

MTH 654/659 Fall 2011. Assignment 1

**Instructions:** Please solve 2 problems or more for extra credit. Preferred selection: solve at least one of problems 1-3 and at least one of 4-5.

Show all the relevant work. Group work is allowed on 4-5 but you have to write/type all your solutions yourself. The same concerns any (new pieces of) code you implemented.

In write-up, you are welcome to use LaTeX; see class website for the file(s).

In computational assignments, you are welcome to use the code `fem1d.m` posted at <http://www.math.oregonstate.edu/~mpesz/code/cmatlab/mth655/fem1d.m>

When reporting on your computational experiments, provide a concise summary of what you have observed/determined. [Do not just staple a bunch of graphs and papers together]. Convergence of a method is best shown by plotting the error in function of  $h$  using a log-log plot, or by computing the order of convergence, as dicussed in class.

**Problems**

1. Consider  $f(x) = \max(x^2, \sqrt{x})$  and compute its weak derivative for  $x > 0$ . To which of the spaces  $C^k(\Omega)$ ,  $H^m(\Omega)$ ,  $W^{m,p}(\Omega)$  does  $f$  belong on  $\Omega = (\frac{1}{4}, 2)$  ?
2. Work out details of the example  $f(x, y) = \log \log \frac{2}{r}$  (eq.1.8/p31 in text).
3. To which spaces  $C^k$ ,  $L^p$ ,  $H^m$ ,  $W^{m,p}$  does  $g(r) = |r|^\beta$  belong on unit disk:  $\{|r| < 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  in  $d = 1, d = 2$  ? Consider in particular  $\beta = 1, 2, -1, 1/2, -1/2$ .

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4. Implement FE to solve the problem  $-u'' = f(x)$ ,  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$  where  $f$  is chosen so that  $u(x) = x(1-x)\sin(x)$ .

Compute the approximate solution and error for different values of  $h$  in  $H^1$  and  $L^2$  norms (use numerical integration). Compare with the discrete norm

$$\max_i |u(x_i) - u_h(x_i)|.$$

What you see is the phenomenon of *superconvergence*.

5. Consider the problem  $-au'' + cu = f$  with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions, where  $a > 0, c \geq 0$ . Implement FE solution for this problem using linear elements. Use  $a = \epsilon, c = 1, f \equiv 1$  with  $\epsilon = 1, 1e^{-1}, 1e^{-2}$  etc.. Derive the analytical solution and test for convergence in  $H^1, L^2$ . What  $h$  do you have to use for small  $\epsilon$  to get a decent behaving numerical solution ?

What you see is an example of *a singularly perturbed problem*.