

(psd)

5. D is positive semidefinite on $H^{1/2}(\Gamma)$ and positive definite (pd) on $H^{1/2}(\Gamma)/\text{ker } D$, i.e.

$$(11)_D \quad \langle Du, u \rangle \geq \mu_D \|u\|_{H^{1/2}(\Gamma)}^2 \quad \forall u \in H^{1/2}(\Gamma)/\text{ker } D.$$

$\alpha_D(u, u)$

6. For the 3D case ($d=3$), V is pd, i.e. $\exists \mu_V > 0$:

$$(11)_V \quad \langle v, Vv \rangle = \alpha_V(v, v) \geq \mu_V \|v\|_{H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)}^2 \quad \forall v \in H^{-1/2}.$$

7. The $H^{-1/2}$ -ellipticity of V is, in general, not valid for the 2D case ($d=2$). However, if $\text{diam } \Omega < 1$ (this can always be obtained by scaling of Ω !!!), the V is also p.d. (i.e. $H^{-1/2}$ -elliptic) in 2D, i.e. $(11)_V$ is valid.

■ Mapping properties of V, K, K' , D for the case of bounded Lipschitz domains $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$:

For $s \in (-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2})$, the following mappings are continuous: ($s=0$)

$$V : H^{-1/2+s}(\Gamma) \longrightarrow H^{1/2+s}(\Gamma),$$

$$K : H^{-1/2+s}(\Gamma) \longrightarrow H^{1/2+s}(\Gamma),$$

$$K' : H^{-1/2+s}(\Gamma) \longrightarrow H^{-1/2+s}(\Gamma),$$

$$D : H^{1/2+s}(\Gamma) \longrightarrow H^{1/2+s}(\Gamma).$$

The single layer potential operator V is also continuous for $s = \pm 1/2$.

In particular, $V \in L(H^{-1/2}, H^{1/2})$, i.e.

$\exists \bar{\mu}_V = \text{const} > 0$:

$$(12)_V \quad |\langle w, Vv \rangle| \leq \bar{\mu}_V \|w\|_{H^{-1/2}} \|v\|_{H^{1/2}}$$

$\alpha_V(v, w) \quad \forall w, v \in H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$