

Optimization of Error Indicators for SOLD Methods

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Abstract

In the talk we consider the numerical solution of the scalar convection–diffusion–reaction equation

$$-\varepsilon \Delta u + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u + cu = f \text{ in } \Omega, \quad u = u_b \text{ on } \Gamma^D, \quad \varepsilon \frac{\partial u}{\partial \mathbf{n}} = g \text{ on } \Gamma^N. \quad (1)$$

We present new results of an adaptive technique in finite element method based on minimizing a functional called error indicator $I_h : W_h \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where W_h is a FE space for the discrete solution w_h of (1). The simplest form of such an indicator is

$$I_h(w_h) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}_h, \bar{K} \cap \partial\Omega = \emptyset} h_K^2 \| -\varepsilon \Delta w_h + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla w_h + cw_h - f \|_{0,K}^2 \quad \forall w_h \in W_h, \quad (2)$$

where we have used the usual notation from the article of V. John, P. Knobloch, S. B. Savescu [1]. It is possible to enrich this indicator by other terms, which favour a less smeared solution to a diffuse one. One example of such an added term is $\|\phi(|\mathbf{b}^\perp \cdot \nabla w_h|)\|_{0,1,K}$, where ϕ is a function like square root. We can also bound the residue term in (2) from above to obtain a physical solution for examples with non-step Dirichlet boundary conditions. The suitability of added terms depends on the problem we solve.

The parameter we are changing in the optimization procedure is currently the parameter τ from SUPG (SDFEM) method and the parameter called $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ in [2] for the SOLD method which adds diffusion in the crosswind direction (page 2205). We use several different FE spaces for both parameters, see [3].

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