

Analysis of high-order interpolation schemes for the finite-volume resolution of linear problems on unstructured meshes

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In bending-dominant problems, the phenomenon of shear blocking appears [1]. To solve this problem, it is possible to either increase the number of elements or increase the interpolation order of the main variable. Increasing the number of elements does not always yield good results and implies a very high computational cost that in real problems is inadmissible. For this reason, the development of high-order models is essential.

This work presents a high-order model using finite volumes for linear elasticity on unstructured meshes. The use of unstructured meshes is also vital because they are necessary for real problems where the geometries are complex and depart from canonical rectangular or regular shapes [2]. The high-order interpolation will be performed using popular schemes such as the Moving Least Squares (MLS) and the Local Regression Estimators (LRE) methods, among others. The reliability of the method for solving 2D and 3D problems will be verified by solving some known test cases with an analytical solution such as a thin beam or problems where stress concentrations are developed.

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