a three-class model, which reduces the
 292 number of computed eigenvalues even further by additionally using frugal constraints;
 293 cf. [23], [24, Sect. 3.3], as well as subsections 2.4 and 3.3.

294 As described in subsection 2.3.2, edge as well as face eigenvalue problems have
 295 to be solved for robustness in three dimensions. However, the edges typically only
 296 possess a relatively small number of nodes, and hence, the corresponding eigenvalue
 297 problems are rather small; cf. [21]. Therefore, in our three-dimensional approach,
 298 we restrict ourselves to the identification of necessary face eigenvalue problems and

299 solve all eigenvalue problems for edges which belong to more than three subdomains.
 300 Note that, for unstructured domain decompositions, these edges are rather rare. As
 301 in the two-dimensional case, we will additionally consider a three-class approach;
 302 cf. [subsection 3.3](#). As input for the machine learning model, we now sample from
 303 the three-dimensional coefficient function creating a three-dimensional image repre-
 304 sentation; see [subsection 3.1](#) and [Figure 2](#) (left). This step is significantly extended
 305 compared to the two-dimensional case.

306 The eigenvalue classification problem in our approach is essentially an image clas-
 307 sification task. Therefore, as in [\[24\]](#), we will employ neural networks, which have been
 308 proven to be powerful models for image classification. In general, classification is a
 309 task of supervised machine learning. Supervised learning models approximate the
 310 nonlinear functional relationship between input and output data $F : I \rightarrow O$, with
 311 the input space I being a product of \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{N} , and boolean vector spaces. For classifi-
 312 cation problems, as considered here, the output space is typically an \mathbb{N} vector space.
 313 A detailed description of supervised learning and feedforward neural networks (or
 314 multilayer perceptrons, respectively), can, e.g., be found in [\[17\]](#). Here, we will use
 315 dense neural networks, which means that each neuron in a given layer is generally
 316 connected with all neurons in the previous layer; cf. [Figure 1](#) for a visualization of
 317 a dense feedforward neural network. However, to further improve the generalization
 318 properties for our neural network, we use dropout layers with a dropout rate of 20%;
 319 see also [\[24\]](#). Let us note that analogously to [\[24\]](#), we choose the ReLU (Rectified
 320 Linear Unit) function [\[29, 56, 16\]](#) as our activation $\alpha(x)$ in all our numerical experi-
 321 ments, which is defined by $\alpha(x) = \max\{0, x\}$. The training and validation procedure
 322 for the neural network model is described in [subsection 3.2](#) and first results on the
 323 training and validation data are presented in [subsection 3.4](#).

324 For a complete description of the employed machine learning framework, please
 325 refer to [\[24, Sec. 3\]](#) and the references therein.

326 **3.1. Data preprocessing.** In analogy to [\[24\]](#), we aim to train and test our
 327 neural network for both regular domain decompositions as well as for domain decom-
 328 positions obtained from the graph partitioning software METIS [\[30\]](#). We will observe
 329 that extending our methods introduced in [\[24\]](#) from two dimensions to three dimen-
 330 sions causes additional challenges and additional effort is needed preprocessing the
 331 input data for our machine learning model. The preprocessing of input data is at the
 332 core of our hybrid ML-FETI-DP algorithm. Hence, the preprocessing of the three-
 333 dimensional input data is one of the main novelties compared to the two-dimensional
 334 case. Generally, the sampling should cover all elements in a neighborhood of the
 335 respective interface component. Therefore, in order to prevent an incorrect or incom-
 336 plete picture of the material distribution resulting from gaps in the sampling grid, a
 337 smoothing procedure for irregular edges, in two dimensions, or irregular faces, in three
 338 dimensions, is necessary; see [\[24, Fig.4\]](#) for a graphical representation of the smooth-
 339 ing procedure in two dimensions. Moreover, an additional challenge in the sampling
 340 procedure for irregular faces, such as faces obtained via METIS (METIS faces), with
 341 an arbitrary orientation in the three-dimensional space, arises. In particular, a con-
 342 sistent ordering of the sampling points is neither a priori given nor obvious. More
 343 precisely, there is no natural ordering of a grid of points on an irregular face, such as
 344 going from the lower left corner to the upper right corner. A consistent ordering of
 345 the sampling points is, however, essential when using them as input data to train a
 346 neural network. In particular, since neural networks rely on input data with a fixed
 347 structure, an important requirement of our data preprocessing is to provide samples

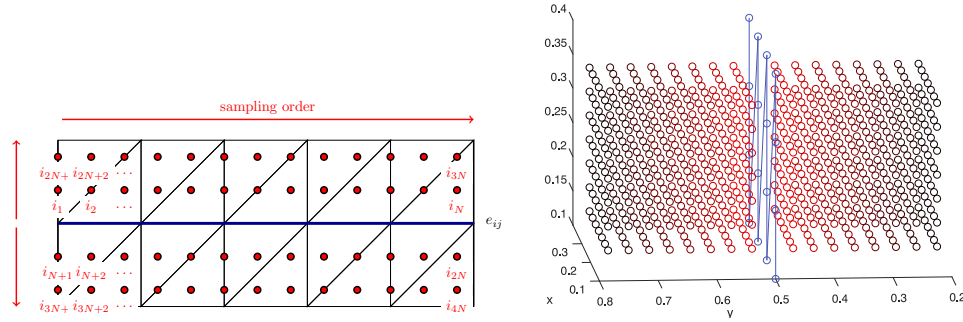


FIG. 2. **Left:** Visualization of the ordering of the sampling points in 2D (red) for a straight edge (blue). Figure from [24, Fig. 3]. **Right:** Visualization of the computed sampling points in 3D (red) for a regular face (blue) between two neighboring subdomains. The different shades correspond to increasing distance of the sampling points to the face and therefore to a higher numbering of the sampling points.

348 of the coefficient distribution with a consistent spatial structure in relation to each
 349 face in our domain decomposition, even though the faces may vary in their location,
 350 orientation, and shape. In this approach, some sampling points may lay outside the
 351 two subdomains adjacent to a face. We encode these points using a specific dummy
 352 value which differs clearly from all true coefficient values. Since all coefficient values
 353 are positive, we encode sampling points outside the adjacent subdomains by the value
 354 -1 . This is essential to ensure that we always generate input data of a fixed length
 355 for the neural network; see also [24].

356 **3.1.1. Sampling procedure for regular faces.** In case of regular faces, the
 357 procedure is fairly similar to the approach for straight edges in a two-dimensional
 358 domain decomposition; see [24]. Basically, we compute a tensor product sampling
 359 grid by sampling in both tangential directions of a face as well as in the direction
 360 orthogonal to the face. This results in a box-shaped structure of the sampling points
 361 in both neighboring subdomains of the face; see also Figure 2 (right). A required
 362 consistent ordering of the sampling points is provided by passing through the sampling
 363 points 'layer by layer' with growing distance relative to the face.

364 **3.1.2. Sampling procedure for METIS faces.** Our sampling procedure for
 365 METIS faces consists of two essential steps. First, we construct a consistently ordered
 366 two-dimensional auxiliary grid on a planar projection of each face. Second, we extrude
 367 this auxiliary grid into the two adjacent subdomains of the face. The resulting three-
 368 dimensional sampling grid has both a fixed size and a consistent ordering for all faces.
 369 Sampling points which do not lie on the face or within the two adjacent subdomains
 370 are encoded using the dummy value -1 .

371 *First step – Construction of a consistently ordered auxiliary grid for METIS faces.*
 372 In order to construct the auxiliary grid for a METIS face, we first compute a projection
 373 of the original face represented in the three-dimensional Euclidean space onto an
 374 appropriate two-dimensional plane. In particular, we project a given METIS face onto
 375 a two-dimensional plane, such that we obtain a consistently sorted grid covering the
 376 face. This grid is induced by a tensor product grid on the two-dimensional projection
 377 plane. Note that since we use tetrahedral finite elements in three dimensions, each
 378 METIS face is naturally decomposed into triangles. Due to the projection from three

379 dimensions to two dimensions, elements, i.e., triangles of the face, can be degraded or
 380 deformed, i.e., they can have a large aspect ratio. We can also obtain flipped triangles;
 381 see [Figure 3](#) for an example where both cases occur. Hence, we have to regularize the
 382 two-dimensional projection of the face before constructing the sampling grid.

To obtain a well-shaped projection of the face which is appropriate for our purpose, we numerically solve an optimization problem with respect to the two-dimensional projection of the face. More precisely, the objective functions of the optimization problem are carefully designed such that flipped triangles (phase 1) as well as sharp-angled triangles (phase 2) are prevented:

$$\min_x \sum_{T_j} \lambda_1 \cdot e^{-\lambda_2 \cdot \det(T_j(x))} + \lambda_{\text{reg}} \cdot \|d(x)\|_2^2 \quad (\text{phase 1}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\min_x \sum_{T_j} \frac{l_{p_j}^2(x) + l_{q_j}^2(x)}{2 \cdot A_j(x)} \quad (\text{phase 2}).$$

383 Here, we denote by x the coordinate vector of all corner points of all triangles of a
 384 given face after projection onto the two-dimensional plane, by $A_j(x)$ the area of a
 385 given triangle $T_j(x)$, and by $l_{p_j}(x), l_{q_j}(x)$ the lengths of two of its edges. By $d(x)$ we
 386 denote the displacement vector containing the displacements of all points x from the
 387 initial state prior to the optimization process. Furthermore, we denote by $\det(T_j(x))$
 388 the determinant of the transformation matrix which belongs to the affine mapping
 389 from the unit triangle, i.e., the triangle with the corner points $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$, and $(0, 1)$,
 390 to a given triangle $T_j(x)$. We also introduce scalar weighting factors λ_1, λ_2 , and λ_{reg}
 391 to control the ratio of the different terms within the objective functions. The concrete
 392 values for these weights were chosen heuristically and for all our computations, we
 393 used the values $\lambda_1 = 1$, $\lambda_2 = 50$, and $\lambda_{\text{reg}} = 10$.

394 Let us briefly motivate our objective functions in more details. Prior to the
 395 optimization of phase 1, we locally reorder the triangle corners, such that $\det(T_j(x))$
 396 is negative for all flipped triangles. In order to do so, we start with one triangle and
 397 define it either as flipped or non-flipped. Then, we go through the remaining triangles
 398 of the projected face and classify them based on the following equivalence relation:
 399 two adjacent triangles are equivalent if and only if they do not overlap. Depending on
 400 the label of the initial triangle, we obtain two values for the objective function of phase
 401 1, and we choose our classification into flipped and non-flipped triangles such that we
 402 start with the lower value. After this, flipped triangles can always be identified by a
 403 negative determinant of the respective transformation matrix. Therefore, we explicitly
 404 penalize such negative determinants in phase 1 of our optimization by minimizing the
 405 factors $\lambda_1 \cdot e^{-\lambda_2 \cdot \det(T_j(x))}$. Note that we also add the regularization term $\lambda_{\text{reg}} \cdot \|d(x)\|_2^2$
 406 to the objective function to prevent that the projection can be arbitrarily shifted
 407 or rotated in the given plane. In phase 2, we minimize the sum of all fractions
 408 $\frac{l_{p_j}^2(x) + l_{q_j}^2(x)}{2 \cdot A_j(x)}$. This specific fraction is inspired by geometrical arguments; see also [15,
 409 Sect. 4]. It is minimized to obtain equilateral triangles, i.e., a high value in this
 410 fraction corresponds to a triangle with large aspect ratio. The fraction may actually
 411 be infinity if $A_j(x) = 0$. This may happen if a triangle is initially projected onto
 412 a straight line. However, in the first optimization phase, small areas are penalized
 413 in terms of the determinant, such that we do not obtain values close to zero in the
 414 second phase.

415 We start the optimization procedure with the initial projection onto the plane
 416 $x = 0$, $y = 0$, or $z = 0$ that results in the lowest objective value when adding

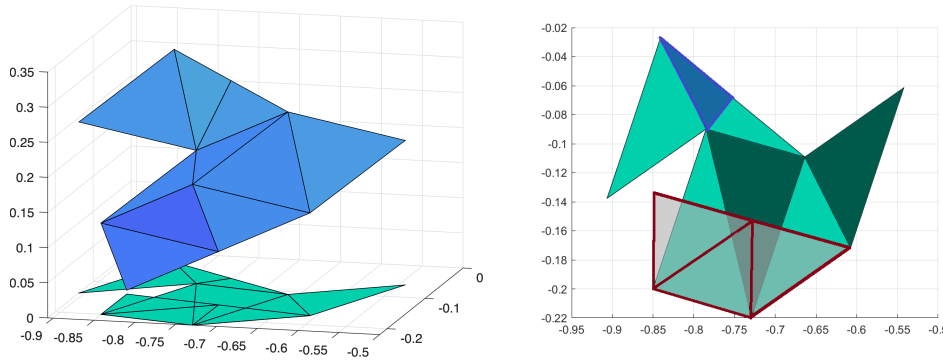


FIG. 3. **Left:** Example of a typical METIS face in the three-dimensional space (blue triangles) and its corresponding projection onto the two-dimensional plane $z = 0$ (green triangles). **Right:** Due to the projection, we obtain both flipped triangles, which are marked in grey with red edges, and degraded triangles with a large aspect ratio, from which one is marked in blue. Let us remark that the different shades of green are only introduced for visualization purpose and do not have any physical meaning, e.g., different coefficients.

417 the objective functions of phase 1 and phase 2. Then, we use the gradient descent
 418 algorithm as an iterative solver and optimize, i.e., minimize, alternating in succession
 419 the two aforementioned objective functions. The optimization procedure is stopped if
 420 the norm of the relative change of the coordinate vector of the triangles with respect
 421 to the prior iteration is below a factor of $1e - 6$ in both phases. Please see [Figure 4](#)
 422 and [Figure 5](#) for an example of the different steps of the optimization procedure in
 423 phase 1 and phase 2, respectively, for an exemplary METIS face consisting of ten
 424 triangles. Let us note that for all tested faces in [section 4](#) the optimization procedure
 425 did always converge in phase 1 and phase 2, respectively, before the maximum number
 426 of iterations was reached, which we set to 500. Additionally, in almost all cases, only
 427 optimizing twice in phase 1 and once in phase 2 - alternating in succession - was
 428 necessary to obtain an appropriate projection of a given METIS face.

429 As the next step, we construct the smallest possible two-dimensional tensor
 430 product grid aligned with the coordinate axes covering the obtained optimized two-
 431 dimensional projection of the face; see also [Figure 6](#) (left) for an example. Let us
 432 remark that this grid has a natural ordering of the grid points starting in the lower
 433 left corner and proceeding row by row to the upper right corner. We then make use
 434 of barycentric coordinates to map the grid, together with the corresponding ordering,
 435 back into the original triangles in the three-dimensional space. Based on the ordering
 436 of the grid points in two dimensions, we can now establish a natural ordering of the
 437 points in three dimension; see also [Figure 6](#) (right).

438 Let us summarize the complete process to obtain the auxiliary grid points for
 439 each triangle of a specific face with a consistent ordering. First, we project the face
 440 from the three-dimensional space ([Figure 3](#) (left: blue face)) onto a two-dimensional
 441 plane ([Figure 3](#) (left: green face)). Second, we remove all flipped triangles (phase 1)
 442 and optimize the shape of all triangles (phase 2) of the projected face in an iterative
 443 optimization process; see [Figures 4](#) and [5](#). Finally, we cover this optimized face by
 444 a two-dimensional tensor product grid with a natural ordering ([Figure 6](#) (left)) and
 445 project these points back to the original face in three dimensions ([Figure 6](#) (right)).
 446 Therefore, local barycentric coordinates can be used.

447 Let us note that, in our numerical experiments in [section 4](#), this procedure was

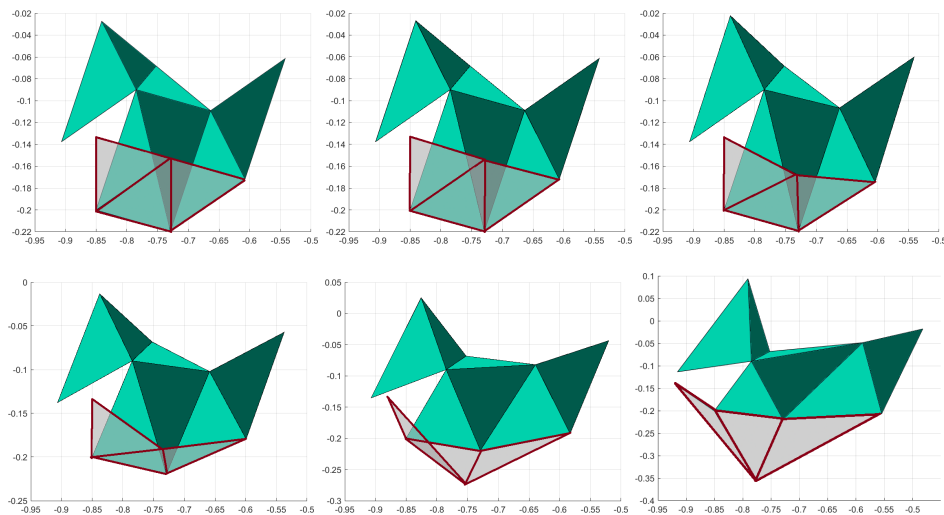


FIG. 4. Visualization of the optimization process of the original projection in two dimensions in **phase 1** after 0, 20, 30, 50, 100 and 150 iteration steps (from upper left to lower right).

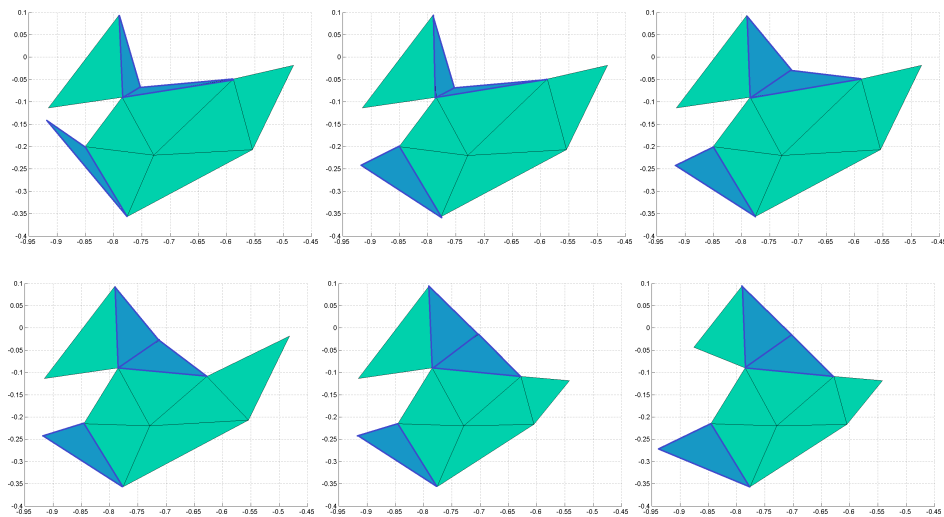


FIG. 5. Visualization of the optimization process of the original projection in two dimensions in **phase 2** after 0, 10, 30, 50, 70 and 100 iteration steps (from upper left to lower right). Let us remark that the initial state here is the same as the final state from [Figure 4](#).

448 always successful. However, in general, there may be rare cases where our optimization
 449 does not converge to an acceptable two-dimensional triangulation. For instance, it is
 450 possible that a subdomain is completely enclosed by another subdomain, such that
 451 the face between the two subdomains is actually the complete boundary of the interior
 452 subdomain. In this case, we cannot remove all flipped triangles without changing the
 453 structure of the face. If we detect that our optimization does not converge to an
 454 acceptable solution, we can still proceed in the two following ways: either we mark

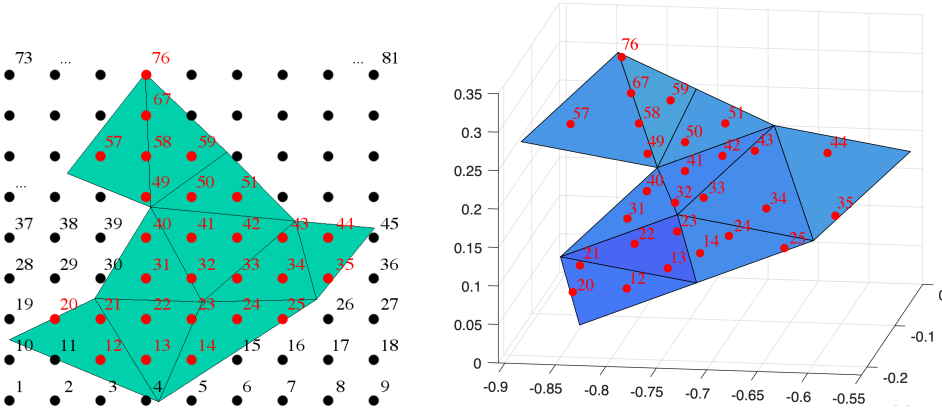


FIG. 6. **Left:** Two-dimensional projection of the original face (depicted on the right) after both optimization phases have been carried out; the optimized projection is covered by a regular grid with natural ordering; same face as in the last picture of Figure 5. **Right:** Original face in three dimensions with corresponding grid points; numbers are obtained by a projection from two dimensions (left) back to three dimensions using barycentric coordinates.

455 the eigenvalue problem corresponding to the face as necessary, or we split the face into
 456 smaller faces and consider each of the smaller faces separately in our ML-FETI-DP
 457 algorithm.

458 *Second step – Extrusion of the auxiliary grid into three dimensions.* Starting
 459 from the ordered auxiliary points on the face, we can now build a three-dimensional
 460 sampling grid. For this purpose, for each of the auxiliary points on the face, we first
 461 define a *sampling direction vector* pointing into one of the two adjacent subdomains.
 462 Second, we extrude the two-dimensional auxiliary grid on the actual METIS face into
 463 the two neighboring subdomains along the sampling directions, resulting in a three-
 464 dimensional sampling grid. Note that the first layer of sampling nodes does not lie
 465 on the face itself but next to it; cf. Figure 2. Moreover, we neglect all points of the
 466 auxiliary grid, which are outside the METIS face, and encode all corresponding points
 467 in the three-dimensional sampling grid by the dummy value -1 . Similar as for edges
 468 obtained by a two-dimensional METIS decomposition, choosing the normal vectors
 469 of the triangles as sampling direction vectors in the extrusion process leads to gaps
 470 in the three-dimensional sampling grid close to the face; see also [24, Sec. 3.1, Fig.
 471 4] for a two-dimensional graphical representation. This is caused by the fact that,
 472 in general, METIS faces are not smooth. As we have already shown for edges in the
 473 two-dimensional case, the neighborhood of an interface component will be the most
 474 important for the decision if adaptive constraints are necessary or not and therefore
 475 the aforementioned gaps have to be minimized; see [25]. To avoid these gaps and thus
 476 to obtain sampling points in most finite elements close to the face, we suggest the use
 477 of sampling directions obtained by a moving average iteration over the normal vectors
 478 of the face. In some sense, this can be interpreted as a smoothing of the face or, more
 479 precisely, the field of normal vectors on the face.

480 The following procedure turned out to be the most appropriate for our purposes
 481 in the sense that, on average, for each face and each neighboring subdomain, it results
 482 in the highest number of sampled elements relative to the overall number of elements
 483 in the subdomain. Here, we first uniformly refine all triangles of a given METIS face
 484 once by subdividing each triangle of the face into four new regular triangles. For

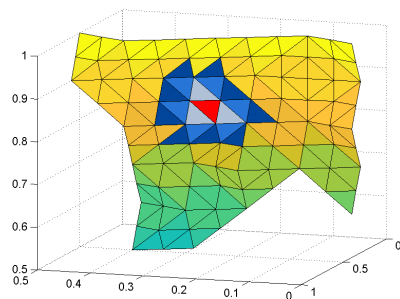


FIG. 7. Visualization of the moving average procedure to obtain the sampling direction vectors for the extrusion of the auxiliary grid. For the red triangle, all grey, light blue and dark blue triangles are considered recursively as grouped by colors for a moving average with a window length of 3.

485 each of the resulting finer triangles, we compute the normal vector originating in its
 486 centroid. We then use the normal vectors of the refined triangulation to compute a
 487 single sampling direction for each triangle of the original triangulation of the face. For
 488 this purpose, we first 'smooth' the field of normal vectors of the refined triangulation
 489 by using a component-wise moving average, applied twice recursively with a fixed
 490 window length of 3. Subsequently, by computing the average of the resulting normal
 491 vectors of all four related finer triangles we finally obtain the sampling direction of
 492 the original triangles. Then, we use the same sampling direction for all points of the
 493 auxiliary grid which are located in the same triangle.

494 Let us briefly describe the moving average approach and the meaning of the
 495 window length in more details. For each triangle of the refined face, one after another,
 496 we replace the normal vector by a component-wise average of the normal vector itself
 497 and the normal vectors of certain surrounding triangles. The triangles considered in
 498 the averaging process are aggregated recursively as follows. In a first step, for a given
 499 triangle, we add all neighboring triangles that share an edge with the given triangle
 500 to obtain a patch with a window length of 1. Recursively, for an increasing window
 501 length, we add all triangles that share an edge with a triangle that has been selected
 502 in the previous step. Please see also Figure 7 for an exemplary visualization of all
 503 considered triangles for a moving average with the window length of 3.

504 Finally, we use the obtained sampling directions to compute the final three-
 505 dimensional sampling grid in the two neighboring subdomains of the face. In Figure 8,
 506 we visualize all sampled (middle) and non-sampled (right) finite elements using the
 507 described procedure for an exemplary METIS face; we call a finite element "sampled"
 508 if it contains at least one sampling point. We can observe that, especially in the close
 509 neighborhood of the face, we obtain sampling points in almost all finite elements.

510 As final input for our neural network, we use a vector containing evaluations of
 511 the coefficient function ρ or the Young modulus E , respectively, for all points in the
 512 sampling grid.

513 **3.2. Training and validation phase.** For the training and validation of the
 514 neural network, we use a data set containing approximately 3000 configurations of
 515 pairs of coefficient functions and subdomain geometries for two subdomains sharing a
 516 face. To obtain the output data, i.e., the correct classification labels, for the training
 517 of the neural network, we solve the eigenvalue problem described in subsection 2.3.2
 518 for each of these configuration. Note that the correct classification label for a specific
 519 face does not only depend on the geometry and the coefficient distribution but also

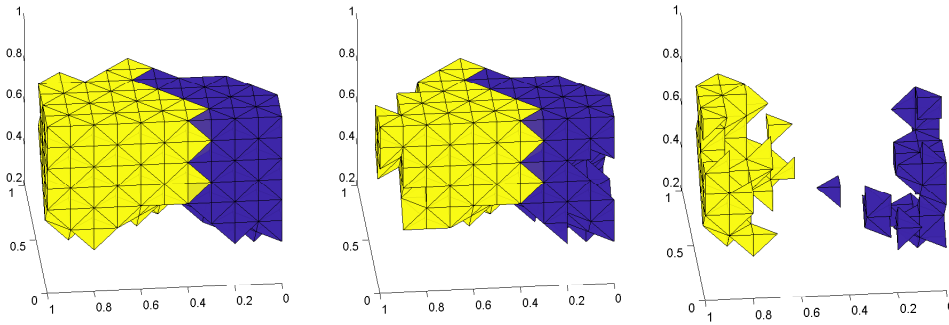


FIG. 8. Visualization of a METIS face between two neighboring subdomains (*left*) and all sampled (*middle*) and non-sampled (*right*) FE's when using the described sampling procedure.

520 on the underlying PDE. Therefore, we will use the same configurations for diffusion
 521 and elasticity problems but compute the correct classification labels separately.

522 In [24], for the two-dimensional case, we used only two edge geometries, i.e., a
 523 regular edge and an edge with a single jag, and combined them with a set of carefully
 524 designed coefficient distributions, resulting in a total of 4500 configurations; in [22],
 525 this data set based on manually designed coefficient distributions was also referred to
 526 as ‘smart data’. Since both the domain decomposition and the coefficient distribution
 527 may be more complex in three dimensions compared to two dimensions, we use a
 528 different approach for the generation of our training and validation data. In particular,
 529 we consider six different meshes resulting from regular domain decompositions of the
 530 unit cube into $4 \times 4 \times 4 = 64$ or $6 \times 6 \times 6 = 216$ subdomains of size $H/h = 6, 7, 8$.
 531 For each of these meshes, we generate 30 different randomly generated coefficient
 532 distributions based on the approach discussed in [22]. More precisely, we control the
 533 ratio of high vs. low coefficient voxels and impose some light geometrical structure.
 534 In particular, we build connected stripes of high coefficient with a certain length in
 535 x , y , or z direction, and additionally combine them by a pairwise superimposition;
 536 cf. [22] for a more detailed description for the two-dimensional case and Figure 9 for
 537 an exemplary coefficient distribution in three dimensions. In analogy to [22], we refer
 538 to this set of coefficient functions as *random data*.

539 For each combination of mesh and coefficient distribution, we now consider the
 540 aforementioned regular domain decomposition as well as a corresponding irregular do-
 541 main decomposition into 64 or 216 subdomains, respectively, obtained using the graph
 542 partitioning software METIS [30]. Finally, we consider the eigenvalue problems cor-
 543 responding to all resulting faces combined with the different coefficient distributions.
 544 As mentioned before, we obtain a total of approximately 3000 configurations.

545 Note that, in general, using a smaller number of METIS subdomains, we obtained
 546 face geometries which resulted in worse generalization properties of our neural net-
 547 works. Moreover, in contrast to the two-dimensional case, where we needed at least
 548 4500 configurations, we are here able to obtain very good results for total of only
 549 roughly 3000 configurations. This is likely due to the much smaller numbers of finite
 550 elements per subdomain used, compared to our two-dimensional experiments in [24].

551 For the sampling, we select 22 points in both of the two tangential directions of
 552 the auxiliary grid of a face and 22 points in orthogonal direction for each of the two
 553 adjacent subdomains; hence, we obtain approximately two sampling points in each
 554 finite element when using a subdomain size of $H/h = 10$.

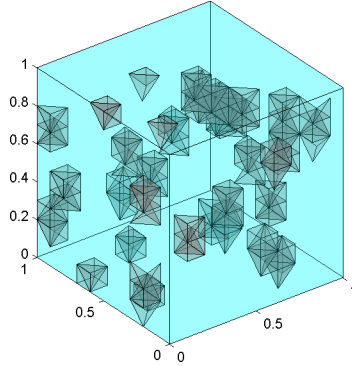


FIG. 9. Example of a randomly distributed coefficient function in the unit cube obtained by using the same randomly generated coefficient for a horizontal or vertical beam of a maximum length of 4 finite element voxels. The grey voxels correspond to a high coefficient and we have a low coefficient of 1 otherwise. Visualization for $2 \times 2 \times 2$ subdomains and $H/h = 5$.

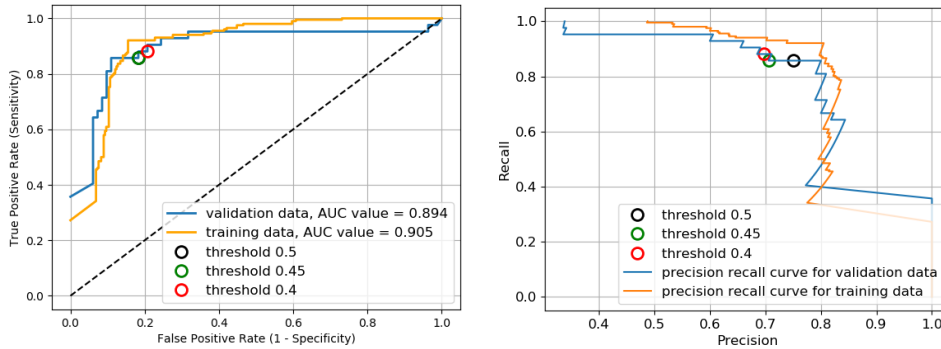


FIG. 10. ROC curve and precision-recall plot for the optimal model obtained by a grid search. We define precision as true positives divided by (true positives+false positives), and recall as true positives divided by (true positives+false negatives). The thresholds used in section 4 are indicated as circles.

555 As in [24], we train the neural network using the Adam (Adaptive moments) [32]
 556 optimizer, a variant of the Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) method with adaptive
 557 learning rate. The hyper parameters for the training process and the neural network
 558 architecture are again chosen based on a grid search with cross-validation. More
 559 precisely, we compare the training and generalization properties of different neural
 560 networks for several random splittings of our entire data set into 80% training and
 561 20% validation data; cf. [24] for details on the hyper parameter search space and finally
 562 chosen set of hyper parameters. The Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve
 563 and a precision-recall plot of the neural network with optimal hyper parameters are
 564 shown in Figure 10. Let us note that we use the same neural network for both, regular
 565 and METIS decompositions, in our numerical experiments.

566 3.3. Extension to three-class classification using frugal face constraints.

567 As described in subsection 2.4, we can replace the adaptive constraints by less costly
 568 frugal constraints on faces, where only a single constraint (in case of a stationary
 569 diffusion problem) or less than or equal to six constraints (in case of linear elasticity)
 570 are necessary. Please see [23] for a detailed description of the resulting frugal con-

classification type	threshold	fp	fn	acc
two-class classification	0.45	2.76%	1.76%	95.5%
	0.5	1.70%	3.40%	94.9%
three-class classification	0.4	5.2%	1.7%	93.1%
	0.5	2.1%	2.3%	95.6%

TABLE 1

Results on the complete training and validation data set. We define the accuracy (*acc*) as the number of true positives and true negatives divided by the total number of training and validation configurations.

571 straints in two and three dimensions. Consequently, if known a priori, we can omit
572 the eigenvalue problem to compute the adaptive constraints on these faces. Thus,
573 we also propose an extended three-class classification approach for faces, analogously
574 to the three-class approach for edges in [24]. Here, we train a neural network which
575 distinguishes between the following three classes: faces, where the eigenvalue prob-
576 lem is unnecessary (class 0), where the eigenvalue problem results in exactly one (for
577 stationary diffusion) or less than or equal to six (linear elasticity) constraints (class
578 1), and where the eigenvalue results in more than one or six, respectively, constraints
579 (class 2). For all faces assigned to class 0, we do not enforce any face constraint.
580 For all faces assigned to class 1, we enforce the frugal face constraints as described
581 in [23]. Only for the remaining faces, we solve the corresponding eigenvalue problems
582 and enforce the computed adaptive constraints.

583 **3.4. Results on the training data.** On the complete set of training and valida-
584 tion data, we obtain the results listed in Table 1. As in [24], we used the classification
585 thresholds 0.45 and 0.5 for the two-class classification and 0.4 and 0.5 for the three-
586 class classification, respectively. For the two-class classification, we observe nearly
587 the same accuracy values when using the classification threshold 0.5 and 0.45. For
588 the three-class classification, however, lowering the threshold to 0.4 results in a lower
589 accuracy value than for using the threshold of 0.5. In both cases, the number of false
590 negative faces, which corresponds to the number of critical faces not detected by the
591 algorithm and which are critical for the convergence of the iterative FETI-DP solver,
592 can be reduced by decreasing the threshold. We denote this approach to improve the
593 robustness as ‘overshooting’; cf. [24]. In section 4, we will always compare the results
594 for the default threshold, 0.5, and the overshooting threshold, 0.45 and 0.4 for the
595 two-class and three-class model, respectively.

596 **4. Numerical results for ML-FETI-DP.** In this section, we provide compar-
597 ative results for the classical FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and our ML-FETI-DP
598 method. We present numerical results for different coefficient functions ρ in model
599 problem (2.1) and different distributions for the Young modulus E in (2.2). We always
600 use structured tetrahedral meshes of the unit cube constructed from discretizing each
601 voxel of a regular voxel mesh by five piecewise linear tetrahedral finite elements; all
602 coefficient distributions are chosen to be constant on each voxel. For all our numerical
603 computations, we use the preconditioned conjugate gradient (PCG) algorithm. As the
604 stopping criterion for PCG we use a relative reduction of the preconditioned residual
605 by a factor of $1e-8$. For adaptive FETI-DP, we use the tolerance $TOL = 100$. In our
606 comparison, we consider both domain decompositions into regular, cubic subdomains
607 as well as irregular domain decompositions obtained from METIS [30]. Please note
608 that the configurations appearing in the numerical experiments in this section are

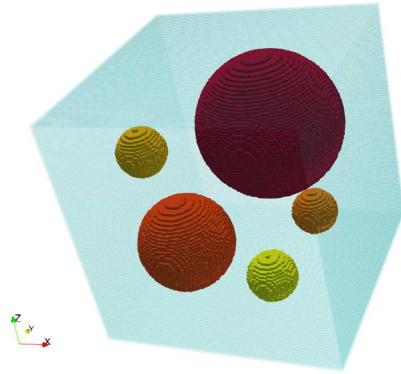


FIG. 11. Five spheres with different radii in the unit cube. Resolution of $128 \times 128 \times 96$ voxel corresponding to computations with $H/h = 16$ and $8 \times 8 \times 6 = 384$ subdomains. Figure from [23, Fig. 11].

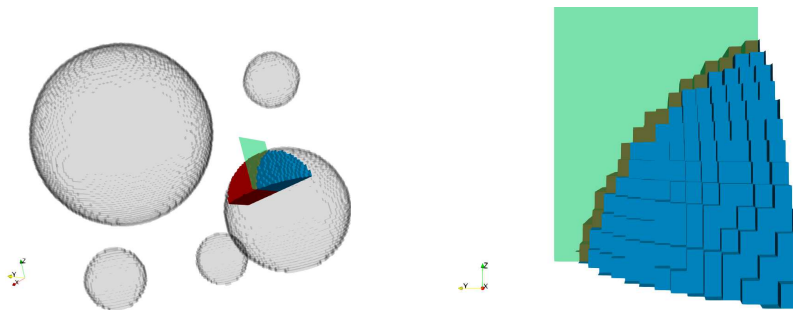


FIG. 12. **Left:** Visualization of the area with a high coefficient for two neighboring subdomains, marked in red and blue, and the face between those subdomains, marked in green; see Figure 11 for the complete coefficient function. **Right:** Zoom-in of the coefficient jump along the green face between two neighboring subdomains. Figure from [23, Fig. 12].

609 generally not part of our training and validation data set. In particular, we have
 610 chosen both different coefficient distributions as well as combinations of the numbers
 611 of elements and subdomains.

612 **4.1. Coefficient functions.** For stationary diffusion, we consider a coefficient
 613 function based on five spherical inclusions of different radii in the unit cube; see Fig-
 614 ure 11. Here, all voxels within the five spheres have an identical high coefficient ρ ,
 615 whereas the remaining voxels all have a small coefficient.

616 As the second model problem, we consider a linear elastic representative volume
 617 element (RVE) of a dual-phase steel representing the microstructure of a DP600 steel
 618 and obtained by an EBDS (electronic backscatter diffraction) measurement. This
 619 dual-phase steel consists of a martensitic phase and a ferritic phase. In our compu-
 620 tations, we use a high coefficient in the martensitic phase and a low coefficient in the
 621 ferritic phase of the material. The most realistic model problem considered here is
 622 the case of a coefficient contrast of $1e3$. Let us note that the RVE is part of a larger
 623 microstructure which was presented in [5].

624 **4.2. Two-class model.** Let us first discuss our two-class model. Here, the
 625 neural network distinguishes between faces, where the eigenvalue problem results in at

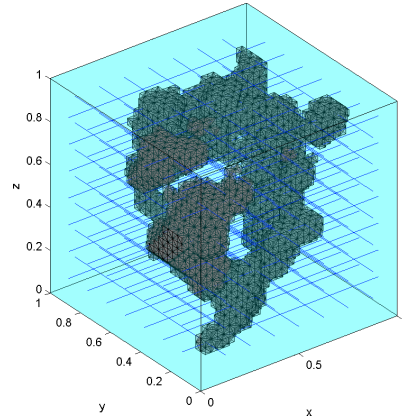


FIG. 13. Coefficient distribution on a representative volume element (RVE) of a dual-phase steel in the unit cube. This RVE is part of a larger structure presented in [5]. Visualization of the domain decomposition into 512 subdomains and $H/h = 4$. High coefficients are shown in black, and subdomains are shown by blue slices. The higher coefficient is $E_1 = 1e3$ and the lower coefficient is $E_2 = 1$, with $\nu = 0.3$ everywhere.

626 least one (stationary diffusion) or six (linear elasticity) additional adaptive constraints
 627 and faces, where the eigenvalue is unnecessary. In analogy to [24], we will refer to
 628 the latter case as “negative” or “negative face” and to the first case as “positive” or
 629 “positive face”. For the adaptive algorithm, we always use a tolerance of $TOL = 100$.

630 **4.2.1. Regular domain decompositions.** Let us first consider the stationary
 631 diffusion problem, where the coefficient distribution is given by the spherical inclusions
 632 depicted in Figure 12. We partition the cubic domain into $4 \times 4 \times 4$ regular subdomains
 633 with subdomain size $H/h = 10$. In Table 2, we compare the iteration counts and
 634 condition number estimates for the classical FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and the
 635 new ML-FETI-DP method. As already done in [24], we also report the number of
 636 false negative and false positive faces resulting from our machine learning classification
 637 for two different ML thresholds τ ; cf. the discussions in subsection 3.4 and [24]. Let
 638 us note that only false negative faces are critical for the convergence of the ML-FETI-
 639 DP method, whereas false positive faces correspond to eigenvalue problems, which are
 640 solved even though they are not necessary for the robustness of the algorithm. We
 641 observe that, when using the ML threshold of $\tau = 0.5$, we obtain two false negative
 642 faces. This leads to a worse condition number estimate, while the iteration number of
 643 the algorithm is still satisfactory. By lowering the ML decision threshold to $\tau = 0.45$,
 644 we are able to eliminate all false negative faces and thus to correctly identify all critical
 645 faces, where the eigenvalue problem is necessary. In particular, using our ML-FETI-
 646 DP approach with overshooting, we solve only 12 eigenvalue problems in contrast to
 647 144 eigenvalue problems for the fully adaptive approach. Nonetheless, we are still able
 648 to retain the same condition number estimate and iteration count. This is indeed a
 649 major saving in the number of eigenvalue problems and thus computation time.

650 We further provide numerical results for the linear elasticity problem using the
 651 RVE in Figure 13 as material distribution. Here, we decompose our domain into
 652 $8 \times 8 \times 8$ regular subdomains with a reduced size $H/h = 6$. Let us note again that
 653 we use a neural network different from the one used for diffusion problems since
 654 the correct labels may differ; cf. subsection 3.2. We summarize the comparative
 655 results for this model problem in Table 3. As for the stationary diffusion problem

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
Five Spheres	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	44.97	63	144	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	2.73e4	67	7	2	2	0.97
	ML	0.45	44.97	63	12	5	0	0.96

TABLE 2

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for **regular domain decompositions** for the **two-class model**. Decomposition of the unit cube into $4 \times 4 \times 4$ subdomains and $H/h = 10$. **Stationary diffusion** problem. We show the ML threshold (τ), the condition number (cond), the number of CG iterations (it), the number of solved eigenvalue problems on faces (evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$), the number of false positives (fp), the number of false negatives (fn), and the accuracy of the classification (acc).

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
RVE Problem	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	16.89	39	1344	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	3.76e4	45	52	10	5	0.98
	ML	0.45	16.89	40	66	19	0	0.98

TABLE 3

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for **regular domain decompositions** for the **two-class model**. Decomposition of the unit cube into $8 \times 8 \times 8$ subdomains and $H/h = 6$. **Linear elasticity** problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

656 in Table 2, we are able to eliminate all false negative faces and thus obtain a robust
657 algorithm when using an ML threshold of 0.45. Furthermore, we observe that only
658 66 eigenvalue problems have to be solved for ML-FETI-DP in comparison to 1344
659 eigenvalue problems solved for the fully adaptive FETI-DP method.

660 **4.2.2. METIS domain decompositions.** We also consider an irregular do-
661 main decomposition obtained via METIS for the same stationary diffusion and linear
662 elasticity problems as in subsection 4.2.1. The corresponding results are summarized
663 in Table 4 and Table 5, respectively. For the stationary diffusion problem, the ML
664 algorithm misses 4 critical faces when using the ML threshold $\tau = 0.5$. However,
665 when lowering the ML threshold to $\tau = 0.45$, we are again able to identify all crit-
666 ical faces. Consequently, we retain nearly the same convergence behavior as for the
667 adaptive FETI-DP method, while solving only 38 instead of 288 eigenvalue problems;
668 see Table 4. For the elasticity problem, the results are fairly comparable; see Table 5.
669 Again, when using the ML threshold of $\tau = 0.45$, we are able to identify all faces
670 which are critical for the convergence of the algorithm. In particular, we only have to
671 solve 92 eigenvalue problems instead of 1547 for the adaptive FETI-DP approach.

672 **4.3. Three-class model.** Let us now discuss the results for our three-class
673 model; cf. subsection 3.3. Let us note once more that, in the three-class approach, we
674 now construct frugal face constraints instead of solving an eigenvalue problem if our
675 neural network labels a face as class 1; cf. subsection 2.4. Thus, we do not need to
676 solve any eigenvalue problems for the corresponding faces. As for the two-class model,
677 we always use a tolerance of $TOL = 100$ in the adaptive algorithm. We consider the
678 same coefficient functions and material distributions, respectively, as in subsection 4.2.

679 **4.3.1. Regular domain decompositions.** The results for the stationary dif-
680 fusion problem are summarized in Table 6. As for the two-class model, we are able

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
Five Spheres	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	30.24	49	288	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	3.17e4	55	27	5	4	0.97
	ML	0.45	30.25	50	38	12	0	0.96

TABLE 4

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for METIS domain decompositions for the two-class model. Decomposition of the unit cube into 64 subdomains and $H/h = 10$. *Stationary diffusion* problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
RVE Problem	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	20.13	41	1547	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	3.57e4	47	77	10	6	0.98
	ML	0.45	20.13	41	91	18	0	0.98

TABLE 5

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for METIS domain decompositions for the two-class model. Decomposition of the unit cube into 512 subdomains and $H/h = 6$. *Linear elasticity* problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

681 to eliminate all false negative faces for the three-class model, when using the ML
682 threshold $\tau = 0.4$. However, in comparison to the two-class model in Table 4, we now
683 only need to solve 9, instead of 12, of the original 144 face eigenvalue problems. Thus,
684 due to the computation of the frugal constraints, we are able to further reduce the
685 number of necessary eigenvalue problems, while retaining a robust algorithm.

686 For the linear elasticity problem, the results are again fairly similar; see Table 7.
687 In this case, we are able to further reduce the number of necessary eigenvalue problems
688 from 66 in Table 6 to 32 by using frugal face constraints for all faces classified to class 1.

689 **4.3.2. METIS domain decompositions.** Using the three-class model and
690 METIS domain decompositions, we obtain similar results compared to those for regu-
691 lar domain decompositions in subsection 4.3. In Table 8, we present the results for
692 the stationary diffusion problem. We observe that, for a robust choices of the ML
693 threshold, the number of necessary face eigenvalue problems can be further reduced
694 from 38, for the two-class model in Table 4 and $\tau = 0.45$, to 19, for $\tau = 0.4$. Con-
695 sidering the results for the linear elasticity problem in Table 9 does not change the
696 picture. Using the three-class classification, we only need to solve 45 out of originally
697 1 547 eigenvalue problems on faces for $\tau = 0.45$ while retaining robustness and fast
698 convergence of the algorithm.

699 **5. Conclusion.** We have extended our hybrid ML-FETI-DP approach, which
700 combines adaptive FETI-DP methods and machine learning, to three dimensions.
701 Using this approach, the number of necessary eigenvalue problems in an adaptive
702 FETI-DP method for heterogeneous coefficient distributions may be significantly re-
703 duced. The extension to three dimensions required a rather complex but computa-
704 tionally relatively inexpensive preprocessing procedure to generate structured input
705 data of the neural network, even for unstructured geometries. We have used both the
706 two-class and the three-class classification approaches from [24], where the three-class
707 approach utilizes the frugal constraints introduced in [23] to reduce the number of

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp _{\mathcal{F}}	fp	fn	acc
Five Spheres	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	44.97	63	144	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	1.36e4	66	5	4	3	0.95
	ML	0.4	46.77	64	9	13	0	0.91

TABLE 6

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for **regular domain decompositions** for the **three-class model**. Decomposition of the unit cube into $4 \times 4 \times 4$ subdomains and $H/h = 10$. **Stationary diffusion** problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp _{\mathcal{F}}	fp	fn	acc
RVE Problem	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	16.89	39	1344	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	4.27e3	44	27	11	5	0.98
	ML	0.4	18.49	40	32	26	0	0.98

TABLE 7

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for **regular domain decompositions** for the **three-class model**. Decomposition of the unit cube into $8 \times 8 \times 8$ subdomains and $H/h = 6$. **Linear elasticity** problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

708 eigenvalue problems even further than the two-class approach.

709 We have provided numerical results comparing the new three-dimensional ML-
 710 FETI-DP algorithm to classical and adaptive FETI-DP methods for diffusion and
 711 linear elasticity problems and realistic coefficient distributions. Using an overshooting
 712 strategy, we have always obtained a robust method with a low condition number
 713 estimate. When using the three-class approach and frugal constraints, we have been
 714 thus able to reduce the number of necessary eigenvalue problems by at least 86 %. In
 715 the best case, we even have been able to reduce the number of eigenvalue problems of
 716 the plain adaptive FETI-DP method from 1344 to 32 using the three-class approach;
 717 this corresponds to a reduction by more than 97 %.

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Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
Five Spheres	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	30.24	49	288	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	3.75e4	56	12	8	4	0.96
	ML	0.4	33.52	50	19	15	0	0.95

TABLE 8

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for METIS domain decompositions for the three-class model. Decomposition of the unit cube into 64 subdomains and $H/h = 10$. Stationary diffusion problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

Model Problem	Algorithm	τ	cond	it	evp $_{\mathcal{F}}$	fp	fn	acc
RVE Problem	standard	-	-	>350	0	-	-	-
	adaptive	-	20.13	41	1547	-	-	-
	ML	0.5	4.12e4	47	28	11	5	0.98
	ML	0.4	24.22	42	45	28	0	0.98

TABLE 9

Comparison of standard FETI-DP, adaptive FETI-DP, and ML-FETI-DP for METIS domain decompositions for the three-class model. Decomposition of the unit cube into 512 subdomains and $H/h = 6$. Linear elasticity problem. See Table 2 for the column labeling.

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