

Polynomial-degree-robust a posteriori error estimates in a unified setting and applications

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Guaranteed upper bound

- $\|u - u_h\|_{?,\Omega}^2 \leq \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \eta_K(u_h)^2$
- no undetermined constant: **error control**

Local efficiency

- $\eta_K(u_h) \leq C_{\text{eff}} \|u - u_h\|_{?, \text{neighbors of } K}$
- **local** error lower bound (optimal space mesh refinement)

Robustness

- C_{eff} independent of data, domain Ω , meshes, solution u , **polynomial degree** of u_h

Asymptotic exactness

- $\sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \eta_K(u_h)^2 / \|u - u_h\|_{?,\Omega}^2 \searrow 1$
- overestimation factor goes to one with meshes size

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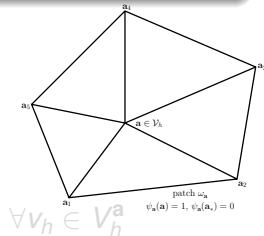
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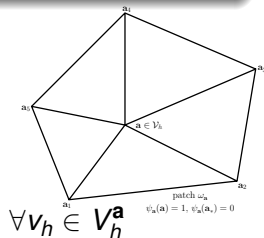
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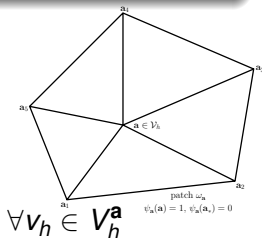
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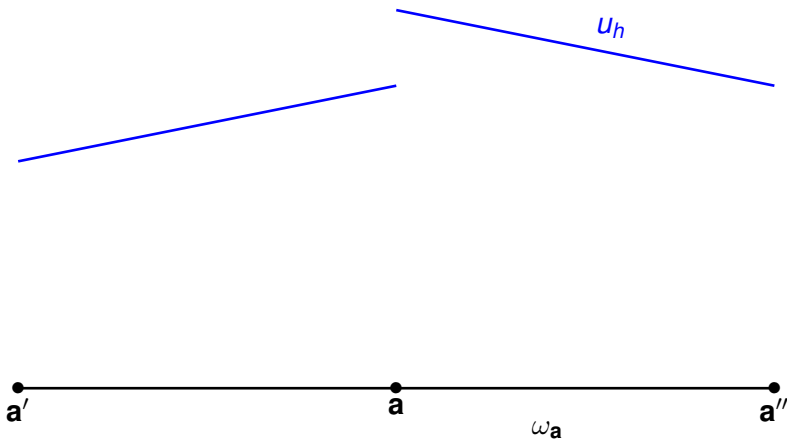
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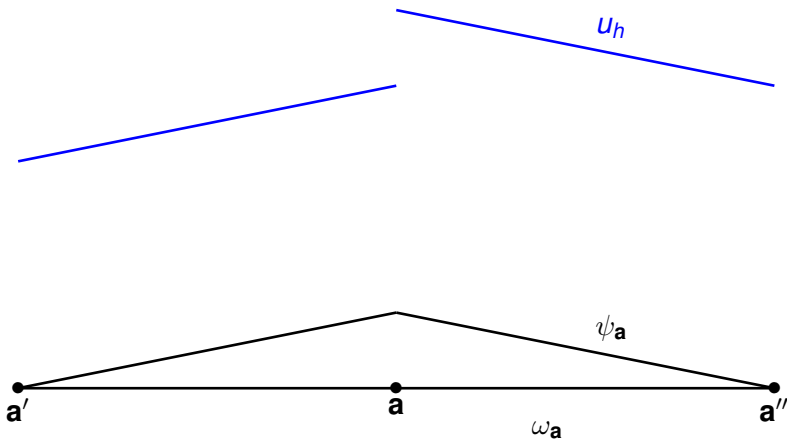
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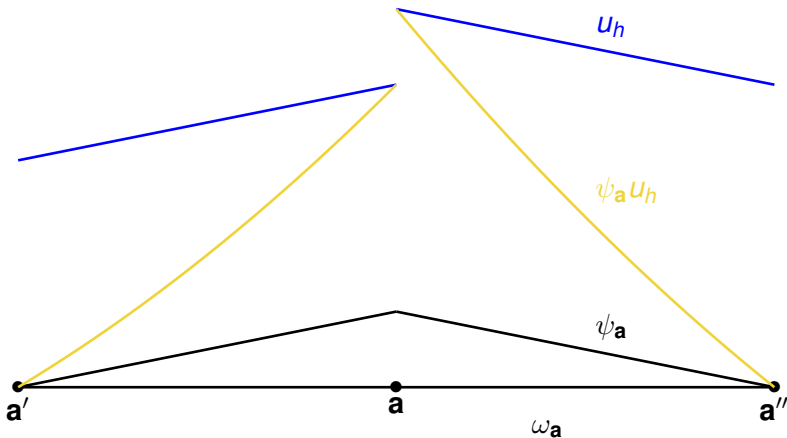
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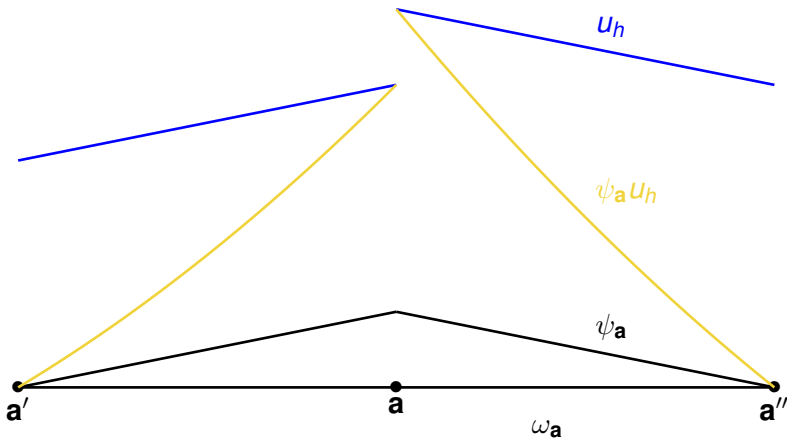
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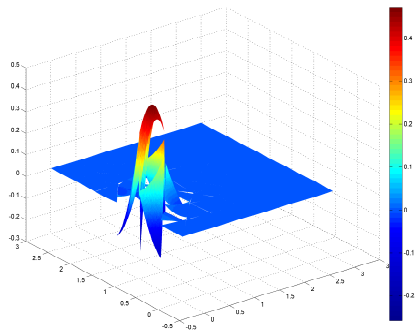
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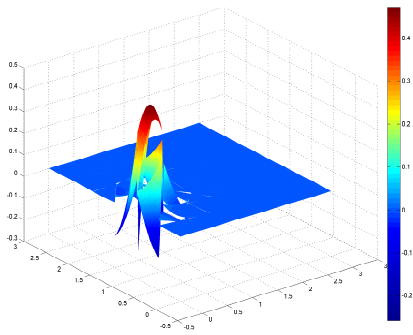


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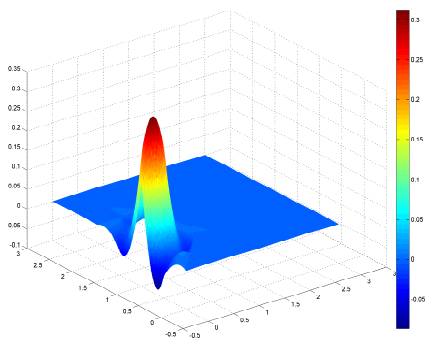


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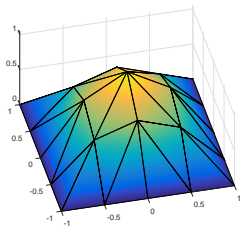
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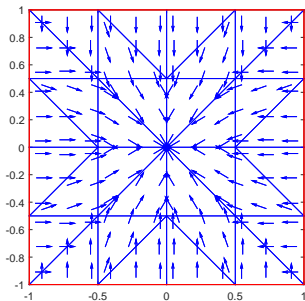
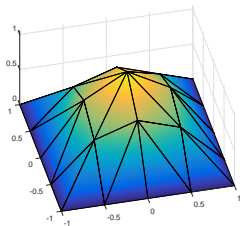
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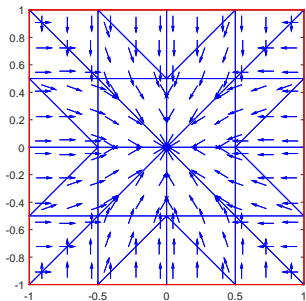
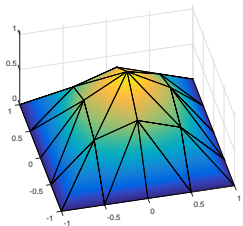


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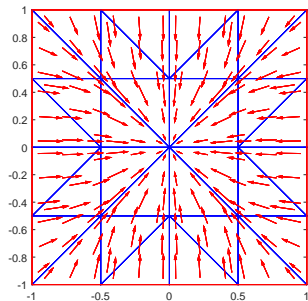


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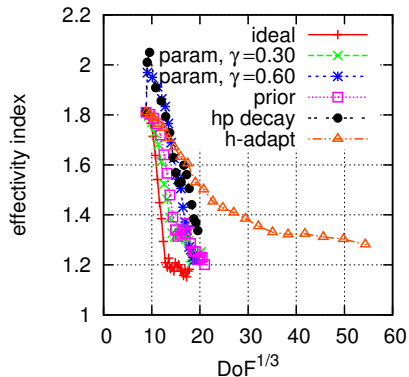
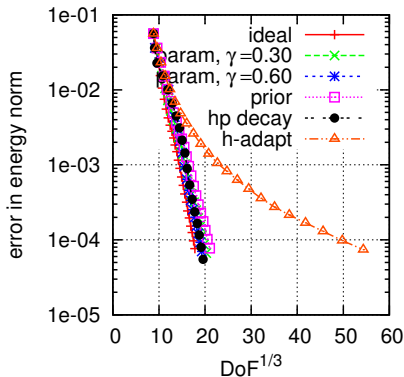
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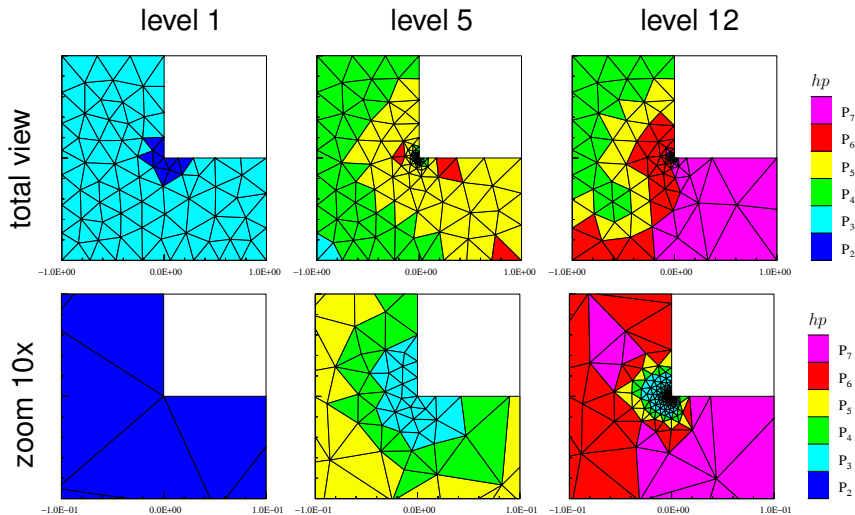
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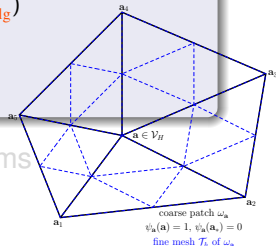
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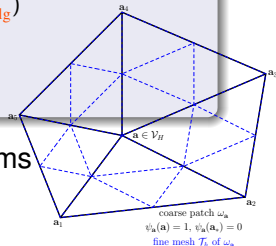
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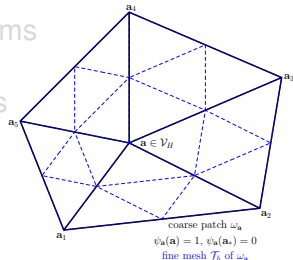
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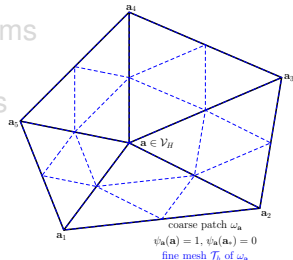
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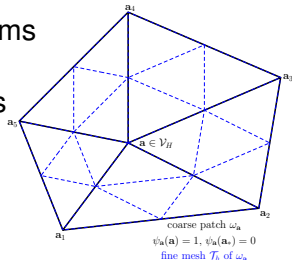
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	2	2.87×10^{-4}	1.14	1.32^{-1}	6.06×10^{-3}	1.10	1.05^{-1}		1.10	1.05^{-1}
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3 (2.34×10^4)	1	4.49×10^{-3}	1.15	2.02^{-1}	4.49×10^{-3}	1.61	1.23^{-1}	1.89×10^{-5}	3.65×10^2	—
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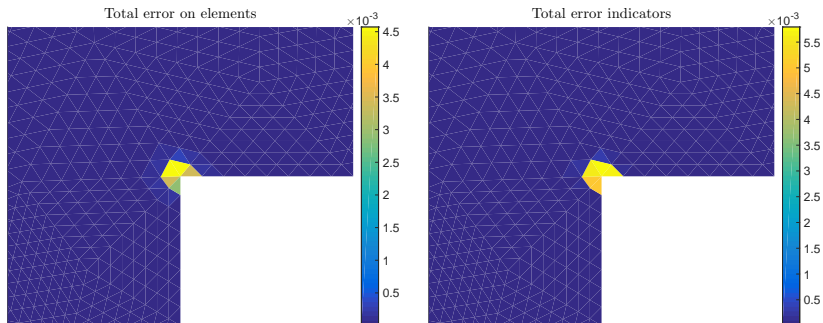
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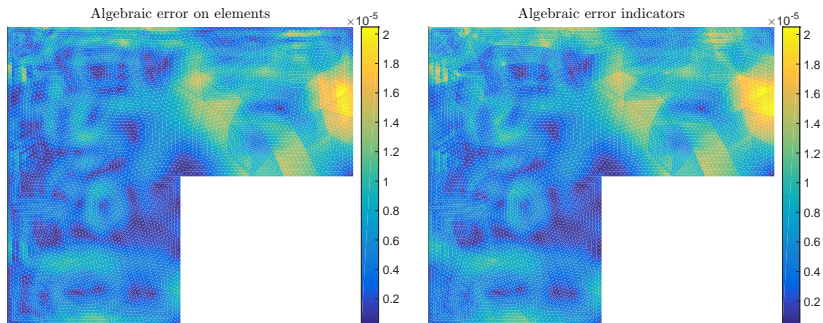
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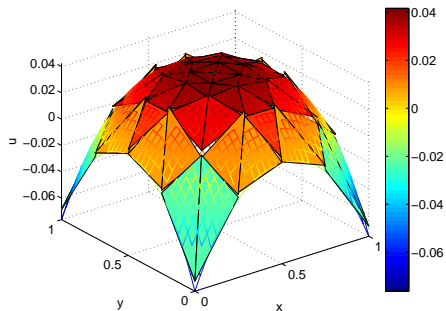
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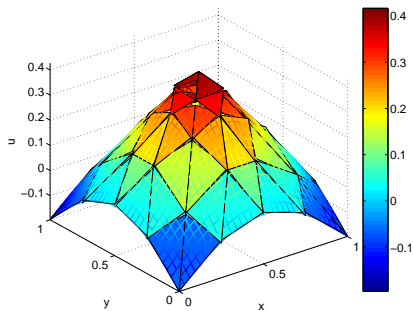
$$u(x, y) = -\frac{p-1}{p} \left(\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(y - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \right)^{\frac{p}{2(p-1)}} + \frac{p-1}{p} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{p}{p-1}}$$

- tested values $p = 1.5$ and 10
- Crouzeix–Raviart nonconforming finite elements

Analytical and approximate solutions

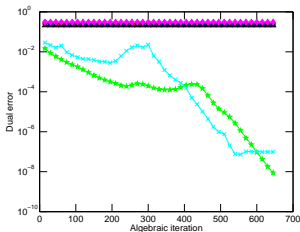


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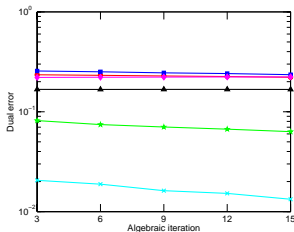


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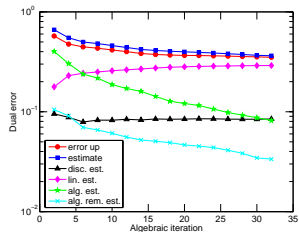
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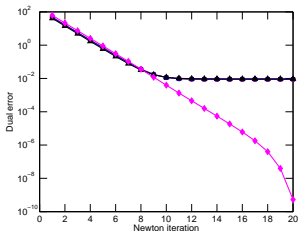


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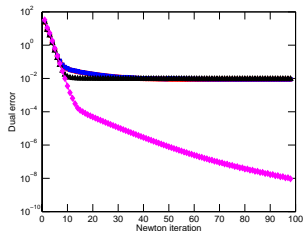


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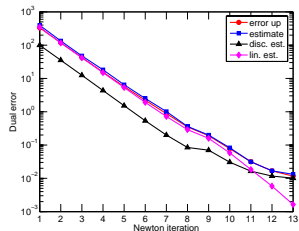
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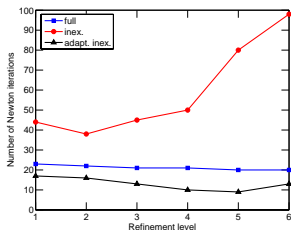


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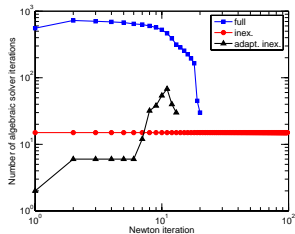


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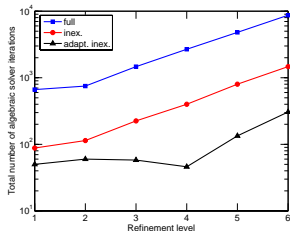
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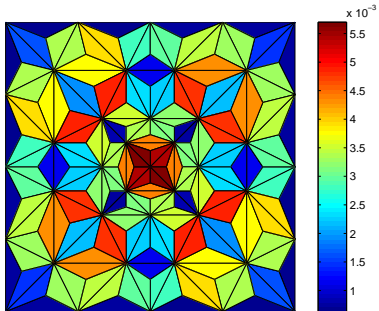


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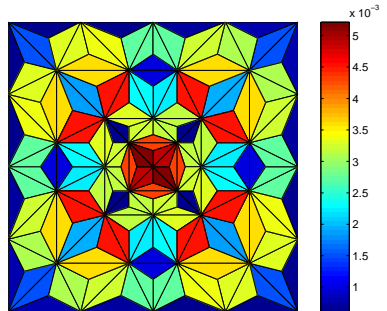


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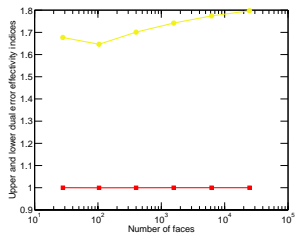


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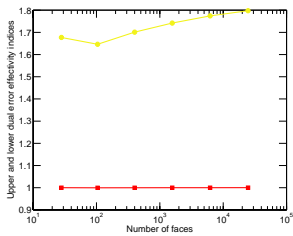


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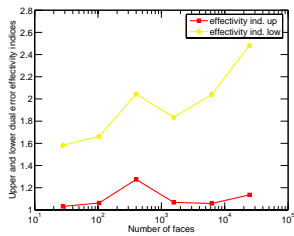
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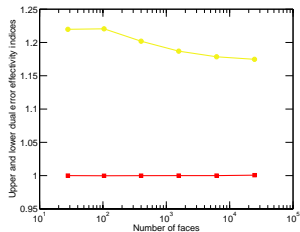


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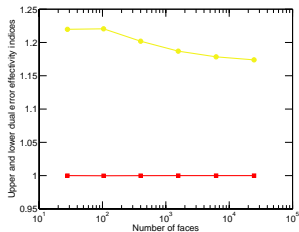


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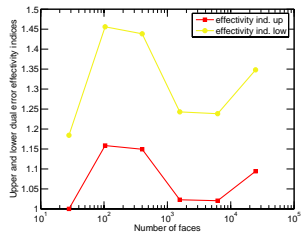
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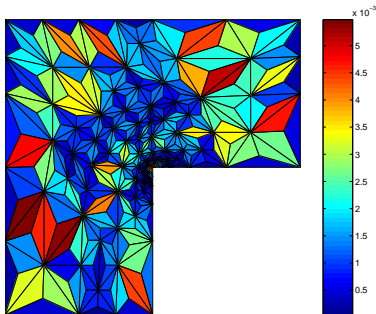
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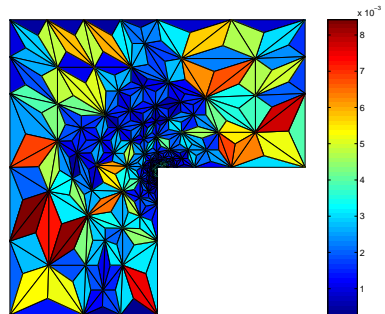
$$u(r, \theta) = r^{\frac{7}{8}} \sin(\theta^{\frac{7}{8}})$$

- $p = 4$, L-shape domain, singularity in the origin (Carstensen and Klose (2003))
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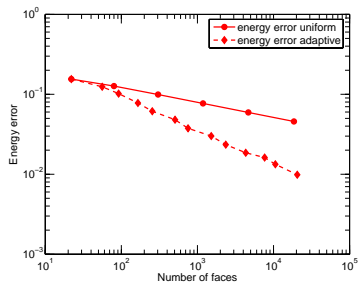


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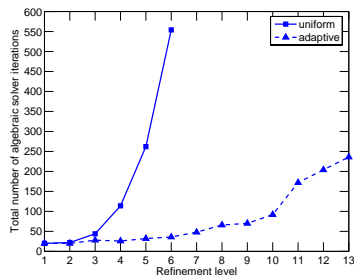


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Unit square

Setting

- $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- $\lambda_1 = 2\pi^2, \lambda_2 = 5\pi^2$ known explicitly
- $u_1(x, y) = \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y)$ known explicitly

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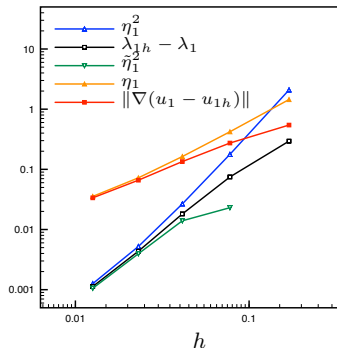
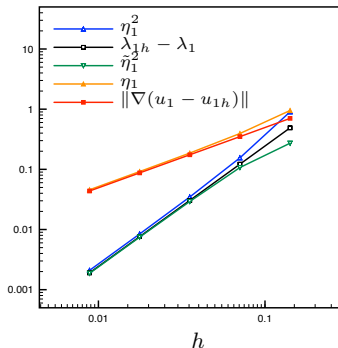
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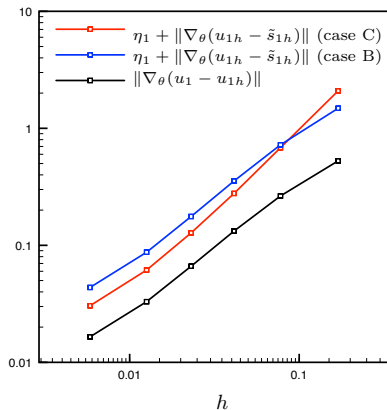
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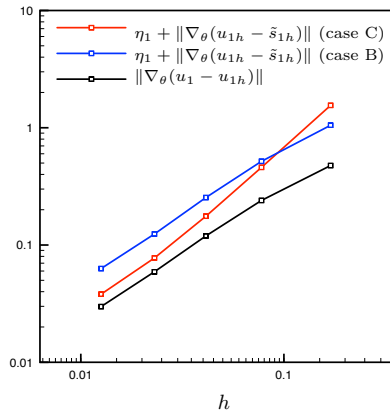
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Discontinuous Galerkin

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Exact and approximate solutions

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Then

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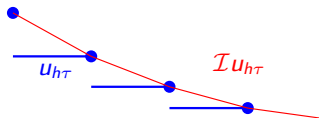
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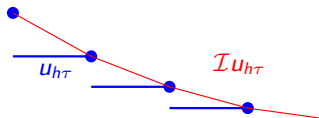
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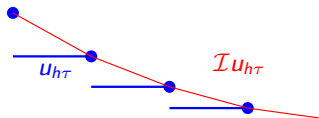
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