

# A posteriori error estimates robust with respect to nonlinearities and orthogonal decomposition based on iterative linearization

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## Previous use of augmented error norms

- **advection-dominated problems:** augmenting the energy norm by the dual norm of the skew-symmetric part: robustness wrt advection (Verfürth 2005)
- **parabolic pbs:** augmenting by temporal jumps: space-time local efficiency

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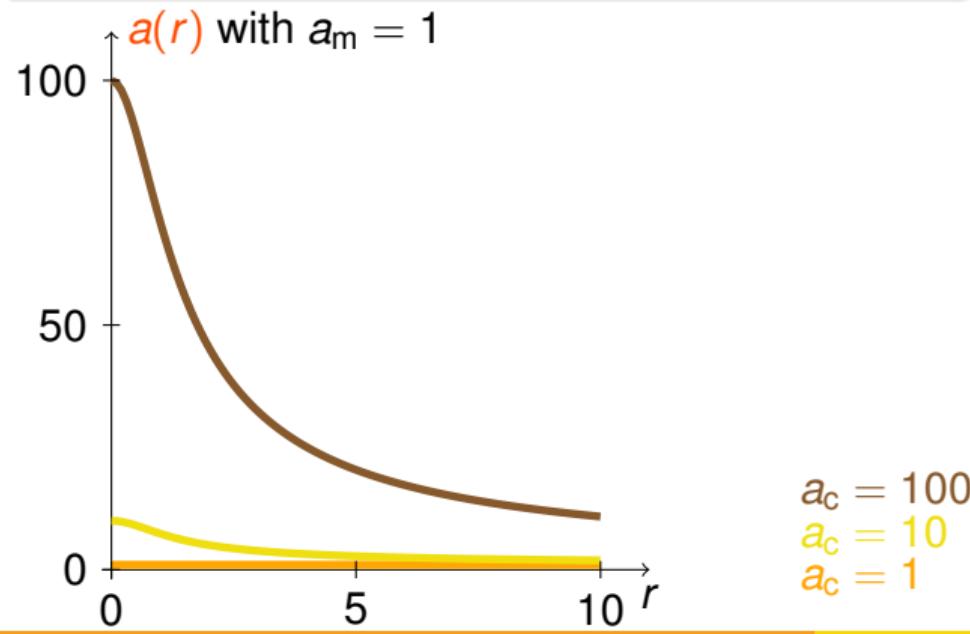
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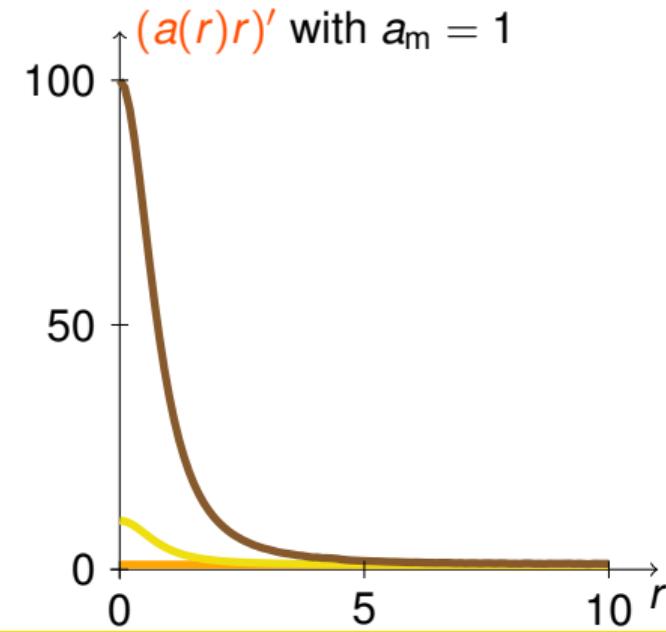
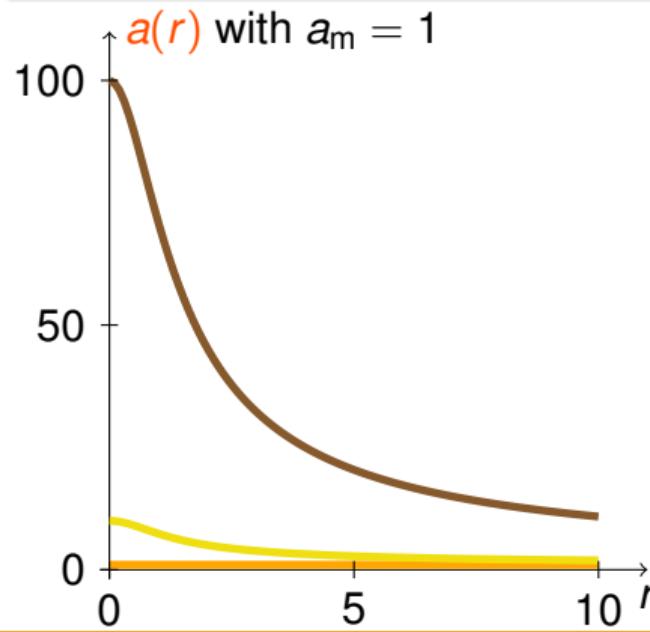


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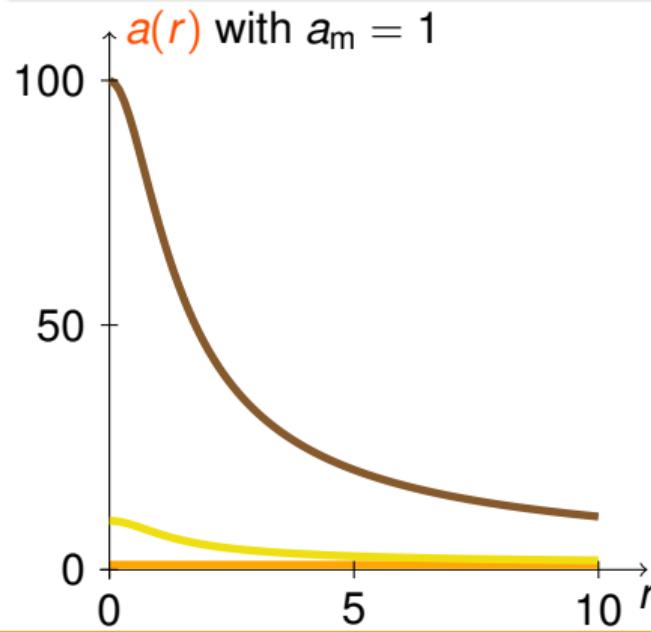
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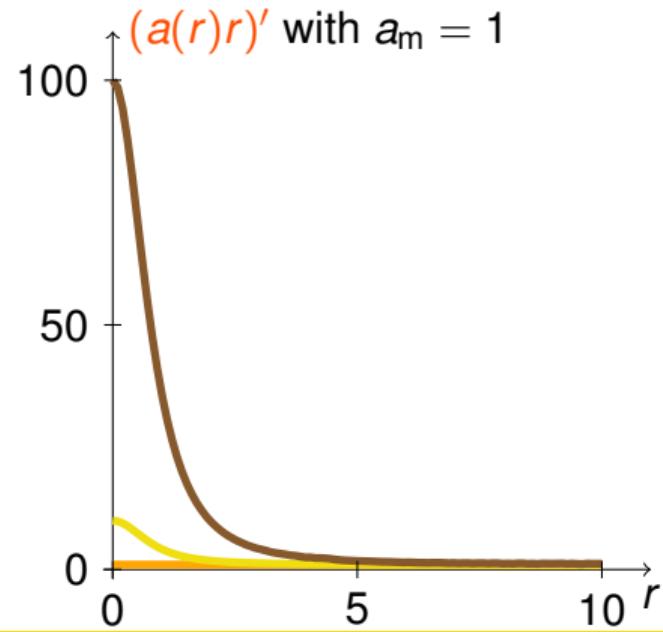
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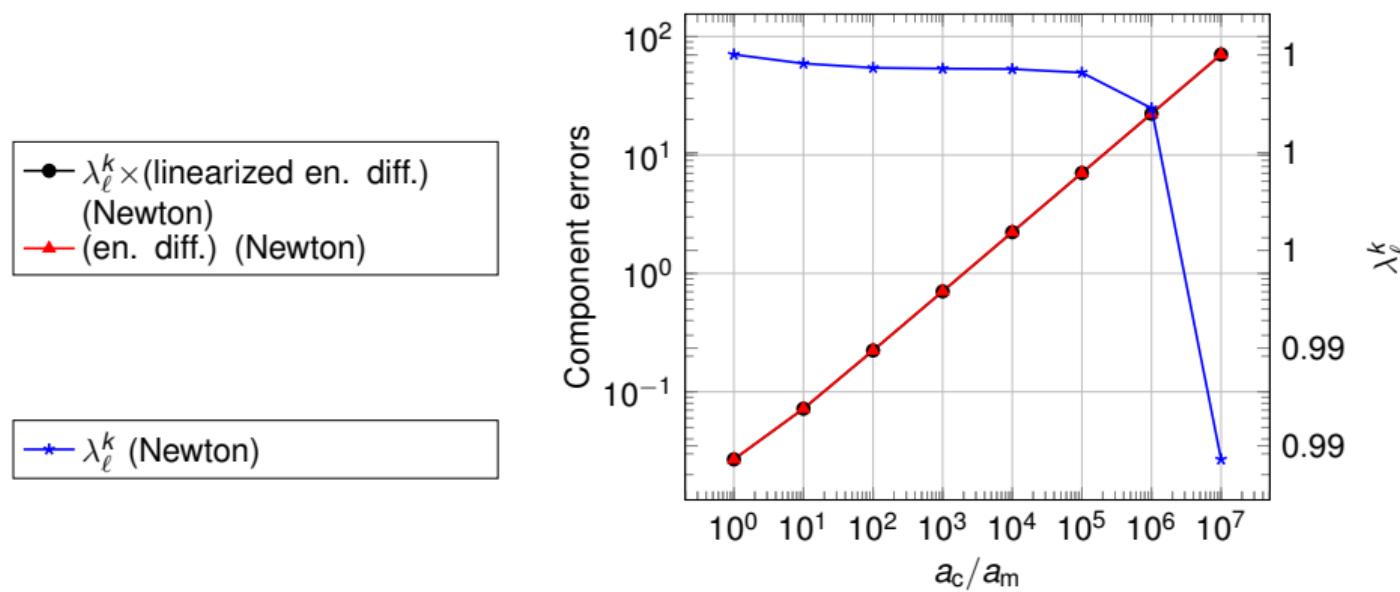
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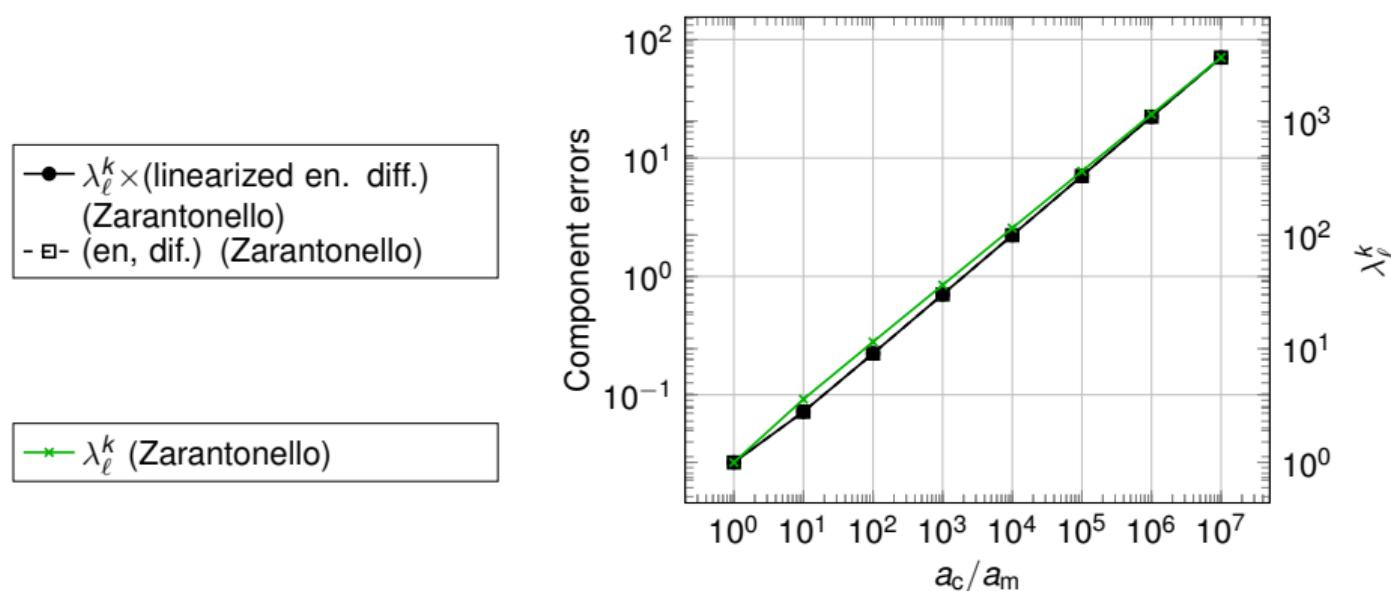
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# Smooth solution

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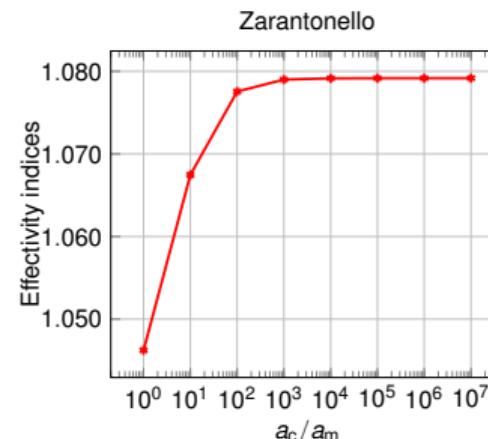
- unit square  $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- known smooth solution  $u(x, y) := 10x(x - 1)y(y - 1)$
- $p = 1$
- effectivity indices

$$\underbrace{I_\ell^k := \left( \frac{\eta_\ell^k}{\mathcal{E}_\ell^k} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{\text{total}}, \quad \underbrace{I_{N,\ell}^k := \left( \frac{\mathcal{J}(u_\ell^k) - \mathcal{J}^*(\sigma_\ell^k)}{\mathcal{J}(u_\ell^k) - \mathcal{J}(u)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{\text{energy difference}}$$

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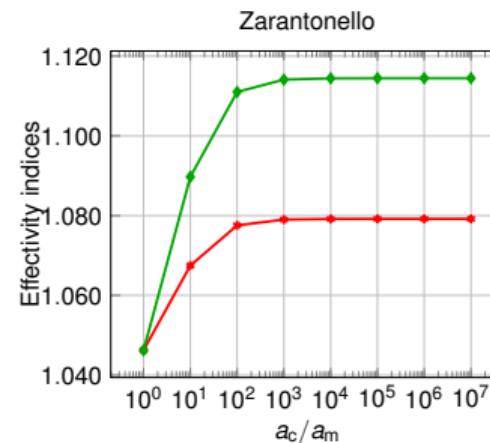
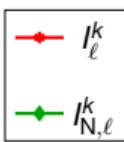
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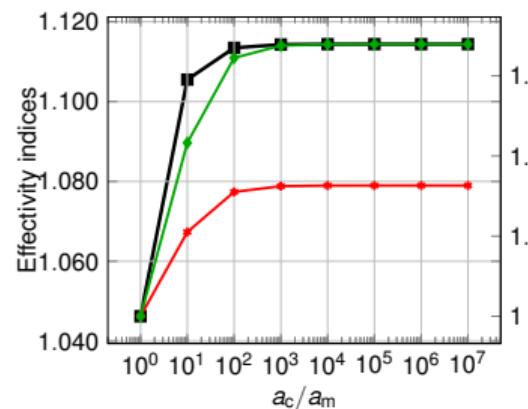
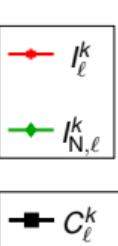
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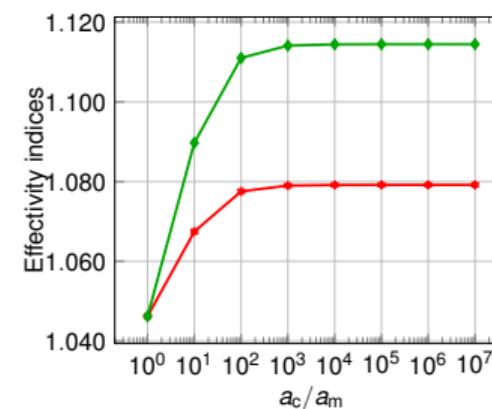
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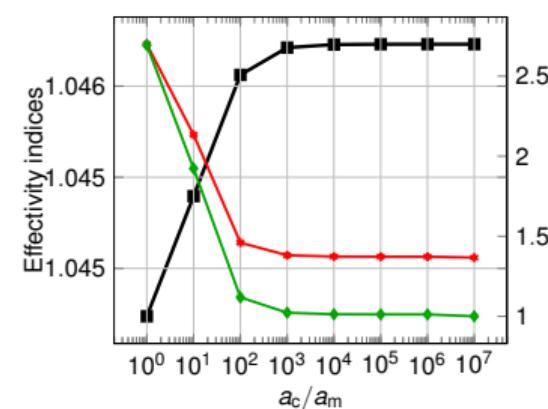
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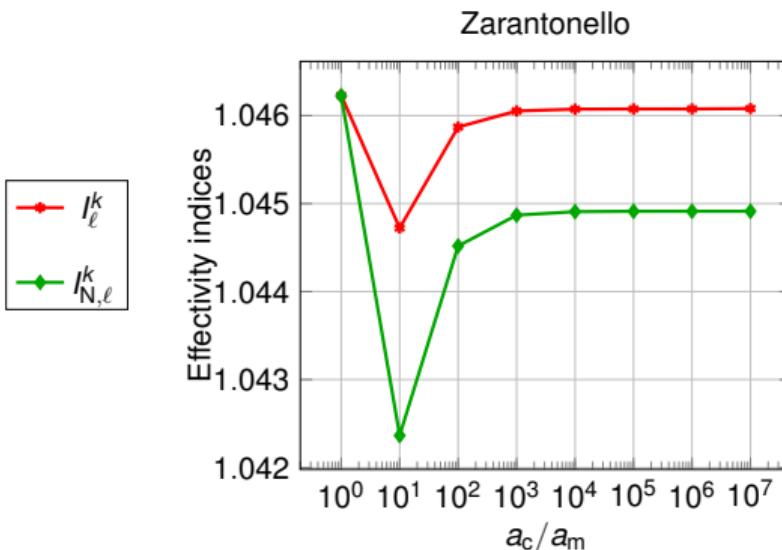
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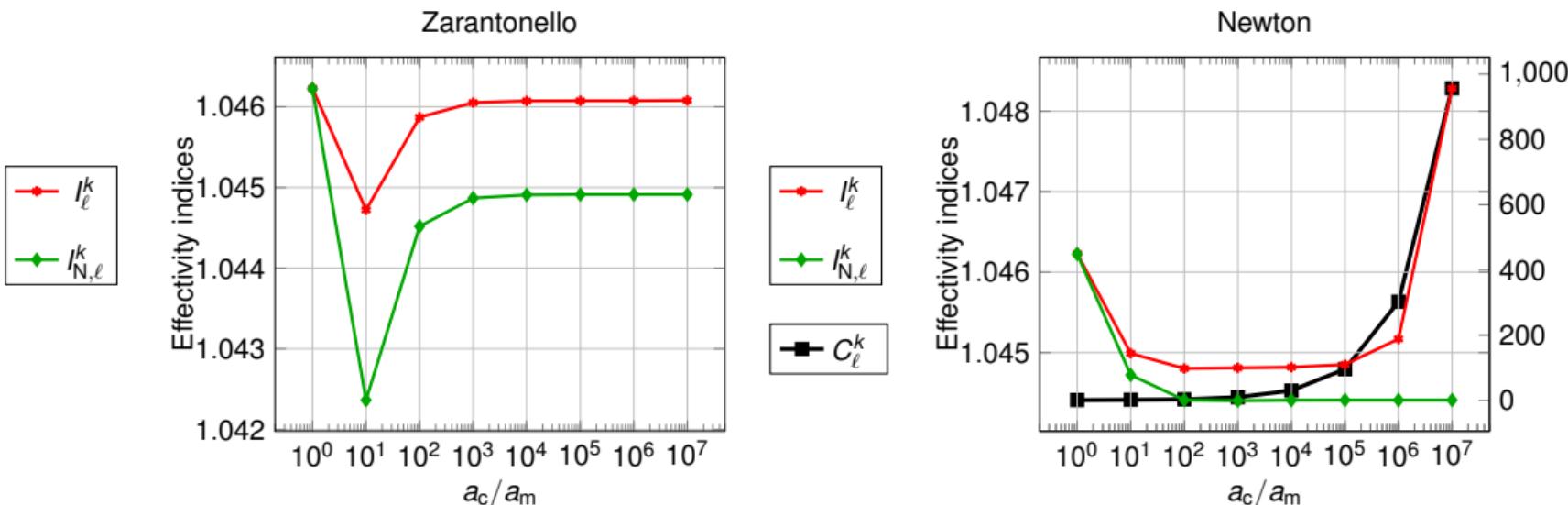
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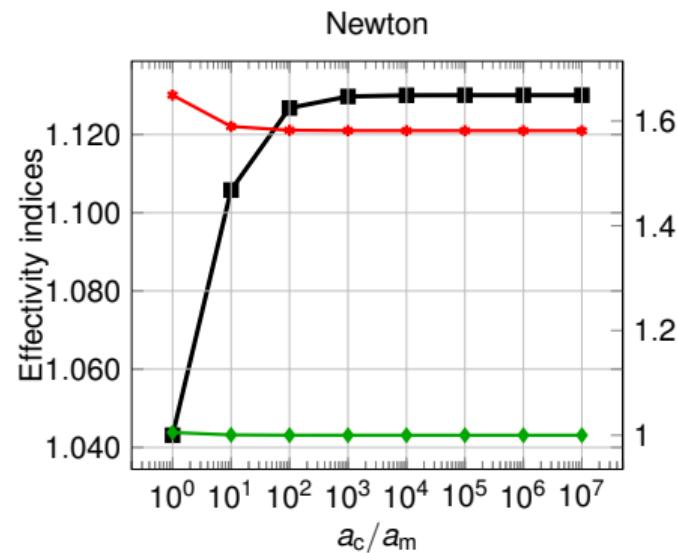
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# Singular solution

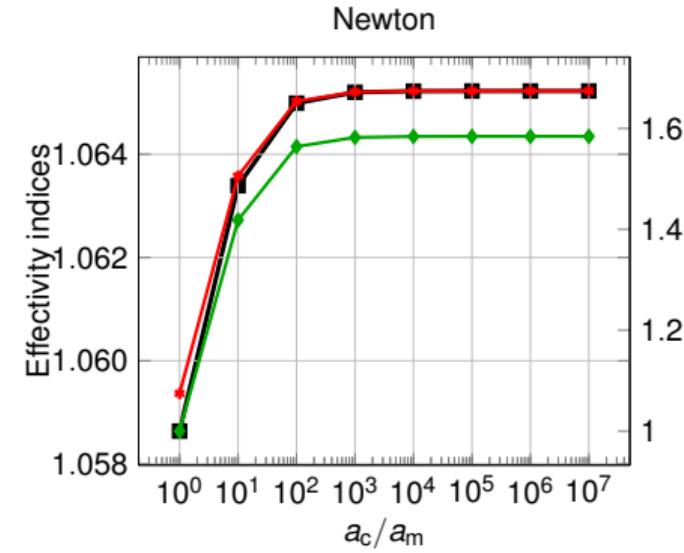
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$$((w, v))_{u_\ell^{k-1}} := (\underbrace{L_\ell^{k-1} w, v}_\text{reaction coef. = 0 if } f=f(x) + (\underbrace{A_\ell^{k-1} \nabla w, \nabla v}_\text{diffusion coef. = } \tau \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{x}, u_\ell^{k-1}), \quad w, v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

## Iteration-dependent norm

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- unit square  $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- realistic data

$$f(\mathbf{x}, u) = S(u) - S(u_\ell^{n-1}(\mathbf{x})), \quad \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{x}, u) = \kappa(S(u)), \quad \mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}, u) = -\kappa(S(u)) \mathbf{g},$$

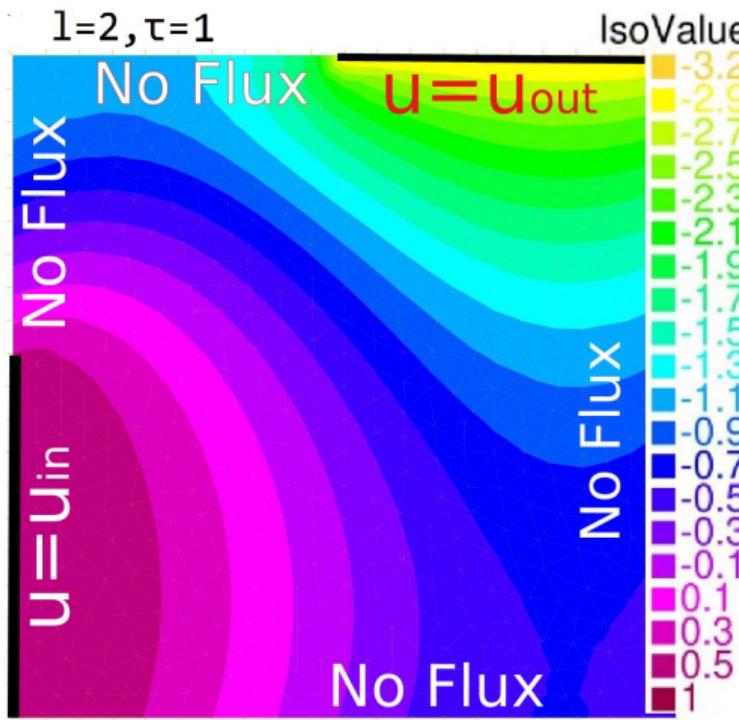
$$\boldsymbol{\kappa} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- **van Genuchten saturation** and **permeability** laws

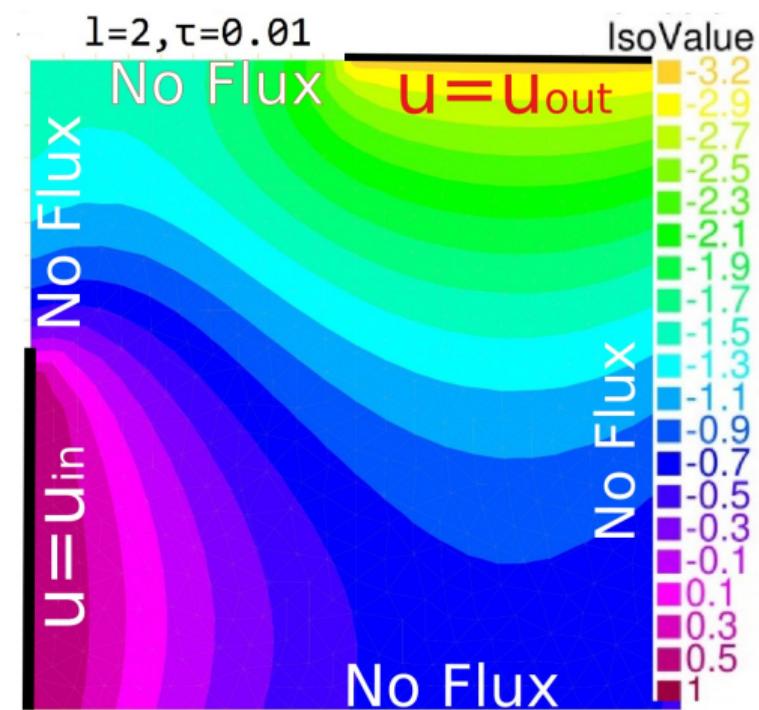
$$S(u) := \left(1 + (2 - u)^{\frac{1}{1-\lambda}}\right)^{-\lambda}, \quad \kappa(s) := \sqrt{s} \left(1 - (1 - s^{\frac{1}{\lambda}})^\lambda\right)^2, \quad \lambda = 0.5$$

- time step length  $\tau \in [10^{-3}, 1]$

# One time step of the Richards equation: saturation $u$

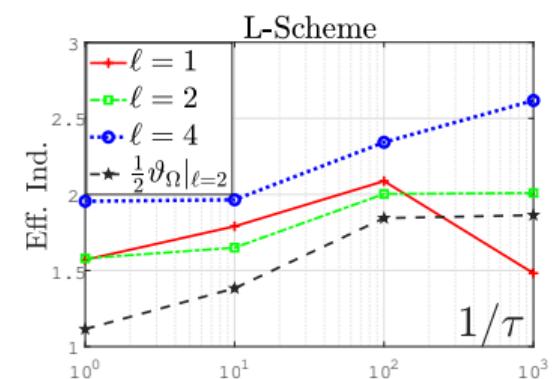
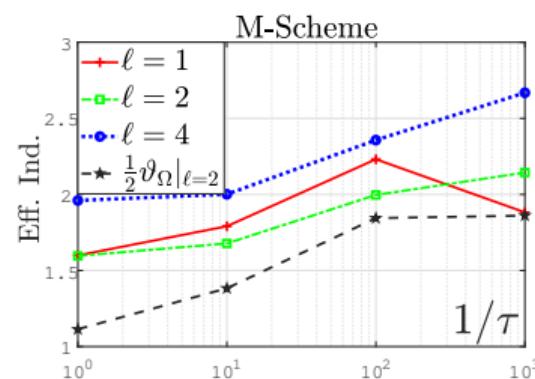
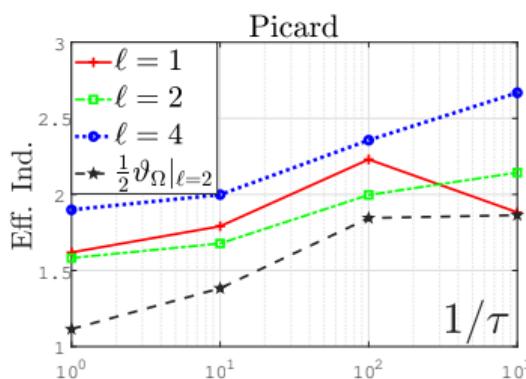


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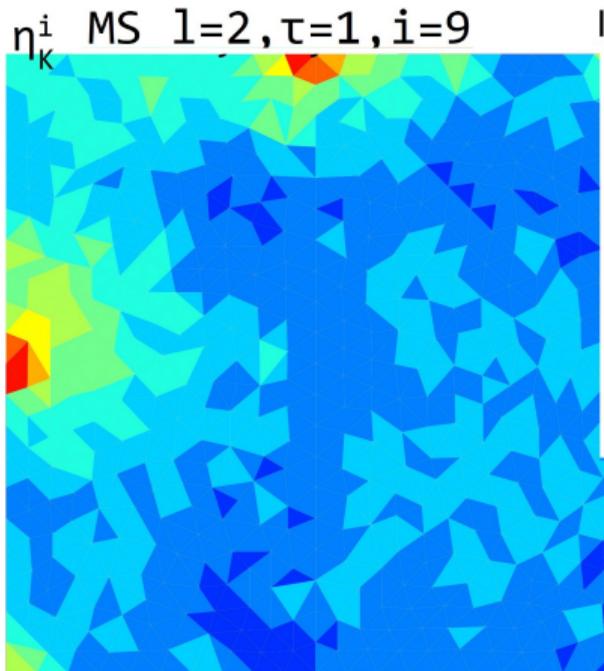
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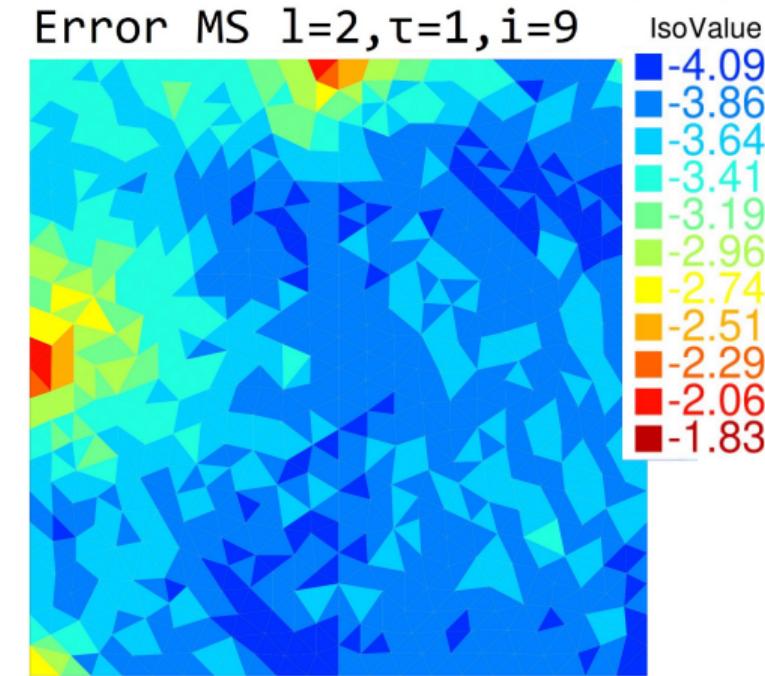


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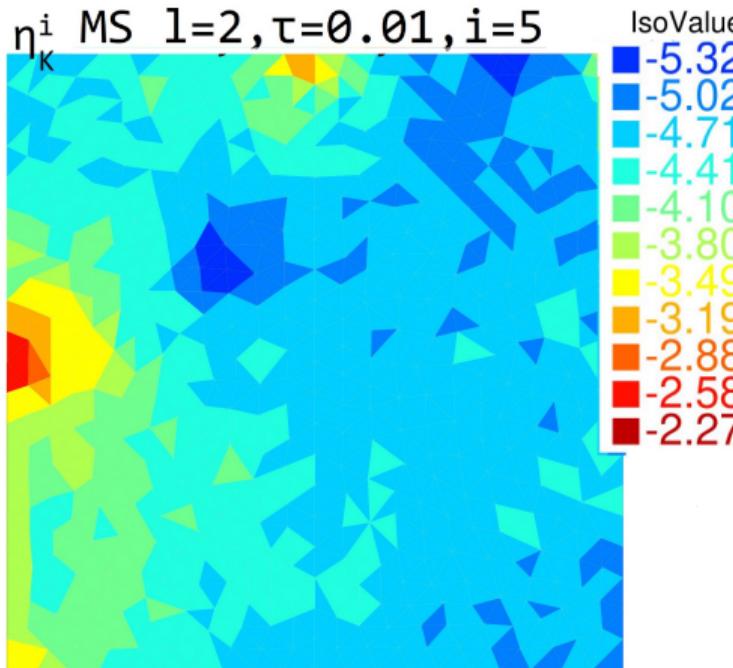
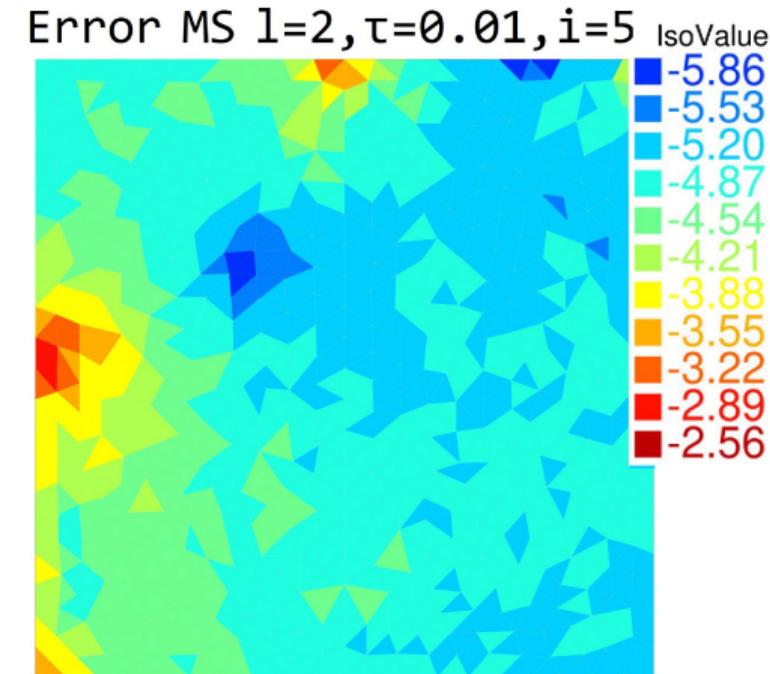


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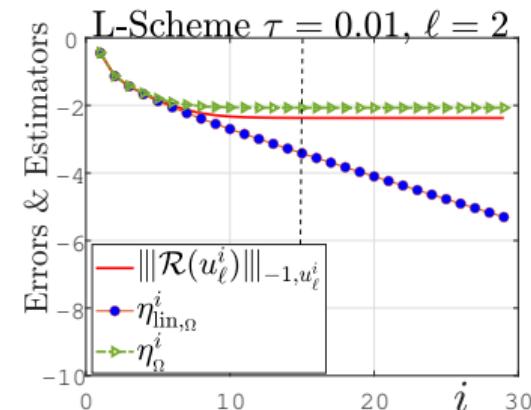
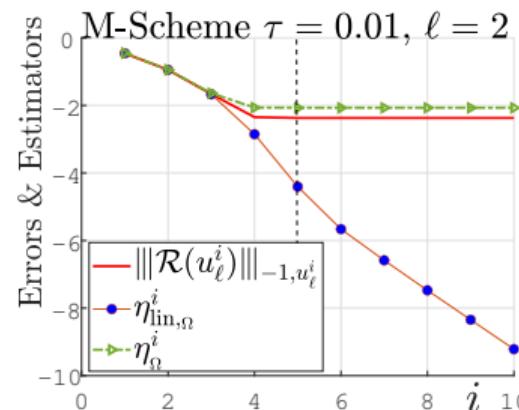
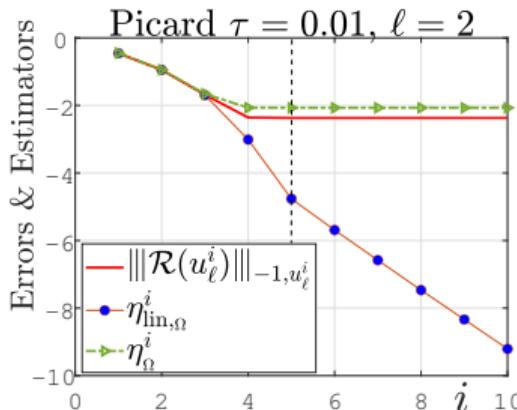


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# Error components and adaptivity via stopping criteria



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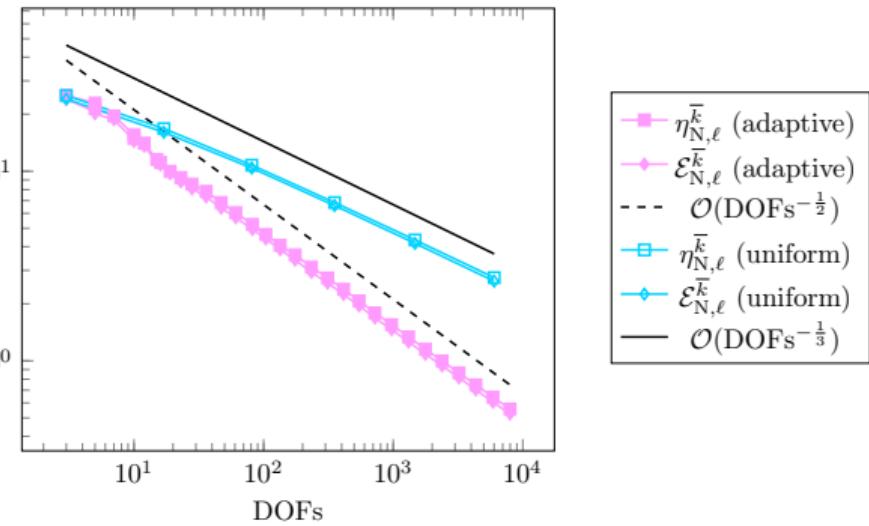
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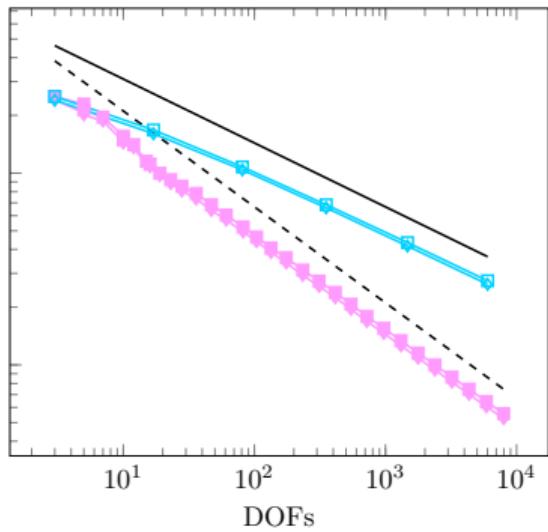
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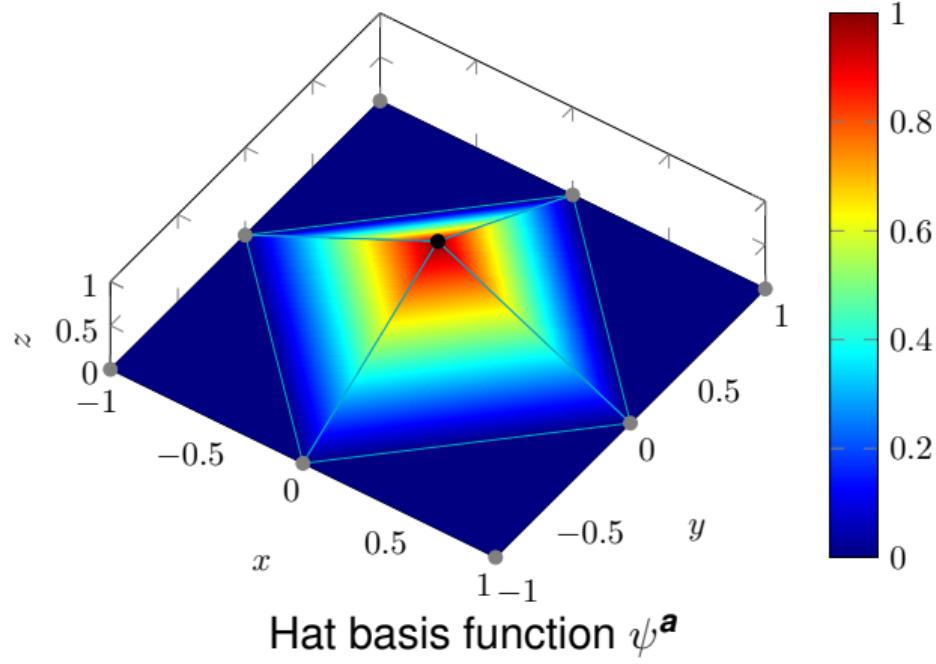
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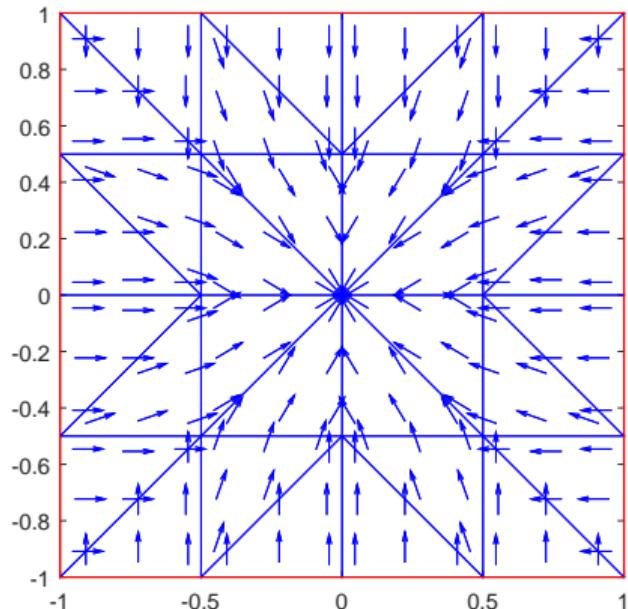
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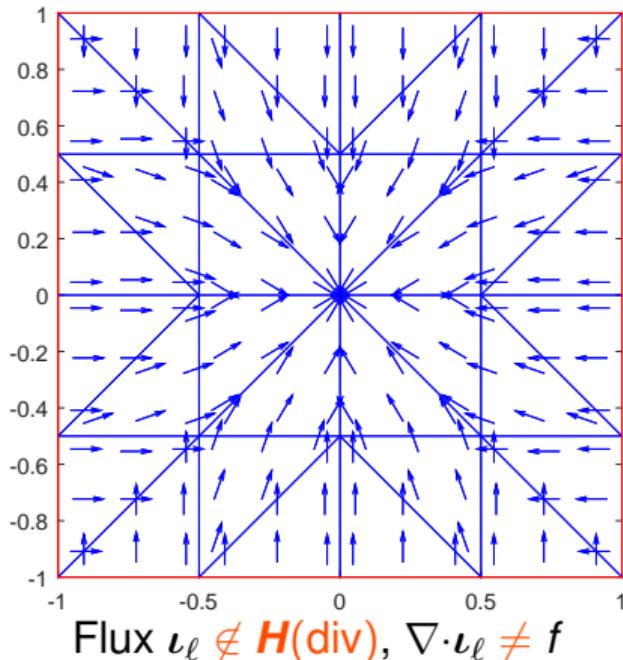
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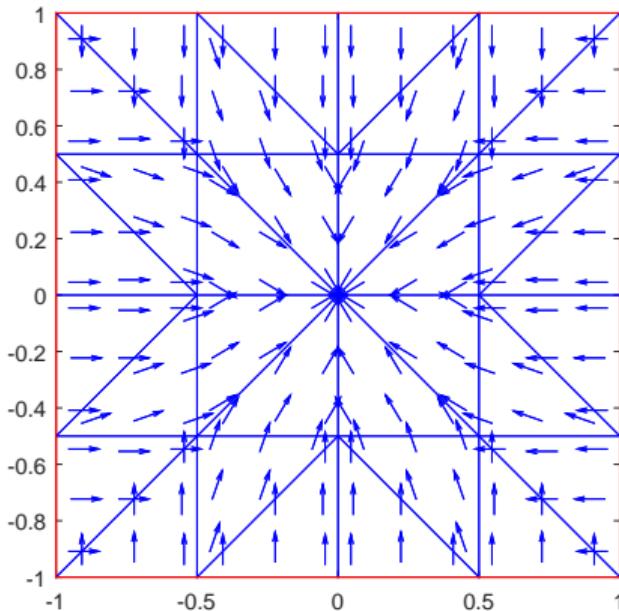
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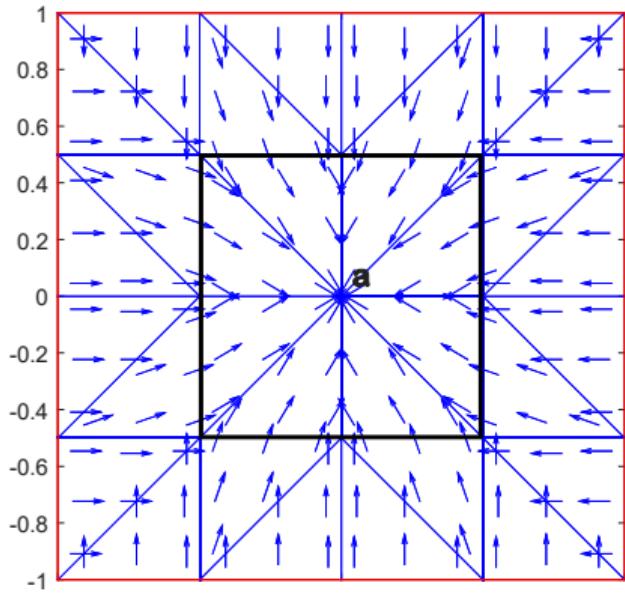


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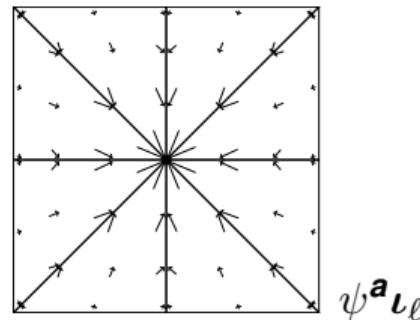
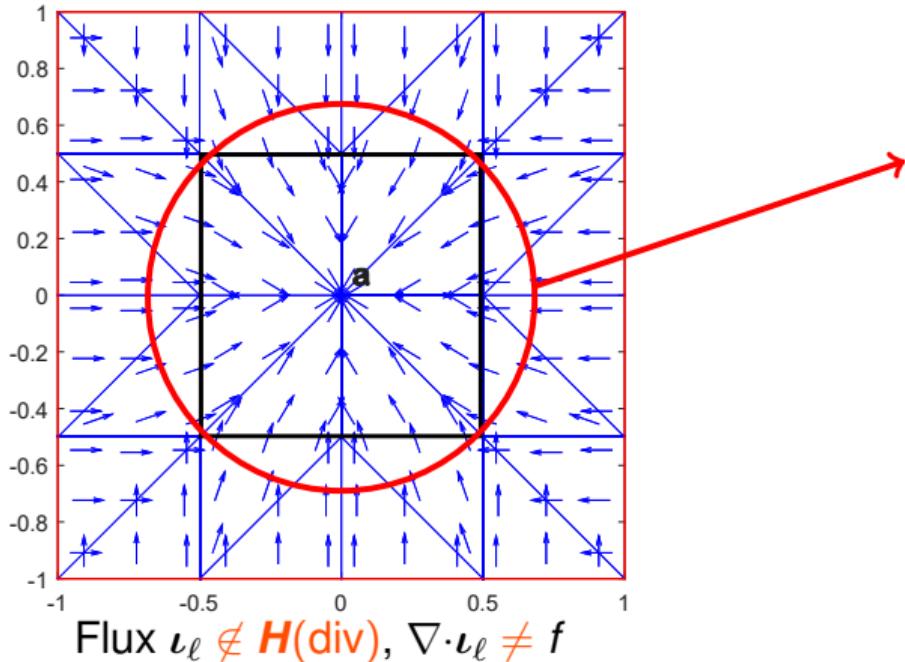
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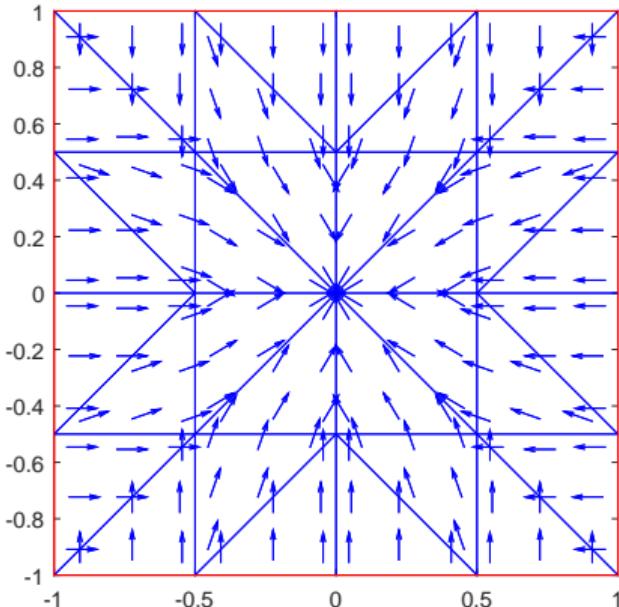
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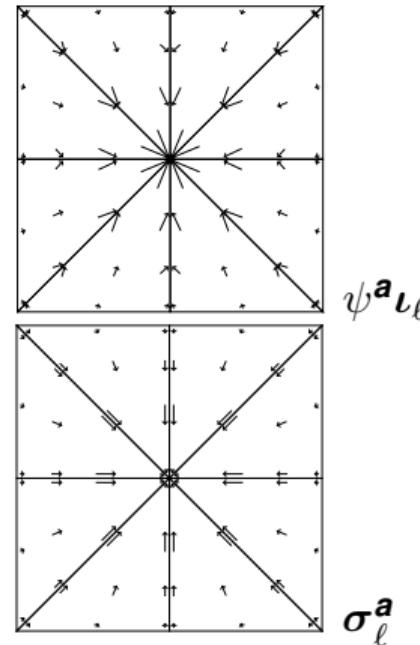
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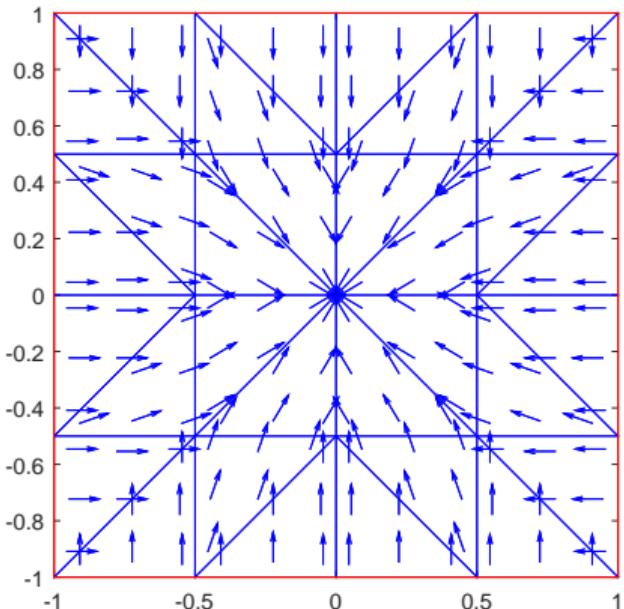
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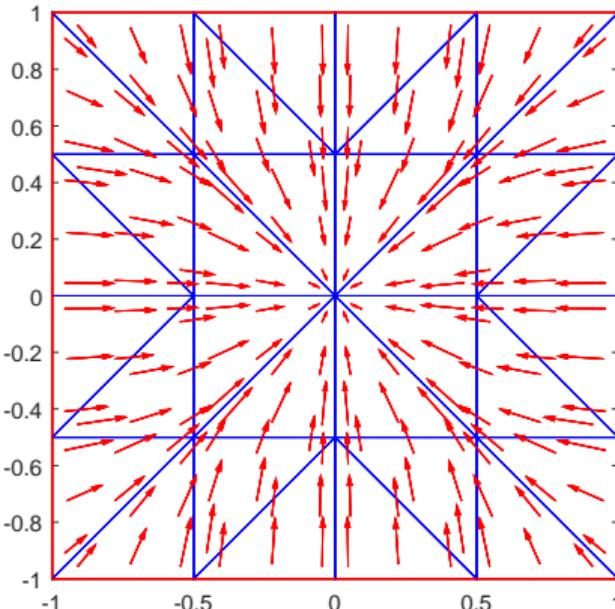
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