

1. Under what conditions is the following method (to approximate $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$) stable, where $U_i^k \equiv U(x_i, t_k)$ (justify answer)? (Hint: $e^{Imdx} - 2 + e^{-Imdx} = -4\sin^2(m * dx/2)$)

$$\frac{U_i^{k+1} - 2U_i^k + U_i^{k-1}}{dt^2} = \frac{U_{i+1}^{k+1} - 2U_i^{k+1} + U_{i-1}^{k+1}}{dx^2}$$

2. a. If a Galerkin finite element method is used to approximate the solution of $u^{iv} = f(x)$, $u(0) = u(1) = u'(1) = 0$, $u'(0) = A$, and the approximate solution is expanded as a linear combination of trial functions $\phi_i(x) : U(x) = \Omega(x) + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \phi_i(x)$ where $\Omega(x)$ satisfies all four boundary conditions, and each of the ϕ_k satisfies $\phi_k(0) = \phi_k'(0) = \phi_k(1) = \phi_k'(1) = 0$, there results a linear system $A\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ for the unknowns $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_N)$. Give formulas for the elements A_{ki}, b_k of the matrix and right hand side vector.

- b. Same question, but now the collocation method is used.

- c. If the Galerkin method is used, how many continuous derivatives must the $\phi_i(x)$ have? If collocation is used? Can cubic Hermite basis functions be used for Galerkin? Collocation?

3. Suppose the ODE $u' = f(t, u)$ is approximated by:

$$11U_{n+1} - 18U_n + 9U_{n-1} - 2U_{n-2} = 6h f(t_{n+1}, U_{n+1})$$

- a. Is the method stable? (Hint: $\lambda = 1$ is always a root of the characteristic polynomial, for consistent methods.)

- b. Calculate the truncation error (Hint: don't forget to normalize).

- c. Suppose this method is used to solve a linear ODE system $Au' = Bu + f(t)$, where A and B are matrices of constants (and A is non-singular) and u is the vector of unknowns. Then every time step, a linear system must be solved which has what matrix? Suppose A and B are N by N band matrices, with half-bandwidth $L = \sqrt{N}$. Assuming N is large, the work will be what order $O(N^?)$ to solve this linear system the first time step? On every time step after the first? (Assume you take advantage of any special structure of the matrices.)

