

MVE455: Partial Differential Equations for Kf3, 2017–03–13, 14:00-18:00

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1. Visa att för en lösning till vågekvationen, med homogena Dirichlet randvärden och $f = 0$, konserveras

$$\|\nabla \dot{u}\|^2 + \|\Delta u\|^2.$$

Ledning: Multiplicera ekv med $\Delta \dot{u}$ och integrera över Ω .

2. Prove an a priori and an a posteriori error estimate (in the energy norm: $\|u\|_E^2 := \|u'\|^2 + \|u\|^2$) for the cG(1) finite element method for the problem

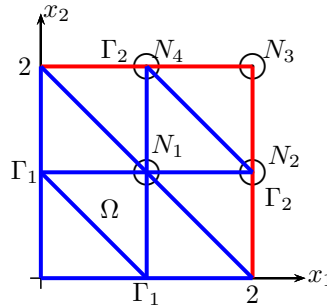
$$-u'' + \alpha u' + u = f, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0.$$

where $\alpha \geq 0$. For which value of α is the a priori error estimate optimal?

3. In the square domain $\Omega := (0, 2)^2$, with the boundary $\Gamma := \partial\Omega$, consider the problem of solving

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u = 1, & \text{in } \Omega = \{x = (x_1, x_2) : 0 < x_1 < 2, 0 < x_2 < 2\}, \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_1 := \Gamma \setminus \Gamma_2, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1}|_{x_1=2} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_2}|_{x_2=2} = 0, & \Gamma_2 := \{x_1 = 2\} \cup \{x_2 = 2\}. \end{cases}$$

Determine the stiffness matrix and load vector if the cG(1) finite element method with piecewise linear approximation is applied to the equation (1) above and on the following triangulation:



4. Let Ω be a bounded domain in \mathbb{R}^d , $d = 2, 3$. Consider the boundary value problem

$$-\Delta u = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad u + \partial u / \partial n = g, \quad \text{on } \Gamma = \partial\Omega.$$

- a) Prove the L_2 stability estimate

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L_2(\Omega)} + \frac{1}{2}\|u\|_{L_2(\Gamma)} \leq \frac{1}{2}\|g\|_{L_2(\Gamma)}.$$

- b) Verify the conditions on Riesz/Lax-Milgram theorems for this problem.

5. Consider the initial value problem $\dot{u}(t) + a(t)u(t) = f(t)$, for $0 < t < T$, and $u(0) = u_0$. Prove the stability estimates

$$|u(t)| \leq e^{-\alpha t}|u_0| + \frac{1}{\alpha}(1 - e^{-\alpha t}) \max_{0 \leq s \leq t} |f(s)|, \quad a(t) \geq \alpha > 0, \quad \text{and}$$

$$|u(t)| \leq |u_0| + \int_0^t |f(s)| ds, \quad a(t) \geq 0.$$

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Solutions.**

1. Multiply the equation by $\Delta \dot{u}$ and integrate over Ω to get

$$\begin{aligned} (\ddot{u}, \Delta \dot{u}) - (\Delta u, \Delta \dot{u}) &= -(\nabla \ddot{u}, \nabla \dot{u}) - (\Delta u, \Delta \dot{u}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla \dot{u}|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} |\Delta u|^2 dx \right) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where in the first equality we used Green's formula and the vanishing boundary data. Relabeling t to s and integrating over $(0, t)$ we get the desired result.

2. The Variational formulation:

Multiply the equation by $v \in V$, integrate by parts over $(0, 1)$ and use the boundary conditions to obtain

$$(2) \quad \text{Find } u \in V : \int_0^1 u'v' dx + \int_0^1 \alpha u'v dx + \int_0^1 uv dx = \int_0^1 fv dx, \quad \forall v \in V.$$

cG(1):

$$(3) \quad \text{Find } U \in V_h : \int_0^1 U'v' dx + \int_0^1 \alpha U'v dx + \int_0^1 Uv dx = \int_0^1 fv dx, \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

From (1)-(2), we find The Galerkin orthogonality:

$$(4) \quad \int_0^1 \left((u - U)'v' + \alpha(u - U)'v + (u - U)v \right) dx = 0, \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

We define the inner product $(\cdot, \cdot)_E$ associated to the energy norm to be

$$(v, w)_E = \int_0^1 (v'w' + vw) dx, \quad \forall v, w \in V.$$

Note that

$$(5) \quad \int_0^1 e'e dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{d}{dx} (e^2) dx = \frac{1}{2} [e^2]_0^1 = 0.$$

Thus using (5) we have

$$(6) \quad \|e\|_E^2 = \int_0^1 (e'e' + ee) dx = \int_0^1 (e'e' + \alpha e'e + ee) dx.$$

We split the second factor e as $e = u - U = u - v + v - U$, with $v \in V_h$ and write

$$\begin{aligned} \|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 \left(e'(u - U)' + \alpha e'(u - U) + e(u - U) \right) dx = \left\{ v \in V_h \right\} \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(e'(u - v)' + \alpha e'(u - v) + e(u - v) \right) dx \\ &+ \int_0^1 \left(e'(v - U)' + \alpha e'(v - U) + e(v - U) \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(e'(u - v)' + \alpha e'(u - v) + e(u - v) \right) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where, in the last step, we have used the Galerkin orthogonality to eliminate terms involving U . Now we can write

$$\begin{aligned}\|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 \left(e'(u-v)' + e(u-v) + \alpha e'(u-v) \right) dx \\ &\leq \|e\|_E \cdot \|u-v\|_E + \alpha \|e'\|_{L_2} \|u-v\|_{L_2} \\ &\leq \|e\|_E \left(\|u-v\|_E + \alpha \|u-v\|_{L_2} \right) \leq \|e\|_E \|u-v\|_E (1 + \alpha),\end{aligned}$$

and derive the a priori error estimate:

$$\|e\|_E \leq \|u-v\|_E (1 + \alpha), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

To obtain a posteriori error estimates the idea is to eliminate u -terms, by using the differential equation, and replacing their contributions by the data f . Then this f combined with the remaining U -terms would yield to the residual error:

A posteriori error estimate:

$$\begin{aligned}(7) \quad \|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 (e'e' + ee) dx = \int_0^1 (e'e' + \alpha e'e + ee) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (u'e' + \alpha u'e + ue) dx - \int_0^1 (U'e' + \alpha U'e + Ue) dx.\end{aligned}$$

Now using the variational formulation (2) we have that

$$\int_0^1 (u'e' + \alpha u'e + ue) dx = \int_0^1 f e dx.$$

Inserting in (7) and using (3) with $v = \Pi_k e$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}(8) \quad \|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 f e dx - \int_0^1 (U'e' + \alpha U'e + Ue) dx \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 (U'\Pi_h e' + \alpha U'\Pi_h e + U\Pi_h e) dx - \int_0^1 f \Pi_h e dx.\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\|e\|_E^2 &= \int_0^1 f(e - \Pi_h e) dx - \int_0^1 \left(U'(e - \Pi_h e)' + \alpha U'(e - \Pi_h e) + U(e - \Pi_h e) \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 f(e - \Pi_h e) dx - \int_0^1 (\alpha U' + U)(e - \Pi_h e) dx - \sum_{j=1}^{M+1} \int_{I_j} U'(e - \Pi_h e)' dx \\ &= \{\text{partial integration}\} \\ &= \int_0^1 f(e - \Pi_h e) dx - \int_0^1 (\alpha U' + U)(e - \Pi_h e) dx + \sum_{j=1}^{M+1} \int_{I_j} U''(e - \Pi_h e) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (f + U'' - \alpha U' - U)(e - \Pi_h e) dx = \int_0^1 R(U)(e - \Pi_h e) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 hR(U)h^{-1}(e - \Pi_h e) dx \leq \|hR(U)\|_{L_2} \|h^{-1}(e - \Pi_h e)\|_{L_2} \\ &\leq C_i \|hR(U)\|_{L_2} \cdot \|e'\|_{L_2} \leq \|hR(U)\|_{L_2} \cdot \|e\|_E.\end{aligned}$$

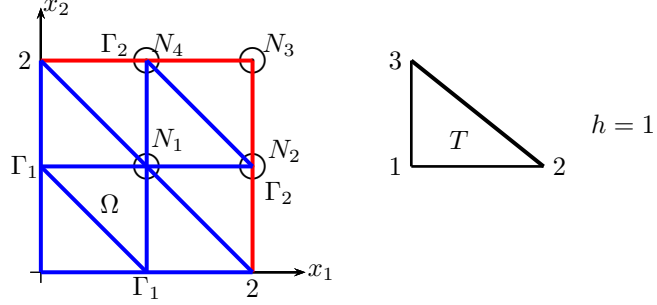
This gives the a posteriori error estimate:

$$\|e\|_E \leq C_i \|hR(U)\|_{L_2},$$

with $R(U) = f + U'' - \alpha U' - U = f - \alpha U' - U$ on (x_{i-1}, x_i) , $i = 1, \dots, M + 1$.

The a priori error estimate is optimal for $\alpha = 0$.

3. Recall that the mesh size is $h = 1$. Further, the first triangle (the triangle with nodes at $(0, 0)$, $(1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$) is not in the support of the test function of N_1 , whereas the last triangle (the triangle with nodes at $(4, 4)$, $(2, 4)$ and $(4, 2)$) is in the support of the test function for all other 3 nodes: N_2, N_3, N_4 !. Thus, the nodal basis function φ_1 shares 2 triangles with φ_2 and 2 triangles with φ_4 . Likewise, φ_2 and φ_3 are sharing 1 triangle, φ_2 and φ_4 , 2 triangle, and finally φ_3 and φ_4 1 triangle. see figure below. We define the test function space



$$(9) \quad V = \{v : v \in H^1(\Omega), \quad v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1\}.$$

Multiplying the differential equation by $v \in V$ and integrating over Ω we get that

$$-(\Delta u, v) = (1, v), \quad \forall v \in V.$$

Now using Green's formula we have that

$$\begin{aligned} -(\Delta u, v) &= (\nabla u, \nabla v) - \int_{\partial\Omega} (n \cdot \nabla u) v \, ds \\ &= (\nabla u, \nabla v) - \int_{\Gamma_1} (n \cdot \nabla u) v \, ds - \int_{\Gamma_2} (n \cdot \nabla u) v \, ds \\ &= (\nabla u, \nabla v), \quad \forall v \in V. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the variational formulation reads as

$$(\nabla u, \nabla v) = (1, v), \quad \forall v \in V.$$

The corresponding cG(1) finite element is: Find $u_h \in V_h^0$ such that

$$(\nabla u_h, \nabla v) = (1, v), \quad \forall v \in V_h^0,$$

where

$$V_h^0 := \{v : v \text{ is continuous, piecewise linear on the above partition and } v = 0, \text{ on } \Gamma_1\}.$$

Making the "Ansatz" $U(x) = \sum_{j=1}^4 \xi_j \varphi_j(x)$, where φ_i are the standard basis functions, we obtain the system of equations

$$\sum_{j=1}^4 \xi_j \left(\int_{\Omega} \nabla \varphi_i \cdot \nabla \varphi_j \, dx \right) = \int_{\Omega} \varphi_i \, dx, \quad i = 1, 2, 3,$$

or, in matrix form,

$$S\xi = F,$$

where $S_{ij} = (\nabla \varphi_i, \nabla \varphi_j)$ is the stiffness matrix and $F_i = (1, \varphi_i)$ is the load vector. We first compute the stiffness matrix for the reference triangle T . The local basis functions are

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1(x_1, x_2) &= 1 - \frac{x_1}{h} - \frac{x_2}{h}, & \nabla \phi_1(x_1, x_2) &= -\frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \phi_2(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{x_1}{h}, & \nabla \phi_2(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \phi_3(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{x_2}{h}, & \nabla \phi_3(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, with $|T| = \int_T dz = h^2/2$,

$$s_{11} = (\nabla\phi_1, \nabla\phi_1) = \int_T |\nabla\phi_1|^2 dx = \frac{2}{h^2}|T| = 1.$$

and computing all other s_{ij} 's, we end up with

$$s = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We can now assemble the global matrix S from the local matrix s :

$$\begin{aligned} S_{11} &= 2s_{11} + 4s_{22} = 4, & S_{12} &= S_{14} = 2s_{12} = -1, & S_{13} &= 0, \\ S_{22} &= S_{44} = s_{11} + 2s_{22} = 1 + 1 = 2, & S_{23} &= S_{34} = s_{12} = -1/2, & S_{24} &= 2s_{23} = 0 \\ S_{33} &= 2s_{11} = 2, & S_{44} &= 2s_{22} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

The remaining matrix elements are obtained by symmetry $S_{ij} = S_{ji}$. Hence,

$$S = \varepsilon \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 1 & -1/2 \\ -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} (1, \varphi_1) \\ (1, \varphi_2) \\ (1, \varphi_3) \\ (1, \varphi_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1 \\ 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6} \\ 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

4. a) Using Greens formula we have that

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla u = - \int_{\Omega} (\Delta u)u + \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} u = \int_{\partial\Omega} (g - u)u.$$

In other words

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \|u\|_{L_2(\Gamma)}^2 = \int_{\partial\Omega} gu \leq \|g\|_{L_2(\Gamma)} \|u\|_{L_2(\Gamma)} \leq \frac{1}{2} \|g\|_{L_2(\Gamma)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u\|_{L_2(\Gamma)}^2,$$

which gives the desired estimate. To show the Riesz/Lax-Milgram conditions we introduce the notation

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\partial\Omega} uv, \quad \text{and} \quad L(v) = \int_{\partial\Omega} gv.$$

Then $a(u, v)$ is a scalar product with the corresponding norm $\|v\|_a = a(v, v)^{1/2}$. For instance we have that $\|v\|_a = 0$, only if $v = 0$:

$$0 = \|v\|_a^2 = a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 + \int_{\partial\Omega} v^2 \geq \alpha \int_{\Omega} v^2, \quad \text{for some } \alpha > 0 \Rightarrow v = 0.$$

Further $L(v)$ is bounded in this norm, e.g. if $\|g\|_{\partial\Omega} < \infty$, then

$$|L(v)| \leq \|g\|_{\partial\Omega} \|v\|_{\partial\Omega} \leq \|g\|_{\partial\Omega} \|v\|_a.$$

We can also apply Riesz theorem in the sense that there exists u such that

$$a(u, v) = L(v), \quad \forall v,$$

and u is uniquely determined by

$$\|u\|_a = \|g\|_{\partial\Omega}.$$

Moreover since

$$a(u, v) = - \int_{\Omega} \Delta uv + \int_{\partial\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + u \right) v,$$

we have that

$$\Delta u = 0, \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + u = g \quad \text{on } \Gamma.$$

5. See the lecture notes.

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