

NUMERICAL METHODS FOR PDES

Lecture 2

(LT)

Lemma (stability): For any $V = \{V_i\}_{i=0}^N$

$$|V|_{h,\infty} \leq \max \{|V_0|, |V_N|\} + \frac{1}{8} |\mathcal{L}_h V|_{h,\infty}$$

$$|V|_{h,\infty} = \max_i |V_i|$$

Proof: $\omega(x) = x - x^2 \rightarrow \begin{cases} = \frac{1}{4} - \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ \mathcal{L}_h \omega(x) = -\omega'' = 2 \end{cases}$

$$\tilde{V}_i^\pm = \pm V_i - \frac{1}{2} |\mathcal{L}_h V|_{h,\infty} W_i$$

$$W_i := \omega(x_i)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_h \tilde{V}_i^\pm = \pm \mathcal{L}_h V_i - \frac{1}{2} |\mathcal{L}_h V|_{h,\infty} \mathcal{L}_h W_i \leq 0$$

by (DMP) $\Rightarrow \tilde{V}_i^\pm \leq \max \{\pm V_0, \pm V_N\} \leq \max \{|V_0|, |V_N|\}$

$$\Rightarrow \pm V_i \leq \max \{|V_0|, |V_N|\} + \frac{1}{2} |\mathcal{L}_h V|_{h,\infty} W_i^{1/4}$$

$$|V_i| \leq \quad \quad \quad + \frac{1}{8} |\mathcal{L}_h V|_{h,\infty}$$

Consistency

Truncation error : $T(x) = \int u(x) - \int_h u(x)$

$$(f_i := f(x_i))$$

$$T_i := T(x_i) \\ = f(x) - \int_h u(x)$$

Lemma : $u \in C^4([0,1])$, $h > 0$, $x \in [h, 1-h]$

$$u''(x) - \int_h^2 u(x) = \frac{h^2}{24} (u^{(4)}(\xi_1) + u^{(4)}(\xi_2))$$

error identity

with $\xi_1 \in [x-h, x]$; $\xi_2 \in [x, x+h]$

$$|u''(x) - \int_h^2 u(x)| \leq \frac{h^2}{12} \|u^{(4)}\|_{C([0,1])}$$

error bound

$$\text{Thus, } T(x) = f(x) - \int_h u(x)$$

$$= f(x) + \int_h^2 u(x)$$

$$\text{err. identity} = \underbrace{f(x) + u''(x)}_{\text{by PDE}} - \frac{h^2}{24} (u^{(4)}(\xi_1) + u^{(4)}(\xi_2))$$

$$\Rightarrow |T(x)| \leq h^2/12 \|u^{(4)}\|_{C([0,1])}$$

$\Rightarrow |T(x)| \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0 \rightarrow \underline{\text{consistent}}$
 (stability + consistency \Rightarrow convergence)

Theorem (error estimate ∞ -norm)

$\forall h > 0$ the unique discrete solution U satisfies

$$\max_i \underbrace{|u(x_i) - U_i|}_{e_i} \leq \frac{h^2}{96} \|u^{(4)}\|_{C([0,1])}$$

\rightarrow FD scheme is 2nd order accurate

Proof: $\mathcal{L}_h e_i = \mathcal{L}_h u(x_i) - \mathcal{L}_h U_i$

FD scheme $\stackrel{!}{=} \mathcal{L}_h u(x_i) - f_i$

PDE $\stackrel{!}{=} \mathcal{L}_h u(x_i) - \mathcal{L} u(x_i)$

$\stackrel{!}{=} T_i$

consistency: $|\mathcal{L}_h e_i| = |T_i| \leq \frac{h^2}{12} \|u^{(4)}\|_{\infty}$

Stability: $|e_i| \leq \max\{|e_0|, |e_N|\} + \frac{1}{8} \|\mathcal{L}_h e\|_{\infty}$

$$\max |e_1| \leq \frac{1}{8} \|L_h p\|_{1,\infty} \leq \frac{h^2}{96} \|u^{(4)}\|$$

Remarks:

- 1) to apply the scheme, requires $f \in \mathcal{C}(0,1)$
+ analysis requires $u \in \mathcal{C}^4(0,1)$
- 2) also we are actually only approximating the solution function at the grid points

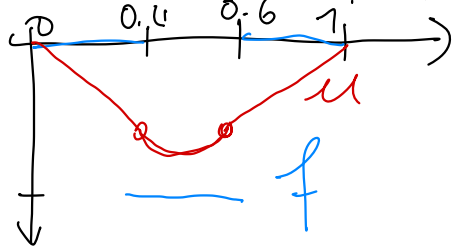
→ Question: right functional setting

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* Poisson b.v.p. models equilibrium of an elastic string

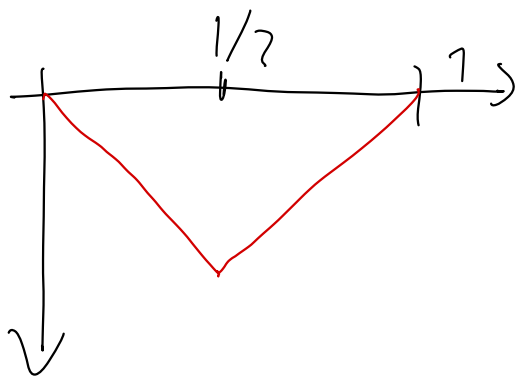
- fixed at the end points
- subject to transverse force f

examples: $f(x) = -\chi_{[0.4, 0.6]}(x)$



$$u \in \mathcal{C}^1([0,1])$$

$$f(x) = -\delta_{1/2}(x) \quad \text{Dirac delta}$$



$$u \in Z^0([0,1])$$

Dirichlet principle: elastic string
minimizes potential energy:

$$J(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (u')^2 dx - \int_0^1 f u dx$$

note: this "energy principle" does not
involve the second derivative

The minimisation problem

$$\text{Find } u \in (?) : J(u) \leq J(v)$$

$$\forall v \in (?)$$

is tackled by calculus of variations

If u minimizes, then the

$$\text{"first variation"} = \left. \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} J(u + \varepsilon v) \right|_{\varepsilon=0} = 0$$

exercise

$$= \int_0^1 u' v' dx - \int_0^1 f v dx \quad \forall v \in (?)$$

→ need to fix the correct functional setting!

To do this (in more general setting!)

start again from the PDE :

$$-u'' = f \quad \times v \in (?)$$

$$-u'' v = f v$$

$$-\int_0^1 u'' v dx = \int_0^1 f v dx$$

$$\int_0^1 u' v' dx = \int_0^1 f v dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} (u, v(0) &= 0 \\ u, v(1) &= 0) \end{aligned}$$

weak problem
 $\forall v$

It remains to fix $V(\ni u, v)$

$$\bullet V = \{v \in \mathcal{C}^1([0,1]) : v(0) = 0 = v(1)\}$$

weak problem makes sense but

$$1) f = \delta_{1/2}(x) \rightarrow u \notin \mathcal{C}^1$$

$$2) f \in \mathcal{C}^0([0,1]) \quad \exists! \text{ not guaranteed}$$

consider $(V, (\cdot, \cdot)_1)$

$$\underbrace{(u, v)_1}_{\text{inner product}} := \int_0^1 u' v' dx$$

$$|v|_1 := (v, v)^{1/2}$$

V is not complete w.r.t.

this norm

require some new spaces...

Def: $L^2(0,1) = \{v: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \|v\| := \left(\int_0^1 |v|^2 dx\right)^{1/2} < \infty\}$

$$\rightarrow (\mu, \nu)_0 = \int_0^1 \mu \nu \, dx$$

$$H^1(0,1) = \{v \in L^2(0,1) : v' \in L^2(0,1)\}$$

$$H_0^1(0,1) = \{v \in H^1(0,1) : v(0) = 0 = v(1)\}$$

Th: $(H^1_0(\Omega, 1) / (\cdot, \cdot)_1)$ is Hilbert

$\|\cdot\|_1$ is a norm for $H_0^1(0, 1)$

$$\|v\|_1 = \left(\|v\|_0^2 + \|v\|_1^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{is also a norm}$$

(also for just $H^1(\Omega)$)

Def : (weak formulation) :

Let $f \in V' := \text{dual of } H^1(0,1)$

hence write duality as $\langle f, v \rangle = F(v) \quad \forall v \in V = H_0^1(0,1)$

for example, if $f \in L^2(0, 1)$

$$= (f, v)_0 = \int_0^1 f v$$

(WF) Find $u \in V$: $\int_0^1 u' v' = \langle f, v \rangle$
 (WP)

stability : if $u \in V (= H_0^1(0, 1))$
 solve (WP), then
 (energy method)

$$|u|_1^2 = \int_0^1 (u')^2 = \langle f, u \rangle \leq \|f\|_{V'} |u|_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |u|_1 \leq \|f\|_{V'}$$

$$(f \in L^2 \Rightarrow \|f\|_0)$$

Theorem : u solves (WP) \Leftrightarrow

u solves the minimization problem:

Find $u \in V$: $J(u) \leq J(v) \quad \forall v \in V$

where $J(v) := \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 v' v' - F(v)$
 $(= \langle f, v \rangle, (f, v)_0)$

Proof: \Rightarrow if u solves (WP)
 $J(u+w) \dots \geq J(u)$

\Leftarrow assume $\frac{d}{dt} J(u + \varepsilon w)|_{\varepsilon=0} = 0$

$$J(u + \varepsilon w) = \dots$$

GALERKIN method :

• Fix a finite dim subspace

$$V_H \subseteq V$$

• Restrict (WP): Find $u_H \in V_H$:

$$\int_0^1 u_H' v_H' dx = \langle f, v_H \rangle$$

$$\forall v_H \in V_H$$

numerical methods can
be set up by defining
appropriate spaces V_H .