

Polynomial-degree-robust a posteriori error estimation for the curl-curl problem

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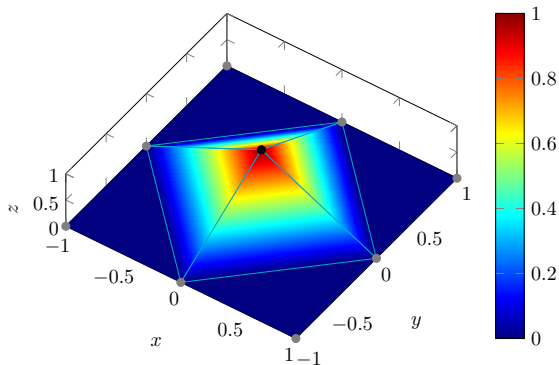
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The hat function and the partition of unity, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$



The hat function $\psi^{\mathbf{a}}$, $d = 2$

Partition of unity

$$\sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \psi^{\mathbf{a}} = 1|_{\Omega}$$

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Bound by $\psi^{\mathbf{a}}$ -weighted residuals on $H_*^1(\omega_{\mathbf{a}})'$

$$v \in H_0^1(\Omega), \|\nabla v\| = 1:$$

$$\langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), v \rangle \stackrel{\text{PU}}{=} \left\langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} (\psi^{\mathbf{a}} v) \right\rangle \stackrel{\text{GO}}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}} (v - \tilde{\Pi}_0 v) \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \frac{\langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}} (v - \tilde{\Pi}_0 v) \rangle}{\|\nabla v\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}}} \|\nabla v\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{CS}}{\leq} \left\{ \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \left[\sup_{\substack{w \in H_*^1(\omega_{\mathbf{a}}) \\ \|\nabla w\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}} = 1}} \langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}} w \rangle \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2} \left\{ \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \|\nabla v\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}}^2 \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{overlaps}}{\leq} (d+1)^{1/2} \left\{ \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{V}_h} \left[\sup_{\substack{w \in H_*^1(\omega_{\mathbf{a}}) \\ \|\nabla w\|_{\omega_{\mathbf{a}}} = 1}} \langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}} w \rangle \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}$$

Bound by unweighted residuals on $H_0^1(\omega_a)'$

for $v \in H_*^1(\omega_a)$:

$$\|\nabla(\psi^{\mathbf{a}}v)\|_{\omega_a} \leq \|\nabla\psi^{\mathbf{a}}v\|_{\omega_a} + \|\psi^{\mathbf{a}}\nabla v\|_{\omega_a} \leq \underbrace{(1 + C_{\text{PF}}h_{\omega_a}\|\nabla\psi^{\mathbf{a}}\|_{\infty,\omega_a})}_{\leq C_{\text{cont,PF}}}\|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a}$$

bound for the $\psi^{\mathbf{a}}$ -weighted residual on $H_*^1(\omega_a)'$, since $\psi^{\mathbf{a}}v \in H_0^1(\omega_a)$ for $v \in H_*^1(\omega_a)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\substack{v \in H_*^1(\omega_a) \\ \|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a}=1}} \langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}}v \rangle &= \sup_{v \in H_*^1(\omega_a)} \frac{\langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}}v \rangle}{\|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a}} = \sup_{v \in H_*^1(\omega_a)} \frac{\langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), \psi^{\mathbf{a}}v \rangle}{\|\nabla(\psi^{\mathbf{a}}v)\|_{\omega_a}} \frac{\|\nabla(\psi^{\mathbf{a}}v)\|_{\omega_a}}{\|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a}} \\ &\leq C_{\text{cont,PF}} \sup_{\substack{v \in H_0^1(\omega_a) \\ \|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a}=1}} \langle \mathcal{R}(u_h), v \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Patchwise bounds by equilibrated fluxes

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for $v \in H_*^1(\omega_a)$ with $\|\nabla v\|_{\omega_a} = 1$ and $\sigma_h^a \in \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \omega_a)$ with $\sigma_h^a \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\omega_a} = 0$ on $\partial\omega_a$

and $\nabla \cdot \sigma_h^a = f\psi^a - \nabla U_h \cdot \nabla \psi^a$,

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$$= (f, \psi^a v)_{\omega_a} - (\nabla U_h, \nabla(\psi^a v))_{\omega_a}$$

$$= (f\psi^a - \nabla U_h \cdot \nabla \psi^a, v)_{\omega_a} - (\psi^a \nabla U_h, \nabla v)_{\omega_a}$$

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$$\stackrel{\text{Green}}{=} -(\psi^a \nabla U_h + \sigma_h^a, \nabla v)_{\omega_a}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{CS}}{\leq} \|\psi^a \nabla U_h + \sigma_h^a\|_{\omega_a}$$

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Unweighted residual on $H_0^1(\omega_a)'$

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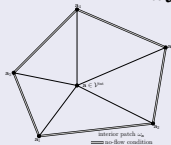
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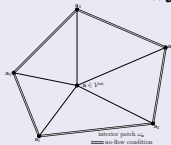
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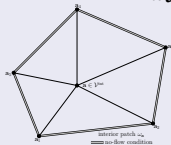
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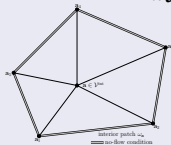
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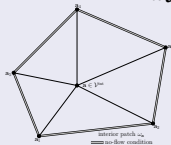
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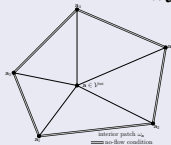
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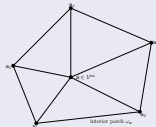
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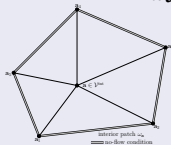
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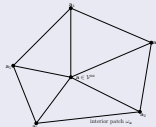
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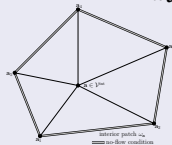
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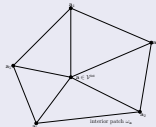
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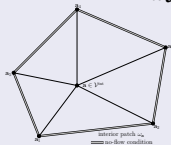
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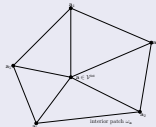
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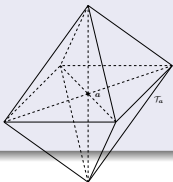
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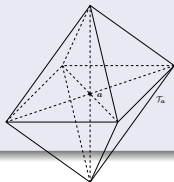
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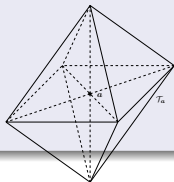
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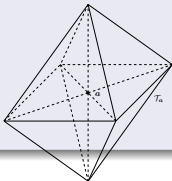
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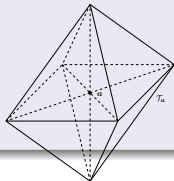
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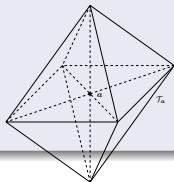
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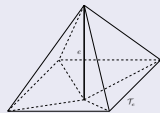
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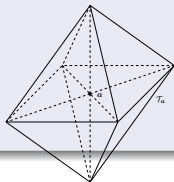
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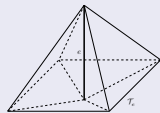
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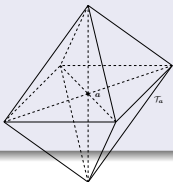
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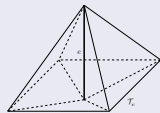
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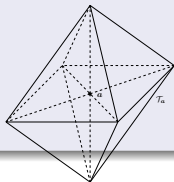
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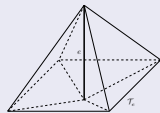
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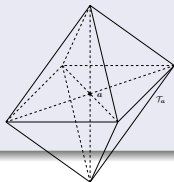
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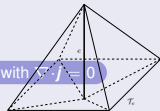
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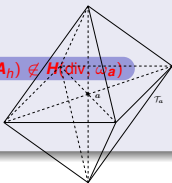
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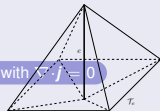
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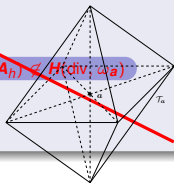
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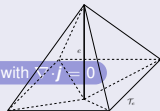
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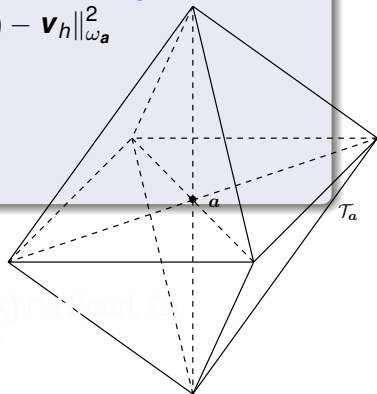
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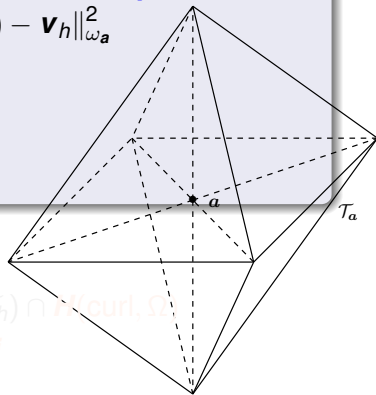
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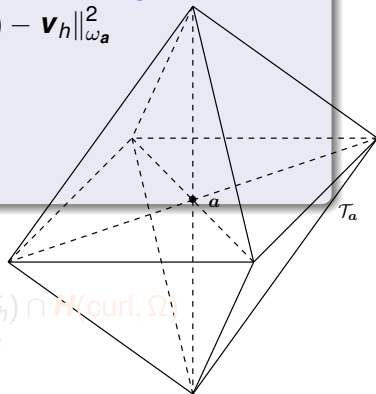
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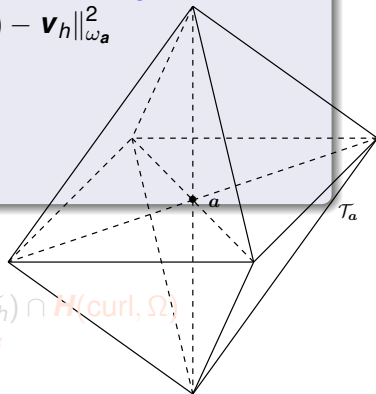
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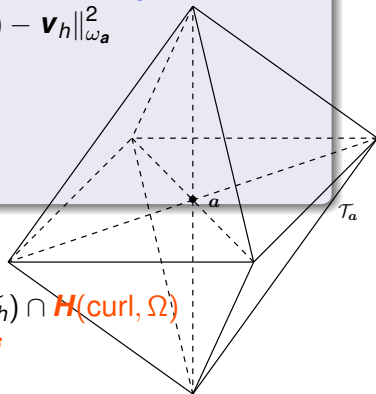
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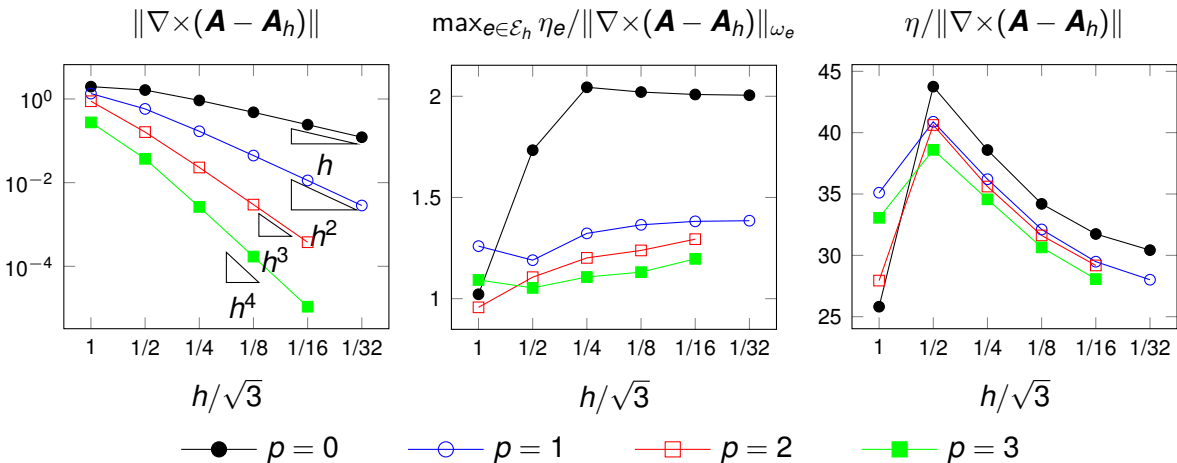
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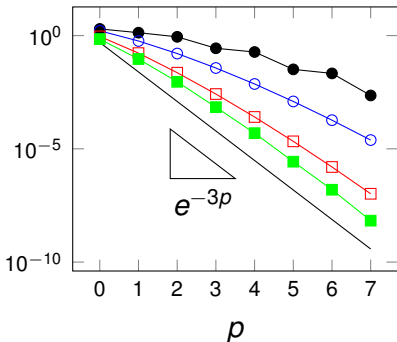
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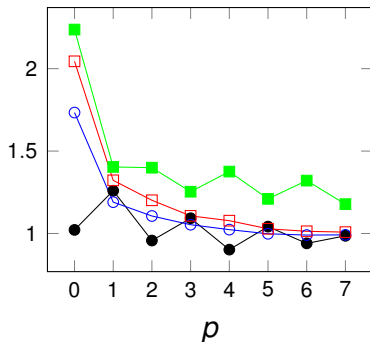


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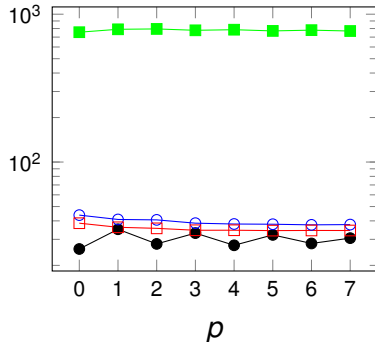
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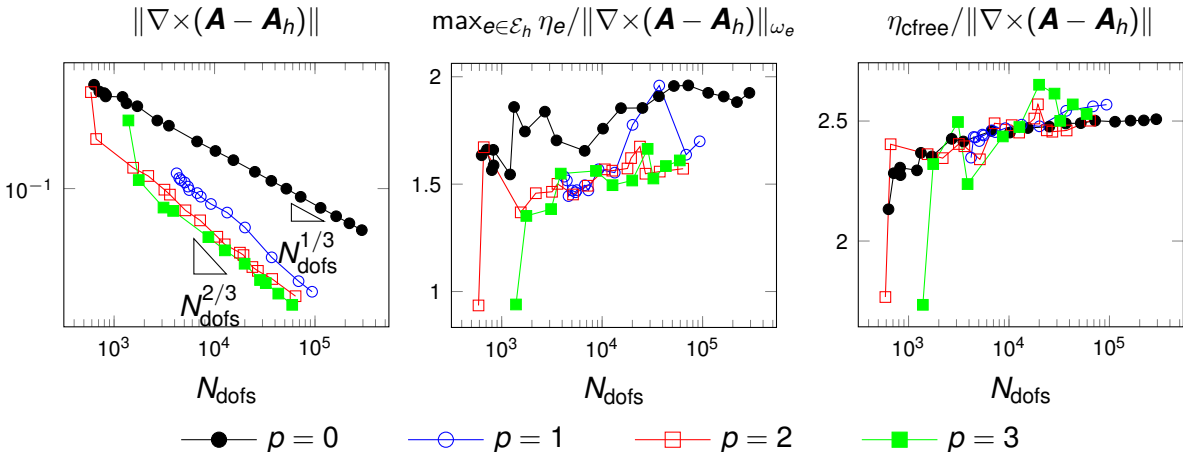


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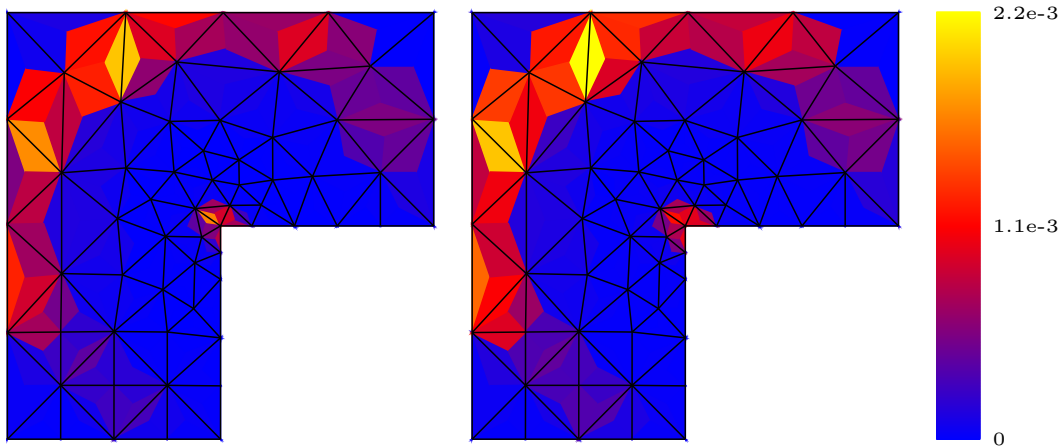


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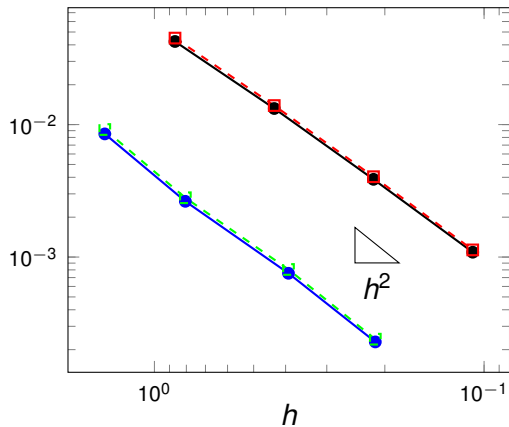
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Estimated (left) and actual error (right), $p = 3$

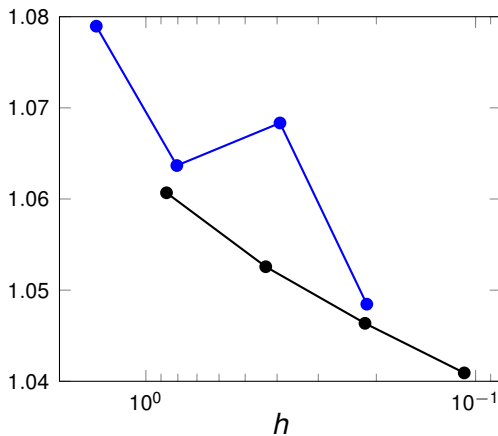
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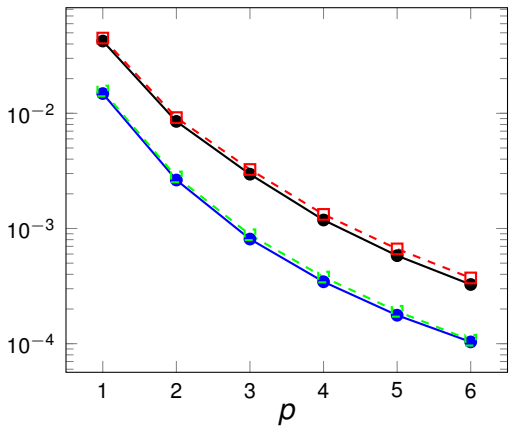
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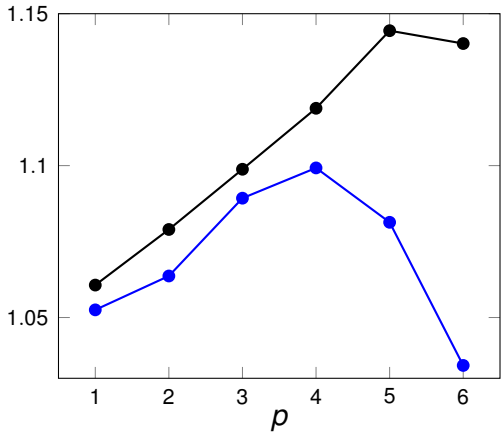
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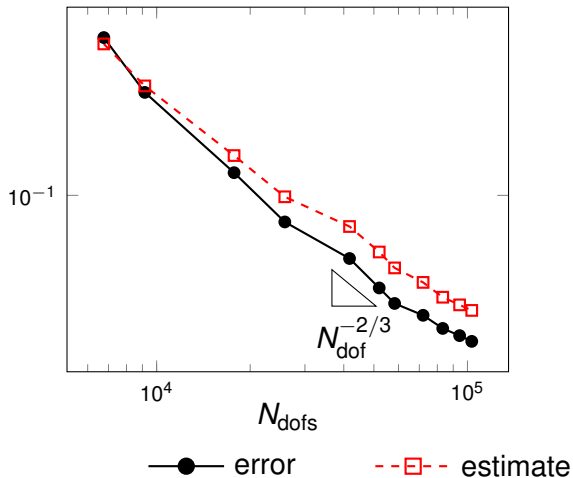


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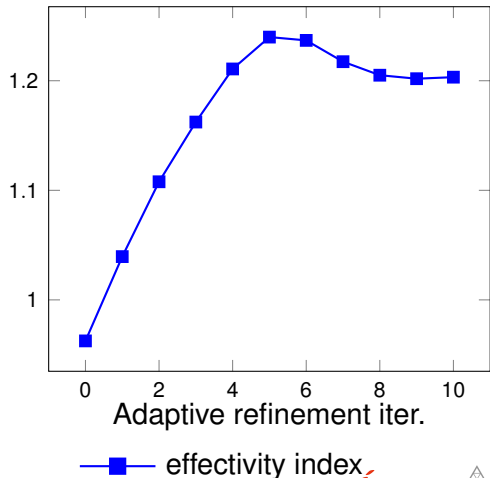


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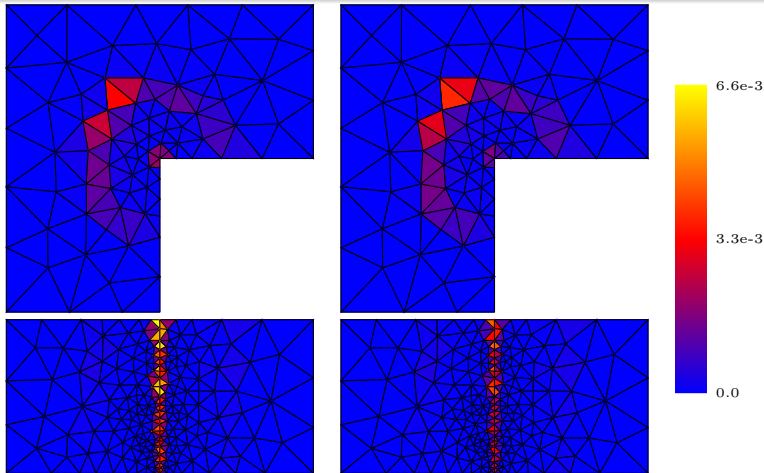
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Patchwise equilibration, **singular solution**, adap. refinement ($p = 2$)



Estimated (left) and actual error (right), adaptive mesh refinement iteration #10.
Top view (top) and side view (bottom)

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