

Time-domain multi-patch discontinuous Galerkin methods

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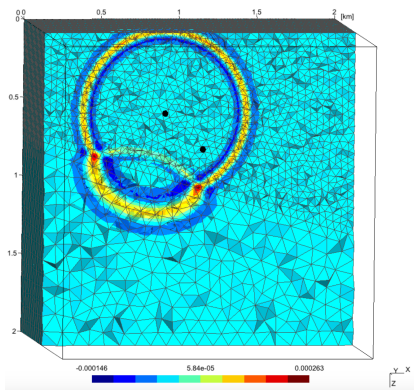
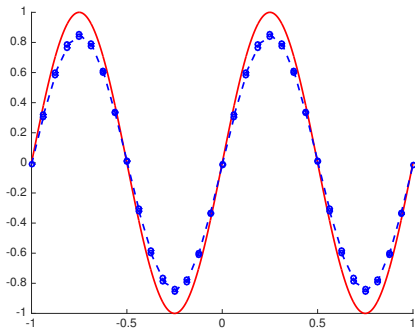


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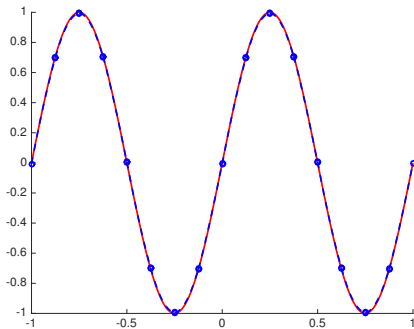
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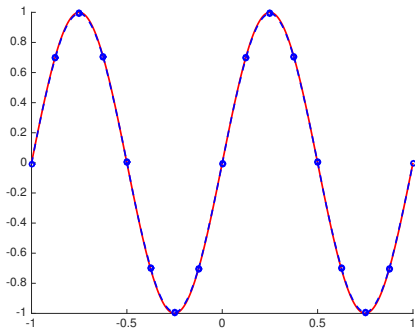
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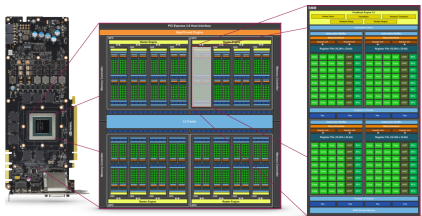
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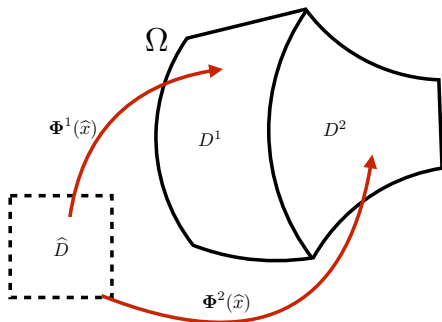
Multi-patch discontinuous Galerkin formulations

- Model problem: (second order) acoustic wave equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2} - \Delta p = f.$$

- Pressure-velocity system (first order formulation)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= f \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \nabla p &= 0. \end{aligned}$$



- Weak patch coupling through DG numerical flux (SIPG, upwind).

Langer et al 2014. Multipatch discontinuous Galerkin isogeometric analysis.

Wilcox et al 2010. A high-order DG method for wave propagation through coupled elastic-acoustic media.

Method of lines multi-patch DG discretization

- Semi-discrete system:

$$\mathbf{M}_h \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \mathbf{A}_h \mathbf{u} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = \mathbf{M}_h^{-1} \mathbf{A}_h \mathbf{u}.$$

- Global mass matrix \mathbf{M}_h is (patch) block diagonal.
- Tailored patch discretizations: explicit time-stepping, curved domains.
 - Efficient mass matrix inversion over each patch.
 - High order accuracy, energy stability on curved geometries.
 - Improved stable timestep restriction (CFL).

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- 1 Spline spaces and optimal knot vectors
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B-spline basics

- Standard 1D B-splines: $B_i^0(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\xi_i \leq x \leq \xi_{i+1}}$,

$$B_i^k(x) = \frac{x - \xi_i}{\xi_{i+p} - \xi_i} B_i^{k-1}(x) + \frac{\xi_{i+p+1} - x}{\xi_{i+p+1} - \xi_{i+1}} B_{i+1}^{k-1}(x).$$

- Assume patches are mapped quads/cubes: tensor product basis

$$B_{ijk}^p(x, y, z) = B_i^p(x) B_j^p(y) B_k^p(z).$$

- Assume maximally continuous, open knot vectors

$$\xi_{p+1} < \dots < \xi_{p+1+K},$$

$$\xi_1 = \dots = \xi_{p+1},$$

$$\xi_{p+1+K} = \dots = \xi_{2p+1+K}.$$

B-spline bases and optimal spline spaces



(a) Uniform knots



(b) Optimal knots

- Sup-inf: “worst best approximation” in X from X_n

$$d_n(X; X_n) = \sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in X_n} \|x - y\|, \quad \dim(X_n) = n.$$

- Spline spaces with optimal knot vectors: minimal sup-inf for

$$X = \left\{ f \in L^2([-1, 1]) : \frac{\partial^{p-1} f}{\partial x^{p-1}} \text{ continuous}, \quad \|f\|_{L^2} \leq 1 \right\},$$

Melkman and Micchelli 1978. Spline spaces are optimal for L^2 n -width.

Optimal knot vectors: roots of eigenfunctions

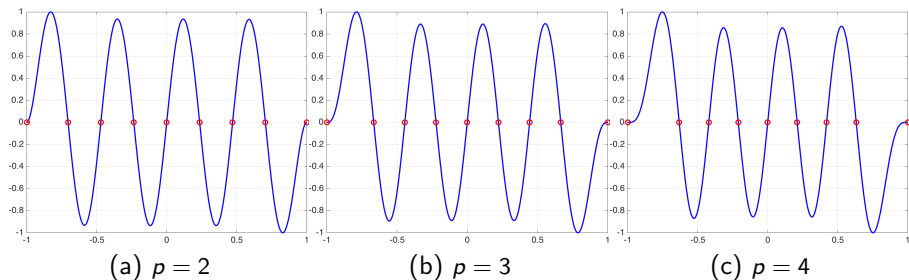


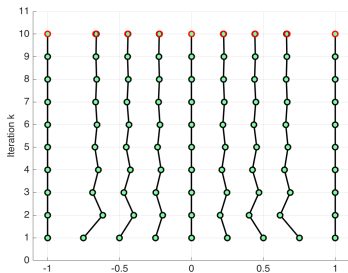
Figure: Eigenfunctions $y_{K+1,p}(x)$ for $K = 8$ and various p .

- Optimal knots are roots of eigenfunctions $y_{K+1,p}(x)$.

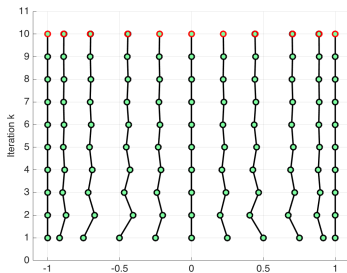
$$(-1)^p \frac{\partial^{2p} y}{\partial x^{2p}} = \lambda y(x), \quad \frac{\partial^k y}{\partial x^k}(-1) = \frac{\partial^k y}{\partial x^k}(1) = 0, \quad 1 \leq k \leq p-1.$$

- Approximate $y_{K+1,p}(x)$ using fine spline space; difficult for high K, p !

Knot smoothing: approximating optimal knots



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(b) Greville abscissae τ_j

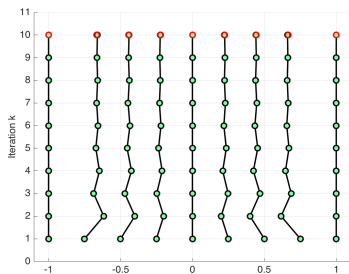
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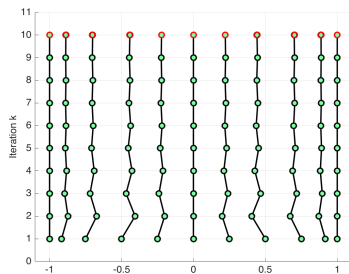
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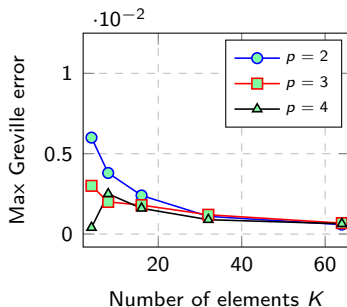
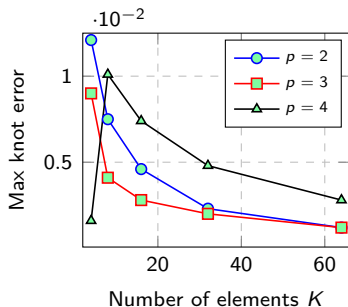
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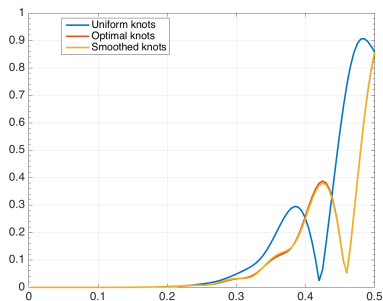
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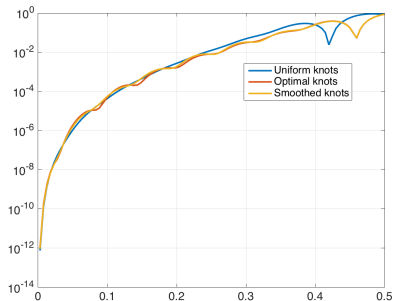
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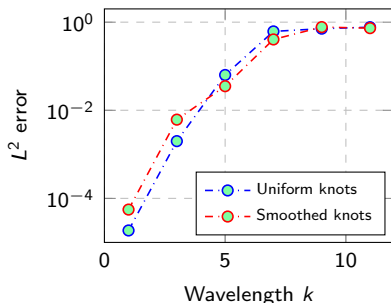
(a) L^2 error vs k/N_{dofs} ($\cos\left(\frac{k\pi x}{2}\right)$)



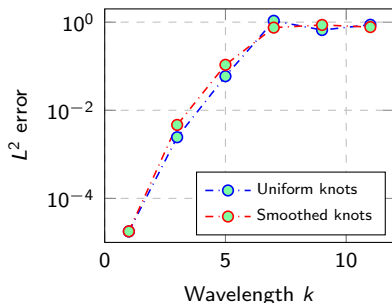
(b) Semi-log scale

- L^2 best approximations with smoothed knots (fixed p, K): decreased high frequency errors, increased low frequency errors.
- Similar errors approximating solution $\cos\left(\frac{k\pi x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{k\pi t}{2}\right)$ (k odd).

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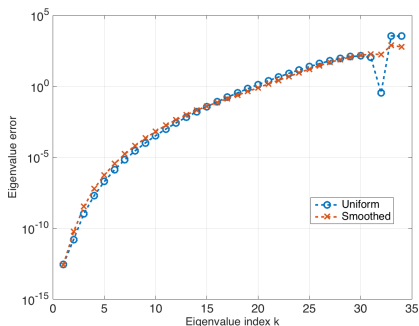
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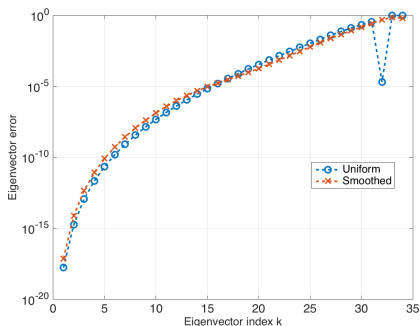
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Eigenvalues, eigenfunctions of 1D Laplacian: uniform vs smoothed knots.

$$|\lambda_k - \lambda_{h,k}|, \quad \|w_k(x) - w_{h,k}(x)\|_{L^2}^2$$



(a) Eigenvalue errors



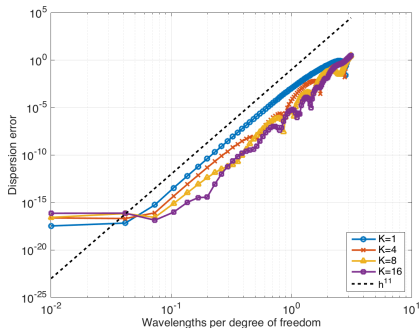
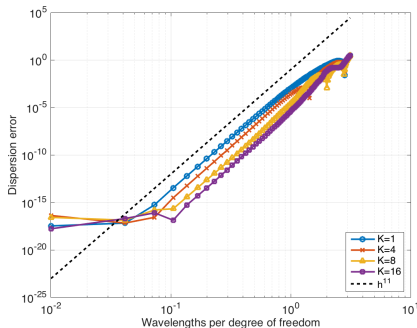
(b) Eigenvector errors

Figure: Eigenvalue and eigenvector errors for $p = 4, K = 32$ splines.

Spectral properties of \mathbf{A}_h

Constant 1D advection: numerical dispersion error $|\operatorname{Re}(\omega) - \operatorname{Re}(\omega_h)|$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0, \quad u(x, t) = e^{i(kx - \omega t)}, \quad u_h(x, t) = e^{i(kx - \omega_h t)}.$$



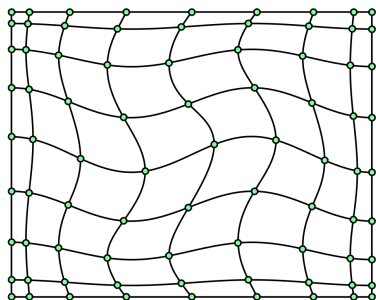
(a) Dispersion errors (uniform knots) (b) Dispersion errors (smoothed knots)

Figure: Dispersion errors using full upwinding, $p = 4$, and $K = 1, 4, 8$.

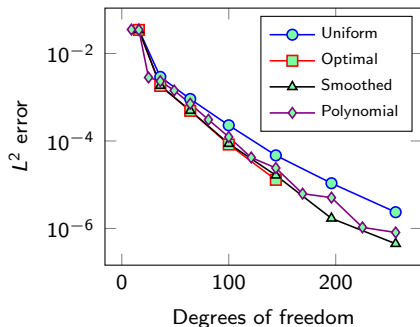
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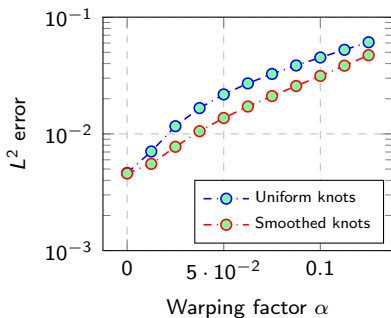


(b) L^2 errors ($\alpha = 1/64$)

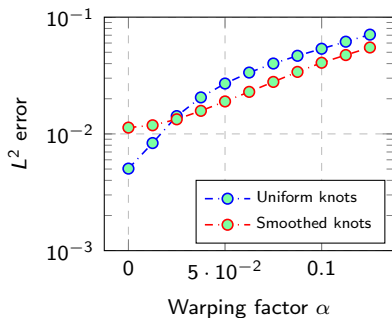
Figure: L^2 approx. errors: $\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi y}{2}\right)$, $p = 2, \dots, 8$ and $K = p$.

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Figure: L^2 errors for increasing α ($p = 3, K = 8$ splines on a single patch).

Approximate mass matrix inversion

- Patch mass matrices \mathbf{M}_J : tensor product basis but no Kronecker structure due to $J(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$, and mass lumping is inaccurate.

$$(\mathbf{M}_J)_{ijk,lmn} = \int_{\hat{D}} B_{ijk}^p(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) B_{lmn}^p(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) J(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) d\hat{\mathbf{x}}.$$

- Preconditioning: approximating \mathbf{M}_J^{-1} impacts semi-discrete stability. Note - Krylov methods approximate \mathbf{M}_J^{-1} as a non-linear operator!

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|u\|_{L^2}^2 = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{M}_J \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} \leq 0.$$

- Isogeometric collocation: restores tensor product structure, but semi-discrete stability is more difficult to prove.

Gao and Calo 2014. Fast isogeometric solvers for explicit dynamics.

Wathen and Rees 2009. Chebyshev semi-iteration in preconditioning for problems including the mass matrix.

Auricchio et al 2012. Isogeometric collocation for elastostatics and explicit dynamics.

Restoring Kronecker structure to \mathbf{M}^{-1}

- Replace \mathbf{M}_J with “weight-adjusted” approximation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{M}_J \mathbf{u} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{M}_{1/J}^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{u}, \quad \left(\widehat{\mathbf{M}} \right)_{ijk,lmn} = \int_{\widehat{D}} B_{ijk}^p(\widehat{\mathbf{x}}) B_{lmn}^p(\widehat{\mathbf{x}}) d\widehat{\mathbf{x}}.$$

- Weight-adjusted inverse: tensor product + matrix-free eval. of $\mathbf{M}_{1/J}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_J^{-1} &\approx \left(\widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{M}_{1/J}^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{M}} \right)^{-1} = \widehat{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} \mathbf{M}_{1/J} \widehat{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} \\ \widehat{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} &= \widehat{\mathbf{M}}_{1D}^{-1} \otimes \widehat{\mathbf{M}}_{1D}^{-1} \otimes \widehat{\mathbf{M}}_{1D}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- Energy stability with respect to equivalent norm

$$C_1(J) \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{M}_{1/J}^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{M}}} \leq \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\mathbf{M}_J} \leq C_2 \|\mathbf{u}\|_{\widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{M}_{1/J}^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{M}}}.$$

Chan, et al. 2016. Weight-adjusted DG methods: wave prop. in heterogeneous media. (SISC).

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Also applied to GD methods (Banks and Hagstrom 2016. On Galerkin difference methods).

Weight-adjusted DG for curvilinear meshes

- Weight-adjusted projection \tilde{P}_h on curved domains

$$\tilde{P}_h(u) := \hat{P}_h \left(\frac{1}{J} \hat{P}_h(uJ) \right).$$

where \hat{P}_h is the L^2 projection onto the reference element.

- L^2 estimates for weight-adjusted projection:

$$\left\| u - \tilde{P}_h u \right\|_{L^2(D^k)} \lesssim \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{J}} \right\|_{L^\infty}^2 \|J\|_{W^{N+1,\infty}(D^k)} h^{N+1} \|u\|_{W^{N+1,2}(D^k)}.$$

High order Sobolev norm of J - can lose accuracy if the geometric mapping is not sufficiently regular!

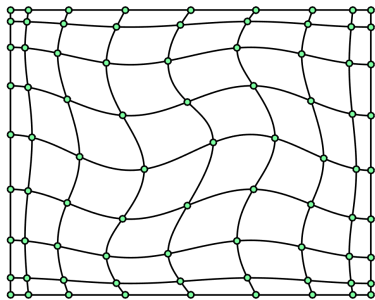
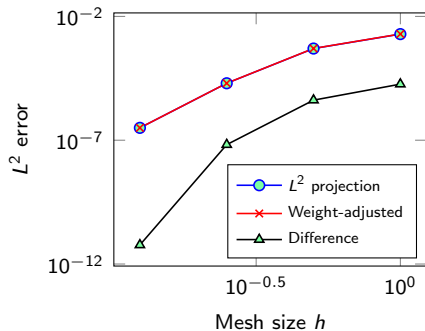
L^2 vs weight-adjusted projection(a) Warped mesh, $\alpha = 1/8$ (b) L^2 errors

Figure: L^2 vs weight-adjusted projection: $\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi y}{2}\right)$, $p = 4$.

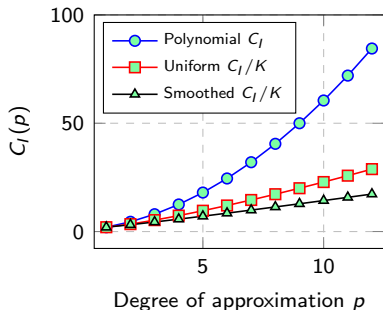
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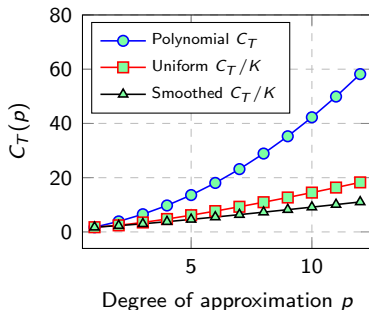
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$$\|u\|_{L^2(\partial\hat{D})} \leq C_T \|u\|_{L^2(\hat{D})}, \quad \|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\hat{D})} \leq C_I \|u\|_{L^2(\hat{D})}.$$

- CFL: $O(h/p^2)$ for polynomials, $O(h/p)$ for splines if $h \leq O(1/p)$.



(a) Inverse inequality, $K = 2p$



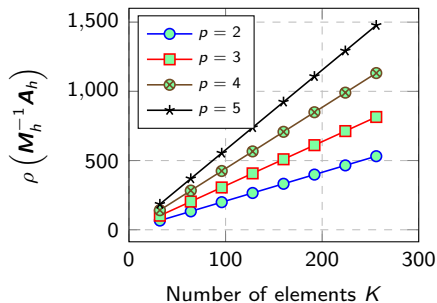
(b) Trace inequality, $K = 2p$

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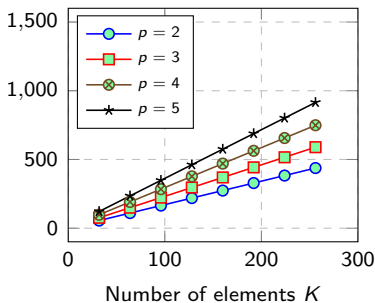
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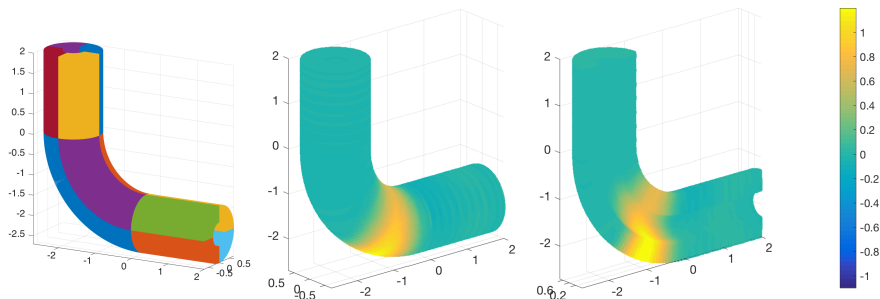


(a) Uniform knots



(b) Smoothed knots

A 3D multi-patch example



- 12 patch pipe model, first order formulation, pulse inflow condition.
- Isotropic $p = 6$, $K = 16$ splines, smoothed knots on each patch.

Summary and acknowledgements

- Optimal/smoothed knot vectors for time-domain simulations.
- Restore Kronecker product with weight-adjusted mass matrix.
- Future directions:
 - Conforming spaces for first order formulations.
 - Nonlinear systems (compressible flow).

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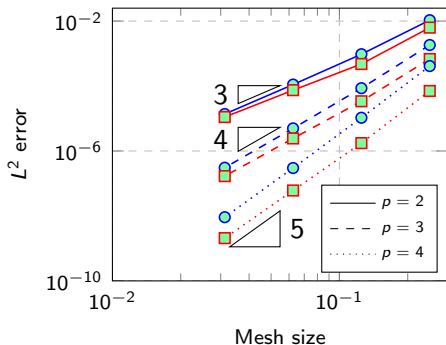
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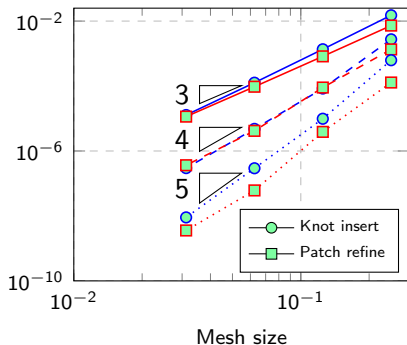
Additional slides

Patch refinement vs knot insertion (uniform knots)

- Patch size H , number of sub-elements K : $h = H/K$.
- Optimal $O(h^{p+1})$ L^2 error for both patch refinement, knot insertion.

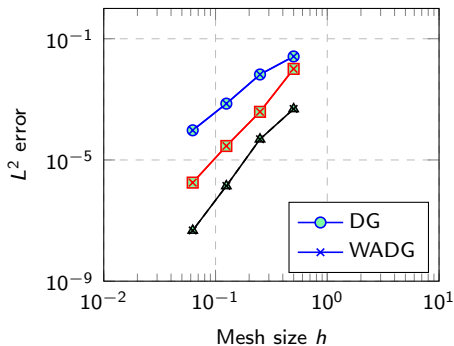
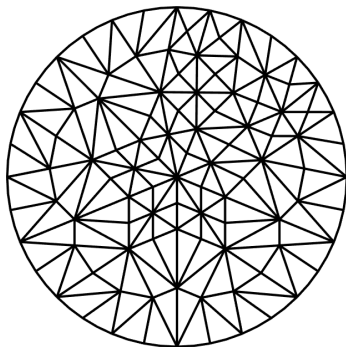


(a) First order (uniform knots)



(b) Second order (uniform knots)

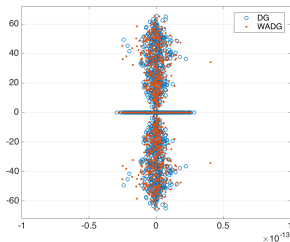
Convergence of WADG on curvilinear meshes



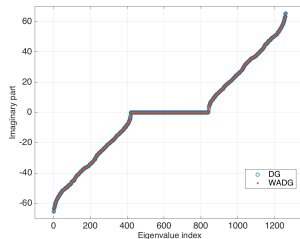
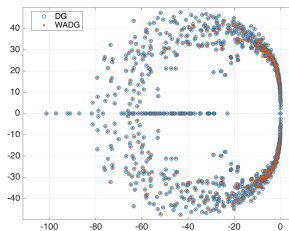
(a) L^2 errors for $N = 2, 3, 4$

Figure: Optimal L^2 convergence rates observed for curvilinear meshes.

Curvilinear meshes: DG eigenvalues (circular domain)



(a) Central fluxes

(b) $\text{Im}(\lambda_i)$ for central fluxes

(c) Upwind fluxes

Behavior of weight-adjusted L^2 projection

Comparison with L^2 projection and Low-Storage Curvilinear DG

$$\tilde{\phi}_i = \frac{\phi_i}{\sqrt{J}}, \quad \mathbf{M}_{ij} = \int_{D^k} \tilde{\phi}_j \tilde{\phi}_i J = \int_{\hat{D}} \phi_j \phi_i = \widehat{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}.$$

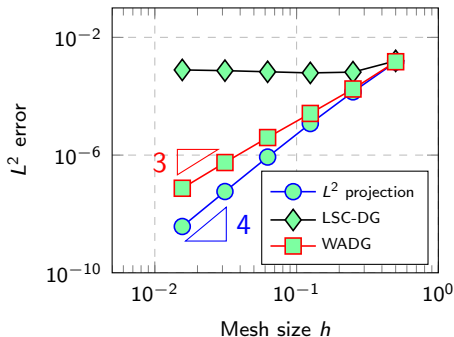
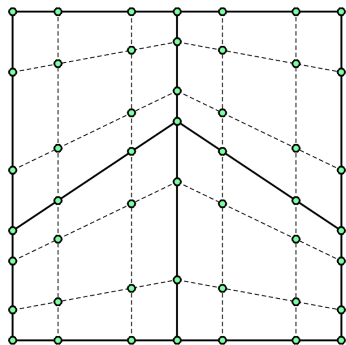


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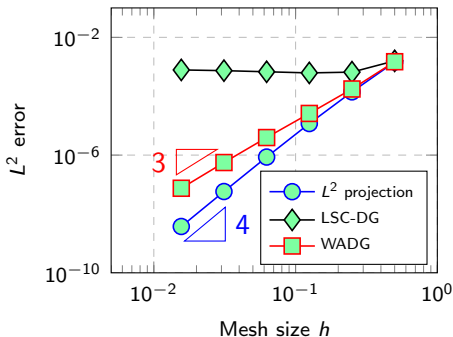
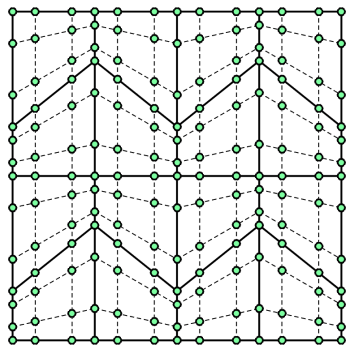


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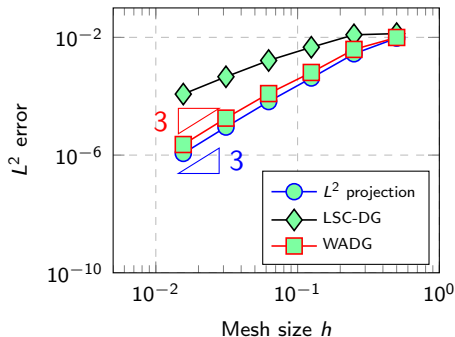
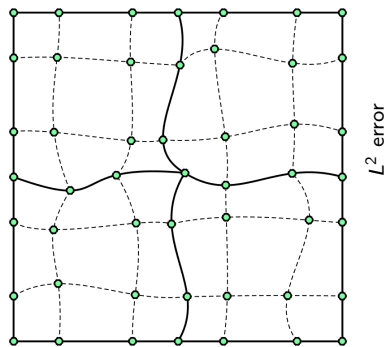


Figure: Curvilinear mesh constructed through random perturbation for $N = 3$.

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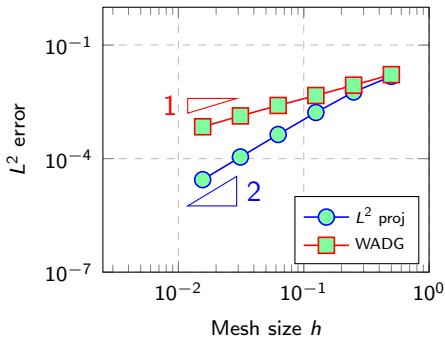
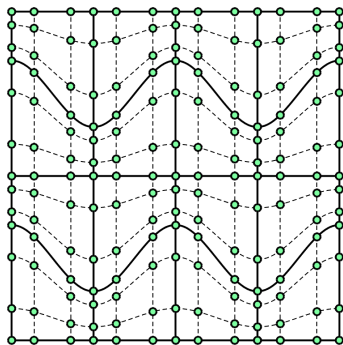


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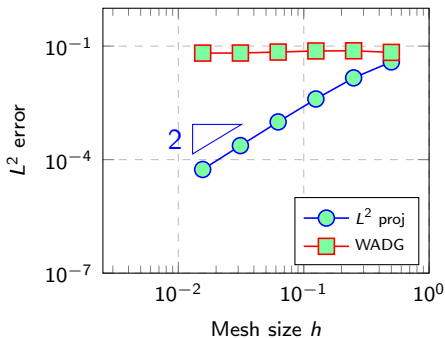
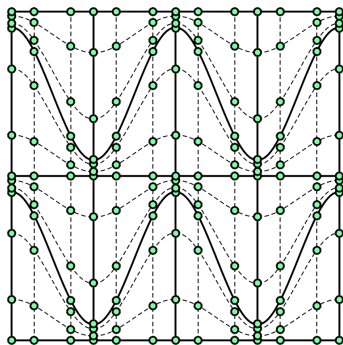


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Weight-adjusted DG: not locally conservative

- **Con:** loss of local conservation for $w(x) \notin P^N$!
- **Pro:** superconvergence of conservation error

$$\text{Conservation error} \leq C h^{2N+2} \|w\|_{W^{N+1,\infty}} \|p\|_{W^{N+1,2}}$$

where C depends on mesh quality and max/min values of w .

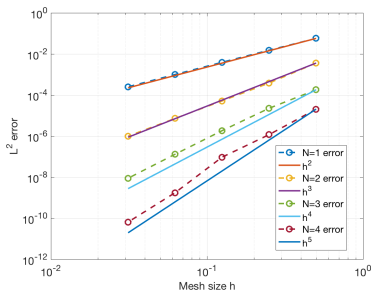
- **Pro:** can restore local conservation with rank-1 update (Shermann-Morrison).

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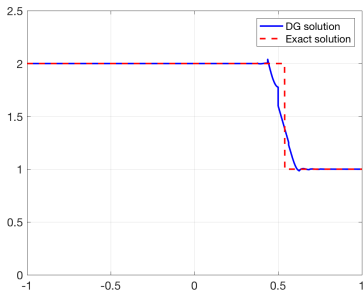
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Best guess: where and what is locally conserved matters;
non-conservation of *nonlinear flux* results in incorrect shock speeds.