

T U T O R I A L

“Computational Mechanics”

to the lecture

“Numerical Methods in Continuum Mechanics 1”

Tutorial 07

Friday, May 14, 2010 (Time : 10¹⁵ – 11⁰⁰, Room : HS 14)

25* Consider the mixed variational problem: Find $(u, \lambda) \in X \times \Lambda$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, v) + b(v, \lambda) &= \langle F, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in X, \\ b(u, \mu) &= \langle G, \mu \rangle \quad \forall \mu \in \Lambda, \end{aligned}$$

where $F \in X^*$ and $G \in \Lambda^*$ are given. Let $A : X \rightarrow X^*$ and $B : X \rightarrow \Lambda^*$ be the related operators to $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ and $b(\cdot, \cdot)$, and let the assumptions of Theorem 2.4 (Brezzi) be satisfied. Show that the bilinearform

$$l(\xi, \eta) := \langle L\xi, \eta \rangle$$

with

$$L := \begin{pmatrix} A & B^* \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi := \begin{pmatrix} u \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad \eta := \begin{pmatrix} v \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and } \|\xi\|_{X \times \Lambda} = (\|u\|_X^2 + \|\lambda\|_\Lambda^2)^{1/2}$$

satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 1.5 (Babuska-Aziz), if $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is elliptic on the whole space X , i. e., if there exists $\alpha_1 > 0$ such that $a(v, v) \geq \alpha_1 \|v\|_X^2$ for all $v \in X$.

Hint: The LBB-condition

$$\exists \mu_1 > 0 \quad \forall \xi = (u, \lambda) \in X \times \Lambda : \sup_{\eta} \frac{l(\xi, \eta)}{\|\eta\|} \geq \mu_1 \|\xi\|$$

can be shown by choosing $\eta = (v, \mu)$ such that $\mu = -2\lambda$, and $v = u + w$ where $w \in X$ is the solution of the adjoint problem $a(y, w) = b(y, \lambda)$ for all $y \in X$.

26 Let the assumptions of Theorem 2.7 be fulfilled. Additionally we assume $\text{Ker } B_h \subset \text{Ker } B$, and define $Z_h(G) = \{v_h \in X_h \mid b(v_h, \mu_h) = \langle G, \mu_h \rangle \quad \forall \mu_h \in \Lambda_h\}$. Show that there holds the estimate

$$\|u - u_h\|_X \leq \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1}\right) \inf_{v_h \in Z_h(G)} \|u - v_h\|_X. \quad (4.24)$$

27 Let the operators $B^* : \Lambda \rightarrow X^*$ and $B_h^* : \Lambda_h \rightarrow X_h^*$ be defined by

$$\langle B^* \mu, v \rangle = b(v, \mu) \quad \forall v \in X \quad \forall \mu \in \Lambda$$

and

$$\langle B_h^* \mu_h, v_h \rangle = b(v_h, \mu_h) \quad \forall v_h \in X_h \quad \forall \mu_h \in \Lambda_h.$$

Show that, if there exists a linear operator $\Pi_h : X \rightarrow X_h$ with

$$b(\Pi_h v - v, \mu_h) = 0 \quad \forall v \in X \quad \forall \mu_h \in \Lambda_h,$$

then there holds $\text{Ker } B_h^* \subset \text{Ker } B^*$.