

01 Show that we can write each linear second order ordinary differential equation

$$-(a(x)u'(x))' + b(x)u'(x) + c(x)u(x) = f(x), \quad (1.1)$$

with $a \in C^1(0, 1)$ and $b, c \in C(0, 1)$, also in the form

$$\bar{a}(x)u''(x) + \bar{b}(x)u'(x) + c(x)u(x) = f(x), \quad (1.2)$$

for suitable functions $\bar{a} \in C^1(0, 1)$ and $\bar{b} \in C(0, 1)$. Show also the reverse direction.

02 Derive the variational formulation for the following two boundary value problems:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \begin{cases} -u''(x) + u(x) &= f(x) & \text{for } x \in (0, 1) \\ u(0) &= g_0 \\ u(1) &= g_1 \end{cases} \\ \text{(b)} \quad & \begin{cases} -u''(x) + u(x) &= f(x) & \text{for } x \in (0, 1) \\ -u'(0) &= g_0 - \alpha_0 u(0) \\ u(1) &= g_1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

In particular, specify the spaces V , V_0 , and V_g , the bilinear form $a(\cdot, \cdot)$, and the linear form $\langle F, \cdot \rangle$.

Hint for (b): Perform integration by parts as usual, substitute $u'(0)$ due to the Robin boundary condition, and collect the bilinear and linear terms accordingly.

03 Let the sequence $(u_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ of functions be defined by

$$u_k(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{for } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2k}] , \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2k} - 2k(x - \frac{1}{2})^2 & \text{for } x \in (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2k}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2k}) , \\ 2(1 - x) & \text{for } x \in [\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2k}, 1] . \end{cases}$$

Show that $u \in C^1[0, 1]$. Let u be defined by

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{for } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] , \\ 2(1 - x) & \text{for } x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] . \end{cases}$$

Find out if $u \in H^1(0, 1)$ or not and justify your answer. Calculate $\|u_k - u\|_{H^1(0,1)}$ (or find a suitable bound for it) and show that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_k - u\|_{H^1(0,1)} = 0 .$$

Use these results to show that $(u_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $C^1[0, 1]$ with respect to the H^1 -norm, but that there exists no limit in $C^1[0, 1]$.