

# A posteriori error control for transmission problems with sign changing coefficients using localization of dual norms

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# Assumptions

## We suppose

- $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \geq 2$ , an open polytope
- $\{\mathcal{T}_h\}_h$  is a family of shape-regular simplicial partitions;
- $\Sigma \in [L^\infty(\Omega)]^{d \times d}$  is piecewise constant on each given  $\mathcal{T}_h$ ;
- $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ ;
- there exists a linear bijective operator  $T : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow H_0^1(\Omega)$ :

$$\|\nabla(Tv)\| \leq \|T\| \|\nabla v\| \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega), \quad (\text{boundedness})$$

$$\underline{\alpha} \|\nabla v\|^2 \leq (\Sigma \nabla v, \nabla(Tv)) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad (\text{T-coercivity})$$

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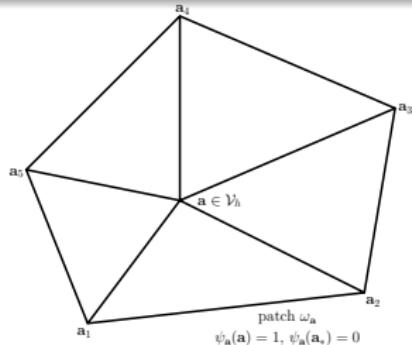
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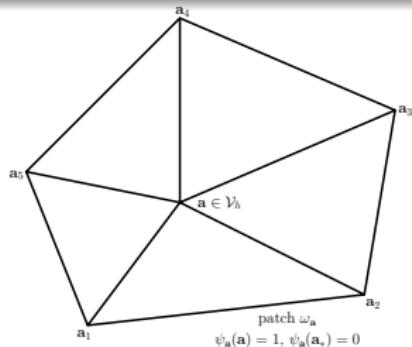
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$$(\xi, \nabla \psi_{\mathbf{a}})_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}} = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h^{\text{int}}$$

be arbitrary. Then

$$\sup_{\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega); \|\nabla \varphi\|=1} (\xi, \nabla \varphi)^2 \leq (d+1) C_{\text{cont,PF}}^2 \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \sup_{\varphi \in H_0^1(\omega_{\mathbf{a}}); \|\nabla \varphi\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}}=1} (\xi, \nabla \varphi)_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}}^2,$$

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## Corollary

Let  $u$  be the weak solution and let  $u_h \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_h)$  such that

$$(\underline{\Sigma} \nabla u_h, \nabla \psi_{\mathbf{a}})_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}} = (f, \psi_{\mathbf{a}})_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}} \quad \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h^{\text{int}}$$

be arbitrary. Then

$$\|u - u_h\|_{\#}^2 \leq (d+1) C_{\text{cont}, \text{PF}}^2 \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \|u - u_h\|_{\#, \omega_{\mathbf{a}}}^2,$$

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# Distance to $H_0^1(\Omega)$

## Theorem

Let  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $u_h \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_h)$  satisfying

$$\langle [\![u_h]\!], 1 \rangle_e = 0 \quad \forall e \in \mathcal{E}_h$$

be arbitrary. Then

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be arbitrary. For any equilibrated flux reconstruction and any potential reconstruction,

$$\|u - u_h\|^2 \leq \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} (\|\underline{\Sigma} \nabla u_h + \sigma_h\|_K + \eta_{\text{osc}, K})^2 + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \|\nabla(u_h - s_h)\|_K^2.$$

# Lower bound on the error

## Theorem

Let  $u$  be the weak solution, let  $u_h$  be piecewise polynomial, and let  $d = 2$ . Then, for  $\sigma_h$  given by mixed finite element solution of local Neumann problems, for all  $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$ ,

$$\|\underline{\Sigma} \nabla u_h + \sigma_h\|_K \leq C_{\text{st}} C_{\text{cont,PF}} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_K} \|u - u_h\|_{\#, \omega_{\mathbf{a}}} + \eta_{\text{osc}, \omega_K},$$

$$\|\underline{\Sigma} \nabla u_h + \sigma_h\| \leq 3C_{\text{st}} C_{\text{cont,PF}} \|u - u_h\|_{\#} + 3C_{\text{st}} \eta_{\text{osc}},$$

and, for  $s_h$  given by finite element solution of local Dirichlet problems, for all  $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$ ,

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# Numerics

## Setting

- $\mathbb{P}_1$  conforming finite element discretization
- estimate

$$\eta := \left\{ \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} (\|\underline{\Sigma} \nabla u_h + \sigma_h\|_K + \eta_{\text{osc}, K})^2 \right\}^{1/2}$$

- effectivity index

$$\text{Eff} := \frac{\eta}{\|u - u_h\|_{\#}}$$

- computable effectivity bounds

$$\text{Eff}_+ := \frac{\eta}{\|\underline{\Sigma} \nabla(u - u_h)\|}, \quad \text{Eff}_- := \frac{\eta}{\frac{(\underline{\Sigma} \nabla(u - u_h), \nabla(T(u - u_h)))}{\|\nabla(T(u - u_h))\|}}$$

# Regular solution

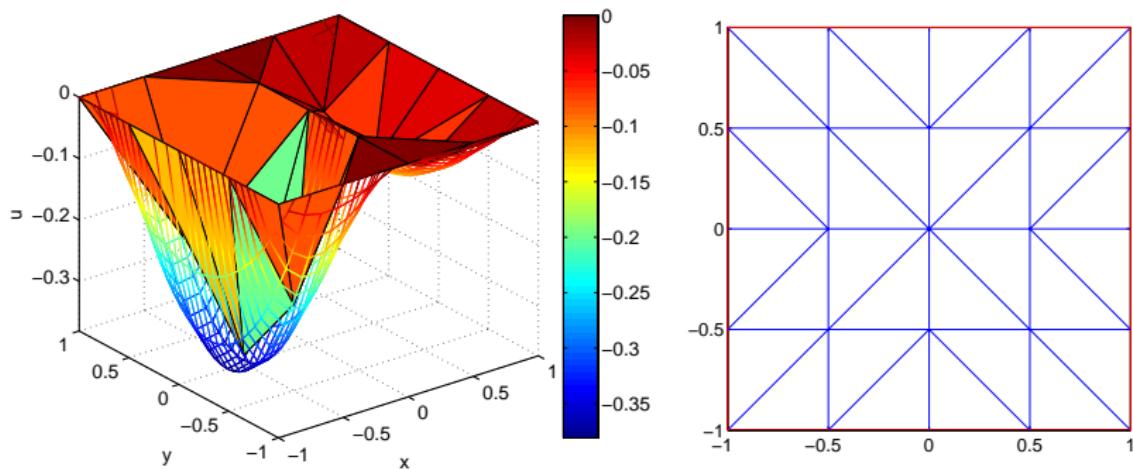
## Data

- $\Omega := (-1, 1) \times (-1, 1)$
- $\Omega_+ := (0, 1) \times (-1, 1), \Omega_- := (-1, 0) \times (-1, 1)$
- $\sigma_+ = 1, \sigma_- < 0$
- exact solution

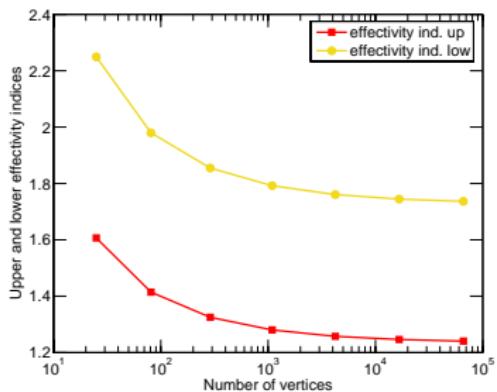
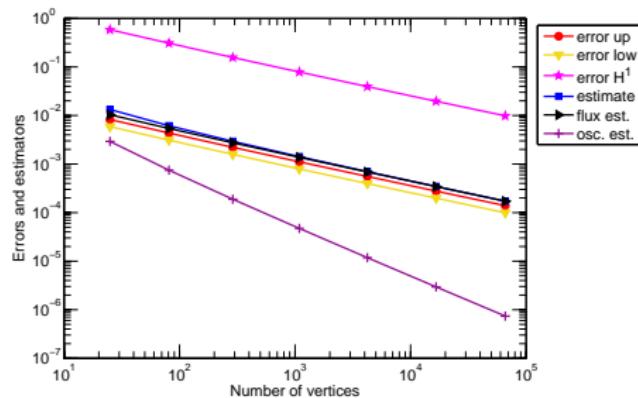
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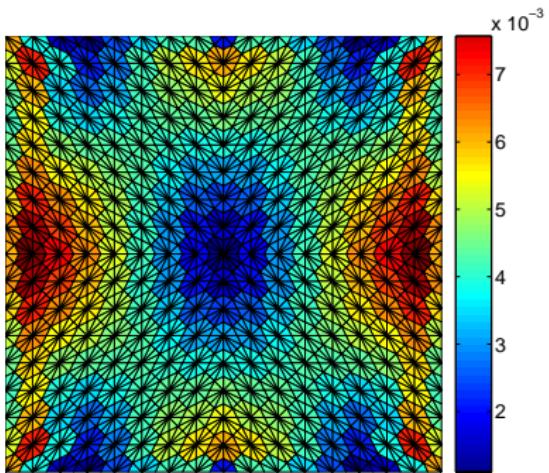
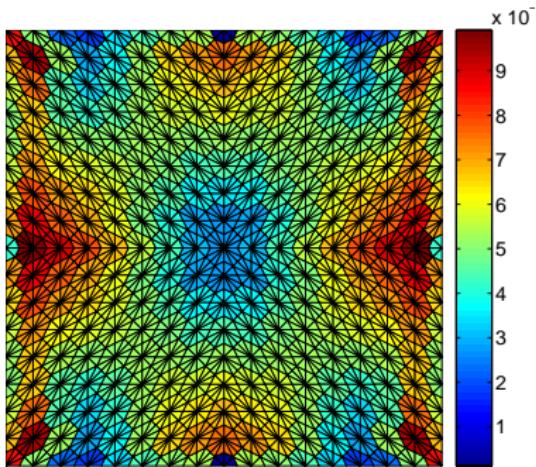
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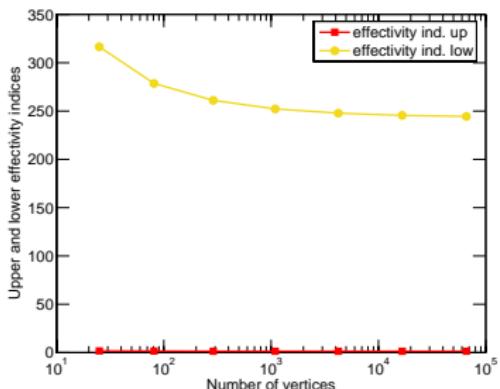
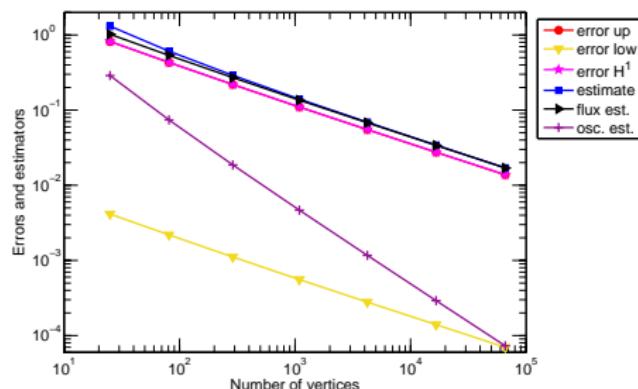
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# Errors and estimators, $\sigma_- = -0.99$



# Singular solution

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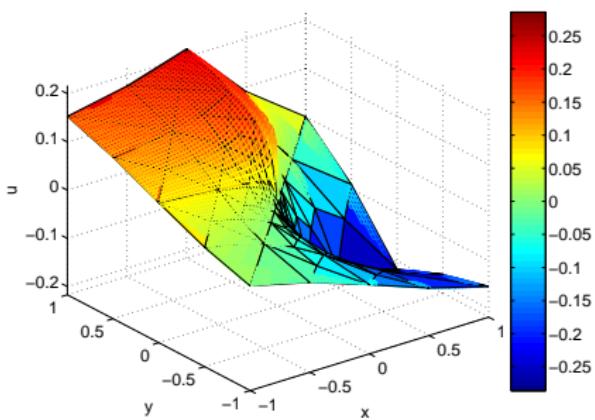
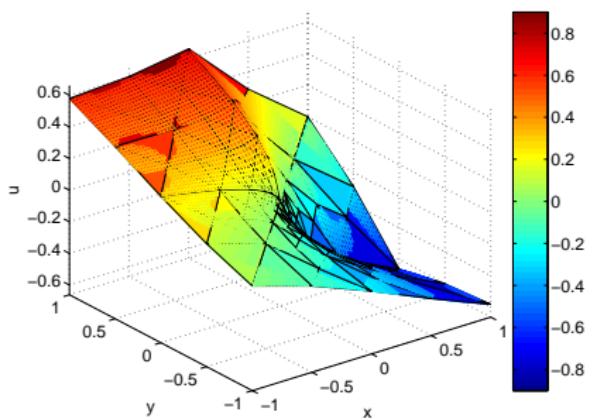
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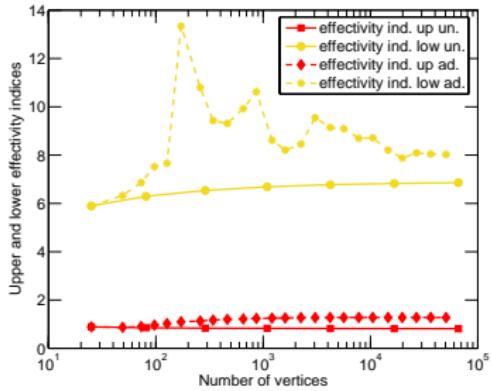
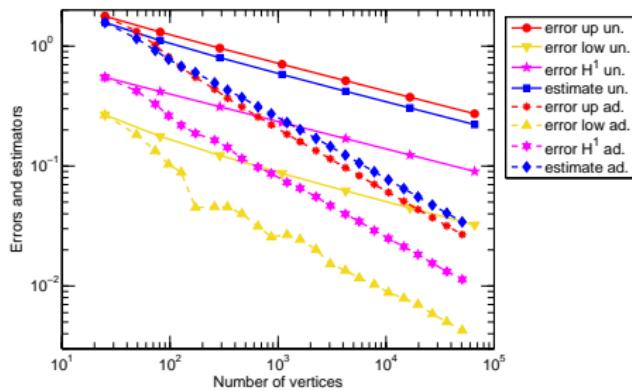
$$u(x, y) = r^\lambda(d_1 \sin(\lambda(\theta - \pi/2)) + d_2 \sin(\lambda(2\pi - \theta))) \text{ for } (x, y) \in \Omega_-$$

- $u \in H^{1+\lambda}(\Omega)$
- $\sigma_- = -5: \lambda \approx 0.4601069123$
- $\sigma_- = -3.1: \lambda \approx 0.1391989493$

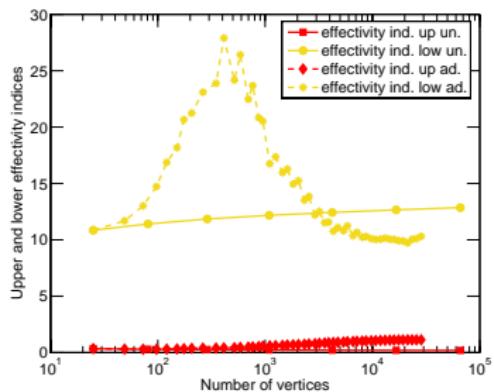
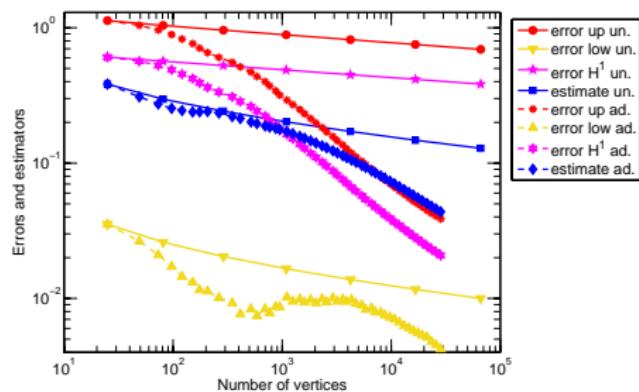
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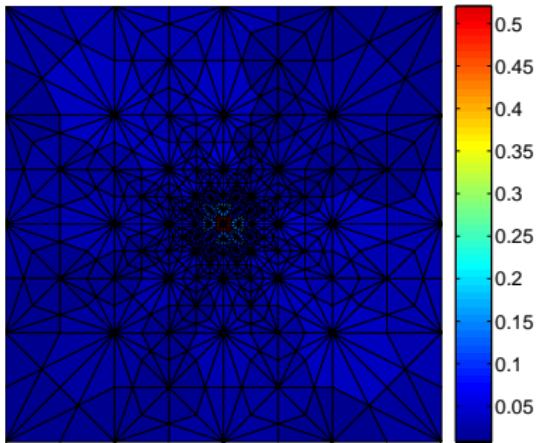
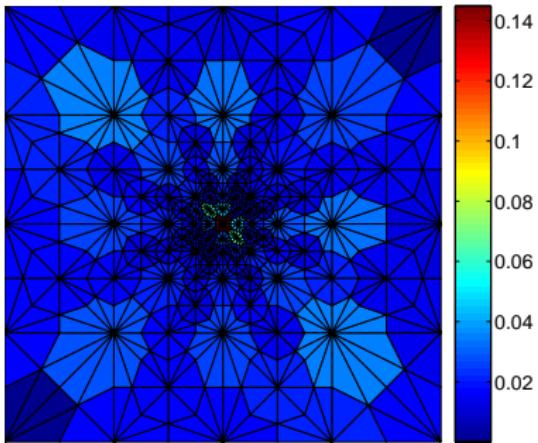
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**Thank you for your attention!**