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BASIC IDEAS IN APPLIED FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS

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room 112.

In order to solve this problem, we apply the Lax
 mitgram theorem replacing the second member by.

$$\langle \tilde{f}, v \rangle = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v \, dx + \int_{\Gamma} g_0 \gamma_0 v$$

$\tilde{f}$ defined by this way $\in (H^1(\Omega))'$ which is not a
 space of distributions. Anyway Lax mitgram is working
 but the interpretation (51) is just formal.

IV.5. Mixed Homogeneous Dirichlet-Neuman problem

$$(52) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u + 1u = f \\ \gamma_0 u = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_1 \quad \text{support of non zero measure} \\ \gamma_1 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_2. \end{cases}$$

Γ_1 and Γ_2 being two complementary part of Γ .

We choose.

$$V = \{ v / v \in H^1(\Omega), \gamma_0 v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1 \} \subset H^1(\Omega) \subset L^2(\Omega)$$

then the green formula gives $\forall v \in V$

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u + 1u) v \, dx = \int_{\Omega} \text{grad } u \cdot \text{grad } v \, dx - \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v \, d\sigma + \int_{\Omega} u v \, dx.$$

$$\text{but } \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v \, d\sigma = \int_{\Gamma_1} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v \, d\sigma + \int_{\Gamma_2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} v \, d\sigma = 0.$$

$$\text{because } \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_2 \text{ and } \gamma_0 v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1.$$

We have therefore the same bilinear form. The Lax
 mitgram theory may be applied without difficulties

We can apply Lax-Milgram and we obtain for $\lambda > 0$, existence and uniqueness of $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ satisfying.

$$(49) \quad a(u, v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in H^1(\Omega)$$

Applying this notation for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega) \subset H^1(\Omega)$ we obtain again.

$$(50) \quad -\Delta u + \lambda u = f \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}'(\Omega)$$

and in consequence $\Delta u \in L^2(\Omega)$

Let us multiply then (50) by $v \in H^1(\Omega)$ and let us integrate it over Ω . By application of the generalized Green formula introduced in II. 6 in the case of $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ and $\Delta u \in L^2(\Omega)$ we obtain.

$$\int_{\Omega} (\text{grad } u \cdot \text{grad } v + \lambda uv) \, dx = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v \, dx + \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \gamma_0 v \, d\sigma$$

$$\forall v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

By comparison with (49) we have therefore.

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \gamma_0 v \, d\sigma = 0 \quad \forall v \in H^1(\Omega)$$

and because γ_0 is a surjection of $H^1(\Omega)$ on $H^{1/2}(\Omega)$, that implies

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} g \, d\sigma = 0 \quad \forall g \in H^{1/2}(\Omega).$$

and then $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0$ on γ ; u is effectively the solution of (48).

Remark 16 : The condition $\lambda > 0$ is crucial here for the uniqueness because we are working on $H^1(\Omega)$ where the inequality of Poincaré is not available.

IV. 4 non Homogeneous Neumann problem

$$(K1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u + \lambda u = f & \text{on } \Omega. \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 & \text{on } \gamma. \end{cases} \quad f \text{ given in } L^2(\Omega)$$

With $\tilde{f} = f + \Delta w_0 + \lambda w_0 \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$
 in fact f and $\lambda w_0 \in L^2(\Omega) \subset H^{-1}(\Omega)$
 and $\ell(v) = \int_{\Omega} \Delta w_0 \cdot v \, dx = - \int_{\Omega} \text{grad} w_0 \cdot \text{grad} v \, dx \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$

$$|\ell(v)| \leq \|w_0\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \|v\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}$$

ℓ (and by identification Δw_0) is therefore a continuous linear form on $H_0^1(\Omega)$. Whence $\Delta w_0 \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$

We obtain existence and uniqueness of v by preceding results for each w_0 , and therefore existence u satisfying (43)

What about uniqueness of u ?

Suppose there exists two solutions u_1 and u_2 ; we can introduce $w = u_1 - u_2$; w verifies

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta w = 0 & \text{on } \Omega \\ \gamma_0 w = 0 & \text{on } P \end{cases}$$

and we know that $w=0$ is the only possible solution of this problem (Existence and Uniqueness of solution for Homogeneous Dirichlet problem.)

IV. 3. Homogeneous Neumann problem.

$$(44) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u + \lambda u = f & \text{on } \Omega; \quad \lambda > 0. \\ \gamma_1 u = 0 & \text{(that is to say } \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0) \text{ on } P. \end{cases}$$

Ω : bounded open subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$; f given in $L^2(\Omega)$.

We can again, to choose a frame with corresponding to the situation of inclusion of 2 Hilbert spaces described in I.2:

$H = L^2(\Omega)$, $V = H^1(\Omega)$ these spaces being supplied with their usual Hilbert structure.

The injection of V in H is continuous: $|u| \leq \|u\| \quad \forall u \in V$ and V which contains $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ is dense in H .

The bilinear form a is the same as previously. So, the change of space V constitutes the only difference.

Which the inequality announced in the theorem. But for $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ we have just now to extend this result for $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ and that is trivial by continuity because the density of $\mathcal{D}(\Omega)$ in $H_0^1(\Omega)$.

Remark 14: We have just used the hypothesis that Ω is included in the set of $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $-A < x_1 < A$. The result (16) is therefore still true for any Ω of finite thickness in one direction.

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IV Applications of the Lax Milgram theorem to several problems.

IV.1 Homogeneous Dirichlet problem for $\lambda = 0$.

We want now to resolve the following problem.

Ω given bounded open subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$ with a boundary Γ sufficiently regular

f given in $L^2(\Omega)$

We look for u such that.

$$(44) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{on } \Omega \\ \partial_\nu u = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \end{cases}$$

If we adopt the same framework as precedingly we know that we shall have a difficulty about the coercivity because

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \text{grad } u \cdot \text{grad } v \, dx \quad \text{implying } a(u, u) = \int_{\Omega} |\text{grad } u|^2 \, dx$$

$$\text{and } \|u\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2 = \int_{\Omega} |\text{grad } u|^2 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} |u|^2 \, dx.$$

so we have a priori no possibility of inequality such as

$$a(u, u) \geq \alpha \|u\|^2 \quad \text{except with } \alpha = 0.$$

However, because we are working on $H_0^1(\Omega)$ with Ω bounded, we are going to prove that there exists a more convenient