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1 Problem 3 page 257 section 4.4 (Green Functions)

problem:

Consider boundary value problem $u'' - 2xu' = f(x)$, $0 < x < 1$, $u(0) = u'(1) = 0$. Find Green function or explain where there isn't one.

answer:

We see that $\left| p(x) \right| = -1$

First, lets see if $\lambda = 0$ or not. Since if $\lambda = 0$ since by theorem 4.19 (page 248) Green function does not exist, and I do not need to try to find it.

Let

$$
u''-2xu'=\lambda u
$$

If $\lambda = 0$ then solve the homogeneous equation $u'' - 2xu' = 0$. Let $y(x) = u'(x)$, hence we obtain $y' - 2xy = 0$, by separation of variables, we then have

$$
\frac{y'}{y} = 2x
$$

$$
\frac{1}{y}dy = 2xdx
$$

$$
\int \frac{1}{y}dy = 2\int xdx
$$

Hence

$$
\ln y = x^2 + C
$$

Which leads to $y(x) = Ae^{x^2}$. But since $y = u'$, then $\frac{du}{dx} = Ae^{x^2}$ or

$$
u(x) = A \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt + B
$$

Therefore,

$$
u_1(x) = A \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt
$$

and

$$
u_2\left(x\right) = B
$$

At $x = 0$ we have $u(0) = 0$, hence $u(0) = A \int_0^0 e^{t^2} dt + B$ or $\begin{vmatrix} 0 & = B \end{vmatrix}$ so now $u(x) = A \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$. Now lets see if this satisfies the second boundary condition $u'(1) = 0$. First note that

$$
\frac{d}{dx}\left(A\int_0^x e^{t^2}dt\right) = Ae^{x^2}
$$

hence at $x = 1$ we obtain $0 = A \exp(1)$ which means $\left| A = 0 \right|$, but this means trivial solution since both *A*, *B* are zero. Hence $\lambda \neq 0$ OK, so now I try to find Green function:

Now we need to find 2 independent solutions as combinations of $A \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$ and B such that each will satisfies at least one of the boundary conditions.

We need $u(0) = 0$, hence if we take

$$
u_1(x) = \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt
$$

which will be zero at $x = 0$, and if we take

$$
u_2\left(x\right)=1
$$

then we see that u_2 $y_2'(1) = 0$. Now find the Wronskian

$$
W = \det \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ u'_1 & u'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt & 1 \\ e^{x^2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -e^{x^2}
$$

Hence using equation 4.46 we obtain, noting that $p = -1$

$$
g(x,\xi) = \begin{cases} -\frac{u_1(x)u_2(\xi)}{p W(\xi)} & x < \xi \\ -\frac{u_1(\xi)u_2(x)}{p W(\xi)} & x > \xi \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -\frac{u_1(x)u_2(\xi)}{(-1)\left(-e^{\xi^2}\right)} & x < \xi \\ -\frac{u_1(\xi)u_2(x)}{(-1)\left(-e^{\xi^2}\right)} & x > \xi \end{cases}
$$

$$
= \begin{cases} -e^{-\xi^2} \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt & x < \xi \\ -e^{-\xi^2} \int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2} dt & x > \xi \end{cases}
$$

Hence

$$
g(x,\xi) = -e^{-\xi^2} \left(H(\xi - x) \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt + H(x - \xi) \int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2} dt \right)
$$

and

$$
u(x) = \int_0^x g(x,\xi) f(\xi) d\xi
$$

I used the Green function I derived, and used it to plot the solution (for $f(x) = 1$) and compare the plot with the analytical solution.

Remove["Global' *"]
\ng[x,
$$
\xi
$$
] := $(*\frac{1}{\exp[\xi^2]}(-\text{UnitStep}[\xi - x]\mathbb{N}[[\int_0^x \text{Exp}[t^2]dt] - \text{UnitStep}[x - \xi]\mathbb{N}[[\int_0^x \text{Exp}[t^2]dt]]$
\n $\frac{-1}{\text{Exp}[\xi^2]}(\text{UnitStep}[\xi - x]\mathbb{N}[[\int_0^x \text{Exp}[t^2]dt] + \text{UnitStep}[x - \xi]\mathbb{N}[[\int_0^x \text{Exp}[t^2]dt]]$
\neq = u''[x] - 2 xu'[x] = 1
\ns = First@DSolve[\{eq, u[0] = 0, u'[5] = 0\}, u[x], x]
\np = Plot[u[x] / . s, {x, 0, 5}, PlotLabel + "Solution to u''[x] - 2 x u'[x] = 1, \n u''
\nmysol[x] := N[Integrate[g[x, \xi], {\xi, 0, 5}]]
\np2 = Plot[mysol[x], {x, 0, 5},
\nPlotLabel + "Solution to u''[x] - 2 x u'[x] = 1, \n u'(1) = 0, u(0) = 0 by Green Fun
\nGraphicsRow[{p, p2}]
\n-2 xu'[x] + u''[x] = 1

 $\left\{u\left[\mathbf{x}\right]\rightarrow\frac{1}{4}\left(-\pi\,\texttt{Erf}\left[5\right]\,\texttt{Erfi}\left[\mathbf{x}\right]+2\,\mathbf{x}^{2}\,\texttt{HypergeometricPFQ}\right[\left\{1,\;1\right\},\;\left\{\frac{3}{2},\;2\right\},\;\mathbf{x}^{2}\right]\right)\right\}$

$$
\ln[98] = g[x_1, \xi_1] := \frac{1}{\text{Exp}[\xi^2]} \left(-\text{UnitStep}[\xi - x] N \left[\int_0^x \text{Exp}[t^2] dt \right] - \text{Un}
$$
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\text{Plot}[g[x_1, 5], \{x, 0, 1\}, \text{PlotLabel} \rightarrow \text{"Impluse response due}
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\n
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\text{AxesLabel} \rightarrow \{ \text{"x", \text{"g(x, \xi)}"} \text{ plotRange} \rightarrow \text{All}
$$

This is another method to solving this problem by using properties of Green function From above we found $u_1 = \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$, $u_2 = 1$, but

$$
g(x,\xi) = A(\xi)u_1(x) \ 0 < x < \xi
$$

= $A(\xi) \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$

and

$$
g(x,\xi) = B(\xi)u_2(x)
$$

= B(\xi) \xi < x < 1

At $x = \xi$, due to continuity, we require that

$$
A(\xi)\int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2}dt = B(\xi)
$$
 (1)

and to impose the discontinuity condition on the first derivative we have

$$
g'(\xi^+, \xi) - g'(\xi^-, \xi) = \frac{-1}{p(\xi)}
$$

\n
$$
0 - A(\xi) e^{\xi^2} = 1
$$

\n
$$
A(\xi) = \frac{-1}{e^{\xi^2}}
$$
\n(2)

From (1) we then obtain that

$$
B(\xi) = \frac{-1}{e^{\xi^2}} \int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2} dt
$$

Hence

$$
g(x,\xi) = A(\xi)u_1(x)
$$

= $\frac{-1}{e^{\xi^2}} \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt$ 0 < x < \xi

and

$$
g(x,\xi) = B(\xi)u_2(x)
$$

= $\frac{-1}{e^{\xi^2}} \int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2} dt$ $\xi < x < 1$

Hence

$$
g(x,\xi) = \frac{-1}{e^{\xi^2}} \left(H(\xi - x) \int_0^x e^{t^2} dt + H(x - \xi) \int_0^{\xi} e^{t^2} dt \right)
$$

Compare this solution to the one found above using the *formula method* we see they are the same.

2 Problem 8, page 258 section 4.5

Problem:

Find the inverse of the differential operator $Lu = -(x^2u')'$ on $1 < x < e$ subject to $u(1) = u(e) = 0$ solution:

This is SLP problem with $p = x^2$, $q = 0$. First find if $\lambda = 0$ is possible eigenvalue.

$$
\lambda u = - (x^2 u')'
$$

Let $\lambda = 0$, hence we have $-(x^2 u')' = 0$ or $-(2xu' + x^2 u'') = 0$ or $u = 2$.

 $u'' + \frac{2}{u}$ *x* $u'=0$

Use separation of variables. First let $y = u'$, hence $y' + \frac{2}{x}$ $\frac{2}{x}y = 0$ or $\frac{1}{y}$ $\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{2}{x}$ $\frac{2}{x}$ hence

$$
\int \frac{1}{y} dy = -2 \int \frac{1}{x} dx
$$

ln y = -2ln x + c
y = Ae^{-2ln x}
y = A_{x2}¹

But $y = u'$, hence $du = A \frac{1}{x^2}$ $\frac{1}{x^2}dx$ or $u = A \int \frac{1}{x^2}$ $\frac{1}{x^2}dx$ hence $u = -A\frac{1}{x} + B$ or

$$
u\left(x\right) = \frac{A}{x} + B
$$

where the minus sign is absorbed into *A*. Hence we have 2 independent solutions $\frac{A}{x}$ and *B*, so we need combination of these 2 solutions to satisfy the BV. At $x = 1$ we have $u = 0$, hence if we take $|u_1 = \frac{1}{x} - 1|$ then it will satisfy this condition. At $x = e$ we need $u = 0$, hence take $u_2 = \frac{1}{x} - \exp(-1)$ Then $W = det$ $\sqrt{ }$ $\Bigg\}$ *u*¹ *u*² u_1' $\frac{1}{1}$ u'_{2} 2 1 $\overline{}$ $=$ det $\sqrt{ }$ $\Big\}$ $\frac{1}{x} - 1 \quad \frac{1}{x} - \exp(-1)$ -1 $\frac{-1}{x^2}$ $\frac{-1}{x^2}$ *x* 2 1 $\overline{}$ $=-e^{x^2}$

Hence

$$
W = \frac{1 - e^{-1}}{x^2}
$$

Then green function is

$$
g(x,\xi) = \begin{cases} -\frac{u_1(x)u_2(\xi)}{W(\xi)} & x < \xi \\ -\frac{u_1(\xi)u_2(x)}{W(\xi)} & x > \xi \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -\frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{\xi}-e^{-1}\right)}{\xi^2\frac{1-e^{-1}}{\xi^2}} & x < \xi \\ -\frac{\left(\frac{1}{\xi}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}-e^{-1}\right)}{\xi^2\frac{1-e^{-1}}{\xi^2}} & x > \xi \end{cases}
$$

$$
\begin{cases} (1-\frac{1}{x})\frac{\left(1-\xi e^{-1}\right)}{\xi(e^{-1}-1)} & x < \xi \\ \left(\frac{1}{x}-e^{-1}\right)\frac{\left(1-\xi\right)}{\xi(e^{-1}-1)} & x > \xi \end{cases}
$$

But the inverse L^{-1} is $\int g(x,\xi) f(x) dx$ where $g(x,\xi)$ is the green function given aboive.

Another way to solve the problem:

From above we found $u_1 = \frac{1}{x} - 1$, $u_2 = \frac{1}{x} - e^{-1}$, but

$$
g(x,\xi) = A(\xi)u_1(x) = A(\xi)\left(\frac{1}{x} - 1\right) \quad 1 < x < \xi
$$

and

or

$$
g(x,\xi) = B(\xi)u_2(x)
$$

= B(\xi) $\left(\frac{1}{x} - e^{-1}\right)$ \quad \xi < x < e

At $x = \xi$, due to continuity, we require that

$$
A(\xi)\left(\frac{1}{\xi} - 1\right) = B(\xi)\left(\frac{1}{\xi} - e^{-1}\right) \tag{1}
$$

and to impose the discontinuity condition on the first derivative we have

$$
g'(\xi^+, \xi) - g'(\xi^-, \xi) = \frac{-1}{p(\xi)}
$$

$$
B(\xi) \left(\frac{-1}{\xi^2}\right) - A(\xi) \left(\frac{-1}{\xi^2}\right) = \frac{-1}{\xi^2}
$$

$$
B(\xi) - A(\xi) = 1
$$
 (2)

Solve (1) and (2) for $B(\xi), A(\xi)$ From (2) we have $B(\xi) = 1 + A(\xi)$, substitute into (1) we have $A(\xi) \left(\frac{1}{\xi} - 1\right) = (1 + A(\xi)) \left(\frac{1}{\xi} - e^{-1}\right)$

$$
\frac{A(\xi)}{\xi} - A(\xi) = \frac{1}{\xi} - e^{-1} + \frac{A(\xi)}{\xi} - A(\xi)e^{-1}
$$

$$
-A(\xi) + A(\xi)e^{-1} = \frac{1}{\xi} - e^{-1}
$$

$$
A(\xi)(e^{-1} - 1) = \frac{1}{\xi} - e^{-1}
$$

$$
A(\xi) = \frac{1 - \xi e^{-1}}{\xi(e^{-1} - 1)}
$$

Hence

$$
B(\xi) = 1 + A(\xi)
$$

= $1 + \frac{1 - \xi e^{-1}}{\xi (e^{-1} - 1)}$
= $\frac{1 - \xi}{\xi (e^{-1} - 1)}$

Then

$$
g(x,\xi) = A(\xi)u_1(x)
$$

=
$$
\left(\frac{1-\xi e^{-1}}{\xi(e^{-1}-1)}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}-1\right) \quad 1 < x < \xi
$$

$$
g(x,\xi) = B(\xi)u_2(x)
$$

=
$$
\left(\frac{1-\xi}{\xi(e^{-1}-1)}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}-e^{-1}\right) \qquad \xi < x < e
$$

Hence

$$
g(x,\xi) = \frac{1}{e^{\xi^2}} \left(H(\xi - x) \left(\frac{1 - \xi e^{-1}}{\xi(e^{-1} - 1)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1 \right) + H(x - \xi) \left(\frac{1 - \xi}{\xi(e^{-1} - 1)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x} - e^{-1} \right) \right)
$$

Which agree with the *formula method*. This a plot of Green function for $\xi = 2$

