

Mek4250 - Mandatory assignment 2

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Exercise 1

7.1) Given the following weak formulation of Stokes problem:

$$a(u, v) + b(p, v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

$$b(q, u) = 0 \quad \forall q \in L^2(\Omega)$$

Where $a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u : \nabla v dx$ and $b(p, v) = \int_{\Omega} p \nabla \cdot v dx$.

We then want to show the following conditions required for well-posedness:

$$a(u, v) \leq C_1 \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \forall v, u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad (1)$$

$$a(u, u) \geq D \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \quad \forall u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \quad (2)$$

$$b(q, u) \leq C_2 \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \|q\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall u \in H_0^1(\Omega), \quad \forall q \in L^2(\Omega) \quad (3)$$

Note that u and v are vector functions. To show the three conditions I will use the notation $u(x) = [u^1(x), \dots, u^d(x)]$, for $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$. We must also remember that the inner product " : " in the a form is defined as

$$\nabla u : \nabla v = \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d u_{x_j}^i(x) v_{x_j}^i(x)$$

Inequality (1)

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, v) &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla u : \nabla v dx = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d u_{x_j}^i v_{x_j}^i dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d (u_{x_j}^i, v_{x_j}^i)_{L^2(\Omega)} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d \|u_{x_j}^i\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \|v_{x_j}^i\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \text{using Cauchy-Schwartz inequality} \\ &\leq d \sum_{i=1}^d |u^i|_{H^1(\Omega)} |v^i|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \text{since } \|u_{x_j}^i\|_{L^2} \leq |u^i|_{H^1} \\ &\leq d^2 |u|_{H^1(\Omega)} |v|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \text{using } |u^i|_{H^1} \leq |u|_{H^1} \\ &\leq d^2 \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \text{since } |u|_{H^1} \leq \|u\|_{H^1} \end{aligned}$$

Inequality (2)

Using the Poincares inequality for $H_0^1(\Omega)$, given by:

$$|u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \geq C||u||_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, u) &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla u : \nabla u dx = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d u_{x_j}^i u_{x_j}^i dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d ||u_{x_j}^i||_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d |u^i|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 = |u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(|u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 + |u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2}(|u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 + C||u||_{L^2(\Omega)}^2) \\ &\geq \frac{\min\{1, C\}}{2}(|u|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 + ||u||_{L^2(\Omega)}^2) \\ &= D||u||_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality (3)

$$\begin{aligned} b(q, u) &= \int_{\Omega} q \nabla \cdot u dx = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^d q u_{x_i}^i dx \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^d ||q||_{L^2(\Omega)} ||u_{x_i}^i||_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \text{using Cauchy-Schwartz inequality} \\ &\leq ||q||_{L^2(\Omega)} \sum_{i=1}^d |u^i|_{H^1(\Omega)} \\ &\leq d||q||_{L^2(\Omega)} |u|_{H^1(\Omega)} \\ &\leq d||q||_{L^2(\Omega)} ||u||_{H^1(\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$