

# Two-Grid *hp*-Version DGFEM for Second-Order Quasilinear Elliptic PDEs using Agglomerated Coarse Meshes

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Xu 1992, 1994, 1996, Xu & Zhou 1999, Axelsson & Layton 1996, Dawson, Wheeler & Woodward 1998, Utnes 1997, Marion & Xu 1995, Wu & Allen 1999, Bi & Ginting 2007, 2011

## Quasilinear Problem

Given  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d = 2, 3$  and  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ , find  $u$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot \{\mu(\mathbf{x}, |\nabla u|) \nabla u\} &= f && \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 && \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

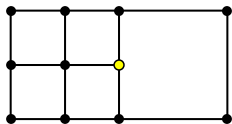
## Assumption

1.  $\mu \in C(\bar{\Omega} \times [0, \infty))$  and
2. there exists positive constants  $m_\mu$  and  $M_\mu$  such that

$$m_\mu(t - s) \leq \mu(\mathbf{x}, t)t - \mu(\mathbf{x}, s)s \leq M_\mu(t - s), \quad t \geq s \geq 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \bar{\Omega}.$$

In this talk we interested in **discontinuous Galerkin finite element methods**, where we don't enforce continuity of the basis functions across faces.

- This results in more degrees of freedom (as no sharing between neighbouring elements).
- Allows us to handle so-called **hanging nodes** in the mesh easily:



- Allows us to easily use different order polynomials on each element — to that end we define a polynomial degree  $p_\kappa$  for all  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h$ .

Now we can define the (fine) hp-DG finite element space:

$$V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p}) = \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : v|_{\kappa} \circ T_\kappa \in \mathcal{P}_{p_\kappa}(\hat{\kappa}), \kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h\} \not\subset H_0^1(\Omega).$$

By **elementwise** integration by parts, and selection of suitable fluxes on edges/faces we can derive a **discontinuous Galerkin finite element method**.

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for all  $v_{hp} \in V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} A_{hp}(\psi; u, v) &= \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_{\Omega} \mu(|\nabla_h \psi|) \nabla_h u \cdot \nabla_h v \, d\mathbf{x} + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \sigma_{hp}[\mathbf{u}] \cdot \llbracket \mathbf{v} \rrbracket \, ds \\ &\quad - \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \{ \mu(|\nabla_h \psi|) \nabla_h u \} \cdot \llbracket \mathbf{v} \rrbracket \, ds, \\ F_{hp}(v) &= \int_{\Omega} f v \, d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{F}_h = \mathcal{F}_h^B \cup \mathcal{F}_h^I$  denotes the set of all faces in the mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$ .



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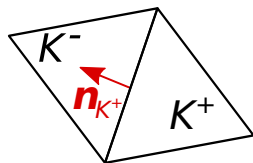
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Penalty parameter:  $\sigma_{hp} = \gamma_{hp} \frac{p_F^2}{h_F}$ ,

Average:  $\{\{u\}\} = \frac{1}{2}(u|_{K^+} + u|_{K^-})$ ,

Jump:  $[[u]] = (u|_{K^+} - u|_{K^-})\mathbf{n}_{K^+}$ ,



where  $p_F = \max(p_{K^+}, p_{K^-})$ ,  $h_F$  is the diameter of the face, and  $\gamma_{hp}$  is a (sufficiently large) constant.

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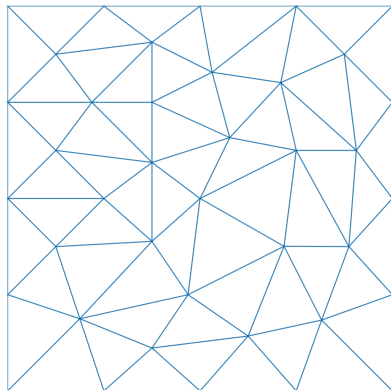
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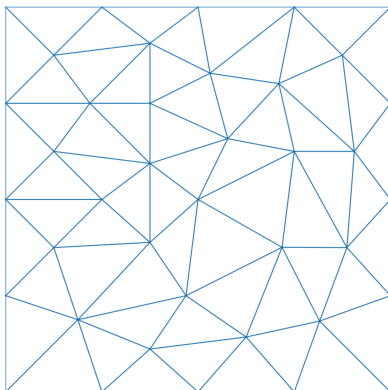
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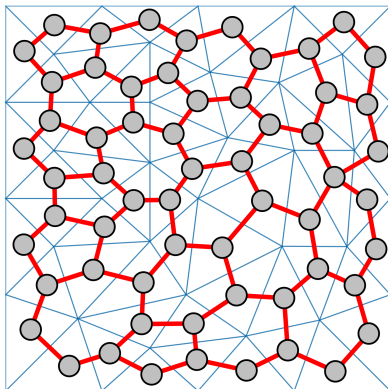


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- Recent work (**Cangiani, Dong, Georgoulis, & Houston 2017**) has extended DG methods to general polygonal elements (notably deriving trace/inverse inequalities we require) — providing one of two conditions are met:
  1. A bound exists on the number of edges/faces in the elements.
  2. A **shape regularity** type condition holds — essentially the element can be divided into simplices, with each face of the element sharing a complete face with one of these simplices, and a bound exists on the ratio between this simplex and the element size.

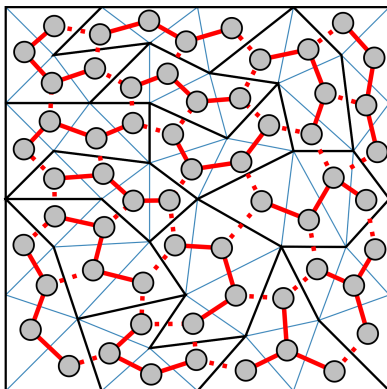
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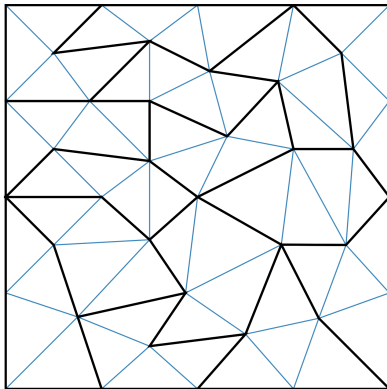


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Due to this agglomeration and adaptive refinement (see later), we cannot guarantee any bound on the number of faces.



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- We use a *slightly* different *interior penalty parameter*:

$$\sigma_{HP} = \gamma_{HP} \max_{\kappa \in \{\kappa^+, \kappa^-\}} \left( C_{\text{INV}} \frac{P_\kappa^2}{H_\kappa} \right),$$

for an interior face  $F = \partial\kappa^+ \cap \partial\kappa^-$ , where  $C_{\text{INV}}$  is a constant from an inverse inequality for agglomerated elements.

[Cangiani, Dong, Georgoulis, & Houston 2017]



## Two-Grid Approximation

1. Construct coarse and fine FE spaces  $V_{HP}(\mathcal{T}_H, \mathbf{P})$  and  $V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$ .
2. Compute the coarse grid approximation  $u_{HP} \in V_{HP}(\mathcal{T}_H, \mathbf{P})$  such that

$$A_{HP}(u_{HP}; u_{HP}, v_{HP}) = F_{HP}(v_{HP})$$

for all  $v_{HP} \in V_{HP}(\mathcal{T}_H, \mathbf{P})$ .

3. Determine the fine grid approximation  $u_{2G} \in V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$  such that

$$A_{hp}(u_{HP}; u_{2G}, v_{hp}) = F_{hp}(v_{hp})$$

for all  $v_{hp} \in V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$ .

[C., Houston, & Wihler 2013]



## Theorem

Suppose that  $\gamma_{hp}$  and  $\gamma_{HP}$  are sufficiently large. Then, there exists a unique solution  $u_{2G} \in V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$  to the two-grid IIP DGFEM.

## Proof.

For sufficiently large  $\gamma_{HP}$ , given a regularity assumption on the element (cf., Cangiani, Dong, Georgoulis, Houston 2017) holds, we can show Lipschitz continuity and strong monotonicity of the semi-linear form  $A_{HP}(\cdot; \cdot, \cdot)$ , we can follow the proof of Houston, Robson, Süli 2005 (Theorem 2.5) to show that  $u_{HP}$  is a unique solution of the coarse approximation.

Furthermore, as the fine grid formulation is an interior penalty discretization of a linear elliptic PDE, where the coefficient  $\mu(|\nabla_h u_{HP}|)$  is a known function, the existence and uniqueness of the solution  $u_{2G}$  to this problem follows immediately if  $\gamma_{hp}$  is sufficiently large.  $\square$



We would like to show that the method converges as the coarse/fine meshes are refined (or polynomial degrees are increased).

To that end we first introduce the DG-norm

$$\|v\|_{hp}^2 = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h} \|\nabla_h v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_h} \int_F \sigma_{hp} |[[v]]|^2 ds.$$

## Theorem (Two-Grid Quasilinear Approximation)

Let  $\mathcal{T}_H^\sharp = \{\mathcal{K}\}$  be a covering of  $\mathcal{T}_H$  consisting of  $d$ -simplices. If  $u|_\kappa \in H^{k_\kappa}(\kappa)$ ,  $k_\kappa \geq 2$  and  $u|_\kappa \in H^{K_\kappa}(\kappa)$ ,  $K_\kappa \geq 3/2$ , for  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_H$ , such that  $\mathfrak{E}u|_\mathcal{K} \in H^{K_\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{K})$ , where  $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_H^\sharp$  with  $\kappa \subset \mathcal{K}$ ; then, the solution  $u_{2G} \in V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{hp} - u_{2G}\|_{hp}^2 &\leq C_3 \left( C_1 \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h} \frac{h_\kappa^{2s_\kappa - 2}}{p_\kappa^{2k_\kappa - 3}} \|u\|_{H^{k_\kappa}(\kappa)}^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + C_2 \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_H} \frac{H_\mathcal{K}^{2s_\kappa - 2}}{P_\mathcal{K}^{2K_\mathcal{K} - 2}} (1 + \mathcal{G}_\kappa(H_\mathcal{K}, P_\mathcal{K})) \|\mathfrak{E}u\|_{H^{K_\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{K})}^2 \right) \\ \|u - u_{2G}\|_{hp}^2 &\leq (1 + C_3) C_1 \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h} \frac{h_\kappa^{2s_\kappa - 2}}{p_\kappa^{2k_\kappa - 3}} \|u\|_{H^{k_\kappa}(\kappa)}^2 \\ &\quad + C_2 C_3 \sum_{\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{T}_H} \frac{H_\mathcal{K}^{2s_\kappa - 2}}{P_\mathcal{K}^{2K_\mathcal{K} - 2}} (1 + \mathcal{G}_\kappa(H_\mathcal{K}, P_\mathcal{K})) \|\mathfrak{E}u\|_{H^{K_\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{K})}^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{G}_{\kappa_H}(H_\mathcal{K}, P_\mathcal{K}) := (P_{\kappa_H} + P_{\kappa_H}^2) H_{\kappa_H}^{-1} \max_{F \subset \partial \kappa_H} \sigma_{HP}^{-1}|_F + \frac{H_{\kappa_H}}{P_{\kappa_H}} \max_{F \subset \partial \kappa_H} \sigma_{HP}|_F$





It would be useful to be able to automatically adjust the coarse and fine meshes in a way that allows us to reduce the error, ideally to point where we can estimate that the error is below a desired tolerance.

This can be done if we have several things:

1. an error bound we can compute *a posteriori* based on the numerical solution,
2. a way to estimate the elements contributing the most to the error,
3. a way to select which elements to refine based on this contribution,
4. a method for deciding whether to refine the coarse or fine element, and
5. a method for deciding on whether to perform  $h$ - or  $p$ -refinement.

Multiple methods already exist for steps 3 and 5 (and are unimportant for this talk).

For steps 1 and 2 we consider **residual**-based *a posteriori* error estimation, modified for the two-grid method, and also develop an algorithm for step 4.

## Lemma (Standard Quasilinear DGFEM)

The following bound holds:

$$\|u - u_{hp}\|_{hp}^2 \leq C_1 \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h} \eta_\kappa^2 \quad .$$

Here the *local error indicators*  $\eta_\kappa$  are defined, for all  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , as

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Proof.

See Houston, Süli & Wihler 2008. □

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and the *local two-grid error indicators* are defined, for all  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , as

$$\xi_\kappa^2 = \|(\mu(|\nabla u_{HP}|) - \mu(|\nabla u_{2G}|)) \nabla u_{2G}\|_{L^2(\kappa)}^2.$$

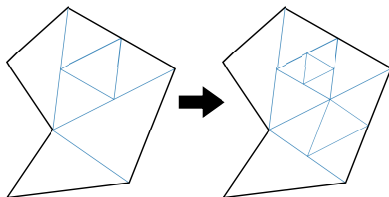
## Proof.

See C., Houston, & Wihler 2013 for the case of a *normal* coarse mesh. This analysis is performed on the fine mesh and the only requirement on the coarse mesh is that  $V_{HP}(\mathcal{T}_H, \mathbf{P}) \subseteq V_{hp}(\mathcal{T}_h, \mathbf{p})$ , which still holds.  $\square$

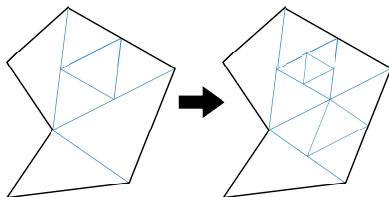
## Two-Grid Adaptivity

1. Construct initial coarse and fine FE spaces, with coarse mesh created by agglomerating the fine mesh.
2. Compute the coarse grid approximation and two-grid solution.
3. Select elements for refinement based on  $\eta_\kappa$  and  $\xi_\kappa$ :
  - 3.1 Use  $\sqrt{\eta_\kappa^2 + \xi_\kappa^2}$  to determine set  $\mathfrak{R}(\mathcal{T}_h) \subseteq \mathcal{T}_h$  of elements to refine.
  - 3.2 Choose fine or coarse mesh refinement. For all  $\kappa \in \mathfrak{R}(\mathcal{T}_h)$ 
    - if  $\lambda_F \xi_\kappa \leq \eta_\kappa$  refine the fine element  $\kappa$ , and
    - if  $\lambda_C \eta_\kappa \leq \xi_\kappa$  refine the coarse element  $\kappa_H \in \mathcal{T}_H$ , where  $\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_h(\kappa_H)$ .
4. Perform  $h$ -/ $hp$ -mesh refinement of the fine space.
5. Select  $h$ - or  $p$ -refinement for each coarse element to refine.
6. Perform mesh smoothing to ensure any coarse element marked for refinement has at least  $2^d$  child fine elements.
7. Perform  $h$ -/ $hp$ -refinement of the coarse space.
8. Goto 2.

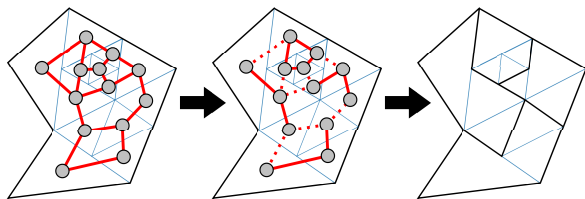
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Coarse Element Refine — Partition patch of fine elements into  $2^d$  elements





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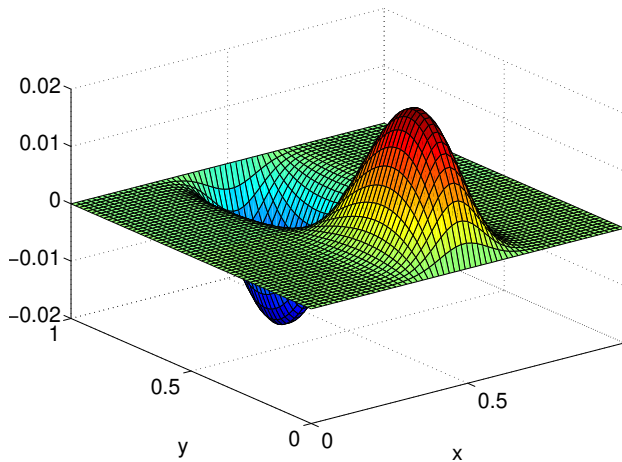
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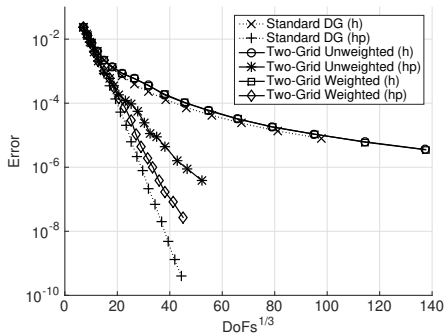
The coarse element refinement uses the fine elements *after* refinement; therefore, we divide the (square) of each error indicator equally between the new fine elements; i.e.,  $\eta_{\kappa_s} = \eta_{\kappa}/\sqrt{N}$  and  $\xi_{\kappa_s} = \xi_{\kappa}/\sqrt{N}$ , for  $s = 1, \dots, N$ , if  $\kappa$  is divided into  $N$  children  $\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_N$ .



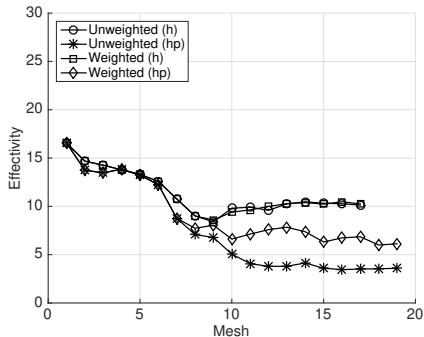
We let  $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$ ,  $\mu(\mathbf{x}, |\nabla u|) = 2 + \frac{1}{1+|\nabla u|^2}$  and select  $f$  so that

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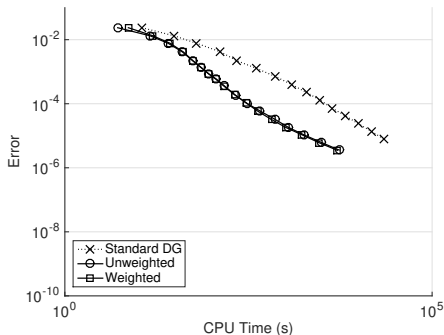




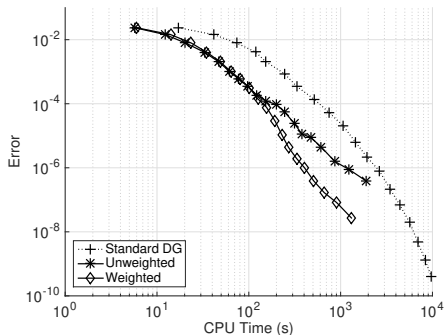
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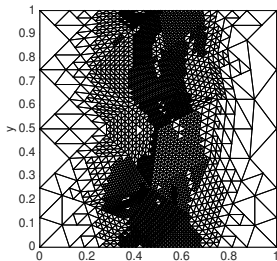
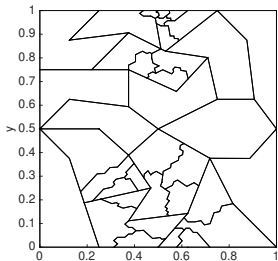
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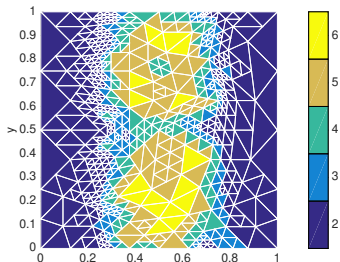
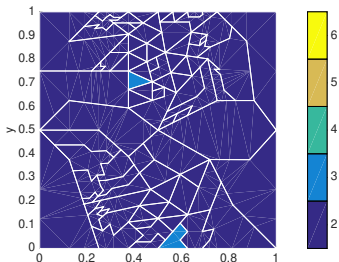
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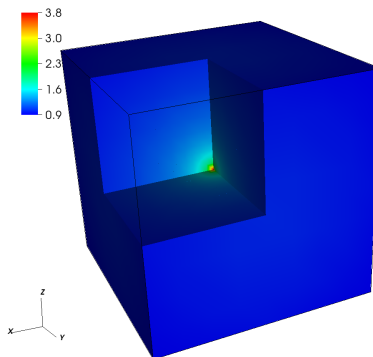
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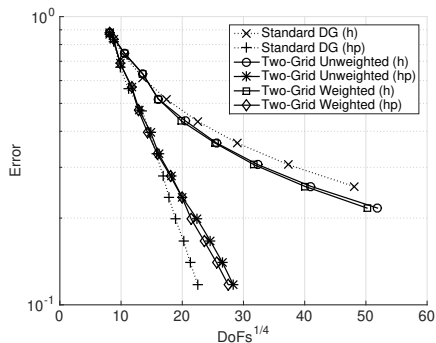
We let  $\Omega$  be the Fichera corner  $(-1, 1)^3 \setminus [0, 1)^3$ ,  $\mu(\mathbf{x}, |\nabla u|) = 2 + \frac{1}{1+|\nabla u|^2}$   
and select  $f$  so that

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{q/2}, \quad q \in \mathbb{R};$$

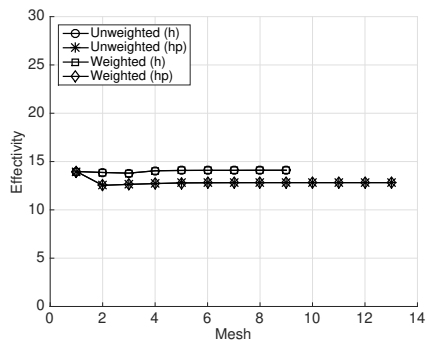
for  $q > -1/2$ ,  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ . Here, we select  $q = -1/4$ .

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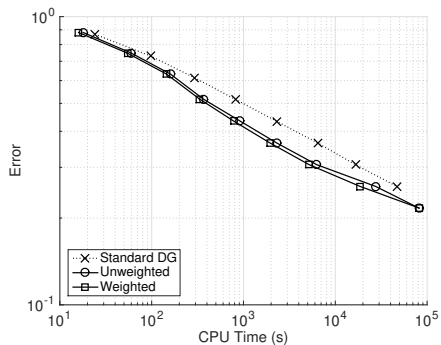




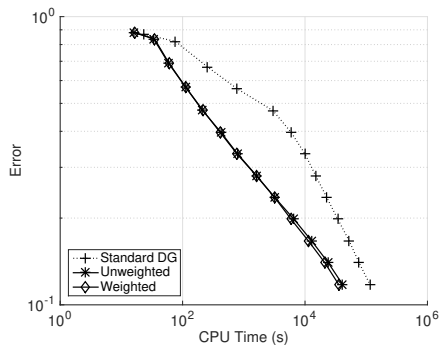
Error vs. #DoFs



Effectivity Indices



Error vs. CPU Time  
*h*-refinement



Error vs. CPU Time  
*hp*-refinement





## Summary:

- Derived *a priori* error estimates for agglomerated coarse meshes.
- Two-Grid DG *a posteriori* error estimates still hold for agglomerated coarse mesh of polygons and fine mesh of simplices.
- We can adaptively refine the coarse mesh based on the error estimates.

## Future Aims:

- Extend to general nonlinearities.
- Non-Newtonian fluids.