# Numerical Solutions to Partial Differential Equations

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Céa Lemma and Abstract Error Estimates

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#### Céa Lemma — an Abstract Error Estimate Theorem

Consider the variational problem of the form

 $\begin{cases} \mathsf{Find} \ u \in \mathbb{V} \text{ such that} \\ \mathsf{a}(u,v) = f(v), \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{V}. \end{cases}$ 

**②** Consider the conforming finite element method of the form

 $\begin{cases} \mathsf{Find} & u_h \in \mathbb{V}_h \subset \mathbb{V} \text{ such that} \\ a(u_h, v_h) = f(v_h), & \forall v_h \in \mathbb{V}_h. \end{cases}$ 

- **③** The problem: how to estimate the error  $||u u_h||$ ?
- The method used for FDM is not an ideal framework for FEM.
- The standard approach for the error estimations of a finite element solution is to use an abstract error estimate to reduce the problem to a function approximation problem.

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## Céa Lemma — an Abstract Error Estimate Theorem

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbb{V}$  be a Hilbert space,  $\mathbb{V}_h$  be a linear subspace of  $\mathbb{V}$ . Let the bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  and the linear form  $f(\cdot)$  satisfy the conditions of the Lax-Milgram lemma (see Theorem 5.1). Let  $u \in \mathbb{V}$  be the solution to the variational problem, and  $u_h \in \mathbb{V}_h$  satisfy the equation

$$a(u_h,v_h)=f(v_h), \quad \forall v_h\in \mathbb{V}_h.$$

Then, there exist a constant C independent of  $\mathbb{V}_h$ , such that

$$\|u-u_h\|\leq C\inf_{v_h\in\mathbb{V}_h}\|u-v_h\|,$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the norm of  $\mathbb{V}$ .



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#### Proof of the Céa Lemma

**(1)** Since u and  $u_h$  satisfy the equations, and  $\mathbb{V}_h \subset \mathbb{V}$ , we have  $a(u-u_h, w_h) = a(u, w_h) - a(u_h, w_h) = f(w_h) - f(w_h) = 0, \ \forall w_h \in \mathbb{V}_h.$ 2 In particular, taking  $w_h = u_h - v_h$  leads to  $a(u - u_h, u_h - v_h) = 0.$ **3** The  $\mathbb{V}$ -ellipticity  $\Rightarrow \alpha \|u - u_h\|^2 \leq a(u - u_h, u - u_h)$ . 4 The boundedness  $\Rightarrow a(u - u_h, u - v_h) \leq M ||u - u_h|| ||u - v_h||.$ **5** Hence,  $\alpha \|u - u_h\|^2 < a(u - u_h, u - v_h) < M \|u - u_h\| \|u - v_h\|$ . **(**) Take  $C = M/\alpha$ , we have  $\|u-u_h\| < C \|u-v_h\|, \quad \forall v_h \in \mathbb{V}_h.$ The conclusion of the theorem follows.



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#### Remarks on the Céa Lemma

- The Céa lemma reduces the error estimation problem of ||u − u<sub>h</sub>|| to the optimal approximation problem of inf<sub>v<sub>h</sub>∈<sub>V<sub>h</sub></sub> ||u − v<sub>h</sub>||.
  </sub>
- 2 Error of the finite element solution  $||u u_h||$  is of the same order as the optimal approximation error  $\inf_{v_h \in \mathbb{V}_h} ||u v_h||$ .
- Suppose the V<sub>h</sub>-interpolation function Π<sub>h</sub>u of u is well defined in the finite element function space V<sub>h</sub>, then,

$$\|u-u_h\|\leq C\inf_{v_h\in\mathbb{V}_h}\|u-v_h\|\leq C\|u-\Pi_h u\|.$$

Therefore, the error estimation problem of ||u - u<sub>h</sub>|| can be further reduced to the error estimation problem for the V<sub>h</sub>-interpolation error ||u - Π<sub>h</sub>u||.



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Geometric Explanation of the Céa Lemma

## For Symmetric $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ , $u_h$ is a Orthogonal Projection of u on $\mathbb{V}_h$

- If the V-elliptic bounded bilinear form a(·, ·) is symmetric, then, a(·, ·) defines an inner product on V, with the induced norm equivalent to the V-norm.
- ② Denote P<sub>h</sub> : V → V<sub>h</sub> as the orthogonal projection operator induced by the inner product a(·, ·). Then,
   a(u P<sub>h</sub>u, v<sub>h</sub>) = 0, ∀v<sub>h</sub> ∈ V<sub>h</sub>.
- So Therefore, the finite element solution u<sub>h</sub> = P<sub>h</sub>u, *i.e.* it is the orthogonal projection of u on V<sub>h</sub> with respect to the inner product a(·, ·).



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## Céa Lemma for Symmetric $a(\cdot, \cdot)$

#### Corollary

Under the conditions of the Céa Lemma, if the bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  is in addition symmetric, then, the solution  $u_h$  is the orthogonal projection, which is induced by the inner product  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ , of the solution u on the subspace  $\mathbb{V}_h$ , meaning  $u_h = \mathbf{P}_h u$ .

Furthermore, we have

$$a(u-u_h, u-u_h) = \inf_{v_h \in \mathbb{V}_h} a(u-v_h, u-v_h).$$

The proof follows the same lines as the proof of the Céa lemma. The only difference here is that  $\alpha = M = 1$ .



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### Céa Lemma in the Form of Orthogonal Projection Error Estimate

Denote  $\tilde{P}_h : \mathbb{V} \to \mathbb{V}_h$  as the orthogonal projection operator induced by the inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{\mathbb{V}}$  of  $\mathbb{V}$ , then,

$$\|u-\widetilde{P}_hu\|=\|(I-\widetilde{P}_h)u\|=\inf_{v_h\in\mathbb{V}_h}\|u-v_h\|.$$

Therefore, as a corollary of the Céa lemma, we have

#### Corollary

Let  $\mathbb{V}$  be a Hilbert space, and  $\mathbb{V}_h$  be a linear subspace of  $\mathbb{V}$ . Let  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  be a symmetric bilinear form on  $\mathbb{V}$  satisfying the conditions of the Lax-Milgram lemma. Let  $P_h$  and  $\tilde{P}_h$  be the orthogonal projection operators from  $\mathbb{V}$  to  $\mathbb{V}_h$  induced by the inner products  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{\mathbb{V}}$  respectively. Then, we have

$$\|I - \tilde{P}_h\| \le \|I - P_h\| \le \frac{M}{\alpha} \|I - \tilde{P}_h\|.$$



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An Example on Interpolation Error Estimates

#### 1-D Example on Linear Interpolation Error Estimation for $\mathbb{H}^2$ Functions

**1** 
$$\hat{\Omega} = (0, 1), \ \Omega = (b, \ b+h), \ h > 0.$$

- **2**  $F: \hat{x} \in [0, 1] \rightarrow [b, b+h], F(\hat{x}) = h\hat{x} + b$ : an invertible affine mapping from  $\overline{\hat{\Omega}}$  to  $\overline{\Omega}$ .
- $\widehat{\Pi} : \mathbb{C}([0, 1]) \to \mathbb{P}_1([0, 1]): \text{ the interpolation operator with } \\ \widehat{\Pi} \hat{v}(0) = \hat{v}(0), \ \widehat{\Pi} \hat{v}(1) = \hat{v}(1).$
- **④**  $\Pi$  :  $\mathbb{C}([b, b+h]) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_1([b, b+h])$ : the interpolation operator with  $\Pi v(b) = v(b)$ ,  $\Pi v(b+h) = v(b+h)$ .



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## 1-D Example on Linear Interpolation Error Estimation for $\mathbb{H}^2$ Functions

**5** Let  $u \in \mathbb{H}^2(\Omega)$ , denote  $\hat{u}(\hat{x}) = u \circ F(\hat{x}) = u(h\hat{x} + b)$ , then, it can be shown  $\hat{u} \in \mathbb{H}^2(\hat{\Omega})$ , thus,  $\hat{u} \in \mathbb{C}([0, 1])$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}} \ \, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \ \, \text{is } \mathbb{P}_1([0,1]) \ \, \text{invariant:} \ \, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \, \hat{\boldsymbol{w}} = \hat{\boldsymbol{w}}, \ \forall \hat{\boldsymbol{w}} \in \mathbb{P}_1([0,1]), \ \, \text{thus,} \\ \\ \| (I - \hat{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}) \hat{\boldsymbol{u}} \|_{0,\hat{\Omega}} = \| (I - \hat{\boldsymbol{\Pi}}) (\hat{\boldsymbol{u}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{w}}) \|_{0,\hat{\Omega}} \leq \| I - \hat{\boldsymbol{\Pi}} \| \, \| \hat{\boldsymbol{u}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{w}} \|_{2,\hat{\Omega}}, \end{array}$ 

where  $\|I - \hat{\Pi}\|$  is the norm of  $I - \hat{\Pi} : \mathbb{H}^2(\hat{\Omega}) \to \mathbb{L}^2(\hat{\Omega}).$ 

★ This shows that  $I - \hat{\Pi} \in \mathfrak{L}(\mathbb{H}^2(0,1)/\mathbb{P}_1([0,1]); \mathbb{L}^2(0,1))$ , and (1)  $\|\hat{u} - \hat{\Pi}\hat{u}\|_{0,\hat{\Omega}} \leq \|I - \hat{\Pi}\| \inf_{\hat{w} \in \mathbb{P}_1(\hat{\Omega})} \|\hat{u} + \hat{w}\|_{2,\hat{\Omega}}$ ,

where  $\inf_{\hat{w} \in \mathbb{P}_1(\hat{\Omega})} \|\hat{u} + \hat{w}\|_{2,\hat{\Omega}}$  is the norm of  $\hat{u}$  in the quotient space  $\mathbb{H}^2(0,1)/\mathbb{P}_1([0,1]).$ 



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It can be shown that, 
$$\exists$$
 const.  $C(\hat{\Omega}) > 0$  s.t.  
(2)  $|\hat{u}|_{2,\hat{\Omega}} \leq \inf_{\hat{w} \in \mathbb{P}_1(\hat{\Omega})} ||\hat{u} + \hat{w}||_{2,\hat{\Omega}} \leq C(\hat{\Omega}) |\hat{u}|_{2,\hat{\Omega}}.$ 

★ It follows from the chain rule that  $\hat{u}''(\hat{x}) = h^2 u''(x)$ .

★ By a change of the integral variable, and  $dx = hd\hat{x}$ , we obtain (3)  $\hat{u} \in \mathbb{H}^2(\hat{\Omega})$ , and  $|\hat{u}|^2_{2,\hat{\Omega}} = h^3 |u|^2_{2,\Omega}$ ; (4)  $||u - \Pi u||^2_{0,\Omega} = h||\hat{u} - \hat{\Pi}\hat{u}||^2_{0,\hat{\Omega}}$ .



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#### 1-D Example on Linear Interpolation Error Estimation for $\mathbb{H}^2$ Functions

- The conclusion (1) says that the L<sup>2</sup> norm of the error of a P<sub>1</sub> invariant interpolation can be bounded by the quotient norm of the function in H<sup>2</sup>(0, 1)/P<sub>1</sub>([0, 1]).
- The conclusion (2) says that the semi norm | · |<sub>2,(0,1)</sub> is an equivalent norm of the quotient space ℍ<sup>2</sup>(0,1)/ℙ<sub>1</sub>([0,1]).
- The conclusions (3) and (4) present the relations between the semi-norms of Sobolev spaces defined on affine-equivalent open sets.



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## 1-D Example on Linear Interpolation Error Estimation for $\mathbb{H}^2$ Functions

## $\bigstar$ The combination of (4) and (1) yields

$$\|u - \Pi u\|_{0,\Omega} \le h^{\frac{1}{2}} \|I - \hat{\Pi}\| \inf_{\hat{w} \in \mathbb{P}_{1}(\hat{\Omega})} \|\hat{u} + \hat{w}\|_{2,\hat{\Omega}}$$

 $\star$  This together with (2) and (3) lead to the expected interpolation error estimate:

$$\|u - \Pi u\|_{0,\Omega} \leq \|I - \hat{\Pi}\|C(\hat{\Omega})|u|_{2,\Omega}h^2, \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{H}^2(\Omega).$$



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#### A Framework for Interpolation Error Estimation of Affine Equivalent FEs

- The polynomial quotient spaces of a Sobolev space and their equivalent quotient norms ((2) in the example);
- The relations between the semi-norms of Sobolev spaces defined on affine-equivalent open sets ((3), (4) in the exmample);
- The abstract error estimates for the polynomial invariant operators ((1) in the example);
- To estimate the constants appeared in the relations of the Sobolev semi-norms by means of the geometric parameters of the corresponding affine-equivalent open sets.



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#### A Framework for Interpolation Error Estimation of Affine Equivalent FEs

- the change of integral variable will introduce the Jacobi determinant  $det\left(\frac{\partial F(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}\right)$ ;
- in high dimensions, the Jacobi determinant represents the ratio of the volumes  $|\Omega|/|\hat{\Omega}|;$
- the chain rule for the *m*th derivative will produce  $h^m$ .
- *h* actually represents the ratio of the lengths in the directions of corresponding directional derivatives of the regions  $\Omega = F(\hat{\Omega})$  and  $\hat{\Omega}$ .

The related technique is often referred to as the scaling technique.



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#### Polynomial Quotient Spaces

• The quotient space  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$ , in which a function  $\dot{v}$  is the equivalent class of  $v \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$  in the sense that

$$\dot{v} = \{w \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega) : (w-v) \in \mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)\}.$$

2 The quotient norm of a function  $\dot{v}$  is defined by

$$\dot{v}\in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega) o \|\dot{v}\|_{k+1,p,\Omega}:= \inf_{w\in\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)}\|v{+}w\|_{k+1,p,\Omega},$$



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#### Polynomial Quotient Spaces

**3** The quotient space  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$  is a Banach space.

- $\dot{v} \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega) \to |\dot{v}|_{k+1,p,\Omega} = |v|_{k+1,p,\Omega}$  is a semi-norm of the quotient space  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$ , and obviously  $|\dot{v}|_{k+1,p,\Omega} \le ||\dot{v}||_{k+1,p,\Omega}$ .
- In fact, |v|<sub>k+1,p,Ω</sub> = |v|<sub>k+1,p,Ω</sub> is an equivalent norm of the quotient space W<sup>k+1,p</sup>(Ω)/P<sub>k</sub>(Ω).



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## The Semi-norm $|v|_{k+1,p,\Omega}$ is an equivalent Norm of $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$

#### Theorem

There exists a constant  $C(\Omega)$  such that

 $\|\dot{v}\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} \leq C(\Omega)|\dot{v}|_{k+1,p,\Omega}, \qquad orall \dot{v} \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega).$ 

#### Proof:

- Let  $\{p_i\}_{i=1}^N$  be a basis of  $\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$ , and let  $f_i$ , i = 1, ..., N, be the corresponding dual basis, meaning  $f_i(p_i) = \delta_{ij}$ .
- 2 For any  $w \in \mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$ ,  $f_i(w) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, ..., N \Leftrightarrow w = 0$ .
- Sextend f<sub>i</sub>, i = 1,..., N, to a set of bounded linear functionals defined on W<sup>k+1,p</sup>(Ω).



# The Semi-norm $|v|_{k+1,p,\Omega}$ is an equivalent Norm of $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$

**(**) We claim that there exists a constant  $C(\Omega)$  such that  $||v||_{k+1,p,\Omega} \leq C(\Omega)(|v|_{k+1,p,\Omega} + \sum_{i=1}^{N} |f_i(v)|), \forall v \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega).$ 

**5** For 
$$v \in \mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$$
, define  $\tilde{w} = -\sum_{j=1}^{N} f_j(v)p_j$ , then,  
 $f_i(v + \tilde{w}) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, ..., N$ , consequently,  
 $\inf_{w \in \mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)} \|v + w\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} \le \|v + \tilde{w}\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} \le C(\Omega) |v|_{k+1,p,\Omega}$ .

What remains to show is (4). Suppose (4) doesn't hold.

• Then, there exists a sequence 
$$\{v_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$$
 in  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$  such that  
 $\|v_j\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} = 1, \forall j \ge 1 \text{ and } \lim_{j\to\infty} (|v_j|_{k+1,p,\Omega} + \sum_{i=1}^{N} |f_i(v_j)|) = 0.$   
•  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega) \xrightarrow{c} \mathbb{W}^{k,p}(\Omega), 1 \le p < \infty; \mathbb{W}^{k+1,\infty}(\Omega) \xrightarrow{c} \mathbb{C}^k(\bar{\Omega}).$ 

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**3** So, there exist a subsequence of  $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ , denoted again as  $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$ , and a function  $v \in \mathbb{W}^{k,p}(\Omega)$ , such that  $\lim_{j \to \infty} \|v_j - v\|_{k,p,\Omega} = 0.$ 

**(2)** (6) and (8) imply  $\{v_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$ .

- **1** Therefore, v in **(8)** is actually a function in  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$ .
- $\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{1} \\ |\partial^{\alpha}v|_{0,p,\Omega} = \lim_{j \to \infty} |\partial^{\alpha}v_{j}|_{0,p,\Omega} = 0, \quad \forall \alpha, \ |\alpha| = k + 1, \end{array}$



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# The Semi-norm $|v|_{k+1,p,\Omega}$ is an equivalent Norm of $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)/\mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$

**@** By Theorem 5.2, **①** implies  $v \in \mathbb{P}_k(\Omega)$ .

0 On the other hand, it follows from 0 that

$$f_i(\mathbf{v}) = \lim_{j \to \infty} f_i(\mathbf{v}_j) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N,$$

If therefore, by (2), we have 
$$v = 0$$
.

- ( ) On the other hand, since  $v_j$  converges to v in  $\mathbb{W}^{k+1,p}(\Omega)$ , by ( ), we have  $\|v\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} = \lim_{j\to\infty} \|v_j\|_{k+1,p,\Omega} = 1$ .
- In the contradiction of (1) and (1) completes the proof.



Relations of Sobolev Semi-norms on Affine Equivalent Open Sets

Extension of the 1-D Result to the General Case

#### Relations of Semi-norms on Open Sets Related by $F(\hat{x}) = h\hat{x} + b \in \mathbb{R}^n$

• Let 
$$F : \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \to F(\hat{x}) = h\hat{x} + b \in \mathbb{R}^n$$
, and  $\Omega = F(\hat{\Omega})$   
 $\Rightarrow \operatorname{diam}(\Omega)/\operatorname{diam}(\hat{\Omega}) = h$  and  $\left\|\frac{\partial F(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}\right\| = h$ .

2 Then, 
$$\partial^{\alpha} v(x) = h^{-|\alpha|} \partial^{\alpha} \hat{v}(\hat{x})$$
, and  $dx = |\det(B)| d\hat{x} = h^n d\hat{x}$ ,  
(where  $B = \frac{\partial F(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}} = h I_{n \times n}$ ).

**③** Therefore, by a change of integral variable, we have

$$|v|_{m,p,\Omega} = \|B^{-1}\|^m |\det(B)|^{1/p} |\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} = h^{-m+n/p} |\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}}.$$



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#### Affine Equivalent Open Sets Related by $F(\hat{x}) = B\hat{x} + b \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Let  $\Omega = F(\hat{\Omega})$  be an affine equivalent open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with

$$F: \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \to F(\hat{x}) = B\hat{x} + b \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

For  $v \in W^{m,p}(\Omega)$  and  $\hat{v}(\hat{x}) = v(F(\hat{x}))$ , the Sobolev semi-norms  $|v|_{m,p,\Omega}$  and  $|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}}$  have a similar relation for general *B*, *i.e.* 

$$|v|_{m,p,\Omega}/|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}}\propto \|B^{-1}\|^m|\det(B)|^{1/p}\propto h^{-m+n/p},$$

provided  $F(\hat{x})$  satisfies certain regularity conditions.



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## Relations of Semi-norms on Open Sets Related by $F(\hat{x}) = B\hat{x} + b$

#### Theorem

Let  $\Omega$  and  $\hat{\Omega}$  be two affine equivalent open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $v \in \mathbb{W}^{m,p}(\Omega)$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty]$  and nonnegative integer m. Then,  $\hat{v} = v \circ F \in \mathbb{W}^{m,p}(\hat{\Omega})$ , and there exists a constant C = C(m, n) such that

$$|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} \leq C \|B\|^m |\det(B)|^{-1/p} |v|_{m,p,\Omega},$$

where B is the matrix in the affine mapping F,  $\|\cdot\|$  represents the operator norms induced from the Euclidian norm of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Similarly, we also have

$$|v|_{m,p,\Omega} \leq C \|B^{-1}\|^m |\det(B)|^{1/p} |\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}}.$$



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# Proof of $|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} \leq C(n,m) \|B\|^m |\det(B)|^{-1/p} |v|_{m,p,\Omega}$

• Let  $\xi_i = (\xi_{i1}, \ldots, \xi_{in})^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $i = 1, \cdots, m$ , be unit vectors,  $D = (\partial_1, \ldots, \partial_n)$ ,  $D^m \hat{v}(\hat{x})(\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_m) = (\prod_{i=1}^m D \cdot \xi_i) \hat{v}(\hat{x})$ .

**2** Assume  $v \in \mathbb{C}^m(\overline{\Omega})$ , therefore,  $\hat{v} \in \mathbb{C}^m(\overline{\hat{\Omega}})$  also. We have  $|\partial^{\alpha} \hat{v}(\hat{x})| \leq \|D^m \hat{v}(\hat{x})\| := \sup_{\substack{\|\xi_i\|=1\\1\leq i\leq m}} |D^m \hat{v}(\hat{x})(\xi_1,\ldots,\xi_m)|, \quad \forall |\alpha| = m.$ 

Solution Let  $C_1(m, n)$  be the cardinal number of  $\alpha$ , then

$$|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} = \left(\int_{\hat{\Omega}} \sum_{|\alpha|=m} |\partial^{\alpha} \hat{v}(\hat{x})|^{p} d\hat{x}\right)^{1/p} \leq C_{1}(m,n) \left(\int_{\hat{\Omega}} \|D^{m} \hat{v}(\hat{x})\|^{p} d\hat{x}\right)^{1/p}$$



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 On the other hand, by the chain rule of differentiations for composition of functions,

$$(D \cdot \xi)\hat{v}(\hat{x}) = D(v \circ F(\hat{x}))\xi = Dv(x)\frac{\partial F(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}\xi = (D \cdot B\xi)v(x).$$

**5** Therefore,  $(\prod_{i=1}^{m} D \cdot \xi_i) \hat{v}(\hat{x}) = (\prod_{i=1}^{m} D \cdot B\xi_i) v(x)$ , *i.e.* 

$$D^m \hat{v}(\hat{x})(\xi_1,\ldots,\xi_m) = D^m v(x)(B\xi_1,\ldots,B\xi_m).$$

- **6** Consequently,  $||D^m \hat{v}(\hat{x})|| \le ||B||^m ||D^m v(x)||$ .

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# Proof of $|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} \leq C(n,m) \|B\|^m |\det(B)|^{-1/p} |v|_{m,p,\Omega}$

**3** For any given  $\eta_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\|\eta_i\| = 1$ ,  $1 \le i \le m$ , we have

$$D^m v(x)(\eta_1,\ldots,\eta_m) = \left[\prod_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_{ij}\partial_j\right] v(x) = \sum_{j_1,\cdots,j_m=1}^n \left[\prod_{i=1}^m \eta_{ij_i}\partial_{j_i}\right] v(x).$$

() Since,  $|\eta_{ij}| \le 1$ ,  $1 \le i \le m$ ,  $1 \le j \le n$ , we are lead to

$$\|D^m v(x)\| \leq n^m \max_{|lpha|=m} |\partial^lpha v(x)| \leq n^m \Big(\sum_{|lpha|=m} |\partial^lpha v(x)|^p\Big)^{1/p}$$



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Extension of the 1-D Result to the General Case

# Proof of $|\hat{v}|_{m,p,\hat{\Omega}} \leq C(n,m) \|B\|^m |\det(B)|^{-1/p} |v|_{m,p,\Omega}$

**(**) By (**3**), (**7**) and (**9**), the inequality hold for  $v \in \mathbb{C}^m(\overline{\Omega})$ .

- **④** For 1 ≤ *p* < ∞,  $\mathbb{C}^{m}(\overline{\Omega})$  is dense in  $\mathbb{W}^{m,p}(\Omega)$ , so the inequality also holds for all *v* ∈  $\mathbb{W}^{m,p}(\Omega)$ .

$$\|w\|_{0,\infty,\Omega} = \lim_{q \to \infty} \|w\|_{0,q,\Omega}, \qquad \forall w \in \mathbb{L}^{\infty}(\Omega),$$

therefore, the inequality holds also for  $v \in \mathbb{W}^{m,\infty}(\Omega)$ .



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Estimate ||B|| and det(B) by Geometric Parameters

#### Bound ||B|| and $||B^{-1}||$ by the Interior and Exterior Diameters

 $\textbf{0} \ \text{Denote the exterior and interior diameters of a region } \Omega \text{ as}$ 

$$\begin{cases} h_{\Omega} := \operatorname{diam} (\Omega), \\ \rho_{\Omega} := \sup \{ \operatorname{diam} (S) : S \subset \Omega \text{ is a } n \text{-dimensional ball} \}. \end{cases}$$

#### Theorem

Let  $\Omega$  and  $\hat{\Omega}$  be two affine-equivalent open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $F(\hat{x}) = B\hat{x} + b$  be the invertible affine mapping, and  $\Omega = F(\hat{\Omega})$ . Then,  $\|B\| \le \frac{h}{\hat{\rho}}$ , and  $\|B^{-1}\| \le \frac{\hat{h}}{\rho}$ , where  $h = h_{\Omega}$ ,  $\hat{h} = h_{\hat{\Omega}}$ ,  $\rho = \rho_{\Omega}$ ,  $\hat{\rho} = \rho_{\hat{\Omega}}$ .



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Lestimate ||B|| and det(B) by Geometric Parameters

# Proof of $||B|| \leq \frac{h}{\hat{a}}$ and the Geometric Meaning of det(B)

**1** By the definition of ||B||, we have

$$\|B\| = rac{1}{\hat{
ho}} \sup_{\|\xi\| = \hat{
ho}} \|B\xi\|.$$

2 Let the vectors  $\hat{x}$ ,  $\hat{y} \in \overline{\hat{\Omega}}$  be such that  $\|\hat{y} - \hat{x}\| = \hat{\rho}$ , then, we have  $x = F(\hat{x}) \in \overline{\Omega}$ ,  $y = F(\hat{y}) \in \overline{\Omega}$ .

**3** Therefore,  $||B(\hat{y} - \hat{x})|| = ||F(\hat{y}) - F(\hat{x})|| \le h \Rightarrow ||B|| \le \frac{h}{\hat{\rho}}$ .

The determinant det(B) also has an obvious geometric meaning:

$$|\det(B)| = rac{ ext{meas}(\Omega)}{ ext{meas}(\hat{\Omega})} \quad ext{and} \quad |\det(B^{-1})| = rac{ ext{meas}(\hat{\Omega})}{ ext{meas}(\Omega)}.$$



# 习题 7: 1, 3, 4 Thank You!

