

A framework for robust a posteriori error  
control in unsteady nonlinear  
advection-diffusion problems

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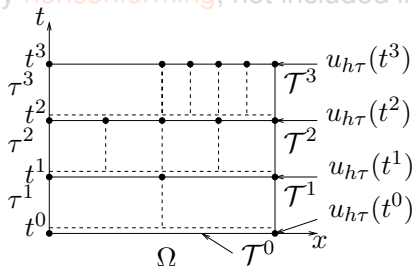
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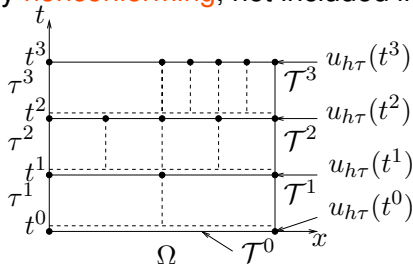
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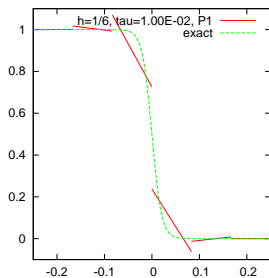
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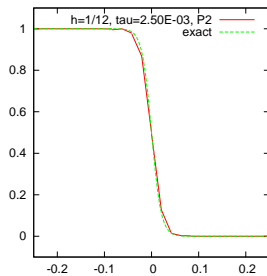
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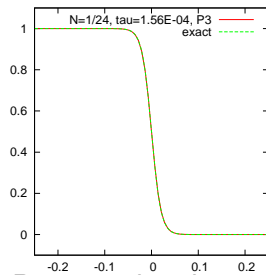
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# Errors, estimators, and effectivity indices, $\varepsilon = 10^{-2}$ , $(h_0, \tau_0) = (1/6, 0.05)$

$m$	$\rho$	$J_{u,FR}(U_{h\tau})$	$\eta_F$	$\eta_R$	$\eta_{NC}$	$\eta_C$	$\eta_{qd}$	$\eta$	$i_e$	$i_{e,FR}$
1	1	1.50E-02	1.11E-02	2.28E-02	4.11E-02	2.94E-02	3.82E-03	1.04E-01	1.85	1.15
2	1	1.17E-02 (0.36)	8.30E-03 (0.43)	1.52E-02 (0.59)	2.29E-02 (0.84)	1.31E-02 (1.16)	1.92E-03 (0.99)	5.94E-02 (0.81)	1.71	1.35
3	1	1.02E-02 (0.20)	5.16E-03 (0.69)	7.78E-03 (0.96)	1.16E-02 (0.98)	2.69E-03 (2.29)	7.49E-04 (1.36)	2.72E-02 (1.13)	1.25	1.36
1	2	4.97E-03	3.78E-03	8.23E-03	1.23E-02	1.32E-02	9.38E-04	3.72E-02	2.15	1.01
2	2	1.74E-03 (1.52)	1.36E-03 (1.47)	2.52E-03 (1.71)	4.02E-03 (1.61)	1.76E-03 (2.90)	2.34E-04 (2.00)	9.54E-03 (1.96)	1.65	0.94
3	2	4.63E-04 (1.91)	4.00E-04 (1.77)	7.36E-04 (1.77)	1.26E-03 (1.67)	3.01E-04 (2.55)	3.97E-05 (2.56)	2.63E-03 (1.86)	1.53	1.08
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Effectivity indices for varying  $\varepsilon$  and  $(h_0, \tau_0)$ 

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$m$	$\rho$	$\dot{I}_e$	$\dot{I}_{e,FR}$	$\dot{I}_e$	$\dot{I}_{e,FR}$	$\dot{I}_e$	$\dot{I}_{e,FR}$	$\dot{I}_e$	$\dot{I}_{e,FR}$
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3	1	1.25	1.36	2.15	0.90	1.33	1.03	1.82	1.34
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2	2	1.65	0.94	2.74	1.58	2.16	0.49	1.41	0.62
3	2	1.53	1.08	2.38	1.52	1.83	0.58	1.54	0.69
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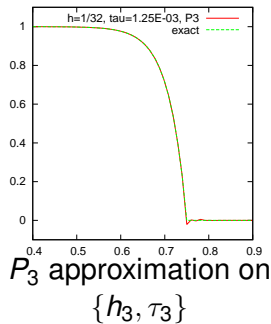
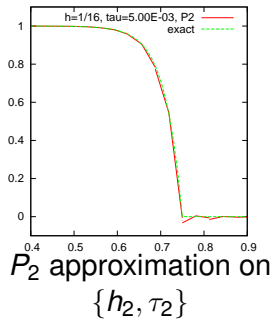
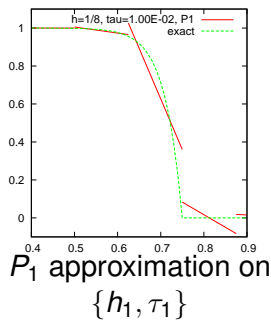
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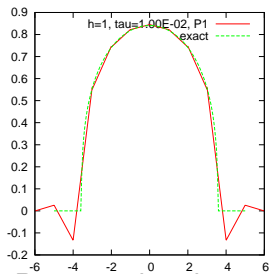
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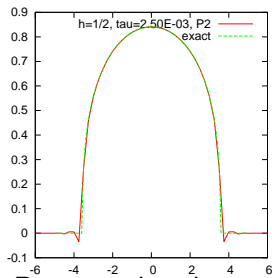
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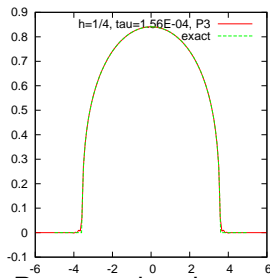
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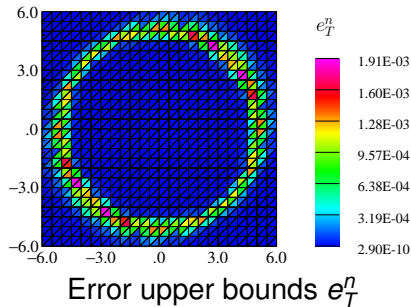
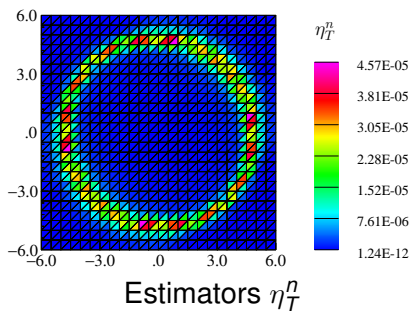
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## Errors, estimators, and effectivity indices,

$$(h_0, \tau_0) = (0.5, 0.02)$$

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$m$	$\mathbb{P}_p$	$J_{u,FR}(u_{h\tau})$	$\eta_F$	$\eta_R$	$\eta_{NC}$	$\eta_{IC}$	$\eta_{qd}$	$\eta$	$\dot{e}$	$\dot{e}_{,FR}$	$\dot{e}$	$\dot{e}_{,FR}$
1	1	7.90E-03	5.90E-03	1.32E-02	9.10E-03	3.23E-02	7.08E-05	5.88E-02	3.46	0.92	4.68	0.98
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3	1	8.91E-03 (-0.09)	4.38E-03 (0.08)	2.18E-02 (-0.35)	9.56E-03 (-0.18)	3.44E-03 (1.69)	1.83E-05 (1.13)	3.87E-02 (0.06)	2.09	2.49	3.38	2.68
1	2	1.09E-03	1.06E-02	1.06E-01	3.12E-02	1.35E-02	1.74E-04	1.61E-01	4.99	3.22	5.13	3.18
2	2	4.02E-04 (1.43)	8.04E-03 (0.40)	8.12E-02 (0.39)	2.37E-02 (0.40)	5.16E-03 (1.39)	6.40E-05 (1.45)	1.18E-01 (0.45)	4.90	3.89	5.05	3.84
3	2	1.28E-04 (1.65)	5.22E-03 (0.62)	5.33E-02 (0.61)	1.55E-02 (0.61)	1.69E-03 (1.61)	2.23E-05 (1.52)	7.57E-02 (0.64)	4.84	4.26	4.97	4.30
1	3	6.53E-04	2.26E-02	3.27E-01	7.58E-02	8.39E-03	1.36E-04	4.33E-01	5.67	5.01	5.67	4.88
2	3	1.78E-04 (1.87)	9.26E-03 (1.29)	1.38E-01 (1.24)	3.13E-02 (1.27)	3.14E-03 (1.42)	3.51E-05 (1.95)	1.82E-01 (1.25)	5.76	5.17	5.78	5.03
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