
Assignment 2 - Reading assignment

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1. section 1

Given the problem

$$-\Delta u + u = f \text{ in } \Omega \quad (1)$$

subject to Dirichlet BC

$$u = u_0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega_D \quad (2)$$

and the Neumann BC

$$\nabla u \cdot n = g \text{ on } \partial\Omega_N \quad (3)$$

we project the problem into the function space of the test function v , that is multiply the equation by the test function and integrate over the domain:

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u + u)v \, d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} f v \, d\Omega. \quad (4)$$

We apply integration by parts on the LHS of the equation (4):

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u + u)v \, d\Omega = - \int_{\Omega} \nabla(v \nabla u) \, d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} (\nabla v \nabla u) \, d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} v u \, d\Omega. \quad (5)$$

We further apply Gauss theorem on the first RHS term in equation (5) and use Neumann BC:

$$- \int_{\Omega} \nabla(v \nabla u) \, d\Omega = - \int_{\partial\Omega} (v \nabla u) n \, d\partial\Omega = - \int_{\partial\Omega} v g \, d\partial\Omega. \quad (6)$$

Substituting (6) back into (5) and (4) we obtain:

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\nabla v \nabla u + uv) \, d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} f v \, d\Omega + \int_{\partial\Omega} v g \, d\partial\Omega, \quad (7)$$

which is the weak formulation of the original problem.