

A simple a posteriori estimate on general polytopal meshes  
with applications to complex porous media flows

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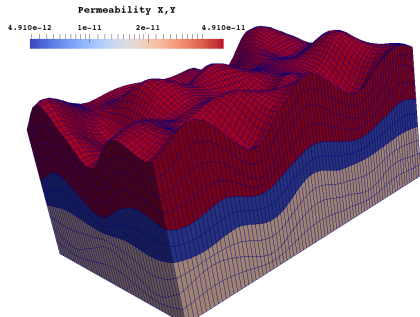
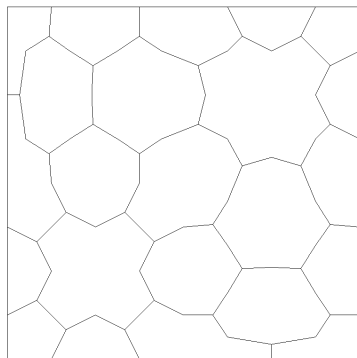
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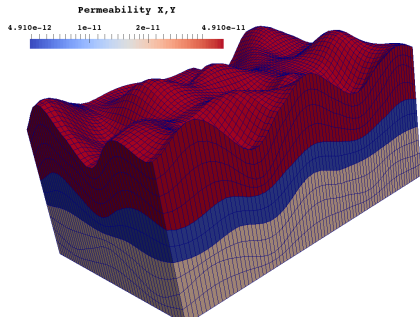
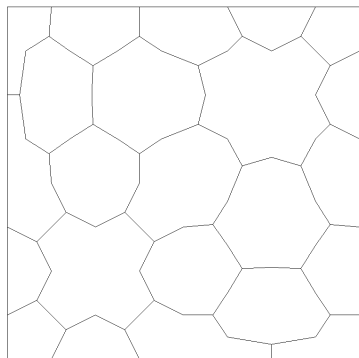
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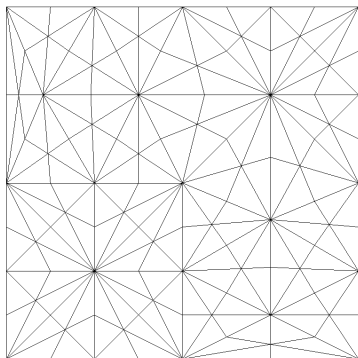
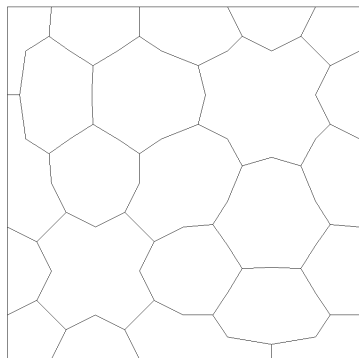
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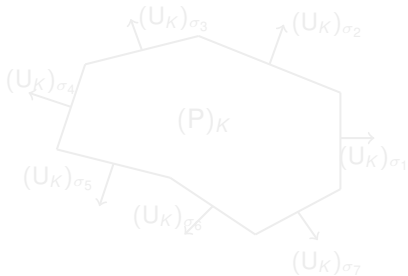
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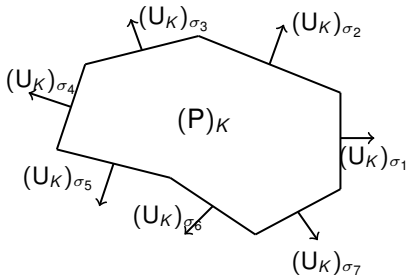
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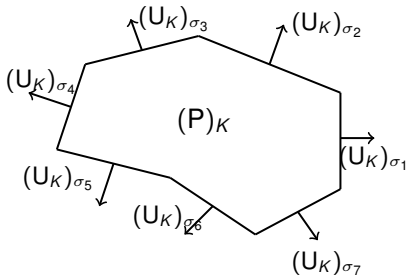


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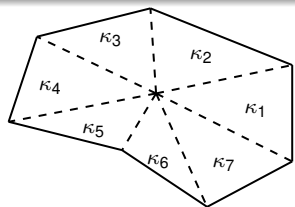
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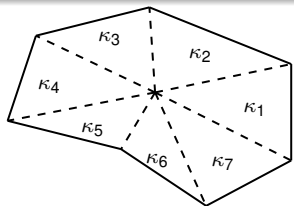
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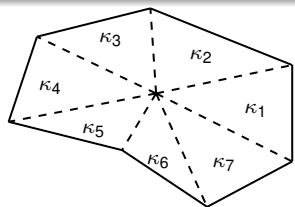
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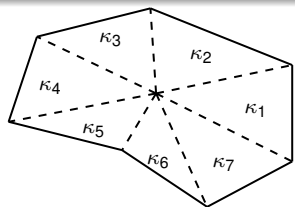
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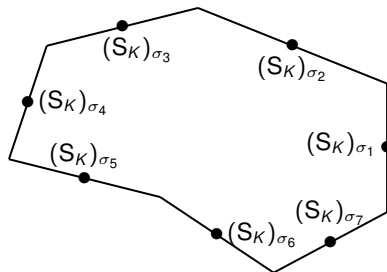
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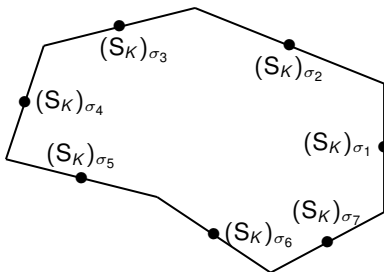
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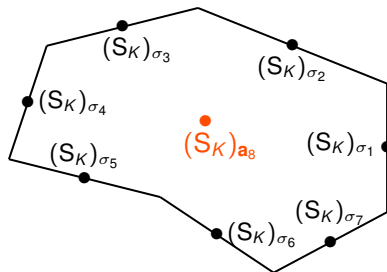
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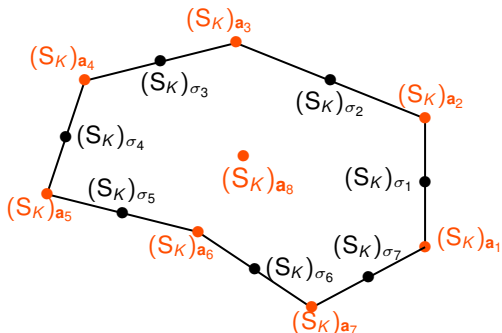
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# Linear Darcy flow estimate

## Corollary (Linear Darcy flow)

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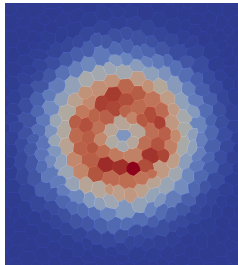
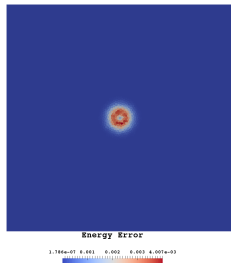
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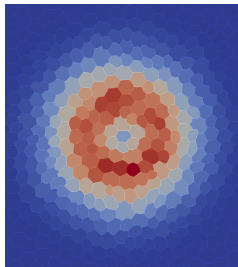
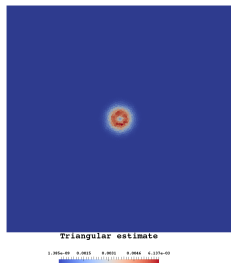
- $-\Delta p = f$
- $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$
- analytic solution  $2^{4\alpha} x^\alpha (1-x)^\alpha y^\alpha (1-y)^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = 200$
- hybrid finite volume (HFV) discretization (Droniou, Eymard, Gallouët, Herbin (2010))



# Energy error and optimal estimate on triangles

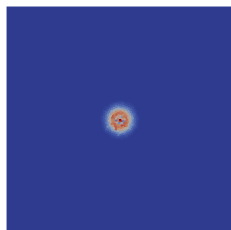


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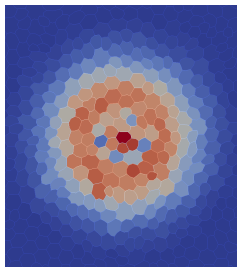


Estimate with  $s_h$   
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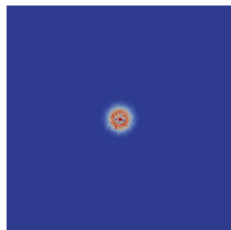
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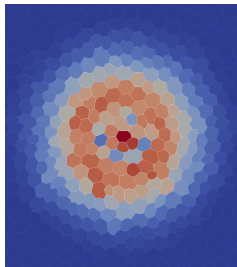
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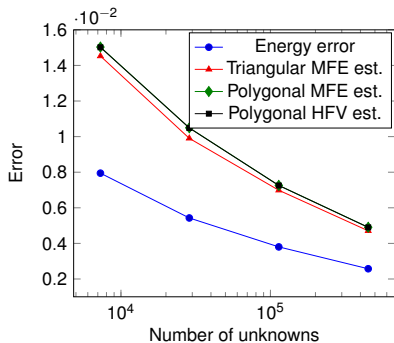


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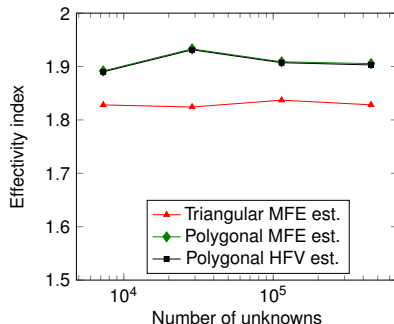


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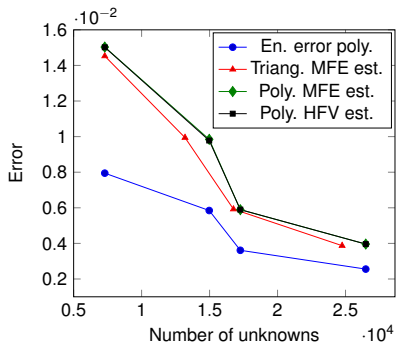


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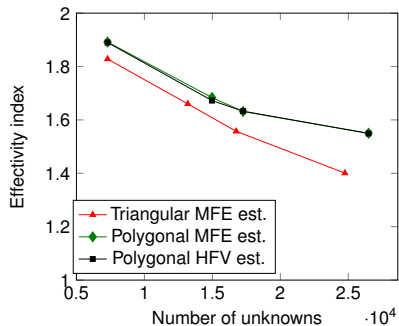


Effectivity indices

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$$\mathbf{u} := -\underline{\mathbf{K}}(\nabla p) \nabla p \in \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$$

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# Nonlinear Darcy flow estimate

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# Estimators

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upwinding estimators

$$\left( \eta_{\text{upw},K,c}^{n,k,i} \right)^2 := \left( \Theta_{\text{upw},K,c}^{n,k,i} \right)^t \widehat{\mathbb{A}}_{\text{MFE},K} \left( \Theta_{\text{upw},K,c}^{n,k,i} \right)$$

nonconformity estimators

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$$\eta_{\text{rem},K,c}^{n,k,i} := \min \{ C_F h_{\Omega_K}^{-\frac{1}{2}}, h_K \} |K|^{-\frac{1}{2}} |R_{c,K}^{n,k,i+j}|.$$

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## Comments

- immediate extension of the results of the steady case
- still matrix-vector multiplication on each element
- same element matrices  $\hat{S}_{\text{FE},K}$ ,  $\hat{M}_{\text{FE},K}$ , and  $\hat{A}_{\text{MFE},K}$  or  $\hat{A}_K$
- input: normal face fluxes, reference pressure  $P_K^{n,k,i}$ , phase saturations  $S_K^{n,k,i}$ , and component molar fractions  $(C_p)_K^{n,k,i}$
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$$\mathcal{N}^{n,k,i} \leq \left\{ \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} (\eta_{\text{sp},c}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{\text{tm},c}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{\text{lin},c}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{\text{alg},c}^{n,k,i} + \eta_{\text{rem},c}^{n,k,i})^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

with  $\eta_{\bullet,c}^{n,k,i} := \left\{ \delta_{\bullet} \int_{I_n} \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_H^n} (\eta_{\bullet,K,c}^{n,k,i})^2 dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $\bullet = \text{sp, tm, lin, alg, rem}$ ,  $\delta_{\bullet} = 2/4$ .

## Comments

- immediate extension of the results of the steady case
- still matrix-vector multiplication on each element
- same element matrices  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{FE},K}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{M}}_{\text{FE},K}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\text{MFE},K}$  or  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}_K$
- input: normal face fluxes, reference pressure  $P_K^{n,k,i}$ , phase saturations  $\mathbf{S}_K^{n,k,i}$ , and component molar fractions  $(\mathbf{C}_p)_K^{n,k,i}$
- same physical units of estimators of all error components
- naturally relative stopping criteria

# Fully adaptive algorithm

Set  $n := 0$ .

**while**  $t^n \leq t_F$  **do** {Time}

Set  $n := n + 1$ .

**loop** {Spatial and temporal errors balancing}

Set  $k := 0$ .

**loop** {Newton linearization}

Set  $k := k + 1$ ; set up the linear system; set  $i := 0$ .

**loop** {Algebraic solver}

Perform an algebraic solver step; set  $i := i + 1$ ; evaluate the estimators.

**Terminate (algebraic solver)** if  $\eta_{\text{alg},t}^{n,k,i} \leq \gamma_{\text{alg}} \eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i}$ .

**end loop**

**Terminate (Newton linearization)** if  $\eta_{\text{lin},t}^{n,k,i} \leq \gamma_{\text{lin}} \eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i}$ .

**end loop**

**Terminate (spatial & temporal errors balancing) if**

$$\eta_{\text{sp},K,t}^{n,k,i} \geq \zeta_{\text{ref}} \max_{K' \in \mathcal{T}_H^n} \{ \eta_{\text{sp},K',t}^{n,k,i} \} \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_H^n,$$

$$\gamma_{\text{tm}}(\eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i}) \leq \eta_{\text{tm},t}^{n,k,i} \leq \Gamma_{\text{tm}}(\eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i});$$

**else** refine the cells  $K \in \mathcal{T}_H^n$  such that  $\eta_{\text{sp},K,t}^{n,k,i} \geq \zeta_{\text{ref}} \max_{K' \in \mathcal{T}_H^n} \{ \eta_{\text{sp},K',t}^{n,k,i} \}$ .

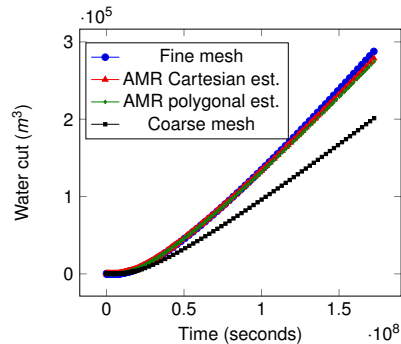
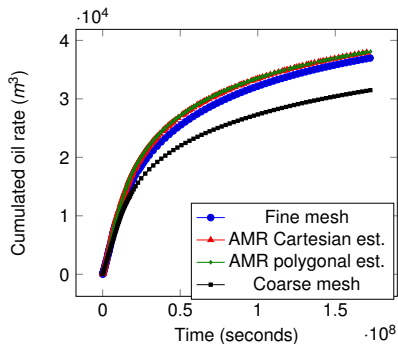
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Refine  $l_n$  if  $\eta_{\text{tm},t}^{n,k,i} > \Gamma_{\text{tm}} \eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i}$ , derefine if  $\gamma_{\text{tm}} \eta_{\text{sp},t}^{n,k,i} > \eta_{\text{tm},t}^{n,k,i}$ .

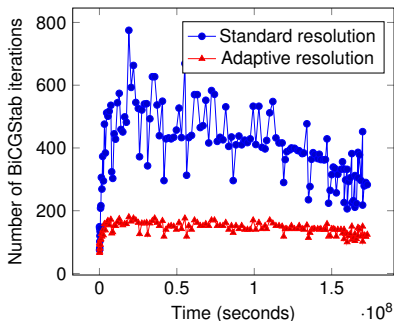
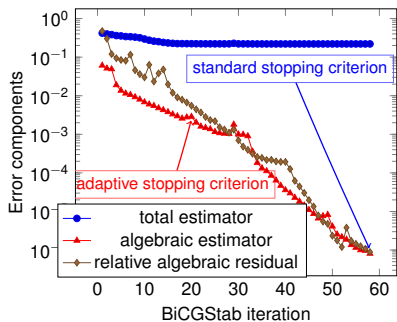
**end loop**

**end while**

# Two-phase flow: uniform vs adaptive mesh refinement

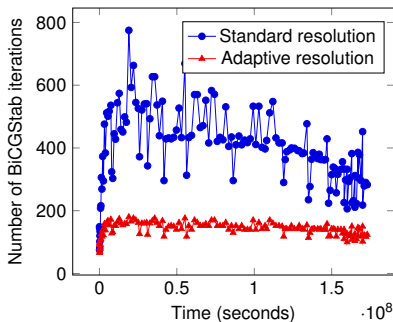
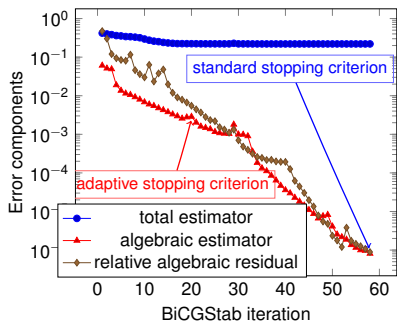


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