

1 Exercise 5.4

1.1 Description

Let \hat{T} be the reference simplex in \mathbb{R}^d . Every d-dimensional simplex in \mathbb{R}^d is affine equivalent to \hat{T} i.e there exists $F : \hat{T} \rightarrow T, F(x) = Ax + b$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}, b \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\det(A) \neq 0$. F is invertible and there holds (for $c, C > 0$):

$$\|DF\| = \|A\| \leq \frac{h_T}{\rho_T} \quad (1)$$

$$\|DF^{-1}\| = \|A^{-1}\| \leq \frac{h_{\hat{T}}}{\rho_T} \quad (2)$$

$$c\rho_T^d \leq |\det(DF)| = |\det(A)| \leq Ch_T^d \quad (3)$$

Hint: For the first equation try to integrate the constant 1-function on T . The operator norm is given by

$$\|A\| = \sup_{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\|A\xi\|}{\|\xi\|} = \sup_{\|\xi\|=c} \frac{\|A\xi\|}{\|\xi\|} \quad (4)$$

with a fixed constant c . Try to set $c = \rho_t$ for the second estimate, and choose a proper ξ

1.2 Proofs

1.2.1 1)

For proof 1) and 2) we use the hint in the description.

$$\|A\| = \sup_{\zeta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\|A\zeta\|}{\|\zeta\|} = \sup_{\substack{c \\ \|\zeta\|=c}} \frac{\|A\zeta\|}{\|\zeta\|} \quad (5)$$

where $c = \rho_T$ and pull out the constant term to the front

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\|\zeta\|=c} \frac{\|A\zeta\|}{\|\zeta\|} = \frac{1}{\rho_T} \sup_{\|\zeta\|=\rho_T} \|A\zeta\| \quad (6)$$

Now we define $\zeta = \hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2 \in \hat{T}$ and use the affine property of A where

$$A\zeta = F(\hat{x}_1) - F(\hat{x}_2) = x_1 - x_2 \quad (7)$$

and use the fact that $|\hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2| \leq h_T$ with h_T being the mesh-size, to get

$$\|A\zeta\| \leq |x_1 - x_2| \leq h_T \quad (8)$$

Now we just plug this into eq. (6) to get our final result

$$\|A\| = \sup_{\|\zeta\|=\rho_T} \frac{1}{\rho_T} \|A\zeta\| \leq \frac{h_T}{\rho_T} \quad (9)$$

1.2.2 2)

For 2), we follow a similar path and start first with

$$\|A^{-1}\| = \frac{1}{\rho_T} \sup_{\|\varepsilon\|=\rho_T} \|A^{-1}\varepsilon\| \quad (10)$$

Now we define $\varepsilon = x_1 - x_2 \in T$ and use the inverse map $F^{-1}(x) = A^{-1}x + b' = \hat{x}$ to get

$$A^{-1}\varepsilon = F^{-1}(x_1) - F^{-1}(x_2) = \hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2 \quad (11)$$

and

$$\|A^{-1}\varepsilon\| \leq |\hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2| \leq h_T \quad (12)$$

and

$$\|A^{-1}\| = \sup_{\|\varepsilon\|=\rho_T} \frac{1}{\rho_T} \|A^{-1}\varepsilon\| \leq \frac{h_{\hat{T}}}{\rho_T} \quad (13)$$

1.2.3 3)

To proof 3) we start by integrating over T (= "area" or "volume") and use the rule for integral transformations,

$$area(T) = \int_T dx = \int_{\hat{T}} |\det(A)| d\hat{x} = |\det(A)| area(\hat{T}) \quad (14)$$

$$|\det(A)| = \frac{area(T)}{area(\hat{T})} \quad (15)$$

Now we want to bound the "area" of our simplices from above and below by circles via

$$V_d(r) = \frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2} + 1)} r^d \quad (16)$$

$$\frac{\pi^{d/2}}{T(\frac{d}{2} + 1)} \left(\frac{\rho_T}{2}\right)^d = V_d\left(\frac{\rho_T}{2}\right) \leq area(T) \leq V_d\left(\frac{h_T}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{T(\frac{d}{2} + 1)} \left(\frac{h_T}{2}\right)^d \quad (17)$$

So, we inscribed one sphere with radius ρ_T and "excribed" one sphere with radius h_T (mesh-size) and get

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{T(\frac{d}{2} + 1)} \left(\frac{\rho_T}{2}\right)^d \leq \frac{area(T)}{area(\hat{T})} \leq \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{T(\frac{d}{2} + 1)} \left(\frac{h_T}{2}\right)^d \quad (18)$$

Rearrange a bit

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{area(\hat{T})} \cdot \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2} + 1) \cdot 2^d}}_c \cdot \hat{\rho}_T^d \leq |\det(A)| \leq \underbrace{\frac{1}{area(\hat{T})} \cdot \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2} + 1) \cdot 2^d}}_C h_T^d \quad (19)$$

$$A(S_{h_T}) \geq A(T) \geq A(S_{g_T})$$

