NMPDE/ATSC 2025
Lecture 11

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sections covered up to before this lecture.

The generalized Galerkin method

motivation: in practice (Q. chap. 13)
FEM assembly process computed using quadratures.

Instead of:

$a(u_h, v_h) \approx a_h(u_h, v_h)$

$F(v_h) \approx F_h(v_h)$

compute approximations

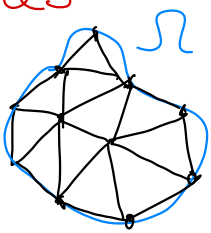
A form of VARIATIONAL CRIME

* 1. $\Omega \approx \Omega_h$, $F \simeq F_h$

2. $V_h \not\subset V$ non-conforming discrete spaces

3. $\Omega_h = \bigcup_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} T \neq \Omega$

e.g. if Ω is curved



Analysis of variational crime 1

$\Omega_h = \Omega$, $V_h = V_h^k \subset V$, consider a_h, F_h and the generalised Galerkin Method: Find $u_h \in V_h$:

$$a_h(u_h, v_h) = F_h(v_h) \quad \forall v_h \in V_h$$

Galerkin orthogonality (=full consistency) does not hold.

Recall: Galerkin orthogonality:

$a(u - u_h, v_h) = 0 \quad \forall v_h \in V_h$

Truncation error:

$$T_h(v_h) := \mathcal{A}_h(u, v_h) - F_h(v_h)$$

- If $T_h \equiv 0 \rightarrow$ strong (full) consistency
  - ↳ Céa Lemma
- otherwise require $T_h \to 0$ for consistency
  - ↳ Strang Lemmas

Def (uniform V_h-ellipticity):

$\mathcal{A}_h : V_h \times V_h \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is UNIFORMLY V_h-elliptic if $\exists \tilde{\alpha} > 0$: $\forall\, h$

$$\mathcal{A}_h(v_h, v_h) \geq \tilde{\alpha} \|v_h\|_V^2 \quad \forall v_h \in V_h$$

[See Ciarlet, ch. 4; Q. Lemma 10.1, Q. Sec. 13.8.4 about Generalised Galerkin]

Theorem (1st strang Lemma)

Let $V_h \subset V$ sequence of subspaces; a_h, F_h discrete forms approximating a, F.

If $F_h \in V_h'$, a_h is unif. V_h-elliptic, then

Lax-Milgram

- $\exists!\ u_h \in V_h$ solution of the generalized Galerkin method $a_h(u_h, v_h) = F_h(v_h)\ \forall v_h \in V_h$
- $\|u_h\|_V \le \frac{1}{\alpha} \|F_h\|_{V'}$

Céa

- $\|u - u_h\|_V \le \inf_{v_h \in V_h} \left[\left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{\alpha}\right) \|u - v_h\|_V + \frac{1}{\alpha} \sup_{\substack{w_h \in V_h \\ w_h \neq 0}} \frac{|a(v_h, w_h) - a_h(v_h, w_h)|}{\|w_h\|_V} \right] + \frac{1}{\alpha} \sup_{\substack{w_h \in V_h \\ w_h \neq 0}} \frac{|F(w_h) - F_h(w_h)|}{\|w_h\|_V}$

Proof: Well-posedness follows by Lax-Milgram applied to A_h, F_h.

$$\|u-u_h\|_V \le \|u-v_h\|_V + \|v_h-u_h\|_V \qquad \forall v_h \in V_h$$

$$\widetilde{w}_h \in V_h$$

$$\widehat{\alpha}\,\|\widetilde{w}_h\|_V^2 \le A_h(u_h-v_h, \widetilde{w}_h)$$

by uniform V_h-ellipticity

$$= F_h(\widetilde{w}_h) - A_h(v_h, \widetilde{w}_h)$$

use Gen. Galerkin

$$+ \underbrace{A(u-v_h, \widetilde{w}_h) - F(\widetilde{w}_h)}_{=0}$$

by cont. problem

$$+ \underbrace{A(v_h, \widetilde{w}_h)}_{=0}$$

$$= A(u-v_h, \widetilde{w}_h) + (A-A_h)(v_h, \widetilde{w}_h) + (F_h-F)(\widetilde{w}_h)$$

$$\le \gamma \|u-v_h\|_V \|\widetilde{w}_h\|_V + |(A-A_h)(v_h, \widetilde{w}_h)| + |(F-F_h)(\widetilde{w}_h)|$$

$$/\,\|\widetilde{w}_h\|_V \qquad /\,\|\widetilde{w}_h\|_V$$

$$\|u_h - v_h\|_V \le \frac{\gamma}{\alpha} \|u - v_h\|_V + \frac{1}{\alpha}\left(\frac{|(A - A_h)(v_h, \tilde{w}_h)|}{\|\tilde{w}_h\|_V} + \frac{|(F - F_h)(\tilde{w}_h)|}{\|\tilde{w}_h\|_V} \right)$$

• take inf over v_h and sup over w_h •

Example: Poisson, FEM with quadratures

Let $V = H_0^1(\Omega)$; $a(u,v) = \int_\Omega A \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \doteq (a_T)_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h}$

$F(v) = \int_\Omega f v$

Theorem: Assume: • $a_T \in W^{k,\infty}$ • $f \in W^{k,q}$ $\begin{cases} q \ge 2, \\ k > \frac{d}{q} \end{cases}$,

$u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \cap H^{k+1}(\Omega)$. Let A_h, F_h computed by element wise on every $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ using quadratures exact on $\mathbb{P}^{2k-2}(T)$.

[example: $k=1$, then need exact on constants]

Then, $|u-u_h|_1 \leq C h^k \left(|u|_{k+1} + \sum_{i,j=1}^{d} \|a_{ij}\|_{k,\infty} \|u\|_{k+1} + \|f\|_{W^{k,q}} \right)$

On quadrature formulas

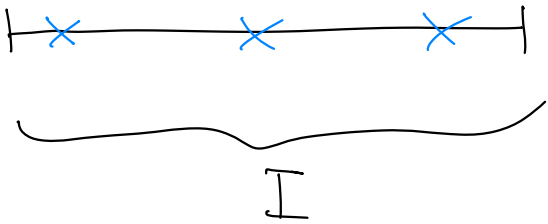
- Given T, $\int_T g(x)\,dx \simeq \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{nq} w_j\, g(x_j)}_{Q(g)}$

  (w_j, x_j) set of quadrature weights and nodes

  A quadrature rule is of order m if

  $$Q(p) = \int_T p(x)\,dx \quad \forall p \in \mathbb{P}^m(T)$$

  - Gauss quadrature: maximal order of quadrature for a given number of q. points. → available of any order for the interval



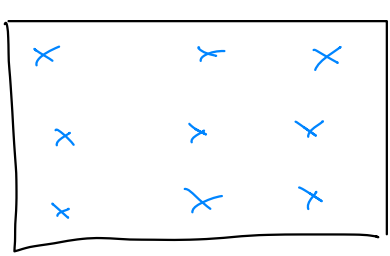
$$\int_I \varphi(x)\,dx$$

m points $\xrightarrow{\text{exact}}$ $\mathbb{P}^{2m-1}$

+ ∃ Gauss-Lobatto versions including end points

m points $\xrightarrow{\text{exact}}$ $\mathbb{P}^{2m-1}$

← Over rectangle



Gauss

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by tensor product of 1D Gauss obtain quad. rules for rectangle

$m \times m \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}^{2m-1}$

$\mathbb{P}^1$	$\mathbb{Q}^1$
$1, x$	$1, x$
$1, y$	y, xy

- map appropriately the rectangle into a triangle to get a (slightly wasteful) quad. rule
- Otherwise, there are ad hoc rules available (Q 8.2.1) using barycentric coordinates

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FD in 2D

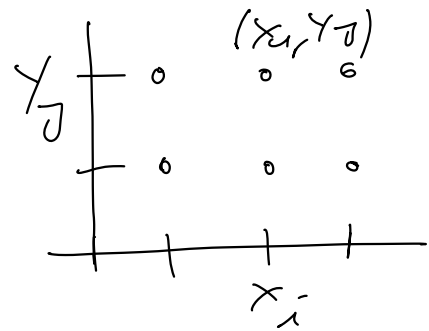
Start with Poisson in 2D:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \Omega = (0,1)^2 \\ u = 0 & \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

- Fix a rectangular grid:
  $N_x \times N_y$: (x_i, y_j) grid points

$h_x = \frac{1}{n_x}$, $h_y = \frac{1}{n_y}$

$x_i = i\, h_x$; $y_j = j\, h_y$



$$u(x_i, y_j) \simeq U_{ij}$$

$$\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} \simeq \underbrace{\left(\delta^x_{h_x}\right)^2 u(x,y)} + \left(\delta^y_{h_y}\right)^2$$

$u(x,y)$

$$\left(\delta^x_{h_x}\right)^2 u(x,y) = \frac{u(x+h_x, y) - 2u(x,y) + u(x-h_x, y)}{h_x^2}$$

FD method : Find $U = (U_{ij})$:

$$\begin{cases} U_{ij} = 0 & \text{if } (x_i, y_j) \in \partial\Omega \\ \left(\delta^x_{h_x}\right)^2 U_{ij} + \left(\delta^y_{h_y}\right)^2 U_{ij} = -f_{ij} := f(x_i, y_j) \end{cases}$$

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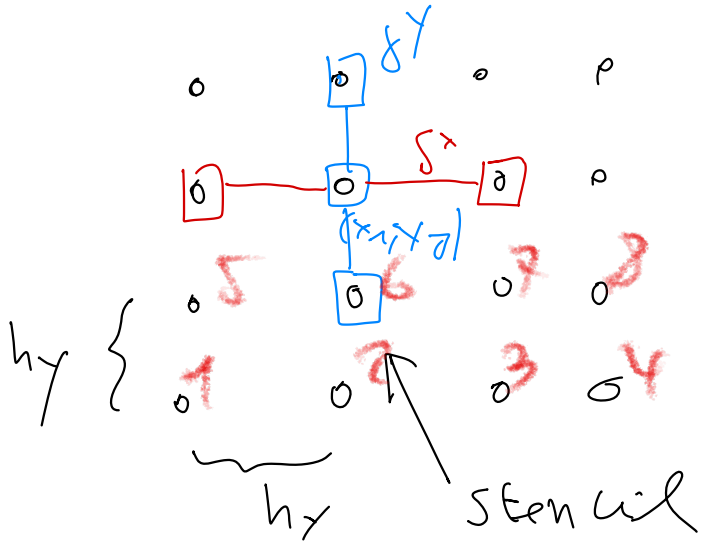


→ every eq. has 5 nonzero entries

FD LINEAR SYSTEM

Let $\underline{U} = (U_{1,1}, U_{2,1}, \dots, U_{M_x-1,1}, U_{1,2}, \dots, U_{M_x-1,2}, \dots, U_{1,M_y-1}, \dots, U_{M_x-1,M_y-1})$

Let $h_x = h_y = h$, $M_x = M_y = M$

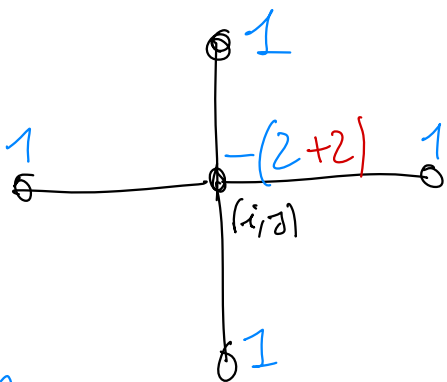
$$\underline{F} = -h^2 (f_{1,1}, \dots)$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} B & I & & \\ I & B & I & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \qquad I = (M-1) \times (M-1) \text{ Identity}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & -4 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

$(M-1) \times (M-1)$

$$\left(\delta_h^x\right)^2$$



$$\left(\delta_h^y\right)^2$$

bandwidth $\sim M$

$M-1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & & 0 \\ 1 & & & & & & \\ 0 & & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & & \\ 1 & & & & & & \\ 0 & & & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Penta diagonal matrix