

# Aproximaciones numéricas en dominios no estándar.

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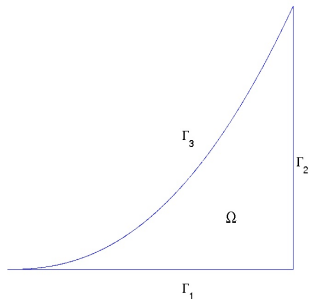
1 El Problema Continuo

2 Elementos Finitos

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Consideremos

$$\Omega = \{(x, y) : 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < x^\alpha, \alpha > 1\},$$



con frontera  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3$ .

Hallar  $u$  tal que:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u & = f, & \text{in } \Omega \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} & = g, & \text{on } \Gamma_3 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} & = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma_1 \\ u & = 0, & \text{on } \Gamma_2 \end{cases}$$

con  $\nu$  la normal exterior.

Notación:

$$\phi(x) := x^\alpha$$

$$\Gamma_3 := \{(x, \phi(x)), x \in (0, 1)\}$$

Sea  $V = \{v \in H^1(\Omega) : v|_{\Gamma_2} = 0\}$ .

El problema variacional es: Hallar  $u \in V$  tal que

$$a(u, v) = L_1(v) + L_2(v) \quad \forall v \in V,$$

donde

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \quad , \quad L_1(v) = \int_{\Omega} fv \quad \text{and}$$

$$L_2(v) = \int_{\Gamma_3} gv.$$

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v$$

$a(u, v)$  es continua y coerciva (Poincaré) en  $V$  y si por ejemplo  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ ,

$$L_1(v) = \int_{\Omega} f v$$

es continua en  $H^1(\Omega)$ .

El problema entonces es manejar el término

$$L_2(v) = \int_{\Gamma_3} g v.$$

usualmente para  $g \in L^2$ , Schwartz + teorema de traza.



**Problema:**  $\Omega$  no es Lipschitz no vale el teorema estándar de trazas para  $H^1(\Omega)$ .

Considerar p.ej.  $\phi(x) = x^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 1$ , y la función  $u(x, y) = x^{-\gamma}$ :

$$u \in H^1(\Omega) \quad \text{iff} \quad \gamma < \frac{\alpha - 1}{2}$$

sin embargo

$$u \in L^2(\Gamma) \quad \text{iff} \quad \gamma < \frac{1}{2}$$

en particular si  $\alpha > 2$  obtenemos funciones de  $H^1(\Omega)$  que no estan en  $L^2(\partial\Omega)$ .

...entonces para  $g \in L^2(\Gamma_3)$ , la continuidad en  $H^1(\Omega)$  de  $L_2$

$$L_2(v) = \int_{\Gamma_3} gv.$$

no puede manejarse de ese modo.

Mazya, Netrusov, Poborchi (2000) resultados de trazas para este tipo de dominios.

En particular

$$\|v x^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(\Gamma)} \leq C \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}$$

Entonces se puede escribir

$$|L_2(v)| \leq \int_{\Gamma_3} |g x^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} v x^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}| \leq \|g x^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(\Gamma_3)} \|v x^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(\Gamma_3)} \leq C \|v\|_{H^1}.$$

usando Lax-Milgram :

**Theorem** Si  $gx^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \in L^2(\Gamma_3)$  y  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  existe una única solución  $u \in V$  de nuestro problema.

Sin embargo

$$gx^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \in L^2(\Gamma_3)$$

implica que  $g$  se anula en el origen.

Otra variante es

$$|L_2(v)| \leq \int_{\Gamma_3} |gv| \leq \|g\|_{L^q(\Gamma_3)} \|v\|_{L^p(\Gamma_3)} \leq C \|v\|_{H^1}.$$

y el problema está en hallar condiciones suficientes en  $u$  para tener trazas en  $L^p$

Mostramos:

$$\|u\|_{L^p(\Gamma)} \leq C \left( \|u\phi^{-\frac{1}{p}}\|_{L^p(\Omega)} + \|\nabla u\phi^{\frac{p-1}{p}}\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \right)$$

(tambien se puede repartir peso y obtener el resultado de Mazya et al.)

Técnica:

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\phi'(x)} \quad \eta = \frac{y}{\phi(x)}$$

Esto + inmersión en cúspides (Adams, 1975)

$$H^1(\Omega) \subset L^r \quad r \leq \frac{2(\alpha + 1)}{\alpha - 1}$$

da

**Teorema** Sea  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ , y  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ . Si  $\alpha < 1 + \frac{2}{p}$  entonces  $u \in L^p(\Gamma)$  y

$$\|u\|_{L^p(\Gamma)} \leq C \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)}.$$

El resultado es sharp en el sentido de que para  $\alpha > 2$  hay funciones en  $H^1$  tales que la traza no está en  $L^2$ .



Recopilando:

**Teorema** Sea  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ ,  $g \in L^q(\Gamma_3)$  con  $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$ , and  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ .  
Si  $\alpha < 1 + \frac{2}{p}$  entonces existe solución única  $u \in V$  de nuestro problema.

Más regularidad Sobolev es posible?.

Probamos, bajo ciertas condiciones en los datos:

La solución está en  $H^2(\Omega)$

**Theorem** Sea  $u$  la solución de nuestro problema,  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ , y  $g$  tal que, si  $h(t) := g(t, t^\alpha)$ ,  $ht^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \in L^2(0, 1)$  y  $h't^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \in L^2(0, 1)$ . Entonces,  $u \in H^2(\Omega)$  y existe una constante  $C$  dependiendo solo de  $\alpha$  tal que

$$\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)} \leq C \left\{ \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)} + \|ht^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(0,1)} + \|h't^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(0,1)} \right\}$$

# Observación

La condición

$$ht^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \in L^2(0,1)$$

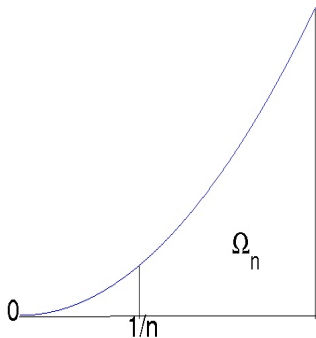
es casi óptima, de hecho mostramos que si  $u \in H^2$ ,

$$\int \frac{h^r}{t^{\alpha(r-1)}} < \infty$$

$\forall r < 2$ .

La otra condicion??? ... no sabemos.

Idea de la demostración: Khelif (1978) y Grisvard (1985) caso homogéneo  
Trabajar con dominios “truncados”



obtener la estimación:

$$\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega_n)} \leq C_n \left\{ \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega_n)} + \|ht^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(1/n,1)} + \|h't^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(1/n,1)} \right\}$$

y ver que  $C_n$  se acota independientemente de  $n$

El control en  $H^1$  sale directo.

Para las derivadas segundas:

Si  $\theta$  y  $\psi$  están en  $H^1(\Omega_n)$

$$\int_{\Omega_n} \theta_x \psi_y = \int_{\Omega_n} \theta_y \psi_x + \int_{\partial\Omega_n} \psi \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial\tau}$$



$$\theta = \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi = \frac{\partial u_n}{\partial y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega_n} f^2 &= \int_{\Omega_n} (\Delta u_n)^2 = \int_{\Omega_n} (\theta_x + \psi_y)^2 \\ &= \int_{\Omega_n} \theta_x^2 + 2 \int_{\Omega_n} \theta_x \psi_y + \int_{\Omega_n} \psi_y^2 \\ &= \int_{\Omega_n} \theta_x^2 + 2 \int_{\Omega_n} \theta_y \psi_x + \int_{\Omega_n} \psi_y^2 + 2 \int_{\partial\Omega_n} \psi \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial\tau} \\ &= |u_n|_{H^2(\Omega_n)}^2 + 2 \int_{\partial\Omega_n} \psi \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial\tau}, \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

donde  $|u_n|_{H^2(\Omega_n)}$  es la seminorma de  $u_n$  in  $H^2(\Omega_n)$ .

Como tenemos regularidad  $H^2$  esperamos orden óptimo en aproximaciones lineales por elementos finitos, i.e.:

- 1 Orden 2 para el error en norma  $L^2$ .
- 2 Order 1 para el error en la norma de la energía.

## Remark

Nos restringimos a  $\alpha < 3$ : Adams (1975)

$$H^2(\Omega) \subset L^\infty(\Omega) \quad \text{if} \quad \alpha < 3.$$

## Aproximacion por elementos finitos.

### THE RECIPE:

- a) Find an explicit  $H^2$  solution of our problem with a fixed cusp, for instance with  $\alpha = 2$ .
- b) Approximate the solution by standard finite linear elements.
- c) Check the error.

a) THE  $H^2$  SOLUTION

Consider

$$u(x, y) = x^s - 1$$

which is in  $H^2(\Omega)$  if  $s > \frac{1}{2}$ . For this choice

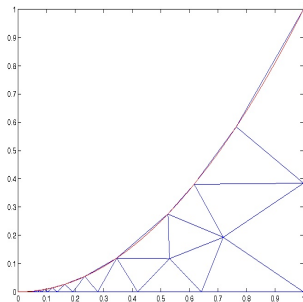
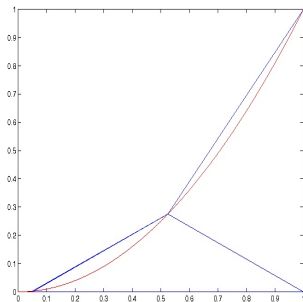
$$f(x, y) = s(s - 1)x^{s-2}$$

and

$$h(t) = g(t, t^2) = \frac{-2st^s}{\sqrt{1 + 4t^2}}.$$

## b) THE F.E.M. APPROXIMATION

Triangulate the domain  $\Omega$



(Observe that the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_h$  defines a polygonal domain  $\Omega_h$  and  $\Omega \subset \Omega_h$ ).

## Apply the standard finite linear element method:

Find  $u_h \in V_h$

$$V_h = \{v_h \in V : v_h|_T \in \mathcal{P}_1 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h : v_h|_{\Gamma_2} = 0\}$$

such that

$$\int_{\Omega_h} \nabla u_h \cdot \nabla v_h = \int_{\Omega} f v_h + \int_{\partial\Omega_{h,3}} I_h(g) v_h \quad \forall v_h \in V_h.$$

( $I_h$  denotes the piecewise linear interpolation at the vertices of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_h$  which lies on  $\Gamma_3$ ).

### c) COMPUTE THE ERROR

value of $s$ ( $\alpha = 2$ )	$L^2$ order in $h$	$L^2$ order in number of nodes
0.55	1.65818970125595	0.86088757665489
0.60	1.70694615889165	0.88620062052947
0.65	1.75601497954524	0.91167583489716
0.70	1.80518355660826	0.93720284011453
0.75	1.85424176187600	0.96267254325886
0.80	1.90295927796932	0.98796536973008
0.85	1.95106069486770	1.01293833403926
0.90	1.99819397485982	1.03740866765759
0.95	2.04388765319860	1.06113159874547

Recall that  $u = x^s - 1 \in H^2$  if  $s > \frac{1}{2}$ .

So, the question is...



What is WRONG?

Observe the STRICT inclusion:

$$\Omega \subset \Omega_h$$

In general if  $\Omega \neq \Omega_h$  some "non - conforming" like term appears in the error equation.

For SMOOTH  $\Omega$  the non-conforming terms can be properly bounded ( Bramble and King (1994)) and, as a consequence, optimal order convergence is obtained.

The proof given by Bramble and King relies strongly on  
EXTENSION THEOREMS in  $H^2$ .

Our  $\Omega$  is NOT an extension domain ( Peter Jones (1981)).

Considering again  $u(x, y) = x^s - 1 \in H^2(\Omega)$ .

If  $s < 1$  the function IS NOT in  $H^2(\Omega_h)$ , for any  $h$ .

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We need a new type of extension theorem.

Let  $H_\alpha^2(\mathcal{D})$  be the weighted Sobolev space defined by:

$$H_\alpha^2(\mathcal{D}) = \{v : r^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} D^\gamma v \in L^2(\mathcal{D}), \text{ for any } \gamma, |\gamma| \leq 2\}$$

( $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ) with the norm

$$\|u\|_{H_\alpha^2(\mathcal{D})} = \sum_{|\gamma| \leq 2} \|r^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} D^\gamma v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})}$$



We showed (2007) that  $H^2$  solutions of our problem can be extended to  $H^2_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .

Also Maz'ya et. al,  $n$  years ago ... in russian!,  
See the book Differentiable Functions on Bad Domains, 1997.

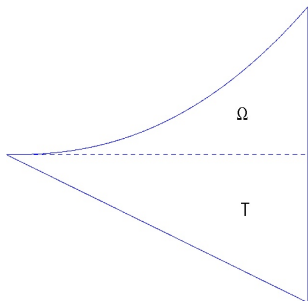
## The extension theorem

**Theorem** Let  $u$  be the solution of our problem then there exists a function  $\hat{u} \in H_{\alpha}^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  such that  $\hat{u} = u$  in  $\Omega$  and

$$\|\hat{u}\|_{H_{\alpha}^2(\mathbb{R}^2)} \leq C\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)}$$

**Proof** First: Extend the solution to the triangle

$$T = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, -x \leq y \leq 0\}$$



Second: Observe that  $\mathcal{D} = \Omega \cup \mathcal{T}$  is a Lipschitz domain. Show that  $\hat{u}(x, y)$  belongs to the weighted Sobolev space  $H_\alpha^2(\mathcal{D})$ .

Third: Apply the results obtained by Seng-Kee Chua (1992) and extend the function to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , if  $\alpha < 3$  (again this condition!, the weight is in the class  $A_2$ ).

It can be proved:

- $\hat{u} \in H_\alpha^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \cap H^1(\Omega_h)$
- $\hat{u} \in W^{2,p}(\Omega_h)$  for  $p < \frac{4}{\alpha+1}$

The moral is:

Regular solutions  $u$  defined in  $\Omega$  behave like SINGULAR SOLUTIONS since they can not be extended with the same regularity to  $\Omega_h$ !

Question : Numerical remedy?

Answer: Some type of adaptivity.

For polygonal domains (i.e.  $\Omega = \Omega_h$ ) but with angles greater than  $\Pi$  (and hence with singular solutions) Grisvard (1985) showed that solutions of elliptic problems with this kind of singularities (i.e. solutions belonging to the space  $H_\alpha^2$ ) can be approximated with optimal order by introducing a graded mesh.

His main tool: Sharp Lagrange interpolation estimates at the singularity.

For all  $v \in H_\alpha^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \cap H^1(\Omega_h)$

$$|\nabla(v - \Pi_h(v))|_{L^2(K)}^2 \leq Ch_K^{3-\alpha} \sum_{|\beta|=2} \int_K |D^\beta v|^2 r^{\alpha-1}$$

$$\forall K \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

where  $\Pi_h(v)$  denotes the linear Lagrange interpolation at the vertices of the triangle  $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$ .

And an appropriate mesh

- ① Regularity assumption (i.e. the **minimum** angle condition).
- ② Let  $h_K$  be the diameter of the triangle which has a vertex at  $(0,0)$ . There exists a constant  $C$  such that  $h_K \leq C h^{3-\alpha}$
- ③  $h_K \leq C h \inf_K r^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}}$  for all  $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$  with no corner at  $(0,0)$

where  $h$  is a parameter which goes to 0.



The idea is simple: One can write, for  $K$  such that  $(0, 0) \in K$

$$|\nabla(v - \Pi_h(v))|_{L^2(K)}^2 \leq Ch^2 \sum_{|\beta|=2} \int_K |D^\beta v|^2 r^{\alpha-1}$$

and for the other triangles (usual Lagrange interpolation estimate)

$$|\nabla(v - \Pi_h(v))|_{L^2(K)}^2 \leq Ch_K^2 \sum_{|\beta|=2} \int_K |D^\beta v|^2$$

and since  $h_K \leq h \inf_K r^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}}$

$$|\nabla(v - \Pi_h(v))|_{L^2(K)}^2 \leq Ch^2 \sum_{|\beta|=2} \int_K |D^\beta v|^2 r^{\alpha-1}$$

So, for the Lagrange interpolation we have

$$|\nabla(v - \Pi_h(v))|_{L^2(K)}^2 \leq Ch^2 \|u\|_{2,\alpha}^2$$

and since the FEM solution behaves like the best approximant, the same estimate is expected!.

Can we do the same?

The easy part:

Grisvard assumes that the mesh satisfies **the usual regularity condition** i.e,  $h_K/\rho_K \leq \sigma$  which will **not be satisfied in our case**. However the interpolation estimate holds under the **maximum angle condition** (Apel (1999)).

The OTHER part:

Consistency terms! (since for us  $\Omega \neq \Omega_h$ ).

We change the regularity assumption by the Maximum Angle Condition.

- 1 The maximum angle condition.
- 2 Let  $h_K$  be the diameter of the triangle which has a vertex in  $(0,0)$ . There exists a constant  $C$  such that  $h_K \leq C h^{\frac{2}{3-\alpha}}$
- 3  $h_K \leq C h \inf_{K \times \frac{\alpha-1}{2}}$  for all  $K \in \mathcal{T}_h$  with no corner at  $(0,0)$

where  $h$  is a parameter which goes to 0.

(NOTE THAT  $x \sim r$  in our domain)

Next: we show that such a mesh can be constructed:

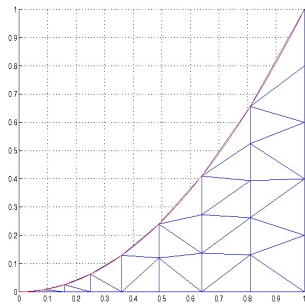
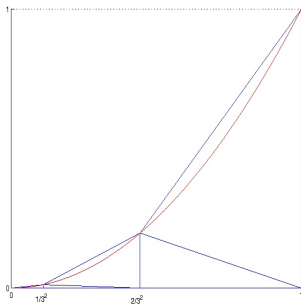
1) Divide the interval  $[0, 1]$  by using the points:

$$x_i = \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^{\frac{2}{3-\alpha}} \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

2) Take the points  $(x_i, 0)$  in  $\Gamma_1$ ,  $(x_i, x_i^\alpha)$  in  $\Gamma_3$  and divide the vertical lines in the uniform way.

Then the triangulation is obtained by using these points.

With such procedure the dimension of  $V_h$  is equivalent to  $n^2$  with  $h \sim 1/n$



And we prove:

**Theorem** Let  $u$  be the solution of our original Poisson problem (under the hypotheses of the regularity Theorem). Let  $\tau_h$  be a mesh verifying the conditions required above, and  $u_h$  the linear finite element solution, then we have the following error estimate

$$\|u - u_h\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq Ch \sqrt{\log(1/h)} \{ \|f\| + \|ht^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(0,1)} + \|h't^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\|_{L^2(0,1)} \}$$



For the same example considered above we have the following numerical results:

value of $s$ ( $\alpha = 2$ )	$L^2$ order in $h$	$L^2$ order in number of nodes
0.55	2.00064455011318	1.11563231377340
0.60	2.00046659064628	1.11671041725597
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