

**Partial Solutions of Review Problems for Midterm Examination
MEAM501, Fall 1998**

1. Weighted Residual Method

Introducing an arbitrary weighting function w , we have

$$\int_0^L w \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \frac{du}{dx} \right) + u \frac{du}{dx} + ku \right) dx = \int_0^L wf dx , \quad \forall w$$

and

$$w(0)u(0) = w(0)u_0 , \quad \forall w(0)$$

If we apply the integration by parts to the first term, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L w \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \frac{du}{dx} \right) + u \frac{du}{dx} + ku \right) dx &= \int_0^L wf dx , \quad \forall w \\ - \left[wa \frac{du}{dx} \right]_{x=0}^{x=L} + \int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wu \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx &= \int_0^L wf dx , \quad \forall w \end{aligned}$$

If we have additional boundary condition

$$a \frac{du}{dx} = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = L$$

we may have the weighted residual formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wu \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx &= \int_0^L wf dx , \quad \forall w \text{ s.t. } w(0) = 0 \\ \text{and} \\ u = u_0 \quad \text{at} \quad x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

2. Weighted Residual Method

Starting from the given boundary value problem

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \frac{du}{dx} \right) + ku = f \quad , \quad x \in (0, b) \cup (b, L)$$

$$a \frac{du}{dx} \Big|_{x=b-} - a \frac{du}{dx} \Big|_{x=b+} = P$$

and

$$u(0) = u_0 \quad , \quad a \frac{du}{dx} \Big|_{x=L} = 0$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^b w \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \frac{du}{dx} \right) + ku \right) dx + \int_b^L w \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \left(a \frac{du}{dx} \right) + ku \right) dx = \int_0^b wf dx + \int_b^L wf dx \quad , \quad \forall w \\ & - \left[wa \frac{du}{dx} \right]_{x=0}^{x=b} - \left[wa \frac{du}{dx} \right]_{x=b}^{x=L} + \int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx = \int_0^L wf dx \quad , \quad \forall w \\ & -wa \frac{du}{dx} \Big|_{x=b-} + wa \frac{du}{dx} \Big|_{x=b+} + \int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx = \int_0^L wf dx \quad , \quad \forall w \text{ s.t. } w(0) = 0 \\ & \int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx = \int_0^L wf dx + Pw(b) \quad , \quad \forall w \text{ s.t. } w(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, a weighted residual formulation becomes

$$\int_0^L \left(\frac{dw}{dx} a \frac{du}{dx} + wku \right) dx = \int_0^L wf dx + Pw(b) \quad , \quad \forall w \text{ s.t. } w(0) = 0$$

and

$$u(0) = u_0$$

Now approximation

$$u(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n u_j f_j(x) \quad , \quad w(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i y_i(x) \quad \text{with} \quad y_i(0) = 0$$

we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \int_0^L \left(a \frac{dy_i}{dx} \frac{df_j}{dx} + ky_i f_j \right) dx \right\} u_j = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(\int_0^L y_i(x) f dx + P y_i(b) \right), \quad \forall w_i$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^n u_j f_j(0) = u_0$$

that is

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \int_0^L \left(a \frac{dy_i}{dx} \frac{df_j}{dx} + ky_i f_j \right) dx \right\} u_j = \int_0^L y_i(x) f dx + P y_i(b), \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^n u_j f_j(0) = u_0$$

Defining

$$k_{ij} = \int_0^L \left(a \frac{dy_i}{dx} \frac{df_j}{dx} + ky_i f_j \right) dx, \quad f_i = \int_0^L y_i(x) f dx + P y_i(b)$$

we have the matrix equation

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$$

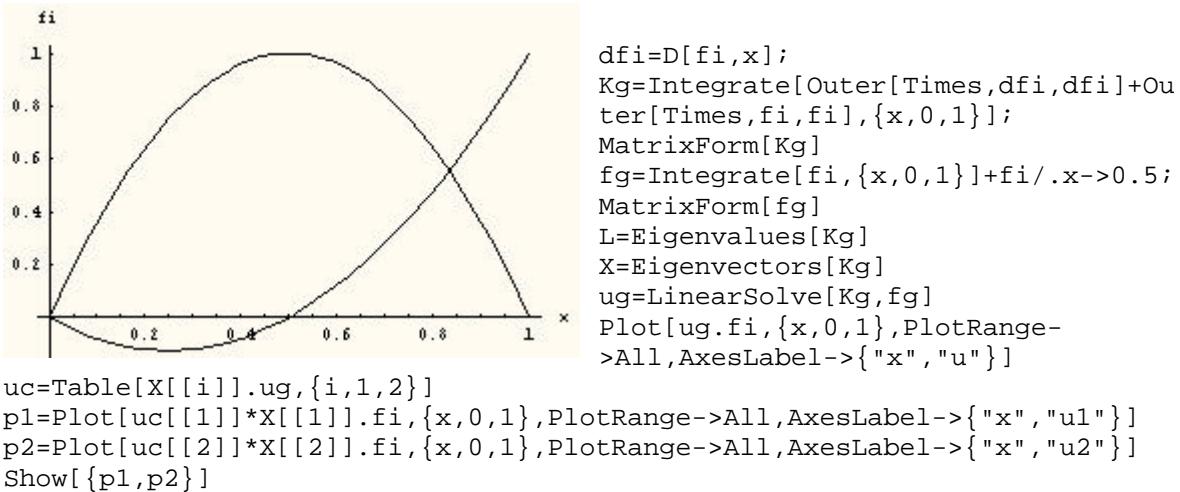
with

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f_i(0) u_i = u_0 \quad i.e. \quad {}_0^T \mathbf{u} = u_0$$

3. Eigenvalue Problem (2-by-2 Matrix System from Problem 2)

(1) MATHEMATICA

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f[i] = {1 - 4*(x - 0.5)^2, 2*x*(x - 0.5)};
Plot[Release[f[i]], {x, 0, 1}, PlotRange -> All, AxesLabel -> {"x", "f[i"]}]
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(1) 2-by-2 Stiffness Matrix **K** and 2 component **f**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5.86667 & -2.6 \\ -2.6 & 2.46667 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1.66667 \\ 0.166667 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2) Eigenvalues $\{7.27311, 1.06022\}$ and Eigenvectors of **K**:

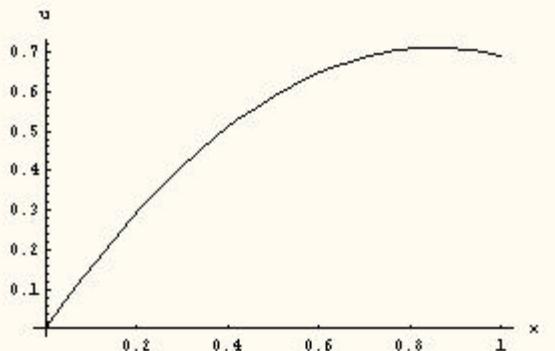
$$\{(0.879559, -0.475789), (0.475789, 0.879559)\}$$

(3) Solution of the static equilibrium **u**

$$(0.589337, 0.688761)$$

that is

$$u(x) = 0.589337f_1(x) + 0.688761f_2(x)$$



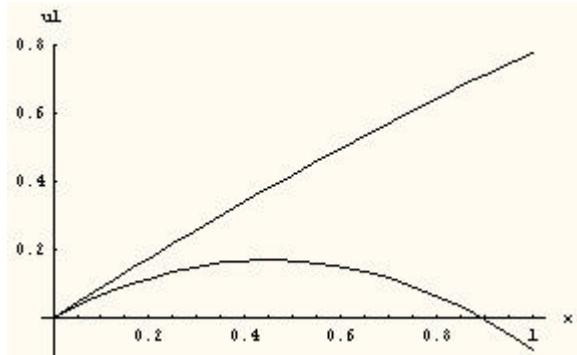
(4) Representation of **u** in terms of eigenvectors

$$\{0.190652, 0.886206\}$$

that is

$$\mathbf{u} = 0.190652\mathbf{x}_1 + 0.886206\mathbf{x}_2$$

(5) The second mode is dominant.



4. These should be answered by yourselves.