

From last week: Γ -convergence

Special case: $W(\nabla u)$ quadratic

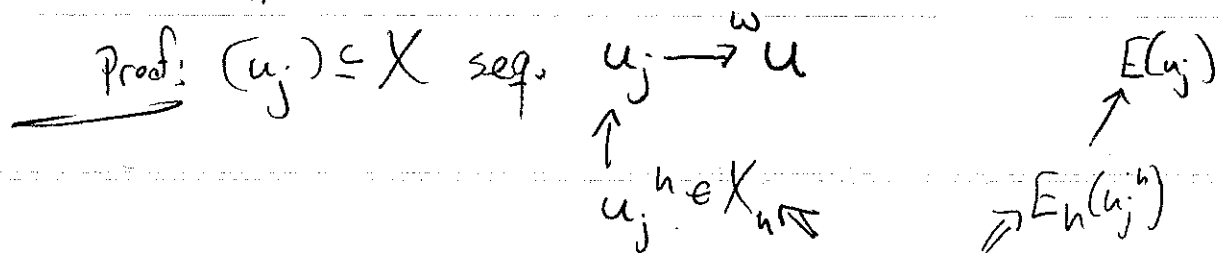
Variational Methods

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$$E(u) = \frac{1}{2} a(u, u) - \langle f, u \rangle \text{ on Hilbert space}$$

- Lax Milgram for quadratic problems

Prop 4.1: $E_h \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E \Rightarrow E$ is w.l.s.c.



$\forall j$ choose h_j s.t. $|E(u_j) - E_{h_j}(u_j^{h_j})| \leq \frac{1}{j}$

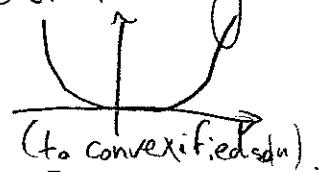
If $h_j \rightarrow 0$. Then $u_j^{h_j} \xrightarrow{w} u$

$$E(u) \leq \liminf E_{h_j}(u_j^{h_j}) = \liminf E(u_j). \quad \#$$

Upcoming: $W = \int W(\nabla u) dx \rightarrow E(u) = \int W(\nabla u) dx$

Discretise this with p.w. linears.

$\Rightarrow E_h(u_h) \xrightarrow{\Gamma} ?$ (Yes) but to wrong soln.



Two more facts: $E_h \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E$
 G w-cont. $\Rightarrow E_h + G \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E + G$.

(True, as $G(u_h) \rightarrow G(u)$ by cont.)

• $E_h \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E$ and $u_h \in X$: $I_h(u_h) \leq \inf_{u_h \in X_h} I_h(u_h) + \epsilon_h$, $\epsilon_h \rightarrow 0$ and if $u_h \xrightarrow{w} u$, then $E_h(u_h) \rightarrow E(u)$ and u minimizes E .

② Message: If u_n is minimizer of E_n over $X_n \subset X$ and $E_n \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E$ and if u_n converges, then u_n converges to minimizer of E .

Ex: let $X = H_0^1(\Omega)$, $X_n = \text{p.w. linears on } \mathcal{T}_n$.

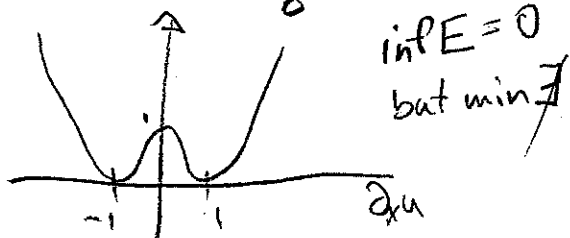
$$E(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u)^2 - \int_{\Omega} f u \quad \text{by continuity. } (f \in L^2)$$

$$E_n(u_n) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u_n)^2 - \int_{\Omega} f u_n = E(u_n)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} (\nabla u_n)^2 \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \int_{\Omega} (\nabla u)^2$$

$$\text{So } E_n(u_n) \xrightarrow{\Gamma} E(u)$$

Ex: Let $E(u) = \int_0^1 ((\partial_x u)^2 - 1)^2 + u^4 dx$ on $X = W^{1,4}(0,1)$.

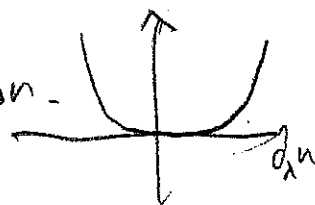


Assertion:

$E(u)$ discretized on $X_n = \text{p.w. linears on uniform mesh of } [0,1]$.

$$E_n(u_n) := E(u_n) \quad \forall u_n \in X_n$$

$\Rightarrow E_n \rightarrow E^{**} = \text{convexification.}$



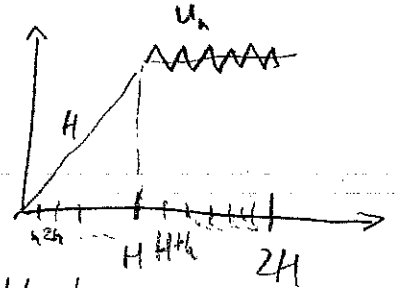
Γ -conv. $E_h \rightarrow E$ as $E_h(u_h) \approx E(u_h) \geq E^{**}(u_h)$ (3.)

So, $\liminf_h E_h(u_h) \geq \liminf_h E^{**}(u_h) \geq E^{**}(u)$

- We want $\forall u \in X$, a sequence $u_h \rightarrow^w u$ s.t. energies converge.

We do this first for $u \in X_H$

$$E(u_h) \approx E^{**}(u)$$



In general, for $u \in X$: Choose H s.t. $u - u_H$ small enough
 $u_H \leftarrow u_h$ + triangle ineq.

Goal: "Cea's" lemma for nonlinear functionals.

$$\| \text{num. error} \| \leq C \| \text{best possible error} \|$$

Method: FEM for nonlinear problems

Assume: $E: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$, assume \exists unique minimize $u \in X$.
 X_h fin. dim.

Compute minimizer u_h of E restricted to X_h .

$$\text{Thm: } \left(\frac{\alpha_F}{4} + \frac{\alpha_F}{4} \right) \| u - u_h \|_X^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \inf_{w_h \in X_h} (E(w_h) - E(u))$$

\leq Error of ground state Energy (best possible).

④ Let X ~~not~~ Y Banach, $\Lambda: X \rightarrow Y$ bounded, linear.

$F: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$, $G: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$
convex, l.s.c, proper functionals.

Wants: Minimize $E(u) = F(u) + G(\Lambda u)$

Set $F^*: X' \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ Fenchel conjugate

$$F^*(w) = \sup_{v \in X} \langle w, v \rangle - F(v)$$

$F^{**}(w) = F(w)$ in reflexive Banach,
In general convexification.

Similarly for G .

For "Gea's" lemma (noneed for conjugate).

Assume F or G is strongly convex:

$$\alpha_F \|v_1 - v_2\|^2 + F\left(\frac{v_1 + v_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{F(v_1) + F(v_2)}{2} \quad (\text{same for } G)$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{1}{2}(E(v) + E(u)) - E\left(\frac{v+u}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}F(v) + \frac{1}{2}G(\Lambda v) + \frac{1}{2}F(u) + \frac{1}{2}G(\Lambda u) - F\left(\frac{v+u}{2}\right) - G\left(\frac{\Lambda v + \Lambda u}{2}\right)$$

$$\geq \alpha_F \|u - v\|^2 + \alpha_G \|\Lambda(u - v)\|^2$$

As u is minimizer $\Rightarrow E'$