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Linearization Errors in Discrete Goal-Oriented Error Estimation

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BACKGROUND

The big picture:

- Partial differential equation (PDE) \rightarrow exact solution u .
- PDE \rightarrow analytic solution u is, in general, unknown.
- Finite element method (FEM) \rightarrow approx. PDE solution u^H .
- FEM \rightarrow error associated with the discretization, $e := u - u^H$.
- Analyst \rightarrow how reliable/accurate is the solution u^H ?

Goal-oriented error estimates:

- Choose physically meaningful functional: $\mathcal{J}(u)$.
- Functional referred to as a ‘quantity of interest’ (QoI).
- Approximate $\mathcal{E} := \mathcal{J}(u) - \mathcal{J}(u^H)$, discretization error in the QoI.

Presently, we consider nonlinear PDEs and nonlinear QoIs.

GOAL-ORIENTED ERROR ESTIMATION

Primal

Find $u \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $\mathcal{R}(w; u) = 0 \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{V}$

FEM

Find $u^H \in \mathcal{V}^H$ such that $\mathcal{R}(w^H; u^H) = 0 \quad \forall w^H \in \mathcal{V}^H$

Dual

Find $z \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $\mathcal{R}'[u^H](w, z) = \mathcal{J}'[u^H](w) \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{V}$

Error

$$\mathcal{J}(u) - \mathcal{J}(u^H) = \underbrace{-\mathcal{R}(z - z^H; u^H)}_{\text{discretization error}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(e^2)}_{\text{linearization error}} \quad \forall w^H \in \mathcal{V}^H$$

- $J'[u^H](w)$ - Fréchet linearization about u^H .
- $R'[u^H](w)$ - Fréchet linearization about u^H .

DISCRETE GOAL-ORIENTED ERROR ESTIMATION

Primal PDE discretized by FEM on two spaces:
 $\mathcal{V}^H \subset \mathcal{V}^h \subset \mathcal{V}$ results in:

<i>Coarse</i>	$\mathbf{R}^H(\mathbf{u}^H) = \mathbf{0}$	$\mathbf{R}^H : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N,$
<i>Fine</i>	$\mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}^h) = \mathbf{0}$	$\mathbf{R}^h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad n > N,$

Let $\mathbf{u}_h^H := I_h^H \mathbf{u}^H$, where $I_h^H : \mathcal{V}^H \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^h$.

Let $\mathbf{e}^h := \mathbf{u}^h - \mathbf{u}^H$.

Talyor expansions about \mathbf{u}_h^H :

$$\mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}^h) = \mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H) + \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{R}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}_h^H} \right] \mathbf{e}^h + \mathbf{E}_L^R,$$

$$\mathcal{J}^h(\mathbf{u}^h) = \mathcal{J}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H) + \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}_h^H} \right] \mathbf{e}^h + \mathcal{E}_L^J.$$

Disregard \mathcal{E}_L^J and $\mathbf{E}_L^R \implies$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E} &:= \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}^H), \\ &\approx \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}^h) - \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}^H), \\ &:= \mathcal{E}^h, \\ &\approx (\mathbf{z}^h - \mathbf{z}_H^h) \cdot \mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H), \\ &:= \eta_1. \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{z}^h \rightarrow$ solution to *adjoint problem*

$$\left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{R}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}_h^H} \right]^T \mathbf{z}^h = \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}_h^H} \right]^T.$$

$\mathbf{z}_H^h := I_H^h \mathbf{z}^h$, where $I_H^h : \mathcal{V}^h \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^H$.

A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE

A nonlinear Poisson's equation:

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot [(1 + \alpha u^2) \nabla u] = f, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma. \end{cases}$$

In weak form:

$$\mathcal{R}(w; u) := (f, w)_\Omega - ((1 + \alpha u^2) \nabla u, \nabla w)_\Omega = 0.$$

Consider functionals/manufactured solution:

$$\mathcal{J}_1(u) = \int_{\Omega_s} u^3 \, d\Omega,$$

$$\mathcal{J}_2(u) = \int_{\Omega_s} \nabla u \cdot \nabla u \, d\Omega,$$

$$u(x, y) = \sin(2\pi x) \sin(2\pi y) \exp(5/2(x + y)).$$

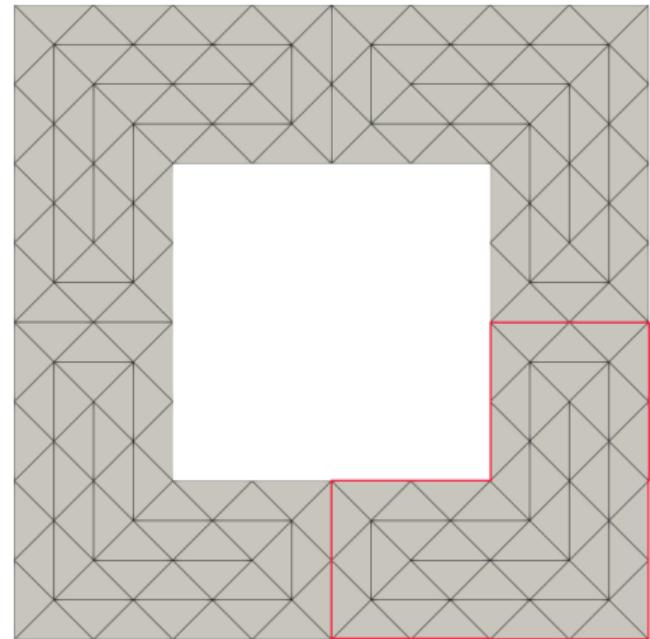
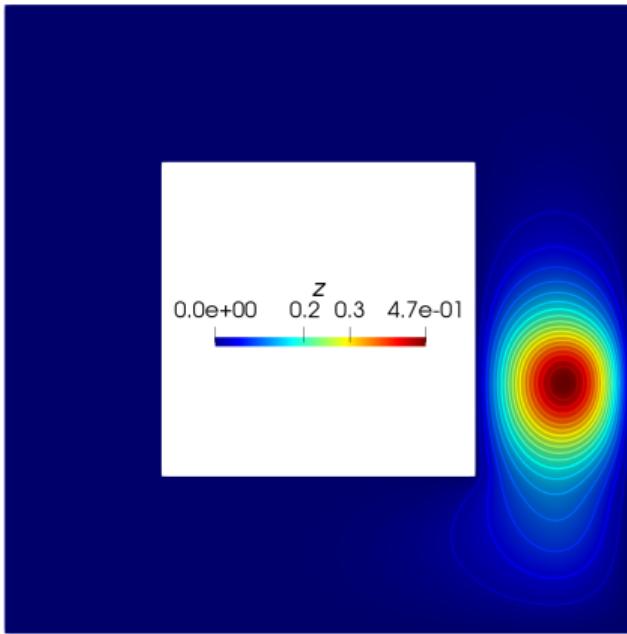
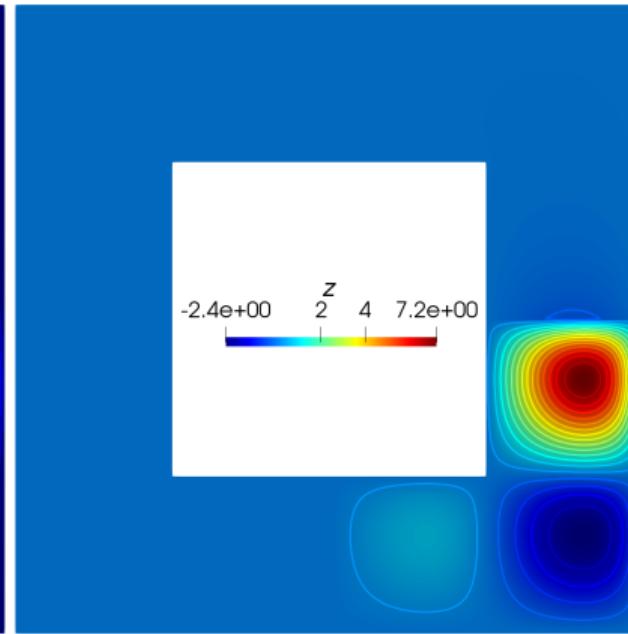


Figure: Example domain Ω and sub-domain Ω_s with an initial mesh occupying the space $[-1, 1]^2$.

A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE: ADJOINT SOLUTIONS



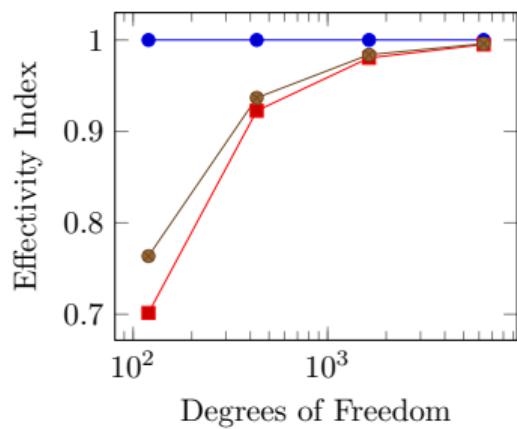
(a) Adjoint solution for QoI $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$



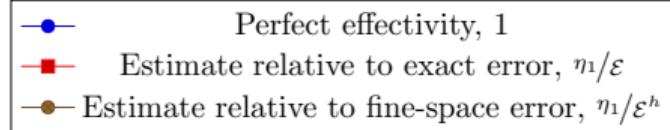
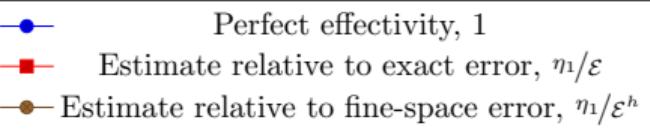
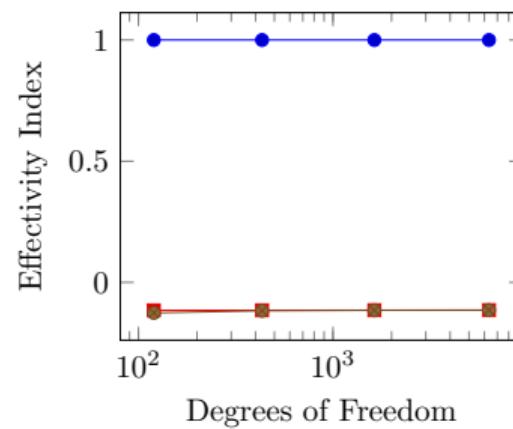
(b) Adjoint solution for QoI $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$

A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE: ESTIMATE EFFECTIVITY

Effectivities for $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$ for Manufactured Solution



Effectivities for $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$ for Manufactured Solution



A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE: WHAAAAAA?!!?!

Consider the quadratic QoI:

$$\mathcal{J}(u) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla u,$$

The discretization error in this functional can be exactly represented as:

$$\mathcal{J}(u) - \mathcal{J}(u^H) = 2 \int_{\Omega} \nabla u^H \cdot \nabla e \, d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \nabla e \cdot \nabla e \, d\Omega.$$

- First integral: linearization used for η_1
- Second integral: should $\rightarrow 0$ quickly since its $\mathcal{O}(e^2)$
- However, second integral is strictly positive
- First integral: might $\rightarrow 0$ quickly relatively due to subtractive cancellation.
- Neglecting linearization error: could significantly under-predict actual error.

A MODIFIED ERROR ESTIMATE

From mean value \exists a \mathbf{u}^* such that $\mathcal{E}_L^{\mathcal{J}}$ vanishes:

$$\mathcal{J}^h(\mathbf{u}^h) = \mathcal{J}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H) + \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}^*} \right] \mathbf{e}^h.$$

\mathbf{u}^* : point on linear path between \mathbf{u}_h^H and \mathbf{u}^h

$$\mathbf{u}^*(\theta) = \mathbf{u}_h^H + \theta \mathbf{e}^h, \quad \theta \in [0, 1].$$

Finding \mathbf{u}^* : solve nonlinear scalar equation:

$$f(\theta) := \mathcal{E}^h - \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}^*(\theta)} \right] \mathbf{e}^h = 0.$$

Introduce *modified adjoint problem*:

$$\left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{R}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}_h^H} \right]^T \mathbf{z}^* = \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}^h}{\partial \mathbf{u}^h} \Big|_{\mathbf{u}^*} \right]^T.$$

No mean-value analogue for vector-valued functions.

$\mathbf{E}_L^{\mathcal{R}}$ must be accounted for in different manner.

Introduce:

$$\mathbf{z}^{**} = \mathbf{z}^* + \frac{\mathbf{z}^* \cdot \mathbf{E}_L^{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H) \cdot \mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H)} \mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H),$$

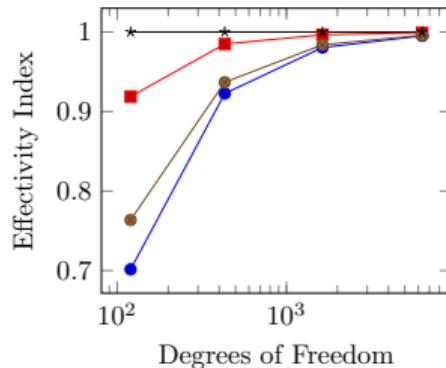
QoI error between the two spaces:

$$\mathcal{E}^h = \eta_2 := -\mathbf{z}^{**} \cdot \mathbf{R}^h(\mathbf{u}_h^H).$$

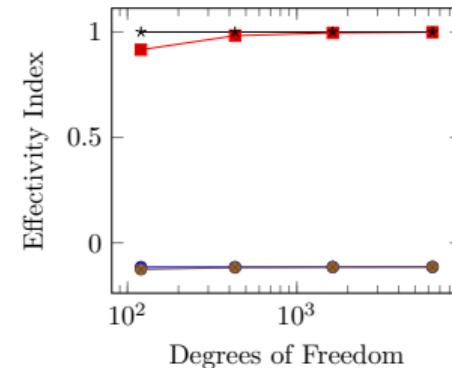
- con: Requires primal solve on the fine space.
- pro: Including linearization errors in error *localization* \rightarrow might lead to better meshes.
- pro: Can be used to safeguard termination criteria at coarse mesh resolutions in adaptive iterations when η_1 may under-predict error.

A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE: ERROR EFFECTIVITY REVISITED

Effectivities for $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$ for Manufactured Solution



Effectivities for $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$ for Manufactured Solution

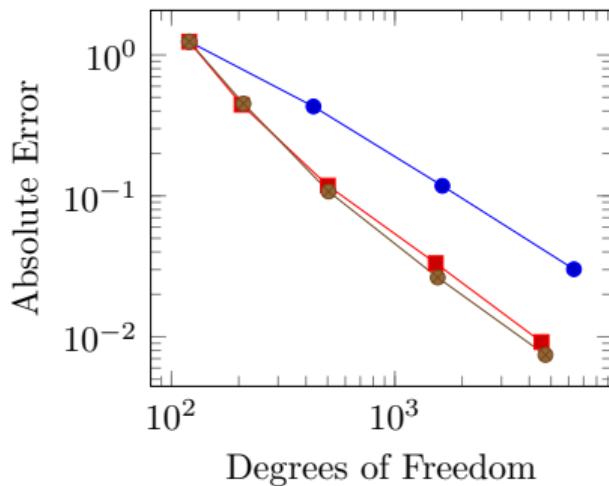


- Traditional estimate relative to exact error, η_1/ε
- Modified estimate relative to exact error, η_2/ε
- Traditional estimate relative to fine-space error, η_1/ε^h
- ★— Modified estimate relative to fine-space error, η_2/ε^h

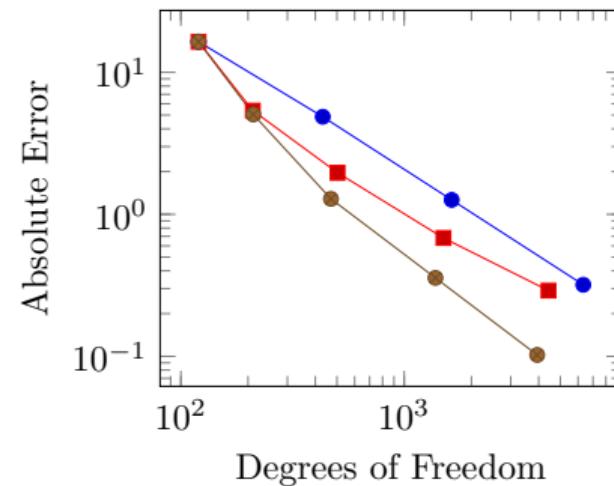
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A MOTIVATING EXAMPLE: MESH ADAPTIVITY

Errors in $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$ for Manufactured Solution with Adaptivity



Errors in $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$ for Manufactured Solution with Adaptivity



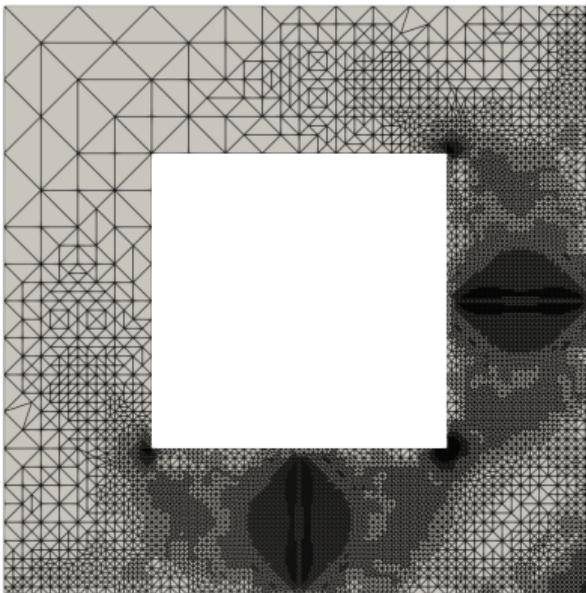
- Error using uniform refinement, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_1 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_2 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}

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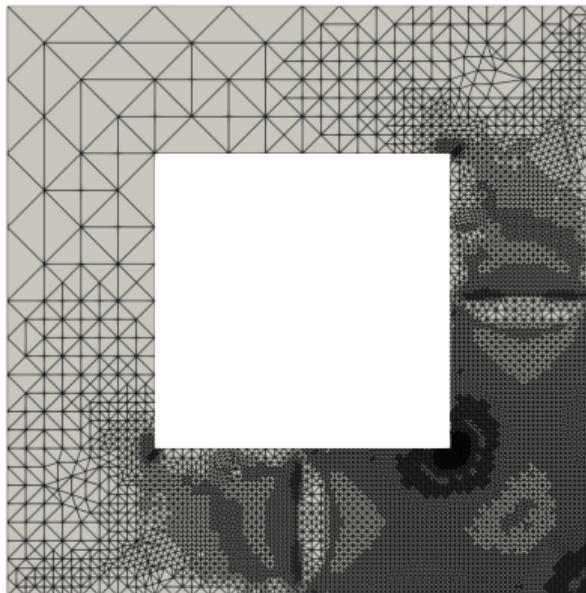
A PROBLEM WITH GRADIENT SINGULARITIES

If instead we choose $f = 1$ in forcing function:

- $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$: Adapting based on η_1 or $\eta_2 \rightarrow$ nearly identical meshes
- $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$: Adapting based on η_1 or $\eta_2 \rightarrow$ very distinct meshes



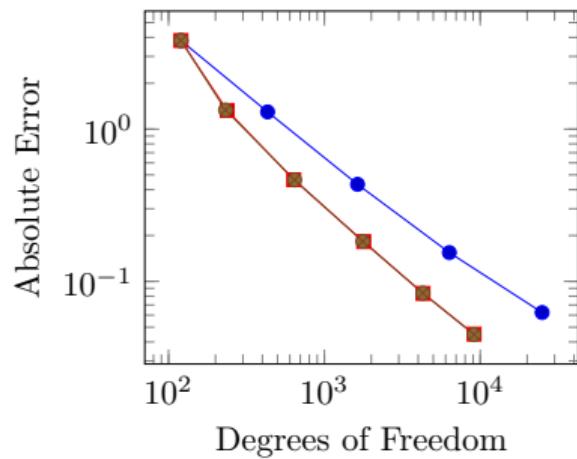
(a) $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$: Mesh obtained using η_1 .



(b) $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$: Mesh obtained using η_2 .

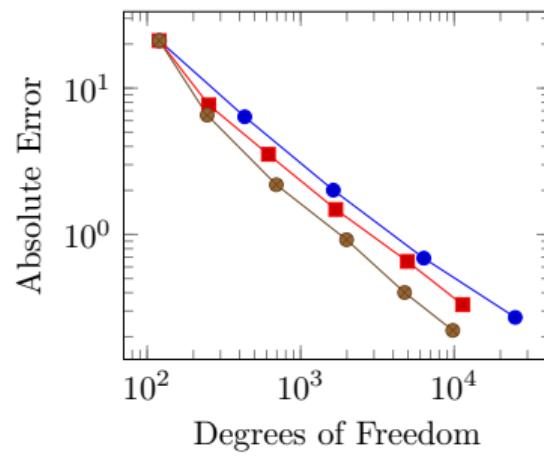
A PROBLEM WITH GRADIENT SINGULARITIES

Errors in $\mathcal{J}_1(u)$ for Singular Solution with Adaptivity



- Error using uniform refinement, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_1 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_2 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}

Errors in $\mathcal{J}_2(u)$ for Singular Solution with Adaptivity



- Error using uniform refinement, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_1 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}
- Error using η_2 adaptive scheme, \mathcal{E}

NONLINEAR ELASTICITY: DESCRIPTION

Balance of linear momentum:

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{X} \in \Omega, \\ \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{G}, & \mathbf{X} \in \Gamma_G, \\ \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{X} \in \Gamma_H. \end{cases}$$

A neo-Hookean material model

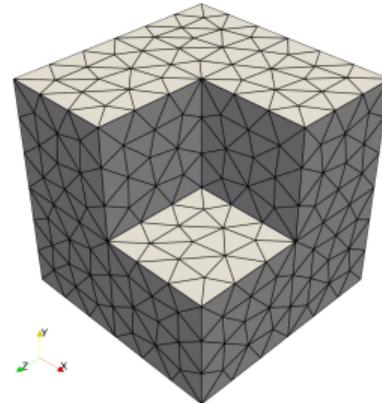
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mu J^{-5/3} \operatorname{dev}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^T) + \frac{\kappa}{2}(J - 1/J)\mathbf{I},$$

Weak form:

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{u}) := - \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{u}) : \nabla \mathbf{w} \, d\Omega,$$

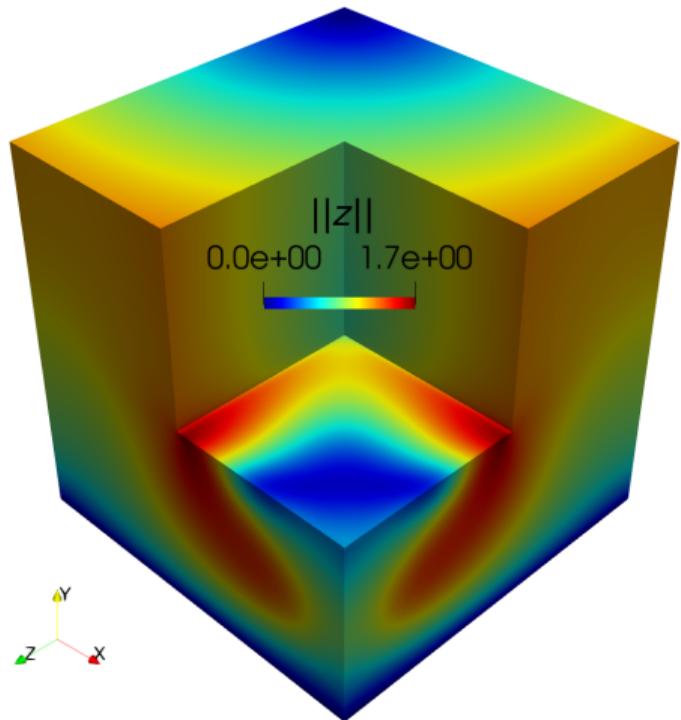
QoI: von Mises stress integrated over domain:

$$\mathcal{J}_{vm}(\mathbf{u}) := \int_{\Omega} \sigma_{vm}(\mathbf{u}) \, d\Omega,$$

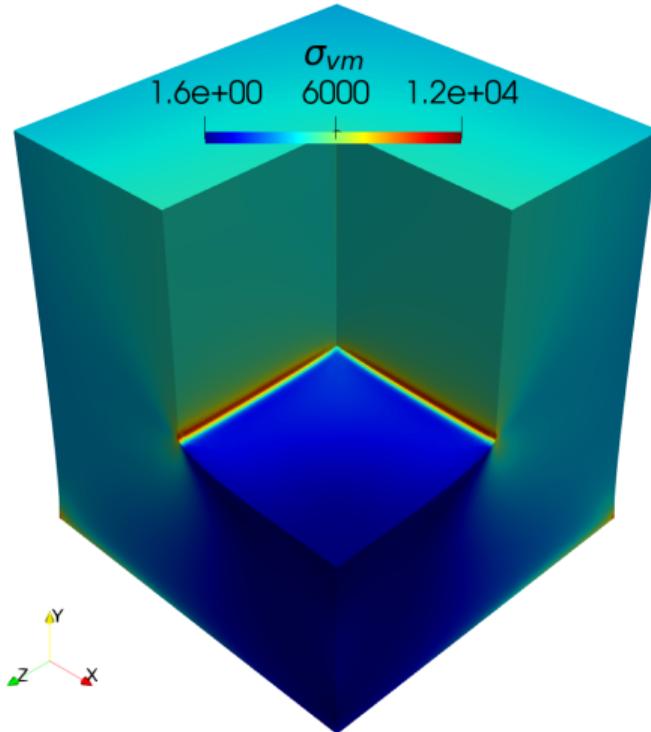


- Domain: $5\text{mm} \times 5\text{mm} \times 5\text{mm}$.
- Elastic modulus: $E = 192.7 \text{ GPa}$.
- Poisson's ratio: $\nu = 0.27$.
- $u_x, u_y, u_z = 0$ on minimal y face.
- $u_y = 0.1$ on maximal y face.
- About 2% strain in y -direction.

NONLINEAR ELASTICITY: SOLUTIONS

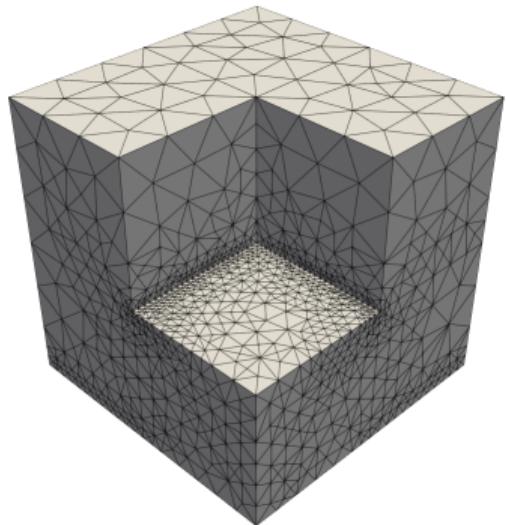


(a) Norm of the adjoint solution z .



(b) von Mises stress plotted over the domain.

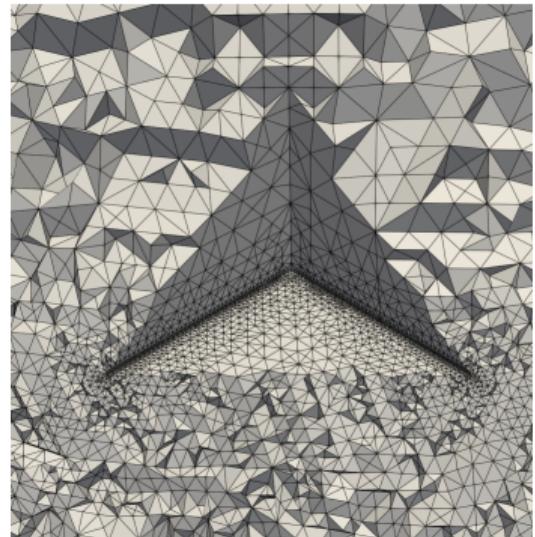
NONLINEAR ELASTICITY: MESH ADAPTIVITY



(a) Mesh after 5 adaptive iterations.



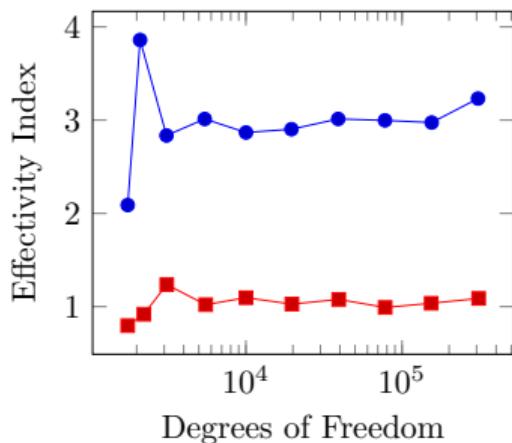
(b) Mesh after 10 adaptive iterations.



(c) Cut-away of mesh after 10 adaptive iterations.

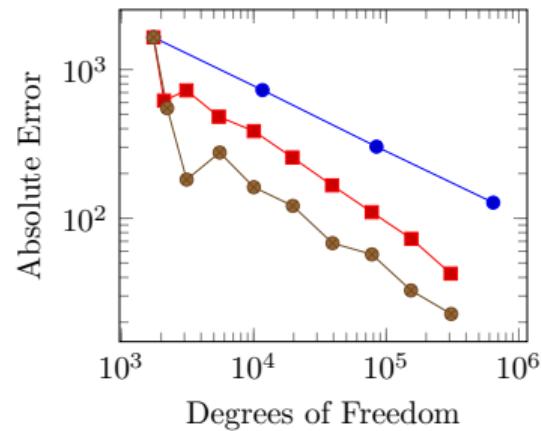
NONLINEAR ELASTICITY: ESTIMATE BEHAVIOR

Effectivities for $\mathcal{J}_{vm}(\mathbf{u})$ for Elasticity
Example with Adaptivity



- Effectivity using η_1 adaptive scheme, η_1/ε
- Effectivity using η_2 adaptive scheme, η_2/ε

Errors in $\mathcal{J}_{vm}(\mathbf{u})$ for Elasticity
Example with Adaptivity



- Error using uniform refinement, \mathcal{E}
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CONCLUSIONS

- Considered *a posteriori* goal-oriented error estimation for Galerkin FEM.
- Traditional adjoint-weighted residual estimate η_1 incurs linearization errors.
- Developed novel estimate η_2 that accounts for discrete linearization errors.
- η_2 can be more *effective* than η_1 in certain contexts.
- Localization of η_2 can lead to better meshes in certain contexts.
 - Reduced errors with fewer DOFs when considering mesh adaptivity.
- Full details can be found at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.15285>.
- Thank you!

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