

Recall:

- (BVP)
$$\begin{cases} -(a(x)u'(x))' = f(x), & 0 < x < 1 \\ u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$
 DE
hom. Dirichlet BC

(VF) Find $u \in H_0^1$ s.t. $\int_0^1 a(x)u'(x)v'(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)v(x)dx \quad \forall v \in H_0^1$

(FE) Find $u_h \in V_h^0$ s.t. $\int_0^1 a(x)u_h'(x)v'(x)dx = \int_0^1 f(x)v(x)dx \quad \forall v \in V_h^0$

- A priori error estimate for above problem:

$$\|u - u_h\|_E \leq C \|h u''\|_a,$$

where $\|f\|_E = \sqrt{(f', f')_a}$ and $(f, g)_a = \int_0^1 a(x) f(x) g(x) dx$

$h(x)$ mesh function.

- Interpolation error $\|f - \pi_h f\|_{L^p} \leq C \|h f'\|_{L^p}$ (thm. I)

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cont. pw linear interpolant of f
 $\pi_h f(x_j) = f(x_j)$

We now show an a posteriori error estimate for the above (BVP) in energy norm.

Th: Under some technical assumptions on

u (sol. (VF)) and u_h (FE-sol. given by (6.1)),

set $e := u - u_h$ for error and define

the residual $R(u_h(x)) = f(x) + (a(x)u_h'(x))'$,
→ rest of (BVP) when inserting u_h

then we have the following a posteriori

error estimates

$$\|e\|_E = \|u - u_h\|_E \leq C \cdot \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{a(x)} h^2(x) R^2(u_h(x)) dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

can compute!

$\longrightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$

Proof:

- First, we observe that $e = u - u_h \in H_0'$ and
 $\uparrow$ H_0' $\uparrow$ $V_h^0 \subset H_0'$

hence can test with $e \in H_0'$ in (VF). This gives

$$us \quad \int_0^1 a(x) u'(x) e'(x) dx = \int_0^1 f(x) e(x) dx \quad (*)$$

• Next, compute the error:

$$\|e\|_E^2 = \int_0^1 a(x) e'(x) \cdot e'(x) dx = \int_0^1 a(x) (u'(x) - u_h'(x)) e'(x) dx =$$

Def $\|\cdot\|_E$

$$e = u - u_h$$

$$= \int_0^1 a(x) u'(x) e'(x) dx - \int_0^1 a(x) u_h'(x) e'(x) dx =$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^1 f(x) e(x) dx}_{-\pi_h e + \pi_h e} - \underbrace{\int_0^1 a(x) u_h'(x) e'(x) dx}_{-(\pi_h e)' + (\pi_h e)'} =$$

• We now insert and remove the interpolant

$\pi_h e$ and its derivative $(\pi_h e)'$ to get:

$$\begin{aligned} \|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 f(x) (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx + \underbrace{\int_0^1 f(x) \pi_h e(x) dx}_{\text{red}} \\ &\quad - \underbrace{\int_0^1 a(x) u_h'(x) (e'(x) - (\pi_h e)') dx}_{\text{red}} - \underbrace{\int_0^1 a(x) u_h'(x) (\pi_h e)' dx}_{\text{red}} \end{aligned}$$

Since u_h is sol. to (T-E) and $\pi_h e \in V_h^0$, the

sum of the red terms is zero! Thus, the

error reads:

$$\|e\|_E^2 = \int_0^1 f(x) (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx - \int_0^1 a(x) u_h'(x) (e' - (\pi_h e)') dx$$

We leave the first as it is and work with

second : $\int_0^1 \rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j}$ and do int. by parts

We get:

$$\|e\|_E^2 = \text{ooo} - \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} a(x) u_h'(x) (e(x) - \pi_h e(x))' dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by parts} \\ = \text{ooo} - \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \left\{ a(x) u_h'(x) (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) \right\}_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \\ = 0 \text{ because of interpolation!} \\ - \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} (a(x) u_h'(x))' (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^1 \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{ooo}} (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx + \int_0^1 (a(x) u_h'(x))' (e - \pi_h e) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \underbrace{\left(f(x) + (a(x) u_h'(x))' \right)}_{R(u_h(x)) \text{ residual}} (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 R(u_h(x)) (e(x) - \pi_h e(x)) dx$$

- In order to get back the energy norm we add and remove some stuffs.

$$\|e\|_{\tilde{E}}^2 = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{a(x)}} h(x) R(u_h(x)) \sqrt{a(x)} \left(\frac{e(x) - \tilde{I}_h e(x)}{h(x)} \right) dx$$

$$\stackrel{\text{C-S}}{\leq} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{a(x)} h^2(x) R^2(u_h(x)) dx \right)^{1/2}.$$

in L^2

$$\cdot \left(\int_0^1 a(x) \left(\frac{e(x) - \tilde{I}_h e(x)}{h(x)} \right)^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\left\| \frac{e - \tilde{I}_h e}{h} \right\|_a \leq C \cdot \|e'\|_a \leq C \cdot \|e\|_{\tilde{E}}$$

by Def $\|\cdot\|_a$

interpolation error Def $\|\cdot\|_{\tilde{E}}$
Chap II,
Rem 5.3, book

(last eq. recall p. 7)

This gives us

$$\|e\|_{\tilde{E}}^2 \leq C \cdot \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{a(x)} h^2(x) R^2(u_h(x)) dx \right)^{1/2} \cdot \|e\|_{\tilde{E}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|e\|_{\tilde{E}} \leq C \cdot \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{a(x)} h^2(x) R^2(u_h(x)) dx \right)^{1/2}$$



4) A daptivity:

Recall the a posteriori bound

$$\|u - u_h\|_E \leq C \cdot \underbrace{\left(\int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{a(x)} |\nabla u_h|^2 R^2(u_h(x)) dx \right)^{1/2}}_{(*)}$$

Someone comes and want the error of (6/1) to be smaller than a given tolerance

$$\|u - u_h\|_E \leq \text{TOL},$$

TOL given (think $10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$)

Idea:

(i) Start with some preliminary mesh

$\Omega(x) \leadsto$ compute FE sol. $u_h(x)$.

(ii) Compute $(*)$.

If $(*) \leq \text{TOL} \quad \leadsto \quad \text{OK} \leadsto \text{error} \leq \text{TOL}$

If $(*) > \text{TOL} \quad \leadsto$

refine locally the mesh

(for instance where $\frac{1}{\rho(x)} R(u_h(x))^2$ is

large) $\leadsto$ get new mesh $h_h(x)$

$\leadsto$ compute new FE sol. $u_h(x)$

(iii) If $(*) > TOL \leadsto$ (ii)

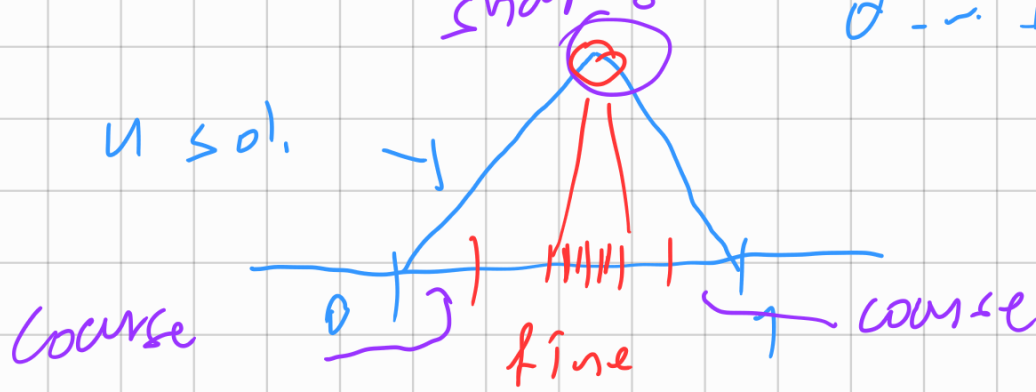
If not $\rightarrow$

$\therefore$ (Costly / takes computational time)

$\therefore$ Good for problems with blocks of irregular sol.

Ex: $-u''(x) = \delta(x)$, where

sharp gradient $\delta = \text{Dirac}$



5) FEM for convection-diffusion-absorption BVP:

We derive FEM for various BVP and highlight the needed modifications.

We start with the BVP

$$(BVP) \quad \begin{cases} -u''(x) + 4u(x) = 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ u(0) = \underline{\alpha}, u(1) = \underline{\beta}, & \text{BC} \end{cases}$$

$\alpha, \beta \neq 0$ given.

The above BC are called non-homogeneous Dirichlet BC.

(i) In order to find the weak formulation/ Variational formulation, we consider

the trial space (where solution lives)

$$V = \{ v: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; v \in H^1(0,1) \text{ and } v(0) = \alpha, v(1) = \beta \}$$

the test space (where test functions live)

$$V^0 = \{ v: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; v \in H_0^1(0,1) \}.$$

Next, multiply (BVP) with test function

$v \in V^0$, integrate by part to get:

$$\underbrace{-\int_0^1 u''(x) v(x) dx}_{= -u'(x)v(x) \Big|_0^1} + 4 \int_0^1 u(x) v(x) dx = 0 \quad \forall v \in V^0$$

" since $v \in V^0 = H_0^1$.

This gives us the variational formulation

$$\text{Find } u \in \underline{V} \text{ s.t. } \int_0^1 u'(x) v'(x) dx + 4 \int_0^1 u(x) v(x) dx = 0 \quad \forall v \in \underline{V^0}$$

(ii) Next, we derive a FE problem.

Consider partition of $[0,1]$,

$$T_h: x_0 = 0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_m < x_{m+1} = 1$$

with a uniform mesh $h = \frac{1}{m+1}$ (simple notation)

Consider the following spaces:

$$V_h = \{v: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v \text{ cont. pw linear on } T_h \text{ and } v(0) = \alpha, v(1) = \beta\}$$

$$V_h^0 = \{v: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v \text{ cont. pw linear on } T_h \text{ and } v(0) = 0, v(1) = 0\}$$

Observe that

$$V_h^0 = \text{span}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_m) \leadsto \dim(V_h^0) = m$$

$$V_h = \text{span}(\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, \varphi_{m+1}) \leadsto \dim(V_h) = m+2$$

This gives us the FE problem;

$$(FE) \text{ Find } u_h \in V_h \text{ s.t. } \int_0^1 u_h'(x) \chi'(x) dx + \gamma \int_0^1 u_h(x) \chi(x) dx = 0 \quad \forall \chi \in V_h^0$$

(iii) Finally, we need to find a linear system.

To do this, we first write

$$u_h(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m+1} \underbrace{\zeta_j}_{\text{unknown!}} \varphi_j(x) \quad \rightarrow \text{but we get}$$

But we must have $u_h(0) \stackrel{!}{=} \alpha$
 $u_h(1) \stackrel{!}{=} \beta$ (non-h. Dirichlet.)

$$u_h(0) = \alpha \Leftrightarrow \sum_{j=0}^{m+1} \zeta_j \varphi_j(0) = \alpha \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\underbrace{\zeta_0 \varphi_0(0)}_{=1} + \underbrace{\zeta_1 \varphi_1(0)}_{=0} + \dots + \underbrace{\zeta_{m+1} \varphi_{m+1}(0)}_{=0} \stackrel{!}{=} \alpha$$

by def φ_j hat

$$\Leftrightarrow \zeta_0 \stackrel{!}{=} \alpha!$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \zeta_{m+1} \stackrel{!}{=} \beta!$$

$$\hookrightarrow u_h(x) = \alpha \varphi_0(x) + \sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j \varphi_j(x) + \beta \varphi_{m+1}(x).$$

We insert the above into (FE) and take

test function $\chi(x) = \varphi_i(x)$ for $i=1, \dots, m$

to obtain:

$$(\alpha \varphi_0' + \sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j' \varphi_j' + \beta \varphi_{m+1}', \varphi_i')_{L^2} +$$

$$+ 4 (\alpha \varphi_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j \varphi_j + \beta \varphi_{m+1}, \varphi_i)_{L^2} = 0 \quad \forall i=1, 2, \dots, m.$$