

A posteriori error estimates
and adaptive error components balancing
in numerical simulations

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Proof (continuation).

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- adding and subtracting equilibrated flux, Green theorem:

$$(f, \varphi) - (\nabla u_h, \nabla \varphi) = (f - \nabla \cdot \sigma_h, \varphi) - (\nabla u_h + \sigma_h, \nabla \varphi)$$

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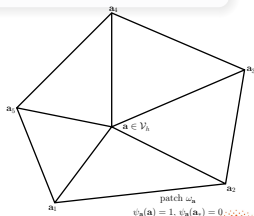
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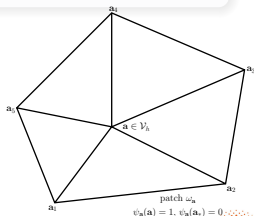
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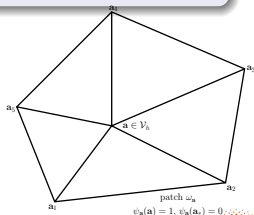
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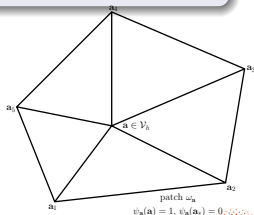
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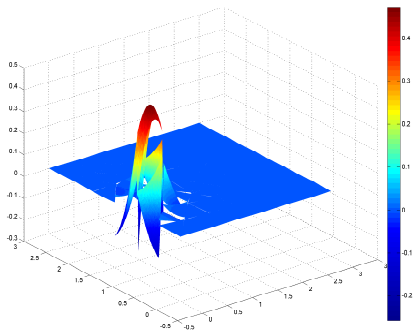
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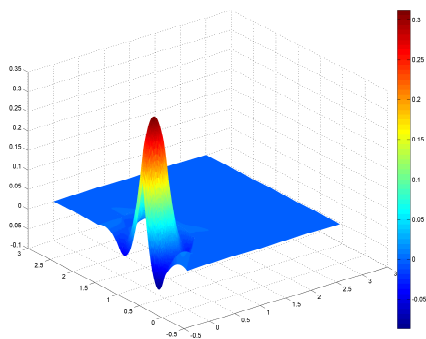
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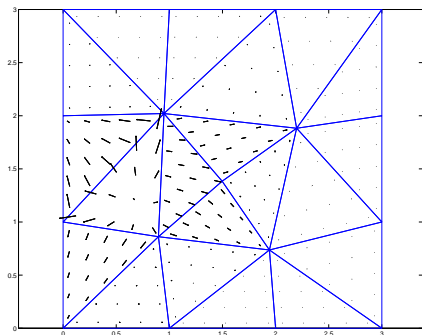


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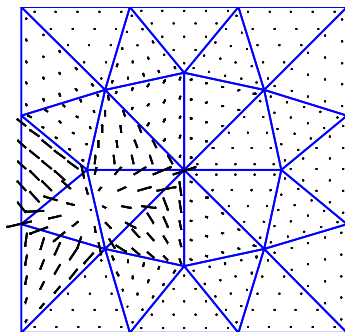


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h_0	1	1.07E-00	1.09E-00	1.12E-00	5.55E-02	4.16E-01	1.25E-00	1.26E-00	1.17	1.16
$\approx h_0/2$		5.56E-01	5.61E-01	5.71E-01	7.42E-03	1.82E-01	6.07E-01	6.11E-01	1.09	1.09
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h_0	2	1.54E-01	1.55E-01	1.55E-01	5.10E-03	3.05E-02	1.63E-01	1.64E-01	1.06	1.06
$\approx h_0/2$		4.07E-02	4.09E-02	4.13E-02	3.53E-04	7.55E-03	4.23E-02	4.26E-02	1.04	1.04
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h_0	3	1.37E-02	1.37E-02	1.37E-02	3.58E-04	1.74E-03	1.41E-02	1.41E-02	1.03	1.03
$\approx h_0/2$		1.85E-03	1.85E-03	1.85E-03	1.26E-05	2.10E-04	1.88E-03	1.88E-03	1.01	1.01
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h_0	4	9.87E-04	9.87E-04	9.84E-04	2.12E-05	1.11E-04	1.01E-03	1.01E-03	1.02	1.02
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$\approx h_0/8$		2.58E-07	2.59E-07	2.58E-07	8.96E-11	2.47E-08	2.60E-07	2.60E-07	1.01	1.01
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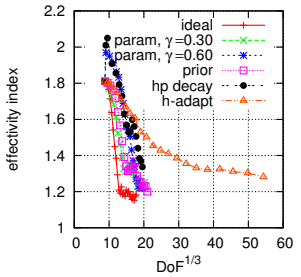
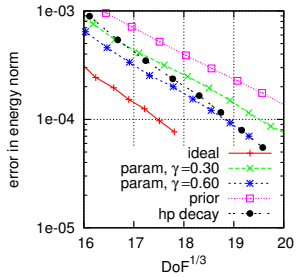
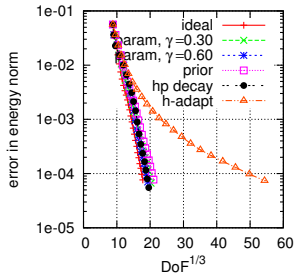
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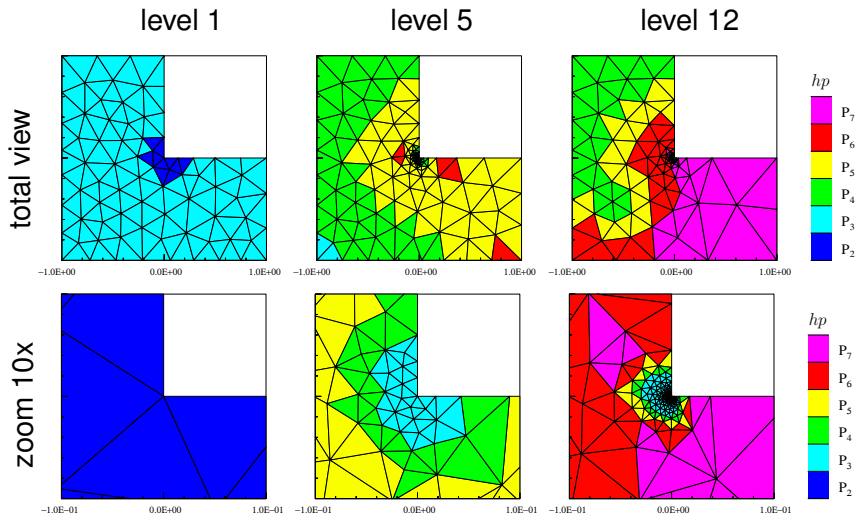
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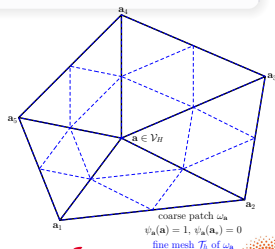
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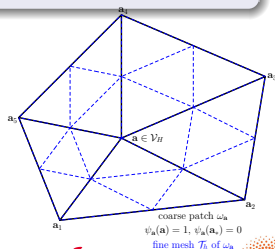
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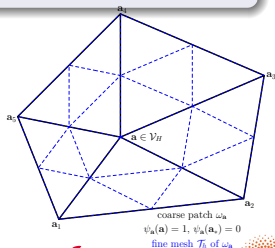
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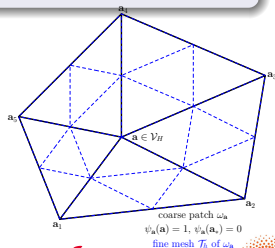
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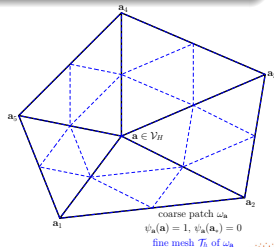
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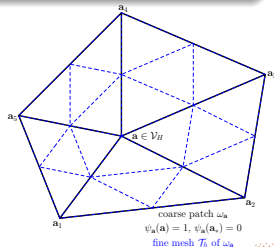
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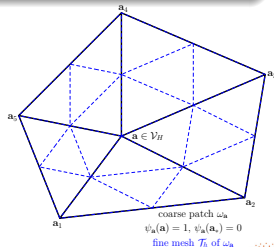
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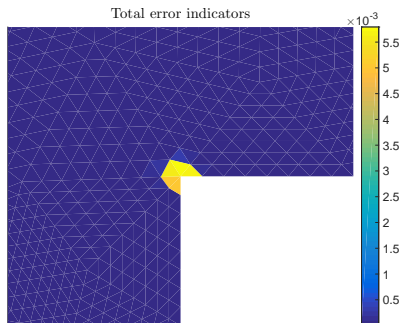
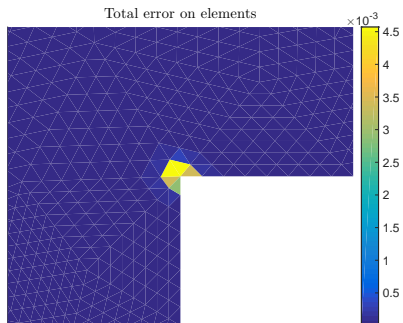
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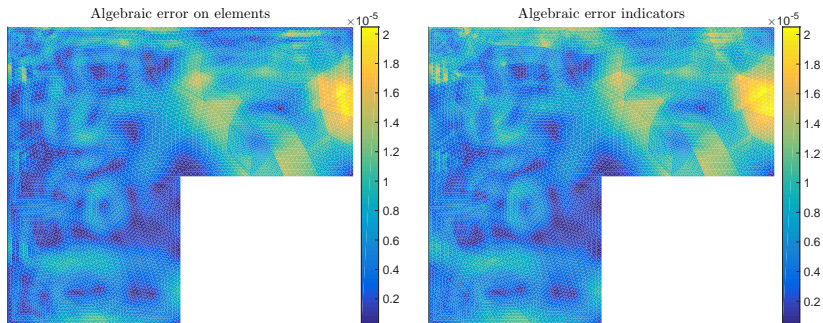
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	2	4.3×10^{-4}	1.13	1.12^{-1}	6.1×10^{-3}	1.13	1.05^{-1}		1.13	1.06^{-1}
2 (1.03×10^4)	1	8.8×10^{-3}	1.17	1.08^{-1}	8.8×10^{-3}	1.72	1.18^{-1}	3.9×10^{-4}	3.28×10^1	—
	2	6.1×10^{-4}	1.19	1.03^{-1}	7.2×10^{-4}	1.75	1.12^{-1}		2.89	—
	3	2.0×10^{-5}	1.19	1.03^{-1}	3.9×10^{-4}	1.08	1.04^{-1}		1.08	1.04^{-1}
3 (2.34×10^4)	1	4.9×10^{-3}	1.14	1.06^{-1}	4.9×10^{-3}	1.59	1.26^{-1}	1.9×10^{-5}	3.33×10^2	—
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	7	1.4×10^{-6}	1.12	1.02^{-1}	1.4×10^{-6}	1.57	1.05^{-1}		5.34×10^1	—
	9	1.4×10^{-7}	1.14	1.01^{-1}	1.4×10^{-7}	1.65	1.06^{-1}		6.06	—
	11	1.3×10^{-8}	1.16	1.01^{-1}	3.4×10^{-8}	1.41	1.38^{-1}		1.47	1.62^{-1}
	13	1.2×10^{-9}	1.16	1.01^{-1}	3.1×10^{-8}	1.05	1.21^{-1}		1.05	1.21^{-1}

L-shape problem, PCG

ρ	PCG iter	algebraic			total			discretization		
		error	eff. UB	eff. LB	error	eff. UB	eff. LB	error	eff. UB	eff. LB
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	4	1.2×10^{-3}	1.24	4.17^{-1}	3.6×10^{-2}	1.24	1.12^{-1}		1.24	1.12^{-1}
2 (3.22×10^4)	3	2.1×10^{-1}	1.14	3.62^{-1}	2.1×10^{-1}	1.26	6.03^{-1}	1.4×10^{-2}	1.76×10^1	—
	6	2.5×10^{-3}	1.18	3.17^{-1}	1.5×10^{-2}	1.47	1.32^{-1}		1.49	1.35^{-1}
	9	9.2×10^{-6}	1.17	3.53^{-1}	1.4×10^{-2}	1.29	1.30^{-1}		1.29	1.30^{-1}
3 (7.27×10^4)	4	1.3	1.06	4.53^{-1}	1.3	1.10	$1.08 \times 10^{1-1}$	8.6×10^{-3}	1.58×10^2	—
	8	9.9×10^{-2}	1.10	3.55^{-1}	10.0×10^{-2}	1.24	6.02^{-1}		1.41×10^1	—
	12	1.2×10^{-2}	1.10	3.58^{-1}	1.5×10^{-2}	1.71	2.67^{-1}		2.99	—
	16	8.2×10^{-4}	1.10	3.55^{-1}	8.6×10^{-3}	1.51	1.42^{-1}		1.52	1.43^{-1}
4 (1.29×10^5)	5	1.7×10^{-1}	1.24	2.34^{-1}	1.7×10^{-1}	1.42	3.35^{-1}	6.2×10^{-3}	3.66×10^1	—
	10	2.4×10^{-3}	1.22	2.79^{-1}	6.6×10^{-3}	1.78	1.83^{-1}		1.90	2.93^{-1}
	15	2.3×10^{-5}	1.27	2.33^{-1}	6.2×10^{-3}	1.44	1.62^{-1}		1.44	1.62^{-1}
5 (2.02×10^5)	6	1.1	1.09	4.14^{-1}	1.1	1.16	7.42^{-1}	4.7×10^{-3}	2.71×10^2	—
	12	8.5×10^{-2}	1.11	3.75^{-1}	8.5×10^{-2}	1.23	5.77^{-1}		2.19×10^1	—
	18	7.5×10^{-3}	1.15	3.12^{-1}	8.9×10^{-3}	1.76	3.43^{-1}		3.31	—
	24	3.9×10^{-4}	1.15	3.17^{-1}	4.7×10^{-3}	1.56	1.80^{-1}		1.57	1.82^{-1}

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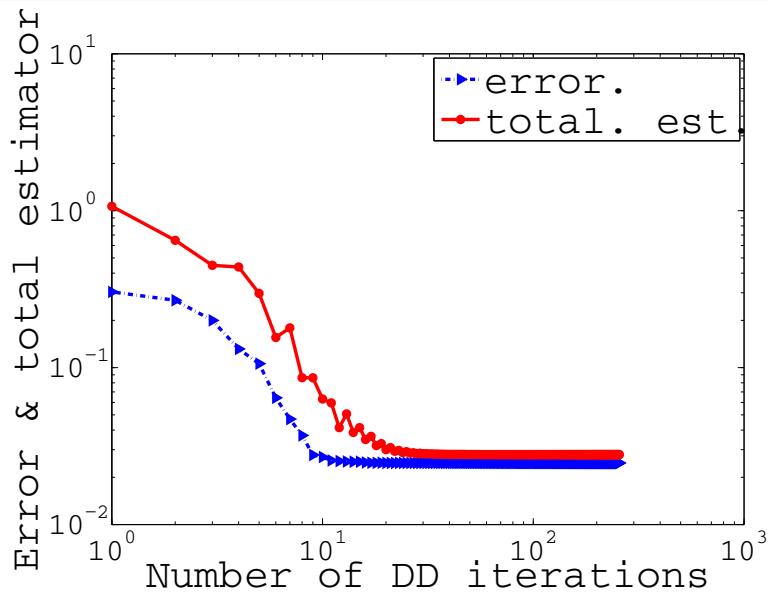
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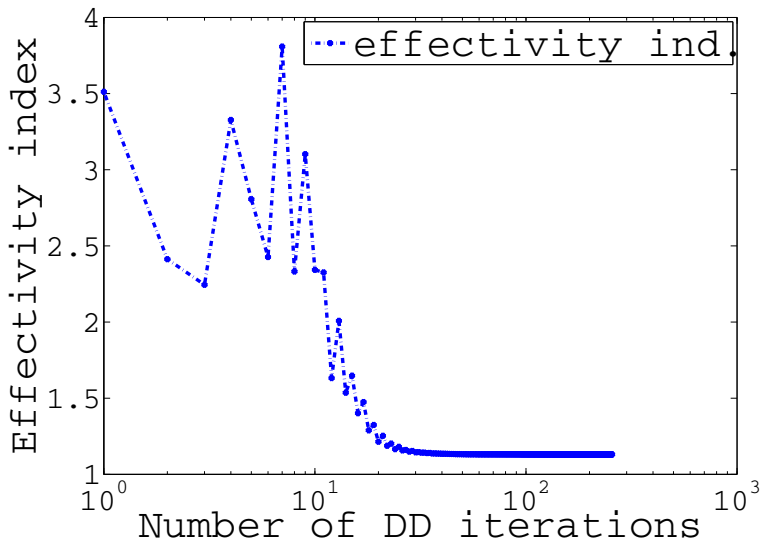
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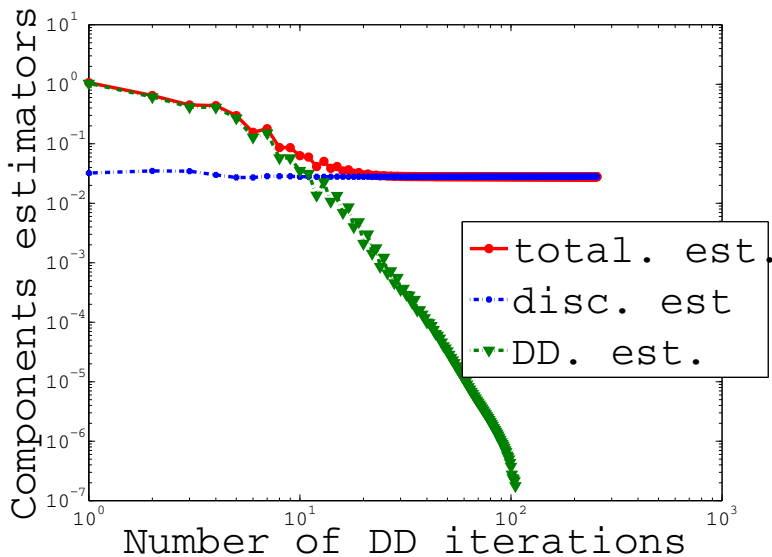
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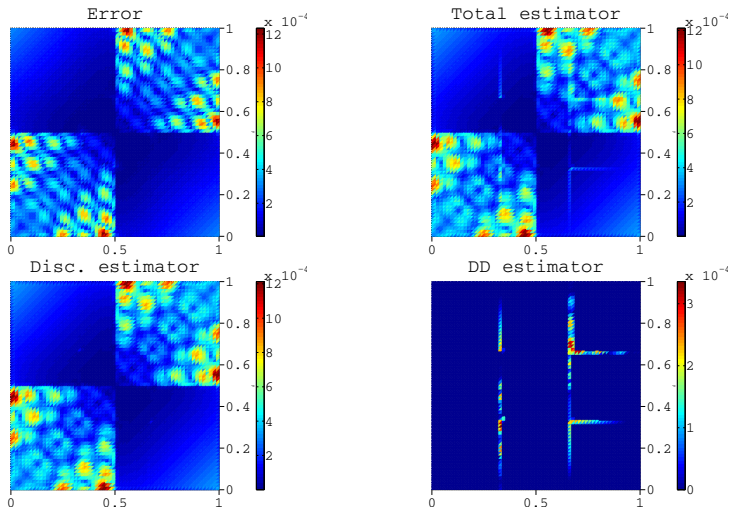
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Error and estimators distribution, 20th DD iteration



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- $u_h^{k,i} \in V(\mathcal{T}_h)$ be arbitrary,
- **Assumptions A and B** hold.

Then there holds

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{J}_u(u_h^{k,i})}_{\text{dual norm of the residual} + \text{NC}} \leq \eta_{\text{disc}}^{k,i} + \underbrace{\eta_{\text{lin}}^{k,i}}_{\|\sigma_{h,\text{lin}}^{k,i}\|_q} + \underbrace{\eta_{\text{alg}}^{k,i}}_{\|\sigma_{h,\text{alg}}^{k,i}\|_q} + \underbrace{\eta_{\text{rem}}^{k,i}}_{h_\Omega \|\rho_h^{k,i}\|_{q,K}} + \eta_{\text{quad}}^{k,i}.$$

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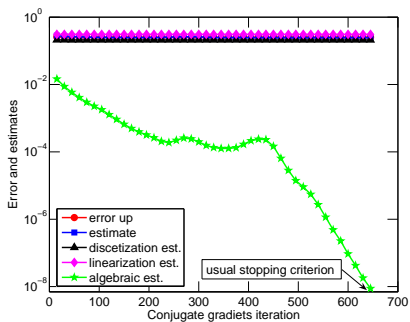
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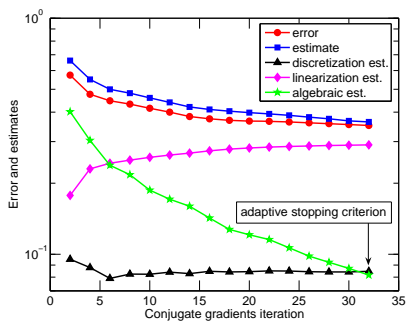
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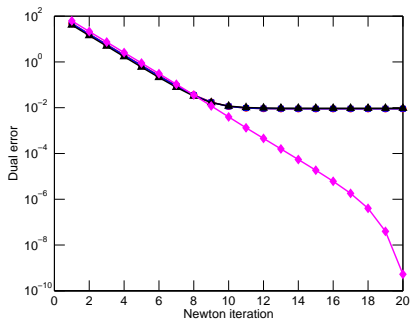


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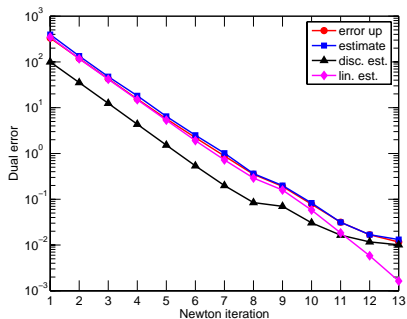


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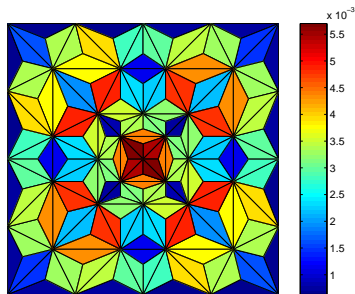


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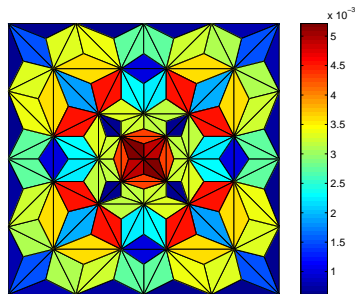


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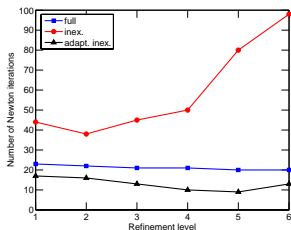


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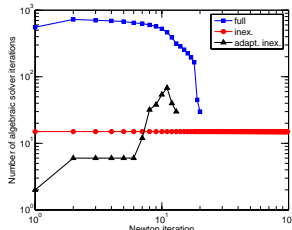


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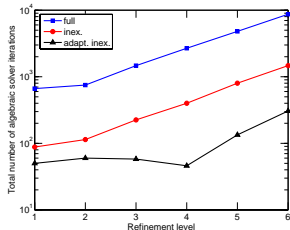
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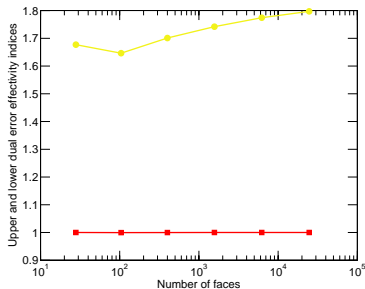


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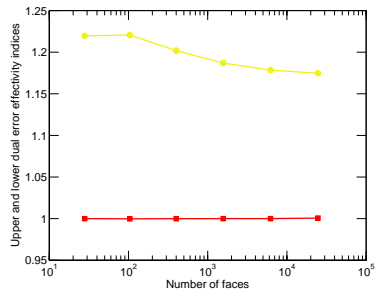


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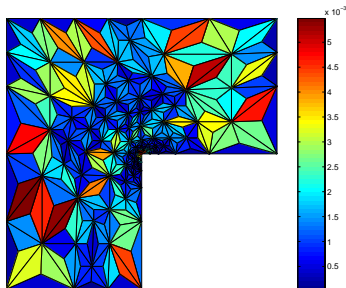
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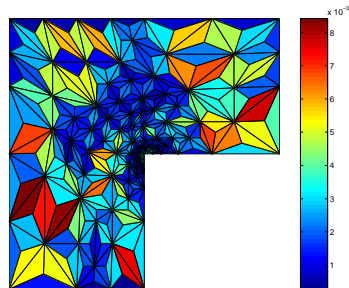
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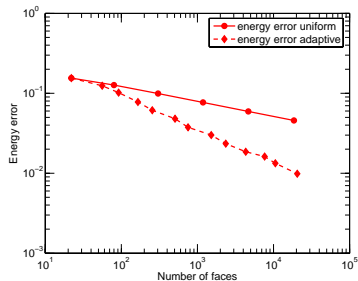


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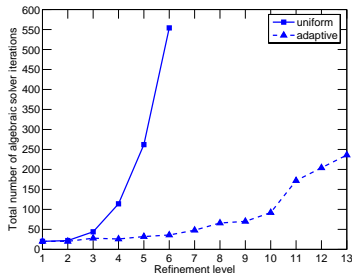


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Theorem (Distinguishing the error components)

Let

- n be the *time* step,
- k be the *linearization* step,
- i be the *algebraic solver* step,

with the approximations $(s_{w,h_T}^{n,k,i}, p_{w,h_T}^{n,k,i})$. Then

$$\mathcal{J}_{S_w, p_w}^n(s_{w,h_T}^{n,k,i}, p_{w,h_T}^{n,k,i}) \leq \eta_{sp}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{tm}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{lin}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{alg}^{n,k,i}.$$

Error components

- $\eta_{sp}^{n,k,i}$: spatial discretization
- $\eta_{tm}^{n,k,i}$: temporal discretization
- $\eta_{lin}^{n,k,i}$: linearization
- $\eta_{alg}^{n,k,i}$: algebraic solver

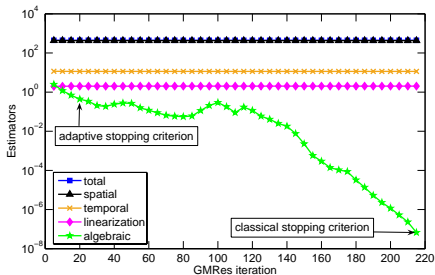
Full adaptivity

- only a **necessary number** of all **solver iterations**
- **“online decisions”**:
algebraic step / linearization step / space mesh refinement / time step modification

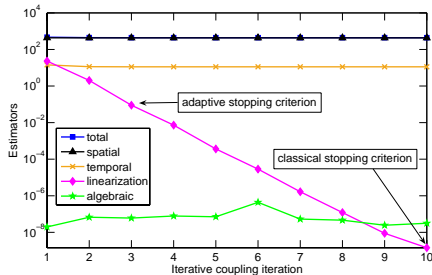
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Estimators and stopping criteria

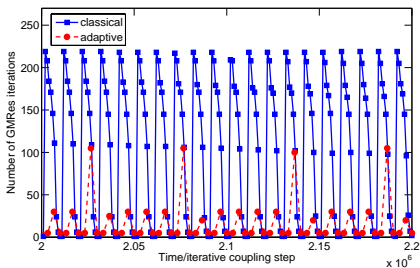


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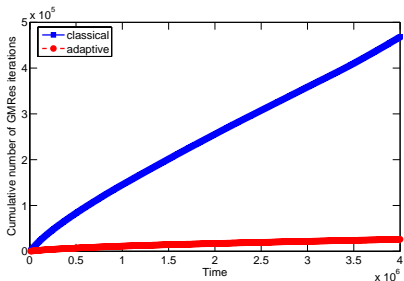


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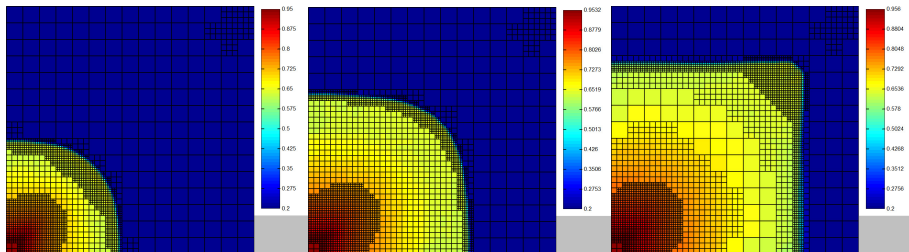


Per time and iterative coupling step



Cumulated

Space/time/nonlinear solver/linear solver adaptivity



Fully adaptive computation

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