

# Guaranteed and robust discontinuous Galerkin a posteriori error estimates for convection–diffusion–reaction problems

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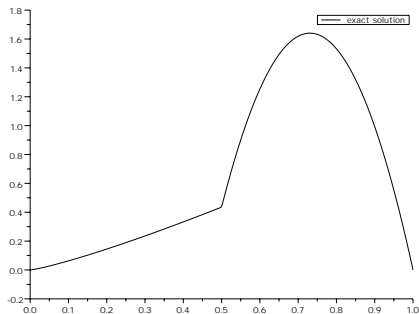
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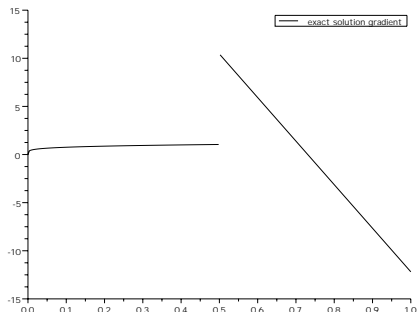
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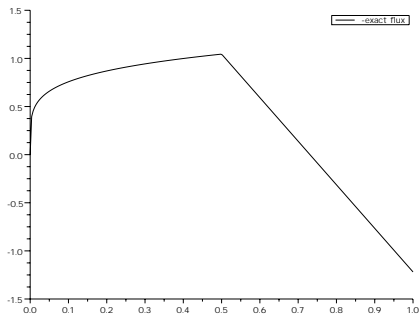


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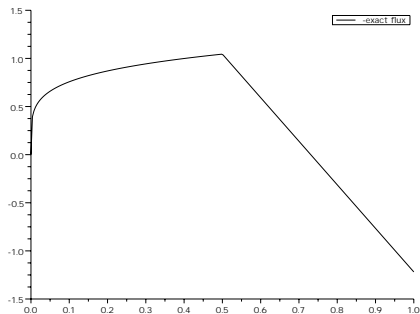


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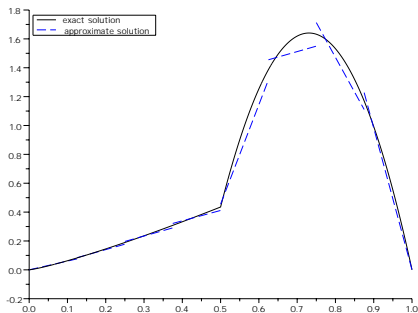
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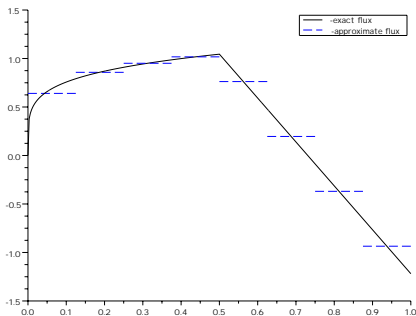
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# Approximate solution and approximate flux



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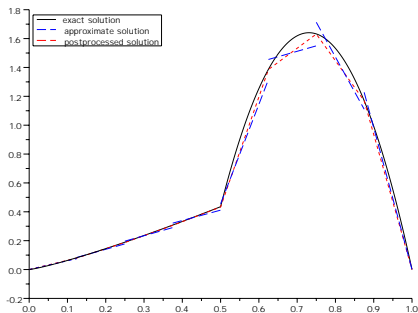
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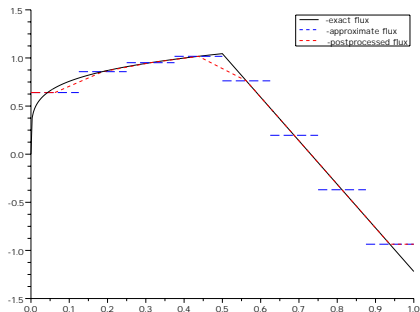
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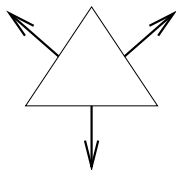
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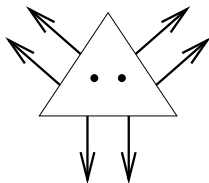
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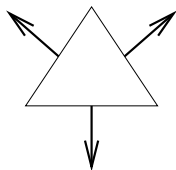
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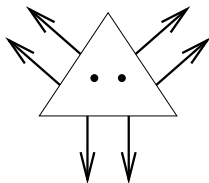
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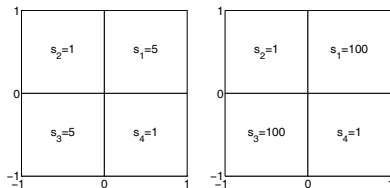
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# Discontinuous diffusion tensor and finite volumes

- consider the pure diffusion equation

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} \nabla p) = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega = (-1, 1) \times (-1, 1)$$

- discontinuous and inhomogeneous  $\mathbf{S}$ , two cases:



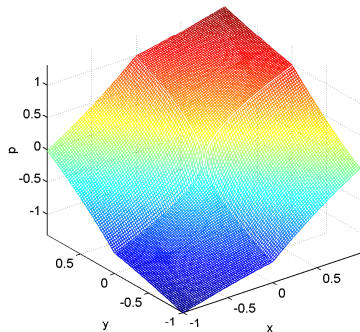
- analytical solution: singularity at the origin

$$p(r, \theta)|_{\Omega_i} = r^\alpha (a_i \sin(\alpha\theta) + b_i \cos(\alpha\theta))$$

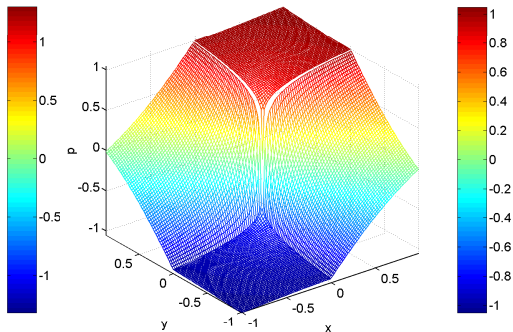
- $(r, \theta)$  polar coordinates in  $\Omega$
- $a_i, b_i$  constants depending on  $\Omega_i$
- $\alpha$  regularity of the solution



# Analytical solutions

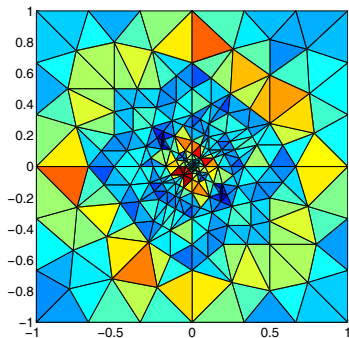


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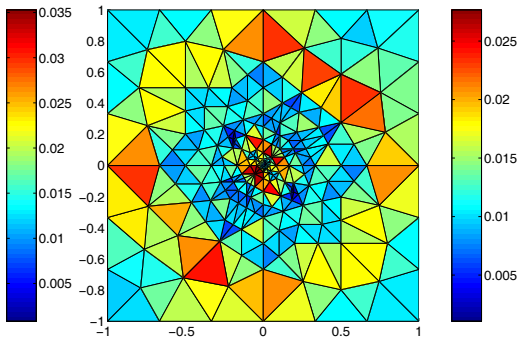


Case 2

# Error distribution on an adaptively refined mesh, case 1

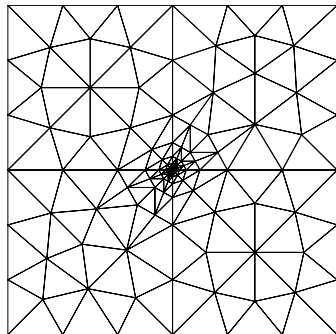
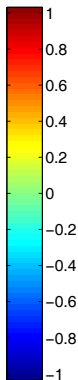
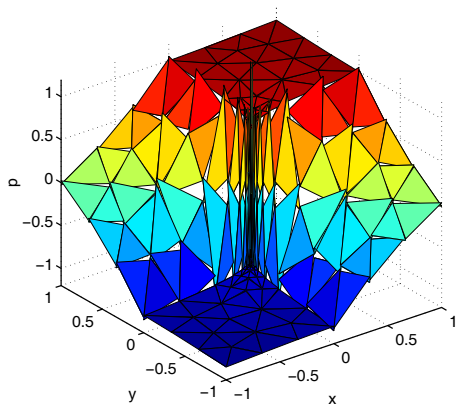


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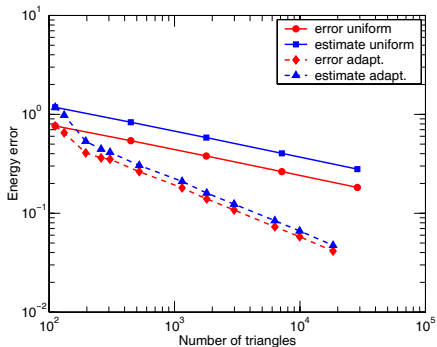


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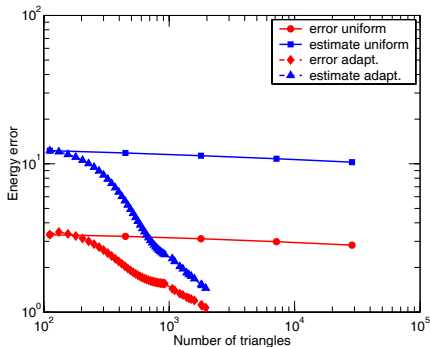
# Approximate solution and the corresponding adaptively refined mesh, case 2



# Estimated and actual errors in uniformly/adaptively refined meshes

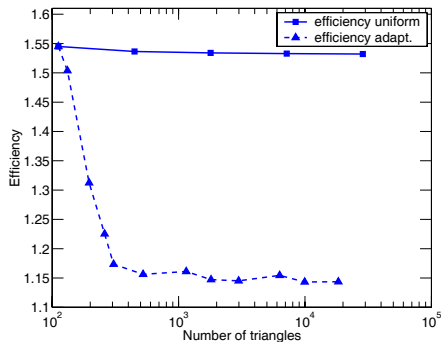


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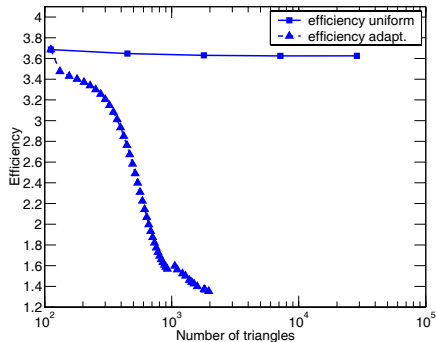


Case 2

# Effectivity indices in uniformly/adaptively refined meshes



Case 1



Case 2

# Convection-dominated problem, FVs, energy estimates

- consider the convection–diffusion–reaction equation

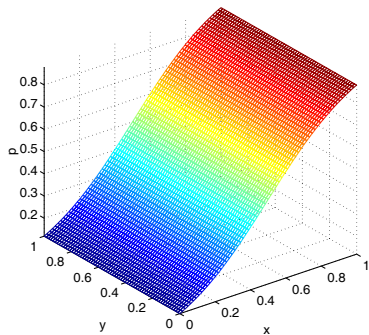
$$-\varepsilon \Delta p + \nabla \cdot (p(0, 1)) + p = f \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega = (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$$

- analytical solution: layer of width  $a$

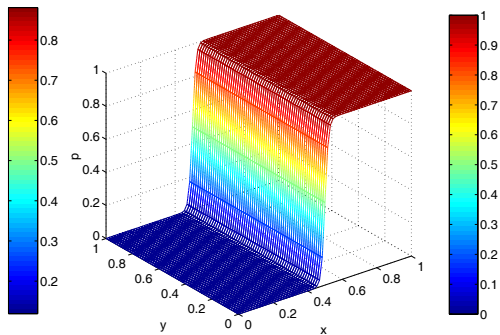
$$p(x, y) = 0.5 \left( 1 - \tanh\left(\frac{0.5 - x}{a}\right) \right)$$

- consider
  - $\varepsilon = 1, a = 0.5$
  - $\varepsilon = 10^{-2}, a = 0.05$
  - $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}, a = 0.02$
- unstructured grid of 46 elements given, uniformly/adaptively refined

# Analytical solutions

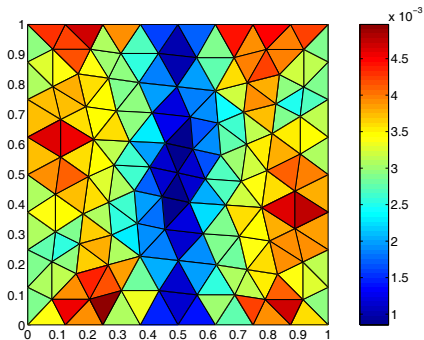


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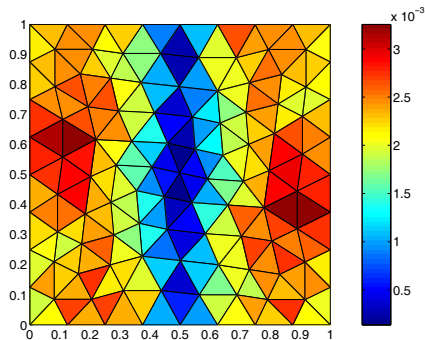


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# Error distribution on a uniformly refined mesh, $\varepsilon = 1$ , $a = 0.5$



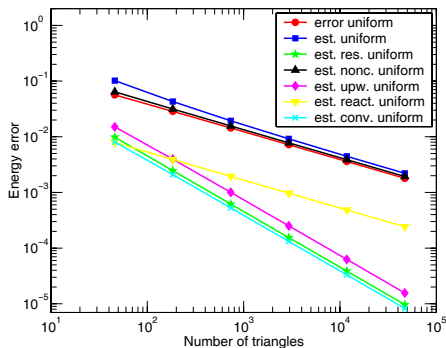
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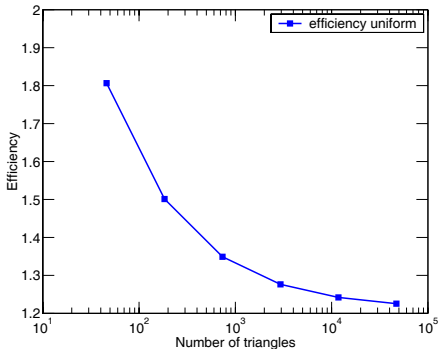
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# Estimated and actual errors and the effectivity index, $\varepsilon = 1, a = 0.5$

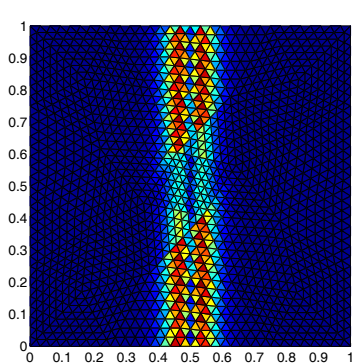


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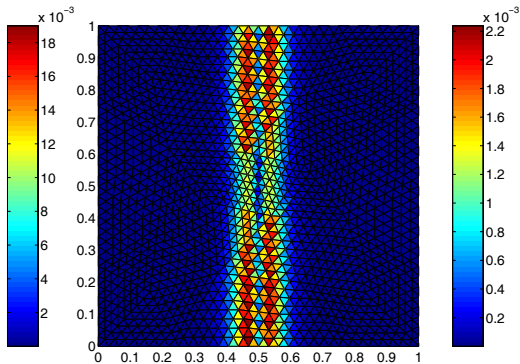


Effectivity index

# Error distribution on a uniformly refined mesh, $\varepsilon = 10^{-2}$ , $a = 0.05$

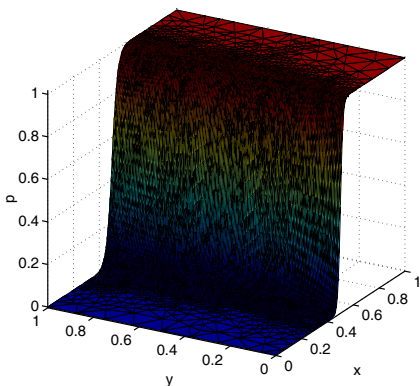


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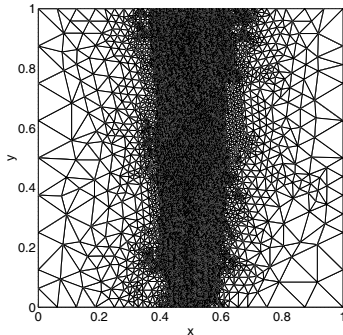
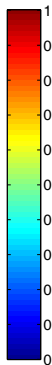


Exact error distribution

# Approximate solution and the corresponding adaptively refined mesh, $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$ , $a = 0.02$



Approximate solution



Adaptively refined mesh

# Convection-dominated problem, DGs, energy and augmented estimates, $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$

N	energy norm			augmented norm			$   p_h   _{\#, \mathcal{E}_h}$
	err.	est.	eff.	err.	est.	eff.	
128	7.74e-3	1.10e-1	14	1.40e-1	3.28e-1	2.3	3.40e-2
512	4.03e-3	4.35e-2	11	3.97e-2	1.29e-1	3.3	1.16e-2
2048	1.88e-3	1.43e-2	7.6	9.77e-3	4.14e-2	4.2	2.72e-3
8192	9.30e-4	3.58e-3	3.8	2.98e-3	1.02e-2	3.4	8.25e-4
order	1.0	2.0	-	1.7	2.0	-	1.7

Errors ( $|||p - p_h|||$  and  $|||p - p_h|||_{\oplus} + |||p - p_h|||_{\#, \mathcal{E}_h}$ ), estimates ( $\eta$  and  $\tilde{\eta} + |||p_h|||_{\#, \mathcal{E}_h}$ ), and effectivity indices for the energy and augmented norms;  $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$

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512	5.65e-4	7.01e-2	124	1.44e-1	2.11e-1	1.47	2.11e-2
2048	2.14e-4	3.09e-2	144	5.35e-2	9.36e-2	1.75	9.99e-3
8192	1.00e-4	1.25e-2	125	2.14e-2	3.89e-2	1.82	4.96e-3
order	1.1	1.3	-	1.3	1.3	-	1.0

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## Conclusions

- guaranteed, locally efficient, and robust a posteriori error estimates
- directly and locally computable
- almost asymptotically exact
- optimal framework (exact and robust)
- works for all major numerical schemes (FDs, FVs, FEs, NCFEs, MFEs)
- based on local conservativity

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