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NUMERIK ELLIPTISCHER PROBLEME

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1. Consider the following boundary value problem: Find u such that

$$\begin{aligned} -\operatorname{div}(A(x) \operatorname{grad} u(x)) + b(x) \cdot \operatorname{grad} u(x) + c(x) u(x) &= f(x) \quad \text{in } \Omega, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial N}(x) &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

with given data $A \in L_\infty(\Omega)^{d \times d}$, $b \in L_\infty(\Omega)^d$, $c \in L_\infty(\Omega)$, $f \in L_2(\Omega)$ under the following assumptions: There exist constants $\underline{a} > 0$, $\bar{a} > 0$, $\bar{b} \geq 0$, $\underline{c} > 0$, and $\bar{c} > 0$ with

- (a) $A(x)$ is symmetric and $\underline{a} |\xi|^2 \leq A(x)\xi \cdot \xi \leq \bar{a} |\xi|^2$ for all $x \in \Omega, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$,
- (b) $|b(x)| \leq \bar{b}$ for all $x \in \Omega$,
- (c) $\underline{c} \leq c(x) \leq \bar{c}$ for all $x \in \Omega$,
- (d) $\bar{b}^2 < 4\underline{a}\underline{c}$.

The corresponding variational formulation leads to a problem of the form: Find $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ such that

$$a(u, v) = \langle F, v \rangle \quad \text{for all } v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

Determine $a(u, v)$, $\langle F, v \rangle$, and constants μ_2 , C such that

$$|a(u, v)| \leq \mu_2 \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \text{for all } u, v \in H^1(\Omega)$$

and

$$|\langle F, v \rangle| \leq C \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \quad \text{for all } v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

2. Assume the notations and assumptions of Example 1. Determine a constant $\mu_1 > 0$ such that

$$a(v, v) \geq \mu_1 \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \quad \text{for all } v \in H^1(\Omega).$$

Hint: Show first

$$a(v, v) \geq q(\|v\|_{L_2(0,1)}, |v|_{H^1(0,1)})$$

with $q(\xi_0, \xi_1) = \underline{a} \xi_1^2 - \bar{b} \xi_1 \xi_0 + \underline{c} \xi_0^2$. Then show and use: $q(\xi_0, \xi_1) \geq \underline{a} C \xi_1^2$ and $q(\xi_0, \xi_1) \geq \underline{c} C \xi_0^2$ with $C = 1 - \bar{b}^2/(4\underline{a}\underline{c})$.

3. Let $\varphi : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\psi : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $u : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, $v : \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be sufficiently smooth functions on a bounded domain $\bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega$ with a sufficiently smooth boundary $\partial\Omega$. Complete the following identities by integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{grad} \varphi(x)) \psi(x) \, dx &= - \int_{\Omega} \varphi(x) \dots \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} \varphi(x) \dots \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{grad} \varphi(x)) \cdot v(x) \, dx &= - \int_{\Omega} \varphi(x) \dots \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} \varphi(x) \dots \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{div} u(x)) \psi(x) \, dx &= - \int_{\Omega} u(x) \dots \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} u(x) \dots \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{div} u(x)) v(x) \, dx &= - \int_{\Omega} \dots u(x) \dots \, dx + \int_{\partial\Omega} u(x) \dots \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{curl} u(x)) \psi(x) \, dx &= \int_{\Omega} u(x) \dots \, dx - \int_{\partial\Omega} u(x) \dots \, ds \\ \int_{\Omega} (\operatorname{curl} u(x)) \cdot v(x) \, dx &= \int_{\Omega} u(x) \dots \, dx - \int_{\partial\Omega} u(x) \dots \, ds\end{aligned}$$

4. Show that the equilibrium condition

$$-\operatorname{div} \sigma = f \quad \text{in } \Omega,$$

Hooke's law

$$\sigma = \lambda \operatorname{div} u I + 2\mu \varepsilon(u)$$

with constant positive parameters λ, μ and

$$\varepsilon(u) = \frac{1}{2} [\operatorname{grad} u + (\operatorname{grad} u)^T]$$

lead to the Lamé equations

$$-\mu \Delta u(x) - (\lambda + \mu) \operatorname{grad}(\operatorname{div} u(x)) = f(x) \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

5. Multiply the Lamé equations by a test function $v(x)$ and integrate over the domain Ω . Then eliminate second-order derivatives by integration by parts and put the result into the following form

$$\int_{\Omega} \dots \, dx - \int_{\partial\Omega} \dots \, ds = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot v \, dx.$$

Check whether the first integral (over the domain Ω) and the second integral (over the boundary $\partial\Omega$) coincide with the bilinear form

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \sigma : \varepsilon(v) \, dx = \int_{\Omega} [\lambda \operatorname{div} u \operatorname{div} v + 2\mu \varepsilon(u) : \varepsilon(v)] \, dx$$

and the expression

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \sigma n \cdot v \, ds = \int_{\partial\Omega} [\lambda(\operatorname{div} u)(v \cdot n) + 2\mu\varepsilon(u)n \cdot v] \, ds,$$

respectively.

6. Let $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1 > 0, x_2 > 0, x_3 > 0, x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 < 1\}$ and consider the functions

$$\varphi(x) = r^\alpha \quad \text{with } r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \operatorname{grad} \varphi.$$

Show that

$$\operatorname{curl} v = 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega.$$

Find an exponent $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\int_{\Omega} |v(x)|^2 \, dx < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\Omega} |\operatorname{div} v|^2 \, dx = \infty,$$

(which implies $v \in H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega)$ but $v \notin H^1(\Omega)^3$).

Hint: Use spherical coordinates.