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a.(1). From differential equation to weak form

Consider $-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u = x^2$ on $\Omega = [0, 1]$

1. Boundary conditions $u(0) = u(1) = 0$

Hence, we search solutions in $\mathcal{W} = \{u \in C^2[0, 1] | u(0) = u(1) = 0\}$

2. Galerkin approach:

Define residual $r(u) = x^2 - (-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u)$.

find $u_{\mathcal{V}} \in \mathcal{V}$ s.t. $(v, r(u_{\mathcal{V}})) = 0 \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$, Define \mathcal{V} later on.

Write as $a(v, u) = F(v)$. Therefore, use partial integration and use $v(0) = v(1) = 0$ (because $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ and v is in the same space as u) to show that we can write

$$(v, -\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u) = (\frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx}) + (v, (1+x)u)$$

Conclude that we can write the problem as find $u \in \mathcal{V}$ s.t. for all $v \in \mathcal{V}$

$$a(v, u) = F(v) \text{ with } a(v, u) = (\frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}) + (v, (1+x)u), \quad F(v) = (v, x^2)$$

3. Since the weak form consists of first order derivative (and no longer second order) we can expand \mathcal{W} to $\hat{\mathcal{W}} = \{u \in H^1[0, 1] | u(0) = u(1) = 0\}$ Taking $\mathcal{V} = \hat{\mathcal{W}}$ gives

$$\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] | v(0) = v(1) = 0\}$$

c.(3) From weak form to differential equation

$$a(v, u) = ((1 + \cos(x)) \frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}), \quad F(v) = (v, \exp(x))$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] | v(0) = v(1) = 0\}$$

1. Determine differential equation: rewrite $a(v, u) = ((1 + \cos(x)) \frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx})$ in the form $a(v, u) = (v, \cdot)$ where the second argument of the inner product does not depend on v .

Show using partial integration and $v(0) = v(1) = 0$ that we can write

$$a(v, u) = (v, -\sin(x) \frac{du}{dx} + (1 + \cos(x)) \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}).$$

Hence, the differential equation is $-\sin(x) \frac{du}{dx} + (1 + \cos(x)) \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \exp(x)$

2. Determine boundary conditions for u : since $u \in \mathcal{V}$, we have $u(0) = u(1) = 0$.

c.(4) 1. Determine differential equation: show using partial integration and $v(0) = v(1) = 0$ that we can write $a(u, v) = (v, (-\frac{du}{dx} - \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}))$. Hence, $-\frac{du}{dx} - \frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \exp(x)$

2. Determine boundary conditions

d.a.(1) We have

$$a(v, u) = (\frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}) + (v, (1+x)u)$$

$$\Rightarrow a(u, u) = (\frac{du}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}) + (u, (1+x)u) = \int_0^1 (\frac{du}{dx})^2 dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)u^2 dx \geq 0$$

because $(\frac{du}{dx})^2 \geq 0, u^2 \geq 0$ and $1+x > 0$ for $x \in [0, 1]$. Since $a(u, u) = 0$ if $\frac{du}{dx} = 0$ and $u = 0$, we see $a(u, u) = 0$ only if $u = 0$.

Concluding: $a(., .)$ is positive definite.

d.c.(3) Argue that $a(u, u) = \int_0^1 (1 + \cos(x))(\frac{du}{dx})^2 dx$ is ≥ 0 , and that $a(u, u) = 0$ if $\frac{du}{dx} = 0$, hence if $u(x) = c$, but since the boundary conditions are such that $u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0$ it must hold that $u(x) = 0$ (hence $c = 0$). Hence, $a(u, u) = 0$ only if $u = 0$. Conclude that $a(., .)$ is positive definite.

d.c.(4) Show that $a(u, u) = \int_0^1 u \frac{du}{dx} dx + (\frac{du}{dx})^2 dx$. The second integral is ≥ 0 , but the first integral (and hence $a(u, u)$) is not necessarily larger than 0. Hence $a(., .)$ not positive definite.

e.a.(1) From d.a.(1) we know $a(., .)$ is positive definite. Now show $a(v, u) = a(u, v)$. Then, conclude $a(., .)$ is symmetric positive definite and hence we can write problem as minimization: find $u_{\mathcal{V}} \in \mathcal{V}$ s.t. $u_{\mathcal{V}} = \operatorname{argmin}_{v \in \mathcal{V}} (a(v, v) - 2F(v))$

e.c.(3) Reasoning similar as e.a.(1)

e.c.(4) From d.c.(4) we know $a(., .)$ is not positive definite. Hence, we can not write problem as minimization problem.

a+d. Consider $-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u = x^2$ on $\Omega = [0, 1]$

a+d.(2) Boundary conditions $u(0) = 1, u(1) = 5$.

1. write $u(x) = \bar{u}(x) + \tilde{u}(x)$ s.t. $\bar{u}(x)$ is fixed and $\tilde{u}(0) = 0, \tilde{u}(1) = 0$.

Hence, take $\bar{u}(x)$ s.t. $\bar{u}(0) = 1, \bar{u}(1) = 5 \Rightarrow \bar{u} = 1 + 4x$.

2. Give problem for \tilde{u} :

$-\frac{d^2\tilde{u}}{dx^2} + (1+x)\tilde{u} = x^2 - (1+x)(1+4x)$ with $\tilde{u}(0) = 0, \tilde{u}(1) = 0$.

3. solve using approach analogously to the one in part a.(1)

a+d.(3) Boundary conditions $\frac{du}{dx}(0) = 3, u(1) = 0$

1. Argue that $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(1) = 0\}$.

Note: \mathcal{V} only has boundary conditions where u has Dirichlet boundary conditions, if u has Neumann or Robin boundary conditions at a boundary, \mathcal{V} does not impose a boundary condition at that boundary on its elements.

2. Consider residual $r_1(u) = x^2 - (-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u)$ and $r_2(u) = 3 - \frac{du}{dx}(0)$.

Galerkin approach: find $u \in \mathcal{V}$ s.t. $(v, r_1(u)) + \alpha v(0)r_2(u) = 0 \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$

3. show this can be written as $a(v, u) = F(v)$ with
 $a(v, u) = v(0)\frac{du}{dx}(0) + \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx + \alpha v(0)\frac{du}{dx}(0)$ and $F(v) = (v, x^2) + \alpha 3v(0)$
4. Now choose α such that $a(., .)$ will be positive definite, and can possibly be coercive.
 Consider $a(v, v) = v(0)\frac{dv}{dx}(0) + \int_0^1 (\frac{dv}{dx})^2 dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)v^2 dx + \alpha v(0)\frac{dv}{dx}(0)$
 The term $v(0)\frac{dv}{dx}(0)$ of which the sign is not known should cancel, i.e. choose $\alpha = -1$.
 Then $a(v, v) = \int_0^1 (\frac{dv}{dx})^2 dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)v^2 dx$. Which is ≥ 0 since $(\frac{dv}{dx})^2 \geq 0$ and $(1+x)v^2 \geq 0$ (the latter because $1+x > 0$ for $x \in [0, 1]$). Where $= 0$ only if $\frac{dv}{dx} = 0$ and $v = 0$. Hence $a(v, v) \geq 0$ and $a(v, v) = 0$ only if $v = 0$.
5. Hence Galerkin approach: find $u \in \mathcal{V}$ s.t. $a(v, u) = F(v)$ with
 $a(v, u) = \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx$ and $F(v) = (v, x^2) - 3v(0) \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$

a+d.(4) Boundary conditions $\frac{du}{dx}(0) = 3, u(1) = 5$

1. we need a zero boundary condition, define $u(x) = 5 + \tilde{u}(x)$ and solve problem in terms of \tilde{u} .
2. Show $\frac{du}{dx}(0) = 3, u(1) = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{d\tilde{u}}{dx}(0) = 3, \tilde{u}(1) = 0$ and
 $-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u = x^2 \Rightarrow -\frac{d^2\tilde{u}}{dx^2} + (1+x)u = x^2 - 5(1+x)$.
3. Argue that $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(1) = 0\}$.
4. Now apply Galerkin to equations for \tilde{u} , using residuals $r_1(u) = x^2 - 5(1+x) - (-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u)$ and $r_2(u) = 3 - \frac{du}{dx}(0)$ (note that we use still u here for simplicity of notation instead of \tilde{u}).
5. show $\alpha = -1$ and show that the problem can be written as $a(v, u) = F(v)$ with
 $a(v, u) = \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx$ and $F(v) = (v, x^2 - 5(1+x)) - 3v(0)$.
6. show $a(v, u)$ positive definite

a+d.(5) Boundary conditions $\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 9u(0) = 3, u(1) = 0$

1. Argue that $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(1) = 0\}$.
2. Apply Galerkin approach using residuals $r_1(u) = x^2 - (-\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + (1+x)u)$ and $r_2(u) = 3 - (\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 9u(0))$
3. Show it can be written as $a(v, u) = F(v)$ with $a(v, u) = v(0)\frac{du}{dx}(0) + \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx + \alpha v(0)(\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 9u(0))$ and $F(v) = (v, x^2) + \alpha 3v(0)$.
4. consider $a(v, v)$ and show that we should take $\alpha = -1$ and that
 $a(u, v) = \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx - 9v(0)u(0)$ and $F(v) = (v, x^2) - 3v(0)$.
 But conclude that $a(., .)$ is not positive definite and hence not coercive, because of the term $-9v(0)u(0)$.
 Hence the problem does not satisfy the Lax-Milgram Theorem, this means that we are not able to conclude whether the problem is well-posed or not (i.e. whether it has a unique solution or not)

a+d.(6) Boundary conditions $\frac{du}{dx}(0) - 9u(0) = 3, u(1) = 0$

1. almost similar to part a.(4) except that it will result in $a(u, v) = \int_0^1 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 (1+x)vudx + 9v(0)u(0)$.
2. argue that now $a(v, u)$ is positive definite

- b. Consider $-\frac{d}{dx}(\exp(x)\frac{du}{dx}) = \sin(x)$ on $\Omega = [-1, 0]$
 Boundary conditions $u(-1) = 0$, $\frac{du}{dx}(0) = 5$.

1. Argue that $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(-1) = 0\}$.
2. Apply Galerking approach using residuals
 $r_1(u) = \sin(x) - (-\frac{d}{dx}(\exp(x)\frac{du}{dx}))$ and $r_2(u) = 5 - \frac{du}{dx}(0)$
3. show that we should choose $\alpha = 1$ and that
 $a(v, u) = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{dv}{dx} \exp(x) \frac{du}{dx} dx$ and $F(v) = (v, \sin(x)) + 5v(0)$
4. show that $a(v, v) \geq 0$ and $a(v, v) = 0$ only if $v = 0$. For the latter: $a(v, v) = 0$ only if $\frac{dv}{dx} = 0$ and hence if $v = c$, but since in \mathcal{V} we have $v(-1) = 0$ this results in $c = 0$ and hence $a(v, v) = 0$ only if $v = 0$.
 Hence $a(., .)$ positive definite

c+d. Compare to Exercise 1.15 c+d.3 and c+d.4 in Hints Tutorial 1.

- c+d.(1) Given $a(v, u) = 5(\frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}) + 3v(0)u(0)$, $F(v) = (v, \cos(x)) - 5v(0)$ and $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(1) = 0\}$

1. Write in the form $(v, \dots) + v(0) \dots$ where the \dots depend on u and not on v . Then the second argument of the inner product (v, \dots) holds the differential equation and the second term in $v(0) \dots$ the boundary condition at $x = 0$
 Show that we can rewrite $a(v, u) = F(v)$ as $\int_0^1 v(-5\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} - \cos x) dx + v(0)(3u(0) - 5\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 5) = 0$ for arbitrary $v \in \mathcal{V}$
2. argue that we get the differential equation $-5\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} - \cos x = 0$ with boundary conditions $u(1) = 0$ and $3u(0) - 5\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 5 = 0$. Or similar: $-5\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \cos x$ with boundary conditions $u(1) = 0$ and $3u(0) - 5\frac{du}{dx}(0) = -5$.
3. show $a(v, v) = 5 \int_0^1 (\frac{dv}{dx})^2 dx + 3v(0)^2$ and argue that $a(v, v) \geq 0$ and $a(v, v) = 0$ only if $\frac{dv}{dx} = 0$, i.e. $v = c$, and $v(0) = 0$, and hence only if $v = 0$. Conclude: $a(u, v)$ positive definite.

- c+d.(2) Given $a(v, u) = 5(\frac{dv}{dx}, \frac{du}{dx}) - 3v(0)u(0)$, $F(v) = (v, \cos(x)) - 5v(0)$ and $\mathcal{V} = \{v \in H^1[0, 1] \mid v(1) = 0\}$

1. similar to part c+d.(2)
2. argue that we get the differential equation $-5\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} - \cos x = 0$ with boundary conditions $u(1) = 0$ and $-3u(0) - 5\frac{du}{dx}(0) + 5 = 0$. Or similar: $-5\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} = \cos x$ with boundary conditions $u(1) = 0$ and $-3u(0) - 5\frac{du}{dx}(0) = -5$.
3. show that $a(u, v)$ is not positive definite. Hence, the conditions of Lax-Milgram are not satisfied and hence the problem might not be well-posed, i.e. the solution might not exist or might not be unique.

- e. For all problems for which $a(v, u)$ is symmetric and positive definite we can write the problem as a minimization problem: find $u_{\mathcal{V}} = \arg\min_{v \in \mathcal{V}} (a(v, v) - 2F(v))$.
 In all of our cases $a(v, u)$ is symmetric (show!), but as we have seen not in all cases it is positive definite.