

# Lecture 5



Last time I listed  
the following abstract properties

$$a(u, u) \geq \alpha \|u\|_1^2 \quad \forall u \in H^1$$

$$a(u, v) \leq C \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1$$

where

$$\|u\|_1 = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} (u^2 + (\nabla u)^2) dx}$$

I said that I

would relate  $\alpha, C$  to

Reynolds number

2)

I also said

that

$a(u, v) \geq \alpha \|u\|_1^2$  was "like"  $x^T A x > 0$

and that

$a(u, v) \leq c \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1$  was "like"  $x^T A x < \infty$



Let us then consider

$$u_{xx} = f \quad \text{on} \quad (0, 1)$$

~~$u \geq 0$  on~~

$$u(0) = u(1) = 0.$$

We know that in

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this case we can express

the solution as a Fourier series

$$u = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k \sin(k\pi x) \quad (*)$$

where  $u_k = \frac{1}{(k\pi)^2} \int f \sin(k\pi x)$

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Let us assume  $(*)$

and check if

$$x^T A x > 0$$

and

$$x^T A x < \infty$$

Here

4)

$$a(u, u) = \int_{\Omega} -\nabla u \cdot \nabla v = \int_{\Omega} -\Delta u \cdot v$$

$$= \int \left( (k\pi)^2 \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k \sin(k\pi x) \right) \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k \sin(k\pi x) \right)$$

$$= \int (k\pi)^2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u_k^2 \sin^2(k\pi x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sin(k\pi x) \\ &+ \\ &\sin(l\pi x) \\ &\text{if} \\ &k \neq l \end{aligned}$$

We can conclude that

$$a(u, u) > 0$$

However

$$a(u, u) \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$$

In other words

5)

$x^T A x < \infty$  is not true!

However,

our condition is slightly different. We want  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  to be bounded relative to the  $\|\cdot\|_1$  norm, i.e.,

$$a(u, v) \leq C \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1$$

6)

Let us re-do the exercise to check the abstract conditions.

Consider

$$-\Delta u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega.$$

Variational form

1. multiply by test function
2. integrate (by parts)

$$\int_{\Omega} -\Delta u \cdot v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v \, dx \quad (7)$$

⇓ integration by parts

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v \, dx$$

Hence, the ~~above~~ variational / weak problem is

Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  such that

$$a(u, v) = L(v) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx, \quad L(v) = \int_{\Omega} f v \, dx$$

The abstract condition  $a(u, v) \leq C \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1$  can be shown as follows

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx$$

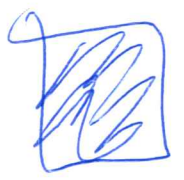
$$\leq \left( \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u)^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_{\Omega} (\nabla v)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

Cauchy schwartz

$$\leq \left( \int_{\Omega} (u^2 + (\nabla u)^2) \right)^{1/2} \left( \int_{\Omega} (v^2 + (\nabla v)^2) \right)^{1/2}$$

$$(\nabla u)^2 \leq (u^2 + (\nabla u)^2)$$

$$\leq 1 \|u\|_1 \|v\|_1$$





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# Poincaré's inequality

For all functions in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$   
we have

$$\|u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C \|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$$

The result follows directly from  
Taylor series:

$$f(y) \approx f(x) + hf'(\bar{x})$$

In  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  we have that

~~the~~ the function is zero at  
the boundary. Let then  $x$  be  
at the boundary ~~then~~ and  $y$

~~is~~ is inside. Then

$$|f(y)| < |hf'(\bar{x})|$$

Due to Poincaré, we get 10)

$$a(u, u) = \int (\nabla u)^2 \quad \leftarrow \text{splitt in two}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \int (\nabla u)^2 + \frac{1}{c^2} u^2$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \min\left(1, \frac{1}{c^2}\right) \int \nabla u^2 + u^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \min\left(1, \frac{1}{c^2}\right) \|u\|_1^2$$

We have now done a  
lot of abstract math.

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How does this relate  
to the Reynolds number?

Consider then the convection  
diffusion ~~to~~ problem

12)

$$-\mu \Delta u + w \cdot \nabla u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

$\mu$  viscosity

$w$  fluid velocity.

Reynolds number relate

$\mu$ ,  $w$  and the length  
of  $\Omega$ .

Weak form of the problem

13)

Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  such that

$$a(u, v) = L(v) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

Here

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} (\mu \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + w \nabla u \cdot v) dx$$

$$L(v) = \int_{\Omega} f v$$

You check !

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nu \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} w \nabla u \cdot v \quad (14)$$

$$\leq \nu \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla v\|_{L^2} + \cancel{\|w\|_{L^\infty}}^{\max} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_{L^2}$$

$$+ \|w\|_{L^\infty} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_{L^2}$$

$$\leq (\nu + \|w\|_{L^\infty}) (\|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|\nabla v\|_{L^2} + \|\nabla u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_{L^2})$$

$$\leq (\nu + \|w\|_{L^\infty}) \cancel{\|\nabla u\|_{L^2}} (\|u\|_{H^1} \|v\|_{H^1})$$