

High-Order/hp-Adaptive Discontinuous Galerkin Finite Element Methods for Compressible Fluid Flows

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Aims

- ① Construction of *High-Order DGFEMs* for a class of second-order (quasilinear) PDEs;
- ② Develop the *a posteriori* error analysis and adaptive mesh design of the DGFEM approximation of **target functionals** of the solution based on employing *anisotropic h-/hp-*refined meshes.



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- Regularity estimation via truncated Legendre series expansions.
Houston, Senior & Süli 2003, Houston & Süli 2005, Eibner & Melenk 2005.
- If both u and z are deemed to be **non-smooth**, apply anisotropic h -refinement.
- Else, perform anisotropic p -refinement

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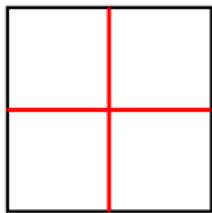
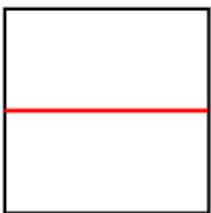
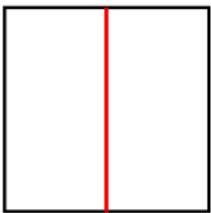
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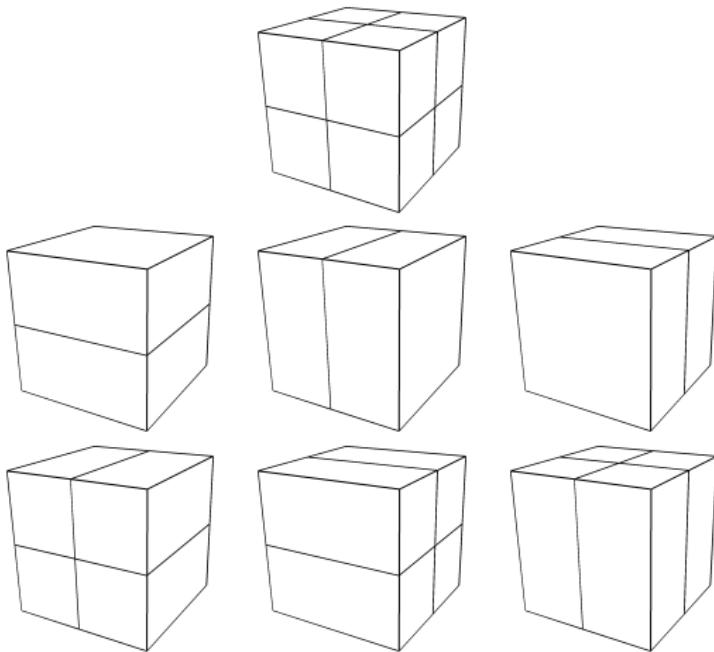
- Element refinements.



$$\mathcal{E}_1 \equiv \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_{h,1}} |\eta_{\kappa}^{\text{new}}| \quad \mathcal{E}_2 \equiv \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_{h,2}} |\eta_{\kappa}^{\text{new}}| \quad \mathcal{E}_3 \equiv \sum_{\kappa \in \mathcal{T}_{h,3}} |\eta_{\kappa}^{\text{new}}|$$

- Solve local primal and dual problems on elemental patches.
- Boundary data extracted from global primal and dual solutions.

Adaptive Algorithm (h -Adaptivity)



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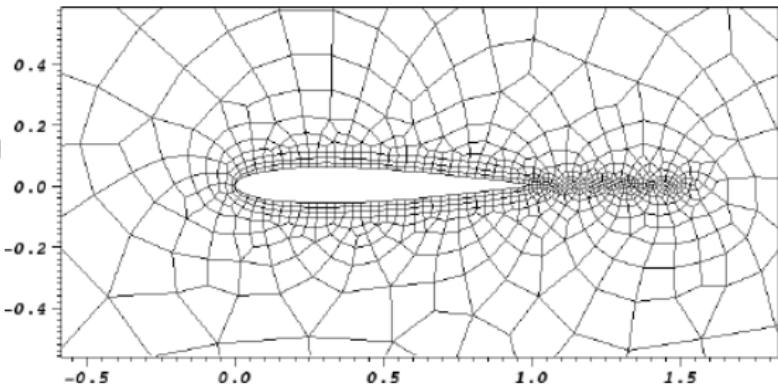
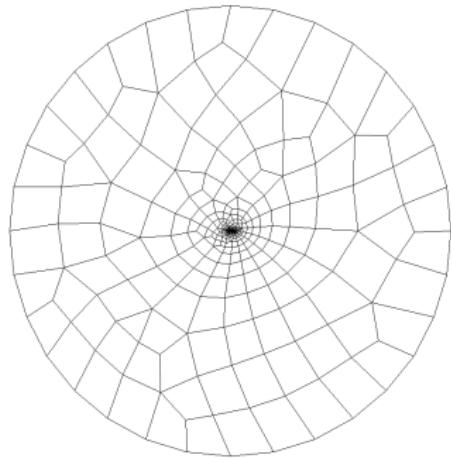
$$J_{c_{dp}}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{2}{I\bar{\rho}|\bar{\mathbf{v}}|^2} \int_S p (\mathbf{n} \cdot \psi_d) ds, \quad J_{c_{df}}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{2}{I\bar{\rho}|\bar{\mathbf{v}}|^2} \int_S (\boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{n}) \cdot \psi_d ds,$$

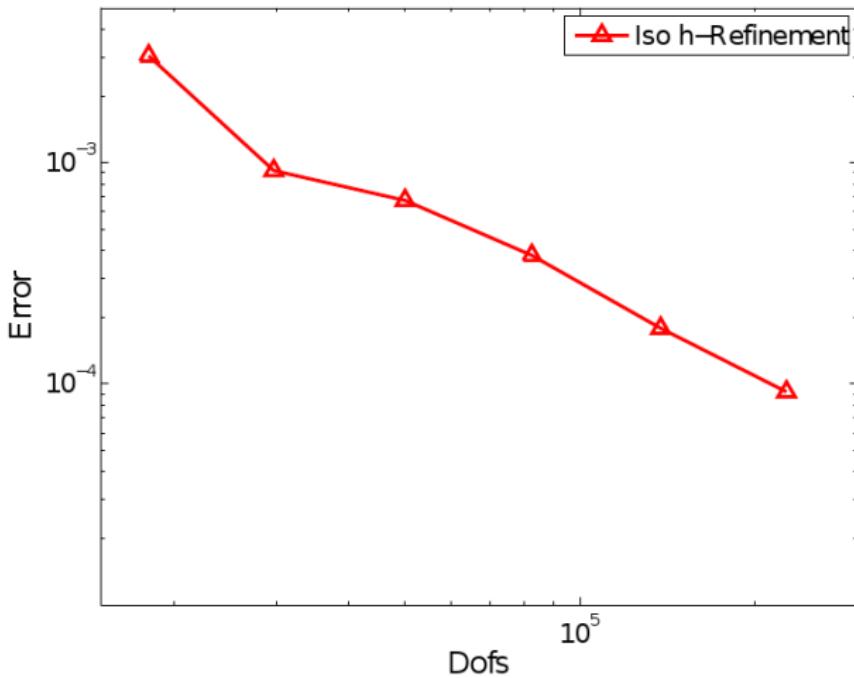
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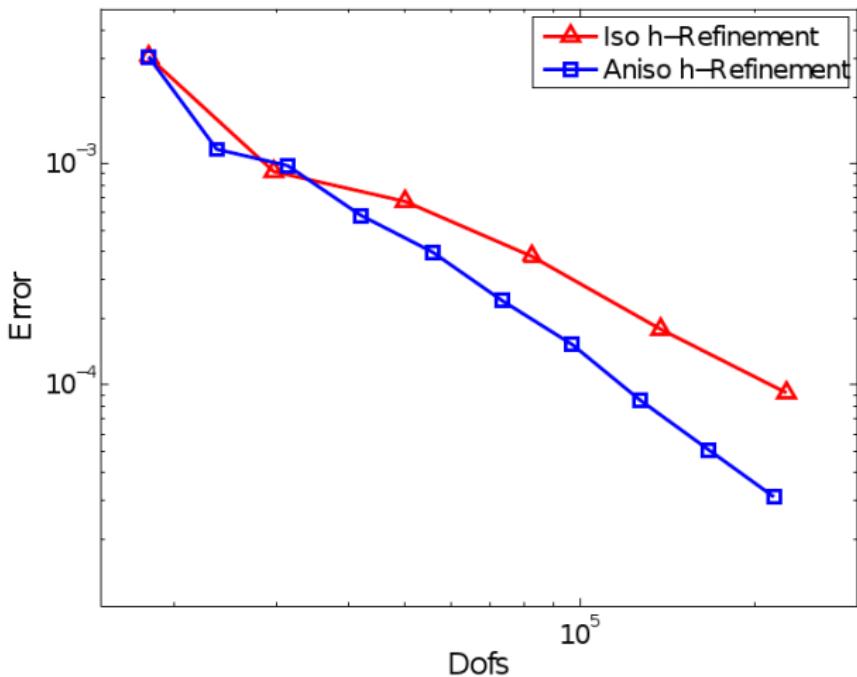
$$\psi_d = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\alpha) & -\sin(\alpha) \\ \sin(\alpha) & \cos(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

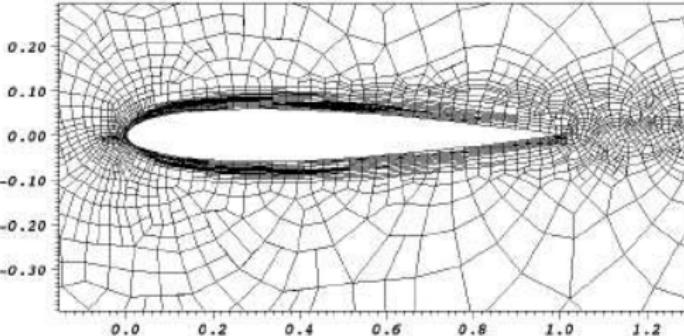
$$J_{c_d}(\mathbf{u}) \approx 0.056084.$$

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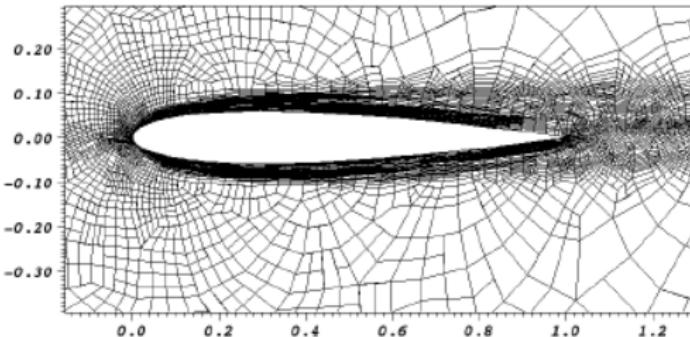






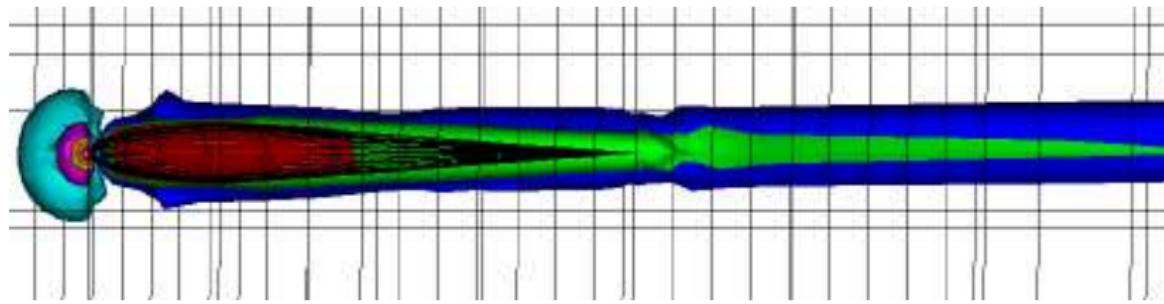
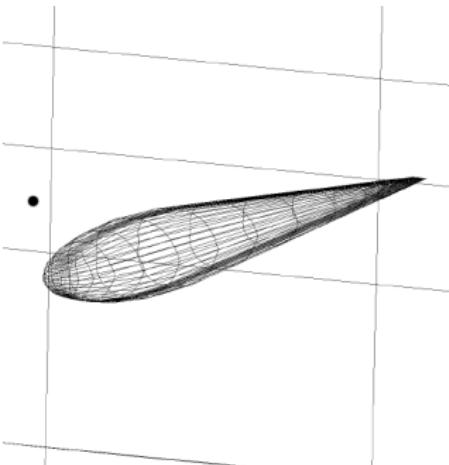


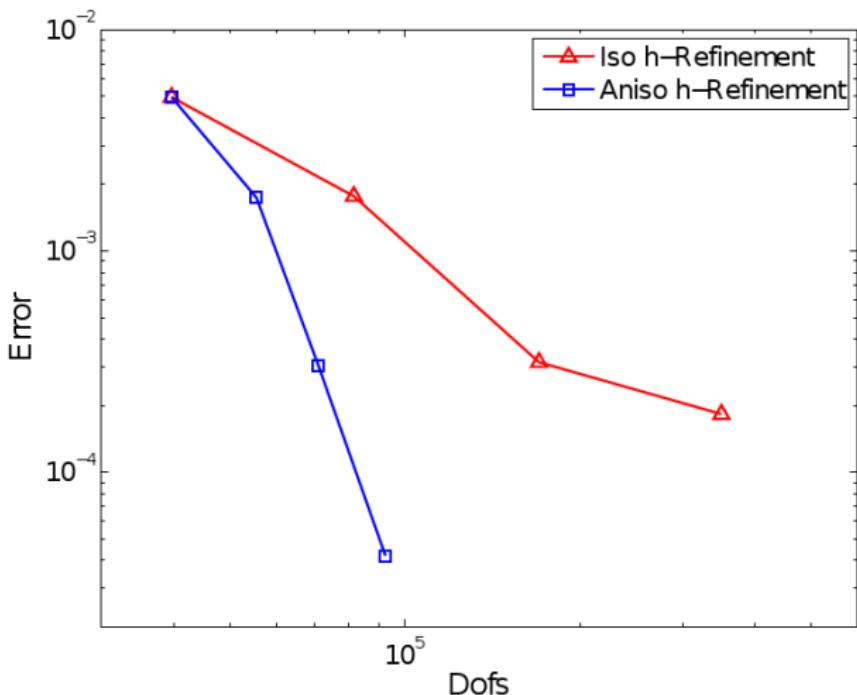
Mesh after 4 adaptive anisotropic refinements, with 3485 elements

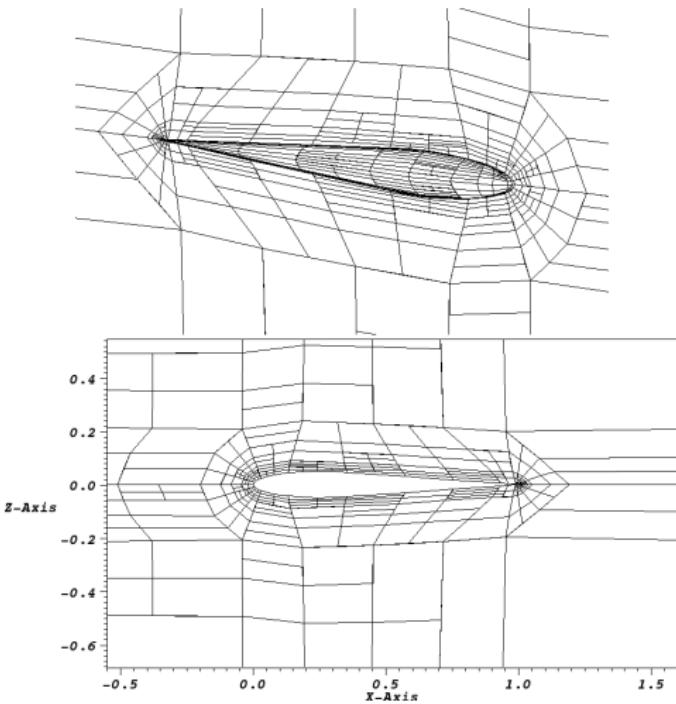


Mesh after 8 adaptive anisotropic refinements, with 10401 elements

- $\text{Ma} = 0.5.$
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- $\alpha = 1^\circ.$
- Adiabatic wall condition.
- $J_{G_1}(\mathbf{u}) \approx 0.002565$







Mesh after 3 adaptive anisotropic refinements, with 2324 elements

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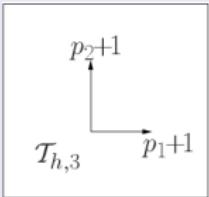
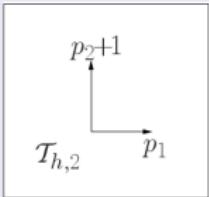
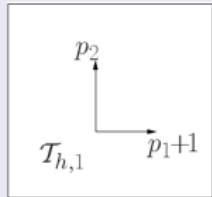
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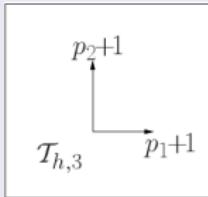
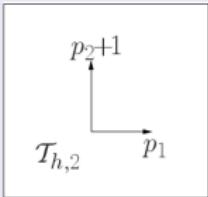
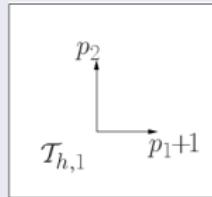
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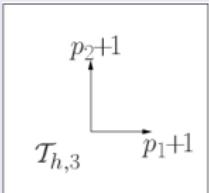
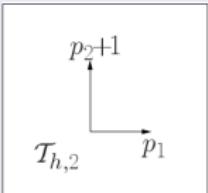
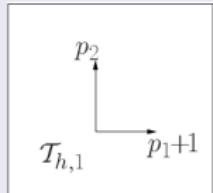
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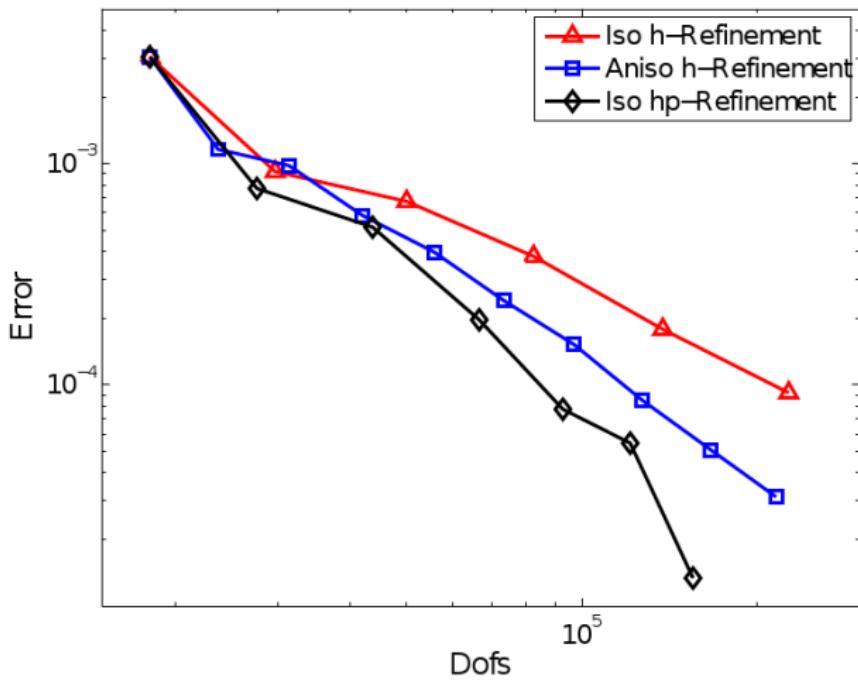
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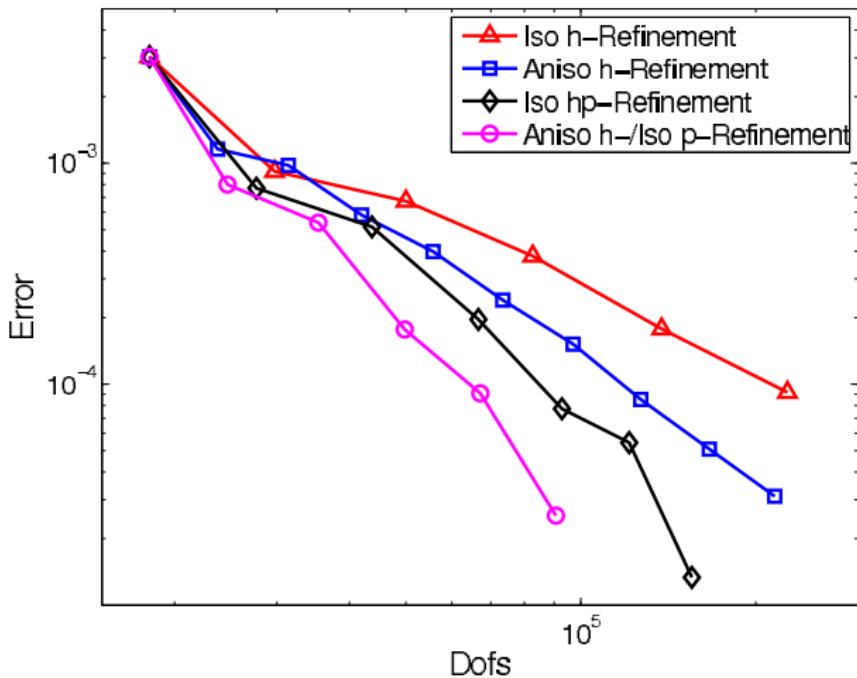
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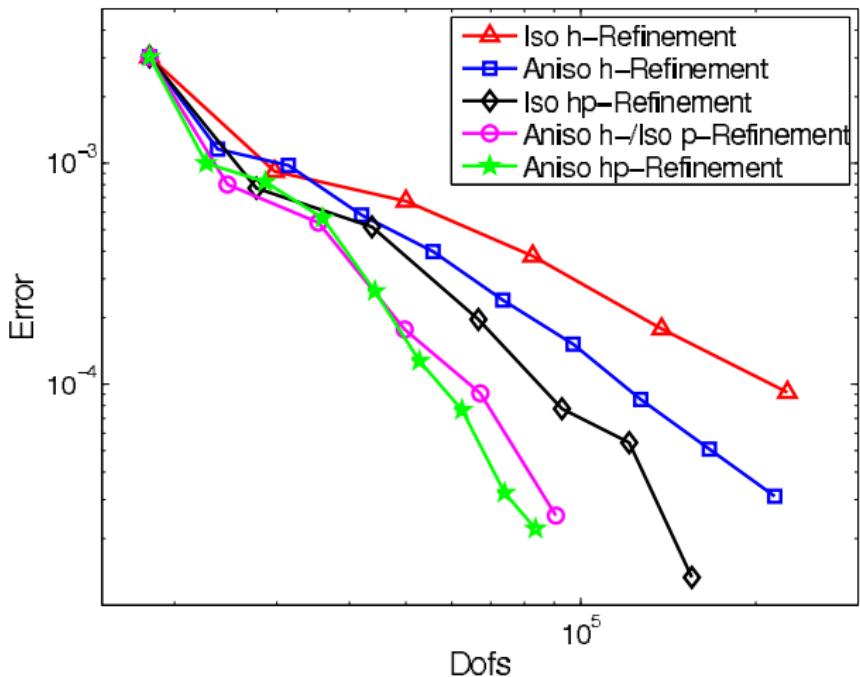
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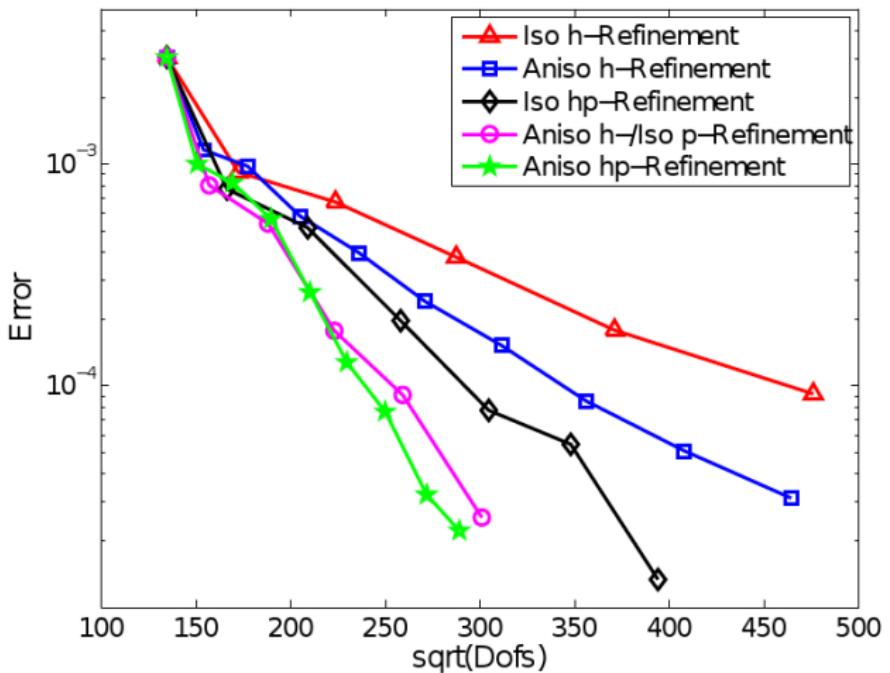
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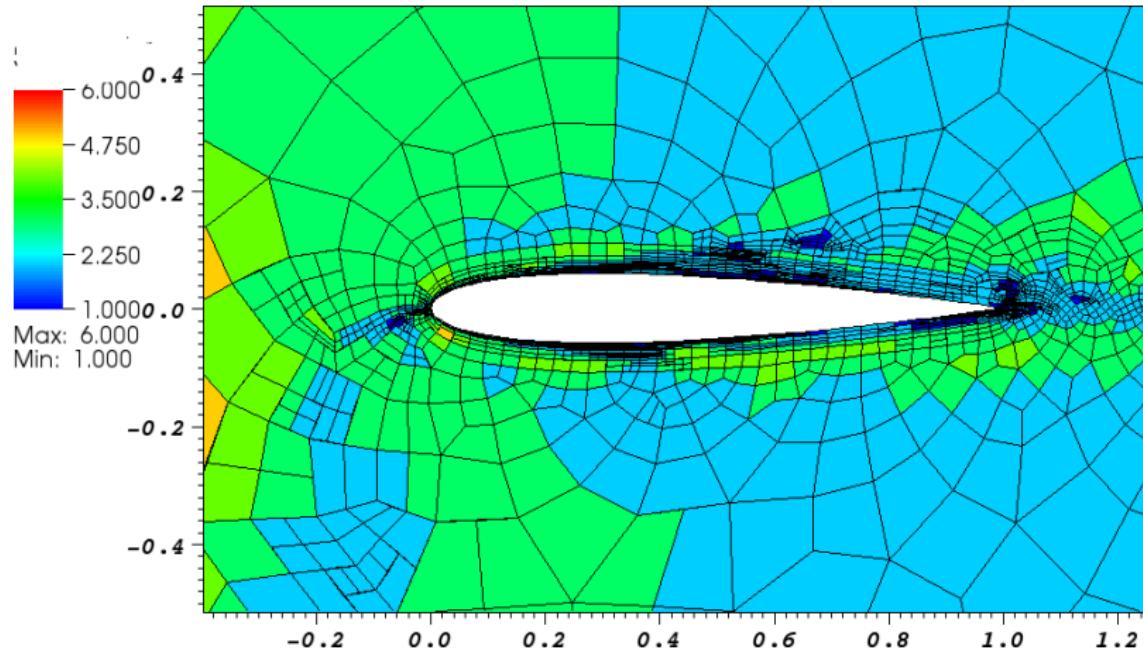
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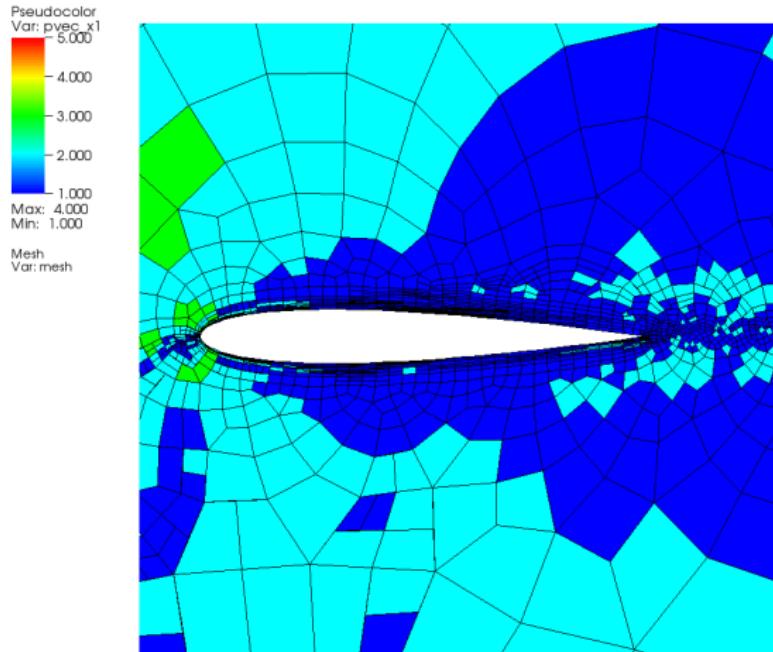




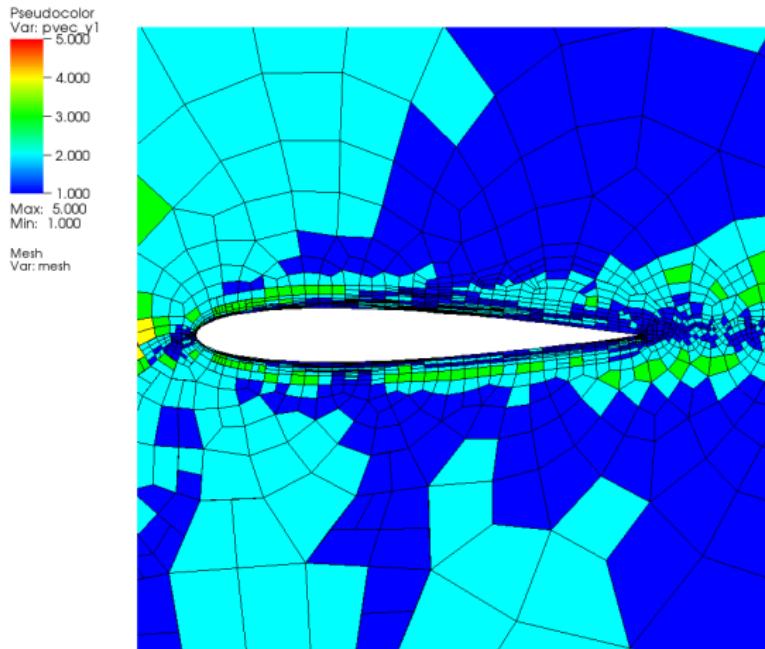




hp -mesh distribution after 6 adaptive (anisotropic h -/isotropic p -) refinements, with 2835 elements and 118520 degrees of freedom



hp/p_x -mesh distribution after 6 adaptive (anisotropic h -/anisotropic p -)
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