A computational comparison of methods diminishing spurious oscillations in finite element solutions of convection-diffusion equations

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