

CAAM 336 · DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Examination 1

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1. [25 points]

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

$$Lv = -v'' + 9v.$$

Let $u \in C^2[0, 1]$ be the solution to the differential equation

$$-u''(x) + 9u(x) = f(x), \quad 0 < x < 1$$

with boundary conditions

$$u(0) = \alpha$$

and

$$u(1) = \beta$$

where $f \in C[0, 1]$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. Note that

$$(Lu)(x) = -u''(x) + 9u(x)$$

for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Let N be an integer which is such that $N \geq 2$ and let $h = \frac{1}{N+1}$ and $x_j = jh$ for $j = 0, \dots, N+1$.

(a) Determine whether or not L is a linear operator.

(b) By using the approximation

$$u''(x_j) \approx \frac{u(x_{j-1}) - 2u(x_j) + u(x_{j+1}))}{h^2}$$

for $j = 1, \dots, N$ we can write

$$\begin{bmatrix} (Lu)(x_1) \\ (Lu)(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ (Lu)(x_{N-1}) \\ (Lu)(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \approx \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} u(x_0) \\ u(x_1) \\ u(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ u(x_{N-1}) \\ u(x_N) \\ u(x_{N+1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (N+2)}$. What are the entries of the matrix \mathbf{D} ? An acceptable way to present your final answer is

$$D_{jk} = \begin{cases} ? & \text{if } k = ?; \\ ? & \text{if } k = ? \text{ or } k = ?; \\ ? & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

with the question marks replaced with the correct values.

- (c) We can use the differential equation and boundary conditions satisfied by u and the approximation from the previous part to write

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} u(x_1) \\ u(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ u(x_{N-1}) \\ u(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \approx \mathbf{b}$$

where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^N$. What are the entries of the matrix \mathbf{A} and the vector \mathbf{b} ? An acceptable way to present your final answer is

$$A_{jk} = \begin{cases} ? & \text{if } k = ?; \\ ? & \text{if } k = ? \text{ or } k = ?; \\ ? & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

and

$$b_j = \begin{cases} ? & \text{if } j = ?; \\ ? & \text{if } j = ?; \\ ? & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

with the question marks replaced with the correct values.

- (d) Let $f(x) = 18$, $\alpha = \beta = 0$ and $N = 2$. Obtain approximations u_1 and u_2 to $u(x_1)$ and $u(x_2)$, respectively, by solving

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}.$$

2. [25 points]

- (a) Compute

$$\int_{-1}^1 x \, dx.$$

- (b) Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use the spectral method to obtain the solution $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ to

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{g}.$$

(c) Let

$$V_0 = \left\{ w \in C^1[0, 1] : \int_0^1 w(x) dx = 0 \right\}.$$

Determine whether or not V_0 is a subspace of $C^1[0, 1]$.

(d) Let $(\cdot, \cdot) : C[-1, 1] \times C[-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$(u, v) = \int_{-1}^1 xu(x)v(x) dx.$$

Determine whether or not (\cdot, \cdot) is an inner product on $C[-1, 1]$.

(e) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that $a < b$. Let $\phi \in C[a, b]$ be defined by $\phi(x) = 1$ and let the inner product $B(\cdot, \cdot) : C[a, b] \times C[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$B(u, v) = \int_a^b u(x)v(x) dx.$$

Let the linear operator $P_0 : C[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$ be defined by

$$P_0 f = \frac{1}{b-a} B(f, \phi).$$

Determine whether or not P_0 is a projection.

3. [25 points]

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 $L : S \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ 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

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

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

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

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

- (b) Compute the best approximation to f from $\text{span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_N\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$.

- (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) What is the best approximation to \tilde{u} from $\text{span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_N\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$?

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

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

and

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

4. [25 points]

Let $\phi_1 \in C[-1, 1]$, $\phi_2 \in C[-1, 1]$, $f_1 \in C[-1, 1]$, and $f_2 \in C[-1, 1]$ be defined by

$$\phi_1(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\phi_2(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}x,$$

$$f_1(x) = \sin(\pi x),$$

and

$$f_2(x) = \cos(\pi x),$$

for all $x \in [-1, 1]$. Note that $\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$ is linearly independent. Let the inner product $(\cdot, \cdot) : C[-1, 1] \times C[-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$(u, v) = \int_{-1}^1 u(x)v(x) dx$$

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

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

Note that $\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$ is orthonormal with respect to the inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Also, let $\psi_1 \in C[0, 1]$, $\psi_2 \in C[0, 1]$, $g_1 \in C[0, 1]$, and $g_2 \in C[0, 1]$ be defined by

$$\psi_1(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\psi_2(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}x,$$

$$g_1(x) = \sin(\pi x),$$

and

$$g_2(x) = \cos(\pi x),$$

for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Note that $\{\psi_1, \psi_2\}$ is linearly independent. Let the inner product $B(\cdot, \cdot) : C[0, 1] \times C[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

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

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

$$\|u\|_B = \sqrt{B(u, u)}.$$

Note that

$$(f_1, \phi_2) = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi},$$

$$B(g_1, \psi_1) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi},$$

$$B(g_1, \psi_2) = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2\pi},$$

$$B(g_2, \psi_2) = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\pi^2},$$

and

$$(f_1, \phi_1) = (f_2, \phi_1) = (f_2, \phi_2) = B(g_2, \psi_1) = 0.$$

- (a) Construct the best approximation to f_1 from $\text{span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$.
- (b) Construct the best approximation to f_2 from $\text{span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|$.
- (c) Construct the best approximation to g_1 from $\text{span}\{\psi_1, \psi_2\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_B$.
- (d) Construct the best approximation to g_2 from $\text{span}\{\psi_1, \psi_2\}$ with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_B$.