

Problem 1

Consider the boundary-value problem

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + u + x &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega = (0,1) , \\ u &= 1 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_u = \{0\} , \\ \frac{du}{dx} &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_q = \{1\} .\end{aligned}$$

Assume a general three-parameter polynomial approximation to the exact solution, in the form

$$u_h(x) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2 . \quad (\dagger)$$

- (a) Place a restriction on parameters α_i by enforcing only the Dirichlet boundary condition, and obtain a *Bubnov-Galerkin* approximation of the solution.
- (b) Starting from the general quadratic form of u_h in (\dagger) , place a restriction on parameters α_i as in part (a), and determine a *Petrov-Galerkin* approximation of the solution assuming

$$w_h(x) = \beta_1 \psi_1(x) + \beta_2 \psi_2(x) ,$$

where functions $\psi_1(x)$ and $\psi_2(x)$ are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases} , \\ \psi_2(x) &= \begin{cases} x & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases} .\end{aligned}$$

Clearly justify the admissibility of w_h for the proposed approximation.