MATH 5620 NUMERICAL ANALYSIS II HOMEWORK 5, DUE TUESDAY APRIL 12 2011

The goal of this homework is to implement 1D P2 finite elements for approximating the solution to the BVP

$$\begin{cases} -u'' = f \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

at the nodes $x_i = ih/2$, for i = 0, ..., 2n and h = 1/n. With this notation the computational domain [0, 1] is divided in n elements of length h = 1/n, which are the intervals $[x_{2(i-1)}, x_{2i}]$ for i = 1, ..., n.

(a) Let $\hat{x}_i = i/2$, for i = 0, 1, 2. Write down the equations for the second degree polynomials $\hat{\phi}_i(\hat{x})$ in Lagrange form such that

$$\phi_i(\widehat{x}_j) = \delta_{ij}, \text{ for } i, j = 0, 1, 2$$

(b) Compute the local stiffness matrix $\widehat{A}_{loc} \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times 3}$ for the reference element [0, 1], with entries

$$(\widehat{A})_{i,j} = \int_0^1 \widehat{\phi}_{i-1}'(\widehat{x}) \widehat{\phi}_{j-1}'(\widehat{x}) d\widehat{x}, \text{ for } i, j = 1, 2, 3.$$

You may use a symbolic calculation or an integration rule that is exact for polynomials of degree 2 (e.g. Simpson's rule). Giving only numerical values is OK.

(c) Compute the local mass matrix $\widehat{M}_{loc} \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times 3}$ for the reference element [0, 1], with entries

$$(\widehat{M})_{i,j} = \int_0^1 \widehat{\phi}_{i-1}(\widehat{x}) \widehat{\phi}_{j-1}(\widehat{x}) d\widehat{x}, \text{ for } i, j = 1, 2, 3.$$

Since these calculations are tedious to do by hand, I strongly recommend that you use a numerical integration rule exact for polynomials of degree 4 to evaluate these integrals and give numerical values. You may use for example the three point Gaussian quadrature:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(t)dt \approx \frac{1}{9} \left[5f\left(\frac{-\sqrt{15}}{5}\right) + 8f(0) + 5f\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{5}\right) \right]$$

Warning: This quadrature is given for [-1, 1] but the integrals you need to evaluate are on [0, 1], so you need to adjust the weights and nodes of the quadrature accordingly.

- (d) What is the local to global map? (The approximation space is continuous)
- (e) Modify the Matlab code rg.m (class website) to solve the BVP with P2 elements instead of P1 elements and the same source term $f(x) = \exp(x)$. The true solution is $u(x) = -e^x + (e-1)x + 1$. Display on the same plot the true solution, the P1 solution with n = 3 and the P2 solution with n = 3.

Warning: You do need to plot the approximated solution in between the nodes. Here is a sample code to do this, using the same variables as in rg.m:

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% grid definitions, true solution, source term etc...
\% local basis functions in parent element [0,1]
phi\{1\} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
phi\{2\} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
phi{3} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
\% local basis functions derivatives in parent element [0,1]
dphi\{1\} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
dphi\{2\} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
dphi\{3\} = @(x) SOME FUNCTION OF x;
% CODE TO COMPUTE Ahat and Mhat
% MATRIX AND RHS ASSEMBLY
% solve
u = A \setminus b;
% evaluate function in grid
up2 = zeros(size(xf));
for e=1:n,
 \% indices of nodes in xf that are inside element e
 ii = x(i(e,1)) \le xf \& xf < x(i(e,3));
 for j = 1:3,
  up2(ii) = up2(ii) \dots
          + u(i(e,j))*phi{j}((xf(ii) - x(i(e,1))) ...
                             /(x(i(e,3)) - x(i(e,1))));
 end;
end;
% plot and compare
plot(xf, up2, x, up1, xf, utrue(xf));
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(f) **Extra credit:** Produce a loglog plot comparing the L^2 error of the P1 and P2 solutions for different values of n. The abscissa should be h = 1/n and the ordinate the error $||u - u_S||$, with the L^2 norm. You may take for values of n=[10,100,1000,5000]. Give estimates of the convergence rate of both methods.