

Homework #8: Galerkin orthogonal projections. Due on Friday, November 16.

Consider the problem of approximating the function $u(x)$ on the domain $(0, 1)$ by using the L^2 -projection into the space $W_n := \{w \in \mathcal{C}^0(0, 1) : w|_{I_i} \in P_k(I_i) \ i = 1, \dots, N\}$.

1. (5 points) For intervals I_i of the same size, h , and $k = 1$, define a basis of W_n and obtain the general form of the matrix equation defining the degrees of freedom of $\pi_n u$. Display such equation for $N = 5$ and $u(x) = \sin(\pi x)$. What is the expected rate of convergence? Implement the method and display a history of convergence of the approximation error. Do your results match the theory?

2. (5 points) For intervals I_i of the same size, $h = 1/N$, and arbitrary $k \geq 1$, define a basis of W_n and obtain the global matrix equation defining the degrees of freedom of $\pi_n u$. For general $k > 1$, find the local bases, the local matrices, and show how to assemble the global matrix equation. Display such equation for $N = 5$, $u(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ and $k = 3$.

Hint: To define a local basis for any $k \geq 1$, use the scaled Legendre polynomials so that all the integrals defining the global matrix can be computed by hand.

3. (5 points) For intervals I_i of the same size, $h = 1/N$, and arbitrary $k \geq 1$, let us use the technique of static condensation to implement the method under consideration. First, show how to split the space W_n into its subspace of bubble functions W_n^b and its subspace W_n^∂ . Then, find the weak formulation defining $(\pi_n u)^\partial$. Finally, find the local bases, the local matrices and show how to obtain the global matrix equation defining the degrees of freedom of $(\pi_n u)^\partial$. Display such equation for $N = 5$, $u(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ and $k = 3$.

4. Write a code that implements the method. For $k = 3$, display a history of convergence of the approximation error as the number of intervals N is doubled. Do your results match the theory? (Use exact integration to evaluate the right-hand side. Use Gaussian quadrature to approximate the $L^2(0, 1)$ -norm of the error.)