CAAM 336 · DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Homework 28

Posted Wednesday 9 October 2013. Due 1pm Friday 18 October 2013.

28. [25 points] Let the inner product (\cdot,\cdot) : $C[0,1]\times C[0,1]\to\mathbb{R}$ be defined by

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

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

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

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

$$Lv = -v''$$

where

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

Note that

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

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

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

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

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

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

and

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

Note that, for $m, n = 1, 2, \ldots$,

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

- (c) Plot the approximation to \tilde{u} obtained by replacing the upper limit of the summation in your series solution with 20.
- (d) By shifting the data, obtain a series solution to the problem of finding $u \in C^2[0,1]$ such that

$$-u''(x) = x + \sin(\pi x), \quad 0 < x < 1$$

and

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

(e) Plot the approximation to u obtained by replacing the upper limit of the summation in your series solution with 20.