

Applied Analysis Part
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Instructions: Do any three problems. Show all work clearly. State the problem that you are skipping. No extra credit for doing all four.

Problem 1. Let \mathcal{P} be the set of all polynomials.

- (a) State and sketch a proof of the Weierstrass Approximation Theorem.¹
- (b) Use (a) to show that \mathcal{P} is dense in $L^2[0, 1]$. (You may use the fact that $C[0, 1]$ is dense in $L^2[0, 1]$.)
- (c) Let $U := \{p_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ be the orthonormal set of polynomials obtained from \mathcal{P} via the Gram-Schmidt process. Show that U is a complete set in $L^2[0, 1]$.

Problem 2. Let \mathcal{D} be the set of compactly supported functions defined on \mathbb{R} and let \mathcal{D}' be the corresponding set of distributions.

- (a) Define convergence in \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' .
- (b) Show that $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$ satisfies $\psi = \phi''$ for some $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$ if and only if

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x) dx = 0 \text{ and } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x\psi(x) dx = 0.$$

- (c) Find all distributions $T \in \mathcal{D}'$ such that $T''(x) = \delta(x + 1) - 2\delta(x) + \delta(x - 1)$.

Problem 3. Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space and let $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H})$ be the set of compact operators on \mathcal{H} .

- (a) State and prove the Fredholm Alternative.
- (b) State the Closed Range Theorem.
- (c) Let $\mathcal{H} = L^2[0, 1]$. Define the kernel $k(x, y) := x^3y^2$ and let $Ku(x) = \int_0^1 k(x, y)u(y)dy$. Show that K is in $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H})$.
- (d) Let $L = I - \lambda K$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, with K as defined in part (c) above. Find all λ for which $Lu = f$ can be solved for all $f \in L^2[0, 1]$. For these values of λ , find the resolvent $(I - \lambda K)^{-1}$.

Problem 4. Consider the kernel $k(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (1+n)^{-2} P_{n+1}(x)P_n(y)$, where the P_n 's are the orthogonal set of Legendre polynomials, relative to $L^2[-1, 1]$. They are normalized so that $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x)^2 dx = \frac{2}{2n+1}$.

- (a) Show that $Ku(x) = \int_{-1}^1 k(x, y)u(y)dy$ is a compact operator on $L^2[-1, 1]$.
- (b) Determine the spectrum of K .

¹You may use these identities involving the Bernstein polynomials. The last two identities start the sum at $j = 0$, rather than $j = 1$.

$$1 = \sum_{j=0}^n \beta_{j,n}(x), \quad x = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{j}{n} \beta_{j,n}(x) \quad \frac{1}{n}x + (1 - \frac{1}{n})x^2 = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{j^2}{n^2} \beta_{j,n}(x).$$

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS QUALIFIER

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Problem 1. Let T be the unit triangle in \mathbb{R}^2 , with vertices $v_1 = (0, 0)$, $v_2 = (1, 0)$, and $v_3 = (0, 1)$ and edges $e_1 = v_1v_2$, $e_2 = v_2v_3$ and $e_3 = v_3v_1$. Let z_i be the midpoint of the edge e_i . Let $TW_0 = \{(a - cy, b + cx) : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ (so that members of TW_0 are vector functions over T), and $[\mathbb{P}_0]^2 \subsetneq TW_0 \subsetneq [\mathbb{P}_1]^2$. Finally, let $\sigma_i(\vec{u}) = \vec{u}(z_i) \cdot \vec{t}_i$, where \vec{t}_i is the counterclockwise-pointing unit vector tangent to ∂T on e_i , and let $\Sigma = \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3\}$.

- (a) Show that (T, TW_0, Σ) is a finite element triple.
- (b) Find a basis $\{\vec{\varphi}_1, \vec{\varphi}_2, \vec{\varphi}_3\}$ for TW_0 that is dual to Σ , that is, $\sigma_i(\vec{\varphi}_j) = \delta_{ij}$ with $\delta_{ij} = 1$ if $i = j$ and $\delta_{ij} = 0$ otherwise.
- (c) Let $(\Pi\vec{u})(x) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sigma_i(\vec{u})\vec{\varphi}_i(x)$, $x \in T$ and $\vec{u} \in [H^2(T)]^2$. Show that

$$\|\vec{u} - \Pi\vec{u}\|_{[L_2(T)]^2} \leq C(|\vec{u}|_{[H^1(T)]^2} + |\vec{u}|_{[H^2(T)]^2}), \quad \vec{u} \in [H^2(T)]^2.$$

Note: You may use standard analysis results such as trace, Sobolev, and Poincaré inequalities and the Bramble-Hilbert Lemma without proof, but specify precisely which results you are using.

Problem 2. Consider the following initial boundary value problem: find a solution $u(x, t)$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(u - \Delta u) - \mu\Delta u = f, & \text{for } x \in \Omega, 0 < t \leq T, \\ u(x, t) = 0, & \text{for } x \in \partial\Omega, 0 < t \leq T, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & \text{for } x \in \Omega. \end{cases}$$

Here, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is a polygonal domain, $\partial\Omega$ its boundary, $\mu > 0$ a given constant, and $f(x, t)$ and $u_0(x)$ are given right hand side and initial data functions.

In the following let $V = H_0^1(\Omega)$ and let $V_h \subset V$ be a finite element approximation space with (nodal) basis $\varphi_i^h(x)$, $i = 0, \dots, \mathcal{N}$. Let $t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = T$ be a partition of $[0, T]$ into N uniform subintervals with time step size $k = t_{n+1} - t_n$.

- (a) For given $u^n \in V$ at time t_n find the *semi-discrete weak formulation* of the initial boundary value problem where the forward Euler method is used to compute a value $u^{n+1} \in V$ at time t_{n+1} .
- (b) Introduce matrices $M_h \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{N}}$ with $(M_h)_{ij} = (\varphi_i^h, \varphi_j^h)_{L^2(\Omega)}$, and $A_h \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N} \times \mathcal{N}}$ with $(A_h)_{ij} = (\nabla\varphi_i^h, \nabla\varphi_j^h)_{L^2(\Omega)}$. Verify that the *fully discrete* scheme of the initial boundary value problem can be written as follows: Given a coefficient vector $U^n \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N}}$ at time t_n compute $U^{n+1} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N}}$ for time t_{n+1} as follows:

$$(M_h + A_h) \frac{U^{n+1} - U^n}{k} + \mu A_h U^n = M_h F^n,$$

where the coefficient vector $F^n \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N}}$ is formed by setting

$$(M_h F^n)_i = (f(\cdot, t_n), \varphi_i^h)_{L^2(\Omega)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}.$$

- (c) Now introduce an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors $\Psi^j \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{N}}$ with eigenvalues $\lambda_j > 0$ of the following generalized eigenvalue problem:

$$A_h \Psi^j = \lambda_j M_h \Psi^j, \quad \text{and} \quad (\Psi^j)^T M_h \Psi^j = \delta_{ij}, \quad \text{for } i, j = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}.$$

Here, δ_{ij} denotes the Kronecker delta. Expand

$$U^n = \sum_{j=1}^{\mathcal{N}} c_j^n \Psi^j, \quad F^n = \sum_{j=1}^{\mathcal{N}} d_j^n \Psi^j. \quad \text{and set} \quad \delta_j = \frac{1 + (1 - k\mu)\lambda_j}{1 + \lambda_j}.$$

Find the Courant (CFL) condition for stability and prove that

$$|c_j^{n+1}| \leq \delta_j |c_j^n| + \frac{k}{1 + \lambda_j} |d_j^n| \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N.$$

- (d) Derive a stability estimate that relates $|c_j^{n+1}|$ to the initial coefficient c_j^0 and right hand side coefficients d_j^ν , $\nu = 0, \dots, n$.

Problem 3. Consider the interval $D := (0, 1)$. Let $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\nu \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and $f \in L^1(D)$ (note carefully what regularity is assumed of f). Consider the equation

$$(3.1) \quad \mu u(x) + \beta \partial_x u(x) - \nu \partial_{xx} u(x) = f(x), \quad \text{for a.e. } x \in D,$$

$$(3.2) \quad u(0) = a, \quad u(1) = b.$$

Let I be a positive natural number. Let $h := \frac{1}{I+1}$. Let \mathcal{T}_h be the uniform mesh composed of the cells $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$, with $x_i := ih$, for all i in $\{0 \dots I + 1\}$. Let $P_1(\mathcal{T}_h)$ be the Lagrange finite element space composed of the scalar-valued functions that are continuous and piecewise linear on the mesh \mathcal{T}_h . We also denote $P_{1,0}(\mathcal{T}_h) := P_1(\mathcal{T}_h) \cap H_0^1(D)$.

- (a) Let $u_{ab}(x) = a(1-x) + bx$ be the natural linear lifting of the boundary conditions. Let $u_0(x) := u(x) - u_{ab}(x)$ so that $u_0(0) = 0$ and $u_0(1) = 0$. Write the weak form of the problem for u_0 where the trial and test spaces are $H_0^1(D)$. Use the norm $\|v\|_{H^1(D)} := (\|v\|_{L^2(D)}^2 + \|\partial_x v\|_{L^2(D)}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.
- (b) Prove that the proposed weak form of the problem is well-posed (*Hint*: You may invoke the boundedness of the embedding $H^s(D) \subset L^\infty(D)$ when $s > \frac{1}{2}$. Recall also that $\min(\mu, \nu) > 0$.)
- (c) Write the Galerkin formulation of the weak formulation proposed in part (a) in the space $P_{1,0}(\mathcal{T}_h) := P_1(\mathcal{T}_h) \cap H_0^1(D)$ and denote by $u_{h,0}$ the approximation of u_0 .
- (d) Denote $u_h := u_{h,0} + u_{ab}$. Prove that

$$\|u - u_h\|_{H^1(D)} \leq C \inf_{\chi \in P_1(\mathcal{T}_h)} \|u - \chi\|_{H^1(D)}.$$

Explain why we *cannot* immediately conclude using the usual arguments that

$$\|u - u_h\|_{H^1(D)} \leq C(u)h,$$

where $C(u)$ depends on u . (Think carefully about what must be true about u in order for these estimates to hold.)