# A Painless Automatic hp-Adaptive Coarsening Strategy For Indefinite Problems: A Goal-Oriented Approach

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## Introduction of the Method

We consider the abstract variational formulation and its discrete version (Galerkin approximation):

Find  $u^* \in \mathbb{H}$  and  $u_h^* \in \mathbb{H}_h$  such that

 $b(u^*, v) = f(v), \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{H}; \qquad b(u_h^*, v) = f(v), \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{H}_h.$ 

The goal is to estimate

 $l(u^* - u_h^*) = l(e_h)$ 

where  $l \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{H})$  is the Quantity of Interest (QoI).

The classical approach uses the dual problem and its discrete version:

Find  $v^* \in \mathbb{H}$  and  $v_h^* \in \mathbb{H}_h$  such that

 $b(u, v^*) = l(u), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}; \qquad b(u, v_h^*) = l(u), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}_h.$ 

Our method introduces an arbitrary bilinear form  $\hat{b}$  to define an alternative dual problem: Find  $\hat{v}^* \in \mathbb{H}$  such that

 $\hat{b}(u, \hat{v}^*) = l(u), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}.$ 

Which method provides the best a posteriori estimate?

#### Classical Estimate

We have the following error representations:

Find  $e_h \in \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\varepsilon_h \in \mathbb{H}$  such that

$$b(e_h, v) = f(v) - b(u_h, v), \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{H},$$
  
$$b(u, \varepsilon_h) = l(u) - b(u, v_h), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}.$$

#### A posteriori estimate

 $|l(e_h)| \leq |(b_K(e_h, \varepsilon_h))_K|_1$ .

## Alternative Estimate

We use these alternative error representations:

Find  $e_h \in \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\hat{\varepsilon}_h \in \mathbb{H}$  such that

$$b(e_h, v) = f(v) - b(u_h, v), \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{H},$$
$$\hat{b}(u, \hat{\varepsilon}_h) = l(u) - b(u, v_h), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}.$$

#### A posteriori estimate

$$|l(e_h)| \leqslant \left| \left( \hat{b}_K(e_h, \hat{\varepsilon}_h) \right)_K \right|_1.$$

# Toy problem using Finite Elements Method

Find  $u^* \in H^1(\Omega)$ ,  $\Omega = (0,1)^d$ , such that, for  $k \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u^* - (2\pi k)^2 u^* = g & \text{on } \Omega, \\ u^* = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_D, \\ \partial_{\vec{n}} u^* = h & \text{on } \Gamma_N. \end{cases}$$
$$l(u) = \langle \mathbb{1}_{QoI}, u \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}; \qquad \hat{b} = \langle \nabla \cdot , \nabla \cdot \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}.$$



