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A priori error estimate in  $L_2$ -norm

Assume  $c=0$  & constant mesh size  $h$ .

Theorem 15.5:  $\|u-u_h\| \leq C_i S_a \|h(u-u')\|_a \leq C_i^2 S_a \|h^2 u''\|_a$

with  $S_a = \max_{\varphi \neq 0} \frac{\|\varphi''\|_a}{\|\varphi\|}$  with  $\varphi$  dual sol. with  $\varphi'$  as data.

Proof:  $\|e\|^2 = \int_0^1 a e' \varphi' dx = \int_0^1 a e' (\varphi - \pi_h \varphi)' dx$   
 $\leq \|h e'\|_a \|h^{-1} (\varphi - \pi_h \varphi)'\|_a \leq C_i \|h e'\|_a \|\varphi''\|_a$

And note that  $\|h e'\|_a \leq C_i \|h^2 u''\|_a$  □

2D error estimates:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \end{cases}$$

Variational formulation: Find  $u \in V$  s.t.

$$(\nabla u, \nabla v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in V$$

$C_G(u)$ : Find  $U \in V_h$  s.t.

$$(\nabla U, \nabla v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in V_h$$

Dual problem:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta \varphi = e & \text{in } \Omega \\ \varphi = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma \end{cases}$$