

# Advanced Numerical Concepts: Discontinuous Galerkin Method and Adaptive Mesh Refinement

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The choice of flux  $\mathcal{F}^*$  here is crucial to guarantee other desirable properties of the scheme!

# Numerical Example: 1D Wave Equation

$$\partial_t u - 2\pi \partial_x u = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = \sin(kx), \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}, \quad \Omega = [0, 2\pi].$$

$p \setminus K$	2	4	8	16	32	64	Order
1	–	4.0e-1	9.1e-2	2.3e-02	5.7e-03	1.4e-03	2.0
2	2.0e-01	4.3e-02	6.3e-03	8.0e-04	1.0e-04	1.3e-05	3.0
4	3.3e-03	3.1e-04	9.9e-06	3.2e-07	1.0e-08	3.3e-10	5.0
8	2.1e-07	2.5e-09	4.8e-12	2.2e-13	5.0e-13	6.6e-13	$\approx 9.0$

Table: Global  $L^2$  errors with varying polynomial degree  $p$  and using  $K$  elements.

The error behaves like

$$\|u - u_h\| \leq Ch^{p+1}$$

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The scheme is very flexible!

# What is DG?

- ① The standard Galerkin Method is also referred to as **Continuous Galerkin Method (CG)**.
- ② The DG Method is a variant of the CG Method by relaxing these continuity requirements.
- ③ DG methods have more degrees of freedom to solve than CG methods.

# What we gain by relaxing continuity...

- ① Assembly of stiffness matrix is easier to implement. Easy to parallelize.
- ② Adaptivity is more flexible
- ③ Locally conservative property
- ④ Thanks to the natural hierarchy, it is suitable for multilevel methods integrated into the solvers.
- ⑤ Supports higher order local approximations that can vary nonuniformly over the mesh.

# DG for Elliptic Problems

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded, open polygonal domain with Lipschitz continuous boundary  $\Gamma$ .

$$\begin{aligned}-\Delta u &= f && \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= u_D && \text{on } \Gamma_D, \\ \mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla u &= u_N && \text{on } \Gamma_N,\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$  and  $\mathbf{n}$  denotes the outward normal to  $\Omega$ .

# DG Method

Let  $\mathbb{T}_h$ : uniform partition of  $\Omega$  into cells. Introduce our DG space:

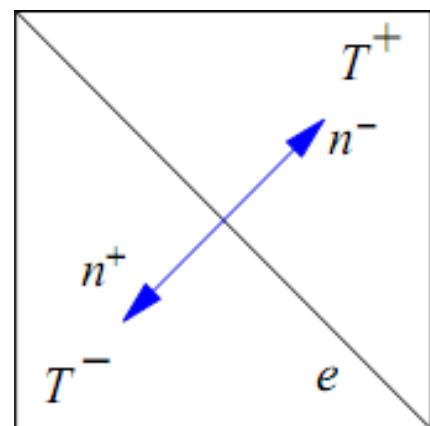
$$V_h := \{v_h : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid v_h|_T \in \mathcal{P}_k(T), T \in \mathbb{T}_h\}$$

Multiplying by  $v \in V_h$  integrating over each  $T \in \mathbb{T}_h$  and summing over all possible cells we arrive at:

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \int_T \Delta u v \, dx &= \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \int_T f v \, dx \\ \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \left( \int_T \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx - \int_{\partial T} \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n} v \, ds \right) &= \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \int_T f v \, dx \end{aligned}$$

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Resulting in

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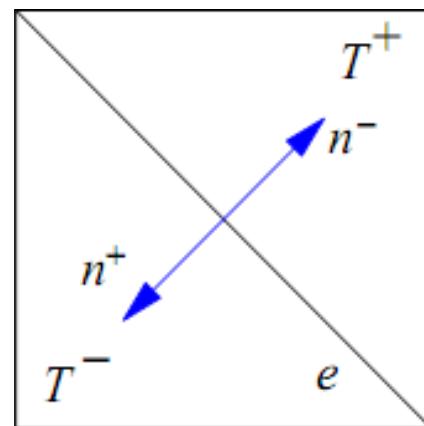
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$$\nabla u^+ \cdot \mathbf{n}^+ v + \nabla u^- \cdot \mathbf{n}^- v = \left\{ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \right\}_e [v]_e$$

where,

$$[v]_e = v^+ - v^- \quad (\text{jump of } v)$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial v}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \right\}_e = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla v^- \cdot \mathbf{n}^- + \nabla v^+ \cdot \mathbf{n}^+) \quad (\text{average of } v)$$



# Penalty Method

Find  $u_h \in V_h$ , such that

$$a_h^{IP}(u_h, v_h) = \ell(v_h) \ dx \quad \forall v_h \in V_h$$

where

$$\ell(v_h) = \int_{\Omega} f v_h \ dx + \int_{\Gamma_N} g_N v \ ds - \int_{\Gamma_D} g_D \frac{\partial v_h}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \ ds + \frac{\alpha}{|e|} \int_{\Gamma_D} g_D v_h \ ds$$

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where  $\alpha > 0$  is a suitably chosen penalty parameter.

# Well Posedness

## Lemma (Coercivity and Continuity)

For penalty parameter  $\alpha > \alpha_0 \geq 1$ , we have

$$a_h^{IP}(u, v) \leq C_{cont} \||u|\| \||u|\|,$$
$$C_{coer} \||u|\|^2 \leq a_h^{IP}(u, u).$$

where

$$\||v|\|^2 = \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \|\nabla v\|_{0,T}^2 + \sum_{e \in \mathbf{E}_h} \frac{\alpha}{|e|} \|[u_h]\|_{0,e}^2.$$

# A priori Estimates

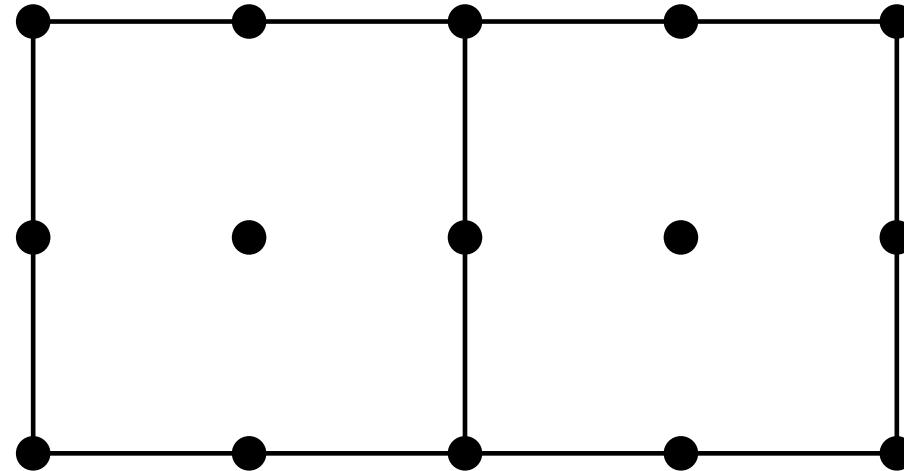
## Theorem

For  $u \in H^s(\mathbb{T}_h)$ ,  $s > 3/2$  and for penalty parameter large enough, we can find a constant  $C > 0$  independent of  $h$  such that the following optimal a priori estimates hold:

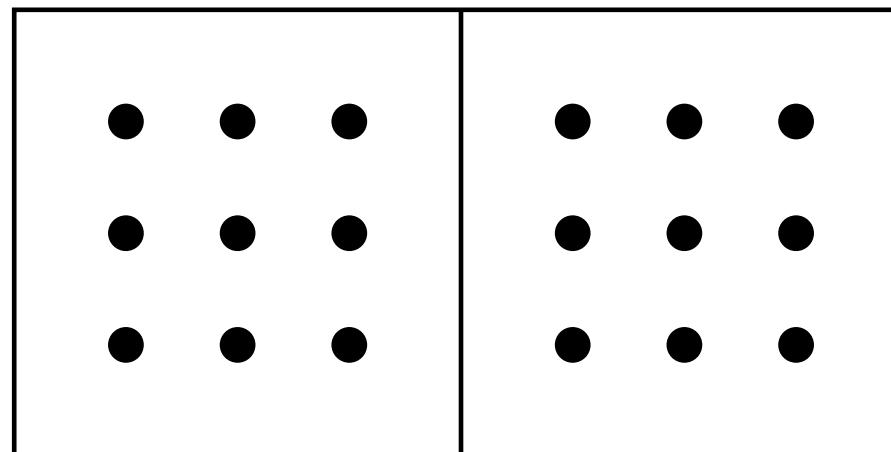
$$\|u - u_h\|^2 \leq Ch^{\min\{k+1,s\}-1} \|v\|_{H^s}^2$$

# deal.II Implementation

```
FE_Q<dim> fe_cg;
```



```
FE_DGQ<dim> fe_dg;
```



# How does deal.II do it?

For `assemble_system()`, we want to code:

$$\begin{aligned} a_h^{IP}(u_h, v_h) &:= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T \nabla u_h \cdot \nabla v_h \, dx - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e \left\{ \frac{\partial u_h}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \right\}_e [v_h]_e \, ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \int_e [u_h]_e \left\{ \frac{\partial v_h}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \right\}_e \, ds + \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_h} \frac{\alpha}{|e|} \int_e [u_h]_e [v_h]_e \, ds \\ \ell(v_h) &= \int_{\Omega} f v_h \, dx + \int_{\Gamma_N} g_N v \, ds - \int_{\Gamma_D} g_D \frac{\partial v_h}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \, ds + \frac{\alpha}{|e|} \int_{\Gamma_D} g_D v_h \, ds \end{aligned}$$

- ① `LocalIntegrators::Laplace::cell(dinfo,info)`
- ② `LocalIntegrators::Laplace::boundary(dinfo,info)`
- ③ `LocalIntegrators::Laplace::face(dinfo1,dinfo2,info1,info2)`

`MeshWorker::integration_loop(...)` assembles all the local contributions into the global matrix.

Look into `step-39.cc` for more details!

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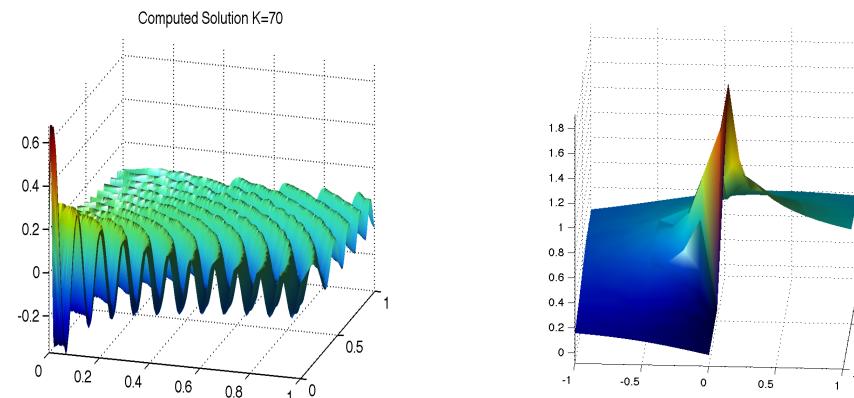
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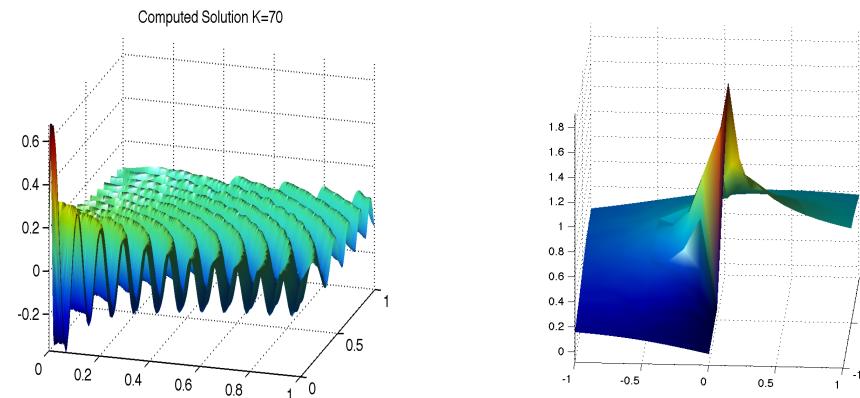
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Devise an algorithm Solve-Estimate-Mark-Refine that efficiently identifies regions where the solution requires better resolution.

# Adaptive Algorithm

The implementation of the adaptive algorithm is done according to the cycle:

SOLVE  $\Rightarrow$  ESTIMATE  $\Rightarrow$  MARK  $\Rightarrow$  REFINE

- SOLVE amounts to seeking a solution  $u_h \in V_h$  st.

$$a_h(u_h, v_h) = \ell(v_h) \quad v_h \in V_h \quad \text{holds.}$$

- ESTIMATE the computation of  $\eta_h$  based on

$$\mathcal{R}(v) = \ell(v) - a_h(u_h, v)$$

- MARK deals with the selection of the elements and edges for refinement based on  $0 < \theta < 1$

$$\theta \eta_h \lesssim \eta_M$$

- REFINEMENT realizes the subdivision of cells.

# Desirable Properties of the estimator

The estimator  $\eta_h$  consists of

$$\eta_h = \sum_{T \in \mathbb{T}_h} \eta_T + \sum_{e \in \mathbb{E}_h} \eta_e$$

E.g: For Poisson Equation, the residual based estimator has cell and edge terms like:

$$\eta_T = h_T \|f - (-\Delta u_h)\|_{0,T}, \quad \eta_e = h_e^{1/2} \|[\partial_n u_h]\|_{0,e}$$

- Cheaply computable estimator
- $\eta_h$  must be reliable, i.e,

$$\|u - u_h\| \leq C_{rel} \eta_h.$$

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$$C_{eff} \eta_h \leq \|u - u_h\|.$$

# Notorious L-Shaped Domain

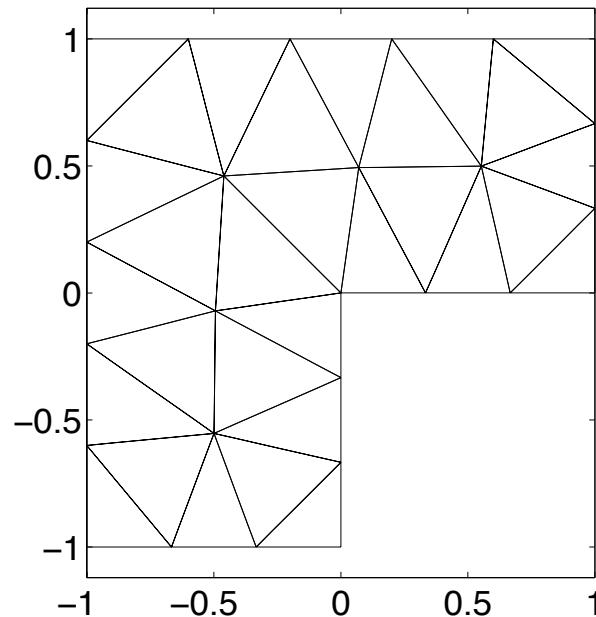
$$-\Delta u = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

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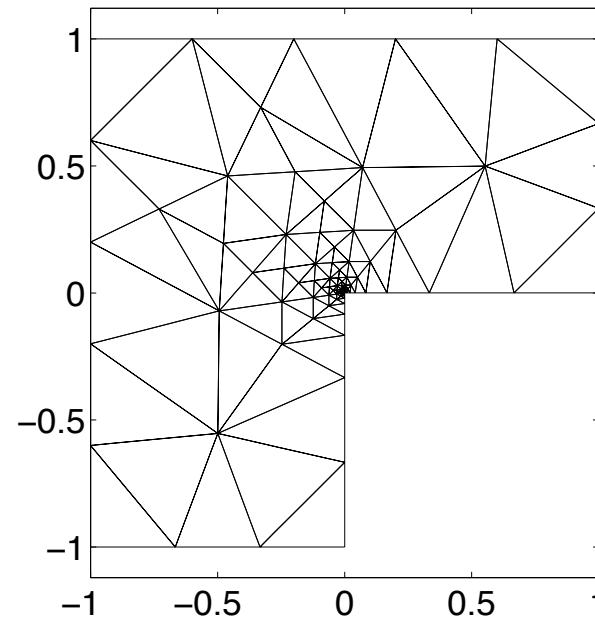
$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla u = u_N \quad \text{on } \Gamma_N := \Gamma \setminus \Gamma_D,$$

where the data is chosen according to  $u(r, \phi) = \text{grad}(r^{\frac{2}{3}} \sin(\frac{2}{3}\phi))$ .

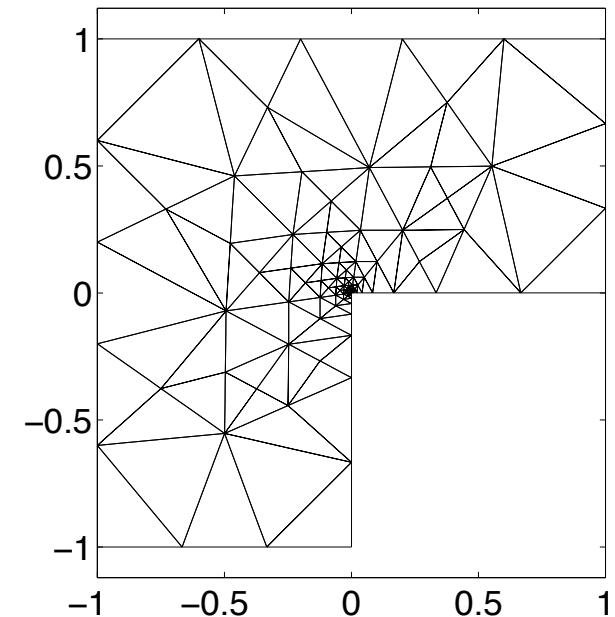
Mesh Level 0



Mesh Level 8



Mesh Level 18



$$\theta = 0.1, k = 4$$

# Moving Peak

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u &= f \quad \text{in } I \times \Omega, \\ u &= 0 \quad \text{on } I \times \partial\Omega, \\ u(0, \cdot) &= u_0(\cdot) \quad \text{on } \Omega\end{aligned}$$

where  $I = [0, 1]$  and we choose data according to

$$u(\mathbf{x}, t) = g(t) \exp^{\beta((x_1 - 0.5)^2 + (x_2 - 0.5)^2)}$$

- $\beta = 25$ ,
- $g(t) = 1 - \exp^{-\gamma(t-0.5)^2}$ ,  $\gamma = 10$ .

# Numerical results: Adaptive algorithm

Moving peak

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