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## AFEM for Control Constrained Elliptic Optimal Control Problems

- Review of the a posteriori error analysis of adaptive finite element methods
- Distributed optimal control problem with control constraints
- Residual-type a posteriori error estimator
- Reliability and discrete local efficiency





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## The Loop in Adaptive Finite Element Methods (AFEM)

Adaptive Finite Element Methods (AFEM) consist of successive loops of the cycle

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

**SOLVE:** Multilevel iterative solvers and domain decomposition methods

**ESTIMATE:** Residual-type a posteriori error estimators  
Hierarchical-type a posteriori error estimators  
Error estimators based on local averaging  
Goal oriented weighted dual approach

**MARK:** Heuristic strategies (max. error, averaged error)  
Bulk criterion for AFEMs  
[Binev/Dahmen/DeVore (2002), Carstensen/H. (2004), Dörfler (1996)]

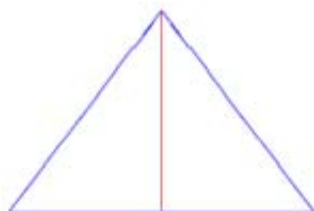
**REFINE:** Bisection or 'red/green' refinement or combinations thereof



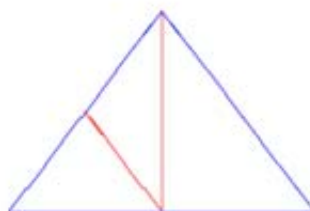
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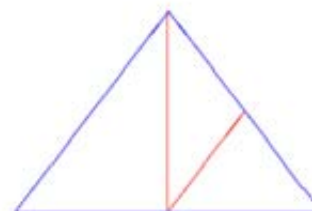
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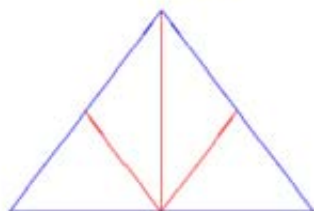
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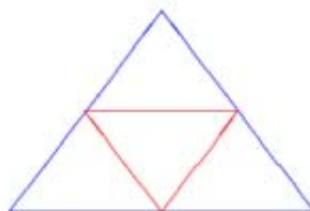
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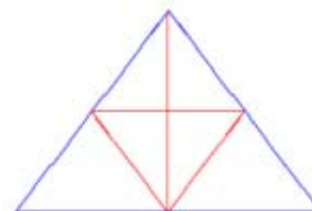
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### (i) Unconstrained problems

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### Model Problem (Distributed Elliptic Control Problem with Control Constraints)

Given a bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  with polygonal boundary  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$ , functions  $f, u^d, y^d, \psi \in L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $\alpha > 0$ , consider the distributed optimal control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega), \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = f + u, \\ & u \in K := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\}. \end{aligned}$$



## Optimality Conditions for the Distributed Control Problem

There exists an **adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p} \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and an **adjoint control**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in L^2(\Omega)$  such that the quadruple  $(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad ; \quad \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad , \\ \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}) &= -(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad ; \quad \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad , \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}^d + \frac{1}{\alpha} (\mathbf{p} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \quad , \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} &\in \partial \mathbf{I}_K(\mathbf{u}) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}(\cdot, \cdot)$  stands for the bilinear form

$$\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{z} \, dx \quad , \quad \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z} \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad ,$$

and  $\partial \mathbf{I}_K(\mathbf{u})$  denotes the subdifferential of the indicator function of the constraint set  $K$ .



## Complementarity Conditions for the Optimal Control Problem

The inclusion  $\sigma \in \partial I_K(u)$  can be equivalently stated as the **variational inequality**

$$(\sigma, u - w)_{0,\Omega} = (\alpha(u^d - u) + p, u - w)_{0,\Omega} \geq 0 \quad , \quad w \in K .$$

Consequently,  $\sigma$  and  $u$  satisfy the **complementarity conditions**

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &\in L_+^2(\Omega) \quad , \quad \psi - u \in L_+^2(\Omega) , \\ (\sigma, \psi - u)_{0,\Omega} &= 0 . \end{aligned}$$

We define the **active control set**  $\mathcal{A}(u)$  and the **inactive control set**  $\mathcal{I}(u)$  according to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(u) &:= \max\{A \subset \Omega \mid u(x) = \psi(x) \text{ f.a.a. } x \in A\} , \\ \mathcal{I}(u) &:= \bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} B_\varepsilon , \quad B_\varepsilon := \max\{B \subset \Omega \mid u(x) \leq \psi(x) - \varepsilon \text{ f.a.a. } x \in B\} . \end{aligned}$$

and note that  $\sigma(x) = 0$  f.a.a.  $x \in \mathcal{I}(u)$ .



## Basic Definitions and Notations

$\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  : Shape regular simplicial triangulation of a polygonal domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$\mathcal{N}_H(\Omega)$  : Set of interior vertices of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$

$\mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$  : Set of interior edges of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$

$\mathcal{N}_H(D) := \mathcal{N}_H(\Omega) \cap D$  ,  $\mathcal{E}_H(D) := \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega) \cap D$  ,  $D \subseteq \Omega$

$h_T := \text{diam}(T)$  ,  $T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  ,  $h_E := \text{length of } E \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$  ,  $x_T := \text{center of gravity of } T$

$\omega_E := T_1 \cup T_2$  ,  $T_\nu \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq 2$  ,  $E = T_1 \cap T_2 \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$

$A \lesssim B$  : There exists  $C \in \mathbb{R}_+$  , independent of  $H$  , such that  $A \leq C B$

$A \approx B \iff A \lesssim B \text{ and } B \lesssim A$



## Finite Element Approximation of the Distributed Control Problem

Let  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  be a **shape regular, simplicial triangulation** of  $\Omega$  and let

$$V_H := \{ v_H \in C(\Omega) \mid v_H|_T \in P_1(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega), v_H|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \}$$

be the FE space of **continuous, piecewise linear finite elements** and

$$W_H := \{ w_H \in L^2(\Omega) \mid w_H|_T \in P_0(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) \}$$

the linear space of **elementwise constants**.

Consider the following **FE Approximation** of the distributed control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y_H, u_H) := \frac{1}{2} \|y_H - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u_H - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y_H, u_H) \in V_H \times W_H, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & a(y_H, v_H) = (f + u_H, v_H)_{0,\Omega}, v_H \in V_H, \\ & u_H \in K_H := \{ w_H \in W_H \mid w_H|_T \leq \psi_H|_T, T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) \}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_H \in W_H$  with  $\psi_H|_T \leq \psi$  a.e. on  $T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$ .





## Optimality Conditions for the FE Discretized Control Problem

There exists an **adjoint state**  $p_H \in V_H$  and an **adjoint control**  $\sigma_H \in W_H$  such that the quadruple  $(y_H, p_H, u_H, \sigma_H)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} a(y_H, v_H) &= (f + u_H, v_H)_{0,\Omega} \quad ; \quad v_H \in V_H \quad ; \\ a(p_H, v_H) &= -(y_H - y^d, v_H)_{0,\Omega} \quad ; \quad v_H \in V_H \quad ; \\ u_H &= u_H^d + \frac{1}{\alpha} (M_H p_H - \sigma_H) \quad ; \\ \sigma_H &\in \partial I_{K_H}(u_H) \quad ; \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_H^d \in W_H$ ,  $u_H^d|_T := u_T^d$ ,  $T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  and the operator  $M_H : V_H \rightarrow W_H$  is given by

$$(M_H v_H)|_T := |T|^{-1} \int_T v_H \, dx \quad , \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) \quad .$$



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## Complementarity for the FE Discretized Control Problem

We define the **discrete active control set**  $\mathcal{A}(u_H)$  and the **discrete inactive control set**  $\mathcal{I}(u_H)$  by

$$\mathcal{A}(u_H) := \cup \{ T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) \mid u_H|_T = \psi_H|_T \} ,$$

$$\mathcal{I}(u_H) := \cup \{ T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) \mid u_H|_T < \psi_H|_T \} .$$

Then, the **discrete complementarity conditions** can be written as

$$\sigma_H|_T \geq 0 \quad , \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega) ,$$

$$\sigma_H|_T = 0 \quad , \quad T \in \mathcal{I}(u_H) ,$$

$$\sigma_H|_T = \alpha (u_H^d - \psi_H)|_T + (M_{HPH})|_T \quad , \quad T \in \mathcal{A}(u_H) .$$



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## The A Posteriori Error Estimator



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## The A Posteriori Error Estimator

The a posteriori error estimator for the global discretization error in the state, adjoint state, control and the adjoint control consists of

- element and edge residuals with respect to the equations for the state and the adjoint state,
- a complementarity consistency error.

The error analysis further involves

- data oscillations with respect to the data  $f$ ,  $u^d$ ,  $y^d$  and  $\psi$  of the problem.



## Element and Edge Residuals for the State and the Adjoint State

(i) Element and edge residuals for the state  $y$

$$\eta_y := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} \eta_{y,T}^2 + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)} \eta_{y,E}^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\eta_{y,T} := \underbrace{h_T \|f + u_H\|_{0,T}}_{\text{element residuals}}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega), \quad \eta_{y,E} := \underbrace{h_E^{1/2} \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla y_H]\|_{0,E}}_{\text{edge residuals}}, \quad E \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$$

(ii) Element and edge residuals for the adjoint state  $p$

$$\eta_p := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} ((\eta_{p,T}^{(1)})^2 + (\eta_{p,T}^{(2)})^2) + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)} \eta_{p,E}^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\eta_{p,T}^{(1)} := \underbrace{h_T \|y^d - y_H\|_{0,T}}_{\text{element residuals}}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega), \quad \eta_{p,E} := \underbrace{h_E^{1/2} \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla p_H]\|_{0,E}}_{\text{edge residuals}}, \quad E \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$$

$$\eta_{p,T}^{(2)} := \|M_{HP_H} - p_H\|_{0,T}$$



## Complementarity Consistency Error

$$\eta_{ce} := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{A}(u_H)} (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,T} \right)^{1/2}$$

- measures the deviation of the discrete control constraint set  $\mathbf{K}_H$  from its continuous counterpart  $\mathbf{K}$  on  $\text{supp}(\sigma_H) = \mathcal{A}(u_H)$ ,
- vanishes in case of a constant obstacle  $\psi$ .



## Data Oscillations in the Data $f$ , $u^d$ , $y^d$ , $\psi$

(i) Low order data oscillations in  $u^d$  and  $\psi$

$$\mu_H(u^d) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} \mu_T(u^d)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \mu_H(\psi) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} \mu_T(\psi)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\mu_T(u^d) := \|u^d - u_H^d\|_{0,T}, \quad \mu_T(\psi) := \|\psi - \psi_H\|_{0,T}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$$

(ii) Higher order data oscillations in  $f$  and  $y^d$

$$\text{osc}_H(f) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T(f)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \text{osc}_H(y^d) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T(y^d)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\text{osc}_T(f) := h_T \|f - f_H\|_{0,T}, \quad \text{osc}_T(y^d) := h_T \|y^d - y_H^d\|_{0,T}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$$



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## Reliability of the Error Estimator





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## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator

**Theorem** Let  $(y, p, u, \sigma)$  be the solution of the distributed control problem and  $(y_H, p_H, u_H, \sigma_H)$  be the finite element approximation with respect to the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$ . Further, let  $\eta$  be the residual type error estimator and  $\mu_H(u^d)$  the data oscillations in  $u^d$ .

Then, there exists a positive constant  $C$ , depending only on  $\alpha$ ,  $\Omega$  and on the shape regularity of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  such that

$$\alpha^{1/2} \|y - y_H\|_{1,\Omega} + \|p - p_H\|_{1,\Omega} + \alpha \|u - u_H\|_{0,\Omega} + \|\sigma - \sigma_H\|_{0,\Omega} \leq C \left( \eta + \mu_H(u^d) \right).$$



## Proof of the reliability of the a posteriori error estimator

Since standard Galerkin orthogonality does not apply, we introduce the

- auxiliary state  $y(u_H) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  satisfying

$$a(y(u_H), v) = (f + u_H, v)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad ,$$

- auxiliary adjoint state  $p(u_H) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  satisfying

$$a(p(u_H), v) = (y^d - y(u_H), v)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad .$$

Then, the partial errors

$$y(u_H) - y_H \quad , \quad p(u_H) - p_H$$

can be estimated by standard techniques giving rise to the element and edge residuals  $\eta_{y,T}$  ,  $\eta_{y,E}$  and  $\eta_{p,T}$  ,  $\eta_{p,E}$



### Important Tool in the Error Analysis: Intermediate State and Adjoint State

Given a discrete control  $\mathbf{u}_H \in W_H$ , the **intermediate state**  $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and the **intermediate adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  are the unique solutions of the variational equations

$$\begin{aligned} a(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H), \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{u}_H, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad , \\ a(\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H), \mathbf{v}) &= -(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H) - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad . \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma.** Let  $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H)$  and  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H)$  be the intermediate state and adjoint state. Then, we have

$$(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H), \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_H)_{0,\Omega} = -\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H)\|_{0,\Omega}^2 \leq 0 \quad .$$

**Proof:** Obviously, there holds

$$a(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H), \mathbf{v}_1) = (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_H, \mathbf{v}_1)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad a(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H), \mathbf{v}_2) = (\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H) - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v}_2)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad .$$

The assertion follows readily by choosing  $\mathbf{v}_1 := \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{u}_H)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 := \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_H)$ .



## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator

**Lemma.** Under the same assumptions as in the previous theorem there holds

$$\alpha |y - y_H|_{1,\Omega}^2 + |p - p_H|_{1,\Omega}^2 + \alpha^2 \|u - u_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \|\sigma - \sigma_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 \lesssim$$

$$\lesssim |y_H - y(u_H)|_{1,\Omega}^2 + |p_H - p(u_H)|_{1,\Omega}^2 + \|M_H p_H - p_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,\Omega} + \mu_H^2(u^d).$$

**Proof:** In view of the equations for the adjoint controls  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma_H$  and using Young's inequality, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 \|u - u_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 &= \alpha (\sigma_H - \sigma, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} + \alpha (p - p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} + \\ &+ \alpha (p_H - M_H p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} + \alpha^2 (u^d - u_H^d, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} \leq \alpha (\sigma_H - \sigma, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} + \\ &+ \alpha (p - p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} + \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \|u - u_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha^2} \|p_H - M_H p_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha^2} \mu_H(u^d). \end{aligned}$$



Using the complementarity conditions for  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma_H$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_H - \sigma, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} &= \underbrace{(\sigma_H, u - \psi)_{0,\Omega}}_{\leq 0} + (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,\Omega} + \underbrace{(\sigma_H, \psi_H - u_H)_{0,\Omega}}_{= 0} - \\ &- \underbrace{(\sigma, u - \psi)_{0,\Omega}}_{= 0} - \underbrace{(\sigma, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,\Omega}}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{(\sigma, \psi_H - u_H)_{0,\Omega}}_{\geq 0} \leq (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,\Omega}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for the remaining term there holds

$$\alpha (p - p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} \leq \underbrace{\alpha (p - p(u_H), u - u_H)_{0,\Omega}}_{\leq 0} + \alpha (p(u_H) - p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega},$$

whence by another application of Young's inequality

$$\alpha (p - p_H, u - u_H)_{0,\Omega} \leq \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \|u - u_H\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{c(\Omega)^2}{\alpha^2} |p(u_H) - p_H|_{1,\Omega}^2.$$



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## Discrete Local Efficiency



## Discrete Local Efficiency of the Error Estimator

**Theorem** Suppose that  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  is a refined element and that  $(y_H, p_H, u_H, \sigma_H)$  and  $(y_h, p_h, u_h, \sigma_h)$  are the finite element approximations w.r.t. the triangulations  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  and  $\mathcal{T}_h(\Omega)$ . Then there holds

$$\eta_{y,T}^2 \lesssim |y_H - y_h|_{1,T}^2 + h_T^2 \|u_H - u_h\|_{0,T}^2 + \text{osc}_T^2(f),$$

$$(\eta_{p,T}^{(1)})^2 \lesssim |p_H - p_h|_{1,T}^2 + |y_H - y_h|_{1,T}^2 + \text{osc}_T^2(y^d).$$

**Proof:** Let  $\varphi_h^a \in V_h$  be a nodal basis function associated with an interior point  $a \in \mathcal{N}_H(\mathbf{T})$ .

Then, with  $z_h := (f_T + u_H)\varphi_h^a$  there holds

$$(*) \quad \eta_{y,T}^2 \lesssim h_T^2 (f + u_h, z_h)_{0,T} + \left( h_T^2 \|u_H - u_h\|_{0,T} + \text{osc}_T(y^d) \right) \|z_h\|_{0,T} + \text{osc}_T^2(f).$$

Since  $z_h$  is an admissible test function, we have  $a|_T(y_h, z_h) = (f + u_h, z_h)_{0,T}$ .

Moreover, Green's formula reveals  $a|_T(y_H, z_h) = 0$ , and hence

$$h_T^2 (f + u_h, z_h)_{0,T} = h_T^2 a(y_h - y_H, z_h) \leq h_T^2 |y_h - y_H|_{1,T} |z_h|_{1,T}.$$

Inserting into (\*) and using Young's inequality, gives the assertion.  $\square$



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$$\|\mathbf{M}_H \mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{p}_H\|_{0,T} \lesssim |\mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{p}_h|_{1,T} + \alpha \|\mathbf{u}_H - \mathbf{u}_h\|_{0,T} + \|\boldsymbol{\sigma}_H - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_h\|_{0,T} + \alpha \|\mathbf{u}_H^d - \mathbf{u}_h^d\|_{0,T}.$$

**Proof:** The result follows readily by means of

$$\mathbf{M}_H \mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{M}_h \mathbf{p}_h = \alpha (\mathbf{u}_h - \mathbf{u}_H) + \alpha (\mathbf{u}_H^d - \mathbf{u}_h^d) + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_H - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_h$$

and

$$\|\mathbf{M}_h \mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{p}_H\|_{0,T} \leq \rho \|\mathbf{M}_H \mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{p}_H\|_{0,T},$$

where  $0 < \rho < 1$  only depends on the shape regularity of the triangulation. □





## Discrete Local Efficiency of the Error Estimator

**Theorem** Suppose that  $\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$  is a refined edge and that  $(\mathbf{y}_H, \mathbf{p}_H, \mathbf{u}_H, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_H)$  and  $(\mathbf{y}_h, \mathbf{p}_h, \mathbf{u}_h, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_h)$  are the finite element approximations w.r.t. the triangulations  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  and  $\mathcal{T}_h(\Omega)$ . Let further  $\omega_{\mathbf{E}} := \mathbf{T}_1 \cup \mathbf{T}_2$ , where  $\mathbf{T}_\nu \in \mathcal{E}_H(\Omega)$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq 2$ , such that  $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{T}_1 \cap \mathbf{T}_2$ . Then there holds

$$\eta_{y,\mathbf{E}}^2 \lesssim |\mathbf{y}_H - \mathbf{y}_h|_{1,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}^2 + h_{\mathbf{T}}^2 \|\mathbf{u}_H - \mathbf{u}_h\|_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}^2 + \eta_{y,\omega}^2,$$

$$\eta_{p,\mathbf{E}}^2 \lesssim |\mathbf{p}_H - \mathbf{p}_h|_{1,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}^2 + |\mathbf{y}_H - \mathbf{y}_h|_{1,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}^2 + \eta_{p,\mathbf{E}}^2.$$

**Proof:** Let  $\varphi_h^{\text{mid}_{\mathbf{E}}} \in \mathbf{V}_h$  be the nodal basis function associated with  $\text{mid}(\mathbf{E}) \in \mathcal{N}_h(\Omega)$ .

Then, the function  $\mathbf{z}_h := [\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H] \varphi_h^{\text{mid}_{\mathbf{E}}}$  satisfies

$$\|[\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H]\|_{0,\mathbf{E}}^2 \lesssim ([\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H], \mathbf{z}_h)_{0,\mathbf{T}} \quad , \quad \|\mathbf{z}_h\|_{0,\mathbf{E}} \lesssim h_{\mathbf{E}}^{1/2} \|[\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H]\|_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} \quad , \quad |\mathbf{z}_h|_{1,\mathbf{T}} \lesssim h_{\mathbf{E}}^{-1/2} \|[\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H]\|_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{z}_h$  is an admissible test function, we have  $\mathbf{a}|_{\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}(\mathbf{y}_h, \mathbf{z}_h) = (\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{z}_h)_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}$ , and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{y,\mathbf{E}}^2 &= h_{\mathbf{E}} \|[\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H]\|_{0,\mathbf{E}}^2 \lesssim h_{\mathbf{E}} ([\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H], \mathbf{z}_h)_{0,\mathbf{E}} = h_{\mathbf{E}} \left( \mathbf{a}|_{\omega_{\mathbf{E}}}(\mathbf{y}_H - \mathbf{y}_h, \mathbf{z}_h) + (\mathbf{u}_H - \mathbf{u}_h, \mathbf{z}_h)_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} + (\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{u}_H, \mathbf{z}_h)_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} \right) \\ &\lesssim h_{\mathbf{E}}^{1/2} \|[\boldsymbol{\nu}_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y}_H]\|_{0,\mathbf{E}} \left( |\mathbf{y}_H - \mathbf{y}_h|_{1,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} + h_{\mathbf{T}} \|\mathbf{u}_H - \mathbf{u}_h\|_{0,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} + \eta_{y,\omega_{\mathbf{E}}} \right). \end{aligned}$$



## Discrete Local Efficiency of the Error Estimator

**Theorem** Let  $(y_H, p_H, u_H, \sigma_H)$  and  $(y_h, p_h, u_h, \sigma_h)$  be the finite element approximations with respect to the triangulations  $\mathcal{T}_H(\Omega)$  and  $\mathcal{T}_h(\Omega)$ , respectively. Then, for  $T \in \mathcal{A}_H(u_H)$  there holds

$$(\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,T} \lesssim \left( |p_H - p_h|_{1,T}^2 + \|u_H - u_h\|_{0,T}^2 + \|\sigma_H - \sigma_h\|_{0,T}^2 \right) + \mu_T^2(u^d) + \mu_T(\psi).$$

**Proof:** Since  $\psi_H = u_H$  for  $T \in \mathcal{A}_H(u_H)$ , it follows that

$$(\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,T} = (\sigma_H, \psi - u_H)_{0,T} = (\sigma_H, \psi - u_h)_{0,T} + (\sigma_H, u_h - u_H)_{0,T}.$$

Using  $(\sigma_h, u_h - \psi_h)_{0,T} = 0$ , for the first term on the right-hand side we obtain

$$(\sigma_H, \psi - u_h)_{0,T} = (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,T} + (\sigma_H, u_h - u_H)_{0,T}.$$

$$(\sigma_H, u_h - u_H)_{0,T} = \alpha (u_H^d - u_h^d, u_h - u_H)_{0,T} + (\sigma_h, u_h - u_H)_{0,T} + (M_H p_H - M_h p_h, u_h - u_H)_{0,T} + \alpha \|u_h - u_H\|_{0,T}^2.$$

On the other hand, for the second term we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_H, \psi - u_h)_{0,T} &= \underbrace{(\sigma_H, \psi - u_H)_{0,T}}_{= (\sigma_H, \psi - \psi_H)_{0,T}} - (\sigma_H, u_h - u_H)_{0,T}. \end{aligned}$$



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### Numerical Example: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega), \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = f + u, \\ & u \in K := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\}. \end{aligned}$$

Data:

$$y^d := \sin(2\pi x_1) \sin(2\pi x_2) \exp(2x_1)/6,$$

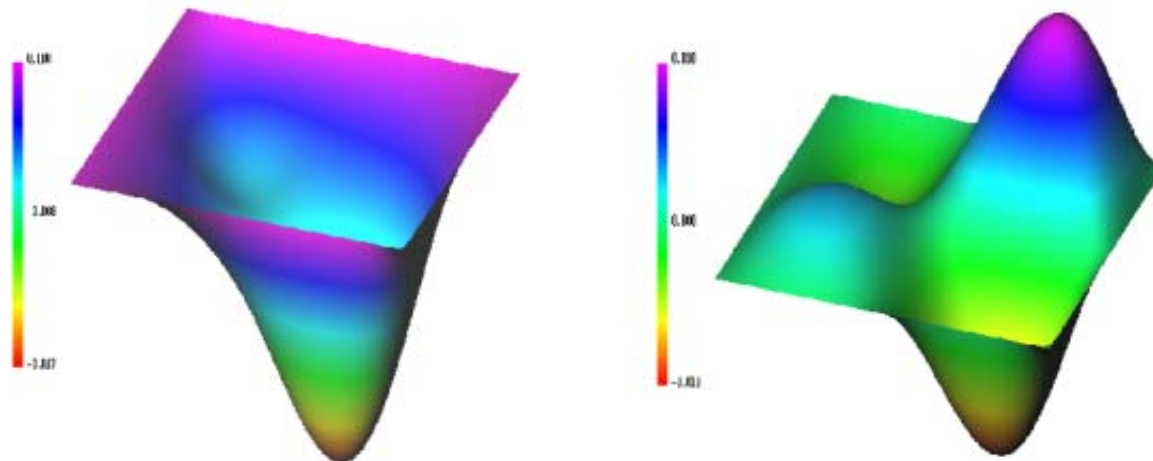
$$\alpha := 0.01, \quad u^d := 0, \quad \psi := 0, \quad f := 0.$$



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I



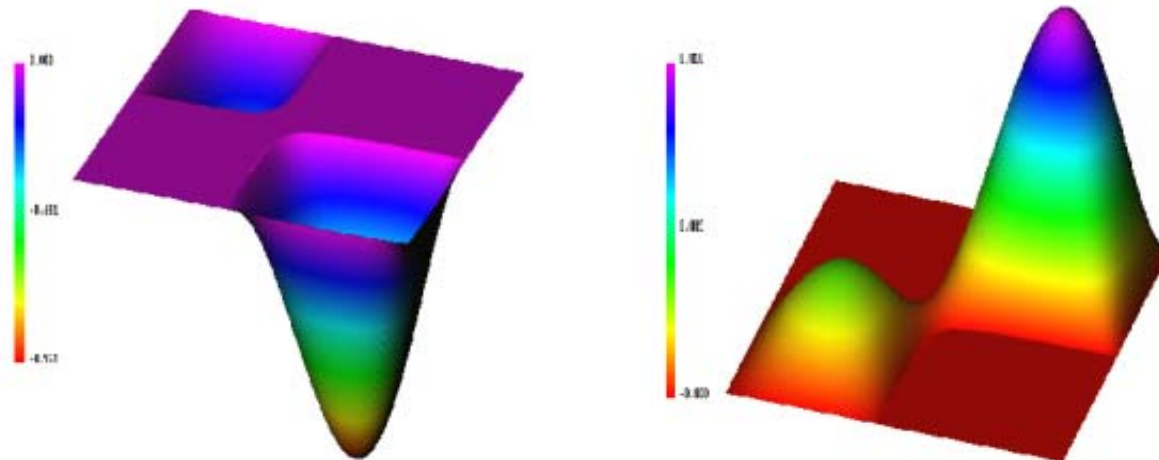
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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I



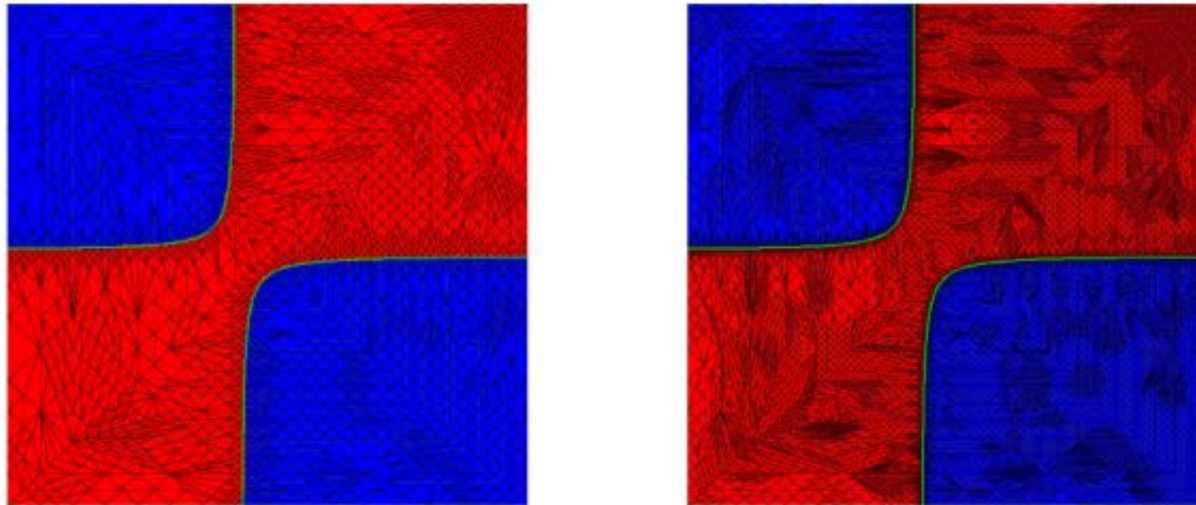
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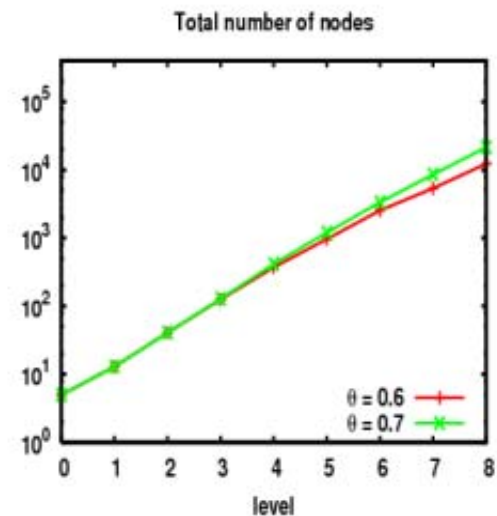
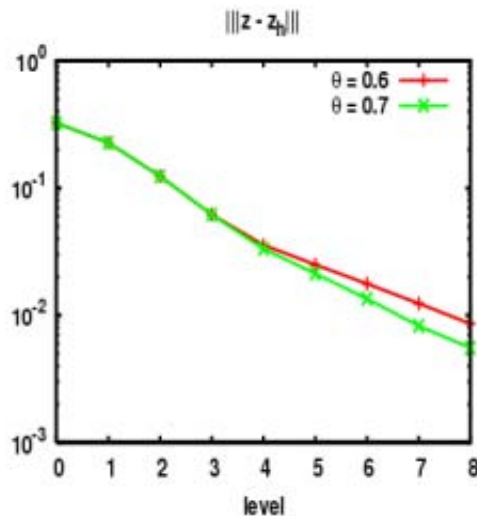
## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I



Grid after 6 (left) and 8 (right) refinement steps ( $\Theta_i = 0.6, 1 \leq i \leq 5$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I



Error reduction in  $\|z - z_H\|$  and total number of nodes ( $\Theta_i = 0.6/0.7$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I

l	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\ z - z_H\ $	$ y - y_H _1$	$ p - p_H _1$	$\ u - u_H\ _0$	$\ \sigma - \sigma_H\ _0$
0	5	3.24e-01	3.63e-02	3.28e-02	2.52e-01	2.80e-03
1	13	2.27e-01	1.95e-02	1.48e-02	1.91e-01	2.11e-03
2	41	1.24e-01	1.35e-02	1.36e-02	9.59e-02	1.06e-03
3	126	6.19e-02	6.85e-03	7.86e-03	4.68e-02	5.09e-04
4	374	3.57e-02	3.93e-03	4.41e-03	2.65e-02	3.67e-04
5	968	2.50e-02	2.63e-03	2.75e-03	1.88e-02	2.50e-04
6	2553	1.77e-02	1.91e-03	2.32e-03	1.33e-02	1.56e-04
7	5396	1.24e-02	1.30e-03	1.66e-03	9.33e-03	1.16e-04
8	12318	8.60e-03	9.21e-04	1.16e-03	6.45e-03	7.48e-05

Total error, errors in the state, adjoint state, control, adjoint control ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )





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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I

$l$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\eta_y$	$\eta_p$	$\text{osc}_h(y^d)$
0	5	2.57e-01	4.16e-01	2.83e-01
1	13	1.04e-01	2.04e-01	1.12e-01
2	41	7.95e-02	1.09e-01	2.58e-02
3	126	5.16e-02	6.49e-02	7.12e-03
4	374	3.15e-02	4.10e-02	2.77e-03
5	968	2.13e-02	2.79e-02	1.22e-03
6	2553	1.56e-02	1.92e-02	4.58e-04
7	5396	1.06e-02	1.33e-02	1.87e-04
8	12318	7.56e-03	9.45e-03	8.48e-05

Components of the error estimator and data oscillations ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I

l	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\eta_{y,T}$	$\eta_{y,E}$	$\eta_{p,T}^{(1)}$	$\eta_{p,T}^{(2)}$	$\eta_{p,E}$
0	5	1.22e-01	6.11e-02	1.36e-01	8.65e-04	6.11e-02
1	13	9.72e-03	6.07e-03	3.27e-02	5.33e-04	1.17e-02
2	41	3.15e-03	2.15e-03	7.16e-03	1.31e-04	3.04e-03
3	126	1.07e-03	8.33e-04	2.01e-03	3.89e-05	1.10e-03
4	374	3.69e-04	2.95e-04	6.58e-04	1.33e-05	3.86e-04
5	968	1.44e-04	1.19e-04	2.52e-04	5.22e-06	1.59e-04
6	2553	6.12e-05	5.42e-05	1.06e-04	2.21e-06	7.30e-05
7	5396	2.71e-05	2.55e-05	4.70e-05	9.82e-07	3.45e-05
8	12318	1.21e-05	1.22e-05	2.09e-05	4.36e-07	1.68e-05

Average values of the local estimators ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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### Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I

l	N <sub>dof</sub>	osc(y <sup>d</sup> )	M <sub>fb,T</sub>	M <sub>η,E</sub>	M <sub>η,T</sub>	M <sub>osc,T</sub>
0	5	1.33e-01	0.0	75.0	0.0	0.0
1	13	2.53e-02	68.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	41	2.83e-03	42.2	1.1	6.2	0.0
3	126	4.47e-04	25.9	5.9	12.1	0.0
4	374	9.47e-05	16.3	11.4	10.3	0.0
5	968	2.53e-05	12.0	13.1	5.4	0.1
6	2553	7.18e-06	9.9	12.5	7.2	0.0
7	5396	2.28e-06	8.6	12.3	9.3	0.0
8	12318	6.90e-07	7.5	11.6	8.4	0.0

Average values of the data oscillations, bulk criterion ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 \\ \text{over} \quad & (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = f + u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ & u \in K := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Data:} \quad \Omega := (0, 1)^2, \quad y^d := 0, \quad u^d := \hat{u} + \alpha^{-1}(\hat{\sigma} + \Delta^{-2}\hat{u}),$$

$$\psi := \begin{cases} (x_1 - 0.5)^8, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_1, \\ (x_1 - 0.5)^2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad \alpha := 0.1, \quad f := 0$$

$$\hat{u} := \begin{cases} \psi, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2, \\ -1.01\psi, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad \hat{\sigma} := \begin{cases} 2.25(x_1 - 0.75) \cdot 10^{-4}, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

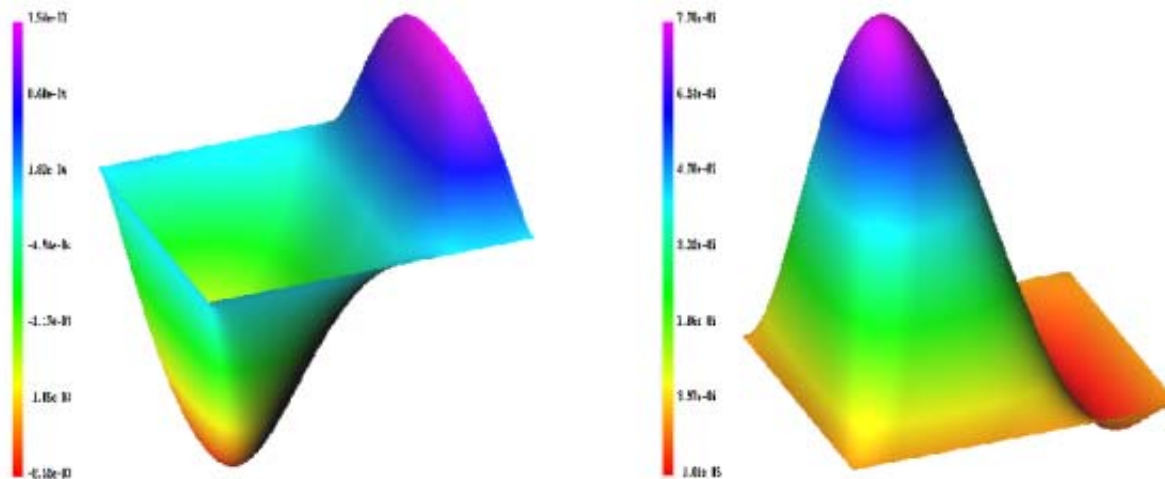
$$\Omega_1 := \{(x_1, x_2) \in \Omega \mid ((x_1 - 0.5)^2 + (x_2 - 0.5)^2)^{1/2} \leq 0.15\}, \quad \Omega_2 := \{(x_1, x_2) \in \Omega \mid x_1 \geq 0.75\}.$$



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II



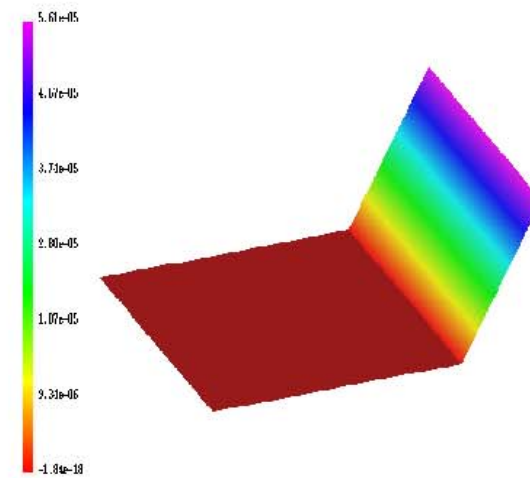
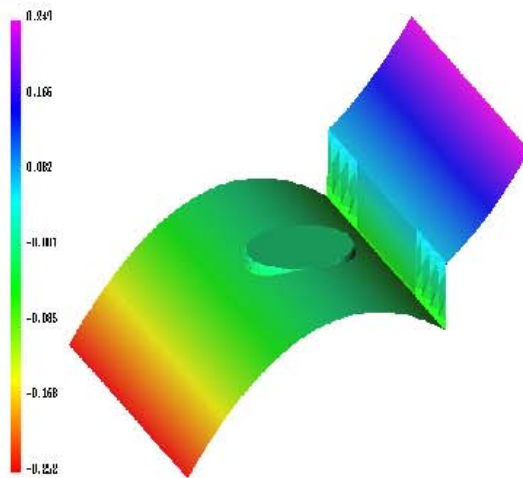
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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II



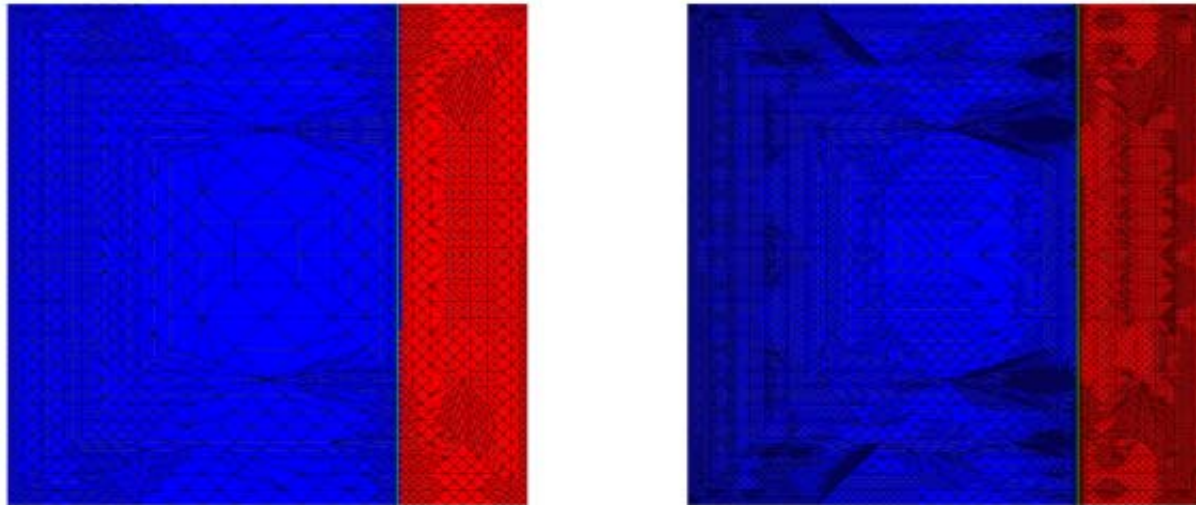
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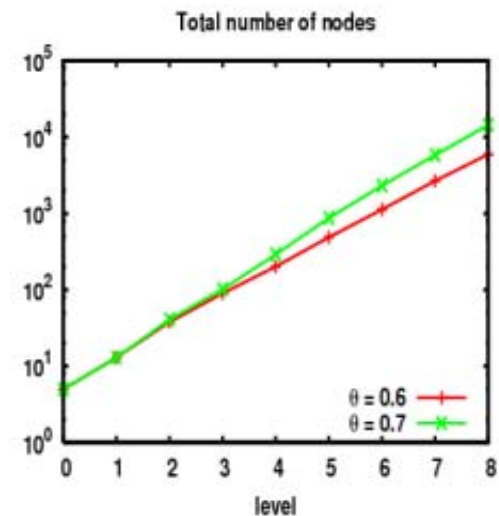
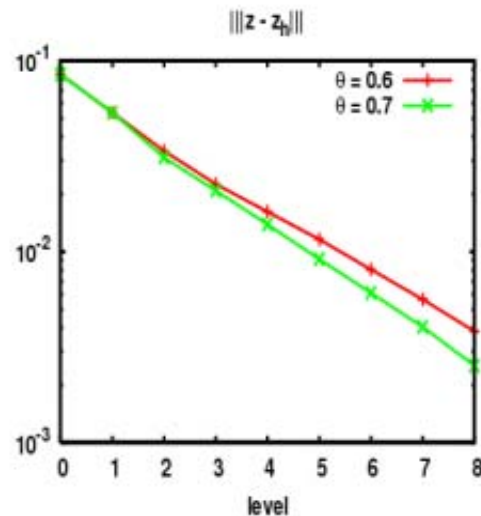
## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II



Grid after 6 (left) and 8 (right) refinement steps ( $\Theta_i = 0.7, 1 \leq i \leq 5$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II



Error reduction in ||z - z<sub>H</sub>|| and total number of nodes (  $\Theta_i = 0.6/0.7$  )





## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

l	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\ z - z_H\ $	$ y - y_H _1$	$ p - p_H _1$	$\ u - u_H\ _0$	$\ \sigma - \sigma_H\ _0$
0	5	8.50e-02	9.31e-03	1.87e-04	7.55e-02	1.31e-05
1	13	5.35e-02	6.87e-03	1.05e-04	4.66e-02	8.86e-06
2	41	3.12e-02	3.84e-03	6.04e-05	2.73e-02	4.62e-06
3	102	2.09e-02	2.39e-03	4.11e-05	1.84e-02	2.28e-06
4	291	1.39e-02	1.58e-03	2.94e-05	1.23e-02	1.38e-06
5	873	9.14e-03	9.71e-04	1.93e-05	8.15e-03	8.35e-07
6	2325	6.08e-03	6.14e-04	1.21e-05	5.46e-03	5.52e-07
7	5813	4.04e-03	3.97e-04	7.56e-06	3.63e-03	3.68e-07
8	14513	2.53e-03	2.60e-04	5.19e-06	2.26e-03	2.32e-07

Total error, errors in the state, adjoint state, control, adjoint control ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

l	$\eta_y$	$\eta_p$	$\eta_{ce}$	$\mu_H(u^d)$	$\mu_H(\psi)$
0	8.91e-02	1.35e-03	1.51e-03	7.00e-02	6.30e-02
1	6.81e-02	7.82e-04	4.15e-04	4.77e-02	3.93e-02
2	4.03e-02	4.60e-04	3.56e-04	2.64e-02	2.06e-02
3	2.34e-02	3.76e-04	2.65e-04	1.83e-02	1.34 e-02
4	1.39e-02	2.53e-04	2.13e-04	1.21e-02	8.63e-03
5	8.49e-03	1.70e-04	1.62e-04	8.33e-03	5.50e-03
6	5.50e-03	1.07e-04	1.32e-04	5.74e-03	3.40e-03
7	3.57e-03	6.91e-05	1.07e-04	4.22e-03	2.40e-03
8	2.32e-03	4.64e-05	8.50e-05	3.08e-03	1.57e-03

Components of the error estimator and data oscillations ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

$l$	$\eta_{y,T}$	$\eta_{y,E}$	$\eta_{p,T}^{(1)}$	$\eta_{p,T}^{(2)}$	$\eta_{p,E}$	$\eta_{ce,T}$
0	3.15e-02	4.02e-03	4.18e-04	1.97e-05	3.34e-04	1.51e-03
1	1.01e-02	4.21e-05	1.22e-04	2.19e-06	1.43e-05	2.27e-04
2	2.52e-03	1.43e-05	3.05e-05	6.38e-07	1.43e-05	8.69e-05
3	9.61e-04	5.94e-06	1.17e-05	2.69e-07	5.94e-06	3.16e-05
4	3.24e-04	1.33e-04	3.95e-06	9.53e-08	2.13e-06	1.35e-05
5	1.06e-04	4.73e-05	1.27e-06	3.14e-08	7.42e-07	5.31e-06
6	9.13e-05	1.94e-05	4.70e-07	1.19e-08	3.02e-07	2.69e-06
7	1.57e-05	8.20e-06	1.87e-07	4.76e-09	1.28e-07	1.38e-06
8	6.36e-06	3.56e-06	7.55e-08	1.94e-09	5.37e-08	6.96e-07

Average values of the local estimators ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

l	$\mu_T(u^d)$	$\mu_T(\psi)$	$M_{fb,T}$	$M_{\eta,E}$	$M_{\eta,T}$	$M_{\mu,T}$
0	3.49e-02	3.09e-02	75.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1	1.04e-02	3.09e-02	37.5	5.0	12.5	0.0
2	2.70e-03	2.26e-03	18.8	4.5	14.1	0.0
3	1.09e-03	8.87e-04	14.0	11.1	24.4	1.6
4	3.83e-04	3.11e-04	9.1	13.1	32.1	0.0
5	1.29e-04	1.04e-04	5.8	14.0	28.2	0.0
6	4.98e-05	3.98e-05	4.3	12.6	25.6	0.4
7	2.04e-05	1.62e-05	3.4	13.5	26.1	0.2
8	8.34e-06	6.53e-06	2.7	16.0	28.0	0.2

Average values of the data oscillations, bulk criterion ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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# Adaptive Finite Element Methods for State Constrained Optimal Elliptic Control Problems

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### Model Problem (Distributed Elliptic Control Problem with State Constraints)

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a bounded domain with boundary  $\Gamma = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$ ,  $\Gamma_D \cap \Gamma_N = \emptyset$ , and let  $A : V \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)$ ,  $V := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) \mid v|_{\Gamma_D} = 0\}$ , be the linear second order elliptic differential operator  $Ay := -\Delta y + cy$ ,  $c \geq 0$ , with  $c > 0$  or  $\text{meas}(\Gamma_D) > 0$ . Assume that  $\Omega$  is such that for each  $v \in L^2(\Omega)$  the solution  $y$  of  $Ay = u$  satisfies  $y \in W^{1,r}(\Omega) \cap V$  for some  $r > 2$ . Moreover, let  $u^d, y^d \in L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $\psi \in W^{1,r}(\Omega)$  such that  $\psi|_{\Gamma_D} > 0$  be given functions and let  $\alpha > 0$  be a regularization parameter.

Consider the state constrained distributed elliptic control problem

$$\text{Minimize} \quad J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2,$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad Ay = u \text{ in } \Omega, \quad y = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \quad \nu \cdot \nabla y = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N,$$

$$Iy \in K := \{v \in C(\bar{\Omega}) \mid v(x) \leq \psi(x), x \in \bar{\Omega}\}.$$

where  $I$  stands for the embedding operator  $W^{1,r}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow C(\bar{\Omega})$ .





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## The Reduced Optimal Control Problem

We introduce the **control-to-state map**

$$G : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow C(\bar{\Omega}) \quad , \quad y = Gu \text{ solves } Ay + cy = u .$$

We assume that the following **Slater condition** is satisfied

$$(S) \quad \text{There exists } v_0 \in L^2(\Omega) \text{ such that } Gv_0 \in \text{int}(K) .$$

Substituting  $y = Gu$  allows to consider the **reduced control problem**

$$\inf_{u \in U_{\text{ad}}} J_{\text{red}}(u) := \frac{1}{2} \|Gu - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 ,$$

$$U_{\text{ad}} := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid (Gv)(x) \leq \psi(x) , x \in \bar{\Omega}\} .$$

**Theorem (Existence and uniqueness).** The state constrained optimal control problem admits a unique solution  $y \in W^{1,r}(\Omega) \cap K$ .



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## Optimality Conditions for the State Constrained Optimal Control Problem

**Theorem.** There exists an **adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{V}_s := \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{W}^{1,s}(\Omega) \mid \mathbf{v}_{\Gamma_D} = 0\}$ , where  $1/r + 1/s = 1$ , and a **multiplier**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \mathbf{y}, \nabla \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c}\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V} \quad , \\(\nabla \mathbf{p}, \nabla \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c}\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{x} \rangle \quad , \quad \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}_r \quad , \\ \mathbf{p} + \alpha(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^d) &= \mathbf{0} \quad , \\ \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle &= 0 \quad .\end{aligned}$$



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**Proof:** The reduced problem can be written in unconstrained form as

$$\inf_{\mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)} \hat{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{v}) := \mathbf{J}_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{I}_K \circ \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{v}) ,$$

where  $\mathbf{I}_K$  stands for the indicator function of the constraint set  $\mathbf{K}$ . The **Slater condition** and **subdifferential calculus** give rise to the **optimality condition**

$$\mathbf{0} \in \partial \hat{\mathbf{J}}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{J}'_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{u}) + \partial(\mathbf{I}_K \circ \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{J}'_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{G}^* \circ \partial \mathbf{I}_K(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{u}) .$$

Hence, there exists  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \partial \mathbf{I}_K(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{u})$  such that

$$(\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{v}))_{0,\Omega} + \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^d, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{G}^* \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} = \mathbf{0} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega) .$$

We define  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} := \mathbf{G}^* \boldsymbol{\sigma}$  as a **regularization** of  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  and introduce  $\bar{\mathbf{p}} \in \mathbf{V}$  as the solution of

$$(\nabla \bar{\mathbf{p}}, \nabla \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c} \bar{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} = (\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V} .$$

We set  $\mathbf{p} := \bar{\mathbf{p}} + \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$ . Since  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ , we have  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \in \mathbf{V}_s$  [Casas;1986] whence  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{V}_s$ .



## Finite Element Approximation

Let  $\mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  be a **simplicial triangulation** of  $\Omega$  and let

$$V_\ell := \{ v_\ell \in C(\bar{\Omega}) \mid v_\ell|_T \in P_1(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), v_\ell|_{\Gamma_D} = 0 \}$$

be the FE space of **continuous, piecewise linear functions**.

Let  $u_\ell^d \in V_\ell$  be some approximation of  $u^d$ , and let  $\psi_\ell$  be the  $V_\ell$ -interpoland of  $\psi$ .

Consider the following **FE Approximation** of the state constrained control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) := \frac{1}{2} \|y_\ell - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u_\ell - u_\ell^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y_\ell, u_\ell) \in V_\ell \times V_\ell, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & (\nabla y_\ell, \nabla v_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (cy_\ell, v_\ell)_{0,\Omega} = (u_\ell, v_\ell)_{0,\Omega}, v_\ell \in V_\ell, \\ & y_\ell \in K_\ell := \{v_\ell \in V_\ell \mid v_\ell(x) \leq \psi_\ell(x), x \in \bar{\Omega}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the constraints are point constraints associated with the nodal points, the **discrete multipliers** are chosen from

$$\mathcal{M}_\ell := \{ \mu_\ell \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) \mid \mu_\ell = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\Omega \cup \Gamma_N)} \kappa_a \delta_a, \kappa_a \in \mathbb{R} \}.$$



## Optimality Conditions for the FE Discretized Optimal Control Problem

**Theorem 2.** There exists a **discrete adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell$ , and a **discrete multiplier**  $\sigma_\ell$  with  $\sigma_\ell \in \mathcal{M}_\ell \cap \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \mathbf{y}_\ell, \nabla \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c} \mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell , \\(\nabla \mathbf{p}_\ell, \nabla \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c} \mathbf{p}_\ell, \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + \langle \sigma_\ell, \mathbf{w}_\ell \rangle \quad , \quad \mathbf{w}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell , \\ \mathbf{p}_\ell + \alpha(\mathbf{u}_\ell - \mathbf{u}_\ell^d) &= \mathbf{0} \quad , \\ \langle \sigma_\ell, \mathbf{y}_\ell - \psi_\ell \rangle &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

We introduce a **regularized discrete multiplier**  $\bar{\sigma}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell$  according to

$$(\nabla \bar{\sigma}_\ell, \nabla \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c} \bar{\sigma}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} = \langle \sigma_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell \rangle_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell ,$$

and a **regularized discrete adjoint state**  $\bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell$  as the solution of

$$(\nabla \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell, \nabla \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c} \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell, \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} = (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{w}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{w}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell .$$

As in the continuous regime, we have  $\mathbf{p}_\ell = \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell + \bar{\sigma}_\ell$ .



## Residual Type A Posteriori Error Estimator

The error estimator  $\eta_\ell := \eta_\ell(\mathbf{y}) + \eta_\ell(\bar{\mathbf{p}})$  consists of element and edge residuals for the state and the modified adjoint state:

$$\eta_\ell(\mathbf{y}) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \eta_T^2(\mathbf{y}) + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)} \eta_E^2(\mathbf{y}) \right)^{1/2}, \quad \eta_\ell(\bar{\mathbf{p}}) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} (\eta_T^2(\bar{\mathbf{p}}) + \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)} \eta_E^2(\bar{\mathbf{p}})) \right)^{1/2}$$

(i) Element and edge residuals for the state  $\mathbf{y}$

$$\eta_T(\mathbf{y}) := \underbrace{h_T \|c\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{u}_\ell\|_{0,T}}_{\text{element residuals}}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), \quad \eta_E(\mathbf{y}) := \underbrace{h_E^{1/2} \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla \mathbf{y}_\ell]\|_{0,E}}_{\text{edge residuals}}, \quad E \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)$$

(ii) Element and edge residuals for the modified adjoint state  $\bar{\mathbf{p}}$

$$\eta_T(\bar{\mathbf{p}}) := \underbrace{h_T \|c\bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell - (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{y}^d)\|_{0,T}}_{\text{element residuals}}, \quad T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), \quad \eta_E(\bar{\mathbf{p}}) := \underbrace{h_E^{1/2} \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell]\|_{0,E}}_{\text{edge residuals}}, \quad E \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega).$$



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## Data Oscillations in the Data $u^d$ and $y^d$

Data oscillations occur in the **shift control**  $u^d$  and in the **desired state**  $y^d$ :

$$\text{osc}_\ell := (\text{osc}_\ell^2(u^d) + \text{osc}_\ell^2(y^d))^{1/2}$$

(i) Low order data oscillations in  $u^d$

$$\text{osc}_\ell(u^d) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T(u^d)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \text{osc}_T(u^d) := \|u^d - u_\ell^d\|_{0,T}$$

(ii) Higher order data oscillations in  $y^d$

$$\text{osc}_\ell(y^d) := \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T(y^d)^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \text{osc}_T(y^d) := h_T \|y^d - y_H^d\|_{0,T}$$



## Bulk Criteria and Refinement Strategy

Given universal constants  $\Theta_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ , choose a set of edges  $\mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{E}} \subset \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)$  and sets of elements  $\mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{T}}, \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{y}^d}, \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{u}^d} \subset \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  such that

$$\Theta_1 \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)} (\eta_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{E}}^2 + \eta_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{E}}^2) \leq \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{E}}} (\eta_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{E}}^2 + \eta_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{E}}^2),$$

$$\Theta_2 \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} (\eta_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{T}}^2 + \eta_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{T}}^2) \leq \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{T}}} (\eta_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{T}}^2 + \eta_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{T}}^2),$$

$$\Theta_3 \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^2(\mathbf{y}^d) \leq \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{y}^d}} \text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^2(\mathbf{y}^d), \quad \Theta_4 \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^2(\mathbf{u}^d) \leq \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{u}^d}} \text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^2(\mathbf{u}^d).$$

We set  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{T}} := \mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{T}} \cup \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{y}^d} \cup \mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}, \mathbf{u}^d}$  and refine an element  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  by bisection, if  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{T}}$ .

An element  $\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\Omega)$  is refined by bisection, if  $\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{M}_{\eta, \mathbf{E}}$ .

Moreover, all elements  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  that share at least one edge with the discrete free boundary are refined by bisection.





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## Auxiliary States and Consistency Error

The error analysis involves an **auxiliary state**  $y(\mathbf{u}_\ell) \in V$  and an **auxiliary adjoint state**  $\bar{p}(y_\ell) \in V$  which are given as follows

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla y(\mathbf{u}_\ell), \nabla \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (c y(\mathbf{u}_\ell), \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in V, \\(\nabla \bar{p}(y_\ell), \nabla \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (c \bar{p}(y_\ell), \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} &= (y_\ell - y^d, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in V.\end{aligned}$$

We also introduce an **auxiliary discrete state**  $y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) \in V_\ell$  according to

$$(\nabla y_\ell(\mathbf{u}), \nabla \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (c y_\ell(\mathbf{u}), \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} = (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_\ell \in V_\ell.$$

In general, neither  $y(\mathbf{u}_\ell) \in K$  nor  $y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) \in K_\ell$ . Therefore, there is a **consistency error**

$$e_c(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell) := \max(\langle \sigma_\ell, y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) - \psi_\ell \rangle + \langle \sigma, y(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \psi \rangle, 0).$$

Since  $e_c(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell) = 0$  for  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_\ell$ , we define

$$\tilde{e}_c(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell) := \begin{cases} e_c(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell) / \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_\ell\|_{0,\Omega} & , \mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{u}_\ell \\ 0 & , \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_\ell \end{cases}.$$



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## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator

**Theorem.** For the errors  $e_y := y - y_\ell$  in the state,  $e_p := p - p_\ell$ ,  $e_{\bar{p}} := \bar{p} - \bar{p}_\ell$  in the adjoint and modified adjoint state, and  $e_u := u - u_\ell$  in the control there holds

$$\|e_y\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_{\bar{p}}\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_p\|_{0,\Omega} + \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega} \preceq \eta_\ell + \text{osc}_\ell(u^d) + \tilde{e}_c(u, u_\ell).$$

**Proof:** We will show that for  $e_y, e_{\bar{p}}$  and  $e_u$  there holds

$$\|e_y\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_{\bar{p}}\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega} \preceq \eta_\ell + \text{osc}_\ell(u^d) + \tilde{e}_c(u, u_\ell).$$

Since  $p + \alpha(u - u^d) = 0$  and  $p_\ell + \alpha(u_\ell - u_\ell^d)$ , we have  $e_p = \alpha((u^d - u_\ell^d) - e_u)$  whence

$$\|e_p\|_{0,\Omega} \preceq \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega} + \text{osc}_\ell(u^d).$$



## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator (Cont'd)

**Lemma.** For the errors  $e_y := y - y_\ell$  in the state,  $e_{\bar{p}} := \bar{p} - \bar{p}_\ell$  in the modified adjoint state, and  $e_u := u - u_\ell$  in the control there holds

$$\|e_y\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_{\bar{p}}\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega} \preceq \eta_\ell + \text{osc}_\ell(u^d) + \tilde{e}_c(u, u_\ell).$$

**Proof:** Straightforward estimation from above results in

$$\|e_y\|_{1,\Omega} \leq \|y - y(u_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega} + \underbrace{\|y(u_\ell) - y_\ell\|_{1,\Omega}}_{\preceq \eta_\ell(y)}, \quad \|e_{\bar{p}}\|_{1,\Omega} \leq \|\bar{p} - \bar{p}(y_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega} + \underbrace{\|\bar{p}(y_\ell) - \bar{p}_\ell\|_{1,\Omega}}_{\preceq \eta_\ell(\bar{p})}.$$

On the other hand, using the ellipticity of the differential operator

$$\|y - y(u_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega} \preceq \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega}, \quad \|\bar{p} - \bar{p}(y_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega} \preceq \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega} + \underbrace{\|y(u_\ell) - y_\ell\|_{1,\Omega}}_{\preceq \eta_\ell(y)}.$$

Hence, it remains to estimate the  $L^2$ -error  $\|e_u\|_{0,\Omega}$  in the control.



## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator (Cont'd)

**Proof (Cont'd):** Using  $\mathbf{p} = \alpha(\mathbf{u}^d - \mathbf{u})$  and  $\mathbf{p}_\ell = \alpha(\mathbf{u}_\ell^d - \mathbf{u}_\ell)$  as well as  $\mathbf{p} = \bar{\mathbf{p}} + \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$  and  $\mathbf{p}_\ell = \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell + \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_\ell$

$$\|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega}^2 = \underbrace{(\mathbf{e}_u, \mathbf{u}^d - \mathbf{u}_\ell^d)_{0,\Omega}}_{=: \text{I}} + \underbrace{\alpha^{-1}(\mathbf{e}_u, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell - \bar{\mathbf{p}}(y_\ell))_{0,\Omega}}_{=: \text{II}} + \underbrace{\alpha^{-1}(\mathbf{e}_u, \bar{\mathbf{p}}(y_\ell) - \bar{\mathbf{p}})_{0,\Omega}}_{=: \text{III}} + \underbrace{\alpha^{-1}(\mathbf{e}_u, \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_\ell - \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})_{0,\Omega}}_{=: \text{IV}} .$$

By Young's inequality, for the two first terms we obtain

$$|\text{I}| \leq \frac{1}{8} \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + 2 \operatorname{osc}_\ell^2(\mathbf{u}^d) \quad , \quad |\text{II}| \leq \frac{\alpha}{8} \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha} \underbrace{\|\bar{\mathbf{p}}_\ell - \bar{\mathbf{p}}(y_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega}^2}_{\leq \eta_\ell(\bar{\mathbf{p}})} .$$

For the third term, we use the duality between the state and the auxiliary adjoint state equations in the continuous and discrete regime. Setting  $\mathbf{v} := \bar{\mathbf{p}}(y_\ell) - \bar{\mathbf{p}}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{III} &= (\mathbf{e}_u, \bar{\mathbf{p}}(y_\ell) - \bar{\mathbf{p}})_{0,\Omega} = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y})_{0,\Omega} = -\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell)\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + (\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y})_{0,\Omega} \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y}_\ell\|_{1,\Omega} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell)\|_{1,\Omega} \leq C \|\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \mathbf{y}_\ell\|_{1,\Omega} \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega} \leq \frac{\alpha}{8} \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{2C^2}{\alpha} \eta_\ell^2(\mathbf{y}) . \end{aligned}$$



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## Reliability of the A Posteriori Error Estimator (Cont'd)

**Proof (Cont'd):** The estimate of the fourth term essential relies on the complementary conditions and results in the **consistency error** due to the mismatch between the continuous and discrete free boundaries. Using the auxiliary states  $y(\mathbf{u}_\ell)$  and  $y_\ell(\mathbf{u})$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{e}_u, \bar{\sigma}_\ell - \bar{\sigma})_{0,\Omega} &= (\nabla(y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) - y_\ell, \nabla\bar{\sigma}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (c(y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) - y_\ell), \bar{\sigma}_\ell)_{0,\Omega} \\ &\quad - (\nabla(y - y(\mathbf{u}_\ell), \nabla\bar{\sigma})_{0,\Omega} - (c(y - y(\mathbf{u}_\ell)), \bar{\sigma})_{0,\Omega} = \\ &= \langle \sigma_\ell, y_\ell(\mathbf{u}) - \psi_\ell \rangle + \underbrace{\langle \sigma_\ell, \psi_\ell - y_\ell \rangle}_{=0} + \langle \sigma, y(\mathbf{u}_\ell) - \psi \rangle + \underbrace{\langle \sigma, \psi - y \rangle}_{=0} \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega} \tilde{e}_c(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell) \leq \frac{\alpha}{8} \|\mathbf{e}_u\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha} \tilde{e}_c^2(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_\ell). \end{aligned}$$

Collecting the estimates for terms I – IV gives the assertion.



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## Efficiency of the A Posteriori Error Estimator

**Theorem.** For the errors  $e_y := y - y_\ell$  in the state,  $e_{\bar{p}} := \bar{p} - \bar{p}_\ell$  in the regularized adjoint state, and  $e_u := u - u_\ell$  in the control there holds

$$\eta_\ell - \text{osc}_\ell(y^d) \preceq \|e_y\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_{\bar{p}}\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e_u\|_{0,\Omega}.$$

**Proof:** The assertion follows by standard arguments from the a posteriori error analysis of adaptive finite element methods.



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 \quad \text{over } (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad y \in K := \{v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Data:} \quad & \Omega := (-2, +2)^2, \quad y^d(r) := y(r) + \Delta p(r) + \sigma(r), \quad u^d(r) := u(r) + \alpha^{-1} p(r), \\ & \psi := 0, \quad \alpha := 0.1, \end{aligned}$$

where  $y(r), u(r), p(r), \sigma(r)$  is the solution of the problem:

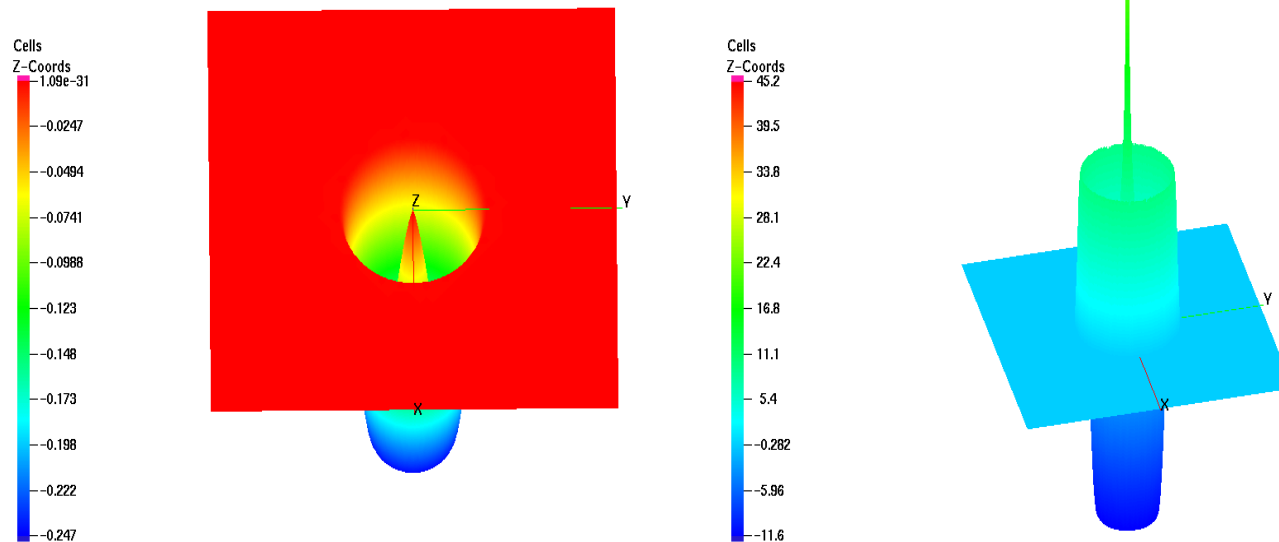
$$y(r) := -r^{4/3} + \gamma_1(r), \quad u(r) = -\Delta y(r), \quad p(r) = \gamma_2(r) + r^4 - \frac{3}{2}r^3 + \frac{9}{16}r^2, \quad \sigma(r) := \begin{cases} 0.0 & , \quad r < 0.75 \\ 0.1 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$, \quad \gamma_1 := \begin{cases} 1 & , \quad r < 0.25 \\ -192(r - 0.25)^5 + 240(r - 0.25)^4 - 80(r - 0.25)^3 + 1 & , \quad 0.25 < r < 0.75 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma_2 := \begin{cases} 1 & , \quad r < 0.75 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} .$$



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

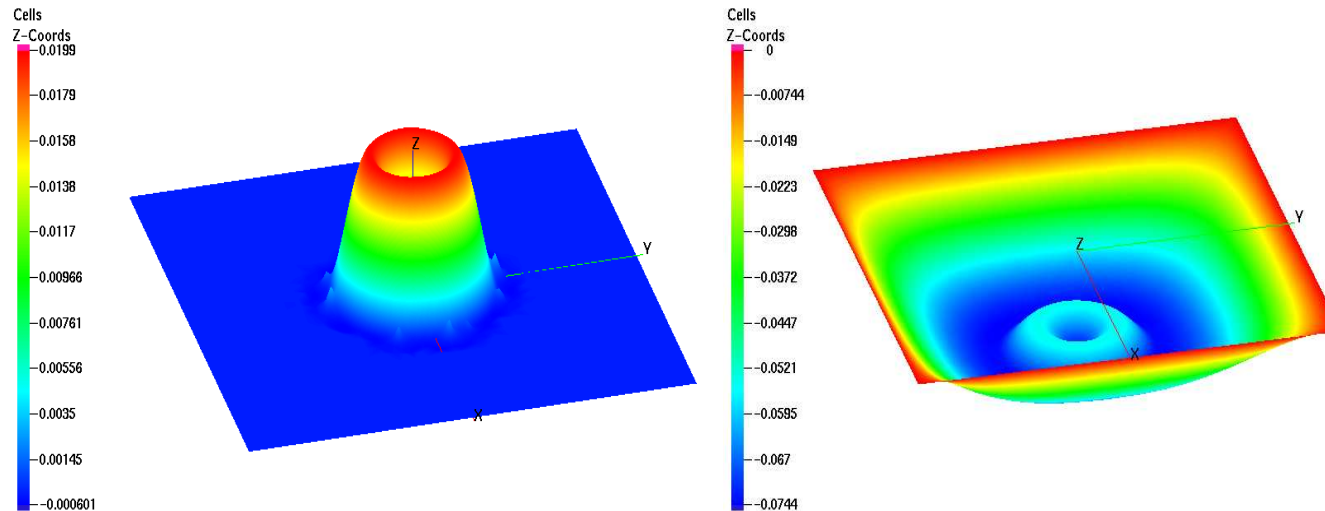


Optimal state (left) and optimal control (right)





## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I



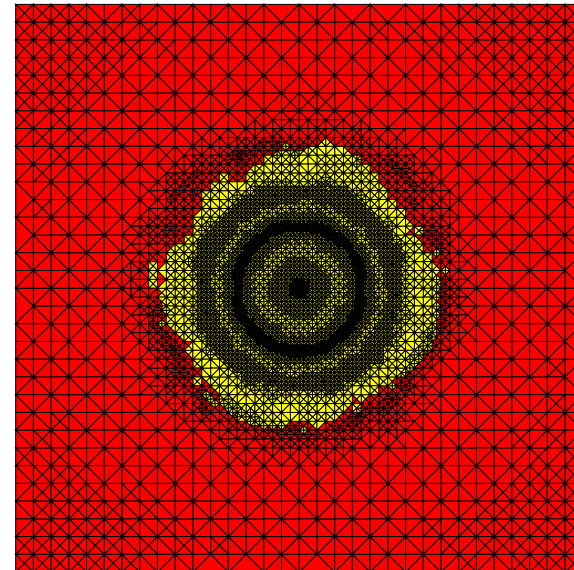
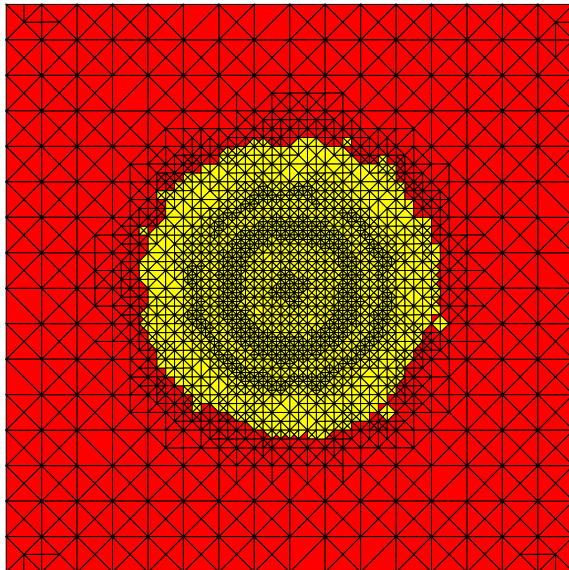
Optimal adjoint state (left) and regularized adjoint state (right)



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I



Adaptively refined grid after 12(left) and 14 (right) iterations



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\ z - z_\ell\ $	$ y - y_\ell _1$	$\ u - u_\ell\ _0$	$\ p - p_\ell\ _0$	$ \bar{p} - \bar{p}_\ell _1$
0	5	2.48e+01	2.13e+00	2.11e+01	9.45e-01	7.54e-01
1	13	2.58e+01	1.51e+00	2.37e+01	2.06e+00	6.74e-01
2	41	1.46e+01	1.02e+00	1.35e+01	1.28e-01	1.06e-01
4	105	1.02e+01	7.34e-01	9.41e+00	9.54e-02	7.88e-02
6	244	6.58e+00	5.41e-01	6.01e+00	4.78e-02	6.02e-02
8	532	3.47e+00	2.80e-01	3.18e+00	3.92e-02	4.53e-02
10	1147	2.09e+00	1.74e-01	1.91e+00	2.36e-02	3.44e-02
12	2651	1.39e+00	1.03e-01	1.29e+00	1.81e-02	2.02e-02
14	6340	1.04e+00	6.32e-02	9.74e-01	1.22e-02	1.17e-02

Total error, errors in the state, control, and adjoint state ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\eta_{\ell}(y)$	$\eta_{\ell}(\bar{p})$	$\text{osc}_{\ell}(u^{\text{d}})$	$\text{osc}_{\ell}(y^{\text{d}})$	$\tilde{e}_{\text{c}}(u, u_{\ell})$
0	5	3.95e+01	7.05e+00	1.48e+01	4.99e+00	5.14e-02
1	13	2.19e+01	2.04e+00	1.37e+01	5.42e-01	0.00e+00
2	41	9.83e+00	8.10e-01	1.36e+01	6.22e-01	8.48e-02
4	105	3.67e+00	4.35e-01	9.42e+00	3.32e-01	0.00e+00
6	244	1.63e+00	2.60e-01	5.99e+00	1.11e-01	0.00e+00
8	532	1.17e+00	1.69e-01	3.17e+00	4.47e-02	0.00e+00
10	1147	7.72e-01	1.22e-01	1.90e+00	2.17e-02	0.00e+00
12	2651	4.71e-01	7.37e-02	1.29e+00	9.27e-03	0.00e+00
14	6340	2.93e-01	4.55e-02	9.74e-01	4.62e-03	0.00e+00

Components of the error estimator, data oscillations, and the consistency error



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$M_{\text{fb,T}}$	$M_{\eta,E}$	$M_{\eta,T}$	$M_{\text{osc,y}^d}$	$M_{\text{osc,u}^d}$
0	5	100.0	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
1	13	100.0	20.0	18.8	18.8	18.8
2	41	43.8	13.6	12.5	6.2	7.8
4	105	22.2	4.7	16.7	8.3	13.9
6	244	29.7	8.0	12.2	8.5	10.7
8	532	16.0	8.1	16.1	6.5	4.2
10	1147	11.6	8.3	19.8	4.0	1.4
12	2651	8.7	10.0	25.9	2.0	0.1
14	6340	5.1	11.0	28.3	1.2	0.1

Percentages of elements/edges marked by the bulk criteria



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 \quad \text{over } (y, u) \in H^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y + cy = u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad y \in K := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

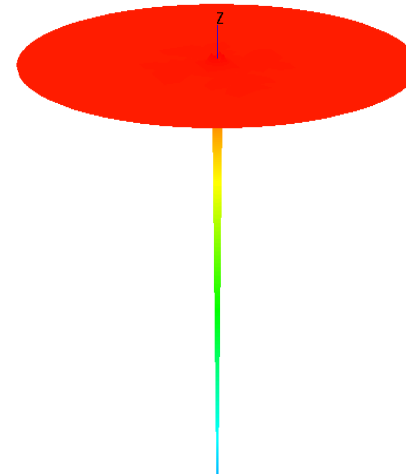
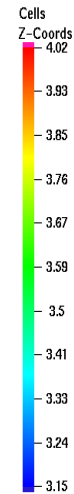
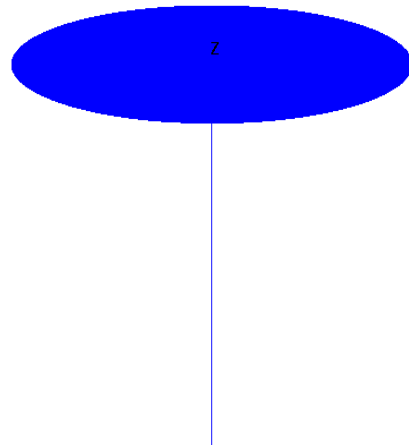
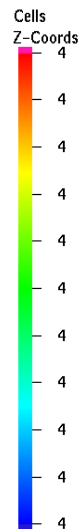
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Data:} \quad \Omega = B(0, 1) & := \{x = (x_1, x_2)^T \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 < 1\}, \quad y^d(r) := 4 + \frac{1}{\pi} - \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 + \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \\ u^d(r) & := 4 + \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \quad \psi := 4 + r, \quad \alpha := 1. \end{aligned}$$

The solution  $y(r), u(r), p(r), \sigma(r)$  of the problem is given by

$$y(r) \equiv 4, \quad u(r) \equiv 4, \quad p(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \quad \sigma(r) = \delta_0.$$



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II



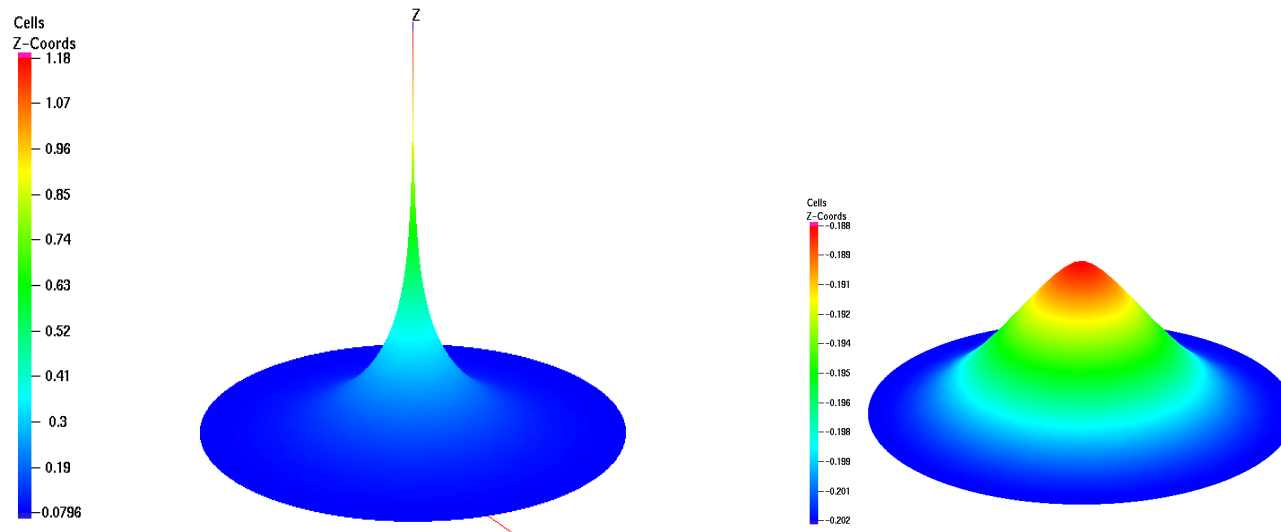
Optimal state (left) and optimal control (right)



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II



Optimal adjoint state (left) and regularized adjoint state (right)





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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\ z - z_\ell\ $	$ y - y_\ell _1$	$\ u - u_\ell\ _0$	$\ p - p_\ell\ _0$	$ \bar{p} - \bar{p}_\ell _1$
0	5	1.55e-01	1.20e-02	1.43e-01	6.46e-02	3.81e-02
1	13	1.13e-01	8.51e-03	1.04e-01	3.73e-02	1.74e-02
2	41	7.39e-02	4.43e-03	6.95e-02	1.86e-02	9.01e-03
4	73	5.96e-02	2.30e-03	5.73e-02	1.00e-02	7.36e-03
6	121	3.60e-02	1.79e-03	3.42e-02	7.41e-03	6.11e-03
8	243	2.10e-02	1.07e-03	1.99e-02	4.13e-03	4.02e-03
10	604	1.18e-02	4.02e-04	1.14e-02	1.95e-03	2.43e-03
12	1621	6.55e-03	1.60e-04	6.39e-03	9.26e-04	1.52e-03
14	3991	3.62e-03	6.81e-05	3.55e-03	4.55e-04	8.79e-04

Total error, errors in the state, control, and adjoint state ( $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\eta_{\ell}(\mathbf{y})$	$\eta_{\ell}(\bar{\mathbf{p}})$	$\text{osc}_{\ell}(\mathbf{u}^{\text{d}})$	$\text{osc}_{\ell}(\mathbf{y}^{\text{d}})$	$\tilde{\epsilon}_{\text{c}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_{\ell})$
0	5	1.91e-01	1.38e-01	1.73e-01	1.36e-01	0.00e+00
1	13	7.32e-02	7.62e-02	1.29e-01	4.36e-02	0.00e+00
2	41	2.45e-02	3.83e-02	8.14e-02	1.26e-02	0.00e+00
4	73	1.02e-02	2.54e-02	5.95e-02	7.78e-03	0.00e+00
6	121	3.11e-03	1.97e-02	3.56e-02	4.96e-03	0.00e+00
8	243	9.10e-04	1.32e-02	2.06e-02	1.87e-03	0.00e+00
10	604	2.59e-04	8.07e-03	1.17e-02	8.27e-04	0.00e+00
12	1621	7.22e-05	4.75e-03	6.54e-03	3.16e-04	0.00e+00
14	3991	2.01e-05	2.89e-03	3.62e-03	1.41e-04	0.00e+00

Components of the error estimator, data oscillations, and the consistency error



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$M_{\text{fb,T}}$	$M_{\eta,E}$	$M_{\eta,T}$	$M_{\text{osc,y}^d}$	$M_{\text{osc,u}^d}$
0	5	100.0	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
1	13	25.0	30.0	25.0	25.0	31.2
2	41	6.3	27.3	7.8	12.5	6.2
4	73	6.5	10.8	25.8	17.7	5.6
6	121	3.9	7.5	30.0	16.4	3.4
8	243	1.8	11.3	31.7	21.4	1.6
10	604	0.7	15.2	37.9	17.1	0.5
12	1621	0.3	8.1	39.8	15.9	0.2
14	3991	0.1	8.7	47.7	9.8	0.1

Percentages of elements/edges marked by the bulk criteria



### Lavrentiev Regularization: Mixed Control-State Constraints

Introduce a regularization parameter  $\varepsilon > 0$  and consider the mixed control-state constrained optimal control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y^\varepsilon, u^\varepsilon) := \frac{1}{2} \|y^\varepsilon - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u^\varepsilon - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & Ay^\varepsilon = u^\varepsilon \text{ in } \Omega, \quad y^\varepsilon = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \quad \nu \cdot \nabla y^\varepsilon = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N, \\ & \varepsilon u^\varepsilon + y^\varepsilon \in \mathbf{K} := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v(x) \leq \psi(x), \text{ f.a.a. } x \in \Omega\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem (Optimality conditions).** The optimal solution  $(y^\varepsilon, u^\varepsilon) \in V \times L^2(\Omega)$  is characterized by the existence of an adjoint state  $p^\varepsilon \in V$  and a multiplier  $\sigma^\varepsilon \in L_+^2(\Omega)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla y^\varepsilon, \nabla v)_{0,\Omega} + (cy^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega} &= (u^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega}, \quad v \in V, \\ (\nabla p^\varepsilon, \nabla v)_{0,\Omega} + (cp^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega} &= (y^\varepsilon - y^d, v)_{0,\Omega} + (\sigma^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega}, \quad v \in V, \\ p^\varepsilon + \alpha (u^\varepsilon - u^d) + \varepsilon \sigma^\varepsilon &= 0, \quad (\sigma^\varepsilon, \varepsilon u^\varepsilon + y^\varepsilon - \psi)_{0,\Omega} = 0. \end{aligned}$$



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## Features of the Lavrentiev Regularization

Since the Lavrentiev regularization formally represents a control constrained optimal control problem, numerical solution techniques for the control constrained case can be employed.

**Does this also hold true for the a posteriori error estimation?**

Apply the a posteriori error estimator from [Hintermüller/H./Iliash/Kieweg] to the mixed control-state constrained problem:

$$\eta_T(\mathbf{y}^\varepsilon) = h_T \|c\mathbf{y}_\ell^\varepsilon - \mathbf{u}_\ell^\varepsilon\|_{0,T} \quad , \quad \eta_T(\mathbf{p}^\varepsilon) = h_T \|c\mathbf{p}_\ell^\varepsilon - (\mathbf{y}_\ell^\varepsilon - \mathbf{y}^d) - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell^\varepsilon\|_{0,T} \quad ,$$
$$\eta_E(\mathbf{y}^\varepsilon) = h_E^{1/2} \|\boldsymbol{\nu}_E \cdot [\nabla \mathbf{y}_\ell^\varepsilon]\|_{0,E} \quad , \quad \eta_E(\mathbf{p}^\varepsilon) = h_T \|\boldsymbol{\nu}_E \cdot [\nabla \mathbf{p}_\ell^\varepsilon]\|_{0,E} \quad .$$

Since we are interested in the approximation of the solution  $(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p})$  of the state-constrained problem by  $(\mathbf{y}^\varepsilon, \mathbf{u}^\varepsilon, \mathbf{p}^\varepsilon)$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , but  $\mathbf{p}$  lacks smoothness and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \notin L_+^2(\Omega)$ , we have to proceed by **appropriate regularizations**.



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### Regularization of the Multiplier and of the Adjoint State

We define a regularized multiplier  $\bar{\sigma}^\varepsilon \in V$  and a regularized adjoint state  $\bar{p}^\varepsilon \in V$  as the solution of

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \bar{\sigma}^\varepsilon, \nabla v)_{0,\Omega} + (c \bar{\sigma}^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega} &= (\sigma^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad v \in V , \\ (\nabla \bar{p}^\varepsilon, \nabla v)_{0,\Omega} + (c \bar{p}^\varepsilon, v)_{0,\Omega} &= (y^\varepsilon - y^d, v)_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad v \in V .\end{aligned}$$

In the discrete regime, we define  $\bar{\sigma}_\ell^\varepsilon \in V_\ell$  and  $\bar{p}_\ell^\varepsilon \in V_\ell$  analogously.

This gives rise to the following element and edge residuals

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_T(y^\varepsilon) &= h_T \|c y_\ell^\varepsilon - u_\ell^\varepsilon\|_{0,T} \quad , \quad \eta_T(\bar{p}^\varepsilon) = h_T \|c \bar{p}_\ell^\varepsilon - (y_\ell^\varepsilon - y^d)\|_{0,T} , \\ \eta_E(y^\varepsilon) &= h_E^{1/2} \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla y_\ell^\varepsilon]\|_{0,E} \quad , \quad \eta_E(\bar{p}^\varepsilon) = h_T \|\nu_E \cdot [\nabla \bar{p}_\ell^\varepsilon]\|_{0,E} .\end{aligned}$$



## Error Analysis of the Mixed Control-State Optimal Control Problem

**Theorem (Reliability of the Estimator).** For the errors  $e(y^\varepsilon) := y^\varepsilon - y_\ell^\varepsilon$  in the state,  $e(\bar{p}^\varepsilon) := \bar{p}^\varepsilon - \bar{p}_\ell^\varepsilon$  in the regularized adjoint state, and  $e(u^\varepsilon) := u^\varepsilon - u_\ell^\varepsilon$  in the control there holds uniformly in  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|e(y^\varepsilon)\|_{1,\Omega} + \|e(u^\varepsilon)\|_{0,\Omega} + \|e(\bar{p}^\varepsilon)\|_{1,\Omega} \preceq \\ & \preceq \eta_\ell + \text{osc}_\ell(y^d) + \text{osc}_\ell(u^d) + \text{osc}_\ell(\psi) + \tilde{e}_c(u^\varepsilon, u_\ell^\varepsilon) + \tilde{e}_c(\psi, \psi_\ell). \end{aligned}$$

Compared to the case of pure state constraints, the error analysis involves data oscillations in  $\psi$  and an additional consistency error

$$\begin{aligned} \text{osc}_T(\psi) &:= \|\psi - \psi_\ell\|_{0,T} \quad , \quad \tilde{e}_c(\psi, \psi_\ell) := \begin{cases} e_c(\psi, \psi_\ell) / \|\psi - \psi_\ell\|_{0,\Omega} & , \psi \neq \psi_\ell \\ 0 & , \psi = \psi_\ell \end{cases} \quad , \\ e_c(\psi, \psi_\ell) &:= \max((\sigma^\varepsilon - \sigma_\ell^\varepsilon, \psi - \psi_\ell)_{0,\Omega}, 0). \end{aligned}$$



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## Numerical Results: Mixed Control-State Constraints II

$\ell$	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\ y - y_\ell\ _1$	$\ u - u_\ell\ _0$	$\ p - p_\ell\ _0$	$\mathcal{M}_{\eta,E}$	$\mathcal{M}_{\eta,T}$	$\mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}_1,T}$	$\mathcal{M}_{\text{osc}_2,T}$
0	5	8.62e-03	5.33e-02	1.48e-01	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
2	41	7.09e-03	6.51e-02	2.88e-02	28.4	9.4	6.2	12.5
4	73	4.52e-03	5.56e-02	1.50e-02	11.9	25.8	5.6	17.7
6	121	1.48e-03	3.40e-02	8.05e-03	7.5	30.0	3.4	16.4
8	243	4.75e-04	1.99e-02	4.21e-03	11.3	31.7	1.6	21.4
10	603	1.54e-04	1.14e-02	1.96e-03	15.3	37.9	0.5	17.2
12	1618	4.95e-05	6.42e-03	1.91e-03	8.1	39.8	0.2	15.8
14	3989	2.28e-05	3.59e-03	6.58e-04	8.8	47.5	0.1	9.7

Errors in the state, control, and adjoint state ( $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$ ,  $\Theta_i = 0.7$ )





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## Goal-Oriented Adaptivity in State Constrained Optimal Control Problems

Under the same assumptions as before, consider the state constrained distributed elliptic control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) := \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|\mathbf{u}\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{u} \text{ in } \Omega, \quad \mathbf{y} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \quad \boldsymbol{\nu} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{y} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N, \\ & \mathbf{I}\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{K} := \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{C}(\overline{\Omega}) \mid \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \boldsymbol{\psi}(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x} \in \overline{\Omega}\}. \end{aligned}$$

and its finite element approximation with respect to a shape regular family of simplicial triangulations  $\mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  of the computational domain  $\Omega$ .

The **goal** is to provide a reliable error estimate in a **quantity of interest** which is chosen here as the **objective functional**  $J(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})$ .



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## Error Representation in Goal-Oriented Adaptivity

We introduce the Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L} : \mathbf{V}^r \times \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) \times \mathbf{V}^s \times \mathcal{M}_+(\bar{\Omega}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  according to

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) := \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) + (\nabla \mathbf{y}, \nabla \mathbf{p})_{0, \Omega} - (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p})_{0, \Omega} + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle ,$$

and refer to  $\mathcal{L}_\ell : \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell \times (\mathcal{M}_\ell \cap \mathcal{M}_+(\bar{\Omega})) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as its discrete counterpart.

**Theorem.** Let  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathcal{M}_+(\bar{\Omega})$ ,  $\mathbf{x} := (\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p}) \in \mathbf{X} := \mathbf{V}^r \times \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) \times \mathbf{V}^s$ , and  $(\mathbf{x}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell) \in \mathbf{X}_\ell \times (\mathcal{M}_\ell \cap \mathcal{M}_+(\bar{\Omega}))$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_\ell := (\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{p}_\ell) \in \mathbf{X}_\ell := \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell$ , be the solutions of the continuous and discrete problem, respectively. Then, we have

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{J}_\ell(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\mathbf{xx}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}) + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_\ell) ,$$

where the oscillation term  $\text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_\ell)$  is given by

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_\ell) := (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{y}_\ell^d - \mathbf{y}^d)_{0, \Omega} + \text{osc}_\ell^2(\mathbf{y}^d) .$$



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### Error Representation in Goal-Oriented Adaptivity (Cont'd)

**Remark 1:** In the unconstrained case, i.e.,  $\sigma = \sigma_\ell = 0$ , the error representation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} J(y, u) - J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) &= \\ &= \nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x_\ell, \sigma_\ell)(x - x_\ell - \Delta x_\ell) + \frac{1}{2}(y^d - y_\ell^d, y - y_\ell)_{0, \Omega} + \text{osc}_\ell(x_\ell), \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to **Proposition 4.1** in [Becker/Kapp/Rannacher].

**Remark 2:** The contribution  $\langle \sigma, y_\ell - \psi \rangle$  can be rewritten as

$$\langle \sigma, y_\ell - \psi \rangle = \langle \sigma, y_\ell - \psi_\ell \rangle + \langle \sigma, \psi_\ell - \psi \rangle$$

and thus represents the **primal-dual weighted mismatch** in complementarity and due to the approximation of  $\psi$  by  $\psi_\ell$ .



## Error Representation in Goal-Oriented Adaptivity (Cont'd)

**Theorem.** With interpolation operators  $\mathcal{I}_\ell^p : V^p \rightarrow V_\ell$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$  there holds

$$\begin{aligned} J(y, u) - J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) &= \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \{ (\nabla p_\ell, \nabla(\mathcal{I}_\ell^r y - y))_{0, \Omega} + (c p_\ell - (y_\ell - y_\ell^d), \mathcal{I}_\ell^r y - y)_{0, \Omega} - \langle \sigma_\ell, \mathcal{I}_\ell^r y - y \rangle + \\ &\quad + (\nabla y_\ell, \nabla(\mathcal{I}_\ell^s p - p))_{0, \Omega} + (c y_\ell - u_\ell, \mathcal{I}_\ell^r p - p)_{0, \Omega} \} + \\ &\quad + \underbrace{[\langle \sigma, y_\ell - \psi \rangle + \langle \sigma_\ell, \psi_\ell - y \rangle]}_{\text{primal-dual mismatch}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (y^d - y_\ell^d, y - y_\ell)_{0, \Omega} + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}(x_\ell)}_{=: \text{osc}_\ell^{(2)}(x_\ell)} . \end{aligned}$$

We note that the terms in brackets  $\{\dots\}$  represent the **primal-dual residuals**.



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## Goal Oriented Dual Weighted Residuals for Control and State Constrained Optimal Elliptic Control Problems

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## The Loop in Adaptive Finite Element Methods (AFEM)

Adaptive Finite Element Methods (AFEM) consist of successive loops of the cycle

**SOLVE**  $\implies$  **ESTIMATE**  $\implies$  **MARK**  $\implies$  **REFINE**

**SOLVE:** Numerical solution of the FE discretized problem

**ESTIMATE:** Residual and hierarchical a posteriori error estimators  
Error estimators based on local averaging  
Goal oriented weighted dual approach  
Functional type a posteriori error bounds

**MARK:** Strategies based on the max. error or the averaged error  
Bulk criterion for AFEMs

**REFINE:** Bisection or 'red/green' refinement or combinations thereof



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## State Constrained Elliptic Control Problems



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### Model Problem (Distributed Elliptic Control Problem with State Constraints)

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a bounded domain with boundary  $\Gamma = \Gamma_D \cup \Gamma_N$ ,  $\Gamma_D \cap \Gamma_N = \emptyset$ , and let  $A : V \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)$ ,  $V := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) \mid v|_{\Gamma_D} = 0\}$ , be the linear second order elliptic differential operator  $Ay := -\Delta y + cy$ ,  $c \geq 0$ , with  $c > 0$  or  $\text{meas}(\Gamma_D) > 0$ . Assume that  $\Omega$  is such that for each  $v \in L^2(\Omega)$  the solution  $y$  of  $Ay = u$  satisfies  $y \in W^{1,r}(\Omega) \cap V$  for some  $r > 2$ . Moreover, let  $u^d, y^d \in L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $\psi \in W^{1,r}(\Omega)$  such that  $\psi|_{\Gamma_D} > 0$  be given functions and let  $\alpha > 0$  be a regularization parameter.

Consider the state constrained distributed elliptic control problem

$$\text{Minimize} \quad J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2,$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad Ay = u \text{ in } \Omega, \quad y = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \quad \nu \cdot \nabla y = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_N,$$

$$Iy \in K := \{v \in C(\bar{\Omega}) \mid v(x) \leq \psi(x), x \in \bar{\Omega}\}.$$

where  $I$  stands for the embedding operator  $W^{1,r}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow C(\bar{\Omega})$ .



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## The Reduced Optimal Control Problem

We introduce the **control-to-state map**

$$G : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow C(\bar{\Omega}) \quad , \quad y = Gu \text{ solves } Ay + cy = u .$$

We assume that the following **Slater condition** is satisfied

$$(S) \quad \text{There exists } v_0 \in L^2(\Omega) \text{ such that } Gv_0 \in \text{int}(K) .$$

Substituting  $y = Gu$  allows to consider the **reduced control problem**

$$\inf_{u \in U_{\text{ad}}} J_{\text{red}}(u) := \frac{1}{2} \|Gu - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 ,$$

$$U_{\text{ad}} := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid (Gv)(x) \leq \psi(x) , x \in \bar{\Omega}\} .$$

**Theorem (Existence and uniqueness).** The state constrained optimal control problem admits a unique solution  $y \in W^{1,r}(\Omega) \cap K$ .



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## Optimality Conditions for the State Constrained Optimal Control Problem

**Theorem.** There exists an **adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{V}^s := \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{W}^{1,s}(\Omega) \mid \mathbf{v}_{\Gamma_D} = 0\}$ , where  $1/r + 1/s = 1$ , and a **multiplier**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}(\nabla \mathbf{y}, \nabla \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c}\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{0,\Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}^s , \\(\nabla \mathbf{p}, \nabla \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} + (\mathbf{c}\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} &= (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^d, \mathbf{w})_{0,\Omega} + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{w} \rangle \quad , \quad \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}^r , \\ \mathbf{p} + \alpha(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^d) &= \mathbf{0} , \\ \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$



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**Proof.** The reduced problem can be written in unconstrained form as

$$\inf_{\mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega)} \widehat{J}(\mathbf{v}) := J_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{v}) + (\mathbf{I}_K \circ G)(\mathbf{u})$$

where  $\mathbf{I}_K$  stands for the indicator function of the **constraint set K**. The **Slater condition** and **subdifferential calculus** tell us

$$\partial(\mathbf{I}_K \circ G)(\mathbf{u}) = G^* \circ \partial \mathbf{I}_K(G\mathbf{u}) .$$

The **optimality condition** then reads

$$0 \in \partial \widehat{J}(\mathbf{u}) = J'_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{u}) + G^* \circ \partial \mathbf{I}_K(G\mathbf{u}) .$$

Hence, there exists  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \partial \mathbf{I}_K(G\mathbf{u})$  such that

$$\left( \underbrace{G^*(G\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{y}^d + \boldsymbol{\sigma})}_{=: \mathbf{p}} + \alpha(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^d), \mathbf{v} \right)_{0,\Omega} = 0 \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega) .$$

Since  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ , **PDE regularity theory** implies  $\mathbf{p} \in W^{1,s}(\Omega)$ ,  $1/s + 1/r = 1$ .



## Finite Element Approximation

Let  $\mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  be a **simplicial triangulation** of  $\Omega$  and let

$$V_\ell := \{ v_\ell \in C(\bar{\Omega}) \mid v_\ell|_T \in P_1(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), v_\ell|_{\Gamma_D} = 0 \}$$

be the FE space of **continuous, piecewise linear functions**.

Let  $u_\ell^d \in V_\ell$  be some approximation of  $u^d$ , and let  $\psi_\ell$  be the  $V_\ell$ -interpoland of  $\psi$ .

Consider the following **FE Approximation** of the state constrained control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) := \frac{1}{2} \|y_\ell - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u_\ell - u_\ell^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y_\ell, u_\ell) \in V_\ell \times V_\ell, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & (\nabla y_\ell, \nabla v_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + (cy_\ell, v_\ell)_{0,\Omega} = (u_\ell, v_\ell)_{0,\Omega}, v_\ell \in V_\ell, \\ & y_\ell \in K_\ell := \{v_\ell \in V_\ell \mid v_\ell(x) \leq \psi_\ell(x), x \in \bar{\Omega}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the constraints are point constraints associated with the nodal points, the **discrete multipliers** are chosen from

$$\mathcal{M}_\ell := \{ \mu_\ell \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) \mid \mu_\ell = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\Omega \cup \Gamma_N)} \kappa_a \delta_a, \kappa_a \in \mathbb{R} \}.$$



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Representation of the Error  
in the Quantity of Interest





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## Primal-Dual Weighted Error Representation I

We set  $\mathbf{X} := \mathbf{V}^r \times \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega) \times \mathbf{V}^s$  as well as  $\mathbf{X}_\ell := \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell \times \mathbf{V}_\ell$  and introduce the **Lagrangians**  $\mathcal{L} : \mathbf{X} \times \mathcal{M}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as well as  $\mathcal{L}_\ell : \mathbf{X}_\ell \times \mathcal{M}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  according to

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) := \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) + (\nabla \mathbf{y}, \nabla \mathbf{p})_{0, \Omega} - (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p})_{0, \Omega} + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\ell(\mathbf{x}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell) := \mathbf{J}_\ell(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell) + (\nabla \mathbf{y}_\ell, \nabla \mathbf{p}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} - (\mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{p}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell, \mathbf{y}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell \rangle ,$$

where  $\mathbf{x} := (\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{p})$  and  $\mathbf{x}_\ell := (\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{p}_\ell)$ .

Then, the **optimality conditions** can be stated as

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \mathbf{0} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\varphi} \in \mathbf{X} ,$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_\ell(\mathbf{x}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell)(\boldsymbol{\varphi}_\ell) = \mathbf{0} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\varphi}_\ell \in \mathbf{X}_\ell .$$



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## Primal-Dual Weighted Error Representation II

**Theorem.** Let  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \in \mathbf{X}$  and  $(\mathbf{x}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell) \in \mathbf{X}_\ell$  be the solutions of the continuous and discrete optimality systems, respectively. Then, there holds

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{J}_\ell(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\mathbf{xx}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}) + \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{y}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi} \rangle + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)},$$

where the data oscillations  $\text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}$  are given by

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(1)} := \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(1)},$$
$$\text{osc}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(1)} := (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{y}_\ell^{\text{d}}, \mathbf{y}_\ell^{\text{d}} - \mathbf{y}^{\text{d}})_{0, \mathbf{T}} + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y}^{\text{d}} - \mathbf{y}_\ell^{\text{d}}\|_{0, \mathbf{T}}^2 + \alpha (\mathbf{u}_\ell - \mathbf{u}_\ell^{\text{d}}, \mathbf{u}_\ell^{\text{d}} - \mathbf{u}^{\text{d}})_{0, \mathbf{T}} + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|\mathbf{u}^{\text{d}} - \mathbf{u}_\ell^{\text{d}}\|_{0, \mathbf{T}}^2.$$

**Remark:** In the unconstrained case, i.e.,  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell = 0$ , the above result reduces to the error representation in [Becker, Kapp, and Rannacher (2000)].



## Interpolation Operators (State Constraints)

We introduce interpolation operators

$$i_{\ell}^y : V^{\bar{r}} \rightarrow V_{\ell}, \quad r > \bar{r} > 2, \quad i_{\ell}^p : V^{\bar{s}} \rightarrow V_{\ell}, \quad 0 < \bar{s} < s < 2,$$

such that for all  $y \in V^r$  and  $p \in V^s$  there holds

$$\begin{aligned} \left( h_T^{r(t-1)} \|i_{\ell}^y y - y\|_{t,r,T}^r \right)^{1/r} &\lesssim \|y\|_{1,r,D_T}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1, \\ \left( h_T^{-r} \|i_{\ell}^y y - y\|_{0,r,T}^r + h_T^{-r/2} \|i_{\ell}^y y - y\|_{0,r,\partial T}^r \right)^{1/r} &\lesssim \|y\|_{1,r,D_T}, \\ \left( h_T^{-s} \|i_{\ell}^p p - p\|_{0,s,T}^s + h_T^{-s/2} \|i_{\ell}^p p - p\|_{0,s,\partial T}^s \right)^{1/s} &\lesssim h_T \|p\|_{1,s,D_T}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $D_T := \{T' \in \mathcal{T}_{\ell}(\Omega) \mid \mathcal{N}_{\ell}(T') \cap \mathcal{N}_{\ell}(T) \neq \emptyset\}$ .



### Primal-Dual Weighted Error Representation III

**Theorem.** Under the assumptions of the previous Theorem let  $i_\ell^z, z \in \{y, p\}$ , be the interpolation operators introduced before. Then, there holds

$$J(y, u) - J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) = -(r(i_\ell^y y - y) + r(i_\ell^p p - p)) + \mu_\ell(x, \sigma) + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)} + \text{osc}_\ell^{(2)},$$

where  $r(i_\ell^y y - y)$  and  $r(i_\ell^p p - p)$  stand for the **primal-dual weighted residuals**

$$r(i_\ell^y y - y) := \frac{1}{2} ((y_\ell - y_\ell^d, i_\ell^y y - y)_{0,\Omega} + (\nabla(i_\ell^y y - y), \nabla p_\ell)_{0,\Omega} + \langle \sigma_\ell, i_\ell^y y - y \rangle),$$

$$r(i_\ell^p p - p) := \frac{1}{2} ((\nabla(i_\ell^p p - p), \nabla y_\ell)_{0,\Omega} - (u_\ell, i_\ell^p p - p)_{0,\Omega}).$$

Moreover,  $\mu_\ell(x, \sigma)$  represents the **primal-dual mismatch in complementarity**

$$\mu_\ell(x, \sigma) := \frac{1}{2} (\langle \sigma, y_\ell - \psi \rangle + \langle \sigma_\ell, \psi_\ell - y \rangle),$$

and  $\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)}$  are further **oscillation terms**

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)} := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T^{(2)}, \quad \text{osc}_T^{(2)} := \frac{1}{2} ((y^d - y_\ell^d, y_\ell - y)_{0,T} + \alpha (u^d - u_\ell^d, u_\ell - u)_{0,T}).$$



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## Primal-Dual Weighted Residuals



### Primal-Dual Weighted Residuals

**Theorem.** The primal-dual residuals can be estimated according to

$$|r(i_\ell^y y - y)| \leq C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \left( \omega_T^y \rho_T^y + \omega_T^\sigma \rho_T^\sigma \right) , \quad |r(i_\ell^p p - p)| \leq C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \omega_T^p \rho_T^p .$$

Here,  $\rho_T^y$  and  $\rho_T^p$  are  $L^r$ -norms and  $L^s$ -norms of the **residuals** associated with the state and the adjoint state equation

$$\rho_T^y := \left( \|u_\ell\|_{0,r,T}^r + h_T^{-r/2} \left\| \frac{1}{2} \nu \cdot [\nabla y_\ell] \right\|_{0,r,\partial T}^r \right)^{1/r} ,$$

$$\rho_T^p := \left( \|y_\ell - y_\ell^d\|_{0,s,T}^s + h_T^{-s/2} \left\| \frac{1}{2} \nu \cdot [\nabla p_\ell] \right\|_{0,s,\partial T}^s \right)^{1/s} .$$

The corresponding **dual weights**  $\omega_T^y$  and  $\omega_T^p$  are given by

$$\omega_T^y := \left( \|i_\ell^p p - p\|_{0,s,T}^s + h_T^{s/2} \|i_\ell^p p - p\|_{0,s,\partial T}^s \right)^{1/s} ,$$

$$\omega_T^p := \left( \|i_\ell^y y - y\|_{0,r,T}^r + h_T^{r/2} \|i_\ell^y y - y\|_{0,r,\partial T}^r \right)^{1/r} .$$

The **residual**  $\rho_T^\sigma$  and its **dual weight**  $\omega_T^\sigma$  are given by

$$\rho_T^\sigma := n_a^{-1} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(T)} \kappa_a , \quad \omega_T^\sigma := \|i_\ell^y y - y\|_{2/r+\varepsilon,r,T} , \quad 0 < \varepsilon < (r-2)/r .$$



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## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity



## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity

The primal-dual mismatch  $\mu_\ell(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  can be made partially **a posteriori** in the following two particular cases (cf. [Bergounioux/Kunisch (2003)]):

### Regular Case

The active set  $\mathcal{A}$  is the union of a finite number of mutually disjoint, connected sets  $\mathcal{A}_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , with  $C^{1,1}$ -boundary.

$$p|_{\mathcal{I}} \in H^2(\mathcal{I}), \quad p|_{\text{int}(\mathcal{A})} \in H^2(\text{int}(\mathcal{A}))$$

$$-\Delta p = \mathbf{y}^d - \mathbf{y} \text{ in } \mathcal{I}, \quad p = -\alpha \Delta \psi \text{ in } \mathcal{A}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathcal{A}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{on } \mathcal{I} \\ \mathbf{y}^d - \psi - \alpha \Delta^2 \psi & \text{on } \mathcal{A} \end{cases}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathcal{A}} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathcal{F}},$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathcal{F}} = - \frac{\partial p|_{\mathcal{I}}}{\partial \nu_{\mathcal{I}}} + \alpha \frac{\partial \Delta \psi}{\partial \nu_{\mathcal{A}}}$$

### Nonregular Case

The active set  $\mathcal{A}$  is a Lipschitzian curve that divides  $\Omega$  into two connected components  $\Omega_+$  and  $\Omega_-$ .

$$(\nabla p, \nabla \mathbf{w})_{0, \Omega} = (\mathbf{y}^d - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}) - \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{w} \rangle, \quad \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}^r$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\mathcal{A}} := \nu_{\mathcal{A}} \cdot \nabla p|_{\mathcal{A}_+} - \nu_{\mathcal{A}} \cdot \nabla p|_{\mathcal{A}_-}$$





## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity

The primal-dual mismatch in complementarity has the representations

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} &= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}, y_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\mathcal{F}_\ell \cap \mathcal{I})} \kappa_{\mathbf{a}} (y_\ell - \mathbf{y})(\mathbf{a}), \\ \mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} &= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}, \psi_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell)} \kappa_{\mathbf{a}} (\psi_\ell - \mathbf{y})(\mathbf{a}), \\ \mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} &= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}, y_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} + \frac{1}{2} (y^{\text{d}} - \psi - \alpha \Delta^2 \psi, y_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell}, \\ \mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} &= \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}, \psi_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} + \frac{1}{2} (y^{\text{d}} - \psi - \alpha \Delta^2 \psi, \psi_\ell - \psi)_{0, \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we need appropriate approximations of the continuous coincidence set  $\mathcal{A}$ , the continuous non-coincidence set  $\mathcal{I}$ , the continuous free boundary  $\mathcal{F}$ , and of  $\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}$ .



## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity (State Constraints)

The coincidence set  $\mathcal{A}$  and the non-coincidence set  $\mathcal{I}$  will be approximated by

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell &:= \bigcup \{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell \mid \chi_\ell^A(\mathbf{x}) \geq 1 - \kappa h \text{ for all } \mathbf{x} \in T\}, \\ \hat{\mathcal{I}}_\ell &:= \bigcup \{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell \mid \chi_\ell^A(\mathbf{x}) \leq 1 - \kappa h \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \in T\},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\chi_\ell^A := \mathbf{I} - \frac{\psi - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y_\ell}{\gamma h^r + \psi - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y_\ell}, \quad 0 < \gamma \leq 1, \quad r > 0.$$

Note that for  $T \subset \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$\|\chi(\mathcal{A}) - \chi_\ell^A\|_{0,T} \leq \min \left( |T|^{1/2}, \gamma^{-1} h^{-r} \|y - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y\|_{0,T} \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \|y - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y\|_{0,T} = O(h^q), \quad q > r.$$

Moreover,  $\sigma_{\mathcal{F}}$  will be approximated by

$$\sigma_{\hat{\mathcal{F}}_\ell} := \begin{cases} -\nu_{\hat{\mathcal{I}}_\ell} \cdot \nabla p_\ell|_{\hat{\mathcal{I}}_\ell} + \alpha \nu_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell} \cdot \nabla \Delta \psi & , \quad \mathbf{E} \in \partial \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{A}}) \cap \partial \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{I}}) \\ \nu_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell} \cdot \nabla p_\ell|_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell,+}} - \nu_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell} \cdot \nabla p_\ell|_{\hat{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell,-}} & , \quad \mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{A}}) \setminus (\partial \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{A}}) \cap \partial \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{I}})) \end{cases}.$$



## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity (State Constraints)

The primal-dual mismatch in complementarity can be estimated from above as follows:

$$|\mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} \leq \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(1)} + \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(2)}, \quad |\mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} \leq \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(1)} + \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(3)}, \quad |\mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell} \leq \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(1)} + \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(4)}, \quad |\mu_\ell|_{\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} \leq \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(1)} + \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(5)}.$$

where

$$\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(1)} := \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{F}}_\ell)} \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{E}}^{(1)}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{E}}^{(1)} := \frac{1}{2} \|\sigma_{\hat{\mathcal{F}}_\ell}\|_{0,\mathbf{E}} \|y_\ell - \psi\|_{0,\mathbf{E}},$$

$$\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(2)} := \sum_{\mathbf{E} \in \mathcal{E}_\ell(\mathcal{F}_\ell \cap \hat{\mathcal{I}}_\ell)} \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{E}}^{(2)}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{E}}^{(2)} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\mathbf{E})} |(y_\ell - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y_\ell)(\mathbf{a})| \kappa_{\mathbf{a}},$$

$$\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(3)} := \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{I}}_\ell \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell)} \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(3)}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(3)} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{N}_\ell(\mathbf{T})} |(y_\ell - \mathbf{i}_\ell^y y_\ell)(\mathbf{a})| \kappa_{\mathbf{a}},$$

$$\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(4)} := \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell)} \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(4)}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(4)} := \frac{1}{2} \|y^{\text{d}} - \psi - \alpha \Delta^2 \psi\|_{0,\mathbf{T}} \|y_\ell - \psi\|_{0,\mathbf{T}},$$

$$\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(5)} := \sum_{\mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell)} \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(5)}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{T}}^{(5)} := \frac{1}{2} \|y^{\text{d}} - \psi - \alpha \Delta^2 \psi\|_{0,\mathbf{T}} \|\psi_\ell - \psi\|_{0,\mathbf{T}}.$$



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## Primal-Dual Weighted Data Oscillations



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## Primal-Dual Weighted Data Oscillations

The data oscillations  $\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)}$  as given by

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)} := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T^{(2)} \quad , \quad \text{osc}_T^{(2)} := \frac{1}{2} \left( (y^d - y_\ell^d, y_\ell - y)_{0,T} + \alpha (u^d - u_\ell^d, u_\ell - u)_{0,T} \right) ,$$

can be estimated from above according to

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)} \preceq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \widehat{\text{osc}}_T^{(2)} \quad , \quad \widehat{\text{osc}}_T^{(2)} := \hat{\omega}_T^p \|u^d - u_\ell^d\|_{0,T} + \hat{\omega}_T^y \|y^d - y_\ell^d\|_{0,T} + \alpha \|u^d - u_\ell^d\|_{0,T}^2 ,$$

where the weights  $\hat{\omega}_T^p$  and  $\hat{\omega}_T^y$  are given by

$$\hat{\omega}_T^p := \|i_\ell^p p_\ell - p_\ell\|_{0,T} \quad , \quad \hat{\omega}_T^y := \|i_\ell^y y_\ell - y_\ell\|_{0,T} .$$



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## State Constraints: Numerical Results



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 \quad \text{over } (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad y \in K := \{v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Data:} \quad \Omega &:= (-2, +2)^2, \quad y^d(r) := y(r) + \Delta p(r) + \sigma(r), \quad u^d(r) := u(r) + \alpha^{-1} p(r), \\ \psi &:= 0, \quad \alpha := 0.1, \end{aligned}$$

where  $y(r), u(r), p(r), \sigma(r)$  is the solution of the problem:

$$y(r) := -r^{4/3} + \gamma_1(r), \quad u(r) = -\Delta y(r), \quad p(r) = \gamma_2(r) + r^4 - \frac{3}{2}r^3 + \frac{9}{16}r^2, \quad \sigma(r) := \begin{cases} 0.0 & , \quad r < 0.75 \\ 0.1 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$, \quad \gamma_1 := \begin{cases} 1 & , \quad r < 0.25 \\ -192(r - 0.25)^5 + 240(r - 0.25)^4 - 80(r - 0.25)^3 + 1 & , \quad 0.25 < r < 0.75 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

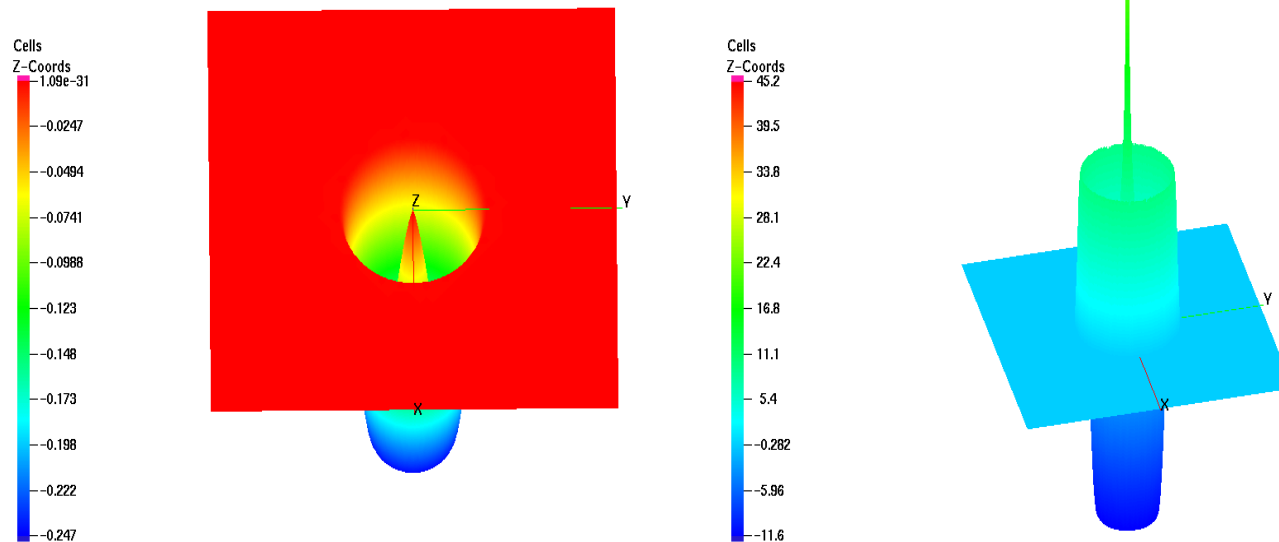
$$\gamma_2 := \begin{cases} 1 & , \quad r < 0.75 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases} .$$



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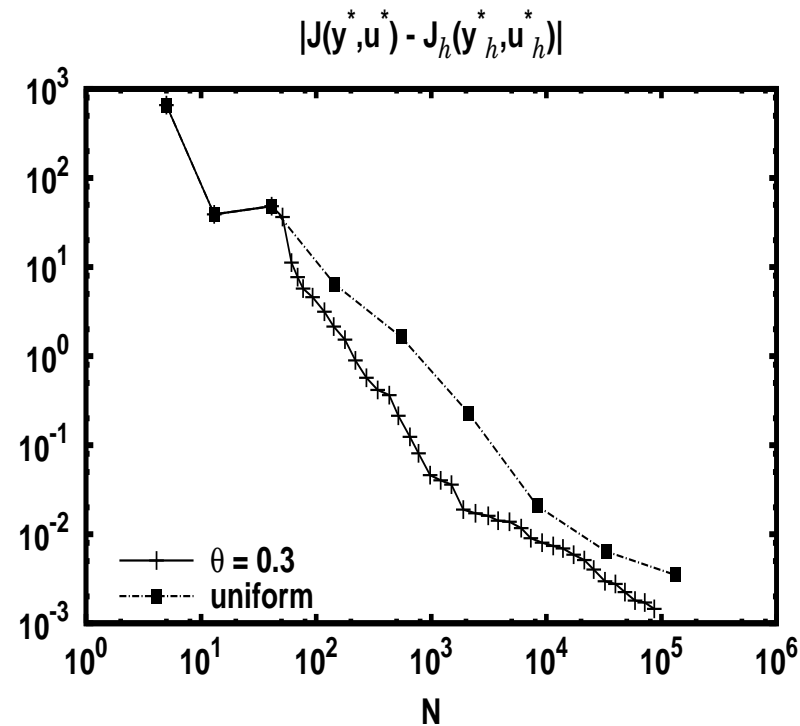


Optimal state (left) and optimal control (right)





## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints I



Decrease in the quantity of interest versus total number of DOFs



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 \quad \text{over } (y, u) \in H^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y + cy = u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad y \in K := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

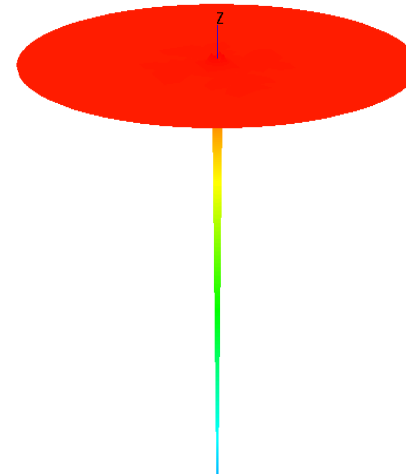
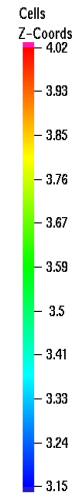
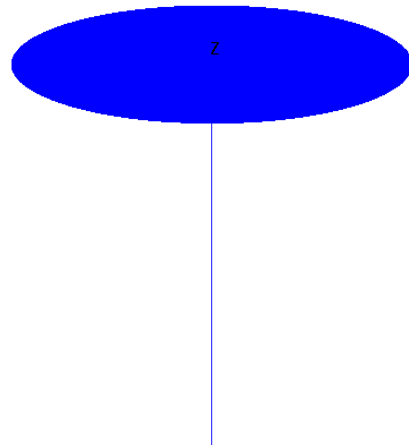
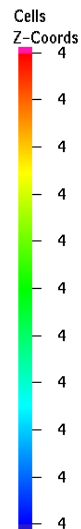
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Data:} \quad \Omega = B(0, 1) & := \{x = (x_1, x_2)^T \mid x_1^2 + x_2^2 < 1\}, \quad y^d(r) := 4 + \frac{1}{\pi} - \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 + \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \\ u^d(r) & := 4 + \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \quad \psi := 4 + r, \quad \alpha := 1. \end{aligned}$$

The solution  $y(r), u(r), p(r), \sigma(r)$  of the problem is given by

$$y(r) \equiv 4, \quad u(r) \equiv 4, \quad p(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi}r^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi}\ln(r), \quad \sigma(r) = \delta_0.$$



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II



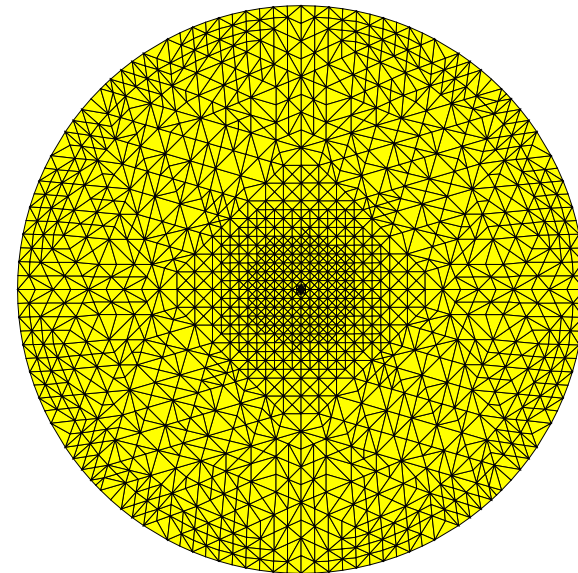
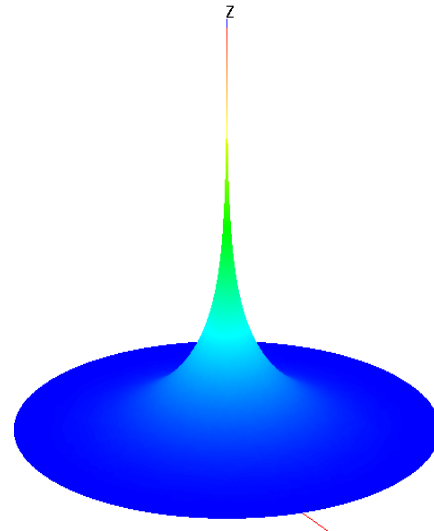
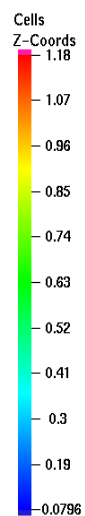
Optimal state (left) and optimal control (right)



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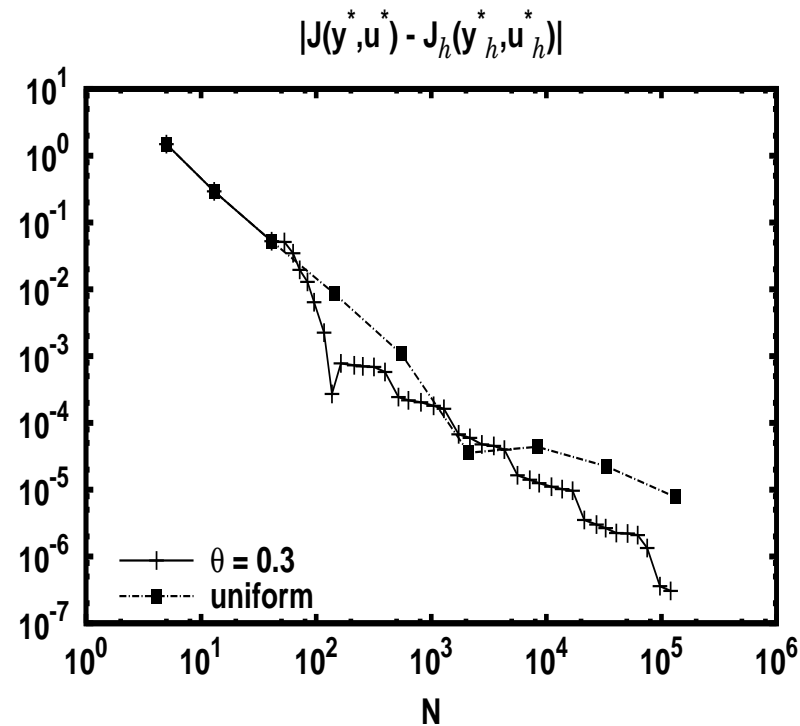
## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II



Optimal adjoint state (left) and mesh after 16 adaptive loops (right)



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with State Constraints II



Decrease in the quantity of interest versus total number of DOFs



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## Control Constrained Elliptic Control Problems



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## A Posteriori Error Analysis of AFEM for Optimal Control Problems

### (i) Unconstrained problems

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B. Vexler and W. Wollner (2007)



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## Model Problem (Distributed Elliptic Control Problem with Control Constraints)

Given a bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  with polygonal boundary  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$ , a function  $y^d, \psi \in L^2(\Omega)$ , and  $\alpha > 0$ , consider the distributed optimal control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega), \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = u, \\ & u \in K := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\}. \end{aligned}$$





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## Optimality Conditions for the Distributed Control Problem

There exists an **adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega)$  and an **adjoint control**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega)$  such that the quadruple  $(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{0, \Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \quad , \\ \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathbf{y}^d - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v})_{0, \Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \quad , \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{p} - \boldsymbol{\sigma} \quad , \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma} &\geq 0 \quad , \quad \mathbf{u} \leq \boldsymbol{\psi} \quad , \quad (\boldsymbol{\sigma}; \mathbf{u} - \boldsymbol{\psi})_{0, \Omega} = 0 \quad , \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}(\cdot, \cdot)$  stands for the bilinear form

$$\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{z} \, dx \quad , \quad \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbf{H}_0^1(\Omega) \quad .$$



## Finite Element Approximation of the Distributed Control Problem

Let  $\mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)$  be a **shape regular, simplicial triangulation** of  $\Omega$  and let

$$V_\ell := \{ v_\ell \in C(\Omega) \mid v_\ell|_T \in P_{k_1}(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), k_1 \in \mathbb{N}, v_H|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \}$$

be the FE space of **continuous, piecewise polynomial functions** (of degree  $k_1$ ) and

$$W_\ell := \{ w_\ell \in L^2(\Omega) \mid w_\ell|_T \in P_{k_2}(T), T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega), k_2 \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \}$$

the linear space of **elementwise polynomial functions** (of degree  $k_2$ ).

Consider the following **FE Approximation** of the distributed control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) := \frac{1}{2} \|y_\ell - y_\ell^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u_\ell\|_{0,\Omega}^2, \\ \text{over} \quad & (y_\ell, u_\ell) \in V_\ell \times W_\ell, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & a(y_\ell, v_\ell) = (u_\ell, v_\ell)_{0,\Omega}, v_\ell \in V_\ell, \\ & u_\ell \in K_\ell := \{ w_\ell \in W_\ell \mid w_\ell|_T \leq \psi_\ell|_T, T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega) \}. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_\ell \in W_\ell$  is the discrete control constraint.



## Optimality Conditions for the FE Discretized Control Problem

There exists an **adjoint state**  $\mathbf{p}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell$  and an **adjoint control**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell \in \mathbf{W}_\ell$  such that the quadruple  $(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{p}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell) &= (\mathbf{u}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell \quad , \\ \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{p}_\ell, \mathbf{v}_\ell) &= (\mathbf{y}_\ell^{\text{d}} - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{v}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} \quad , \quad \mathbf{v}_\ell \in \mathbf{V}_\ell \quad , \\ \alpha \mathbf{u}_\ell &= \mathbf{M}_\ell \mathbf{p}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell \quad , \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell &\geq 0 \quad , \quad \mathbf{u}_\ell \leq \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell \quad , \quad (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} = 0 \quad , \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{y}_\ell^{\text{d}} \in \mathbf{V}_\ell$  and  $\mathbf{M}_\ell : \mathbf{V}_\ell \rightarrow \mathbf{W}_\ell$ , e.g., for  $\mathbf{k}_2 = 0$ :

$$(\mathbf{M}_\ell \mathbf{v}_\ell)|_{\mathbf{T}} := |\mathbf{T}|^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{v}_\ell \, \text{d}\mathbf{x} \quad , \quad \mathbf{T} \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega) \quad .$$



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## Primal-Dual Weighted Error Representation (Control Constraints)

**Theorem.** Let  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \in \mathbf{X} \times \mathbf{L}^2(\Omega)$  and  $(\mathbf{x}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell) \in \mathbf{X}_\ell \times \mathbf{W}_\ell$  be the solutions of the continuous and discrete optimality systems, respectively. Then, there holds

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{J}_\ell(\mathbf{y}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell) = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\mathbf{xx}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{x}) + (\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{u}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi})_{0, \Omega} + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)}.$$

**Remark:** In the unconstrained case, i.e.,  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell = 0$ , the above result reduces to the error representation in [Becker, Kapp, and Rannacher (2000)].



## Primal-Dual Weighted Error Representation (Control Constraints)

**Theorem.** Under the assumptions of the previous Theorem let  $i_\ell^z, z \in \{y, u, p\}$ , be the interpolation operators introduced before. Then, there holds

$$J(y, u) - J_\ell(y_\ell, u_\ell) = -\left(r(i_\ell^y y - y) + r(i_\ell^p p - p) + r(i_\ell^u u - u)\right) + \mu_\ell(x, \sigma) + \text{osc}_\ell^{(1)} + \text{osc}_\ell^{(2)},$$

where  $r(i_\ell^y y - y)$ ,  $r(i_\ell^p p - p)$  and  $r(i_\ell^u u - u)$  stand for the **primal-dual weighted residuals**

$$r(i_\ell^y y - y) := \frac{1}{2} \left( (y_\ell - y_\ell^d, i_\ell^y y - y)_{0,\Omega} + (\nabla(i_\ell^y y - y), \nabla p_\ell)_{0,\Omega} \right),$$

$$r(i_\ell^p p - p) := \frac{1}{2} \left( (\nabla(i_\ell^p p - p), \nabla y_\ell)_{0,\Omega} - (u_\ell, i_\ell^p p - p)_{0,\Omega} \right), \quad r(i_\ell^u u - u) := \frac{1}{2} (M_\ell p_\ell - p_\ell, i_\ell^u u - u)_{0,\Omega}.$$

Moreover,  $\mu_\ell(x, \sigma)$  represents the **primal-dual mismatch in complementarity**

$$\mu_\ell(x, \sigma) := \frac{1}{2} \left( (\sigma, u_\ell - \psi)_{0,\Omega} + (\sigma_\ell, \psi_\ell - u)_{0,\Omega} \right),$$

and  $\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)}$  is a further **oscillation term**

$$\text{osc}_\ell^{(2)} := \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \text{osc}_T^{(2)}, \quad \text{osc}_T^{(2)} := \frac{1}{2} (y^d - y_\ell^d, y_\ell - y)_{0,T}.$$



## Primal-Dual Weighted Residuals (Control Constraints)

**Theorem.** The primal-dual residuals can be estimated according to

$$|r(i_\ell^y y - y)| \leq C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \omega_T^y \rho_T^y, \quad |r(i_\ell^p p - p)| \leq C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_\ell(\Omega)} \left( \omega_T^p \rho_T^{p,1} + \omega_T^u \rho_T^{p,2} \right).$$

Here,  $\rho_T^y$  and  $\rho_T^{p,1}$  are  $L^2$ -norms of the **residuals** associated with the state and the adjoint state

$$\rho_T^y := \left( \|u_\ell\|_{0,T}^2 + h_T^{-1} \left\| \frac{1}{2} \nu \cdot [\nabla y_\ell] \right\|_{0,\partial T}^2 \right)^{1/2},$$
$$\rho_T^{p,1} := \left( \|y_\ell - y_\ell^d\|_{0,T}^2 + h_T^{-1} \left\| \frac{1}{2} \nu \cdot [\nabla p_\ell] \right\|_{0,\partial T}^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

The corresponding **dual weights**  $\omega_T^u$  and  $\omega_T^p$  are given by

$$\omega_T^y := \left( \|i_\ell^p p - p\|_{0,T}^2 + h_T \|i_\ell^p p - p\|_{0,\partial T}^2 \right)^{1/2},$$
$$\omega_T^p := \left( \|i_\ell^y y - y\|_{0,T}^2 + h_T \|i_\ell^y y - y\|_{0,\partial T}^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

The **residual**  $\rho_T^{p,2}$  and its **dual weight**  $\omega_T^u$  are given by

$$\rho_T^{p,2} := \|M_\ell p_\ell - p_\ell\|_{0,T}, \quad \omega_T^u := \|i_\ell^u u - u\|_{0,T}.$$



## Primal-Dual Mismatch in Complementarity (Control Constraints)

Using the complementarity conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \leq \boldsymbol{\psi} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} \geq \mathbf{0} \quad , \quad (\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{u} - \boldsymbol{\psi})_{0, \Omega} = 0 \quad , \quad \alpha \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{p} + \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{0} \quad , \\ \mathbf{u}_\ell \leq \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell \geq \mathbf{0} \quad , \quad (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell)_{0, \Omega} = 0 \quad , \quad \alpha \mathbf{u}_\ell - \mathbf{M}_\ell \mathbf{p}_\ell + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell = \mathbf{0} \quad , \end{aligned}$$

the primal-dual mismatch  $\mu_\ell := \mu_\ell(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  can be further assessed according to

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_\ell(\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell) &= 0 \quad , \\ \mu_\ell(\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell) &= \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\sigma} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell - \boldsymbol{\psi})_{0, \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} \quad , \\ \mu_\ell(\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell) &= \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell, \boldsymbol{\psi}_\ell - \alpha^{-1} \mathbf{p})_{0, \mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} \quad , \\ \mu_\ell(\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell) &= \frac{\alpha}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_\ell\|_{0, \mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{M}_\ell \mathbf{p}_\ell, \mathbf{u}_\ell - \mathbf{u})_{0, \mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell} \quad . \end{aligned}$$

and we finally obtain

$$|\mu_\ell(\mathcal{I} \cap \mathcal{A}_\ell) + \mu_\ell(\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{I}_\ell)| \leq \nu_\ell$$

with a fully computable a posteriori term  $\nu_\ell$  (consistency error).



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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) := \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^d\|_{0,\Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|\mathbf{u}\|_{0,\Omega}^2 \\ \text{over} \quad & (\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{u} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ & \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{K} := \{\mathbf{v} \in L^2(\Omega) \mid \mathbf{v} \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

Data:  $\Omega := (0, 1)^2$ ,

$$\mathbf{y}^d := \begin{cases} 200 x_1 x_2 (x_1 - 0.5)^2 (1 - x_2), & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 0.5 \\ 200 (x_1 - 1) (x_2 (x_1 - 0.5)^2 (1 - x_2)), & 0.5 < x_1 \leq 1 \end{cases},$$

$$\alpha = 0.01, \quad \psi = 1.$$

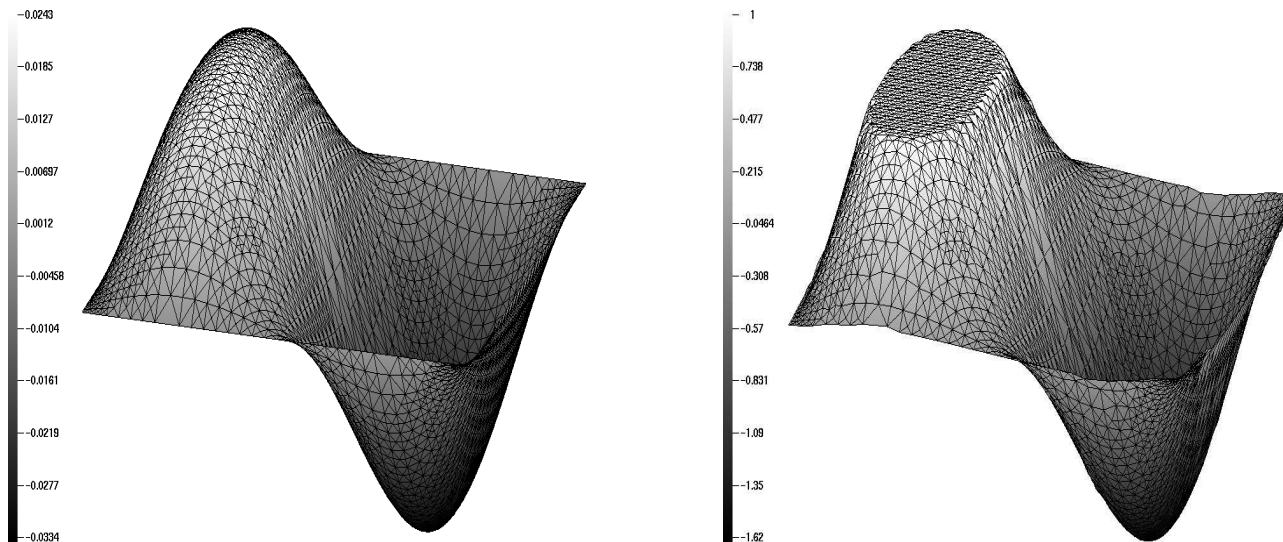




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## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints I



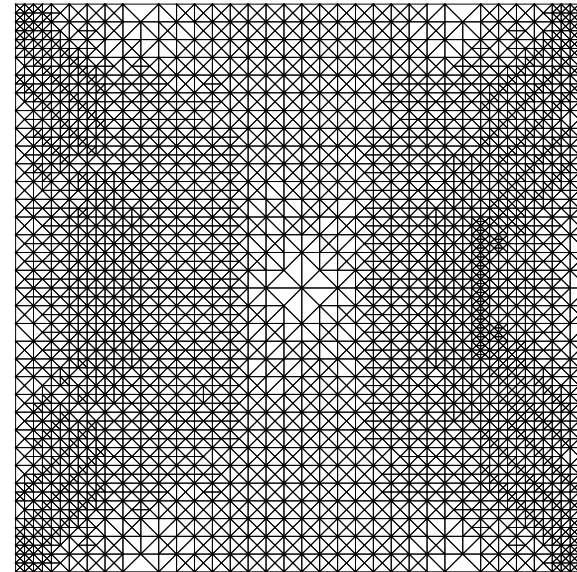
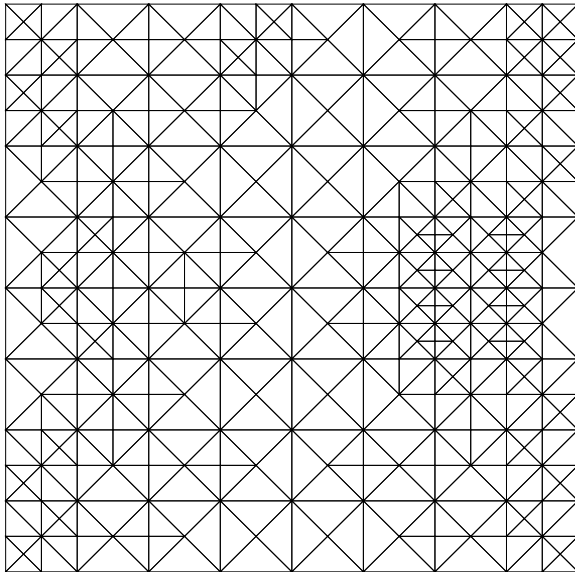
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l	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\delta_h$	$\eta_h$	$\text{osc}_h$	$\nu_h$
0	12	2.73E-03	1.47E-02	1.17E-01	0.00E+00
1	25	8.57E-04	2.03E-02	6.23E-02	2.04E-03
2	42	5.09E-04	1.42E-02	3.44E-02	4.86E-03
4	138	1.52E-04	4.61E-03	1.27E-02	1.66E-04
6	478	4.24E-05	1.35E-03	4.20E-03	3.67E-05
8	1706	9.91E-06	3.67E-04	2.08E-03	4.27E-06
10	6237	2.52E-06	9.95E-05	6.60E-04	3.82E-07
12	22639	5.92E-07	2.74E-05	1.63E-04	1.63E-07
14	81325	1.57E-07	7.57E-06	5.05E-05	7.60E-09
16	299028	4.65E-08	2.05E-06	1.58E-05	1.32E-09

Error (quantity of interest), estimator, oscillations, and consistency error



## Numerical Results: Distributed Control Problem with Control Constraints II

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize} \quad & J(y, u) := \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|u - u^d\|_{0, \Omega}^2 \\ \text{over} \quad & (y, u) \in H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & -\Delta y = f + u \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ & u \in K := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) \mid v \leq \psi \text{ a.e. in } \Omega\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Data:} \quad \Omega := (0, 1)^2, \quad y^d := 0, \quad u^d := \hat{u} + \alpha^{-1}(\hat{\sigma} - \Delta^{-2}\hat{u}),$$

$$\psi := \begin{cases} (x_1 - 0.5)^8, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_1, \\ (x_1 - 0.5)^2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad \alpha := 0.1, \quad f := 0$$

$$\hat{u} := \begin{cases} \psi, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2, \\ -1.01 \psi, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad \hat{\sigma} := \begin{cases} 2.25 (x_1 - 0.75) \cdot 10^{-4}, & (x_1, x_2) \in \Omega_2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

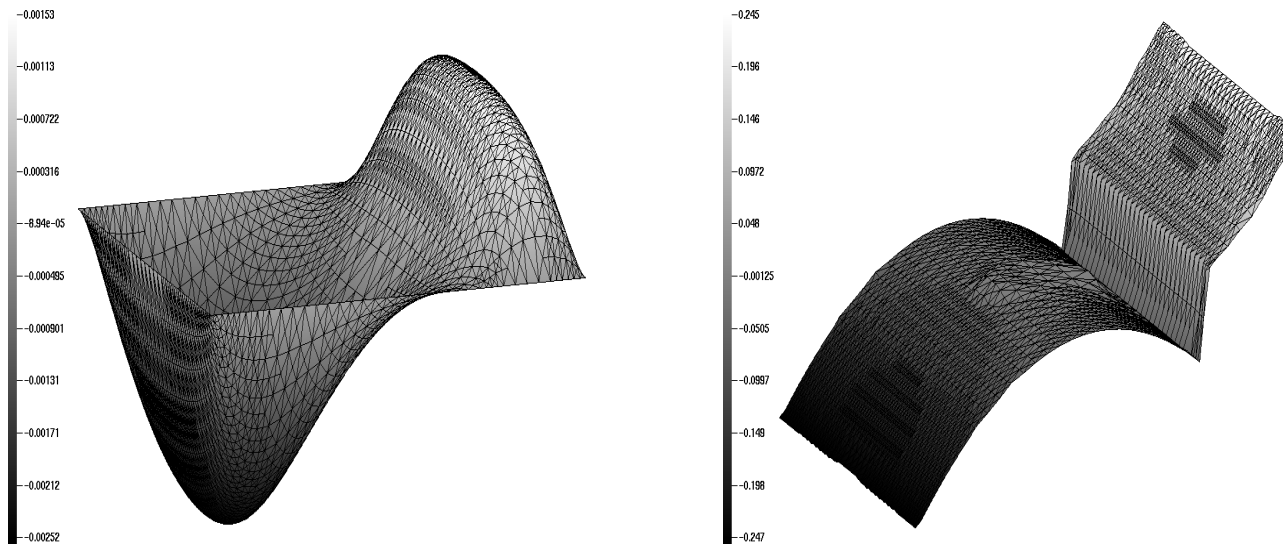
$$\Omega_1 := \{(x_1, x_2) \in \Omega \mid ((x_1 - 0.5)^2 + (x_2 - 0.5)^2)^{1/2} \leq 0.15\}, \quad \Omega_2 := \{(x_1, x_2) \in \Omega \mid x_1 \geq 0.75\}.$$



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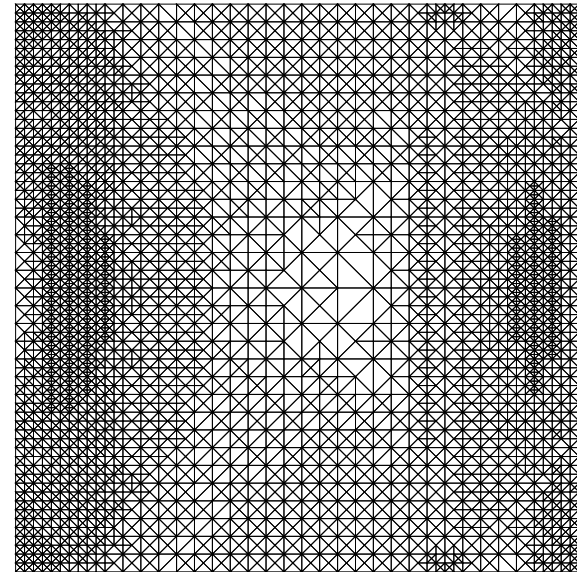
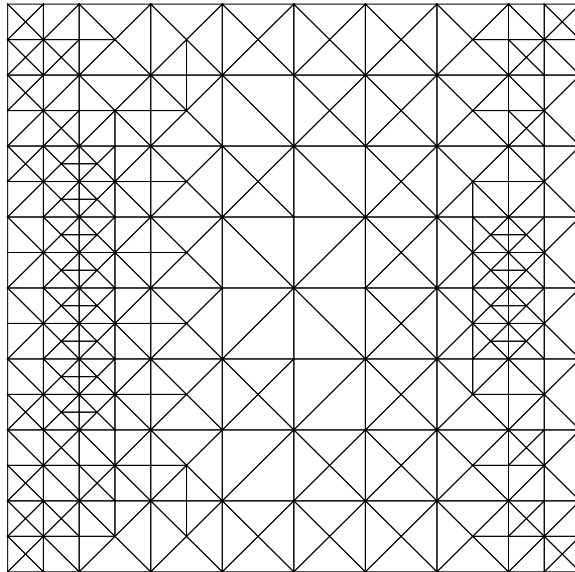
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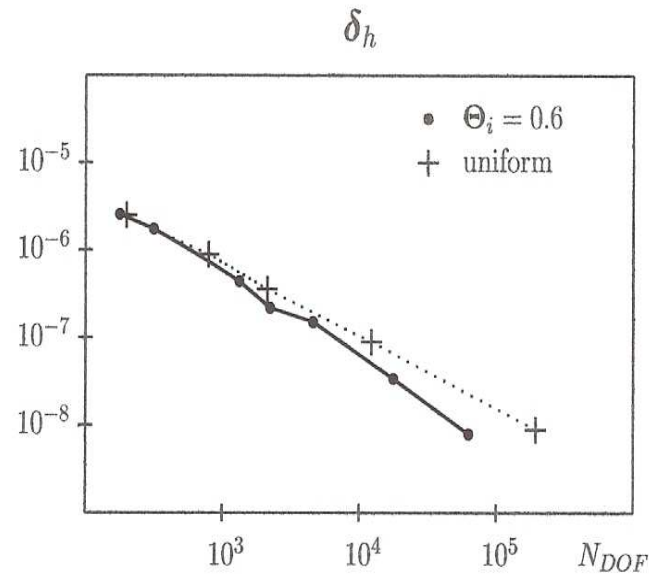
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l	$N_{\text{dof}}$	$\delta_h$	$\eta_h$	$\text{osc}_h$	$\nu_h$
0	5	2.41E-04	2.58E-06	1.07E-01	0.00E+00
1	12	1.61E-04	5.26E-06	8.11E-02	2.71E-07
2	26	7.62E-05	4.78E-06	5.25E-02	4.19E-07
4	73	1.54E-05	2.08E-06	2.89E-02	0.00E+00
6	253	4.09E-06	6.45E-07	1.59E-02	0.00E+00
8	953	1.16E-06	1.79E-07	8.39E-03	9.86E-12
10	3507	3.41E-07	4.87E-08	4.70E-03	2.66E-13
12	12684	1.03E-07	1.33E-08	2.59E-03	3.08E-14
14	45486	2.99E-08	3.71E-09	1.52E-03	2.23E-15
16	165366	8.12E-09	1.05E-09	9.06E-04	2.65E-16

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Decrease in the quantity of interest versus total number of DOFs