

Estimation d'erreur a posteriori pour l'équation de la chaleur basée sur la reconstruction du flux et du potentiel : un cadre unifié

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- Bieterman and Babuška (1982), introduction
- Picasso (1998), no derefinement allowed
- Babuška, Feistauer, and Šolín (2001), continuous-in-time discretization
- Strouboulis, Babuška, and Datta (2003), guaranteed estimates
- Verfürth (2003), efficiency, robustness with respect to the final time
- Makridakis and Nochetto (2003), elliptic reconstruction
- Bergam, Bernardi, and Mghazli (2005), efficiency (not optimal)
- Lakkis and Makridakis (2006), elliptic reconstruction

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The heat equation

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$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u - \Delta u &= f && \text{a.e. in } Q := \Omega \times (0, T), \\ u &= 0 && \text{a.e. on } \partial\Omega \times (0, T), \\ u(\cdot, 0) &= u_0 && \text{a.e. in } \Omega \end{aligned}$$

Assumptions

- $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \geq 2$, is a polygonal domain
- $T > 0$ is the final simulation time

Spaces

- $X := L^2(0, T; H_0^1(\Omega))$
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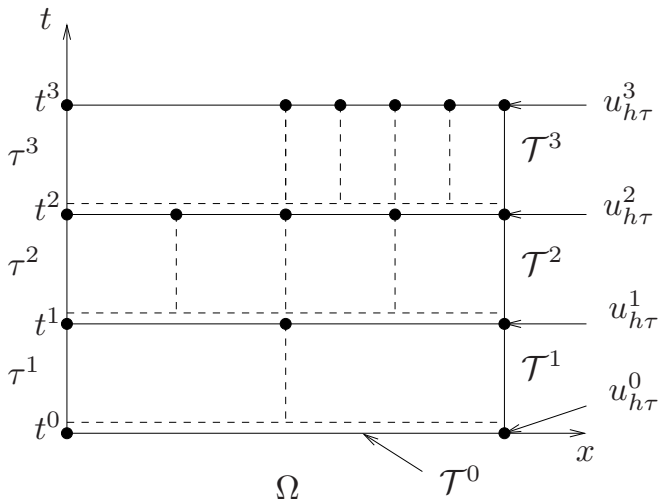
Time-dependent meshes and discrete solutions

Approximate solutions

- discrete times $\{t^n\}_{0 \leq n \leq N}$, $t^0 = 0$ and $t^N = T$
- $I_n := (t^{n-1}, t^n]$, $\tau^n := t^n - t^{n-1}$, $1 \leq n \leq N$
- a different simplicial mesh \mathcal{T}^n on all $0 \leq n \leq N$
- $u_{h\tau}^n \in V_h^n := V_h(\mathcal{T}^n)$, $0 \leq n \leq N$
- $u_{h\tau}^n$ possibly nonconforming, not included in $H_0^1(\Omega)$
- $u_{h\tau} : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous and piecewise affine in time

$$u_{h\tau}(\cdot, t) := (1 - \varrho)u_{h\tau}^{n-1} + \varrho u_{h\tau}^n, \quad \varrho = \frac{1}{\tau^n}(t - t^{n-1})$$

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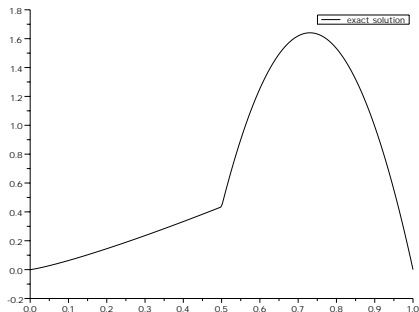


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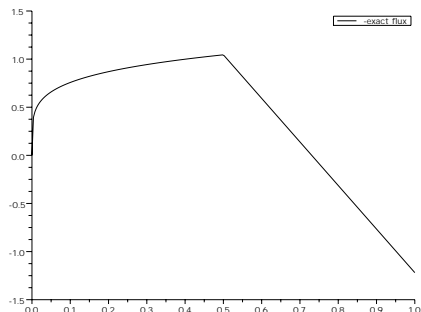
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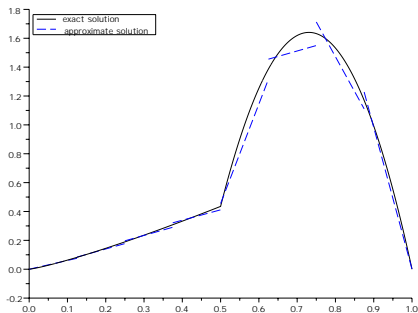


Potential u^n is in $H_0^1(\Omega)$

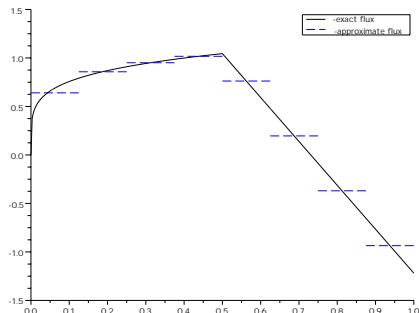


Flux $-\nabla u^n$ is in $\mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$

Approximate potential and approximate flux



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Potential and flux reconstructions

General form

- potential reconstruction s is **continuous** and **piecewise affine in time** with $s^n \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ for all $0 \leq n \leq N$ (s^n are in the correct space)
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Two additional assumptions

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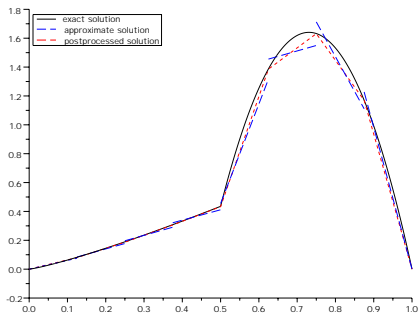
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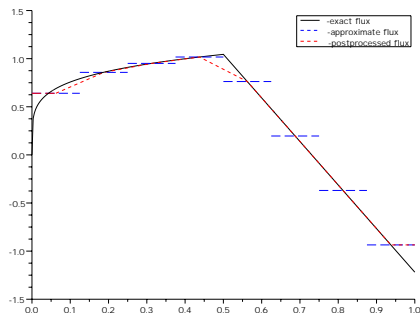
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$$\|u - u_{h\tau}\|_Y \leq 3 \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N \int_{I_n} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}^n} (\eta_{R,T}^n + \eta_{DF,T}^n(t))^2 dt \right\}^{1/2} \\ + \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N \int_{I_n} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}^n} (\eta_{NC1,T}^n)^2(t) dt \right\}^{1/2} \\ + \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^N \tau^n \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}^n} (\eta_{NC2,T}^n)^2 \right\}^{1/2} + \eta_{IC} + 3\|f - \tilde{f}\|_{X'}.$$

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- penalize the fact that $u_{h_T}^n \notin H_0^1(\Omega)$

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- $\eta_{\text{IC}} := 2^{1/2} \|s^0 - u^0\|$

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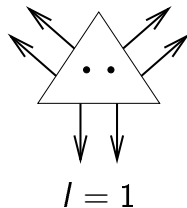
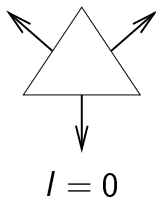
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- jump operator $\llbracket v_h \rrbracket_F = v_h^- - v_h^+$
- average operator $\{\{v_h\}\} = \frac{1}{2}(v_h^- + v_h^+)$
- θ : different scheme types (SIPG/NIPG/IIPG)
- $u_{h\tau}^n \notin H_0^1(\Omega)$, $-\nabla u_{h\tau}^n \notin \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$

DG flux reconstruction

RTN^l(\mathcal{T}^n): Raviart–Thomas–Nédélec spaces of degree l



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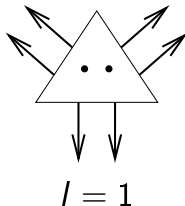
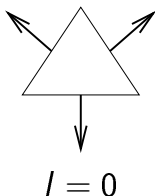
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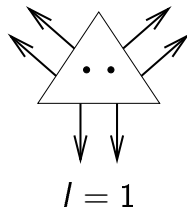
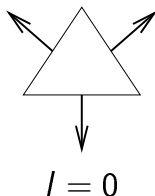
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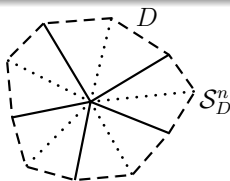
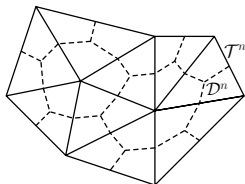
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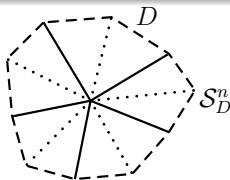
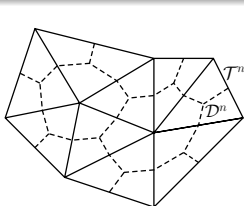
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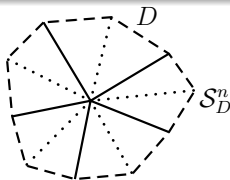
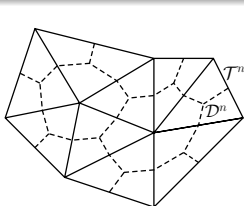
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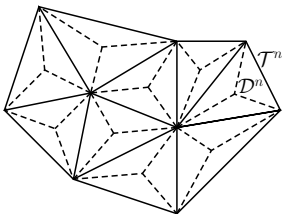
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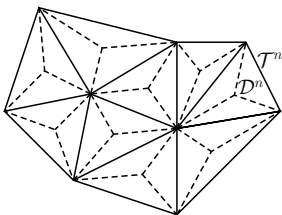
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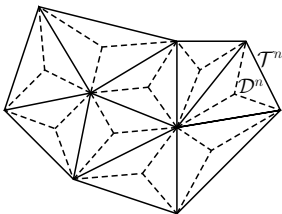
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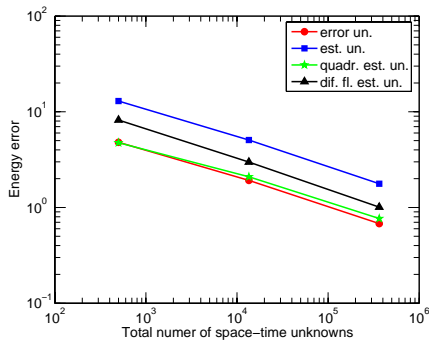
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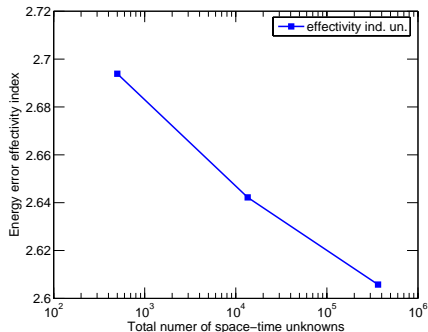
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- time steps: 0.3, 0.1, 0.3333
- vertex-centered finite volumes
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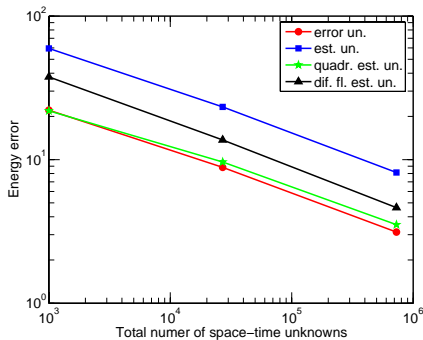


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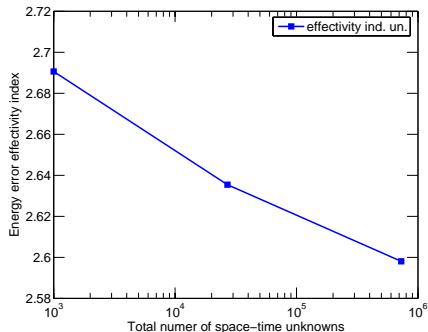


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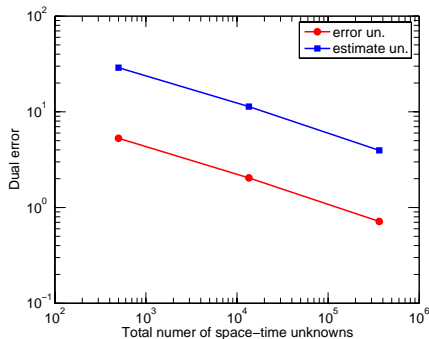


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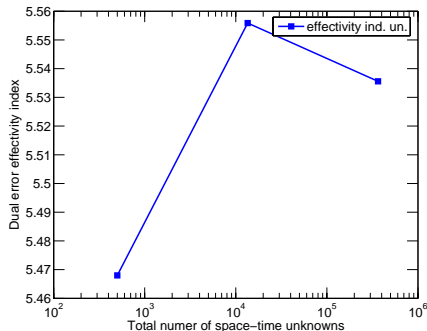


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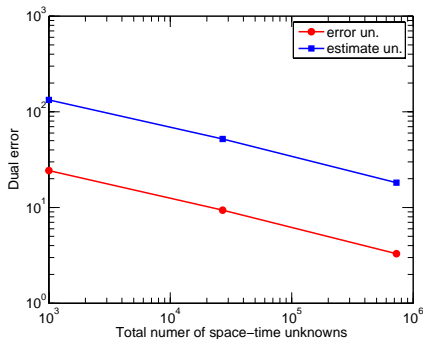


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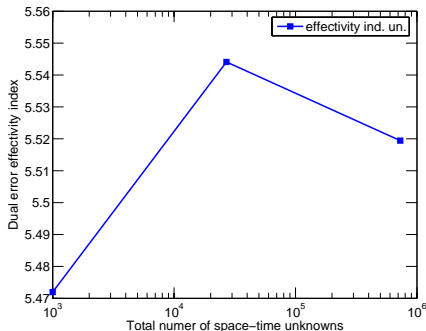


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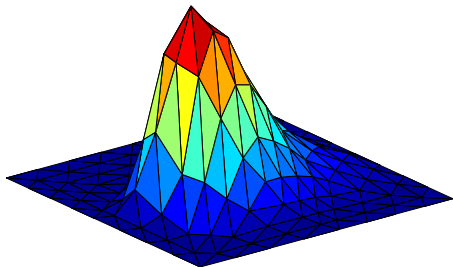
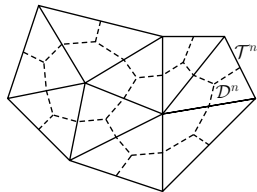
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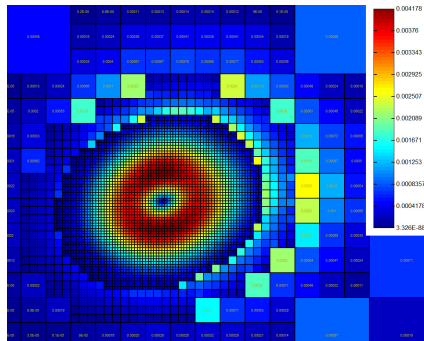
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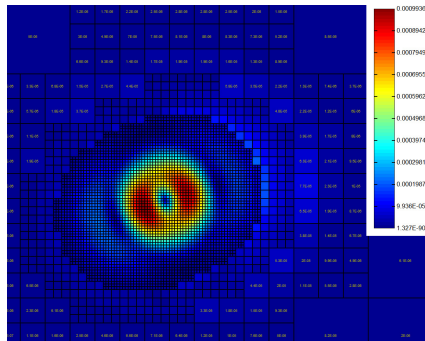
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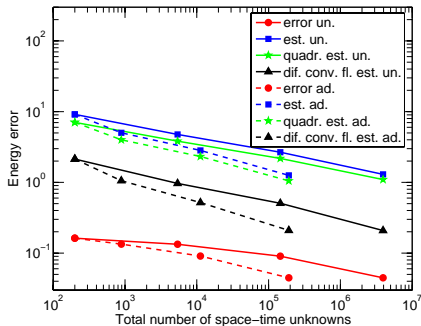


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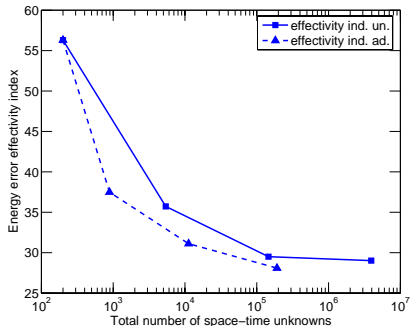


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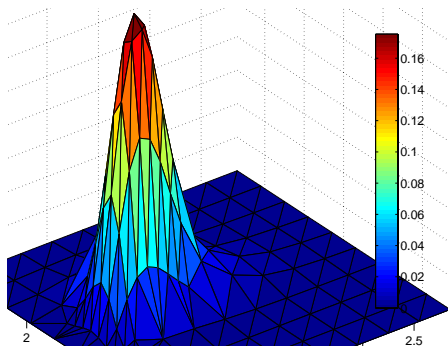


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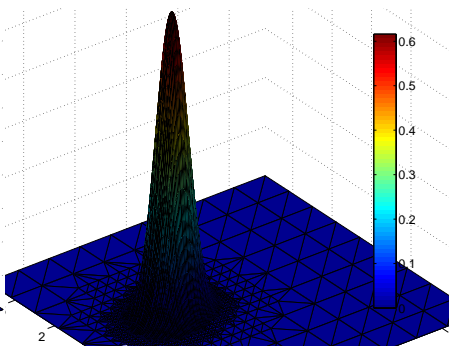


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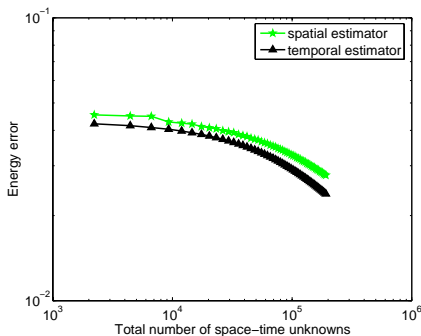


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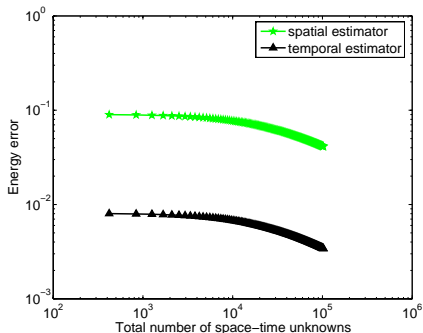
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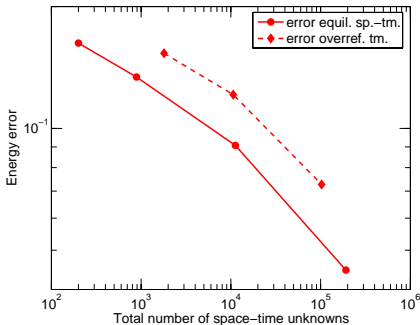


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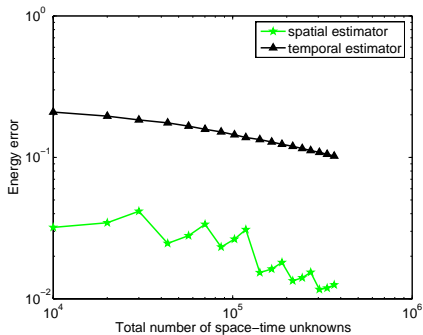


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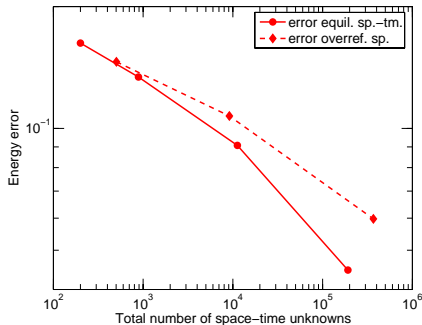


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