CAAM 336 · DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Homework 36

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36. [25 points] Let $H_D^1(0,1) = \left\{w \in H^1(0,1) : w(1) = 0\right\}$ and let the inner product $(\cdot,\cdot) : L^2(0,1) \times L^2(0,1) \to \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

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

and the inner product $a(\cdot,\cdot) : H_D^1(0,1) \times H_D^1(0,1) \to \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

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

Also, let $f \in L^2(0,1)$, let N be a positive integer, and let V_N be a subspace of $H_D^1(0,1)$. Moreover, let $u \in H_D^1(0,1)$ be such that

$$a(u,v) = (f,v) \text{ for all } v \in H_D^1(0,1)$$

and let $u_N \in V_N$ be such that

$$a(u_N,v) = (f,v) \text{ for all } v \in V_N.$$

(a) Show that

$$a(u-u_N, u-u_N) = a(u,u) - a(u_N,u_N).$$

(b) Let $\phi_0, \phi_1, \ldots, \phi_N \in V_N$ and let $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1)\times(N+1)}$ be the matrix with entries $K_{jk} = a(\phi_{k-1}, \phi_{j-1})$ for $j,k = 1,\ldots,N+1$. Also, let

$$u_N = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \alpha_j \phi_j$$

where, for $k = 1,\ldots,N+1$, $\alpha_{k-1} \in \mathbb{R}$ is the kth entry of the vector $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$. Show that

$$\mathbf{c}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{c} = a(u_N,u_N).$$