

# Zenger Correction

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## Modified Orthogonality

$$a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, v_h) + K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, v_h) = 0, \quad \forall v_h \in V_{h,0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, g_x) + a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, -R_{h,\gamma}g_x) \\ &\quad + K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, -R_{h,\gamma}g_x) + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$= a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, g_x - R_{h,\gamma}g_x) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}g_x) + O(h^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, [d(x)\phi + G_x] - [d(x)R_{h,\gamma}\phi + R_{h,\gamma}G_x]) \\ &\quad - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, [d(x)R_{h,\gamma}\phi + R_{h,\gamma}G_x]) + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= d(x)[a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, \phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}\phi)] \\ &\quad + a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, G_x - R_{h,\gamma}G_x) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}G_x) + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, \phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}\phi)$$

## Lemma

If there exists a  $\xi$  such that

$$a(\phi - P_h\phi, \phi - P_h\phi) - K_\xi(P_h\phi, P_h\phi) = 0$$

and  $a_\eta(u, v) = a(u, v) - K_\eta(u, v)$  is positive definite  $\forall 0 \leq \eta \leq \xi$

then there is a  $\gamma$  with  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \xi$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} & a(\phi, \phi) - a_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}\phi) \\ &= a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, \phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}\phi) = O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Modified Energy depends continuously on  $\gamma$ :

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is a continuous function of  $\gamma$ .

Minimization property

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Behaviour of  $P_h$  only depends on the triangulation.
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$$K_\xi(u_h, v_h) = \xi \sum_{i,j \in N(0,0)} \beta_{ij} u_h(x_i) v_h(x_j)$$

we receive a linear equation for  $\xi \rightarrow$  unique solution.

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## Lemma

For  $g_x$  decomposed in the following way  $g_x(y) = d(x)\phi(y) + G_x(y)$  we have

$$a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, G_x - R_{h,\gamma}G_x) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}G_x) = O(h^2|\log(h)|).$$

[Proof: Blum and Rannacher, Extrapolation Techniques for Reducing the Pollution Effect of Reentrant Corners in the Finite Element Method.]

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## Theorem

Let  $\Omega$  be an L-shaped domain and the triangulation be regular and non-degenerated.

Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  s.t.  $a(u, v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

Let

$$K(u_h, v_h) = \sum_{i,j \in N(0,0)} \beta_{ij} u_h(x_i) v_h(x_j)$$

be a local correction which is positive semidefinite and  $\xi$  be in  $\mathbb{R}_+$  s.t.

$$a_\xi(u, v) = a(u, v) - \xi K(u, v)$$

is positive definite and

$$a(\phi - P_h \phi, \phi - P_h \phi) - K_\xi(P_h \phi, P_h \phi) = 0$$



## Theorem (cont.)

*Then there exists a correction parameter  $0 \leq \gamma \leq \xi$   
s.t. the numerical solution  $R_{h,\gamma}u$  of the corrected problem  
fulfils the pointwise estimate*

$$u(x) - R_{h,\gamma}u(x) = O(h^2 |\log(h)|) \quad \text{for fixed } x \in \Omega.$$

Decompose  $u$  and  $R_{h,\gamma}u$  into a singular and regular component.

$$\begin{aligned} u(x) &= c\phi(x) + U(x), & U &\in H^2(\Omega) \\ R_{h,\gamma}u(x) &= cR_{h,\gamma}\phi(x) + R_{h,\gamma}U(x) \end{aligned}$$

## Pointwise error in the singular component

$$\begin{aligned} & \phi(x) - R_{h,\gamma}\phi(x) \\ &= d(x) [a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, \phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}\phi)] \\ &+ a(\phi - R_{h,\gamma}\phi, G_x - R_{h,\gamma}G_x) - K_\gamma(R_{h,\gamma}\phi, R_{h,\gamma}G_x) + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

- 1<sup>st</sup> error term is of order  $O(h^2)$  ( $\gamma$  chosen accordingly).
- 2<sup>nd</sup> error term is of order  $O(h^2 |\log(h)|)$  independently of  $\gamma$ .

Pointwise error in the regular component

$$U(x) - R_{h,\gamma}U(x) = O(h^2 |\log(h)|).$$

[Proof: Blum and Rannacher, Extrapolation Techniques for Reducing the Pollution Effect of Reentrant Corners in the Finite Element Method.]

### Remark: Generalization of theorem

The above theorem is also valid for the more general case where decomposition of  $u$  consists of more than one singular function.

# Concrete example of a Zenger Correction

Special case: L-shaped domain + regular 5-point-discretization

## Possible correction

Replace the difference equation

$$u_h(0, 0) = g(0, 0) \quad \text{by}$$

$$u_h(0, 0) - g(0, 0) = \frac{1}{\kappa} [u_h(-h, 0) - 2g(0, 0) + g(h, 0)]$$

where  $\kappa = 5.07925 \dots$

$$u(x) - u_h(x) = O(h^2) \quad \text{for fixed } x \in \Omega$$

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