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# CONTINUATION METHOD FOR BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEMS WITH UNIFORM ELLIPTICAL OPERATORS

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**Abstract**. In this note we study further a method that linking problem for operators of Laplace with Diriclet problem corresponding to a linear operator Diriclet elliptical. So we are able to prove existence and uniqueness stability problem using the existence, uniqueness and Diriclet stability problem.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let X be a real Hilbert space with scalar product  $(\cdot,\cdot)$  and induced norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Consider a linear operator  $B:D(B)\subseteq X\to X$  with domain D(B) an infinite dimensional subspace which is *symmetrical*:

$$(Bu, v) = (u, Bv), \forall u, v \in D(B),$$

and strictly monotone (positive), i.e. there is c > 0 such that:

$$(Bu,u) \ge c \|u\|^2, \quad \forall u \in D(B).$$

Introducing the D(B) energy scalar product:

$$(u,v)_E := (Bu,v), \quad \forall u,v \in D(B)$$

and energy norm  $\|u\|_E := \sqrt{(u,u)_E}$ ,  $\forall u \in D(B)$ .

We denote by E the linear subspace  $D(B) \subseteq X$  supplement in relation to the energy norm, which we call *energy space* of B. It contains all the elements of  $u \in X$ , limited by Cauchy sequences  $\{u_n\} \subset D(B)$  in norm energy. Extending by continuity to the whole space E energy scalar product, i.e. for  $u_n \to u$  and  $v_n \to v$  we take

$$(u,v)_E := \lim (u_n,v_n)_E.$$

Energy space becomes a Hilbert space E, which contains D(B) as a dense subspace and  $E \hookrightarrow X$  is continuous embedding because we can write:

$$||u|| \le c^{-\frac{1}{2}} ||u||_E, \quad \forall u \in E$$

The application of duality  $J: E \to E^*$ , defined by:

$$\langle Ju,v\rangle:=(u,v)_E, \quad \forall u,v\in E$$

is a homeomorfism isometric, i.e.:

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$$||Ju|| = ||u||_E, \quad \forall u \in E$$

(see [2, p.112)]) and an extension of B (i.e., Ju = Bu,  $\forall u \in D(B)$ ).

Friederichs extension of the operator  $A: D(A) \subseteq X \to X$  is defined:

$$Au := Ju, \quad \forall u \in D(A)$$

where  $D(A) := \{u \in E; Ju \in X\}$ . We see that:

$$u \in D(A) \Leftrightarrow \exists g \in X \ so \langle Ju, v \rangle = (g, v)_E, \forall v \in E$$

as  $D(B) \subseteq E \subseteq X \equiv X^* \subseteq E^*$  (see[5, p. 280]). Note that this extension is maximal monotone extension of B in X, because D(A) is dense in X and A is a closed operator, autoadjunct, bijective and strictly monotone (see [2, p.48]). Also, inverse operator  $A^{-1}: X \mapsto X$  is linear, continuous, autoadjunct and compact whenever embedding  $E \hookrightarrow X$  is compact.

So in this case, we can apply *Fredholm's theory* and we establish the following variant of *theorem of existence*.

**Theorem 1.1.** If embedding  $E \hookrightarrow X$  is compact, then there is unique generalized solution,  $u \in X$ , the equation:

$$(Au, v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in X.$$
 (1)

If  $u \in D(B)$ , then u is the solution equation Bu = f.

**Example 1.1.** Let  $X := L^2(\Omega)$  and  $E := \{u \in H^1(\Omega); u/_{\Gamma} = 0\}$  where  $\Gamma \subseteq \partial \Omega$  is part of the boundary as means  $(\Gamma) > 0$ . Both spaces are Hilbert spaces with scalar product:

$$(u,v) := \int_{\Omega} u(x)v(x)dx;$$
  $(u,v)_E := \int_{\Omega} \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x)dx.$ 

Also, the inclusion  $H^1(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^2(\Omega)$  is compact when  $\Omega \in \mathfrak{R}^N$ ,  $N \geq 2$ , is a regular field, (see [1]), and we can apply theorem because the energy space of the operator  $H^1(\Omega)$  is linear, symmetric, strictly monotonous  $B := -\Delta$  with  $D(B) := \{u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\overline{\Omega}); u/_{\Gamma} = 0\}$ . In this case equation (1) takes the form:

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) dx = \int_{\Omega} f(x) v(x) dx, \qquad \forall v \in E.$$

If  $u \in D(B)$ , then Green's formula we see that u is the classical solution of the problem to the limit:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u(x) = f(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ u(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma, \\ \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial n} = 0, & x \in \partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma. \end{cases}$$

## 2. POINCARÉ'S CONTINUATION METHOD

Let X be a Banach space, Y a normed space and  $L_0, L_1 \in L(X, Y)$  bounded operators. Homotopia define:

$$L_t := (1 - t)L_0 + tL_1$$

and suppose

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$$||L_t x||_Y \ge c ||x||_X, \quad \forall x \in X, t \in [0,1].$$

We show that  $L_1$  applied X on Y if and only if  $L_0$  has this property.

Indeed, if  $L_s$  is surjective for  $s \in [0, 1]$ , then the equation  $L_t x = y$  can be equivalent rewritten as

$$x = L_s^{-1} y + (t - s) L_s^{-1} (L_0 - L_1) x := Tx.$$

Tx application is a c-contraction on X if

$$|s-t| < \delta := \frac{c}{\|L_0\| + \|L_1\|}$$

So  $L_t$  is surjective for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  for which  $|s-t| < \delta$ . Dividing [0, 1] in subintervale long  $< \delta$ , we see that  $L_t$  is surjective for all  $t \in [0,1]$  provided that he is surjective for s = 0. In particular for t=1 (see [3, p. 57]).

We consider the limit problem:

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u/_{\Gamma} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} := \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} a_{ij} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_{i}} n_{j} = g & \text{on } \partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma, \end{cases}$$
 (2)

where *L* is an elliptic operator divergential:

$$(Lu)(x) := -\sum_{i,j=1}^{N} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}} \left[ a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_{i}} \right] + b(x)u(x).$$

Assume for simplicity that are met classical conditions:

$$\begin{cases} a_{ij} \in C^{1}(\overline{\Omega}), b \in C(\overline{\Omega}), \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(x)\xi_{i}\xi_{j} \geq k |\xi|^{2}, k > 0 \\ \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} |a_{ij}(x)|^{2} \leq M^{2}, \frac{|b(x)|}{k} \leq m^{2}, \forall \xi \in \Re^{N}, x \in \Omega, \end{cases}$$

$$(3)$$

and formulate the problem to the limit:

$$\begin{cases} Lu = f & on \Omega, \\ u/_{\Gamma} = 0 & on \Gamma, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = g & on \partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma. \end{cases}$$
 (4)

As before we take  $X := L^2(\Omega)$  and  $E := \{u \in H^1(\Omega); u/_{\Gamma} = 0\}$ . The weak solution of problem (4) understand an element  $u \in E$  for which:

$$a(u,v) = (f,v), \forall v \in E,$$

where a(u, v) is the Diriclet form associated problem (4):

$$a(u,v) := \int_{\Omega} \left[ \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial v}{\partial x_j} + b(x)u(x)v(x) \right] dx.$$

We note that E is the energy space of the operator L, with  $D(L) := \{ u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\overline{\Omega}); u/_{\Gamma} = 0 \}$ , and Friederichs extension of L is defined by:

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$$(Au, v) := a(u, v) \quad \forall v \in E$$
.

So states the theorem can:

**Theorem 2.1.** If embedding  $E \hookrightarrow X$  is compact, then there is unique generalized solution,  $u \in X$ , of equation (1). If  $u \in D(L)$  then u is classical solution of the problem (4).

Proof. Apply the continue method with  $L_0 := J \equiv -\Delta$  and  $L_1 := A$ . Then we have

$$(L_t u, u) := (1-t)(Ju, u) + t(Au, u) \ge (1-t)||u||^2 + tk||u||^2.$$

Because  $(L_t u, u) \le ||L_t u|| \cdot ||u||$  by Schwarz's inequality, we deduce that  $||L_t u|| \ge c||u||$  with  $c := \min(1, k)$ . (q.e.d.)

## 3. THE PROBLEM OF ELASTIC EQUILIBRIUM

We apply the results of previous study of the mixed equilibrium in linear elasticity.

Elastic equilibrium of an object B, homogeneous and anisotropic, which occupies a bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \Re^m$ ,  $m \ge 2$ , with border  $\partial \Omega$  the smooth portions, described - small deformations assumption - the equations of Cauchy in  $\Omega$  [4]:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sigma_{ij,j} + f_i = 0 \tag{5}$$

where  $\sigma := (\sigma_{ij})_{3\times 3}$  is the Cauchy tensor power, and  $f := (f_i)_{3\times 1}$  is the density of mass forces acting on unit volume of B. The field is homogeneous and anisotropic constitutive law satisfies:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sum_{k}^{N} a_{ijkh} \varepsilon_{kh} , \qquad (6)$$

where the elastic coefficients satisfy  $a_{ijkh} = a_{jikh} = a_{khij}$ , and  $\varepsilon := (\varepsilon_{ij})_{3\times 3}$  is infinitesimal deformation tensor:

$$\varepsilon_{ij} := \frac{1}{2} \left( u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} \right), \quad u_{i,j} := \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i},$$

dispacement vector associated  $u := (u_i)_{3 \times 1}$ .

Equilibrium Problem in Linear Elasticity is similar problem to the limit (4). She asked to find the vector displacement u := u(x) solution of the system:

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div} \sigma(\varepsilon(u)) = f, & \text{in } \Omega \\ u/_{\Gamma} = U & \text{on } \Omega \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sigma_{ij} n_{j}/_{\partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma} = F & \text{on } \partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma. \end{cases}$$

Here the problem is: f is the density of mass forces, U is  $\Gamma$  border movement, and  $\Gamma$  is complementary border traction  $\partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma$ . By standard arguments - taking the form of translations of y := u - U - get to the problem:

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$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div} \sigma(\varepsilon(y)) = f, & \text{in } \Omega \\ y/_{\Gamma} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \\ \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sigma_{ij} n_{j} /_{\partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma} = F & \text{on } \partial \Omega \setminus \Gamma. \end{cases}$$

Define:

$$D(B) := \{ y \in [C^2(\overline{\Omega})]^3; y/_{\Gamma} = 0 \}$$

Lamé's operator:

$$By := -div \ \sigma(\varepsilon(y)).$$

Then, taking the product in  $X := [L^2(\Omega)]^3$  and applying Green's formula, we have:

$$(Bu, v) = -\int_{\Omega} div \ \sigma(\varepsilon(u)) \cdot v dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} a_{ijkh} \varepsilon_{ij}(v) \varepsilon_{kh}(u) dx =$$
$$= -\int_{\Omega} div \ \sigma(\varepsilon(v)) \cdot u dx = (u, Bv), \qquad \forall u, v \in D(B).$$

For v := u, the symmetry of deformation tensor, we have:

$$(Bu,u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} a_{ijkh} \varepsilon_{ij}(u) \varepsilon_{kh}(u) dx \ge \frac{k}{2} \int_{\Omega} \varepsilon_{ij}(u) \varepsilon_{ij}(u) dx = k \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx.$$

So we can define the energy space E by the complement of D(B) in norm  $\|\cdot\|_{E}$  induced by scalar product:

$$(u,v)_E := \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} a_{ijkh} \varepsilon_{ij}(u) \varepsilon_{kh}(v) dx$$
.

This is a Hilbert space that contains elements of  $V := \{ u \in [H^1(\Omega)]^3 ; u/_{\Gamma} = 0 \} \hookrightarrow X$  the Sobolev-Kondrashov theorem. So we have  $E \hookrightarrow X = X^* \hookrightarrow E^*$ .

Scalar product defines the application of duality energy  $J := E \mapsto E^*$ , which introduce the Friederichs extension of Lamé operator:

$$Au := Ju, \qquad D(A) := \{u \in E; \quad Ju \in X\}.$$

In conclusion, we can apply theorem, upon which states:

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $f \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3$  then there is a variational solution (weak) unique. If, in addition,  $u \in D(B)$ , then this solution is strong solution (classical).

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