

Lecture 25

Theorem: $-\Delta : H_0^1(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)$ is an isometric isomorphism.

Proof:

we know that, for each $f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$,

$$\begin{aligned}-\Delta u &= f \\ \gamma_0 u &= 0\end{aligned}$$

has a unique solution $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$.

This implies that $-\Delta$ is 1-to-1 and onto. we need to show it is an isometry, indeed;

$$\|-\Delta u\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} = \|f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)} = \sup_{\substack{v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \\ v \neq 0}} \frac{\langle f, v \rangle}{\|v\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}} = \sup_{\substack{v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \\ v \neq 0}} \frac{\langle -\Delta u, v \rangle}{\|\nabla v\|} = \sup_{\substack{v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \\ v \neq 0}} \frac{\langle \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle}{\|\nabla v\|} = \|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}$$

* Let $L_0^2(\Omega) = \{u \in L^2(\Omega) : \int u = 0\}$

note that $L_0^2(\Omega)$ is a Hilbert subspace of $L^2(\Omega)$, indeed;

$$\begin{aligned}\text{let } u_n &\in L_0^2(\Omega) \rightarrow u \\ u_n &\rightarrow u \implies \langle u_n, v \rangle \rightarrow \langle u, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in L^2(\Omega) \\ &\implies \langle u_n, 1 \rangle \rightarrow \langle u, 1 \rangle \implies \int u = 0\end{aligned}$$

Lemma: $\nabla : H_0^1(\Omega)^n \rightarrow L_0^2(\Omega)$ is an isomorphism.

Proof:

1- $R(\nabla.) \subseteq L_0^2(\Omega)$, for $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ we need to show $\int \nabla.u = 0$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla.u = \langle \nabla.u, 1 \rangle = \langle u, \nabla 1 \rangle = 0$$

2- $\nabla.$ is bounded, indeed;

$$\|\nabla.u\|_{L^2}^2 = \left\| \sum \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right\|^2 = \int \left| \sum \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right|^2 \leq n \sum \int \left| \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \right|^2 \leq n \sum \int |\nabla u_i|^2 = n \|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)^n}^2 \implies \|\nabla.\| \leq \sqrt{n}$$

3- $\nabla.$ is onto

$$(\nabla.)^* = -\nabla : L_0^2(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)^n$$

we show that $-\nabla$ is 1-to-1

$$\begin{aligned}-\nabla u &= 0 \text{ in } H^{-1}(\Omega)^n \implies u = c \text{ (constant)} \\ \int c &= 0 \implies c \int 1 = 0 \implies c = 0\end{aligned}$$

4- $\nabla.$ is 1-to-1

$$\begin{aligned}\text{let } \nabla.u &= 0 \text{ for some } u \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n \implies \langle \nabla.u, v \rangle = 0 \quad \forall v \in L_0^2(\Omega) \\ &\text{since } \nabla. \text{ is onto} \\ &\implies v = \nabla.w \text{ for some } w \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n \implies \langle \nabla.u, \nabla.w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n \\ &\implies \langle u, -\Delta w \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n \implies \langle u, f \rangle = 0 \quad \forall f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)^n \implies u = 0\end{aligned}$$

Stokes Problem

Let $V = H_0^1(\Omega)^n$, $V^* = H^{-1}(\Omega)^n$, $Y = L_0^2(\Omega) = Y^*$.
we need to find $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n$, $p \in L_0^2(\Omega)$ such that

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u + \nabla p = f, & f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)^n \\ \nabla \cdot u = 0 \end{cases}$$

Let $W = \{u \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n : \nabla \cdot u = 0\}$

$$P : \inf_{u \in H_0^1(\Omega)^n} \frac{1}{2} \|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)^n}^2 - \langle f, u \rangle + \chi_{\{0\}}(\nabla \cdot u)$$

$$F(u) = \frac{1}{2} \|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)^n}^2 - \langle f, u \rangle$$

$$A : \nabla \cdot : H_0^1(\Omega)^n \rightarrow L_0^2(\Omega)$$

$$A^* : -\nabla : L_0^2(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{-1}(\Omega)^n$$

$$G(p) = \chi_{\{0\}}(p) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p = 0 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$G^*(u^*) = 0$$

$$F^*(u^*) = \frac{1}{2} \|u^* + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2$$

$$P^* : \sup_{p^* \in Y^*} \frac{-1}{2} \|-\nabla p^* + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2$$

P has a unique solution and P^* has a unique solution.

Extremality Condition

$$F(\bar{u}) + F^*(A^* \bar{p}^*) = \langle A^* \bar{p}^*, \bar{u} \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\bar{u}\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)^n}^2 - \langle f, \bar{u} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|-\nabla \bar{p}^* + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \langle -\nabla \bar{p}^*, \bar{u} \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\bar{u}\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)^n}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|-\nabla \bar{p}^* + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \langle -\nabla \bar{p}^* + f, \bar{u} \rangle$$

since $-\Delta$ is an isometry \implies

$$\frac{1}{2} \|-\Delta \bar{u}\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|-\nabla \bar{p}^* + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \langle -\nabla \bar{p}^* + f, \bar{u} \rangle$$

$$\|-\Delta \bar{u} + \nabla \bar{p}^* - f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = 0$$

$$-\Delta \bar{u} + \nabla \bar{p}^* = f$$

The Direct Proof of The Existence of a Solution for P^*

Suppose P_m is a minimizing sequence

$$\|-\nabla p_m + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 \longrightarrow \alpha = \inf \|-\nabla p + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2$$

$\implies \|\nabla p_m\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}$ is bounded $\implies -\nabla p_m \rightharpoonup F$ weak convergence

$$\langle -\nabla p_m, v \rangle \rightharpoonup \langle F, v \rangle$$

\implies

$$\{\langle -\nabla p_m, v \rangle\}$$

is bounded \implies

$$\langle -\nabla p_m, v \rangle = \langle p_m, \nabla \cdot v \rangle \text{ by Green's Formula}$$

$$\{\langle p_m, \nabla \cdot v \rangle\} \text{ is bounded for each } v \in H_0^1(\Omega).$$

$$\implies \{\langle p_m, w \rangle\} \text{ is bounded for each } w \in L_0^2(\Omega)$$

By the uniform boundedness principle, $\{p_m\}$ is uniformly bounded in $L_0^2(\Omega)$. so,

$$p_m \rightharpoonup p_0 \text{ (subsequence)}$$

$$-\nabla p_m \rightharpoonup -\nabla p_0$$

claim:

$$\|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \alpha, \text{ indeed;}$$

$$\|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \langle -\nabla p_0 + f, -\nabla p_0 + f \rangle = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \langle -\nabla p_0 + f, -\nabla p_0 + f \rangle \leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n} \|\nabla p_m + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}$$

\implies

$$\|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n} \leq \sqrt{\alpha} \implies \|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 \leq \alpha \implies \|\nabla p_0 + f\|_{H^{-1}(\Omega)^n}^2 = \alpha$$