

# Solution Homework No 11

No 2.  $L(u)(x) := -\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla u(x) + b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) + e(x) u(x) = f(x), x \in \Omega \quad (0.1)$

subject to  $\begin{cases} u(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma \subset \partial\Omega \\ -k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} = g_2(x), & x \in \partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma \end{cases} \quad (0.2)$

[This is a combination of §1.1 and §1.2 in Essential and Natural Boundary Conditions].

Multiplying (0.1) thru by a suitably nice  $v(x)$  and integrating over  $\Omega$ ,

$$\underbrace{- \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla u(x) v(x) dx}_{\text{I}} + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) v(x) dx + \int_{\Omega} e(x) u(x) v(x) dx = \int_{\Omega} f(x) v(x) dx \quad (0.3)$$

$$= - \int_{\partial\Omega} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) ds + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) dx$$

$$= - \int_{\Gamma} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) ds - \int_{\partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) ds + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) dx$$

$$= - \int_{\Gamma} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) ds + \int_{\partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma} g_2(x) v(x) ds + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) dx$$

As we have no information on  $\frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n}$  along  $\Gamma$ , we can make this term go away by imposing on  $v$  (i.e. the test space)  $v|_{\Gamma} = 0$ . Note that this matches (0.2)(a).  $\rightarrow$

(0.3) then becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) v(x) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} e(x) u(x) v(x) d\Omega \\ = \int_{\Gamma} f(x) v(x) d\Omega - \int_{\partial\Omega \setminus \Gamma} g_2(x) v(x) ds. \quad (0.4) \end{aligned}$$

Now, for  $k(x)$ ,  $b(x)$ ,  $e(x)$  sufficiently nice, all of the terms on the LHS of (0.4) are well defined for  $u, v \in H^1(\Omega)$ . In view of (0.2)(a) and the condition  $v|_{\Gamma} = 0$ , in this case we have the same test and trial space.

$$H_p^1(\Omega) = \{w \in H^1(\Omega) : w|_{\Gamma} = 0\}$$

In terms of the "weak formulation", nothing is gained by integrating by parts the second integral on the L.H.S of (0.4). The first integral requires  $u, v \in H^1$ , so integrating by parts on the second integral will not "weaken" this requirement.

For the first integral on the RHS of (0.4) we require  $f \in (H^1(\Omega))'$  and the second integral  $g_2 \in (H_p^{1/2}(\partial\Omega))'$ .

Weak Formulation: Given  $f \in (H^1(\Omega))'$  and  $g_2 \in (H_p^{1/2}(\partial\Omega))'$  determine  $u \in H_p^1(\Omega)$  such that for all  $v \in H_p^1(\Omega)$

$$B(u, v) = F(v)$$

where

$$B(w, v) := \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla w(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla w(x) v(x) d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} e(x) w(x) v(x) d\Omega$$

$$\text{and } F(v) := \langle f, v \rangle_{(H_p^1(\Omega))', H_p^1(\Omega)} - \langle g_2, v \rangle_{(H_p^{1/2}(\partial\Omega))', H_p^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)}$$

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$$-\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla u(x) + b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) + c(x)u(x) = f \text{ in } \Omega \quad (0.3)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} = g(x), \quad x \in \partial\Omega. \quad (0.4)$$

[ This is similar to Example 2 in The Aubin-Nitsche Trick and Negative Norm Estimates ]

Multiplying through by a suitably nice function  $v(x)$  and integrating over  $\Omega$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla u(x) v(x) \, dx + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) v(x) \, dx + \int_{\Omega} c(x)u(x)v(x) \, dx \\ & \quad \underbrace{- \int_{\Omega} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) \, ds}_{\text{---}} + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, dx \\ & \quad = \int_{\Omega} f(x)v(x) \, dx \end{aligned} \quad -(0.6)$$

$$= - \int_{\partial\Omega} k(x) \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} v(x) \, ds + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, dx$$

$$= - \int_{\partial\Omega} k(x) g(x) v(x) \, ds + \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, dx$$

Thus, (0.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (0.7) \iff & \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, dx + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) v(x) \, dx + \int_{\Omega} c(x)u(x)v(x) \, dx \\ & = \int_{\Omega} f(x)v(x) \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} k(x) g(x) v(x) \, ds. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain the weak formulation: (See discussion above regarding the spaces) Given  $f \in (H'(\Omega))'$ ,  $g \in (H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\partial\Omega))'$  determine  $u \in H'(\Omega)$  such that for all  $v \in H'(\Omega)$

$$B(u, v) = F(v) \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$\text{where } B(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) dx + \int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) v(x) dx + \int_{\Omega} c(x) u(x) v(x) dx$$

$$F(v) = \langle f, v \rangle_{(H^1(\Omega))', H^1(\Omega)} + \langle \langle \operatorname{rg} g, v \rangle \rangle_{(H^{1/2}(\partial\Omega))', H^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)}.$$

(ii)  $\ell: H^1(\Omega) \rightarrow (H^1(\Omega))'$  defined by

$$L(w)(\cdot) := -\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla w(x) + b(x) \cdot \nabla w(x) + c(x) w(x).$$

(iii). We need to throw the derivatives off  $u$  in (0.7)

$$\int_{\Omega} k(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, ds$$

$$= \int_{\partial\Omega} k(x) \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial n} u(x) \, ds - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla v(x) \, ds.$$

$$\int_{\Omega} b(x) \cdot \nabla u(x) \cdot v(x) \, d\Omega \\ = \int_{\partial\Omega} v(x) b(x) \cdot n(x) \cdot u(x) \, ds - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (b(x) v(x)) u(x) \, d\Omega$$

$$= \int_{\partial\Omega} V(x) \cdot \hat{b}(x) \cdot \hat{n}(x) u(x) ds - \int_{\Omega} \left( b(x) \cdot \nabla V(x) + \nabla \cdot \hat{b}(x) V(x) \right) u(x) dx.$$

Thus the LHS of (0.7) becomes

$$\int_{\Omega} \left( -\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla V(x) - b(x) \cdot \nabla V(x) + (c(x) - \nabla \cdot b(x)) V(x) \right) u(x) \, dx$$

$\vdash L^*(v)$       +       $\int_{\partial\Omega} (k(x) \nabla V(x) + b(x) V(x)) \cdot n \, u(x) \, ds$   
goes in B.C.

Thus  $\mathcal{L}^*: H'(s\ell) \rightarrow (H'(s\ell))'$  is defined by

$$L^*(v) = -\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla v(x) - b(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) + (c(x) - \nabla \cdot b(x)) v(x)$$

and an associated adjoint problem

$$-\nabla \cdot k(x) \nabla v(x) - b(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) + (c(x) - \nabla \cdot b(x)) v(x) = h(x), \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$\text{subject to } k(x) \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} + b(x) \cdot n(x) v(x) = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega,$$