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 Assignment (6)
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1) (Problem 5.1/Page 73) Prove (5.7).

2) (Problem 5.6/Page 74)

Let $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ and $L(\cdot)$ satisfy the assumptions of the Lax-Milgram lemma. i.e.,

$$a(v, w) \leq C_1 \|v\|_V \|w\|_V \quad \forall v, w \in V,$$

$$a(v, v) \geq C_2 \|v\|_V^2 \quad \forall v \in V,$$

$$L(v) \leq C_3 \|v\|_V \quad \forall v \in V,$$

Let $u \in V$ be the solution of

$$a(u, v) = L(v), \quad \forall v \in V$$

Let $\hat{V} \subset V$ be a finite-dimensional subspace and let $\hat{u} \in \hat{V}$ be determined by Galerkin's method:

$$a(\hat{u}, v) = L(v), \quad \forall v \in \hat{V}$$

Prove that (note that $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ may be non-symmetric)

$$\|\hat{u} - u\|_V \leq \frac{C_1}{C_2} \min_{\chi \in \hat{V}} \|\chi - u\|_V$$

Prove that, if $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is symmetric and $b \cdot \nabla u$, then

$$\|\hat{u} - u\|_a = \min_{\chi \in \hat{V}} \|\chi - u\|_a \quad \text{and} \quad \|\hat{u} - u\|_V \leq \sqrt{\frac{C_1}{C_2}} \min_{\chi \in \hat{V}} \|\chi - u\|_V$$

3) (Problem 5.7a/Page 74)

Consider the problem: $-\nabla \cdot (a \nabla u) + b \cdot \nabla u + cu = f$ in Ω , with $u = 0$ on Γ ,

Note that the presence of the convection term $b \cdot \nabla u$ makes the bilinear form non-symmetric.

(a) Formulate a finite element method for this problem and prove an error bound in the H_1 -norm.

Hint: see Problem 5.6

4) (Problem 5.9/Page 75)

Formulate a finite element problem corresponding to the nonhomogeneous Neuman problem (3.34). Prove error estimates.
