

Midterm II Info

Question I.

We have covered the following topics:

- A simple Finite Element method, examples in 1D and 2D
- Finite element spaces, unisolvence
- Implementational aspects (quadrature, assembly)
- a priori error analysis: Quasi optimality, interpolation estimates, the Bramble-Hilbert Lemma

Question II.

Answer the following questions:

- a - Recall the definition of Sobolev spaces. What is a generalized derivative? What are the norms of the spaces $H^1(\Omega)$, $H^2(\Omega)$, $H_0^1(\Omega)$ and $L^2(\Omega)$ for $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$?
- b - Also write out the semi norms $|\cdot|_{H^1(\Omega)}$, $|\cdot|_{H^2(\Omega)}$.
- c - What is the Lagrange nodal basis of P_1 ?
- d - Explain in detail how the elliptic model problem, $-\Delta u = f$, $u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$, on the unit square $\Omega = [0, 1]^2$ can be approximated with linear (Lagrange) finite elements. How is the stiffness matrix A and the load vector F constructed?
- e - Find unisolvent degrees of freedom for $P_2(T)$, $P_3(T)$ and $P_4(T)$.
- f - Give an example of a non-conforming, an H^1 -conforming and an H^2 -conforming finite element.
- g - What is quasi-optimality (Céa's lemma); correspondingly when can you expect an *optimality* result to be true?
- h - What is Galerkin orthogonality?
- i - What is the statement of the Bramble-Hilbert lemma? Recall the interpolation estimate that we derived with the Bramble-Hilbert lemma on the unit simplex.
- j - What is form (structural), shape, and size regularity?

Question III.

Show that the Argyrus element defined on a triangle T ,

$$V(T) = P_5(T), \quad p(a_i), \nabla p(a_i), \nabla^2 p(a_i), \partial_n p(m_i),$$

is unisolvent. Here, a_i denotes vertices, and m_i midpoints on edges. Show that the Argyrus element is H^2 -conforming.

Question IV.

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be a bounded, convex polygonal domain and let \mathcal{T}_b be a triangulation of Ω . Let V_b be the linear finite element space subject to \mathcal{T}_b . We consider the elliptic problem

$$-\Delta u + \gamma(x)u = f(x) \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad u(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } x \in \partial\Omega.$$

- Formulate the corresponding Galerkin problems (G) with solution u and (G_b) with solution u_b . What is the correct function space V for the above elliptic problem?
- State assumptions on the data $(\mathcal{T}_b, \gamma, f)$ under which (i) the problems (G), (G_b) are well-posed, (ii) the solution $u \in H^2$, and (iii) the following a priori error estimate holds true:

$$\|u - u_b\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + h |u - u_b|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq C h^2 |u|_{H^2(\Omega)}.$$

- Prove the a priori estimate given in (b)! More precisely, show that

$$|u - u_b|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq C h |u|_{H^2(\Omega)},$$

- and with the help of the Aubin-Nitsche trick show that

$$\|u - u_b\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C h^2 |u|_{H^2(\Omega)}.$$

Question V.

Have a look at the following homework questions: Homework IV, Q2; Homework VI, Q1, Q2, Q3; Homework VII, Q1, Q2.

II

a. A function $u: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has a generalized
ith partial derivative v if

$$\int_{\Omega} u \partial_i \phi = - \int_{\Omega} v \phi$$

for all $\phi: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ so

1. $\partial_i \phi: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
exists

2. $\phi = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$

$$\|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + u^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} \sum_{i \leq j} (\partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} u)^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + u^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\|u\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} u^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

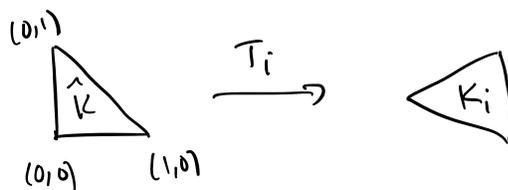
$$b. \quad |u|_{H^1(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$|u|_{H^2(\Omega)} = \left(\int_{\Omega} \sum_{i \leq j} (\partial_i \partial_j u)^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

c. For simplicity, suppose $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is a polygonal domain. Let \hat{K} be the reference triangle. Suppose that we can construct

a triangulation $T_h = \{K_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N}$ of Ω

where 1. Each K_i is a triangle given by an affine reference transformation



2. $\Omega \subset \bigcup_i K_i$, 3. Each $K_i \cap K_j = \emptyset$, or

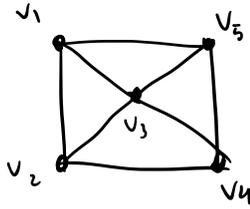
$K_i \cap K_j$ is a common

edge: , or

a common vertex: 

4. Each $K_i \subset \Omega$

Let $\{v_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N_v}$ denote the vertices of this triangulation, eg



$$\{v_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N} = \bigcup_i \{T_i(0,0), T_i(1,0), T_i(0,1)\}$$

Then the Lagrange nodal basis ^{for P^1} associated to the vertices $\{v_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N_v}$ is the collection of functions $\{\phi_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N_v}$ where

1. Each $\phi_i : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous

2. Each $\phi_i \circ T_j : \hat{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a degree ≤ 1 polynomial on \hat{K} (for all i, j)

3. Each $\phi_i(v_j) = \delta_{ij}$ for all i, j

d. $-\Delta u = f$ on Ω

$u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$

weak form: $a(u, \phi) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla \phi$, $F(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} f \phi$

$V = H_0^1(\Omega)$

Find $u \in V$ so $a(u, \phi) = F(\phi) \quad \forall \phi \in V.$

T_h triangulation of Ω as above.

$$V_h = \left\{ \phi_h \in C^0(\Omega) \mid \phi_h \circ T_i \in P^1(\hat{K}) \quad \forall i \right\} \cap \left\{ \phi : \phi|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \right\}$$

Basis = $\{ \phi_i \}_{i=1, \dots, N_v}$ Lagrange nodal basis as above

Discrete problem: Find $u_h = \sum_i \underbrace{u_i}_{\in \mathbb{R}} \phi_i$ so

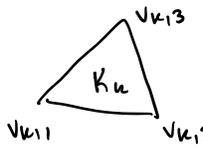
$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^{N_v} \underbrace{a(\phi_i, \phi_j)}_{A_{ji}} u_i = F(\phi_j) \quad \text{for all } j=1, \dots, N_v \\ \underbrace{F_j}_{\text{load vector}} \quad \text{so } v_j \notin \partial\Omega \\ u_i = 0 \quad \forall i \text{ so } v_i = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega \end{array} \right.$$

Each element K_i has vertices $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, v_{i3} \in \{v_i\}_{i=1, \dots, N_v}$

This defines a local-to-global enumeration

$$I : \underbrace{\{1, \dots, N\}}_{\# \text{ elements}} \times \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \underbrace{\{1, \dots, N_v\}}_{\# \text{ vertices}}.$$

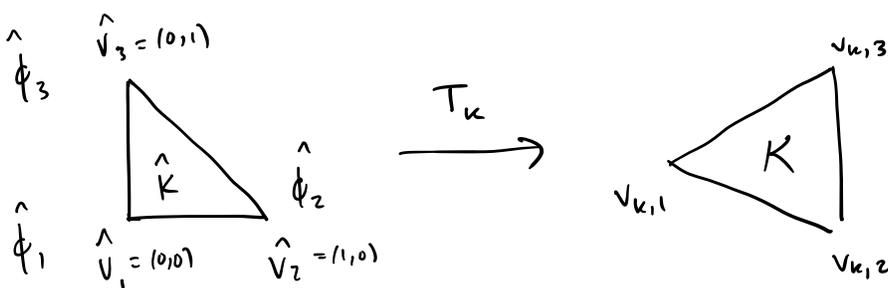
Then $A = \sum_{k=1}^N \underbrace{A^k}_{\text{element matrix}}$

$$A_{ij}^k = \int_{K_k} \nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_j = 0 \quad \text{if } v_i \notin \{v_{k,1}, v_{k,2}, v_{k,3}\} \\ \text{or} \\ v_j \notin \{v_{k,1}, v_{k,2}, v_{k,3}\}$$


when $v_i, v_j \in \{v_{k,1}, v_{k,2}, v_{k,3}\}$ ie $i, j \in \{I(k,1), I(k,2), I(k,3)\}$

$$A_{I(k,l), I(k,m)}^k = \int_{K_k} \nabla \phi_{I(k,l)} \cdot \nabla \phi_{I(k,m)}$$

The vertices are locally enumerated in such a way so that



1. $T_k(\hat{v}_i) = v_{k,i}$,

2. $\phi_{I(k,i)} \circ T_k = \hat{\phi}_i$, where

$$\hat{\phi}_1 : \hat{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \hat{\phi}_1(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) = 1 - \hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2, \quad \nabla \hat{\phi}_1 = (-1, -1)$$

$$\hat{\phi}_2(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) = \hat{x}_1, \quad \nabla \hat{\phi}_2 = (1, 0)$$

$$\hat{\phi}_3(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) = \hat{x}_2, \quad \nabla \hat{\phi}_3 = (0, 1)$$

$$3. \quad T_\kappa(\hat{x}) = v_{\kappa,1} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} v_{\kappa,2} - v_{\kappa,1} & v_{\kappa,3} - v_{\kappa,2} \end{bmatrix}}_{M_\kappa} \hat{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \quad J T_\kappa &= M_\kappa ; \quad \nabla \hat{\phi}_i = \nabla (\phi_{I(\kappa,i)} \circ T_\kappa) \\ &= \left\{ (\nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,i)}) \circ T_\kappa \right\} J T_\kappa \\ &= (\nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,i)} \circ T_\kappa) M_\kappa \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow (\nabla \hat{\phi}_i) M_\kappa^{-1} = \nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,i)} \circ T_\kappa$$

$$\text{Thus } A_{I(\kappa,l)I(\kappa,m)}^\kappa = \int_{K_\kappa} \nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,l)} \circ T_\kappa \cdot \nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,m)} \circ T_\kappa \, dx$$

$$x = T_\kappa(\hat{x}) \xrightarrow{\quad} = \int_{\hat{K}} (\nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,l)} \circ T_\kappa) \cdot (\nabla \phi_{I(\kappa,m)} \circ T_\kappa) |\det J T_\kappa| \, d\hat{x}$$

$$= \int_{\hat{K}} \underbrace{(\nabla \hat{\phi}_l M_\kappa^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m M_\kappa^{-1})}_{\text{constant}} |\det M_\kappa| \, d\hat{x}$$

$$\int_{\hat{K}} d\hat{x} = 1/2$$

$$= \frac{(\nabla \hat{\phi}_l M_k^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m M_k^{-1}) |\det M_k|}{2}$$

$$\therefore A_{ij}^k = \begin{cases} 0, & i \notin \{I(k,1), I(k,2), I(k,3)\} \text{ or} \\ & j \notin \{I(k,1), I(k,2), I(k,3)\} \\ (\nabla \hat{\phi}_l M_k^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m M_k^{-1}) \frac{|\det M_k|}{2}, & \end{cases}$$

$$\text{if } i = I(k,l), \\ j = I(k,m), \\ l, m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\text{and } A = \sum_{k=1}^N A^k.$$

$$\text{Similarly, } F = \sum_{k=1}^N \bar{F}^k$$

element load vector

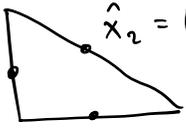
$$F_j^k = \int_{K_k} f \phi_j = \begin{cases} 0, & j \notin \{I(k,1), I(k,2), I(k,3)\} \\ \int_{K_k} f \phi_{I(k,l)}, & j = I(k,l), l \in \{1, 2, 3\}. \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{K_k} f \phi_{I(k,l)} dx = \int_{\hat{K}} f \circ T_k \phi_{I(k,l)} \circ T_k \underbrace{|\det M_k|}_{\text{constant}} d\hat{x}$$

$$= |\det M_k| \int_{\hat{K}} f \circ T_k \hat{\phi}_l d\hat{x}$$

$$\approx |\det M_k| \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_q} w_n f(T_k(\hat{x}_n)) \hat{\phi}_l(\hat{x}_n)}_{\text{quadrature rule on } \hat{K}}$$

eg. $(0, 1/2) = \hat{x}_3$



$\hat{x}_2 = (1/2, 1/2)$
 $\hat{x}_1 = (1/2, 0)$

$w_1 = w_2 = w_3 = 1/3$

so $F = \sum_{k=1}^N F^k$

$$F_j^k = \begin{cases} 0, & j \notin \{I(k,1), I(k,2), I(k,3)\} \\ \frac{|\det M_k|}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_q} f(T_k(\hat{x}_n)) \hat{\phi}_l(\hat{x}_n) + \text{quadrature error} & \text{if} \end{cases}$$

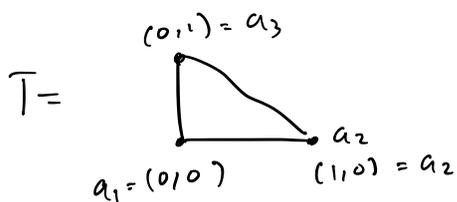
$$j = I(k,l),$$

$$l \in \{1,2,3\}$$

Post-process Boundary conditions in A, F

and then solve for u

e. $P_2(T) = \text{span} \{1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2\}$



Need 6 unisolvent dof's

idea: start w/ P^1 dofs : $p(a_i)$ (3 dofs)

Now try to prove unisolvence and add extra dofs as needed.

$$p(x,y) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3y + c_4x^2 + c_5xy + c_6y^2$$

$$p(0,0) = c_1 = 0 \rightarrow p(x,y) = c_2x + c_3y + c_4x^2 + c_5xy + c_6y^2$$

$$\rightarrow p(1,0) = c_2 + c_4 = 0 \rightarrow c_2 = -c_4$$

$$\rightarrow p(x,y) = c_2x(1-x) + c_3y + c_5xy + c_6y^2 \rightarrow$$

$$p(0,1) = c_3 + c_6 = 0 \rightarrow c_3 = -c_6 \rightarrow$$

$$p(x,y) = c_2x(1-x) + c_3y(1-y) + c_5xy$$

Now pick 3 other points for dofs. Let's try

one of the form $a_4 = (x,0) \rightarrow p(x,0) = c_2x(1-x)$

choose $0 < x < 1$ so $x, 1-x \neq 0$. Natural choice is $x = 1/2$,

so $a_4 = (1/2, 0)$ and dof #4 is $p(1/2, 0) = \frac{c_2}{4} = 0 \rightarrow$

$$c_2 = 0 \rightarrow p(x,y) = c_3y(1-y) + c_5xy.$$

Symmetry $\rightarrow a_5 = (0, 1/2) \rightarrow$ dof #5 is $p(0, 1/2)$

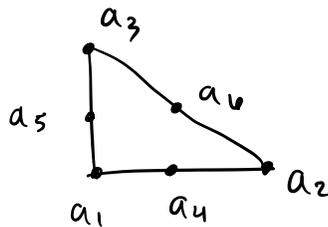
$$= \frac{c_3}{4} = 0 \rightarrow c_3 = 0 \rightarrow p(x, y) = c_5 xy$$

pick dof #6 to be any $(x, y) \in \hat{K}$ so $xy \neq 0$.

Natural choice is $x = y = 1/2$ so dof #6

$$\text{is } p(1/2, 1/2) = \frac{c_5}{4} = 0 \rightarrow c_5 = 0$$

\therefore w/ dof's



If $p(a_i) = 0 \forall i$ then $p = 0 \therefore$ unisolent.

$$P_3(T) = \text{span} \{ 1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2, x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3 \}$$

Need 10 DOF'S. Trying the same idea as before is messy.

Let's do something else.

Start trying to prove unisolvence and define DOF'S along the way:

$$p(x, y) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 y + c_4 x^2 + c_5 xy + c_6 y^2 + c_7 x^3 + c_8 x^2 y + c_9 xy^2 + c_{10} y^3$$

$$\text{Dof \#1} \quad p(0,0) = c_1 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{Dof \#2} \quad \partial_x p(x,y) = c_2 + 2c_4x + c_5y + 3c_7x^2 \\ + 2c_8xy + c_9y^2$$

$$\partial_x p(0,0) = c_2 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\partial_y p(x,y) = c_3 + c_5x + 2c_6y + c_8x^2 + 2c_9xy \\ + 3c_{10}y^2$$

$$\text{Dof \#3} \quad \partial_y p(0,0) = c_3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$p(x,y) = c_4x^2 + c_5xy + c_6y^2 + c_7x^3 + c_8x^2y + c_9xy^2 + c_{10}y^3$$

$$p(x,0) = c_4x^2 + c_7x^3$$

$$\text{Dof \#4} \quad p(1,0) = c_4 + c_7 = 0 \rightarrow c_4 = -c_7$$

$$p(x,y) = c_4x^2(1-x) + c_5xy + c_8x^2y + c_9xy^2 + c_{10}y^3 \\ + c_6y^2$$

$$\text{Dof \#5} \quad p(0,1) = c_6 + c_{10} = 0 \rightarrow c_6 = -c_{10} \rightarrow$$

$$p(x,y) = c_4x^2(1-x) + c_5xy + c_6y^2(1-y) + \\ c_8x^2y + c_9xy^2$$

$$\partial_x p(x,y) = c_4 (2x - 3x^2) + c_5 y + 2c_8 xy + c_9 y^2$$

$$\text{DoF \# 6} \quad \partial_x p(1,0) = -c_4 = 0 \rightarrow c_4 = 0$$

$$\text{DoF \# 7} \quad \partial_y p(0,1) = -c_6 = 0 \rightarrow c_6 = 0$$

$$\therefore p(x,y) = c_5 xy + c_8 x^2 y + c_9 xy^2$$

$$\partial_x p(x,y) = c_5 y + 2c_8 xy + c_9 y^2$$

$$\partial_y p(x,y) = c_5 x + c_8 x^2 + 2c_9 xy$$

$$\text{DoF \# 8} \quad \partial_x p(0,1) = c_5 + c_9 = 0 \rightarrow c_5 = -c_9 \quad \left. \vphantom{\partial_x p(0,1)} \right\} \rightarrow c_8 = c_9$$

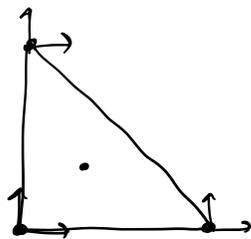
$$\text{DoF \# 9} \quad \partial_y p(1,0) = c_5 + c_8 = 0 \rightarrow c_5 = -c_8$$

$$\therefore p(x,y) = c_5 (xy - x^2 y - xy^2)$$

$$\text{DoF \# 10} \quad p\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = c_5 \left(\frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{27} - \frac{1}{27}\right) = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$c_5 = 0$$

unisolvent!



$$P_4(T) = \text{span} \{ 1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2, x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3, x^4, x^3y, x^2y^2, xy^3, y^4 \}$$

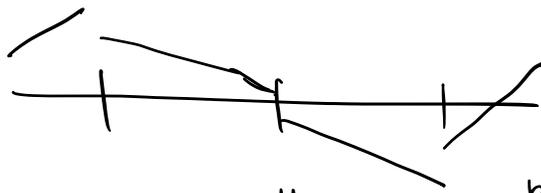
Need 15 DOFS for this one. I'm too lazy to do it.

f. Non-conforming: "Broken" finite element space

$$V_h^b = \{ \phi_h \in L^2(\Omega) \mid \phi_h \circ T_k \in P^1(\hat{K}) \forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h \}$$

↑ Notice we do not require continuity. In 1D,

a typical ϕ_h looks like



Notice the jumps,

hence "broken".

the "non-conforming" property

Basic theory tells us $V_h^b \not\subset H^1(\Omega)$

H^1 -conforming: continuous FE space

$$V_h^c = \{ \phi_h \in C^0(\Omega) \mid \phi_h \circ T_k \in P^1(\hat{K}) \forall K \}$$

↪ Now we impose continuity

Basic theory tells us $V_h^c \subset H^1(\Omega)$
↑
the conforming property

H^2 -conforming: For H^1 -conforming, we needed functions to be cts on edges of mesh. For H^2 -conforming, we need functions to be C^1 on edges of the mesh. I haven't worked w/ H^2 -conforming FE before, but it looks like the FE in III is H^2 -conforming.

g. Let V be a Banach space and

$a: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $F: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy

1. a is cts, elliptic, bilinear
2. F is cts, linear

Let V_h be a subspace of V . Then we know \exists unique $u \in V$ so

$$a(u, \phi) = F(\phi) \quad \forall \phi \in V \quad \text{and}$$

$$\exists \text{ unique } u_h \in V_h \text{ so } a(u_h, \phi_h) = F(\phi_h) \quad \forall \phi_h \in V_h.$$

Cea's Lemma states that $\exists C > 0$ so

$$\|u - u_h\|_V \leq C \inf_{\phi_h \in V_h} \|u - \phi_h\|_V.$$

This estimate is quasi-optimal b/c of the constant C . To see when we obtain the optimal estimate

$$\|u - u_h\|_V = \min_{\phi_h \in V_h} \|u - \phi_h\|_V, \quad \text{Let's}$$

prove Cea's Lemma:

pf. observe: $a(u - u_h, \phi_h) = 0 \quad \forall \phi_h \in V_h$.

$$\text{Thus } \alpha \|u - u_h\|^2 \leq \overset{\leftarrow \text{ coercivity}}{a(u - u_h, u - u_h)}$$

$$= a(u - u_n, u - \phi_n)$$

Continuity $\rightarrow \leq C \|u - u_n\| \|u - \phi_n\|$

$$\rightarrow \|u - u_n\| \leq \frac{C}{\alpha} \|u - \phi_n\| \quad \forall \phi_n \in V_n \quad \square$$

We observe that if $\boxed{\frac{C}{\alpha} \leq 1}$ ^(*), then

the last line of the proof actually reads

$$\|u - u_n\| \leq \|u - \phi_n\| \quad \forall \phi_n \in V_n \quad \rightarrow \|u - u_n\| = \min_{\phi_n \in V_n} \|u - \phi_n\|,$$

so optimality is obtained when (*) holds.

One way for this to hold is when

a is symmetric, cts, coercive, bilinear

this implies $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is an inner product on V

and we take $\|u\|_V = \sqrt{a(u, u)}$ the energy norm,

n. Galerkin orthogonality:

Let $a: \underbrace{V \times V}_{\text{bilinear}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $F: \underbrace{V}_{\text{linear}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

and let $V_h \subset V$. Then if there

exists $u \in V$ st $a(u, \phi) = F(\phi) \quad \forall \phi \in V$,

and if $\exists u_h \in V_h$ st $a(u_h, \phi_h) = F(\phi_h) \quad \forall \phi_h \in V_h$,

we have Galerkin orthogonality:

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

pf. $a(u, \phi_h) = F(\phi_h) = a(u_h, \phi_h) \rightarrow$
 \uparrow
 $V_h \subset V$

$$\begin{aligned} a(u - u_h, \phi_h) & \overset{\text{bilinear}}{=} a(u, \phi_h) - a(u_h, \phi_h) \\ & = F(\phi_h) - F(\phi_h) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

□

i, j : These should be in the class notes.

III. SKIP!

IV. Covered in recitation + some
results are in the notes

V. Check your old HW's / my old
HW hints