# CBE 502 - HW7 - Finite Elements

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# 1 Analytical Solution by Green's Function

### 1.1 Problem

$$L[u(x)] = -f(x)$$

$$L[u(x)] = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$-f(x) = A\sin(\omega x) + mx$$
(1)

Boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x)|_{x=0} &= 1\\ \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x}\bigg|_{x=1} &= \epsilon \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Constants:

$$A = 18.0$$

$$\omega = 10.0$$

$$m = 4.0$$

$$\epsilon = 0.5$$
(3)

Change of variables, to create homogeneous boundary conditions:

$$v = u + ax + b$$

$$v' = u' + a$$
(4)

To make the new boundary conditions homogeneous, choose b=-1 and  $a=-\epsilon$ .

$$-f(x) = L[u] = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + 0 + 0 = L[v]$$

That is, the problem does not change with the change-of-variables, only the boundary conditions.

### 1.2 Properties of the Green's Function

G(x,t) satisfies the homogeneous problem (that is, G''(x,t)=0):

$$G(x,t) = \begin{cases} C_{1,1}x + C_{1,2}, & 0 \le x \le t \\ C_{2,1}x + C_{2,2}, & t \le x \le 1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} C_{2,1}x + C_{2,2}, & 0 \le t \le x \\ C_{1,1}x + C_{1,2}, & x \le t \le 1 \end{cases}$$
 (5)

G(x,t) satisfies homogeneous boundary conditions:

$$G(0,t) = 0 = C_{1,1} \cdot 0 + C_{1,2} \to C_{1,2} = 0$$

$$G'(0,t) = 0 = C_{2,1} \longrightarrow C_{2,1} = 0$$
(6)

G(x,t) is piecewise, but fully continuous:

$$\lim_{x \to t^{-}} G(x,t) = \lim_{x \to t^{+}} G(x,t)$$

$$C_{1,1}(t) \cdot t = C_{2,2}(t)$$
(7)

G'(x,t) has a jump discontinuity of 1/p(x), where p(x)=1 is taken from the standard from of the second-or operator L[u(x)]:

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial x}\Big|_{t^{+}} - \frac{\partial G}{\partial x}\Big|_{t^{-}} = 1$$

$$0 - C_{1,1}(t) = 1$$
(8)

From (7) and (8), we find that  $C_{1,1}=-1$  and  $C_{2,2}(t)=-t$ . So, the completed Green's function for this operator is:

$$G(x,t) = \begin{cases} -x, & 0 \le x \le t \\ -t, & t \le x \le 1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -t, & 0 \le t \le x \\ -x, & x \le t \le 1 \end{cases}$$
 (9)

The solution (with the change-of-variables) is then given by integrating the product of the Green's function and the forcing function:

$$v(x) = \int_{x=a}^{x=b} -f(t) \quad G(x,t) \quad dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{x} -f(t)(-t)dt + \int_{x}^{1} -f(t)(-x)dt$$

$$= \frac{m\omega^{2}x(-3+x^{2}) + 6A\omega x \cos(\omega) - 6A\sin(\omega x)}{6\omega^{2}}$$
(10)

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} v(x)|_{x=0} &= 0 \quad \checkmark \\ \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x}\bigg|_{x=1} &= 0 \quad \checkmark \\ \frac{\partial^2 v(x)}{\partial x^2} - (-f(x)) &= 0 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

The true solution can be obtained by inverting the change-of-variables:

$$u(x) = v(x) + x/2 + 1$$

$$= 1 + \epsilon x - \frac{mx}{2} + \frac{mx^3}{6} + \frac{Ax\cos(\omega)}{\omega} - \frac{A\sin(\omega x)}{\omega^2}$$
(12)

Check,

$$|u(x)|_{x=0} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial x}\Big|_{x=1} = \epsilon \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x)}{\partial x^2} - (-f(x)) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(13)$$

## 2 Finite Element Solution

## **3 Results**

### linear basis functions

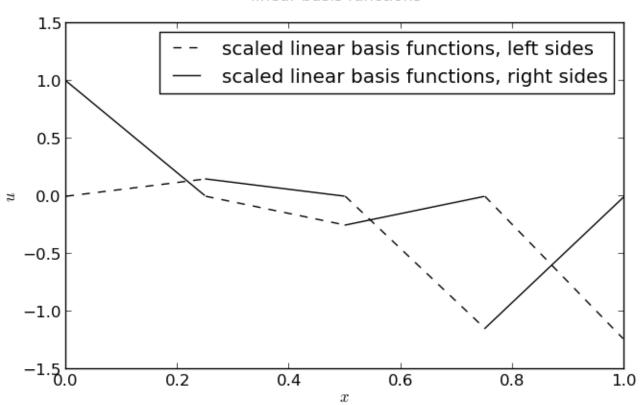


Figure 1: Five basis functions.

### linear basis functions

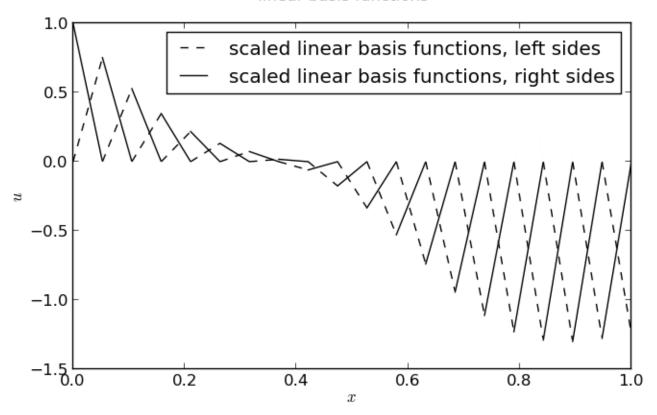


Figure 2: Twenty basis functions.



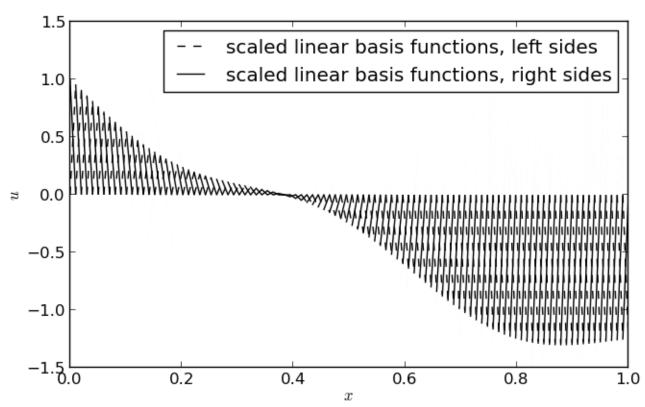


Figure 3: One hundred basis functions.

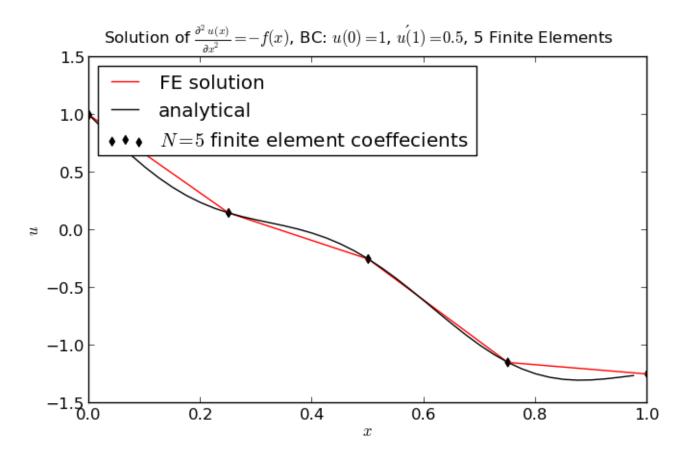


Figure 4: Solution and forcing, 5 basis functions.

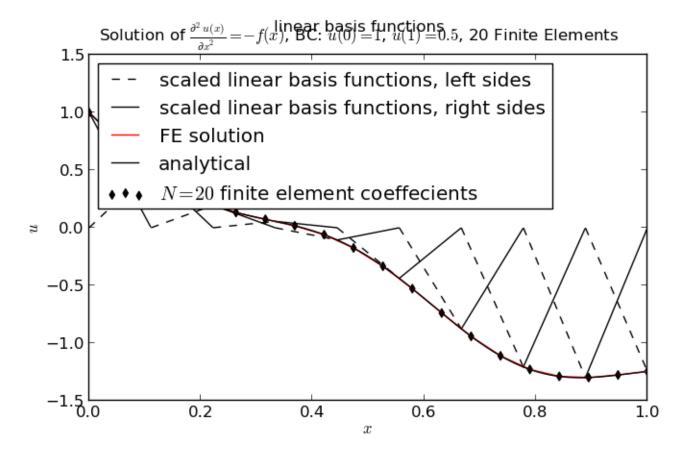


Figure 5: Solution and forcing, 20 basis functions.

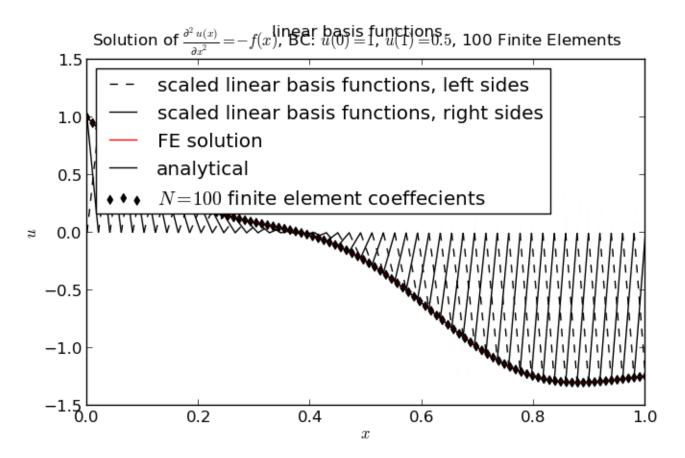


Figure 6: Solution and forcing, 100 basis functions.

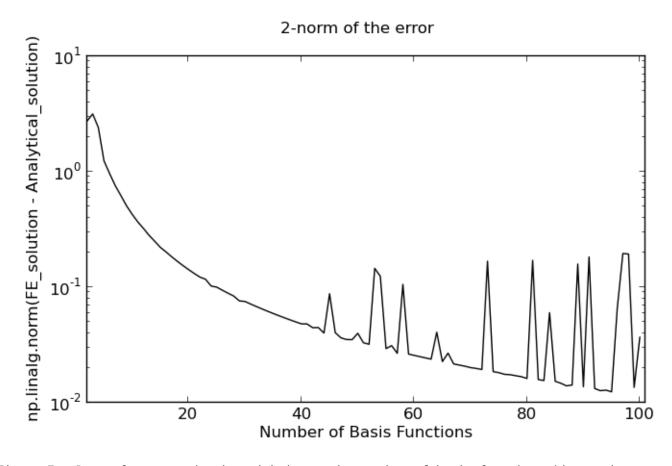


Figure 7: Rate of error reduction with increasing number of basis functions (decreasing discretization distance).

### 4 Code

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hw7.py
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```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
width = 7.5
figsize = (width, width *6.0 / 10.0)
def do_hw(N, save=False):
    h = (1.0 - 0) / (N - 1)
    def phi_l(i):
        a = (i - 1) * h
        return lambda x: (x - a) / h
    def phi_r(i):
        a = (i - 1) * h
        b = a + h
        c = b + h
        return lambda x: -(x - c) / h
    cos = np.cos
    sin = np.sin
    if save:
        fig = plt.figure(figsize=figsize)
        ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
        fig2 = plt.figure(figsize=figsize)
        ax2 = fig2.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
        ax2.set_xlim((0,1))
        #ax2.set_ylim((0,1))
        fig2.suptitle('linear basis functions')
        ax2.set_xlabel(r'$x$')
        ax2.set_ylabel(r'$u$')
    epsilon = 0.5
    omega = 10.0
    m = 4.0
    amp = 18.0
    forcing = lambda x: -amp * sin(x * omega) - m * x
    #forcing = lambda x: 0
    analytical = lambda x: 1 + epsilon*x - (m*x)/2 + (m*x**3)/6 + 
        (amp*x*cos(omega))/omega - amp*sin(omega*x)/omega**2
    def integrate(f, a, b, precision=1000):
        dx = (float(b) - float(a)) / float(precision)
        sum_{-} = 0
        for x in np.arange(a, b, dx):
            sum_+ + f(x) * dx
        return sum_
    main = 2 / h * np.eye(N)
    tri = -1 / h * np.eye(N-1)
```

```
tril = np.vstack((np.zeros((1, N)), np.hstack((tri, np.zeros((N-1, 1))))))
    triu = np.vstack((np.zeros((1, N)), np.hstack((tri, np.zeros((N-1, 1)) )) )).T
    A = main + tril + triu
    A[0, 0] = 1
    A[0, 1] = 0
    A[-1, -1] = A[-1, -1] * 0.5
    print "A:",
     print A
    rhs = []
    for i in range(N):
        a = (i - 1) * h
        b = a + h
        c = b + h
        xl_l = list(np.arange(a, b, (b - a) / 100))
        yl_l = [phi_l(i)(x) \text{ for } x \text{ in } xl_l]
        xl_r = list(np.arange(b, c, (c - b) / 100))
        yl_r = [phi_r(i)(x) \text{ for } x \text{ in } xl_r]
#
         if i==N-1:
#
             ax2.plot(xl_l, yl_l, 'k:', label='linear basis functions, left sides')
             ax2.plot(xl_r, yl_r, 'k-.', label='linear basis functions, right sides')
#
#
         else:
#
             ax2.plot(xl_l, yl_l, 'k:')
#
             ax2.plot(xl_r, yl_r, 'k-.')
        f_l = lambda x: forcing(x) * phi_l(i)(x)
        f_r = lambda x: forcing(x) * phi_r(i)(x)
        if i==N-1:
            rhs.append(integrate(f_l, a, b) + epsilon)
        else:
            rhs.append(integrate(f_l, a, b) + integrate(f_r, b, c))
    rhs = np.array(rhs).reshape((N, 1))
    rhs[0] = 1
    print "rhs:",
#
     print rhs
    u = np.linalg.solve(A, rhs)
    # plot scaled basis functions:
    for i in range(N):
        a = (i - 1) * h
        b = a + h
        c = b + h
        phi_i = lambda x: (x - a) / h * u[i]
        xl_l = list(np.arange(a, b, (b - a) / 100))
        yl_l = [phi_i_l(x) \text{ for } x \text{ in } xl_l]
        phi_i_r = lambda x: -(x - c) / h * u[i]
        xl_r = list(np.arange(b, c, (c - b) / 100))
        yl_r = [phi_i_r(x) \text{ for } x \text{ in } xl_r]
        if i==N-1:
            ax2.plot(xl_l, yl_l, 'k--', label='scaled linear basis functions, left sides')
            ax2.plot(xl_r, yl_r, 'k-', label='scaled linear basis functions, right sides')
            ax2.plot(xl_l, yl_l, 'k--')
            ax2.plot(xl_r, yl_r, 'k-')
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```
#v = -u + 2
    print "u:",
#
    print u
#
    print "resid:",
    print np.dot(A, u) - rhs
   xl = list(np.arange(0, 1, h))
    xl_fine = list(np.arange(0, 1, h / 10.0))
    if len(xl) < len(u):
        xl.append(1.0)
    FE_domains = []
    FE_soln = []
    for i in range(1, N):
        # in each node, two basis functions apply.
        phi_lower = phi_r(i-1)
        phi_upper = phi_l(i)
        node_soln_function = lambda x: u[i-1] * phi_lower(x) + u[i] * phi_upper(x)
        # The node streches from a to b
        a = (i - 1) * h
       b = a + h
        node\_domain = list(np.arange(a, b, (b - a) / 100))
        node_soln = [node_soln_function(x) for x in node_domain]
        # Add these to the growing solution array
        FE_soln.extend(node_soln)
        FE_domains.extend(node_domain)
        ax.plot(FE_domains, FE_soln, 'r-', label='FE solution')
        ax2.plot(xl_fine, [analytical(x) for x in xl_fine], 'r-', label='analytical solution')
        ax.scatter(xl, u, label=r'$N=%i$ finite element coeffecients' % N, color='k', marker='d')
             ax.plot(xl_fine, [-forcing(x) for x in xl_fine], 'k--', label=r'forcing function $-f(x)=%.2f s
        ax.plot(xl_fine, [analytical(x) for x in xl_fine], 'k-', label='analytical')
        fig.suptitle(r'Solution of \frac{2 u(x)}{ partial x^2} = -f(x), BC: u(0)=1, u(1)=1
        ax.legend(loc='upper left')
        ax2.legend(loc='upper right')
        ax.set_xlim((0, 1))
        ax.set_xlabel(r'$x$')
        ax.set_ylabel(r'$u$')
        #fig.tight_layout()
        fig.savefig('hw7-solution_and_forcing-N%i.png' % N)
        fig2.savefig('hw7-basis_functions-N%i.png' % N)
       #plt.show()
    error = []
    for (FE, a) in zip(FE_soln, [analytical(x) for x in FE_domains]):
        error.append(abs(FE - a))
    return error
if __name__=="__main__":
    fig3 = plt.figure(figsize=figsize)
    ax3 = fig3.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
    to_save = [5, 20, 100]
    N_{list} = []
    norm_list = []
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Nmin = 2
    Nmax = 101
    for N in range(Nmin, Nmax):
        print 'N is', N
        if N in to_save:
            error = do_hw(N, save=True)
        else:
            error = do_hw(N, save=False)
        print " norm is ", np.linalg.norm(np.array(error))
        N_list.append(N)
        norm_list.append(np.linalg.norm(error))
         ax3.plot(error, 'k')
#
    ax3.set_yscale('log')
    fig3.suptitle('2-norm of the error')
    ax3.set_xlim((Nmin, Nmax))
    ax3.set_xlabel('Number of Basis Functions')
    ax3.set_ylabel('np.linalg.norm(FE_solution - Analytical_solution)')
    ax3.plot(N_list, norm_list, 'k')
    fig3.savefig('hw7-error_rate.png')
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