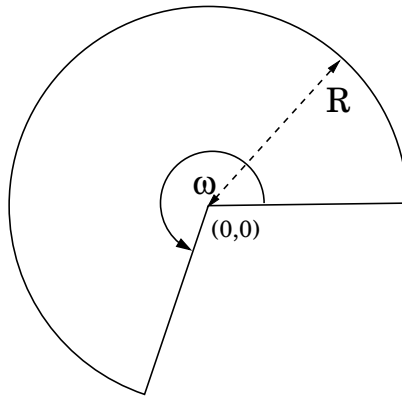


Homework No. 6
Numerical Methods for PDE, Winter 2013/14

Problem 6.1: Corner singularity (10 points)

Let the domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be the sector



with radius $R = 1$ and interior angle ω . In polar coordinates, this domain is described by $r \in (0, 1)$ and $\vartheta \in (0, \omega)$.

(a) Verify: The Laplace equation in polar coordinates is

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} u(r, \vartheta) - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} u(r, \vartheta) - \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \vartheta^2} u(r, \vartheta) = f(r, \vartheta).$$

(b) Verify that the function

$$u(r, \vartheta) = r^{\frac{\pi}{\omega}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\omega} \vartheta\right)$$

solves the Laplace equation with zero boundary values on the legs of the angle and smooth boundary values $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\omega} \vartheta\right)$ on the circumference.

(c) Show that $u \notin W^{2,2}(\Omega)$ if $\omega > \pi$. **Hint:** It is sufficient to consider the derivative $\partial_{rr} u$.

(d) Show that on a triangle of size h containing the origin, this function cannot be approximated by linear functions better than

$$|u - u_h|_1 \lesssim h^{\frac{\pi}{\omega}}.$$

Here, the operator “ \lesssim ” means: there is a positive constant c independent of h (but in this case depending on u) such that $|u - u_h|_1 \leq ch^{\frac{\pi}{\omega}}$

Problem 6.2: Meshes (4 points) Draw a shape regular mesh into the following domain:

