

CAAM 336 · DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Homework 7

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*Please write your name and **residential college** on your homework.*

1. [50 points: 10 points each]

Let the inner product $(\cdot, \cdot) : C[0, 1] \times C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$(v, w) = \int_0^1 v(x)w(x) dx$$

and let the norm $\|\cdot\| : C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{(v, v)}.$$

Let the linear operator $L : C_D^2[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ be defined by

$$Lv = -v''$$

where

$$C_D^2[0, 1] = \{w \in C^2[0, 1] : w(0) = w(1) = 0\}.$$

Recall that the operator L has eigenvalues

$$\lambda_n = n^2\pi^2$$

with corresponding eigenfunctions

$$\phi_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \sin(n\pi x)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Let N be a positive integer, let $f \in C[0, 1]$ be defined by $f(x) = 8x^2(1-x)$ and let u be the solution to

$$Lu = f.$$

(a) Compute the best approximation f_N to f from $\text{span}\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$.

(b) Write down the infinite series solution to

$$Lu = f$$

that is obtained using the spectral method, i.e.

$$u(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \alpha_j \phi_j(x)$$

where α_j are coefficients to be specified. Given this above series, determine the best approximation u_N to u from $\text{span}\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$.

(c) Plot the approximations u_N to u that you obtained using the spectral method for $N = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.

- (d) By shifting the data and then using an infinite series solution that you have obtained previously in this question, obtain a series solution to the problem of finding $\tilde{u} \in C^2[0, 1]$ such that

$$-\tilde{u}''(x) = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1;$$

$$\tilde{u}(0) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

and

$$\tilde{u}(1) = \frac{1}{4}.$$

- (e) Let \tilde{u}_N be the series solution that you obtained in part (d) but with ∞ replaced by N , i.e.

$$\tilde{u}_N(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j \phi_j(x)$$

Plot \tilde{u}_N for $N = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.

2. [50 points: 10 points each]

All parts of this question should be done by hand.

Let the inner product $(\cdot, \cdot) : C[0, 1] \times C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

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and let the norm $\|\cdot\| : C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{(v, v)}.$$

Let the linear operator $L : S \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ be defined by

$$Lv = -v''$$

where

$$S = \{w \in C^2[0, 1] : w'(0) = w(1) = 0\}.$$

Note that S is a subspace of $C[0, 1]$ and that

$$(Lv, w) = (v, Lw) \text{ for all } v, w \in S.$$

Let N be a positive integer and let $f \in C[0, 1]$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - 2x & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(a) The operator L has eigenvalues λ_n with corresponding eigenfunctions

$$\phi_n(x) = \sqrt{2} \cos\left(\frac{2n-1}{2}\pi x\right)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Note that, for $m, n = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$(\phi_m, \phi_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m = n; \\ 0 & \text{if } m \neq n. \end{cases}$$

Obtain a formula for the eigenvalues λ_n for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

(b) Compute f_N , the best approximation to f from $\text{span}\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$. Plot f_N for $N = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.

(c) Use the spectral method to obtain a series solution to the problem of finding $\tilde{u} \in C^2[0, 1]$ such that

$$-\tilde{u}''(x) = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1$$

and

$$\tilde{u}'(0) = \tilde{u}(1) = 0.$$

- (d) By shifting the data, obtain an infinite series solution to the problem of finding $u \in C^2[0, 1]$ such that

$$-u''(x) = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1$$

and

$$u'(0) = u(1) = 1.$$

- (e) Let \tilde{u}_N be the series solution that you obtained in part (d) but with ∞ replaced by N , i.e.

$$\tilde{u}_N(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j \phi_j(x)$$

Plot \tilde{u}_N for $N = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$.