

# A posteriori error estimates: Laplace equation

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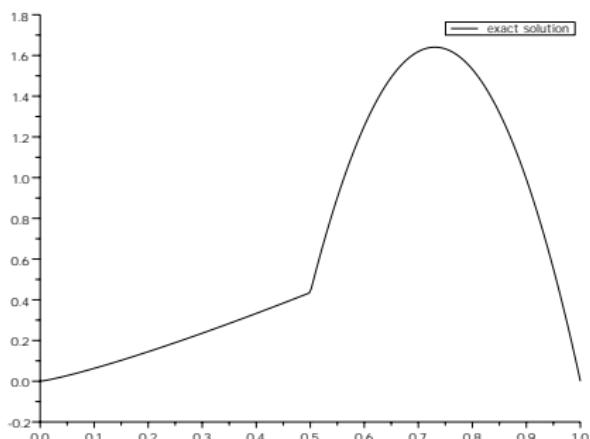
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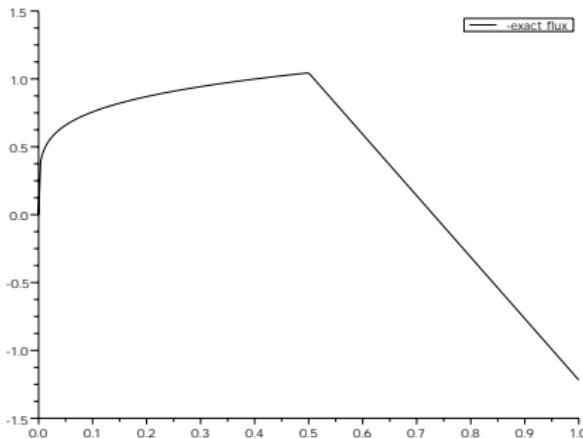
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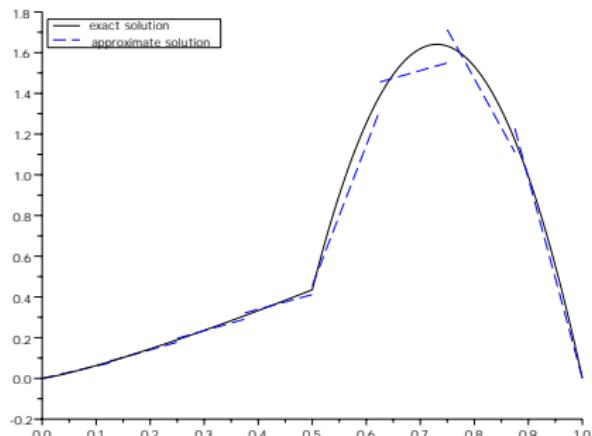


Solution  $u$  is continuous

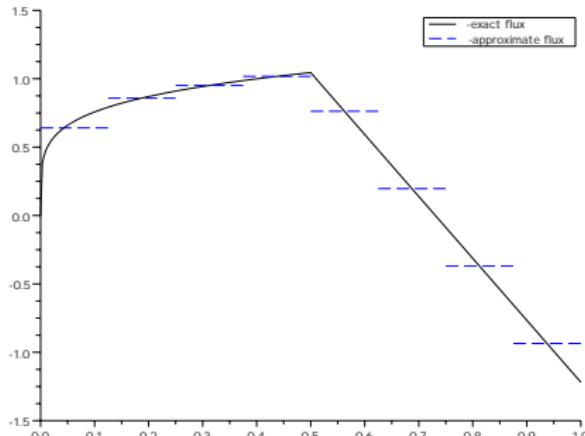


Flux  $\sigma := -\mathbf{K} \nabla u$  is continuous

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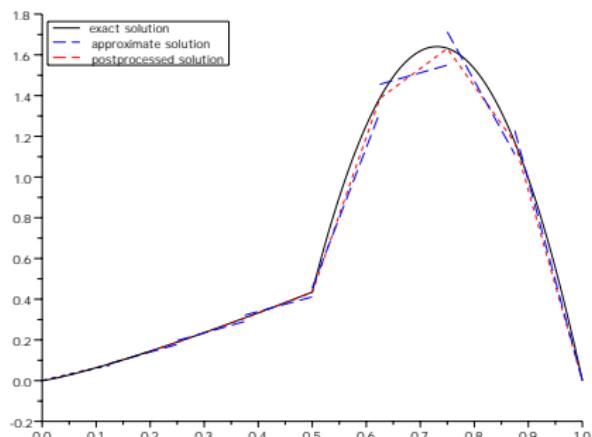


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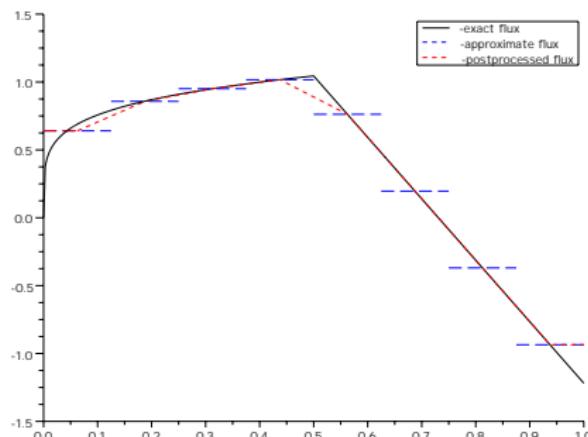


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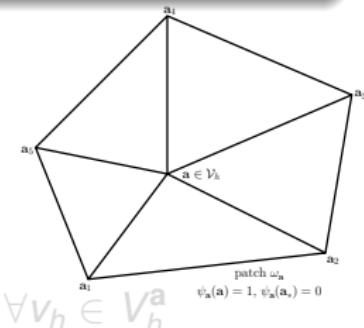
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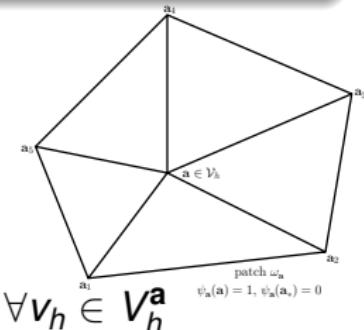
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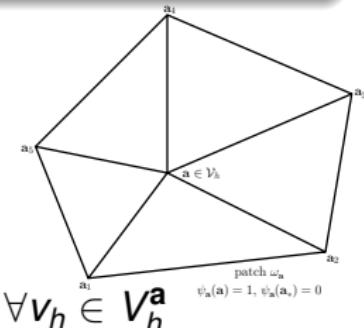
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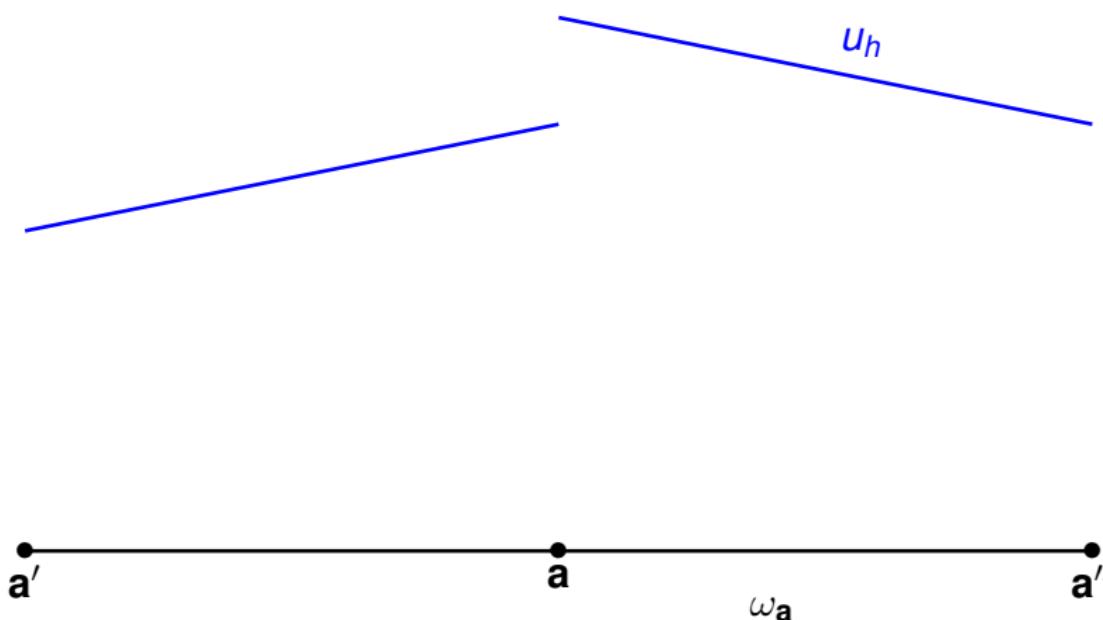
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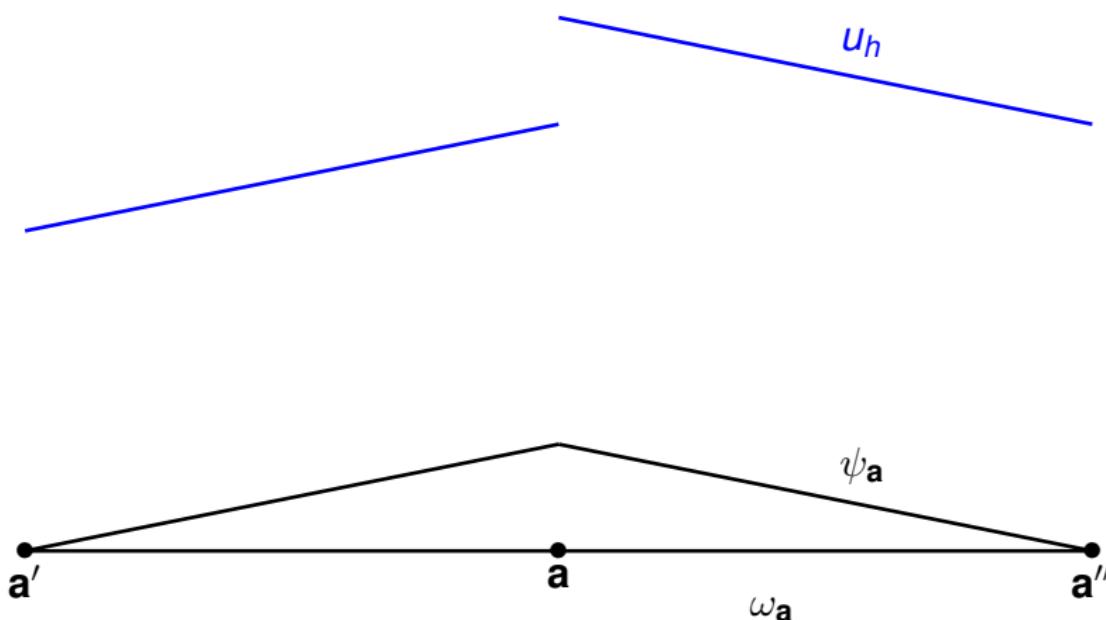
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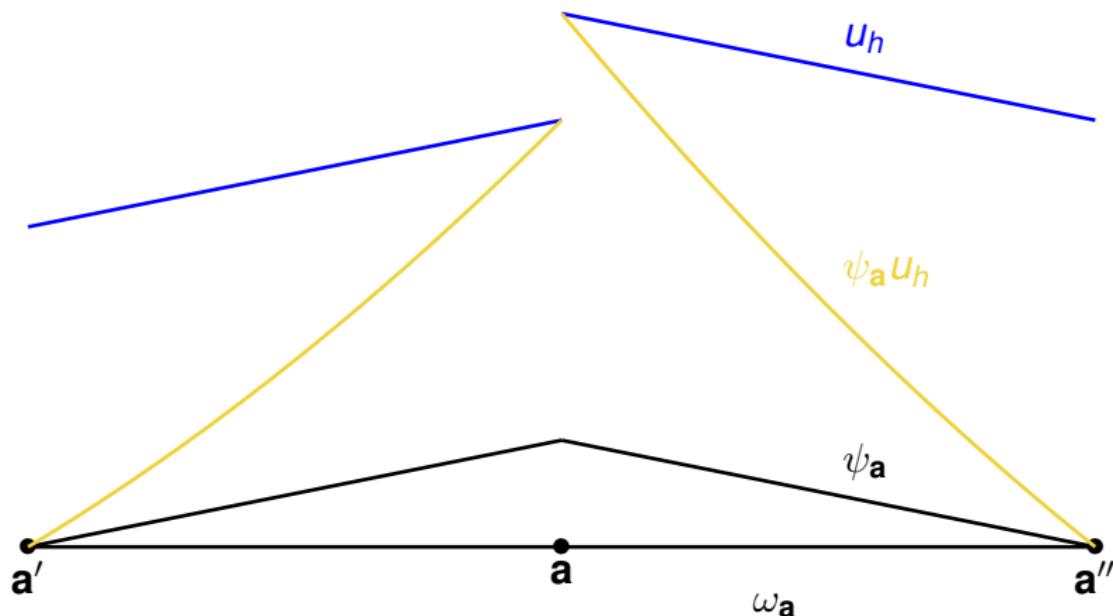
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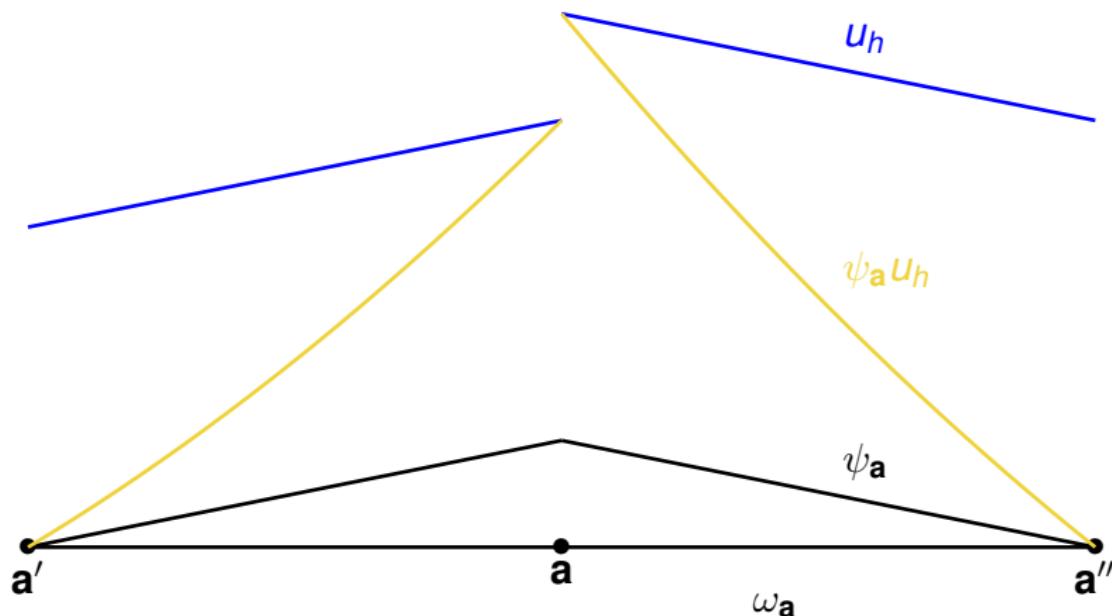
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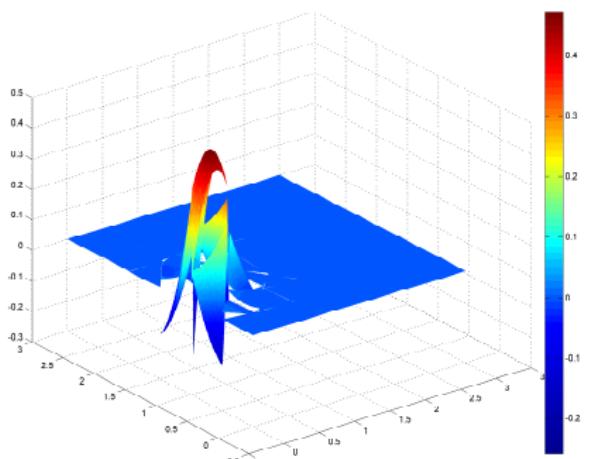
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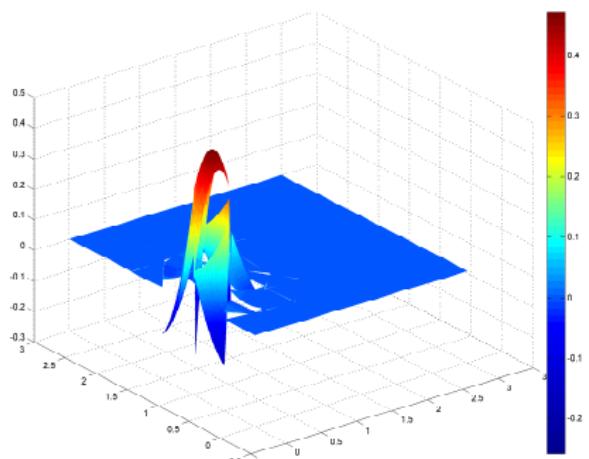


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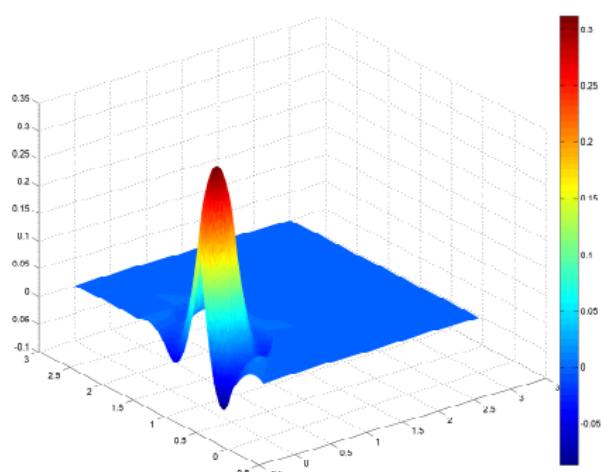


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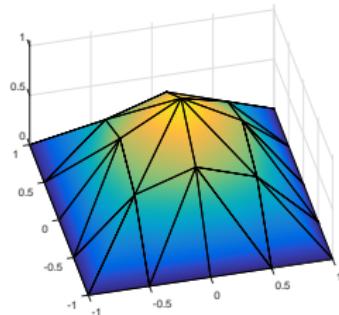
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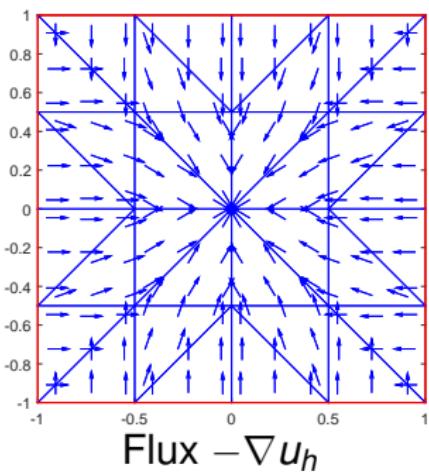
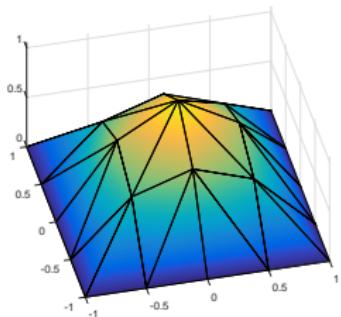
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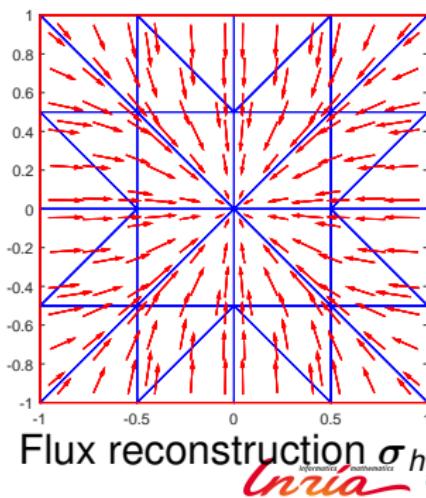
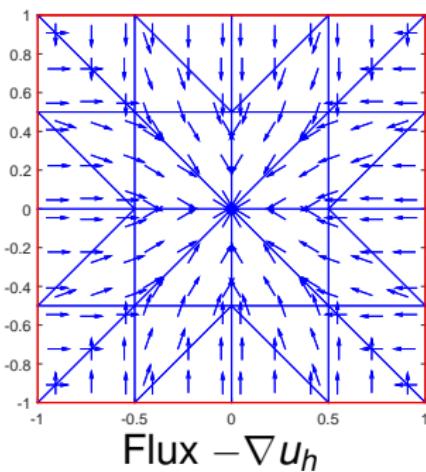
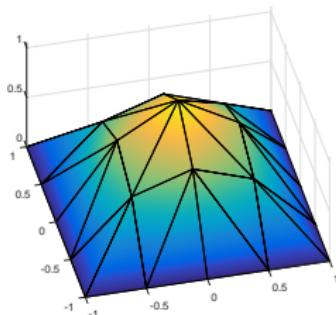


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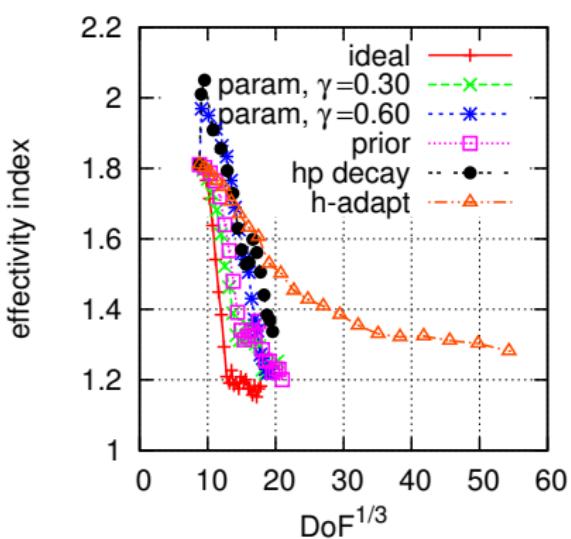
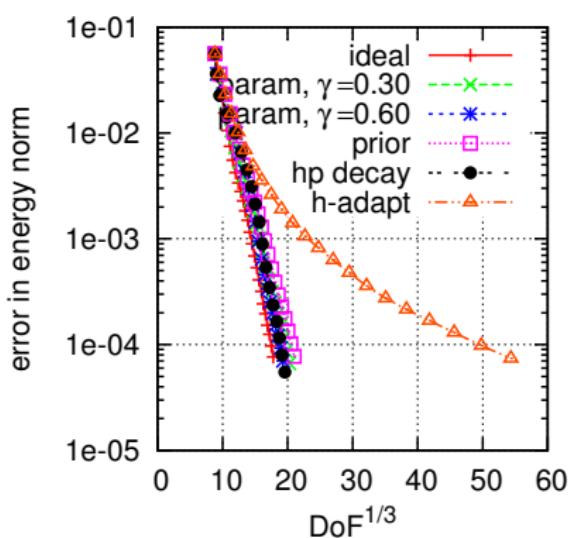
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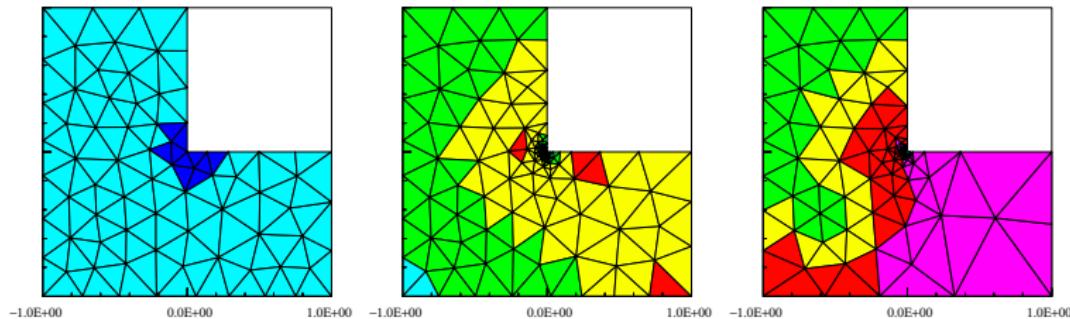
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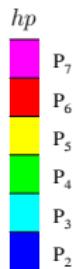
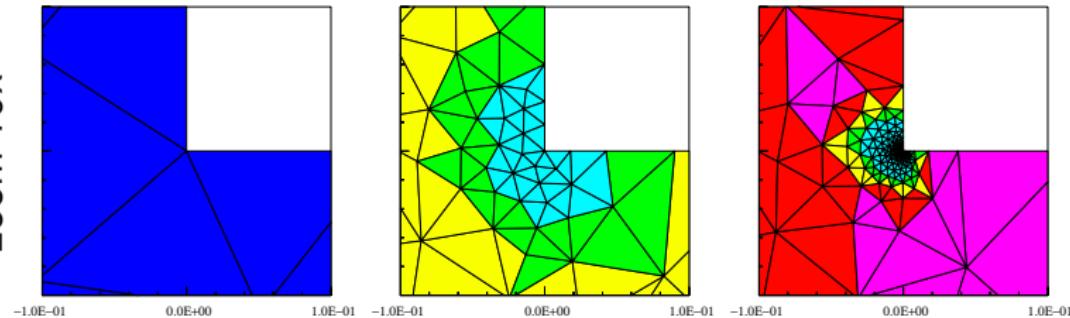
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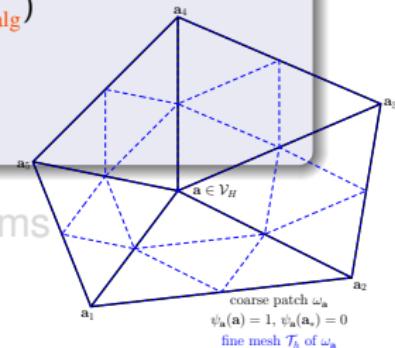
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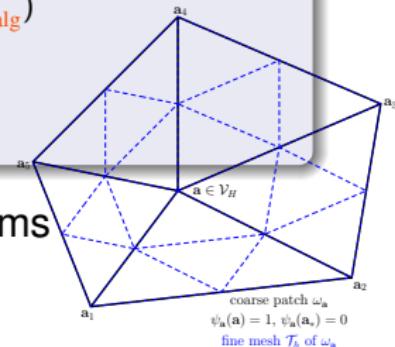
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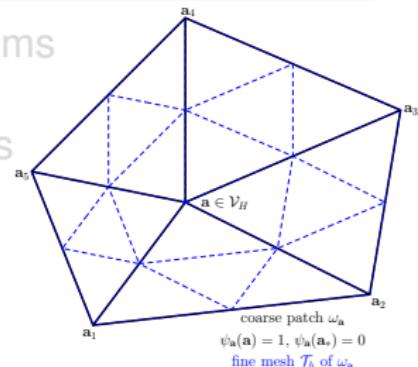
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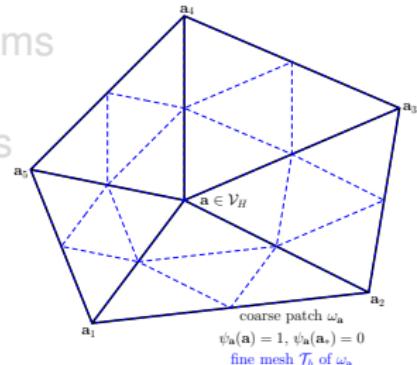
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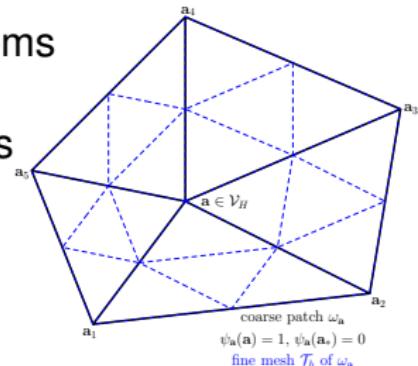
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	2	$4.3 \times 10^{-4}$	1.13	$1.12^{-1}$	$6.1 \times 10^{-3}$	1.13	$1.05^{-1}$		1.13	$1.06^{-1}$
$2 (1.03 \times 10^4)$	1	$8.8 \times 10^{-3}$	1.17	$1.08^{-1}$	$8.8 \times 10^{-3}$	1.72	$1.18^{-1}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.28 \times 10^1$	—
	2	$6.1 \times 10^{-4}$	1.19	$1.03^{-1}$	$7.2 \times 10^{-4}$	1.75	$1.12^{-1}$		2.89	—
	3	$2.0 \times 10^{-5}$	1.19	$1.03^{-1}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-4}$	1.08	$1.04^{-1}$		1.08	$1.04^{-1}$
$3 (2.34 \times 10^4)$	1	$4.9 \times 10^{-3}$	1.14	$1.06^{-1}$	$4.9 \times 10^{-3}$	1.59	$1.26^{-1}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.33 \times 10^2$	—
	3	$2.7 \times 10^{-5}$	1.17	$1.04^{-1}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-5}$	1.69	$1.17^{-1}$		2.60	—
	5	$1.6 \times 10^{-7}$	1.15	$1.04^{-1}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-5}$	1.02	$1.09^{-1}$		1.02	$1.09^{-1}$
$4 (4.17 \times 10^4)$	1	$5.8 \times 10^{-3}$	1.22	$1.05^{-1}$	$5.8 \times 10^{-3}$	1.83	$1.17^{-1}$	$8.1 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.12 \times 10^4$	—
	3	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$	1.16	$1.03^{-1}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$	1.71	$1.08^{-1}$		$1.76 \times 10^2$	—
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$2 (3.22 \times 10^4)$	3	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$	1.14	$3.62^{-1}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$	1.26	$6.03^{-1}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.76 \times 10^1$	—
	6	$2.5 \times 10^{-3}$	1.18	$3.17^{-1}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$	1.47	$1.32^{-1}$		1.49	$1.35^{-1}$
	9	$9.2 \times 10^{-6}$	1.17	$3.53^{-1}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-2}$	1.29	$1.30^{-1}$		1.29	$1.30^{-1}$
$3 (7.27 \times 10^4)$	4	1.3	1.06	$4.53^{-1}$	1.3	1.10	$1.08 \times 10^{1-1}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.58 \times 10^2$	—
	8	$9.9 \times 10^{-2}$	1.10	$3.55^{-1}$	$10.0 \times 10^{-2}$	1.24	$6.02^{-1}$		$1.41 \times 10^1$	—
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	16	$8.2 \times 10^{-4}$	1.10	$3.55^{-1}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-3}$	1.51	$1.42^{-1}$		1.52	$1.43^{-1}$
$4 (1.29 \times 10^5)$	5	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$	1.24	$2.34^{-1}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$	1.42	$3.35^{-1}$	$6.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.66 \times 10^1$	—
	10	$2.4 \times 10^{-3}$	1.22	$2.79^{-1}$	$6.6 \times 10^{-3}$	1.78	$1.83^{-1}$		1.90	$2.93^{-1}$
	15	$2.3 \times 10^{-5}$	1.27	$2.33^{-1}$	$6.2 \times 10^{-3}$	1.44	$1.62^{-1}$		1.44	$1.62^{-1}$
$5 (2.02 \times 10^5)$	6	1.1	1.09	$4.14^{-1}$	1.1	1.16	$7.42^{-1}$	$4.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.71 \times 10^2$	—
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2 ( $3.22 \times 10^4$ )	3	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.14$	$3.62^{-1}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.26$	$6.03^{-1}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.76 \times 10^1$	—
	6	$2.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.18$	$3.17^{-1}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.47$	$1.32^{-1}$		$1.49$	$1.35^{-1}$
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3 ( $7.27 \times 10^4$ )	4	1.3	1.06	$4.53^{-1}$	1.3	1.10	$1.08 \times 10^{1-1}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.58 \times 10^2$	—
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	12	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$	1.10	$3.58^{-1}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$	1.71	$2.67^{-1}$		2.99	—
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4 ( $1.29 \times 10^5$ )	5	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$	1.24	$2.34^{-1}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-1}$	1.42	$3.35^{-1}$	$6.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.66 \times 10^1$	—
	10	$2.4 \times 10^{-3}$	1.22	$2.79^{-1}$	$6.6 \times 10^{-3}$	1.78	$1.83^{-1}$		1.90	$2.93^{-1}$
	15	$2.3 \times 10^{-5}$	1.27	$2.33^{-1}$	$6.2 \times 10^{-3}$	1.44	$1.62^{-1}$		1.44	$1.62^{-1}$
5 ( $2.02 \times 10^5$ )	6	1.1	1.09	$4.14^{-1}$	1.1	1.16	$7.42^{-1}$	$4.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.71 \times 10^2$	—
	12	$8.5 \times 10^{-2}$	1.11	$3.75^{-1}$	$8.5 \times 10^{-2}$	1.23	$5.77^{-1}$		$2.19 \times 10^1$	—
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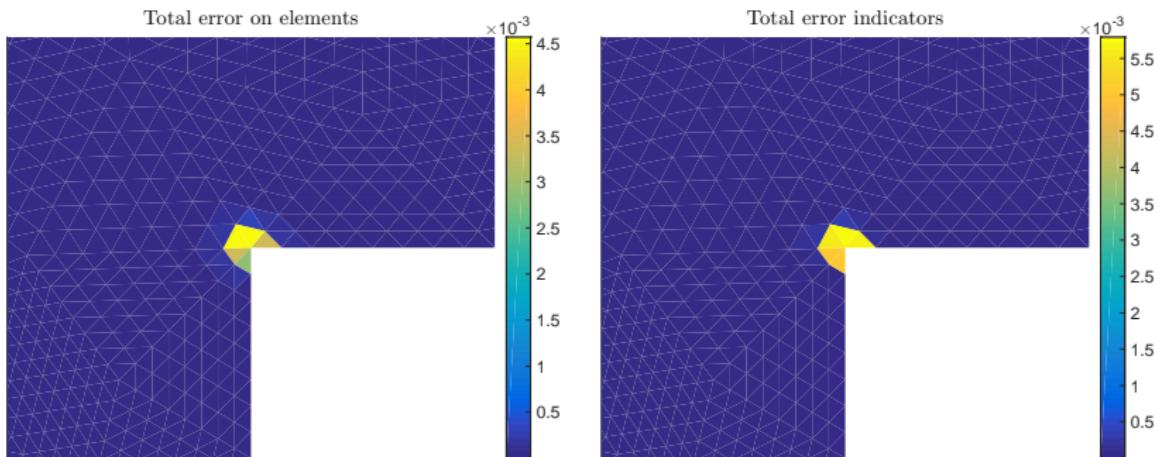
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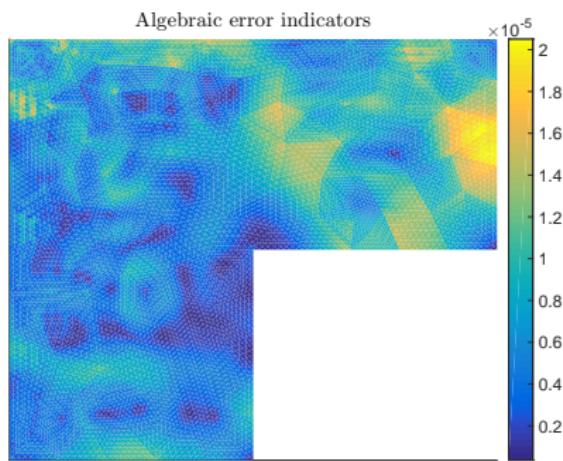
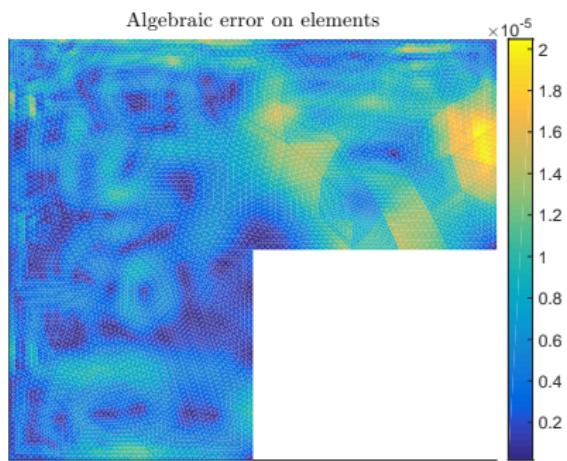
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