

## ■ PROOF of Lemma 2.19:

- We prove the case  $u \in H_0(\text{curl}) \cap H(\text{div})$ ; the other one is similar.

According to Theorem 2.19, there exists a regular decomposition

$$u = \nabla \varphi + z$$

with  $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $z \in [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3$ :  $\|z\|_{H^1} \leq c \|\text{curl } u\|_{L_2}$ .

- $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  obviously satisfies the variational eqn.:

$$(\nabla \varphi, \nabla \psi)_0 = (u - z, \nabla \psi)_0 \quad \forall \psi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

i.e. the Dirichlet problem for  $-\Delta \varphi = -\text{div}(u - z)$ .

- The rhs  $-\text{div}(u - z) \in L_2(\Omega)$  since  $z \in [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3$  and  $u \in H(\text{div})$  !

- s-regularity  $\Rightarrow \varphi \in H^{1+s}(\Omega)$  and  $\|\varphi\|_{H^{1+s}} \leq c \|\text{rhs}\|_{L_2}$   
 $\Rightarrow \nabla \varphi \in H^s(\Omega)^3$  and  $\|\nabla \varphi\|_{H^s(\Omega)} \leq c \|\text{div}(u - z)\|_{L_2}$   
 $\lesssim \|\text{div } z\|_0 + \|\text{div } u\|_0$   
 $\lesssim \|z\|_1 + \|\text{div } u\|_0$   
 $\lesssim \|\text{curl } u\|_0 + \|\text{div } u\|_0$

- Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{H^s} &\leq \|\nabla \varphi\|_{H^s} + \|z\|_{H^s} \lesssim \\ &\lesssim \|\text{curl } u\|_0 + \|\text{div } u\|_0 + \|z\|_1 \\ &\lesssim \|\text{curl } u\|_0 + \|\text{div } u\|_0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_0 = \|\cdot\|_{L_2(\Omega)}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1 = \|\cdot\|_{H^1(\Omega)}$ . q.e.d.