

A Multiscale DG Method for Convection Diffusion Problems

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Notation and Definitions

$$\mathcal{L}\phi = -\kappa\Delta\phi + \mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla\phi = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$\phi = g \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

- $\kappa \geq 0$ diffusion coefficient, \mathbf{a} is the solenoidal velocity vector field;
 $g \in H^{1/2}(\Gamma)$ Dirichlet boundary condition
- We set:

$$\Gamma^- = \{x \in \Gamma : \mathbf{a}(x) \cdot \mathbf{n}(x) \leq 0\}$$

$$\Gamma^+ = \{x \in \Gamma : \mathbf{a}(x) \cdot \mathbf{n}(x) > 0\}$$

where \mathbf{n} is the outward unit normal with respect to Γ . Γ^- will be referred to as the *inflow* boundary and Γ^+ as the *outflow* boundary;

- **Convection dominated regime** : $\|\mathbf{a}\| \gg \kappa$

Discontinuous Galerkin discretization: generalities

\mathcal{T}_h is a mesh of Ω , \mathcal{E}_h the set of edges, \mathcal{E}_h^0 the set of internal edges.

Finite element space :

$$V_h = \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : v|_T \in \mathcal{P}^k(T), \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

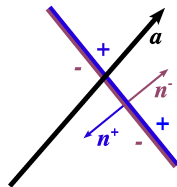
Jumps and averages : $e \in \mathcal{E}_h^0$

T^+ , T^- downwind and upwind triangles

$$\langle \nu \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(\nu^+ + \nu^-) \quad \llbracket \nu \rrbracket = \nu^+ \mathbf{n}^+ + \nu^- \mathbf{n}^-$$

$$\langle \boldsymbol{\tau} \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\tau}^+ + \boldsymbol{\tau}^-) \quad \llbracket \boldsymbol{\tau} \rrbracket = \boldsymbol{\tau}^+ \cdot \mathbf{n}^+ + \boldsymbol{\tau}^- \cdot \mathbf{n}^-$$

Note that, e.g., ν^+ (ν^-) are the trace values taken from the *downwind* (*upwind*) triangle, respectively.



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$$\|\nu\|_{SDG}^2 = \|\nu\|_{DG}^2 + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \tau_T \|\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \nu\|_{L^2(T)}^2$$

We can prove a uniform **inf-sup condition** :

$$\inf_{\nu \in V_h} \sup_{\mu \in V_h} \frac{B^{DG}(\nu, \mu)}{\|\nu\|_{SDG} \|\mu\|_{SDG}} \geq \beta_{DG} > 0;$$

where β_{DG} is independent of h , κ , \mathbf{a} , and the domain.

Proof : Given $\nu \in V_h$, choose $\mu = \nu + \gamma \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \tau_T (\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \nu)|_T \dots$

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i.e., the final system is of the following type:

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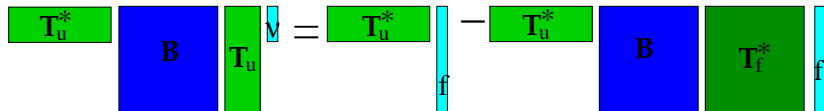


Figure: size of the final system: $N_{\bar{V}_h} \times N_{\bar{V}_h}$

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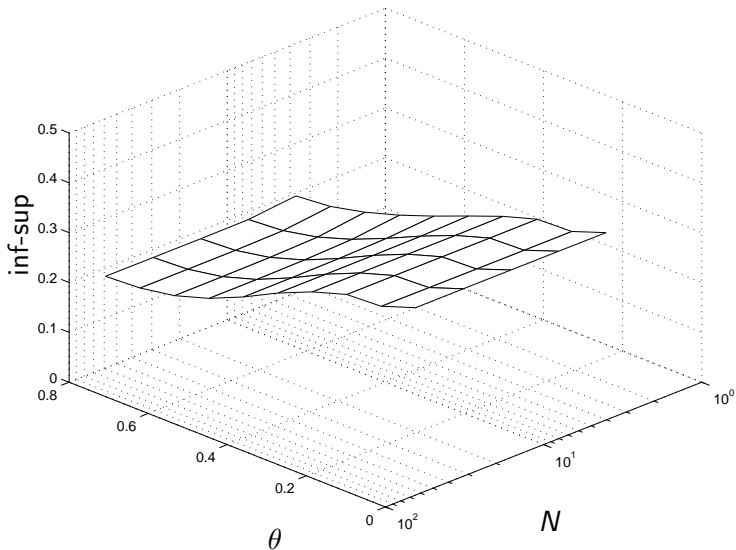


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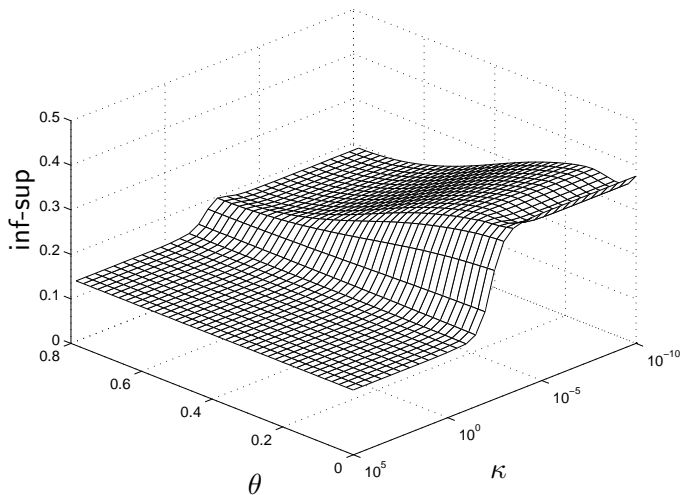


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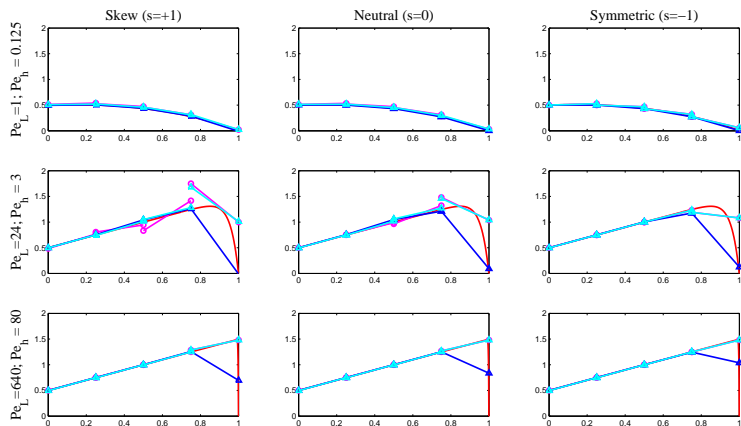


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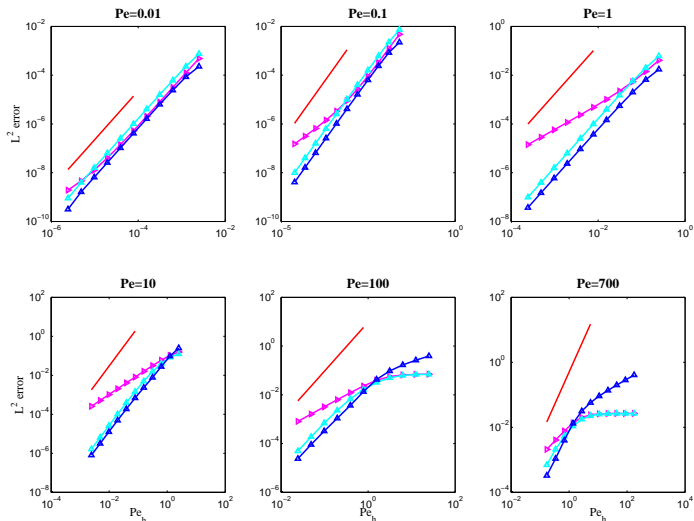


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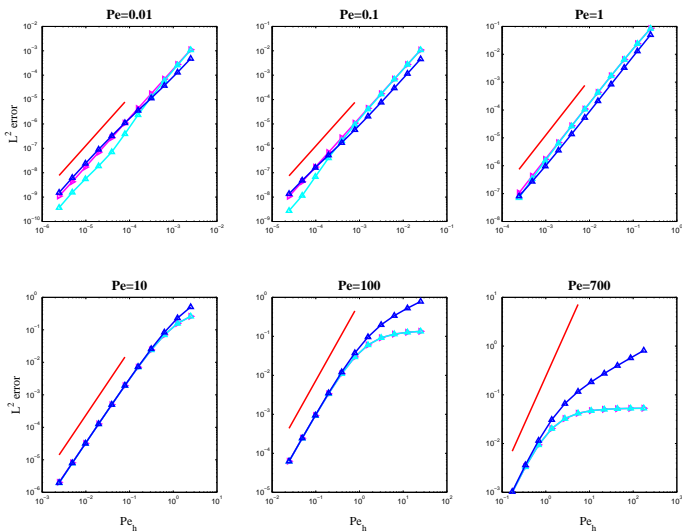
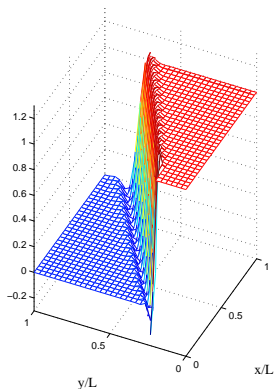
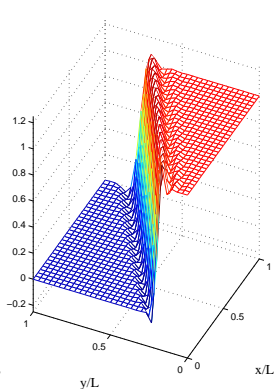


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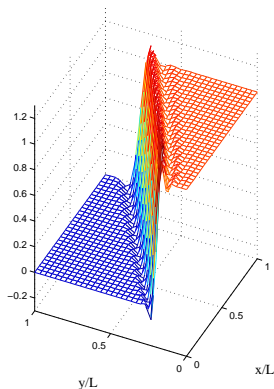
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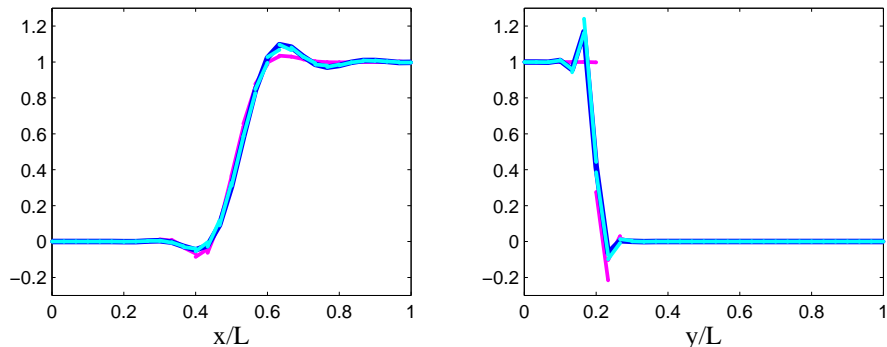


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Recalling $\tau_T = \tau \min \left\{ \frac{h_T}{\|\mathbf{a}\|_T}, \frac{h_T^2}{\kappa_T} \right\}$, we set:

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$$B^{SDG}(\nu, \mu) = B^{DG}(\nu, \mu) + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \tau_T \int_T (\mathcal{L}_T \nu)(\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \mu),$$

$$L^{SDG}(g, f; \mu) = L^{DG}(g, f; \mu) + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \tau_T \int_T f(\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla \mu),$$

and solve: Find $\phi^{SMDG} \in \mathfrak{T}_h(\bar{V}_h, f)$ such that

$$B^{SDG}(\phi^{SMDG}, \mu) = L^{SDG}(g, f; \mu) \quad \text{for all } \mu \in \mathfrak{T}_h(\bar{V}_h, 0). \quad (\text{SMDG})$$

Coercivity: $B^{SDG}(\nu, \nu) \geq \alpha \|\nu\|_{SDG}^2 \quad \forall \nu \in \mathfrak{T}_h(\bar{V}_h, 0).$

Error estimate: for $\tau \leq \bar{\tau}$:

$$\|\phi - \phi^{SMDG}\|_{SDG}^2 \lesssim \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left(a_T h_T^{2k+1} + \kappa_T h_T^{2k} \right) |\phi|_{H^{k+1}(T)}^2$$