

# Adaptive and higher-order BEM for the wave equation

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# What's this talk about?

Time domain BEM for wave scattering off a knife's blade (screen problems).

convergence rates - theory and numerical experiments

(in *DOF* on a 2d screen)

- 0.5: h-version, uniform
- 0.77: h-version, adaptive
- 1.0: *p*-version, uniform
- $\beta/2$ : h-version,  $\beta$ -graded,  $\beta \in [1, 3)$



$$\begin{aligned}u &= u(t, x) \quad \text{sound pressure} \\ \partial_t^2 u - \Delta u &= 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_t \times \mathbb{R}_x^3 \setminus \Omega \\ u &= 0 \quad \text{for } t \leq 0 .\end{aligned}$$

Simple: boundary conditions  $u = f$  on  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$ .

Realistic: acoustic boundary conditions  $\partial_\nu u - \alpha \partial_t u = f$  on  $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$ .

Some motivations for space or space-time refinements + adaptivity:

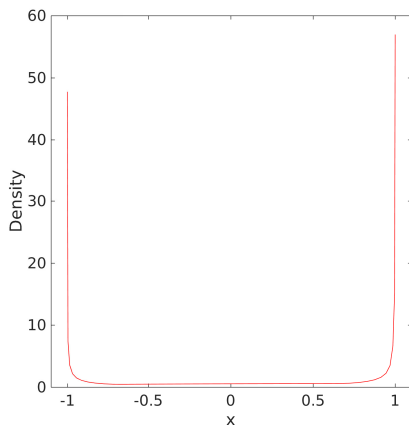
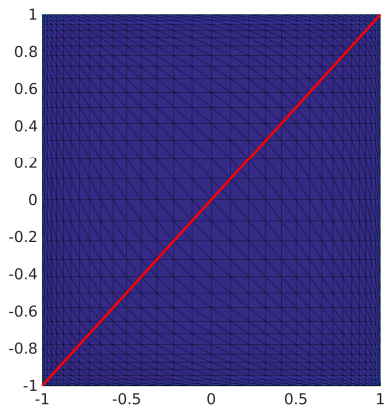
- Edge/corner/geometric singularities.
- Sharp travelling wave crests.

Variable  $\Delta t$ : Sauter-Veit, Veit-Merta-Zapletal-Lukas, Sauter-Schanz, ...

Variable  $\Delta x$ : Abboud

# Screen problems: **static** graded meshes

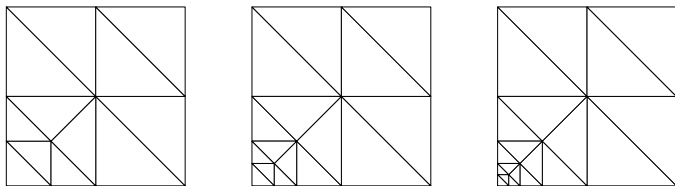
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# Contents

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- TDBEM: basics
- Screen problems:  
singular expansions / graded meshes for edges and corners / tires
- Space adaptivity / towards space-time adaptivity



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Space-time variational formulation of Dirichlet problem:

Find  $\phi \in H_{\sigma}^1(\mathbb{R}^+, H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))$  such that  $\forall \psi \in H_{\sigma}^1(\mathbb{R}^+, H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))$ :

$$\langle \mathcal{V}\partial_t \phi, \psi \rangle = \langle \partial_t f, \psi \rangle, \quad \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2\sigma t} \int_{\Gamma} \cdot d\Gamma_x dt$$

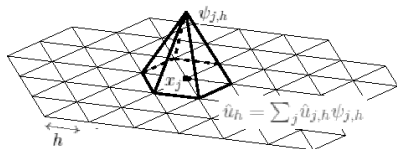
The solution  $\phi$  exists for  $f \in H_{\sigma}^2(\mathbb{R}^+, H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))$ .

Key:  $\mathcal{V}\partial_t$  coercive with loss (Bamberger – Ha Duong '86)

$$\|\phi\|_{1, -\frac{1}{2}, \Gamma}^2 \gtrsim \langle \mathcal{V}\partial_t \phi, \phi \rangle \gtrsim \|\phi\|_{0, -\frac{1}{2}, \Gamma}^2$$

# Discretization

- $\Gamma = \cup_{i=1}^M \Gamma_i$  (quasi-uniform) triangulation
- $V_h^p$  piecewise polynomial functions of degree  $p$  on  $\Gamma = \cup_{i=1}^M \Gamma_i$  (continuous if  $p \geq 1$ )
- $[0, T) = \cup_{n=1}^L [t_{n-1}, t_n)$ ,  $t_n = n(\Delta t)$
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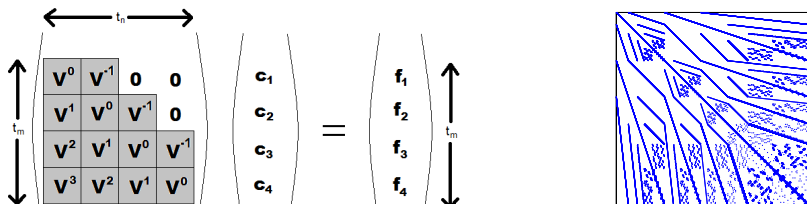
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**Time domain BEM:** Find  $\phi_{h,\Delta t} \in V_{h,\Delta t}^{p,q}$  such that  $\forall \psi_{h,\Delta t} \in V_{h,\Delta t}^{p,q}$ :

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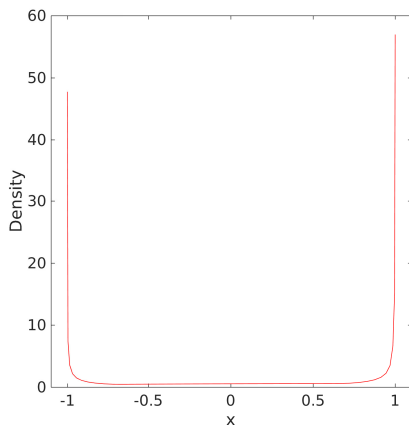
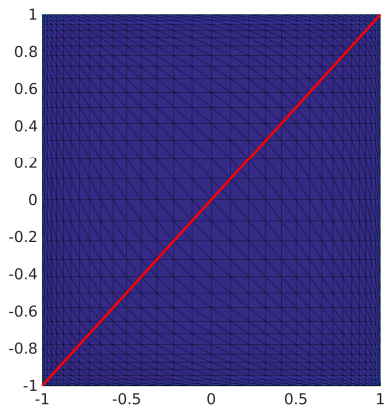
Sparse matrix, almost block lower triangular (causality).

Solve by time stepping scheme (HG – Stark '16).



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**Helmholtz:** (Kondratiev, Dauge, ...)

Solution behaves like

- $r^{\gamma-1}$  near corner,  $\gamma=0.29$  for square screen
- $r^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  near edge.

von Petersdorff '89, +Stephan '90: precise tensor product decomposition,  
BEM on graded meshes

⇒ optimal approximation on graded meshes.

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Theorem ( $r^{\gamma-1}$  in corner,  $r^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  at edges, coeffs depend on  $\omega$ )

Let  $\mathcal{V}_\omega \psi_\omega = f_\omega \in H^2(\Gamma)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\omega &= \psi_{0,\omega} + \chi_\omega(r)r^{\gamma-1}\alpha_\omega(\theta) + \tilde{\chi}_\omega(\theta)b_{1,\omega}(r)r^{-1}(\sin(\theta))^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad + \tilde{\chi}_\omega\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)b_{2,\omega}(r)r^{-1}(\cos(\theta))^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_{0,\omega} \in H^{1-\epsilon}(\Gamma)$ ,  $\alpha_\omega(\theta) \in H^{1-\epsilon}[0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ ,  $b_{i,\omega} = c_{i,\omega}r^\gamma + d_{i,\omega}(r)$ ,  
 $r^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_{i,\omega}(r) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ ,  $r^{-\frac{3}{2}}d_{i,\omega}(r) \in L_2(\mathbb{R}^+)$ ,  $c_{i,\omega} \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$(r, \theta)$  polar coordinates around  $(0,0)$ ,  $\chi_\omega, \tilde{\chi}_\omega \in C_c^\infty$ ,  $= 1$  near 0.

$\gamma$  eigenvalue:  $\gamma \approx 0.2966$  for square

# Screen problems: edge and corner singularities

Previous work on wave equation:

- Plamenevskii et al. since '99:  
singular expansions near corners and edges of polygon
- Müller – Schwab '15:  $2d$  FEM on graded meshes

## Theorem

a) Decomposition of solution in singular / regular parts with same singular exponents  $\gamma - 1, -\frac{1}{2}$  as in elliptic case.

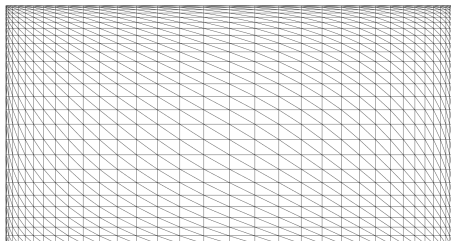
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$$x_j = 1 - \left(\frac{j}{N}\right)^{\beta}, \quad j = 1, \dots, N.$$





# A priori estimate for Dirichlet, $b(\phi, \psi) = \langle \mathcal{V}\dot{\phi}, \psi \rangle = \langle \dot{f}, \psi \rangle$

## Theorem 2 (a priori estimate)

$$\text{If } \phi \in H_{\sigma}^{1, -\frac{1}{2}}(\mathbb{R}_+, \Gamma): \|\phi - \phi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -\frac{1}{2}} \lesssim \inf_{\psi_{h, \Delta t}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\Delta t}\right) \|\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{1, -\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Proof

$$\|\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -1/2}^2 \lesssim b(\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \phi, \phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}) + b(\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}, \phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t})$$

$$b(\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \phi, \phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}) = 0 \quad \text{Galerkin orthogonality}$$

$$b(\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}, \phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}) \leq \|\mathcal{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t})\|_{-1, +1/2} \cdot \|\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{1, -1/2}$$

$$\lesssim \|\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{1, -1/2} \cdot \|\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{1, -1/2}$$

$$\lesssim \frac{1}{\Delta t} \|\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -1/2} \|\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{1, -1/2}$$

$$\implies \|\phi - \phi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -\frac{1}{2}} \lesssim \|\phi - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -1/2} + \|\phi_{h, \Delta t} - \psi_{h, \Delta t}\|_{0, -1/2}$$

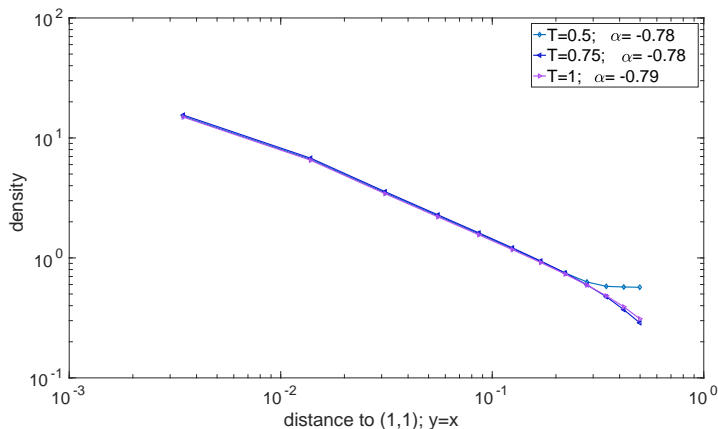
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corner exponent:  $-0.78 \sim \gamma - 1 = -0.703$  as in elliptic case

Plot:  $\phi(t, r)$  as function of  $r$  along  $x = y$

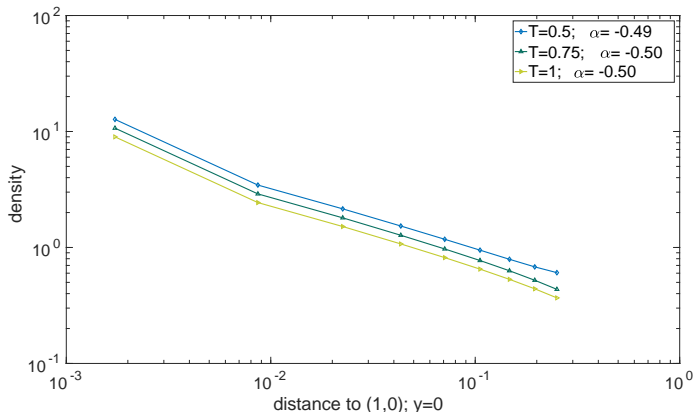


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edge exponent:  $-0.49 \sim -\frac{1}{2}$  as in elliptic case

Plot:  $\phi(t, x, y = 0)$  as function of  $x$



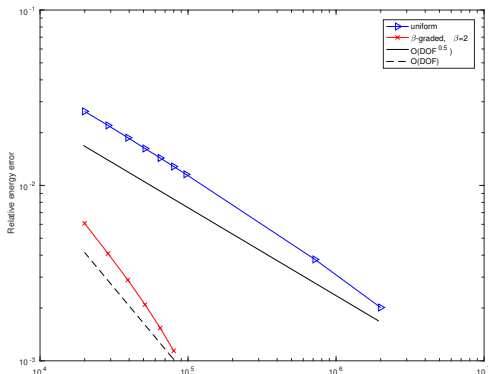
# Screen problems: Convergence rates

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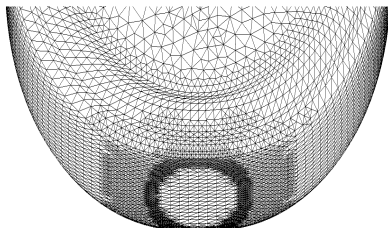
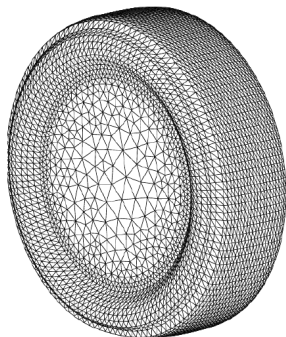
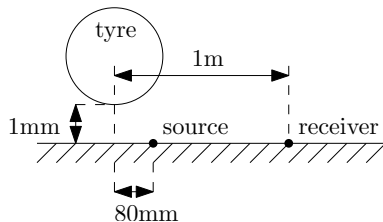
Convergence for fixed  $\Delta t = 0.01$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy norm}^2 &= \langle \mathcal{V}\partial_t(\phi_h - \phi), \phi_h - \phi \rangle \sim h^2 \simeq \text{DOF}(\Gamma)^{-1} \text{ (2-graded)} \\ &\sim h \simeq \text{DOF}(\Gamma)^{-1/2} \text{ (uniform)} \end{aligned}$$

similar results for  $W$  and for Dirichlet-to-Neumann operator

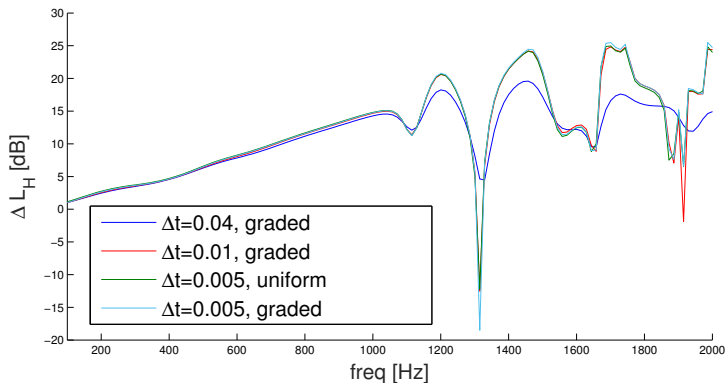


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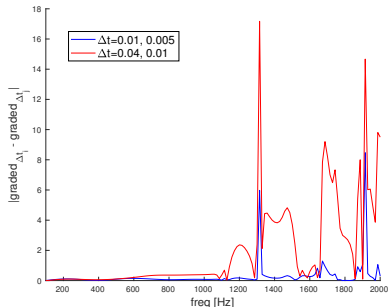
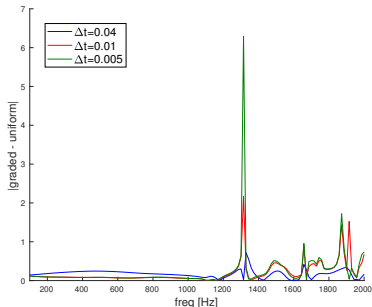
Amplification due to horn effect:



Grading with various  $\Delta t$  compared to uniform tyre mesh.

# Graded Meshes for Tyre (3)

Left: As  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ , difference between graded and uniform becomes larger.



Right: Relative effect of grading increases for small time steps.

Effects mostly seen in resonances.

## Theorem

Let  $\phi_{h,\Delta t} \in H_\sigma^0(\mathbb{R}^+, H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma))$  such that  
 $\mathcal{R} = \partial_t f - \mathcal{V}\partial_t \phi_{h,\Delta t} \in H_\sigma^0(\mathbb{R}^+, H^1(\Gamma)) \implies$

$$\|\phi - \phi_{h,\Delta t}\|_{0,-\frac{1}{2}}^2 \lesssim \sum_{i,\Delta} \max\{\Delta t, h_\Delta\} \|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,1,[t_i,t_{i+1}) \times \Delta}^2$$
$$\max\{\Delta t, h\} \|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,1-\epsilon}^2 \lesssim \|\phi - \phi_{h,\Delta t}\|_{2,-\frac{1}{2}}^2$$

The upper bound is independent of the approximation method: TDBEM, convolution quadrature, no assumption on mesh.

The lower bound holds on quasi-uniform meshes.



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Residual error indicators (RB):

$$\eta^2(\Delta, i) = \max\{\Delta t, h_\Delta\} \|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,1,[t_i,t_{i+1})\times\Delta}^2$$
$$= \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \int_{\Delta} \left\{ \Delta t [\partial_t \dot{\mathcal{V}}\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) - \partial_t \dot{f}(t, \mathbf{x})]^2 + h_\Delta [\nabla_\Gamma \dot{\mathcal{V}}\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) - \nabla_\Gamma \dot{f}(t, \mathbf{x})]^2 \right\}$$

# Proof of upper bound

$$b(\phi, \psi) = \int_0^\infty e^{-2\sigma t} \int_\Gamma V \dot{\phi}(t, x) \psi(t, x) d\Gamma_x dt$$

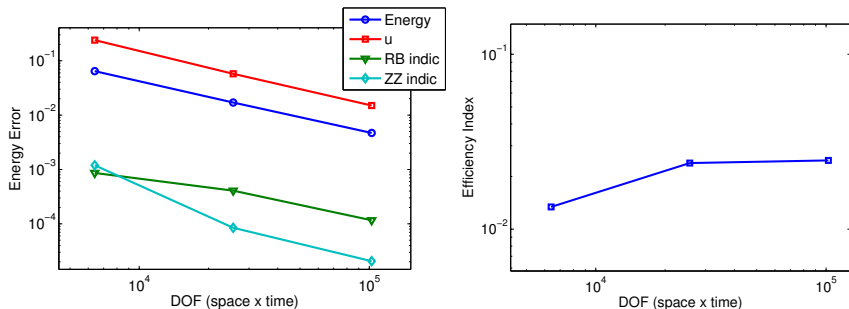
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- interpolation inequality:  $\|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,\frac{1}{2},\Gamma}^2 \lesssim \|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,1,\Gamma} \|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,0,\Gamma}$  .
- residual orthogonal:  $\mathcal{R} \perp \psi_{h,\Delta t}$  in  $H_\sigma^0(\mathbb{R}^+, H^0(\Gamma))$  .
- interpolation  $\rightsquigarrow h, \Delta t$   
 $\|\mathcal{R}\|_{0,0,\Gamma} \leq \inf \|\mathcal{R} - \psi_{h,\Delta t}\|_{L^2([0,\tilde{T}], L^2(\Gamma))}, \quad \psi_{h,\Delta t} \in V_{h,\Delta t}^{p,q}$

# Adaptivity: Spherical Harmonic on the Uniform Sphere

$f(t, \mathbf{x}) = \sin^5(t)z^2$  on  $\Gamma = \{x, y, z \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ ,  $0 < t < 2.5$ .

Using a time step size  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , we look at RB and ZZ indicators on a uniform series of meshes.



- Indicators scale like actual error.

# A First Adaptive Method: Singular Geometry

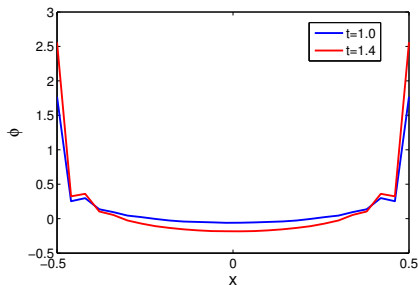
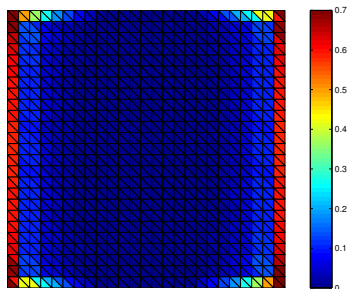


- 1 Start with coarse space-time grid:  $(\Delta t)_i \simeq (\Delta x)_i \simeq h_0 \quad \forall \Delta_i$
- 2 Solve discretisation of  $\mathcal{V}\dot{\phi} = f$ .
- 3 Compute time-integrated error indicator  $\eta(\Delta_i)$
- 4  $\sum_i \eta(\Delta_i) < \varepsilon \implies \text{STOP}$
- 5  $\eta(\Delta_i) > \delta\eta_{max} \implies \Delta_i \rightarrow \Delta/4, (\Delta t)_i \rightarrow \frac{(\Delta t)_i}{2}$
- 6 GO TO 2.

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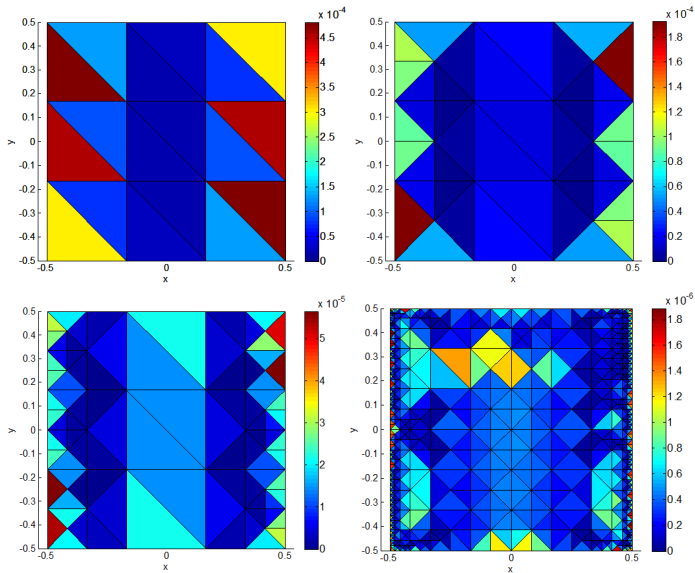
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- Uniform method: Density  $\phi$  at  $t = 1.0, 1.4$

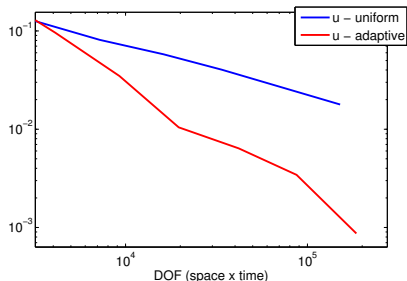
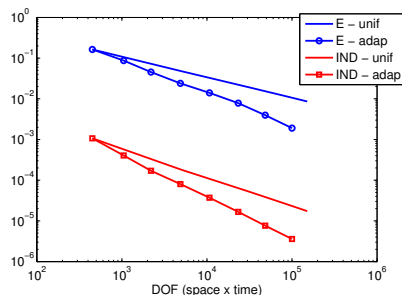
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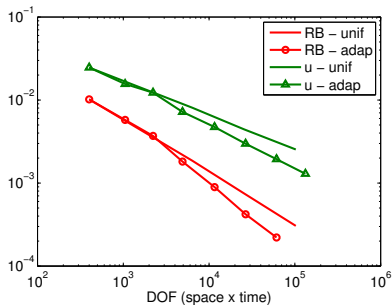
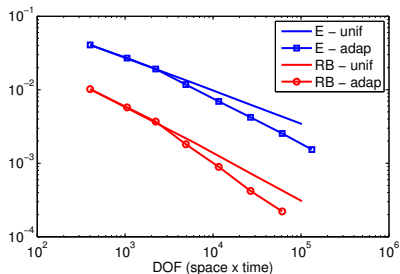


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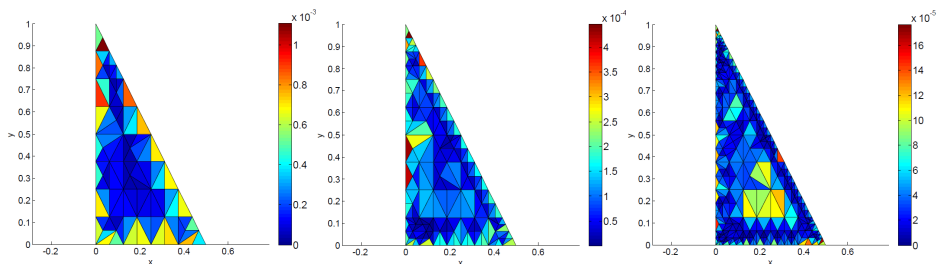


- Convergence rate 0.45 (uniform), 0.65 adaptive.



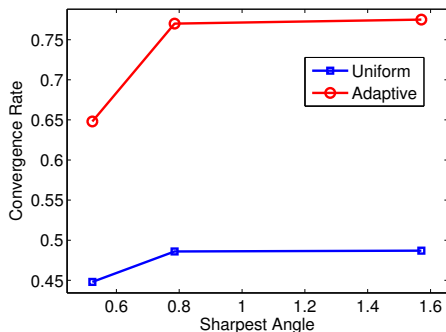
# Adaptivity: Wave Scattering on Triangular Screen (2)

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# Adaptivity on Screens

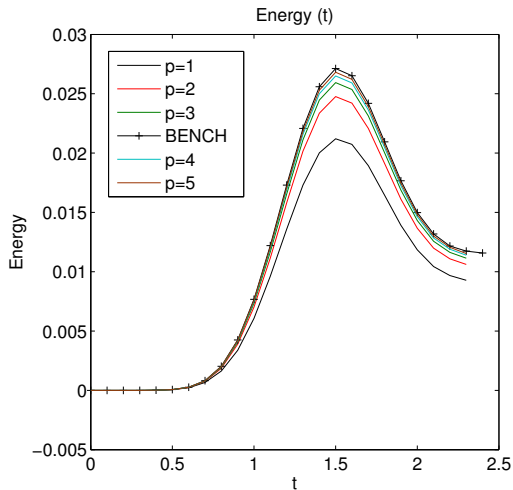
$\mathcal{V}\phi = F$  on  $\Gamma = \text{Polygonal Screen}$ ,  $0 < t < 2.5$ .



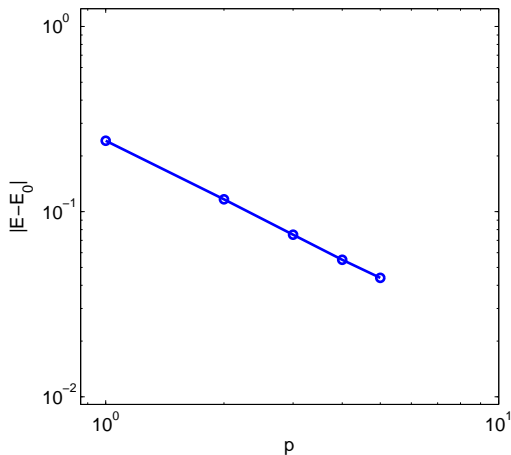
Convergence rate dominated by edge singularity.

Apparent rate decay for small angles due to preasymptotic regime?

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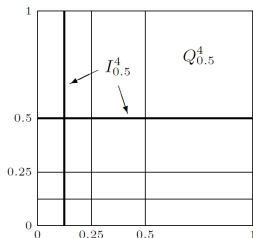


Convergence rate = 1, twice the rate of  $h$ -version.

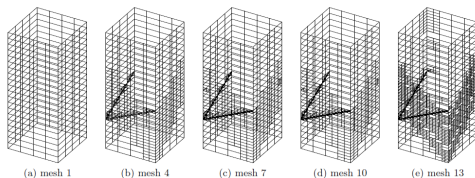
Expected from a priori analysis: Error of best approximation  $\lesssim \frac{h}{p^2}$

# Work in Progress

$p$ -version and  $hp$ -graded meshes:



Space-time adaptivity:



In 2d: picture by Glaefke

# Conclusions

## Analysis & numerics: convergence rates for screen problems

(in *DOF* on a 2d screen)

- 0.5: h-version, uniform
- 0.77: h-version, adaptive (as for  $\Delta$ )
- 1.0: *p*-version, uniform
- $\beta/2$ : h-version,  $\beta$ -graded,  $\beta \in [1, 3)$

in particular:

- Singular expansions & (optimal) graded meshes for edge and corner singularities.
- A posteriori estimate for numerical approximations without assumptions on mesh (TDBEM, CQ, ...)

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Thank you very much