

TUTORIAL

“Computational Mechanics”

to the lecture

“Numerical Methods in Continuum Mechanics 1”

Tutorial 11-12

Date: Thursday, 30 June 2016

Time : 10¹⁵ – 11⁴⁵

Room : K 001A

4.2 The Hellinger-Reisner Principle

- 31** Show that every tensor-function $\sigma \in \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$ has a well-defined trace $\gamma_{\Gamma}\sigma := \sigma \cdot n|_{\Gamma}$ in $\mathbf{H}^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$ and that the inequality

$$\|\gamma_{\Gamma}\sigma\|_{\mathbf{H}^{-1/2}(\Gamma)} \leq c \|\sigma\|_{\mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)} \quad (4.41)$$

holds for all $\sigma \in \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$, i.e. the trace operator $\gamma_{\Gamma} \in L(\mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega), \mathbf{H}^{-1/2}(\Gamma))$.

Hint: Use the identity (integration by parts)

$$\int_{\Omega} \text{div}(\sigma) \cdot v \, dx = - \int_{\Omega} \sigma \cdot \nabla v \, dx + \int_{\Gamma} (\sigma \cdot n) \cdot v \, ds$$

that is valid for all smooth tensor function σ and for all smooth vector function v .

- 32** Let $v \in \mathbf{L}_2(\Omega)$ be a given vector function. Let $u \in \mathbf{H}_{0,\Gamma_u}^1(\Omega)$ be such that

$$(\varepsilon(u), \varepsilon(w))_0 = -(v, w)_0, \quad \forall w \in \mathbf{H}_{0,\Gamma_u}^1(\Omega).$$

Show that $\tau := \varepsilon(u)$ is in $X = \mathbf{H}(\text{div}, \Omega)$, and that $\text{div } \tau = v$.

- 33*** Show that $\tau_n (= \tau n) = 0$ on Γ_t in the sense

$$\langle \tau n, w \rangle_{H^{-1/2}(\Gamma) \times H^{1/2}(\Gamma)} = 0, \quad \forall w \in \mathbf{H}_{0,\Gamma_u}^1(\Omega),$$

where τ is defined in Exercise **32**.