

Let $\Omega = (0, 1)$, $\Gamma_D = \{0\}$, and $\Gamma_R = \{1\}$. Consider the following one-dimensional boundary value problem: Find $u(x)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} -u''(x) &= f(x) && \text{for } x \in \Omega, \\ u(x) &= g_D(x) && \text{for } x \in \Gamma_D, \\ u'(x) &= \alpha(x) (g_R(x) - u(x)) && \text{for } x \in \Gamma_R. \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

We discretize this problem using the FEM with Courant elements. Consider the nodes $0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n_h} = 1$ which define a mesh (subdivision) \mathcal{T}_h of Ω with the elements $T_k = (x_{k-1}, x_k)$, $k = 1, \dots, n_h$. We introduce the finite element space

$$V^h := \{v_h \in C(\overline{\Omega}) : v_h|_T \in P_1 \text{ for all } T \in \mathcal{T}_h\}$$

whose basis is given by the nodal (hat) functions φ_i , $i = 0, \dots, n_h$, defined by

$$\varphi_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad \text{for } i, j = 0, \dots, n_h.$$

In the following exercises we start to develop a C/C++ program that will allow us to compute the finite element approximation u_h of the weak solution u to (3.1).

Notation: We indicate input parameters of a C/C++ function by “↓” and output parameters by “↑”. If not pointed out explicitly, the functions discussed below have no return value.

- 13 Write a function `ElementStiffnessMatrix(↓xa, ↓xb, ↑element_matrix)` which for given nodes **xa** = x_{k-1} and **xb** = x_k returns the element stiffness matrix **element_matrix** = $K_h^{(k)}$ on the element T_k , defined by

$$K_h^{(k)} = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{T_k} (\varphi'_{k-1}(x))^2 dx & \int_{T_k} \varphi'_{k-1}(x) \varphi'_k(x) dx \\ \int_{T_k} \varphi'_k(x) \varphi'_{k-1}(x) dx & \int_{T_k} (\varphi'_k(x))^2 dx \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, n_h.$$

Hint: You can use the type `typedef double Mat22[2][2];` to represent a two-by-two matrix.

- 14 Write a function `ElementLoadVector(↓(*f)(x), ↓xa, ↓xb, ↑element_vector)` which for a given function **f** = $f \in C[0, 1]$ and the nodes **xa** = x_{k-1} and **xb** = x_k returns the 2-dimensional element load vector **element_vector** = $f_h^{(k)}$ on the element T_k , defined by

$$f_h^{(k)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{T_k} f(x) \varphi_{k-1}(x) dx \\ \int_{T_k} f(x) \varphi_k(x) dx \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, n_h.$$

Use the trapezoidal rule to approximate above integrals:

$$\int_a^b g(x) dx \simeq \frac{b-a}{2} [g(a) + g(b)].$$

Hint: You can use the following types and function header:

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typedef double (*RealFunction)(double x);
typedef double Vec2[2];
void ElementLoadVector (RealFunction f, double xa, double xb, Vec2& element_vector);
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- 15 Define a data type **Mesh** which contains all the information on the mesh \mathcal{T}_h , see also your lecture notes.

Hint: Use **class** in C++, or **struct** in C.

- 16 Define an efficient data type **Matrix** for the sparse stiffness matrix K_h exploiting the fact that K_h is tridiagonal.

Hint: Use **class** or **struct**.

Consider now the case $\Gamma_D = \emptyset$, $\Gamma_R = \{0, 1\}$, and $\alpha(x) = 0$, which corresponds to the homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions.

- 17 Write a function **AssembleStiffnessMatrix**(\downarrow mesh, \uparrow matrix) that assembles the global $(n_h + 1) \times (n_h + 1)$ stiffness matrix **matrix** = K_h for a given subdivision **mesh** = \mathcal{T}_h of Ω .

Hint: Set $K_h = 0$, then start with $K_h^{(1)}$ and loop over all elements T_k to update the matrix K_h . On each element T_k , use the function **ElementStiffnessMatrix** to compute $K_h^{(k)}$ and pay attention to put the entries of $K_h^{(k)}$ at the correct positions in the global matrix K_h .

- 18 Write a function **AssembleLoadVector**(\downarrow (*f)(x), \downarrow mesh, \uparrow vector) that assembles the global $(n_h + 1)$ -dimensional load vector **vector** = \underline{f}_h for a given mesh **mesh** = \mathcal{T}_h of Ω .

Hint: Set $\underline{f}_h = 0$, then start with $\underline{f}_h^{(1)}$ and loop over all elements T_k to update the vector \underline{f}_h . On each element T_k , use the function **ElementLoadVector** to compute $\underline{f}_h^{(k)}$ and pay attention to add the entries in the right place.

Test the implemented data types and functions using some simple examples, e. g., consider equidistant nodes x_i for different values of n_h , and simple functions $f(x) = 1$, $f(x) = x$, etc.

Provide your solution on a USB stick or send it by e-mail before Monday 9.45am.